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Voters to determine future of Alanreed school district

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

ALANREED — Superintendent Billy Bob Adams insists his school district isn't the smallest in the state.

Alanreed Independent School District has all of 10 students in kindergarten through eighth grade at Alanreed Elementary.

With three full-time teachers in Alanreed ISD, the school system offers "quite a bit" of individual attention to students, Adams noted. One of the teachers is the superintendent's wife, Jeannie Adams, a graduate of the Alanreed school system.

Voters in Alanreed Independent School District will go to the polls from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturday to decide whether they want to abolish the school district. Voting will be conducted in Alanreed Elementary School.

The Jan. 16 election will be the first in the recent history of Alanreed school district on whether to abolish the district, Adams said. In November 1991 and January 1992, Alanreed school district voters rejected proposals for consolidation with McLean and Lefors and McLean school districts, respectively.

Gray County Clerk Wanda Carter plans to spend a day at the Alanreed school on Tuesday to give voters the opportunity to cast ballots early in next Saturday's election on the question of abolishing the school district.

Carter said she will be at the school gymnasium from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and that any registered voter in the Alanreed Independent School District is eligible to vote early.

Tuesday is also the last day to cast ballots in early voting, Carter said. Alanreed ISD voters can also vote Monday and Tuesday at the county clerk's office on the second floor of the Gray County Courthouse.

call the election, Adams said. "We have (enough) money to finish the (school) year with, provided the taxpayers pay their taxes."

The total budget for Alanreed school district for the current fiscal year is approximately \$250,000, he said.

The county education district system of financing school districts has exacerbated financial problems at Alanreed school district, Adams said.

Adams said that the public school in Alanreed has been a major source of pride to the community there. "What's going to happen to the community of Alanreed, without a school?" he asked. "We have community meetings, we have homecomings, we have other functions right here in our school building."

Established in 1912, Alanreed ISD is the first independent school district in Gray County. The school district lies half in Gray County and half in Donley County. The community of Alanreed has about 100 people and is located along the southern boundary of Gray County.

Currently, the majority of graduates from Alanreed Elementary attend McLean High School.

If the residents of Alanreed district vote to abolish it, the commissioners courts in Gray County and Donley County would assign the territory from Alanreed ISD to other nearby districts, effective July 1, Adams said. Among those districts are McLean and Lefors.

Financial problems in the Alanreed school district prompted the school board to

Mattox files U.S. Senate paperwork

AUSTIN (AP) — Former state attorney general Jim Mattox said Saturday he plans to run for the U.S. Senate seat being vacated by Lloyd Bentsen.

Mattox will make a formal announcement "in about a week," said Elna Christopher, the Democrat's press secretary. He also said he's received a flood of calls urging him to run.

"Our phone has been ringing off the wall," Mattox said. "That's because you just can't out-Republican the Republicans. That is what (Gov. Ann) Richards is trying to do. That is a mistake."

Richards appointed Democratic state railroad commissioner Bob Krueger on Jan. 5 as interim senator. Krueger will serve until a May 1 special election to fill the remainder of Bentsen's term, which

runs through 1994. Bentsen is President-elect Clinton's choice for Treasury secretary.

Mattox contended that Richards and other Democratic officials are trying to keep him from the race.

"Richards and the establishment Democratic folks are trying to freeze me out of this race by doing everything from calling contributors to telling my supporters and others that they shouldn't back me because the governor has made her appointment," Mattox said.

Chuck McDonald, spokesman for Richards, said, "The governor isn't doing anything other than making public her obvious support of Bob Krueger."

"Obviously, Ann Richards is supporting Bob Krueger's candidacy, and it's just as

obvious that the vast majority of the Democratic Party wishes to support the governor," he said.

Mattox has sent a statement of candidacy and statement of organization to the secretary of the U.S. Senate and Texas secretary of state, Ms. Christopher said.

Mattox has criticized the voting record of Krueger, who like Mattox is a former congressman. In addition, Mattox has served as a state lawmaker, besides his two terms as attorney general.

Mattox lost to Richards in a runoff for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination in 1990.

He said his supporters include working Texans, consumer advocates, environmental groups and people working for health care and reform.

Chisum: Don't bet on gambling

By JOHN McMILLAN
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Supporters of gambling on the state's rivers are paddling up the wrong creek, says Rep. Warren Chisum.

Without using those exact words, Chisum suggested on Thursday that a proposal by State Rep. Debra Danburg, D-Houston, to legalize gambling on boats on the rivers of Texas would endanger the Canadian River in the Panhandle.

Chisum said he regards such gambling on boats as immoral. He also said he questions Danburg's assertion that the proposed law would raise \$100 million a year for the state.

Chisum criticized the proposal in a speech before about 50 parents in the auditorium of Lovett Memorial Library that was

sponsored by the Gray County chapter of the Christian Coalition. Most of Chisum's speech concerned a proposal to develop a mandatory sex education curriculum for the state's primary and secondary schools, which Chisum criticized as an attack on the American family.

Also during the speech, Chisum assured a woman from Miami that the state will allow that school district to continue, despite its small student population. The Miami Independent School District, which has 210 students in kindergarten through 12th grade, is the only one in Roberts County.

The Miami woman had asked whether she should address her concerns about the proposed sex education curriculum before the Canadian school board, in anticipation of consolidation with that district.

"I don't think you'll ever lose your school district," Chisum said.

The woman from Miami said she felt "very encouraged," noting that the entire community in Miami was concerned about the prospect of losing their school district.

On the subject of educational finance in Texas, Chisum said he expects the Texas Legislature to attempt to correct deficiencies in the current County Education District system while continuing that system for financing state school districts.

Chisum said he favors single-county education districts rather than multi-county education districts and, as in the past, would vote against legislation that continues the multi-county education districts.



(Staff photo by J. Alan Brzya) A city truck spreads sand early Saturday morning at the intersection of Randy Matson and Hobart.

Ice, snow hit area

A Staff and Wire report

"Kind of miserable," said Nathan Hopson, public works director for the city of Pampa, the latest snow and ice to hit the area.

"In the 7 1/2 years that I've lived in Pampa, these are the most prolonged winter conditions that I've seen," said Bill Hildebrandt, director of community services for the city of Pampa, on Saturday.

Three or four sanding trucks for the city of Pampa spread sand at the most heavily traveled intersections in town, such as 23rd Avenue and North Hobart, and at secondary intersections such as North Hobart and 25th Avenue, Hildebrandt noted.

About 10 employees for the city of Pampa have done the sanding work, Hildebrandt said.

A cold front rolled into Texas Saturday, and patches of drizzle and rain fell over many areas.

Cloudy skies accompanied cool temperatures as the front entered north Texas. The mercury dropped to the mid-30s behind the front while readings ahead of the front were in the 50s and 60s.

A line of strong showers and thunderstorms moved through the southeast por-

tion of south Texas as partly cloudy skies covered the rest of the region.

Temperatures were mild with 60s in the southeast, 80s in the lower valley and 70s elsewhere.

West Texas skies were mostly cloudy over the Panhandle, the mountains and the Far West with mostly sunny skies over the rest of the region.

The mercury plunged to 19 degrees behind a cold front that stretched along the Pecos River into central New Mexico, while temperatures ahead of the front were in the 50s and 60s.

The National Weather Service calls for cloudy and colder conditions in north Texas with lows in the mid 20s to near 40 southeast.

A strong cold front will also cool south Texas where lows will range from the 20s in the Hill Country to the 40s elsewhere.

Showers and thunderstorms are likely east of Austin while partly cloudy skies are predicted for the rest of the region.

Cloudy skies are forecast for west Texas with a chance of freezing rain over the Panhandle and South Plains.

Icy single digit temperatures are predicted for the Panhandle while most of the region should see readings in the 20s and 30s.

The Big Bend River valleys will be much warmer with lows in the low 50s.

Glickman named to post

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rep. Dan Glickman, a Kansas Democrat, is the choice of the House leadership to take over the chamber's Intelligence Committee in the 103rd Congress, congressional staff members said Saturday.

Rep. Norman Dicks, D-Wash., had topped many lists as a likely replacement for Rep. Dave McCurdy, D-Okla.

McCurdy was removed last week by House Speaker Thomas S. Foley.

But George Behan, Dick's press secretary, said that after discussions with Foley's office late last week "we expect and understand the new chairman will be Glickman."

Behan said Glickman is senior to Dicks on the committee which oversees the work of the Central Intelligence Agency and other U.S. intelligence organizations.

McCurdy's ouster was widely viewed as final chapter of a behind-the-scenes struggle between the House's top Democrat and an ambitious young lawmaker.

Foley's office issued a statement on Friday saying the speaker "has been pleased with" McCurdy's performance in the post, but "believes it is now time for another member to have an opportunity to lead the committee during the 103rd Congress."

Guard members receive honors

Ironically, a ceremony Saturday honoring area Texas National Guard members for their efforts in the Thanksgiving Day blizzard was delayed by bad weather.

The men who assisted in the blizzard which crippled the Pampa area beginning Nov. 24 were honored shortly after noon Saturday in an awards formation presentation by dignitaries of the Texas National Guard.

Battalion commander Lt. Col. Gene Sparks, battalion executive officer Maj. David Lee, battalion Sgt. Major Vernon Day and brigade Sgt. Major Bill Abernathy arrived from Wellington an hour late to do the honors.

Initially, they were to fly into Pampa for the 11 a.m. presentation, but air transportation was grounded and they were forced to drive the distance over snow and ice-covered roads.

The ceremony went without a hitch and the Guard members received Department of the Army achievement medals for their actions during blizzard conditions in and around Pampa.

Nearly 20 members of the Detachment 1 Co. D, 2nd Battalion 142nd Infantry were activated at 6 p.m. Nov. 24 for 72 hours of service.



(Staff photo by J. Alan Brzya) Sgt. Major Vernon Day, from left, watches as Lt. Col. Gene Sparks acknowledges appreciation and a salute from Sgt. William Love. Specialist Michael Fisher looks on during the Saturday ceremony.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

CASE, Ellen M. — 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery.
 CRAFT, Justine Hubbard — 10 a.m., Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring.
 HARRISON, Wister "Wes" — 10 a.m., Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors.

Obituaries

EARL WAYNE BANKS
 Earl Wayne Banks, 23, died Friday, Jan. 8, 1993. Graveside services were at 4 p.m. Saturday at Fairview Cemetery, with Bob Joiner, minister of Wells Street Church of Christ, officiating. Burial was at Fairview Cemetery.

Mrs. Banks was born Sept. 7, 1969, in Pampa, where she was a lifelong resident. He married Johnna James on Sept. 18, 1986, in Pampa. He was an oil field roughneck.

Survivors include his wife, Johnna of the home; a daughter, Pauletta Banks of the home; a sister, Tommie Rae Widger of Victorville, Calif.; a brother, Donnie Duree of Pampa; and a grandmother, Cora Hunt of Pampa.

MARtha M. WULFMAN BOUNDS
 AMARILLO — Martha M. Wulfman Bounds, 88, aunt of a Pampa resident, died Thursday, Jan. 7, 1993. Memorial services were at 2 p.m. Saturday in Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors, 5400 Bell St., with the Rev. F.M. Childers of Westminster Presbyterian Church officiating.

Mrs. Bounds, born in Hartwell, Ind., moved to Amarillo in 1986 from Wharton. She was a schoolteacher for more than 30 years until her retirement. Her husband, William B. Bounds, preceded her in death. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church of Wharton.

Survivors include three nephews, Gus Wulfman of Amarillo, Bill Eades of Pampa and Jerry Eades of Dumas.

The family will be at 631 S. Shore Drive, Lake Tanglewood, and requests memorials be to the American Cancer Society. The body will not be available for viewing.

JUSTINE HUBBARD CRAFT
 BIG SPRING — Justine Hubbard Craft, 73, mother of a Pampa resident, died Friday, Jan. 8, 1993. A graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring, with Pastor Carroll Kohl, St. Paul Lutheran Church, Big Spring, officiating.

Mrs. Craft was born Tuesday, Dec. 2, 1919, in Desdemonia. She was a member of the Presbyterian church. She had lived in Big Spring off and on for most of her life. She was a beautician and housewife and had been active in square dancing. She married Junior Hubbard on Jan. 20, 1940, in Big Spring; he died on Aug. 10, 1969. She then married Lynn D. Craft on July 9, 1978, in Tahoka.

Survivors include her husband, Lynn of Big Spring; two sons, Roger A. Hubbard of Pampa and Ronald S. Hubbard of Arlington; Susie Uebelhart of Orlando, Fla.; her mother, Gladys Doe, of Big Spring; 11 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

WISTER 'WES' HARRISON
 AMARILLO — Wister "Wes" Harrison, 71, brother of a Pampa resident, died Thursday, Jan. 7, 1993. Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors, 5400 Bell St., with the Rev. Elvis Pitts, a retired pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Harrison, born in Tupelo, Miss., moved to Amarillo in 1966. He married Gladys Faye Mitchell in 1946 at Wellington. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran, serving in World War II. He was a farmer and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife; four daughters, Anna Hamilton of Euleus, Judy Lechner and Odessa Pippin, both of Amarillo, and Fern Wilkins of Irving; two sons, Wes Harrison of Southern Pines, N.C., and Ronnie Harrison of Riverside, Calif.; a brother, Lester Harrison of Apple Valley, Calif.; five sisters, Charlie Mae Browning of Pampa, June Monroe and Chloe Loukas, both of Amarillo, Jewel Hessler of St. Petersburg, Fla.; and Jessie Hudson of Sherman; and 14 grandchildren.

The family will be at 4403 S. Crockett St. and requests memorials be to St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center.

FLORA MAE JONES
 Flora Mae Jones, 86, died Saturday, Jan. 9, 1993. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Carmichael-Whateley Colonial Chapel, with Mr. Dean Whaley Jr., minister of Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be at Miami Cemetery.

Mrs. Jones was born Aug. 18, 1906, in Indian Territory. She moved to Roberts County, near Miami, in 1909. She graduated from Miami High School in 1925. She married Ray F. Jones in Wheeler in 1925; he died July 30, 1964. She was a member of Mary Ellen & Harvester Church of Christ.

Survivors include two sons, Ray Jones Jr. of Pampa, Paul Jones of Pampa; a sister, Mattie Crowson of Howardwick; a brother, Franklin Russell of Borger; 10 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Ambulance

American Medical Transport Paramedic Service reported a total of 30 calls for the period of Jan. 1 through Wednesday. Of the calls, 20 were emergency responses and 10 were of a non-emergency nature.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following call during the 42-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Monday.

FRIDAY, Jan. 8
 7:22 p.m. — Two units and four firefighters responded to a medical assist at 403 N. Somerville Ave.

Accidents

Accident reports were not available from the Pampa Police Department due to administrative offices being closed for the weekend.

Court report

DISTRICT COURT
 Civil lawsuits filed
 Bucky Grainger, independent executor of the estate of Loyce C. Noel, deceased vs. Monta Smitherman, individually and as joint executrix for the estate of Frances Kennedy; and Robert L. Miller; and Robert D. Miller — petition in interpleader.
 Glenda Kohler vs. Wal-Mart Stores Inc. — non-automobile damages.

Criminal
 Jose Garcia, 30, 712 Finley, was fined \$1,500 and received five years probation.

Justin Avery Helton, 26, Pampa, and Martin Ray Brookshire, 55, Pampa, were discharged from probation.

James H. Carroll was discharged from probation because the defendant died Jan. 4.

Divorces granted
 Crystal Robin Duke and David Andrew Duke
 Richard Dwayne Ellis and Darlene Marcelle Ellis
 Linda Wiginton and Joel David Wiginton

GRAY COUNTY COURT
 Guy Conley Savage was fined \$45 and received deferred adjudication of one month probation on a speeding charge, appealed from Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace.
 A charge of ride not secured by safety belt, appealed from Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace was dismissed against Guy Conley Savage after it was used in determining punishment in another case.
 Bobby R. Tillman was fined \$100 and received deferred adjudication of one year probation on a charge of theft of property by check. The defendant was also ordered to pay \$1,441.25 to the probation office for bad checks.

Charges of theft of property by check were dismissed against the following people after restitution was made and court costs paid: Debi Been, Richard G. Farquer, Kevin E. Winegeart, Marcy Dawn Hink and Cathy Turner.

A charge of unlawfully carrying a weapon was dismissed against Michael Allen Townsen due to insufficient evidence.

Marriage licenses issued
 Jeremy Daniel Warner and Monica Leigh Jernigan
 Kenneth Wayne Hopson and Floy Renee Thornhill
 Bryan Keith Fisher and Barbara Jeanette Duree
 Kevin Wayne Evans and Miriam Elizabeth Eaton
 David Gale O'Brien Jr. and Valerie Annette Taylor
 Tyson Dean Beck and Shannon L. Skinner
 Marcus Anthony Shephard and Victoria Michelle Mungia
 Phillip Raymond Dorn and Melody Faye Munde
 Jim Wayne Whatley and Mary Kathryn Marquis

Police report
 The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.
FRIDAY, Jan. 8
 Rickey Lynn Bohanon, 1031 N. Sumner, reported theft over \$20/under \$200.
 Rheams Diamond Shop, 111 N. Cuyler, reported criminal mischief.
 Johnny Ferguson, 1909 N. Christy, reported a hit and run.
SATURDAY, Jan. 9
 Alco Discount Store, 1207 N. Hobart, reported theft over \$20/under \$200.
 Valerie Cole Parks, 618 N. Christy, reported forgery (no date listed).

Arrest
SATURDAY, Jan. 9
 Jamie Gaytan, 22, 427 N. Russell, was arrested on three traffic warrants.

Sheriff's Office
 The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents during the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

SATURDAY, Jan. 9
 Gray County Sheriff's Office reported driving while intoxicated.
Arrests
FRIDAY, Jan. 8
 Karen Anderson McLain, 33, 621 Yeager, was arrested on a warrant charging theft by check and seven DPS warrants. She was released after paying a fine.
SATURDAY, Jan. 9
 Raymond Crawford Cantrell, 27, 1607 W. Wilks, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated (third offense). He was released on bond.

Arrest-DPS
FRIDAY, Jan. 8
 Jesus Lopez Hernandez, 34, 1084 Varnon Drive, was arrested on a warrant charging failure to surrender his driver's license. He was released on bond.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL
 Admissions
 Denamay Leona Bolin, Pampa
 Estelle L. Britnell, Pampa
 Weldon B. Corbin, Pampa
 Miles Monroe Ely, Pampa
 Adam Shane Ensey, Borger
 Leona Hill, Lefors
 Margaret Lockett, Pampa
 Melanie Renee Moon, Pampa
 Jack Wayne Sims, Pampa
 Juanita Towles, Pampa
 Miranda Vargas, Pampa
 Rita Louise Wall, Higgins
 Dorothy Aline Wilson, Pampa
 Ernest Lee Godfrey (extended care), McLean
 Floyd Edward Matheny Sr. (extended care), Pampa

Dismissals
 Denise Renee Allen, Pampa
 Gregorio Cabrales, Pampa
 Ernest Lee Godfrey, McLean
 Krysti Joan Horst and baby boy, Pampa
 Floyd Edward Matheny Sr., Pampa
 Jessie Lee Williams, Pampa
 Mattie Leona Fox (extended care), Pampa
 Leona Hill (extended care), Lefors

Births
 To Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Moon of Pampa, a boy.
 To Mr. and Mrs. John Vargas of Pampa, a girl.

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL
 Admissions and dismissals were not available this weekend.

Report: Raise medicare eligibility age

WASHINGTON (AP) — An internal government report recommends raising the Medicare eligibility age from 65 to 67. It would affect some 76 million people to save billions of dollars for the system now headed for bankruptcy.

The report acknowledges that such a move, certain to face strong opposition from senior citizen groups, would force some people to delay retiring so they can keep their employers' health insurance. It also admits that some people who retire early would be left without health insurance and as a result would delay going to the doctor until they're really sick.

The rising eligibility age would be phased in over 25 years. "Gradually changing the Medicare entitlement age to 67 would save ... three-quarters of a trillion dollars over a 30-year period beginning in the year 2003," said the draft report by the inspector general's office at the Department of Health and Human Services, the parent agency of both Medicare and Social Security.

The report, a copy of which was obtained by *The Associated Press*, said the change was needed because of the large federal deficits and "the projected insolvency of the Medicare trust fund." Revising the entitlement age would require congressional action.

The inspector general's office, an independent operation within each department of the government to

ferret out fraud and waste, recommended raising the Medicare eligibility age at the same pace as the rise in the Social Security full retirement age scheduled to take effect in 10 years.

The reason is simple: Medicare is going broke. The system providing health care coverage to some 35 million people over age 65 is projected to be insolvent sometime around the year 2002, caught in the squeeze of an aging population and runaway increases in the cost of medical care.

In 1991, it paid out some \$110 billion in benefits, the fourth-largest expense in the government, ranking behind defense, Social Security and interest payments on the national debt.

As with Social Security, Medicare is an insurance system financed through payroll tax. But people covered by Medicare also pay part of their costs through a \$676 deductible for hospitalization and a \$36.60 monthly premium for outpatient and doctors' services.

And just as was the case when Social Security was going broke 10

years ago, the government is faced with cutting costs and raising taxes to keep the system afloat.

Social Security's rescue package included raising the full retirement age from 65, the age where it has been since Franklin Roosevelt signed the law in 1935. Starting in the year 2003, the age for retirement with full benefits will be 65 years and two months. By the year 2027, when people born in 1960 will be retiring, the age will be 67.

The inspector general's office recommends following that schedule for increasing the Medicare eligibility age. It says nothing about raising taxes or premiums.

The Social Security Administration estimates some 2.2 million people will turn 65 in 2003, the first year of the phase-in. That number will rise as the baby boomers start hitting their golden years, and in 2027, the final year of the phase-in, 4.2 million people will turn 65.

In all, 75.9 million people will turn 65 during this 25-year period, according to Social Security's estimates.

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City briefs

WATER WELL Service, Doug Kennedy, 665-4088. Adv.

BRICK REPAIR, Harley Knutson, 665-4237. Adv.

SUNTROL WINDOW Tinting 10% Off. Remote Auto Alarms \$99 installed. 703 W. Brown, 665-0615. Adv.

FALL AND Winter merchandise 50-60-75% Off. One rack \$10. Personal Touch, 113 N. Cuyler. Adv.

TAX SERVICE, Glenda Brownlee, 1433 Dwight, 665-0310, 274-2142. Adv.

NAIL TECH Lanee' Stubblefield is back at Chez Tanz, welcomes all new and old customers. Plaza 21, 1217 N. Hobart, 669-6836. Adv.

REFRESHER COURSE for Cosmetology, Monday, Thursday night, 6-9 p.m. \$100 tuition for 100 hours. Cecil Kerbo instructor, Frank Phillips College, Borger, 273-7912. Adv.

CARPET AND Vinyl installed, stretch old carpet, all jobs considered. 669-1720 leave message. Adv.

NEW CROP Pecans \$6 pound, Gray County Association for Retarded Citizens. Proceeds support Sheltered Workshop and Special Olympics. 669-7171, 8 to 5. Adv.

HOME REMODELING, Repair. Jerry Reagan, Karl Parks 669-2648. Adv.

COME CHECK our beer prices. Eagle cigarettes \$1.39. Cardinals \$1.15, breakfast sandwiches and burgers every day. Corner of Price Rd. and Alcock. Adv.

MARY KAY Close Out Sale. Consultants welcome! 665-8508. Adv.

JOANN MCKAY welcomes you to shop at JoAnn's Creations, 1200 Mary Ellen, 669-2157. Adv.
"NEWS FLASH!" hear all the latest exciting improvements and updates about Consumers Buyline Inc. All members, affiliates and guests welcome. 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at The Loft. Adv.

TICKET DISMISSAL, Insurance Discount, 669-3871. Bowman Defensive Driving, (USA). Adv.

LAWNMOWER CHAINSAW Repair - all makes. Pick up, delivery. Radcliff Lawnmower Chainsaw Sales & Service, 519 S. Cuyler, 669-3395. Adv.

VFW BINGO every Sunday 1:30-5 p.m. Open to public. All cash prizes. Post Home, Borger Hwy. Adv.

CRISIS PREGNANCY? 669-2229, 1-800-658-6999. Adv.

MARY KAY Cosmetics, Deb Stapleton consultant. Facials, supplies, deliveries, 665-2095. Adv.

WEIGHT LOSS interest you? A new natural product has local proof of success. 669-9993. Adv.

MOTHER'S DAY Out - First Methodist Church, openings 3 months thru 5 years. 669-9371. Adv.

MEALS ON WHEELS, 669-1007, P.O. Box 939. Volunteers needed. Adv.

S.L.I.M. - SPECIAL Ladies In Mind is a weight loss program designed for the christian woman who wants to be the best she can be spiritually and physically. Don't just make a New Year's resolution, but make it a New Life resolution. Meetings at 6 p.m. Thursday, Calvary Baptist Church, 900 E. 23rd. For more information call 665-5201. Adv.

REV. SAMUEL Brassfield's book Run, Satan, Run is available at the Gift Box. He is former pastor of 1st Assembly of God in Pampa. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Today, becoming cloudy and continued cold. A slight chance of freezing rain or snow. The high around 28 degrees, with southeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Caution is advised with the cold wind chills due to cold temperatures and high winds. Monday, high in the lower 40s.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle, today, cloudy and continued cold. Highs from near 30 to the upper 30s. Tonight, cloudy with a chance of freezing rain most sections. Lows from the upper teens to the mid 20s. Monday, cloudy with a chance of freezing rain during the morning then rain in the afternoon. Highs in the low to mid 40s. Monday night, mostly cloudy with lows mostly in the 20s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. High near 40. Wednesday and Thursday, partly cloudy. Lows in the teens. Highs in the 30s. South Plains, today, patchy early morning fog, otherwise increasing cloudiness. Highs 35 to 40. Tonight, cloudy with a chance of rain and freezing rain. Lows in the 20s. Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance of freezing rain in the morning and rain in the afternoon. Highs in the 40s. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows from the mid 20s to the lower 30s. Tuesday, partly cloudy with a high in the upper 40s. Wednesday and Thursday, mostly fair skies and cold. Lows from the mid teens to near 20. Highs near 40. Permian Basin, today, mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid 40s. Tonight, cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows in the lower 30s. Monday, a chance of rain mainly during the morning, otherwise mostly cloudy. Highs 50 to 55. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 50s. Wednesday and Thursday, mostly fair skies. Lows in the lower 20s. Highs in the 40s.

South Texas — Texas Hill Country and South-Central Texas, today, mostly cloudy and cool. Highs from mid 40s to near 50. Tonight, cloudy and cold. Lows in the 30s. Monday, cloudy and cool with a slight chance of rain. Lows in the lower 30s north to the middle 40s south. Tonight, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. Lows in the lower 30s north to the lower 40s south. Tuesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain. Lows in the lower 30s north to the lower 40s south. Wednesday and Thursday, clear to partly cloudy and cold. Lows lower 20s red river valley and mostly teens elsewhere. Highs upper 20s northern Oklahoma to mid and upper 30s south.

