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Bernice Rasmussen of Pampa hugs her son, Airman First Class Bill Rasmussen III, who recently returned from a three-month tour of duty in Saudi Arabia. The airman said he fears Americans have forgotten those in the military who are still in the Mideast. To help him remember his fellow soldiers, he wears a purple armband braided from parachute cord on his right wrist.

Home from Saudi Arabia, airman wants people to know U.S. soldiers still there

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
News Editor

At this time last year, flags and yellow ribbons fluttered in the breeze at almost every household in Pampa. Patriotism abounded. School children wrote volumes of letters to soldiers in the Middle East. Newspapers, televisions, radio stations were filled with news and film from the Mideast.

A year later, those who are still serving in the Persian Gulf area wonder if America has forgotten them.

Approximately 70,000 service men and women remain in Saudi Arabia, policing the area that was the center of this nation's attention in January 1991.

For three months, Airman First Class Bill Rasmussen III - U.S. Air Force, son of Bernice V. Rasmussen of Pampa, was one of them.

Rasmussen, "Raz" as his friends call him, wears a braided purple armband to remind him of his fellow soldiers still serving in the Mideast. And he is fulfilling his promise that he would remind Americans that the U.S. military is still in the Gulf.

The armband, braided from parachute cord, came with a certificate which tells of the hardships the U.S. military is still encountering in the Mideast. All of the more than 100 soldiers returning to the United States with Rasmussen wear them. Most of those still serving in the Gulf wear the armbands, as well.

"I'll wear it until they all come home," Rasmussen vows. The armband reminds him of other Americans who are facing what Rasmussen faced in Saudi Arabia - harsh winds driving stinging sand or days of pouring rain fol-

lowed by drought, scorpions and other desert creatures, and dealing with ideas and customs foreign to them.

The soldiers talked about feeling forgotten as they flew from Saudi Arabia back to the states, Rasmussen said.

"A friend of mine said that he had talked to his friends back home and they said people didn't know there were still people over there," he said. "I promised them that I would do something about that."

After returning to Goodfellow Air Base in San Angelo, Rasmussen found that what his friend had said was true.

A woman at a convenience store in Matador confirmed what Rasmussen had heard, but explained to him, "That's not our fault. The news media didn't let us know people are still over there."

"It made me feel lonely that not too many people knew we were there," Rasmussen said, but added that he did receive letters from his family and his church in San Angelo. In addition to his mother, Rasmussen's sisters and brothers, Winona and Skip Hubbard and Gary and Rose Rasmussen also live in Pampa.

Rasmussen said he understood how the public could forget that military presence continues in the Persian Gulf.

"They saw 200,000 to 300,000 (soldiers) come back and it was easy for them to think that there weren't any more over there," he said. "But they are over there."

He said soldiers in Saudi Arabia want the news media to recognize that they are still there.

Serving in the military police at King Abdul Aziz Air Base near Dhahran in Saudi Arabia has taught Rasmussen a deeper respect for his freedom.

"It made me respect my country more. It made me say 'Thank God for the U.S.A.," he said.

New execution date set for convicted killer of nun

AMARILLO (AP) - A state judge today set a new execution date for a convicted killer who won a stay earlier this week from Gov. Ann Richards after Pope John Paul II asked her to intercede.

State District Judge Sam Kiser set a Feb. 11 execution date for Johnny Frank Garrett for the Oct. 31, 1981 rape and strangulation of 76-year-old Sister Tadea Benz in Amarillo.

Garrett, 28, had been scheduled to die early Tuesday, but Richards granted him a 30-day reprieve late Monday.

The pope and other church leaders had asked for clemency in the case.

A letter to Richards from Vatican officials had said, "The Holy Father prays that the sentence will be commuted through your magnanimity and mercy. Your gesture of clemency would obviously be of special significance in promoting nonviolence and in fostering the need for mutual respect and love in society."

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A FREEDOM
NEWSPAPER

Retired ad salesman recalls four decades of economic boom, downturn

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
News Editor

An advertisement in *Editor & Publisher* brought John McKeon to Pampa from California in the early 1950s. It was in advertising that McKeon made his career for almost four decades.

On Dec. 31, 1991, McKeon retired as an advertising representative from *The Pampa News*, almost 40 years after he first came to the town and the paper in 1953.

Originally from central New York state, McKeon became a transplanted Texan, making Pampa his home, but never quite shedding the "Yankee" accent.

McKeon found Pampa in 1953 to be a "dream market," he says. New houses were popping up to the north, south, east and west and businesses were booming to supply the newcomers to the city, he recalls.

Within a few blocks of Cuyler

Street was a concentration of business outlets, five department stores, three supermarkets, three clothing stores, three auto-tire stores, an office supply, western wear, shoe and drug stores, two jewelry stores, two variety stores, a bank and a movie house.

Nearby were lumber yards, hardware stores, more jewelry stores, craft-hobby shops and restaurants.

It was an ad man's dream, McKeon thought.

And to tell prospective customers all about it were *The Pampa News*, its rival *The Daily Spokesman*, and two radio stations, KGRO and KPND.

"We looked carefully at the competition," McKeon says. "Who wanted to answer the question, 'Why was this not in *The News*?'"

"For the most part, we walked our routes," he remembers. Many of his advertising customers were within a half-block from the

newspaper office. Others could be found down U.S. 60 and Hobart Street.

Each morning, McKeon dropped in on "The Breakfast Club," an informal gathering of merchants, politicians and businessmen from the downtown area who drank coffee and brainstormed at The Coney Island every morning before going to work. Not only did he get to touch the pulse of the city, he also sold a lot of advertising over a cup of coffee.

McKeon remembers that after deadline, the advertising department members took time to evaluate their work that day. "Did you sell anything today or just pick it up?" they would ask themselves.

If the answer was "just pick it up," McKeon said, then "there might be the deflator, for a taxi driver could do that just as well."

As the town grew, so McKeon's advertising area grew. In the early

Hospital administrator endorses sales tax issue

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

Coronado Hospital formally gave its support to three economic development issues on a Jan. 18 local ballot during a speech Wednesday by administrator Bruce Reinhart to the Pampa Rotary Club.

Reinhart told Rotarians that though the hospital will see no direct dollar benefit from the economic development program, its passage is crucial to recruitment of 10 new physicians, including pediatricians, to the area during the next two years.

In spite of Pampa's size, it currently has no pediatricians.

If passed, the three issues will lower the property tax by 6 cents through a half-cent sales tax increase, provide \$650,000 a year in economic development funds through another half-cent sales tax, and repair, rebuild or pave 15 miles of city streets via a \$6 million bond package.

"My number one role is to grow the business of this hospital," Reinhart said, "and in order to do that I need to be continually recruiting licensed professionals... LVNs, RNs and physicians. We are making a long-term commitment to Pampa."

That commitment includes building a new professional building next to the hospital.

However, Reinhart said when Pampa competes with other cities around the nation for the very best

medical professionals, it must be able to promote a progressive, growing city.

"One of the things we've learned is that you don't just recruit a doctor," Reinhart said. "You recruit their family. Sometimes providing the right type of setting for the physician is the easier part. The harder part is winning their family over to the community."

"We recently put together a recruiting video and 66 percent of that video is simply about the community, trying to get the spouse and older children to say, 'Hey, Pampa is a nice looking place, let's go.'"

However, with the condition of Pampa's streets and declining population, Reinhart said convincing those families to locate here can sometimes be an insurmountable challenge.

He also noted that because of current problems with the Medicare system, doctors are reluctant to work in areas where unemployment is too high or populations are aging faster than the norm or declining.

"Physicians are not just asking, 'How large is your hospital and what services do you provide?'" Reinhart said. "They ask, 'What's your insured population and what is your Medicare mix and your non-Medicare mix?' They want people who have jobs. They won't come in and say that those people have to be white collar or blue collar. They just want to come into a community

with plenty of jobs and who are insured."

Reinhart said with passage of the half-cent sales tax for economic development, Pampa will be in a position to bring new jobs to the city, thus bringing better medical care as well.

He continued, "The growth of this community and improvement of this community are important to our ability to recruit. First impressions are critical. When people come in and see the streets in the condition they are in, they say that the community is not growing and people here don't care and don't look after their own. I'm concerned we develop a better look."

Reinhart also said communities which reduce property taxes, as one of the propositions intends to do, are having an easier time luring doctors, most of whom will buy homes.

"Anytime you can show a community is progressive, that makes buying a home here that much more attractive," he stated.

With Coronado Hospital recruiting all over the nation and in Canada, Reinhart suggested he knows what will bring people to Pampa and, in his opinion, passage of all three issues is key to future growth and progress.

"I'm very narrowly focused," he admitted, "but I believe that what is good for Pampa is good for the hospital. We see all of this directly tied in to our ability to bring in new medical professionals."

Bush declares visit a success

By MICHAEL HIRSH
Associated Press Writer

TOKYO (AP) - President Bush secured a loose agreement from Japanese officials today for more U.S. auto purchases, but American automakers traveling with him didn't conceal their disappointment.

After four days of talks, Bush and his summit partner, Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa, reaffirmed the importance of their alliance. But the visit was dominated by efforts to defuse trade frictions that have called the relationship into question.

"No doubt we have much more work to do," Bush said as he neared the end of a four-nation trip through Asia. "In conclusion, this visit has been a success" that has "advanced our goal of leveling the playing field."

Miyazawa said "some friction is inevitable.... But as the president said, it was a fruitful summit."

"We really need much more progress if we are to solve this serious problem," John Reilly, president of Tenneco Automotive, complained.

Asked if the pledges by Japanese automakers for increased imports of U.S.-made autos and auto parts were embarrassingly low, Ford Motor Co. chairman Harold A. Poling said, "You're pretty close."

"Americans see only Japanese goods in the American market and they feel they are losing out to the Japanese," Foreign Ministry spokesman Taizo Watanabe told an interviewer on Japan's public television network.

The final sticking points of marathon working-level talks described by both sides as "severe"

came when Washington demanded that Japanese automakers buy \$20 billion of parts in fiscal 1994, more than doubling previous purchases.

Japan refused to budge further after setting a target of \$19.1 billion, the quasi-governmental NHK television station said.

The agreements, nevertheless, are expected to barely dent Japan's \$41 billion trade deficit with the United States, which the U.S. side blames on closed markets. Japanese negotiators contend the Bush administration is making Japan a scapegoat for America's inability to cure its own economic ills.

A Foreign Ministry official, speaking anonymously, said today that Bush invited Miyazawa and Akihito to visit the United States.

Miyazawa said he might accept the invitation in May, according to the official. The government will decide whether Akihito, whose constitutional role is symbol of the nation, would accept the invitation.

Today's final 30-minute meeting between the leaders focused mainly on strategic issues, ending two days of talks that seemed to represent an economic role reversal for leaders of the world's two largest economies.

Japan, long accused of protecting its markets, accused the U.S. side of violating free trade principles by demanding sales targets for U.S. products in ailing industries such as autos.

