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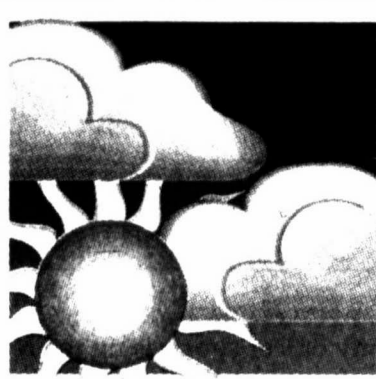
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PAMPA — The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce will be conducting its annual membership drive Tuesday through Thursday.

This year the membership drive will be conducted mainly by telephone from the Chamber office in the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard, according to Mary McDaniel, drive chairman.

Some 30 workers from the Chamber board and volunteer Chamber members will be calling potential members from 9:30-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-3:30 p.m. each day. Those not contacted or otherwise wanting to become Chamber members may call the Chamber office at 669-3241.

Dobson Cellular Systems has contributed the phones to be used by the volunteer membership drive workers.

AMARILLO — The National Cattlemen's Association and Superior Livestock Auction Inc. are co-sponsoring a series of live, interactive satellite teleconferences to discuss industry issues.

The first conference, covering injection site blemishes, will be broadcast at 8 a.m. Aug. 31 on Telstar 3, channel 10. Area cattlemen can watch the program at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center in Amarillo.

For more information, call Dr. Ted McCollum at (806) 359-5401.

AUSTIN (AP) — Two tickets bought in Harlingen and Weatherford correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$60 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 2, 7, 9, 15, 29 and 41.

There were 524 tickets sold with five of the six numbers, with each ticket worth \$1,394.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Wednesday night's game will be \$4 million.

GALVESTON (AP) — Thousands of traffic tickets were dismissed in a troubled municipal court even after fines were paid, apparently allowing someone to pocket the money, according to a published report.

Sources close to the widening investigation say up to \$1 million was stolen over the past decade from Galveston municipal court, according to a report in Sunday's *Galveston County Daily News*.

The newspaper said it analyzed more than 7,200 computer records of tickets dismissed last year and found a system where tickets given to influential residents were routinely dismissed.

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Diplomats pay tribute to aides killed in Bosnia

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States' top diplomats are converging on Washington with a dual mission: to pay tribute to the three American officials killed in Bosnia and to restart their efforts to broker a Bosnian peace settlement.

Assistant Secretary of State Richard Holbrooke and the other remaining U.S. delegates headed home Sunday with the bodies of the fallen diplomats, who died in a highway accident on their way to peace talks in Sarajevo on Saturday. Their deaths stripped Holbrooke of his most important aides and crippled the U.S. diplomatic initiative in the former Yugoslavia.

President Clinton will leave his vacation retreat in Jackson Hole, Wyo., and fly to the memorial services for the three Americans at Arlington National Cemetery on Wednesday.

"He wanted to attend the memorial service to pay his respect to the Americans who were killed," said Deputy White House Press Secretary Ginny Terzano. "He knew each of them personally and wanted to be there with their families and friends," she said.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher flew to Washington from California to meet with his top deputies as well as Defense Secretary William Perry and National Security Adviser Anthony Lake at Andrews Air Force Base. The three arranged to speak at ceremonies upon arrival of the three bodies at the base outside Washington.

The goal of the meetings will be "to take steps to reinforce the team and help them get their work back under way," State Department spokesman David Johnson said Sunday.

Despite Clinton's pledge to step up the peace efforts, administration officials acknowledged that the deaths of the American negotiators have made U.S. diplomatic initiatives even more difficult.

The fighting appeared to intensify in northwest Bosnia. Shelling in Sarajevo and in the eastern Muslim enclave of Gorazde on Sunday killed three children and wounded a woman and two girls.

Christopher, Perry and Lake joined in honoring the three who perished: Robert Frasure, a deputy assistant secretary of state; Joseph Kruzel, deputy assistant secretary of defense for European and NATO affairs; and Samuel Nelson Drew, an Air Force colonel and National Security Council aide.

At an observance on Sunday at Ramstein Air Base in Germany, pallbearers in dress uniforms carried the flag-draped wooden coffins bearing the three men's remains from the medical evacuation plane to olive-drab Mercedes vans as a 30-member honor guard stood by in silence.

Holbrooke, accompanying the coffins, vowed to return to the Balkans on Aug. 28 to resume peace talks. He did not say who would take the place of his lost aides.

"No one can replace them, but we will reconstitute the team," he said.

An administration official noted that many experts already had been skeptical that the talks would succeed.

Frasure had been frustrated by the refusal of rebel Serbs to negotiate with the Bosnian government.

Previous peace missions failed over the Serbs' refusal to negotiate with the Muslims. A five-nation proposal to give the Serbs control of 49 percent of the country was rejected.

To try to induce the Serbs to change their minds, the Clinton administration stressed that the map could be altered once talks began.

Russia stepped in quickly Sunday, urging the warring sides to "immediately sit down at the negotiating table."

4-H flag race



Bailey Reid of Morse heads home during Saturday night's flag race at the 19th annual Gray County 4-H Youth Rodeo. The Friday and Saturday night rodeo included flag racing, barrel racing, breakaway roping, bull riding, steer riding, calf riding and pole bending. Pee Wee events were held Saturday afternoon for contestants under eight years old. Results will be published in Tuesday's edition.

First day at school



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Dylan Hendrix bravely walks alone through the doors of Lamar Elementary for the first time today. Mom Melissa Bynum watches her "almost four" year-old son from behind the door before she leads him to the school gymnasium where he would be taken to his pre-kindergarten class by his teacher. Dylan was one of almost 4,000 students expected to begin classes across the Pampa Independent School District.