Monday, cloudy and cool with a chance of showers. Highs from upper 40s to low 50s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows in the 40s, in the 30s Hill Country. Highs in the 50s. Wednesday and Thursday, fair to partly cloudy and colder. Lows in the 30s, in the 20s Hill Country. Highs in the 40s to near 50. Texas Coastal Bend, today, mostly cloudy, breezy and cool. Highs in the 50s. Tonight, cloudy and cold. Lows from near 40 to low 40s. Monday, cloudy and cool with a chance of showers. Highs in the 50s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy and warmer with a chance of rain. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 60s to near 70. Wednesday and Thursday, partly cloudy and colder. Lows in the 30s to near 40. Highs in the 50s to near 60. Texas Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains, today, mostly cloudy, breezy and cool. Highs from 50s Rio Grande plains to the lower 60s east. Tonight, cloudy and cold. Lows from near 40 Rio Grande plains to 40s east. Monday, cloudy and cool. A chance of showers Rio Grande plains. Highs from 50s Rio Grande plains to low 60s east. Tuesday, mostly cloudy and warmer with a slight chance of rain. Lows in the 50s. Highs in the 70s. Wednesday, decreasing clouds and colder. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 60s. Thursday, partly cloudy and colder. Lows in the 30s to near 40. High in the 50s to near 60. Southeast Texas and the Upper Texas Coast, today, mostly cloudy and cooler. Highs in the 50s. Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows from near 40 inland to mid 40s coast. Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Highs in the 60s. Tuesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows in the 40s. Highs in the 60s. Wednesday and Thursday, fair to partly cloudy and colder. Lows in the 30s. Highs in the 50s.

North Texas — Today, partly cloudy and cold. Highs from the mid 20s to mid 30s. Tonight, cloudy with a chance of light snow mainly west lows in the upper teens to mid 20s. Monday, cloudy with a chance of light snow most sections during the morning. Snow changing to rain by afternoon. Highs upper 30s to lower 40s. Monday night, increasing cloudiness and colder northwest with a chance of rain, possibly mixed with or changing to snow. Lows in the upper teens to upper 20s. Tuesday, windy and turning colder with rain and snow ending early. Highs near 30 northwest Oklahoma to near 50 southeast. Wednesday and Thursday, clear to partly cloudy and cold. Lows lower 20s red river valley and mostly teens elsewhere. Highs upper 20s northern Oklahoma to mid and upper 30s south.

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 New Mexico — Today and Monday, mostly cloudy with increasing chances of lowland rain or mountain snow showers. Cooler tonight. Monday, Highs today mid 20s to lower 40s mountains and north with 40s and 50s south. Lows today night teens and 20s mountains and northwest with 20s and 30s elsewhere. Highs Monday 30s to lower 40s mountains and north with mid 40s to near 60 elsewhere. Monday night, mostly cloudy with showers decreasing from the west. Lows teens and 20s mountains with 20s and 30s elsewhere. Extended forecast, Tuesday, cooler with decreasing cloudiness from the west. A slight chance of showers east. Highs 20s and 30s mountains with 40s to near 50 south. Wednesday and Thursday, partly cloudy. A little warmer Thursday. Lows zero to 20 mountains and north with 20s to lower 30s south. Highs 30s and 40s mountains with 40s and 50s south.

Oklahoma — Today, partly cloudy and cold. Highs from the mid 20s to mid 30s. Tonight, cloudy with a chance of light snow mainly west lows in the upper teens to mid 20s. Monday, cloudy with a chance of light snow most sections during the morning. Snow changing to rain by afternoon. Highs upper 30s to lower 40s. Monday night, increasing cloudiness and colder northwest with a chance of rain, possibly mixed with or changing to snow. Lows in the upper teens to upper 20s. Tuesday, windy and turning colder with rain and snow ending early. Highs near 30 northwest Oklahoma to near 50 southeast. Wednesday and Thursday, clear to partly cloudy and cold. Lows lower 20s red river valley and mostly teens elsewhere. Highs upper 20s northern Oklahoma to mid and upper 30s south.

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Lonesome pine?



(Staff photo by J. Alan Brzya)

A lone Christmas tree sets abandoned in the snow Saturday morning as the sun peeks through the clouds. The 'Chipping of the Trees' scheduled for the past Saturday was postponed to the coming Saturday, according to organizers.

Bosnians to pull out of peace talks

By TONY SMITH
Associated Press Writer

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Bosnia's deputy prime minister was buried Saturday after being slain by Serb nationalists, and President Alija Izetbegovic said his government was pulling out of peace talks.

The decision came on the eve of the scheduled resumption of the talks, and just hours after Bosnian Serbs announced they had rejected a key peace proposal. Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic said in Belgrade on Saturday that the proposal needed further negotiation.

With demands for international military intervention increasing, mediators have told the Serbs the talks are a final chance for a settlement.

Izetbegovic said at a news conference in Paris that the Muslim-led government "has decided to suspend the negotiations in Geneva to protest the assassination of the deputy prime minister."

However, he told the television network France 2 that he would travel to Geneva as originally planned on Sunday. He did not specify what he would do there, but his presence could leave room for possible progress.

Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic, accused by much of the world of instigating the fighting in Bosnia, also will participate in the peace

talks, the Tanjug news agency reported.

His participation indicated the talks could be entering a decisive phase. Mediators had invited him after the last round of discussions were suspended early last week.

Bosnian Deputy Prime Minister Hakija Turajlic was shot several times Friday by Serb gunmen as he sat in a U.N. armored personnel carrier in Sarajevo, the French Defense Ministry said.

The slaying occurred in front of French U.N. peacekeepers, who were accompanying Turajlic from Sarajevo's airport where he had received Turkish humanitarian supplies.

Karadzic said the slaying was "a tragic incident which we deeply regret." But he charged that Izetbegovic "is using every opportunity to undermine the talks and peaceful solution of the Bosnian war."

About 300 people gathered Saturday at the Ali Pasa mosque next to the Bosnian presidency building for the funeral.

Vice President Ejup Ganic shoveled the first pile of earth onto the coffin while Turajlic's wife and two daughters looked on in tears. Automatic gunfire rattled from the hills overlooking the city.

The Bosnian presidency and government, in a statement in Sarajevo late Saturday, blamed French U.N. Gen. Philippe Morillon and other U.N. officers for Turajlic's death.

Under U.N. rules, such vehicles

have a free right of passage without inspection by the Serbs who halted it.

Izetbegovic has been asking the international community for months to take stronger steps against Serb aggression. The United Nations so far has relied on economic sanctions and negotiations.

French battalion commander Col. Patrice Sartre said in a statement that he was standing between the Serbs and Turajlic. He said that after a standoff of several hours, two Serb soldiers broke away from others who were shouting, "No! No!" and fired over Sartre's shoulder into the vehicle at Turajlic.

The Bosnian Serb military commander, Gen. Ratko Mladic, told reporters in Serb-controlled north-east Bosnia that the slaying was the work of "nervous" soldiers and would be investigated.

Milosevic said in Belgrade that he would use his influence to make sure an investigation was carried out.

Morillon said he had been informed by the Bosnian Serbs that they had arrested the gunman.

White House Press Secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Saturday the United States was "outraged" by the killing. "This heinous act of violence and demonstrated disdain for the authority of the United Nations deserves the opprobrium of the world," he said.

In another twist to the efforts to find peace in war-torn Bosnia, the

Bosnian Serb's self-proclaimed parliament, meeting in Bijeljina, on Saturday rejected the peace plan offered by international mediators Cyrus Vance and Lord Owen.

The plan does not give Serbs what they have been demanding: their own boundaries in Bosnia and the right to self-determination. The mediators and Izetbegovic's government reject ethnic separation.

The Serbs said in a statement that the plan "tears the Serbian people without geographic continuity," but they urged that the talks continue.

After visits to Washington and New York on Friday, Izetbegovic met Saturday with French President Francois Mitterrand in Paris. Mitterrand also met with U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, who later appealed for the peace talks to continue.

"I hope the Geneva conference will be held ... despite the tragic assassination," Boutros-Ghali said.

In Saudi Arabia, the 51-member Organization of Islamic Conference on Saturday condemned the assassination. The group's Secretary-General Hamid al-Gabid requested the United Nations to order an immediate inquiry into the killing to ensure that the assassin is punished.

More than 17,000 people have been killed and some 1 million left homeless since ethnic Serbs set out in March to crush a move by Bosnia's majority Muslims and Croats to secede from Serb-dominated Yugoslavia.

Lawmakers file hundreds of bills; target Texans' lives

HOUSTON (AP) — During the five-month legislative session that starts Tuesday, lawmakers will spend most of their time addressing state issues. But they certainly don't plan to ignore Texans' personal lives.

In the more than 300 pieces of legislation filed so far, representatives and senators have proposed new rules for marriage and divorce, for packing guns, for drinking and driving, smoking, gambling, speeding, spanking kids in school, fireworks and hauling dogs around in the bed of your pickup.

For example, they would allow adults to carry concealed handguns, as long as they're not felons and haven't been convicted of misdemeanors such as drunken driving. They'd have to pass a proficiency test and an investigation of their "moral character" by state police.

Pistol-packers would get window stickers on each of their cars saying they're allowed to carry guns. They wouldn't be allowed to tote their guns in public places unless the weapons were concealed.

Finally, they'd be barred from carrying handguns in schools, courts, polling places, bars and liquor stores, at sporting events, in church,

passenger areas of airports, or wherever a city council or the Legislature is meeting. Banks, convenience stores and malls would be fair ground.

Lawmakers also have prepared plenty of new rules for drinkers and gamblers, proposing bills that would outlaw opened bottles or cans containing alcoholic beverages in vehicles. Cabs and buses and other vehicles for hire would be exempt.

Another measure would lower the amount of alcohol allowed in legal definitions of when a person is drunk. People are now allowed to drive if their blood-alcohol mix is less than 0.10, and some lawmakers want that dropped to 0.08. That would mean a 180-pound man could only drink three beers in an hour instead of four before taking the wheel.

Other bills that get rather personal would:

—Create alimony in Texas divorces, but only for couples who have been married for 10 years or more in which one partner is not financially self-sufficient.

—Stop people from leaving uncaged dogs and other animals in the backs of pickups at speeds of more than 35 miles per hour.

PHS band members qualify for all-state

ODESSA — Two Pampa High School band members qualified on Saturday for the all-state band of the Texas Music Educators Association, said Charles Johnson, director of the band.

The tryouts were held Saturday at Odessa College in Odessa. Twenty-two members of the Pampa High School band auditioned Saturday for the all-state band, Johnson said.

The two PHS band members are Damian Hill, senior, a first-chair

oboe player, and Michael Hunt, junior, a second-chair euphonium player.

Qualifying as first alternates are Amy Malone, senior, an E-flat clarinet player, and Micah Brooks, senior, a tuba player.

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Some troops may have lengthy stay in Somalia

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — U.S. officials said Saturday that the U.S.-led effort to bring a semblance of order to Somalia was ahead of schedule, but they admitted some U.S. troops may have to stay for months, and possibly years.

Despite the U.S. claim that law and order were being restored, the country seemed as chaotic as ever.

—Gunfire broke out Saturday night between rival groups in Mogadishu about 200 yards from a hotel used by reporters. Second Lt. Eric Olson of Macon, Ga., said as many as two dozen rounds were fired at Marines stationed nearby.

He said Marines responded with heavy machine gun fire, but no one was hurt. Reporters saw two Somali youths bring a younger boy to the Marines for treatment of a bullet wound to the shoulder.

—Earlier Saturday, bandits looted a feeding center near the hotel, and some 100 Marines seized 18 artillery pieces discovered near Mogadishu's radio station. Six Somalis were taken prisoner.

—In southern Somalia, relief workers reported sniper attacks on U.N. forces in scattered areas. No casualties were reported.

—In the north, five women accused of adultery were stoned to death by Muslim fundamentalists, and a sixth woman was lashed 100 times while an onlooker videotaped the beating, U.N. spokeswoman Cecilia Kamau said.

When the Marines first landed in Somalia on Dec. 9, the Bush administration gave assurances that Operation Restore Hope would be a quick exercise to suppress clan wars and banditry and secure routes for famine relief. At least 350,000 Somalis died last year in the chaos

and famine, and 2 million more are threatened with starvation.

The White House had set Jan. 20 as a loose target date to begin withdrawing American soldiers and handing the operation over to United Nations peacekeepers.

But U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali has urged the United States to take a much larger and prolonged role in disarming regional warlords. Relief workers predict rebuilding Somalia will be a long, complex task.

Lt. Gen. Robert Johnston, commander of the U.S.-led operation, said Friday that some of the nearly 22,000 U.S. troops in Somalia could begin going home within three weeks.

Col. Fred Peck, a U.S. military spokesman, said the number of U.S. troops "will get a lot smaller as the months go on."

But he also cited what he said were reports in Washington that the Americans would stay to help U.N. units. "I'm assuming we will be here for months to come," he said.

A U.S. diplomat, speaking on condition of anonymity, said some government planners now believed as many as 10,000 U.S. soldiers might have to stay in Somalia for as long as two years.

Assessing the first month, Peck told reporters that the operation is "weeks ahead of where we thought we would be. We have far exceeded our most optimistic expectations."

He said U.S. forces have confiscated 19 tanks and armored vehicles, 33 other vehicles carrying heavy weapons, 70 mortars and artillery pieces and 1,128 smaller weapons.

He noted that U.S. forces entered eight towns targeted for use as aid distribution hubs almost without having a shot fired at them. One

U.S. civilian was killed by a land mine and one Marine was wounded by friendly fire.

A U.S. congressional delegation arrives Sunday to assess the progress of the operation. The group is headed by Rep. John Murtha, D-Pa., chairman of the House defense appropriations subcommittee.

Some observers believe that Somalia's turmoil is being heightened by a rise in Muslim fundamentalism.

Ms. Kamau, the U.N. spokeswoman, said religious leaders told her the five women in Hargeisa, in northern Somalia, had been sentenced to

death by stoning because they had committed adultery. The sixth woman, accused of having illicit sex, was whipped because she was unmarried and thus was not considered to have committed adultery.

"It would seem fundamentalism is really catching on," she said. "Our people are worried about their own security."

She said U.N. representatives who tried to intervene were threatened with stoning if they left their car. She said some in the crowd videotaped the stoning after Friday night prayers and appeared to enjoy it.

Man dies from injuries sustained in accident

AMARILLO — A 23-year-old Pampa man died Friday of head injuries stemming from a two-vehicle accident near Miami, said a spokesman for Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

The Pampa man, Earl Banks, died at about 2:30 p.m. Friday, the hospital spokesman said.

Banks was a passenger in a car Monday morning that struck a pick-

up truck from the rear that was parked along U.S. 60 about 1 1/2 miles east of Miami, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety. That car was driven by Russell Allen Owen, 26, Pampa, who was treated at Coronado Hospital and released.

Another passenger in the accident, James Carroll, 44, Pampa, died in the accident.

Fund set for youngster

A fund has been established at an Amarillo bank for the granddaughter of Pampa resident Marie Edgerton.

The girl, Courtney Edgerton, underwent a liver transplant Friday at University Hospital in Birmingham, Ala. She is a senior at an

Amarillo high school and is a former Pampa resident. She is the daughter of David and Anne Edgerton of Amarillo.

The fund, to help pay for medical expenses, has been established at First National Bank in Amarillo.

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Our Opinion

A tip of the hat to Ben Ezzell

"Record Editor Ben Ezzell dies Tuesday" read the headline on Volume 103, No. 1 — the Jan. 7, 1993 edition of *The Canadian Record* published every Thursday afternoon in Canadian, Texas.

The consummate newsman would have wanted it that way. Co-publisher and co-editor (with wife Nancy) of the weekly newspaper from 1948 to his death Tuesday following heart surgery at an Oklahoma City hospital, Ezzell's final "Spur of the Moment" column was in the can — newspaper lingo for ready — and was printed in the Thursday edition.

According to his wife and the staff of the newspaper, which currently is in its 103rd year of publication, "We're not ready yet to call it quits, but for the next few weeks we may not be at our best."

Ever controversial, Ezzell earned national recognition when he broke the story of the doings of the John Birch Society in the 1960s. A Southern California newspaper also is credited with reporting the story the same week.

In 1955, Ezzell reportedly was in a fist fight with a mayoral candidate after the candidate expressed disagreement with an editorial. According to accounts, he was hospitalized after the fight, suffering from a cerebral concussion, lacerations and abrasions.

The newspaper has won more than 150 regional and national awards during the Ezzells' ownership.

Ezzell was born May 22, 1916, in Alvord and was a graduate of West Texas State College in Canyon. He began his career while in high school in Quitaque. After college graduation, he worked on the *Claude News*, the *Floyd County Hisperian* and the *Seminole Daily Producer*. He also served as managing editor of *The Hereford Brand* for two years before moving to Canadian.

In his last column, Ezzell took the kind of swipes against organizations and offered the many kudos to individuals for which he is best known. This week it was the Civil Liberties Union.

"I have been a long-time supporter of the Civil Liberties Union, and a contributor to it, but I am not a 'card-carrying member' of the ACLU and the reason is that I am not always in agreement with the activities of Ira Glasser and the ruling forces in that organization and, as a publisher of a determinedly-independent newspaper I avoid being bound too tightly to any political organization or movement. The ACLU sometimes goes off on a tangent in the name of civil liberties which is hard for even its admirers to support," wrote Ezzell in the column.

Later in the Thursday piece, Ezzell wrote, "We shouldn't let the year get by without a tip of the hat to some hardworking folks who have made it possible for the rest of us to get about our business during the worst three to four weeks of winter weather any of us can remember in this corner of the Texas Panhandle. I'm talking about the city, county and state highway department crews who have kept our streets and highways passable during the series of three overlapping snowstorms between Thanksgiving and Christmas."

Ben, here's a tip of the hat to you for being the embodiment and personification of what newspapering — from the largest daily to the smallest weekly — is all about.

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"Unlike President-elect Clinton, I prefer to think in terms of 'sexual quotas' — not 'gender balance.'"

Television deception

The major media have been dishonest and derelict about the Rodney King incident. As such, they are agents provocateurs in the L.A. riots following the police acquittal verdict. For a moment, forget about the verdict, and let's focus on the media's deliberate deception.

I viewed "The Rodney King Case; What the Jury Saw in California vs. Powell", which is a nearly two-hour condensation of about 150 hours of evidence and testimony. Let me present several facts of the case that were undisputed by the prosecutor Terry White and the defense lawyers.

Did you know that Rodney King, who the media described as a simple "black motorist," was clocked traveling at 115 mph by Officer Melanie Singer? Did you know that his two passengers, Bryant Allen and Freddie Helms, who complied with police orders, were handcuffed, later released and not beaten? Did you know that Rodney King, at 6 foot 4 inches, 240 pounds, knocked Officers Theodore Briseno and Lawrence Powell down while resisting arrest?

Did you know that the videotape was over three and a half minutes, but the media gave us snippets and concealed portions where King is seen lunging at the cops? Did you know that King was hit with a Taser stun gun which shoots darts with wires attached that give 50,000 volts per hit? Rodney King was hit twice and got up twice, leading the police to believe he was drugged with PCP, which



Walter Williams

they later found out not to be the case, but his blood alcohol level was 0.19, about twice the legal limit. Did you know that the Simi Valley jury didn't have to be "all white"? According to The Jubilee, there were four blacks in the jury pool, but the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People had contacted all four prior to the trial, which assured their disqualification. Finally, did you know that a black police officer testified on behalf of the defendants?

Judge Stanley Weisberg instructed the jury that police officers are permitted to use reasonable force to prevent escape, prevent injury, overcome resistance and arrest a subject. When that force no longer is necessary, police officers have no authority to continue. The state had the burden to prove that deadly force was not necessary and hence felonious. According to interviews, the jury easily acquitted three of the four officers. They agonized

over the behavior of Officer Powell, seen on video doing most of the beating.

"What's your verdict, Williams?" you ask. Having seen the complete amateur video and trail evidence, I agree with the jury in its acquittal verdict. There is reasonable doubt whether the officers were using unlawful deadly force as charged, though I would agonize, as did the jurors, over defendant Powell.

The incompetence of chief prosecutor Terry White played easily into the hands of the defense and may have swung the jury over to Officer Powell. White's amateurish cross-examination of Powell was topped off by his closing argument antics where he shouted at and pointed his fingers in the face of Powell, prompting Judge Weisberg to scold White for intimidation and order him back to the podium.

We'd like officers to be perfect, but they are human beings. In the quiet and luxury of our homes, it's easy for us to second-guess police officers who have one chance to underestimate the power and evilness of a crazed criminal. If an officer is physically threatened, what would you have him do? While you're thinking about that, let's ask ourselves how many officers you think should be killed or injured in the course of arresting a suspect? But a more important issue, in the Rodney King incident, is the news media's dereliction and deception.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Jan. 10, the tenth day of 1993. There are 355 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 10, 1776, American revolutionary Thomas Paine published his influential pamphlet, "Common Sense," in which he argued for American independence from England.

On this date:

In 1861, Florida seceded from the Union.

In 1863, London's Metropolitan, the world's first underground passenger railway, opened to the public.

In 1870, John D. Rockefeller incorporated Standard Oil.

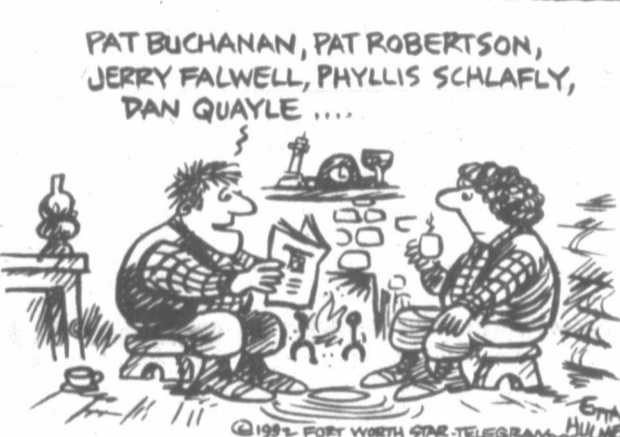
In 1920, the League of Nations was established as the Treaty of Versailles went into effect.

In 1928, the Soviet Union ordered the exile of Leon Trotsky.

In 1946, the first General Assembly of the United Nations convened in London.

In 1946, the first manmade contact with the moon was made as radar signals were bounced off the lunar surface.

In 1957, Harold Macmillan became prime minister of Britain, following the resignation of Anthony Eden.



Why I thanked Santa

What I didn't get for Christmas:

A coupon good for the tattoo of my choice at the Mystic Moon Tattoo Parlor.

Anything that eats more than I do.

Socks.

A transcript of the Sally Jesse Raphael show, titled "Children Whose Parents Switched Roles by Having Sex Change Operations."

An Atlanta Falcons' highlight film.

A copy of Madonna's "Sex." What makes her think her naked butt's worth \$49.95?

Anything produced by Black and Decker or Popeil, as in work benches or pocket fishermen.

A poster featuring Marky Marx in his Calvin Klein underpants.

Videos of the following movies: "Kiss of the Spider Woman," "Amadeus," "Rocky," anything with Kris Kristofferson in it, "Mr. and Mrs. Bridge," "Grand Canyon," or anything critics say I absolutely must not miss.

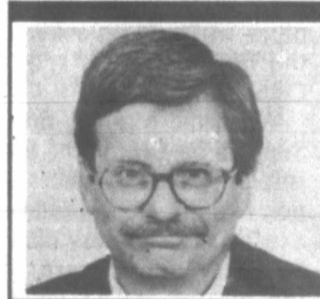
Fruitcake with anything green in it.

An album titled "Greatest Rap Hits Ever."

A copy of what would have been George Bush's second term inaugural address.

An electric shaver, especially one manufactured by any company bought by Victor Kiam.

Anything Hillary would give Bill.



Lewis Grizzard

Gloria Steinem's last book.

A transcript of the Oprah Winfrey Show titled, "Women Who Wear Their Underwear Inside Out."

A subscription to *Guns and Ammo* magazine.

An earring.

A cat.

A year's supply of Gold Bond Itch Powder.

Any men's cologne, the manufacturer of which puts commercials on television that make little or no sense.

Hiking boots.

A flannel shirt. (I've never worn the ones I've gotten on other Christmases.)

Tangerines or Brazil nuts.

A pony. (I'm too old to ride one now.)

A computer of any sort.

A set of door chimes that play "I'm a Ramblin' Wreck from Georgia Tech."

A motorcycle.

Anything that is even remotely involved with Billy Ray Cyrus or The Black Crowes.

Pajamas.

A trip to Bermuda. I've been treated rudely there for the very last time.

Any golf instruction book. I received one last Christmas and I'm just now getting over it.

An assortment of colored condoms.

Anything for my house that has flowers or birds or kittens on it, including wallpaper, curtains, towels or chair coverings.

A pictorial history of Newark, N.J.

A transcript of the Phil Donahue Show titled, "Teenagers with Zits Bigger Than Their Heads."

A date with Mia Farrow or her daughter.

A flute.

A blow-up doll with an attitude.

Hockey tickets of any kind.

Anything mentioned in "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

A transcript of the Geraldo Rivera program titled, "Women Who Have Set Fire to Their Apartment Complexes While Experiencing PMS."

Razorbacks' new health-care plan

Bill Clinton may have to wrack his brains over how to solve America's health-care problems — but for the army of razorbacks he will herd from Little Rock to Washington the problem is already largely solved.

You see, as new federal employees, Bill Clinton's thousands of appointees will be enrolled in the Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) program. This will allow them to choose the kind of health-care plan they want from a broad range of competing options. Not only will Clinton's minions be able to evaluate prices and benefits based on their families' needs — instead of having one choice rammed down their throats by their employers like most of us — they won't have to pay as much.

FEHB covers all federal employees, retirees and their dependents — nearly one out of every 25 Americans. As a result of vigorous competition among the dozens of insurance companies, HMOs, and other plan "providers" competing for this large chunk of business, the cost of FEHB plans has risen dramatically slower than in the non-competitive health-care market.

Now don't get me wrong. I don't see this as some cozy setup for privileged bureaucrats and politicians, although one could look at it that way. The sound of razorbacks snorting with delight



Edwin Feulner

around the federal health-care trough doesn't bother me at all.

Why? Because there's nothing strange about FEHB. It's just a health-care system where market forces are determining price — like almost everything else in the economy. Since FEHB is driven by market competition and consumer choice, prices are lower. It's a much more normal way to price health-care benefits.

