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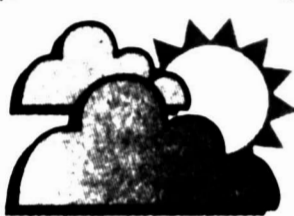
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LOCAL
Breaking news:
Plane hits Excel plant

AMARILLO - News reports Friday morning said the pilot of a small plane had been killed when the plane crashed into an Excel plant near Amarillo.

The reports said the plane landed on a conveyor belt which takes coal into the plant.

Officials with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Federal Aviation Authority were reportedly enroute to the scene at news time, according to spokesperson Bill Crenshaw.

Excel, an energy company, was formerly Southwestern Public Service.

David Bowser, a Pampa News reporter/photographer on the scene at press time today, said there was no explosion and all employees have been accounted for.

The area is cordoned off and news media are not being allowed near the scene, Bowser said.

Immunization clinic set for Wednesday

A free immunization clinic for WIC clients is set for 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 17, at the WIC office, 1201 N. Hobart.

A \$20 charge will be assessed to non-WIC clients for the immunizations.

To make an appointment or for further information, call 665-1182.

DEATHS

Carl E. Anderson, 93, services pending.

Veronica May "Roni" "Sturgill" Cook, 44, homemaker.

Floyd E. "Red" Lowe, 88, restaurant owner.

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Neither approved nor rejected

PGCD takes water permit presentation 'under advisement'

By DAVID BOWSER
 Staff Writer

WHITE DEER - To L. Boone Pickens' disappointment, Frank Bowers said the board would take Thursday's presentations under advisement and rule on the Roberts County pumping permits in a few weeks.

The pumping permits requested from the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District here by Pickens and the Mesa Water group were not approved at Thursday's meeting, nor were they rejected.

"This is the first time the board has had a look at all this," Bowers said Thursday afternoon. "I want to go real carefully on this. I don't think it's anything the board is going to take lightly."

With that the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District board of directors adjourned until May.

"I thought they'd rule today," Pickens said, "but I can understand



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)
Roberts County landowners, left to right, Bill Tolbert, Boone Pickens and Carl Kennedy, visit during a break at the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District board of directors meeting Thursday in White Deer.

what the chairman is saying, and I agree."

Still, Pickens said he was disappointed.

"We've got to look through this," Bowers said, hefting the stack of permit applications and research. "We're

not going to do this point blank."

A tentative meeting was set for 1 p.m., May 15, at the groundwater district's offices here for the board to announce their decision.

Several Roberts County landowners, under the umbrella of Mesa Water

Inc., applied for high capacity pumping permits in the fall of 2000. The groundwater district initially tabled the applications, saying they were administratively incomplete. Among other things, they did not list an end user. Working with the district staff, Mesa seemingly had reached an agreement in which temporary permits could be issued until a buyer could be found for the water.

Pickens said he could not find a buyer until he had permits allowing him to pump water.

The Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, however, protested the applications, throwing the permitting process into an administrative legal tangle.

Mesa countered by suing CRMWA in Judge Steven Emmert's 31st District Court, accusing CRMWA of taking the landowners' water without due compensation.

CRMWA and the City of Amarillo both have water rights and pumping permits to pump one acre foot of water per acre held annually. CRMWA, which provides water to 11 municipalities in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains, including Pampa, began producing from their Roberts County well (See WATER, Page 3)

PISD board gets glimpse of TEKS

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
 Editor

After declaring the election of three unopposed incumbents whose seats were up for re-election in May, Pampa Independent School District's (PISD) board of education glimpsed the new state academic assessment tests at their meeting Thursday.

Using a provision of the state election code which allows unopposed school board candidates to be elected by declaration, board members unanimously approved the election of John Curry to Place 1, Lance DeFever to Place 2 and Jay Johnson to Place 3 on the PISD board.

Curriculum Coordinators Evan Smith and Joann Jones and Assistant Superintendent Jane Steele reported on recent seminars and conferences they've attended on the new state assessment tests to be administered in 2003.

After attending a special training at

the Charles Dana Center at the University, "we came back with more questions than we left with," Smith said.

TEKS, Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, will be replacing the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) in 2003.

Smith said that the new tests will assess students on their knowledge of the state's written curriculum. In a nutshell, the state will provide the curriculum, the district will teach the curriculum, and then the state will test to see how well the students are learning the curriculum.

She warned the school board that problems with the change-over will occur especially in the areas of program alignment and helping students and teachers understand the changes in the test.

"We won't fully understand the test until we've given that first test," she said.

"There will be a huge change in

accountability with the TEKS test," she said.

"Not just accountability for the schools and the teachers, but for students as well," Steele added.

She said that the new test will not focus on students' storing knowledge but also on learning to apply that knowledge.

Jones explained sample TEKS tests that were passed to the board and audience, comparing them with TAAS test samples.

"We can no longer take the test and teach it," she said. "That's a good idea, but we can no longer do that exclusively."

She showed how TEKS will test students' ability to reason with questions that required a "best" answer from a range of answers that all are correct, but only one is the most correct.

"There are more subtleties to the test," Steele interjected. "We will have to teach what is 'best.'"

(See TEST, Page 3)



(Pampa News photo)
Evan Smith explains the new TEKS test to the Pampa school board.

Guthrie Center opening begins

Celebrations continue April 12-14 with unveiling, 'This Land' play

Loralee Cooley, who is producing the grand opening of the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center this weekend, said today she's exhilarated about the sneak preview Thursday night.

While the official opening of the center will be tonight, Saturday and Sunday, more than 100 people packed the former Harris Drug Store Thursday night for a preview performances by Austin Elementary School singers, singers from the Macedonia Baptist Church and "This Land," a reading theater production written and directed by Loralee Cooley.

"I thought it was great," Paulette Kirksey, chairman of Pampa's Tribute to Woody Guthrie.

Kirksey said it was good to see such a diverse group coming together in Pampa.

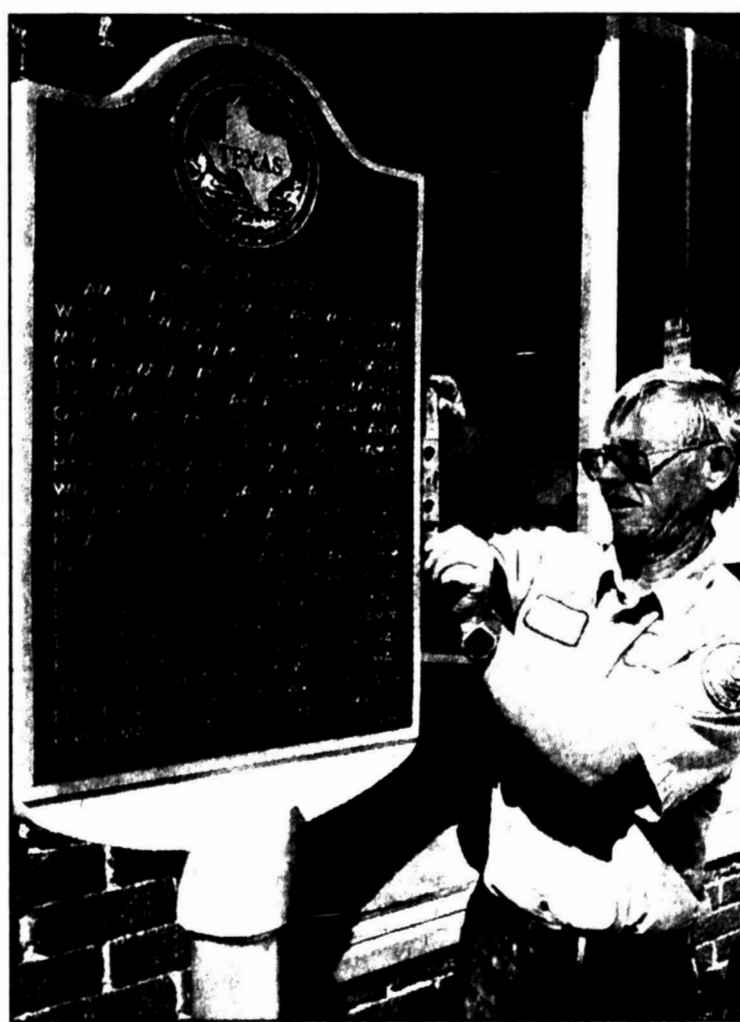
"We had people from all over Pampa there," Kirksey said.

