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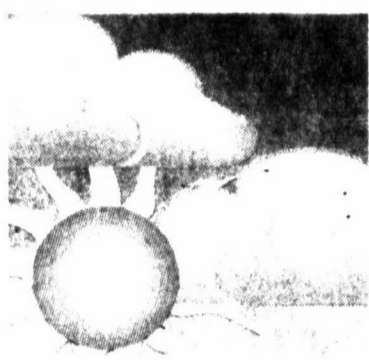


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PAMPA — Beginning April 2, the hours of operation will be reduced at the city's recycling center behind Hobart Street Park. The new hours are noon until 6 p.m. each Thursday and from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. every Friday and Saturday.

DALLAS (AP) — A 9-year-old girl who was taken by a man from her Southeast Dallas neighborhood has been found unhurt.

And an 11-year-old boy reported missing overnight today has shown up for school.

The Dallas girl, Fleisha Moore, was walking home from school Thursday when police said she was abducted by a husky man in a new purple pickup.

She was found almost six hours later along a rural stretch of Interstate 45 near Rice, about 60 miles from home. She said a man in a pickup dropped her off, but gave no other information.

Fleisha and a friend had been approached by a man in his 30s who offered them a kitten to accompany him, according to police Sgt. Jim Chandler. Fleisha was forced into the truck after her friend refused to go.

- Jackie Bichsel, 69, Dairy Queen co-manager.
- Burke W. "Bob" Carver, 70, retired Diamond Shamrock employee.
- Hattie Lea Mills, 74, former church employee.
- Bertha Dyer Moore, 87, retired store owner.
- Fannie Bell "Frankie" Smithers Brown, 89, retired beauty shop owner.

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Economy sparks PISD hiring freeze

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY
Managing Editor

PISD Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr has issued a temporary hiring freeze and is restricting spending throughout the school district as a direct result of the city's declining economy.

Preparing for a squeeze in next year's budget because of low student enrollment figures this year, school officials are looking at ways to make every dollar count, Orr explained Thursday morning.

Each year the school district estimates how many students will be enrolled and is paid accordingly by the state. When the

figures turn out to be lower than projected, like this year, the money is deducted from the following school year's state funding contributions.

"The bottom line is we'll have less state aid, plus I am anticipating lower property values," he said.

Pampa ISD is given a percentage of the property tax collected each year in Gray County.

Orr contributes the decline in student enrollment to a number of factors, including area layoffs and relocations resulting from the depressed oil industries.

The "hiring freeze," doesn't mean needed positions won't be filled, said Orr.

Instead the district will take a closer look at the personnel already available and shift them into positions they can take over right now.

In addition, Orr said spending restrictions, like a freeze on activities budgets at the high school, doesn't mean "we're restricting student activities."

It's all a matter of using resources on hand, he said, including limiting budgetary items like professional travel trips and instructional materials.

Orr said he is gathering more information for a detailed report of the 1999-2000 financial and enrollment projections at the April 15 school board meeting.

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Halliburton lays off 15 employees

By KATE B. DICKSON
Associate Publisher

The depressed oil and natural gas industry claimed more victims here Thursday as 15 employees at Halliburton Energy Services were laid off.

Most of them were "support personnel" leaving 25 workers on the job who make up the "core" group of oilfield service employees, said two Halliburton executives who came to Pampa to make the announcement.

Halliburton is the world's largest fully-integrated service company for the oil and gas industry.

Mark Awalt, Permian Basin Shared Services manager from Midland, and James Bement, Mid Continent Business Development manager from Oklahoma City, came by *The Pampa News* office after meeting with Halliburton workers.

"We knew there would be rumors and we want to make sure accurate information gets to people," said Awalt.

Bement said he's been asked if Halliburton, on Highway 60 East, is going to close and he said that is not in the plan.

Looking toward the future, he said, "The Texas Panhandle is very strategic to Halliburton's business."

"We hope to be able to call those (15) employees back when (See HALLIBURTON, Page 2)

Trooper makes I-40 'pot' bust

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

A Florida man is in Gray County Jail today on charges of possession of 20 pounds of marijuana.

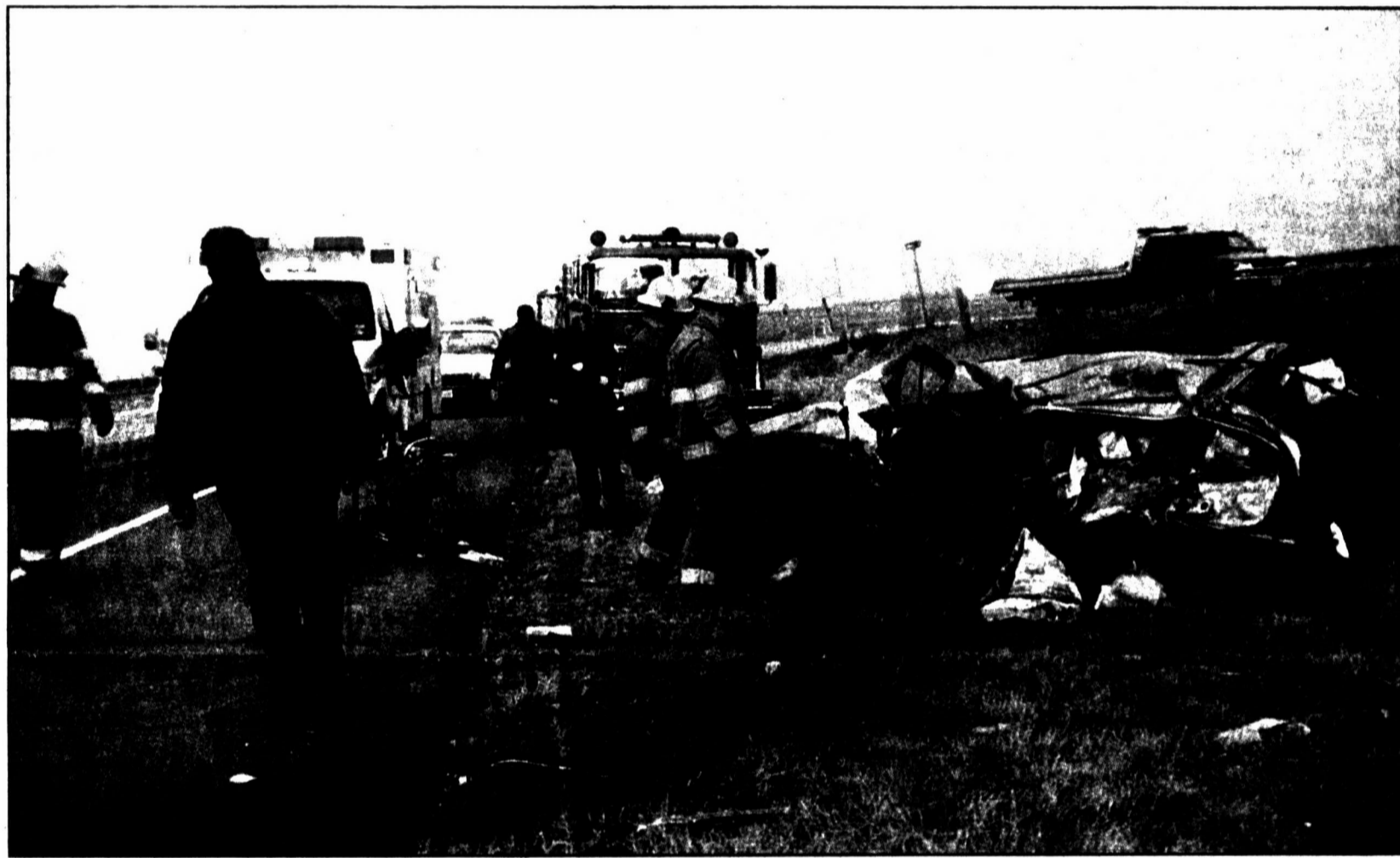
Cristino Lazaro Martinez, 40, from Miami was traveling east on I-40 about the 117-mile marker when he was stopped about 11:30 yesterday morning by DPS Trooper John Nelson for driving 73 mph in a 70-mph zone.

Nelson said he talked to Martinez, who was driving a 1997 Dodge Neon with Missouri plates, and said Martinez gave conflicting and confusing stories. Nelson said the driver told him he was on vacation, having come from New Mexico but Nelson noted that there was no luggage in the car.

When Nelson ran the driver's license the trooper said he found out Martinez had an "extensive" criminal history including a sentence in the Atlanta Federal Penitentiary for trafficking marijuana.

Nelson asked for consent to (See 'POT,' Page 2)

Morning fatality on Highway 152 East



An 84-year-old man believed to be from Arkansas was killed about 8:50 this morning when his westbound Chevrolet Celebrity station wagon and a east-bound tractor-trailer rig with Kansas tags side-swiped each other. The accident occurred just east of the intersection of Highway 152 and Gray 21, 14 miles east of Pampa. The impact caused the truck to catch fire but the driver appeared unhurt. The accident is under investigation by the DPS. The Pampa and Hoover Fire Departments responded as did Rural/Metro and sheriff's deputies.

(Pampa News photos by Jeff West)



Looking for a weekend activity? Look no more. There's lots going on

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY
Managing Editor

There's plenty to do this weekend right here in Pampa's backyard.

In case you forgot — here's a summation of a few of the big events taking place this weekend.

Tomorrow morning the public is invited to a free soup meal from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. downtown at the VFW, 105 S. Cuyler, sponsored by the First Christian Church. There are no requirements to receive the free meal, said organizer Shirley Winborne.

"We just wanted to do something for the community," she said.

At 2 p.m. following "Souper Saturday" at the VFW, citizens can take five steps next door to the Dr. V.E. von Brunow park for the dedication of a historical marker and the Gerald Sanders sculpture, "Grandfather's Vision." Community leaders and officials will gather to celebrate the historical land site.

Later than evening, First Baptist is presenting the first of a two-night showing of the Easter pageant production, "The Promise." The play, which is free to the public, is showing both Saturday and Sunday night at 7 p.m. in the First Baptist auditorium.

Whatever night residents aren't enjoying "The Promise," they are welcome to drive on

over to Calvary Baptist Church to watch "The Power Team."

A group of athletes who perform physical stunts before sharing a powerful Christian message, The Power Team is performing at 7 p.m. tonight, tomorrow night and Sunday night. There is a suggested \$2 donation.

And the Pampa Heritage Art Club's annual showing is at the Community Building, 200 North Ballard from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Also on Saturday, the St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School is having its annual Arts and Crafts Extravaganza from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Booth rental are available. No admission charge.

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Services tomorrow

BICHSEL, Jackie — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Groom.
CARVER, Burke W. — Graveside services, 11:30 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.
MILLS, Hattie Lee — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.
BROWN, Fannie Bell "Frankie" Smithers — 10 a.m., Parkside Chapel, Hereford. Burial, 12 noon, Llano Cemetery, Amarillo.

Obituaries

JACKIE BICHSEL

GROOM — Jackie Bichsel, 69, died Wednesday, March 24, 1999, at Liberal, Kan. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church of Groom with the Rev. Byron Williamson officiating. Burial will be in Groom Cemetery under the direction of Kitch Funeral Home of Liberal.

Mrs. Bichsel was born at Groom and, other than living in Amarillo for 20 years, spent most of her life there. She married Leonard Nepper in 1945; he died in 1968. She married Wallace Bichsel in 1969 at Groom. She co-managed the Dairy Queen at Groom and belonged to Groom First Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, Wallace; a daughter, Cindy Babcock of Groom; two sons, Dr. Gaylon Nepper of Liberal and Terry Nepper of Canyon; two stepdaughters, Adela Kotara of Groom and Theresa Abernathy of Austin; two sisters, Maxine Quick of Amarillo and Sybil Brown of Groom; four brothers, Kenneth Black of Groom, Doug Black of Amarillo and Herschel Black and Chubby Black, both of Hereford; 12 grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Jackie Bichsel Scholarship Fund at State National Bank of Groom and will receive visitors from 1-9 p.m. today at Kitch Funeral Home and from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at Groom First Baptist Church.

BURKE W. 'BOB' CARVER

Burke W. "Bob" Carver, 70, of Pampa, died Thursday, March 25, 1999. Graveside services will be at 11:30 a.m. Saturday in Memory Gardens Cemetery with the Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor of Briarwood Full Gospel Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Mr. Carver was born June 10, 1928, at Borger and had been a lifelong Pampa resident. He married Dulsa "Dut" Reynolds on June 6, 1980. He was a pumper for Diamond Shamrock prior to retiring in 1983 after 31 years of service.

He attended Briarwood Full Gospel Church. He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Dorothy Carver; and a brother, Tommy Carver.

Survivors include his wife, Dulsa, of the home; two stepsons, Larry Howell of Pampa and Gary Howell of Tulsa, Okla.; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Senior Citizens, 500 W. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065.

HATTIE LEA MILLS

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. — Hattie Lea Mills, 74, died Wednesday, March 24, 1999. Memorial services were to be at 10 a.m. today in Mustang United Methodist Church at Mustang, Okla., with the Rev. Randy Hodgson officiating. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa with the Rev. Todd Dyess, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Pampa, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Mrs. Mills was born Nov. 2, 1924, at La Junta, Colo. She was raised at Idabel, Okla., and graduated from Hayworth High School. She grew up in the Redlands community outside of Idabel. She married James Arther Mills on Aug. 3, 1945, at Oklahoma City; he died in 1971. She moved to Pampa in 1953 from Elk City, Okla. She worked at Dixie Parts for two years and was church secretary at First United Methodist Church for 11 years. She belonged to WinSome Sunday School Class.

She moved to Yukon, Okla., in 1980 and worked for Ridgecrest United Methodist Church for two years.

She was a member of Mustang United Methodist Church and United Methodist Women at Mustang.

She was preceded in death by her father, William Harvey Pulte, and a son-in-law, Alfred Wayne Ray, on Oct. 16, 1998.

Survivors include a daughter, Coreta Sue Ray of El Reno, Okla.; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Elvin Ronald Mills of La Porte and Kelvin Keith and DeeDee Mills, both of San Marcos; her mother, Gladys Pulte of Idabel; three sisters, Alene Mathews and Donna Dollard, both of Idabel, and Doris Whisenhunt of Navasota; two brothers, Donald Pulte of Idabel and Billy Pulte of Kemp; and two grandchildren, Curtis Wayne Ray and Christa J'Nan Ray, both of El Reno.

The family requests memorials be to American Cancer Society.

BERTHA DYER MOORE

Bertha Dyer Moore, 87, of Pampa, died Wednesday, March 17, 1999. The body was cremated and consequently will not be available for viewing. Memorial services will be at 7 p.m. (MST) Monday in East Aztec Baptist Church at Gallup, N.M., with the Rev. Gene Turk officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Moore was born Oct. 3, 1911, at Valley Mills. She married Gordon Moore on Jan. 29,

1933, at Sayre, Okla. She moved from Pampa to Gallup, N.M., in the early 1930s.

While her husband managed the El Rancho Hotel at Gallup, she managed the hotel gift shop. She later owned-operated the Sweet Shop, where she was known as "Aunt B" by all her young customers. She also worked for Sellards Jewelry Store and R. & R. Dress Shop for several years. Most people remember her from the Sweetbriar Shop which she managed for 18 years, retiring in 1975.

She returned to Pampa on April 1, 1994.

She was a charter member of B.P.O.E. She was preceded in death by a sister, "Bill" Williams; and by two nephews, Ray Williams and Beryl Williams.

Survivors include her husband, Gordon, of the home; three nieces, Barbara Williams and her husband Bill Calloway, both of Pampa, Jerilyn Moore and Linda Caviglia, both of Fresno, Calif.; two nephews, John Moore of Alameda, Calif., and James Moore of California; a great-niece, Terry Lemons of Pampa; and three great-nephews, Nick Williams of Pampa, Rob Williams of Amarillo and Eddie Williams of Abilene.

The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church Building Fund in Pampa or to Crown of Texas Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101.

FANNIE BELL 'FRANKIE' SMITHERS BROWN

DIMMITT — Fannie Bell "Frankie" Smithers Brown, 89, died Wednesday, March 24, 1999, at Canterbury Villa Care Center at Dimmitt. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Parkside Chapel at Hereford. Burial will be at 12 noon at Llano Cemetery in Amarillo under the direction of Parkside Chapel Funeral Home of Hereford.

Mrs. Brown was born July 16, 1909, at Endee, N.M., to Claude and Sallie (Luke) Smithers. She married Anthony Brown on March 24, 1982, at Clovis, N.M.; he died in 1988.

She was a retired beautician and owned-operated the Baylor Beauty Shop for many years at Waco. She belonged to Fellowship of Believers Church in Hereford.

