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Area can expect extreme fire weather Saturday

Anyone planning on outdoor Easter weekend activities should prepare for wind across much of West Texas. Strong, gusty winds, high temperatures and low relative humidity are putting the Panhandle and West Texas under the gun for wildfires again on Saturday.

"The fire weather will be most critical in the Panhandle, especially along and north of I-40," said inci-

dent meteorologist Doug Cain with the National Weather Service. "It will likely be a significant day, much like last Thursday when multiple fires broke out across the Panhandle and Trans-Pecos."

With 90-degree temperatures, relative humidity in the 5 to 15 percent range and winds sustained at 20-35 and gusting 40 to 50 mph, any fires would have the potential for rapid

growth and be difficult to contain. In the Trans-Pecos region, which experienced dry lightning Wednesday and may again Thursday and today, the temperature is expected to be between 90 and 100 degrees, relative humidity from 5 to 15 percent and winds sustained at 20-25 mph winds with gusts to 40.

"A fire weather watch has been issued for all of West Texas for

Saturday," Cain said. "The winds are going to blow like crazy, with gusts in excess of 60 mph, in the Guadalupe Mountains. It will still be hot and dry on Sunday, but we should lose the strong winds."

The drying trend is continuing across the rest of the state, but winds are not expected to be as strong or

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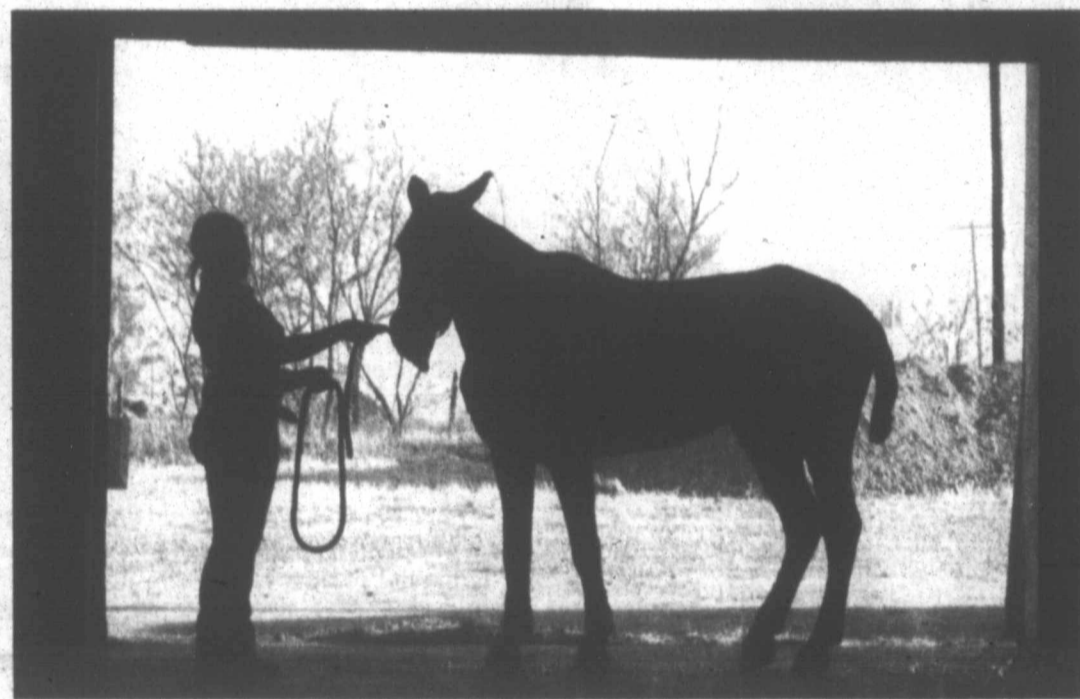
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Lexi Simmons exercises Zena, a mare burned in last month's wildfires, around the Gerald Tate Agricultural Center barn at McLean.

McLean sanctuary aids injured horses

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

McLEAN -- Zena's feeling better. Now, as she is walked around the barn, she carefully eyes the bales of alfalfa hay stacked against the far wall.

The mare is a lucky survivor of the wildfires that roared through here last month. Like the other five horses housed here at the Greg Tate Agricultural Center, she suffered severe burns.

Although Rebecca Simmons' family lost all their pasture, they managed

to save their horses. "My grandparents' place, my parents' place, the land is all burned," Simmons said. "All that remains is just the houses."

Her parents were evacuated from Alanreed as wildfires fanned by high winds blew through the dry grass and brush.

"My mom has four horses," Simmons said. "We evacuated them in the fire."

"We drove through the fire to get them out," added Simmons' 12-year-old

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Tax returns must be postmarked by 5 p.m. Monday

By MARILYN POWERS
Staff Writer

The traditional April 15 deadline to send in income tax returns has been extended to Monday because April 15 falls on a Saturday this year, according to the Internal Revenue Service.

An IRS agent named Hoskins at the agency's toll-free number for individuals

seeking help with their returns said Thursday afternoon that an April 17 postmark is acceptable and is the last date on which returns can be postmarked or e-filed by computer without being considered late.

The deadline applies to individuals and households, and may not apply to those who are victims of

Hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Wilma. Hurricane victims may be eligible for a different filing date and for other variances in tax return requirements.

Businesses and other groups may also have different deadlines to meet in filing their income tax returns.

An automated answering

service for the Pampa Post Office stated that the post office service windows would be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, and the latest time to drop off income tax returns in order to have them postmarked April 17 would be 5:20 p.m. Monday. Returns mailed between 5 and 5:20 p.m. should have proper postage

and be ready to send, since window service ends at 5 p.m.

The toll-free number for questions concerning household income tax returns is 1-800-829-1040. Information is also available at the federal agency's Web site, www.irs.gov.

Missing dog causes stress

By DENNIS SPIES
Editor

Two events in a person's life are supposed to be happy and joyful.

One is a family reunion where one can reunite with extended relatives that one sees only every so often.

Another is when one moves away from home, meets the love of their life, and brings them home to introduce them to their extended family.

Those two events will take place this weekend for a former Pampa woman, but a cloud hangs over the happy occasions.

Nicole Watson, a 1997 graduate of Pampa High School, is coming home this weekend from Charlotte, N.C.

She will be with her fiance and will introduce

him to her extended family at the Watson family reunion at the Fifth Season Inn in Amarillo, expected to be attended by about 250 relatives.

But she doesn't expect to have a particularly good time.

Nicole grew up in Pampa where she enjoyed the pleasure of the family dog Polly, a basset-beagle mix.

But Polly is missing, and that has thrown a cloud over the festive occasions.

Polly has been missing from her parents' home in Pampa. According to a flyer put out by the family, Polly escaped through a back fence on Sunday. Neighbors attempted to catch her, but she took off.

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Donation



Courtesy photo

A Coast Guard HH-3F Pelican helicopter like the one above has been donated to Freedom Museum USA. The museum is accepting donations for the services of two large cranes, one to load the chopper onto transport in Oklahoma and one to unload it in Pampa, to get the helicopter to the museum at 600 N. Hobart. The helicopter donated to the museum had previously been reported to be a CH-46 Sea Knight. Donations may be sent to Freedom Museum USA, 600 N. Hobart, Pampa TX 79065. The memo area of checks should note that the donation is for the helicopter, Miller said. Donations may also be brought to the museum or to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 1657 at 105 S. Cuyler.