"If we're asked to come up with concrete figures (for increased imports), isn't that the same thing as managed trade? They don't seem to be able to understand that, no matter what we say," Noboru Hatakeyama, Japan's top negotiator, complained before the agreement.

Wrapping up a four-day state visit to Japan and a rigorous 12-day tour of Pacific nations, Bush said the consensus would produce more jobs in the United States - the stated goal of his mission.

"The message has been received," he said at a news conference with Japanese Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa. "I think we have created jobs."

The two leaders appeared together at the conclusion of their talks, which came amid sharp divisions over American demands for increased Japanese purchases of autos and parts as well as a general lessening of import barriers.

Bush brings home a loose pledge from Japan to buy 20,000 more U.S. cars per year, and a doubling of purchases of U.S. auto parts, to \$19 billion, by fiscal 1994.

But within minutes of Bush's announcement, the U.S. automakers who accompanied him voiced their unhappiness. Chrysler chairman Lee Iacocca said the agreement "doesn't sound like a lot of cars."

Ford Motor Co. chairman Harold A. Poling, asked if he saw anything significant in the accord, said, "Not what I've seen so far."

The president spoke a day after collapsing at a state dinner. He dismissed the illness as "a little tiny bout of flu."

Bush said his visit to Japan "has reaffirmed our vital political, security and economic relationship" and helped to further an opening of Japanese markets "to our exports."

In a written statement, the two leaders said they were resolved to "enhance openness and oppose protectionism in their commercial, financial and investment markets."



John McKeon

It was 'Hello, how are you?' and it was that way ever since."

In early 1980, the opening of the

Pampa Mall brought 40 more outlets, including three department stores, another supermarket, pharmacy and more restaurants.

"Calling there taught us to plan our schedules down to the minutes," he says.

But within three years, the area's booming oil economy "went on the skids," McKeon recalls. Yet the community continued with its "candor spirit."

Together, the citizens of Pampa brought in a prison and 200-plus jobs, he says. Now they are considering a major economic development proposal that could attract even more businesses and jobs to the city, he adds.

"The fact that we have quite a bit of business here that's locally owned is what will pull Pampa through," McKeon predicts. "There's a lot of people working together with the attitude of 'I can do it.'"

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to *The Pampa News* by press time today.

Obituaries

DORIS JEAN WORD ORRICK

McLEAN - Doris Jean Word Orrick, 73, died Monday, Jan. 6, 1992. Services will be at 2 p.m. today in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Mark Wilson, pastor of First United Methodist Church in Idalou, officiating. Burial will be in Orrick Family Cemetery by Lamb-Ferguson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Orrick was born in Gray County and married George Orrick in 1939 at Shamrock. She moved to McLean from Shamrock in 1946. She was owner/operator of Jean's Beauty Shop for more than 50 years. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband; a daughter, Rebekah Nunez of Lubbock; two sons, Bobby Orrick of McLean and Billy Orrick of Tulsa, Okla.; two sisters, Beth Frier of Amarillo and Pauline Brown of Pampa; and six grandchildren.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported no calls during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Calendar of events

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK

A blood pressure check is offered each Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Red Cross office at 108 N. Russell in downtown Pampa. Blood sugar tests are offered the first Friday of each month. A donation is accepted to cover expenses.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.	Chevron.....66 1/4	dn 1/2
Wheat.....3.56	Coca-Cola.....80 3/4	NC
Milo.....4.03	Enron.....33 5/8	dn 1/8
Com.....4.44	Halliburton.....26 7/8	up 1/4
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:	Ingersoll Rand.....54 1/2	up 3/8
Ky. Cent. Life.....6 7/8	KNE.....27 1/2	up 1/8
Serico.....2 5/8	Kerr McGee.....36 3/8	dn 1/2
Occidental.....18 5/8	Limited.....28 7/8	NC
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:	Mapco.....58 3/8	dn 1/4
Magellan.....69.62	Maxus.....6 3/8	NC
Putnam.....14.13	McDonald's.....42 1/8	up 1
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.	Mesa Ltd.....2 3/8	NC
Amoco.....47 1/2	Mobil.....65	dn 7/8
Arco.....102 5/8	New Atmos.....21	up 1/4
Cabot.....32 7/8	Parker & Parsley.....11 7/8	dn 1/4
Cabot O&G.....11 3/4	Penney's.....52	up 1/8
	Phillips.....22 3/4	dn 1/8
	SLB.....60 1/4	up 1 1/2
	SPS.....33 3/4	dn 1/8
	Tenneco.....33 1/4	up 1/8
	Texaco.....57 7/8	up 1/4
	Wal-Mart.....57 1/8	up 1/8
	New York Gold.....351.40	
	Silver.....3.95	
	West Texas Crude.....17.87	

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....	911
Crime Stoppers.....	669-2222
Energas.....	665-5777
Fire.....	911
Police (emergency).....	911
Police (non-emergency).....	669-5700
SPS.....	669-7432
Water.....	669-5830

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL pa
Admissions
 Joe Calderoni, Pampa
 Mabel Dorothene Howell, Booker
 Virginia King, Pampa
 Henry Lester Porche, Pampa
 Lowell Stevens, Pampa

Dismissals
 Chad Dean Bridges, Pampa
 Elmer Garrison, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL
Admissions
 Virginia Tollison, McLean
Dismissals
 Roy Henry, Shamrock
 Ella Robinson, Shamrock
 Carolyn Gragg, Shamrock
 Taire Weemes, Shamrock

Police report

Pampa police reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 8

A juvenile reported a forgery at 1233 N. Hobart. Minit Mart, 1106 Alcock, reported a forgery at the business.

Tacy Powell, 720 Hazel, reported criminal trespassing at the residence.

Alco, Coronado Center, reported shoplifting at the business.

Chris Turlington, 916 S. Wells, reported a burglary at 420 Wynne.

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Lee Woodward, 707 S. Ballard, reported a burglary at the residence.

Arrests

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 8

Troy Stephen Barrett, 20, 1031 N. Sumner #220, was arrested at 1207 N. Hobart on a charge of theft under \$20.

TODAY, Jan. 9

Santiago Garcia Miranda, 37, 425 N. Sumner, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated (second offense).

Accidents

Pampa police reported the following accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 8

3:40 p.m. - A 1986 Chevrolet driven by James Martinez, 604 Lefors, collided with a 1973 Toyota driven by Brandon Standerfer, 616 N. Russell, in the 300 block of West 23rd. Martinez was cited for following too closely.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period, ending at 7 a.m. today.

Arrest

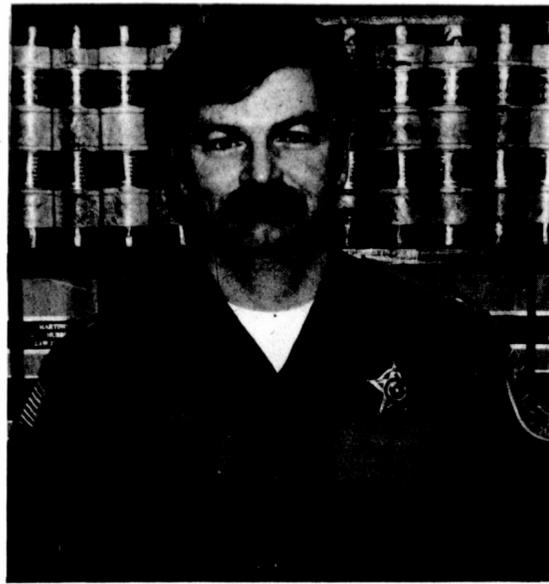
WEDNESDAY, Jan. 8

Michael Ray Hartzell, 23, 1212 Tyng, was arrested on warrants. He is released on bond.

Precinct 2 Constable-Arrests

Misty Dawn Jimenez, 21, 843 E. Murphy, was arrested on a warrant for issuance of bad checks. She was released on a personal recognizance bond.

Michelle Annette Cole, 26, 333 Sunset Drive, was arrested on a warrant for issuance of bad checks. She was released on bond.



Lt. W.J. Brainard

Sheriff creates lieutenant position for department

Gray County Sheriff Jimmy Free announced today that he has created the position of lieutenant within the sheriff's office.

Free said the position was established to continue his efforts of improving the quality of service provided by the sheriff's office to Gray County residents.

W.J. Brainard, 38, has been appointed as the new lieutenant. Brainard, who has more than 20 years of law enforcement experience, was recruited by Free from the Dallas-Fort Worth area. He began as a deputy with the Gray County Sheriff's Office on Dec. 16, 1991.

Brainard has a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Indiana University, and holds an advanced certificate in law enforcement, issued by the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education. He has served as a patrol division lieutenant with the Haltom City Police Department, and has spent the last five years as an undercover narcotics investigator with the Tarrant County Narcotics Task Force.

Prior to moving to Texas in 1982, Brainard was a deputy sheriff with the Wabash County Sheriff's Office in Wabash, Ind. The sheriff said Brainard has an extensive law enforcement background, including K-9 handling and training and underwater search and rescue. He is a Vietnam veteran.

Brainard's wife, Connie, is also a certified police officer. Together, they have five children.

Free said the upcoming move into the new Gray County Jail and Sheriff's Office necessitated the creation of the position to facilitate the transition, and will provide for improved management of county personnel and resources. The lieutenant will be in command of all patrol-related functions and personnel, as well as other duties, enabling the sheriff to better manage the new facility, at no additional costs to the county residents.

The sheriff said he expects to continue promoting professionalism and integrity within the sheriff's office and has stated he will continue toward that goal with other personnel changes in the future.

Lewis won't seek 6th speaker term

AUSTIN (AP) - Gib Lewis says the decision to retire after an unprecedented tenure as House speaker was his - and his alone.

It had nothing to do with legal, personal, business or political pressures, he said.

It even came over opposition from some quarters, he said.

"I think I'm the only one that wanted to quit," said Lewis, D-Fort Worth, after announcing his decision Wednesday.

"People that disagree with me would come up to me and say, 'We disagree ... I want you to stay.' I had a lot of encouragement back home. I feel very confident that if I wanted to be speaker for another term or two, I could." But a record five terms were enough.

"I will not seek another term," Lewis told a hushed chamber in a rare speech delivered not from the speaker's podium but the House floor. "I will leave proud of what we have accomplished together."

Lewis, 55, first entered the House in 1971 and was chosen by colleagues as speaker in 1983.

Taco Villa still recycling cards

The response to the Christmas card recycling box at Taco Villa in Pampa has been overwhelming, said Pamela Locke, executive coordinator of Clean Pampa Inc.

The project is sponsored jointly by Clean Pampa and Taco Villa and is designed to enable residents to do something constructive with their used Christmas cards.

To date, the large recycle box in the restaurant has had to be emptied one time, Locke said. The two groups had not anticipated such a good response from the public. The box will be kept at Taco Villa until next Wednesday.

The recycling project will benefit the St. Jude's Ranch for Children in Nevada. It allows children at the home to earn "pocket money" by cutting, trimming and pasting the card fronts onto preprinted cards. The money earned is also used for fun trips or excursions.

Only the card fronts of the Christmas cards are needed, Locke said.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR: Harley Knutson 665-4237. Adv.

