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EDC: Pampa lacks proper housing

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

Pampa has the jobs, according to the Pampa Economic Development Corporation board, but they need people willing to work and buildings to house them.

Board member Bill Berry said that Pampa lacked not jobs but skilled workers to fill existing jobs and the city would need more mid-priced housing if it was to attract a larger labor force.

"We need 250 to 300 skilled employees to work in Pampa right now," he said.

He said there were 50 homes on the market in Pampa but none of them were in the \$80,000 to \$100,000 range. They all cost more or less.

Board member James Bradley suggested meeting the Pampa Board of

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Traffic accident



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Three persons were transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center after a Buick sedan and a Chevrolet SUV, both shown above, were involved in an accident at about 2:45 p.m. Tuesday at the intersection of Price Road and Kentucky Avenue. Traffic on Price Road was limited to one lane of travel until the vehicles and debris could be moved. Pampa Police and Fire departments, Gray County Sheriff's Office and Guardian EMS Ambulance all responded to the scene.



Street work

Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

Bobby Daley, left, and John King of the City of Pampa's Public Works Department spread out hot mix to fill in a section of pavement in the 1000 block of Love Street Tuesday afternoon. The street patching will be followed by seal coating. The 350-degree hot mix used in the patching, combined with atmospheric temperatures in the upper 90s and surface street temperatures over 100 degrees, combines to make the street crew's job one of the "hottest" in town.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City purchases generator, draws up new well rules

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

The Pampa City Commission bought a generator, outlined the rules to drill a water well in the city limits, approved a grant application and reappointed a Pampa man to the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority board of directors.

The commission approved the purchase of a 300 kilowatt emergency generator to replace a seven kilowatt generator to provide power to city hall in case of emergency.

Emergency Co-ordinator Ken Hall said the old generator would

not be able to provide power for three rooms of city hall.

The bid was awarded to Warren Caterpillar of Amarillo for \$103,525, well below the amount that had been anticipated. Hall said \$150,000 had originally been budgeted for the generator.

The commission passed, on second and final reading, an ordinance that would regulate drilling water wells within the city limits.

Under the new ordinance, any new wells would have to be permitted by the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District

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Second son of Lubbock family killed in war

LUBBOCK (AP) — When Army Pfc. Andrew Velez's older brother was killed in Iraq almost two years ago, the Lubbock man escorted the soldier's body home.

On Tuesday, the Velez family learned it had lost Andrew to the war on terror.

Roy Velez, the soldiers' father, said military personnel came to his home to notify him that Andrew Velez, 22 and a father of three, had been killed in

Afghanistan. They did not provide details of how he died.

Roy Velez said he feels proud of his two sons and holds no anger about losing both of them.

"I'm going to miss him for a long time," he said. "I can't be angry. I feel like my heart's been pulled out. We've done what the Lord allowed us to do for our country."

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Emergency Services

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

Ten traffic stops were made, resulting in at least one arrest.

A traffic complaint was received from the 900 block of South Love.

Vehicle accidents were reported in the 1000 block of North Hobart, the intersection of Price Road and Kentucky Avenue, the intersection of Hobart and Wilks streets, and the police department lobby.

Motorist assistance was rendered in the 2400 block of Perryton Parkway.

Animal complaints were received from the intersection of Cuyler and Barnes streets, the 2300 block of North Nelson, the 900 block of Lafferty, the 1000 block of Huff Road, the 1100 block of Terry Road, and on two occasions from the 2100 block of North Wells.

Welfare checks were made in the 1000 block of Varnon Drive, the 1300 block of Garland, and the 200 block of West Kingsmill.

Lost property was reported in the police department lobby.

A civil matter was reported in the 300 block of North Christy.

Harboring a runaway was reported in the 1300 block of Coffee.

Suspicious person calls were received from the 1100 block of East Kingsmill, the intersection of Crane and Primrose streets, the 1000 block of West Atchison, the 400 block of East Browning, and the 400 block of Yeager.

Suspicious vehicle calls were received from the 1900 block of North Hobart and the 2200 block of Perryton

Parkway. Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1400 block of North Hobart and the 900 block of South Banks.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of South Wilcox and the 900 block of South Banks, where a car was keyed and flower pots damaged. Cost of damage is unknown.

Harassment was reported in the police department lobby.

A terroristic threat was reported in the 100 block of South Wynne.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 700 block of East Browning.

Domestic disturbances were reported in the 500 block of North Yeager and the 300 block of North Christy, where the incidents were verbal only and no injuries were reported.

Assault was reported in the 100 block of West 30th and the 1000 block of Varnon Drive, where no injuries were reported.

Aggravated assault was reported in the 1400 block of North Hobart. No injuries were reported.

Two burglar alarms were reported.

Theft was reported in the 2100 block of North Williston and on two occasions in the police department lobby.

Theft was reported in the 800 block of North Somerville. Two firearms and one box of ammunition were taken, for an estimated loss of \$365.