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Obituaries

John Henry Harnly

John Henry Harnly was born Dec. 20, 1907, in McPherson, Kan. He died March 21, 2006. He moved to Gray County in 1930 where he farmed and taught school. He was active in the Methodist Churches in Miami and Pampa. He was active in the Groundwater Conservation District, Texas Wheatgrowers Association, the National Wheatgrowers Association, Texas Grain Sorghum Association, CO-OP, and Gray County politics. He also was an inventor.

Survivors: Daughter, Sarah Davidson of

Kent, Wsh.; sons, Henry Harnly of Cuchara, Colo., and Lawrence Pickens of Amarillo, Texas; 11 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Memorial service will be held at 4 p.m., Saturday, April 29th at the Pampa First Methodist Church with a reception following.

Memorials may be sent to McPherson College, Harnly Garden, P.O. Box 1402, McPherson, KS 67460.

Glee F. Little, 78

LUBBOCK — Glee F. Little, 78, of family business after her husband's death and was a nurse for more than 14 years in Pampa.



Little

She was preceded in death by her parents and four sisters.

Survivors include a son, James Phillips Little of Brentwood, Tenn.; a daughter, Gay Fadke of Las Colinas; four grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family will receive visitors from 3-4:30 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home and suggests memorials be to Women's Protective Services, P.O. Box 54089, Lubbock, TX 79453.

Services tomorrow

PRICE, Ella Frances — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Sunset Memorial Cemetery, Odessa.

Gray County Weather

Today: Partly cloudy, with a high near 92. West-southwest wind between 15 and 20 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. South-southwest wind around 20 mph, with gusts as high as

30 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 88. Windy, with a west-southwest wind 20 to 25 mph increasing to between 30 and 35 mph. Winds could gust as high as 50 mph.

Saturday Night: Clear, with a low near 56. Windy, with a west wind 25 to 30 mph decreasing to between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 45 mph.

Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 82. North-northwest wind around 10 mph.

Sunday Night: Clear, with a low around 58. South wind around 10 mph.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high around 83. West-southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Monday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 47. Southwest wind around 15 mph becoming north-northwest.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 73. North-northeast wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 45.

Wednesday: Partly cloudy, with a high around 72.

Emergency Services

Sheriff

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests today.

Thursday, April 13

John Paul Parks, 39, of Pampa was arrested in the 900 block of Duncan by Pampa Police Department for theft over \$50 and under \$500.

Daniel Lee Ford, 21, of Pampa was arrested in the 1300 block of Coffee by PPD for possession of marijuana, no insurance and no driver's license.

Lee Bret Dillman, 46, of Pampa was arrested by GCSO on a motion to revoke probation for theft by check.

Jose Dolores Granillo, 45, of Pampa was arrested in the 1000 block of East Kingsmill by PPD for driving while intoxicated.

Caroline Smith, 53, of Pampa was arrested in the 1000 block of Varnon Drive by PPD for possession of drug paraphernalia and a capias pro fine.

Deborah Kay Howard, 50, of Pampa was arrested in the 1000 block of Varnon Drive by PPD for possession of less than one gram of a controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia and no valid driver's license.

Fire

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

Thursday, April 13

9:11 a.m. — Three units and five personnel responded to the 300 block of Tignor on an investigation.

12:51 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 500 block of Doucette on a medical assist.

Friday, April 14

12:37 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1100 block of Bond on a medical assist.

Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, April 13

12:53 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 500 block of Doucette and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

2:49 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to BSA Hospital in Amarillo.

5:57 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported a patient to PRMC.

6:52 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1900 block of North Sumner and transported a patient to PRMC.

9:49 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1500 block of West Kentucky and transported a patient to PRMC.

Friday, April 14

12:38 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transported a patient to the 1500 block of West Kentucky.

12:38 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of Bond and transported a patient to PRMC.

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GRANADA, Colo. (AP) — Stopping all day to place young onion seedlings into the ground and having to work at a good clip to plant enough to earn minimum wage wasn't working out for a group of migrant workers from south Texas.

They packed up their sport-utility vehicle for a trip to Denver Thursday, stocked up with food from Wal-Mart, and apparently were returning to a farm where they had spent the night, authorities and a farmer who hired some of the workers said.

They got to about a half-mile from the farm they just left when their Ford Explorer collided with a train, killing six of seven people inside, including a mother and two of her teenage children.

Five of the victims died at the scene and a sixth died after being flown to a Denver hospital, Colorado State Patrol Technician Mike Halpin said.

The 15-year-old driver survived, he said.

No one aboard the BNSF Railway train was hurt. Bill Grasmick, co-owner of Grasmick Inc., said the group told him they were leaving for Denver and he watched them leave, about an hour and a half before the accident.

"I don't think they liked the work and wanted to move on," he said. "They were on their way to Denver, they just stopped in and wanted a job for a day."

Grasmick said he thought they forgot something and were heading back to the

farm. Last week, they had worked two days at Jensen's Farms outside of Granada before being let go, said co-owner Eric Jensen, who was one of the first people on the scene.

"They weren't doing a very good job and they didn't like the job," Jensen said. Alex Gonzalez, a co-worker of the victims at Jensen's, said somebody in the group told him they were heading to Denver in the hopes of settling there.

The SUV was northbound on a county road when it was struck by a westbound train at about 10:20 a.m., the State Patrol said. Halpin said investigators found a receipt from Wal-Mart from roughly a half-hour before the accident.

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Jace Ware, from left, Taylor Shaller and Landon Gershmel admire some Easter eggs during a hunt at St. Matthew's Episcopal Day School recently.

DPS finds large sum of money near Groom after traffic stop

GROOM — A large sum of money was seized by Texas Department of Public Safety troopers Wednesday morning after they stopped a vehicle on Interstate 40 for a traffic violation.

At 10:15 a.m., troopers

stopped a westbound 2006 Cadillac sedan 15 miles west of Groom. Troopers became suspicious and obtained consent to search the vehicle, said Trooper Wayne Beighle in a press release.

"Later, \$700,670 in cash

was found in a nylon suitcase located in the trunk of the vehicle. The cash was in vacuum sealed plastic bags and wrapped in newspaper and duct tape," Beighle said in the release.

Eduardo R. Gonzalez, 41, of Ontario, Calif., the driver,

was questioned and later released pending further investigation. The case has been turned over to the Drug Enforcement Agency.

Investigators believe the money originated in Chicago, Ill., and was headed for Ontario, Calif.

Wind

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humidities as low as in West Texas.

For those planning on traveling through West Texas or enjoying the outdoors, Texas Forest Service offers the following tips:

- When hauling loads, make sure chains and metal buckles on straps are secure so they do not drag on the highway causing sparks;

- Maintain vehicles and trailers so wheel bearings or brakes do not fail and cause sparks along the highway;

- Pull over immediately if you have a flat tire. Driving on the rim can cause multiple fires along the roadside;

- Avoid parking or driving on dry grass. Catalytic converters can ignite wildfires.

For more tips on wildfire safety or on community wildfire preparedness plans, log on to <http://texas-forests.tamu.edu>.