ALLSTATE INSURANCE Co., 1064 N. Hobart, 665-4410. Adv.

DANCE LESSONS. Basic Country & Western, Swing, Jitterbug, Thursday, January 9, 324 N. Naida, 7 p.m. 665-1083, Russell Hollis. Adv.

WINTER CLOTHES 1/2 price. Elsie's Flea Market. Adv.

FOR ALL Gray and Roberts Farm Bureau members free annual breakfast at Clyde Carruth Pavilion, Saturday, January 11. Serving starts at 7 a.m. to 8:30. Everybody come and bring a friend! Adv.

"ADDICTED TO Jesus", new from Carmen. Catch him in concert in Lubbock January 20. The Gift Box. Adv.

PMS BOOSTER Club meeting, Monday, January 13th, 6:30-7 p.m. Pampa Middle School library. Adv.

SOUTHERN FRIED Chicken - Thursday Special, all you can eat, served with mashed potatoes, gravy, your choice green beans or corn on the cob and rolls. \$3.99, second order \$2.99. JC's Restaurant. Adv.

FRIDAY SPECIALS: All day - Parmesan Chicken-breaded, skinless, boneless chicken breast served on a bed of Spaghetti, topped with Swiss cheese, spaghetti sauce and Parmesan cheese and a salad. \$4.59, second order \$3.59. 5 p.m. to close: Seafood platter served with crab legs, fried cod and all you can eat shrimp and salad and rolls. Adv.

MR. DETAIL, Wash-N-Wax \$25.50. 665-9566. Adv.

THE COUNTRY Loft Friday Special, Monte Carlo Chicken. We now have homemade Louisiana style Chicken Gumbo. 201 N. Cuyler, 665-2129. Adv.

60% OFF all winter clothing now thru January 31st. Circulation's Exchange, 1329 N. Hobart. Adv.

DAYLIGHT DONUTS free delivery. Call for details. 669-9739. Adv.

WHEN YOUR Pampa News carrier collects, does the carrier have his/her cards and hole punch? If not, don't pay. Thanks, Circulation Department.

SCORE FOOTBALL Rookie update sets are in. Get them before prices soar like last year! Major League Sports, 321 N. Ballard. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, mostly clear with a low near 20 degrees and light winds. Friday, sunny and warmer with a high in the lower 50s and variable winds 5-10 mph. Wednesday's high was 40 degrees; the overnight low was 24 degrees.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Mostly fair skies north and far west through Friday. Mostly to partly cloudy elsewhere through Friday. Lows tonight from the lower 20s north to near 40 Big Bend. Highs Friday generally in the 50s.

North Texas - Partly cloudy northwest tonight and Friday. Considerable cloudiness elsewhere with a slight chance of rain south. Lows tonight 26 west to 38 east. Highs Friday 52 to 57.

South Texas - Cloudy and cold with a chance of rain tonight and Friday, more widespread over south portions. Rain possibly mixed with freezing rain Hill Country late tonight and early Friday morning. Lows tonight from 30s to near 40 north and 40s to near 50 south. Highs Friday in the 50s.

EXTENDED FORECAST

Saturday through Monday
 West Texas - Texas Panhandle, partly cloudy Saturday through Monday. Highs in the upper 40s Saturday cooling to the upper 30s to near 40 by Monday. Lows in the upper teens to upper 20s. South Plains-low rolling plains, partly cloudy Saturday through Monday. Highs near 50 Saturday cooling to the lower 40s by Monday. Lows in the 20s. Permian Basin, mostly cloudy Saturday. Partly cloudy

Sunday and Monday. Highs in the lower 50s Saturday and Sunday cooling to the mid 40s Monday. Lows in the mid 20s to mid 30s. Concho Valley-Edwards Plateau, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain Saturday. Partly cloudy Sunday and Monday. Highs in the mid 40s to mid 50s. Lows in the upper 20s to mid 30s. Far West Texas, partly cloudy Saturday through Monday. Highs in the lower 40s to lower 50s. Lows in the mid 20s to lower 30s. Big Bend area, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain Saturday. Partly cloudy Sunday and Monday. Lowlands, highs in the lower 50s to lower 60s. Lows in the 30s. Mountains, highs in the 40s. Lows in the upper teens and 20s.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central Texas, cloudy and cold Saturday with a chance of showers, possibly mixed with freezing rain, sleet or snow. Lows in the 30s to near 40. Highs in the 50s. Partly cloudy Sunday and Monday. Lows in the 30s to near 40. Highs Sunday in the 60s. Highs Monday in the 50s. Texas Coastal Bend, cloudy and cold with a chance of showers Saturday. Lows near 40. Highs in the 50s. Decreasing clouds with rain ending Sunday. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 50s. Partly cloudy Monday with lows in the 30s to near 40. Highs in the mid 40s Saturday, warming to the upper 40s Sunday and Monday. Central, a chance of cold rain Saturday and early Sunday. Decreasing cloudiness late Sunday, becoming fair Monday. Low temperatures in the lower 30s. Highs in the lower 40s Saturday, warming to the upper 40s Sunday and Monday.

North Texas - West, a chance of rain, possibly mixed with light sleet or snow Saturday and early Sunday. Decreasing cloudiness late Sunday becoming fair Monday. Low temperatures in the lower 30s. Highs in the lower 40s Saturday, warming to the upper 40s Sunday and Monday. Central, a chance of cold rain Saturday and early Sunday. Decreasing cloudiness late Sunday, becoming fair Monday. Low temperatures in the mid 30s. Highs in the mid 40s Saturday, warming to the lower 50s Sunday and Monday. East, a chance of rain and thunderstorms Saturday and early Sunday. Decreasing cloudiness late Sunday, becoming fair Monday. Low temperatures in the upper 30s Saturday and Sunday, cooling to the lower 30s Monday. Highs in the lower to mid 50s.

BORDER STATES

Oklahoma - Mostly clear through Friday. Low tonight mostly in the 20s. High Friday from the upper 40s to the mid 50s.

New Mexico - Tonight and Friday areas of low clouds northwest late tonight and early Friday otherwise fair skies except partly cloudy at times over the southern border. Highs Friday in the 30s to low 40s mountains and northwest to the 40s and low 50s elsewhere. Lows tonight from near zero to 20 in the mountains and far northwest to the teens and 20s elsewhere.

Texas coast, cloudy and cold Saturday with a chance of showers. Decreasing clouds and rain ending Sunday. Partly cloudy Monday. Highs Saturday in the 50s with lows near 40. Highs Sunday and Monday near 60 with lows in the 40s.

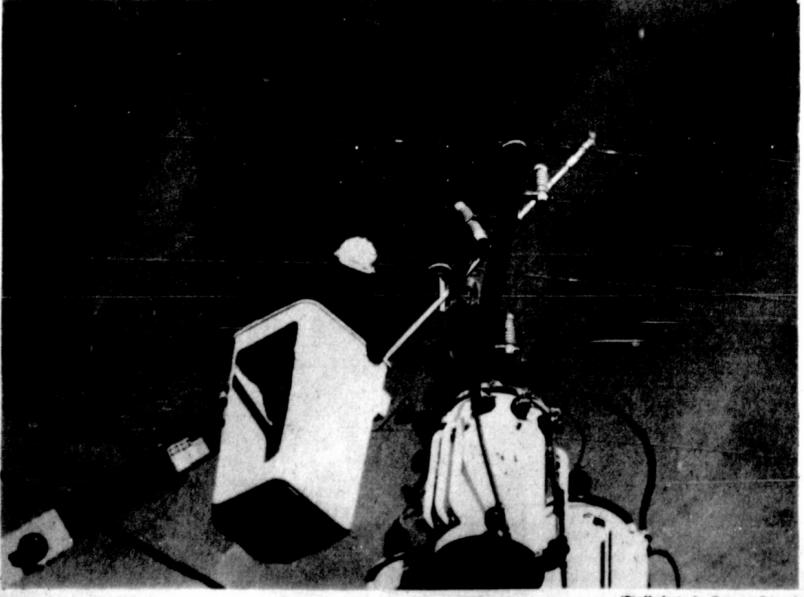
North Texas - West, a chance of rain, possibly mixed with light sleet or snow Saturday and early Sunday. Decreasing cloudiness late Sunday becoming fair Monday. Low temperatures in the lower 30s. Highs in the lower 40s Saturday, warming to the upper 40s Sunday and Monday. Central, a chance of cold rain Saturday and early Sunday. Decreasing cloudiness late Sunday, becoming fair Monday. Low temperatures in the mid 30s. Highs in the mid 40s Saturday, warming to the lower 50s Sunday and Monday. East, a chance of rain and thunderstorms Saturday and early Sunday. Decreasing cloudiness late Sunday, becoming fair Monday. Low temperatures in the upper 30s Saturday and Sunday, cooling to the lower 30s Monday. Highs in the lower to mid 50s.

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Oklahoma - Mostly clear through Friday. Low tonight mostly in the 20s. High Friday from the upper 40s to the mid 50s.

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Power work



(Staff photo by Bonner Green)

James Lee, a serviceman with Southwestern Public Service, is up in his "cherry picker" power lift bracing against the cold north wind Wednesday morning as he works to repair a primary jumper feeding into the transformer behind The Pampa News office. The wire to the primary jumper broke, causing a power outage in The Pampa News building shortly before 10 a.m. SPS had power restored to the building within half an hour.

Wilder withdraws from Democratic race; black vote up for grabs

By JOHN KING
AP Political Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Virginia Gov. L. Douglas Wilder dropped out of the Democratic presidential campaign before the first primary votes were cast, and the five remaining contenders immediately began competing for the black voters who had figured to form the core of his support.

Wilder, short on funds and lagging in the polls, said the "rigors of running a state government" suffering the effects of a recession took precedence over his presidential ambitions.

No sooner had he uttered his withdrawal than the jockeying began.

Jesse Jackson, who ran in 1984 and 1988, said Wilder's departure "leaves a void we must now address." But he said he wouldn't enter the campaign.

Former Massachusetts Sen. Paul Tsongas vowed an aggressive campaign for black support.

"I think for the most part the economic message cuts across all



L. Douglas Wilder

kinds of lines, whether racial or ethnic or rural or urban," Tsongas said.

Wilder made his surprise announcement Wednesday night at the close of his State of the Commonwealth address in Richmond, Va., saying economic troubles at

home left him too little time to wage a national campaign.

"I withdraw despite the fact that my campaign was making progress," said Wilder, who in 1989 became the nation's first black elected governor. "Balancing the rigors of running a state government and conducting a national campaign have not been easy."

Several of the remaining Democratic candidates used the opportunity to say President Bush's inaction on the national economy created the state economic troubles that Wilder said forced him from the race and that New York Gov. Mario Cuomo said kept him from entering at all.

"Gov. Wilder's decision today, like Gov. Cuomo's a month ago, is overwhelming evidence of the crying need in this country for a national partnership between the president and the states to turn our economy around," said Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton, now the only sitting governor and Southerner in the Democratic race.