"It's exhilarating," Cooley said today and she and Thelma Bray, who organized Pampa's Tribute to Woody Guthrie, gathered at the center to prepare for opening night tonight.

"I'm so grateful to Loralee Cooley for bringing all this together," Bray said. "She's fabulous."

Performances are scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center, 320 S. Cuyler.

Sunday's matinee performance, set for 2:30 p.m., will include the dedication of a state historical marker noting that the center, formerly Harris Drug Store, was where Guthrie worked when he lived in Pampa in the late 1920s and 1930s.



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)
Chuck Geno with the City of Pampa checks the plumb of a new Texas historical sign being placed at 320 S. Cuyler, the site of the old Harris Drug Store where folk singer Woody Guthrie once worked. The building is now the home of the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center. The official unveiling of the historical marker this weekend coincides with the opening of the center.

Wheeler election decided

By NANCY YOUNG
 Managing Editor

WHEELER - A flip of the coin this morning at the Wheeler County Courthouse decided the outcome of the Precinct Two County Commission race in the Democratic Primary.

Current County Commissioner Tom Puryear will retain his county commission seat after he called 'heads'.

A recount of the Tuesday Precinct Two County Commission runoff race this morning resulted in a 199-199 tie between Puryear and his opponent Dwayne Baker.

Tuesday night's count gave Puryear the edge over Baker, 199-198.

Wheeler County Democratic Executive Committee met Thursday night and canvassed the ballots. The count in the commission race remained a one-vote margin following canvassing.

At the request of Baker, a recount was held at 9 a.m. this morning. He (See ELECTION, Page 3)

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OBITUARIES
SERVICES TOMORROW

LOWE, Floyd E. — 2 p.m., Travis Baptist Church, Memphis.

CARL E. ANDERSON
1909-2002

Carl E. Anderson, 93, of Pampa, died Thursday, April 11, 2002, at Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Anderson was born March 14, 1909, in Webb City, Mo. He married Dove Arlene Gibney on Aug. 15, 1937, in Amarillo. She preceded him in death on April 24, 2001. He worked for Shell Oil Company at one time. He moved to California for several years, and upon his return to Pampa, he went to work for Cabot Corporation, retiring as a supervisor.

He was a member of the First Christian Church. He was a member of the Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM where he received the Golden Trowel award.

He was a member of the Scottish Rite Consistory in Lubbock, and was a lifetime member of the Pampa Shrine Club and the

Khiva Temple.

Survivors include a sister, Evelyn Wears of Seal Beach, Calif.; several step-grandchildren; and special friends, Rex and Carolyn Rucker and Nicole and Evan Rucker, all of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to Khiva Shrine, 305 E. 5th, Amarillo, TX 79101.



VERONICA MAY "RONI" "STURGILL" COOK
1956-2002

Veronica May "Roni" "Sturgill" Cook was born on Oct. 30, 1956, in Tacoma, Wash., and passed away April 10, 2002, in Dallas, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her father, Richard "Dick" Sturgill and brother Ricky Sturgill.

She is survived by her three children: daughters, Kayci Mitchell and Dusty Cook and son Laramie Cook, their father Lynn Cook, son-in-law, Lonnie Mitchell, Mother Freida Sturgill, brother Richard Sturgill, his wife Maureen and their three children and brother Bruce Sturgill and his four children.

Services will be at 2:30 p.m., April 15, 2002, in First Baptist Church, Skellytown, Texas.

Veronica you will forever be loved in our hearts forever. Your loving family.



Arrangements under the direction of North Texas Cremation Society in Addison, Texas.

FLOYDE "RED" LOWE
1912-2002

MEMPHIS — Floyd E. "Red" Lowe, 88, died Thursday, April 11, 2002. Services will be at 2 p.m., Saturday in Travis Baptist Church with Tom Anderson officiating and Johnny Smider assisting. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Hughs Funeral Home of Memphis.

Mr. Lowe was born Dec. 13, 1912, at Rubbttom, Okla., to the late George Lowe and Mae Langley Lowe. He moved to Memphis from Childress in 1960 and graduated from high school at Empire, Okla.

He married Cosette Denney Lowe on July 11, 1943; she died Dec. 29, 1995.

He was a self-employed restaurant owner and a member and deacon of Travis Baptist Church.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, attaining the rank of sergeant and serving in World War II. He belonged to Senior Citizens, American Legion and was 32nd Degree Mason, Lodge 729.

Survivors include a son, Jerry Lowe of Memphis; a daughter, Janice Bellah of Pampa; a brother, Aubrey Lowe of Oklahoma City, Okla.; three sisters, Audry Burns of Weatherford, Okla., Beatrice Champion and Lucille Wivel, both of Corona, Calif.; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to Travis Baptist Church, 708 N. 13th, Memphis, TX 79245; or Diabetes Association, 301 S. Polk, Suite 740, Amarillo, TX 79101.

ON RECORD

SHERIFF

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

Thursday, April 11

Curtis Lee Wine, 29, 1013 Neel Rd., was arrested by Pampa police on charges of not having a driver's license and disorderly conduct - music.

William J. Shipp, 23, 1138 Wilcox, was arrested by Pampa police on charges of assault by threat.

Friday, April 12

Jose Silva, 36, 704 E. Denver, was arrested by Pampa police on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Cecilia Sanchez, 24, Campbell Street, was arrested by Pampa police on charges of criminal trespass.

Jimmie Johnson, 49, 1927 Evergreen, was arrested by Pampa police on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Michael Norton, 37, homeless, was arrested by Pampa police on charges of failure to signal turn.

POLICE

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

Thursday, April 11

An assault was reported in the 800 block of North Nelson.

About \$25 in change was taken from an unlocked car in the 100 block of North Houston.

An attempted suicide was reported in the 1200 block of North Garland.

The theft of a rear drive train was reported at an auto dealership in the 800 block of North Hobart.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 700 block of East Denver.

An animal complaint was reported in the 2600 block of North Navajo.

Friday, April 12

Jimmie Johnson, 49, 1927 Evergreen, was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia.

FIRE

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

Thursday, April 11

11:36 a.m. — One unit and four firefighters responded to the 1200 block of East

Francis on a medical assist.

2:35 p.m. — Three units and seven firefighters delivered and set up a hospital bed in the 400 block of Pitts. They provided the assistance as a service for the local Red Cross.

STOCKS

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

VLO	47.00	-0.86
Halliburton	16.73	-0.54
Triad Hospitals	36.57	+0.05
NOI	22.98	-0.60
KMI	49.75	-0.15
XCEL	25.13	-0.07
Kerr McGee	59.01	-1.81
Limited	19.16	+0.26
Williams	21.31	-0.17
McDonalds	28.00	+0.29
Exxon Mobil	42.99	-0.19
Atmos	24.01	-0.08
Pioneer Nat.	21.69	-1.07
Penney's	21.84	+0.45
Phillips	58.21	-1.49
SLB	52.74	-2.10
Tenneco	5.38	+0.38
CVX	84.22	-2.23
Wal-Mart	60.60	+0.23
OKE	20.49	-0.07

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

Occidental	28.58	-0.62
Fidelity Magell	98.75	-2.46
Puritan	17.69	-0.25

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

BP	50.13	-0.75
Celanese	20.80	-0.10
Cabot Corp	34.62	+0.02
Cabot Oil Gas	23.60	-0.48
Coca Cola	53.27	+0.13
New York Gold	NA	
Silver	NA	
West Texas Crude	NA	

ACCIDENTS

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

Thursday, April 11

A 1997 Buick, owned by Peggy Dupy, 1400 N. Wells, was hit while it was parked in a parking lot in the 1400 block of North Hobart. The car sustained damage to its right rear quarter. The other vehicle left the scene of the accident.

A 1976 Jeep Cherokee owned by Joe Palma, 306 N. Faulkner, was hit while it was parked in front of his home. The SUV sustained damage to the left rear quarter panel. The other vehicle left the scene of the accident.