Stress

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A \$500 reward is offered for Polly's return.

Rob Braddock, Nicole's fiance, said the fact that the beloved family pet is missing has upset Nicole and added stress to the weekend visit.

Braddock said the couple

met in New Jersey while Nicole was attending Gardner-Webb University in Shelby, N.C.

Nicole has lived in Charlotte one year and works in sales and marketing for an engineering firm.

Braddock is national sales director for House.com, which connects buyers and sellers with real estate agents.

Nicole's parents are Gene and Sheila Watson.

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Horses

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daughter Lexi. "We did get them out before they burned," Simmons said. "Fortunately, we didn't lose any livestock, but we did lose all of our pasture."

Simmons and a group of volunteers, including Dr. Belinda Andrews of Gray County Veterinary Clinic, have been helping take care of a half dozen badly burned horses, which were moved into the ag barn here south of McLean last weekend.

Lexi said they were able to borrow a trailer from Debbie Dalton and from McLean rancher David Hall to bring the horses to the barn. Prior to that, most of them were outside where it was difficult to keep them out of the wind and dirt.

Simmons said the volunteer help has been great.

Valerie Taylor from Beaver, Okla., is with Habitat for Horses and has spent the last four weeks commuting from home to McLean to help with the horses here.

Tracy Reis from Denver, Colo., who is with the American Humane Association, arrived Thursday to make an assessment of the needs in the area.

"My organization cannot deploy volunteers unless we are requested to come in by the state," Reis said.

Since that has not happened, she brought some resources, primarily grain for the horses. She has 40 tons of hay coming from Canada.

"We really feel like this

is going to be a long term thing," Reis said.

She said she's concerned about what happens in six months or so.

"It'll be two years until they're back in their pastures," Reis said of the horses in the temporary stalls set up in the barn here. "What are they going to do until then? We'd like to provide more long term resources."

Reis said volunteers from her organization could help just do everyday things in helping the volunteers that Simmons has organized.

"We have a lot of horse people who are volunteers," Reis said. "A lot of them have been through fires. We had a series of terrible fires in Colorado the last couple of years."

Until more help arrives, Simmons has been using 100 bales of her own hay, although she said she has another 440 bales that should be here this weekend.

In addition to the individual volunteers, Simmons said a number of pharmaceutical companies have provided medicines for the animals.


Simmons said the animals were initially treated with painkillers and antibiotics, but they've been off medication for the past week or two and seem to be doing well, although it will take time for their wounds to heal.

After four weeks, Zena's wounds still crack and bleed, but she seems to enjoy the exercise as volunteers walk her around the barn, and she is taking more and more of an interest in the hay and grain stacked across from her stall.

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Viewpoints

Why is school finance such a tricky problem?

Why doesn't the Legislature just do their job and fix the school finance problem?

That's a question I often hear. We all know the Legislature is once again going into special session to tackle the issue of "school finance," this time with a court imposed deadline to find a solution.

The Texas Supreme Court ruled that the current funding mechanism for school

finance violates the Texas Constitutional prohibition against a state property tax. The reason is that so many districts across the state are taxing at or near the \$1.50 cap, they have lost local discretion. Although the property tax is collected at the local level, it is being used by the state to fund education, and is therefore considered a statewide property tax. So, what's the problem? The problem is that the

Legislature has until June 1, 2006 to change the tax system that has been used as the funding mechanism for school finance.

Warren Chisum

State Representative



Other issues that residents are asking us to address (like adequacy and equity) were actually found by the Texas Supreme Court to meet con-

stitutional requirements for the public school system. So, the question the Court has given the Legislature to answer isn't about how much money we spend on education (adequacy). And, it isn't on how we apportion that money (equity). Adequacy and equity are

school finance questions. The question the Legislature has been given is, "How do we collect the revenue to distribute to the school districts?" That's a tax question.

The truth is, education has benefited greatly in the past decade from increased state funding and taxpayers have felt the crunch, especially as the double hit of increased rates and rising appraisals created an ever increasing tax bill. Some people would sug-

gest that we need to create a new business tax in order to relieve property owners. Remember, new taxes are permanent. Property tax cuts (without corresponding revenue restraints and taxpayer protection measures) are very temporary.

Beware of a bait and switch proposal that lowers property tax bills while providing the revenue to expand the size and scope of government.

Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Good Friday, April 14, the 104th day of 2006. There are 261 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 14, 1865, President Lincoln was shot and mortally wounded by John Wilkes Booth while attending the comedy "Our American Cousin" at Ford's Theater in Washington. (Lincoln died the following morning.)

On this date:

In 1775, the first American society for the abolition of slavery was organized by Benjamin Franklin and Benjamin Rush.

In 1828, the first edition of Noah Webster's "American Dictionary of the English Language" was published.

'As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master. This expresses my idea of democracy.'

— Abraham Lincoln (1809-1865)

In 1902, James Cash Penney opened his first store, called "The Golden Rule," in Kemmerer, Wyo.

In 1912, the British liner Titanic collided with an iceberg in the North Atlantic and began sinking.

In 1931, King Alfonso XIII of Spain went into

exile, and the Spanish Republic was proclaimed.

In 1939, the John Steinbeck novel "The Grapes of Wrath" was first published.

In 1956, 50 years ago, Ampex Corporation demonstrated the first successful commercial videotape recorder, the VRX-1000 (later renamed the Mark IV), at the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters Convention in Chicago.

In 1981, the first test flight of America's first operational space shuttle, the Columbia, ended successfully with a landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

In 1986, Americans got first word of a U.S. air raid on Libya (because of the time difference, it was the early morning of April 15 where the attack occurred.)