Survivors include several stepchildren, step-grandchildren, and stepgreat-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and reports during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, March 25

Alma Jean Burge, 35, Plaindealing, La., was arrested on charges of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana.

Michael Brandon Cook, 19, 723 Malone, was arrested on charges of failure to display a valid drivers license.

Manual Garcia, 43, 941 E. Kentucky, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated.

James Ledford, 17, 1201 S. Christy, was arrested on warrants.

Hit and run was reported in the 1000 block of Duncan.

Forgery was reported in the 300 block of West Kingsmill.

Forgery was reported in the 300 block of East Brown.

Phone harassment was reported in the 100 block of Mora.

Sheriff's Office

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

Thursday, March 25

Cristino L. Martinez, 40, Miami Fl., was arrested by the DPS on charges of possession of marijuana.

Lamont Nickleberry, 23, 1100 Prairie, was arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver.

Jackie Lynn Vaughn, 38, 815 N. Nelson, was arrested on charges of assault causing bodily injury.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents for the 72-hour period ending at 7 a.m. on Friday, March 26.

Wednesday, March 24

An accident was reported at 300 S. Starkweather, when a 1976 tan Chevrolet Cheyenne truck driven by Austin McDowell, 66, 821 1/2 E. Campbell, collided with a 1991 white Honda Accord, driven by Lessia Brooks, 29, 532 Powell. McDowell was issued a citation for turning an unsafe left.

An accident was reported at the intersection of Hobart and Francis when a 1985 Black Chevy Eurosport, driven by Shawna Laray Robinson, 24, 1018 Love, collided with a 1987 Dodge Ram van driven by Paul Peters, 82, 112 S. Sumner. Robinson was issued a citation for running a red light.

Correction

Pampa Middle School eighth-grade mayor Max Simon was incorrectly identified in Thursday's paper.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. on Friday, March 26.

Thursday, March 25

7:43 a.m. — Two units and two personnel responded to 901 Malone on a first responder call.

2:43 p.m. — Two units and six personnel responded to One Medical Plaza on a false alarm.

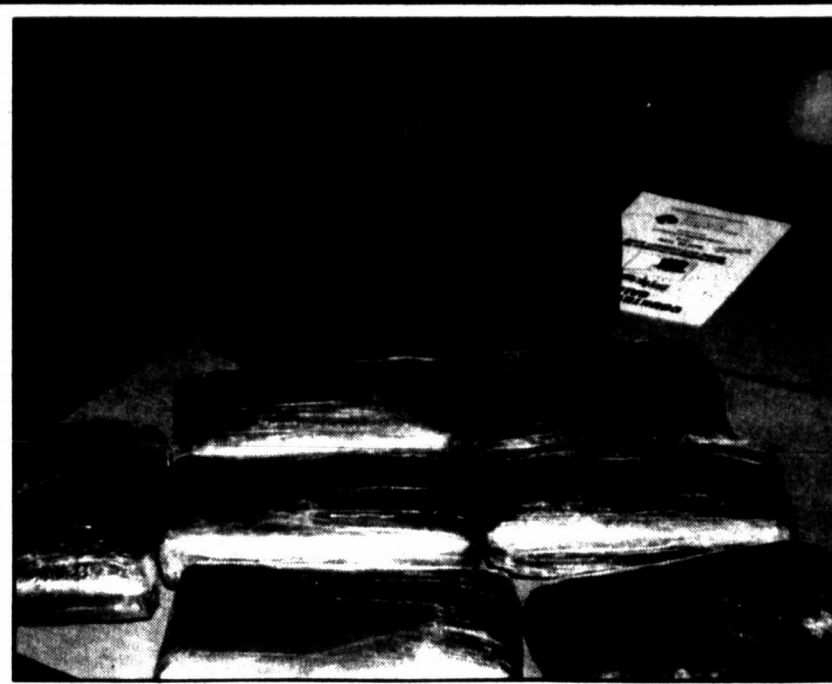
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search the Neon, which the trooper said belonged to Martinez's girlfriend in Kansas City, and was granted permission by the driver.

Inside the truck Nelson found no luggage except a black bag. The bag, he said, contained seven duct-tape-wrapped bundles of marijuana that weighed about 22 pounds and has a street value of roughly \$20,000.

Bond for Martinez had not been set at press time.

In photo at right, the bundles have been removed from the bag for evidence inventory.



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HALLIBURTON

market conditions improve," Bement said.

And it is just that — poor oil and gas market conditions — that sparked the layoffs here and in other Halliburton locations, the men said.

But as bad as it is for service companies, Awalt said those in the drilling industry have suffered even worse financially as oil and gas prices have dropped. "I don't think the employees were very surprised

... they know what the market conditions are like," Awalt said of the job cuts.

Each person was given a severance package for the layoffs that were immediately effective, the men said.

While not having a "crystal ball," Bement said Halliburton executives do believe the oil and gas industry "will have a slight recovery during the third and fourth quarters, but it won't be anything significant."

Court report

Marriage licenses

Blake Bullock Allen and Erica Rene Koehler
 Christopher Louis Smith and Christie Lynn Mitchell
 William Curtis Marshall and Chyrl Laureena Marshall

Matthew Craig Courter and Donna June Williams
 Billy Ray Swanson and Kelley Louise Lambright
 Bryan Lee Gosselein and Deredah Rachele Weldon
 Jimmy Adison Dooley and Betty Whitson
 Stanley Michael Warren and Sandra Irene Etchison

Edward Domingo Losoya and Cecilia Patricia Dominguez
 Samuel Lee Smith and Berkley Ann Nickelberry
 Ynvangelio Leal and Bobbie Lynne Odell

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.		Coca-Cola.....64 1/4 dn 1 5/8	
Wheat.....2.51	Halliburton.....37 7/8 up 3/8	Columbia/HCA.....18 7/8 dn 1/8	Enron.....65 7/16 dn 5/16
Milo.....3.35	IRI.....3 11/16 up 1/8	KME.....20 11/16 dn 1/16	Kerr McGee.....33 1/4 up 3/4
Corn.....3.73	Limited.....36 11/16 up 1/8	McDonald's.....44 1/4 up 5/16	Mobil.....89 1/8 NC
Soybeans.....4.19	New Atmos.....23 9/16 dn 1/8	NCE.....40 1/16 dn 13/16	Peemey's.....40 1/16 dn 13/16
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Occidental.....17 5/16 up 3/16	SLB.....58 1/2 up 1/4	Tenneco.....29 1/8 dn 3/8	Texasco.....55 3/16 up 7/16
Magellan.....129.29	Ultranat.....20 13/16 up 9/16	Williams.....38 7/8 dn 5/8	West Texas Crude.....15.26
Puritan.....20.23	The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.		
Arco.....64 11/16 up 5/8	NA	New York Gold.....277.10	Silver.....5.02
Cabot.....22 3/4 dn 1/4	NA		
Cabot O&G.....14 5/16 up 1/8	NA		
Chevron.....86 1/2 dn 7/16	NA		

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

THEE PLACE

Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP

If interested in the ADHD/ADD Support Group call Connie at 669-9364.

ST. MARK CME CHURCH

St. Mark will host a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS

The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys potluck

will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Clyde Carruth Pavillion. For more information, contact Keven Romines at 665-8547 or Jim Greene at 665-8067.

SINGLES DANCE

Pampa Area Singles Dance, featuring Karaoke Country with Dee O'Kellee at M.K. Brown Auditorium on March 27 from 7-11 p.m. Pot luck, \$5, no-smoking or alcohol. For more information call 665-0219.

HERITAGE ART CLUB

Once again, the Heritage Art Club is having their Art Show on Saturday, Mar. 27 from 10 a.m. till 5 p.m., and Sunday Mar. 28 from p.m. to 4 p.m. Public is invited, no charge.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Partly cloudy and breezy today with a high of 63 and southeast winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy with a low in the lower 40s and southeast winds at 10-20 mph. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy and breezy with a chance of rain and a high of 60. Yesterday's high was 59; the overnight low 36.

REGIONAL FORECAST

WEST TEXAS — South Plains/Extreme Southern Panhandle/Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s to mid 40s. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of light rain. Possibly a thunderstorm. Highs 55-65. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Tonight, cloudy with areas of drizzle and fog. A slight chance of light rain. Lows in the mid 40s. Saturday, cloudy. A chance of showers, possibly a thunderstorm. Highs 60-65. Saturday night, a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Lows in the 40s. Concho

Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows 50 to 55. Saturday, cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 60s. Far West Texas — Tonight, cloudy with a chance of showers, possibly a thunderstorm. Lows in the mid 40s. Saturday, cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the mid 60s.

NORTH TEXAS — Tonight, mostly cloudy west, partly cloudy east. Lows 40 to 50. Saturday, cloudy with a chance of rain west. Mostly cloudy central and east. Highs 67 to 71.

SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, cloudy with a slight chance of rain east and a chance of showers and thunderstorms west. Lows in the 50s. Saturday, cloudy with a chance of rain east, showers and thunderstorms likely west. Highs in the 60s. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Tonight, mostly clear. Lows from the mid 40s north, to the upper 50s at the coast. Saturday, increasing cloudiness. A slight chance of

showers southwest late. Highs 67 to 72. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s to lower 60s. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance for showers. Highs in the 70s.

BORDER STATES

NEW MEXICO — Tonight, partly cloudy north with variable cloudiness south. A chance for showers mainly southern half. A few evening thunderstorms possible south central and southwest. Lows in the mid 20s and 30s mountains with mid 30s to mid 40s elsewhere. Saturday and Saturday night, partly cloudy north with variable cloudiness south. A chance for showers or thunderstorms mainly southern half. Highs in the mid 40 to upper 60s mountains with mostly 60s at lower elevations. Lows in the mid 20s and 30s mountains with mid 30s to 40s at lower elevations.

OKLAHOMA — Tonight, increasing cloudiness west, fair east. Lows in the 40s. Saturday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms west. High 60s.

City briefs

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YARD WORK. Call Wade Gardner. 665-2386. Adv.

BY POPULAR DEMAND Kracker Jack will be back 3-26, 27th, at Sunset Bar & Grill. Adv.

LADIES, LADIES - The Hollywood Playboys will be at Sunset Bar & Grill, Apr. 1. \$5 admission. Reserv. 669-0959. Adv.

DR. KENNETH Roysce is now back in his veterinary office after knee surgery. Roysce Animal Hospital, 665-2223. Adv.

ALL TYPES roofing, general carpentry, plumbing, electrical, yard scalping. Free est. James 665-7055. Adv.

DANCE MCLEAN Country Club, Sat. 27th, 8-11:30 p.m. to Schneiders. Members & guests. Adv.

EASTER TREATS - Sugar cured, hickory smoked hams. Old fashioned, fully cooked & spiral sliced honey glazed. Smoked turkey breast, brisquets & prime ribs. Clint & Sons, 1421 N. Hobart, 665-2825. Place your order today, supplies limited. Adv.

WANT TO Buy used "T" post, also livestock drinking tub. 665-2223. Adv.

EASTER IS just around the corner, we have everything for your Easter baskets, candies, toys & plush animals. We can also do stuffed balloons for your little one for Easter. Come on in or call 665-3100, Celebrations, 125 N. Somerville. We deliver. Adv.

DOCTORS DAY, Tues. Mar. 30th, send your favorite Dr. a balloon bouquet, gift basket or candy. Call or come in. Celebrations for all your gift giving. 125 N. Somerville. We deliver. Adv.

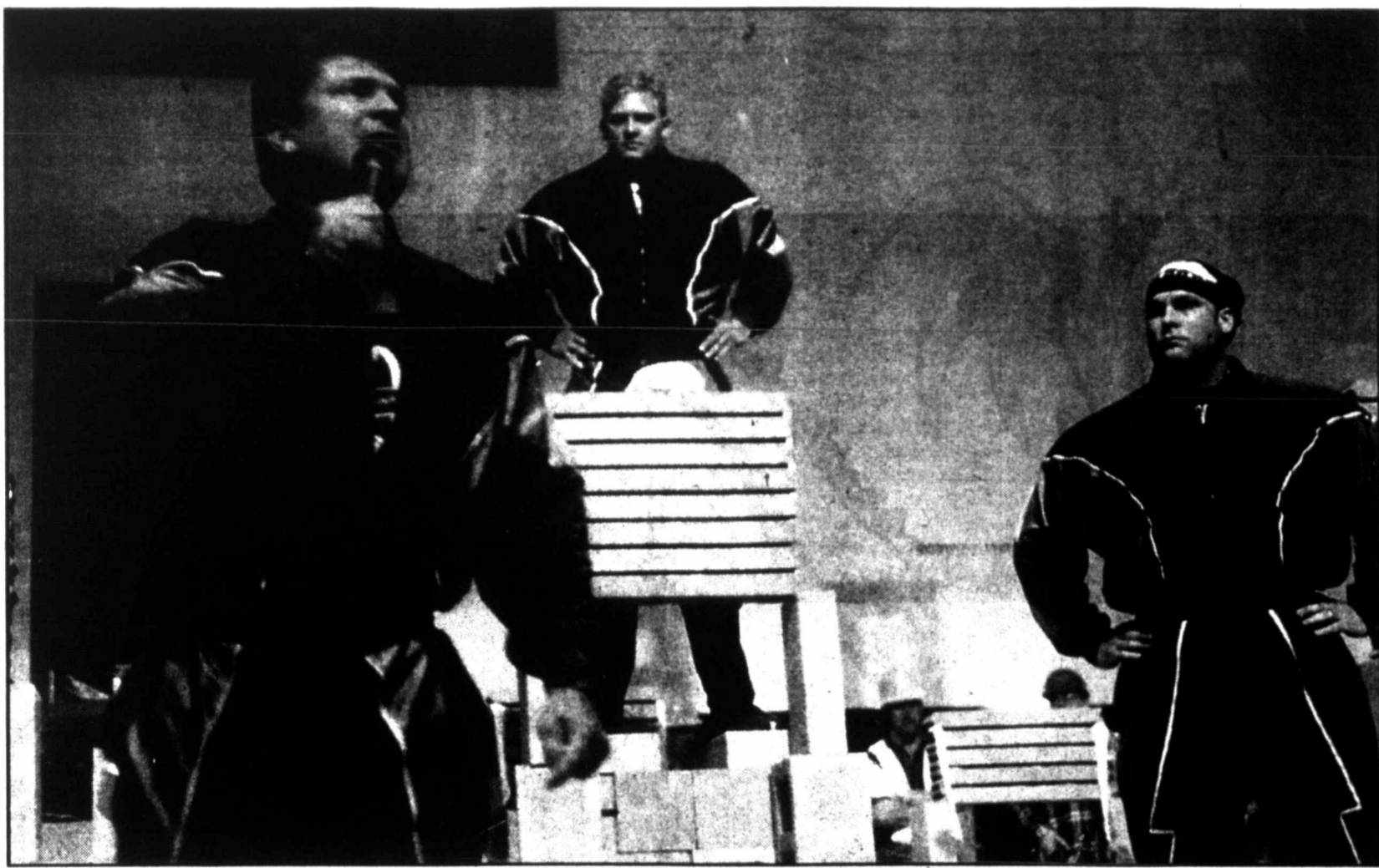
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Power Team



The Internationally known Power Team is appearing at 7 p.m. each night through March 28 at Calvary Baptist Church. Above are (left-right) team members Mike Hagen, Marc Wilkes and Guy Earle.

(Pampa News photo by Danny Cowan)

TDDDC offering training program

AUSTIN — Individuals who have developmental disabilities or parents who have young children with disabilities are invited to apply for an extensive leadership training program. The Texas Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities is seeking applications for Partners in Policymaking, now entering its 10th year due to the ongoing demand for the training.

This training builds skills adults with disabilities and parents need to effectively participate in policymaking and obtain the most appropriate state-of-the-art services for themselves and others. Participants explore current developmental disabilities issues, best practices and policymaking and legislative processes at the local, state and federal levels. The goal is to achieve a productive partnership between people needing and using services and those in a position to make policy and law.

"Partners" attend eight two-day training sessions over a nine month period. These begin at noon on Friday and conclude Saturday afternoon. Each participant is expected to complete assignments between sessions and to commit to one major assignment such as serving an internship, organizing a letter writing campaign or organizing town meetings for public officials. Attendance at all sessions is mandatory.

Monthly classes will be held in Austin from August 1999-April 2000 except for December. Expenses for travel, lodging, meals, respite care and personal assistance services for participants are covered by the program.

Applicants should be highly motivated and represent a variety of ethnic backgrounds, geographic regions of the state and disabilities. The council is especially interested in reaching people who are not actively involved in existing advocacy organizations.