Mann says he doesn't recall fatal collision two years ago

By KATE B. DICKSON
ASSOCIATE PUBLISHER

If there ever was a file in the 31st District Attorney's office regarding the Interstate 40 traffic death in Gray County of a Mexican national two years ago, former DA John Mann can't recall it.

"I have no recollection of the case," Mann said. "If it was brought to the DA's office, it's over there. We never threw anything away."

If it's not over there (DA's office) now, I don't know what happened unless there was some sabotage and I don't think that happened," Mann said. "I don't think it was brought in there (by the DPS) but I can't say it wasn't."

Mann left office in Jan. 2001 after being defeated by the current DA, Rick Roach.

The case in question involves a manslaughter charge brought by the DPS against a California trucker whose rig rear-ended a small pickup truck on Interstate 40 at 2 a.m. on March 18, 2000.

The truck driver, Vartan Allahverdi, 46, of Tujunga, Calif., was charged in connection with the death of Victor M. Flores-Ortega, 26, who was riding in a Nissan pickup with five other people, according to the DPS. Three of them were critically hurt.

Free on \$10,000 bond in the Gray County case, Allahverdi was charged this month with four counts of manslaughter after an April 1

crash in West Memphis, Ark., in which a car carrying four members of a Wisconsin family was rear-ended by the trucker's rig, according to Arkansas State Police Sgt. Milton Nicks. The family members were unable to escape their fleeing car after the four-vehicle chain-reaction crash and they all burned to death. The accident happened in a construction zone where traffic had been narrowed to one lane.

Allahverdi is free on \$40,000 bond in that case, the ASP sergeant said.

Meanwhile, Roach said he is rebuilding the file in the local Allahverdi case and plans to present the matter to the grand jury on April 27, seeking either criminally negligent homicide or manslaughter charges.

Roach said earlier this week that he only learned about the case last fall when a DPS official called his office to inquire about the status of matter. He said the case was apparently logged into the DA's computer system at one time, but was no longer in the system.

The DA said there is some evidence the Nissan pickup may have been driving slowly in the lane in front of Allahverdi and said, "there is a question if the tail lights on the pickup were working properly."

At the time, the DPS sent the lights off to be tested in order to determine if they were on or off at the time and Roach said a copy of that report is one of the records he has requested for the new file.

Altrusa Awareness Day



Pampa Mayor Lonnie Robbins recently signed a Proclamation designating today, April 11th, as "Altrusa Awareness Day." Looking on are Altrusa members: (l-r) Ruby Royse, Glyndene Shelton, Billie Sue Evans, President DeLynn Gordzelik, and Karen Bridges.

WEATHER FOCUS

PAMPA

Today's forecast is mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some storms may be severe. Highs in the middle 70s. Northeast to east winds 5 to 15 mph. Tonight should be cloudy with a 60 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Some storms may be severe. Lows near 55. Southeast winds 10 to 15 mph, becoming north late. Saturday, Mostly cloudy in the morning. Partly sunny in the afternoon. A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 70s. North winds 10 to 15 mph, becoming east in the afternoon. Saturday night, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Lows in the lower 50s. Sunday, partly sunny with a 20 percent chance of afternoon showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 80s. Sunday evening, partly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Monday, partly cloudy and windy. Lows in the middle 50s. Highs in the middle 80s.

STATEWIDE

Severe thunderstorms marched across the Panhandle early Friday as a new front entered

the state, promising some rainfall for other sections of the state through the weekend.

The cool front has become stationary, stretching from Childress to north of Lubbock. Low clouds advanced into parts of North Texas.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the 40s and 50s across West Texas and the panhandle to mid-60s in the Big Bend and the far west.

Extremes were 46 degrees at Marfa and 70 at Laredo.

Other readings included 59 degrees at Lufkin and 64 at Abilene and Texarkana.

Light southerly winds prevailed in North Texas. Winds were variable elsewhere at 5 to 10 mph.

Low clouds also pushed through South Texas.

A slight chance of thunderstorms was forecast across the northern half of North Texas through Sunday. A chance of storms also existed for West Texas, with some possibly severe.

High temperatures should rise into the upper 70s to mid-80s across the area, except for near 90 in the Big Bend and far West Texas, through Sunday.

Lows overnight should be in the 50s.

City Briefs

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CELEBRATE AMERICA! Boyds 1 day only Bear Stone, April 13th at All Its Charm.

MCLEAN COUNTRY Club Dance, Sat., April 13th, to "Plain Country," 8-11:30 p.m. Public Welcome.

ALTRUSA'S NINTH Annual Style Show, Sat., Apr. 13th, 10 a.m. MK Brown Aud., 1000 N. Sumner, tickets \$10, 665-7263.

SEE MARY'S Comfort & Burden Bears, booth 523 at the Cottage Collection.

TOMMY HILL Fundraiser Bake Sale Walmart, April 13.

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RELIGION

Push for Ten Commandment displays gains momentum

By AMY GREEN
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Charles Wysong believes God has stirred a fight in Tennessee.

As president of Ten Commandments-Tennessee, Wysong wants to see the biblical laws posted in public places throughout the state. He vows his organization will pay all the legal expenses for defending three displays in Hamilton County.

June Griffin, meanwhile, has traveled the state for five years in her 1993 Pontiac, trying to persuade commissioners in all of Tennessee's 95 counties to display the Ten Commandments in public buildings. More than half of the state's counties do so.

Wysong and Griffin each represent a growing movement, inspired in part by the Columbine school shootings and bolstered by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, that aims to have the Ten Commandments posted on government property.

"I think what is happening in this country is we're finding out we cannot run this country without a moral code from God," Wysong said.

Supporters see their efforts as a way of encouraging morality and showing that U.S. law is grounded in biblical law, but civil liberties groups view Ten Commandments campaigns as an affront to the nation's fundamental principles.

The debate is muddled by conflicting opin-

ions among justices as to whether the displays violate the Constitution's ban of government promotion of religion.

As the justices argue, lawmakers — primarily in the South — continue to vote in favor of displaying the Ten Commandments.

The Alabama Legislature is considering a constitutional amendment to allow public schools to display them. The North Carolina Legislature approved a law last year allowing school districts to show historical documents, including the Ten Commandments.

In Tennessee, more than a dozen counties have approved Ten Commandments displays in the last year, but others have had them up for years. Washington County in northeast Tennessee, for example, has had them on display for more than 80 years.

One of the latest to follow the trend was Sumner County, near Nashville, which voted in March to post the Ten Commandments in the county administration building, along with the Bill of Rights and Declaration of Independence.

"Those Ten Commandments provide the foundational basis for law in the United States, and I don't think anyone would deny that the framers of the Constitution relied on their knowledge of the Bible and the Ten Commandments," Sumner County Commissioner Frank Freels said.

"All laws that we have in one form or another can be traced back to the Ten Commandments."

But Hedy Weinberg, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union in Tennessee, believes the displays put the government in the position choosing between religions.

"Unfortunately there are communities within our state who, rather than celebrating religious diversity and religious freedom, want to use government to promote particular religious doctrine," she said.

"Of all times, this is a time to unite, and instead we see efforts to divide."

The ACLU sued Hamilton County in January over its three displays, and trial is set for April 29. The group also has legal challenges pending in Kentucky, Alabama and Ohio.

Adding weight to the ACLU's legal argument is an opinion issued in April by Tennessee Attorney General Paul Summers deeming Ten Commandments displays on government property an unconstitutional promotion of religion.

"It's a dangerous thing when politicians attempt to co-opt religion for their own selfish agenda," said Rev. Roland Johnson Jr., pastor of Phillips Temple Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in Chattanooga. Johnson is a plaintiff in the ACLU lawsuit against Hamilton County.

The First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution says: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof..."

The U.S. Supreme Court in 1980 ruled that

posting the Ten Commandments in schools amounted to an unconstitutional promotion of religion. The high court chose not to take up the issue in February when it rejected an appeal from Indiana Gov. Frank O'Bannon, who wanted to display a 7-foot stone monument of the Ten Commandments at the state Capitol.

But the justices were at odds when last May they passed on considering a dispute over a Ten Commandments display in front of the Elkhart, Ind., Municipal Building.

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, in a dissent joined by Justices Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas, argued the case should have been heard. He noted a wall carving of Moses in the justices' courtroom signals "respect not for great proselytizers, but for great lawgivers."