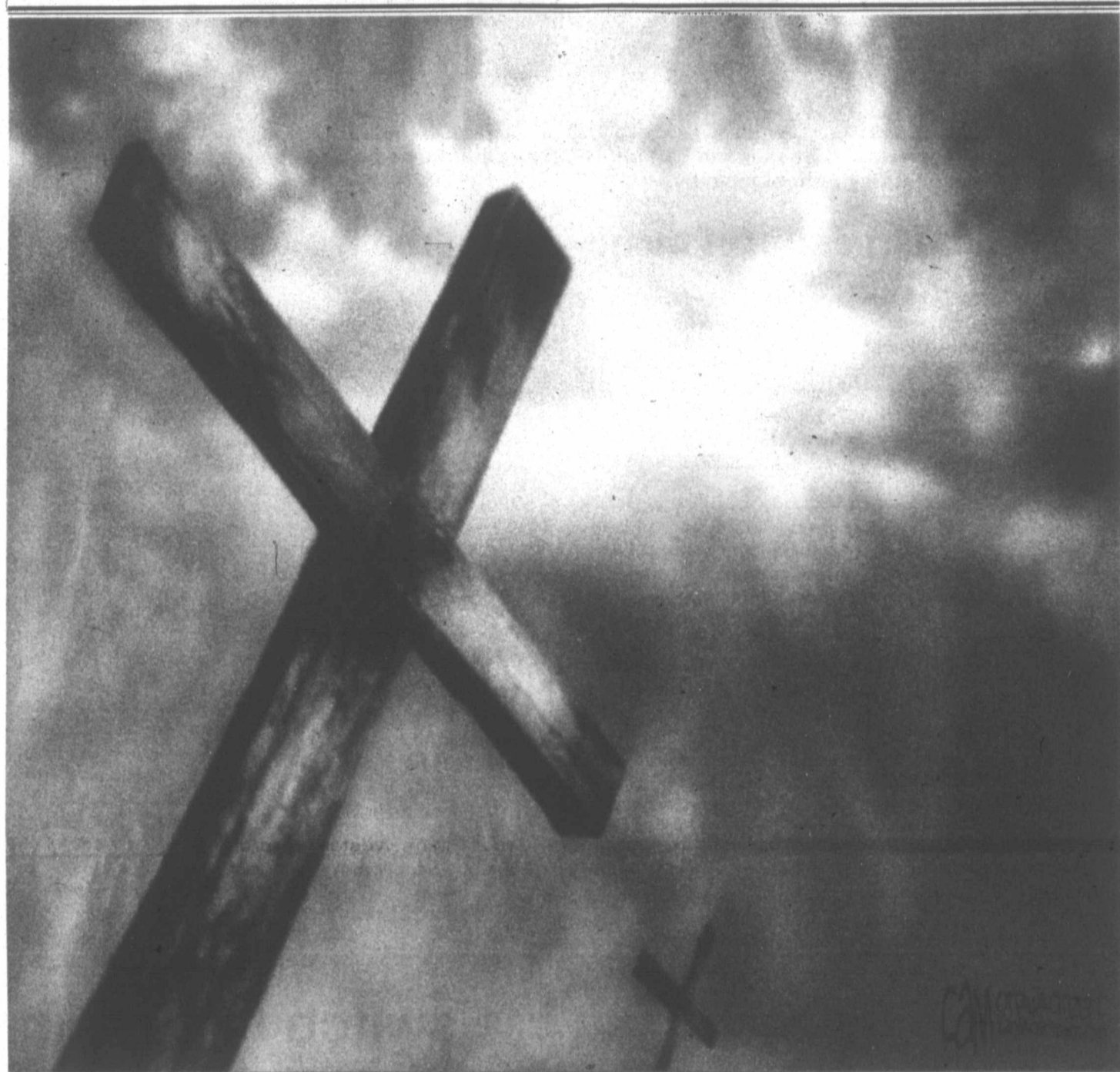
In 1986, French feminist author Simone de Beauvoir died in Paris at age 78.

Ten years ago: Israel's four-day-old military campaign against Hezbollah guerrillas continued, with aircraft bombarding guerrilla strongholds in Beirut and southern Lebanon, provoking guerrilla vows to turn northern Israel into a "fiery hell."

Five years ago: The 24 crew members of the U.S. spy plane who were held in China for 11 days landed at their home base, Whidbey Island Naval Air Station in Washington state, where they were greeted by thousands of friends, family members and other well-wishers.

One year ago: The House passed and sent to President Bush legislation making it tougher to erase obligations in bankruptcy. The Oregon Supreme Court nullified nearly 3,000 marriage licenses issued to gay couples a year earlier by Portland's Multnomah County. Yankees right fielder Gary Sheffield got into a brief scuffle with a fan at Fenway Park during New York's 8-5 loss to the Boston Red Sox.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Bradford Dillman is 76. Actor Jay Robinson is 76. Country singer Loretta Lynn is 71. Actress Julie Christie is 66. Former baseball player Pete Rose is 65. Rock musician Ritchie Blackmore is 61.



American Civil War against power

April is Confederate History month. Before the pall of political correctness descended on the country and drained politicians of what little courage they had, Southern governors routinely proclaimed the month. These days, I suspect few will.

Nevertheless, there are only two really important events in American history. One is the American Revolution, and the other is the War Between the States and Reconstruction. The latter has been called America's second revolution and, by some, America's French Revolution.

Sad to say, the America we live in today comes from that second revolution, not the first. Contrary to the politically correct version of history, Confederates saw themselves as defenders of the first revolution, not as defenders of slavery — though, to be sure, slavery played a part in the conflict. It came to symbolize all the other differences.

It was not a civil war because the South never aspired to overthrow the government of the United States. The Southern states simply withdrew peacefully from what they believed, and in earlier years all Americans believed, was a voluntary union. The U.S. remained, and the government in Washington remained. No Confederate official or military officer was ever tried for treason because no treason had been committed.

The war, which the North started (we Southerners refer to it as the War of Northern Aggression), was a conflict

between nationalism and federalism. Regardless of which side you agree with, the events are so important to understanding America today that you owe it to yourself to get up to speed on what really happened, as opposed to the Hollywood version.

I've chosen four short books that will help. The best short

Charley Reese

Columnist



overall history of the politics and the war is "North Against South," by Ludwell H. Johnson, published by the Foundation for American Education. A more recent book, "The Real Lincoln," by Thomas J. DiLorenzo, published by Prima Publishing, is a devastating critique of the man who literally destroyed constitutional government in America and foreshadowed the modern Machiavellian politicians.

"When in the Course of Human Events," by Charles Adams, a Northern historian, will disavow you of the notion that the war was about freeing slaves and preserving the union. It was about money and control of territory and resources. The publisher is Rowman and Littlefield.

Finally, Eric Foner's "A Short History of Reconstruction" will show you how the modern world and many of its problems were created. The publisher is Harper

Perennial, and the author is no friend of the South, but he is honest and keeps to the facts, no matter how unflattering to any side of the issue.

Naturally, there are tons of books on the war and Reconstruction, but I deliberately chose well-written short histories. If you wish to read Shelby Foote's novelized history in three volumes, you will need a long summer. You would need another long summer to read "The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government," by Jefferson Davis. I think you will like these shorter volumes better.

I would also recommend that you consider, if your ancestors fought in either army, two fine organizations, Sons of Confederate Veterans and Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Both are full of people interested in history and genealogy, and I find such people to be mighty good company. Real veterans of the two armies founded both organizations.

Through these organizations you can find re-enactors, who are people who replicate the equipment and uniforms of the two armies and replay the battles. The Web addresses are SUVCV.org and SCV.org.

I would hope all Americans would develop an interest in our country's history. The more you know about America, warts and all, the more you will love it.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I recently made a batch of pancakes for my healthy 14-year-old son, using a mix that was in our pantry. He said that they tasted "funny," but ate them anyway. About 10 minutes later, he began having difficulty breathing and his lips began turning purple. I gave him his allergy pill, had him sit on the sofa and told him to relax. He was wheezing while inhaling and exhaling. My husband, a volunteer firefighter and EMT, heated up some water, and we had my son lean over the water so the steam could clear his chest and sinuses. Soon, his breathing became more regular and his lips returned to a more normal color. We checked the date on the box of pancake mix and, to my dismay, found it was very outdated. As a reference librarian at an academic institution, I have the ability to search through many research databases. I did just that, and found an article the next day that mentioned a 19-year-old male DYING after eating pancakes made with outdated mix. Apparently, the mold that forms in old pancake mix can be toxic! When we told our friends about my son's close call, we were surprised at the number of people who mentioned that they should check their own pancake mix since they don't use it often, or they had purchased it some time ago. With so many people shopping at warehouse-type stores and buying large sizes of pancake mix, I hope your readers will take the time to check the expiration date on their boxes. — **SUE IN WYANTSKILL, N.Y.**

DEAR SUE: Thank you for the warning. I certainly was not aware that pancake mix could turn moldy and cause an allergic reaction in someone with an allergy to mold -- but it's logical. I wonder if the same holds true for cake mix, brownie mix and cookie mix. If so, then a warning

should be placed on the box for people like me. We hear so often about discarding prescription and over-the-counter medications after their expiration dates, but I don't recall warnings about packaged items in the pantry. Heads up, folks!