Judge gives OK to antitrust settlement between Microsoft, Justice Department

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge today approved an antitrust settlement Microsoft Corp. reached with the Justice Department more than a year ago to change the way the giant software company sells its key product.

The order by U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson ended an unusually long judicial review of an antitrust case. The first judge to look over the agreement rejected it but was overturned on appeal.

During a hearing that lasted just 17 minutes, Jackson asked attorneys for the software company and the government whether there were any last minute changes.

Microsoft asked that the agreement, which extends for 6 1/2 years and covers the way it sells, or licenses, its main product to personal computer makers, be made effective retroactive to Dec. 15, 1994.

The government opposed that idea and Jackson sided with the Justice Department, saying it would take effect as

soon as he approved it. A few moments later, he declared, "The decree has been entered."

Assistant U.S. Attorney General Anne Bingaman declined to comment afterward.

William Neukom, chief counsel for Microsoft, said the company was pleased by the judge's decision.

"We've been in compliance since we entered into the consent decree with the government last July and we intend to make every effort to continue to be in compliance," Neukom said.

During the hearing, government attorney Donald Russell told Jackson the Justice Department is looking into recent Microsoft activities to make sure the company is complying with the agreement.

The pact required Microsoft to alter contracts with personal computer manufacturers that allegedly shut out competing operating system software, the program that runs a computer's basic functions.

Critics said the agreement was too late to do much good.

Microsoft's DOS and Windows software run more than 80 percent of PCs.

The Justice Department's antitrust division said the agreement solved problems for which it had ample evidence to bring suit.

The agreement was reached after four years of investigation into the company's practices by the Justice Department and the Federal Trade Commission.

A trade group that last week asked Jackson to expand the agreement to cover a specialized version of Windows that is sold chiefly to businesses.

The Computer and Communications Industry Association said product, called Windows NT, should be added because it could emerge as a dominant operating system for networked computers.

Jackson disallowed the group and a computer manufacturer that had previously made "friend of the court" filings in the case to continue.

The CIA has asked another court to rule whether the agreement may be extended.

City to hold budget hearing Tuesday

Pampa city commissioners are to meet Tuesday in a round of meetings which include a public hearing, regular business session and budget work sessions.

At 1 p.m., the panel will meet in City Hall's third floor conference room to discuss the 1995-1996 budget and renewal of enterprise zone designation, hear an update on the street repair project and review correspondence. Following the regular meeting, the commission may return to work session for more budget discussions.

At 6 p.m., a public hearing on the proposed budget and proposed tax increase is planned in city commission chambers of City Hall.

In other regular meeting items, the commission will hear the second and final reading of an ordinance allowing water and trash collection service outside the city limits.

Commissioners will also consider action on the city's application for assistance from Federal Emergency Management Agency; approve July disburse-

ments; confirm counsel to file an answer to Schendt vs. city of Pampa (lawsuit which requests proceeds from Nick Fortner's award in Wilkinson and Fortner vs. city of Pampa be paid to a third party); consider an appointment to the Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority; and consider the recommendation of the Traffic Commission to change from parallel parking to angle parking in the 600 block of North Ward to accommodate Freedom Museum patrons.

PISD Teen Parent Program receives grant

The Pampa Independent School District Teen Parent Program recently received a \$25,000 grant from the Career and Technology Area of the Texas Education Agency to be used to serve approximately 35 pregnant and single parent students enrolled in the district's schools.

The grant provides child care, instructional supplies and transportation for eligible students, as well as tutorial classes for students needing help in school.

The grant involves all eligible students in career testing and job preparation. Juniors, seniors or students enrolled in GED preparation must be involved in an employer/mentor program. This program is monitored by a staff member whose salary is paid by the grant.

Each student is required to work with a business in the career of their interest for approximately six hours. The student is also required to investigate career opportunities and

area post-secondary education required of this job.

The PISD Teen Parent Program has had several businesses serve as mentors for students participating in this career and technology grant. Those businesses include Royce Animal Hospital, Davis Electric, Pampa Nursing Center, Coronado Hospital, Energas, Hansford Implement Co., Waters, Holt and Fields, Gray County Attorney Office, Exposito College of Hair Design and the Jordan Unit.

Medicare in spotlight, but domestic programs also face cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republican plans for huge Medicare savings are now the hottest battleground in Congress' campaign to eliminate the deficit. But domestic programs especially cherished by Democrats stand to lose even more purchasing power under the GOP blueprint.

As a result, Clinton administration officials want to boost domestic spending as part of budget negotiations they hope to engage in with Republicans this fall, says White House budget chief Alice Rivlin.

"There must be more money in the total pot," Rivlin said in an interview.

Under the seven-year balanced-budget outline Republicans pushed through Congress in June, the so-called non-defense discretionary programs would be cut by \$190 billion. These programs, financed annually in appropriations bills, include much of what the government

does, excluding defense, interest payments and automatically paid benefits like Social Security and Medicare.

They cost \$280 billion this year — 18 percent of the \$1.54 trillion federal budget, but would shrink to \$244 billion by 2002 under the Republican blueprint.

Under the GOP budget-balancing plan, the cuts in these programs — which include mass-transit aid to cities, environmental protection, AIDS research and foreign aid — would total about one-fifth of the overall \$894 billion in savings the GOP envisions.

But that \$190 billion figure does not take inflation into account, which Republicans did when they decided to seek savings totaling \$270 billion from Medicare, \$182 billion from Medicaid and billions more from welfare, agriculture and other benefits.

When the effects of inflation are added, cuts for non-defense discretionary pro-

grams total closer to \$445 billion, according to Democrats and the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a private, liberal advocacy group. In 2002, that translates to a 30 percent loss of purchasing power from this year's levels, compared to the 23 percent cut faced by Medicare, the politically sensitive health-care program for the elderly and disabled.

