

(Staff photo by Bear Mills)

Wilson shows classroom plans.

School board OKs building classrooms

By BEAR MILLS Staff Writer

The Pampa Independent School District Board of Trustees unanimously accepted a proposal by architect Frank Wilson to build 14-16 new classrooms at three elementary schools around the city

Wilson, Horace Mann and Austin elementaries are scheduled to receive the new additions due to an ongoing problem with meeting state mandated studentteacher ratio:

The action came during their

ton asked Wilson to consider revising the plans again to allow two doorways in each class, making room for smoother transitions between classes. She and Joe VanZandt, board president, also expressed a desire to include

telephone outlets for computer

modems in certain rooms. That was a sentiment also endorsed by members Lonnie Richardson and John Curry, who said that continuing advances in cable television and computers made conduits a necessity in ev-

ery class. Wilcon es the district should See SCHOOL, Page 2

Hart gets Georgetown offer

By DEE DEE LARAMORE Staff Writer

Whether or not Pampa City Manager Bob Hart accepts a similar position with Georgetown may be decided following a special meeting of the Pampa City Commission at 6 p.m. Dec. 20.

Mayor David McDaniel called the meeting during Tuesday night's regular commission session, adding that commissioners would meet in executive session to discuss personnel matters.

McDaniel confirmed that Hart has been offered the city manager's position at Georgetown and was presently contemplating whether or not to accept the job. Hart is presently in Paris. France discussing Pampa's

Community Awareness Emergency Response (CAER) program and how it responded to the Hoescht Celanese chemical plant explosion a year ago, and was not available for comment. In the meeting Tuesday, Pampa commissioners passed a contract to be submitted to the Gray County for rural fire protection services. The contract outlines a quarterly payment plan of three

installments of \$21,250 with a fourth installment of \$41,250. Commissioners deferred action on a resolution authorizing a voluntary 50 cent donation on utility bills to be set aside for a city Christmas promotion fund on the advice of City Attorney Don Lane. Action on the resolution is to be considered at a later date.

City of Pampa and Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce officials had proposed that city utility customers have the opportunity to donate 50 cents on their utility bills to be used to update the city's Christmas decorations and help fund Christmas promotions.

Their reasoning, according to the resolution, was that Christmas events and decorations have a substantial impact on local retail sales and overall economic development efforts.

Bid for a motor grader to be used by the city's Street Department was awarded to Yellowhouse Machinery for a total of \$90.698. Assistant City Manager Frank Smith recommended the bid be given to Yellowhouse despite there being two lower bids submitted.

Smith said bids from Peek Industrial and Waukesha-Pearce, each approximately \$83,000, did not meet the city's specifications for the vehicle.

A total bid of \$33,348.93 for a pump station and related items for the Pampa Municipal Golf Course was awarded by commissioners to Greenscape Pumps and Western Industrial. Greenscape Pumps submitted a bid of \$28,172 for an automatic flooded centrifugal pump station and \$1,721 for a flow meter. Western Industrial won the bid for an 8inch in-line double check valve at \$3.455.97

City staff members were au-See HART, Page 2

Appeals court overturns Edgewood case

By PEGGY FIKAC and MICHAEL HOI MES **Associated Press Writers**

AUSTIN (AP) — A state appeals court today overturned the controversial ruling by a district judge that had declared the state's system of public school finance unconstitutional.

The Austin-based 3rd Court of Appeals reversed the 1987 decision of State District Judge Harley Clark, who had ruled that the school finance system violated the state constitution by failing to give all school districts equal'access to funding

Bob Shannon, chief justice of the appeals court, authored the 2-1 opinion.

this court should not be viewed as an affirmation that the present

able or that it should continue without change; rather, our conclusion is solely that the system is not in violation of the constitution of Texas," the opinion said. Justice Marilyn Aboussie concurred. The lawsuit was filed in 1984 by **Edgewood Independent School** District and other school districts with low property values. Public schools are funded largely through a combination of local property taxes and state aid. The federal government also contributes

school financing system is desir-

Clark's ruling last year said the school finance system violated the Texas Constitution because it didn't guarantee that each school district had the same ability to The opinion and judgment of . obtain money to educate students

Clark's ruling was to take

effect Sept. 1, 1989. The state, joined by other districts appealed to the 3rd Court of Appeals

Attorneys argued their case before the 3rd Court of Appeals on April 6. Both sides earlier indicated that an appeal to the Texas Supreme Court would be likely.

Craig Foster, executive director of the Equity Center, today said poor districts would appeal to the Supreme Court. The Equity Center is a group of low-wealth school districts and 60 of the 67 districts which brought the lawsuit belong to it.

Gov. Bill Clements' office hailed the ruling.

"It is very good news. It's a victory for the people of Texas. The opinion protects the integrity of the local, independent school districts," said Reggie Bashur, the

governor's press secretary.

'The governor feels very strongly that the issue of education needs to be addressed in the Legislature, not the courts. He has proposals he will be presenting to the Legislature next session," Bashur added.

A spokesman for the Texas Education Agency, Joey Lozano, said the appeals court opinion was being reviewed. Gov. Bill Clements' office had no immediate comment, but Clements has said the school funding issue is one that belongs in the Legislature, not the courts.

A spokesman for Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, Glenn Smith, said, "We believe that Texas has, year after year, tried to give all students in Texas equal access to an excellent education, and we're certain See COURT, Page 2

Big Brothers/Big Sisters gives role models

Pampa Inc. is one of the United Way's newest agencies. Big Brother Lee Cornelison, who has helped organize the local prog-

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of knowledge and companionship with a boy who needed me ... plus, I'd be getting the brother I'd always wanted. We had a lot in common. We liked to fish, camp ram, tells of his experience with a out, and just drive around and get a Coke. Tommy needed a little tutoring in his school work and I was eager to help

feeling' and 'feels what they are knowing.' Many negative things that can happen in a boy's or girl's life such as drug abuse, delinquency, running away, premarital pregnancy, depression raise funds to operate rather than and poor self-esteem may direct ly relate to the absence of a positive role model "In Pampa and Gray County there are at least 1,400 children eligible to be clients of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Pampa. Eligibility means that a child lives in a single-parent home. The problem is as great for girls as for boys Single parents with children can ask about information that would help their children have special friends by calling Charles Buzzard at 665-1211 or by coming by the Big Brothers/Big Sisters office at 200 North Ballard.

provide a method for that child to reach his or her full potential. If Big Brothers/Big Sisters did not have the United Way, much of its time would be spent trying to making matches with Big Brothers and Big Sisters.

monthly meeting Tuesday night at the Pampa High School Library

Dr. Harry Griffith, superintendent of schools, said the acceptance by the board culminates over a year of work on how to end overcrowded classes in the district.

Frank Wilson, a Lubbockbased architect, said that campus reviews of the drawings had caused him to revise his plans slightly.

'We added a couple of new (electrical) outlets as a result of one of those meetings. If you are ready, it's just a matter of setting a bid date," Wilson said. Board member Colleen Hamil-



Little Brother' he met 17 years ago through the program.

'I remember a little eightyear-old boy I met in 1971. Tommy was uneasy with men. It was no wonder though, for Tommy had been abused, yelled at, shot at, and abandoned by his own father.

'When I became a Big Brother and was assigned to Tommy, I must admit that I was looking for a special relationship, too. I always wanted a brother to help defend me from my three sisters, but the brother never materialized.

'Then one day I read about Big Brothers/Big Sisters and immediately I realized that this was an opportunity to share my love,

"Tommy lived with his mom and a little sister who loved him very much. But they could not give Tommy some of the basic things a boy needs as he is growing up. There are just some things that a guy needs to tell another guy, and there are a few things a boy needs to ask a man. Too many little boys grow to become juvenile delinguents ... not because they are not raised incorrectly or poorly disciplined by their moms, but because of the absence of a good, positive role model

'A child needs the security that 'someone knows what they are

A donation to the United Way means an opportunity to enhance the quality of a child's life and

Pampa's United Way has almost met its goal, needing only another 5 percent. The initial goal of \$336,455 has been changed to \$326,455 allowing for \$10,000 in unaccepted funds. At present, according to Director Katrina Bigham, the United Way has received a total \$311,272.04, only \$15,182.96 less than what is needed to provide the funding for its 14 agencies.

Anyone wishing to make a donation or pledge may do so by sending it to the Pampa United Way, 200 N. Ballard, or by calling Bigham at 669-1001 during office hours.

Park vandalism could cost taxpayers ousands of dollars

By BEAR MILLS Staff Writer

The incidence of vandalism in Pampa has risen significantly over the past three months and

thousands of dollars as despoilers are now beginning to ruin city property at a faster pace City officials have said they

don't have enough manpower to

may end up costing taxpayers head off vandals and have to count on citizens being their eyes and ears in the community.

In the most recent incident, someone entered Highland Park, off North Hobart St., Tuesday

evening and apparently chopped down a "fireman's pole" used for building strength by climbing.

Parks Superintendent Bill Hildebrandt said he feels helpless to stop the rash of criminal activity.

'We have been having an increase in vandalism in the last three months. It's meant we've had to pull off our regular schedule so we can repair damage and cover over obscene grafitti. Instead of picking up our parks and doing new work, we have to end up doing major repairs," Hildebrandt said.

That translates into tax dollars that are spent just to repair unnessecary damage by criminals, according to Jim Laramore, city safety and risk manager.

'Instead of picking up our parks and doing new work, we have to end up doing major repairs.

"Why anyone would attack park fixtures I don't know. It's really just asinine and it takes our tax dollars," Laramore said. He said that incidents of repeated damage have led city fathers to investigate the possiblilty of a curfew in all parks.

"I believe they are looking into what other cities are doing and how they enforce the curfews. Vandalism is the only reason we're having to look into it," he said

Hildebrandt said the chopping

down of the "fireman's pole" took vandalism to a new level in Pampa.

This is major league. Somebody came in here and chopped this down. What we've had has lasted so many years. Now it looks like somebody is trying to tear it down. This is the most blatant thing I've seen in two-and-ahalf years," Hildebrandt said.

Two months ago it was Hildebrandt who caught a man trying to chop down a tree in the same park, a mere 20 feet off Hobart St. around 11 p.m.

'I asked him what he was doing. He said he was cutting it down for firewood. I informed him it was not dead, nor was it on his property. The police were here in three minutes, but he ran off and we couldn't find him,' Hildebrandt said.

The deep incisions into the tree have caused it irreparable damage, according to city officials. Hildebrandt, Laramore and Cpl. Tracy Norwood, a Pampa

police officer on the Crime Prevention unit, agreed that without community help, catching criminals who tear up parks and private property may be impossible.

"Basically, we feel like kids 12-17 are doing most of the vandalism. The parks, the mailboxes the other night, spray painting cars a few weeks ago - more things are being vandalized, with a higher rate of loss to the own-'' Norwood said. ers,

He encouraged citizens who live near the parks to keep an eye

peeled for anyone there after sundown

"Anytime somebody sees a group of kids hanging around in the park after dark, who don't seem to belong, they should give us a call," Norwood said.

Hildebrandt said vandals with spray paint have also begun to increase the number of times city crews have had to cover obscene slogans on city property.

'We had some spray paint grafitti this weekend in Inez Carter Park. None of it was clean enough for me to repeat, really.

Hildebrandt also said that someone tried to destroy the old

'The city needs more eyes and ears out there if we're going to reduce it.'

wooden bridge in Central Park only three days after Chautauqua this summer.

"It sure is enough to irritate you. The city needs more eyes and ears out there if we're going to reduce it," he said.

City officials emphasized that if citizens do not take a more active role in trying to watch out for and report to police incidents of vandalism in progress, it is likely those incidents will only increase

"This is something that every community has to deal with. But when people see something, they've got to call police," Hildebrandt said.



Hildebrandt inspects damage to Highland Park 'fireman's pole.'



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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

QUILLEN, Lorene Pearl - 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel. CORY, Karen Sherwood — 4 p.m., First United Methodist Church.

Obituaries

KAREN SHERWOOD CORY Karen Sherwood Cory, 37, died Tuesday evening after a lengthy illness.

Services are to be at 4 p.m. Thursday in First United Methodist Church with Dr. Max Browning, pastor, officiating, assisted by John Curry and the Rev. William K. Bailey, rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Cory was born Karen Louetta Sherwood on May 11, 1951 She graduated as salu-

tatorian from Bay City High School in 1969. She continued her education at Southwestern University. Georgetown, graduating in 1972 with a bachelor of science degree in education. She married David Cory on Jan. 1, 1972 in Bay City. She and her husband David moved to Pampa in July 1977

She was a homemaker and an artist. She was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha chapter of Beta Sigma Phi social sorority. She has been an active member of First United Methodist Church, where she was a member of the Chancel Choir, the Chamber Singers and Bells of Praise. She had served as president of the Weatherly Sunday School Class. She was an active member of Pampa Fine Arts Association, Pampa Garden Club and Pampa Art Club, and was owner of Karen's Creations.

Survivors include her husband, David, and daughter Kimberly Elizabeth Cory, both of the home; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Sherwood of Cleburne; two brothers, Donald J. Sherwood of Mansfield and Dr. Ronald T. Sherwood of Cleburne; and her grandmother, Mrs. Jabez T. Reed of Malvern, Ark.

The family requests memorials be made to First United Methodist Church or Hospice of Pampa Inc.

AMANDA KING

Amanda King, 81, died Tuesday. Services are to be at 10 a.m. Friday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Sam Miller, pastor of Olsen Park Seventh Day Adventist Church of Amarillo, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery

Mrs. King moved to Pampa in 1936 from Reed, Okla. She married Simon P. King on Oct. 25, 1929 in Mangum, Okla, He died in 1965. She was a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church of Pampa, where she served as church clerk for several years.

Survivors include one son, Tommy King of Pampa; two daughters, Wilma Shaw of Pampa and Rita McDonald of Oologah, Okla.; two sisters. Jewel Stringer of Riverside, Calif., and Jeanette Cowdery of Oklahoma City, Okla.; eight grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

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Dismissals baby boy, Wheeler Edna Armstrong, Glenna Hefley, Shamrock

Calendar of events

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

Texas Department of Health will conduct an immunization clinic from 10 a.m. to noon Thursday in the book room of Shamrock Elementary School and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday on the first floor of City Hall in Canadian. Vaccines are available for protection against polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella and mumps. The influenza vaccine is also available at area clinics. A small fee will be charged in order to help pay for the cost of the clinic; amount charged will be based on family size, income and ability to pay.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS

Overeaters Anonymous meets at 1:30 p.m. each Monday and at 7 p.m. each Thursday in Briarwood Full Gospel Church, 1800 W. Harvester Ave. Those attending the meeting may enter by the office doors on the east side of the building. For more information, call Linda at 665-1726 or Wanita at 669-2116.

INSURANCE CONFERENCE RESCHEDULED

An insurance conference sponsored by the Pampa chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) has been rescheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday at Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ. Bill Ward of Prudential AARP insurance offices in Dallas is to explain the AARP group health insurance program and answer questions. Anyone interested in attending may call Bill Cox at 665-3667 or Phyllis Laramore at 669-7574.

Police report

contract which stipulates that the county pay \$105,000 in quarterly The Pampa Police Department responded to installments for fire protection the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. City briefs

TUESDAY, Dec. 13 Rodney Cecil Parks, 433 Pitts, reported crimin-

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mischief at 1025 Park. City of Pampa reported criminal mischief at

Highland Park. (See story, page 1.)

Arrests

TUESDAY, Dec. 13

was arrested in the 900 block of West Wilks on

charges of driving while intoxicated and failure to

Noel Pacheco, 32, no address given, was

Larry Skinner, 31, 2014 E. Tyng, was arrested at

Mack Pricor, 25, 1025 Park Dr., was arrested

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Joseph Stanley Flowers, 33, of Tustin, Calif.,

City of Pampa reported criminal mischief at City of Pampa reported criminal mischief at

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ers and the Pampa Independent School District had already agreed to the offer, he added.

Commissioners also agreed to accept three lots on South Campanella Street with the idea that the property would be used to erect a building for the South Side Senior Citizens Center within a five-year period.

Gray County and PISD had agreed to waive delinquent taxes against the property and deed it to the city if it was used for the senior citizen center during a reasonable period of time, Hackler said.