DEAR ABBY: My mother has been a prescription drug addict for about 20 years. The problem I'm having is my 2-year-old son loves his "memaw" and wants to go over to her house on a regular basis. When Mother is off the pills, she's a great parent and a fantastic and loving grandmother. When she's on the pills, she becomes a different person, and I don't want to subject my son to the things I witnessed as a child. She becomes very abusive when she's not sober. She also does things like slur her words and pass out. Rehab doesn't work for her. She has been at least 20 times. My son does not understand her actions. He thinks I am being mean when I tell him we can't go over there. I have threatened my mother that she won't see her grandson if this behavior continues. She doesn't seem to care. In recent months she has been on methadone, trying to kick the habit, but has substituted methadone for the pills. Have you any suggestions? — **"MEAN MOMMY" IN N. CAROLINA.**

DEAR "MEAN MOMMY": Unless your mother is buying her methadone on the illicit market, she is on a program and under supervision -- which is a good thing. If you see evidence that she is a danger to your child, then it is your duty to cut off the contact. However, my addiction experts advise that you do not "threaten" unless you are prepared to follow through. (And you may need counseling yourself in order to stick by your word.)

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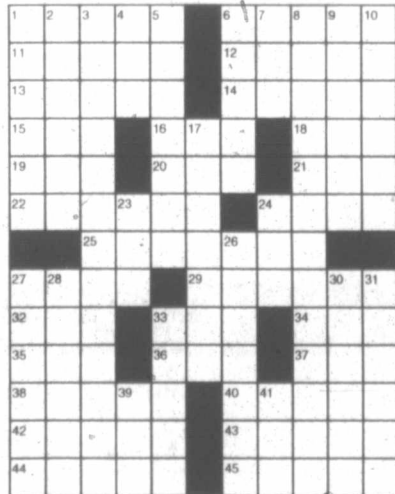
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Sports Day

Pampa shares district lead after taming Raiders, 5-3

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Don't look now but there is a race afoot for the District 3-4A baseball title as the Pampa Harvesters defeated the visiting Randall Raiders, 5-3.

Pampa used a complete game by Tyson Hickman and a James Coffee home run to tie Randall for the district lead at 5-1. The two teams split their meetings this season, each winning at home.

Hickman (4-3) held the mound all seven innings for the Harvesters, allowing seven hits, three runs, three earned runs, four strikeouts, two walks and two hit batters.

Jake Craig got the ball rolling in the bottom of the second for Pampa with a leadoff single. Coffee cranked his sixth yard shot of the season two batters later. Bradley Johnson smacked a double to score Dylan Henley from first.

Coffee plated Weston Teichmann in the third with an infield single.

Hickman sent a one out single to left field in the Pampa half of the fifth inning with one out. Brett Ferrell

then smoked a double to left center to bring Hickman in for what would be the final run of the afternoon for either team.

"This was a great game," said Pampa head coach Clay Wilson. "We played well today as a team. Everyone had opportunities to contribute and they did."

After the game, Wilson praised his team's ability to fight its way out of tough spots against Randall. "You have to be proud of our kids and the way they responded today," he said.

The Harvesters improve to 14-7 overall. Randall is 16-9.

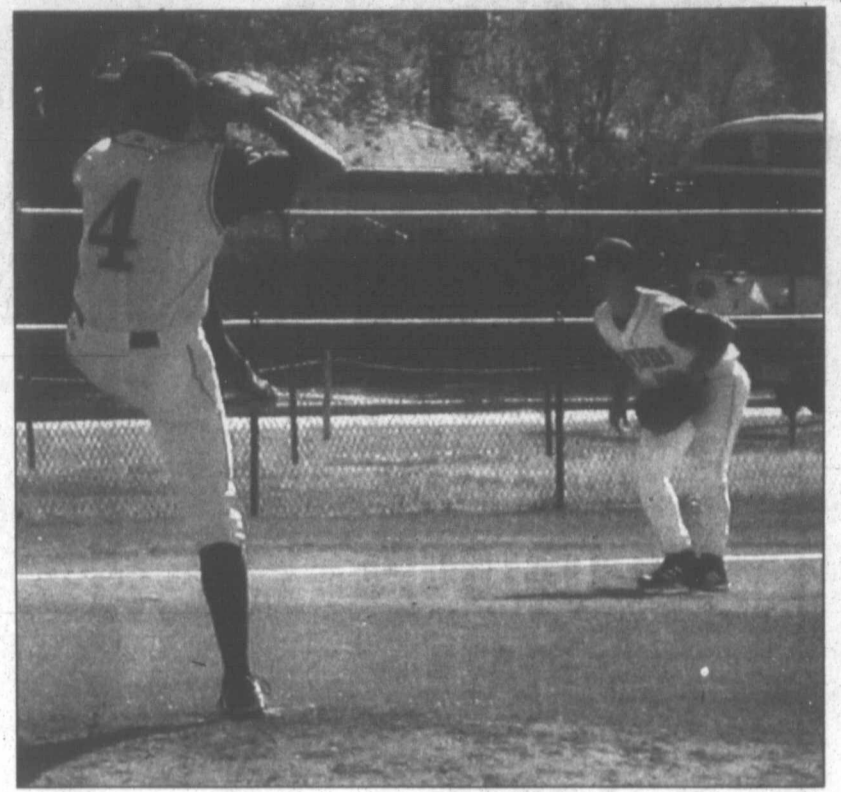
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James Coffee- went 2-for-3 with a HR (6), two RBI and a run scored