Theft was reported in the 300 block of North Warren, where \$20 in cash was taken.

Theft was reported in the 1100 block of Sirroco. A bicycle valued at \$40 was taken.

Theft was reported in the

200 block of North Wells by B&G Electric. Four rolls of wire valued at \$240 were taken out of a truck bed.

A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's, 1900 N. Hobart. Fuel valued at \$20 was taken.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 800 block of Lefors. A television and yard lights were taken, for an estimated loss of \$250.

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents today.

Tuesday, July 25

2:40 p.m. — A 2002 Buick LeSabre, driven by Betty Shaw Dawson, 75, of Borger and a 2004 Chevrolet Tahoe, driven by Charles Perry Allison, 57, of Booker, collided at the intersection of Price Road and Kentucky Avenue. Ruth Briggs, 86, a passenger in Dawson's vehicle, and Allison were transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center by Guardian EMS Ambulance with non-incapacitating injuries. Dawson was also transported by Guardian EMS to PRMC; the type of injuries was not reported. Dawson was cited for disregarding a stop sign.

3:06 p.m. — A 2003 Chevrolet C/K 1500, driven by Brian Seldon Gowdy, 30, of Amarillo, and a 1997 Buick Park Avenue, driven by Freda Hall Hagerman, 69, of 1617 N. Williston, collided in the 800 block of West Brown. No injuries were reported. Gowdy was cited for making an unsafe lane change.

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

Tuesday, July 25

Kimberly Peavy, 23, of Lefors was arrested by the Lefors Marshal for 11 counts of issuing a bad check.

Melissa Collier, 17, of Pampa was arrested in the 1100 block of North Hobart by Pampa Police Department for failure to attend school and no seat

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

Tuesday, July 25

11:46 a.m. — Five units and 10 personnel responded to the 1000 block of North Hobart on an odor investigation. Nothing was found.

2:42 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to a two-vehicle accident at Price Road and Kentucky. Three occupants were transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center with possible injuries. A small amount of hazardous material was eliminated from the scene.

3:07 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to Hobart and Wilks on a minor two-vehicle accident.

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls between 7 a.m. Monday and 7 a.m. today.

Monday, July 24

7:33 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of North Sumner and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

9:29 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to PRMC and transported a patient to the 1000 block of North Sumner.

4:42 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 200 block of Tignor and transported a patient to PRMC.

8:46 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 600 block of North Faulkner and transported a patient to PRMC.

Tuesday, July 25

8:57 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 200 block of Tignor and transported a patient(s) to BSA in Amarillo.

9:26 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of West 25th and transported a patient(s) to PRMC.

2:44 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Price Road and Kentucky and transported two patients to PRMC.

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and the City of Pampa, must be at least 75 feet away from city water and sewer lines, cannot be connected to city water and sewer lines, cannot be sold and city personnel must have access to the well.

The city is charging a non-refundable \$50 fee for the permit, which will be issued through the code enforcement office.

The commission also approved a \$250,000 grant application to the Texas Community Development Program of the Office of Rural Affairs concerning funds to replace water mains on the south side of Pampa. These funds would be in

addition to \$125,000 already budgeted for the project.

"That's not even a drop in the bucket when it comes to replacing water mains," City Manager John Horst told the mayor and commissioners.

The commission also updated regulations concerning the leasing of antenna space atop city water towers.

The fee is now \$900 a month, up from \$800, and will remain at that rate for 24 months. After that, the monthly rate shall be raised three percent per year.

The city commission reappointed Benny Kirksey as one of Pampa's two representatives on the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority board of directors. He has served on the board since 1999.

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EDC

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Realtors to get their input.

"The jobs are here," Berry said, "but we don't have the people to fill them or housing for them."

Where the Pampa EDC has been and where it's going consumed much of the group's meeting Tuesday.

"Most of these," said Kathy Cota, board secretary, of their list of goals, "we've either done or are in the process of doing."

Many of the goals scheduled six months ago when the new Pampa EDC was first established revolved around the organization and administration of the group.

Looking forward to goals for the next six months, Berry said he wanted to streamline the system, noting that it's taken two months for the board to decide on buying file cabinets.

The board did agree to buy a four-drawer, fireproof, lockable file cabinet for \$1,395.

Cota said that once an executive director was hired, such routine actions should run more smoothly.

The two areas still lacking, Cota said, were setting a time table for hiring an executive director and working with other area economic development groups.

"That's something we really ought to concentrate on in the next six months," Cota said.

Dwight Fiveash, president of the Pampa

EDC board, said he and board member Kenneth May had visited the Borger Economic Development Corp. and that he had visited the Dumas Economic Development Corp.

"Everyone of those folks offered us help," Fiveash said. "I thought that was very nice."

Cota said that she had provided information on Pampa to Pat Vanderpool, executive director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, for a brochure.

"We need to do more than that," Cota said.

She said, however, that until the board decided the direction it wanted to go, they couldn't start developing a research program.