Applications must be postmarked by May 15.

For more information or for an application, call Laura Buckner at 1-888-817-1586; write the Texas Planning Council for Developmental Disabilities, 4900 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, TX 78751-2399; or check out the council's website at <http://www.rehab.state.tx.us/tpcdd/Index.htm>.

WTAMU to present Showcase of Music

CANYON — Students in the West Texas A&M University Department of Music and Dance will showcase their talent in instrumental, classical, jazz and choral music at WTAMU's 18th Annual Showcase of Music beginning at 8 p.m. Friday, April 9 at the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium.

The annual program netted more than \$12,000 for student scholarships last year and more than \$200,000 since the program's inception. The two-hour performance, co-sponsored by the Amarillo Globe-News, includes soloists, chamber ensembles and a 100-member choral and instrumental group.

"This is definitely the most exciting concert the department produces each year," Dr. Ted DuBois, head of the Department of Music and Dance, said. "The groups have prepared some of their finest work for this performance."

Groups slated to perform include the Symphonic Band, the Double Reed Ensemble, the Percussion Ensemble, a French Horn Choir, the Music Therapy Club, the Clarinet Choir, the Collegiate Chorus, Sforzando, the WT Chorale, the Jazz Band, the Trumpet Choir and the Flute Choir.

A special student group, Southern Fried Funk, won the Student Competition and a spot on the Showcase program. The jazz group members are Travis Barney, alto saxophone and a senior music major from La Grange; Raquel Rodriguez, trumpet and a senior music major from Kermit; Robert Boone, trombone and a senior music major from Victoria; Jose Vasquez, sousaphone and a sophomore music major from Odessa; and Corey Tice, percussion and a senior music major from Dumas.

A traditional preconcert show will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium lobby. The runner-up in the student competition, 11 Miles East, will perform "Lady Katherine" by Robin C. Brannon, senior music major from Borger. The percussion group members are Geoff Elsner, a graduate student in music performance from Canyon; Nick Mears, a sophomore music major from Sanford; Jon Seale, a freshman music major from Brenham; Brandon Haynes, a senior music major from Midland; and Brannon.

Admission to the concert is \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets are available in

Canyon from the WTAMU music office located in Room 102 of the Fine Arts Building on the WTAMU campus, and in Amarillo from Tolzien Music Company and Randy's Music

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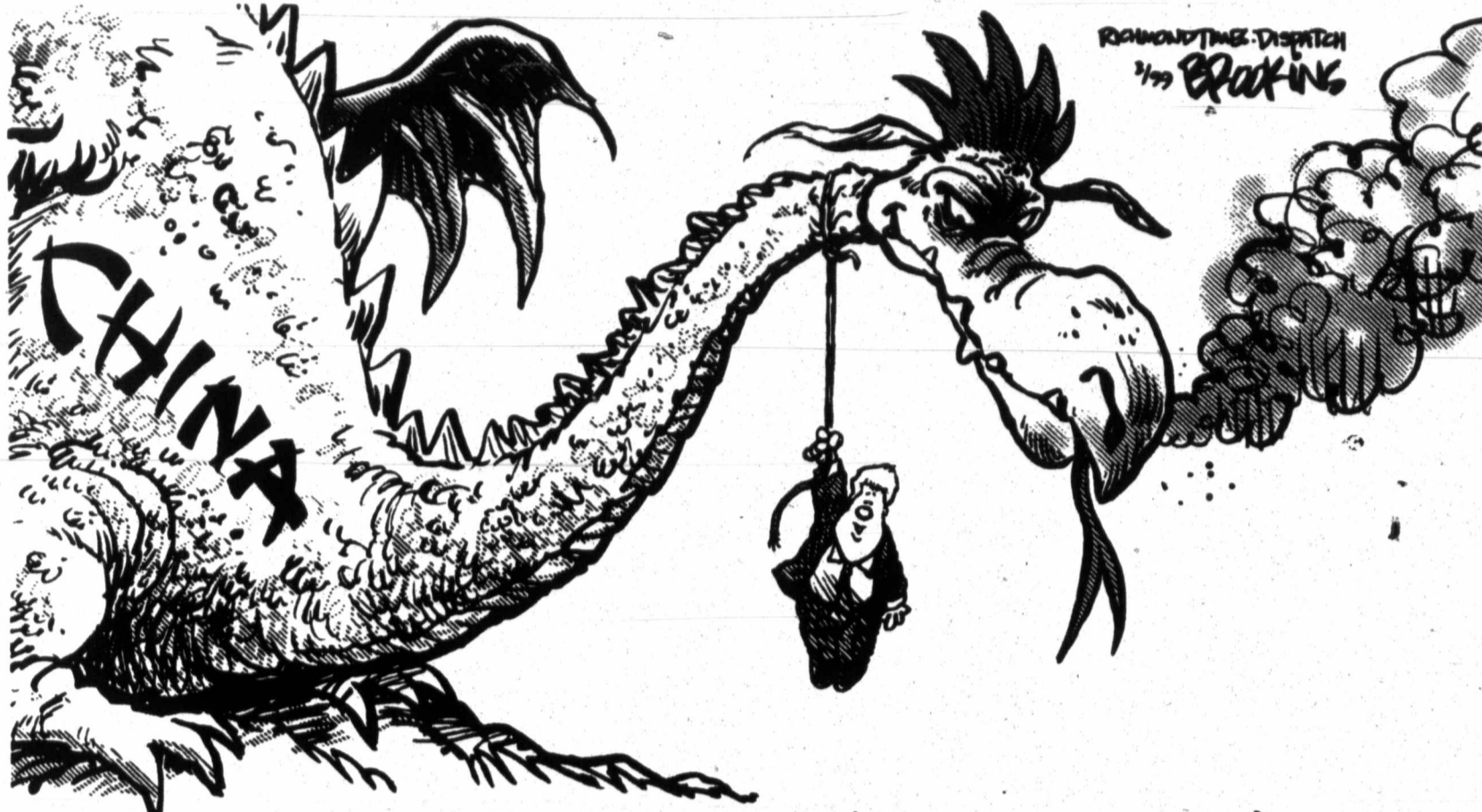
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"DON'T WORRY...EVERYTHING'S UNDER CONTROL..."

Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from Texas newspapers:
March 22

Houston Chronicle on women's health bill:
 The Texas Legislature is facing many tough choices, with all the various requests to spend the money available to it many times over.

One of the most worthy of such requests is due to be taken up this week — the Texas Campaign for Women's Health. With a broad coalition of supporters, \$40 million is being requested over the next biennium to help ensure the health and well-being of many of Texas' most disadvantaged women.

The program would help provide mammography, cervical cancer testing, health care for older women and the like. Texas is woefully underfunded in these areas and the results are alarming and costly to Texas as a whole.

With full funding, the Campaign for Women's Health actually could lead to fewer unintended pregnancies and Medicaid-paid births, lower abortion rates, decreased financial burdens on local community healthcare resources and decreased healthcare costs for us all.

Corpus Christi Caller-Times on teacher pay:

As a group, we Texans take inordinate pleasure in pointing out to the less fortunate that in any number of categories, we're No. 1: best highways; most maniacal high school football fans; most authentic honky-tonks. ... However, we are notably reticent with regard to our shortcomings. One of the most inexplicable, and embarrassing, of these now occupies center stage in Austin: When it comes to paying public school teachers a living wage, let alone one commensurate with the importance of their contributions, we trail the pack. ... badly.

The numbers are remorseless. As matters now stand, teachers' salaries in Texas — the great, powerful, self-congratulatory state of Texas — rank 36th in the nation. It would take a \$6,000 raise just to get Texas teachers' annual salaries up to the national average of \$38,611, state Sen. Carlos Truan pointed out Monday during a teachers' rally at the Capitol.

For years, governors and lawmakers were able to sidestep the issue, pleading that the state's coffers simply didn't contain enough cash to make a meaningful dent in the status quo. Teachers, though understandably dismayed, buckled down and continued to tote the load, looking toward some happier day when they could press their cause in a reasonable expectation of getting more action and less poor-mouthing.

Now, at long last, the day has arrived — and it's time to translate all that rhetoric about excellence in public education into a hefty across-the-board hike for Texas teachers. I'll-be-getting-back-to-you-on-that won't pass muster this time.

The crucial difference, of course, is that in this legislative session, the governor and the members of the House and Senate find themselves in the pleasant position of having to decide how to deal with a budget surplus.

That has set off a veritable feeding frenzy, with interest groups and special constituencies converging from every point of the compass to claim their share of the bounty. Already the hedging has begun: Currently, Gov. George W. Bush's position is that the state ought to funnel money back to the school districts with a strong recommendation that it be applied to teacher pay.

His caution is understandable, but he and the rest of the state's leadership must move beyond it. Texas' teachers have been on short rations entirely too long. Some have left the profession and migrated to the private sector. But many others have hung in there in the hope that, eventually, their claim would be heard and heeded. The day is at hand. It's time to stand and deliver.

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Politicians and term limits

Term limits took the country by storm a few years ago, and you couldn't find a stronger supporter of the idea than George Nethercutt. The Washington Republican ran for Congress in 1994 promising to push for limits on congressional service and pledging that he would step down after three terms.

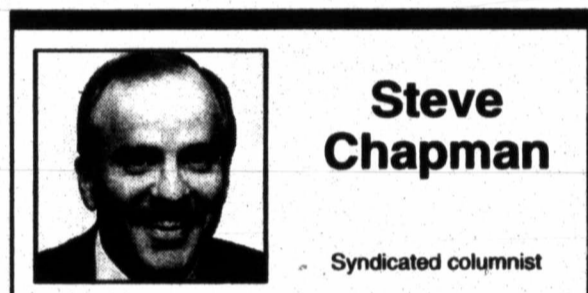
He was not the only candidate who did that, but he was the only one trying to unseat House Speaker Tom Foley. The speaker was adamantly opposed to the idea, going so far as to file a lawsuit that ended up overturning a voter-approved Washington measure restricting congressional tenure. Nethercutt got a lot of help from the organization Americans for Limited Terms, which spent \$320,000 attacking Foley, and eked out a 4,000-vote victory. He had pulled off the upset of the year, and he owed it all to the term-limits issue.

He didn't forget it. Last year, running for reelection, he reminded voters, "Term limits was one of the defining issues of my 1994 campaign. I am personally committed to honoring the limits of Washington state's 1992 term-limits law by only serving six years as a representative."

But now it's 1999, and Nethercutt finds that the issue is more complicated than he thought. He has come to the realization that six years is "probably not enough." A spokesman told the Los Angeles Times that Nethercutt "will not make a final decision until he has a stronger sense of his constituents' views on the matter."

His constituents' views on the matter? What do they have to do with anything? If Nethercutt wanted voters to be the ultimate judge, he shouldn't have supported term limits in the first place. The whole point of these measures is to prevent voters from re-electing someone they would choose to re-elect.

If we wanted a method to get rid of office-



Steve Chapman
 Syndicated columnist

holders the voters don't like, there was no need for term limits. We already had one: elections. When he ran against Foley, Nethercutt didn't tell voters he would leave in six years if they weren't happy with him. He told them he would leave even if they were happy with him. This may not make much sense, as opponents of term limits like me have long noted, but voters thought they needed to be protected from themselves.

Nethercutt is not the only member who has discovered that the concept is much more appealing when you're running for your first term than when you've been in office a while. Sen. Conrad Burns (R-Mont.) recently reneged on his 1988 promise to quit after two terms. Last year, Rep. Scott McInnis (R-Colo.) abandoned his 1992 commitment and won a fourth term.

Rep. Tillie Fowler (R-Fla.) successfully pushed a measure restricting Florida state legislators to eight years, using the slogan "Eight Is Enough." She also pledged to leave Congress after the 2000 election but now says she may run again. Marty Meehan (D-Mass.), elected in 1992 after vowing to serve a maximum of four terms, is also wavering — even though he once sent a letter to the House clerk instructing her to remove his name from the

roll of members if he stayed longer than he promised.

None of the pretexts offered for these changes of heart is quite convincing. McInnis' press secretary says that when he made the pledge in 1992, "He did underestimate the value of experience." Sure he did. And I'm Gwyneth Paltrow.

McInnis had served for 10 years in the state legislature, so he already had a pretty fair idea of how long it takes to learn the job of law-making. Says Edward Crane, a member of the board of U.S. Term Limits, "Maybe we shouldn't let them vote for the first six years if it takes that much experience."

Fowler has a different excuse for why eight may not be enough: She just got elected to a post in the House Republican leadership, giving her influence that could be used to help Florida. But it is not exactly news that if you commit to leave after a certain period, you give up the advantages offered by tenure and seniority. Her constituents were aware of those perks, because her predecessor had occupied the seat since the Truman administration. They voted for Fowler because they preferred a short-term representative, even if it meant forfeiting that sort of clout.

Attempts to evade responsibility for these solemn commitments will merely achieve the near-impossible feat of lowering public esteem for Congress. Nethercutt and Co. may find ways to justify their reversal, but to the average person, they will only bring to mind the politician who one night got a visit from the devil, offering a proposition: "I will make you president of the United States, in return for your immortal soul." The politician thought a minute and then replied: "So, what's the catch?"

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, March 26, the 85th day of 1999. There are 280 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 26, 1979, the Camp David peace treaty was signed by

Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin and Egyptian President Anwar Sadat at the White House.

On this date:

In 1804, the Louisiana Purchase was divided into the Territory of Orleans and the District of Louisiana.

In 1827, composer Ludwig van Beethoven died in Vienna.

In 1875, poet Robert Frost was born in San Francisco.

In 1892, poet Walt Whitman died in Camden, N.J.

In 1911, playwright Tennessee

Williams was born in Columbus, Miss.

In 1958, the U.S. Army launched America's third successful satellite, Explorer III.

In 1964, the musical play "Funny Girl" opened on Broadway.

Women authors explore pay issue

They deserve a certain admiration, these tireless liberals do, for their ceaseless struggle to right wrongs — even when the wrongs are all in their heads.

Take equal pay. According to the AFL-CIO, Sen. Tom Daschle and President Bill Clinton, unequal pay continues to beset American women. Columnist Ellen Goodman argues that while women earned 59 cents on the dollar compared with men in 1969, they now earn 74 cents on the dollar compared with men.

President Clinton cites the same figure and hopes for passage of legislation that would permit the Department of Labor to evaluate jobs and tell employers what to pay each employee.

Echoing a thousand campaigns past, the National Committee on Pay Equity (an arm of the AFL-CIO) has issued a handbook for activists that recommends such ideas as "Hold a BBQ or community cookout with food that is reduced in size to reflect the wage gap" or encourage local restaurants to offer "discounts on selected items to highlight the disparity in pay, such as: a drink special, with \$0.74 drinks for women and \$1.00 drinks for men."

As usual, the zeal of these would-be reformers is inversely proportional to their accuracy.

Ellen Goodman is quite wrong to imagine that little has changed since 1969. One thing that has changed is that the national debate now profits from the contributions of non-feminist but scholarly women who know how to evaluate data.

A pair of them, Diana Furchtgott-Roth, an economist with the American Enterprise Institute, and Christine Stolba, a doctoral can-



Mona Charen
 Syndicated columnist

didate at Emory University, have published (with the help of the Independent Women's Forum) a new edition of their book "Women's Figures: An Illustrated Guide to the Economic Progress of Women in America."

As everyday experience suggests, women have made dramatic economic progress in the past 40 years. In nearly every field of endeavor, from advanced degrees to business ownership, women have made great strides.

Women comprised only 12 percent of pharmacists in 1970, compared with 44 percent today. They were only 27 percent of public relations specialists, whereas they now dominate the field with 66 percent. There are five times as many female lawyers today as there were 30 years ago and nearly three times as many doctors.

The wage gap, Furchtgott-Roth and Stolba explain, is a crude comparison of the wages of all men compared with the wages of all women. It does not take into account education, training, time on the job, or full or part-time work. In reality, the most important factor in the wage gap between men and women is probably summed up in one word: children.

Women with children tend to take more time off from work, accumulate less seniority and accordingly earn less than men. And the more children a woman has, the more her income is likely to suffer. The National Longitudinal Survey of Youth finds that among workers ages 27 to 33 who have no children, women's earnings are 98 percent of men's.

The president, the AFL-CIO and other organs of the establishment tend to take it on faith that when men's and women's wages differ, discrimination must be at work. They are familiar with the data showing that mothers earn less than childless women but tend to see this as yet further discrimination. Furchtgott-Roth and Stolba respond with an economist's question: If firms can get away with such discrimination, why do we not see employers taking advantage of this by hiring only mothers and pocketing the profits?