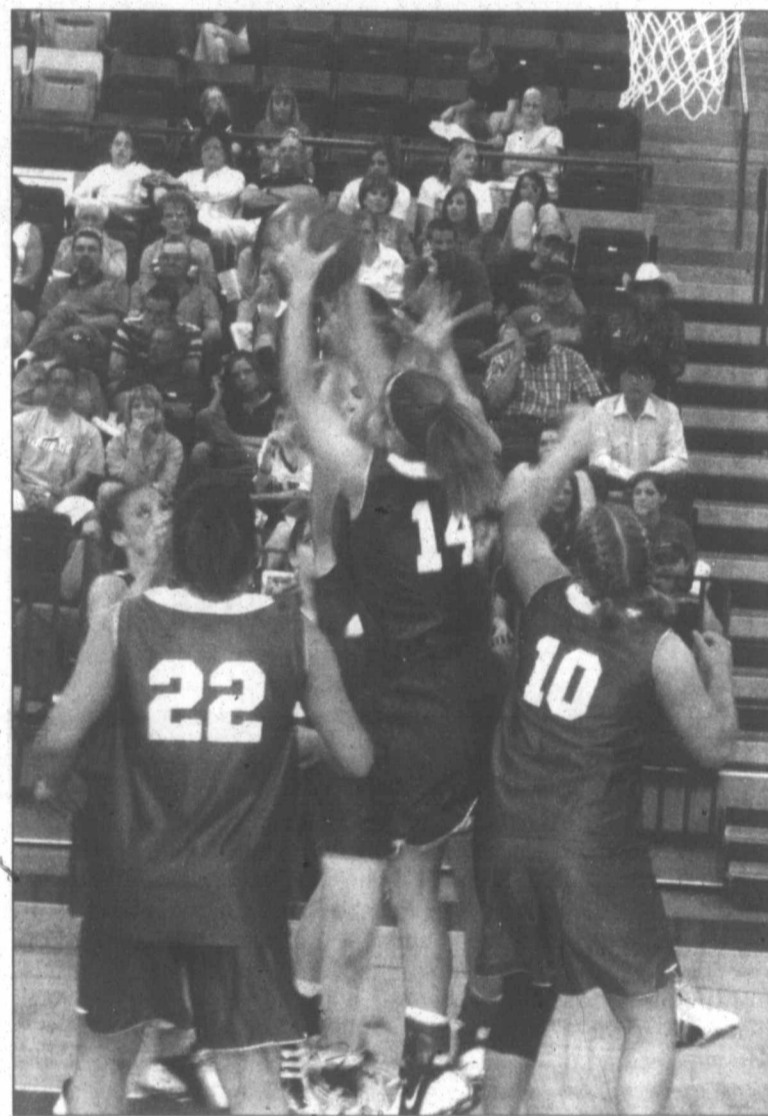
Brett Ferrell- went 1-for-3 with and RBI and a double

Bradley Johnson- went 1-for-3 with an RBI and a double



Pampa News photo by SEAN SMITH

With Robbie Dixon ready at third base, Pampa pitcher Tyson Hickman sends an offering toward home Thursday afternoon. The Harvesters dropped Randall 5-3 to tie the Raiders for the District 3-4A lead.



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Pampa's Jackie Gerber (#14) rips a rebound while surrounded by South opponents Thursday night.

Gerber shines in All-Star win

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

East 74, South 56

She had to make a choice, either join her Lady Harvester softball team for an afternoon meeting with Palo Duro, or travel to Canyon and compete in the 36th Annual Golden Spread High School All-Star basketball game.

She chose basketball. Smart decision.

Pampa senior Jackie Gerber should have known it was the right choice when she suited up for the game Thursday night at the First United Center on the WTAMU campus.

She was playing on the East team, which happened to be wearing green.

They would square off against the blue-clad South All-Stars which included Canyon's Lauren Irlbeck and

Kelsea Heiman

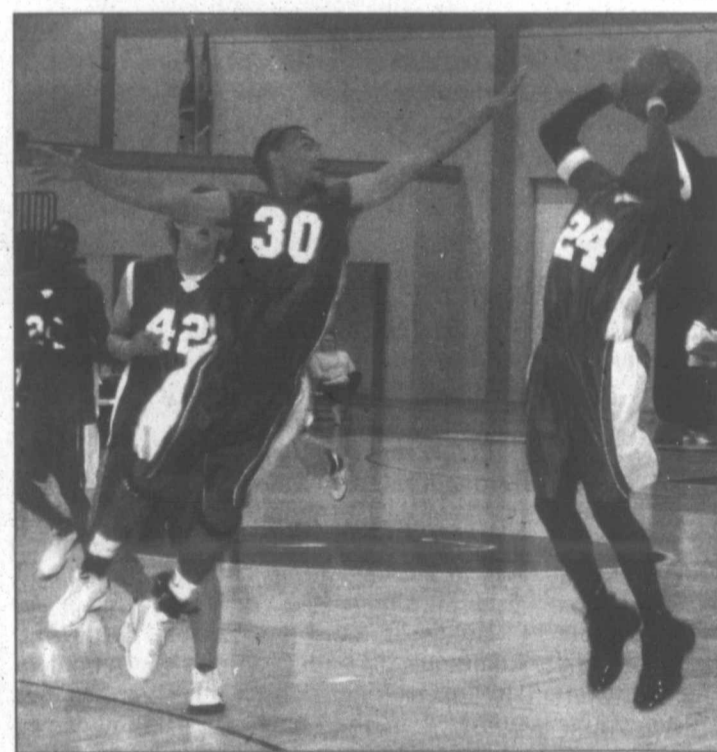
Gerber was nothing short of amazing Thursday night. Her hustle created turnovers. Her play under the boards netted rebounds. Her shots from the field rang up 12 points (tied with Randall's Cassie Simpson to lead the team). And to top it all off, she looked like she was having the time of her life.

"I missed it," she would say to her father after the game.

To add a little icing to the cake, Gerber won the 3-point contest, scoring six buckets.

With no disrespect to Palo Duro, the Lady Harvesters cruised to a 10-0 home win over the Lady Dons Thursday.

Gerber and her East teammates will take to the court again Saturday night.



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Young scores 24

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Seniors Sharod Young and Jarett Kotara dressed out in familiar green uniforms at the First United Center Thursday night as the Pampa Harvester duo took part in the Golden Spread All-Star game, playing for the East team.

Kotara got the night started by jumping for the tip-off against the South's Mark Hurd of Paducah.

The 6'9" Kotara picked up where he left off at the end of the season, playing huge under the boards with rebounds and smart passes. He also added a few buckets.

Young appeared to struggle early, but found his groove as the game went on, flashing that trademark stop-and-pop. He would end the night with a game high 24 points. The East will play again Saturday night.

Sharod Young fires a shot over the outstretched arm of Caprock's Ryan Ballin Thursday night.

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LADY HARVESTERS

Pampa blanks PD, 10-0

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS
Sports Editor

Cassy Tice was worth the price of admission Thursday as the Pampa played host to the visiting Lady Dons of Palo Duro.

Tice sent a power shot over the home field fence in the first, scoring three runs against PD. It was Tice's fourth home run of the season. Pampa would add three more runs in the inning to take a 6-0 advantage. They never looked back from there.

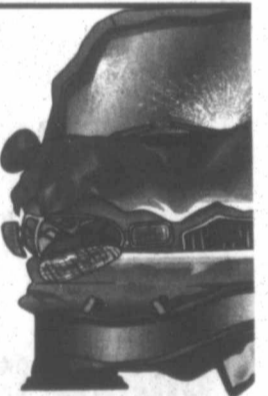
Tice also helped herself in the circle, tossing a one-hit wonder while striking out seven in six innings. She didn't allow a PD walk.

The win improves Pampa to 18-5 overall, 7-1 in district. Callie Cobb, Kelby Doughty and Logan Winkelman all doubled in the game.

The Lady Harvesters have just two district games left. They travel to Dumas April 21, then host Caprock the following afternoon in what could be a game for the title.