What's strange is the system you and I use: our employers pick and pay for our health-care coverage. So, we walk into the doctor's office and say, "gimme the works" — not realizing that this lack of concern over cost works its way up the health-care "food chain" and raises medical costs through the roof. Doctors and hospitals don't worry about being frugal, because you and I aren't watching

how much anything costs. No one notices what's happening until employers start laying off workers or going out of business because they can't handle skyrocketing costs.

If we had a system driven by competition and consumer choice — like the Little Rock contingent soon will have — things would be a lot different.

If all Americans could be given the same tax break their employers now get for providing health-care coverage, they could buy their own health insurance, purchasing only what they need. Insurance companies would compete for customers, like they do under FEHB, driving down prices. And we would no longer lose coverage when we change our jobs.

My colleagues at *The Heritage Foundation* have devised just such a system. It would provide universal coverage and control costs without adding an extra penny to the federal budget. Sound too good to be true? It's not. The Heritage plan just takes the same principles that govern the federal system — and applies them to the whole country.

Before Bill Clinton makes his final decision on health-care reform, he should cock his ear to the sound of razorbacks snorting with delight at the prospect of better choices and lower prices for health care — and give the rest of us a system just like theirs.

Letters to the editor

Thanks to smokers

To the editor:

I wish to say thank you to smokers, many smokers are very considerate about not imposing their smoke on us non-smokers and I want to say that it is so greatly appreciated. My wife has a heart problem and her doctor advised her to avoid all smoke if possible. All smokers do not know my wife, and do not always know when it will be harmful to someone to breathe their secondhand smoke. But thank you for being concerned. When we travel, where can we eat? My wife has taken her plate to the car at times because some one lights up close by, or the room gets too full of smoke. And it is sometimes nearly as hard for me to endure, too. So, when you and I are standing in the waiting line together, or when I step up to your checking counter, thank you when you do not impose your smoke on us. It makes it so much more pleasant for us.

Archie Cooper
McLean

A will is a must

To the editor:

If you hate your family, be sure to die without a will. Some don't have a will because they say they don't own anything. Even while saying this, they may own a car, a house, furniture, and a bank account. When you die, you may assume that your spouse will become the sole owner of these things — not necessarily so unless you say so in writing! Some don't have a will because they can't afford a lawyer. Although a good lawyer would be first choice, a next-best choice would be a do-it-yourself kit, which could be purchased for a few dollars from an office supply. By following instructions and filling in the blanks, you can have a good will.

A Living Will, which deals with the treatment of a terminal illness, might save your family a lot of grief and yourself a lot of pain. A lawyer could draw one for you. Also, you can get blank forms from office supply stores for a charge and from hospitals for no charge.

I suspect that many people procrastinate about such matters because they don't like to think of dying. That's too bad because without exception we were created mortal. The best time to make decisions concerning illness and death is when bodies are healthy and minds are sharp.

J. Kirk Duncan
Pampa

'You can't outbuild crime'

To the editor:

After seeing several articles this week on the Judge Justice's return of prison control to the state and the state intentions to go on building spree, I thought it necessary to write your readers and point out a few realities.

In your elation over this victory, and the chance to build a prison fence around Texas, and feed all the hungry oil-bust mouths, please think before you act.

1. You cannot outbuild crime, no matter what your legislators say!
2. If there is no matching increase in the availability of substance abuse treatment with the increase in prison beds, Texas will have a bigger mess than when they thought they had under the federal thumb.

3. With the "Browning" effect, and the disproportionate numbers of young Blacks and Hispanics filling Texas prisons, if there is not a more "Culturally Sensitive" educational and treatment program implemented, any money spent on educational vocational or treatment programs will be wasted. It is well established that lily-white urban, rural or suburbanites have little chance of reaching young, inner-city, hip-hop Blacks and Hispanics. At present your millions spent in treatment are wasted.

There is a lot of talk about getting smart, not spending \$50,000/year to warehouse petty drug addicts, while letting violent criminals go, but there is little action. That is because most of us listen to the legislators and think if they say they're doing something they must be. Wrong, the minute they stop talking and you aren't watching, they do Nothing, tossing the political football around the capital day-in and day-out! Meanwhile, we spend zillions on a broken prison system and won't spend a dime to properly educate the same kids who will terrorize us in a few years because they weren't properly educated.

It seems to me that we're throwing away a zillion dollars, approaching this thing backwards, and allowing our elected officials to sell us a "Pound of Hog." But what do I know, I'm a stupid inmate!

Terrence Hazel
Rufe Jordan Unit

An opinion on opinions

To the editor:

In my "Opinion" it seems to be that this excuse of "libel" could very easily be used to deny the paying subscribers of this publication the opportunity to hear, if they might possibly wish to the opinions of their fellow citizens in regards to matters that pertain to everyday "life" in our community, of which I might also add, that a lot of people have a vested interest in financing of city functions as well as disfunctions, we all know no-one is perfect, and mistakes can be made by anyone, to my understanding this is what we are protected by insurance companies from. While we should all understand that everyone does not always agree with everyone else, we should all endeavor to give our fellow man the opportunity to express his or her opinion whether or not we quite agree! Then if allowed to do so, relay our opinion to the other individual, thereby exchanging information pertaining to whatever topic it is that's being spoken of! This sometimes does not seem to be the way things transpire in this hectic society as many people are too busy just trying to eek out an existence in this sometimes seemingly overtaxed world. I have listened to countless opinions of my fellow man in the past and I shall continue to do so in the future, if I am denied this privilege by this or any other form of news media I shall endeavor to seek out my fellow man or woman in order to be better informed of the

events that transpire daily in the community in which I must pay taxes to exist! I have written this letter in a last ditch effort to try to express the importance of trying to communicate with your fellow man even if you don't like what he sometimes has to say, or who he might be saying something about, seems to me that a lot of people around here have a lot to hide or are seemingly "paranoid" of relaying pertinent facts pertaining to what is "legally" public knowledge, if we've made mistakes try to correct them, but not at some innocent, unwitting, individual's expense, and seek not to persecute some well intending public servant, simply because he only sought to correct a possible mistake, whether it was an intentional mistake or simply a mistake, or a possible "flaw." Accept the responsibility entrusted to you whatever that of a chosen few. Seek to inform, as well as "Be Informed," try not to offend nor be offended! If you seek to favor some over others, "Don't expect to receive the favor of others," If you are afforded the opportunity to read these few words, and happen not to agree with some of my opinions feel free to express yours in return, if you are denied that opportunity feel free to seek me out, as I will not deny you that opportunity no matter what your opinions are, nor who or what they pertain to, the wisdom of the ages is what I seek! Because I do Care!

Terry Ross Hembree
Pampa

Backs Staubach for office

To the editor:

The Democrats have named their most qualified individual for the interim term of U.S. Senator, to act until an election can be held in May, 1993. I think Gov. Ann Richards is to be commended for not selecting some of the more typical Democrats, such as former Attorney General Jim Mattox or Joe Gunn, President of AFL-CIO or Bill Sarpalus. Any one of these would be ideal "yes men" for the Democrats' Senatorial leadership.

The Republicans can easily win the May election by selecting good candidate such as ROGER STAUBACH. Mr. Staubach has many "PLUS FACTORS" going for him that cannot be matched by any Democrat candidate. He is a successful business man, he adheres to the Christian ethics for helping others, business associates have trust in his word, he adheres to the FREE ENTERPRISE CAPITALIST economic theory, he has not been tainted by the politicians at either the national or state level, he shows empathy for those people who would be his electors and other traits I have overlooked.

The people of Texas need such a man, working with Phil Gramm, to represent us in the SENATE. It is hoped that Fred Meyers, Chairman of the Republican Party of Texas and others will convince Mr. Staubach how much Texas need him as part of our government.

W.A. Morgan
Pampa

On reporting air emissions

To the editor:

I would like to make available to your readers an address where they can obtain information about dangerous air emissions in our community. The EPA will provide free data to anyone requesting it and also known health effects of those chemicals.

I hope that all doctors, nurses, judges, and teachers would understand the necessity of such information, not to mention "us common folk."

The address is:
U.S. EPA TRI Request (TS-793)
401 M. Street S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20460

Locally, odors of unnatural causes, can and should be reported to the Texas Air Control Board in Lubbock by dialing 1-796-3494. After all, the health of your "neighbor" may be at risk.

Karen Son
Pampa

Special recognition due

To the editor:

Christmas is now past and gifts have all been unwrapped for another year. Now is the time for me and my staff to thank everybody for all of the help that YOU provided to us during this Christmas season. I am very grateful to the eight business locations that permitted us to put up kettle stands for our bell-ringers; a great big thanks must be given to the many wonderful groups and individuals who took one or more of the 538 angels that we put out on the Angel Trees.

Paula Graves provided an invaluable service to us by organizing this program, putting everything on computer and helping us keep everything straight for when the final distribution was done. Many people came and gave their time to help us set up the distribution site and on distribution day more volunteers along with several of the WOMEN OF THE MOOSE CLOWN CLUB assisted in the giving of the Angel Tree gifts, the food baskets, and the toys that The Salvation Army provided.

Special recognition must be given to the three civic groups that rang bells for us, THE ROTARY CLUB, THE SALVATION ARMY ADVISORY BOARD, AND THE WOMEN OF THE MOOSE CLOWN CLUB. The three groups were a definite bright spot in what was a difficult bell-ringing season that left us with a \$2000 shortfall over last year.

I suppose what impressed me most in the Christmas effort was this aspect. Many in our great community really believe that it is far more blessed to give than to receive. One of the mottos of The Salvation Army is "SHARING IS CARING" and the Pampa/Gray County community was a

glowing example of this saying. All who were part of this undertaking did receive, though. Ours was the blessing of knowing that the efforts we provided demonstrated the Love of the Holy Child whose Birth we celebrated just a few days ago. Also, YOUR efforts made it a more wonderful and brighter Christmas for many wonderful children and families that needed our services this year.

In closing, I did not want to fail to mention the names of several individuals whose efforts in this Christmas season went over and beyond the call of duty; they are: Maggie Ivey who patiently handled all the office work during the busy season, Robert Martindale, Juanita Alvarado and daughters, Josie and Maria and Steven Rossiter who delivered the Angel Tree gifts, toys and food baskets to those who were unable to pick them up themselves, and a very special thank you to my wife Lt. Denise Lozano without whose help we would not have been able to accomplish all that we did in the 1992 Christmas season.

At the Salvation Army we will continue to reach out to others throughout the year with the love of our Lord and Master, Jesus Christ, and YOUR continued support is greatly needed and appreciated.

Lt. Ernest Lozano
Commanding officer,
Salvation Army, Pampa

Letters to editor policy

The Pampa News welcomes and encourages readers to express their opinions on issues of public interest and concern.

Letters should be 300 words or less; however, exceptions may be made for exceptionally well-written and/or important letters. Letters submitted for publication should be neat and legible, typed if possible, or at least handwritten in a clear manner. Letters may be edited for length, clarity, spelling, grammar, taste and potentially libelous statements. Submission of a letter does not guarantee its publication, nor can we guarantee a date of publication due to space and time limitations.

ALL letters must be signed for publication; no unsigned, name withheld or anonymous letters will be published. The writer must list an address and a telephone number or numbers where he or she may be contacted for verification; addresses and telephone numbers will not be printed, unless requested for a specific reason.

Poetry, candidate or political endorsements, letters to third parties and "thank you" letters will not be published except at the discretion of the editor, depending on general interest.

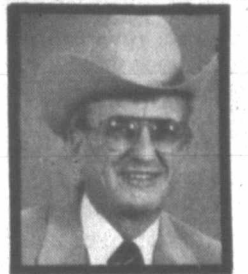
Letters may be dropped off at the office, 403 W. Atchison, or mailed to The Pampa News, Letters to the Editor, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79066.

Crime Stoppers needs YOU

How can you help stop crime in Pam-pa? By calling 669-2222 if you know a crime has been committed. Include the following information:

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3. By whom
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You can take a bite out of crime and claim rewards.



FOOD FOR THOUGHT By Danny Bainum

Sticky stuff - frosted cakes and cupcakes won't stick to the plastic packaging if you freeze them first for about 15 to 30 minutes, just long enough to firm up the icing.

Adding fiber to your diet? Make meatballs with oats or oat bran instead of bread crumbs. Or substitute oat bran for some of the all-purpose flour in your baking recipe.

Crispy, crunchy jicama tastes good raw or cooked. Cut into strips and stir-fry with grated gingerroot, minced garlic, wedges of onion and strips of red and green bell peppers. Add soy sauce and sesame oil.

Cookies brown more evenly on a shiny cookie sheet. If the recipe has little fat, grease the pan with solid shortening. Don't use butter or margarine; it may cause sticking.

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**Minding
your own
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By Don Taylor



Dreams with deadlines

I've never traveled the highway that connects the United States with Alaska, but I will one day. I've never written a best-selling book, but I will one day. I've never walked on a street of gold, but I will one day. How do I know that I will accomplish these dreams? Because they are more than dreams, they are my goals.

Best selling author, Harvey McKay said that goals are just dreams with deadlines. Most of the people I've met don't have goals, just dreams. Dreams that aren't well defined and have no time frames, are just dreams. Goals not only establish deadlines, they also give us focus. Focus means to have a clear picture of your subject. People who set goals develop sharp, long-term focus in their lives.

Do you know that you really want in life? Can you get a clear picture of it in your mind? Are you willing to make some sacrifices to achieve your dreams? If you can answer yes to those questions, you are on your way to becoming more successful. However, to ensure that your goals are not just dreams see if they pass the SAM test.

The SAM test

The SAM test says that all goals must be specific, achievable and measurable. I have found that if these three characteristics are manifest in your goal executing strategy, you can accomplish what you desire.

Let's examine these three characteristics. Specific means well defined or limited to a certain kind or type. I believe to qualify as specific, you must put your goals in written form. No matter how good your memory is, it is better to have your goals in writing. Examples of specific goals could include: "I will lose 10 pounds by April 1, 1993," or "I will earn one million dollars by Friday."

While both of these examples are specific, only one of them meets the second part of the SAM test. The second element is the A, which stands for achievable. It is reasonable to believe that I could lose 10 pounds in three months. This is certainly achievable.

It is not reasonable to believe that I can earn a million dollars in less than one week. In this case the dream is not impossible, but odds are against the deadline. That does not mean that you shouldn't think big. Goals should make us stretch and reach. Goals should make us venture out of our comfort zones.

The third step in the SAM test is that all goals must be measurable. If for example, I had said I want to lose *some* weight; how would we measure *some*? How much is *some* weight? *Some* is neither specific nor measurable. Losing 10 pounds by April 1 is a goal that meets all SAM criteria. It is specific, achievable and measurable.

Get plugged in

You can plug into the power of goal setting by following this simple process. First, set some realistic, achievable goals. Write them down and break them into measurable steps.

Second, concentrate on the benefits of reaching those goals. Promise yourself a special treat or reward for hitting your targets.

Third, continually rub elbows with high achievers. Nothing will increase your ability to get motivated like associating with winners. Listen to them and learn from them.

Fourth, keep believing in yourself. No matter how tough your present situation may be, you are still a worthwhile person who has something to contribute. Whether you're 8 or 80, keep believing in your potential.

Finally, take some time to organize your life. You might make that one of your first goals. Take each letter of the word, GOALS and use them to make a final point: Good Organization Always Leads to Success.

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill

GRAY (PANHANDLE & EAST PANHANDLE) Trans Terra Corp., International, #32 R.E. Darsey (640 ac) 1053' from South & 1577' from East line, Sec. 26,1,ACH&B, 6 mi south from Lefors, PD 3300' (Box 2814, Pampa, TX 79066)

MOORE (PANHANDLE) W.B.D. Oil & Gas Co., #4 MI WBD Tract I (1140 ac) 2302' from North & 2313' from West line, Sec. 155,3-T,T&NO, 9 mi east from Sunray, PD 3500' (Box 2454, Pampa, TX 79066)

MOORE (PANHANDLE Red Cave) Caprock Energy Inc., Baker '39' (184 ac) Sec. 39,0-18,D&P, 16 mi south from Dumas, PD 2500' (Box 736, Pampa, TX 79066) for the following wells:

#3, 330' from North & 990' from East line of Sec #4, 990' from North & 330' from East line of Sec

POTTER (PANHANDLE Red Cave) Gould Oil Inc., #5 Masterson '74' (640 ac) 1982' from South & 673' from East line, Sec. 74,0-18,D&P, 2 mi east from Masterson, PD 2335' (110 North Market, Suite 411, Wichita, KS 67202)

Applications to Plug-Back
ROBERTS (N.W. MENDOTA S.W. Granite Wash) Maxus Exploration Co., #1 Vernon M. Flowers (640 ac) 660' from North & 1550' from East line, Sec. 80,B-1,H&GN, 11 mi north from Miami, PD 12150' (Box 400, Amarillo, TX 79188)

(Box 400, Amarillo, TX 79188)

ROBERTS (N.W. MENDOTA S.W. Granite Wash) Maxus Exploration Co., #1-81 Susan B. Kaufman (640 ac) 660' from North & West line, Sec. 81,B-1,H&GN, 11 mi north from Miami, PD 12468'. Rule 37

Plugged Wells
CARSON (PANHANDLE) Losure Petroleum Co., #8 Burnett Estate, Sec. 93,5,I&GN, spud 2-13-92, plugged 11-30-92, TD 3330' (oil) —

HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #1 Albertson, Sec. 31,YA&B, spud 10-9-36, plugged 11-5-92, TD 2655' (gas) —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., Riley AFG&K, Sec. 22,M-16,AB&M (oil) — for the following wells:

#F 4, spud 1-1-48, plugged 12-2-92, TD 3320' —

#F 16, spud 4-29-52, plugged 12-8-92, TD 3334' —

#K 3, spud 8-22-0, plugged 12-4-92, TD 3245' —

#K 4, spud 7-19-51, plugged 12-1-92, TD 3306' —

Bankruptcy judge sets hearing for Continental

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal bankruptcy judge on Friday approved a disclosure statement for Continental Airlines, freeing the company's reorganization plan for a vote by creditors.

U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Helen Balick in Delaware also set a Feb. 23 confirmation hearing for the Houston-based company's reorganization. "We are very pleased that Judge Balick has, once again, shown her commitment to moving our restructuring forward in an expeditious manner," Continental Chief Executive Officer Robert R. Ferguson III said.

"Coupled with (Thursday's) Department of Transportation approval of the Air Canada/Air Partners investment in our company, today's developments offer additional assurance that Continental will successfully emerge from Chapter

11 in the near future as a strong airline, we'll be able to compete and succeed in the U.S. airline industry," Ferguson said.

Continental filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy in December 1990.

Air Canada and Fort Worth-based Air Partners, led by Texas businessmen James Coulter and David Bonderman, have proposed a \$450 million buyout of Continental.

Under the proposed buyout, Montreal-based Air Canada would invest \$235 million for 27.5 percent of Continental, while Air Partners would pay another \$215 million for 27.5 percent.

Under the agreement, Continental and Air Canada would retain their separate identities, but connect their route systems so that it will be easier for passengers to make reservations and connections between the two carriers.

Business Highlights

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans increased their borrowing in November for the third consecutive month, the longest string of advances in two years, the government said.

Consumer installment credit outstanding rose at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 2 percent to \$723.9 billion, the Federal Reserve said Friday. It rose 0.9 percent in October and 2.4 percent in September.

DETROIT (AP) — The chief executives of the Big Three automakers and the United Auto Workers presented a common front on national health care and trade issues with Japan, a dramatic departure from past bickering.

General Motors Corp., Ford Motor Co. and Chrysler Corp. all agree the federal government must take the lead in solving the nation's health-care cost crisis, Chrysler chairman Robert Eaton told the Detroit Economic Club Friday.

NEW YORK (AP) — Seven years after taking control of Trans World Airlines, Carl C. Icahn resigned as its chairman and officially turned

over management of the company to two executives chosen by creditors and employees.

Icahn also surrendered his stock in TWA Friday as part of an agreement to sell the airline to creditors and employees and settle his liability for its underfunded pensions.

Icahn had already largely turned over day-to-day responsibility for the airline in recent months to Robin Wilson and Glenn Zander.

HOUSTON (AP) — Frank Lorenzo, former head of Continental and Eastern airlines, is free to pursue airline ventures as part of a settlement with Continental that includes a \$7.5 million payment to creditors.

The settlement, which must be approved by a federal bankruptcy court, releases Lorenzo from a seven-year non-compete agreement made when he resigned in August 1990, a business associate said Friday.

Lorenzo is now chairman of Savoy Capital Inc., a venture capital and private investment firm in Houston, and he still serves on Continental's board.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Russia has defaulted on payments totaling

Green elected to board of First National Bank

W. Wesley Green has been elected to the board of directors of First National Bank in Pampa, according to Don Babcock, president, and Floyd F. Watson, chairman of the board.

Green currently serves as a senior vice president. He succeeds his father, E.L. Green Jr., who served on the board 45 years, and was honorary chairman of the board at the time of his death.

Green's grandfather, Siler Faulkner, also served on the bank's board in the late 1930s.

Green joined the bank in May 1991 as a commercial loan officer, returning to Pampa from New Mexico, where he served as president of the United New Mexico Bank of Gallup.



W. Wesley Green

\$20.1 million for U.S.-backed grain loans, bringing the total amount owed to \$147.2 million, the Agriculture Department said.

USDA spokeswoman Cameron Bruemmer said Friday the department received word Thursday from four banks that Russia had missed the payments.

Russia first went into arrears on its USDA-guaranteed loans in November and has been failing to make payments to a total of six banks since then.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court said it will use a Missouri employment-bias dispute to clarify how difficult it should be for employees to prove they were the victims of illegal race or sexual discrimination.

The justices agreed Friday to review a federal appeals court ruling that said employees always must win if they prove their employers' stated legitimate, non-discriminatory reasons are not true.

Other appeals courts have ruled that such proof does not always ensure victory for the suing employees.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Agricul-

tural products giant Archer Daniels Midland has agreed not to claim that plastics made with its "special corn starch" biodegrade so quickly that they cut down on trash in landfills, the Federal Trade Commission said.

The agreement, for now, is moot. A company official said Friday the corn starch product, ADM Master Batch, was discontinued two years ago, shortly after complaints erupted over its ads. However, the company is continuing to work on improving the biodegradability of plastics.

TOKYO (AP) — In a sign that Japan's lifetime employment system is fraying under the pressures of recession, a major electronics maker said it has told 35 managers to retire early or be fired.

Kazuya Yamamoto, a spokesman for Pioneer Electronic Corp. said Friday the managers were asked to quit before their retirement age of 60. If they refused, they would be fired.

Firings are virtually unheard of in major Japanese companies, and those nearing retirement are usually provided other jobs with one of the company's subsidiaries. But other companies may have to take similar steps.

Employees sue Home Depot after firing for picnic frivolity

FORT WORTH (AP) — Three former Home Depot employees fired after a summer picnic turned into a raucous outing have filed a lawsuit against the home improvement giant.

The suit is one of a growing number of cases involving workers questioning the definition of a company event and how a firm can dictate behavior outside the office.

The former Home Depot employees contend in the lawsuit that the Aug. 9 picnic was not a company-sponsored event.

Former salesman Gregory Bradley and four other co-workers were fired after store managers, who also attended the party, heard stories about drunken revelry and photos taken of one intoxicated employee lifting her sweater and revealing her bra.

Bradley, 27, of Arlington, William Pemberton, 29 and Richard Baker, 41, both of Fort Worth, all claim that the company slandered them by firing them for "immoral conduct."

The three say that any risqué behavior at the picnic did not break any company rules because the picnic was not company sponsored.

According to the suit filed last month, the picnic was organized by members of the employee fund committee, which included Bradley. Money for food and soft drinks came from profits from vending machine sales in the store, said David Fielding, attorney for the plaintiffs.

But according to court papers

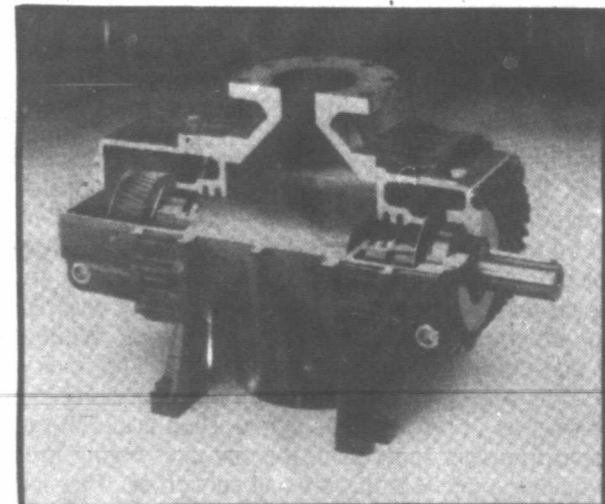
filed last week, officials of the Atlanta-based company say the picnic was company sponsored and therefore the company had a right to monitor employee behavior. They say profits from vending machine sales benefit employees collectively, not individually.

"It's a controversial issue because the boundaries are ever-changing to society's sensitivities at the time," said Rod Tanner, a Fort Worth lawyer, who specializes in labor-employment matters.

"And since there aren't many labor groups in Texas to assert employee rights the workers are taking their problems through the courts instead."

Texas law guarantees residents the right to privacy. But that right is often overridden by the long-standing right of Texas employees who can lawfully fire employees at will.

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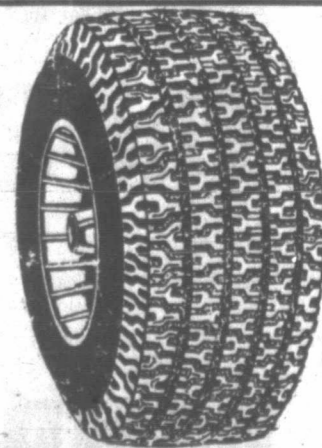
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White House says Saddam backs down, easing crisis

By CHRISTOPHER CONNELL
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Military action against Iraq was averted Saturday as the White House said Saddam Hussein had "backed down" and dispersed anti-aircraft missiles

threatening allied patrols in southern Iraq. But even as the crisis was defused, White House and Pentagon officials put Baghdad on stern notice there will be no warning next time before the allies remove any Iraqi threat.

"All available evidence indicates that Iraq is acceding to the requirements of the coalition's Jan. 6, 1993, demarche," said White House Press Secretary Marlin Fitzwater. The United States and its allies gave Iraq 48 hours to stop violating the no-fly zone south of the 32nd

parallel and to remove surface-to-air missiles that had been positioned near the border.

No Iraqi aircraft has ventured into the zone since then and the missiles "have been dispersed and are no longer threatening coalition flight operations," Fitzwater said.

"Once again Saddam Hussein has backed down in the face of coalition solidarity," the Bush spokesman said in a written statement.

But Fitzwater and Pentagon officials emphasized that the warning the allies laid down on Wednesday remains in effect.