Nebraska Sen. Bob Kerrey said the candidates would do well to heed Wilder's call to "focus government

spending on the things that matter most while reducing waste and controlling the size of government."

The obvious immediate beneficiary of Wilder's withdrawal is Clinton, who had been most active in contesting Wilder for black support and viewed Wilder as his biggest threat in the Southern primaries that follow soon after next month's New Hampshire primary.

But the other candidates vowed to seek black support aggressively, and if one or more makes significant inroads it would offer an opportunity to chip away at Clinton in the South.

"It's a wide open, fascinating dynamic," said a senior party strategist who requested anonymity. "The voters Doug Wilder had the best chance of attracting are the Democratic Party's most committed constituency. Win a majority of them and you go places."

Lorraine Voles, spokeswoman for Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin, said her candidate "stands an awful lot to gain" from Wilder's withdrawal.

Wilder entered the race expecting to inherit Jackson's predominantly

black base and hoping his two decades in state government would help him attract white and other voters who had expressed concern that Jackson had never held office.

But his campaign struggled from the outset. Wilder was little known outside Virginia and didn't have the money to wage the costly television advertising campaign needed to boost his standing in New Hampshire.

He encountered heavy criticism at home for spending one of every three days last year outside the state while Virginia suffered budget crises.

His troubles in New Hampshire led to the perception that his campaign would be short-lived. Wilder aides often blamed Jackson for keeping his supporters from defecting to Wilder — a charge Jackson denied.



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21 hospitalized after blaze at chicken plant

MOUNT PLEASANT (AP) — Officials at an East Texas chicken processing plant hailed their safety procedures and several acts of heroism for saving lives in a fire that sent 21 people to the hospital.

Fire at the Pilgrim's Pride Corp. plant erupted about 10 a.m. Wednesday when a hydraulic line on a fry cooker came loose, said Fire Chief Larry McRae.

"The hydraulic was connected to the fryer that actually fries the chicken and it somehow came loose and the hot oil escaped and got into a burner which caught on fire," said McRae, who added that the blaze spread quickly.

Bob Pearson, Pilgrim's vice president for human resources, said the plant's own firefighting system had extinguished the blaze by the time firefighters arrived.

"I heard a pretty loud boom," said Chris Casteel, 21, a supervisor who said he was about 100 yards away from where the fire occurred.

"I turned around and I saw a big blaze. I tried to get a lot of my guys out. I tried to go back in but it was too dark," he said. "It's about the scariest thing I've ever seen."

Sandy Wexler, a nursing supervisor at Titus County Memorial Hospital, said late Wednesday night that four people were admitted with burns and smoke-related injuries. All were in stable condition, Ms. Wexler said.

A fifth person was taken to Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas. Carolyn Turner, 33, was listed in serious condition Wednesday night with burns over 30 percent of her body, said hospital spokesman Michele Majors.

Frances Standridge, an assistant administrator at the Mount Pleasant hospital, said "a number" of the injuries were caused by people attempting to get out of the factory. She said one woman suffered a broken arm.

In September, 25 people died and 56 others were injured when fire broke out at a chicken processing plant in North Carolina. Owner Imperial Food Products Inc. was fined \$808,150 for locking doors and violating other safety codes.

Pearson, who noted there were 14 exits from the Texas plant, said the North Carolina fire caused the entire industry to rethink its safety procedures. He added that injuries suffered when people rush to escape a fire are unavoidable.

"When you have quick-forming dense smoke, those things will happen," he said.

Officials said the plant has had regular fire drills, the last one on Sept. 26.

"An orderly evacuation was done according to previously developed and tested evacuation procedures," said company president Bill Voss.

Pearson and others cited acts of heroism by employees helping their colleagues to escape, including one supervisor who put out a co-worker's burning clothes and a man carrying out a woman. "He probably saved her life," Pearson said.

Voss said the plant's hydraulic systems, which are being phased out, had been recently inspected. The hydraulic line which caused Wednesday's fire was the only remaining on the line as the rest had been converted to electricity.

Legislature completes work on partisan note

By SCOTT ROTHSCHILD
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — State lawmakers wrapped up their special session on legislative redistricting, but whether those measures will stand up remains to be seen.

"I'm hoping that we can move on, and that what we passed here in the last few days will certainly be satisfactory to the Justice Department and we can hold elections on the 10th of March," House Speaker Gib Lewis said Wednesday after the Legislature adjourned.

The state House and Senate redistricting plans must be submitted to the Justice Department for approval, and action there could spawn more lawsuits on an issue that has and is being contested in several courts.

The March 10 primaries also remain in doubt. Under a bill passed by the Legislature, if the redistricting plans don't win court approval by Jan. 17, then the primaries will be postponed until April 11.

The primary election bill and redistricting measures were sent to Gov. Ann Richards for her consideration.

Richards called lawmakers into their third special session after federal and state courts had rejected earlier attempts by the Legislature to re-draw boundaries for the 150-member House and 31-member Senate.

The Legislature is required to draw House and Senate district lines after each 10-year federal census.

Democrats said the Senate plan would increase the chance of minorities to get elected in proportion to their population, but Republicans said the district lines were drawn in a way to protect Democratic incumbents.

The GOP also claimed the plan was illegal because it represented a settlement between a group of

Democrats and minority plaintiffs who successfully sued the state to re-draw districts to increase minority representation.

Democrats, however, saw the plan as a way to supplant a federal three-judge panel's decision to impose its own district maps. The judge's district maps would hurt minorities and protect Republicans, the Democrats contended.

Under the House plan, districts agreed to by minority plaintiffs and a majority of the representatives would go into effect in 1994. For 1992, the House plan would reflect the districts drawn by the three judges, all of whom are Republican appointees.

In the waning moments of debate Wednesday, the bitterness of the session came to a head between Republicans and Democrats on the Senate floor.

Two Democrats brought up the fact that a paid consultant of Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco, is the brother of one of the federal judges who voted to impose the redistricting plan opposed by Democrats.

"This is just another example of the sorry, dirty, rotten, low down deal that has been done to the people of the state of Texas," said Sen. Ted Lyon, D-Rockwall.

Sibley, angered over the insinuation that his dealings with Jack Smith, the brother of Republican U.S. District Judge Walter Smith of Waco, had any influence over the redistricting decision, said, "I deeply resent the way that this has been handled."

As tempers rose, Sibley and Sen. Steve Carriker, D-Roby, started shouting at each other, and Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock banged his gavel several times to stop the exchange.

Later Carriker apologized to Sibley, but the freshman senator had already left the chamber. Carriker, however, said the relationship between the Sibley and Judge Smith should be established as the redistricting fight continues in court.

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Opinion

Cranston has gall with Keating loot

The arm of the law has collared Charles H. Keating, who was convicted recently of 17 counts of securities fraud in connection with the failure of his high-flying Lincoln Savings and Loan. That late, unlamented institution purveyed now-worthless bonds to thousands of unfortunate investors.

Now, is there any hope that conscience will collar Keating's most celebrated crony, California's senior senator? Alan Cranston was scornful in responding to the reprimand he received from the Senate Ethics Committee for his well-compensated game of footsie with Keating. The verdict reminds us that all the scorn was due Cranston, not the committee.

"[R]emember [that] the weak, meek and ignorant are always good targets..." That was part of the advice to Lincoln Savings and Loan employees who hawked uninsured bonds, according to documents filed with Orange County Superior Court in California. The memo outlining this sly sales philosophy was introduced by lawyers representing thousands of holders of the now-worthless bonds.

That evidence bespeaks world-class cynicism — and worse — on the part of Lincoln's managers. It also prompts the question: Is Cranston ever going to relent on his refusal to surrender the fat contributions he received from Charles Keating? At least two of the other four senators who took cash from Keating and buttonholed regulators in return have given back their own contributions. Why should Cranston be different, especially after he was the only one to be dressed down by his fellow senators?

Maybe others deserved a reprimand as well, but of all the "Keating Five," Cranston's hands seemed by far the dirtiest. After all, he continued to throw his weight around in Keating's behalf long after most of the other senators in the group had drawn back. And he guzzled more Keating cash than any of them.

Later, he proposed that taxpayers be forced to bail out the Lincoln bondholders. What gall, coming from somebody who won't disgorge his own share of the Keating loot. Another sign that this cynic views his constituents as weak, meek and ignorant?

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OUT OF CONTROL

Hiding increases in spending



Stephen Chapman

"All progress is based upon a universal innate desire on the part of every organism to live beyond its income," wrote the English satirist Samuel Butler. Unfortunately, one of the organisms subject to this urge is the federal government, which doesn't necessarily generate progress.

The Reagan "revolution" was the result of public disenchantment with the growth of taxes, if not of spending. President Reagan, likening Congress to an undisciplined child, said lectures on the wisdom of thrift were a waste of time: The only way to get lawmakers to spend less was to give them less to spend.

That's what he did with his 1981 tax cut. One happy result was that Congress, busy blaming him for the swollen budget deficit, was reluctant to do anything that might increase it. Reagan's approach was reinforced by the Gramm-Rudman law, which commanded that the federal budget deficit be cut each year until it was gone.

On the surface, the allowance-cutting strategy worked. The tax burden stabilized, the budget deficit (as a share of the nation's income) steadily shrunk, and the annual growth of spending dropped by more than half. Anyone in Congress proposing to launch an ambitious new federal program found himself blocked at every turn by Gramm-Rudman, an unsympathetic White House and a chronic scarcity of greenbacks.

But if you thought our elected officials were going to steel themselves to a permanent regimen of fiscal responsibility, let me welcome you back from Disneyland. Not all federal programs require lifting the taxpayer's wallet, with all the ill feeling that causes. Congress and the president, forced into ingenuity, have found a couple of ways to pursue their old habits without anyone noticing.

Say you're a member of Congress with a great

idea for social improvement, but you don't want to bust the budget. Fine. Who needs the budget? Instead of taking money out of the Treasury and sending it off to finance your cause, you can leave dollars there and get someone in the private sector to lend the money, with your promise to repay it if necessary. You accomplish the same thing, but at no visible cost.

The favorite device here is the federal guarantee, used for loans and financial deposits. The Federal Housing Administration, for example, insures more than \$300 billion worth of mortgages. For decades, Americans have assumed that these guarantees are as free as a spring breeze.

Now we're learning differently. When a loan goes south, the taxpayers get stuck. In 1988, the FHA lost \$4.2 billion. *Fortune* magazine says we can expect another \$5 billion in losses in the next few years.

Federal deposit insurance for banks and savings and loans is another commitment that turned out to be a lot more expensive than anyone ever dreamed. The Farmers Home Administration, which finances rural mortgages, had a default rate of 63 percent by 1987, and its eventual losses are expected to exceed \$20 billion.

All these expenses are blessedly absent from

the budget. For Congress, that's the next best thing to not existing at all. But they don't cost any less for being invisible.