The idea, Republicans say, is to prune unneeded or duplicative programs from a bureaucracy that has 266 programs for troubled youths, 167 housing programs, and 240 education programs. Some of that spending wastes taxpayers' money, goes to districts of powerful lawmakers as so-called pork, and drains funds from private businesses that could spend the money more wisely, they say.

"There has been a revolution of political thought, that we cannot afford every good

idea or every neat idea that comes down the pike, and that we can do things differently," House Appropriations Committee Chairman Bob Livingston, R-La., said recently.

But Democrats say the GOP's domestic cuts go too far and will ultimately prove harmful. In a competitive world, they say, it makes no sense for the government to plan on a 2002 in which the government would provide one-third less than it does today for research, skills training and clean water. And little of the money goes to frivolous, pork-barrel projects, they say.

"We're not talking about blueberry research here," said Rivlin. "We're talking about school reform, training kids at the entry level of the work force, kids who are not making it in the school system. The public sector needs a very strong school system."

GOP hopefuls tie in Iowa poll this weekend

AMES, Iowa (AP) — As he campaigns for president, Bob Dole finds merit in experience, telling audiences he has been "tested and tested and tested." Perhaps the label fits Dole, but not, it turns out, what had been billed as a potent organization.

At least not yet.

Dole has held a lofty position in the presidential polls for months, but his ground operation got its first test over the weekend and flunked. The best Dole could muster in an Iowa straw poll was a tie with Texas Sen. Phil Gramm, this despite a star-studded Dole team in a state whose caucuses Dole, of Kansas, won when he last ran for president in 1988.

The event was more a carnival than a representative Iowa GOP convention, and Gramm no doubt benefited from the busloads of supporters brought in from other states and by his decision to spend heavily.

But Dole played by the loose rules, too, and had his own caravans. What he didn't have was an enthusiastic turnout by Iowans. Or any excuses after an event he knew well in advance would be watched for signs of any weakness.

"In my view this was more of an aberration," Dole said of his shared 24 percent showing with Gramm. "I think we have the votes out here."

In trying to explain the 72-year-old Senate majority leader's poor showing, Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad, one of Dole's heavyweight supporters here, hit squarely on the subject that Dole rivals predict will ultimately be his undoing. "We've got more of a diverse Republican Party than we used to have," Branstad said.

By that, he means more Christian conservatives who, while perhaps fond of Dole, are drawn to the red-hot anti-abortion rhetoric of candidates like commentator Pat Buchanan, who ran third to Dole and Gramm here, or radio personality Alan Keyes, who placed fifth.

Also part of this diversity are more grassroots activists with a take-no-prisoners attitude, especially now that Republicans have captured control of Congress. These folks prefer Gramm's "over my cold, dead political body" talk to Dole's measured accounts of the deals necessary to break a filibuster.

Breakaway roping



Matt Reeves of Pampa takes 8.858 seconds to rope his calf Friday night during the breakaway roping event at the 19th annual 4-H Youth Rodeo held at the Top O' Texas Rodeo Arena.

Life in the '90s: Wholesome junior livestock shows riddled with cheaters, steroid use

By JULIA PRODIS
Associated Press Writer

It was an all-American moment — grinning 16-year-old Ryan Rash resting his head on his grand champion steer Badger after winning the blue ribbon at the National Western Stock Show.

The lumbering, black steer fetched \$37,500 at auction, and Ryan and his parents couldn't be more proud. But within days, the ribbon had been stripped, the money forfeited and Ryan banned for life from the Denver show.

The reason? Cheating. Badger had been fed an illegal, steroid-like drug called clenbuterol that beefed him up, giving him the straight lines and muscular physique of a champion. Ryan's parents, John and Cherie Carrabba of Crockett, Texas, admitted responsibility.

They are not alone on the junior livestock show circuit.

At shows across the country, the illegal growth promoter was detected last fall and spring in more than a dozen winning steers and lambs that had been paraded around arenas by America's fresh-faced youngsters.

As state fairs prepare to open

their gates, U.S. Food and Drug Administration officials are rearming themselves with kits to detect the drug, which has proven fatal in Europe, where people ate the tainted meat.

The drug may be the most appalling deception in the show arena, but by no means is it the only method of cheating.

Over the years, exhibitors have been caught using cosmetic surgery to get rid of a steer's extra neck flab, injecting air under the animal's skin with a bicycle pump to give it smoother lines, and using twine, glue and wig hair to fill out an animal's bony legs.

At the Tyler County Fair in Texas earlier this year, a boy whose pig was too light to qualify rammed a garden hose down its throat and turned it on. The swine gained 10 pounds, but died a few minutes later.

And at the Arkansas-Oklahoma State Fair last September, a 16-year-old held the head of his lamb while a friend severely beat it so its body would swell and feel firmer to judges.

The cheating has tainted a symbol of wholesome Americana at its best — kids learning responsibility by raising

an animal, showing it, selling it for slaughter and using the profits for a college education.

Since some grand champions have sold for more than \$200,000, officials are putting most of the blame on parents who will do anything to help their children win. Some hire professional groomers to scout out and raise the best show animals with little or no help from their kids.

Scott McEldowney, who admitted feeding clenbuterol to his 10-year-old daughter's steer Barney, says he had to cheat to compete on a national level.

"It's like anything in life, either racing cars or anything," said McEldowney, who has a small farm in Ansonia, Ohio, near Dayton. "If you're going to play on the same level, let's play on the same level."

He and seven others at the Ohio State Fair were caught either drugging their animals with clenbuterol or injecting oil under their skin to give them a better appearance. His daughter, Jessica, was banned for life from showing at the state fair and had to return the \$4,000 paid for her steer.

State briefs

East Texas running low on timber, experts say

LUFKIN (AP) — Texas forestry experts are worrying that a timber crisis is looming in parts of East Texas because of pine harvesting that exceeds growth by as much as 14 percent.