Board member Bill Berry said that the labor market information would be critically important. As a part of that, he said, they needed to also know about the local housing market.

Fiveash, who had earlier this year been selected by the board to join the Texas Economic Development Corp., told his colleagues that the information he had gotten from the statewide organization had mostly concerned seminars and meetings in Austin. He said little of it appeared to be relevant to what the Pampa EDC was doing, but he said he would leave copies of the information in the office for other board members if they wanted to review it.

The Pampa EDC's next meeting is scheduled for 11 a.m. Aug. 10 in their offices in the Pampa Community Building.

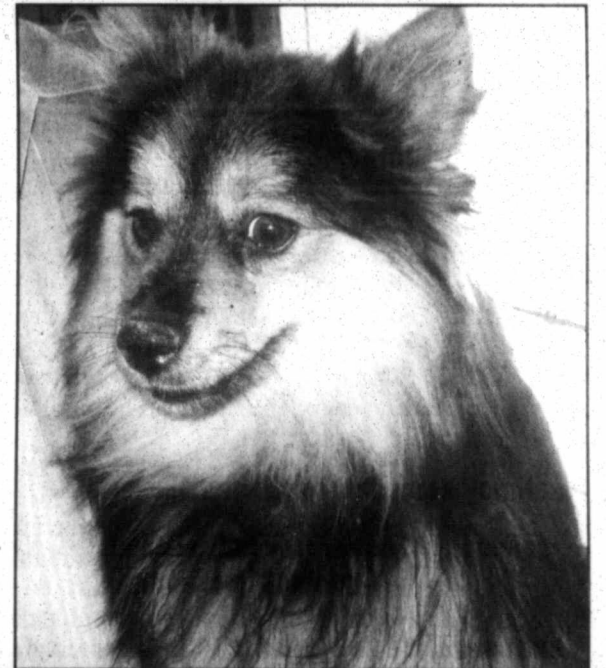
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Viewpoints

Math, science requirements benefit our future

America is the undisputed leader in the global economy because of innovations in science and technology. Our dominant strategic position, economic advantages, and high standard of living are driven by our leadership in these areas.

To maintain our competitive advantage and keep our economy strong, however, we must prepare our children to compete in the global market of tomorrow by improving science and math education.

Beginning next year, Texas high school students will be required to complete four years of both math and science.

The Texas Legislature established these standards in the recently passed House Bill 1, which increased the

previous level of three years of science and math. I strongly applaud this effort to improve our students' understanding of math and science, as America's continued leadership in scientific research and education is critical to the future of our economic and national security. It is imperative that the state follow this measure by providing teachers and school districts with the necessary support to expand math and science programs across Texas.

For many years, I have worked in the United States Senate to provide additional resources to support math and science education. I sponsored the Protecting America's Competitive Edge (PACE) Act, which authorizes the National Science

Foundation to provide four-year scholarships of up to \$20,000 a year to students who major in math and science in college and pursue concurrent teacher certification.

The PACE Act also supports continued education for current teachers by providing funding for three-year master's degree programs in math and science.

An extra year of math or science in high school will lead to more students entering college with a passion for these subjects, which in turn will lead to more passionate teachers for the next generation of

Kay Bailey Hutchison
U.S. Senator

Texans.

High school students currently acquire a well-rounded understanding of science by completing biology, chemistry and physics, while fulfilling math requirements by studying algebra, geometry and algebra II. Students



will now have an opportunity to complete additional courses in areas of interest that may not have previously counted for credit towards graduation.

Students who are interested in a particular area of math or science can choose an additional year in that subject, perhaps in an Advanced Placement course

to prepare for college. Or they can study a less traditional subject, such as meteorology or statistics. Additional math and science exposure will provide students options to pursue their passions in these areas. Teachers will also be able to teach classes at a higher level or in their areas of expertise.

Under these new requirements, high schools will be in a position to develop new math and science courses that will lead to long-term benefits for our state. For example, our state's population is projected to double by 2050, which will strain our water resources. Students taking earth science courses could develop an interest in solving water constraints, which would benefit all

Texans.

I will continue to work to secure federal aid for math and science in Texas. One project I am proud to support is the Math and Science Partnerships Initiative, which provides federal funds to school districts to partner with local universities and community colleges to offer more rigorous math and science courses.

We must do a better job of preparing our children today for the jobs of tomorrow. Recent scores on standardized tests show that 82 percent of American 12th-graders are not proficient in science and 72 percent of eighth-graders are not proficient in math. These figures are unacceptable, and we

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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, July 26, the 207th day of 2006. There are 158 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 26, 1856, 150 years ago, playwright George Bernard Shaw was born in Dublin, Ireland.

On this date:

In 1775, Benjamin Franklin became Postmaster-General. In 1788, New York became the 11th state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1945, Winston Churchill resigned as Britain's prime minister after his Conservatives were soundly defeated by the Labour Party. (Clement Attlee became the new prime minister.)

In 1952, Argentina's first lady, Eva Peron, died in Buenos Aires at age 33.