Commissioner Richard Peet voted against declaring a caboose at the police firing range as surplus property and authorizing its sale, but his nay vote was overruled by the three other commission members.

caboose could possible be used in one of the city parks and should be saved because of its historical significance. Pampa Police Chief Robert

Eberz said the caboose was in fair to poor condition and would take quite a bit of money to restore.

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Dr. Ray Hampton was appointed to the Lovett Memorial Library Board and Charles Williams was selected to serve on the city's Park and Recreation Advisory Board.

Commissioners also recognized retiring Parks and Recreation Board member Rick Nix for his volunteer service. Nix was not present to accept the commission's certificate of appreciation.

lar commission meeting was cancelled for the holidays.

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A report released in March by

State Comptroller Bob Bullock

found that 730 of the state's 1,100

school districts spend less than

the statewide average of \$3,290

per student per year. The aver-

In the wealthier districts, the

age in those districts is \$2,976.

Peet maintained that the

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Following an explanation by

city manager assistant, Glen

Hackler, commissioners agreed

to an offer to buy four lots in the

800 block of West Kingsmill for

\$11,000. The property, taken in a

delinguent tax sale, has \$15,680.16

The prospective buyer has

agreed to purchase the property

despite an Internal Revenue Ser-

vice lien against the property

amounting to \$50,000, Hackler

said. Gray County commission-

that Texas will continue in that direction." The battle over school funding

education for all students nor a had been viewed by lawmakers completely fair distribution of as one of the major problems facing the 1989 Legislature, with tax benefits and burdens among all of the school patrons," Justice solutions that would satisfy Clark's ruling estimated to cost Shannon wrote. between \$600 million and \$2 billion.

In today's decision, the 3rd Court of Appeals specifically said that the current finance system isn't perfect but that citizens and members of the Legislature not judges - should be the ones to fix it.

Gray County commissioners

make a decision soon, since the

county's contract with the Pam-

pa Fire Department expires at

midnight, Dec. 31. Thursday's

session is the last regularly sche-

duled meeting of the County Com-

mission before the contract ends.

Tuesday, Pampa city commis-

APPLE IIE computer with disc

drive, software, printer and desk

\$1550. Decorator, deluxe home

FREE CHRISTMAS Dinner.

December 25, 1988, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

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services in rural Gray County. The contract states the amount

are to consider the 1989 contract with the city of Pampa Fire Decan be paid in three installments partment for rural fire protection services at their regular meeting at 9:30 a.m. Thursday in the coun-Commissioners are pressed to

such a payment plan. The additional \$20,000 in the contract, increased from the 1988 contract for \$85,000, had not been included in the county's 1989 budget, he said.

Other items to be considered by commissioners Thursday include receiving bids for a 1989 pickup truck for Precinct 2 and bids for Gray County insurance coverage for 1989.

Commissioners will also have

REWARD FOR return of Cadillac hub-cap, lost Saturday night, vicinity W. Brown. 669-3940, 665-9133. Adv

FRESH CUT Noble Fir Christmas trees. New shipment of Poinsettias and Christmas Cactus.

to consider adjustments and amendments to the 1988 budgets at this session.

Gray County Tax Collector/ Assessor's Office is the subject of two items to be considered by the commission, including a report from a certified public accountant hired to assist with the tax collections bookkeeping, and discussion of the office's computer storage capacity.

meeting lists consideration of an amendment to the plat for Keller Estates and a hangar lease transfer at Perry Lefors Field.

Also to be considered will be release of payroll checks on Dec. 30, payment of salaries and bills, and time deposits and transfers.

NARFE BRANCH #1648 meeting Thursday night 7 p.m.

PERMS \$20 including haircut. Set and haircuts \$6.50 each. Ruth or Becky 665-9236. Adv.

MAKE VOUR Reservation for New Year's Eve Dance, Fence Walker Band. Moose Lodge. Members and guests. 665-4661. Adv

of \$21,250 each, with a final payment of \$41,250 in December 1989. In earlier session, Gray County Judge Carl Kennedy had said he hoped the city would agree to

A 'supplemental notice of the

amendments and legislative average yearly expenditure per enactments and not through student is \$4,268. judgments of courts," he said. All districts are ensured Dissenting, Justice Bob Gamenough money to meet education mage said that Clark's ruling standards set in state law, **County to consider fire contract again**

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 "A rather 'patched-up and overly cobbled' system of admihadn't prevented lawmakers from doing their job. "Upholding the trial court's judgment would nistration and finance for public education has evolved in this not frustrate or embarrass the state over the past 100 years. The non-legal policymaking function

wrote.

In final action, the Dec. 27 regu-

PANHANDLE — Graveside services for Hellen H. Woodfill, a former Pampa resident, are to be at 3 p.m. Friday in Panhandle Cemetery with the Rev. David Edwards, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Panhandle, officiating. Arrangements are by Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.

Mrs. Woodfill was born in Indiahoma, Okla. She had been a resident of Tulare, Calif., since 1954, moving there from Pampa. She was a member of First Church of God in Tulare and worked in the circulation department of the Tulare Advance Register. She was the widow of Roy H. Woodfill, who died at age 74.

Survivors include three daughters, two sisters, two granddaughters and one great-grandson.

Minor accidents

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

TUESDAY, Dec. 13

10:40 p.m. — A Red Chevrolet pickup, driver unknown, collided with a 1979 Chevrolet Monte Carlo driven by Julie Swanson, 919 E. Francis, at the intersection of Starkweather and Atchison. No injuries were reported. Swanson was issued citations for no driver's license and no liability insurance.

Fire report

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

TUESDAY, Dec. 13

2:17 p.m. - A grass fire was reported 9 miles east of city on Hwy. 152 on state-owned property. One unit and two firefighters responded

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School

start opening bids on the \$600.000 to \$700,000 project by Jan. 10.

"Your first ad would need to appear in a regional newspaper 17 days before that time. That would be around the 17th of December," Wilson said. "We anticipate a large number of bidders. It is our opinion that now is a good time to bid your work. There are 10 to a dozen bidders capable of doing the work in Amarillo and maybe others in the area."

Wilson told the board that plans would allow contractors to bid on any or all of the three schools as well as extras like warranties. lockers, ventilation work and other items that "could allow some companies to exhibit exceptionally strong bidding."

"If it's a price advantage to the

district, that's what we're out to accomplish." he said.

School board members agreed to meet in special session on Jan. 12 to review the bids. Wilson suggested the two-day "pad" to allow for reference checks on bidders the district might not be familiar with.

After the motion passed, Griffith compared construction of Pampa schools with comparable work in New York City. He said work for the same type of school there would cost between \$235 and \$305 per square foot. The work in Pampa will cost \$45 per square foot.

"I guess that makes our problems seem small by comparison," Griffith said.

In other business, the board approved the Career Ladder **Committe recommendation of** 138 teachers being placed on level

II and 12 teachers being placed at level III. The levels will mean a \$1,739.55 and \$3,739.03 Christmas bonus, respectively, for teachers on the ladder.

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On the issue of jury duty pay, the board decided to let each employee keep the \$6 per day they receive from the county, since turning the money in creates more than \$6 worth of paperwork per incident.

Lewis Meers, district auditor, gave the board a report in which he stated that in 1987-88 the district reserve funds dipped dangerously low due to the expense of asbestos clean-up at the McNeely Fieldhouse. However, he said the district is in basically good financial condition.

During the academic spotlight. Bettie Dacus was honored for her work at the six elementary school libraries.

Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ. 1324 Mary Ellen St. (across from the High School) Everyone is invited. Adv.

ADDINGTON'S HAS a new shipment of L.A. Gear tennis shoes, low top with fringe, high top in split cowhide and buckle trim. Also, Leanin' Tree Christmas cards. Open nightly until 7 p.m., Thursdays until 8 p.m. Adv.

Weather focus LOCAL FORECAST

Increasing cloudiness tonight with isolated snow flurries. Low will be near 20. Thursday, cloudy and cold with a 40 percent chance of snow and a high of 22. Tuesday's high was 67; the overnight low was 39.

REGIONAL FORECAST West Texas — Turning much colder this afternoon north and all but the far west tonight and Thursday. Cloudy with isolated snow showers Panhandle tonight. Areas of snow Thursday in Panhandle, with possible freezing drizzle South Plains and Permain Basin. Lows tonight near 20 Panhandle and mid 20s South Plains to low 30s Concho Valley, with mid 30s Concho Valley. High Friday low 20s Panhandle and upper 20s South Plains to low 40s Concho Valley. Upper 50s **Big Bend valleys.** North Texas - Turning col-

der west and north central portions by sunset. Increasing cloudiness, windy and turning much colder tonight with widely scattered thunderstorms southeast. Cloudy, windy and much colder Thursday with widely scattered light rain west. Lows tonight 33 northwest to 47 southeast. Highs Thursday 37 northwest, 46 central and 57 southeast.

South Texas - Partly cloudy and turning windy and colder north tonight and elsewhere Thursday. Widely scattered showers Southeast Texas Thursday. Lows tonight upper 30s Hill Country to near 60 South. Highs Thursday near 50 Hill Country to upper 70s

South. EXTENDED FORECAST Friday through Sunday West Texas - Partly to

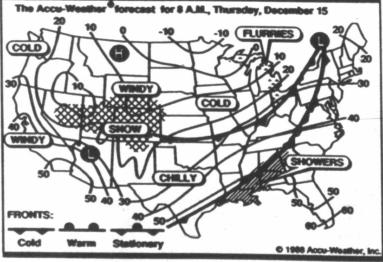
mostly cloudy Friday and

Watsons Feed and Garden. 665-4189. Adv

THE LOFT 201 N. Cuyler, Neiman Marcus cake this week. Thursday chicken teriyaki, Friday Hawaiian ham, Saturday chili and beans. For fast service, or carry out, 665-2129. Adv.

STILL RIVER Band, Saturday night. Christmas Party 18th. Knight Lites, 618 W. Foster. Adv. **MEALS on WHEELS** 669-1007, P.O. Box 939 Adv.

PAMPA SHRINE Club meeting December 16th. 7 p.m., bring toy instead of food. Christmas Puppet Show Program.



Saturday. A little warmer all sections by Saturday. Increasing chance of showers Sunday. Panhandle: Highs mid 30s to mid 40s and lows low to mid 20s. South Plains: Highs near 40 to near 50; lows mid 20s to low 30s. Permian Basin: Highs mid 40s to low 50s and lows low to mid 30s. Concho Valley: Highs mid 40s to mid 50s; lows mid 30s to near 40. Far West: Highs low to mid 50s and lows mid 30s. Big Bend: Highs 50s mountains to low 60s along the Rio Grande. Lows mid 20s to mid 30s mountains, and around 40 along the Rio Grande.

North Texas - Partly cloudy Friday through Sunday. Cold Friday with lows from the mid 20s to low 30s. Highs in the 40s. A bit warmer Saturday and Sunday with lows mostly in the 30s and highs mostly in the 50s.

South Texas - Partly cloudy and cold Friday. Clear and cold Saturday, except partly cloudy and cool extreme south. Partly cloudy Sunday. Lows Friday and Saturday from the 20s Hill Country to the 40s south. Lows

Sunday from the 40s north to the 50s south, 30s in the Hill Country. Highs Friday from the 50s north to the 60s south. Highs Saturday near 60 north to near 70 south. Highs Sunday mostly in the 60s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Turning cooler northeast this afternoon. Increasing cloudiness north with a chance of mainly mountain snow showers, fair skies south tonight. Cloudy with a chance of snow north, increasing cloudiness with chance of mainly mountain snow showers south on Thursday. Much colder east and north Thursday. Lows tonight mostly teens and 20s mountains and north with 20s to low 30s lower elevations south. Highs Thursday 20s to near 40 moutains east and north with mid 40s to near 60 lower elevations elsewhere

Oklahoma - Mostly cloudy and much colder tonight and Thursday with scattered snow flurries Panhandle. Lows tonight mid 20s Panhandle to near 40 southeast. Highs Thursday low 30s Panhandle to mid 40s southeast.

Texas/Regional

Undercover drug officer slain in Dallas

By JAY JORDEN Associated Press Writer

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DALLAS (AP) - An undercover drug officer was slain in a deal gone awry, adding to the police death toll in the bloodiest year in department history, and authorities said a suspect also was killed in the late-night parking lot shootout.

Two suspects were wounded in the drug-deal-turned-gunfight at an East Dallas convenience store parking lot and police later arrested two other suspects at an area apartment.

The officer, identified as Lawrence R. Cadena, was pronounced dead at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas about 10:30 p.m. Tuesday, some 30 minutes after the gunfight, Sgt. Jeff Chandler said.

Cadena, 43, was the fifth Dallas police officer to be fatally shot this year. Police spokesman Ed Spencer said Cadena was killed while attempting to purchase drugs from several suspects and then make a drug-buy arrest with his partner.

Cadena was shot in the abdomen, chest and both arms, said Chandler

Ambulances transported three wounded suspects to Parkland Memorial Hospital.

Hector Jacomino, 34, of Dallas died of gunshot wounds to the chest and back at 11:05 p.m., said emergency room supervisor Randy Blanchard.

He said Javier Suarez, 17, was in critical condition today with wounds to the chest and abdomen, while Fernando Fernandez. 19, was in serious condition with wounds to both legs. Both, who are believed to be Dallas residents, underwent surgery earlier today

Police also arrested two other suspects at a nearby apartment



A suspect in police shooting is loaded onto a stretcher at scene of Tuesday night gunfight.

about 1 a.m. today. The pair, who say, shots were exchanged and were not yet identified, were jailed at Lew Sterrett Justice Center

Gunfire erupted at the Stop'n Go convenience store after the suspects who allegedly were to sell Cadena some cocaine attempted to rob the plainclothes officer, Spencer said.

"It was an apparent robbery attempt by the suspect who shot the officer," said Spencer, adding he did not know which of the suspects began the shooting.

"It is my understanding that it was a buy-bust situation — a drug buy — and we had more than one officer at the scene," said Police Chief Mack Vines, who was outside Baylor hospital. "Instead of the drug deal reaching fruition, they were highjacked, as they

our officer was fatally wounded." Other undercover officers were in the area for backup, but did not participate in the shootings, said Vines. No other officers were shot

Blood was spattered in the area surrounding the shooting scene near downtown. Police sealed off the area immediately surrounding the shooting scene as curious pedestrians gathered.

A witness, Ali Dahii, said he heard as many as 11 shots fired while he used a pay telephone on the other side of the convenience store. After he heard six or seven shots, Dahii said he became afraid and hid, hearing four more shots

After Dahii summoned the courage to go around the corner.

he saw one man lying beside the Camaro and two others running away

"He was lying next to the car door on the ground and I think he was dead," said Dahii.

A Stop'n Go spokeswoman said store employees heard gunshots and saw the officer down in the parking lot.

The owner of a food store directly across the street from the convenience store said he heard the shots and then ran to door of his store to see the gunfight in progress.

'Right up until that time, they fight each other with big guns right out on the street," said Wan Kwak, 57, owner of the S & S Food Store. "When I looked over on the street, people were running into each other and they were shooting at each other.

Officers were questioning witnesses at the scene, where nearly 100 people had gathered after the shooting, said Detective B.J. Watkins.

"I heard three gunshots and then I saw a guy leaning in a Camaro. Three people were lying on the ground," said another witness, 32-year-old David Zwaska of Dallas. "I was just passing by here when I heard the shots.

Another witness said he believed the officer was shot in the head

'These three people were just lying on the ground. The officer was face-up on the ground. They were all screaming and then other officers showed up and pointed guns," said Rusty Ross, 21, of Dallas. "On the ground were all men.

Cadena had been with the Dallas Police Department since September 1971 and has been a narcotics officer since 1986. A San Antonio native, he was divorced and the father of three grown children

Daryl Auwen, an eighth-grader at Pampa Middle School, was recently recognized as an Eagle Scout for Troop 413, sponsored by

Daryl Auwen

The recognition ceremony was held Dec. 5 in the patio of the First United Methodist Church. Presiding were Jim Eisiminger, Troop Committee chairman; Mike Donnelly, Scoutmaster, and Jim Radcliff, assistant Scoutmaster.