"We will continue to scrutinize Iraqi activity. No further warning will be issued if Iraq violates the requirements of the January 6 demarche," said Fitzwater.

A senior Pentagon official said, "We're not right now in a crisis mode ... but the warning still stands, the hammer is still poised."

The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said, "The trigger is short this way. It's saying to Saddam, 'You're right at the edge, and you're going to stay that way.'"

The blunt warning was also clearly intended to guard against any misinterpretation in Baghdad that there might be a lapse in U.S. vigilance as President Bush makes way for President-elect Clinton.

Clinton voiced strong support for Bush's handling of the standoff with Iraq.

"I hope Saddam Hussein won't put us in this position again," Clin-

ton said Friday night in Little Rock, Ark. "There is no point in it and he shouldn't do it, and it would be a serious misreading of our political system to think that just because President Bush has a week left in office, that either he or I would somehow be deterred from doing what's right here."

He said Saddam had gotten "a remarkable reprieve." Bush himself was spending the weekend at Camp David, Md., the mountain retreat 75 miles outside. His national security adviser, Brent Scowcroft, was back at the White House, where he kept Bush informed by telephone of the latest intelligence.

Despite cloud cover that impeded intelligence-gathering efforts, Pentagon officials suspected Friday that five missile batteries capable of shooting down allied aircraft had been moved back and their radars deactivated.

They waited until Saturday for more evidence to confirm that verdict before Fitzwater made his declaration that Saddam had buckled again.

Despite the Iraqi pullback, official

Baghdad kept up a bellicose and defiant posture.

An Iraqi government spokesman exhorted the Iraqi people to prepare for an "honorable holy war" against the allies.

Abdul-Jabbar Mohsen, chief presidential press secretary, in a front-page article Saturday in the official al-Jomhuriya daily in Baghdad, said Iraqis "have no choice but to resist and fight for survival."

The Iraqi missiles, while not based on the latest technology, can shoot planes out of the sky when coupled with launchers, radar and command stations. On Dec. 27, an American F-16 shot down an Iraqi MiG jet just inside the no-fly zone.

Iraq claims the right to keep its missiles where it wants and disputes the legitimacy of the no-fly zone established by the U.S.-led alliance last Aug. 27 to protect Shiite Muslims from attack by government forces.

In addition to moving the missile batteries, Iraq has removed the jets that had been darting into the no-fly zone from its Al Jarrah air base near the 32nd parallel, a Pentagon official said.



An A-6 Intruder prepares to launch from the aircraft carrier USS Kitty Hawk Saturday to patrol the no-fly zone over southern Iraq. (AP Photo)

Seven found dead at fast food restaurant

PALATINE, Ill. (AP) — Seven people were found dead Saturday in a fast-food restaurant described as a homey place where no one worried about safety or even locked the back door during work hours.

The victims — one female and six male — were discovered at a Brown's Chicken and Pasta restaurant in this Chicago suburb shortly after 2:30 a.m., said Deputy Police Chief Walt Gasior.

Police, called by parents of a restaurant employee who failed to get home when expected, found the restaurant's rear door open and the bodies inside, Gasior said.

Jeff Shaw, nursing supervisor at Northwest Community Hospital, said police had indicated the victims were all employees who were shot after the restaurant closed.

Cook County Medical Examiner Robert Stein said bodies were found in more than one place. Another official in the medical examiner's office, George Cantrell, said they were found in a walk-in refrigerator.

Gasior said the bodies were found in the "back area" of the restaurant. He said he could not confirm the victims were shot.

Relatives of one victim, restaurant

cook Guadalupe Maldonado, said late Saturday that police would tell them nothing about how he died.

Maldonado's brother, Pedro, said the 48-year-old cook had worked at Brown's for only 2 1/2 weeks, and was on his first week working nights.

"The family is very sad. All his friends are unhappy," Pedro said in a telephone interview through an interpreter.

Gasior declined to comment about

suspects or a motive for the killings.

Relatives and friends of employees gathered around the cordoned-off restaurant throughout the day, some in tears, trying to figure out from the cars in the parking lot who had been killed.

Employees Jason Georgi and Celso Morales III, both 17, said they never worried about security at Brown's, which stands alone at an intersection near a strip of stores.

Workers usually closed the restaurant at 9 p.m. and left within an hour, after counting money from the cash registers and cleaning up, Georgi said.

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49ers turn back 'Skins

By DENNIS GEORGATOS
AP Sports Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — All Brian Mitchell saw was daylight. He didn't get the chance to run to it.

The ball slipped out of Mark Rypien's hand and rolled off Mitchell's leg. San Francisco linebacker Mike Walter fell on it at the 49ers 28, ending Washington's drive to a potential go-ahead touchdown with 9:23 left.

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The fumble, one of eight turnovers by the teams on a field reduced to a quagmire by a week of rain, led to Mike Cofer's second field goal and San Francisco turned back Washington 20-13 in a divisional playoff Saturday.

"I never looked at the ball. I just saw the big hole," Mitchell said. "Rypien said it just slipped out of his hand. I never touched it."

Washington, down 17-6, got back in the game when Rypien scored on a 1-yard sneak three plays after Charles Mann recovered Steve Young's fumble at the San Francisco 15.

The Redskins then forced a punt and Rypien, seemingly gaining confidence with every play, began moving Washington. From the Washington 24, Rypien started with a 22-yard completion. Two runs by Earnest Byner gained 8 yards and then a 9-yard completion to Ricky Sanders gave the Redskins a first down at the San Francisco 37.

Rypien added a 14-yard completion to Gary Clark for a first down at the San Francisco 23.

With the San Francisco defense back on its heels, Washington called for a trap play and it set up beautifully.

"From where I stood there was a tremendous hole but somehow we fumbled the ball," Washington coach Joe Gibbs said. "I think there was mud on the ball. Ryp turned and didn't get a good grip on it and hit Brian kind of high."

Walter saw the ball plop to the ground.

"He dropped it and I got on it," Walter said.

"That was a huge play. We needed that," San Francisco linebacker Keith DeLong said. "We'd been getting bad breaks all day long. We needed something to turn it around. They were sort of taking over the ball game. They were moving the ball. That was just a huge play."

Rypien said the ball was wet and just slipped.

"You run that play so many times it's just second nature. You don't even think about it," Rypien said.

No magic needed as Bills trounce Steelers

By ALAN ROBINSON
AP Sports Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Frank Reich is the king of the comebacks — and he also showed he's a good quarterback with a lead, too.

The Buffalo Bills needed no magic, no miracles from Reich to beat the Pittsburgh Steelers 24-3 in the AFC playoffs Saturday. His two touchdown passes and adept use of his receivers and the clock in the second half against a turnover-

troubled team were good enough.

Reich, filling in again for injured Jim Kelly, threw a 1-yard scoring pass to Mitch Frerotte on a lineman-eligible play — Frerotte's third touchdown reception this season — and a 17-yarder to James Lofton as the Bills advanced to the AFC championship game for the third straight year.

"They're a good team — maybe a team of destiny," Steelers coach Bill Cowher said.

Reich, a long-time backup who

led the greatest comeback in NFL history last Sunday when the Bills beat Houston 41-38 in overtime, is playing like he's destined to reach the Super Bowl. The Bills will play either Miami or San Diego in the AFC final next Sunday.

"I'm really enjoying this," said Reich, making only his eighth start in eight NFL seasons. "I was more nervous than (Sunday), playing on the road against a team that had home-field advantage all the way through. But I wasn't thinking about the Super Bowl ... just this game."

The Steelers (11-6) fumbled away the game, home-field advantage and their season. They led the NFL with 43 takeaways this season, only to commit three critical turnovers while failing to score a touchdown for the third time in their last four games.

"Any time you go on the road and play good defense, you're going to have good results," the Bills' Nate Odomes said.

"We got field goals — or less — and you've got to have touchdowns in big games," the Steelers' D.J. Johnson said. "We couldn't get in the end zone and we couldn't keep them out."

The Bills (13-5) are the first team since the 1973-77 Oakland Raiders to reach the AFC finals at least three consecutive years. By winning on the road before the biggest crowd in Steelers' history, they became the first wild-card team to win a divisional playoff game since the NFL adopted its current post-season format three years ago.

These Bills are quickly becoming known for the historic.

The Bills rallied from 32 points down to beat Houston, but had to come back from only three down this time. That was easy for Reich.

The Steelers, in their first home playoff game in exactly 10 years, treated the 60,407 towel-twirling fans to a 3-0 lead on Gary Anderson's 38-yard field goal in the first quarter. But they proved no better in holding a small lead than the Oilers did in maintaining a huge one.

The Steelers looked rusty, espe-

cially quarterback Neil O'Donnell. He was making his first start in more than a month due to a broken right shinbone and he looked it, throwing two interceptions and losing a fumble that led to the first Bills touchdown.

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Defensive end Phil Hansen recovered O'Donnell's fumble at the Bills' 41 with 6:27 remaining in the first half. Reich put them in the end zone nine plays later after completions of 11 yards to Thurman Thomas, 14 to Kenneth Davis, who ran for 104 yards, and Don Beebe for 19 yards to the Pittsburgh 1.

Frerotte, lined up on the left side of the line, popped up free in the end zone to grab Reich's short flip, his second TD catch against the Steelers this season. He also scored on a lineman-eligible pass in the Bills' 28-20 victory at Buffalo Nov. 8.

The key play of the game proved a pass that neither team caught.

Pittsburgh punted on its first possession of the second half, and Reich — clearly outplaying O'Donnell in the duel of former Maryland quarterbacks — immediately drove the Bills 14 plays in 80 yards.

Reich hit James Lofton for 12 yards, Thomas for 11 and Beebe for 9 on a drive aided by a critical 12-yard interference call on Sammy Walker, who was subbing for injured All-Pro cornerback Rod Woodson.

On second-and-13 from the Steelers' 17 after a delay-of-game penalty, Reich threw the ball directly into the arms of Richard Shelton, the dime defender in the Steelers' six defensive back-package. With a wide-open field in front of him, he dropped the ball.

"I ran before I caught it," Shelton said. "I should have known better."

The previous series, Shelton put on an extra pair of gloves after injuring his right hand.

"That's the first time in my life I ever wore two gloves on my right

hand, and that's just where the ball hit," Shelton said.

After that scare, Bills coach Marv Levy could have played it safe by handing the ball to Thomas, but didn't. Instead, Reich came right back to Lofton, who made an over-the-shoulder catch in the end zone to beat Walker for a 14-3 Bills lead with four minutes left in the third quarter.

"They went right after him," Woodson said of Walker, who is legally blind in one eye. "That's the way it was the whole game: they made big plays, we didn't."

Reich said the Bills didn't pick on Walker.

"We didn't go at him, we just executed our offense," Reich said.

The Bills defense went after O'Donnell, sacking him seven times and forcing two other fumbles that the Steelers recovered. The Steelers also mishandled a snap on a botched field-goal attempt.

Not even Barry Foster's 13th 100-yard game of the season — he had 104 yards on 20 carries — could help Pittsburgh, which scored only 35 points in its final four games, 23 against Cleveland.

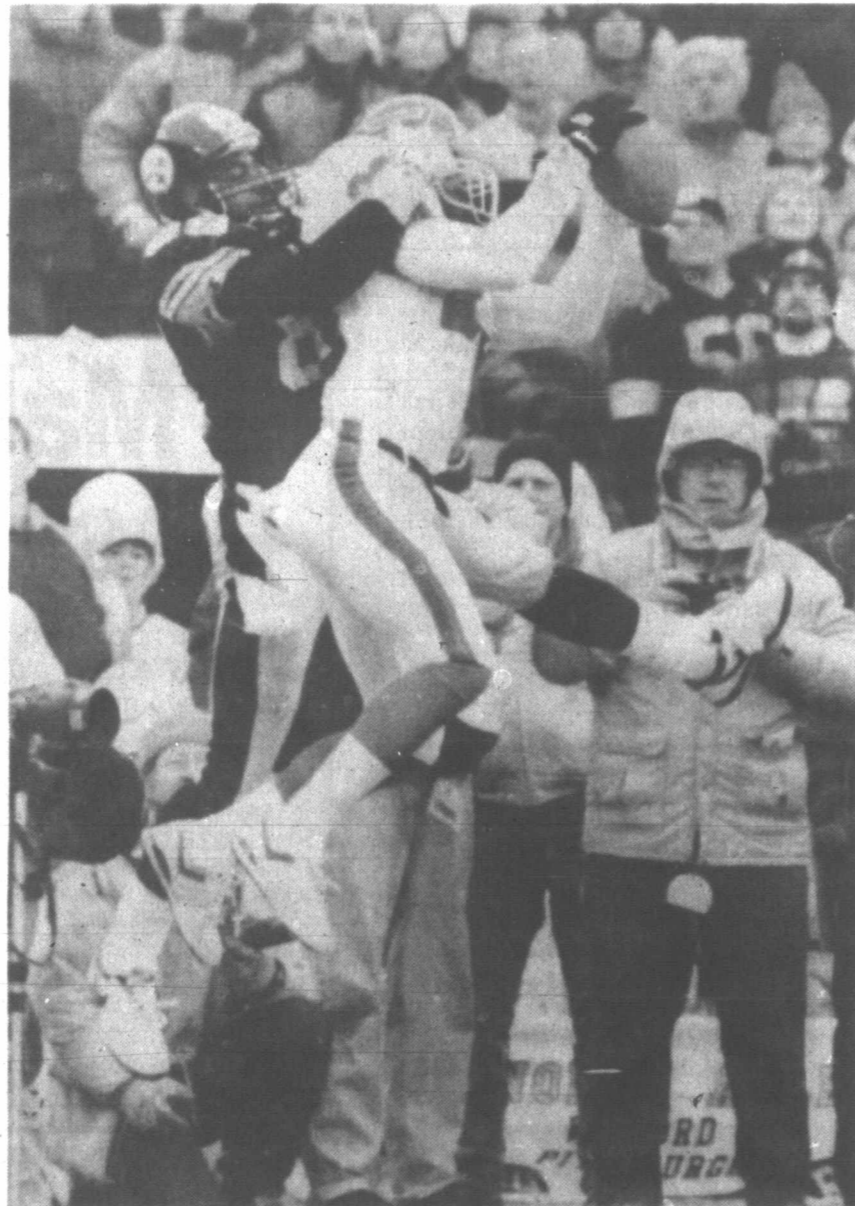
"You can't make mistakes against any team, but against a team like Buffalo ..." Steelers receiver Dwight Stone said.

Reich spent most of the second half working the clock and a tired Steelers defense, which was without Woodson for most of the half due to a concussion and fractured left hand.

Reich's numbers weren't awesome — 16 of 23 for 160 yards — but it hardly mattered as the Bills defeated the Steelers for the fifth straight time since 1985.

Buffalo didn't get a huge game from Thomas, who had 19 carries for 54 yards, but got one from Davis who upstaged the AFC's top two rushers — Thomas and Foster — with his 104-yard game.

Even the towel-waving Steelers fans threw in the towel after Carwell Gardner's 1-yard touchdown run with two minutes left made it 24-3.



Buffalo's James Williams intercepts a pass intended for the Steelers' Ernie Mills in the second quarter.

Pampa boys stun Levelland in final game before district begins

The Pampa Harvesters will go into District 1-4A action on a winning note after soundly whipping visiting Levelland, 83-64, Saturday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The Harvesters were led by Lamont Nickelberry with 25 points and Dwight Nickelberry, 21.

High school basketball

Pampa enjoyed a 41-27 lead at intermission. Pampa has a 14-4 record going into the district opener next Friday night on the homecourt against Dumas. Gametime is set for 7:30 p.m.

Levelland, 16-7, was led by Dement Dailey and Sedric King with 18 and 17 points respectively.

BORGER — Borger jumped out to a big lead in the first quarter in defeating Pampa, 53-29, in a District

1-4A girls' basketball game Friday night.

Borger is 11-9 overall and 1-1 district play while Pampa is 6-10 for the season and 0-2 in district.

Borger led 21-7 at the end of the first quarter and 33-19 at the half.

Sally Hamilton led Borger in scoring with 15 points and Robyn Smith added 13.

Alana Ryan topped Pampa with 19 points. Kasey Bowers had eight and Katina Thomas, two.

Miami split a basketball doubleheader with Samnorwood Friday night in the Warriors' gym.

Miami won the girls' game by a score of 54-26. Janet Byrum led the Warriorettes in scoring with 11 points.

Despite 28 points from Andrew Neighbors, Miami lost the boys' contest, 70-61.

Miami girls improved to 8-6. Miami boys dropped to 4-11.

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Pampa eighth-grade teams still unbeaten

Pampa eighth-grade basketball teams stayed unbeaten with wins over Dumas in middle school games last week.

Pampa Red, led by a 26-point outburst by J.J. Mathis, downed Dumas, 56-26.

Pampa Blue rolled to a 44-10 win with Kevin Chesher's 10 points leading the scoring.

Pampa Red has a 6-0 record while Pampa Blue is 5-0.

Dumas slipped by Pampa Red, 27-26, in the seventh-grade contest. Gabe Wilbon was the Red's high scorer with 14 points.

Pampa Blue was also defeated, 30-27, in the other seventh-grade game.

Mati Evans was high scorer for the Blue team with 12 points.

Pampa Red is 4-1 and Pampa Blue is 5-1.

The Pampa teams play next at Borger on Monday with the first game beginning at 4 p.m.

Huson signs with Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) — A day after becoming the first player in the majors to file for salary arbitration this year, infielder Jeff Huson agreed to a one-year contract with the Texas Rangers.

Huson, 28, hit .261 with four homers and 24 RBIs in 123 games last season. He made \$182,500.

Huson was bothered by a sore left shoulder during the final month, and will undergo

surgery Monday to repair a torn rotator cuff. He is expected to start the 1993 season on the disabled list.

The Rangers also signed three rookies, pitchers Terry Bross and Bobb Nen and outfielder Dan Peltier, to one-year contracts.

Phillips talks to Oilers

HOUSTON (AP) — Denver assistant coach Wade Phillips has confirmed that he has talked with someone in the Houston Oilers' front office about the defensive coordinator's job.

Although Phillips declined to name who called him, he said the party indicated there would be future talks.

"I plan to keep the lines of conversation open," Phillips, 45, told The Houston Post in Saturday's edition.

As of Friday, the Oilers had not asked for permission to interview candidates about the defensive coordinator's position vacated when Jim Eddy was fired, general manager Mike Holovak said.

"We're certainly not going to interview any coach who is under consideration to become a head coach until that part is cleared up," Holovak said.

But Oilers coach Jack Pardee told The Post he planned to talk with Phillips and several other candidates, including Chicago defensive coordinator Vince Tobin, during Senior Bowl workouts next week in Mobile, Ala.

New allegations surface concerning A&M's Hill

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas A&M running back Greg Hill, already suspended after allegations he received improper payments from a booster, was being paid by a second alumni-operated business at about the same time, according to a published report.

Gilbert Properties of Dallas and Priestly Supply Co. of Arlington, which both are operated by prominent Aggie Boosters, listed Hill on their payrolls during the 1991 Christmas break and the 1992 summer break. The Dallas Morning News reported in Saturday's editions.

The new allegations come a day after school officials said their internal inquiry found no evidence of institutional impropriety to support the newspaper's prior allegations of improper payments.

Robert Smith, the school's vice president for finance and administration, said he was nearly finished with his probe.

The newspaper reported that a prominent Dallas booster, Warren A. Gilbert Jr., hired several players as maintenance workers at apartment complexes he owns. The report said students received year-round payments.

But Gilbert and Texas A&M officials maintained the players worked only during school breaks, as allowed by the NCAA.

Love takes lead in Tournament of Champions

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) — Davis Love III may or may not have won the Tournament of Champions with a 15-foot birdie putt on the 54th hole Saturday.

The only thing certain is that he took the third-round lead in the kickoff event on the 1993 PGA Tour.

And no one is sure whether the fourth round will ever be played.

The La Costa Resort course — already saturated — faces an ominous forecast going into Sunday's scheduled final round.

Another severe winter storm was expected to produce one to three inches of rain overnight, with rain continuing into the day on Sunday.

"I felt like he won the tournament," Paul Azinger said after Love's last-hole putt broke a tie between the two and put Love one stroke in front.

Love didn't go quite that far, but admitted that "on the last hole we both felt like it was Sunday — like a weird Sunday."

"I really don't expect to play Sunday," Azinger said. "I went out like this was the last round. I'm sure Davis did. I'm sure everybody in the field did," he said.

Love's clutch putt, which dropped in on top of Azinger's 40-footer, finished off a 3-under-par 69 and produced a 54-hole total of 203, 13 under par on the storm-battered, rain-soaked course.

Azinger, who three-putted three times on the back nine, shot 70 and was at 204.

Brad Faxon was next at 67-207, with Mark O'Meara and Dan Forsman tied at 208 in the elite field of winners only from the 1992 season. O'Meara had a



Davis Love III

third-round 68 and Forsman 69.

They were followed by U.S. Open champ Tom Kite, John Cook and Greg Norman. Cook shot 68, Kite 69 and Norman 71.

In a separate but simultaneous competition for last year's winners from the Senior PGA Tour, Jim Dent and defending champion Al Geiberger tied at 209.

Geiberger, who had a 69, retained a share of the top spot with a 6-foot par putt on the final hole, while Dent had a 70 but made up three shots with a 33 over the back.

The only other seniors to break

par for 54 holes were Dave Stockton, George Archer and Mike Hill, tied at 212. Stockton shot 69, Hill 70 and Archer 72 under the extremely wet, difficult conditions.

In the event Sunday's play is washed out, Dent and Geiberger face the need to find a hole in the storm long enough for a sudden death playoff for the seniors' \$52,500 first prize.

Ray Floyd, the first man to qualify for competition in both segments of the tournament, struggled to a 73 and was at par 216, 13 behind Love and 7 back of Dent and Geiberger.

"I hit 45 of 54 greens, but I didn't have it close and my putting was very bad," Floyd said.

"I three-putted the 13th and four-putted the 10th from 20 feet. I don't even remember the last time I did that," he said.

Azinger also had problems with that cigar-shaped peculiar putter he calls "the thing."

He three-putted from off the green on the 10th and again on the 11th.

But he still had a share of the lead until the 17th. After getting relief from casual water on the green, he ran a 17-footer about three feet beyond the hole, then missed coming back.

The bogey put him one back going to what may or may not have been the last hole of competition.

There, needing a birdie to have any chance at all, he rammed in a 40-footer.

But Love, who won two unofficial, late-season special events with last hole birdie putts, calmly dropped the 15-footer in on top of him.

Williams vs. White: One of key matchups in Cowboys-Eagles clash

Winner advances to NFC championship game

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
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IRVING (AP) — The last time the Philadelphia Eagles and the Dallas Cowboys played, an offensive lineman was named the NFC offensive player of the week.

Erik Williams' blocking performance on All-Pro defensive end Reggie White was instrumental in the Cowboys' 20-10 November victory over the Eagles.

The teams collide for the third time this season today in Texas Stadium with the winner advancing to the NFC championship game.

The matchup of Williams against White is one of the most crucial in the game.

"We have to give Troy Aikman time to find his receivers because the Eagles usually play a tough man-for-man defense," said Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson. "That means

we have to keep White off our quarterback."

White is ready. He said Williams' performance against him was overrated.

"When you look at that game it wasn't like he dominated me at all," White said. "I've been looking forward to this game because I've been somewhat offended because people didn't look at the film. He's going to be a very fine tackle. He could be one of the best. But that game was somewhat overrated."

The last thing Williams, a Philadelphia native, wants is an irate White, who is considered the best defensive lineman in the NFL.

Williams, a second-year player out of tiny Central (Ohio) State, had always hoped he would play for the Eagles.

Williams has known about White for a long time.

"I was kind of hoping I wouldn't have to see Reggie again," Williams said honestly. "It never gets easier against some-

one like him. Each time we play he shows me something different. He just has so many moves. And he's very powerful."

Williams said he may get some blocking help against White. The Cowboys may double-team White with fullback Darryl Johnston.

"You don't want to give up the inside rush to him and DJ. May help me some," Williams said. "All I know is Reggie is relentless. He never says a word. He just keeps coming."

The Cowboys are rated six-point favorites over the Eagles, who whipped them 31-7 in October on Monday Night Football.

In November, Randall Cunningham was so bad coach Rich Kotite benched him at halftime. Cunningham will start Sunday.

It's the first playoff start for Aikman.

"I'm pumped for this game," White said. "For a lot of reasons."



Robin Mitchell of McKinney yells and waves her hands as she joins 15,000 fans attending a Dallas Cowboys' pep rally and bonfire Friday night. The activity was sponsored by injured Cowboys' player Bill Bates at his ranch near McKinney.

Dolphins face severe test against Chargers defense

By STEVEN WINE
AP Sports Writer

MIAMI (AP) — San Diego Chargers defensive end Leslie O'Neal slips around tackle Richmond Webb and slams into Dan Marino, forcing a fumble. The Chargers recover, setting up a touchdown that puts them ahead for good.

It happened a year ago, when San Diego rallied to beat the Miami Dolphins, 38-30.

The teams meet again today in the AFC playoffs, and so do Pro Bowl performers O'Neal and Webb.

"Both players are former first-round draft choices having probably their premier season, and they're keys to the success their team has had," San Diego coach Bobby Ross said. "It'll be a great battle."

The Dolphins' chances of reaching the conference championship game for the first time in seven years will be improved if Webb can keep O'Neal away from Marino.

The Chargers' bid to extend their longest winning streak since 1961 will get a boost if O'Neal can beat Webb often enough to disrupt Miami's offense.

"A classic matchup," Dolphins fullback Tony Paige said.

Plenty of other elements will come into play today:

— Miami wants to do a better job against San Diego's ground game than last season, when the Chargers rushed for 198 yards against the Dolphins.

— San Diego, with running back Marion Butts coming off a 119-yard game in last Saturday's 17-0 playoff victory over Kansas City, wants to hammer the Dolphins and control the ball.

— Miami, which came from behind in the fourth quarter of six victories this season, wants to keep excelling under pressure.

— San Diego, led by rookie coach Bobby Ross and castoff quarterback Stan Humphries, wants to sustain momentum generated by winning eight consec-

utive games and 12 of 13 after an 0-4 start.

But the game likely will come down to Miami's sputtering offense (six touchdowns in the past six games) against San Diego's dominating defense (ranked No. 2 in the AFC).

And within that matchup, Webb vs. O'Neal will be critical.

Webb, a Pro Bowl performer in each of his three seasons and an All-Pro selection last month, is the best player in a line that had much to do with Miami's offensive inconsistency this season. Marino was sacked 28 times this season, the most in his 10-year career.

During one three-game stretch when the Dolphins allowed 13 sacks, Webb — who lines up on Marino's blind side — feared for his teammate's health.