Douglas Kmiec, dean of the Catholic University Law School in Washington, expects the high court will eventually take up the debate.

"The court is increasingly saying that the government should not be hostile to religion... even when that private religious belief manifests itself in the public square," he said.

That gives hope to crusaders such as Griffin, 62, who is also a Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate in Tennessee.

"Our nation is in the sewer and the way you get out of the sewer is to begin with the definition of sin so that the people know what it is," she said. "They don't know what sin is now. The Bible gives you the definition of sin. Thou shalt not steal, that piques your conscious."

'I have sailed with the greatest captain'

Too often many feel cheated of life and robbed of earthly prosperity. Many, when they come to the end of their life, don't seem to have much of this world's goods. It would be very easy for many to become bitter and angry with God. However, I think the following story illustrates what I am trying to say today:



Minister's Musings

LELAND LEWIS
FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Many young men sailed with the great captain, Sir Francis Drake. One man had the opportunity, but he declined. Through ingenuity, sweat, and hard work he grew prosperous. One day word came that Sir Francis Drake and his crew were coming into

the harbor.

The rich man went out to the dock to greet the sailors. As the men of the sea came down the gangplank, one by one, the rich man recognized a sailor who had been his friend when they were much younger. As the two men met, the rich man said, "Look at

yourself. After all these years of sailing you don't have much, do you?"

The sailor put down his duffel bag, straightened his shoulders, and with a gleam in his eye replied, "No, sir, I haven't got much in this old world, as you say. At times we were shipwrecked, hungry, cold, and

desperately afraid. However, I can say one thing you will never be able to: I have sailed with the greatest captain that ever sailed the seas!"

If when you come to the end of your life and you don't seem to have much of this world's goods, take courage and shout with conviction, "Thank God, I have sailed with the greatest Captain that ever sailed the seas of time! Jesus Christ is the Captain of my salvation."

It was Chuck Colson who said, "God does not want our success; He wants us. He doesn't want our achievements; He demands our obedience."



(Courtesy photo)

Bob and Bonnie Wood of Pampa spent a year in Ohio on mission work.

Pampa couple completes 12-month mission in Ohio

Bob and Bonnie Wood of Pampa recently returned from a 12-month mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. They were assigned to the Ohio Columbus Mission and served in the Cambridge Branch, Cambridge, Ohio.

An application to serve a mission was submitted to the Church Missionary Department and then they were notified by letter that they would serve in the Ohio Columbus Mission. They reported to the Senior Missionary Training Center in Provo, Utah and received 10 days of training.

While serving they devoted all of their time and attention to the church by proselyting, teaching doctrine, and/or strengthening the current church membership. Senior Missionaries provide their own transportation and expenses for the mission.

The Wood family moved to Pampa in November 1964. Bob worked for the Railroad Commission of Texas, Oil & Gas Division, retiring in October 1993. They have four children, Robert, Karen, Ruth, and Carla.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints has in excess of 60,000 missionaries world-wide. Young men may serve for 2 years after their 19th birthday and young women may serve for 18 months after their 21st birthday.

'Living on the Edge' geared to single adults

Along with Angela Hamm, Single Adult Minister at First Baptist Church of Lewisville, and keynote speaker for the event, the April 20 singles conference, "Living on the Edge", will also offer five breakout sessions from which to choose.

There will be time scheduled for each participant to attend four of the five sessions offered. The sessions will include:

- "You Can't Waller In It - Contentment - Why Bad Things Happen to Good People," led by Jo Arrington, layperson and Bible teacher at First Baptist Church, Pampa.
- "Life in the Spirit - Facing Issues of Faith," led by Dr. Randy White, Pastor,

First Baptist Church, Pampa.

- "Dealing With Loneliness," led by Dixie Phillips, layperson and Discipleship group leader from First Baptist Church, Pampa
- "Someone To Hang With - Maintaining Relationships - How A Single Finds a Mate," led by Gary Smith, Singles Minister of Lakeside Baptist Church, Dallas.
- "Understanding Islam - A Christian Perspective," led by Dr. Paul Sadler, Religion Professor at Wayland Baptist University.

The Friday night conference, April 19, 6:30 p.m., will begin with supper, followed by a training session primarily

for Single Adult Church Leadership personnel. The Saturday general session will begin with a continental breakfast and registration at 8:30 a.m., followed by a joint session and worship, then the breakout sessions. Also included in the \$10 per person conference fee is a catered steak lunch for everyone who attends.

Register by April 15, by mail or by phone, to Jerry Arrington, First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, Texas 79066-0621, phone 806-669-1155.

The event is sponsored by the Single Adult Division of the First Baptist Church, and will meet in the church fellowship hall.

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Zion Lutheran plans BBQ, auction

Zion Lutheran Church of Pampa is gearing up for its annual fundraiser. Each year Zion holds this event and uses the funds to help various community projects and activities. In the past just some of those have included- Good Samaritan Christian Services, South Side Senior Citizens Center, Boy Scouts of America, Pregnancy Support Center, and the installation of new tornado sirens.

The meal, the country store and silent auction will be from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday, May 4th. The event will take place in the Parish Hall of Zion. Zion is located at 1200 Duncan Street.

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Minister to present concert on April 13 at FBC, Skellytown

SKELLYTOWN — Andy Dietz, minister of Missions and Evangelism for the First Baptist Church, Borger, will hold a concert Saturday, April 13, at the First Baptist Church of Skellytown.

A Borger High School graduate, Dietz was born and raised in Borger. He received his bachelor's degree from West Texas State University in 1974. Dietz traveled and sang in the gospel quartet, The Royalheirs, for four years and continued in music evangelism from 1976 until 1981 with The Dietz Brothers. He is married to Becky Sanders Dietz, a Pampa native, and they have four children, Matthew, Amy, David, and Zachary.

Dietz began his ministry at the First Baptist Church, Borger, in 1987 as Student Minister and has been minister of Missions and Evangelism for the past four years. He will lead the First Baptist Church, Skellytown, in revival as the music evangelist, April 21-24.

The public is invited to attend the concert Saturday, April 13, beginning at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church, Skellytown. A nursery will be provided.

College students discover personal spirituality through retreat

LUBBOCK — In the excitement of leaving home for the first time, college students often leave behind their church relationship, too.

But for others, the college years are a time to discover personal spirituality.

"When students come to a place such as Texas Tech, 90 percent are not living at home, and they are deciding about church," said Don Bagert, professor of computer science at Tech and interim director of the Catholic campus ministry.

Campus organizations such as the Catholic Student Association offer programs that help students focus on their faith. A key program for the Tech CSA is Raider Awakening, a retreat held in the fall and again in the spring.

Raider Awakening is planned by the students. The spring retreat drew 250 participants.

"People's lives are changed by it," Bagert said. "My life was changed by it 19 years ago. Students gain a greater understanding that God loves them, a lot of people love them. They realize a community there that can support them."

From that knowledge of community, students gain emotional

and spiritual energy, he said.

"It's not just an emotional high. That spiritual enrichment is something they can build on."

David Sanchez, a junior engineering major, is president of the Tech campus student ministry. He is a graduate of Lubbock High School and continues to live at home.

"I've been involved (with the campus ministry) since the second semester of my freshman year," he said. "To start with, I made a lot of friends very quickly. It's a big organization and I found new relationships. Spiritually, I grew a lot."

His closest friends and best relationships have evolved out of the association. He heads a slate of 12 officers who oversee the various activities of the campus ministry. He estimates that he spends seven hours a week with his duties as president.

Sanchez always had gone to Mass and Sunday school, but he wasn't too actively involved in the church until college.

The campus ministry program "just clicked," he said. "It brought me a lot closer to the church, to my family and to my friends. You see it with the other students, too. Once they get involved, you see a

big difference."

An article on campus ministry in the March issue of St. Anthony Messenger noted that St. Elizabeth University Parish at Texas Tech was honored in 2001 by Catholic Campus Ministry Association for The Rock, a praise and worship program that draws about 75 students at 8:30 p.m. Thursdays in Hanly Hall at St. Elizabeth's.

The magazine is published by the Franciscan Friars of St. John the Baptist Province in Cincinnati. Older Catholics recall the Newman Club of the 1950s and 1960s, according to the Rev. Pat McCloskey, writer of the St. Anthony story on campus ministry.