In 1952, King Farouk I of Egypt abdicated in the wake of a coup led by Gamal Abdel Nasser.

In 1956, Egyptian President Gamal Abdel Nasser nationalized the Suez Canal.

In 1956, the Italian liner Andrea Doria sank off New England, some 11 hours after colliding with the Swedish liner Stockholm; at least 51 people died.

In 1971, Apollo 15 was launched from Cape Kennedy, Fla.

In 1986, kidnappers in Lebanon released the Rev. Lawrence Martin Jenco, an American hostage held for nearly 19 months.

In 1986, American statesman W. Averell Harriman died in Yorktown Heights, N.Y., at age 94.

Ten years ago: President Clinton rejected a clemency plea from Jonathan Pollard, who'd spent more than 10 years in prison for spying for Israel. Amy Van Dyken became the first American woman to win four gold medals at a single Olympics as she captured the 50-meter freestyle in Atlanta.

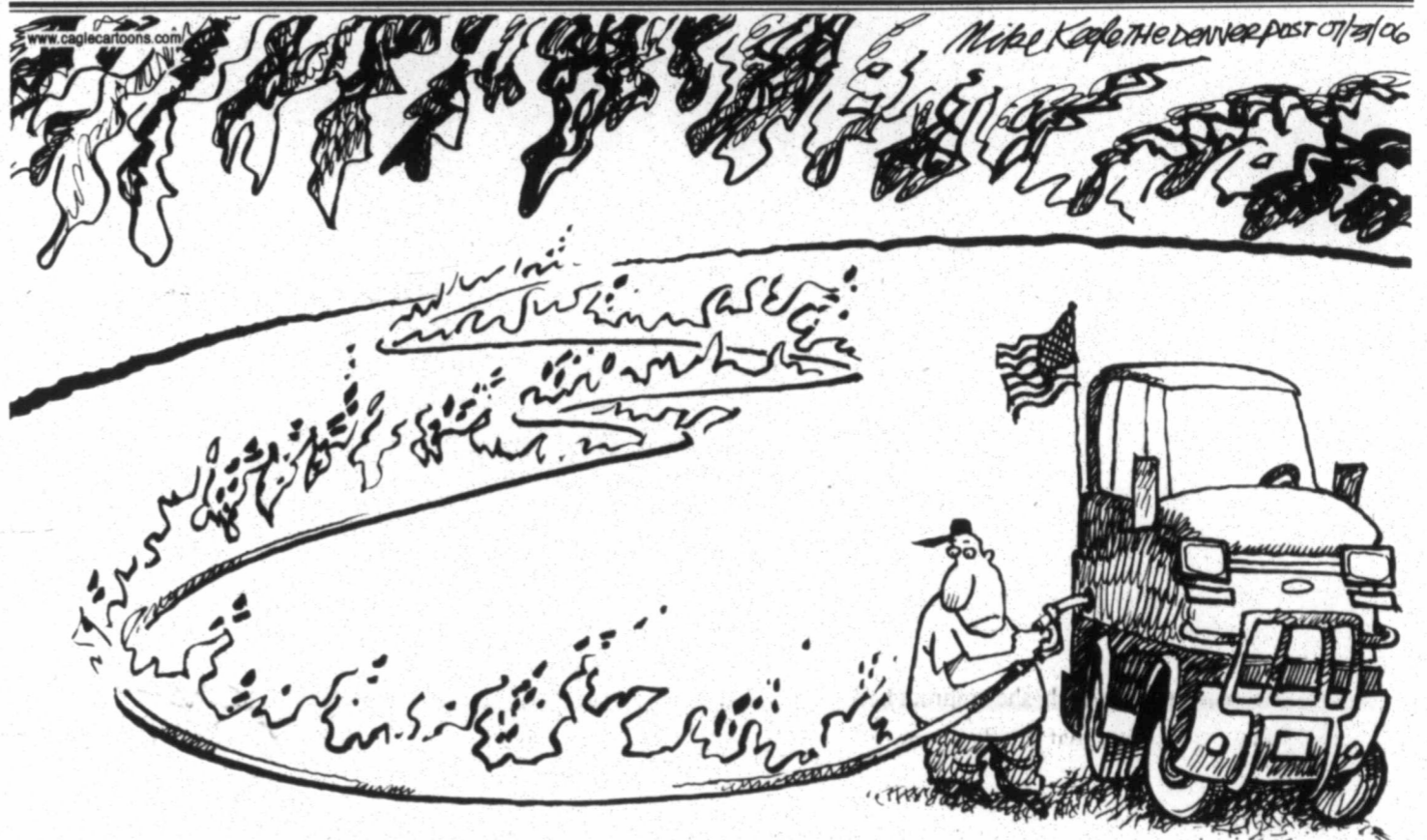
Five years ago: China granted parole to two U.S.-based scholars convicted of spying for Taiwan.