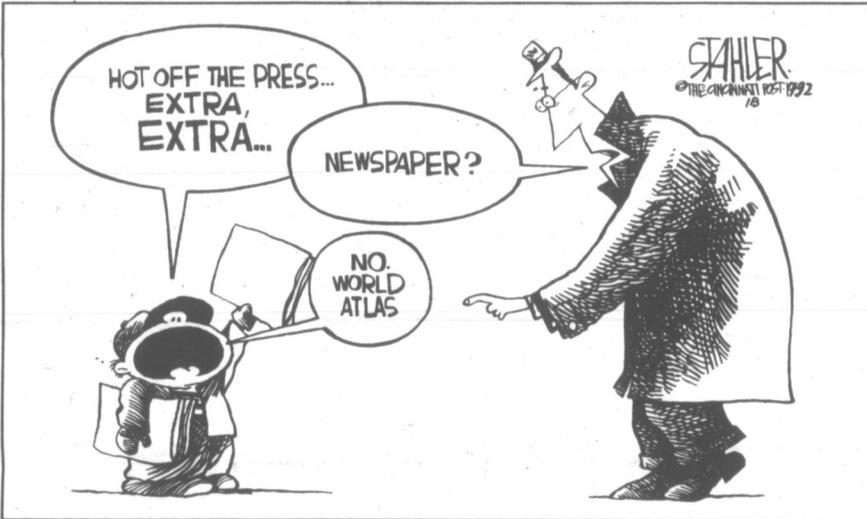
Don't hold out the hope that these bad experiences have inspired a new sobriety in Washington. In fact, these off-budget obligations were more than twice as large in 1990 as they were in 1980.

But this isn't the only — or necessarily the most extravagant — trick our elected officials have for escaping the budget pinch. The next fad will probably be to load costly burdens on the private sector, to be paid for with private dollars.

This is the ploy in the Americans with Disabilities Act, which forces employers to spend unknown sums to accommodate handicapped employees and customers. If Congress were forced to pay the costs out of the Treasury, taxpayers would be howling at the potentially crushing load. By putting the burden on employers, Congress can portray the benefits as manna falling miraculously from Capitol Hill.

Attentive news watchers will recognize the essential concept: It popped up in health care plans proposed by some Democrats, which would have required private employers to provide medical insurance to their workers. If Congress is going to do something about health care, this device is politically ideal — simple, painless and cost-free.

That's the illusion created by these programs. But in the end, someone has to pay for them, and that someone can be found in your bathroom mirror. Our lawmakers have responded to the budget squeeze the way an unrepentant drunk would respond to being denied wine and spirits, drinking the budget equivalent of beer. The process may take longer and may be easier to hide, but the hang-over feels just the same.



Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Jan. 9, the ninth day of 1992. There are 357 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 9, 1793, what's generally regarded as the first manned balloon flight in the United States took place as Frenchman Jean Pierre Blanchard traveled between Philadelphia and Woodbury, N.J.

On this date:

In 1788, Connecticut became the fifth state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1861, Mississippi seceded from the Union.

In 1945, American soldiers led by Gen. Douglas MacArthur invaded Luzon in the Philippines during World War II.

In 1957, Anthony Eden resigned as British prime minister, citing health reasons.

Romantic interlude in the '90s

A '90s romantic rendezvous ...

Herb wants to ask out Rowena, a secretary in his office. First, he calls his lawyer to ask him to write a letter proposing such a thing to Rowena's lawyer.

Can't be too careful about a sexual harassment suit from the workplace.

The letter is written and the two lawyers agree on a spot for Herb and Rowena to have dinner.

Naturally both lawyers accompany their respective clients to Mario's, a little out-of-the-way Italian spot, near a police station, just in case.

During dinner, Herb and Rowena exchange knowing glances across the table where they are seated next to their attorneys.

Herb says, "I think I can speak for Rowena in saying we would like take this beyond dinner."

Rowena nods to her lawyer, signifying Herb is correct.

"Did your client bring the results of his latest blood work?" Rowena's lawyer asks Herb's.

"I'll show you his if you'll show me hers," Herb's attorney replies.

Blood test results are exchanged and it is tentatively agreed to by each lawyer that their clients are free from the HIV virus as well as ticks.

Rowena's lawyer does want to know, however, "This wasn't done in a chiropractor's office by any chance, was it?"

Herb's attorney objects to such a question, but after a brief conference between the two it is agreed to go forward.



Lewis Grizzard

Herb's lawyer then introduces a letter of agreement to be signed by Rowena.

"What this letter states," he says to Rowena, "is that you agree you are going along with this completely and utterly on your own accord."

"It further states you are in no way being coerced or compromised and that you agree that any sexual activity that might result if the evening is allowed to proceed past dinner is completely consensual."

"May I have a look at that please?" Rowena's lawyer asks.

After reading the agreement he and Herb's lawyer confer for an hour and a half and certain amendments and word changes are agreed to.

They awaken their clients and each signs the agreement. A bartender and cocktail waitress are asked to witness the document. The venue of what might come next is discussed at great length.

Rowena's lawyer suggests the couple go to Herb's lawn or out by his pool. Herb's lawyer suggests the

bus station, where there will be plenty of witnesses. The two attorneys confer for another hour and a half and finally settle on a room at the local motel.

Both lawyers agree they should accompany their clients in case there is need for further legal advice or maneuvering.

The four of them grab a cab to the motel. The driver, Rowena and her lawyer sit in the front. Herb and his attorney sit in back.

Once at the motel there is further discussion as to who should be responsible for the bill. More discussion follows, and then it is decided the charge for the room should be split equally between the two parties.

"This must remain complete consensual," says Herb's lawyer.

Once inside the room Herb and Rowena engage in several minutes of mutually beneficial pre-coital preparedness, formerly known as "foreplay."

Just as the couple nears the moment, however, the two lawyers call for a brief recess in the activities.

They go outside the room to discuss what each partner will do and for how long, and this results in a lengthy heated argument regarding the recent case of Hargrove v. Peabody, where one partner sued another partner because the partner of the first part thought it had been better for the partner of the second part.

Returning to the room they find Rowena and Herb asleep again. The two attorneys make a golf date for the weekend.

Herb and Rowena both have to take second jobs to pay their legal bills.

'Terrible Treadmill' is a taxing thing

By BEN WATTENBERG

The lead headline of *USA Today* reads: "Economy 'Absolutely Stalled.'" The *Washington Post* front page responds: "Economy on a Treadmill."

News of an absolutely stalled economy on a treadmill, if it is so, or even if merely alleged, is a big story at any time. But coming now, one year before a presidential election, it guarantees that the media balloon will be much puffed up by interested political types.

Perception yields reality. News about The Terrible Treadmill brings forth tax cut plans from Congress, needed, of course, to ignite the absolutely stalled economy.

TTT gives us bubbly stories about Democrats realizing they have a chance to win in 1992. After all, Bush is vulnerable due to the absolutely stalled economy.

In Washington, buildings think, too. We are told that "The White House" believes the stalled economy could derail the 1992 re-election express. So there will be White House tax-cut plans, too.

Only one silly question remains: Is the economy really "stalled"? The Gross National Product growth estimates for the third quarter of 1991 are somewhat under 3 percent. Treadmill? When a 3 percent growth rate doubles an economy in 24 years, and 2 percent in 36 years?

In fact, there are serious economists, non-treadmillers, who say things are moving along very nicely.

Consider the views of the "Shadow Open Market Committee," eight economists, mostly academic, some from the business world, principally monetarists. Their end-of-September report accepts the Blue Chip consensus forecast of 2.5 percent growth for the next year, but does not accept the trendy description of such rates as "anemic."

It notes: "A modest recovery ... will have lasting benefit. The expansion will be durable. Inflation will continue to fall. The savings rate will increase, thereby providing resources for investment and future productivity gains."

The recent "stall" stories have not changed what the Shadows know. Dr. Mickey Levy, chief economist of CRT

Government Securities, says the fourth quarter may "sputter," appearing worse than it is for technical reasons, but that no double-dip recession is in sight. Inflation will drop below 1980s rates, he says, likely yielding vigorous growth on the style of the 1960s.

Dr. Allan Meltzer, of Carnegie-Mellon University and the American Enterprise Institute, says the recession was mild, which is why the upturn is non-sensational. Meltzer thinks a moderate recovery will head off a potentially inflationary boom.

Dr. Jerry Jordan of First Interstate Bancorp, a former Council of Economic Advisors member, believes the 1990s will be the most prosperous decade of the century. He says we're coming out of the recession not because of decisions made by wise men in Washington, but because that's what the animal spirits of free people naturally yield in a relatively free market.

Don't expect to hear much of this sort of thinking. It's not sexy enough, certainly not in the election season ahead. Too much is at stake.

Liberals have constructed a belief

system anchored in the idea that there has been no economic progress for 20 years, and that greedy Ronald Reagan raped the middle class. (Forget that in the '80s real per capita, household and family income all went up for the rich, poor and middle class.) And so they chant their macroeconomic mantra: "The piper must be paid."

Supply-side conservatives are equally fervid. If you believe that only tax cuts can reinvigorate a sub-par economy, there must be a sub-par economy.

Neither side, nor the media, is likely to accept a bland but probably accurate scenario: that the American economy is naturally healthy, that recessions are normal, that coming out of this recession without igniting 1970's-style inflation will yield solid growth.

Politically, more than the 1992 election is at stake. A super-boom is coming. After all, the planets are aligned: democracy, markets, global trade and peace — the four horsemen of economic nirvana are in the saddle, ready to ride. Whichever party is in power when that happens may stay there for a long time.

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Lifestyles



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Old friend has reservations about lunch plans for two

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I hosted a large wedding for our daughter recently.

A week later, "Melanie," an old friend of mine who is divorced, called to ask for the telephone number of the groom's mother, who is also divorced. (I'll call her Katie.) Melanie had met Katie at the wedding, found they had a lot in common, and decided to get together for lunch. She said Katie had given her her telephone number, but she had misplaced it.

I gave Melanie Katie's number — then I told her I was hurt to think that she would make a date to see Katie without including me, whereupon she said I was "welcome" to join them for lunch.

I was so hurt and angry, I did not accept. Abby, was it proper for Melanie to make a date with Katie without including me?

EXCLUDED

DEAR EXCLUDED: I see nothing wrong with Melanie and Katie deciding to get together for lunch without including you. But I do see something wrong with your telling Melanie that you were "hurt," thus embarrassing her into inviting you to join them.

It would have been gracious of Melanie to have invited you, but nowhere is it written that because they met at your daughter's wedding they were obligated to do so.

DEAR ABBY: I have been an avid reader of your column for many years and now I need your help.

I am a compulsive gambler, now living in Okinawa, Japan. Fortunately, I am a member of Gamblers Anonymous, which has been a lifesaver for me. There is a G.A. chapter here, but unfortunately, it isn't very

well-known. As a matter of fact, there are only two members at this time.

The Pacific Stars and Stripes carries "Dear Abby" and everyone reads it. It would be great if more people knew about Gamblers Anonymous. The stakes are high here, and so is the divorce rate, due to compulsive gambling. Please help.

A COMPULSIVE GAMBLER

DEAR GAMBLER: I have had readers sing the praises of Gamblers Anonymous, and after this hits print, five will getcha 10 that your membership will skyrocket.

