Memory Lane'nostalgic

United Press International LUBBOCK — Rob Tucker has ollected bits of nostalgia for 25 ears, but it's only been four months since the 34-year-old hair stylist bund what may be a profitable use

Since September, Tucker has been publishing "Memory Lane," a 4-page, tabloid-style monthly he puts together at his west Lubbock hair styling shop. "I like cutting hair," says Tucker,

"but I love the other and I never do regard it as work. To me, it's like an rector set I had as a kid. Every new ssue I try to do better than the last

So far his efforts have attracted some 3,500 subscribers in every state and as far away as West Gerany, Tucker said. "About two years ago I began to

otice that the print medium was about the only medium that lacked any consistent form of nostalgia.

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between, there was nothing on the newsstand, and you'd have to go to a says.

like Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig," he hair stylist, says his favorite old cowboys were John Wayne and Roy Ro-

news store and buy a book," he says. Noting the success that cable television and independent stations have enjoyed airing old movies, Tucker says, "It just seems the (nostalgia magazine) market is there and

"We're not trying to go after just old movies. We wanted it to be broad enough to include old radio, big band, vaudeville, the early days of rock 'n' roll and sports (subjects) like Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig," Rob Tucker

no one has ever gone after it."

Tucker knows the interests of nostalgia buffs are as diverse as society itself, and he tries to reflect that thinking in his magazine.

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Although he personally likes "old westerns," Tucker shifts the magazine's focus monthly. Marilyn Monroe has the featured cover spot in the December issue, replacing Humphrey Bogart who supplanted Duncan Renaldo, "The Cisco Kid."

Tucker's freelance contributors come from as far away as Dubuque, Iowa, and they specialize in articles on old radio, television, silent movies and horse operas. But there also is an accent on old photographs, posters and trivia. 'I'm a 'Heinz 57' collector," says

Tucker, who inventoried his own collection recently and found 213,000 items. "I can write about any subject for balancing the magazine. One big thing that is probably my favorite part of the magazine is that we have been doing extensive interviewing of old movie stars. To me, it's the most interesting part of (producing) the magazine.

Tucker, who left a radio and television career in 1971 to become a

'I like 'em for different reasons

and I kind of put 'em up there on an even keel," he says.

But he can recall wistfully the perils of Errol Flynn, especially in one old film in which thousands of Indians chase Flynn and a dozen of his compadres into a box canyon.

"He says to 'em: 'We've showed 'em our backs. Now let's show 'em our faces.' As you can imagine, the battle doesn't last long, but it sure brings out the little boy in me.

Tucker says he has already designed the anniversary cover for his magazine that sells for \$1.50 or at a \$10 annual subscription rate. The publisher says he hopes to begin printing on slicker magazine stock paper with that issue.

Like a fickle fan, the magazine's profit picture often has wavered between red and black in the same month during its short existence.

Supreme Court to hear case

Cities not liable for brush

AUSTIN — The Texas Supreme Court agreed Wednesday to hear arguments in a Midland case that

could require cities to spend millions of dollars cleaning and maintaining brush at traffic intersections, or defending lawsuits if they fail to keep the view

The father of a Midland teen-ager seriously injured and left permanently disabled as a result of an auto accident at a "blind" intersection filed suit against the city, contending the city was negligent in failing to clear away brush and trees at the intersec-tion to afford drivers a clear view of oncoming traffic.

David Jezek, the father of Calvin Keith Jezek, said his son was unable to see an oncoming car because of the brush, and was hit by the other vehicle as he pulled slowly into the intersection. The boy suffered severe head and chest injuries, and is unable to walk or talk, although by the time of the trial of his suit he had gained some use of his right arm and leg. He was hospitalized for two months, and was released from the hospital in what his attorney called a

A jury which heard the case ruled the boy's negligence was 35 percent responsible for the accident, but said the city's negligence was 65 percent responsible. The jury set the damages at \$1.5 million, and said the city should pay the boy \$975,000 based on its percentage of responsibility for the June 10, 1976,

But the trial judge overruled that recommenda-tion, and said the city was not responsible for hazards outside the actual driving surface of the street.

The Midland Court of Civil Appeals went along with that ruling, saying, "The city of Midland has no duty to appellant to remove mere obstructions to view and is not liable to appellant as a matter of law."

Jezek and his father appealed to the Supreme Court, challenging the trial court decision that the city has no legal duty to remove or eliminate hazards that obstruct the views of drivers on public streets.

Tanker still burning, leaks crude into Gulf

GALVESTON — Sections of the wrecked tanker Burmah Agate probably are being kept cool enough to keep the 35-day-old fire aboard the ship from spreading any further, the Coast Guard said Wednesday, although crude continued to leak from the ship into the Gulf of Mexico.

Crews Wednesday were to clean a mile of beach on the southwest part of San Luis Pass as scattered ribbons of heavy oil and patches of

light sheen floated 5 miles off Freeport.

The Agate, which collided with the freighter Mimosa, burned for the 35th day Wednesday 5 miles offshore, but a Coast Guard spokesman indicated there was a chance remaining oil aboard the wreck

might not catch fire.

The blaze remained in the aftersection of the vessel, and unmanned pumps on board continued to pour on water to cool the oil in cargo tanks 11 and 12, toward the front of the ship.

"The forward tanks are pretty well protected now and seem to be holding," the spokesman said. Navy skimmers, with the help of commercial vessels, gathered 60,000 gallons of water and oil emulsion Tuesday from an area down-

wind from the Burmah Agate.

Experts believe the 772-foot vessel, grounded in 40 feet of water after the Nov. 1 collision, still has 11 of its 30 original oilfilled compart-



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