Eagle Scout John Warner presented the Eagle Charge. Sharon Parker presented letters from U.S. Rep. Beau Boulter and U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm. A flag was flown that day in Daryl's honor over the Capitol in Washington, D.C.; the flag will be presented to him next week.

The son of Judith and Thomas Auwen, Daryl began his Scouting in second grade in 1982 as a Bob-

years he served on the staff as a den chief. He is currently serving as a den chief for Pack 410, Den 7. Daryl is an ordeal member of the Order of the Arrow and has

attended Junior Leadership Training at Camp Don Harrington. He has been to Boy Scout Camp for the past three years, including Camp Isabell in Colorado

As a Scout in Troop 413, he has served as scribe, assistant patrol leader, patrol leader and bugler. He currently is serving as senior patrol leader. He has been chaplain aide for two years and conducts church service for the Scouts on campouts.

Daryl's Eagle project was working with Meals on Wheels. He organized boys in the troop and in other troops to place house numbers on the houses receiving Meals on Wheels service where they were needed. The boys then painted the house numbers on the curbs for people receiving Meals on Wheels. At Pampa Middle School, he is a second-year member of the Patriot Band and recently gualified for All-Region. He is active in the youth of the First United Methodist Church, where he has three years of perfect attendance in Sunday School. During the past two summers, Dary worked with the Red Cross as a swim aide, teaching younger children to swim. At summer camp he received the award for the non-stop mile swim.

45 people treated for rabies exposure

By JOEL WILLIAMS Associated Press Writer

EDINBURG (AP) — Coyotes are suspected of creating an outbreak of rabies in two South Texas counties, where in the past two months 45 people have received treatment for exposure to the fatal disease

month represent the first instances of the disease in domestic animals in the border county since 1957, said Charles A. Wilson, county health director.

have been confirmed in neighbor-

Jazzed up jingling

Six dogs confirmed as rabid in ing Starr County during the past Hidalgo County during the past two months, including four Six additional cases of rabies

coyotes and two dogs, said Oscar Tamez, a zoonosis control specialist with the regional state Department of Health office in Harlingen. Zoonosis is an animal disease trunsmittable to humans. Most cases in the current outbreak occurred in substandard rural subdivisions known as colonias, after people took stray dogs in as pets, Wilson said.

'They (the infected dogs) didn't just come charging out of the brush and grab some kid," Wilson said. "They've been around some time.

Officials said they believe coyotes roaming the South Texas brush country spread the disease to dogs during fights.

"Now that it's in the dog population, it's spreading dog-todog," Wilson said.

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Members of Wilson Elementary fourth and fifth grade choir jazz up the traditional holi-day ditty, "Jingle Bells." The choir performed for the parents during the school's (Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramor

annual Christmas program Tuesday night. The young songsters will also be singing at First National Bank lobby at 10:30 a.m. Friday. Edith Sayles is the chorus' director.

Bear offers Christmas wish list

Dear St. Nicholas

Enclosed is my Christmas wish list for the city of Pampa

First, for all of the city employees and/or elected officials who have been the victims of vicious rumors or anonymous Letters to the Editor, I wish them peace during the Christmas holidays.

Santa, I personally wouldn't subject my worst enemy to the awesome amount of vindictive crap that our city officials and school administration have to put up with.

Did you know that just last week, Santa, I got three anonymous letters from "concerned citizens" wanting to reveal some hidden aspect of someone's life they didn't like? It kind of makes me sick, Santa.

My second wish is for those people who have nothing better to do than be nasty and hateful. Santa, would you consider giving them a job or involving them in some sort of civic activity? Maybe if these people worked for five or 10 hours a week at Good Samaritan's helping people they would have less time to spread hate and dissension.

My next request is for the poor of our town. For the ones who are poor because of laziness or ignorance, I hope they will get inspiration to better themselves. To the ones who are poor due to circumstances beyond their control, I hope you will give them the chance to do better in 1989.

Finally, Santa, I wish that all those of us who are 'comfortable," myself included, will get a burning desire to make a difference in the coming year. Whether that difference is in civic, church or other endeavors, that's what I want for us.

Now, any of these orders you can't fill, please forward on to your boss upstairs. He's good at these sorts of things too.



For our schools, I hope you bring us a year in which students see the death and destruction of drugs (without having to see it at the expense of one of our own children).

As for me personally, I'm pretty happy with what I've already got, Santa. I have a great wife, a nice home, a wonderful job, friends worth a million dollars and a church family that knows your boss really well. I can't think of much else I need.

So, if you could just take care of those other small matters, I'd be most appreciative.

By the way, Santa, I know there are a lot of people who don't believe in you. I'm sorry.

Disbelief and cynicism are sicknesses that plague our country. I don't think it's anything personal toward you.

Santa, I hope you will bring these unbelievers something nice for Christmas anyway. My mom used to tell me that the only thing that could melt a cold heart was the warmth of love.

Have a nice Christmas, Santa! You have brought me a lot of joy over the last 28 years. I really appreciate it. You are one heck of an old gentleman. Bear

The Hidalgo County Commis sioners Court on Monday responded to the outbreak by passing a resolution to impose a \$200 fine on pet owners failing to vaccinate their animals for rabies.

The virus commonly is transmitted through infected saliva entering open wounds, such as when two animals fight or when an animal bites or licks a human.

Wilson and Tamez said they consider the outbreak an epizootic, the animal equivalent of an epidemic in humans.

'They say for every confirmed case, there's 10 that go unreported," Tamez said.

Rabies among wild animals has not been reported since 1982 in Hidalgo and since 1975 in Starr County, officials said. Both of those cases involved bats.

Liz Guerra, in charge of immunizations at the state Health Department office in Harlingen, said 28 people have required antirabies serum during the past month in Hidalgo County; another 17 people in Starr County have required the shots during the past two months, she said, including a 7-year-old child about whom she received a call Tuesday morning.

An additional South Texas case was reported Oct. 7 in Brooks County, after a rabid cat bit a woman, Tamez said.

Dogs suspected of carrying rabies are placed under observation for 10 days in which officials watch for symptoms to develop.

Humans exposed to rabies must take a series of six injections over a period of one month, Guerra said. A new type of serum that can be injected in the shoulder has replaced the more painful abdominal shots, formerly the only treatment.

Starr County Judge Jose Martinez Jr. said his county has stepped up efforts to round up stray dogs and provide rabies vaccination clinics.

A major rabies outbreak occurred in the Laredo area in 1977, when rabid dogs bit 59 people. All of those people were treated with anti-rabies serum and escaped infection, said Jose L. Gonzalez, director of the Laredo-Webb **County Health Department.**

The epizootic was brought under control, and Webb County has not seen any rabies cases for two years, Gonzależ said.

cat in Pack 410 at Austin Elementary School. He progressed from Bobcat to Wolf to Bear in the next three years, earning 19 Arrow points.

As a Webelo Scout, he earned 15 activity badges and the Arrow of Light. As a Scout in Troop 413, he moved up steadily, earning eight skill awards as he progressed from Second Class Scout to First Class, then Star, Life and now Eagle Scout. During the past three years, he earned 24 merit badges.

He has attended Cub Scout Day Camp at Camp M.K. Brown for the past six years. The last three

STEVEN R. PRICE, D.O.

Announces the closing of his medical practice at 916 N. Crest as of December 23, 1988.

Your continuing health care and medical records will still be provided by the physicians at 916 N. Crest.

My staff and I want to thank the people of Pampa for their support and friendship and wish the best for you in the years to come.

Citizens Bank & Trust Co. Cordially Invites Friends and Gustomers To A Retirement Reception Honoring Pat Young Friday, December 16, 1988 From 2 to 5 p.m. In the Lobby of Citizens Bank

Viewpoints

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EVER STRIVING FOR THE TOP O' TEXAS TO BE AN EVEN BETTER PLACE TO LIVE

Let Peace Begin With Me

This newspaper is dedicated to furnishing information to our readers so that they can better promote and preserve their own freedom and encourage others to see its blessings. Only when man understands freedom and is free to control himself and all he possesses can he develop to his utmost capabilities.

We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not a political grant from government, and that men have the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property for themselves and others.

Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment.

Louise Fletcher Publisher

Larry D. Hollis Managing Editor

Opinion **Drug tests violate Fourth Amendment**

The Fourth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was a response to a long string of violations of privacy both in Europe and by colonial governors. The founders rightly understood that a free society was incompatible with such uncontrolled government power. So they crafted the Fourth Amendment: "The right of the people to be secure in their per-

sons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation, and parti-cularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized.

Transportation Secretary James Burnley's program to require that all airline, railroad, mass-transit employees, and interstate truckers and bus drivers - 4 million people in all - submit to mandatory random drug tests seems to be a clear violation of the Fourth Amendment.

No person can be searched, or have anything seized from him, without probable cause regarding some crime. The courts have given the police a little leeway by permitting some searches after hot pur-suit or when coming upon a crime scene, but not much — and rightly so. If our houses and bodies can be searched any time the authorities feel like it, we live in a constant state of violation.

The Fourth Amendment was intended to limit the power of government, but has no authority over private entities or employers. Thus employers can make submission to searches a condition of employment, and in some instances such a condition may seem reasonable or necessary.

Private employers also may require drug tests. Constraints on this are not constitutional in nature, but revolve around the attitudes of employees or unions and how other companies approach the issue. If a company finds it is losing too many valuable employees to competitors because of unnecessary or intrusive drug tests (or other policies), it probably will change its policies.

Racism wears judicial robes

WASHINGTON — A U.S. District judge last month entered an order intended to guarantee the election of black local judges in Mississippi. The U.S. Supreme Court on Nov. 14 refused to review a case having the same purpose in Louisiana. Similar efforts have been launched in Ohio, North Carolina, Texas, Illinois, Alabama, Florida and Arkansas.

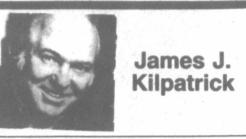
Quietly, with little national attention, a major surge is developing to enlarge black power in an entirely new area. Because this effort is different in kind, and not merely different in degree, it raises new questions --- and some of the questions are profoundly disturbing questions.

A personal word: I go at these matters as a Southerner, born and reared in a segregationist society, who came much too late to understand the moral wrongness of segregation.

My upbringing was useful, however, in undestanding the necessity for the basic Voting Rights Act of 1965. I ardently supported that act because I knew, as only a white Southerner can know, what chicanery my people had employed to prevent blacks from voting. The endless devices were as ugly as they were ingenious. They were constitutionally indefensible. I raised not the slightest murmur of objection to the act's wholesome purpose.

The idea in 1965 was to remove every obstacle that had been created to prevent blacks from exercising their right to vote. Out went the phony literacy tests. Out went the tricky provisions for registration. In came the federal marshals to make the new rules stick

It worked. Throughout the South, blacks today vote in substantially the same percentages as whites. If many eligible blacks fail to vote, it is not by reason of obstacles strewn deliberately



in their path

So far, so good. But then a subtle change came along. The purpose shifted. It no longer seemed sufficient that the individual black was guaranteed a right to vote. Under the dispensation, blacks as a group were to be guaranteed a right te win.

Thus the courts threw out "at large" municipal elections and carved new district or ward boundaries in which blacks heavily predominated. This also worked, and black city councilmen appeared in significant numbers everywhere. Southern politics went through a revolution. The black vote, which once mattered not at all, suddenly mattered greatly.

It was a disturbing idea to many of us that any voting bloc should have a constitutional right never to have its collective strength "diluted." But the courts went along with an effort to "wipe out the last vestiges of slavery," and the Reconstruction Amendments gained new dimensions.

Until quite recently, it was generally, if not specifically, understood that the act was aimed at elections to executive and legislative offices - that we were dealing with mayors, city councilmen, governors, members of school boards, state legislators and the like.

It had occurred to most observers that in dozens of states, judges also are chosen by popular election. In such states as Arkansas, Massachusetts, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina and Texas, virtually all judges are elected on partisan ballots. In Kentucky, Louisiana, Minnesota, Nevada, North Dakota, Oregon, Ohio and Washington, judicial elections are conducted on non-partisan ballots.

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Then came a test case on Lousiana, Chisom v. Edwards, to determine if the Voting Rights Act applies in full, not only to legislative elections but also to judicial elections. The 5th U.S. Circuit agreed that it does so apply; the Supreme Court refused to review the decision, and the case eventually will go to trial.

In an Ohio case, the 6th Circuit came to the same conclusion. Without further ado, U.S. District Judge William H. Barbour Jr. last month put into effect a judicial redistricting plan that will assure black judges in a score of black districts in Mississippi.

This needs some thinking. I applaud the general idea of a black councilman to represent black interests. The whole theory of representative government embraces that concept. Blacks as blacks do have political interests, ranging from a neighborhood sidewalk to a set-aside plan on municipal construction.

But are judges in any sense "representatives"? Something is terribly wrong with the thought of black judges to look after black defendants, white judges to look after white defendants.

We're all familiar with racial politics in the legislative realm. Racism in judicial robes is something else.



Government, on the other hand, because of the Fourth Amendment, clearly cannot accost citizens on the street at random and require them to submit to urinalysis. It should be clear also that it cannot stretch the clause that permits it to regulate interstate commerce to perpetrate wholesale violation of Fourth Amendment rights just because people work în a certain industry.

That makes it a little inconvenient for government to do everything it might like to do, but the Fourth Amendment wasn't written to make things convenient for government. It was written to protect the rights of citizens and control government excesses.

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"Fred, maybe you ought to lay off the oat cereal for a while.

FOSSIL FUEL AND THE GREENHOUSE EFFECT

Responding to cries of pain

Closed circuit for medical researchers:

You have just watched your science evolve with justified pride in the sum of its accomplishments

You are adding years of active, pain-free life to your fellow humans - sometimes over the bodies of dead animals.

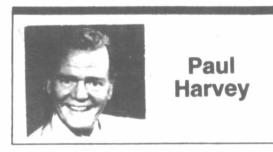
You justify the sacrifice of laboratory animals because you can point to specific benefits to vaccines, to therapeutic strategies, to cures for dread diseases --- resulting from animal research. And you men of science are distressed by those people who, in the name of compassion for animals, raid and pillage your laboratories or otherwise interfere with your continuing research.

If I am willing to concede that the behavior of the over-zealous animal lovers is sometimes an embarrassment ...

If I am willing to acknowledge that certain laboratory experiments involving animals are justified by results.

Then are you willing - Mr. and Mrs. Medical Scientist - to disavow those overkillers of your own discipline who cause animal suffering utterly needlessly?

I said "utterly needlessly."



Again, if I am willing to share your indignation over those who renounce all biological research, are you willing to "condamn" the University of Oregon's atrocities?

The university placed an ad in a "clearing house" publication for primates, offering to give away an 18-year-old macaque monkey named Martha at no cost to the receiving party.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals," PETA, heard about the offer, promptly offered to take Martha and to take care of her at a primate sanctuary in Texas.

The university refused.

Washington, where she was killed and stuffed cries of pain.

for a classroom display.

Meanwhile, the National Institutes of Health continues to fund University of Oregon research with tax dollars.

A growing number of enlightened medical researchers are updating their research - using computers instead of live animals.

Enlightenment, however, is agonizingly gradual.

Meanwhile, unless the practice of medicine begins with ethical sensitivity, we are likely to worsen our No. 1 social disease.

It is difficult enough for our world to get one race of people to relate to another. It is not made easier by our acceptance of callous cruelty to another species.

Human history is the recurring theme of a powerful majority's indifference to powerless minorities

until Dickens

Americans institutionalized slavery - until Harriet Beecher Stowe.

So Doctor, Sir, if some of the voices speaking for the voiceless sound too shrill, remember Martha, instead, was sent to the University of that they - even as you - are responding to

omen under pressure to work harder

By ROBERT WALTERS

SEATTLE (NEA) - Wives in lowand middle-income families who must work to supplement their husbands' wages are hardly a new phenomenon - but now there is evidence that those women are under pressure to work longer and harder than ever before.

Because the earning power of the men in those families has declined in the 1980s, women have been forced to bear increasing responsibility for sustaining an adequate household income, according to a new study.

Between 1979 and 1986, "husbands' salaries declined for households in the bottom 80 percent" of the income scale, according to Drs. Stephen Rose and David Fasenfest, the authors of "Family Income in the 1980s: New Pressure on Wives, Husbands and Young Adults."