Good luck. Please give me a progress report in July of '92.

DEAR ABBY: I recently became aware that handicapped stalls in women's restrooms have hooks (for hanging coats, bags, etc.) placed near the top of the door. I fail to see how these hooks can be utilized by anyone confined to a wheelchair.

I have observed this in Virginia, North Carolina, Pennsylvania and New York.

I don't know how widespread this may be, but thought you might be the proper one to address this oversight. By the way, I am not handicapped.

LYNNE KANNAN, RICHMOND, VA.

DEAR LYNNE: Going public with your observation may inspire the offenders to correct this oversight. And it wouldn't hurt to mention it to the management. Thanks for a helpful suggestion.

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How do birth marks form?

By 3-2-1 CONTACT Magazine

Birthmarks come in many shapes, sizes and colors. They can show up anywhere on your body. You might even have one on your eye.

No one understands yet WHY birthmarks form. But scientists do know that they form when too many tissue cells grow in one area. The most common kind is easy to "spot" — it's a brown mole. A mole gets its color from a brown pigment called melanin, the same stuff that gives skin its tone and causes freckles.

Tiny blood vessels give another type of birthmark its color. These birthmarks are called "port-wine stains" because they are often large and red.

But, a birthmark can even be colorless. So, how do you know if you have one? You might not. Sometimes you need a microscope to spot the tissue.

Most birthmarks are nothing to worry about. If you notice a change in size or color, have your doctor take a look. Otherwise, you can wear your spots as happily as a leopard.

Junior Service League leadership



(Staff photo by Bonner Green)

Officers for Junior Service League of Pampa are front, left, Dana Terry, vice-president; Janice Piersall, corresponding secretary and Robin Hale, recording secretary. Back row, left, Marcia Julian, treasurer; Jamie White, president and Shelly Watkins, parliamentarian.

World War II - Personal accounts and combat art

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ordinary soldiers' photos and diaries reflect the human experience of World War II as vividly as relics of the famous such as Churchill's letters and Hitler's will.

These varied items are among about 300 historic objects on display in the National Archives' major traveling exhibition, "World War II: Personal Accounts — Pearl Harbor to V-J Day."

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PAMPA MALL

Sports

Shootin' the Breeze

By J. Alan Brzyz



Hey, Hoss, how's life in the big city

The native son is due to return to his beloved Pampa. Yes, the man who was quoted in the August 26, 1991 issue of *Sports Illustrated* magazine as saying - "Hey, Hoss, back in Pampa (Texas), my crowd was a bunch of rowdies in a place where cracking each other over the head with bottles wasn't assault and battery, it was entertainment." - is scheduled to make a triumphant return.

John Jenkins, who moved on to bigger and supposedly better things, returns to Pampa next week. Jenkins is the controversial head football coach of the University of Houston Cougars.

If you want to hear more from the man who reportedly has a personality as colorful as the flashy clothes he wore for one of the photographs in the magazine article, you'll get your chance by buying a ticket to the Pampa High School 1991 football banquet set for 7 p.m. Wednesday in the M.K. Brown Heritage Room.

Jenkins is featured speaker at the banquet, which is sponsored by the Harvesters Booster Club.

I haven't been this excited since the late-1970s when I heard Dr. Hunter S. Thompson was scheduled to speak at the University of Kentucky.

At the beginning of the just-finished college football season, Jenkins' Cougars were heralded as pure football dynamite on offense. Cougars quarterback David Klingler, rifleman in the team's run-and-shoot scoring machine, was touted as a leading Heisman Trophy candidate.

Unfortunately, neither the team nor the QB was nearly as successful as was speculated.

But hey, Hoss, that's the *SI* hex for you. I can't wait to hear what J.J. has to say at his latest forum.

Tickets are available to the general public at \$6 each and can be obtained at the PHS athletic office through Monday. Tickets are limited and will NOT be sold at the door, according to the booster club.

Shoppers beware!

You may find yourself flat on a busy concourse floor, a foot-print on your forehead courtesy of the myriad of followers of a relatively new and exciting athletic endeavor.

Although mall walking - not to be confused with street walking - has been around for several years, it apparently is growing to epic proportions. It is especially beneficial for individuals recovering from medical problems.

Mall walkers are easy to spot. Generally, they roam in packs and most often can be recognized by their dress.

- Here are some general characteristics:
- Their rapid walking pace does not allow for window shopping.
- Most wear designer athletic shoes and loose-fitting sweats.
- Most carry excess adipose.
- Many cover every available inch of inside-perimeter floor space and hug the mall walls like flies to honey. This can lead to near-collision with casual shoppers in mall nooks and crannies.
- Participants come from all walks of life and include every imaginable age group.
- Most are terribly polite, even though they don't stop to chat.

To their credit, most malls encourage the indoor endeavor. Some offer helpful hints and information so that participants can get maximum results from the exercise.

I have one question. Where do they get the will power to walk without stopping past the food vendors?

BITS and SPURS ... The 1991 National League Champion Atlanta Braves have scheduled a tryout camp at 9 a.m. Jan. 19 at the University of Houston baseball field. Hey, Hoss, whadaya think about that?

Looks like the Broncos and the Lions must win if my Super Bowl prediction is to come true. I'm ready for any outcome. I received a "Skins Bandwagon" bumper sticker and a tissue "for wiping away tears after Washington wins," from a friend in the D.C. area.

Knox to coach Rams

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) - Chuck Knox, who took his first NFL head coaching job with the Los Angeles Rams 19 years ago, is back where he started in what he foresees as his last head coaching job.

Knox returned to the Rams on Wednesday, 14 years after the parties went their separate ways.

"I would certainly hope so," Knox said with a smile when asked at a news conference if this would be his final position in the NFL. "Age is just a number. I feel just about like I felt 19 years ago."

"I've grown as a football coach. I like to think I've profited from the mistakes I made, recognized them."

Knox, 59, resigned as the Seattle Seahawks' coach on Dec. 27. The Seahawks were 7-9 this season and 80-63 during Knox's nine years as coach.

Knox's appointment was announced by Rams owner and president Georgia Frontiere, whose late husband, Carroll Rosenbloom, let Knox go after the 1977 season - despite the fact the Rams had won five NFC West championships in as many years.

At the time, Rosenbloom complained that the Rams' offense was too dull.

"I would hope we would be able to win five division titles in a row (now) and I would take the kind of criticism I was taking," Knox said. "They used to call me Ground Chuck. Then it was Air Knox."

"It depends upon the kind of personnel we have. We'll do what the talent can do best."

As the successor to John Robinson, Knox became the 14th head coach in Rams history. He is the sixth-winningest coach in NFL history with a 171-114-1 record.

Knox, who inherits a team that went 8-24 the last two years, will have a say-so as far as his talent is concerned. That's because he was given additional duties as a club vice president, and as part of his new job he will be responsible for the college draft and player personnel.

"I'm extremely excited about the commitment I've received from Georgia to do what has to be done," he said. "We're not going to rush into anything and make any snap decisions. Acquisition of talent is the name of the game. I certainly think there is some talent here."

"I still have a burning desire to get the job done. The only job I really wanted was this job. I just hope we can come here and get things turned around very quickly. I just feel this is the right place to be."

Knox was the offensive line coach of the Detroit Lions when the Rams hired him as their head coach in 1973. Under Knox from 1973-77, the Rams went 12-2, 10-4, 12-2, 10-3-1 and 10-4.

Counting playoff games, the Rams were 57-20-1 in those five seasons. But they didn't reach the Super Bowl until the 1979 season - after Knox had left and Rosenbloom had died.

The season before Knox's arrival, the Rams were 6-7-1.

District roundball action tips off

Kelton Lions open against Allison team

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Writer

The Kelton Lions, like other area schools, are moving closer to the district basketball season.

The Lions have one more non-district game remaining - Friday night against Follett - before the league opener next Tuesday night against the Allison Antelopes.

Lions' coach Brad Slatton is ready to tip off the district season and he's hoping he doesn't have to sweat through another thriller like Kelton's 74-73 double overtime win over Hedley on Tuesday night.

"It's always nice to win, but it's games like those that give a coach gray hairs. Hedley has won two of three games against us this season and all of them have been close,"

Slatton said. "We felt like we should have beaten them the first two games."

Kelton's Brian Kirkland, a 6-0 sophomore, lit up Hedley's gym with 46 points, winning an individual scoring battle with Kevin Johnson, who led the Owls with 34 points.

"Kirkland had a real good game and we did a good job of getting him the ball," Slatton said.

Kelton never trailed until the final overtime when Hedley jumped ahead by four points.

Kirkland drilled a three-point goal to pull the Lions within one, and then after a traveling call on Hedley, junior center Boyce Crowover hit an 8-foot jumper with three seconds to go to give Kelton the narrow win.

"We were kind of disorganized coming down on that last play, but Crowover got a nice pass in the lane and his shot rattled around the rim and finally fell in," Slatton said.

"He only had four points, but he came through with the big basket for us."

Steven Bodine added 14 points for the Lions, who lifted their record to 9-6.

Allison, which hosts Kelton next week, fell to Samnorwood, 74-63, Tuesday night.

"I don't think Allison's record is that good, but they've been in almost every ballgame they've played. Anytime you go into someone else's gym, you're going to have a battle," Slatton said. "We're looking forward to starting district."

Canadian boys appear ready for district play after holding off Gruver, 78-71, Tuesday night, for their 10th win of the season.

"We played a heck of a game," said Wildcat coach Robert Lee. "We got the ball inside and our big guys rebounded. We did a good job of rebounding and we played well offensively."

Canadian, 10-5, received a 23-point performance from 6-3 senior Joel Robbins while 6-4 senior Ty Godwin responded with 16 points.

After a non-district meeting with West Texas High Friday night, the Wildcats open district action against

a potent Highland Park club Monday night in Canadian's gym.

The Canadian-Highland Park game was originally scheduled for Tuesday night, but was changed to Monday because of semester tests.

Lee looks for Highland Park (16-2) to be the team to beat in District 2-2A, but he says Panhandle and Wellington will be in contention for a playoff spot.

"The district is going to be real strong, just like in football. Highland Park has a lot of height and Panhandle is always strong. Wellington is starting to come around after most of their players were involved in the football playoffs," Lee said. "It's going to be a struggle."

Four other area schools begin district play Tuesday with Lefors at Briscoe, McLean hosting Hedley and White Deer at Wellington.

Groom travels to Samnorwood for its district opener next Friday night. Wheeler and Miami won't start district play until Jan. 28 with Wheeler hosting Shamrock and Miami visiting Darrouzett.

NCAA adopts stronger academic rules

Black leaders claim plan is discriminatory

By KEN PETERS
AP Sports Writer

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) - Tougher academic requirements will ensure that more athletes leave college with a degree, say educators who successfully backed measures to raise the requirements.

NCAA schools voted Wednesday to stiffen entrance requirements and also approved a proposal to keep athletes on track to graduation throughout their college careers.