"You're afraid any time your quarterback's getting hit," Webb said. "When he's getting hit that much, that's a concern. If you lose a player like that, it can change the whole season for you."

Marino stayed healthy, the

line began to play better and Miami won its final three regular-season games.

But Webb and his fellow linemen will be severely tested by the Chargers, who led the AFC with 51 sacks and added seven more a week ago against the Chiefs.

O'Neal this season moved from outside linebacker to his natural position of right end in new defensive coordinator Bill Arnsparger's 4-3 scheme. The result: a career-high 17 sacks for O'Neal, tops in the AFC.

"He's tough," Webb said. "He's always coming at you. He uses his hands real well. He's constantly trying to keep his hands on you, which makes it harder to block the guy."

The 260-pound O'Neal knows he'll have his hands full against the 300-pound Webb.

"He's one of the guys that are a new breed of tackle," O'Neal said. "They're taking the places of the likes of Joe Jacoby and Anthony Munoz — that type of talent."

Reeves interested in becoming Giants head coach

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — The ironing out of a new collective bargaining agreement may have given general manager George Young more time to find a new coach for the New York Giants.

Young said Friday that the new agreement would alleviate the urgency to find a new coach since the team probably would not have to make a decision on its roster on Feb. 1, the day teams used to have to decide on Plan B players.

"It's still up to the judge to approve," Young said in a telephone conversation with The Associated Press.

Young refused to say whether anyone had the inside track on becoming the Giants' 14th head coach, although former Denver coach Dan Reeves is pushing to

become Ray Handley's replacement.

Young on Friday confirmed that he spoke with Reeves on Thursday.

"I had a personal call from Dan Reeves," Young said. "That's all I'm going to say about it."

While Reeves would not disclose the content of the conversation, he said he made the call to tell Young of his interest in the job and to dispel the perception that he insists on complete control of the club's day-to-day operation.

Reeves, who was fired last week, had a lot of say in running the Broncos' front office. There were reports that he would not consider a job with the Giants unless he had the same type of control.

That would have put him at odds with Young, who has run the Giants

daily operations since 1979.

"I've got to do something to let them know that's not the case," Reeves said. "There's a lot of different ways to be successful."

"It would be dumb for me to go into a situation like New York, where George Young has won a couple of Super Bowls, and say, 'You don't know anything about personnel.'"

Reeves said last week that he would not actively seek the Giants job. But after not hearing from Young, he apparently decided to telephone him.

The Giants' job opened at the end of December when Handley was fired after a 6-10 season. Boston College coach Tom Coughlin, a former Giants assistant coach and believed to be Young's top choice, took him-

self out of the running this week.

"I'm still trying to target this," Young said. "I have some ideas and I'm working on them."

Young said he was not surprised by Coughlin's decision to stay at Boston College.

"My concern with him was his commitment to Boston College," Young said. "He is a person who believes in commitment. So I am not surprised. I'm looking for a commitment guy."

Reeves interviewed for the Giants' job in 1979, losing out to Ray Perkins. Two years later, he was hired as coach of the Broncos.

The 48-year-old Reeves, 102-65-1 in 12 seasons at Denver, was fired a day after the Broncos' 42-20 loss to Kansas City that ended an 8-8 season.

Dream comes to an end as Patriots fire MacPherson

By HOWARD ULMAN
AP Sports Writer

FOXBORO, Mass. (AP) — Dick MacPherson was fired as coach of the New England Patriots on Friday night, two years and a day after taking the job he called a "limitless" opportunity.

"I dreamed of coming here and putting this thing together," he said at a news conference. "I didn't stop dreaming until right now."

The dream died because of what chief executive officer Sam Jankovich called "philosophical differences" between himself and MacPherson over ways to rebuild the Patriots after their 2-14 season.

Both said at a news conference they wouldn't elaborate, although

MacPherson reportedly resisted Jankovich's idea that some of the 12 assistant coaches be fired. None of the assistants was fired Friday, and Jankovich said some could be kept by the new coach.

"I feel that if you are the head coach of an organization, the ultimate blame should be put on you," MacPherson said, "so if anybody goes, in my opinion, the head coach should go."

The Patriots improved to 6-10 in 1991 under MacPherson, the Patriots third coach in three years, after going 1-15 the previous season under Rod Rust, who was fired. And MacPherson missed seven games this season with acute diverticulitis that required surgery.

Despite that relatively short tenure,

"there are just differences," Jankovich said, "that I felt were substantial."

MacPherson, known for his exuberance on the sidelines, was unemotional during his 16-minute news conference.

"I came here two years ago because I felt that I could add credibility, stability and competence to the football organization," he said. "I thought that I had done that."

Jankovich declined to talk about the search for a successor, except to say it will be "very extensive. It will not be done in haste."

MacPherson said he had no idea what he would do next.

The firing followed several days of discussions between attorneys for MacPherson and for team owner James Orthwein concerning a financial settlement.



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Faithful football fans

IRVING (AP) — Not freezing temperatures. Not freezing drizzle. Not even the threat of a speedi ig ticket.

Nothing, it seemed, could keep a handful of die-hard Dallas Cowboys fans from queuing up at Texas Stadium 12 hours early for the last remaining tickets to Sunday's playoff game against the Philadelphia Eagles.

Cowboys officials announced late Friday that 300 single tickets would go on sale at 9 a.m. Saturday. It was one last chance for many fans to attend the game. Scalpers were demanding prices over \$1,000.

"We drove 92 miles an hour, all the way," said David Prather, 38, of Carrollton.

Prather and about 20 others who braved a steady drizzle and temperatures in the low 30s said they were surprised there weren't more people camping out for the tickets Friday night.

"I was shocked," said Mark Wilson, 36, of Fort Worth, who

was second in line. "But we're the die-hards. Blue and silver blood is running thick in this line."

Wilson raced to the stadium from work and traded his suit and silver snakeskin boots for his fishing clothes to prepare for the long night. He said he was undaunted by the weather.

"Mind over matter," he said. Cowboys officials announced late Friday that 300 single tickets would go on sale at 9 a.m. Saturday. It was one last chance for many fans to attend the game. Scalpers were demanding prices over \$1,000.

"I'm going to study my Volkswagen manual," offered another fan. Kevin Hand killed time by tossing a football to a friend.

"I turn 18 tomorrow," he said. "That's going to be my birthday present. My daddy gave me a credit card so I could buy tickets for the game."

Hand, along with many others in line, said they would not sell their tickets, despite the chance for a lucrative turnover.

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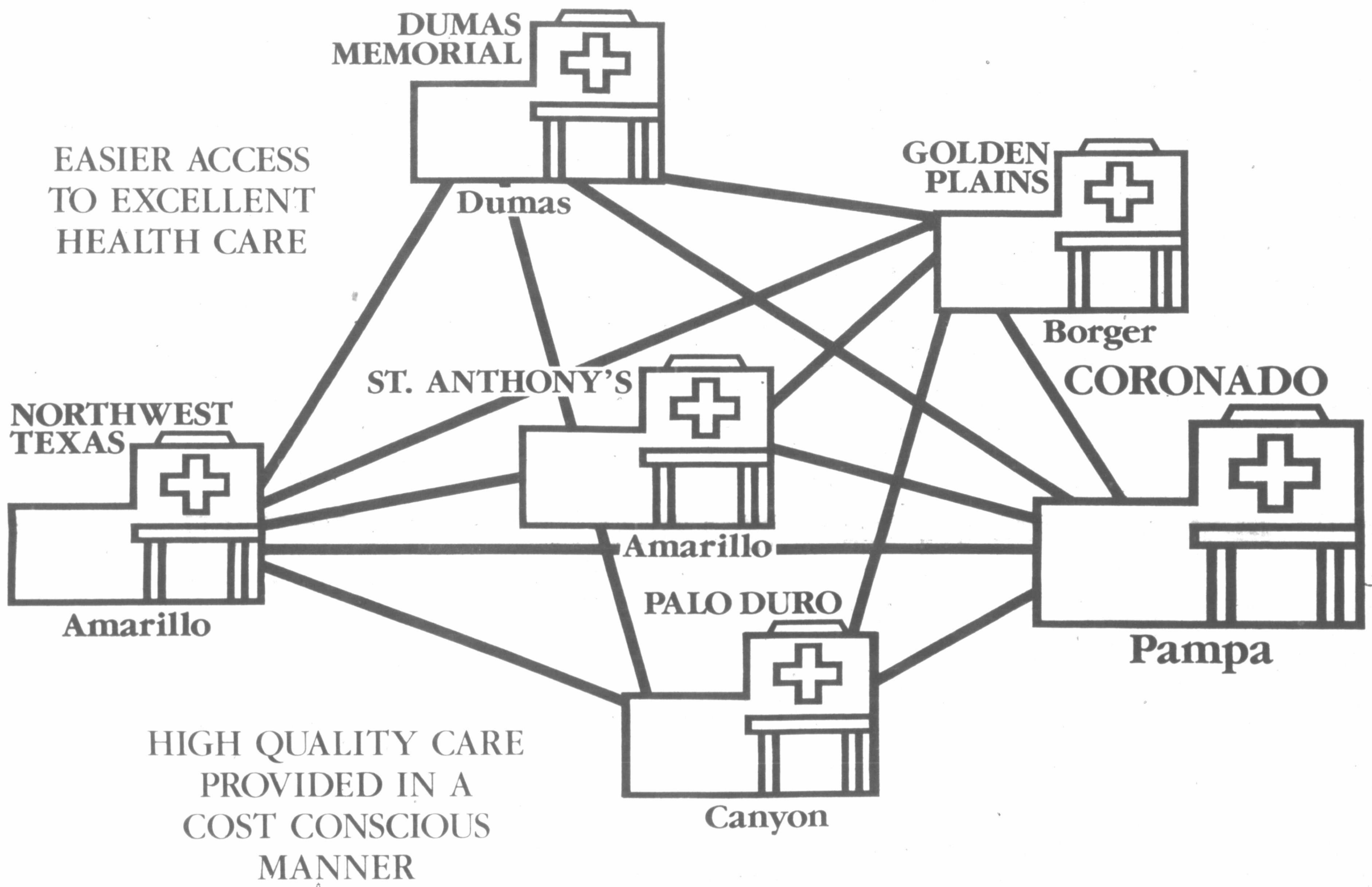
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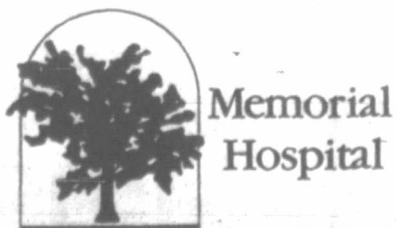
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ROLLING UP THE MILES

Eighteen wheels feed this family

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
Lifestyles Editor

Asphalt stretches in an endless ribbon. Rubber and steel treads hum over miles of concrete interstates and the highway lifeline moves goods, services and information across America.

The highways and byways are for the working men and women who make a living by traversing the state and nation stopping in hamlets and cities, plying their trade in more than one location.

Individuals roll up the miles in vehicles from Chevetttes to Mack Trucks, cover territories large and small, leave home for days at a time and know every good place to eat this side of the Mississippi.

These rolling workers live in this community and 8-5 p.m. isn't really their way of life.

For nine years, Joe Reed drove an eighteen wheeler to and fro, mostly between Pampa and Houston, but he knows Los Angeles and Chicago, too.

"It can get very boring especially if you see the same little town, the same little bump in the road you change lanes to avoid," Reed said.

As he described life on the road moving freight of all shapes and sizes, Reed was very matter-of-fact about the job rou-

tine and the trucking industry.

To keep himself occupied and productive while behind the wheel, Reed dreams of building trailers capable of very heavy hauling. He analyzes the weight of steel, design of the structure and welding joints. It's kind of like Legos — he wants to be able to modify his creation and use it again.

"I would build specialty equipment in my head from the ground up," he said. Indeed, his office walls are covered with hand sketches of bolts and steel plates and photographs of his road-visions created in steel.

Covering the same route has its advantages, Reed said. He knows where to get repairs, buy equipment and especially, where to eat. A few of his favorite restaurants are Bubba's Bar-B-Que around Ennis, and Sam's in Houston.

Traveling may take its toll on one's health, however. Back trouble can be a problem. Reed explained that trucks are intended to carry the load, not cater to the comfort of the driver.

Trucks of most recent vintage are more considerate of driver comfort, he said. Adjustable arm rests, back supports, more efficient heating and cooling systems, and air ride seats and suspension make the miles roll more

smoothly.

"More trucks are getting where you can live in them," Reed explained. Deluxe models have a refrigerator, toilet, television, VCR and storage as well as bunk beds.

Many truckers do sleep in their rigs, he said. When he first started on the road, Reed said, he felt nervous sleeping surrounded by other trucks with their engines running.

One of the best things for truckers is the cellular telephone, Reed said. When a driver doesn't have a load planned for his trip home, it is called "dead-heading." Rather than drive his truck home empty, drivers check in with their terminals to find out if arrangements have been made for a return load. With the cellular telephone right at hand, the load can be picked up immediately and the return run begun.

Less time is lost picking up freight and the waiting driver can sleep in his rig without interruption because communication is so much more convenient.

Being on the road for extended periods, can be awfully hard on a man, he said. Domestic problems due to traveling haven't come his way, but they do for many truckers, he said. For those whose driving takes them out of town for a month or

so, the marriage partnership becomes more like two singles with the same last name. Lots of truckers become jealous not knowing what wives and girl friends are up to when they aren't around.

"It can be a lonely thing. When they're insecure about their home life, it can be lonely," Reed said.

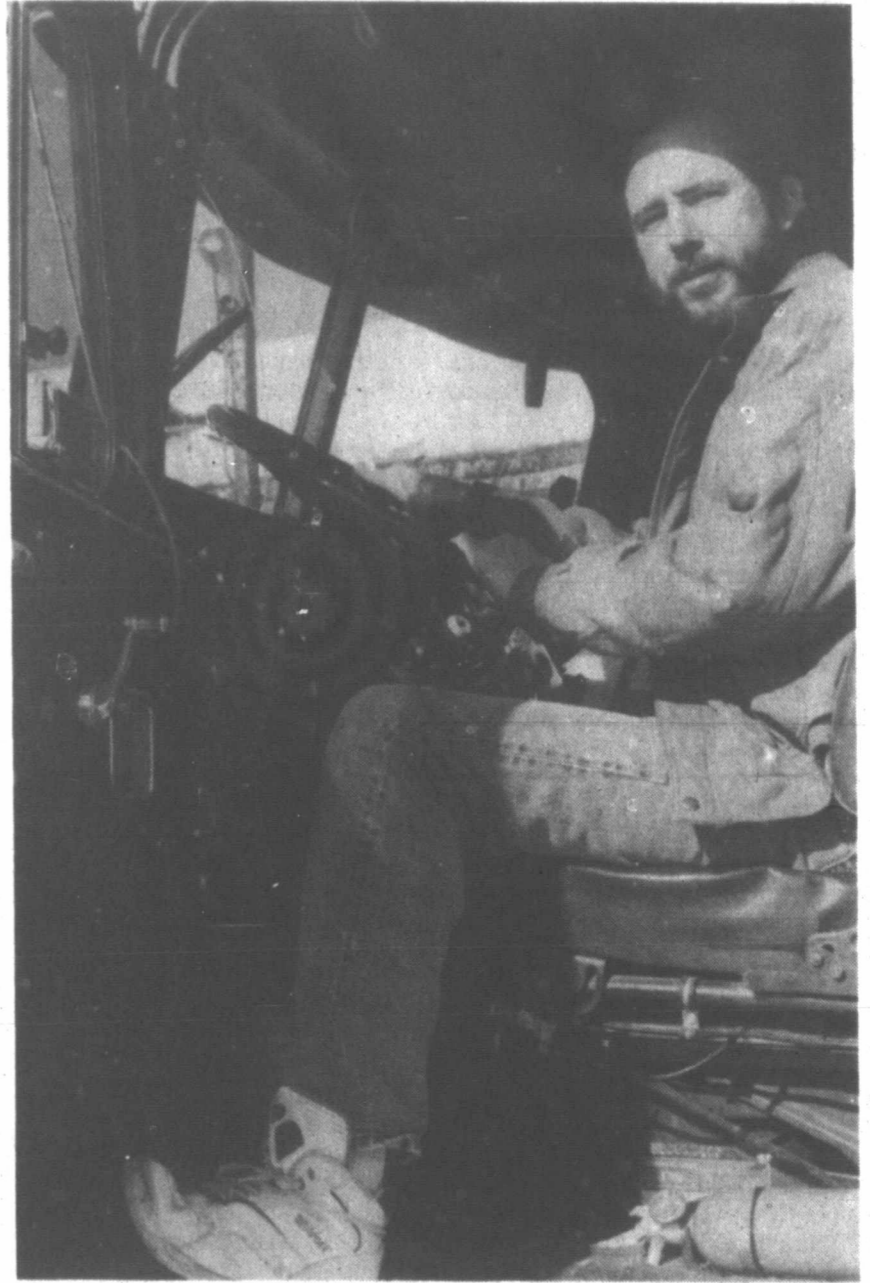
He notes that some couples team up to drive and alleviate some marriage problems like jealousy or loneliness. That works well for the couple who are childless or empty nesters, he said.

On the positive side, because of the nature of his work, Reed is able to "vacation" with his family. While delivering a load last summer, the group went to Disneyland and the Grand Canyon. His wife took the kids to Chicago.

Truckers may become out of touch with current events and the popular culture, getting much of their information, however inaccurate, from the chattering citizens band radio.

"Texas roads, in my opinion, are number one in the nation," he said. Better access roads, frequent maintenance and well designed drainage systems make them easiest to drive on.

And Reed should know — that's where he makes his living.



Joe Reed

(Staff photos by Cheryl Berzanakie)

Down the pike

Department of Public Safety trooper Hector Dominguez looks serious and official in his crisp gray uniform. The roads from Pampa to Canadian to Perryton to Shamrock are his domain. It is his job to patrol the highways and byways looking for speeders and other violators of Texas' traffic laws.

After a year on the job, he said he travels about 150 miles a day in his fully equipped trooper's car.

Dominguez who said he always prefers driving to being driven, likes being outside on the road instead of in the office up to his elbows in paperwork. Even though it means shift work, he likes his job.

"At this point in my life I don't think there's anything I'd rather be doing," he said.

He doesn't have any tricks for keeping awake on long nights on lonesome roads.

"Just tough it, I guess," caffeine-free Dominguez said.

His mind is engaged on the job — watching for traffic violators — rather than being destination oriented as are others who drive for a living.

When things are quiet though, Dominguez has the opportunity for a little amusement.

"One of the things I really enjoy is music," he said.

By now, he can listen to country and western music and the scanner at the same time without missing a trick on either.

While DPS troopers sometimes work in pairs, they often work alone and that suits Dominguez, too.

"Most of the time I would prefer being alone. I've always considered myself to be a loner," he said. "I wouldn't like to be alone every day that I'm out there."

The monotony of driving can be a drag, but to Dominguez that's really a good sign.

"At times when there's nobody speeding and no violations, it's a little boring, but that's good

because we're doing our jobs," he explained.

Three vehicles are stationed at the Pampa DPS headquarters: a Ford LTD, Ford Taurus and a Chevrolet Camaro.

He works in vehicle equipped with cruise control, tilt steering wheel and bench seats. His back doesn't get tired in the LTD and the head room is okay in the Taurus.

His favorite is the LTD because of the comfort. The Camaro, often a teenagers delight, is way down on his list because of the way it sits low to the ground.

"Being in one all day long would be real hard," Dominguez said. "If I was given a choice, its gonna be 'this' or a Camaro, it'd be 'this'. They're fast and they're pretty but I wouldn't want to work in one day in and day out."

Troopers have their favorite eateries, too. It's Maxie's Steak House, hands down.



Hector Dominguez in his favorite LTD

Day in, day out, the drive is on

Purina Mills district manager Rocky Lucas logs about 30,000 miles year in his pickup traversing the Panhandle serving retail customers, large ranches and feedyards.

He spends his hours on the road thinking about the next customer, listening to company supplied training tapes and doing nothing.

"A lot of time, basically, is just wasted," Lucas said.

The cellular phone takes the edge off some of that down time. From the comfort of his two-tone Ford, he can make customer calls and plan ahead for his next stop.

"It would be a miserable life if you didn't like it," he said.

To combat the sameness of routine, he varies his route. While traveling new roads, Lucas observes the cattle, grass and wheat.

Being at home at night is a

priority. The day's stops are planned to aim for home.

"I think I'd be a poor prospect for a wholesale salesman who is on the road all the time," Lucas said. "I made a decision a long time ago that I wasn't gonna take a job that took me away from my family three or four nights a week."

This is not his first job that involves driving to make a living. Rolling up the miles began when Lucas was 24, and took a job as a courier. For three days each week, he would drive over 1,000 miles daily delivering bank records and other documents following a precisely timed route.

His second on-the-road job followed on the bumper of college graduation when he bought cattle for Swift.

The side tracked electrical engineering student likes people who work in agriculture and

loves the daily change of scenery. After earning a degree in animal science, he settled into small town living which coupled two things important to him — stability and the opportunity to be one's own boss.

"It's like the best of two worlds," Lucas said. A pickup is more comfortable than a car Lucas said. With back and leg problems, comfort is nearly as important to him as reliability.

"I spend so much time in a vehicle I'm not gonna buy the stripped model. I want the amenities," he said. When purchasing a new pickup, which he does about every four years, Lucas looks at the dash layout and measures the head room for his tall black hat. If the seat is uncomfortable, he immediately looks for a different model.

Where does the veteran driver

like to eat when he's on the road?

"I have a lot of favorites," he said with a gleam in his eye.

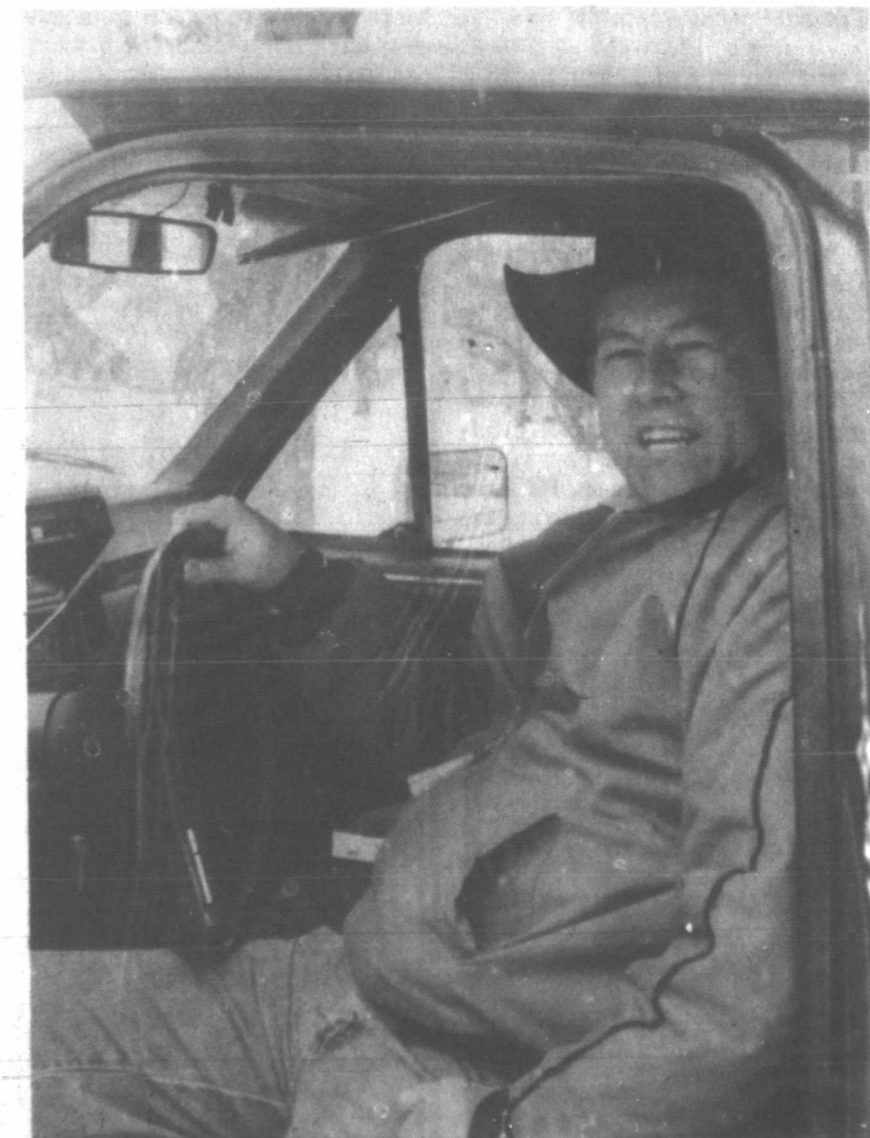
As a matter of fact, Lucas couldn't pick out a single favorite, but rather named a list of places he frequents when hunger strikes.

On Wednesdays he likes brown beans and cornbread at the Dairy Queen in Groom. The Grill in Groom has a great cheeseburger and for good ol' country cooking, Lucas likes a place whose name he couldn't remember on Highway 287 in Hedley.

"And don't leave out Maxie's Steak House in Wheeler and Canadian," he said.

Lucas says he's not lonesome making his calls and peddling his product — it's made a living for his wife and kids.

Besides, he said, he'd rather drive than ride any day.

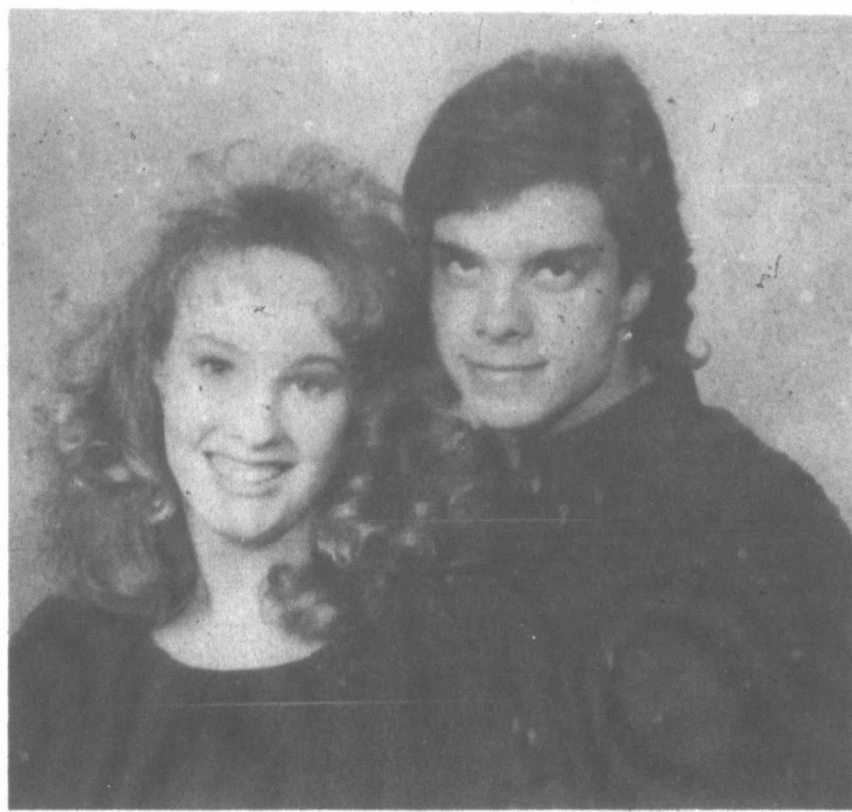


Rocky Lucas — He doesn't want a pickup with too little headroom for his hat.