This slim volume deserves an award for maximum number of myths shattered per page. Do women enter the work force because they must or because they choose? The latter, in most cases. Does a glass ceiling keep women from the top echelon of business? No, it takes decades to rack up the education and work experience necessary to become a top CEO. As women move up the pipeline, they are achieving top spots. Though feminists complain of a "pink ghetto," it is men who hold the vast majority of the least desirable and most dangerous jobs such as pest controller and timber cutter. For every woman who is killed on the job, 13 men die.

The Labor Department should look into this. Comparable death, anyone?

Termite inspections help protect property

COLLEGE STATION — Get ready to guard your home and other property investments for a potentially destructive adversary: the termite. Because of this year's mild Texas winter, the termite population was not set back and statewide conditions are ripe for an exceptionally active termite season. And while the insatiable insects cost Texans \$300 million annually in damage and associated expenses, Texas Agricultural Extension Service entomologists say there is something you can do to protect your investments and prevent costly damage.

Every year in early February to early March, termites go through a swarming behavior. This is when the king and queen termites leave the colony to establish new colonies. Extension entomologist Dr. Roger Gold said prime conditions for termite swarming activity include 70-degree temperatures and spring rains.

"When we see these kind of conditions, the termites will actually start to build mud tubes on and around the structure and they will swarm from that," he

Hospice stamp to be issued

The U.S. Postal Service recently issued one of its newest commemorative first-class 33¢ stamps in recognition of the 3,000 hospices, 25,000 professionals and more than 100,000 volunteers who have made hospice, increasingly, the quality end-of-life choice for Americans.

Crown of Texas Hospice and Postmaster Jim Pridmore will commemorate the new hospice stamp from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday, March 31 at the post office in Pampa. A special presentation is scheduled at 10:30 a.m.

The public will have the opportunity to purchase the hospice stamp which may be "canceled" with the hospice cancellation.

The "Hospice Care" stamp symbolizes life's journey to its final stage, the part where hospice lends its vision for end-of-life care. The use of color gradations is an attempt to convey transition through the stages of life until we come home to death. The butterfly is a symbol of spiritual release — a positive metaphor for the last transition of life.

More than 100 million stamps will be issued and are available at every post office in the nation.

Realtor receives service award

Century 21 Real Estate Corp., franchisor of the world's largest real estate sales organization, has announced Century 21 Pampa Realty, Inc., is the recipient of the Quality Service Office Award.

The Quality Service Award is an integral part of Century 21 System's commitment to excellence and recognizes offices based on customer responses received from the Quality Service Survey.

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Century 21 Pampa Realty, Inc., has five years of experience in the real estate industry and has been affiliated with the Century 21 System for three years.

Century 21 Real Estate Corp., has recognized Jim Davidson, of the Pampa affiliate, as a Centurion Producer and to Master Level status following his continuous sales success.

ACS chair resigns

Officials from the American Cancer Society are announcing Essie Mae Walters, longtime volunteer memorial chair for the American Cancer Society Gray/Roberts unit, has resigned her position effective immediately.

Walters has served the Gray/Roberts unit for over 15 years. She handled all the memorials for both Gray and Roberts counties.

"Essie Mae has done a great job for us all these years," said Chris Hurt, field representative for the American Cancer Society. "It means a lot to me and this organization when a volunteer is willing to give so much time to an organization. That really says a lot about the person and the organization. Her time and effort is greatly appreciated."

Clint Caylor will take over her job duties as the memorial chair for the unit. Send all memorial donations to: Clint Caylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, TX 79065.

said. "This is when the insects become very apparent and easy to spot for most people."

Gold said termites look a lot like ants, but have one major distinguishing characteristic.

"Termites are broadly joined at the waist unlike ants," he said. "They don't have the 'wasp-type' waist that ants do, and they are whitish to gray in color. There can be thousands of these insects in a colony or in a section of a wall."

The mud tubes that the termites build are used as tunnels into and out of the structure, Gold said.

"These mud tubes are slightly smaller than a regular number two pencil and the insects move up and down in their own environment within the tube," he said.

"This offers them protection."

Gold said these mud tubes found going up a foundation, in a weep well or dropping down from a ceiling are a sure sign that you are dealing with termites, and a thorough inspection of the structure should be conducted.

"Many people discover these tubes when doing spring cleaning duties or as they are doing maintenance," he said. "When the wood is destroyed and it crumbles when you touch it, you may need an inspection."

Gold said the plumbing penetrations of a structure are an area that need direct attention. These areas, like penetrations underneath the bathtub and shower stalls where the plumbing comes through from the slab, are a popular entry point for termites.

"We recommend that people have this area inspected on a regular basis or that they do it themselves by installing trap doors so they can be easily accessed," he said. "That's also a good way to tell if you are getting a good professional inspection. We feel strongly that pest control operators should be doing a bathroom bathtrap inspection at a minimum."

If you do have termites, Gold says an integrated pest management approach is best to remedy the problem. A combination of termite baits and termiticide sprays can help suppress the immediate damage and continue to protect the structure from future attacks.

"With the baits, we establish monitoring stations or bait sta-

tions around the structure with the idea that the termites will find the bait, consume enough of the toxic material and take it back to the colony where it can reduce the populations to below levels where they cause damage," he said.

Gold said that pest control operators use many different approved products, but there is an over-the-counter product on the market sold in a number of lumberyards and discount stores for the "do-it-yourself" customer.

"We feel that this technology, even in the hands of the do-it-yourself person, probably will work on occasion, but we really don't have any conclusive data to prove that," he said. "The goal here is not to obliterate the termite from our

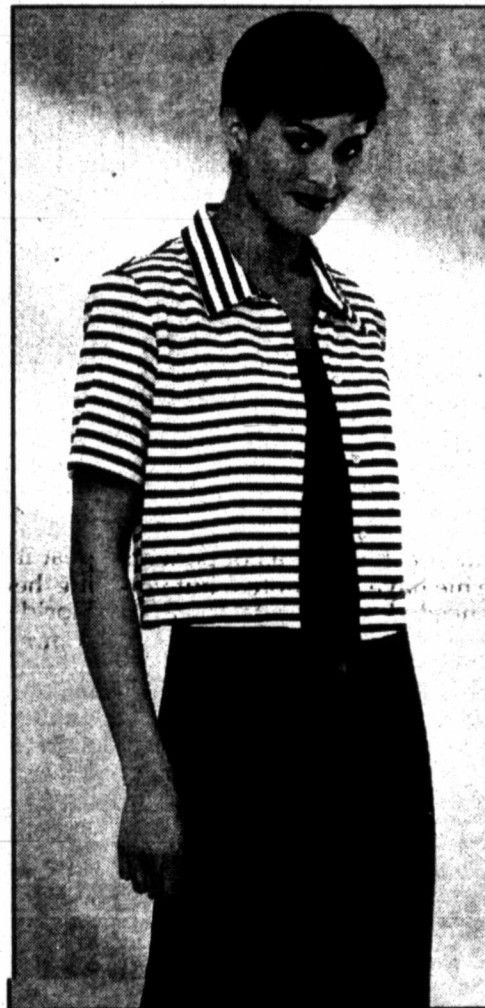
world, but to protect our structures that we want to invest in from the termites."

There are some quick and easy steps to prevent a structure from attracting the destructive insect pests. First, make sure all firewood is stored away from the structure so that there is not an available food source for the termite. Gold also suggests using treated wood if you are building a fence, making the material unacceptable for the termite's voracious appetite. Regular inspections are also "a must" in the battle against termites.

Gold said it has been predicted in Texas that by the time a house is 40 years old, it has a 95 percent chance of being infested with one of several species of termites that exist statewide.

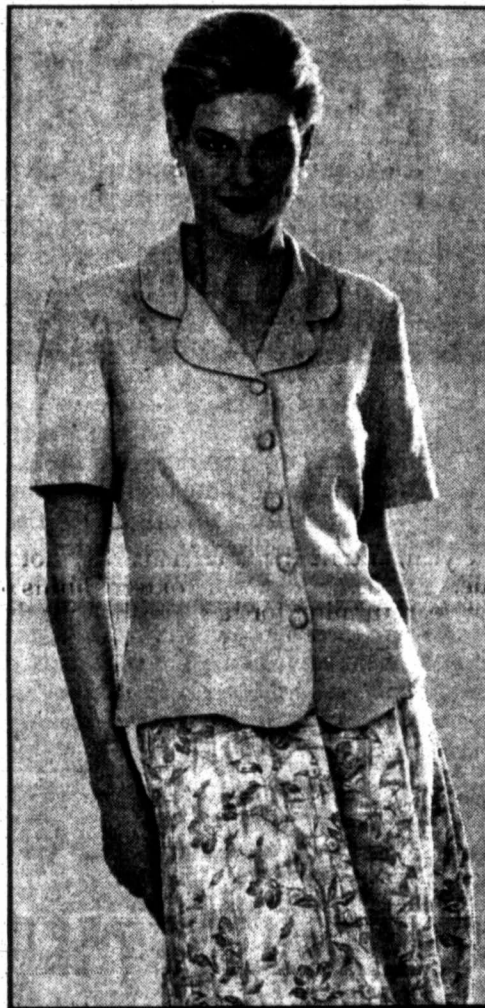
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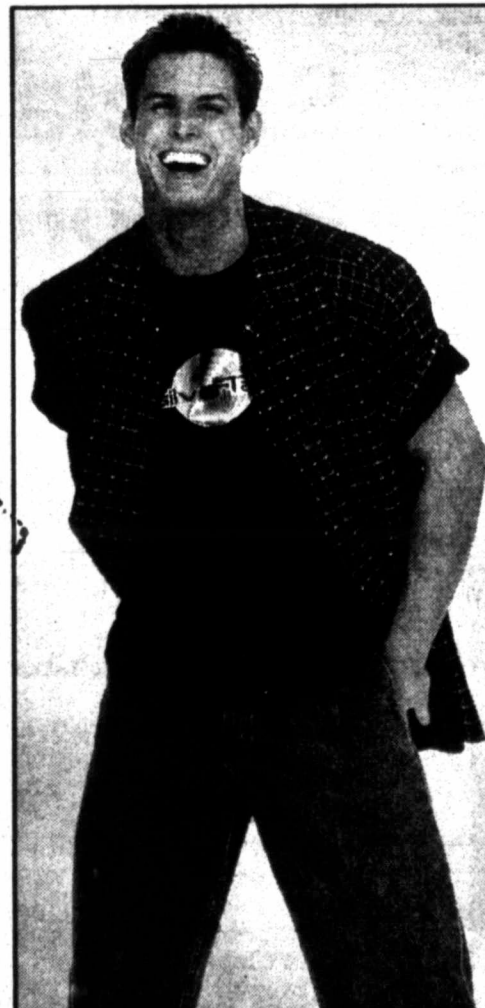
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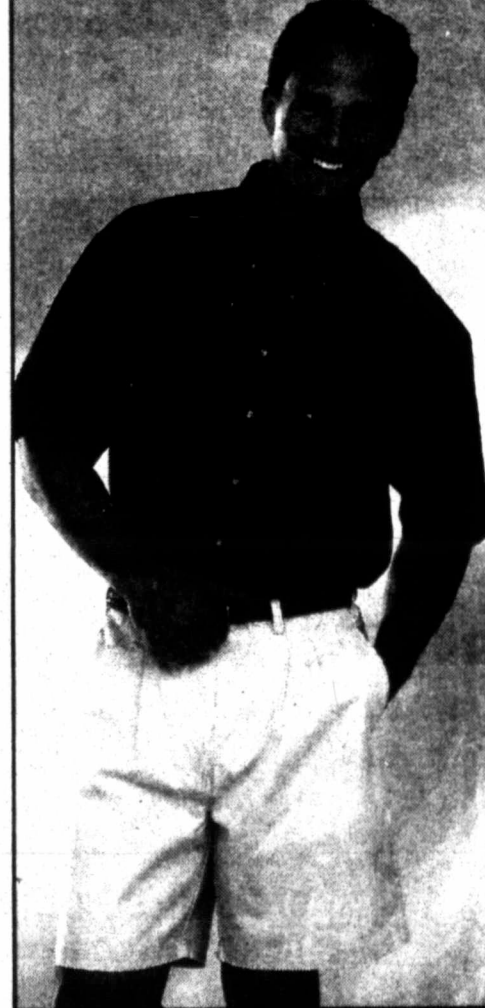
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Minister's musings ...

As a prison Chaplain, I see a large number of men each day who have little else to do (medical restrictions), so they become Bible scholars. I have actually met a few who it would not surprise me, if they could quote a majority of the Bible. They know what it says, but in many cases they have no idea how it is lived. They have a head knowledge, but as yet it has not transferred to an action. And most of the time, it seems, the problem they face is the same as you and I face, self.

As a child reared in Oklahoma, graduating high school in a place called Norman; it seemed only natural for me to develop a strong dislike for Texas and the people of "that" state. Even after my conversion at the age of 23, I still figured the only two good things coming out of Texas were football players, (not teams), and the road.

As I began my ministry five years later I had really matured as a Christian and I told God I would go anywhere, except Texas. I would not even talk to churches from this state. It was not that I would say I hated Texas, anymore (anyone knows that Christians cannot hate); just that I knew God did not want me here.

Then one day while enjoying my pastorate, in Vian, Okla., an ad appeared in the denominational paper for the state of Oklahoma, that said "The pastor of the Pampa, Texas church, which is a member of the Oklahoma State Association, will be retiring in the Spring of the year and they are beginning a search now for his replacement." And the thought crossed my mind, hey, that might be a neat place to go if things were to become difficult here. I dismissed it, but God did not.



By Chaplain Willard E. Kiper
W.P. Baten ISF Unit

It did not get "bad" in Vian, Okla., but storm clouds were gathering and I had heard about these kinds of things so I baled and guess where I landed? That is right, Pampa. I seriously thought they had written a song about my family's arrival — "God blessed Texas with his own hand, sent down angels from the promise land."

But the term angel most assuredly could not be applied to me. I was one miserable man. I did not want to be here, I was an Okie and I knew this was beneath me. And as I got to know the people my worst suspicions were confirmed. Only now I could not even find a road out. Suddenly no one wanted to talk with me about becoming their pastor. I was stuck!

It was near this time that I was introduced to Prison Ministry and some of this state's worst citizens. And as I got to know a little more about both I began to develop a real thankful heart because I know that excepting the Grace of God, described in Romans 5:8-11, I myself would be incarcerated instead of employed in a prison. I became keenly aware that God had changed me. And part of that change was this sudden desire to stay in Texas and share God's love with these men very much as Paul

experienced in the 26th chapter of the Book of Acts and the 16th verse. A desire which has not diminished even through this day.

Today, I am totally amazed at the magnitude of love I have developed for these men and this state. At times I feel I have betrayed my roots but I know that it is God's love flowing through me. Because I have found it and God's love it runs both ways. And in so doing, I have learned what Paul meant as he said in Philippians 4:11; "... in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content."

But that is not the end of the story. In fact, in many ways this is only the beginning. It is only as I discipline myself to the direction of the Holy Spirit and His sanctifying grace that I, or you, will continue to grow to be more like Jesus. And then and only then can we go forward to act like and for Him.

For you see at conversion I learned of the righteousness of God, but as His sanctifying grace works on and in me, I indeed become the "Righteousness of God in Christ." And that is the difference between imputed and imparted righteousness. And according to John Wesley, only then are we "ripe for Glory."

Because it is only as the sanctifying grace of God transforms us that we become more usable in the kingdom. As we become more like Him we are better able to act like and for him. And that should be the desire of all who have experienced the Grace of God. This is also the message of John 15:1-7, that we are to be the branches that extend into the world from the vine which came from heaven. This can only occur as the sanctifying grace prunes us that we "may bear more fruit."

Religion briefs...

Good Friday Praise Service

Briarwood Full Gospel Church will present a Good Friday Praise Service featuring the music and ministry of John Elliott beginning at 7 p.m. Friday, April 2 at the church, 1800 W. Harvester.

Revival set in Skellytown

There will be a revival at First Baptist Church, Skellytown, beginning Sunday, Mar. 28 through 31. The speaker will be Norman Rushing who served as Pastor of Central Baptist Church in Pampa or a number of years, and is presently Pastor of First Baptist Church, Jacksboro, Texas.

Leading the music will be Andy Dietz, also well known in this area. He is the Director of Evangelism at First Baptist Church, Borger.

Services will begin at 7 p.m. each evening. There will be a noon Bible study with Bro. Norman Rushing leading. Bring a brown bag lunch and join us!

Fines Marchman, Pastor, asks everyone to join us. Sunday School begins at 9:45 a.m. Nursery will be provided.