The focus has changed, McCloskey said, from protecting a Catholic student's faith at state-supported schools to building "a faith that will grow as the students mature and accept new responsibilities in family, church and society."

Bagert believes the praise and worship program cited by the St. Anthony article is part of the cumulative effect of the Raider Awakening, a retreat idea that Tech got from Texas A&M, which A&M had gotten from Louisiana State University.

"The last couple of years, the

spiritual level has increased markedly," Bagert said. "The power of prayer is so central to it. People are praying for them around the clock during a retreat."

Bagert credits many of the new programs to the leadership of Sister, Diana Akroush, who was the full-time campus minister at Tech for four years. She has moved to the University of Colorado since then.

"At spring break, 50 of our kids went up and helped them start a Raider Awakening, most of them at their own expense," Bagert said.

He was astounded when he had about 100 students show interest in making the trip to assist the campus ministry at Colorado with the retreat.

Bagert, also faculty adviser for CCSA, has been involved in campus ministry 21 years either as a college student or as a professor. He is most impressed with the quality of student leadership in the last two years.

"They still are kids, and they are going to make mistakes," he said, noting a messy student center as an example. But when they scheduled a clean-up day, the students did the work.

"Their spiritual maturity is remarkable," he added.

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DR. JAMES DOBSON is a psychologist, author and president of Focus on the Family, a nonprofit organization dedicated to the preservation of the home.

Q My youngest daughter is on the verge of being overweight. I don't want to single her out or embarrass her, but I do want to help her deal with this now and not let it get out of control. What is the best way to deal with this when her siblings don't have the same problem?

A Our children and teen-agers are no exception to the alarming numbers of overweight people in America. Television, computers and video games keep our young people sitting still rather than running or jumping, and all kinds of sweet and fatty snacks are readily available. The result is children gradually put on more weight.

The National Health and Nutrition Examination Surveys give us the most complete and accurate picture of our children's growth and fitness. By 1999, 13 percent of children ages 6 through 11, were at or beyond the 95th percentile for weight (the definition for obesity) on nationally standard growth charts. This compares to 4 percent of children and 5 percent of adolescents in the 1960s. Although gender-specific figures for 1999 have not yet been published, in the previous wave of the

study (1988-94) boys and young men were overweight two percentage points more often than girls and young women.

Overweight children are prone to be overweight as adults, and more likely to suffer from diabetes, heart disease, high blood pressure, mobility limitations and stroke. Excess weight prevents children from fully participating and enjoying physical games and sports, and can lead to cruel teasing and bullying. The societal value placed on "thinness" today makes the plight of the overweight youngster doubly difficult.

Before using diet and exercise to get your child to a desired weight, schedule a checkup with a family physician or pediatrician. Occasionally, a child's weight problem may be caused by a genetic, metabolic or hormonal condition, especially if the weight gain is sudden, extreme or occurs in a younger child. The physician can also determine if a medication or another substance is the root of the problem.

If your child seems to be healthy, the best way to manage her weight is to change her lifestyle and not just her's, but the whole family's. A lifestyle change may include more opportunities for exercise and adopting a balanced and healthy diet.

Tackling the problem as a family adds the double benefit of avoiding stigma for the child and

plotting a more healthy future for the entire family, who may also be at risk of being overweight and incurring medical problems.

One of the biggest changes a family can make surrounds diet. Families should concentrate on increasing grains, starches fruits and vegetables, and cutting down on concentrated sweets and items high in fat. Eliminate unhealthy snacks between meals and avoid using food items as rewards. This decreases overall daily caloric intake. Highly restrictive diets are hardly ever needed or advised.

Another lifestyle change includes exercise. Exercise every day or several times a week is better than a whole lot at once. Walking, hiking, cycling, swimming and ice or roller-skating are attractive to many families, and the activity can vary with the seasons.

Dr. Dobson is president of the nonprofit organization Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, CO. 80903; or www.family.org Questions and answers are excerpted from "Solid Answers," published by Tyndale House.

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"The history of liberty is a history of the limitation of governmental power not the increase of it. When we resist, therefore, the concentration of power we are resisting the processes of death, because a concentration of power is what always precedes the destruction of human liberties." —Woodrow Wilson

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JFK ASSASSINATED IN DALLAS



FOOTBALL DAY — The annual grid clash between the Pampa Harvesters and the Borger Bulldogs will hold the spotlight in Pampa tomorrow. Pampa Coach Otis Holladay, third from left, is shown presenting Mayor H. R. Thompson a football as the mayor proclaimed Saturday "Football Day." Looking on are Harvester tri-captains Ricky Stewart, left, Kenny Hebert and Ricky Goodwin. See story on Page 3.

Kennedy, Connally Gunned in Street

BULLETIN
DALLAS, Tex. (UPI) — President Kennedy has been assassinated. He was killed today by a bullet in the head while riding in an open car through the streets of Dallas.

DALLAS (UPI) — President Kennedy and Gov. John B. Connally of Texas were cut down by an assassin's bullets as they toured downtown Dallas in an open automobile today. The President is dead, condition of Governor Connally was undetermined.

The President, his limp body cradled in the arms of his wife, was rushed to Parkland Hospital. The governor also was taken to Parkland.

Clint Hill, a Secret Service agent assigned to Mrs. Kennedy, said "he's dead," as the President was lifted from the rear of a White House touring car, the famous "Bubbletop" from Washington. He was rushed to an emergency room in the hospital.

Other White House officials were in doubt as the corridors of the hospital erupted in pandemonium.

The incident occurred just east of the triple underpass facing a park in downtown Dallas.

Reporters about five car lengths behind the chief executive heard what sounded like three bursts of gunfire.

Secret Service agents in a follow-up car quickly unlimbered their automatic rifles.

The bubble top of the President's car was down.

They drew their pistols, but the damage was done.

The President was slumped over in the back of the car face down. Connally lay on the floor of the rear seat.

Holes in Chest

It was impossible to tell at the moment where Kennedy was hit, but bullet holes in Connally's chest were plainly visible, indicating the gunfire might possibly have come from an automatic weapon.

There were three loud bursts. Dallas motorcycle officers escorting the President quickly raced up a grassy hill.

At the top of the hill, a man and woman appeared huddled on the ground.

In the turmoil, it was impossible to determine at once whether the Secret Service and Dallas police returned the gunfire that struck down Kennedy and Connally.

It was also difficult to determine immediately whether the First Lady and Mrs. Connally were injured.

Both women were in the car. Both women were crouched down over the inert forms of their husbands as the big car raced toward the hospital.

Mrs. Kennedy was on her knees on the floor of the rear seat with her head toward the President. President Johnson, who now becomes president of the United States, was in a car behind the Kennedys and Connallys.

He was to be sworn into office as soon as possible.

Johnson rushed to the hospital and was whisked away by Secret Servicemen. His whereabouts were being kept secret.

The President had landed only a short time before at Dallas Love Field and was driving to the White House for a luncheon speech sponsored by three Dallas organizations.

The largest turnout of the current Texas tour was on the streets to greet Kennedy.

An estimated 250,000 people lined the street.

At 12:50 p. m., acting White House Secretary Malcolm Kilduff was asked whether the President was dead.

"I have no word now," Kilduff replied.

Both men were taken to the Parkland Hospital.

A father Huber administered the last sacrament of the Roman Catholic Church to the President shortly before 1 p. m.

Rear Adm. George Burley, USN, the White House physician, went to the emergency room where the President and Connally had been taken.

The President was in Texas on a two-day visit, one of whose purposes was to buck up Democratic presidential strength.

The streets were lined by crowds, the biggest turnout of the Texas tour.

The motorcade was so strung out as the result of the speedy movement of the cavalcade that members of the Kennedy staff were 15 minutes to a half hour behind in reaching the Parkland Hospital.



PRESIDENT JOHN F. KENNEDY



GOVERNOR JOHN CONNALLY

Confessed Murderer of Girl Says He Panicked

HOUSTON (UPI) — David E. Williams, 18, who said he strangled a schoolmate in panic, then disarranged her clothing to make it look like an assault, was in a Houston jail today.

The clean-cut, bespectacled high school senior was brought back to Houston last night from Thibodaux, La., where he had been jailed after trying to break into a home at nearby Raceland, La.