LIFESTYLES



Glen and Martha Hogan



Lori Lynn Jones and Bradley Joe Johnson



Mrs. John Wesley Hatley II
Christi Carol Porton

Hogan anniversary

Glen and Martha Hogan celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with a family dinner hosted by their children, Mr. and Mrs. Monty Montgomery, Skellytown; and Mr. and Mrs. Dee Orr, Pampa; and their grandchildren, Ashley, Alyson and Dale.

Hogan married Martha Gaines on Jan. 3, 1953 in Wheeler. They have lived in Pampa for 38 years. He has worked for Cabot Corp. for 38 years. She is a homemaker. They are members of the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ.

Jones - Johnson

Larry and Linda Jones of Pampa announce the engagement of their daughter, Lori Lynn Jones, to Bradley Joe Johnson, son of Joe and Nelda Johnson, Pampa.

The bride-to-be is a Pampa High School graduate and attends Clarendon College and Frank Phillips College and is a nursing major.

The groom-to-be is a 1986 graduate of Pampa High School and attended Lubbock Christian College and Oklahoma Christian College. He is employed by the U.S. Postal Service in Pampa.

Porton - Hatley

Christi Carol Porton, Wheeler, became the bride of John Wesley Hatley II, Lakeview, on Jan. 2 at the First United Methodist Church of Wheeler. The Rev. Ernest McGaughey, minister of the First United Methodist Church of Tulia, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Porton, Wheeler. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kirby Hatley, Clarendon.

Jennifer Walker served as maid of honor. Elizabeth Stiles, Wheeler, Renea Robinson, Claude, Corby Chick, Wheeler, and sister of the groom Jennifer Hatley, Clarendon, were bridesmaids. Stephanie Farley, Idabel, Okla., cousin of the bride, was flower girl.

Father of the groom, Kirby Hatley, stood as best man. Serving as groomsmen were brother of the groom, Jeff Hatley, Clarendon, Johnny Lindley, Lakeview, Walt Thompson, Clarendon, and brother of the bride, Jason Porton, Wheeler. Ring bearers were Garrett and Brady Ware, Wheeler.

Jeff Mills and Daniel Ford, both of Clarendon, were ushers. Candles were lit by Makenzie Chick of Wheeler, and cousin of the bride, Bethany Farley, of Idabel, Okla. Guests were registered by Marcy Smith, Lubbock.

Music was provided by Elizabeth Stiles and Wade Hampton, both of Wheeler.

Following the service, the couple was honored with a reception in the atrium of the church. Guests were served by Jan Fulton, Goodwell, Okla., Jan Green, Norman, Okla., Casey Velasquez, Wheeler, and Kayla Lindley, Lakeview.

The bride attends Clarendon College. The groom earned an associate of arts degree from Clarendon College and attended Texas Tech. He is engaged in farming and ranching in the Lesley community.

The couple plans to make their home in Lakeview.

Menus

Jan. 11-15

Pampa Meals on Wheels	Monday	Chicken chow mein, hominy, mixed greens, rice krispie treat.	Tuesday	Hamburgers, tater tots, pineapple.	Wednesday	Baked chicken, scalloped corn, broccoli, jello.	Thursday	Sausage and gravy, hash browns, green beans, pudding.	Friday	Beef tejas, English peas, mixed squash, pears.	Pampa Senior Citizens	Monday	Chicken fried steak or baked ham, mashed potatoes, spinach, pinto beans, beets, slaw, toss or jello salad, pineapple pie or apple cobbler, cornbread or hot rolls.	Tuesday	Chicken salad or liver and onions, cheese potatoes, fried okra, scalloped tomatoes, slaw, toss or jello salad, butterscotch pie or ugly duckling cake, hot rolls or cornbread.	Wednesday	Roast beef brisket with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli casserole, carrots, slaw, toss or jello salad, angel food cake or peach cobbler, hot rolls or cornbread.	Thursday	Chicken pot pie or hamburger steak, creamed new potatoes, green beans, corn, slaw, toss or jello salad, blueberry cake or chocolate pie, hot rolls or cornbread.	Friday	Fried cod fish or beef enchiladas, French fries, fried squash, Spanish macaroni, broccoli, slaw, toss or jello salad, rice pudding or strawberry cake, cornbread, hot rolls, garlic bread.	Lefors Schools	Monday															
		Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, cereal, juice, milk.		Breakfast: Biscuits, sausage, cereal, juice, milk.		Breakfast: Oats, peanut butter, toast, cereal, juice, milk.		Breakfast: Oats, peanut butter, toast, cereal, juice, milk.		Breakfast: Oats, peanut butter, toast, cereal, juice, milk.		Breakfast: French toast sticks, juice, milk, cereal, peanut butter.		Breakfast: Breakfast burritos, juice, milk, cereal, peanut butter.		Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, fruit or juice, choice of milk.		Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast, fruit or juice, choice of milk.		Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit or juice, choice of milk.		Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit or juice, choice of milk.		No school.		Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage, fruit or juice, choice of milk.		Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast, fruit or juice, choice of milk.		Breakfast: Breakfast pizza, fruit or juice, choice of milk.		No school.		No school.		No school.		
		Lunch: Beef and cheese nachos, salad, refried beans, pineapple, milk.		Lunch: Steak fingers, potatoes, gravy, corn, cherry cobbler, rolls, milk, salad bar.		Lunch: Pizza, salad, celery sticks, apple, milk, salad bar.		Lunch: Fish, tater tots, cole slaw or salad, pickles, milk, salad bar.		Lunch: Hamburger salad, tater tots with cheese, pickles, chocolate pudding, milk.		Lunch: Hamburger or barbecue, hamburger salad, tater tots with cheese, pickles, chocolate pudding, milk.		Lunch: Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, gravy, peaches, hot roll, choice of milk.		Lunch: Taco salad, pinto beans, spiced apples, cornbread, choice of milk.		Lunch: Hamburger, burger salad, pickle slices, pineapple, choice of milk.		No school.		No school.		No school.		No school.		No school.		Lunch: Chicken nuggets, whipped potatoes, gravy, peaches, hot roll, choice of milk.		Lunch: Hamburger, burger salad, pickle slices, pineapple, choice of milk.		No school.		No school.		No school.



Mr. and Mrs. Sean Matthew George
Sherri LeeAnn McDonald

McDonald - George

Sherri LeeAnn McDonald, Pampa, became the bride of Sean Matthew George on Jan. 2 at Briarwood Full Gospel Church with Keith Feerer, Church of Christ minister of Jacksonville, Fla., officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Lee McDonald, Pampa. The groom is the son of Frank George, Humble, and Sara Stahl, Abilene.

The bride was attended by her sister Stacie McDonald, Dallas, as maid of honor. She also designed and constructed the wedding dress. Other honor attendants were Tiffany Angeley, Muleshoe; Julianna Gilbert, Irving; Liz Young, San Angelo; and sister of the bride, Kim McDonald, Pampa.

Standing as best man was Brandon Phillips, Abilene. Groomsmen were Scott Bringer, Abilene; Matt Ueckert, San Angelo; Justin Nelson, San Angelo; and brother of the groom Chris Fauls, Abilene. Serving as ushers were Trey Upton, San Angelo; Greg Grimmell, San Angelo; and cousin of the bride, Allen McDonald, Cotton Center.

Candles were lit by Kirk McDonald, brother of the bride, Pampa, and Todd Black, Pampa.

Guests were registered by April Epperson, Pampa. Music was provided by Leslie McQueen, Lubbock; and Thomas and Terri Blackstone, Odessa.

Following the ceremony, the couple was honored with a reception in the fellowship hall of the church. Guests were served by Becky Reed, Heather Kludt and April Epperson all of Pampa; Julia McDonald, Cotton Center; and Marissa Bringer, Abilene.

She is a 1989 graduate of Pampa High School and is a senior at Angelo State University. She is employed as a registered nurse at Angelo Community Hospital in San Angelo.

He is a 1989 graduate of Wylie High School, Abilene. He is a senior at Angelo State University and is employed by Subway Sandwiches in San Angelo.

Following a wedding trip to Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, the couple plans to make their home in San Angelo.



Karen Bohr and Scott Fields

Bohr - Fields

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bohr announce the engagement of their daughter, Karen, to Scott Fields, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Donald Fields, Groom. A Feb. 13 wedding is planned at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Groom.

She is a December graduate of West Texas State University and works at Wheeler-Evans Elevator Inc. in White Deer. He is engaged in farming and ranching in Groom, where they will make their home.

This staircase is no laughing matter

By 3-2-1 CONTACT Magazine For AP Special Features

Imagine an evil staircase with a mind of its own. As you walk up the stairs, one of the steps quietly rises several inches. Since you don't lift your foot high, you trip and fall.

John Templer, an architect at the Georgia Institute of Technology, has built such a set of "trick stairs." But he built the stairs to help people, not hurt them.

"After automobiles, stairs are the most dangerous consumer product," Templer says. He pays volunteers to trip on the stairs. He films them as they fall. By studying the films, he hopes to design safer staircases for everyone.

In the meantime, though, Templer has to keep his volunteers from getting hurt! He makes them wear padded clothes, kneepads, a helmet and a parachute harness attached to an overhead cable. As they fall, the cable lifts them in the air.

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Pampans ring in New Year with flash and flourish

Did you ring in the New Year with a bang and a flair to a fare-thee-well? If so, fill your prettiest glass with lots of ice and cold water, stretch out and relax a bit while we dust off last week's calendar.

Ed and Lilith Brainard began the New Year by hosting the wedding rehearsal dinner attended by 72 guests for their son Swasey and his then fiancée Stacie Hall at Knight Lites on the evening of Jan. 1. Debbie Mack and Swasey's sister, Sena, spent the entire afternoon decorating the entertainment area in a western theme in keeping with the ranching interests of the Brainard family. The printed wedding party menu spoke of Swasey's prime rib, Stacie's chick fillet, Ed's large fillet mignon, Lilith's small fillet mignon, Bud's spuds (for Swasey's granddad), Sallie Lee's greens, Johns Creek rolls and Brainards' truffles. Buddy Payne of McLean provided live country singing. The gaiety and good fun lasted four and a half hours. The Saturday evening wedding in McLean was followed by a wedding dance at the Starlight Room of Coronado Inn.

Celebrating New Year's Eve wedding anniversaries were Scott and Bobbie Nisbet, and Calvin and Rochelle Lacy. Congratulations to

the two couples.

During the holidays, residents of Pam Apartments and several of the Schneider House had their first dinner together in four months to celebrate the face lift of new carpet, paper and paint. Residents honored the owner Robert Caplan, who came from Houston for the occasion with "thank you" cards and a gift. Al Bolton, husband of manager, Pat, cooked the turkey, ham and dressing, his special specialty. Foster Winegeart and Dale Rich smoked a turkey to go with covered dishes. Leftovers were shared with neighbors. Approximately 60 people attended and enjoyed every minute. Beauregarde, Ann Crnish's dog, received dog biscuits and neat dog treats to celebrate his birthday.

The young people's departments of Central Baptist Church watched the New Year in after a progressive dinner and scavenger hunt with Carol Fulcher serving as general chairman with help of other teachers. Appetizers were served in the home of Lonnie Shelton; salad, Bill Fulcher; main course, Danny and Sherry Seabourn; and dessert, Lee and Jan French, where they stayed to see the New Year in.

Here's a surprise twist to a holiday party. Employees of the Pampa



Country Club were scheduled to have their Christmas party at Knight Lites after the PCC party. When PCC guests heard of the plans, and they were already in a party mood, they insisted on going along, too. When Bill Hassell, Knight Lites owners ok'd the extra guests by phone, he thought in terms of eight or ten extra people. Not so! The front door stood open for 15 minutes while 153 guests walked in. They had a perfectly wonderful and cozy time.

Dick and Brenda Wilkerson hosted a New Year's Eve party for a group of their peers for another gala evening.

The Rev. Bill and Edith Bailey and family were honored with a covered dish dinner by members of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church a few days before their departure for

Houston. Dr. Dawson Orr, senior warden, presided. Speakers who expressed appreciation to Bill for his work here were Dr. Orr; Edythe Jackson; Holly Burger, president of the women's group; Natalie Reeve, school secretary; Greta Arrington of Altar Guild; and Nancy Arrington of the day school. Best wishes to the popular, well-loved family.

Little seven month old Cody Joshua Corbin of Ft. Collins, Colo., spent his first Christmas in the home of the grandparents Linda and Corky Godfrey. Of course, his parents, Donna and Josh came, too! The little one had four days of his grandmother's undivided attention.

Linda and Corky then went to Custer, Okla., for a Godfrey family reunion in the home of Darrell and Rae T. Godfrey. Jim and Flo, who will be moving to Florida soon upon

his retirement from Pantex, and a sister and family, Cheryl and Herb Fields, two children and two grandchildren rounded out the family picture. Corkey, Darrell, Jim and Cheryl attended Pampa schools in the fifties, perhaps into the sixties. The reminisced, visited, watched football and played some fun games before returning to their separate homes.

Congratulations to Chip and Sheri Anderson on the birth of their first child, McKenzie Renee. Sheri's mom, Janet Malson came to help.

Lib and Charlie Jones met Lib's brother from South Texas, her mother from a state or two north of Florida, and another brother from Florida for a Christmas meeting in New Orleans. All but the South Texas brother went to Florida for the real Christmas celebration.

Juliana and Mark Gilbert of Irving spent the holidays in the home of Juliana's parents Sandra and Bill Waters.

Jack and Lillian Skelly spent Christmas and then some with two daughters, Prudence and Gretchen and families in New York and New Jersey.

Cynthia and Jay Cohen and son Philip of Santa Clara, Calif., spent Christmas with Cynthia's parents,

Mattie Wave and Dub Morgan. A daughter, Elyse, a student at San Jose State, arrived in Pampa Friday for a 10-day visit. In February, Douglas Morgan and two sons Michael and Paul will arrive for a visit.

Mattie Wave and Dub were happy to hear from their good friend Martha Patillo Sihan of Washington, D.C. during the holidays. Martha is employed by the World Bank after spending 15 years in the employment of the United Nations. In May, Sihan was appointed deputy assistant secretary of state for South Asian affairs. Martha and Sihan were guests of President and Mrs. Bush at their Christmas reception in the White House. Friends are always delighted to see Martha on her visits to Pampa.

Ask Billie Bruner how Oklahoma City looks at night from a helicopter! Her daughter Kelly Fisher and husband Kurt gave her a helicopter night view of Oklahoma City for Christmas. A little unusual?

Heard a little bit about Richard Mackie, who succeeded Bob Baker as court reporter on Jan. 1. Richard was a confirmed bachelor for 28 years, married Carey and now they are parents of a daughter and twin boys.

See you next week, Katie.



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Rhodes Scholarship helps bright boy to make good

DEAR ABBY: I have been reading you for years, but this is my first time writing to you. I hope you will share this information with your many readers.

Bill Clinton will be our first president who was a Rhodes Scholar. Since the scholarship was established in 1902, this is quite an accomplishment.

BILL ROSENBERG, LOS ANGELES

DEAR BILL: Thanks for writing. For those who are interested in knowing how one qualifies for a Rhodes scholarship, according to the World Book Encyclopedia:

The committee seeks persons with superior scholastic records. Candidates must also display qualities of character, leadership and personal vigor. Applicants from the United States must be at least 18 years old, no older than 24, unmarried, and must have completed enough college to have received a bachelor's degree before arriving at Oxford.

The Rhodes scholarships were established by Cecil J. Rhodes, a British colonial statesman, whose aim was to strengthen ties among the English-speaking peoples and provide potential leaders of many nations with an opportunity to study at Oxford University in England.

DEAR ABBY: At 70ish, I basically agree with you that it's OK to look up an old boyfriend from World War II, but a recent experience changed my mind.

I had dated a young naval officer (no affair) in New York when I went home to Massachusetts for the Thanksgiving weekend. I met him in Boston (where he was then stationed) that Saturday night. Looking for a place to dance (we never found it; too crowded with football fans), we wound up at the Coconut Grove, where the big fire broke out as we were attempting to leave. On top of everything else, Bill contracted pneumonia after giving me his jacket while we waited, shivering, in emergency at the hospital.

Not long ago, I just happened to be thinking back to what a hero he was, and decided to try to call and tell him so. I tracked him down in his old hometown back east, and we

had a pleasant talk about the old days. To wind it up — with nothing but a friendly intent — I said, "Well, if you're ever out here, do give me a call. It would be nice to see you."

His stinging comment: "I date younger women now."

SLAPPED IN THE FACE IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR SLAPPED: You should have replied, "That's OK. I date more mature men now!"

DEAR READERS: The American Optometric Association (AOA) will be operating VISION USA for the third consecutive year. Sponsored by Vistakon, a division of Johnson & Johnson Vision Products Inc., VISION USA will provide free eye care to low-income working Americans and their families.

During the month of January, low-income working people can be screened for eligibility for VISION USA by calling a toll-free number: 1-800-766-4466. To qualify for eye care, persons must have a job, or live in a household where there is one working member; have no health insurance, and an income below an established level based on family size; and have had no eye examination within the last 12 months. The eye examinations will be given in optometrists' private offices during the month of March.

Want your phone to ring? Get Abby's booklet, "How to Be Popular" — for people of all ages. To order, send a long (business-size), self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

4-H Futures & Features

DATES
10 — 5-H 4-H meeting, 2 p.m., Lefors school cafeteria

AKA Sanction Match Dog Show, Amarillo Tri-State Fairgrounds

15-17 — Teen Leader Retreat, Texas 4-H Center, Brownwood

4-H CLOTHING PROJECT
The 4-H Clothing Project will begin soon. If you want to participate, please let us know. We will have learning activities related to buying, clothing and accessories, sewing, and design. Activities will be available for boys and girls!

4-H RECREATION TEAM TRAINING

Gray County has the opportunity to apply to send a team of three or four senior 4-H members and one adult to 4-H recreation training at the Texas 4-H Center. One team per district will be selected. The training will be conducted March 4-7.

The basic responsibilities of a team after training are:

(1) To conduct recreation training for 4-H club recreation leaders in their county.

(2) To plan and conduct county-wide recreation, parties, and activities.

(3) To serve as recreation leaders and teachers at multi-county and district events, activities, and workshops.

If you think you would be interested, let us know by Jan. 27!

TEEN LEADER RETREAT

Gray County 4-H will be well represented at the statewide "Friends Helping Friends" 4-H Teen Retreat at the Texas 4-H Center Jan. 15-17. Attending will be Richard Williams, David Kludt, Amanda Kludt, Kim McDonald, and Grace Sutton. In addition, Kirk McDonald will be participating in a Texas 4-H Council planning sessions.

Special thanks to Eileen Kludt and Lee McDonald who will provide transportation and chaperone.

4-H CLOVER KIDS

Four 4-H Clover Kids clubs are going strong in Gray County. Clover Kids are 4-H activities for boys and girls in kindergarten

through second grade.

Outstanding leadership by dedicated individuals makes the Clover Kid experience a fun and meaningful one for boys and girls. The Clover Kids clubs in Gray County and their leaders are:

(1) Clover Buds — Sharon Price and Christy Pritchett, leaders — meets the second and fourth Tuesday nights at 7 p.m.

(2) Peanut Butter and Jelly — Tony and Judy Herpeche, leaders — meets the first Thursday night at 7 p.m.

(3) Club Guess Who — Linda Justice, leader — meets the fourth Thursday night at 7 p.m.

(4) Lefors Clover Kids — Lendi Jackson and Debra Kent, leaders

For more information about Clover Kids, call the Extension Office.

Announcements policy

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing weddings, engagements, or anniversaries. We reserve the right to refuse publication of photographs of poor quality. Photographs cannot be returned unless they are accompanied by a self-addressed, stamped envelope, or they may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.

2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. Wednesday, prior to Sunday insertion.

3. Engagement, wedding, and anniversary news only will be printed on Sunday.

4. Engagement announcements will be published if the announcement is submitted at least one month before the wedding, but not more than three months before the wedding.

5. Bridal photos and information will not be published later than four weeks after the date of the wedding.

6. Anniversary announcements will be published for celebrations only of 25 years or more, and will not be published more than four weeks after the anniversary date.

7. Information that appears on engagement, wedding and anniversary forms will be used at the discretion of the editor. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or by sending a SASE to The Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa, Texas 79066-2198

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Comic Page

The World Almanac® Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Turn away
- Reimburse
- Remove moisture from
- Beautiful young man
- A continent (abbr.)
- Honky
- Blockhead
- Kind
- Part of head
- Mimic
- Pierce
- Cures
- dreaming of a white Christmas
- Chemical dye
- Relaxes
- White frost
- Stupefy
- Nautical worker
- Musical instruments
- Forward

DOWN

- Theater district
- Tautonic deity
- Ore, summer time
- God of love
- Director David
- Sun god
- McMahon
- Seed container
- Asian ox
- Sixties radical (sl.)
- Aromatic herb
- Appears
- Film critic
- Pauline
- Buckwheat
- Country of Asia
- Roman under-world god
- Flora and fauna
- Ignores
- Called
- Folklore creature
- avis
- Capital of Idaho
- Liable to be phoned (2 wds.)
- Nest of pheasants
- Card game
- Haits
- Unsuccessful car
- Arizona city
- Ivy League university
- Cut off
- Salad herb
- Indian money (abbr.)
- College deg.
- Printer's measure

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson

ROBOT MAN

By Jim Meddick

B.C.

By Johnny Hart

Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Instead of viewing matters from a realistic perspective today, you might be inclined to color facts to suit your circumstances. This is not a good way of achieving your purposes. Major changes are ahead for Capricorn in the coming year. Send for Capricorn's Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you expect more than what you're entitled to today, disappointment is likely. Rewards will come in proportion to effort expended.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Unfortunately, it could take more than your charm, wit and good looks to get by today. This is a tough world where performance, not promises, will impress others.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) In trying to be a nice guy today, you might do things that could build others up for a big let-down, because you'd rather say what people want to hear instead of telling them the truth.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Pretending to be someone other than who you really are could turn off companions today. You have enough qualities of character to trade on, so don't use affectations.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Others can't always be what we'd like them to be, so don't be disappointed today if someone you highly esteem doesn't fulfill your expectations.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Guard against inclinations today to speak without thinking. If you are careless, there's a chance you might say the wrong thing to the wrong person, and you'll be unable to retract.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your resistance to sales could be rather low at this time and entice you to buy luxury items you either need nor can afford. Remember, a day of reckoning comes when the bills arrive.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be very careful today that you don't treat others in a haughty or condescending manner. Conversely, however, don't underestimate your worth, because you're as good as they are.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you are not a self-starter today, you're likely to have little to show for your wasted hours. Set a productive agenda and abide by it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Someone who has you figured out well might employ flattery today in order to manipulate you for his or her purposes. Beware of acquaintances bearing accolades.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Merely thinking big won't cut the mustard or produce desirable end results today. In order to achieve important objectives, you'll have to work for them.

MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong

MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson

KIT N' CARLYLE

By Larry Wright

ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue

SNAFU

By Bruce Beattie

WINTHROP

By Dick Cavalli

THE BORN LOSER

By Art and Chip Sansom

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bill Keane

CALVIN AND HOBBS

By Bill Watterson

THE BORN LOSER

By Art and Chip Sansom

FRANK AND ERNEST

By Bob Thaves

PEANUTS

By Charles M. Schulz

GARFIELD

By Jim Davis

FRANK AND ERNEST

By Bob Thaves

PEANUTS

By Charles M. Schulz

Entertainment

'Lorenzo's Oil' offers powerhouse ending

By LINDA DEUTSCH
AP Special Correspondent

"Lorenzo's Oil" is a picture of noble purpose. Beautifully acted and fueled by the filmmakers' obvious passion for their story, it's still a long, harrowing journey for the average moviegoer.

The subject here is the suffering of a child struck by a relentless disease. Watching the disintegration of Lorenzo, a beautiful, bright 5-year-old, is difficult at best. Yes, there is a story of substance here, but it is the child's screams of agony that echo in memory. At a recent screening, such scenes drove some viewers from the theater.

Beyond that, "Lorenzo's Oil" is an engrossing if flawed effort to make one family's ordeal a potent indictment of the medical establishment, self-help groups and bloodless scientists who dally with research while children are dying. This battle between the little people and medicine's goliaths is the heart of the film.

Susan Sarandon could reap an Academy-Award nomination as Michaela Odone, wife of a World Bank economist (Nick Nolte with an Italian accent and black hair) and mother of Lorenzo, her pride and joy.

Her depiction of a woman fierce-

ly determined to save her child is as good a job of acting as we're likely to see for a while.

We meet the Odone family in an East African country where they have been stationed. There are lovely scenes of native dancing and of Lorenzo, charmingly played by Zack O'Malley Greenburg, interacting with the natives, an oddly cheerful start for a movie that quickly sinks into tragedy.

It's almost as misleading as those billboards showing mother, father and child smiling rapturously.

Back home in Washington, D.C., Lorenzo begins acting strangely and is quickly diagnosed by a doom-saying doctor (Peter Onorati) as having adrenoleukodystrophy (ALD) — a rare, incurably fatal affliction transmitted to male children by their mothers. Life expectancy from onset is two years.

As Lorenzo deteriorates, the Odones frantically seek help only to be told there is none. So they take matters into their own hands and begin educating themselves in microbiology. They experiment with treatments that doctors discourage and eventually find an olive oil derivative (Lorenzo's oil of the title) which seems to slow the disease's progress.

The story is told with dates

flashed across the screen: "Two months after diagnosis ... A year after diagnosis," and scenes of Lorenzo, played by six different actors, losing his ability to walk, talk or swallow, gasping for air and screaming.

Nolte, straitjacketed as he is by that accent and hair, gives a credible performance as the anguished father buried in books at the library or sketching out complicated equations.

Since this is a true story, the real father, who's Italian, insisted that he be depicted that way. To make the point, Nolte is seen whipping up pasta dishes and using elaborate hand gestures.