Easter presentation of The Victor

You are invited to attend an Easter presentation of The Victor, Saturday and Sunday Apr. 3 and 4, at 6 p.m. at the First Assembly of God, 500 S. Cuyler and Hwy. 60.

This musical and drama portrayal of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus is presented by the combined choirs and drama departments of Calvary Assembly of God and First Assembly of God. For more information call (806) 665-5941. No admission required, nursery through age 3.

Lefors church hosts special music, concert

LEFORS — First Baptist Church of Lefors will present Mary Catherine Harris in concert at 7 p.m. March 27, according to the Rev. Lewis Ellis, pastor of the church. Ellis said the public is cordially invited to attend.

Harris, 17, of Oklahoma, is a junior at Haskell High School. She is active in her local church with the youth group, nursing home services and special music. She plays the piano and the guitar and is well-known for her Southern gospel-style of singing.

She has appeared on television with Tom MacWeatherly on "Southern Gospel Time" and on "The Allen Ranch Show." She has performed at the Muskogee State Fair, Sallisaw State Fair, Cowboy Hall of Fame, legislators in Oklahoma City, Shepard of the Hills in Branson, Mo., and the 88th State Fair of Oklahoma. She won second place in the talent contest at the fair that year.

She also has appeared with Carroll Robertson, The Isaacs, The McGruders, The New Hinsons, The Down East Boys, Dixie Echos, The Statesman and others.

Mary Catherine and New Life, a gospel trio, won second place in 1997 at the Albert Brumbley Sun-Up to Sun-Down Gospel Singing Contest in Springdale, Ark.

Harris is one of 12 youth nationwide chosen to participate this year in the 1999 National



Catherine Harris

Youth Evangelistic Team. The group is composed of winners or top scorers from the National Youth Convention 1998 Music and Arts Festival held in Tulsa, Okla.

At the convention, Harris received first place high school level honors in the female vocal solo category. She sang "God is Greater than the Need" and was accompanied on piano by Duane Frost of Wagoner, Okla. She received a ribbon, a certificate and a scholarship to Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College in Moore, Okla. The youth team will be touring in June through Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina and Tennessee.

She also performed with the 1998 State FFA Convention Chorus.

Special week at Zion Lutheran

"We have a full set of services this year to celebrate the most important week of the Christian year," said Pastor Leif Hasskarl. "We hope everyone who doesn't already have a church home or wants to take part in a beautiful and reverent worship service will join us for one or all of these services."

The week of services begins March 28 with a Palm Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. This special service will confirm eight people, five youth and three adults into the Christian faith through the rite of confirmation and the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

On Thursday, April 1, the congregation will observe the festival of Maundy Thursday. This special service focuses on Jesus Christ's institution of the Sacrament of Holy Communion. The service will begin at 7 p.m.

Friday, April 2, is Good

Friday. "This is the most somber day in the church year. We remember that on this day Christ died on the cross for our salvation," said Pastor Hasskarl. "So we have two special services to remember His atoning sacrifice." The first will take place at 12 noon and is called "Path to the Cross." The second service is a very serious and meaningful Tenebrae Service at 7 p.m.

Holy Week will conclude with Easter Services on April 4. The Easter morning Divine Service will begin at 7:30 a.m. During this service, the sanctuary is brightened and adorned as the good news of the resurrection is proclaimed.

A nursery is provided at all services for children age three and under. Zion is located at 1200 Duncan.

For more information, call 669-2774.

To do the right thing takes risk

Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

Apostle Paul to the Romans

Sometimes it just doesn't lie within you. And sometimes being misunderstood is the price you pay for doing what you think you need to do. Jesus was misunderstood, but He was God and knew how it would come out in the end.

His misunderstanding led him to a cross and a tomb and resurrection and He's still misunderstood. Depending on who you ask, He is either prophet and priest and king or a virtuous vegetarian.

In our case, we don't know how our choices will come out in the end.

Trying to discern what is right, a tricky job itself, is a job for risk takers because they

From the Back Pew...



By Cheryl Berzanskis

cannot predict the course of now uncontrollable events. A courageous pastor may lose congregants, a reformer may rile an entrenched bureaucracy, a family member may alienate his cousins when he demands their children behave in his home.

And simply saying "this is right" does not

assuage the disapproval of the newly uncomfortable because their anger arises from their own failings. To suddenly say the old way is unacceptable attacks in fact, if not in words, another's judgment or integrity or personal stake in the status quo.

To abandon good choices is unacceptable as a solution simply to avoid the disapprobation of others, because in one sense we know how the saga will end. God and goodness triumph, though the savor of vindication may not come in this lifetime.

That's why doing right is a risk. You can't foresee the future. You don't know who might misunderstand, you don't know who might revel in their misunderstanding and you don't know what the instant outcome might be. You are not in control. All you can rely on is the end of the story which might not include a happily ever after in this lifetime.

Former Pampa ISD supt. Methodist church speaker

Does the lamp from your spiritual lamp flicker occasionally or does it seem to glow less brightly some days? If you answer is affirmative to the above question, perhaps it is time to replenish the fuel in your spiritual lamp.



You will have an excellent opportunity to replenish the fuel when you participate in the Spiritual Life Growth Event at First United Methodist Church, Pampa, beginning Sunday, Mar. 28, and continuing through Tuesday, Mar. 30. The speaker will be Rev. Jo Carr, who comes to us with a wide variety of rich experiences. Some of you

already know her since she served as superintendent of the Pampa School District from 1989 through 1993.

Rev. Jo Carr is a graduate of Texas Tech. She has served as a missionary in Zimbabwe for five years in the 1950's. Later, Jo thought English at Texas Tech during the 70's. She has authored 11 books that have been published by Abington Press, Friendship Press, and Upper Room Press.

Services for this spiritual event will be held on Sunday, Mar. 28, at 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. First United Methodist Church of Pampa (201 E. Foster).

First Christian sets Easter drama April 1

On Thursday, Apr. 1, Pampans are invited to watch as 12 ordinary men from the 20th century transforms themselves into a dozen ordinary men from the first century. For a brief time, they will walk in the sandals of Jesus' disciples.

"Master, Is It I?", a dramatic representation based on Leonardo da Vinci's painting "The Last Supper", is to be presented at 7 p.m., Apr. 1, in the sanctuary of First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), 1633 N. Nelson. The Easter drama is free and open to the public.

Since 1986, Max Presnell has directed the performance of the 12 church members many of whom have participated for 13 years. The drama, a tableau representing "The Last Supper", is an individual account of how Jesus affected the lives of each disciple. The disciples give insight into their day-by-day life with Jesus as a man and as the Son of God.

Cast members include Miles Cook as Luke, E.E. "Pinky" Shultz as Andrew, and Jim Osborne as Peter. Duane Cash plays Bartholomew, Ron Haynes, James the Less, and Jack Gindorf portrays Judas. Adam Lamberth will play the part of John. James is to be played by Kris Gamblin and Philip by Steve Hawkins. Mike Clark, Jim Crossman, Scott White and Joe Stringer round out the cast in their respective roles of Thomas, Matthew, Simon and Thaddeus. The Rev. Darrell Evans narrates the story.

The handmaidens serving the disciples include Sandy Clark, Cindy (See DRAMA, Page 8)

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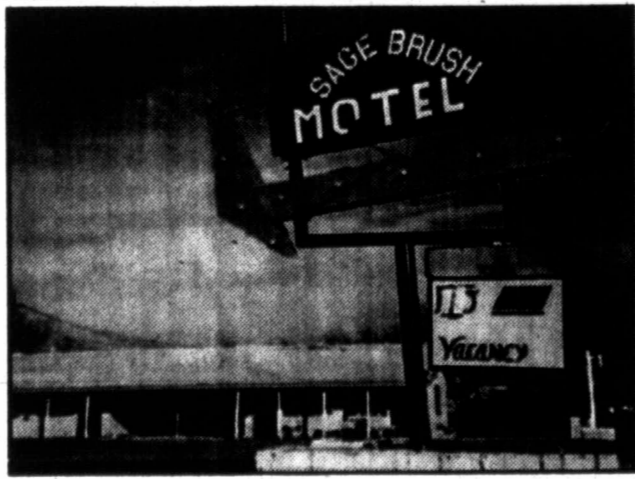
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Has God Used You Today?

The Bible tells us that faith without works is useless. What good is there in saying to someone in need, "God bless you, take care of yourself," if you don't help him or her. God uses His people to do His will, and for this, it is essential that faith be put into action.

At times, everyone needs some help and support, and our reaching out to those in need is a reflection of our faith. God has given us free will, and it is our choice to accept or deny that small inner voice that is telling us to help someone. God wants His people to be loving, helpful, and supportive, and he blesses both the giver and the receiver.

God will often use us in small ways, and every day there are opportunities for us to be helpful to friends and strangers alike. Whoever does what is right is righteous, and our good intentions reflect that we are God's people.

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Texas legislative roundup

University faculty raise proposed

AUSTIN (AP) — Public university faculty would get a 7 percent salary increase for the next two years under a proposed rider to the state's general appropriations bill.

"Since Texas is under the national average in salary, we are not competitive. My proposal is to make us competitive with the top public universities across the country," said Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos, D-Austin, who is championing the provision.

If approved by the Legislature, faculty salaries in the state's public universities would reach the national average by the end of the 2000 academic year, according to the Texas Faculty Association.

The TFA said Texas ranks 29th among the 50 states in terms of average faculty salary.

The rider would also call on universities to report the average faculty salary increase to the chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance committees and the Legislative Budget Board no later than Jan. 31 of each fiscal year.

Youth gun bill passes House

AUSTIN (AP) — Youths caught committing an offense with a firearm would be automatically detained until a judge, magistrate or an officer of a juvenile court decided whether to release them under legislation passed Thursday on a voice vote in the Texas House.

Under the bill, the juveniles could be held until a detention hearing, which usually takes about 48 hours.

Youths can currently be held until a detention hearing if they meet certain criteria, but that decision is made by a juvenile probation officer — not a judge, said Rep. Toby Goodman, R-Arlington, bill sponsor.

The bill now heads on to the Senate.

The bill is HB1269.

Juvenile graffiti bill passes House

AUSTIN (AP) — Juveniles found guilty of marring property with graffiti would be required to pay a \$5 court fee under a bill passed

Thursday by the House.

The bill, proposed by Rep. Joseph Pickett, D-El Paso, would strengthen the 1997 graffiti law, which includes the court fee but is not always interpreted as mandatory.

The court could waive the fee if the juvenile or adult responsible for the child was unable to pay.

Under current law, punishment for using aerosol paint or indelible markers to scar property without the owner's consent ranges from a Class B misdemeanor to a first-degree felony, depending on the value of loss to the property.

The graffiti bill is HB 1063.

Dallas judge nominated for federal bench

AUSTIN (AP) — President Clinton nominated Barbara Lynn of Dallas to the federal bench of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas on Thursday.

Ms. Lynn has been a partner in the law firm Carrington, Coleman, Sloman & Blumenthal, L.L.P., since 1983.

"I'm touched and very honored," she said.

The nomination is subject to Senate confirmation.

Flag retirement bill gets Senate nod

AUSTIN (AP) — A bill setting out a standard ceremony, including an eulogy, when a Texas flag is retired was approved by the Senate.

The bill by Sen. Robert Duncan, R-Lubbock, was passed Thursday and goes to the House for consideration.

The flag bill is SB483.

Tuition bill goes to governor

AUSTIN (AP) — A 1997 law that could mean drastic tuition increases for students who take many hours beyond what's needed for their undergraduate degrees wouldn't affect those currently enrolled under a bill forwarded to Gov. George W. Bush.

The Senate concurred in House amendments to the bill Thursday.

The 1997 law called for state funding to be cut off to universities for undergraduates racking up 170 credit hours, with some exceptions.

Beginning this fall, the law would allow universities to charge out-of-state tuition rates to those taking more than the allowable number of courses.

That could mean huge increases in students' tuition bills.

For fall 1999, resident tuition is slated to be \$38 per semester credit hour, while non-resident tuition will be \$254. An estimated 11,500 students would be affected in fall 1999 by the 1997 law.

Under the bill, the limit would apply to freshmen entering in fall 1999 and it would be changed to take into account differences in the number of hours required for different degree plans.

The new cap would be 45 hours over an individual's degree plan.

The career-student bill is SB345.

Murder victim found; may be missing sightseer

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — A body has been found west of Yosemite National Park and the FBI was trying to determine if it was one of three female tourists who disappeared six weeks ago.

FBI spokesman Nick Rossi said a homicide victim had been found and an autopsy was planned. He did not disclose the gender of the victim or how the victim was killed.

A law enforcement source, who spoke Thursday on condition of anonymity, said the victim was female.

The body was found near a reservoir along a route from El Portal, just outside the park, where the three tourists were last seen. Nearby is Sierra Village, where the burned bodies of two victims were found in the trunk of their rental car.

The site is also about halfway between El Portal and Modesto, where victim Carole Sund's billfold was found.

Mrs. Sund, 42, her teenage daughter Julie, and Silvina Peloso, a young family friend from Argentina, were last seen Feb. 15 at a restaurant just outside the western gate of the park.

Last week, two bodies were found in the torched shell of the rental car. One body was identified as Mrs. Sund's. Investigators were using DNA samples to try to determine the identity of the second victim.

"We're hopeful this recent development will help investigators solve this case," said Raquel Peloso, Silvina's mother.

Watering plan gets approval

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Watering lawns just once a week could become a year-round practice under a plan tentatively approved by a panel of the Edwards Aquifer Authority.

The plan would also clamp down on outdoor water use much sooner than under previous proposals.

As part of a conservation program endorsed Thursday, a three-stage drought plan would mandate once-a-week lawn watering when the aquifer level at the Bexar index well falls to 650 feet above sea level.

Drought plans adopted by cities across the region currently don't require once-a-week watering until the aquifer drops to 636 feet.

"I think universally we've gotten approval of the concept that there needs to be more emphasis on year-round conservation," said Weir Labatt, a Bexar County representative on the authority's board and chairman of the group charged with drafting the plan.

DRAMA — From Page 6

Gindorf and Sally Stringer. Carolyn Smith and Jim Pepper serve as stage directors.

"Master Is It I?" is based on the Bible book, Luke. At the end of the presentation, the players strike the pose pictured in da Vinci's painting - the moment Jesus reveals that he will be betrayed by the disciples. Grouped in threes, each man reflects his inner thoughts while interacting with the men around him.

Bartholomew stares, unbelieving. Andrew protests; James the Less seeks to verify what he heard. Judas turns from Jesus while reaching for a piece of bread. Peter leans across John, asking Jesus who will betray him. John sits in brokenhearted silence.

Simon holds out his hands in a gesture of innocence. Thaddeus looks at Simon earnestly. Matthew listens intently. Thomas demands, "Is it I, Lord?" while James shouts, "Impossible!" Sensitive Philip replies, "Thou seest my heart, Lord Is it I?"