Rose is a highly regarded economic consultant in Seattle, while Fasenfest is an economist at the University of Louisville in Kentucky. Their study was recently published by Economic bands' incomes "is probably a major reason for the increased work effort of wives ... as (they) work more to offset the fall in their husbands' wages,' adds the analysis of the troubling situation.

Without that extra effort by the wives, the earnings of the bottom 60 percent of the nation's households those with incomes of \$40,000 or less adjusted for inflation, would have

been lower in 1986 than in 1979. In 1973, 46 percent of the country's married women under the age of 65 held jobs, but that figure rose to 55 percent in 1979 and increased to 66 percent in 1986.

Some of that increase, especially at the upper socioeconomic levels, is attributable to cultural changes that have encouraged women to move from the home to the workplace. At the lower socioeconomic levels, however, the dominant force has been economic necessity.

During the boom years of the late 1950s, 1960s and early 1970s, the annual inflation-adjusted growth in income for the average employee was 2.1 percent. In the middle and late 1970s, however, it declined sharply to 1.5 percent - and in the 1980s, it has dropped to 1.2 percent.

According to the new study, the average husband's wage fell by 4 percent between 1979 and 1986, requiring wives to increase their working time by 18 percent during the same period to make up the difference.

That phenomenon is only one aspect of a broader problem - the inability of the nation's economy to provide workers with wages adequate to support their families.

The economy has demonstrated a spectacular ability to create new jobs - 30 million during the past 15 years, an increase of 35 percent since 1973 that brings the size of the work force up to 115 million people. Yet the me-dian, inflation-adjusted pay level rose comparatively little in the last 15 years.

As a result, the standard of living for millions of families has stagnated for 15 years - a marked contrast

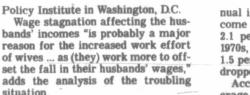
with the post-World War II period prior to 1973 when the standard of living rose constantly.

Many of the jobs created since 1973 went to two categories of new workers - the increasing number of women seeking work and members of the "baby boom" generation.

That glut of applicants created a classic supply-and-demand situation that drove down wage rates, especially for semi-skilled or unskilled workers with low educational attainment levels

Men with college degrees generally have fared quite well in recent years, often receiving pay raises that ex-ceeded the inflation rate. But the average earnings for the far larger group of men with a high school degree or less was 17 percent lower in 1986 than in 1979.

The bottom line: The median, inflation-adjusted wage for men in the country's work force was \$26,000 last year — \$700 less than in 1979 and \$2,600 less than in 1973. © 1988 NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.



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Toronto businessman pays \$65 million for assets of PTL

By DAVID REED Associated Press Writer

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COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) - AJewish businessman interested in PTL's real estate agreed to pay \$65 million for the assets of the scandal-plagued ministry, but refused to say if he would allow its evangelical operations to continue.

The head of Heritage Ministries, PTL's religious successor, however, said the deal means merely a change in landlords and purchaser Stephen Mernick told him he was "sensitive" to the religious operation.

Mernick, a nonpracticing Orthodox rabbi from Toronto, bought the assets Tuesday for \$10 million less than the value placed on it by U.S. Banktruptcy Judge Rufus Reynolds, and only a little more than half of what he offered a month ago.

Reynolds approved the cash sale after polling major creditors at a hearing. Most said it was the best deal they would get for what once had been a \$160 million empire

"As far as I'm concerned, the jig is over - I'm approving the sale," the judge said.

Mernick, a 34-year-old real estate magnate, on Monday bid \$36.25 million at Heritage USA headquarters near Fort Mill, one week after PTL founder Jim Bakker and three former associates were indicted on fraud and conspiracy charges by a federal grand jury in North Carolina.

Mernick increased his bid to \$65 million after meeting Tuesday with attorneys for the ministry and creditors.

"We're excited," Mernick told reporters outside the courthouse after Reynold's decision. "We're very excited and happy we won.



Mernick

We look forward to being here. The Heritage USA theme park and accompanying satellite television operation were left behind by Bakker in March 1987 after he admitted he had a sexual liaison with church secretary Jessica Hahn and had her paid to keep quiet about it.

Mernick said he would consider keeping Heritage USA operating as a Christian park.

However, he would not answer questions about whether Heritage Ministries would be able to continue leasing the television ministry and church at Fort Mill.

We are in the middle of ongoing discussions" with Heritage Ministries, Mernick said, adding that he would outline plans within two weeks.

The assets purchased include the satellite network carried on more than 800 cable systems; 1,700 undeveloped acres in northern York County; two 500-room hotels, one unfinished; and a water park.

Mernick said in October that he was interested in PTL "purely as a real estate deal.

Sources close to Mernick said he intends to hold onto the undeveloped land for up to 10 years as its value rises, and to come up with a plan for the hotels and TV network, The Charlotte (N.C.) Observer reported today.

The sources told the newspaper Mernick is prepared to absorb \$12 million in operating losses on PTL in the first year alone.

Sam Johnson, president of the nonprofit Heritage Ministries and pastor of the church, said Mernick told him he was "sensitive" to the religious operation. **Johnson said Heritage Ministries** still wants to buy Heritage USA, or at least the church, hotel, television network and studios.

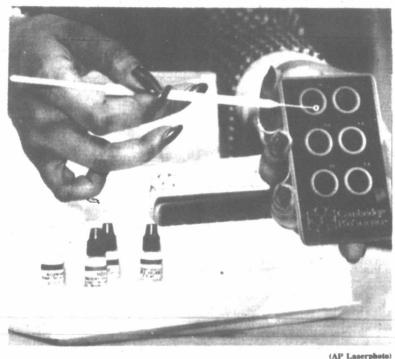
"What we've done is switch landlords. Our future depends on negotiations with the new landlord," he said.

In an Aug. 18 appraisal, Arthur Little & Co. of Atlanta said PTL's assets would be worth \$76 million to \$85 million if sold piecemeal. Reynolds said the property is worth \$75 million.

The purchase price would pay in full the \$40 million in claims of secured creditors, those whose claims are secured by collateral such as land or buildings. It would also pay \$5 million in administrative costs.

The rest would be divided among three groups of creditors: the Internal Revenue Service, which is claiming about \$60 million in taxes; the Lifetime Partners, or major PTL contributors, who are seeking at least \$20 million; and unsecured creditors. whose claims total \$10 million to \$13 million.

Bakker, who previously submitted a bid, had no comment on the sale.



AIDS testing kit is displayed in Boston.

FDA approves first **5-minute AIDS test**

BOSTON (AP) - The first fiveminute test for AIDS has been approved by the U.S. government, and authorities said it is 99.6 percent accurate and offers the fastest results of any tests for the deadly disease.

hours," Buck said. "This test requires three to five minutes."

Unlike the ELISA, which requires labs and technicians, the new test can be given under crude conditions where even refrigeration is lacking. Experts believe The test was cleared Tuesday this should make the test useful in places like Africa, where acquired immune deficiency syndrome is widespread and where blood is frequently not screened before transfusions.

Groups want assessment of nuke safety

WASHINGTON (AP) - Eighteen citizen groups today called on the Department of Energy to give the public a comprehensive assessment of environmental safety at the government's trouble-plagued nuclear weapons production centers.

The groups, led by the Natural Resources Defense Council, released a letter to Energy Secretary John S. Herrington urging preparation of a "programmatic environmental impact statement" on the entire complex, which involves 17 facilities employing some 100,000 people in 12 states.

"It is time to take the wraps off what has been in effect the Department of Energy's 'Stealth' program and to compel meaningful public scrutiny of its plans for the complex," said Dan W. Reicher, an attorney for the council.

The move came one day after the NRDC and two other groups filed suit to compel the Energy Department to prepare an environmental impact statement on its sprawling Savannah River plant in South Carolina before any of the three weapons reactors there can be restarted.

Savannah River is the only DOE facility capable of producing tritium, a radioactive isotope of hydrogen vital to boosting the explosive yield of nuclear warheads. Because tritium decays at a rate of 5.5 percent a year, it needs to be replenished regularly

An Energy Department advisory panel is opposing the DOE's plan to restart one of the reactors - called the K reactor - at Savannah River because of continuing safety concerns, according to reports in today's New York Times and Washington Post. The restart is tentatively scheduled for next summer.

Responding to the Savannah River lawsuit that was filed Tuesday, Energy Department spokeswoman Christina Sankey said: "We have consulted informally over the last several weeks with representatives of the NRDC, the Energy Research Foundation and Greenpeace about our plans regarding preparation of an EIS. While we did not reach an agreement, the department does intend to meet all of its obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act."

In both instances the citizen groups invoked the 1969 act, which requires environmental impact statements for any "major federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment."

Endorsing the call for a programmatic environmental impact statement - or PEIS -

was a separate letter to Herrington from Reps. Les AuCoin, D-Ore.; Albert Bustamante, D-Texas; Mike Synar, D-Okla., and Ron Wyden, D-Ore.

The citizen groups, in their letter to Herrington, noted that "the nuclear warhead production complex is at a major crossroads in its 40-year history.

Activities planned by DOE include "construction of a variety of new production facilities, major renovations across the complex, decommissioning and decontamination of scores of facilities, and cleanup of hundreds of waste sites," the letter said.

It cited press reports that a classified DOE study expected to be sent shortly to Congress will propose spending \$50 billion over the next 20 years for various renovation and upgrade programs.

"The far-reaching and interrelated changes DOE has proposed to make in the nuclear weapons production program are exactly the sort of major federal actions that require a PEIS," the letter said.

"Given a vast array of costly proposals, DOE will have to make hard decisions over the next few years about where to spend its limited funds and Congress is going to be asked to approve or modify these decisions,' the citizen groups said.

trade deficit narrows

WASHINGTON (AP) - The kets. In some months, an unex-U.S. trade deficit narrowed to \$10.35 billion in October, the smallest imbalance in three months, the government reported today.

The Commerce Department imports, which declined to \$38.02 said that the merchandise trade billion, on a seasonally adjusted gap between what the United

pectedly bad number has sent stock market prices plunging and pushed the dollar into a tailspin.

The October improvement came from a 1.7 percent drop in basis.

This remarkable surge in export sales has been responsible for almost half of America's overall economic growth this year as American manufacturers have hired workers and stepped up output to meet demand. Through October, the overall

merchandise trade deficit has

President-elect Bush cited this improvement during the presidential campaign as proof that the Reagan administration's policies of solving the country's trade woes were working

The administration launched an effort in September 1985 to drive the value of the dollar lower

by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Its maker, Worcesterbased Cambridge Bioscience, said it should be on the market in a few weeks.

"This technical advance should help make testing available to all who want to be tested," FDA Commissioner Frank E. Young said in Washington. "It will also be particularly useful in remote areas of the world that lack the facilities for earlier approved tests.'

The results of those earlier tests — now the mainstay of AIDS screening - frequently are not available for weeks.

Gary Buck, chairman of Cam-bridge Bioscience, said the new test, called the Recombigen HIV-1 Latex Agglutination Test, 6 should be useful anywhere that quick results are important. e

'The big boon is that it's fast, and it will be useful in Third World countries and places 6 where lab facilities might be less than ideal in order to screen large 6 populations in a rapid, simple way," said Dr. Paul Skolnik, a virologist at New England Medic-al Center.

The test is 99.6 percent accurate, Buck said. But the company recommends that as with the current screening test, called the enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay, or ELISA, blood samples that are positive for the AIDS virus be confirmed by a timeconsuming, backup test called the Western blot.

The speed of the Recombigen means those who are free of the virus are likely to be given the good news immediately, Buck said. But those who are probably infected will be told further testing is necessary. Like other AIDS tests, this one

checks for AIDS infection by spotting antibodies to the human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, which causes AIDS.

"All of the present (ELISA) tests require, under the best of circumstances, three to five

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Teena Lerner, an analyst at Shearson Lehman Hutton in New York, said the test also may be given in many settings in the United States, such as venereal disease clinics.

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States imports and what it sells overseas fell by 3.1 percent from a September deficit of \$10.67 billion The decline, the second con-

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This decline offset a smaller 1.1 percent drop in U.S. exports, which edged down to \$11.75 billion

Even with the small setback in exports, U.S. overseas sales remained near record high levels. For the first 10 months of this year, export sales are running 28.3 percent above the same

been running at an annual rate of \$136.1 billion, 20 percent below

to make American goods more competitive on overseas markets the all-time high imbalance of while driving up the price of im-



World



Shamir rejects Arafat's speech.

Israel prepared for U.S. to let PLO in peace talks

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israel radio and armed forces radio Tuesday had announced the U.S. government would announce after Yasser Arafat's speech to the U.N. General Assembly that it accepts the PLO as a partner in peace talks.

The reports said Charles Hill, a senior aide to Secretary of State George P. Shultz, told Israel's U.S. ambassador, Moshe Arad, the announcement was contigent upon Arafat changing parts of his speech to meet U.S. conditions.

Hill initially told Arad that Arafat had met those conditions, the reports said. According to the reports, U.S. officials had proposed some alterations in language after requesting and receiving a draft of the speech.

to announce immediately after the speech that they will open a dialogue with the PLO," said Israel radio correspondent Oded Ben-Ami.

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PLO would increase pressure on Israel to follow suit but that he would not budge from his refusal to deal with the organization. Israel considers the PLO a terrorist organization.

(AP Laserphoto)

"No matter what he says, it will not change his (Arafat's) ... desire to destroy Israel," Shamir told Maariv. "He has not changed his substance, just his tactics."

Washington considers Palestinian participation in the Middle East peace process essential but has set three conditions for talking to the PLO: explicit recognition of Israel's right to exist, renunciation of terrorism, and acceptance of U.N. Resolutions 242 and 338 without qualification.

rights of all states in the region to exist within secure borders.

Quake relief supplies piling up in Spitak

MOSCOW (AP) - Relief supplies for victims of the Armenian earthquake are stacking up in Spitak, one of the hardest-hit towns, rather than being rushed out to survivors, the Communist Party newspaper Pravda reported today

In its Tuesday editions, Pravda gave the first indications that looting and other crimes were becoming a problem in the disaster area, reporting break-in attempts at a jewelry store and apartments and the murder of one person.

It also said helmeted soldiers wearing bullet-proof vests had taken up positions in the streets of Leninakan to keep order.

Premier Nikolai Ryzhkov head of earthquake relief, said Monday that a "special situation" had been declared in Leninakan and Spitak to give the Soviet Army power to maintain peace, resulting in a higher police presence.

At the airport in Spitak, a town of 25,000 nearly completely destroyed by the Dec. 7 quake, "a huge quantity of goods desperately needed in the disaster areas has piled up," Pravda said. It said there were difficulties providing tents to both the survivors and to rescuers.

The signing took place in Braz-

The agreement provides for a

phased withdrawal of the 50,000

zaville, Congo, said the state-run

Africa reported.

radio report.

said today that Soviet rescuers had requested mass quantities of plastic sheets for use as temporary shelters. Medical experts say it is

for the U.S. Embassy in Moscow,

already too late to help the countless thousands who remain trapped under rubble and that relief efforts must focus on the hurt and homeless.

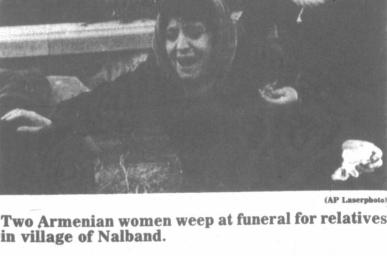
We now consider the search and rescue phase as being over because there is very little hope of finding anyone alive," said Robert Gale, the U.S. bone marrow specialist who helped care for victims of the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear disaster in the Soviet Ukraine.

Ryzhkov has pledged to keep searching for survivors as long as it was possible.

About 5,400 people have been pulled from buildings wrecked in the quake, which officials say killed at least 55,000 people and injured 13,000. The 500,000 people left homeless must cope with subfreezing nights.

Gale said attention should go toward providing proper medical care. Many hospitals were destroyed in the quake, and the people who staffed them killed.

"In the long run, we'll save more lives in Yerevan by rein-Michael Hurley, a spokesman forcing the hospitals there," Gale ders, said survivors in the Spitak



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said after visiting the stricken region, about 50 miles northwest of the Armenian capital.