Williams, who was discharged from the Marines because he could not adjust to the service, was charged with murder in the death of Donna Jean Tweed, 17, a neighbor and classmate of his.

The killing occurred Tuesday in the girl's home while her parents were on a shopping trip.

Beaten and Strangled

He returned home to find Donna beaten and strangled on a bedroom floor of the home.

Her hands were tied behind her back and a man's necktie was wound around her neck.

Her clothing was torn and disarranged but an autopsy showed she had not been raped.

When Williams was arrested in Louisiana he was driving the girl's car, which he had attempted to disguise by changing license plates and painting it two-tone.

He admitted the killing, saying he strangled the girl because she would not tell him why his girlfriend, whom he identified as "Anne," was giving him the brush off.

Panicked and Struck

He said that in the discussion he panicked and hit her with a pistol, then tied her hands. He said that as he started to leave, he heard her struggling so he went back and hit her with the back edge of a meat cleaver.

The others killed were Mrs. Vivian Bird, in her early 60s, and Patsy Moon, about 30. Mrs. Bird's body was beside that of her daughter and Mrs. Moon's body was in a doorway between the living room and bedroom.

Summons Police

Authorities said after the shootings, Painter's father-in-law called and asked about his wife. Painter said she had gone to work.

TOP DRIVER

WESTBURY, N. Y. (UPI) — John Chapman was the leading driver at Roosevelt Raceway last year with 71 victories. It was his first full season at the Long Island harness racing track.

If it comes from a hardware store we have it. Lewis Howe (Adv.)

Cactus Jack Gets Kisses, Cake on 95th

UVALDE, Tex. (UPI) — John Nance (Cactus Jack) Garner, student from Norway, plan to celebrate his 95th birthday today with a birthday cake, kisses from two pretty girls.

Garner, vice president of the United States under President Franklin D. Roosevelt, was also to be honored by "home folks" who will dedicate the second annual Uvalde City Farm and Ranch show to him at the Garner Memorial Museum.

The museum is in a two-story brick home given to this southwest Texas town by Garner. Garner moved out of the home into a small frame house in its back yard when his wife, Ettie, died in 1948.

The pretty girls, Sandra Dietz, Miss Mohair of Texas, and Inger Almaas, an exchange student from Norway, plan to present a birthday cake to Garner, who served as No. 2 man to Roosevelt for eight years.

Pretty girls have always been favorite targets of a Garner kiss.

Residents of this quiet ranching town, located some 75 miles west of San Antonio, decided to dedicate this year's show to Garner because of his many years of service to the area.

A Washington Yow

Garner never would return when he left Washington in 1940. He served 43 years in prison. (See CACTUS JACK, Page 3)

FDR Jr. Opposes Mundt's Measure

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The administration sent another high-ranking official to the Senate Banking Committee's hearings today to testify in opposition to a bill it claims would kill any wheat deal with Russia.

Undersecretary of Commerce Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. was expected to join Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon and Acting Secretary of State George W. Ball in opposing the measure, introduced by Sen. Karl E. Mundt, R-S.D.

The Mundt bill would prohibit the Export-Import Bank or any other government agency from guaranteeing payment to commercial banks of any loans made to the Soviets or to the satellite nations to pay for the purchase and shipment of goods from this country.

Under an agreement reached during the lengthy Senate battle over the foreign aid authorization measure, the committee must report on the Mundt bill by Monday. It was expected to wind up three days of hearings today to rush the measure to the Senate floor.

Amarillo Boy, 8, Killed by Shotgun

AMARILLO (UPI) — Rusty Hamilton Reed, 8, was shot to death Thursday night by a single blast from a 12-gauge shotgun, just a few feet from a table on which he had just laid his Christmas list to Santa Claus.

His brother, Howard, 17, told police "I was just playing with the shotgun and I shot him."

Howard said he had been pointing the gun away from the boy and then turned it toward him.

"After the gun fired every thing happened," he said.

He said he picked his brother up and started to take him to a hospital, "but I knew I couldn't get him there."

The boys' mother, Mary Reed, was not home at the time of the shooting.

Rusty's now meaningless Christmas list showed he had wanted a racer, train, and BB gun.

INCREASED TOLL EXPECTED

City Warned on Traffic Trend

Pampa is "sitting on a powder keg" of traffic pressures and in view of present trends an increased annual traffic death toll can be expected in the future.

This is the warning sounded to Pampa city, school and civic officials by the National Safety Council.

It came out in Pampa's annual inventory of traffic safety activities for 1962 just released by the council and reported to local officials by Sgt. Fred D. Marshall of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

The report is highly critical of Pampa's traffic safety program in several categories.

THE NATIONAL Safety Council report states that "Pampa has a traffic safety problem far from solved, and a program not yet strong enough to solve it."

Traffic safety activities for the city were rated the report at 39 per cent of fulfillment of what the Safety Council calls a desirable minimum performance.

In reading his report, Sergeant Marshall pointed out that "the 1962 School Traffic Safety Education program reported by the public school system was evaluated at a deplorable 26 per cent of recommended performance, as compared to a low of 29 per cent for 1961."

DISTRIBUTION of safety information and news on safety activities in the community through newspapers, radio, motion pictures, meetings, literature and special materialism was rated a weak 25 per cent.

"Conversely, traffic safety was not a major subject of education in Pampa," the report says. "Pampa has been taking its traffic toll in stride and not making any particular noteworthy effort to improve the situation."

THE REPORT goes on to say that "a prime need in Pampa, it appears, is the undertaking of a formal program of safety promotion and systematic coverage of it in the city's medium of publication."

The report says Pampa has only half enough policemen to provide proper traffic safety handling.

The National Safety Council in summarizing the report on Pampa's traffic problems has this to say:

"Toward the more worthy objective of a substantial 'rollback' of the accident experience, these goals are suggested for the next twelve months:

1. Additional time spent on accident records, on preparation of accident data suitable for engineering, education, and enforcement use.

2. Comparison of studies relating accident experience to enforcement activities be prepared for selective enforcement use.

3. Pampa to have a local planning agency and a comprehensive master plan be adopted.

4. The most urgent need for Pampa is an increase in the number of police personnel.

5. Determine the cause for and reduce the excessive rate of turnover of police personnel.

6. Institute court trial of all persons charged with hazardous traffic law violations.

7. Qualify one school person with the responsibility for coordinating and supervising safety education activities in the school system.

8. Systematic use of all media of public information to promote fulfillment of the goals formerly arrived at and adopted for accident prevention.

9. That a citizens' safety organization be established to assist officials in determining probable public acceptance of official traffic proposals.



DAVID WILLIAMS ... admits killing

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Ever-Present Ex-Wife Has To Move On With Her Life

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been together for 10 years and happily married for six. We live in a small town and have been restoring a 100-year-old Victorian home since our marriage; we've put a lot of our heart and soul into this house. We have terrific neighbors, and it is a beautiful neighborhood. We chose to live in this small town because my husband was previously married and has three children who live here with their mother. At the time, we thought it would be a good idea so he could remain close to the children. We get along well with them, see them often, and can attend their school and sporting activities.

The problem: My husband's ex has started parking three doors up the street and walks, jogs, bikes and skates around our house. When I say "around," I mean we live on a corner with an alley in the back, so it is literally "around" the house. We feel like we're being circled by a vulture watching our every move.

My husband says he feels that she's invading our privacy, especially when it's his visitation with the kids. In the summer, this happens on a daily basis — sometimes twice a day. My husband asked her to find another way to go, but she says she's not doing anything wrong and refuses.

We have thought of moving, but this is a small town and we're afraid she would follow us. My husband grew up in this town and his parents, grandparents, brothers and sisters live here. Short of leaving all

of our hard work, our beautiful home, our good neighbors, our relatives and most important, the children, what can we do?

VULTURE'S PREY
DEAR PREY: You're not being circled by a vulture. You're being haunted by the Ghost of Marriage Past. Obviously the poor woman has not moved on with her life and is preoccupied with yours. She would benefit from counseling. Since she persists in making her presence felt in spite of being asked not to, your next move should be to consult a lawyer and have a chat with your local police department.

A restraining order may be able to achieve what a polite request could not.