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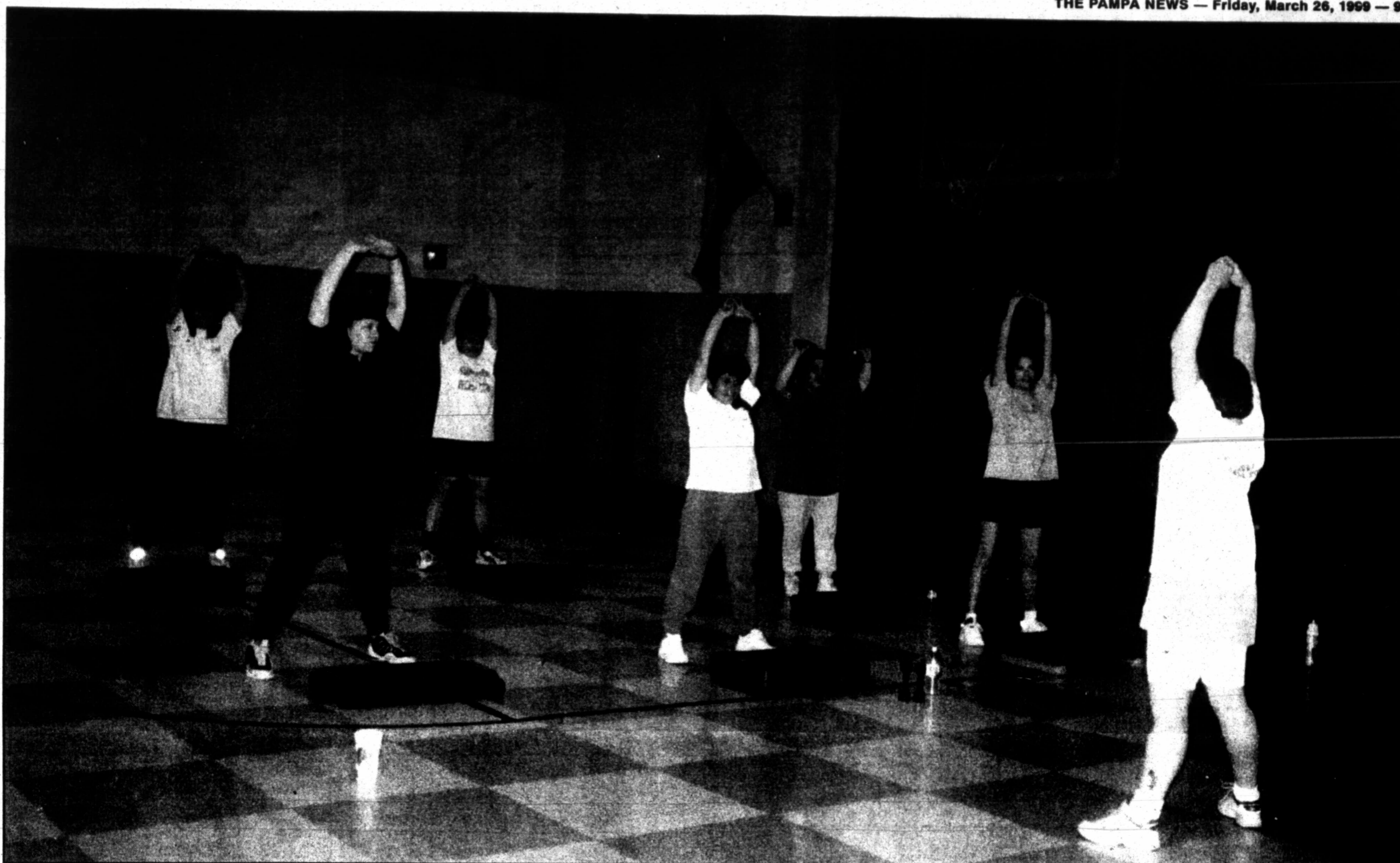
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Members of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church's Heavenly Bodies aerobic team prepare to dance their way to South Padre Island to meet their goal of 800 miles in an eight week time span. The above team members are: June Dirickson, Susan Bromlow, Melody Youree, Delma Sealman, Martha Ontiveros, Ila Homes and Kittee Wariner, team captain.

Extension Service to kick-off 'Walk Across Texas' fitness campaign

It's never too late to take action for better health, say members of the Family and Consumer Science task forces informed in 14 pan-

healthy lifestyle. The Texas Agricultural Extension Service is sponsoring the program in almost every area of the state

gram," Brauchi explained.

Family and Consumer Science agents in Armstrong, Carson, Dallam, Donley, Gray, Hansford, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Potter and Randall counties are urging residents and businesses to participate in the Walk Across Texas challenge beginning in March.

The Gray County kick-off is set for 2 p.m. Sunday, March 28 at the high school track. Come out to sign up or bring your already formed team to join the fun. You may also stop by the Gray County Agricultural Extension Office, Gray County Annex (Hwy 60 East) to complete a registration form.

"Our goal is to walk for Pampa

to South Padre Island over the eight week span of Walk Across Texas," says Joan Gray, Gray County Extension Agent. "The miles do not have to be walked as a group and participants never have to leave their neighborhood. The miles may be walked within

the eight week period, adding miles during work breaks, lunch or anytime.

Registration consists of selecting a team captain, choosing a team name and having fun! Prizes will be awarded to teams that walk or ride the greatest distance,

among other categories.

For more information, call the Extension Office at 669-8033. Walk Across Texas results will be posted at the Gray County Extension Office, the Pampa News, the Post Office and various other locations.

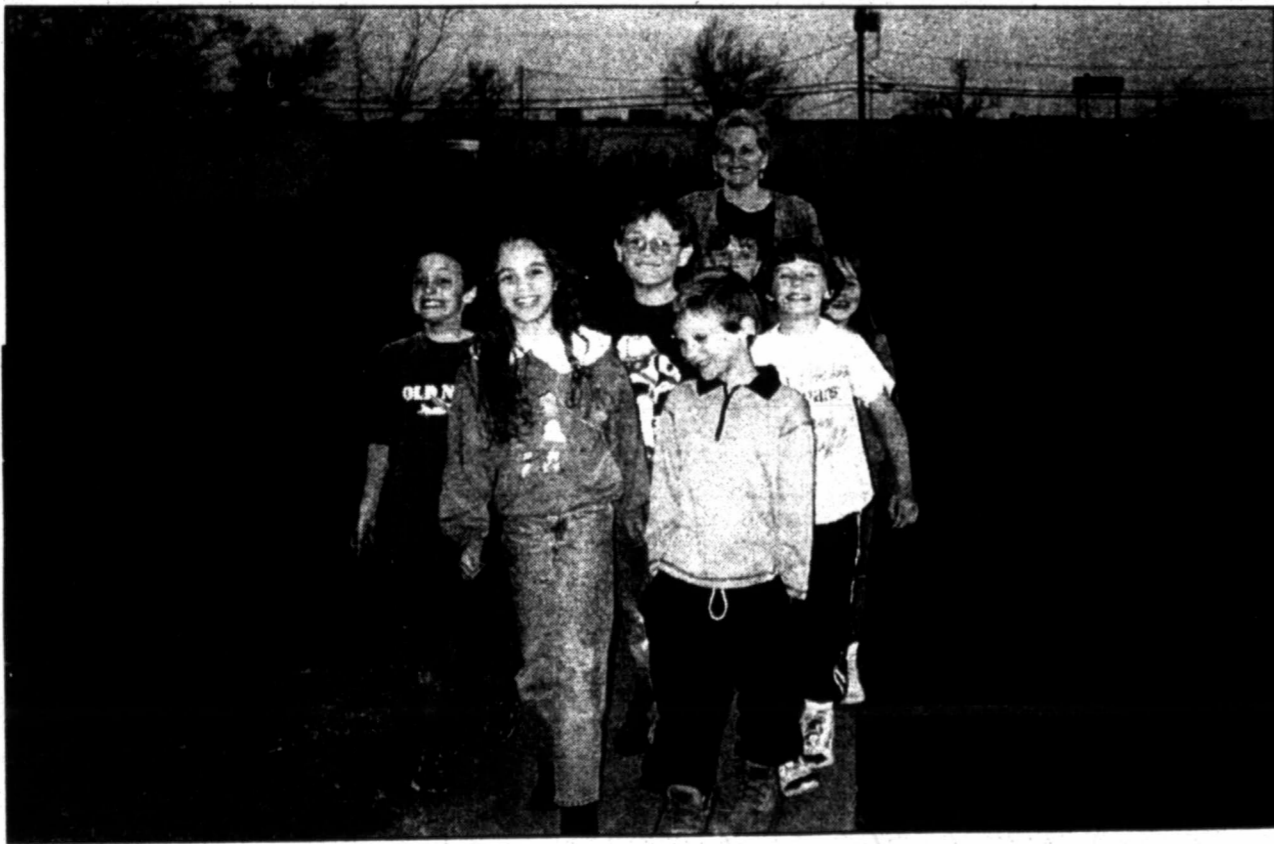
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handle counties who are sponsoring "Walk Across Texas" programs this spring.

Walk Across Texas is an effort to bring public awareness to the importance of exercise and a

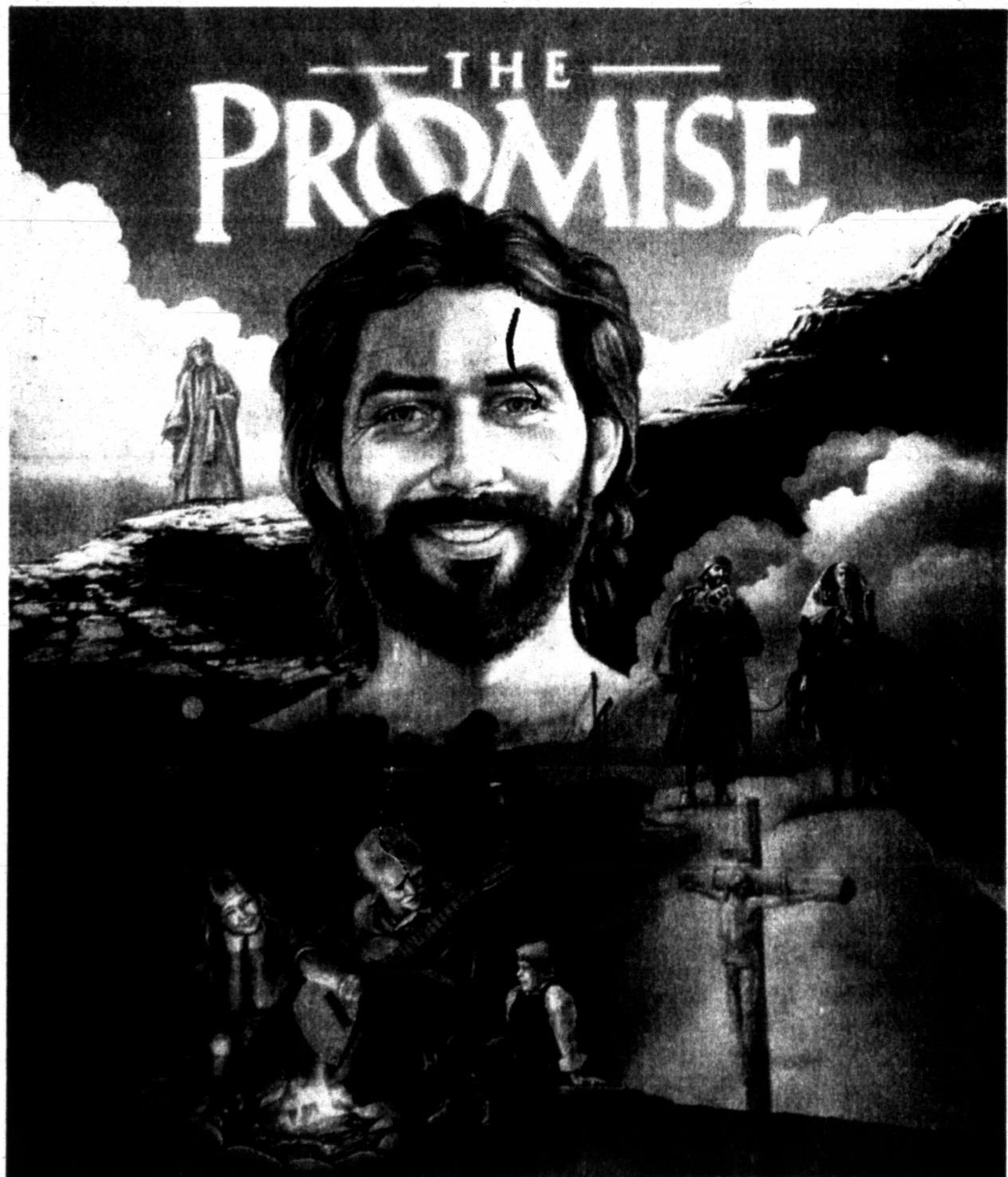
including the panhandle, according to Donna Brauchi, FSC district director of Amarillo.

"This year, many counties in our area will be offering the health enrichment pro-



(Community Camera photo by Daphne Ebenkamp)

Tina's Angels walking team practice walking as a group to get ready for the big kick-off for the Walk Across Texas program slated for 2 p.m. Sunday, March 28 at Pampa High School track. Team members include: Tina Holt, team captain, Trey Holt, Amber Ebenkamp, Christa Holt, Gregory Wariner, Kyle Wariner, Paige Holt and Pierce Holt.



A Pageant of the Life of Jesus Christ by Jan Dargatz & Gary Rhodes

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Millennium Appears to Be Coming One Year Too Soon

DEAR ABBY: Something very troubling is going on. Everywhere I turn, people are saying that the new millennium starts one second after midnight Dec. 31, 1999. That just isn't true. The correct date is Jan. 1, 2001 - NOT 2000!

Allow me to explain: There are 100 years in a century. The first century encompassed the years 1 through 100. The second century ran from 101 through 200, the third century from 201 through 300, etc. Get it?

Abby, please urge the media to put this information before the public. Someone once said it takes one small spark to start a prairie fire. Perhaps this one "spark" of information will ignite the candle of wisdom - and shine some light on an important fact your readers need to know.

"FATHER TIME" IN THE U.S.A.

DEAR FATHER TIME: I'm embarrassed to confess that I'm one of the guilty parties who referred to 1999 as the "final year of the century," so thank you for providing me an opportunity to set my readers straight. You are one voice in a chorus of individuals who want the public to be made aware that the year 2000 is the final year of the century, and the new millennium begins on Jan. 1, 2001.

I hate to be the one to say this, but you're swimming against a tidal wave. Although



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

you are technically correct, when people see the first digit in the year change from a "1" to a "2," they can't help but think a new century has arrived.

DEAR ABBY: I know you receive thousands of letters, while selecting few for publication.

I am distressed that you saw fit to publish a letter that has anti-Semitic overtones. It pertained to the inquiry made by "Confused in Canada's Capital," regarding a person who used a death in the family for self-serving purposes to create an educational fund for his daughter, when he was "easily able to pay for his daughter's education." The writer then queried, "Is this a Jewish custom?"

Your response, "No, it's not a Jewish custom" could have easily been enclosed in an envelope and sent to the inquirer. To have exposed your millions of readers to a false stereotypical characterization of the Jew was an unfortunate error on your part. It was not simply an

innocent request for information, and in my estimation you unwittingly became a "partner in crime" by publishing this nonsense.

The Jewish community is owed an apology.
DR. STANLEY M. WAGNER,
RABBI, DENVER

DEAR RABBI WAGNER: I am Jewish and I disagree. I give the overwhelming majority of my readers credit for not adhering to false stereotypes. The son-in-law's behavior wasn't typical of all Jewish people. To quote an old Yiddish proverb: "Every village has its village idiot" - even ours. Read on!

DEAR ABBY: Regarding the letter from "Confused in Canada" about the son-in-law who placed a solicitation for money for his daughter's education in his father-in-law's obituary: No, it's not a Jewish custom. It's a *shanda* (disgrace)!

LOYAL READER
IN PALM SPRINGS

DEAR LOYAL READER: Right. As I said in my original answer - that letter was a first!

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Horoscope

SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 1999

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** You're busy, even though Sundays are usually lazy, by design, for you Tinker around the house or get your garage organized, it will relax you and make you feel accomplished. Think about what you want in the coming week, then plan to make it so. Tonight: Soak in a hot tub.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** It's never too late to have a good time, and you can pack an entire weekend's partying into this one day, if you want. Bravo! Don't let inner insecurities hold you back from enjoying yourself, preferably with someone special. Creativity soars. Tonight: Cuddle up.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Home is where you'll likely be, even if you feel you're wasting a perfectly good day off. Unless you normally work Sundays, be a couch potato or visit quietly with family. Your intuition is especially in tune. Let yourself be still, and it will lead you to a future win. Tonight: Rest.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** You'll want to be everywhere, do everything and be seen by everyone on this high-energy day. You've been in the limelight professionally for the last few days, but now you will see your social star rise as well. Communicate, sell your ideas

and expect support in your daily life. Tonight: Rocking and rolling!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Shop for luxury items or a major purchase that will make your life more secure, comfortable or efficient. This could be a new computer, furniture or even an investment into precious metals. Nothing makes you happier than opulence, and the stars favor procuring just that! Tonight: Prepare for the work week.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Plan on seeing a long-term wish or plan begin to manifest. You've worked hard and waited a long time to see this happen, and now it's happening. Research investments, finances and/or accounts to make sure that your goals haven't changed. If they have, revise them. Tonight: Your time to shine!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** The bad news is that you might be happier resting up than socializing today. The good news is that at least one easy-going friend or family member will join you. Pamper yourself, get a massage or invite a friend over to share a cup of tea. Tonight: Out like a light!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** Finally, the support or security you've sought from a partner or friend materializes. This is your day to let your hair down, confident that what you do will be received well. The afternoon is perfect for a late brunch or gathering with buddies. Tonight: Out late and loving it!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Try as you might, you won't escape responsibilities today. If you don't screen calls or vanish, you're sure to get an SOS from a boss, co-worker or family member. If you feel you'll resent giving your day to

duty, hit the road and find a quiet place to rest. Tonight: Face the music.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** This is one day you'll wish would never end. Romance prevails, although it's the kind that's cozy and low-key. For you, that's what makes it so ideal! You and a love interest, child or creative cohort feel blissfully in sync. Express yourself and enjoy the harmony. Tonight: Count your blessings.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** You might feel unusually industrious and focused on research, rather than your usual Sunday-style skipping about and socializing. Catch up with others later; until late afternoon, take care of business and possibly prepare a presentation that could be a great moneymaker. Tonight: Beauty rest.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Days like this were tailor-made for you, as sentimentality, loyalty and romance mix. A partner is devoted and lets you know in unmistakably simple, poignant terms. His directness could take you aback, but you'll know exactly where you stand, and that should make you feel great! Tonight: Just you two.