One year ago: America's manned space program roared back to life with the launch of Discovery, 2 1/2 years after the Columbia disaster. Six nations resumed nuclear disarmament talks that North Korea had boycotted for 13 months, but little progress was made. Cubs pitcher Greg Maddux recorded his 3,000 career strikeout against San Francisco in the third inning of a 3-2, 11-inning victory for the Giants.

Today's Birthdays: Movie director Blake Edwards is 84. Actor James Best is 80. Singer Dobie Gray is 66. Actress-

'A life spent making mistakes is not only more honorable, but more useful than a life spent doing nothing.'

— George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950)



TED WOULD SOON MAKE THE CONNECTION BETWEEN EVENTS IN THE MIDEAST AND EVENTS AT THE PUMP.

Putin trying to suppress liberty in Russia

By DICK MORRIS and EILEEN MCGANN

The Other Russia Congress met in Moscow recently, with over 3,000 people in attendance, along with hundreds of police to keep tabs on them. They are a hardy bunch, daring to show their faces amid a growing crackdown on democracy in Russia.

One knowledgeable leader of the congress told us "there is no difference — none — between the level of repression now and that which prevailed under Brezhnev." While President Bush and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice content themselves with lamenting "backsliding" on democracy, the naked truth is that Russia is now as repressive as it was under communism.

"Extremist" groups can be

barred from participating in elections — and President Vladimir Putin defines who is and is not an extremist.

The media, newspapers and television, are firmly under government control. Opposition views are simply not heard, and the news media just parrot government propaganda. Putin has cracked down on Voice of America and Radio Free Europe broadcasts, threatening stations that air them, effectively reducing their range to only Moscow and St. Petersburg.

Members of the Duma are selected from party slates — i.e. handpicked by Putin — and direct-election single-

member districts have been abolished. Putin appoints governors, and the last democratically elected governor was arrested in June.

The former catalyst for the freedom and democracy movement, Y u k o s

Mikhail Khodorkovsky, is in prison, serving an eight-year sentence. The jail is 12 miles from the Chinese border in a uranium-mining area where the radioactivity reduces life expectancy to 42 years. His sentence might as well be death. And, to make his life even worse in this frozen hell, where temperatures drop to 30 degrees below zero Fahrenheit, his face was

recently slashed by a fellow inmate and he was locked in solitary confinement until his hunger strike forced his release back to the normal prison population.

This is Putin's Russia.

But democracy is stirring. Important national leaders like former Prime Minister (under Putin) Mikhail Kasyanov, the leader of the People's Democratic Union, and former chess champion Gary Kasparov are attacking Putin's autocracy. Kasyanov might run against the dictator's handpicked choice in 2008 unless Putin changes the constitution to allow himself to run for reelection. If he does, Kasyanov will give him a heck of a fight.

And the Bush administration? Quiet as a mouse. Bush

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A dress rehearsal for a long-term plan ...

I was about to write a column condemning Israel's collective punishment of Palestinians in Gaza and the even more heinous failure of the European Union and the United States to condemn Israel's war crime. Oh, yes, collective punishment against innocent civilians is a war crime, and it is an Israeli specialty.

However, Hezbollah struck across the Israeli border with Lebanon, kidnapped two more Israeli soldiers, and killed eight. Now Israel is inflicting collective punishment on Lebanon. You can be sure the U.S. and the EU will fail to condemn that, too.

One Israeli writer has already noted the obvious —

that Israel's over-the-top attacks on Gaza have nothing to do with trying to get one soldier freed from his kidnappers, who are apparently a small group of militants.

Destroying bridges and a power plant, which means no clean water or sewage for 700,000 people, is just a dress rehearsal for Israel's long-term plan to drive the Palestinians out of Palestine.

We've already become a target of terrorism, as I predicted we would, because of our complicity in Israel's war crimes. Don't you think

it's time for us to declare our independence from Israel and its powerful lobby? Don't you think it's time to get Israel's hand out of the U.S. Treasury, from which it

collects as a gift \$3 billion every year? Don't you think it's time to stop protecting Israel in the United Nations, where we veto every resolution that condemns Israel's bad behavior?

The Middle East was once of great strategic value to the British Empire. It was the land bridge that allowed the British to get to the crown of the empire, India. Later on,

the Suez Canal reinforced its strategic importance to the British. But the dear old empire is kaput. The sun once never set on the British Empire, and now it never rises on it.

Furthermore, the airplane has zeroed out any strategic importance for the Middle East. None of the countries in the Middle East is of any strategic importance to us, and one, Israel, is a strategic, political and financial liability. We should simply get out.