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"People are staying close to their homes, without shelter or access to aid that is available in the bigger towns. They cannot stay like this and survive."

South-West Africa preliminary accord signed

JOHANNESBURG, South Afri-South Africa's foreign minisca (AP) - Cuba, South Africa and ter, R.F. Botha, flew to Brazzaville for the signing and outlined Angola Tuesday signed a preliminary accord under which the plan for reporters on the South-West Africa would gain inplane. He said a final treaty dependence April 1 and Cuba would be signed in New York on would gradually withdraw its Dec. 22. troops from Angola, Radio South Under the U.N.-supervised

plan, 3,000 Cuban soldiers would withdraw from Angola before April 1 and the entire Cuban force in Angola would leave within 27 months after that date.

Under a 1978 U.N. resolution

governing the withdrawal of South African troops from Namibia, all but 1,500 would be out 12 weeks before the election campaign would begin there.

South Africa has not disclosed how many soldiers it has in Namibia, but various estimates put the figure at about 50,000.

Cubans forces arrived in Angola in 1975 to back the government in its war with anti-Marxist rebels backed by South Africa. Botha said half the Cubans will

leave Angola before the Namibian independent elections, about Nov. 1. Another 8,000 will leave by April 1, 1990, he said, and 5,000 more by Oct. 1, 1990. The remainder must be out within 27 months after the independence process begins.

The withdrawal will be accompanied by a gradual removal of Cuban forces to the north of Angola, away from the border with Namibia, Botha said.



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Judge orders \$1.8 million restitution estate tor rea

TYLER (AP) - A man who was sentenced to six years in prison for his role in the "Interstate 30 corridor'' condominium scam has been ordered to pay \$1.8 million in restitution, but has tucked away \$1 million in trust funds that only his family can touch, a judge said

Joseph E. Casperone pleaded guilty in 1985 to four counts of making false statements to a financial institution for promoting real estate loans that eventually led to the downfall of Tylerbased Investex Savings Association.

Casperone was sentenced by U.S. District Judge William M. Steger to consecutive two-year terms on each of the first three counts

Steger suspended imposition of sentence on the fourth count and placed Casperone on five years' probation to be served following completion of his sentence.

PHILADELPHIA (AP) —

Dozens of homeless people have

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frigerator cartons to shelter

Terry Ryan said he doesn't

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Ryan is one of an estimated

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The judge Monday also ordered Casperone to pay \$1.8 million in restitution to Investex stockholders during the probationary period, fined Casperone a total \$15,000 and ordered him to perform 832 hours of community service

Casperone and his partner, Francis Allan Clark, both pleaded guilty in December 1985 to charges of using falsified land appraisals to induce Investex officials to approve loans for development of three Dallas-area tracts.

Court documents show that, between June 3 and Sept. 1, 1983, Casperone and Clark developed a plan to present applications for loans so their associates could invest in tracts known as the Brodsky Development in Tarrant County, the Heather Development in Collin County and the Signal Bay **Development in Dallas County.** All three tracts were in the

vicinity of an explosion in condominium development in an area which became known collectively as the "I-30 corridor." Many of those developments have since become the subject of extensive civil and criminal litigation involving allegations of widespread land fraud.

On the Brodsky Development, for example, court records show that Clark executed a purchase contract in June 1983 for 91 cents per square foot, or about \$8 million for the 202-acre tract. The purchase was completed July 15.

appraiser to render a false appraisal reflecting a value of \$5.39 per square foot for the same property, documents show.

Clark and Casperone used that

\$42,279,200, the court records show

The deal resulted in a loss to the asset position of Investex of about \$33 million, which included \$24 million paid to Clark and Casperone, and \$9 million retained by the S&L for prepaid interest and loan fees.

Steger appeared angry during Monday's sentencing proceedings about the fate of \$1 million in trust funds for children of Casperone and his wife, Margaret. The money reportedly came deals.

naming the same five children as beneficiaries.

As part of his plea agreement with prosecutors, Casperone was to have signed the necessary documents to enable federal authorities to "bust," or dismantle, the trusts.

They have been unable to do so, however, and Steger indicated he does not have the power to order the trusts dismantled.

Steger asked Casperone about the trusts, and the defendant indicated that he too was powerless to obtain the trust funds as part of his restitution.

"There's \$1 million out here that's going to be in the family Casperone and it came out of the savings and loan," Steger said.

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"Mr. Casperone created this and made it impossible for the bank to do anything about it and yet he's going to profit by it.'

In all, records show that Investex officers approved 76 loans totaling \$110 million for the developments.

Documents reveal most of those loans went to "investors" who had falsified their own financial statements at the urging of Casperone and Clark. Virtually all of those investors eventually pleaded guilty to federal bankfraud charges and were sentenced

Only \$52 million in loan funds, however, were actually disbursed before state and federal bank examiners became suspicious and ordered independent reappraisals of all three tracts.

from the proceeds of those land Clark then arranged for an Court records show that Cas-"If I had the power to get the perone on Oct. 19, 1983, executed funds, I'd do it," Casperone said. irrevocable trusts of \$100,000 with RepublicBank Dallas for each of his two children and for Margaret Casperone's three children by a previous marriage In addition, Casperone ex-CUSTOM PICTURE FRAMING ecuted another trust of \$500,000 with a Cayman Islands bank



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subway stations in previous years, this is the first year such a vast conglomeration of cardboard shelters has been erected. Ryan, 19, is proud of his parti-

cularly large living quarters. He has used wire and two metal poles to combine several smaller boxes into a 7-by-14-foot shelter and tacked up plastic sheets to cut down drafts. With this much room, Ryan invited three other men and one woman to live with him

"These are my people," he said. "We help out each other. Everybody down here are protective of each other.

Plunging temperatures — it was just 13 degrees here early Tuesday — have added urgency to the plight of the homeless. In

for 13 years since his family moved to New York City and abandoned him.

"I'd never go back to a shelter," he said. "They steal your things." Clothing is taken most often in the shelters, he said, but added, "People will take anything they can.'

Rodriguez had been living under a bridge until he came underground to escape the cold several weeks ago. He said he has been homeless about five months but plans to enter a job program in January

arts," he said.

Lisa Culpepper, Rodriguez's 19-year-old girlfriend, also lives in the box. "We met awhile back, then met up again down here," Rodriguez said.

mate, had been in a home with Rodriguez as a child and met up with him again about a week ago.

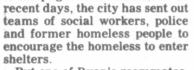
a trenchcoat, and Rodriguez, who sported a Notre Dame jacket, Danny had on only a dress shirt and sweat pants. The 18-year-old, who declined to give his last name, said he leaves the box as rarely as possible, "because it's cold even down here.

The men said they are comfortable with their shelter. "There's no rats or anything." Rodriguez said, "And most of the others are older people so no one bothers us.

toilet is four blocks away, he said. 'Most of the older people can't make it that far, so they just go on themselves," he said. "That

One city doctor has been

appraisal both to induce 22 other people to invest in the development and to induce Investex officers to approve loans for those investors totaling



But one of Ryan's roommates, Miguel Rodriguez, said he feels safer in his cardboard home.

Rodriguez, 18, said he had lived in a series of homes and shelters



ROBES

BIG SPRING (AP) - A group of West Texas state legislators have formed a coalition to help compete with the voting power of lawmakers from the other side of U.S. Interstate 35.

State Rep. Troy Fraser, R-Big Spring, said he expects the bipartisan coalition formed last week to vote as a bloc to advance the interests of their West Texas constituents

Legislators from other parts of the state, especially along and east of I-35 far outnumber lawmakers from West Texas, who nevertheless represent a far larger land area, said Fraser.

"One thing we have to accept is the need to work together on issues that are important to West Texas," he told the Big Spring Herald. "Those issues are rural health care, school finance, water and underground water issues."

Of the more than 70 Texas hospitals closed in the past decade, all but one have been rural hospitals, Fraser said.

"There's a prejudice in the system that allows urban areas to receive a larger percentage of the funds in Medicare and Medicaid reimbursements than rural areas," he said.

"What the coalition will attempt to do is at least ask for equal funding in this reimbursement area, so we would receive equal return for our rural hospitals," he added.

The coalition is made up of lawmakers from both parties, because issues vital to the region cut through party lines, said Fraser.

"It's the first effort for everyone to get together to discuss the issues and make sure we're voting as a bloc," he said.

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Wishing cookies are cookies that are meant to crumble. Press the center of the cookie. If it breaks into three pieces — and you can eat all three without saying a word — you get to make a wish.

Forget wishbones! Try holiday wishing cookies

By NANCY BYAL Better Homes and Gardens Magazine Food Editor

A Swedish friend told me about the delightful tradition of the wishing cookie. To make a wish, place a cookie in the palm of your hand. Press in the center with one finger of your other hand. If the cookie breaks into three pieces and you can eat all three without saying a word, you get to make a wish

WISHING COOKIES 31/4 cups all-purpose flour 1 teaspoon baking soda 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon ³/₄ teaspoon ground ginger 1/4 teaspoon ground nutmeg 1 cup margarine or butter

- 11/2 cups sugar
- 1 egg
- 2 tablespoons molasses 1 tablespoon water
- 1/2 teaspoon finely shredded
- orange or lemon peel Lace Icing
- (recipe follows)

Stir together flour, baking soda, cinnamon, ginger and nutmeg. In a large mixer bowl beat margarine until softened. Add sugar and beat until fluffy. Add egg, molasses, water and peel; beat well. Gradually add flour mixture, beating until well mixed. Cover and chill about 2

hours or until easy to handle. On lightly floured surface roll dough ¹/₈-inch thick. Cut with cookie cutters. Place on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake in a 375°F oven about 8 minutes or until done. Remove and cool. With a decorating bag and writing tip, pipe on a design with Lace Icing. Makes about 100.

Lace Icing: Stir together 2 cups sifted powdered sugar, 1/2 teaspoon vanilla and enough light cream or milk (about 2 tablespoons) to make icing of piping consistency.

Nutrition information per

Egg Pizza Ole is recipe contest winner

Cross a tostada and a pizza and what do you get? Egg Pizza Ole, says Karen Berger of Jamestown, N.C. Karen's colorful, zesty dish won the \$4,000 first prize in the junior division of the American Egg Board's 1988 National Egg Cooking Contest.

Karen liked the idea of topping ggs pizza-style with her favorite Mexican ingredients but wanted something that would be easy to eat. So she made the eggs into an omelet and added a flour tortilla base that can enfold the filling like a sandwich.

To receive a copy of the 1988 National Egg Cooking Contest Winning Recipes, send a stamped, self-addressed, business-sized envelope to: The In-credible Edible Egg 25, P.O. Box 755, Park Ridge, Ill. 60068-0755. EGG PIZZA OLE

2 eggs 1 tablespoon water 1/4 teaspoon salt ¹/₄ teaspoon chili powder 1 tablespoon margarine or

butter One 10-inch flour tortilla ¹/₃ cup chopped tomato 2 tablespoons sliced green onion

2 tablespoons canned chopped green chili peppers, drained 2 tablespoons sliced pitted ripe olives

Wichita Falls

1/4 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese (1 ounce) 1/8 teaspoon dried oregano, crushed Avocado slices (optional)

Salsa (optional)

In a small bowl beat together eggs, water, salt and chili powder until blended. In a 10-inch omelet pan or skillet over medium heat, heat butter until just hot enough to sizzle a drop of water. Pour in egg mixture. Cook until eggs are set but still moist, about 3 to 4 minutes. As eggs cook, lift cooked edges with spatula and tilt pan so uncooked mixture can run beneath. Remove from heat.

Place tortilla on greased 12inch pizza pan or ovenproof serving plate. Top with cooked egg round. Sprinkle tomato, onion, chili peppers and olives over top. Sprinkle with cheese and oregano. Bake in 350°F oven 8 to 10 minutes or until cheese is bubbly and edges of tortilla are crisp. Garnish with avocado slices and serve with salsa, if desired. Makes 1 serving.

Nutrition information per serving: 467 cal., 22 g pro., 20 g carb., 33 g fat, 575 mg chol., 1,318 mg sodium. U.S.RDA: 84 percent vit. A, 40 percent vit. C, 12 percent thiamine, 28 percent riboflavin, 36 percent calcium, 22 percent iron, 38 percent phosphorous.

look for plump nutmeats which

are uniform in color and size. The

best have a bright golden color.

You may choose to purchase

halves for garnishes, but pecan



You'll treat your friends and family to an awardwinning dish when you serve Egg Pizza Ole. The recipe won first place in the junior division of the American Egg Board's 1988 National Egg Cooking Contest.

exas is one of top pecan producing states **By JUDITH K. McGINNIS** yield about 21/2 cups of kernels.

About 4 ounces of shelled pecans **Times Record News** equal a cup. When selecting shelled pecans.

WICHITA FALLS (AP) - You may be wild about walnuts, mad for macadamias, or bonkers over Brazil nuts, but nothing can match the passion Texans have for pecans.

From fireside crackers who eat almost as much as they save, to commerical growers who produce tons of nutmeats each year, our love of pecans runs as deep as the roots of this native tree.

The average annual pecan production in Texas, including native and improved varieties, is about 65 million pounds --- worth about \$34 million to the state's economy. Texas is currently ranked second nationally in pecan production.

needs. Pieces usually cost less and save on chopping time. The high polyunsaturated fat content of pecans that makes them taste so good also is what causes them to dry out, shrink or turn rancid if not properly stored. Though whole nuts retain their

quality longer than shelled, all pecans keep longer if refrigerated. Freezing pecans, whole or shelled, is the best way to ensure their flavor and crispness. Frozen

pecans do not have to be thawed before they are added to a recipe, and they can be refrozen several times without loss of quality.

Pecans will absorb odors from

jars with tight-fitting lids. Here are some ways to use Texas' favorite nutmeats:

TEXAS PECAN PIE 1 cup white corn syrup

- cup dark brown sugar
- 1/3 teaspoon salt
- ¹/₃ cup melted butter 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 slightly beaten eggs
- 1¹/₂ cup pecan halves
- 1 (9-inch) unbaked pie

crust Mix syrup, sugar, salt and

vanilla. Mix in slightly beaten eggs. Add pecans. Pour into pie crust. Bake at 350 degrees about 45 minutes

PECAN BROCCOLI 2 pounds broccoli

- **Freshly ground black**
- pepper
- Fresh lemon juice ¹/₃ cup pecans

4 tablespoons unsalted

Salt

butter 1 finely chopped garlic drain and tie securely into bunches with cotton string. Cook, tightly covered, in small amount of water 15-20 minutes or until tender. Drain; remove string.

Arrange broccoli on warm platter. Season with salt, pepper and sprinkle with lemon juice. Saute pecans in butter until lightly browned. Add garlic. Sprinkle garlic butter and pecans over broccoli. Serve at once. Makes 6 servings

⅓ teaspoon salt

Juice of 1 orange

1 teaspoon vanilla

1 cup lightly toasted

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4 tablespoons corn syrup

3/4 cup evaporated milk

1 teaspoon grated orange

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Th and fron Bring sugar, salt, syrup and that milk to boil. Add orange peel and gene cook to 234 degrees on a candy

cookie: 53 cal., 1 g pro., 8 g carb., 2 g fat, 3 mg chol., 33 mg sodium. Microwave this fruit compote Although many folks have their

By NANCY BYAL Better Homes and Gardens Magazine Food Editor

or until heated through. Spoon into sherbet dishes or compote. Serve warm or chilled. Makes 6

pecans provided naturally, via the backyard orchard, some of us must purchase papershells. When buying inshell pecans, look

- pieces will suit most of your

Nutrition information per serv-Quick cooking in the microwave keeps the colors of pears. ing: 151 cal., 1 g pro., 39 g carb., 0 g fat, 0 mg chol., 12 mg sodium. oranges and grapes brilliant. Be-U.S. RDA: 34 percent vit. C. gin a holiday brunch or end a rich holiday dinner with this fruit

compote **RUBY FRUIT COMPOTE** One 8-ounce can whole

cranberry sauce

- 2 tablespoons honey
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice ¹/₄ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
- 3 fresh pears, pared,
- cored and quartered
- 2 medium oranges, peeled, sliced, and slices halved
- 1/2 cup seedless green
- grapes, halved

In a microwave-safe 1¹/₂-quart casserole combine cranberry sauce, honey, lemon juice, cinnamon and ginger. Cook, covered, on 100 percent power (high) for 2 to 4 minutes or until boiling. Add pears, stirring gently to coat with cranberry mixture. Cook, covered, on high for 3 to 5 minutes or until pears are tender, stirring once. Add oranges and grapes. Cook, covered, for 1/2 to 1 minute

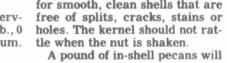
Spicy relish features pears

Keep plenty of this spicy relish around for the holidays.