"I'd say the situation is critical right now," said J.B. Wardsworth, a forester for 43 years. "In 1993, we were harvesting 109 percent of what we were growing, and the gap is sure to have increased over the past two years."

According to the Forest Service, about 150,000 private timberland owners — such as individuals, families and partnerships — own 61 percent of the forest in East Texas. Forest product companies own another 32 percent.

The remaining 7 percent, including four national forests, are public lands.

Police face obstacles in recruiting Asian-Americans

HOUSTON (AP) — Distrust among the city's Asian-American residents is hindering police department efforts to recruit officers from those ranks, community activists say.

Of the more than 5,000 officers currently on the force, about 90 are of Asian descent. Another 10 are expected to graduate from the academy in the coming months.

That's an improvement from five years ago, when only 15 officers were Asian.

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Readers Rush to Fill Rude Guests' Breach of Etiquette

DEAR ABBY: Your answer to the Arizona lady who inquired how she should have handled the situation of uninvited relatives who elected to take their leftovers home with them was dismaying to this reader.

Why? Because your answer ignored the fundamental breach of etiquette, and focused on a technicality related to ordered-in food.

The breach of etiquette had three components: First, the visitors arrived unexpectedly; second, the visitors ignored another obvious courtesy they should have shown their hostess — not to stay so long that it becomes necessary to invite them for dinner; and third, since the dinner was ordered in, surely the courteous action would have been to pay part of the bill. Instead, the hostess indicated that she paid for the entire order.

In my mind, your response implies that the actions on the part of the guests were acceptable.

Your response would have been more appropriate had you taken the opportunity to educate your readers about the proper behavior of guests.

It seems to me that the rules for that situation are quite clear:

If you drop in unannounced, make it a short visit, and don't place your host or hostess in the position of having to provide lunch or dinner for an unexpected guest. If the situation favors staying longer, offer to share the cost of the added expense your visit imposes. If



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

the host or hostess declines, that's one thing, but at least the offer should be made.

KATHERINE WALKER, ROCKPORT, MASS.

DEAR KATHERINE WALKER: Your letter makes some good points about drop-in visitors.

However, "Perplexed in Arizona" apparently was more concerned that her guests wanted to take home the leftovers from their individual orders, which was the issue I addressed.

Had she asked what I thought about guests overstaying their welcome, or sharing the cost of the ordered-in food, I would have addressed those issues as you did.

DEAR ABBY: What incredible chutzpah! Dropping in, uninvited, on a Sunday afternoon and inviting yourself to a meal for which your hostess is unprepared, have her order food to your specifications

delivered to your hostess's home, for which she pays — then stuffing yourself, and taking home what you cannot eat! Unbelievable!

Abby, your flip answer also was unbelievable. Are you really telling me you condoned the rudeness of these drop-in guests?

ADA SILBEY, STUART, FLA.

DEAR ADA: I don't know about you, but I wouldn't care to keep the leftover spaghetti from the plates of others to eat later. If the guests could not finish eating their orders (from which they had eaten), why shouldn't they take the orders home rather than toss them?

I do agree, however, that the uninvited visitors were not model guests, and they broke several rules of etiquette.

DEAR ABBY: Any man who is afraid of neutering a dog has a problem with his own manhood. The husband of "Ernie's Mom" sounds like a lot of the macho males we have in this country who are responsible for babies having babies.

I suggest that he not only have his dog neutered, but also himself, lest he father more macho males like himself. (Notice, I said "males" — not "men.")

BEEN THERE, DONE THAT, STOCKTON, CALIF.

Horoscope



Your Birthday

Tuesday, Aug. 22, 1995

In the year ahead, your greatest rewards might come from endeavors that appear to have poor possibilities at the start. Once you get something on track, don't look back.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Two of your more influential contacts might pass valuable tips your way today. However, it will be up to you to provide the methodology to use them effectively. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Conditions will be favorable today for reinforcing a valued relationship that has been shaky lately. Your counterpart will be as eager as you are to improve matters.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Put a little extra effort into your work today. Your hard work will not go unnoticed, nor will it go unrewarded.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Treat whatever occurs today philosophically. It will keep everything in perspective and reduce mountains to molehills.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A favorable shift in conditions might transpire today. It could be just what your family has been needing. Everyone could benefit in some manner.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your best chance for fulfilling your desires today is to want the same things for others that you want for yourself. A generous attitude could work wonders.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A critical financial trend may take an upswing today. Funds you've been hoping for might become available. Keep your phone lines open and check the mailbox.

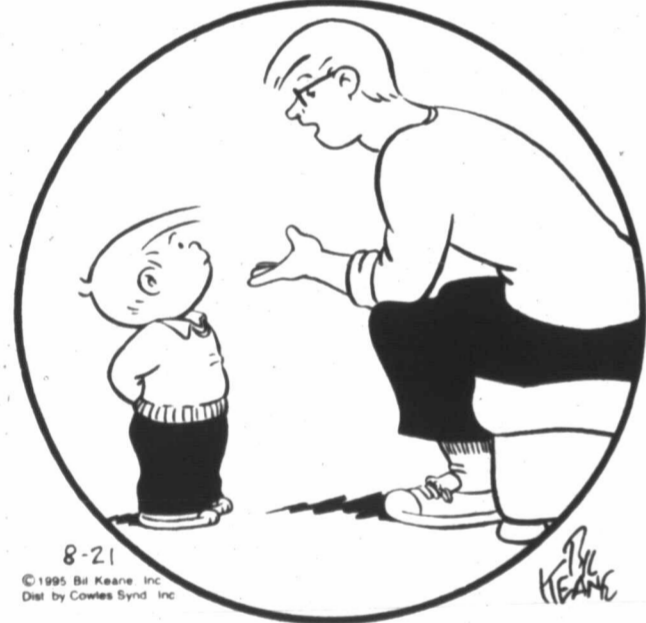
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) In your social activities today, remember that the primary reason you are there is to have a good time. Try not to cultivate any thoughts of a negative nature.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your greatest pleasures today can be derived from doing things to bring joy to the persons nearest your heart. Make this your special day.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today you will be in the thoughts of friends about whom you have also been thinking. If you sense the inclination is there, make the contact.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Material desires can be gratified today if you prepare to make them major interests. To get what you want, they must become primary objectives.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The secret to success today will be not to take yourself or what you're doing too seriously. Life is a game, and if you play it by the rules, you can win.