What about the oil? Well, it's concentrated mainly around the Persian Gulf, and the wonderful thing about oil, from our standpoint, is that it is worthless unless it's

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My mother and father have been separated for four years. They are not yet divorced. A year ago, Dad started dating this woman from another country. She is not a U.S. citizen; she is here on a work visa. Well, she wanted to get married, and Dad never told her that he was still married to my mother. They ended up being married last month. Needless to say, I was not happy to hear about it. Dad told me he had filed the papers and his lawyer told him it was OK for him to go ahead and get married. I called my mother a few days after the wedding; she has never received any papers regarding a divorce. On his marriage license to this new woman, it says that Dad divorced my mother in 2004. I went to the courthouse, and there is no record that a divorce ever happened. So my father is married to this new woman and it's not legal. What should I do? Should I tell my mother and get my father in trouble? — **STRESSED IN N. CAROLINA**

DEAR STRESSED: Your mother should absolutely be told, so she can consult an attorney and her local police. Your father is guilty of fraud and bigamy, which is a felony. And the poor deluded woman your father is leading to believe is his wife should also be informed. Being given that information now would be far kinder than receiving it when her visa elapses and she must leave the country.

DEAR ABBY: My mother-in-law recently accused my 6-year-old daughter -- her granddaughter -- of stealing jewelry from her. She called me one day and made the accusation. I was stunned at the undertone and the manner in which she approached me. I know for a fact that my daughter did

not take anything from her. There were other grandchildren in the house as well. I told my mother-in-law that I didn't think my daughter had stolen anything, as she was with me the entire time we were there, but that I'd talk to her about it to make sure. My daughter confirmed what I already knew, and I believe her. My mother-in-law has now called two of my sisters-in-law to tell them that I need to "control that girl" and "that girl is so devious she probably threw the jewelry away to keep from getting into trouble" -- and that if she did, I would cover it up to protect her, which I would never do. I don't know why she's treating my little girl like this. How should I respond? She has also told my sister-in-law that I'm going to make a "big deal" out of this and "turn her son (my husband) against her." I am hurt and lost and don't know how to handle this. She's bad-mouthing my child to all the family members. — **APPALLED IN HOUSTON**

DEAR APPALLED: If you haven't already done so, you need to talk to your husband about this. It might also be helpful to speak to your sisters-in-law. I say this because it is possible that their mother needs to be neurologically and physically evaluated. Among the symptoms of dementia are losing things and paranoia that someone is stealing from the sufferer. If your mother-in-law is of sound mind, then it is also possible she harbors a resentment toward you for some reason and is now directing it at your child. If that turns out to be the reason for her behavior, then common sense would dictate that you limit your child's exposure to her.