HOT PEAR RELISH 4 medium pears, peeled and finely chopped (4 cups)

- 4 cups cider vinegar
- 4 large green peppers, finely chopped (3 cups)
- 3 large onions, finely chopped (3 cups)
- 2 cups sugar
- 3 jalapeno peppers, seeded and finely chopped
- 2 tablespoons prepared mustard
- 11/2 teaspoons ground turmeric

In a 5-quart kettle or Dutch oven combine pears, vinegar, green peppers, onions, sugar, jalapeno peppers, mustard and turmeric. Bring to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer, uncovered, about 1 hour or until thick, stirring occasionally. Pack hot pear mixture into hot, clean 1/2-pint canning jars, leaving a 1/2-inch headspace. Wipe jar rims; adjust lids. Process in boiling water bath for 10 minutes (start timing when water boils). Makes 6 halfpints.



other products and they should not be stored near onions, apples, oranges or other products which emit an odor. Pack them in sealable polyethylene bags or glass

clove

Remove and discard large leaves and tough portions of stem from broccoli. Wash broccoli,

ermometer. Add COOK to 350 degrees. Cool. Add butter, vanilla and nuts, beat; drop by teaspoonsful onto greased cookie sheet. Store in airtight container.



Lifestyles

Smart investment in jewelry requires caution, knowledge

NEW YORK (AP) - Shopping for fine jewelry, whether it is a gift for a loved one or a treat for oneself, requires some basic research prior to the search.

You want to be satisfied that you made a smart investment, not to learn later that you were ripped off.

"Always buy from a reputable jeweler or jewelry department," says Steffan Aletti, president of the Jewelry Industry Council. "Don't look for the kinds of deals that lead you to the perpetually 'going-out-of-business' stores or the outfits that always have '50 percent off' sales.

"To be a sale, that merchandise should be sold for its full retail value a substantial amount of the time. Ask yourself, and the retailer, '50 percent off what?'

Also, Aletti says, beware of advertised wholesale' prices; the public does not get wholesale prices, only wholesalers do. And be aware that all properly-made jewelry metal will have two marks: a 'fineness' mark and a trademark

The fineness mark, such as 14K for gold, indicates the type and quality of the metal. The trademark is the manufacturer's signature.

"The Marking and Stamping laws of the United States specify that if a fineness mark is present," says Aletti, "the piece must bear a manufacturer's trademark - an identifiable symbol or initials.

"It is illegal to sell jewelry that has a fineness stamp but no trademark. The only exception is when the piece is too small or delicate to be stamped - a light, filigree earring, for example. In such cases, a string tag with the trademark must be affixed to the piece instead."

While there are no laws mandating a fineness mark, jewelry lacking it is assumed to be of nonprecious metal.

Gold jewelry is generally made from an alloy for durability and color. Pure gold, uncommon because of its softness, is 24K; 18K is three-quarters gold, 14K is 14/24ths gold and 10K, common in emblematic or fraternal jewelry, is less than onehalf gold. Gold jewelry sold in the United States must be a minimum of 10K to be designated by the word "karat."

Platinum, a valuable, heavy white-silver metal, is marked by its full name or by "plat."

Stering silver, the highest quality silver, is marked by one of three designations: STERL., Sterling, or .925. The silver alloy designated ".900" has less silver than sterling and is known as coin silver.

Gold filled, rolled gold plate and gold overlay are mechanical bonding processes that place gold over a base metal. They are less expensive than gold jewelry but resist tarnish and corrosion.

Gold filled jewelry must be a minimum of 1/20th or 5 percent gold. Such a piece might be marked 14K GF, 14K Gold Filled or 1/20th 14K. Rolled gold plate and gold overlay, which are of lesser quality, might be marked 12K RGP or 1/40th 12K RGP or 1/40th Gold Overlay.

"There is no such thing as a free lunch," says Aletti.

New officers for Pampa Chapter of American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) for 1989 are, front row from left, Evelyn McPeak, vice president; Clara Quary, sec-

from left, Melvin Kunkel, assistant state director; Bill Cox, president; George Flaherty, board of directors.



retary: Della Reeves, treasurer. Back row

List helps in buying books recommended for ages 4-13

NEW YORK (AP) — Anytime is the right time to give your child a book, but the holidays are particularly appropriate.

"In the frenzy of shopping and partying, family times can often be strained," says Robert L. Baseman, president of the American Learning Corp. "But if you take time out to read to your children, or give them books of their own, this can serve as a relaxing

ful period."

The ALC is a subsidiary of the Encyclopaedia Britannica, and with the help of the ALC's educational advisory board, Baseman has put together a list of recommended gift books for children aged 4 to 13 years:

AGES 4 to 8

Bon Appetit, Mr. Rabbit! by Claude Boujon (Macmillan, \$10.95). A rabbit, unhappy with

what other members of the animal kingdom eat.

Where's Waldo? by Martin Handford (Little, Brown, \$9.95). Waldo manages to lose hiking equipment in visits to 12 locations spread across the globe.

Stone Soup, by Tony Ross (Dial, \$10.95). The hen and a bad wolf are among the characters in this book illustrated by the author.

Maggie and the Monster, by interlude in a sometimes stress- his own menu, seeks to discover Elizabeth Winthrop (Holiday (Lothrop \$13). Zimbabwe forms

House, \$13..5 hardcover, \$5.95 paperback). A unique guest visits Maggie's room in the evenings. The illustrations are by Tomie dePaola.

Mice at the Beach, by Haruo Yamashita (Morrow, \$10.25). The story of a family of mice in its adventures at a beachfront picnic

An African Tale, by John Steptoe

the backdrop in this tale of one handling of the responsibilities of bad daughter and one good daughter.

My Dad the Magnificent, by Kristy Parker (Dutton, \$10.95). Illustrations by Lillian Hoban enhances this tale of a boy's love for his father.

The Age of Dinosaurs, by David Lambert (Random House, \$6.99

Another Helping of Chips, by Shirley Hughes (Lothrop, Lee & Shepard, \$10.25). The book includes four different stories about Chips, the central character, in tales related in both print and comic strip forms.

Class Clown, by Johanna Hurwitz (Morrow, \$10.95 hardcover; Scholastic, \$2.50 paperback). The story of a boy who has a nose for trouble, and the situations in which he finds himself.

Fydge, by Charlotte Towner

caring for the pup.

A Package for Miss Marshwater, by Elfie Donnelly (Dial. \$9.95). How does the gift of two platypuses change one's life? Read this engaging story.

The Shadowmaker, by Ron Hansen (Harper & Row, \$10.95). A fantasy about a store that has an unusual product to sell - shadows.

AGES 10 to 13

The Basement Baseball Club, by Jeffrey Kelly (Houghton Mifflin, \$12.95). The endearing qualities of America's pastime and childhood fun merge in this story of sandlot baseball.

Charlie Pippin, by Candy Dawson Boyd (Macmillan, \$12.95 hardcover; \$3.95 paperback). This book tells the serious story of parents whose lives were affected by the Vietnam War.

'These are just a few suggestions," says Baseman. "Obviously, there are thousands of book titles, and I encourage a parent to

S&H trades green stamps for electronic cards

By GEORGE W. HACKETT Associated Press Writer

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) - Merchants have been offering lick-and-stick trading stamps since 1896 when shoppers received a handful before they left the checkout counter.

The green stamps went into special books and were exchanged for gifts - everything from bird cages to microwave ovens - but that process is being streamlined for a new generation of consumers.

"We're now offering Green Seals and electronic cards because we've learned that peocords all transactions at the cash register and holds the equivalent of 20 books of stamps," says Lewis.

There are retailers who still prefer the original stamps, and they will be available as long as the demand exists, he says.

The company hit its peak in 1969 with \$369 million in sales and more than 100,000 stores distributing stamps.

"Discount coupons came along about that time," says Lewis, "as supermarkets looked

for ways to reward customers for their patronage. "We also had to cope with the energy

closet shelves, and a few have been used inadvertently to mail letters.

Lewis says, however, that the redemption rate runs about 90 percent.

"And there's no expiration date. We recently received a book of stamps that had been issued in Illinois in 1913," he says.

Some families have used stamps to furnish their living rooms with sofas, chairs or curtains.

"You name it, and we probably have it." says Lewis, adding that S&H once worked out a deal to help purchase a tiger for the zoo in Norfolk, Va.

The company doesn't hesitate to change or expand its line of merchandise. "We're now including sporting goods and a device that fits on a television set to pick up programs for hearing-impaired viewers." It's been 92 years since S&H's first customer traded a book of stamps for a wrought-iron lamp, but the electric can opener, says Lewis, is one of the most popular items. More than 35,000 ended up in America's kitchens in 1986

Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters:

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hardcover, \$2.95 paperback). The illustrations help make even more vivid this subject that has captured the imaginations of young and old alike.

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ple like convenience," says Gil Lewis, vice president of sales for Sperry & Hutchinson in Atlanta.

"Shoppers get one seal for each \$5 purchase. That seal equals 50 stamps and is much easier to use," he says. "Just peel off the back, and you're in business."

The electronic cards resemble credit cards

"The card has a magnetic strip that re-

embargo in 1973 when service stations, our second-largest client, didn't need to give away stamps or anything else because they had nothing 'to sell.'

Today, S&H sales are still in excess of \$100 million, and its outlets include grocery stores, supermarket chains and truck stops scattered around the country, Lewis says. Stamps often find their way into dresser drawers, purse bottoms or boxes stored on Graeber (Lothrop, \$11.95 hard-cover; Simon & Schuster, \$2.50 the content, writing style and paperback). The story of Chad general appropriateness for his or her particular child."



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Infants like presents' wrappings, ribbons best

NEW YORK (AP) — Families should splurge on the wrappings and skimp on the gifts for a baby's first Christmas or Hanukkah, says Annette Axtmann, an expert on infants

"Babies are more interested in ribbons and bows and pretty paper than what is actually in most packages," says Axtmann, director of the Center for Infants and Parents at Teachers College, Columbia University. "What is important for a baby is participation in the joy of holiday giving.'

Babies should be included in unwrapping

presents for themselves and other family members. "Let them tear the paper and drag the ribbons on the floor," Axtmann says.

Parents should also be aware that a few weeks' difference in the age of an infant can make a big difference in how they join in the holiday spirit.

"While the 5-month-old will enjoy simply watching the lights on a tree or a twirling ornament, many 8-month-olds can use a large gift box as support when trying to ' the professor says. "The 10-monthstand. old might want to push that same box around

the floor, and the 13-month-old would probably enjoy carrying presents to other people in the room.'

Axtmann cautions parents that family celebrations may be hectic for a baby, especially if they involve traveling to a new place and seeing new faces.

To ease the baby's tension, she says, parents should bring along a familiar blanket or stuffed animal and a jar of bubble mixture. "Blowing bubbles," Axtmann says, "is an

excellent way to preserve a relaxed, happy feeling for both baby and parent."

Jenny.

College-bound niece is live-in nuisance

DEAR ABBY: My brother died several years ago. He had a daughter I'll call Michele. Michele's mother remarried and moved to another state.

My husband and I have raised three children who are now married and living on their own, so we have two extra bedrooms

Michele graduated from high school last year, and her mother called and asked if Michele could move in with my husband and me while she attends a college near us. We felt this would be OK, as Michele is 18 and considered an adult. Michele's parents agreed to pay us \$125 a month rent, and said that all her other expenses would be taken care of by them.

So far, we have been paid only one month's rent, and Michele has been here for seven months. We paid a \$300 repair bill for her car; our phone bills are outrageous from the calls she makes home and to her friends. She is always borrowing extra money, which she says her mother will repay, but we haven't een one dime of it.

Michele's room is always a terrible mess, and our phone rings at all hours of the night for her. Abby, my husband and I fight constantly, and he wants her out. So do I, but I am afraid it will cause a family feud if ask her to leave.



I've tried talking to her, but it doesn't do any good, and I can't handle any more of this. What would you do, Abby? **AUNT BETSY**

DEAR AUNT BETSY: I would call Michele's mother immediately and tell her that since she failed to uphold her end of the agreement, and Michele is causing problems in your household, Michele must go. Tell her firmly that Michele has one week to vacate the premises. Advise Michele of your decision - help her pack her clothes and stick to your guns. If this causes a family feud, so be it. It's your husband's house, too.

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Abigail Van Buren

"accidents" on my new carpets. Also, my two cats are declawed and cannot defend themselves against Jenny, who deliberately antagonizes them

Although we have discussed these problems on more than one occasion, my parents have consistently ignore 1 my wishes and they continue to bring Jenny along when they visit me.

We have tried putting Jenny outside on a leash and leaving her in the garage, but she barks and whines until we bring her in. I've begged my parents to leave Jenny in a kennel or in the care of a friend, but they refuse.

The issue is becoming a sore spot between my parents and me. Any suggestions?

THERESA

DEAR THERESA: Put a doggy diaper on Jenny, or find DEAR ABBY: My parents, who live in another state, have a small a nearby motel that accepts dog named Jenny. Jenny is a pets, and send Mom and Dad lovable pet, but she frequently has - and Jenny there. And keep your

housekeeper, chauffeur, tutor, etc., but I've never read anything about how much it would cost to replace a good husband. We've never had to hire a carpenter, mechanic, plumber, painter, electrician or gardener. At today's prices, do you realize how many

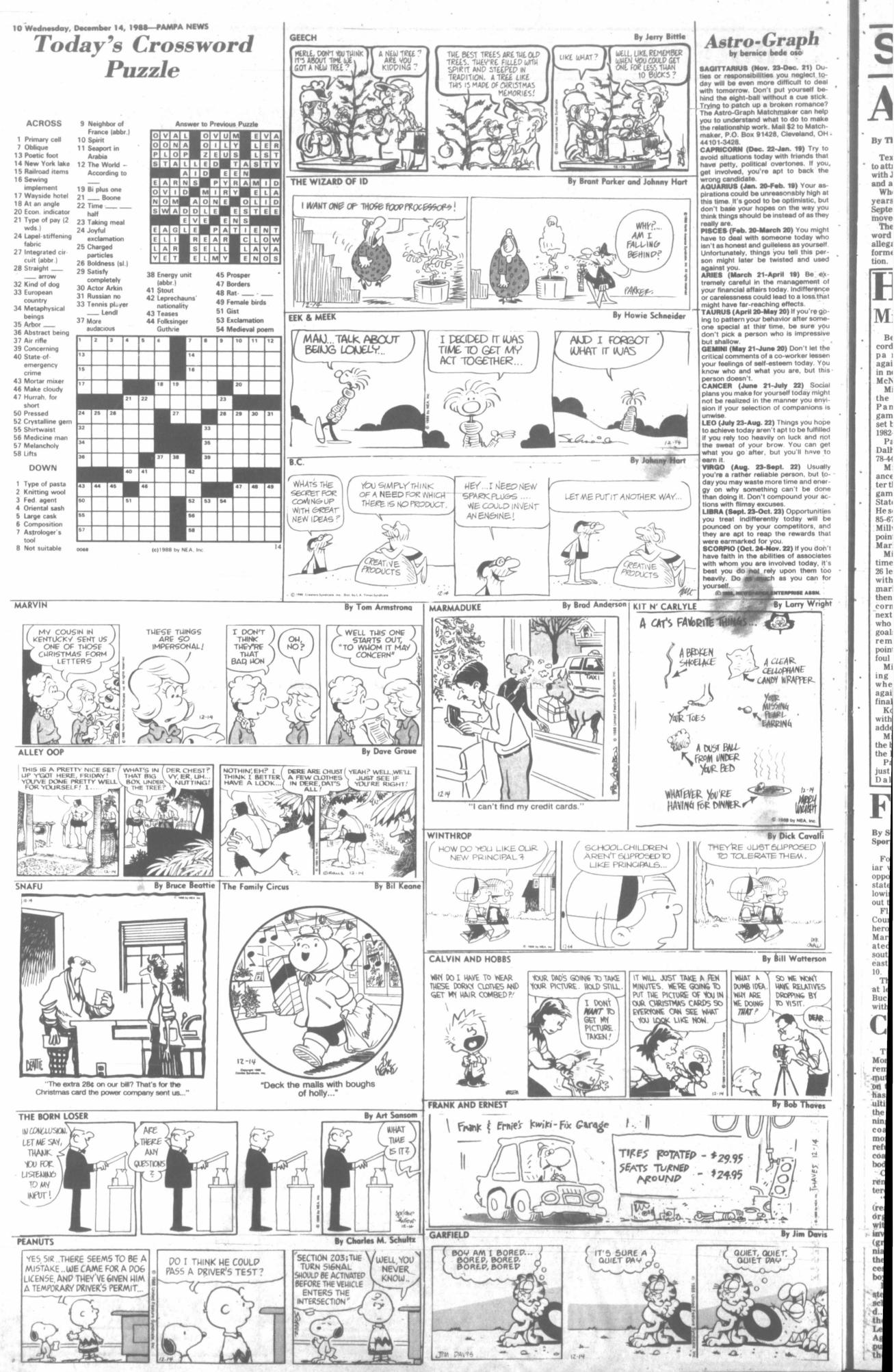
thousands of dollars this saves us every year? My husband also works full time. Besides doing all those things, he's wonderful lover and my best

friend. LUCKY IN OREGON

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DEAR LUCKY: You are indeed lucky. But when you mention the last two virtues - you hit the jackpot in my book.