BORN TODAY

Singer Reba McEntire (1954), basketball player Byron Scott (1961), actress Dianne Wiest (1948)

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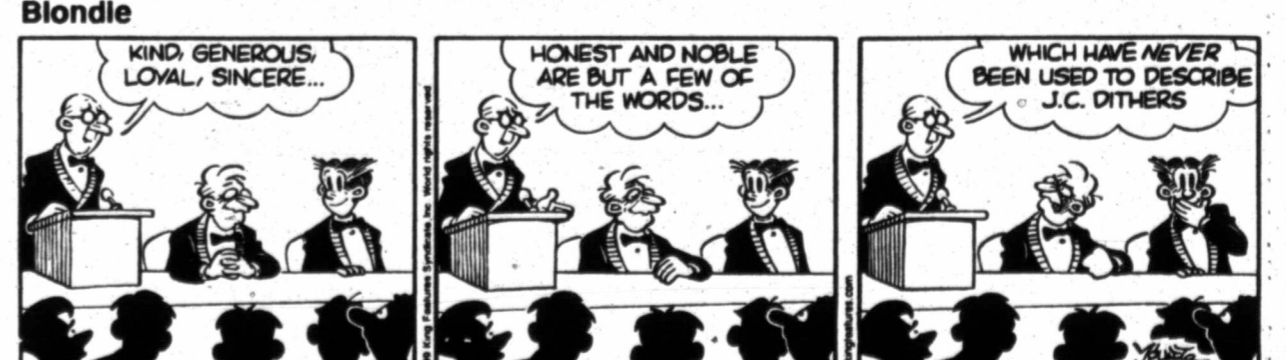
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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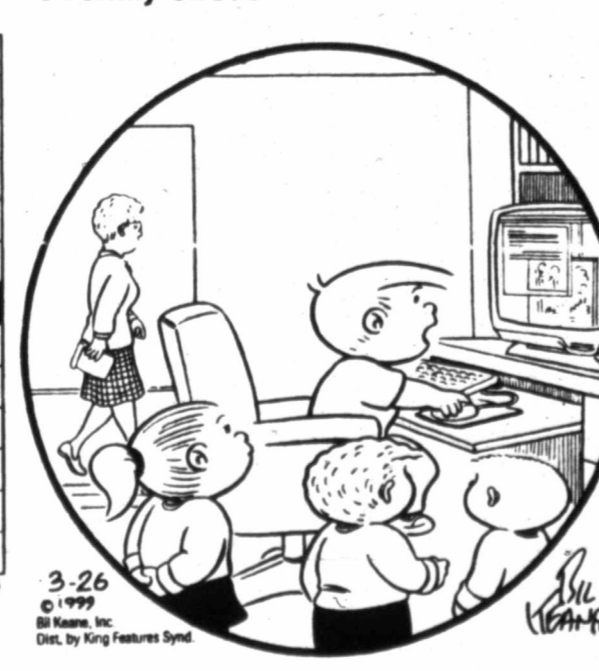
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SPORTS

Pampa's 1948 baseball team to be honored

Notebook

BASEBALL

PAMPA — Longtime umpire Bill Kidwell will speak on baseball rules at the weekly meeting of the Pampa Optimist Club on Monday at 6:30 p.m.

Kidwell will review recent changes. He will point out examples of the application of different rules, such as exceptions to the Infield Fly Rule, when a runner is not out even though struck by a batted ball, impeding a runner and interference.

Managers, coaches and umpires are urged to attend.

GENERAL

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — NCAA president Cedric Dempsey said that emergency legislation is an option if a federal judge doesn't grant a stay of a court ruling striking down minimum SAT and ACT scores for freshman eligibility standards.

Dempsey said an appeal of the March 8 decision could take until October. But a ruling on the stay is expected before the spring recruiting signing period begins on April 7.

Although many of the nation's coaches welcomed the ruling, administrators say dropping minimum admissions standards established under Proposition 16 will open the door for widespread abuse.

OBITUARY

BALTIMORE (AP) — Cal Ripken Sr. made up for an ordinary baseball career as a player by becoming a distinguished teacher of the game. His most notable student was his own son, who parlayed instruction from his father into a Hall of Fame career.

Ripken Sr., who spent 36 years in the Baltimore Orioles organization, died Thursday of lung cancer. He was 63. Cal Ripken Jr. learned many of the finer points of the game while accompanying his father to the ballpark while Ripken Sr. was managing teams in the Baltimore farm system. The young Ripken ended up becoming the most durable player in the history of the game, playing in 2,632 straight games before voluntarily ending the streak last season.

Ripken Sr. also helped develop the skills of another Oriole, Dan, an infielder who also played with the Orioles.

The Ripken boys were among hundreds of players and coaches who learned the game from a man whose teachings also had a great influence on current Orioles manager Ray Miller.

"We always talk about the Oriole Way. Cal Ripken Sr. was the one who indoctrinated every one of us who came in," said Miller, who served under Ripken as a pitching coach.

"He's someone who meant a lot to this organization for a very long time," Orioles general manager Frank Wren said.

"What we will remember most about Cal Sr. is how he helped us understand that baseball is more than a national pastime, it is a metaphor for life," Gov. Parris Glendening said. "Through baseball, he taught us that diligence, determination and discipline are keys to winning at the game of life."

Ripken Sr. had leathery skin and a gruff voice, characteristics at least partially attributable to the fact that he was a heavy smoker. Back in the days when smoking on the field wasn't taboo, he often cupped a filterless cigarette in his palm while watching batting practice or in the dugout.

Ripken won 964 games in the minors and was 68-101 as manager of the Orioles in 1987-88. He was fired after the Orioles opened the 1988 season with six straight losses in what would be ultimately a record 21-game losing streak.

PAMPA — Pampa's 1948 High School baseball team will be recognized prior to the Harvester-Randall game at 1 p.m. Saturday at Harvester Field.

The '48 Harvesters were the school's first baseball team to play under University Interscholastic League guidelines.

Pampa was part of District 1-AA, which also included Amarillo High, Lubbock High, Brownfield, Borger and Plainview in 1948. The first organized PHS baseball team was coached by Clifton

McNeely, who would later coach the Harvesters to four state basketball championships in the 1950s.

Team members were pitchers Howard Wells, Jimmy Howard and George Gamblin, catcher Darral Davis and John Nolan, outfielders Jimmy Hyatt, Jimmy Cook, Bob Nash and Don Thut; second baseman Ramon Hernandez, third basemen Jimmy Cox and Don Lane, first baseman Jimmy Parker and shortstop Charlie Laffoon.

The Harvesters finished the season with a 7-4 record and placed third in the district

standings. The Harvesters played their home games at Oiler Park when the Pampa Oilers of the West Texas-New Mexico League were out of town.

Gamblin was considered Pampa's mound ace. He posted a 4-2 record and was the winning pitcher when the Harvesters defeated Plainview 10-2 in the last home game of the season.

Davis and Laffoon were considered the key players in the Pampa offense. Both were all-around athletes. The 6-4 Davis, who batted in the cleanup position, was the

leading scorer on the basketball team and played end in football. He also ran track.

Laffoon, who would go to Cisco Junior College on an athletic scholarship, quarterbacked the Harvesters and was a starting guard in basketball. He also played tennis.

Nash, Hernandez, Cox, and Hyatt also delivered some big hits throughout the season. Nash was considered Pampa's biggest long-ball threat.

The year was also significant because it was the first time Pampa and Amarillo

High met on the baseball field. Both teams had 3-1 records and tied for second place in district going into that first-ever meeting. The Sandies won out, 10-7.

Two non-district games were on the schedule that season.

Pampa beat McLean 22-5 and lost to Wellington 11-10.

Pampa's final game of the season never got played. A combination of bad weather and school-related conflicts forced Pampa to cancel the contest. Borger won by forfeit.

AP honors Duke cager

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Duke sophomore center Elton Brand and Auburn's Cliff Ellis were honored today by The Associated Press as college basketball's player and coach of the year.

Brand, the only unanimous All-America selection this season, enters the Final Four averaging 17.8 points and 9.6 rebounds for the top-ranked Blue Devils, who have won a school-record 31 consecutive games.

The 6-foot-8 Brand has had 17 double-doubles this season, nine in the last 15 games and two in the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament. Brand is shooting 62 percent from the field and he has 83 blocked shots.

Brand received 28 votes from AP member newspapers and radio stations, while senior guard Andre Miller of Utah was runner-up with 17.

Brand is the third Duke player to win the Adolph Rupp Trophy, following Art Heyman in 1963 and Christian Laettner in 1992.

Ellis led Auburn to one of the best seasons in school history as the Tigers finished 29-4, a school record for victories, and reached their highest ranking ever, No. 2. Auburn, which finished as the Southeastern Conference's regular-season champion, was fourth in the final rankings and earned a No. 1 seeding in the NCAA tournament, losing to Ohio State in the regional semifinals.

Ellis, who has been at Auburn since 1994, has compiled a 444-271 record in 24 seasons as a head coach.

He received 36 votes for coach of the year, 17 more than runner-up O'Brien of Ohio State. Ellis is the first Auburn coach to win the award and the second from the SEC in the 1990s.

M.G. Flyers compete at Dumas meet



(Special photo)

The M.G. Flyers team members are (front row, from left) Brenna Bump, Caylee Steward, Danielle Zuniga, Chaslyn Tull, Jacklyn Woods, Jenna Munsell, Shauna Graves-Munsell and Madeline Graves; (back row, from left) Carrie Clay, Musetta Carver, Calee Henley, Kaylie Brewer, Shelby Clay, Staci Clay, Shannon Clay, Ashlie Stout, Nichole Dyer and Kaylee Keith.

PAMPA — The M.G. Flyers Tumbling and Trampoline team traveled to Dumas last weekend for a meet.

Tumbling and trampoline results are as follows:

Tumbling

First place: Caylee Steward, Calee Henley, Jacklyn Woods, Kaylee Greenhouse, Staci Clay and Kaylee Keith.

Second place: Chaslyn Tull, Danielle Zuniga, Shelby Clay and Carrie Clay.

Third place: Jenna Munsell, Brenna Bump and Ashley Stout.

Fourth place: Nichole Dyer. Sixth place: Shannon Clay and Kaylie Brewer.

Trampoline

First place: Calee Henley, Jacklyn Woods, Kaylee Greenhouse, Staci Clay and Musetta Carver.

Second place: Caylee Steward and Carrie Clay.

Third place: Danielle Zuniga, Shelby Clay and Ashlie Stout.

Fourth place: Brenna Bump, Nichole Dyer and Kaylie Brewer.

Fifth place: Jenna Munsell. Sixth place: Chaslyn Tull and Shannon Clay.

The M.G. Flyers, coached by Madeline Graves and Shauna Graves-Munsell, will travel to Shamrock this Saturday for their next meet.

It's the Blue Devils plus the Forgotten Three

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Signs and billboards all over Florida proclaim the arrival of the Final Four.

What we're talking about is the Forgotten Three.

Yes, Mike Krzyzewski and the Blue Devils can make their case as one of the best college teams ever by winning their third national championship this decade. But let's not forget, the

Dukies have company. Michigan State, Connecticut and Ohio State get a chance.

(36-1) in the national semifinals on Saturday, and should not be taken lightly. Mateen Cleaves, toughness personified, has never met a pressure shot he didn't want to take. Like Magic Johnson 20 years ago, Cleaves needs to win.

For UConn (32-2), a national title is all Jim Calhoun needs to consummate his splendid run as coach of the Huskies. Standing in the way is Ohio State, which used a little infusion of BC to help it forget all about last year's 8-22 season.

Coach Jim O'Brien's best move since going to Boston College and playing for Bob Cousy was bringing sensational guard Scoonie Penn with him when he left.

Three of the Final Four teams have been here before, and Krzyzewski is making his eighth appearance.

"Once you get there, all bets are off," said Calhoun, whose teams lost in the regional final in 1990, '95 and '98. "Now, very simply, you've got to make that one more stretch."

Some might say that another way to spell Duke is U-N-L-V. Krzyzewski has consciously avoided comparisons with — or even the mention of — the heavily favored 1991 UNLV team that his Blue Devils upset in the national semifinal before claiming Coach K's first champi-

onship. "I've talked to them about the '91 Vegas team," Krzyzewski said. "Don't believe everything you read in the papers, OK?"

Likewise, Krzyzewski wants to save the talk about Duke's place in history for later; Monday night, about midnight or so, at the earliest.

"That's for somebody else to decide," he said. "It would be really dumb of me to even be thinking of those things right now, because we're going to have to play a hell of a game to beat Michigan State."

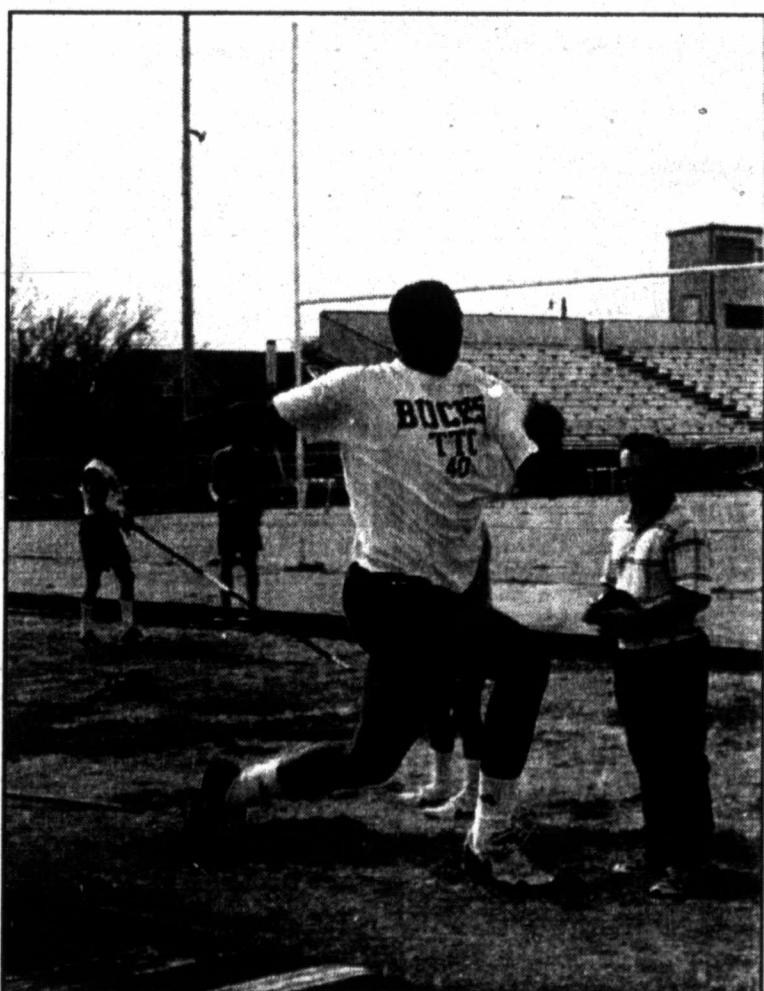
What of Duke's 31-game winning streak, the devastating 3-point shooting of Trajan Langdon and the inside presence

of Elton Brand? Well, Michigan State has won 22 in a row, losing by just six points (73-67) to Duke in December in the Great Eight. It was one of only two times the Blue Devils won by fewer than 10 points.

"I think they're a much different team than they were the first time," Spartans coach Tom Izzo said. "I don't mean with personnel or anything. Elton Brand didn't play well against us the first time, I don't know if it was us or them."

"Shane Battier has raised his game a couple of levels and Corey Maggette is raising his level a lot," he added. "I think we're a different team and I think we're a lot better than we were then."

Long jumper



(Pampa News photo)

White Deer's Jon Kinsey works on the long jump event in preparation for the Claude Relays on Saturday. Both White Deer boys and girls teams are entered in the meet. The district meet is scheduled for April 15-17 at Highland Park.

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Orel Hershiser inks with New York Mets

By The Associated Press

Because of pitchers like Bartolo Colon, Orel Hershiser was forced to leave Cleveland and find a new home.