"For the first time, we have an accurate statement to kids about what it takes to have a minimum foundation to have a chance to graduate from our universities," said Gerald Turner, the president of the University of Mississippi and the chairman of the NCAA Presidents Commission.

"I am comfortable with the 13 core courses and the 2.5 grade point average as giving a good minimum foundation for a good chance of getting a good college degree."

"You're not ready for college work with 11 core courses and a 2.0 GPA."

Beginning in 1995, the entrance requirements will jump from 11 core courses - subjects such as English, math and science - to 13. The necessary grade average for core courses will go from 2.0 (a C) to 2.5.

The grade average is tied to scores on college entrance exams. Beginning in 1995, freshmen will need a 2.5 if they have a test score of 700 on the SAT and 17 on the ACT. The scale descends to where a freshman with a 2.0 grade point will need a 900 SAT and a 21 ACT to be eligible.

Those measures for incoming students, and another requiring athletes to keep pace as they advance in school, were passed overwhelmingly by delegates from Division I schools, the nation's top athletic powers, at the NCAA convention.

The Presidents Commission, wielding increasing power in college athletics, championed the academic propositions.

While the proposal to raise the grade requirement was passed by a 249-72 vote, it was passed over strong objections from some black educators. They were joined by several white colleagues in claiming that the new requirements were racially and culturally discriminatory.

That continued a controversy that began when Proposition 48, the freshman eligibility rule, was first adopted in 1983.

"This is clearly a discriminatory proposal," William DeLauder, president of predominantly black Delaware State, said prior to the vote on the grade point requirement.

"And it's not just a problem for black kids. A lot of white kids from the inner city and from poor rural areas will also be discriminated against by this proposal."

DeLauder said the changing standard "disproportionately affects black students," and stated that one study showed that "the combined 2.5 and 700 SAT would eliminate more than 70 percent of black athletes versus only 18 percent of white athletes."

Turner countered: "There are more black students now in football and basketball (than before Proposition 48). I understand that concern. ... I taught public school for two years and junior college for two years, and I know that if a 1.5 is what's required, that's what some of them will make. If a 2.0 is required, that's what some will make. And they'll make the 2.5 and be much better prepared for having done it."

The other part of the academic package pushed by the Presidents Commission and passed by the delegates will begin to go into effect this year.

Beginning with next fall's freshmen, athletes will have to complete at least 25 percent of the require-

ments in a specific degree program entering their third year, 50 percent entering their fourth year and 75 percent entering their fifth year.

"I think the nation should take great comfort that the educational opportunity of young people has been reaffirmed as an essential mission of the athletic program, and that we will greatly increase the opportunity in years ahead that young people are going to get a degree as well as participate in intercollegiate athletics," said Dr. Thomas Hearn, president of Wake Forest.

"I think this is a resounding victory for the improvement of quality in the American high schools, colleges and universities," said Hearn, a member of the Presidents Commission. "If I were convinced this legislation would disadvantage black youngsters, I'd be against it. I believe it's going to advantage them."

The Presidents Commission suffered a minor setback when schools voted to restore a fulltime assistant football coaching job abolished the year before. Division I-A schools overturned the vote the presidents had won in the 1990 convention reducing the fulltime staff to eight assistants from nine.

The 106 I-A football programs will thus retain their one head, nine assistant and two graduate assistant coaches.

Tech beats SMU, 80-69, in SWC opener

By The Associated Press

For four straight seasons, Syracuse has started out with at least 10 straight victories. And for the second time, the streak has been stopped by Pittsburgh.

Sean Miller scored all 11 of his points in the last 4:08 and the Panthers stung the No. 20 Orangemen 83-74 Wednesday night.

Syracuse (10-1, 2-1 Big East) led by seven points in the second half

before Pitt came back to win at home. Darren Morningstar added 21 points for the Panthers.

"Pitt is very strong inside with steady leadership," Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim said. "They're going to be a real factor in the league."

Pitt also got in the way in the 1988-89 season, when it saddled Syracuse with its first loss after 13 straight victories.

In other games, No. 1 Duke beat Maryland 83-66, No. 4 Kansas

downed Wichita State 81-51, Memphis State upset No. 12 Missouri 89-78, No. 16 Alabama defeated No. 13 Arkansas 65-63, No. 14 Georgia Tech beat North Carolina State 80-63, Virginia upended No. 19 Wake Forest 58-53, No. 22 North Carolina-Charlotte defeated Virginia Tech 62-53 and West Virginia held off No. 25 Massachusetts 76-75.

No. 1 Duke 83, Maryland 66

Thomas Hill scored 25 points and Duke pulled away to beat Maryland for the ninth straight time.

The Blue Devils (9-0, 3-0 Atlantic Coast Conference) led by 13 points at halftime and scored the first 10 points of the second half for a 51-28 lead.

Maryland (7-5, 0-2) never got closer than 14 points after that and lost their fourth in a row. The Terrapins lost for the first time in seven home games.

Bobby Hurley made three 3-pointers for Duke, giving him a school-record 129 in his career. Christian Laettner had 13 points for the Blue Devils, while Walt Williams had 25 for Maryland.

No. 4 Kansas 81, Wichita State 51

Adonis Jordan had 20 points as Kansas won easily at Wichita State to stay unbeaten.

The Jayhawks (11-0) used their fast break for a 48-30 lead at halftime and added the first 10 points of the second half.

Wichita State (2-7) made only 19 of 53 shots and lost its seventh straight game.

Memphis State 89, No. 12 Missouri 78

Missouri's streak of 17 straight regular-season victories ended when Anfernee Hardaway scored 26 points to lead Memphis State.

Missouri (11-1) was within 69-66 with 7:50 left. But in the battle of teams named the Tigers, the hosts scored the next nine points to break it open.

Hardaway shot 8 of 15 from the field and was 9 of 11 from the foul line. Kelvin Allen added 14 points for Memphis State (7-3). Anthony Peeler scored 25 points for Missouri.

No. 16 Alabama 65, No. 13 Arkansas 63

Latrell Sprewell made two key defensive plays in the last seven seconds and Alabama held on to win its eighth straight game.

Alabama (13-1) led 64-63 when Todd Day, who led all scorers with 21 points, made a layup that apparently put Arkansas ahead with seven seconds left. But Day was called for charging into Sprewell and the basket was disallowed.

College Basketball

After Sprewell made one foul shot, he stole the ball from Lee Mayberry at midcourt in the closing moments.

James Robinson scored 20 points for the Crimson Tide. Arkansas (12-3) lost in its first SEC road game since joining the league this season.

No. 14 Georgia Tech 80, North Carolina State 63

Malcolm Mackey had 24 points and 12 rebounds as Georgia Tech won its first ACC road game of the season.

Mackey made his first seven shots and finished 10-for-13. Tech (12-2) forced 11 turnovers in the first half and led 42-28 at the break.

Tom Gugliotta scored 21 points for North Carolina State (6-5). The Wolfpack played without freshman guard Lakista McCuller, who was suspended before the game for undisclosed reasons.

Texas Tech 80, SMU 69

LUBBOCK (AP) - As a 6-foot-7 center, Texas Tech's Will Flemons is used to being outsized in the middle. But Flemons' 225 pounds usually make him a tough, physical match inside.

But against SMU's 6-foot-11, 260-pound center Greg Kinzer, Flemons had to resort to speed.

Flemons used his quick feet to score 18 of his 23 points in the second half and help lead Texas Tech to an 80-69 victory against the Mustangs in both teams' Southwest Conference opener Wednesday night.



Alabama's James Robinson (31) goes up for a three-pointer against Arkansas' Todd Day (10) and Robert Shepherd (20) in Tuscaloosa, Ala., Wednesday.

(AP Laserphoto)

Bills must break Broncos to win AFC

By HAL BOCK
AP Sports Writer

Here's some advice for the Buffalo Bills, heading for an AFC championship game showdown Sunday with the Denver Broncos.

Roll it up.
Take no prisoners.
If you get up a touchdown, go for two. If you get up two touchdowns, go for three.

AP Commentary

In its last three Super Bowl appearances, Denver has lost by 19 points to the New York Giants, then 32 to Washington and finally 45 to San Francisco, the deficit increasing by 13 points in each game. That is the best formula for beating the Broncos. Ten points ahead with a quarter to play often won't get it done. Not with John Elway pitching against you.

Elway is the current master of the comeback, having rallied Denver from behind on the final

drive of games 20 times. That's 20 times when the Broncos had one last chance to tie or win and Elway delivered the necessary yards for a field goal or taking his team all the way to the end zone.

Twice, Elway did it in AFC championship games, both times against Cleveland, beating the Browns first in 1987, 23-20 in overtime, and then, as if to prove it wasn't a fluke, again the next year, 38-33. He also victimized Pittsburgh 24-23 in a divisional playoff in 1990.

His latest Superman show came in Sunday's playoff against Houston. The Oilers, up 21-6 at one point, were sitting on a shaky 24-23 lead with just over two minutes left on the clock when they punted the ball to Denver's 2-yard line.

There were no timeouts left. And there was no problem, either. Denver had the Elway edge, a two-minute drive to the winning field goal. Twice he kept the drive

going by converting fourth-down plays. It was the classic comeback.

Elway tried to explain the dynamics of rallying his team from behind. "You don't have time to think in a situation like that," he said. "The game is going by about eight times faster than it normally does."

Not fast enough, however, for the other guys. Houston defensive back Cris Dishman remembered thinking that the Oilers had the game won. "No way John Elway drives 98 yards on us," he said to himself.

Oh, no?
Coach Dan Reeves knew Elway was capable of pulling it off. "John has done this over and over again," he said. "Because of John, our guys believe we're never out of a game if there's any time left on the clock."

Detroit quarterback Erik Kramer admired Elway's accomplishment. "He's got intangible abilities, not just physical," he said. "He wants the ball late in the game with the money on the line. He's

like (San Francisco quarterback Joe) Montana. He's just a great player."

The solution, then, is to blow out the Broncos.

In their first meeting this season, the Oilers used that approach, beating Denver 42-14. You don't come back when you're 28 points behind.

Comesbacks can be a double-edged sword, though, and nobody knows that better than the Broncos. Last season, they went into Buffalo and opened a 21-9 lead. As they lined up for a fourth-quarter field goal, the Broncos could be forgiven for thinking the B word — blowout.

The kick was blocked and returned for a touchdown by Cornelius Bennett. Within 77 seconds, between an interception of Elway and a fumble by Elway, the Bills scored 20 points.

Final score: Buffalo 29, Denver 28.

Even Superman fails sometimes.

Lions must adhere to NFL's 48-hour rule

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — As if the Detroit Lions aren't battered enough. Now, the NFL is putting an additional burden on them.

The league wants the Lions in Washington on Friday, almost 48 hours before their NFC championship game with the Redskins (15-2). Detroit coach Wayne Fontes asked for a waiver, but was denied.

During the regular season, teams generally arrive the day before a game. The 48-hour rule applies only to conference championships.

But the Lions have a long list of walking wounded. Many of them take treatment every day, including early on game day. Fontes worries that living in a hotel for two days will disrupt that routine.