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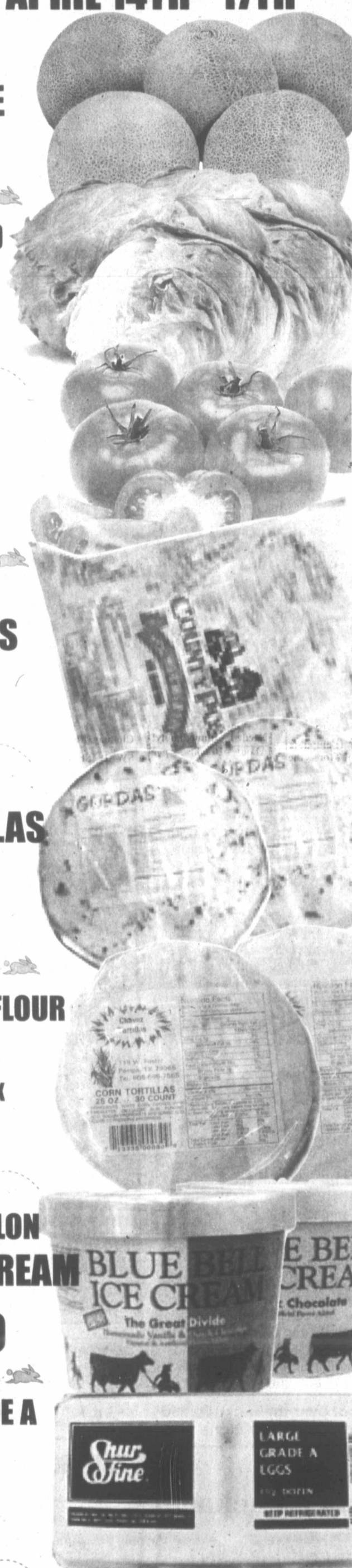
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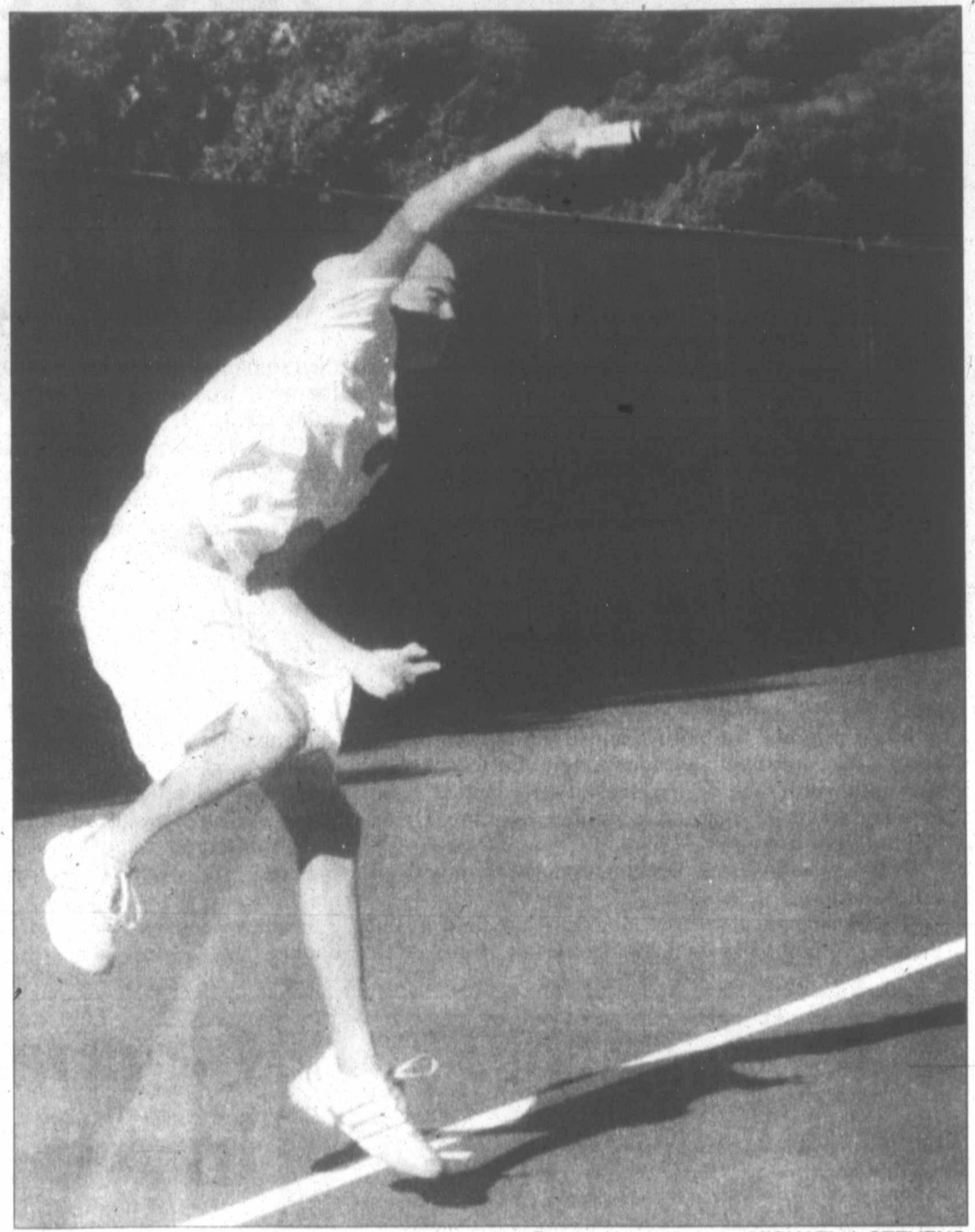
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Kevin Frels fires off a serve during his opening round match of the 3-4A Districts tournament Thursday morning at the Austin Tennis Center in Amarillo. Frels joined Braydon Barker as the Pampa High School representatives in boys singles.

Grand jury investigating whether slugger Bonds committed perjury

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Barry Bonds could be facing bigger problems than baseball's probe into his alleged past steroid use.

A federal grand jury is investigating whether Bonds committed perjury when he testified in 2003 that he never used steroids, a person with knowledge of the probe told The Associated Press on Thursday night.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity because of the secrecy of the investigation.

The panel has been hearing evidence for more than a month about whether Bonds lied to a different grand jury than the one investigating the BALCO scandal. The existence of the grand jury was first reported by CNN on Thursday.

Luke Macaulay, spokesman for the U.S. Attorney's Office in San Francisco, told the AP that he could neither confirm nor deny the reports.

Bonds was granted immunity when he testified before the BALCO grand jury in December 2003, as long as he told the truth. According to excerpts of the testimony previously reported by the San Francisco Chronicle, Bonds testified that he used a clear substance and a cream given to him by a trainer who later pleaded guilty in a steroid-distribution ring, but said he didn't know they were steroids.

Bonds told the grand jury that Greg Anderson, his personal trainer, told him the substances he used were the nutritional supplement flaxseed oil and a rubbing balm for arthritis.

The substances Bonds described were similar to ones known as "the clear" and "the cream," two steroids at the center of the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative scandal. Investigators seized calendars that recorded schedules for Bonds' use of those

drugs, as well as human growth hormone, clomid, insulin and other steroids, according to the Chronicle.

Bonds, who has always denied using steroids, left the San Francisco Giants ballpark Thursday night without answering questions about the report from reporters. When asked what he would tell his fans, Bonds responded, "Tell them I love them."