DEAR ABBY: Your advice to "Fed Up in Pittsburgh" was right on. It was the letter about the freeloading brother-in-law who wouldn't move out of his relatives' game room.

Twenty years ago, I too moved in with my brother and his family after my divorce. My brother assured me I could stay until I got back on my feet. I spent six weeks living there — becoming more and more withdrawn in the process. Every night I'd come home from work and all I'd do is play with their kids.

Then one weekend my brother left town on business. When I came home that first night after he

gone, my sister-in-law met me at the door with the words, "I want you to move out." I assured her I would, as soon as I got an apartment. She said, "No, I mean right now."

I immediately packed a few things and went to stay with a friend. The next day, I started looking for a place of my own, and two days later I had an apartment. All my brother has ever known is that I moved out that weekend. I never told him why.

What my sister-in-law did was the best thing that could have happened to me; we are good friends to this day. Please tell "Fed Up" that maybe the brother-in-law needs a "kick start" like I did.

GRATEFUL IN SASKATCHEWAN
DEAR GRATEFUL: A kick in the posterior can sometimes be a boost in the right direction.

Pauline Phillips and her daughter Jeanne Phillips share the pseudonym Abigail Van Buren. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90068.

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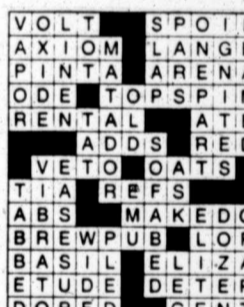


Crossword Puzzle

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 40 Hammett
 - 1 Turn pooch toward the wind
 - 41 Exploits
 - 5 Fake
 - 9 With 39-Across, noted violinist
 - 11 Cove
 - 13 Rapper
 - 14 Rhymes
 - 15 Range
 - 16 Cry from the sidelines
 - 17 Nile Delta city
 - 18 Ex checks
 - 20 Engine sound
 - 21 Planting bases
 - 22 Energizes, with "up"
 - 23 Compass pt.
 - 24 Towel word
 - 25 Cod, for one
 - 27 Trails
 - 29 Totality
 - 30 Ventilates
 - 32 Defame
 - 34 Hwy.
 - 35 Hudson and Jackson
 - 36 Subscription unit
 - 38 Play part
 - 39 See 9-Across
- DOWN**
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 - 2 Regular patrons
 - 3 Stylish dressers
 - 4 Diet no-no
 - 5 Singer Elliott
 - 6 Formerly
 - 7 Stylish dressers
 - 8 Main-tained
 - 10 King of songs
 - 12 League units
 - 17 Switch settings
 - 19 Ore place
 - 22 Ore places
 - 24 Ed of "A Beautiful Mind"
 - 25 Wine holders
 - 26 Llama's cousin
 - 27 Diner dessert
 - 28 Surgeon's stitch
 - 30 Bewildered
 - 31 New drivers, often
 - 33 Revival setting
 - 37 Actor Erwin



Yesterday's answer

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Horoscope

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2002
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)

Do something very special with a loved one. For some, it might involve a special visit or trip. For others, you might treat this favorite person to a meal or movie. You know what works. Seize the moment while you can. Tonight: Worry less.

This Week: You cannot hold back your ideas and thoughts, but don't be surprised if another isn't thrilled by your words! Make an offer on Thursday.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Express your caring so that another can receive it. Sometimes you can get overwhelmed by this person and what might be on his or her mind. Though you're certainly aware of your limits, you do need to let go. Right now is the perfect occasion. Tonight: So what if tomorrow is Monday?

This Week: The business of making money scores high on your list of priorities. You're unlikely to slow down until Thursday, when you naturally network, making new friends.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Cancel your plans, if you want. Whatever you would like to do might be a lot more important in the long run. Though you could feel as if you're giving in to whim and whimsy, do so anyway. Not everything needs to be planned. Tonight: Do what you most want to do.

This Week: Accept another's compliments, but don't slow down. Realize when you're on a roll. By Thursday, you see the benefits of your hard work.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Others do what you want, making this day very special. Join friends and get together with the gang. If single, a friend might introduce you to someone new and interesting. If attached, you'll love the jovial nature of your friends. Tonight: Let the happening continue.

This Week: Integrate news, even though you might not be thrilled. Take your time

and clear out your work. On Thursday, the spotlight shines on you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Someone cannot tell you enough how much he or she cares about you. You might even blush (yes, you!) with all the attention. Invite friends to join you on a must occasion. Call an associate or older friend. Make sure this person is OK. Tonight: Don't count on an early bedtime!

This Week: Aim high Monday through Wednesday. Claim your power and go for what you want. Grin all you want on Thursday, but assume a low profile.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Reach out for someone at a distance this morning. Sometimes taking the time to go through your phone book and catch up on your friends' news puts you in touch with yourself as well. Go out of your way for an in-law or loved one. Tonight: Follow the music.

This Week: Take charge this week, enacting a long-overdue plan or project. You succeed by Thursday, when you have reason to grin from ear to ear.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Another cannot do enough for you. On some level, you could find yourself overwhelmed and, perhaps, exhausted. You don't need to have an important discussion until you're good and ready. Listen to a proposition and let this person know that you'll consider it. Tonight: Snuggle in.

This Week: A trip might be in the offing. Try to stay present with the moment until Thursday, when you shine like a star. Extra mental time feeds your creativity.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Others seek you out. You could be taken back by what another reveals. Your sense of humor comes through at an awkward moment. Let go of any rigidity about how things should be. Relax and allow someone to reveal his or her true colors. Tonight: The party could go on and on.

This Week: Deal with a strong associate or partner directly. You might not like his or her decisions, but you aren't going to change them, either!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

If you want to be left alone to

do something you really would enjoy, you just might need to ask. Generally, others think of you as always on the go, ready for nearly anything. Give yourself the gift of some free, lazy time. Tonight: Put up your feet.

This Week: Allow others to play their cards first. You don't have as much control as you would like. On Thursday, an associate comes through for you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Give up your serious demeanor and allow more fun into your life. You can't always worry about "what if." If you haven't finished your taxes, consider filing an extension. Loosen up and make your life more pleasing. Tonight: Go for fun.

This Week: Dig in to work, getting as much done as possible. You easily could be overwhelmed by what lands on your plate. Kick back. By Thursday, you see the light of day.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Stay close to home and enjoy others in your immediate environment. You're the sign of friendship, but remember, family also needs to be treated as friends, too. Make sure you're giving those close to you enough time. Tonight: Go for a favorite dinner.

This Week: Your imagination leads. Charge some of this high-voltage mental energy into your work. You gain professionally on Thursday. Go for what you want.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Walk on out the door and visit with your neighbors. Buy or make muffins for a loved one. By touching base with those in your immediate environment, you enjoy yourself far more. Remember those you sometimes forget. Tonight: Treat yourself now!

This Week: You might need to deal with a personal or domestic matter first. If you can, take the next few days off. On Thursday, the old spunk returns.

BORN TODAY:

Actress Julie Christie (1941), country singer Loretta Lynn (1935), actor Robert Carlyle (1961)

Home at last: Twins head home after getting swept in Cleveland

By **JOSH DUBOW**
 AP Sports Writer

The Minnesota Twins are happy to get out of Cleveland and finally come home. The Twins ended a season-opening 11-day roadtrip by getting swept in a four-game series in Cleveland, losing the finale 8-4 to the Indians on Thursday night.

"We can't wait to get home in front of 50,000 fans who will show how much they want baseball," utilityman Denny Hocking said. "We want to win and show how much we appreciate that they appreciate us. They went through a lot this winter."

The Twins weren't sure this home opener would ever come after an offseason of contraction talk. They were saved by a favorable court ruling but then had to wait through a 10-game roadtrip that didn't end well.

Omar Vizquel hit a three-run homer and Bartolo Colon won for third straight time this season as the Indians improved to 9-1.

It is Cleveland's best start since opening 10-0 in 1966.

"There's a different guy getting it done every game, and that is a real good sign," Vizquel said.

In other AL games, it was Baltimore 15, Tampa Bay 6; Toronto 11, the Yankees 3; Texas 7, Oakland 0; Kansas City 8, Boston 5; and Seattle 8, Anaheim 4.

The Twins were off to a quick start, winning five of six games, before coming to Cleveland where they were swept by the Indians in a four-game series for the first time since 1994.