"I wish we didn't have to go so early," Fontes said Wednesday. "We really need to treat these football players. They'll have to give me a place to practice and a place to treat my players."

"Unless they give me a second airplane. One with a big Red Cross on the side of it."

It's an extra hurdle the Lions don't need. But this is a team that has overcome great odds all season, especially injuries. Fontes said there was no doubt in his mind where the Lions would be without the depth his team has developed.

"Without a doubt, we'd be a 4-12 team," Fontes said. Instead, the Lions are 13-4.

It is truly a remarkable achievement.

The Lions lost five key players to season-ending injuries as the

1991 campaign rolled along. Gone are quarterback Rodney Peete, offensive linemen Mike Uley and Eric Sanders, linebacker Mike Cofer and noseguard Jerry Ball.

When they beat the Dallas Cowboys 38-6 in the second round of the playoffs, four other players also were unable to play.

"We wouldn't want it any other way," said Erik Kramer, the quarterback who took over for Peete. "We'd be scared if we had all our guys. We're just a scrappy bunch of guys who never say die."

Magic make losing streak disappear

By The Associated Press

Count the ways that the Orlando Magic snapped a 17-game losing streak.

— Missing their leading scorer and No. 1 point guard and having only eight players in uniform because of injuries, the Magic got a career-high 35 points from Sam Vincent and 30 from Catledge in Wednesday night's 104-103 victory at Seattle.

— Ranked 24th in the NBA in free-throw shooting, Orlando went 32-for-33 from the line, including 17-for-18 by Vincent, whose last two foul shots came with 0.6 seconds left.

— Ranked 25th in rebounding, the Magic fought the SuperSonics, the top rebounding team, to a 37-37 draw on the boards.

— Trailing 101-94, Orlando outscored Seattle 10-2 in the last 3:02, with Vincent scoring six points on free throws and Nick Anderson hitting two baskets to finish with 22 points.

The Magic's losing streak stopped three losses short of the NBA single-season record of 20 by the 1973 Philadelphia 76ers.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Boston 99, New York 95; New Jersey 103, Minnesota 97; Philadelphia 114, Houston 104; Chicago 108, Miami 106; Detroit 114, Sacramento 95; the Los Angeles Clippers 104, Indiana 102; San Antonio 103, the Los Angeles Lakers 87; Milwaukee 99, Utah 98; and Phoenix 135, Denver 114.

The Magic won their first game since Nov. 30 against Miami and also won for the first time over a Western Conference team after 13 straight losses.

Benoit Benjamin led the Sonics with 24 points and Ricky Pierce had 20.

NBA Roundup

Celtics 99, Knicks 95
Boston won its 23rd consecutive regular-season home game against New York behind Reggie Lewis' 33 points.

Patrick Ewing scored 28 points for the Knicks, who fell into a virtual tie with the Celtics for first place in the Atlantic Division despite the absence of Boston forwards Larry Bird and Kevin McHale.

The Knicks hit their first nine shots and led by as many as 15 points in the first half. But they were 4-for-18 and were outscored 25-13 in the fourth quarter.

Boston took its first lead of the game, 87-86, with 5:34 left, and New York never caught up. Since losing to the Knicks at home on Feb. 29, 1984, the Celtics have beaten the Knicks 22 times at Boston Garden and once in Hartford.

76ers 114, Rockets 104
Jeff Ruland's return after a five-year retirement gave Philadelphia a lift at home against Houston.

Ruland, traded to the 76ers in 1986, retired after playing only five games for them. After knee surgery last summer, he returned for the first time against the Rockets and scored nine points,

playing short spurts in each quarter.

Hersey Hawkins scored 24 points and Charles Barkley grabbed 19 rebounds for the 76ers, who took their first lead at 63-61 and didn't trail again.

Hakeem Olajuwon scored 28 points and Otis Thorpe 26 for the Rockets.

Bulls 108, Heat 106
Michael Jordan scored 40 points and escaped injury despite a frightening out-of-bounds tumble as Chicago won at Miami.

Chasing a loose ball with four minutes left, Jordan went flying over a row of cheerleaders seated under the Bulls' basket. He landed awkwardly and was helped off the court, but returned to the game before play resumed.

Scottie Pippen scored 24 points for Chicago, including a 3-pointer for a 105-100 lead with 90 seconds to go. Glen Rice had 33 points for Miami, whose chances for a comeback were hurt by Chicago's four offensive rebounds in the final minutes.

Spurs 103, Lakers 87
David Robinson had 22 points, 11 rebounds and seven blocked shots as San Antonio won easily at home against Los Angeles.

The Spurs used an 8-2 third-quarter run to turn a 63-55 lead into a 14-point advantage with 3:04 left in the period.

Sedale Threatt scored 17 points for Los Angeles, which made just 39.5 percent of its shots. Rod Strickland had a season-high 15 assists for the Spurs — three more than the Lakers' team total.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — For at least two weeks, and perhaps longer, the 12 jurors and four alternates chosen for boxer Mike Tyson's rape trial will be confined to hotel rooms during off-duty hours with few links to the outside world.

Marion Superior Court Judge Patricia J. Gifford, who will preside at Tyson's trial scheduled to begin Jan. 27, said Wednesday she will soon issue an order calling for the jury to be sequestered.

The panel will be housed in a downtown hotel and allowed no contact with anyone other than court bailiffs. Jurors may not talk on the phone to family members or see them except for short Sunday gatherings among all jurors and their families. Letters home first will be read by bailiffs.

Local juries rarely are sequestered except in murder cases, but heavy media attention the Tyson case has received is believed to have prompted the plan to sequester.

Nearly 120 local, national and foreign media organizations have requested credentials to cover the trial, according to Joseph L. Champion, a law clerk for Gifford.

Tyson, 25, was indicted by a county grand jury on one count of rape, two counts of criminal deviate conduct and one count of confinement for an alleged attack on an 18-year-old Miss Black America contestant last July.

Extra precautions will be taken to prevent jurors from talking about the case with anyone or seeing or hearing media reports, said court bailiff Ed Atwood.

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Report: Wholesale prices fall in December and for all of 1991

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Prices paid by wholesalers fell in December and for all of 1991, the first annual decline in five years, the government said today, reporting on one of the few bright spots in an otherwise dim performance by the economy.

The Labor Department said its Producer Price Index, which measures prices charged by factories, farms and other producers, dropped 0.2 percent in December, bringing wholesale inflation for the year to minus 0.1 percent.

That was a substantial improvement over 1990's 5.7 percent increase and the first decline in wholesale prices since they fell 2.3 percent in 1986.

A good portion of the moderation has come from a big swing in energy prices. They were driven up nearly

30 percent in 1990 by the threat of the Persian Gulf War, then fell 9.6 percent in 1991 after it became clear Iraq's invasion of Kuwait would not seriously disrupt the world oil supply.

But even factoring that out, price increases are moderating. Excluding the volatile food and energy sectors, producer prices rose 3.1 percent in 1991 compared with 3.5 percent in 1990.

"I think we're doing quite well on inflation," said economist Bruce Steinberg of Merrill Lynch in New York. "If you strip away the energy effects, we're still doing pretty good. All of this is a reaction, primarily, to the recession."

December's 0.2 percent decline in the overall index, which followed increases of 0.2 percent in November and 0.7 percent in October, was even better than anticipated. Most economists were looking for the index to remain flat.

In a separate report, the Labor Department said new claims for unemployment insurance jumped by 22,000 to a seasonally adjusted 458,000 during the week ended Dec. 28. The increase came even though state unemployment insurance offices were closed on Christmas, leaving laid-off workers fewer days to file for benefits.

Analysts caution against reading too much into any one week's report on jobless claims, but they note that that level has been bouncing around for weeks at a recessionary level between 400,000 and 500,000.

The combination of good inflation news and bad news for economic growth raises the possibility of another interest rate cut by the Federal Reserve Board to stimulate the economy.

Most economists expect the central bank, either this month or next, to nudge the federal funds rate lower. Currently 4 percent, that is the rate charged among banks for overnight loans. On Dec. 20, in a dramatic

move, the Fed cut its discount rate — the rate it charges on loans to member banks — by a full percentage point to 3.5 percent, a 27-year low.

The government will report on consumer prices next week, with most analysts expecting a modest rise in December, bringing consumer inflation for 1990 in at just under 3 percent, less than half of the 6.1 percent rate in 1991.

The December decline in the producer index, the first monthly drop since July, was helped by a 0.4 percent drop in food prices and a more-than-expected 1.4 percent drop in energy prices.

The drop in food prices for the month was led by a 15.2 percent slump in vegetable costs. They had soared 23.6 percent in November because of the white fly infestation in California.

Among energy items, prices for both gasoline and home heating oil turned down after climbing in November.

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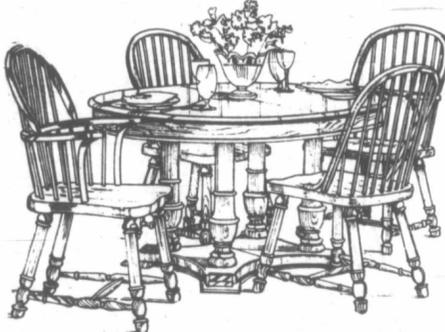
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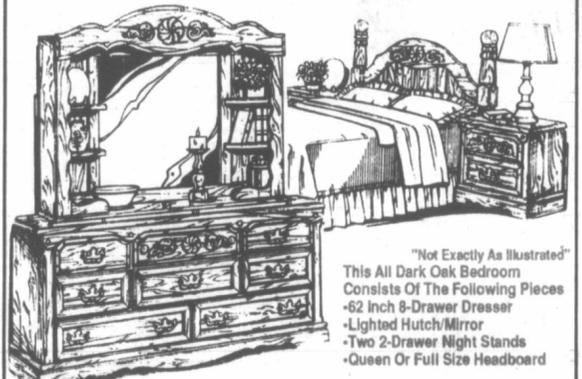
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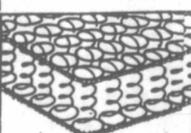
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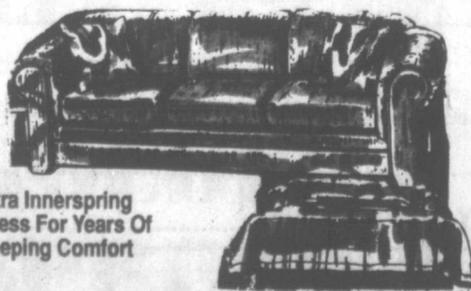
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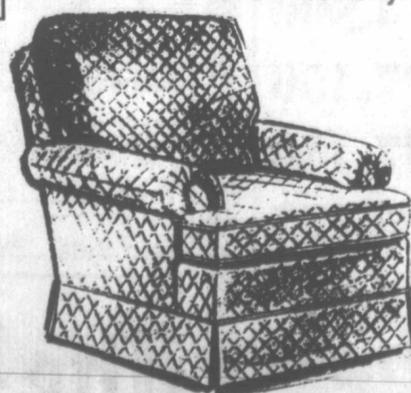


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