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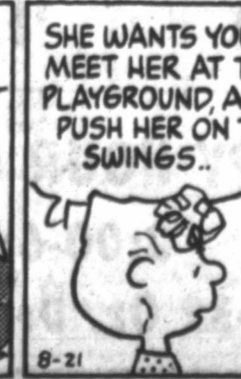


WHY, IT'LL BECOME THE FOCAL POINT OF OUR COMMUNITY! WON'T THAT BE WONDERFUL? GUY...

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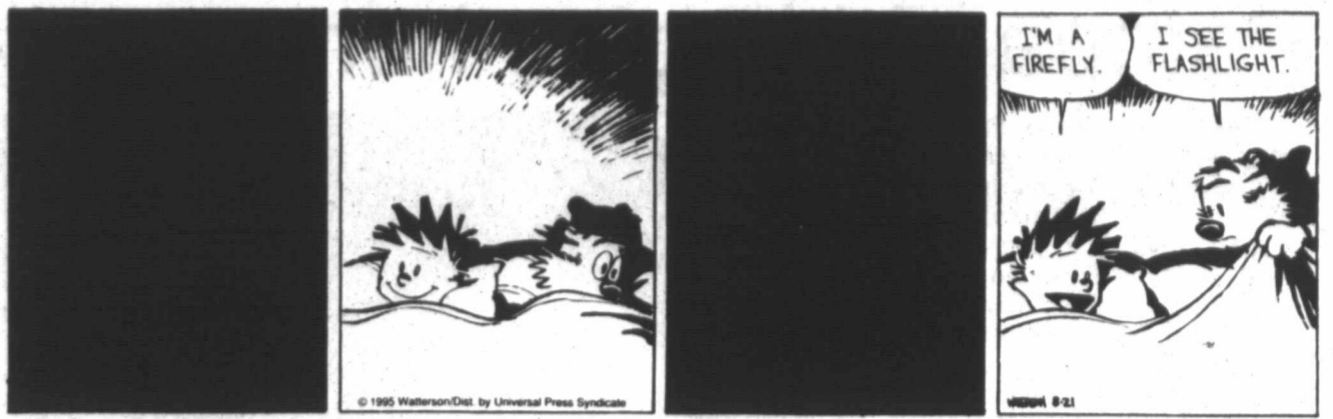
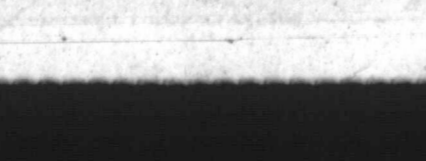
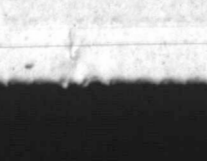
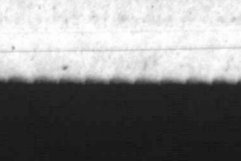
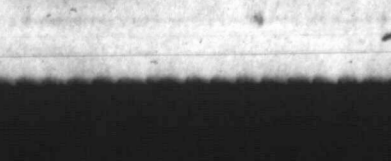


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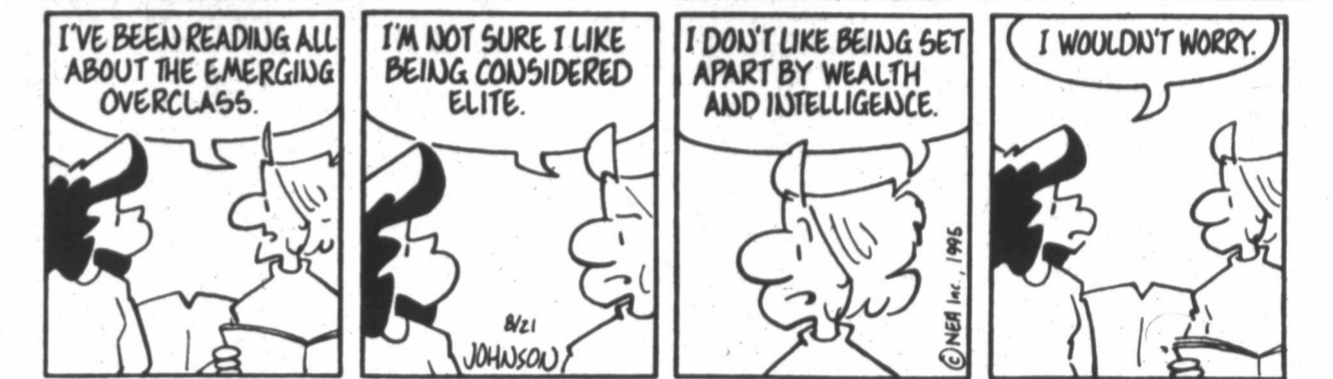