Minnesota manager Ron Gardenhire and reliever Jack Cressend weren't around for the end. Both were ejected in the fifth inning after Cressend hit Ricky Gutierrez in the left thigh with a pitch.

Gutierrez dropped his bat, took a couple steps toward the mound and glared at Cressend. Players from both dugouts and bullpens ran onto the field, but there was no further incident.

"I'm not happy, but also not surprised by it. That's baseball," Gutierrez said. Both benches had been warned in the top of the fifth when the Twins' A.J. Pierzynski was hit in the back by Colon's fastball.

Orioles 15, Devil Rays 6
 At Baltimore; Geronimo Gil and Mike Bordick homered in a 12-run sixth

inning as the Orioles ended a six-game losing streak.

Held to only six runs during its six-game skid, Baltimore ended the drought in record fashion. The Orioles set team marks for runs (12) and hits (11) in a single inning.

The Orioles' 11 hits were more than they had in any game this year and five more than they produced in any game during their slide.

Blue Jays 11, Yankees 3

Roger Clemens struggled on short rest as a fill-in for Orlando Hernandez, allowing six runs in five innings as New York lost at SkyDome.

Hernandez missed his start with a sore neck. Clemens (1-2), originally scheduled to start Friday in Boston, offered to pitch on three days' rest.

Vernon Wells hit a three-run homer for the Blue Jays, who won the final two games to split the four-game series.

Rangers 7, Athletics 0

Doug Davis (2-0) pitched a two-hitter for his first career shutout and rookie Kevin Mench hit his first homer and had four RBIs for host Texas.

Mench replaced Juan Gonzalez, the two-time AL MVP who went on the 15-day disabled list because of a torn muscle in his right hand.

Mench hit a two-run homer in the second off Mark Mulder (2-1) to put the Rangers ahead to stay. Mulder left after four innings because of tightness in his left forearm.

Royals 8, Red Sox 5

Chuck Knoblauch hit a go-ahead double as Kansas City scored four runs in the ninth to win at Boston.

The Royals overcame deficits of 4-1 and 5-4 and beat Ugueth Urbina (0-2).

Jason Grimsley (1-0) got the win despite allowing Johnny Damon's RBI triple that put the Red Sox ahead 5-4 in the eighth.

Mariners 8, Angels 4

Mike Cameron hit a two-run homer and Jeff Cirillo had a three-run double as Seattle completed its first four-game sweep ever at Anaheim.

The victory could be costly, however. Seattle DH Edgar Martinez pulled his left hamstring while running out a grounder in the ninth and had to be helped off the field. He will have an MRI test in the next couple of days to determine whether he will go on the disabled list.

Freddy Garcia (1-2) won his sixth straight decision over the Angels in seven starts.

Mavs fall to Rockets

DALLAS (AP) — Don Nelson figured the only way his Dallas Mavericks could hold their slim lead in the Midwest Division was by winning the last five regular-season games.

So, after seeing the Mavericks blow a 20-point lead and lose 98-95 in overtime to the Houston Rockets, coach Nelson was all but ready to wave a white flag Thursday night.

Dallas slipped into a tie with San Antonio and must hope the Spurs stumble in their final four games, two of which are against non-playoff teams. The Mavericks face play-off-bound Seattle, Sacramento and Utah before closing against lottery-bound Phoenix.

DAILY CRYPTOQUOTES — Here's how to work it:

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

4-12 CRYPTOQUOTE

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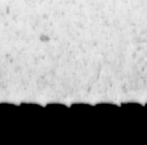
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By JORGE RUEDA
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CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — President Hugo Chavez, the former army paratrooper who polarized Venezuela with his strongarm rule and whose friendship with Cuba and Iraq irritated the United States, resigned under military pressure Friday after a massive opposition demonstration ended in a bloodbath.

Chavez, 47, presented his resignation to three officers after he was confronted by the military high command at the presidential palace, said the Air Force chief, Gen. Regulo Anselmi, who was present at the time.

At 3 a.m. Friday, Chavez, wearing military fatigues and a red beret — as he did when he led a failed 1992 coup against then-President Carlos Andres Perez — left the palace for Caracas' Fort Tiuna army base. He was being held there while investigators decide what charges he could face for Thursday's violence, said army commander Gen. Efraim Vasquez Velasco.

Oil prices dipped amid

hopes Chavez' downfall would bring greater stability in the world's fourth biggest oil exporter. A strike at the state-run oil monopoly protesting moves by Chavez had sharply cut production. Venezuela is the No. 3 supplier to the United States.

Thousands of Venezuelans celebrated overnight, waving flags, blowing whistles and jamming a main highway in Caracas. Police warned that Chavez supporters reportedly were distributing weapons, especially in the hillside slums surrounding the capital. Officers raided storehouses, seizing dozens of firearms.

Downtown, streets were littered with debris — and in some places, stained with blood. Most shops and businesses remained closed, and most people simply stayed home, stunned and wondering what would come next. Buses were half-empty, and those reporting to work hurried amidst rubble-strewn sidewalks.

Pedro Carmona, head of Venezuela's largest business association, announced he would head a transitional government to be installed later

Friday. He also announced an immediate end to a general strike called earlier this week against Chavez.

The 1 million-member Venezuelan Workers Confederation, and the business association Fedecamaras, called the strike to support executives within the state oil company, Petroleos de Venezuela, who were protesting Chavez's appointments to top company posts.

Chavez quit just hours after at least 13 people were killed and 110 wounded during a

150,000-strong opposition demonstration in downtown Caracas. Chavez had ordered National Guard troops and civilian gunmen, including rooftop snipers, to stop the marchers from reaching the palace, military officers said.

The rapid developments stunned this oil-rich, yet poverty-stricken nation. But opposition to Chavez's three-year presidency had been growing for some time.

The confrontational president had alienated Washington with his close ties to Cuban

President Fidel Castro, visits to Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein and to Libya, and criticism of U.S. bombings in Afghanistan. The Bush administration said it was closely monitoring the political upheaval in Venezuela. "Our interests are in democracy and democratic institutions," said a senior U.S. official traveling with Secretary of State Colin Powell in Jerusalem.

"I urge Venezuelans to maintain calm, to keep faith, to continue working on the road toward democracy, freedom

and peace," said retired Gen. Guacaipuro Lameda, who until February headed the Petroleos de Venezuela oil monopoly and was a leader of the movement to oust Chavez. "It's with sadness that to reach this point, so many people had to die, so many wounded."

During Thursday's clashes, National Guard troops fired tear gas at the front ranks of marchers bearing sticks and throwing rocks. Tear gas drifted into the presidential compound. Rooftop snipers and Chavez supporters repeatedly fired upon the protesters and even ambulance crews trying to evacuate the wounded.

Among the dead was Jorge Tortoza, a 45-year-old photographer with Diario 2001 newspaper. As many as 110 people were wounded, Greater Caracas Mayor Alfredo Pena said.

As the bloodbath unfolded, Chavez ordered five Caracas television stations off the air — charging they were inciting violence. Most Venezuelans were denied images of "Chavistas" repeatedly firing on unarmed protesters, bodies lying in pools of blood on the streets, and hooded thugs attacking police until after the military rebelled.

Just three years into his presidency, Chavez's combative rhetoric had alienated virtually every sector of Venezuelan society with his attacks on the news media and Roman Catholic Church leaders, his refusal to consult with business leaders, and his failed attempt to assert control over labor groups.

Chavez's government also inherited a staggering \$21 billion in back wages and pensions owed workers by previous administrations — a debt he was unable to pay.

WT Focus on Entrepreneurship to feature area success story

CANYON — Greg Mitchell, owner and president of Toot'n Totum, will be the speaker for Focus on Entrepreneurship at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 16 in Classroom Center, Room 101 on the West Texas A&M University campus.

A family-owned business established in 1952, Toot'n Totum currently operates 59 convenience stores and the Westgate Carwash and Lube Centers, all in the city of Amarillo. Mitchell will share his family's experiences in

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Focus on Entrepreneurship, sponsored by Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE), is the eighth annual presentation in the Jerry Miller Focus on Entrepreneurship Series. Professional business fraternity Alpha Kappa Psi has joined SIFE this year as co-sponsor of the series.

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