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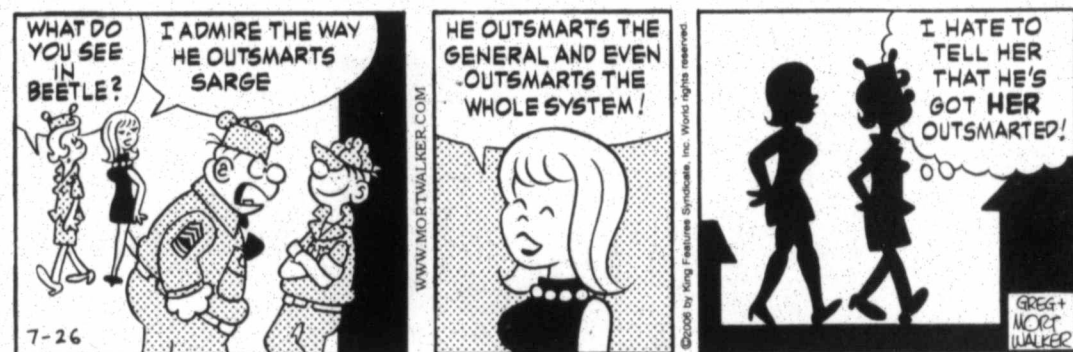
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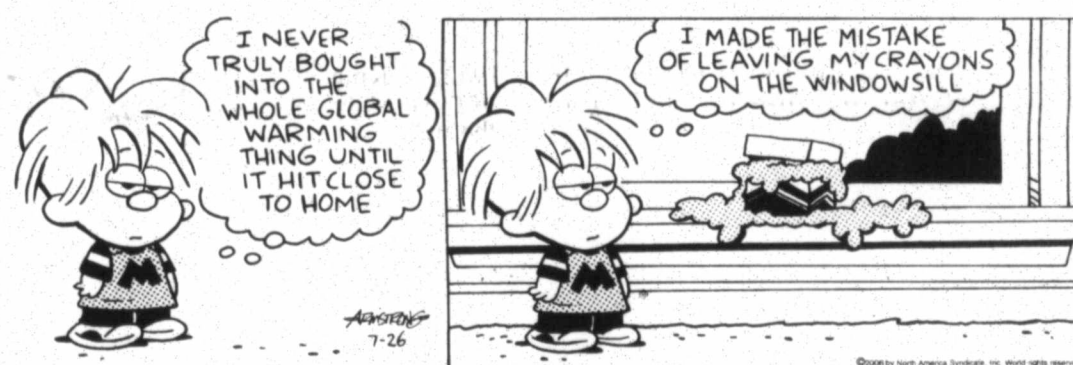
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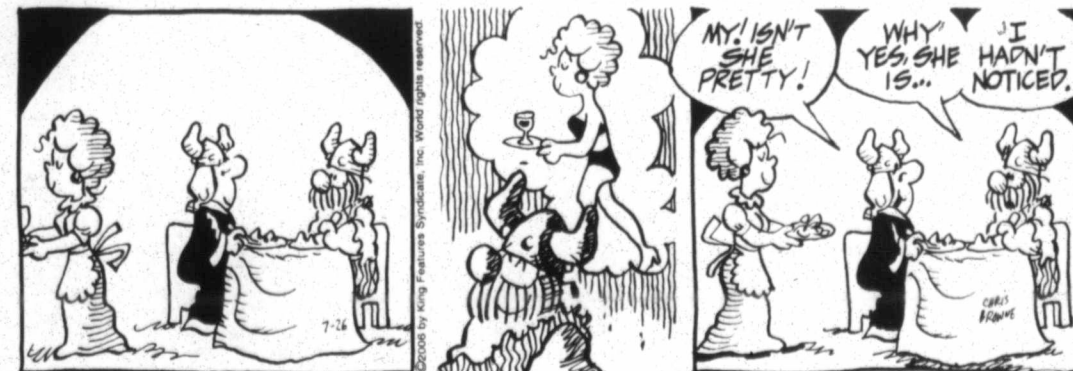
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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- 11 Like some smiles
- 12 This is one
- 13 Equip a plant
- 14 Race finish line
- 15 Energy type
- 17 Bar bills
- 20 Low joint
- 23 Maximum amount
- 24 Guessing game
- 26 Soccer's Hamm
- 27 Saloon quaff
- 28 Tack on
- 29 Junk collector
- 31 — de la Cité
- 32 Invited
- 33 Skedad-dled
- 34 Heart, in slang
- 37 Cutter, for one
- 38 Ache soother
- 43 Cleveland's lake
- 44 Theater group
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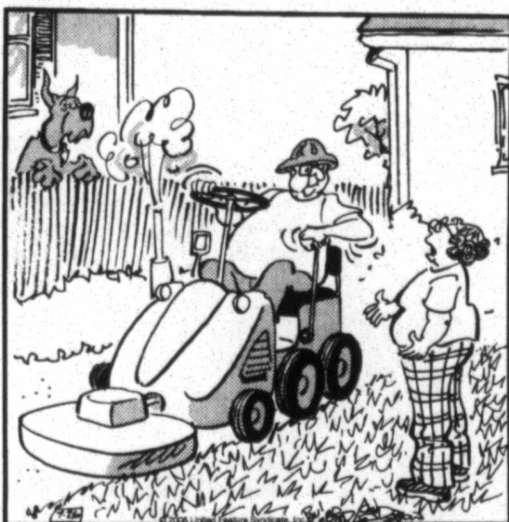
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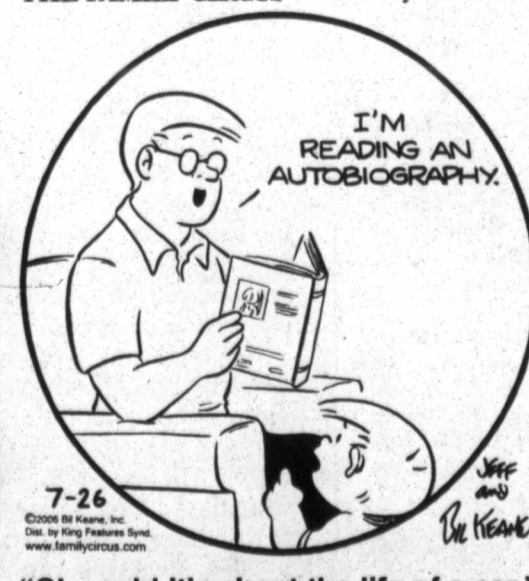
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The Family Circus

By Bil Keane



Flo & Friends



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must address these deficiencies.

During the next decade, the U.S. demand for scientists and engineers is expected to increase at more than double the rate for all other occupations. The National Academy of Sciences reports that foreign-born students currently receive nearly half of all engineering and computer science doctorate degrees awarded in the United States. The jobs that will fuel our economy for years to come will be in groundbreaking areas of science and engineering. Encouraging additional math and science education in high school will help provide a pool of qualified American workers for these jobs.

Increasing high school math and science requirements today prepares students for rewarding careers in related fields to solve the problems of tomorrow.

Morris

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and Rice have allowed Russia to stay in the G-8 with a democracy record no better than China's, which remains excluded. They are even considering opening Western oil markets to Russian exports. Meanwhile, Putin is using oil diplomacy — or really energy aggression — to try to cow his former satellites into submission. He has tried to quintuple gas prices to Ukraine. He's bribed former German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder with a \$300,000-year-job with Gazprom, the Russian gas company, to OK and help fund a pipeline from Russia to Germany under the Baltic. The pipeline threatens to cut off gas supplies to Poland and Ukraine to punish them for their apostasy. He won't buy Moldovan or Georgian wine to punish their freedom movements. (The United States should immediately lift its trade restrictions on wines from these two freedom-loving nations).