This movie could redeem its two-hour, 10-minute length with a powerhouse, upbeat ending. But true stories rarely have fairy-tale endings. There's a heart-tugging small victory at the end which producer-director-writer George Miller milks for all its worth. But Lorenzo's future remains uncertain.

"Lorenzo's Oil" was produced by Doug Mitchell and Miller from a screenplay by Miller and Nick Enright. It's being distributed by Universal City Studios and is rated PG-13. No sex, violence or bad words here, but the subject could upset youngsters.



(Special photo by Michael O'Neill)
Nick Nolte and Susan Sarandon star as Augusto and Michaela Odone, who successfully battle to save the life of their son Lorenzo played by Zack O'Malley Greenburg.

Filmed partly in Panhandle, 'Leap of Faith' features Steve Martin, Debra Winger

By BOB THOMAS
Associated Press Writer

Jonas Nightengale is a prairie mountebank, master of the super-con, a combination P.T. Barnum and Jimmy Swaggart. He travels from one suckerville to another in a cavalcade of four huge vans loaded with equipment designed to help separate the

hicks from their hard-earned dollars. Nightengale follows the long line of Bible-pounding revivalists, but with some modern touches. His style would seem incredible unless you've been watching religious TV lately. As portrayed by Steve Martin, he's as fascinating to watch as a leopard stalking a kill.

Prancing about the stage before a

joyful choir, using every trick to whip his naive listeners into showering bills into collection pails, Martin is awesome, his best work ever.

The action begins with Martin and his cynical crew racing along a Kansas highway, exulting over the big take at the last town. Engine trouble forces a pit stop in a small, recession-hit community where Martin

decides to pitch his tent. His chief aide is Debra Winger who helps him deceive the hayseeds through electronic gadgetry.

The only opposition in the town comes from the wary sheriff, Liam Neeson, who recognizes Martin's chicanery. But his efforts to expose Martin and his tricks are thwarted by the townspeople's fervent desire to believe.

Nothing can stop Martin's scheme — until a real miracle happens.

Martin's razzle-dazzle employs all the tricks he's learned in his years of performing. He has an ideal counterpoint in Debra Winger's steady calculation, hampered by rare moments of conscience. After a series of failed films, it is heartening to watch her return to peak form.

Liam Neeson's powerful presence and mellow voice always enhance a film. Good work is contributed by Lolita Davidovich as a suspicious waitress and Lukas Haas as her crippled brother. A huge contribution comes from the Angels of Mercy, a full-voiced group of singers who could convert the greatest of unbelievers.

By The Associated Press

Here are the weekly charts for the nation's best-selling recorded music as they appear in next week's issue of Billboard magazine. Reprinted with permission.

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HOT SINGLES

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1. "I Will Always Love You," Whitney Houston (Arista)
 2. "If I Ever Fall in Love," Shai (Gasoline Alley) (Platinum)
 3. "In the Still of the Nite," Boyz II Men (Motown)
 4. "Rump Shaker," Wreckx-N-Effect (MCA) (Platinum)
 5. "Saving Forever for You," Shanice (Giant)
 6. "Rhythm is a Dancer," Snap (Arista) (Gold)
 7. "I'd Die Without You," P.M. Dawn (Gee Street-Laface) (Gold)
 8. "Good Enough," Bobby Brown (MCA)
 9. "What About Your Friends," TLC (LaFace) (Gold)
 10. "Deeper and Deeper," Madonna (Sire)

TOP LP'S

- Copyright 1993, Billboard-SoundsScan, Inc.
1. "The Bodyguard" Soundtrack," (Arista)
 2. "The Chase," Garth Brooks (Liberty) (Platinum)
 3. "Timeless (The Classics)," Michael Bolton (Columbia) (Platinum)
 4. "Unplugged," Eric Clapton (Duck) (Platinum)
 5. "Some Gave All," Billy Ray Cyrus (Mercury) (Platinum)
 6. "Breathless," Kenny G (Arista)
 7. "Ten," Pearl Jam (Epic) (Platinum)
 8. "If I Ever Fall in Love," Shai (Gasoline Alley)
 9. "It's Your Call," Reba McEntire (MCA)
 10. "Hard or Smooth," Wreckx-N-Effect (MCA)

COUNTRY SINGLES

- Copyright 1993, Billboard-Broadcast Data Systems
1. "Somewhere Other than the Night," Garth Brooks (Liberty)
 2. "Don't Let Our Love Start Slipping Away," Vince Gill (MCA)
 3. "Walkaway Joe," Trisha Yearwood (MCA)
 4. "Look Heart, No Hands," Randy Travis (Warner Bros.)
 5. "Sure Love," Hal Ketchum (Curb)
 6. "Life's a Dance," John Michael Montgomery (Atlantic Album Cut)
 7. "Too Busy Being in Love," Doug Stone (Epic)
 8. "Love Without Mercy," Lee Roy Par-nell (Arista)
 9. "She's Got the Rhythm," Alan Jackson (Arista)
 10. "Wild Man," Ricky Van Shelton (Columbia)
- ADULT CONTEMPORARY SINGLES
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1. "I Will Always Love You," Whitney Houston (Arista)
 2. "When She Cries," Restless Heart (RCA)
 3. "A Whole New World," Peabo Bryson & Regina Belle (Columbia)
 4. "Never a Time," Genesis (Atlantic)
 5. "The Last Song," Elton John (MCA)
 6. "To Love Somebody," Michael Bolton (Columbia)
 7. "Feels Like Heaven," Peter Cetera with Chaka Khan (Warner Bros.)
 8. "Faithful," Go West (DMI)
 9. "Chains Around My Heart," Richard Marx (Capitol)
 10. "Forever in Love," Kenny G. (Arista)

- R&B SINGLES
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1. "I Will Always Love You," Whitney Houston (Arista)
 2. "If I Ever Fall in Love," Shai (Gasoline Alley) (Platinum)
 3. "Rump Shaker," Wreckx-N-Effect (MCA) (Gold)
 4. "Here We Go Again," Portrait (Capitol)
 5. "In the Still of the Nite," Boyz II Men (Motown)
 6. "Good Enough," Bobby Brown (MCA)
 7. "Baby I'm for Real-Natural High,"

- After 7 (Virgin)
8. "Love Shoulda Brought You Home," Toni Braxton (LaFace)
 9. "No Ordinary Love," Sade (Epic)
 10. "Quality Time," Hi-Five (Jive)

- TOP JAZZ ALBUMS
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1. "25," Harry Connick, Jr. (Columbia)
 2. "Perfectly Frank," Tony Bennett (Columbia)
 3. "I Heard You Twice the First Time,"

- Branford Marsalis (Columbia)
4. "Haunted Heart," Charlie Haden Quartet West (Verve)
 5. "Letter to Evan," David Benoit (GRP)

6. "You Must Believe in Spring," Frank Morgan (Antilles)
7. "Portraits by Ellington," The Lincoln Center Jazz Orchestra (Columbia)
8. "Rhythm of the Earth," Jackie

- McLean (Verve)
9. "Fantasia," Eliane Elias (Blue Note)
 10. "More than a Mood," Stanley Tur-rentine (Musicmaster)

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Agriculture

Loan guarantees for exports to carry risks, few benefits

By JENNIFER DIXON
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department has guaranteed billions of dollars in loans to countries that may never repay the money, and taxpayers could get the bill, congressional investigators say.

The General Accounting Office, which reviewed USDA's export credit guarantee programs, also found no evidence that the credits have increased total U.S. farm exports and said they may have merely rerouted trade flows.

In a report obtained by *The Associated Press*, the congressional auditing agency said large loans have been made to high-risk countries, including Iraq and the former Soviet Union.

Iraq has refused to repay \$1.9 billion in loans guaranteed by the department. Russia has defaulted on \$127 million in loan payments since early December, although USDA officials insist Russia's credit troubles are temporary.

Under the two programs, known as General Sales Manager (GSM) 102 and 103, USDA guarantees bank loans to certain countries that cannot pay cash for American farm products or obtain commercial credit. The borrowing countries use the loans to buy U.S. grain and other farm products.

The largest recipients of guarantees are Mexico, South Korea, Iraq

and the former Soviet Union, including Russia.

USDA generally guarantees 98 percent of the principal and some interest, but in the case of the former Soviet Union and Russia, it guaranteed 100 percent of the principal.

The loans must be repaid within six to 36 months under GSM 102 and within three to 10 years under GSM 103.

USDA argued that of the \$40.9 billion in guarantees extended since 1981, the government has only been required to cover \$3.6 billion.

But GAO investigators said Agriculture's calculations are misleading and that the actual cost to taxpayers is much higher and will mount every year the program is in operation. The GAO said the cost to taxpayers, had the program ended June 30, 1992, would be \$6.5 billion.

Stephen L. Censky, acting administrator of USDA's Foreign Agricultural Service, argued that the programs' history does not bear out the GAO's estimates of future losses.

He said Iraq is the only country that has refused to repay its loans; only Russia is not current with its payments; and only one country in recent memory, Poland, had its loans, worth more than \$1 billion, forgiven.

The program has spurred exports for domestic growers in countries that would otherwise be unable to pay cash or get commercial credit for their purchases, Censky said. But the GAO said it was unable to

find any evidence to suggest the programs resulted in an overall expansion of U.S. farm exports.

"While costs have been incurred, the extent of any meaningful benefits is unknown," the congressional investigative agency said.

It said the credit guarantees may increase sales in some markets. But it's also possible that the GSM sales may prompt competitor countries to concentrate their efforts in other nations, displacing potential U.S. sales to those countries.

"If this displacement occurs, these programs may merely reroute trade flows and not necessarily increase total U.S. agricultural exports," the report said.

Rep. Bob Wise, D-W.Va., chairman of the House Government Operations subcommittee on agriculture, said the fact that taxpayers could be stuck with a bill for more than \$6 billion in sour loans "is very unsettling."

Wise also noted that \$383 million of the defaults result from the Banca Nazionale del Lavoro scandal. The Italian bank's Atlanta branch lent Iraq millions of dollars with USDA guarantees before the invasion of Kuwait; investigators believe some of the money was used to help Iraq create its military arsenal.

USDA estimates BNL claims for payments in default will total \$410.5 million, although none has been paid. The matter is under investigation by USDA and the Justice Department.

Catholic diocese helps farmers

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Central Illinois farmers in need of help buying seeds at planting time or feeding their hungry children have found a true bank of last resort.

For five years, the Catholic Diocese of Springfield has run an interest-free loan program to help farm families of all faiths in 28 counties.

Named Project Isidore, after the patron saint of farmers, the program has provided about \$180,000 in assistance — all from anonymous donors' contributions, said John Maxwell, the diocese's finance director.

"Without the loans, I'm not even sure we'd be farming any longer," said a Litchfield woman who asked that she not be identified.

The woman and her husband, a part-time bus driver, twice borrowed the maximum \$2,000 from the program to get them over the financial hump of one bad farming year after another.

"We couldn't get any more credit from anyone. We had defaulted on other loans. We were thinking about filing for bankruptcy."

Like most of the farm families so desperate for help from the program, they still are in debt

and have yet to repay their loans.

"I think our collectability is around 20 percent in bad years and 40 percent in good years, if that," Maxwell said.

"Most of these people who ask for the money don't have any means. We've gotten letters from some who used it to feed and clothe their children."

Maymie Bergschneider, a co-director of the diocesan Office for Rural Life, said the church realizes \$2,000 is not enough for most needy farmers.

"This \$2,000 was just a symbol of hope and to show the church cares," she said.

The amount available for loans each year depends on how much farmers repay and the generosity of others.

Sometimes the recipients themselves become donors by repaying their loans and chipping in an extra \$25 or \$50.

"We just felt it was nice they loaned the money to us, and we wanted to help someone else," said a New Douglas farmer who returned the \$4,000 he borrowed and then some. He asked that he not be identified.

Others feel duty-bound to make repayment as fast as possible.

"I always felt if they were good enough to trust me I would sell enough of my crop in the fall to pay them back first," said a farmer's wife from a Shelbyville parish. She also did not want to be identified.

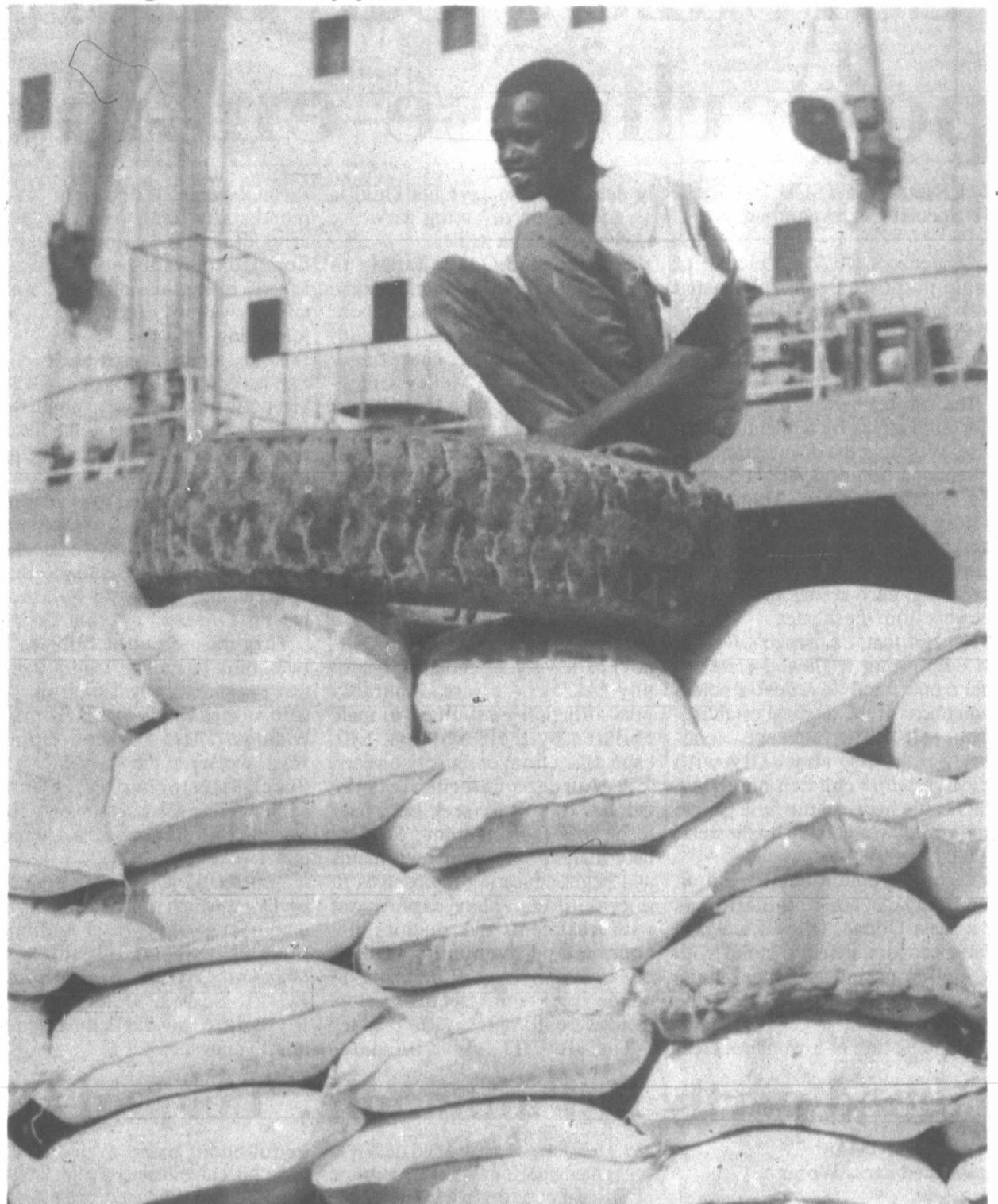
"I don't have the finances to give to the church as they want, but that's never stopped them from giving to us when we need it."

Some farmers who do repay don't understand why others haven't.

"The last couple of years we've had decent crops, and most of them should have paid it back," said Clement Huber of Nokomis, who borrowed \$3,500 in recent years for seed and fertilizer purchases and soon repaid it.

The church's program, modeled after one in Milwaukee, began largely with a \$50,000 anonymous donation from a Springfield organization. A Chicago businessman also contributed \$75,000 over three years and has pledged at least \$7,500 more. Smaller checks have arrived from as far away as New York.

Loading relief supplies



(AP Photo) A Somali boy sits atop a truckload of rice being readied for a relief convoy in Mogadishu last week. Relief ships continue to deliver their precious cargoes of grain to feed Somalia's hungry in Operation Restore Hope.

USDA announces plans for closing field offices

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration is leaving the Clinton team with a plan for closing or merging Agriculture Department field offices around the country.

Agriculture Secretary Edward Madigan scheduled a news conference earlier in the week to outline his proposal for restructuring a Depression-era network that reaches nearly every county in the nation, including some with few farmers.

"The secretary will have things to say that will help narrow the scope, give an idea where we're going and the magnitude of the number of offices slated for probable closure," said USDA spokesman Roger Runningen. "We will not have final numbers pending a review by members of Congress

and farm groups that will be affected. "We'll have a final list before he leaves office," Runningen said.

A draft list obtained in December by *The Associated Press* indicated that the Agriculture Department was considering closing or merging 1,200 offices, including a Soil Conservation Service Field Office in the District of Columbia.

The Clinton administration will have to decide when it takes over in two weeks whether to implement the recommended closings, which are bound to generate opposition in Congress.

Agencies with offices at stake are the Soil Conservation Service, the Farmers Home Administration and the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

Virtually every county in the nation has at least one USDA field office. Some counties have three or four if the Cooperative Extension Service is included. Combined, the four agencies may have as many as 11,000 field offices nationwide.

Sens. Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., and Richard Lugar, R-Ind., the chairman and ranking Republican of the Senate Agriculture Committee, have questioned whether the USDA needs so many offices, especially in counties with few growers.

The congressional General Accounting Office has said that consolidating the most inefficient offices alone could save \$90 million a year from the department's \$62 billion budget.

In agriculture by Danny Nusser

This week is a big week in the eyes of many young people in Gray County and surrounding communities. It will be a full week of stock show activities beginning with the Bob Skaggs Futurity Swine show at noon today. Below you will find a schedule of activities for the week:

Today — Bob Skaggs Swine Noon

Tuesday — Gray County 4-H Show 6 p.m.

Wednesday — Animals in barn and weights turned in for county 6 p.m.

Wednesday — Pampa FFA Show 6:30 p.m.

Thursday — Gray County Stock Show 8 a.m.

Thursday — 4-H Clover Kids Rabbit Show 5 p.m.

Thursday — Gray County and Top of Texas Rabbit Show 6 p.m.

Thursday — Weights turned in for Top of Texas Show 4-6 p.m.

Friday — Top of Texas Stock Show 8 a.m.

Saturday — Buyers Barbecue 12 p.m.

Saturday — Top of Texas and Gray County Sale 1 p.m.

All exhibitors will need to be at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion to clean up Sunday afternoon. Some of these times are approximate. If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

As you can tell, there are numerous activities going this week. I hope you can come out and watch or participate in the activities.

OPTIONS AND HEDGING WORKSHOP

The Options and Hedging workshop scheduled for January 4-5 has been rescheduled for a one-day course on January 27. If you are interested, it is \$25/person which will include lunch. Couples will be charged only \$25.00 if they share

materials. Call the office by January 22 if you plan to attend. We should have more details at a later date.

AGRICULTURE DAY MEETING - CEU OPPORTUNITY

We will be having an agriculture program on February 2. This program has been approved by TDA for 5 1/2 CEU's for private, commercial, and non-commercial appli-

cators. Topics will include irrigation, weed control on field crops, methods and control of brush and weeds in range land, livestock pest control, soil fertility, predator control and much more. I will be getting more details out to you on this program, but I wanted you to be able to get it on your calendar. Call if you have any questions.

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James Race, Left, L.U.T.C.F., agency manager, and Don Whitney, L.U.T.C.F., service agent, have received commendations for outstanding agency and agent for District I for the month of Dec. District I includes a 26 county area of the Panhandle.

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Colony of endangered cranes launched in Florida

By RICHARD COLE
Associated Press Writer

KENANSVILLE, Fla. (AP) — The whooping crane, one of the first symbols in the fight to preserve endangered species, has returned to Florida for the first time in 60 years.

Six of the tall, elegant birds, still young enough to wear their rusty brown baby plumage, preened and flapped their wings Thursday in a special lakeside pen which biologists hope will be the hub of a permanent colony.

Only 237 of the cranes are believed to exist in the world. The new colony, at Three Lakes Wildlife Management Area, will be only the second wild flock of the endangered bird and its success is a key to the crane's survival, said John Turner, director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

"I see this as an historic landmark in this nation's effort to protect rare, endangered species," Turner said. "A whooping crane is a symbol of the wildlife legacy of this country."

Whooping cranes, the tallest birds in North America, have trumpetlike calls that can be heard for miles.

Once abundant along the Atlantic seaboard, their population plummeted.

The birds were native to Florida, but at the turn of the century fell victim to hunters and shrinking habitat. The last confirmed sighting of a wild crane in the state was in the late 1920s, said Jim Lewis, crane coordinator for Fish and Wildlife.

There were believed to be only 14 to 16 of the birds left in 1941.

Efforts to reverse the decline involved habitat protection and captive breeding by the Canadian and U.S. governments, the National Audubon Society and thousands of citizens.

The six cranes brought to Florida on Wednesday hatched from eggs from birds in Wood Buffalo National Park in Canada. Those cranes, a flock of about 140, migrate annually from Canada to Texas, and are the only other wild flock of the species.

The new Florida colony, 40 miles north of Lake Okeechobee, will become the first non-migrating flock. The cranes should mate more often and at an earlier age than those in the migrating flock, Lewis said.

Pairs of whooping cranes now produce an average of one surviving chick each year.

"There will be only one way to know whether the Florida colony is a success, said Steve Nesbit, biological administrator Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission. "That's when the first egg hatches."

Disease and bobcats are the big dangers to the colony, biologists say. The birds will be caught and tested at least once a year. When they finally nest in about two years, eggs will be moved among nests to maximize the number of hatchlings, Nesbit said.

The whooping cranes were placed in a fenced plot with no top. But their wings have clips on them to keep the birds from flying away immediately.

If all goes well, after four to six weeks, the clips will be removed. Initially, they probably will fly five or six miles from the pen, Nesbit said. Radio transmitters are strapped to their legs to help track them.

Turner said the wildlife service eventually hopes to bring 20 additional cranes a year to the Florida colony over the next decade.



Three of six young whooping cranes are seen in their new home in the Three Lakes Wildlife Management Area near Kenansville, Fla., Thursday. (AP Photo)

Lawmakers gather for new session, old problems

By MICHAEL HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — From the budget to school finance, from crime to colleges, the new Legislature that convenes for its 140-day regular session on Tuesday will be dealing with some familiar problems.

And at the root of most is ... money.

Public schools want more. Colleges want more. State agencies want more. But the state govern-

ment doesn't have it and leaders say no new taxes.

Gov. Ann Richards and Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock last summer warned state officials: "Agencies should prepare to get by with less money than they are spending today."

The two-year budget that expires on Aug. 31 totals about \$60 billion.

While state revenues are expected to grow by about \$2 billion during the next two years, budget officials say a total of about \$5 billion more

is needed to fund all services at the current levels.

If the scenario sounds familiar, it should. Lawmakers have been dealing with budget shortfalls almost every session since the oil and real estate collapses of 1985.

A second old problem is high on the 1993 agenda: school finance.

The Texas Supreme Court three times has struck down the state's school funding system, saying spending needs to be equalized between rich and poor school districts.

But a special session convened in November failed to find a solution, and lawmakers now face a June 1 deadline to act or possibly see schools closed.

Quick action also is necessary if a constitutional amendment is needed as part of the finance solution. Leaders say passage must be completed by late February to make the May 1 ballot.

While the federal court control of prisons under which lawmakers have labored in recent years has ended, crime and punishment is another familiar topic on this year's agenda.

The Texas Punishment Standards Commission has recommended

abolishing parole, requiring inmates to serve 80 percent of their sentences and other changes.

The cost would be several hundred million dollars, much of it going to build and operate regional jails with space for 9,000 inmates.

Money also is short in another area — human services.

The state faces a shortfall of \$2.4 billion from what's required to maintain the current level of services to the needy for the next two-year budget period. And Medicaid rolls are expected to increase by 250,000 over the same period.

The story's the same for the state's colleges and universities. While lawmakers say they might

be able to find an extra \$150 million, the Higher Education Coordinating Board recommended a \$768.4 million increase, and higher education study committees suggested \$1.675 billion more.

One issue that doesn't have a pricetag is Senate confirmation of some 600 gubernatorial appointments to state boards and commissions.

The 1993 Legislature will have something of a new look, too.

Retirements and election defeats mean more than three dozen new lawmakers will be sworn in. And for the first time this century, Republicans will hold more than one-third of the Senate seats — 13 of 31.

School finance crisis continues

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — State lawmakers, whose last effort to produce a school finance plan fell apart amid partisan conflict, will try again this year while facing the specter of a public school shutdown if they fail.

"I would hope it (school finance) would be the first priority and the first thing taken care of," said Rep. Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, who has claimed enough support to become the next House speaker.

Gov. Ann Richards likely will declare school finance an emergency item, said her spokesman, Bill Cryer. That would ease the way for its early consideration.

The Texas Supreme Court has given lawmakers until June 1 to come up with a constitutional plan to equalize funding among rich and poor school districts. Last January's ruling was the court's third scrapping a school funding plan.

The court said the current system — designed to even out funding by shifting local property tax money within single- or multi-county districts — violated the state constitution by imposing a statewide property tax, and by levying a property tax without voter approval.

A state judge has said that should lawmakers miss the deadline, he will cut off state, and possibly local, education funds. Schools are funded mainly by state aid and local property taxes.

Despite that warning, a partisan stalemate prevented a lame-duck Legislature from producing a plan in a special session called in November.

House Republicans blocked a proposed constitutional amendment, backed by Richards and other Democratic leaders, to authorize statewide redistribution of local property tax money.

A two-thirds vote of the Legislature is required to put a proposed constitutional amendment before voters. But Republicans number 58

in the 150-member House, and most of them voted against the Democratic proposal.

When new lawmakers take office, Republican strength remains the same in the House and grows in the 31-member Senate from nine to 13, raising the potential for a partisan deadlock there.

"It's one of those deals where you expect the worst and hope for the best," said Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, longtime Senate Education Committee chairman. "So far, the Senate Republicans have shown leadership and responsibility."

Among other differences in the regular session, Laney said a nearing court deadline should have an effect on negotiations. "My job, I think, is to try to find a common ground that 100 people will vote for," he said.

House Republicans have said they oppose redistributing local funds, while Democratic leaders say there are few remaining alternatives to meeting the Supreme Court's order.

School groups involved in a lawsuit against the state support a proposal that includes limited redistribution of local property tax money. The groups were working to draft legislation and have said they would agree to drop the lawsuit if such a measure could be passed.