Hershiser, who went to spring training with the Indians, but couldn't crack their starting rotation, agreed Thursday with the New York Mets on a \$2 million, one-year contract that gives him the chance to earn \$500,000 more in performance bonuses.

"I knew the chance to win, and to win in New York — people say the greatest city in the world — was an opportunity that I wanted to have," Hershiser said from Port St. Lucie, Fla.

Hershiser, also sought by Atlanta, Philadelphia and the Chicago Cubs, wanted to win 10 more games, to give him 200 for his career. And he wouldn't have had that opportunity pitching out of the bullpen for Cleveland.

The Indians already had five starters, including Colon, whom they signed to a \$9.25 million, four-year contract Thursday. Cleveland has an option 2003 that could make the deal worth \$15 million over five years.

Colon finished 14-9 with a 3.71 ERA in 1998, leading the team with six complete games and two shutouts while pitching 204 innings. He earned his first All-Star selection after going 9-4 in the first half with a league-best 2.46 ERA.

"As I said before, I don't think there's any team in major league baseball that would not want to have Bartolo Colon in its rotation," Indians general manager John Hart said from Winter Haven, Fla.

Colon struggled Thursday night, giving up seven runs and six hits in five innings as Cleveland lost to Kansas City 16-6. Colon walked five and struck out five. He gave up a first-pitch homer to Carlos Beltran, as well as homers to Johnny Damon and Tim Lincecum.

Hershiser pitched two shutout innings in his Mets debut Thursday night, as New York beat the Montreal Expos 5-0 behind homers by Craig Paquette and Roger Cedeno.

"I have no idea what their

plans are," Hershiser said. "I don't even know who's in their rotation. Today I was on the road for 3 1/2 hours, in two different camps."

At Lakeland, Fla., the New York Yankees signed Tony Fossas to a minor league contract, giving the World Series champs a second left-handed option in the bullpen.

Fossas, 41, will make \$410,000, with a chance for \$150,000 in bonuses if he makes the major league roster. He has an agreement that he will be released instead if he does not make the team.

At Sarasota, Fla., the Cincinnati Reds traded backup outfielder Jon Nunnally to the Boston Red Sox and third-string catcher Brook Fordyce to the Chicago White Sox for minor leaguers.

At Phoenix, Olmedo Saenz broke a tie with a two-run triple in the eighth inning and the Oakland Athletics beat the Chicago White Sox 10-8 in a game marred by a stadium accident that left a fan injured.

A 35-year-old man tumbled over a railing trying to catch a promotional T-shirt that had been shot into the stands between innings. He fell about 20 feet, hitting his head. He was treated by paramedics and then taken to the hospital. His condition wasn't immediately available.

Also Thursday, Cal Ripken Sr. died of lung cancer at the age of 63, leaving in doubt whether his son, Cal Jr., would accompany the Orioles on their exhibition game in Cuba on Sunday.

In other games:

Dodgers 8, Astros 5. At Kissimmee, Fla., Raul Mondesi hit two home runs and had three RBIs and Darren Dreifort allowed three runs in five innings for the win.

Twins 2, Devil Rays 1. At Fort Myers, Fla., Marty Cordova, still nursing a shoulder injury, hit his third home run of the spring, and Minnesota won on Denny Hocking's two-out single in the ninth.

Angels 11, Brewers 4. At Phoenix, Dave Hollins hit his first two homers of the spring and drove in six runs, and Omar Olivares gave up three runs in five innings.

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<p>By The Associated Press All Times EST THE FINAL FOUR At Tropicana Field St. Petersburg, Fla. National Semifinals Saturday, March 27 Ohio State (27-8) vs. Connecticut (32-2), 5:42 p.m. Duke (36-1) vs. Michigan State (33-4), 30 minutes after first game National Championship Monday, March 29 Semifinal winners, 9:18 p.m.</p>			<p>GREEN BAY PACKERS—Signed P Will Brice. INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Named Ryan Robinson assistant director of public relations. PITTSBURGH STEELERS—Acquired WR Alex Van Dyke from the New York Jets for a 1999 sixth-round draft pick. HOCKEY National Hockey League CAROLINA HURRICANES—Assigned RW Greg Koirter to Florida of the ECHL. CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS—Recalled RW Ryan Vandenbussche from Portland of the AHL. NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Recalled G Richard Shulmistra from Manitoba of the IHL. PHOENIX COYOTES—Recalled LW Louie DeBrusk from Long Beach of the IHL. ST. LOUIS BLUES—Signed G Cody Rudkowsky.</p>			<p>McCoy 240; High handicap series: Dolly McCoy 656. Lone Star Women's League Team Won Lost Harvester Cafe 68 12 35 1/2 Conroy Island 65 1/2 38 1/2 Harvester Station 63 41 Peggy's Place 61 43 Quality Sales 54 50 Clemens Home Repair 47 57 Albertson's 45 59 Team High game: Harvester Station 834; High series: Harvester Station 2,439; High handicap game: Quality Sales 976; High handicap series: Conroy Island 2,897. Individual High game: Carrie Duroy 253; High series: Carrie Duroy 616; High handicap game: Carrie Duroy 264; High handicap series: Carrie Duroy 649.</p>		
<p>TRANSACTIONS Thursday's Sports Transactions By The Associated Press BASEBALL American League BOSTON RED SOX—Acquired OF Jon Nunnally from Cincinnati for RHP Pat Flury. CHICAGO WHITE SOX—Acquired C Brook Fordyce from Cincinnati for RHP Jake Meyer. CLEVELAND INDIANS—Agreed to terms with RHP Bartolo Colon on a four-year contract. NEW YORK YANKEES—Signed LHP Tony Fossas to a minor-league contract. TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Reassigned OF Billy Ashley to their minor-league camp. TEXAS RANGERS—Named Jaime Garcia pitching coach of Charlotte of the Florida State League, and Fred Dabney pitching coach for the Rangers of the Gulf Coast League. National League MONTREAL EXPOS—Optioned INF Trace Coquille and INF Ryan McGuire to Ottawa of the International League. Sent RHP Roberto Duran outright to Ottawa. HOUSTON ASTROS—Traded C Marc Rousar to Philadelphia for future considerations. NEW YORK METS—Agreed to terms with RHP Orel Hershiser on a one-year contract. BASKETBALL National Basketball Association CHICAGO BULLS—Activated G Corey Benjamin from the injured list. Placed G Ron Harper on the injured list. NEW JERSEY NETS—Signed F Mark Hendrickson to a 10-day contract.</p>			<p>BOWLING HARVESTER LANES — PAMPA Harvester Couples League Team Won Lost Team Two 22 14 Harvester Cafe 22 14 Wolf Pack 21 15 Team Nine 21 15 Easy's Inc. 20 17 Coyote Club 19 17 Red's Pro Shop 18 20 Davis Minit Mart 16 20 Wendell's Roofing 16 20 Peggy's Place 13 23 Week's High Scores Team High game: Peggy's Place 751; High series: Red's Pro Shop 014; High handicap game: Wolf Pack 867; High handicap series: Wolf Pack 2,553. Individual Men High game: Steve Nolte 256; High series: Steve Nolte 602; High handicap game: Steve Nolte 282; High handicap series: Rocky Bynum 698. Women High game: Peggy Smith 185; High series: Peggy Smith 544; High handicap game: Dolly</p>			<p>Vancouver Pacific Division 5 22 .185 15 1/2 Portland 22 8 .815 — L.A. Lakers 19 10 .855 4 Seattle 13 12 .520 8 Phoenix 14 14 .500 8 1/2 Sacramento 12 16 .429 10 1/2 Golden State 11 15 .423 10 1/2 L.A. Clippers 2 23 .080 19 Wednesday's Games Minnesota at Boston 56 Charlotte 110, Chicago 81 Detroit 84, New Jersey 71 Atlanta 103, Indiana 102 Houston 88, Dallas 78 Miami 84, Milwaukee 76 Washington 95, Seattle 92 Philadelphia 85, Vancouver 90, OT Sacramento 92, New York 91 Phoenix 106, L.A. Lakers 101 Golden State 92, L.A. Clippers 80 Thursday's Games Orlando 96, Cleveland 85 Houston 113, Toronto 104 San Antonio 86, Denver 85 Portland 97, Phoenix 84 Friday's Games Boston at Philadelphia, 7 p.m. Indiana at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m. Chicago at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m. Orlando at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m. Milwaukee at Detroit, 8 p.m. Miami at Minnesota, 8 p.m. Denver at Dallas, 8:30 p.m. Toronto at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m. New York at Phoenix, 8 p.m. L.A. Clippers at Seattle, 10 p.m. Utah at Vancouver, 10:30 p.m. Washington at Golden State, 10:30 p.m. Sacramento at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m. Saturday's Games Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m. Cleveland at New Jersey, 8 p.m. Dallas at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m. Washington at Denver, 9 p.m. Utah vs. L.A. Clippers at Anaheim, 10:30 p.m. Houston at Golden State, 10:30 p.m. Sunday's Games Miami at Orlando, 12:30 p.m. Indiana at Boston, 12:30 p.m. Seattle at Detroit, 12:30 p.m. Chicago at Toronto, 3 p.m. Milwaukee at Minnesota, 3:30 p.m. New York at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m. Cleveland at Phoenix, 7 p.m. Portland at Phoenix, 9 p.m. Houston at Sacramento, 9 p.m.</p>		

California captures NIT championship

NEW YORK (AP)— Even on a bad night, California coach Ben Braun wanted the ball in Geno Carlisle's hands.

Though he was just 3-of-17 from the field, Carlisle came through with a three-point play with 4.7 seconds left, and the Golden Bears beat Clemson 61-60 to win the NIT championship Thursday night.

"We wanted the ball in Geno's hands," Braun said. "I just felt he would give us a really good chance to win the game, and if nothing else get us at the free-throw line. He got greedy, he got to the line and he scored."

Carlisle drove the lane, missed a shot, but got the ball back and tossed up a one-hander as he was fouled by Tom Wideman. The shot went in, the score was tied and Carlisle was on the free-throw line.

"It was kind of like slow motion, where I missed the shot and the ball just got knocked back out," said Carlisle, who led the Golden Bears with 16 points.

"I knew time was going down, so I tried to knock it from two guys around me. I knew I had the opportunity to score and I made contact and got the bucket to go down."

And then it was time for the free throw. After a Clemson timeout, the 6-foot-2 Carlisle, who hits 77 percent of his free throws, stepped up and swished the decisive shot in front of a crowd of 10,864.

"I asked God to take the fear and nervousness I had in me away," Carlisle said, "and I was able to knock it down like it was any other free throw."

After the Tigers' Terrell McIntyre missed a last-second 15-footer, it was celebration time

at Madison Square Garden as the Cal players raced to midcourt and began hugging each other.

"That free throw, it was for history, it was for everything we worked for," Carlisle said.

Carlisle is one of four seniors, all of whom enrolled at Cal two years ago even though NCAA sanctions loomed. Last year, the Golden Bears were banned from postseason play and also had two scholarships taken away for misdeeds under former coach Todd Bozeman.

And winning the NIT allowed the Golden Bears (22-11) to go out with a five-game winning streak and a whole bunch of smiling faces. Clemson ended the season at 20-15.

"This is a very special group of seniors and we just put together a good string at the end," Braun said. "These seniors have been

together only two years and made the best of that time."

It's been 40 years since California won a postseason championship, and the Golden Bears became the 16th team win NCAA and NIT titles. Cal won the NCAA title in 1959, beating West Virginia by one point, 71-70.

In their run to the NIT title, the Golden Bears rallied from 12 points down to beat Fresno State and from 17 back to beat DePaul. Against Clemson, it was eight points.

McIntyre, who led Clemson with 17 points, said it was tough to get a clear shot at the end.

"It's hard to get a good look going full court with only four seconds, he said. "You don't really know how much time is going when you're dribbling so it was a rush shot and it just didn't go in for us."

Estes' hot start leaves him tied for lead in Players' Championship

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. (AP)— As he left the tee box at No. 15, Bob Estes' caddie pulled a bottle of water from the bag, made sure the lid was sealed tight and tossed it over to him.

It hit Estes right in the hands, but he couldn't hold on. That was one of the very few flubs the 33-year-old Texan committed Thursday in the opening round of The Players Championship.

Before the wind kicked up and the sun baked the greens, Estes shot a 4-under-par 68 to finish tied for the lead with Brian Watts.

Watts overcame a triple bogey on his second hole to get into contention, conjuring memories of his second-place finish at the British Open last year.

He and Estes entered today's second round one shot ahead of Hal Sutton, Joe Ozaki and hometown favorite David Duval, who all finished at 3-under 69.

A group of nine, including Tiger Woods, finished at 70. Another 13 players were at 71, including Curtis Strange, the struggling Nick Faldo and two-time Players champion Steve Elkington.

But for at least one day, everyone but one player in the field was chasing Estes, the 12-year tour veteran with just one career victory.

Although his success has been limited, he seems to understand the essence of this tournament,

considered a "fifth major" by most of those on tour.

"This is the kind of tournament where you want to get off to a fast start, because you know the golf course can play much tougher as the week goes along," Estes said. "Usually, the greens get just firmer and faster as time goes by."

Estes has toiled in relative anonymity on tour since 1988, even though he has earned \$3.7 million and has finished out of the top 100 on the money list just once since 1992.

"He's got one of the best short games out here," Woods said. "He's one of those guys who hangs around, a steady player. He hits a lot of fairways, a lot of greens and has a great short game."

For a guy who strives for consistency, Estes' final four holes sure made for an interesting trip.

He salvaged par after teeing off into the rough on the par-4 15th hole.

On the par-5 16th, he elected to go for the green in two, but blocked his shot into the lagoon that guards the right side of the green. After his caddie chased a duck out of his path following the drop, Estes pitched on and two-putted for a bogey.

He made up for it with a birdie on No. 17, the island hole, then saved par with a 20-foot putt on 18 for a share of the lead.

Estes was tied with Watts, whose performance at the British

Open last year put him on the big stage after making most of his money on the Japanese Tour.

Watts teed off from the back side and promptly scored a triple bogey on No. 11 when he thinned a wedge over the green, leaving it plugged in a bunker. It took two shots to get out of there and three more to find the hole, but the whole affair didn't seem to demoralize him too much.

"I try not to get down on myself," he said. "What the heck. The worst thing that can happen is I either shoot in the 80s or miss the cut. Whatever, I am still going to live through the day, most likely."

Just one stroke back stood Duval, the tour's hottest player and a native of nearby Jacksonville. Growing up near the Stadium Course, he knows that even the rain that was expected to hit sometime today might not be too much help.

"I think the way the golf course has been prepared and it is playing such that it is going to be a low-scoring affair," Duval said. "You are talking single-digits, probably."

Woods would have no problem with that. He felt his score of 2-under on one of the toughest courses in golf was nothing less than a solid start.

"I wish I could say I left something out there, but I didn't," he said. "Overall, I made a lot of putts for pars from 10 to 15 feet. I really can't complain too much."

Stars turn back stubborn Kings, 2-1

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP)— The Dallas Stars shouldn't be having this much trouble beating the Los Angeles Kings.

The Kings are eight points out of a playoff spot and 43 points behind the Stars, who lead the NHL's overall standings and are cruising toward their second consecutive Presidents' Trophy.

Dallas is 11-0-6 against Los Angeles since their previous loss on April 6, 1995, and Thursday

nights 2-1 victory completed a five-game season sweep by the Stars — all one-goal victories.

"They're a much better team than their record shows, and you knew they were going to come out hard," Brett Hull said after scoring his 36th goal in 45 career games against the Kings. It was also his league-leading 10th game-winner of the season.

The 10th-place Kings are eight points behind Calgary for eighth

place in the Western Conference. Los Angeles has 11 games remaining to earn their second consecutive playoff berth.

"It's difficult to play a desperate hockey team," Dallas defenseman Doug Lidster said. "They came out and they wanted to do everything they could to avoid being eliminated from the playoff race. And we don't have that motivation, so they've raised their level of play when they face us."

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ORDINANCE NO. 1328 AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE PRIMA FACIA MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT ON U.S. HIGHWAY 60 LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. WHEREAS, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has conducted a study on recommended speed limits on U.S. Highway 60 within the corporate limits of the City of Pampa, Texas; and WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to establish speed limits on said U.S. Highway 60 to conform to the recommendation of TxDOT; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF PAMPA, TEXAS:

Section 1. An operator of a motor vehicle as defined in §541.201(11) of the Transportation Code may not drive at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under the circumstances then existing.

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Section 5. This ordinance shall be effective upon its final reading and shall become enforceable after its publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED on its first reading this 9th day of March, 1999.

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