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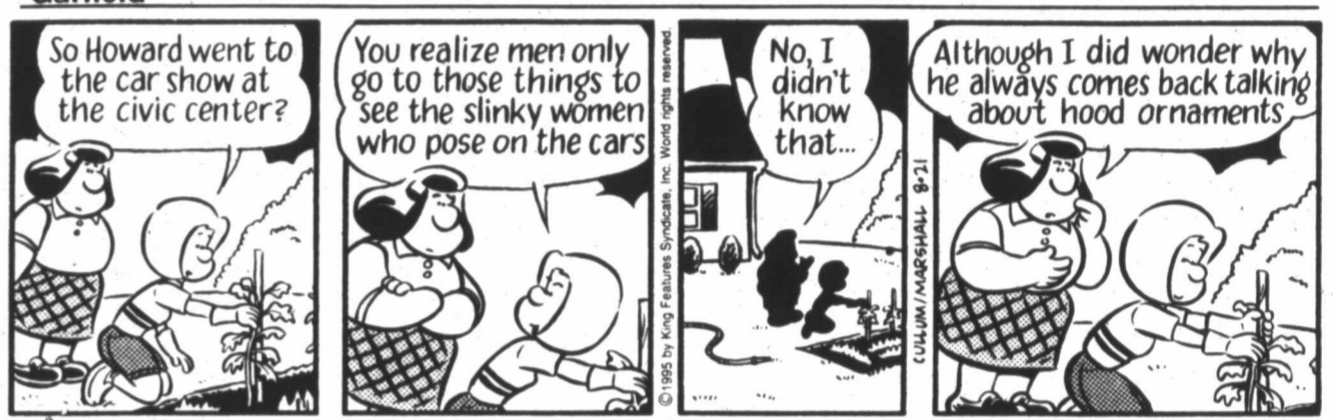
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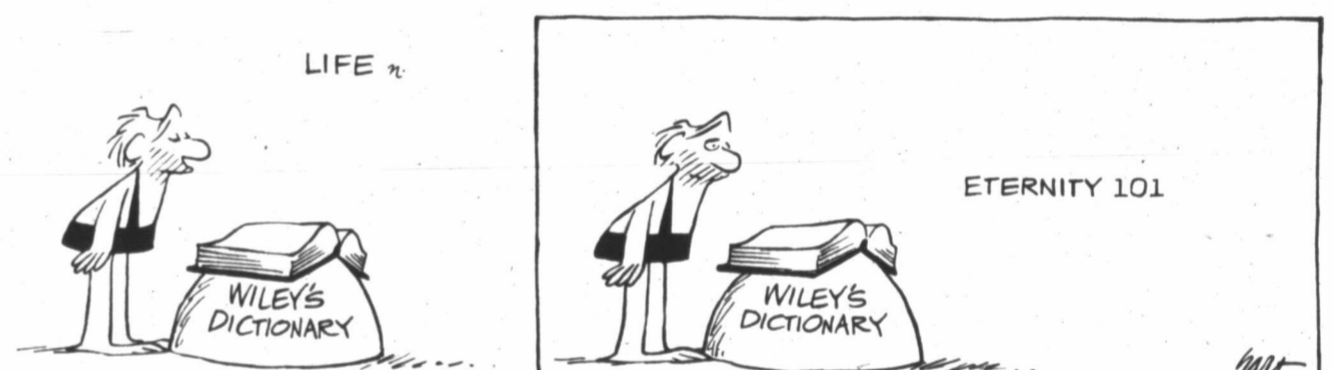
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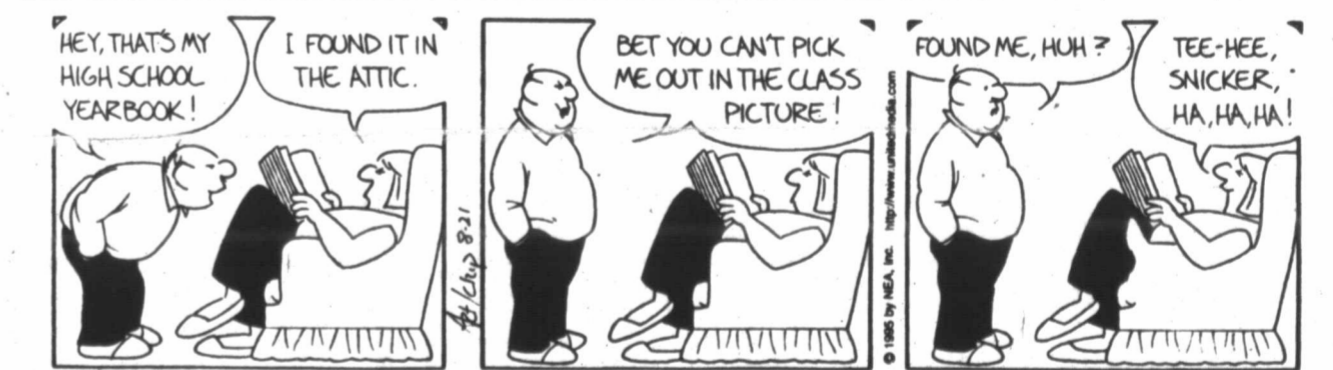
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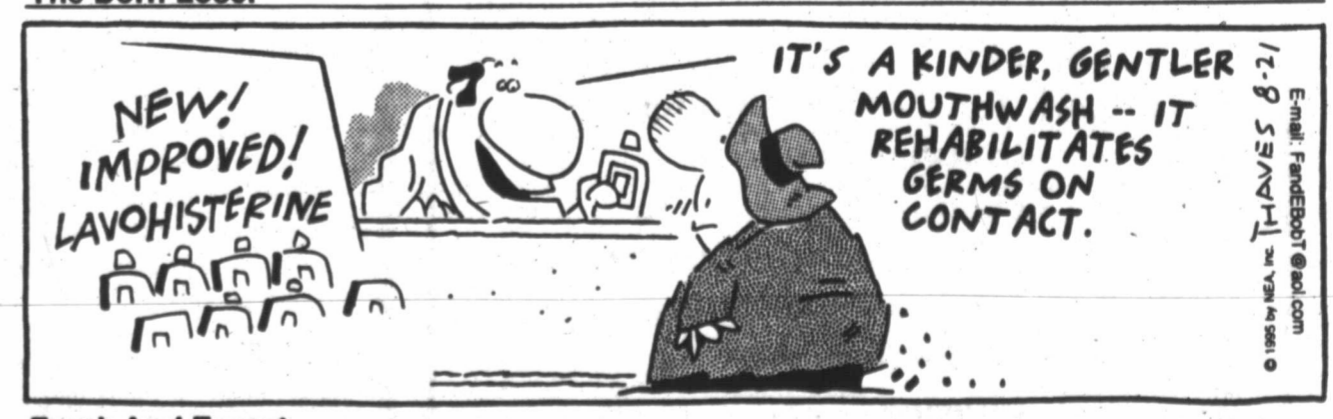
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The Born Loser