Among alternatives to statewide redistribution of local funds:

—Keep the current system. This could be done through a constitutional amendment. There also has been discussion of ratifying the system without an amendment, by having a vote on the tax in each county education district.

—Consolidate school districts. But a proposal by retiring House Speaker Gib Lewis for school district consolidation sank in 1992.

—Consolidate school district tax bases. But a proposal for a county-wide school property tax didn't pass in the special session. And earlier plans to institute a statewide property tax, or to tax business property statewide, also failed to win support.

—Provide massive new state aid for schools, which could require a politically unpopular state income tax.

—Restrict court review of school finance through a constitutional amendment. This idea has drawn House Republican support, but opponents say it's wrong to weaken the system of checks and balances between branches of government.

Quick action is important if lawmakers want to put a proposed constitutional amendment on the May 1 ballot. To allow enough time for printing the ballot and other requirements, leaders have said such a proposal must be through the House and Senate by late February.

But finding support for a plan is especially difficult because the state faces an overall shortfall of several billion dollars in the money needed to continue current programs and meet other federal and court requirements.

Leaders have said there's not enough support for a state tax increase, but some have said insufficient state funding for schools just means local property taxes will go up.

In the special session, state leaders said \$650 million more would go to education over the next two years. That's the amount estimated to be available without a tax increase, but less than education officials have said would be necessary just to cover increased enrollment.

And even the \$650 million is in question in the regular session.

Senate Finance Committee Chairman John Montford, D-Lubbock, said there are no "ironclad commitments" that education will get that amount, although he said it will get increased funding.

"Unlike the special session, where we only had public education tugging on that money, come January, it's going to be like being pulled apart by four horses, one strapped to each limb," Montford said. "It's going to be tough."

Criminal justice overhaul recommended

AUSTIN (AP) — The last time Texas lawmakers overhauled the state's criminal laws, a person could receive a longer prison sentence for stealing a horse than killing a human.

Twenty years later, lawmakers again are trying to catch up to modern times.

State prisons are packed; county jails are overflowing; inmates are serving a fraction of their sentences; and dangerous criminals are being released on parole.

The costs are staggering — \$3.5 billion annually for law enforcement, courts, jails, prisons, parole and probation. And every 24 seconds, someone in Texas becomes a crime victim.

In response, the Texas Punishment Standards Commission was

formed a year ago to recommend changes in the state penal code.

Its report, already under fire, will be the focus of criminal justice discussions during the Legislature's biennial regular session that starts Jan. 12.

Its recommendations would:

—Abolish parole and require that each inmate serve 80 percent of their sentence. Currently, inmates average about 13 percent of their sentence.

—Create a fourth-degree felony category for offenses such as possession of small amounts of drugs, theft under \$20,000, forgery and burglary.

Criminals charged with this felony would be sent to local programs, such as restitution and public works projects, boot camps or substance abuse facilities, instead of prison.

—Allow a sentence of life with-

out parole in capital murder cases.

—Reduce penalty ranges. For instance, a first-degree felon faces a sentence of five to 99 years in prison. Under the proposal, the sentence would be two to 20 years, but the average period of incarceration would triple because of the provision requiring that 80 percent of the sentence be served.

The cost would be several hundred million dollars, much of it going to build and operate regional jails with space for 9,000 inmates.

The proposed changes are an attempt "to make sure that violent criminals stay behind bars for longer terms," according to Sen. Ted Lyon, D-Rockwall, the commission's co-chairman who lost his reelection bid.



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People in the News

PHENIX CITY, Ala. (AP) — Twenty-nine years ago, as a young infantry captain, Colin L. Powell lived in Phenix City while stationed at Fort Benning, Ga.

On Thursday, he returned to the city and had a street named after him.

Powell, the first black chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, recalled how hard it was for a young black man to be in the South in 1964.

"I want to thank you for this honor, but I want to ask you one favor," Powell told the crowd. "When you pass this (street) sign and when you see that sign, don't think of General Colin L. Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Think instead of Captain Colin Powell of 29 years ago and let that young Captain Powell remind you of today's captain and today's lieutenant and sergeant and private."

"Take care of them as you took care of me 29 years ago," he said.

HOUSTON (AP) — An ex-president moves in and there goes the neighborhood.

President Bush and his wife, Barbara, haven't even arrived at their new home on West Oak Drive and already the number of sightseers has increased.

"We used to have a quiet street where people could walk their dogs up and down and children could play," said Sherry Franke. "Children don't play in the street anymore."

While many say they welcome the Bushes and will be proud to call them neighbors when they arrive later this month, some want the city to close the street to outsiders.

City officials said the street cannot be closed unless residents buy it from the city. The price: about \$1.6 million.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — U.S. Rep. Beryl Anthony's last act of constituent service went to an unlikely constituent.

The Democrat received a phone call Christmas Day from Jay Dickey, the Republican who replaced him this week in Congress.

Dickey said he needed a quick passport for his son, and didn't know where to go, so "I called my congressman."

Anthony arranged for emergency passport service.

"I told my wife I was going to do everything I could to make it happen," Anthony said. "I said after 14 years (in Congress) I wanted braggin' rights to be able to say that I pulled that off on a weekend — especially a Christmas holiday weekend — and as a benchmark for the kind of service he ought to aim for."

Dickey's son had his passport the next day, hours before he left on his trip.

Anthony lost in the Democratic primary to Secretary of State Bill McCuen, who lost the general election to Dickey.

PARIS (AP) — The Olympia music hall where the Beatles, Rolling Stones and Bob Dylan made their French debuts will be classified as a historical monument to save it from demolition.

"The Olympia has had a tumultuous past, but it will remain the Olympia," Culture Minister Jack Lang said Thursday.

The hall, where Edith Piaf captivated thousands with her love ballads and Maurice Chevalier crooned his way into French hearts, had faced destruction as part of a real estate development slated to begin in 1995.

The Olympia has been a landmark since it opened in 1893 with a triumphant performance by "La Goulue" — a leggy beauty immortalized by Toulouse-Lautrec in dozens of cabaret scenes.

Despite its simple decor and what many call its inadequate backstage areas, singers say the acoustics are among the best in Paris.

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I Card of Thanks

Dedication to Mr. Jack Williams
By Donna Williams
Sometimes a man passes from this life. Sometimes he leaves a child. Sometimes he leaves a wife, as loving as they are with all the love they gave.

The Family makes a small circle when gathered round the grave. Then we look around us and all the friends there stand.

Every friend a special memory of the one they call a friend. Each one holds a memory of moments shared with him. Memories that time will never dim.

So rest now in Heaven we won't be far behind, Your memory and your love will last till the end of time. You touched our life, you fought until the end. And we were all there with you ... Your family and your friends.

Dedicated to Jack Williams with Love,
Donna Williams

The Family of Jack Williams would like to take this time to thank all their close friends, their church and all those who stood by them so closely during both their illness. To Dr. Tate for his message of love and hope. To the ladies who sang his song with feelings of love. To the entire staff of Coronado Hospital for their excellent care. With a special thanks to all the nurses in ICU. And special love and thanks to Kristin Grission, Shannon King, Debbie Dancel and most of all to Paul Helms, who stood with me as Mr. Williams slipped into a better place. I will never forget you all.

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1c Memorials

GENESIS Houge Inc., 615 W. Buckler, Pampa, TX 79065.

GOLDEN Spread Council Trust Fund for Boy Scouts of America. 401 Tascosa Rd., Amarillo, TX 79124.

GOOD Samaritan Christian Services, 309 N. Ward, Pampa, TX 79065.

GRAY County Retarded Citizens Assn., P.O. Box 885, Pampa, TX 79066-0885.

HIGH Plains Epilepsy Assn., 806 S. Brian, Room 213, Amarillo, TX 79106.

HOSPICE of the Panhandle, P.O. Box 2782, Pampa, TX 79066-2782.

MARCH of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, 2316 Lakeview Dr., Amarillo, TX 79109.

MEALS on Wheels, P.O. Box 939, Pampa, TX 79066-0939.

MUSCULAR Dystrophy Assn., 3505 Olen, Suite 203, Amarillo, TX 79109.

PAMPA Area Foundation for Outdoor Art, P.O. Box 6, Pampa, TX 79066.

PAMPA Fine Arts Assn. P.O. Box 818, Pampa, TX 79066.

PAMPA Sheltered Workshop, P.O. Box 2806, Pampa, TX 79066.

QUIVIRA Girl Scout Council, 836 W. Foster, Pampa, TX 79065.

RONALD McDonald House, 1501 Streit, Amarillo, TX 79106.

SALVATION Army, 701 S. Cuyler St., Pampa, TX 79065.

SHEPARD'S Helping Hands, 2225 Perryton Parkway, Pampa, TX 79065.

ST. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Attn: Memorial/Honor Program FH, One St. Jude Place Bldg., P.O. Box 1000 Dept. 300, Memphis, Tenn. 38148-0522.

THE Don & Sybil Harrington Cancer Center, 1500 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, TX 79106.

THE Opportunity Plan Inc., Box 1035, Canyon, TX 79015-1035.

TOP O' Texas Crisis Pregnancy Center, P.O. Box 2097, Pampa, TX 79066-2097.

TRALEE Crisis Center For Women Inc., P.O. Box 2880, Pampa, TX 79066.

WHITE Deer Land Museum in Pampa, P.O. Box 1556, Pampa, TX 79066.

WHITE Deer Land Museum: Pampa, Tuesday thru Sunday 1:30-4 p.m. Special tours by appointment.

ALANREED-McLean Area Historical Museum: McLean. Regular museum hours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, Sunday 1-4.

DEVIL'S Rope Museum, McLean, Tuesday thru Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday 1 p.m.-4 p.m.

HUTCHINSON County Museum: Borger. Regular hours 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. weekdays except Tuesday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

LAKE Meredith Aquarium and Wildlife Museum: Fritch, hours Tuesday and Sunday 2-5 p.m., 10 a.m. Wednesday thru Saturday, closed Monday.

MUSEUM of The Plains: Perryton, Mc day thru Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., weekends during Summer months, 1:30 p.m.-5 p.m.

OLD Mobeetie Jail Museum: Monday- Saturday 10-5. Sunday 1-5. Closed Wednesday.

PANHANDLE Plains Historical Museum: Canyon. Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, weekends 2 p.m.-6 p.m.

PIONEER West Museum: Shamrock. Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, Saturday and Sunday.

RIVER Valley Pioneer Museum at Canadian, Tx. Tuesday-Friday 10-4 p.m. Sunday 2-4 p.m. Closed Saturday and Monday.

ROBERTS County Museum: Miami, Regular hours, Tuesday-Friday 10-5 p.m. Sunday 2-5 p.m. Closed Saturday and Monday. Closed Holidays.

SQUARE House Museum Panhandle. Regular Museum hours 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. weekdays and 1-5:30 p.m. Sundays.

3 Personal
MARY Kay Cosmetics. Supplies and deliveries. Call Dorothy Vaughn 665-4953, 665-5117.

MARY Kay Cosmetics and Skin-care. Facials, supplies, call Theda Wallin 665-8336.

BEAUTICONTROL
Cosmetics and skin-care. Offering free complete color analysis, makeover, deliveries and image updates. Call your local consultant, Lynn Allison 669-3848, 1304 Christine.

SHAKLEE. Vitamins, diet, skin-care, household, job opportunity. Donna Turner, 665-6065.

Alcoholics Anonymous 1425 Alcock 665-9702

H.E.A.R.T. Women's Support Group meets 2nd and 4th Monday 1-2:30 p.m. 119 N. Frost. Information 669-1131.

5 Special Notices
Pampa Lodge 966 AF&AM 420 W. Kingsmill 7:30 p.m. Thursday

AMERICAN Lung Association, 3520 Executive Center Dr., Suite G-100, Austin, TX 78731-1606.

AMERICAN Red Cross, 108 N. Russell, Pampa.

ANIMAL Rights Assn., 4201 Canyon Dr., Amarillo, TX 79110.

BIG Brothers/Big Sisters, P.O. Box 1964, Pampa, TX 79065.

BOYS Ranch/Girls Town, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, TX 79174

FOR rides to Lodge 1381 meetings call 669-2460, 665-5004, 669-3948.

10 Lost and Found

LOST in 2400 block of Duncan, tri colored Collie, Black/white. 669-3583.

LOST: 2-dogs: White poodle and black/white Pekingese. Last seen Price Rd and Kentucky. 665-4951. Reward.

LOST: Saturday, January 2, 1993 Brown and white English Pointer. North of I-40 on McClellan Creek. Reward, Call 806-248-7445, 806-355-2149 leave message.

13 Bus. Opportunities
EARN \$4000 monthly, local snack/soda route. Must sell. 1-800-741-1186.

FOR sale Chimney cleaning business. 665-4686.

FOR sale, The CANDY-CORNER, entire inventory of cake, candy and cookies, baking and decorating supplies, Wilton and Foxrun products. 811 S. Main, Borger, Tx. 1-800-528-4994.

GOING Flea Market Business. Cheap rent. Cash for inventory. Immediate possession. Interested parties only. Box 41 Pampa News, P.O. Drawer 2198, Pampa.

14a Appliance Repair
We Have Rental Furniture and Appliances to suit your needs. Call for estimate. Johnson Home Furnishings 801 W. Francis

14b Appliance Repair
RENT TO OWN
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14c Carpentry
Ralph Baxter
Contractor & Builder
Custom Homes or Remodeling 665-8248

Panhandle House Leveling
Floors sagging, walls cracking, door dragging. Foundation and concrete work. We're not just an excellent Floor Leveling and Foundation Work, we do a long line of Home Repairs. 669-0958.

ADDITIONS, remodeling, roofing, cabinets, painting, all types repairs. No job too small. Mike Albus, 665-4774.

RON'S Construction. Capentry, concrete, drywall, fencing, masonry and roofing. 669-3172.

OVERHEAD Door Repair. Kid-well Construction. 669-6347.

ADDITIONS, remodeling, new cabinets, ceramic tile, acoustical ceilings, paneling, painting, patios. 18 years local experience. Jerry Reagan, Karl Parks 669-2648.

14e Carpet Service
NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost...it pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541. Free estimates.

RAINBOW International Carpet Dyeing and Cleaning Co. Free estimates. Call 665-1431.

14h General Services
COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. 669-7769.

Laramore Master Locksmith
Call me out to let you in 665-Keys

ASPHALT Repair. Ron's Construction, 669-3172.

CONCRETE work, all types, driveways, sidewalks, patios, etc. Ron's Construction, 669-3172.

FENCING. New construction and repair. Ron's Construction, 669-3172.

MASONRY, all types. New construction and repair. Ron's Construction, 669-3172.

Snow Removal
Chuck Morgan 669-0511

14i General Repair
IF it's broken, leaking or won't turn off, call the Fix It Shop, 669-3434. Lamps repaired.

14m Lawnmower Service
PAMPA LAWNMOWER REPAIR
Repairs on all makes of mowers and chainsaws. Pick up and delivery available. 665-8843, 501 S. Cuyler.

14n Painting
PAINTING and sheetrock finishing. 35 years. David and Joe, 665-2903, 669-7885.

INTERIOR-Exterior, mud and tape. Brick work and repair. Bolin 665-2254.

14q Ditching
BOBCAT loader, 5 foot bucket or forks, maneuvers in tight places. Ron's Construction 669-3172.

14r Plowing, Yard Work
YOUR Lawn & Garden. Vacuum leaves, lawn winterizer, tree trimming, snow removal. 665-9609.

TREE trimming, feeding, Yard, alley clean up. Hauling. Kenneth Banks, 665-3

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ELSIE'S Flea Market Sale, all Winter clothes, Christmas items 1/2 price. Mangus organ, guitar, standard and portable typewriter, corner what not shelf, sheets, pillows, blankets, pots pans, glassware. 10 a.m. Wednesday through Sunday, 1246 Barnes.

J & J Flea Market, 409 W. Brown, 665-5721. Open Wednesday-Sunday 9-5.

70 Musical Instruments

200 watt Peavey Bass Amp, folded Horn with 15 inch Peavey Black Widow. Fretless Ovation bass, \$600. 809 Locust.

PIANOS FOR RENT
New and used pianos. Starting at \$40 per month. Up to 6 months of rent will apply to purchase. It's all right here in Pampa at Tarpley Music. 665-1251.

75 Feeds and Seeds

Wheeler Evans Feed
Full line of Acco feeds
We appreciate your business
Hwy. 60 Kingsmill 665-5881

BIG Round Bales wheat hay, \$60. Call 665-4980.

LARGE Round bales, Bermuda grass. 405-799-4418.

LOVE Grass Hay for sale. 375-2582.

80 Pets And Supplies

AKC BOXER PUPPIES
665-3033 after 5

CANINE and Feline grooming. Also, boarding and Science diets. Roys Animal Hospital, 665-2233.

FREE 4 kittens, 6 months old, box trained. 665-3173.

FREE Puppies 1015 E. Browning if you would like to see them.
Grooming and Boarding
Jo Ann's Pet Salon
1033 Terry Rd., 669-1410

GROOMING, exotic birds, pets, full line pet supplies. Iams and Science Diet dog and cat food. Pets Unique, 854 W. Foster. 665-5102.

MUST sell registered Lhasa Apso, 4 months old. 669-1320.

PROFESSIONAL Grooming also for sale Sheltie (miniature Collie) puppies, 1 male Poodle puppy. 669-1230.

SUZIE'S K-9 World offers grooming, boarding and AKC puppies. Call Suzie Reed or Janella Hinkle at 665-4184 or 665-7794.

To Give away: Blue Heeler-Chow/Shepherd cross puppies. Real cute. 669-7192.

89 Wanted To Buy

WANTED to buy Rollaway Bed. Call 665-4491.

WILL buy good used furniture, appliances or anything of value. 669-0804.

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The Old Marshal: A man 'born out of season'

By JOSH LEMIEUX
Associated Press Writer

WEBB CITY, Mo. (AP) —
Ralph L. Hooker, 86, was born too

late to win the Wild West.
But he never let the changing
world stop him from creating his
own frontiers as a cowboy, would-

be bank robber, law officer, fancy-
shooting showman and rider of
historic trails.
"I just did what I wanted to do,"
said the white-bearded man with
the cowboy hat known around

these southwestern Missouri parts
as "the old marshal."

In 1958, he walked the 780-mile
Santa Fe Trail alone.

"It was all clean work and I
made a living at it," said Hooker,
his voice carrying proudly from a
rocking chair in his living room in
Webb City. "I was on the side of
the law. I don't yet see anything
peculiar about it."

Hooker grew up in the country
listening to tales of shoot-'em-ups
in the once-rough towns of nearby
Joplin and Carthage.

But Carthage was too settled for
him when his family moved there
from the outskirts of town in 1918.
At 12, he ran away to work on
ranches in Oklahoma.

"I liked the country life," he
said. "I guess because you're out
in the open, you're free. You do as
you please. You can wear your
spurs and your six-shooter. You
ride your horses and camp out. It's
a good kind of life."

A good life, Hooker said, with
some bad characters.

"I lived with a bunch of out-
laws, the real old-time outlaws,"
he said. "I sat around evenings list-
ening to their stories."

Hooker said that at 15 he and an
American Indian friend tried to
rob the bank in Copan, Okla. Not
for the money, he said, but "to
show the old-timers we could do
it."

"We got to the bank and the
Cherokee Indian chickened out.
He wouldn't hold the horses, so I
didn't rob the bank. That's the
closest I ever came to a bank rob-
ber," he said.

"I liked to carry guns and I liked
to shoot. So I decided that the best
thing to do if you wanted to carry
guns was to be on the side of the
law."

He worked as a security guard
and police officer for 30 years in
places like Carthage, Monett and
as far west as Casa Grande, Ariz.
He also staged gunfights as the
first marshal of Silver Dollar City
near the tourist town of Branson
for six years and displayed his
shooting skills at events around the
Midwest.

In 1958, Hooker came up with
the idea of walking the Santa Fe
Trail from New Mexico to Inde-
pendence, Mo., as a promotion for
the Big Smith Garment Co., a

Carthage manufacturer of Western
wear.

"We had benefits from the pro-
motion for years afterward," said
Dick Ferguson, the company's
advertising manager at the time.
"We got our mileage out of it,
believe me."

The company also sponsored
Hooker's 1959 horseback ride for
1,040 miles on the cattle-driving
Chisholm Trail from Kingsville,
Texas, to Abilene, Kan.

Hooker — his beard, weathered
face and Western wear — project-
ed Big Smith's Western image
when he rode into a town shaking
off the dust of his journeys, said
Ferguson, who now works part
time for the Carthage Chamber of
Commerce.

He would have preferred to live
150 or 200 years ago, Ferguson
said. "He would rather go out and
shoot a squirrel and cook it outside
than stay home and eat a pot
roast."

Hooker said he spent many
cold nights and often went with-
out food during the journeys.
"Some of it was agony and tor-
ture, but I loved doing every
minute of it."

He's written two books, "Born
Out of Season" and "Guns and
Badges," telling tales of run-ins
and narrow escapes he had as a
law officer and trail rider.

But his forte is storytelling in
person, with displays of his
badges and old guns. He showed
off an old Winchester rifle and
said: "This is the real McCoy.
This has been there and done the
business."

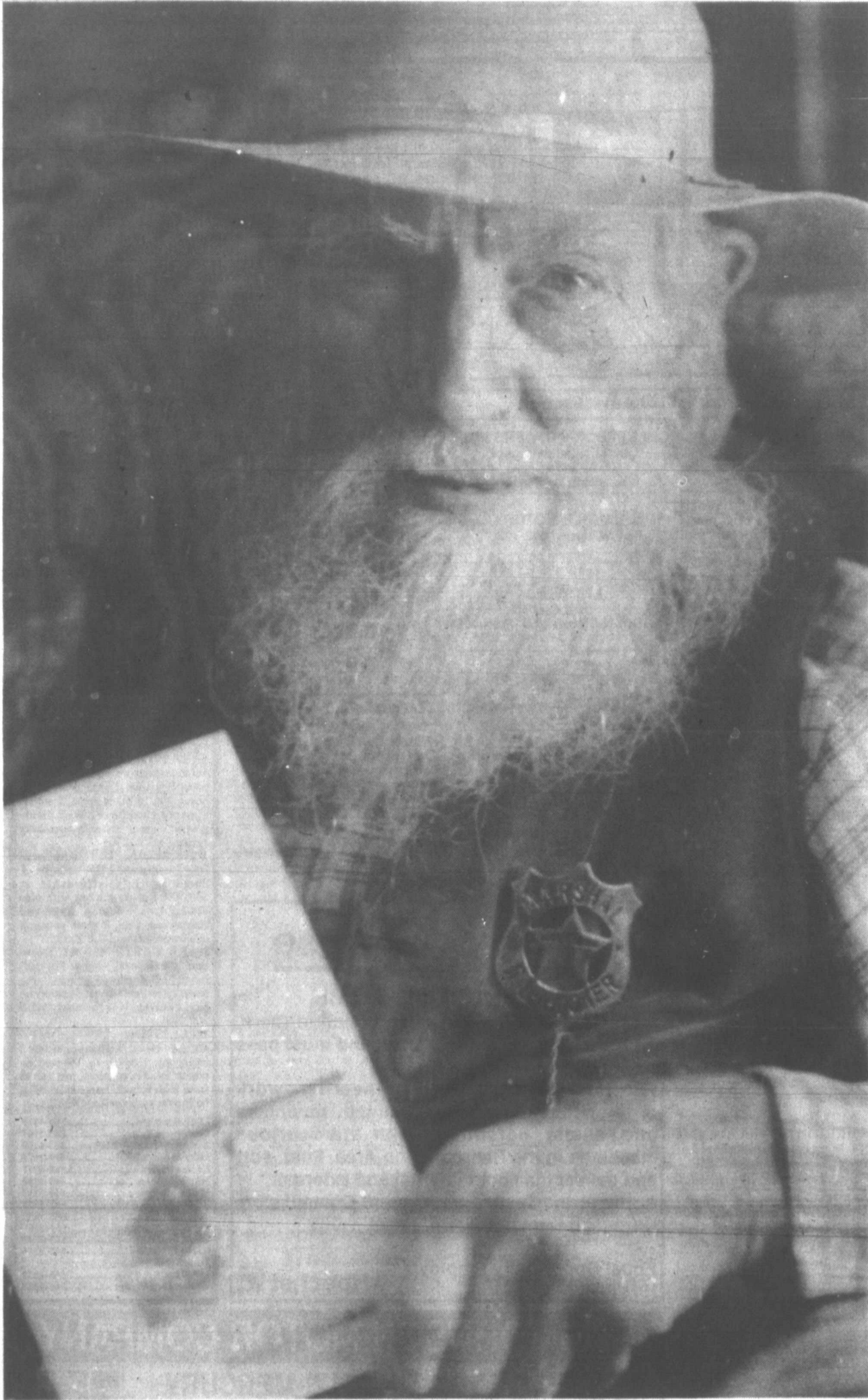
Hooker still enjoys speaking to
schoolchildren and groups about
the old days.

Hooker's wife of 17 years, Katy,
said he can't ride or shoot like he
used to, and that sometimes frus-
trates him.

But he can journey into the
past even in his backyard,
where he's restored a log cabin.
Hooker is working on a replica
of a jail wagon used to haul
prisoners across the Oklahoma
plains.

He said he doesn't wish he had
done anything different, just more.

"How many nowadays are
doing jobs for a living that they
enjoy?" he asked. "Very few.
They have a right to if they can
find it."



(AP Photo)

Known in southwestern Missouri parts as 'the old marshal', 86-year-old Ralph L. Hooker can tell some wild tales of his life as a law officer.

Scientists link gene to adult diabetes

BOSTON (AP) — For the first
time, scientists have linked a partic-
ular gene to the common, inherited
form of adult diabetes. But they say
the gene is probably not the cause of
the disease, just a signpost of it.

Finnish researchers, reporting their
findings in Thursday's New England
Journal of Medicine, said they found
that a specific form of this gene
occurs in 30 percent of diabetics but
only 8 percent of non-diabetics. The
gene controls the way muscle stores
sugar.

They theorized that the gene is a
genetic marker, a kind of signpost
that is inherited along with the
genetic defect that truly underlies the
disease.

The adult form of diabetes, some-
times called non-insulin-dependent
diabetes, afflicts about 10 million
Americans. It runs in families but is
a complex disease, and experts sus-
pect several genetic variations may
be responsible for it. Finding these
variations is the subject of intensive
research.

An accompanying editorial by
Drs. Jack L. Leahy and Aubrey E.

Boyd III of New England Medical
Center calling the latest findings
"tantalyzing."

"Undoubtedly, much investiga-
tion will be stimulated by this
report to clarify the role, if any," of

this gene in diabetes, they wrote.

The study, based on 107 people
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