Is your social life in a slump? Get Abby's booklet, "How to Be Popular" - for people of all ages. To order, send your name and address, plus check or money order for \$2.89 (\$3.39 in Can-ada) to: Dear Abby, Popularity Book-let, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill.



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Sports A&M recruiting efforts at standstill "This latest accusation was kind of tough

Texas A&M suffered the latest setback in its bid to attract the state's top schoolboy football players with Jackie Sherrill's resignation as football coach and athletic director.

When the Aggie program was placed on two years' probation for NCAA rules violations in September, some high school stars said they removed A&M from their list.

The reaction was much the same Tuesday as word spread of Sherrill's announcement amid allegations that he offered "hush money" for a former player's silence during an NCAA investigation.

"Well, scratch them from the list," Craig Johnston, an all-state offensive lineman at Crosby High School, told The Houston Post. "And put down USC instead.'

The Aggies have dominated recruiting in Texas for the past four seasons. A&M, which won three consecutive Southwest Conference championships before finishing second last season, were clear winners in recruiting among SWC schools from 1985-87, and experts ranked them a close second behind Texas in 1988.

Named to replace Sherrill is R.C. Slocum, A&M's defensive coordinator and assistant head coach. But even the players who remain interested in A&M said the Aggies' recruiting effort had come

to a virtual standstill for the last month after the latest reports of alleged violations.

'I knew this was going to happen," Aldine's John Karkoska, another all-state lineman in 1987, said. "I spoke to them on the phone two weeks ago, but that was the last time I heard from them. They were calling me every third day the whole season. but that stopped when all the media stuff started.

"I can understand. If I was a recruiter for A&M. wouldn't want to have to call the best players in the state and explain all that stuff," he said.

Considered by some to be the top quarterback prospect in the state, L.D. Bell's Tommy Maddox said the most recent allegations confirmed his thinking that he should look elsewhere.

"This latest accusation was kind of tough to overlook," Maddox told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "I had thought about visiting there, but after this latest episode, I haven't even considered them. It is just too risky a chance for me to take."

Slocum has been at A&M 16 years over two periods. He was responsible for Dallas-Fort Worth area recruiting as an assistant, and Dallas Carter High School is among the schools at which A&M has recruited well in the recent past.

Darren Lewis, A&M running back, was named last week to The Associated Press All-America team as a sophomore, and another Carter player said he hasn't ruled out the Aggies.

Harvesters roll over Dalhart Landry making plans for 1989 campaign Miller breaks scoring mark

Behind Dustin Miller's record-breaking 50 points, Pampa raced to an 89-52 win against Dalhart Tuesday night in non-district boys' action in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Miller's half-century total is the most ever scored by a Pampa Harvester in one game. The old record was 45 set by Mike Nelson during the 1982-83 season.

Pampa, 7-4 overall, defeated Dalhart in the season opener 78-44.

Miller's record performance came just four nights after the 6-5 senior broke the onegame scoring mark in the Bi-State Classic in Lawton, Okla. He scored 44 points in Pampa's 85-67 loss to Oklahoma City Millwood, which broke the 41point record of Enid, Okla.'s Mark Price.

Miller had 34 points at half-

time with Pampa holding a 48-

26 lead. Miller tied the record

with a foul shot at the 6:14

mark in the fourth quarter and

then broke it with an 18-foot

corner jumper on Pampa's

next trip up the floor. Miller,

who connected on two 3-point

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added 11 Michael Bradshaw came off the bench to score 10 points for the Harvesters.

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Harvesters jumped out to a 13-0 lead and led 19-7 entering the second quarter.

Pampa also swamped the visiting Wolves on the boards 37-23. Miller ripped down 18 rebounds while 6-6 pivot Landon Thornton had a half-dozen boards

Pampa swings into District 1-4A action Friday night, traveling to Lubbock Estacado.

"We need help in the stands," PHS head coach **Robert Hale urged Harvester** fans. "This is a good time of year to go shopping in Lubbock and see the game also."

The boys' varsity game tips off at 8 p.m.

Pampa, 1-0 in loop play, hosts Hereford at 8 p.m. Monday night in the district's home opener

"We need a great crowd on hand for that one. I predict it will be one of the most exciting games we have," Hale said.

Hereford is 1-1 in district play and 5-4 overall.

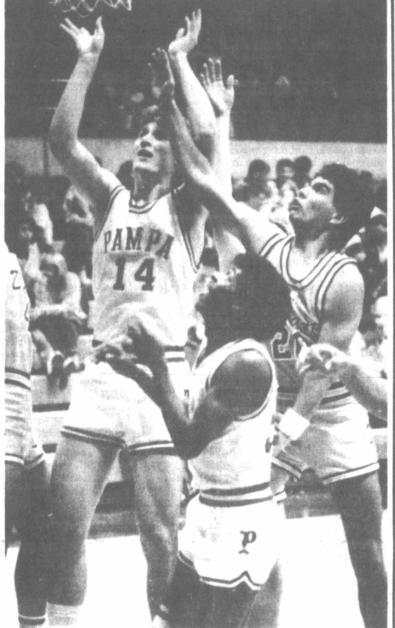
In Pampa's only district game, the Harvesters edged Randall 57-55.

"These kids will get to believing in themselves if we can get the people behind them," Hale said.

In junior varsity action last night, Pampa defeated Dalhart 84-52.

Pampa (89) Dustin Miller, 50; Michael Bradshaw, 10; Mark Wood, 8; Ryan Teague, 8; Kerry Brown, 5; Landon Thornton, 4; Greg Fergerson, 2; Chris Hoganson, 2.

Dalhart (52) Koby Koelzer, 18; Brian Walker, 11; Jim Whaley, 8: Greg Zundel, 7: Douglas George, 4; Junior



By DENNE H. FREEMAN AP Sports Writer

IRVING - Tom Landry already is making big plans for next year even though the Dallas Cowboys haven't found a new owner.

"I don't worry about things I can't control," said the Dallas coach. "We'll meet next week, break for Christmas, then come back and re-evaluate everything.

The quarterback position is one are that will be closely studied. Landry said on Tuesday Steve Pelluer could be the starting quarterback heading into training camp if he plays well against Philadelphia on Sunday.

"Steve seems to be in command of what he is doing," Landry said. "He only made two technical errors against Washington and that's good. I think he will be much improved by next season.' However, Landry said the Cowboys, who ended a 10-game losing streak with a 24-17 victory over Washington, would draft UCLA's Troy Aikman if they got the chance.

"We wouldn't turn down a top quarterback if we had a chance to get him," Landry said. "You can't have too many exceptional players at one position.

Landry also said that the Cowboys will take a long look at rookie Scott Secules, who hasn't played a down this season.

"Scott will be the number one guy we will look at this summer," Landry said. "We want to see what he can do. We like his potential. He is extremely bright. We'll take a hard look at him during the preseason.

Landry said he hoped to play

toe

"It's been hard to work Kevin into the games the way Steve has been playing," Landry said.

Landry said he would only keep three quarterbacks next year and there is a question whether veteran Danny White, who has missed most of the season with injury, fits into the plans.

NFL standings

By The Associated Press AMERICAN CONFERENCE

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	Indianapolis	8	7	0			
	N.Y. Jets	7	7	1	.500		
	Miami Central	6	9	0	.400	295	340
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y-clinched playoff berth Monday's Game Miami 38, Cleveland 31

Saturday

Washington at Cincinnati, 11:30 a.m. New England at Denver, 3 p.m.

New England at Denver, 3 p.m. Sunday Atlanta at New Orleans, noon. Buffalo at Indianapolis, noon. Detroit at Tampa Bay, noon. Houston at Cleveland, noon. Miami at Pittsburgh, noon. New York Giants at New York Jets,

Philadelphia at Dallas, noon Seattle at Los Angeles Raiders, 3

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White Deer's

Harvesters' Miller (14) scores record 50 points.

second-string quarterback Kevin Sweeney against Philadelphia on Sunday if possible.

Kansas City at San Diego, 3 p.m. Green Bay at Phoenix, 3 p.m. Los Angeles Rams at San Francisco,

Monday, Dec. 19 Chicago at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Jones joins cagers

By SONNY BOHANAN Sports Writer

For those who may be unfamiliar with Flatonia, White Deer's opponent in Saturday's Class A state football championship, following is a little information about the town.

Flatonia is located in Fayette County, named for the French hero of the American Revolution, Marquis de Lafayette. It is situated approximately 45 miles southeast of Austin and 80 miles east of San Antonia on Interstate

10. The Bulldogs will have to drive at least an hour longer than the Bucks to get to Sweetwater, and with all the changing of highways

between Brownwood and Abilene, they should probably count on another hour.

As of 1982, Flatonia had a population of 1,070, and the town boasts 48 business establishments. Its primary industry is manufacturing, ranging from machine parts and refining to oil field gaskets.

A look

Flatonia is also located about 20 miles from the infamous Fayette county seat, La Grange, immortalized in the musical The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas. Besides its high school football

team, Flatonia is perhaps best known for its Annual Czech Chili Cookoff.

As for its football team - the Bulldogs - Flatonia is long on

credentials. This year marks the Dogs' fifth consecutive trip to the playoffs. In 1984, Flatonia bowed out in the semifinals, the area playoffs in '85, bi-district in '86 and the quarterfinals in '87.

The Bulldogs also bring a perfect 15-0 record to Saturday's championship game, including nine shutouts, two of them in the playoffs. The Class A final is the only one of all the five classes that features two undefeated teams battling it out for the crown.

Below is a list of each of Flatonia's games and the scores:

Regular Season Flatonia 49, Weimar 0 Flatonia 42, Lexington 22 Flatonia 21, Marion 0 Flatonia 31, Schulenburg 7 Flatonia 26, Karnes City 0 Flatonia 32, Skidmore-Tynan 6 Flatonia 28, Falls City 0 Flatonia 32. Pettus 0 Flatonia 38, Louise 0 Flatonia 35, Runge 0

Playoffs Flatonia 57, Agua Dulce 0 Flatonia 33, D'Hanis 7 Flatonia 35, Thrall 8 Flatonia 25, Bartlett 24 Flatonia 28, Fannindel 0

Head coach for Faltonia, Rick Dillenbeck, has been a member of the Bulldog staff for the past five years, four of them as an assistant. This season marks his first as a head coach.

In several stories this week, the Associated Press has erroneous-

ly listed Flatonia's record as 14-1, which came as somewhat of a surprise to Dillenbeck. "I guess I wasn't at that game," he replied.

The Bulldogs, currently ranked No. 1 in the Harris Ratings, opened the season as the fourthranked team in the state. During the second week, they moved up to the No. 2 spot and during week three they grabbed the top ranking for the first time, which they held for six staight weeks.

Bartlett shoved Flatonia back down to No. 2, but the Bulldogs took over the lead again by defeating Bartlett, 25-24. The weekend, however, the Bucks will be looking to challenge that conclusion.

AUSTIN (AP) - New Texas basketball coach Tom Penders says Longhorn football split end Tony Jones has asked to join the basketball team after final exams this month.

Penders said he would be glad to give Jones a chance.

The 5-foot-7-inch Jones, a junior, played one season of basketball at Angelina Junior College in Lufkin before transferring to Texas, where he had been recruited as a football player.

He also played basketball in high school at Grapeland and holds the University of Texas school record in the 200 meters - 20.28 seconds.

squabble more help than hindrance to Dallas Carter Courtroom

The 5-4 decision announced Monday by the United States Supreme Court wasn't exactly immutable, but it was the final word on the matter. After 12 years of hassling from court to court, the ultimate group of justices took the side of the NCAA in its running battle with UNLV basketball coach Jerry Tarkanian, and more especially the school, which refused to suspend the winning coach as instructed by the ruling body of intercollegiate athletics.

Coming at this time, the Supreme Court decision is extra interesting. Read what it said:

"The justices said that NCAA (read that UIL) acted as a private organization, not one cloaked with governmental authority, in investigating alleged recruiting (grading) violations by Tarkanian (Carter High School), one of the nation's (state's) more successful college coaches (schoolboy football programs)."

In the college case, the next step is uncertain. In the Texas schoolboy case, the issue is settled.....at least until next week. Both the University Interscholastic League and the Texas Education Agency announced they would pursue no further efforts to have the Dallas inner-city football

team barred from the playoffs because of admitted gradechanging that retained eligibility of a star athlete. The battle through various Texas district and appellate courts has ensued for six weeks and focused the media sportlight on the courtrooms rather than on the playing fields and the teams and athletes who deserve recognition for their accomplishments this football season.

Carter High's Cowboys will meet Converse Judson Saturday in Texas Stadium for the big school, 5A state title, the winner considered the best team in the Lone Star State, if not the nation.

The squabble has probably helped Carter reach this final round of the post-season tournament. With the weekly court battle challenging the school's continuance in the playoff, the next opponent had to scout and prepare for two possible opponents: Carter and the team the Cowboys had beaten the week prior, which the UIL indicated would be a last minute substitute should the Court of the Week rule in favor of the TEA-UIL combine. In addition, Carter received great psychological boosts weekly by winning the court challenge, pro-



viding spirit among athletes, students and community that obviously spilled over in game effort.

It went even further, as opponents did everything possible to keep Carter from any type home field advantage.

Some radio stations flatly refused to carry any game involving Carter. Newspaper coverage was more concerned with the legal aspects than the scoreboard. Rumors were that actually four incidents of grade-changing of otherwise ineligible players took place, but only one was singled out to press the issue. The same problem exists a thousand times a year across the state, including Pampa.

And there are deeper and more serious ramifications, which could very well see the matter

pursued further after the championship has been decided Saturday on the field rather than on a Wednesday or Thursday in a judge's chamber. Like the UNLV-NCAA matter, the question becomes one of does the UIL and-or the TEA have ANY authority to make its member organizations adhere to rules and regulations which those members have chosen to impose on themselves? The Supreme Court ruling would appear to say they do. But some Texas legislators believe more government invasion is better. The Sunset Advisory **Commission of the State Legisla**ture wants the State Board of Education to have full power over the UIL, which has successfully supervised and run competitions-.. music, drama, spelling, jour-

nalism, as well as athletic suc-

cessfully and fairly since 1913. Austin state representatives Lena Guerrero complains that the UIL is run by white males, and does not include representation from minorities and women.

The UIL is run by a 20-member Legislative Council elected from the school administrators of the state. It sets all the policies, rules and regulations, which are then administered by the UIL staff, headed by Dr. Bailey Marshall. In turn, the various areas of competition, as previously listed, are supervised by male and female directors, as well as minority group individuals. If the problem Guerrero says exists is truly a problem, the buck goes back to the local school boards of the 1,178 member schools who are hiring the local administrators. But the state representative obviously doesn't respect the voting rights of the local school taxpayers who elect the school trustees who in turn name the local administration. She says Austin can do a better job, effectively stealing the voting power of the individual.