One has to ask whether the neocons of the Bush administration are on the job. No real pressure is coming from Washington, and Bush's approach is pathetically weak. Putin is buying them off with a commitment to take our used nuclear fuel off our hands and by seductive temporizing over the Iranian nuclear issue. If Bush were to stand up to Putin as President Reagan did to Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev, Putin would be unable to get away with the mayhem he is undertaking in Russia and its former empire.

Richard Nixon once said of Bush senior that the world would ask, "Who lost Russia?" (an echo of his own 1950s question about China) if he did not increase aid to Moscow. Now the question of who lost Russia comes up again. And the answer, surprisingly is President Bush, Vice President Cheney and Secretary of State Rice.

Dick Morris was an adviser to Bill Clinton for 20 years.

Community Christian appoints new administrator

Community Christian School has hired a new administrator, Ray Thornton. Thornton replaces Administrator Mrs. Lynn Smith who retired earlier this year after 10 years of dedicated service at the private non-denominational school in Pampa.

"Having served as a principal during the 2005-2006 school year at Bingham Academy, a highly rated international Christian School in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, I have a renewed interest in Christian-based education," says Thornton.

"When I was asked to consider working at Community Christian School, I felt God had opened yet another door for me to serve Him by being involved in Kingdom Education here in Pampa, a mission field on this side of the Atlantic. I am excited and challenged by this opportunity to work with the students and parents."

Receiving both his bachelor and master of education degrees from West Texas State University his resume includes 22 years working for Pampa Independent School District and

Clarendon College.

He was assistant principal at Pampa Middle School during 1978-1981 and again from 1997-2002. Thornton was principal at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School from 1981-1995. Thornton also brings to his new role as administrator extensive non-profit fund-raising experience which is expected to be a great benefit to the school which relies solely on tuition and private funding to meet its budget.

CCS is celebrating its 10th year anniversary. Founded in 1996 by a group of parents who had a pas-


sion for combining advanced preparatory education with a Christian world view and discipleship, CCS offers classes for kindergarten through sixth grade.

Its mission is to prepare primary grade school students to impact local and global community through academic excellence as well as Biblical thought and action, and they seek to accomplish this by working cooperatively with families as an extension of the Christian home.

The school is currently accepting applications for

the fall 2006 enrollment. Classroom size is limited so anyone interested in enrollment information or a personal meeting with the new administrator should contact Thornton at 665-3393.

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sold to an industrial nation that needs it. No matter who controls the countries where the oil is located, they will sell it to us. We may be Satan to the Iranians, but they will gladly sell oil to us, as did Saddam Hussein. Furthermore, the Middle East oil producers cannot themselves control the price of oil. And never fear that they will take it off the market. If they did, their economies would collapse, because other than almonds, dates, sheep and sand, those countries have nothing to offer the world without oil.

Even during the so-called oil embargo in the 1970s, the flow of oil into the United States never diminished one drop. I know. I checked the records. The lines at the gas stations were caused by the U.S. government, which decided to ration gasoline and proved

incompetent to do so.

As long as we act like the bribed bodyguard of Israel, that little country will continue to bully the Palestinians and its neighbors. It is a rogue nation. It has done nothing but fight wars and take other people's lands since its very beginning.

If we cut Israel's apron strings, however, some more sensible Israelis, who realize they cannot continue to exist indefinitely surrounded by hostile neighbors, might come to power. That's Israel's only hope for long-term survival.

In the meantime, we need to dump the Bush administration and all the bought and paid for blowhards in Congress and elect some people who have America's interests, and only America's interests, as their top priority.

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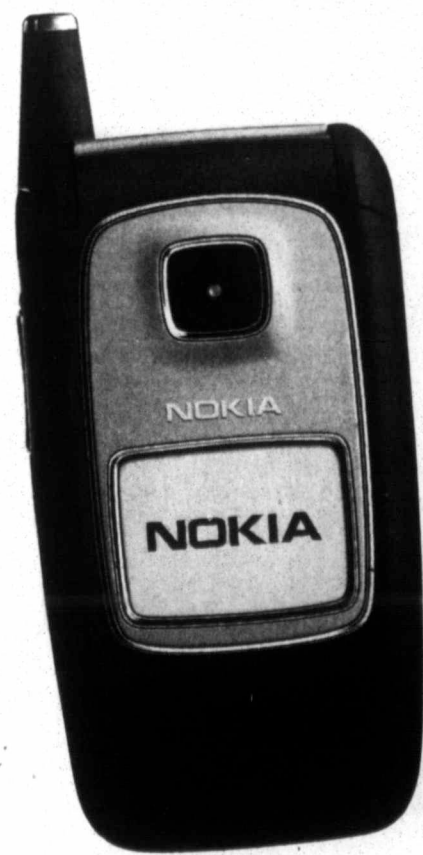
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