Frank & Ernest



Mallard Filmore

J.N. Duncan built first house located on Duncan Street

This article was written by Kirk Duncan on Dec. 29, 1991, and was recently presented to the White Deer Land Museum. Kirk and his brother, Ray, are the sons of Ivy and Mattie (Kirk) Duncan and the grandsons of J.N. and Gatsy Duncan. J.N. Duncan Hardware and Furniture opened for business at 105 N. Cuyler on Feb. 1, 1907. Duncan was elected the first mayor of Pampa on Feb. 17, 1912.

My parents, brother and I didn't take very many photographs. Film was expensive, none of us chose photography as a hobby and our equipment was primitive. Our camera was a box-type, made by Kodak, which was what it was called (get the Kodak and take a picture).

Museum Mementos

Eloise Lane
White Deer Land Museum



Mom took this photo [of the house] during the first year she and Dad were married, about 1921. It is the house of my grandparents, J.N. and Gatsy Duncan, which was located on the west side of Duncan Street in Pampa. Because it was the only house on the street for a long time, the street was naturally called Duncan Street. Inside, I could

ride my tricycle in a complete circle from the living room, to the kitchen, to the dining room and back to the living room.

The house was heated by a monstrous coal furnace, which was in the basement. The bathroom had just one fixture, a bath tub. A lavatory was installed in the hall. Because the Duncans didn't want a privy in the house, there was no commode (a two-holer was outside). Running water was provided by a large storage tank and wind mill to the kitchen sink, the bath tub, and the lavatory. The first kitchen stove was fueled by kerosene. Later, the stove as well as the lights were fueled by a carbide gas plant, which was located by the house.

J.N. was noted for a lot of talents but not for dexterity. Checking a gas plant with the light of a match has never been a safe practice. However, that is what he did one night. The explosion singed him pretty good. J.N.'s mother (Caroline Duncan, whom we called Granny), also learned about gas and matches the hard way. At this time, she was quite old and slow. One day she shuffled to the stove, turned on the gas, shuffled to the cabinet for a match and returned to the stove. Except for the loss of her hair, she wasn't severely hurt.



The J.N. Duncan house, built about 1914, was originally located near present 1101 N. Duncan. About 1928 it was moved to its present location at 938 N. Duncan.



(Photo courtesy of Kirk Duncan)

Ivy Duncan prepares to crank his first car, a 1918-1919 Model T. Ford coupelet.

After the water tank was placed and before it filled with water, a strong southwest wind blew it off its foundation and across the road into Fairview Cemetery. After resetting it, J.N. ingeniously provided water not only for the house but also the orchard and garden. Possibly, he devised the first drip-line system in the county. By the mid Twenties, the grounds were lush with large trees, flowers and other growing things.

The grounds were thirty two acres, which would be bounded today by Hobart, Duncan, Harvester and Louisiana Streets. In this year of 1991, visualize this area with only one house. The J.N. Duncans sold this property in 1928 for a good price of \$32,000. Today, the area is subdivided into lots, and a building is on each lot. With few exceptions,

each would sell for at least \$32,000.

When the oil boom began in 1926, the J.N. Duncan children had left home. Because of the housing shortage, Gatsy rented rooms for a couple of years and made enough money to furnish the new house, which was built in 1928. The house was moved to the other side of the street at 938 Duncan, and converted into rent property. Sadly, it is vacant now and in poor condition.

The proud owners of the car [in the other photo] in front were my parents, Ivy and Mattie Duncan. Like all cars of this vintage, a crank in front was turned to start the engine. Dad said that the only way to get up a steep hill was to back up.

As related by Wade and Ferne Duncan, Dec. 31, 1991, J.N. Duncan lacked an education but

was intelligent and innovative. The house was built about 1914 but not quite finished according to J.N.'s thinking. At first, kerosene was used to fuel the cook stove and lamps. Wanting something better, he ordered a carbide gas plant to be installed beside the house.

A contractor resided with the Duncans for two weeks while he made the installation. The talk was that J.N. would get himself blown up, and there were two near-fatal incidents. Nevertheless, the system worked, and there was, possibly, not another like it in the entire Panhandle. The lights were beautiful, and the substitution of gas for kerosene in the cook stove was a great improvement. There was even a ten-gallon hot water tank. Water was heated by circulating it through the cook stove.

Lutherans choose not to settle controversy

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — When it comes to sex, leaders of the nation's fifth-largest Protestant denomination have decided all they can do is talk.

After riling some of its 5.2 million members with a draft statement saying the Bible supported homosexual relationships, then coming up with a more moderate one that alienated both liberals and conservatives, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America decided last week to postpone action indefinitely on a churchwide sexuality statement.

Seven years of discussion have failed to produce any consensus on issues such as the ordination of homosexuals or the blessing of same-sex relationships.

In the pews, a period of abstinence on sexual issues may be welcomed. "What I sense in our church is a certain ennui, a certain weariness. ... C'mon now, give me a break. I'm tired of talking about this issue," said Bishop Herbert Chilstrom, the denomination's spiritual leader.

Sexual issues have convulsed nearly every mainline Protestant denomination in recent years as homosexual members demand

that churches accord them formal acceptance and the right of ordination.