Sadly, this might be a result of the Carter case. And sadly, the Supreme Court did not rule on the UNLV matter two months ago, for that decision might have prevented the Texas schoolboy issue. Like joining a church, a service club, the Boy Scouts, a sorority, the choice is optional. But once you join, you are expected to abide by the rules and philosophies of that organization, or get out.

Membership in the NCAA and the UIL is optional. Schools do not have to be members in order to fulfill their prime role, educate students. That being true, one wonders why schools (and we include Texas A&M, Oklahoma, SMU, Oklahoma State, West Texas State, ad nauseam) refuse to be good, responsible members of the organizations with which they've chosen to align.

The NCAA members are starting to face the problem with harsh and injurious responses. The Carter HS case is just one of many that could be chosen in virtually any sport to indicate severe damage being inflicted by volunteer member schools to its UIL ruling body. Hopefully, it is not so tragic that the state legislature takes over. We don't need to expand on the efficiency and effectiveness of government run programs.

Mays make room for Tarpley

Alford waived

DALLAS (AP) - The Dallas Mavericks say their need for front-line insurance was the reason they waived second-year guard Steve Alford to make room for standout forward Roy Tarpley's return.

Tarpley, a 7-foot forward, missed 14 games following a left knee injury that required arthroscopic surgery. He won the NBA's sixth man award last year with his work off the bench.

Rick Sund, the Mavericks' vice president of basketball operations, said "Steve is a luxury-type guard. He can spark you at times. But we needed to protect our frontline players.'

Sund said Terry Tyler's standout play had made Alford expendable.

"At the end of training camp we picked up Terry Tyler, a veteran forward agagainst De-

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tlef Shrempf's injury," Sund said. "In light of the fact that we've continued to have injury problems with our frontcourt players, we feel it's more important to have insurance than a luxury.'

Alford, Indiana's 1983 Mr. Basketball and a two-time All-American at Indiana University, was a second round draft choice in 1987

"The management was super to me," said Alford. "Just about the only thing that was left out was an opportunity to screw up or make myself a figure on the team. I never really got that opportunity."

Sam Alford, coach at New Castle High School, said his son telephoned him Tuesday morning. "It really didn't surprise him."

the elder Alford told The Indianapolis News. "It just came down to numbers,

and it became apparent Steve

wasn't going to play there," Sam Alford said.

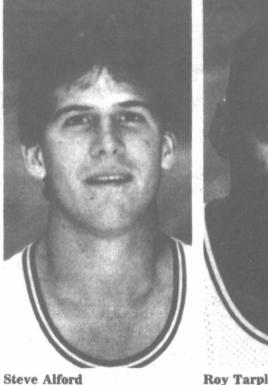
"Steve was realistic about the pros. He knew going into the NBA that he wasn't going to be a star. He was fortunate to make the roster as a rookie after being a second-round pick," Sam Alford said.

"And he stayed this year after they cut their No. 1 pick. Steve still wants to play, and we think there's some place in the NBA where he can contribute.'

Alford averaged 2.1 points a game as a rookie last year, but was averaging less than one point a game this season. He finished his college career as Indiana's all-time scoring leader with 2,438 points and led the Hoosiers to the 1987 NCAA championship.

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Roy Tarpley

Pirates, lawsuit **Parker settle**

PITTSBURGH (AP) - The Pittsburgh Pirates and Dave Parker quietly settled a lawsuit over Parker's admitted past drug use, apparently closing a 3¹/₂-year-old public record on cocaine use among some of baseball's biggest names.

Pirates president Carl F. Barger said Tuesday that the out-of-court settlement with Parker avoids a repeat of the September 1985 federal trials that damaged the game through confessions of drug use by several major leaguers, including Parker and New York Mets star Keith Hernandez.

"The settlement is a good thing for us and baseball," Barger said.

Barger said the Pirates received "a very significant concession" on Parker's 1979 contract, which required the Pirates to pay him \$5.3 million in deferred payments through the year 2007.

Parker, now with the Oakland Athletics, played for the Pirates from 1973-83.

We think we have achieved a vindication of our principles," Barger said. "This was not a personal vendetta against Dave Parker, but it went forward on the basis of principles and economics. We have achieved our objectives on a very, very satisfactory basis."

Barger said the Pirates and Parker agreed not to disclose terms of the settlement. Asked if Parker settled for significantly less than \$5.3 million, Barger replied, "That's for sure."

A team source, who asked not to be identified, said the Pirates would have to disclose at least part of the settlement when the club releases its annual financial report later this month.

The team has been controlled by a publicprivate consortium of Pittsburgh-area corporations, universities and government agencies, including the City of Pittsburgh, since November 1985. The new ownership filed suit against Parker in April 1986.

Neither Parker nor his agent, Tom Reich, could be reached for comment Tuesday. His lawyer, Louis H. Willenken of New York, did not return a telephone call to his office.

The lawsuit sought to void Parker's 1979 contract on grounds he breached it by using cocaine for about seven years. The case was filed in Allegheny County Common Pleas Court but was transferred to federal court after Parker's lawyers argued they could not get a fair trial in the local court.

The case was scheduled to go to trial in U.S. District Court in Pittsburgh on Feb. 6.

Parker's lawyers, in a May legal filing, listed as potential witnesses San Diego Padres star Jack Clark, former baseball commissioner Bowie Kuhn, former Pirates and Atlanta Braves manager Chuck Tanner, and Don Fehr, executive director of the players' union, among others.

The Pirates sued Parker after he testified at a September 1985 trial of one of his drug suppliers, Curtis Strong of Philadelphia, that his use of cocaine contributed to his playing slump early in the 1980s.

The trials of Strong and another convicted drug supplier, Shelby Greer of Pittsburgh, drew star players from around the National League to testify in federal court in what became known as the baseball drug trials. Others testifying to their drug use included Hernandez and former Pirate Dale Berra.

The team said that Parker, in the 1979 contract, swore he had no physical or mental problem that would impair his performance. But, the team said, neither he nor his agents reported his drug addiction to team officials.

However, Parker's lawyers, in their pretrial statement, claimed the Pirates knew about Parker's cocaine use, as they claimed other teams knew about drug use among their ballplayers during the 1970s and early 1980s.

Kings feel The Heat SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) -

The heat is on the Sacramento Kings.

The Kings host the Miami Heat on Thursday and will try to accomplish a rare feat for the franchise by winning their second consecutive NBA game. Sacramento on Tuesday night defeated the San Antonio Spurs 108-99, eclipsing Sacramento's biggest margin of victory for the year by eight points.

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The Heat has lost all 17 games so far this year- the worst start in NBA history. The Kings have yet to win two straight games this season. Last season, Sacramento won back-to-back games four times. The Kings defeated Miami 96-94 on Dec. 7.

"I was so happy I could just spit," Sacramento coach Jerry Reynolds said of Tuesday's win. Harold Pressley scored a sea-

son-high 26 points- including four 3-point baskets- to lead Sacramento over the Spurs.

The Spurs scored only once in the last three and a half minutes when Alvin Robertson tipped in the ball with 14 seconds remaining. During the same time, the Kings scored 12 points, half of them by Pressley. Sacramento had a 25-6 scoring run in the final seven minutes of play.

Jim Petersen scored a seasonhigh 22 points and grabbed 11 rebounds for the Kings. Petersen led the bench that contributed 58 points to the Kings' win.

The Spurs were led by 21 points from Johnny Dawkins and Willie Anderson with 12 points and nine rebounds

"Jim Petersen played a great game," Reynolds said of the backup center.

"We play some of the best defense in the NBA but I think because of our record, we don't get noticed," Petersen said.

The Kings are now 4-14. "I thought we had a tremendous opportunity in the first quarter to get a big lead," Spurs coach Larry Brown said.

It was the fourth straight loss for the Spurs and the seventh defeat out of eight road games.

Pistol match results

Winners in a Pampa Rifle and Pistol Club smallbore hunter's pistol match held Dec. 11 are Match Winner: A.L. Brummett,

30. Class AAA: Glenn Brummett, 25. Class AA: Bill Morris, 25. Class A: Donna Nunamaker, 22. Unclassified: Chris Kerbo, 20. A hunter's pistol match will be

listed below:

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held Jan. 1, starting at 2 p.m.

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 Jeff Fields 16.
 Mike Conrad 14.

 JV:
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Area basketball scores

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 JV:
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 High Scorers:
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 C. Johnson 13, J. Henderson 9.

 JV:
 Claude 43, Sunray 22.
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By DAVE GOLDBERG AP Football Writer

Just before the New Orleans-San Francisco game last Sunday, there was this suggestion from a guy from Philadelphia

Why break ties for wild cards? Why not just let all the teams with that record in and let the extras play division champions with the poorest marks — like an 8-8 team from the AFC West - on the first weekend of the playoffs?

Indeed, why not? As long as it doesn't get like the

NBA and NHL, in which almost everyone makes it, it makes as much sense as the current system

Granted, there's some fun in the present method.

But what sense does it make when Houston, which would have clinched a wild-card berth had **Cleveland beaten Miami on Mon**day night, now must beat the Browns on Sunday to be sure of getting it?

NFL tiebreaking system continues to be complicated

What sense does it make that Philadelphia could beat Dallas and still be out of the playoffs when, right now, the Eagles hold the second NFC wild-card spot? And what sense does it make when a team's playoff chances don't depend on winning the final game, as happened to the New York Giants in 1984? The Giants played like it didn't matter, lost to a bad New Orleans team on the final Saturday, then watched the

chips fall right and made the playoffs anyway.

In fact, the situation at San Francisco last weekend illustrates the bizarre nature of the system.

It started last Friday, when Dick Maxwell, the NFC's director of communications, determined that a 49ers victory over the Saints would give San Francisco an NFC wild-card berth. That was duly relayed to Dave

Rahn, a public relations assistant manager John McVay.

"John asked, 'Are you sure?" Rahn said Sunday night. "We got Dick on the phone, went down all the possibilities, and it worked out.

Everyone was duly informed, and when San Francisco beat New Orleans 30-17, the word went out over the wires, over the air and into newsprint.

Teams needed for with the 49ers, who told general PMS Tournament

Teams are needed to fill the bracket in a Pampa seventh and eighth-grade boys' basketball tournament.

The tournament is scheduled for Jan. 19-21.

Dick Dunham can be contacted at 665-2921 for more information. Teams are needed in both seventh and eighth-grade divi-

1 Card of Thanks horse trade themselves into contenders Kangers GIVING Thanks to Saint Jude for prayers answered during our Novena.

By DENNE H. FREEMAN AP Sports Writer

DALLAS - After back-to-back finishes in the cellar of the American League Western Division, the Texas Rangers have horse traded themselves into position of contenders.

And shedded their image as the talent gift-givers of the American League.

General Manager Tom Grieve, wheeling and dealing at baseball's winter meeting like a riverboat gambler, gave up 10 players to receive five in return, including two bonafide big league .300 hitters.

Then Grieve surprised even himself by signing 41-year-old free agent Nolan Ryan, formerly with the Houston Astros, for the tidy sum of \$1.8 million.

'That was a no-brainer,'' Grieve said. "We had no idea Nolan would come to Arlington.

The Rangers, also looking for a buyer who could pass muster with the other team owners, were the talk of the winter meetings in Atlanta, with Grieve a topic of admiration for the way he did his homework and took some gambles.

He traded away fan favorite first base-

man Pete O'Brien, who had 21 homers, and hard-throwing reliever Mitch Williams, who had 18 saves O'Brien is one of the best fielding first

basemen in the major leagues and his hitting potential is unlimited. Williams could be a bullpen star should

the day come when he tames his temper and his wildness. Shortstop Curtis Wilkerson and center-

fielder Oddibe McDowell were sent packing, the Rangers no longer enthusiastic about their potential.

Lefty starter Paul Kilgus became expendable because of inconsistency.

Williams, Kilgus and Wilkerson went to the Chicago Cubs for outfielder-infielder Rafael Palmeiro, and pitchers Jamie Moyer and Drew Hall.

The Rangers could no longer wait for tomorrow. The real major league world had caught up with Texas and manager Bobby Valentine. They need to win now.

Texas hadn't made a meaningful trade since 1985 when the Rangers' acquired Edwin Correa and Scott Fletcher from the Chicago White Sox

In fact, since their Texas debut in 1972 the Rangers have never had a trade that meant anything to them except the acquisition of Correa and Fletcher. They are more known for giving away players than getting them.

If big league baseball had a designated Santa Claus, the Rangers would wear whiskers.

Giving away pitchers Ron Darling and Walt Terrell for outfielder Lee Mazzilli to the New York Mets in 1982 is one of their biggest bombs.

The time to act was Atlanta.

Grieve went to Georgia willing to give away star starting pitcher Jose Guzman but artfully came away with .300 hitters Palmeiro of the Chicago Cubs, the second leading batter in the National League, and **Cleveland's Julio Franco, the best hitting** second baseman in the American League. Guzman staved.

"We added two potential .300 hitters without creating a hole in our starting pitching staff and that's a very, very good situation," said Valentine.

Grieve said "you could make a case that we overpaid for a guy we really wanted in Franco. O'Brien has been an outstanding player for us and will be an outstanding player for Cleveland. But we needed hitting out of second base."

Texas sent O'Brien, McDowell, and second baseman Jerry Browne to Cleveland for Franco.

In another deal. Texas got infielder Bobby Meacham from the New York Yankees in a trade for Bob Brower. Meacham will be an excellent utility infielder.

The Rangers added a starting pitcher in Ryan, a native Texan who has five career no-hitters and led the National League in strikeouts the last two years.

Ryan is also seen as a possible steadying influence on the Rangers' young pitching staff. Bobby Witt, in particular, has Ryanlike stuff but had to be sent to the minors last year because he didn't know what to do with it.

"I'm excited about being around Nolan," Witt said. "Here's a Hall of Famer and that's the kind of guy you want to learn from.

Valentine said "it's the chance of a lifetime for Bobby Witt. He should learn a lot about the game from Nolan."

Jeff Russell, one of the Rangers more dependable starters, may now become the bullpen ace.

The Toten Family 2 Museums

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Texas A&M player labels campus newspaper Judas'

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ **AP Sports Writer**

COLLEGE STATION — Calling the Aggie campus newspaper Texas "A&M's Judas", linebacker Dana Batiste went to the defense of Coach Jackie Sherrill, who resigned in the wake of alleged rules violations

Sherrill resigned Monday amid allegations that he paid former player George Smith more than \$4,000 to keep quiet about alleged rules violations. But Batiste said Tuesday Smith was a person "America taught how to make a quick dollar."

The Batallion student newspaper's editorial board earlier had urged Sherrill's resignation if he was involved in rules violations.

"I'm sure everyone has their Judas at other schools and we have ours at A&M, too," Batiste said, referring to The Battalion. "I don't feel any shame for this university

"I feel anyone who does should go on about his business," said Batiste. "This university has been good to me and everyone here.

Smith tried to take a short-cut to making money, said Batiste.

"He just wants a dollar," he said. "I think America has told George Smith this is something you have to do to move up, the short-cut you have to take."

While other players had strong reactions to Sherrill's resignation, several students on campus felt the coach should remove himself if he violated rules.

"I can't tell if he says he's guilty by res-igning or what," freshman math major Nicole Willson of Tyler said. "If he did it, it's good he quit.'

Arturo Carrasco, a mechanical engineering graduate from College Station, said he believed the resignation would not affect the school's reputation.

"I think that's the reason they did this, was because of the reputation of the school; they want to keep it," Carrasco said

Jackie Sherrill, they don't want to see him go. They realized that he did something wrong but he also did a lot of good for the

school This week, final exams are underway on campus. Aggie punter Sean Wilson said the continuing incident was distracting.

"I think the distractions come from the NCAA," said Wilson. "They should do 3 Personal these things when we're not in school."

wrong people. "They think they're doing something MARY KAY Cosmetics, free fa-

good for the university but they're punishing us and we had nothing to do with it. Punish the people who did it six, eight,

10 years ago," he said. The word "unfair" cropped up in most players' comments.

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