Following last month's release of the book "Game of Shadows," which details steroid use by Bonds and other players, baseball commissioner Bud Selig launched an investigation of steroids in baseball.

Harry Stern, an attorney in the firm representing Bonds, told the AP that Bonds told the truth when he testified to the grand jury and said his firm had no knowledge of the new grand jury investigation.

Baseball spokesman Rich Levin said he is aware of the reports, "but it's just not appropriate for us to comment at this time."

Dr. Arthur Ting, Bonds' personal surgeon, has been subpoenaed to testify before the grand jury investigating possible perjury charges, the source told the AP. Ting, who treated Bonds for a knee injury that kept him out for most of the 2005 season, will be called to appear before the panel meeting at U.S. District Court in San Francisco, the source said.

Phone messages left by the AP for Ting were not returned Thursday night.

According to "Game of Shadows," Ting accompanied Bonds to BALCO headquarters in Burlingame in 2003 to draw blood from the slugger.

Bonds is third on baseball's all-time home runs list with 708; he is seven homers shy of passing Babe Ruth, but has not homered in the Giants' first eight games this season.

Astros, Giants split doubleheader

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Lance Berkman and Roy Oswalt have had their share of problems in the Giants' pitcher-friendly waterfront ballpark, no matter the stadium's name.

Something changed for both Astros stars Thursday night in a venue that has undergone two name changes in four years.

Oswalt pitched 8 1-3 dominant innings and Berkman hit his NL-leading fifth and sixth homers of the season, leading Houston past San Francisco 8-0 to give the Astros a doubleheader split after losing the first game 5-3.

"It's definitely moved up my list of least favorite ballparks to hit in," said Berkman, who stepped into the batter's box in the third inning with two home runs in his last

60 at-bats in San Francisco.

"I guess it's the law of averages," he said. "This is a tough place to hit. It's big in the middle and it doesn't seem like the ball carries well. It's bright. ... It's cold, windy, damp. But you have to put that out of your mind and go out and compete."

Oswalt (2-0) — winless with a 6.11 ERA in four previous starts here — gave up eight hits, struck out two and walked three. Fernando Nieve got the final two outs to complete the shutout.

"They had the same game plan as the last three years," Oswalt said. "The only difference was instead of coming back over the plate I was able to throw the ball where I wanted. I came in here and I haven't won here. I thought about it today."

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★★★ Accept your responsibilities by moving forward and accepting more responsibility. You have the energy to meet the moment and finish a situation.

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★★★★ Your positive attitude gets you far. Investigate new ideas and see situations differently. You understand much more than you realize. Move forward, making the most of an opportunity. You know what you want. Tonight: Beam with your want.
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69 Misc.

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69a Garage Sales
Dream Catcher Flea Market & Gift Shop 1/2 mile West of Price Rd. on Borger Hwy., Turn left on Western, 1st house on Right! Open again, weekends only 10-6 pm. Closed Easter Weeknd.

GIGANTIC In & Outside Sale. 1308 E. Francis. Sat. 9-2. Lots Of All Size Clothing. Misc.
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2323 Evergreen. Saturday 8-12. Furniture & Lots Of Misc.
LRG. Gar. Sale. 1821 Lea. Fri. 8-5, Sat. 8-5. Lots of wood craft items, bar stools, clothing, shoes, furni.,misc.
FURN., daybed, sofa/ loveseat, household misc., treadmill bike. 2522 Evergreen. Fri & Sat. 8-7
ESTATE Sale: House, yard tools, some furni. Fri. & Sat. 8am.-? 209 Miami.
419 N. Somerville. Lots of baby clothes & misses, other misc. Fri. & Sat. 8-5pm.
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Religion

The Florida Boys



Jerry Smith will present The Florida Boys in concert at 7:30 p.m. April 24 in the Borger High School Auditorium in Borger. Admission to the concert will be free. The Florida Boys has been around since the 1950s and has appeared on "The Today Show," "TNN's Prime Time Country," "Crooke & Chase," and more. In 1964, it became the first gospel group to have a nationally syndicated TV program. Members are Les Beasley, Glen Allred, Gene McDonald, Harold Reed, Josh Garner and Derrell Stewart.

Agriculture outreach makes use of donated aluminum cans

Empty aluminum cans are still being collected by Pampa First Presbyterian Church and recycled to earn money for the Heifer International organization.

Heifer International, based in Little Rock, Ark., provides countries around the world with a wide range of livestock ranging from cows to honey bees as well

as trees for reforestation.

The nearest project to Pampa, is located in Hereford, where several families are working with goats through Heifer International. One of the furthest projects is in Armenia, a former Soviet republic, which is currently the target of a special grant by a German foundation, which

will match all donations up to \$400,000.

For more information on Heifer International, go to www.heifer.org on the Internet.

Monetary donations may be sent to First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray, Pampa, TX 79065, and mark

the check for "Heifer Project." All contributions are tax deductible.

Aluminum cans in plastic trash bags may be brought to the home of Ed and Loralee Cooley, at 410 Buckler Ave. (across Gray Street from the church), and placed in the garage.

Minnesota church refuses care for man who changed his sex

ST. FRANCIS, Minn. (AP) — A church that refused to care for a woman who was once a man has found itself in the midst of debate over the role of faith-based social services.

The Anoka County Social Services Department has sent disabled seniors and other vulnerable adults who need care during the day to Trinity Lutheran Church in this town north of the Twin Cities. But when the county brought a woman who had begun life as a man to the conservative Lutheran-Missouri Synod church, the congregation refused to accept her.

The county then refused to send any more clients to the church.

"It places the church in a difficult situation," the Rev. John Maxfield said. "We want to minister to everyone. But this person's outward behavior contradicts the church's teaching."

A county social worker brought a woman from Fridley to the church last year. Tracy Curie, then the program's director, showed her around, filled out all the forms — and assumed she would start 10 days later. Then the woman disclosed that she had formerly been a man.

In declining to accept her, the church said its staff wasn't trained to deal with such a person. It feared discomfort among members and other clients, not least over use of the bathroom. And it pointed to its own theological beliefs. What she has done, Maxfield said, runs totally "contrary to God's revealed will."

The dispute was finally resolved late last month. Under threat of having all of its low-income, county-paid clients withdrawn, the church signed a document agreeing it will keep its current clients but won't get any more.

Gideon Bibles



Courtesy photo

In anticipation of the opening of the new AmericInn in Pampa, the Pampa Gideons delivered 60 new Bibles to be placed in the rooms. Pictured are, from left, Gideon Harley Knutson; Millie Bradley, AmericInn training supervisor; and Gideon Dr. Mark W. Ford Jr.

Church briefs

Calvary Assembly of God, 1030 Love St., will feature The Singing Bragg Family at

a gospel singing set for 7 p.m. Tuesday. This live band has a Nashville/Branson

sound and lives by the motto "Bragg'n About Jesus."

covered that He had risen and the tomb was empty.

Calvary Baptist Church will hold its annual Sunrise Easter Service at 7:30 a.m. Sunday morning at the church. The early hour is significant as it was at sunrise that Jesus' followers dis-

The 50-minute indoor service will include candle-lighting, music and scripture reading in place of a sermon. Calvary Baptist, 900 E. 23rd, will hold its 10:45 a.m. service as usual.

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