The United Church of Christ is the only major Protestant denomination to permit the ordination of homosexuals. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is in the final year of a three-year study on homosexuality. Episcopal Church bishops this month voted to bring a colleague before a formal church trial on charges he violated church law by ordaining a homosexual deacon.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, founded in 1988 with the merger of the Lutheran Church in America, American Lutheran Church and the Association of Evangelical Lutheran Churches, set aside controversial social issues at its founding to get the new church off the ground.

Since then, the church has been able to devise statements on issues such as abortion and capital punishment, but no discussion has provoked as much interest as work on a social statement on sexuality.

Two years ago, a draft statement that argued that "responsible biblical interpretation" supported the

blessing of committed same-sex unions created what ELCA Secretary the Rev. Lowell Almen called "the most volatile explosion in the life of this church" and its predecessor bodies for a quarter-century. More than 21,000 responses were received, the large majority criticizing the report.

Last year, a different church writing team released a second draft that called on single people to abstain from sex and declared that Jesus made the permanent union of male and female the core of the church's teaching regarding marriage. But the report also noted others argue that scriptural condemnations of homosexuality should no longer be binding, and rejected attempts to legislate church policy regarding homosexuality.

The statement drew criticism both from liberals who thought the church was backing down on gay rights and conservatives who worried it left the door open for approval of homosexual practices.

So now the Church Council decided to drop plans for the time being on a policy statement on sexuality for 1997 because of "substantial differences" on biblical and theological issues.

Upjohn and Swedish rival merge in \$13 billion deal

DETROIT (AP) — The Upjohn Co. will merge with a Swedish rival in a \$13 billion deal that underscores the pressure in the global pharmaceuticals business to consolidate and lower costs.

The merger announced Sunday between Upjohn and Pharmacia AB will create Pharmacia & Upjohn Inc., the world's ninth-largest drug company with 34,500 employees worldwide and headquarters in London. About 4,000

jobs are expected to be eliminated. Upjohn has lagged in researching new drugs; the merged company will draw on Pharmacia's efforts to develop anti-cancer drugs and products for anesthesia.

"If you look at this industry, the future is in research," Upjohn Vice President Phillip Carra said. "We're going to have a \$1 billion annual research and development operation."

The merger, in the form of a

stock swap, comes as drug companies are facing increasing pressure from insurers and governments to lower costs and compete with generic drug makers who match products as soon as patents expire.

The merger will combine Pharmacia's strong line of new products with Upjohn's extensive U.S. marketing network, said analyst Kenneth R. Nover of A.G. Edwards & Sons. Inc. in St. Louis.

Hillary's presence at women's conference as yet undecided

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ideally, for first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and other Americans, attending a conference in China could be the adventure of a lifetime: sight-seeing at the Great Wall and Forbidden City combined with important discussions.

But the Fourth United Nations Conference on Women opening in two weeks in Beijing looks to some like a political minefield for visitors and perhaps even for the hosts.

Mrs. Clinton was advised Sunday by two Republican senators who want her husband's job to pass up the meeting for which she has been named honorary chairman of the U.S. official delegation.

Sens. Bob Dole of Kansas and Richard Lugar of Indiana said Mrs. Clinton's presence in Beijing would not help U.S.-Chinese relations, which have been on a downward slide.

U.S. delegates and observers reported cliff-hanging delays getting Chinese entry visas and room bookings. They blame both administrative overload and suspected attempts to exclude those who plan to attack Chinese practices such as forced labor and birth control.

Non-government delegates learned that their unofficial gathering, traditionally held parallel to major U.N. conferences, will be at Hairou, 35 miles outside Beijing, which can accommodate only 10,000 of the 38,000 who are applying from around the world.

Representatives of Tibet, human rights groups and vari-

ous religious groups reported denials or long delays on visas.

Lugar, a former Senate Foreign Relations Committee chairman, said on NBC's *Meet the Press* that Mrs. Clinton's presence probably "would make no difference to the Chinese, (who) find that whole conference troublesome."

By now, China's communist government may regret seeking the gathering for prestige reasons, Lugar suggested. "The women coming in they see as a threat to their regime. ... Probably Mrs. Clinton should not go. I think it ... makes another ambiguity out of a very difficult situation."

Dole, the Senate majority leader, said he's already written Mrs. Clinton that she should stay home. He accused Democrats of blocking a congressional resolution against her attendance.

"I don't see any useful purpose" for Mrs. Clinton to attend, Dole said on CBS' *Face the Nation*.

"Certainly she's very bright, very articulate, but ... as long as they are retaining an American prisoner there, Harry Wu, and as long as there are other human rights abuses ... in China, I think it would be a mistake," he said. Wu is a Chinese-American who has visited his homeland to collect evidence of forced labor and other human rights abuses.

Mrs. Clinton discussed with top administration officials last week pros and cons of her visiting Beijing. The decision is expected this week.

World briefs

Missing signalman blamed for train wreck

FIROZABAD, India (AP) — Rescuers with cranes and blow torches sliced through the tangled remains of two passenger trains today while police searched for the signalman blamed for one of India's worst train wrecks.

At least 300 passengers died and 500 others were injured Sunday when the Puroshottam Express rammied the Kalindi Express outside Firozabad railway station in northern India.

The Kalindi Express had stopped on the tracks after hitting a cow and damaging its brakes. A signalman gave the crowded Puroshottam a green light to continue down the same line, officials for India's state-owned railway said.

Police were looking for the signalman today. He vanished after the disaster at 2:45 a.m., just 15 minutes after he came on duty.

Training center becomes death trap as fire rages

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — It was a church-run training center where prostitutes and petty criminals were supposed to get a new start in life. Instead, it turned into a death trap for 37 women.

Another 16 were injured, some seriously, when deliberately set fires swept through the dormitory of the Kyonggi Women's Technical School near Seoul around 2 a.m. today, police said.

With the doors locked and bars on the windows, many of the terrified victims, all in their teens or 20s, either burned to death or suffocated.

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