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Good Morning!

AREA

FRITCH — Lake Meredith Recreation Area will be having its Christmas Open House from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday at the headquarters building and visitor center at 419 E. Broadway in Fritch.

Amarillo author Bob Izzard will be on hand to sign his books, which include *Adobe Walls War*, *Red River Wars*, *Kidnapped in the Red River Wars*, *Winged Boot and Heros Here Has Been*.

In addition, education materials will be offered for sale by Southwest Parks and Monuments Association, a cooperating association of the National Park Service. SPMA, a non-profit association, was founded in 1938 to aid and promote the educational and scientific activities of the National Park System. All net proceeds support the interpretive and research programs of the National Park Service.

Sales items include children's books, cookbooks and guides on subjects ranging from artifacts to venomous animals, along with maps, calendars and games.

PAMPA — The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the annual Christmas Blood Drive at the Pampa Mall from 1-7 p.m. Monday.

Coffee Memorial Blood Center staff will be on hand to accept blood donations to help keep up the blood supplies for the Texas Panhandle region. Donors will receive a free "Holiday Hero" T-shirt.

NATIONAL

NEW YORK (AP) — Pope John Paul II is *Time* magazine's 1994 Man of the Year.

"In a year when so many people lamented the decline in moral values or made excuses for bad behavior, Pope John Paul II forcefully set forth his vision of the good life and urged the world to follow it," *Time* writes in its Dec. 26 issue.

Time noted that the pope's pronouncements are not universally acclaimed — for example, critics see the Catholic Church's refusal to endorse condom use as dangerous and irresponsible in this era of AIDS.

As evidence of the pontiff's influence, *Time* noted his international best seller, *Crossing the Threshold of Hope*; his extensive travels, curbed of late by ill-health; and his success at the U.N.'s International Conference on Population and Development, where his emissaries defeated a U.S.-backed proposition he argued would encourage abortion. Rabin, honored as The Peacemakers.

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — A cleaning crew accidentally turned off the freezer in the police department's laboratory, contaminating hundreds of pieces of evidence and possibly jeopardizing some court cases.

Samples of blood and other body fluids in 543 cases — including 52 homicides — were destroyed when the cleaning crew tripped a circuit breaker while using a floor buffer last weekend. The freezer remained off until Monday morning.

District Attorney David Moss said Friday he was waiting for more information before determining the accident's impact on pending cases.

"On an individual case basis, it could be serious," Moss said. "But I'm not going to be an alarmist until I see cases that were affected."

The mishap follows another incident in November in which guns and other possible pieces of evidence were taken from the Police Department's property room. A security guard and another man were charged with the theft.

NEW YORK (AP) — Bill Clinton, Princess Diana and O.J. Simpson have something in common: They hold the distinction of being on *People* magazine's list of the 25 most intriguing people of 1994.

Other prominent names include Pope John Paul II, Rep. Newt Gingrich, who will be the next speaker of the House, and New Jersey Gov. Christine Todd Whitman.

The list also contains people who came to national attention through the year's events, such as Shannon Faulkner, the 19-year-old seeking to become the Citadel's first female cadet.

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Who wants their MTV? Debate continues

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

While some folks may want their MTV, others don't, and for them the tube's off button isn't quite enough.

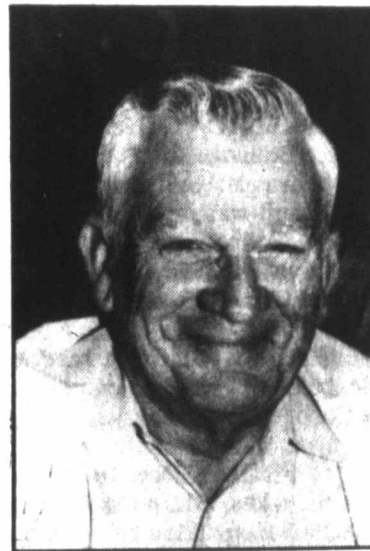
Janey Hopson, president of the Pampa chapter of the American Family Association, a nationwide group devoted to promoting pro-family causes, doesn't want MTV in her home. She is not content to channel surf by MTV, but she wants the signal blocked so there is no opportunity to see it in her home.

She led a petition drive targeted toward local AFA members and churches in the Pampa Ministerial Alliance which garnered 1,000 signatures asking Sammons Communications to drop MTV from basic cable service. MTV is now available as a "Tier 1" offering, a step above "Lifetime," or the first level of service.

Hopson wants Sammons to block MTV at their facilities and



Janey Hopson



John Mason

require those who want MTV to ask for a descrambling filter. Members of the city's Cable Advisory Commission asked the city commission Dec. 13 to approve a letter to Sammons to explore the same issue. The letter is to be rewritten by City Attorney Don Lane asking

Sammons for information about choices available to cable subscribers. Sammons officials will sell for in-home installations a \$6.68 filter and will install the filter at the alley for \$26.53. Less than 20 MTV-blocking filters have been sold, said

Sammons manager John Mason. He declined comment on the 1,000 signatures, saying only they have not been verified as cable subscribers.

Hopson believes the filter traps which look like fat aluminum cigars may easily be defeated by clever youngsters when Mom and Dad are not looking.

However, Bill Brady, chairman of the city's Cable Advisory Commission, believes the filter is sufficient to keep MTV away from curious eyes. While he does not personally care for MTV, he likes other cable offerings which come with Tier 1 service.

"I feel that the parents should control it," he said.

With less than 20 filters sold, Brady opines Sammons Communications is not really concerned about local MTV opposition.

"If I was in Geary Stills' (vice president of Sammons) shoes, I'd say (MTV opponents) are not really that upset yet," Brady said.

There is nothing socially redeeming about the music video channel, said another MTV critic.

Nancy Poole, mother of two, described a two- to three-minute music video "Living on the Edge," which she said showed a boy with a gun in school, his father later giving him a condom, the same boy stealing a car and ending the day wearing a woman's pantyhose and wig.

"In that three-minute segment, look what it told the kids — that it's all right to take weapons to school, that parents condone premarital sex with the conception that the condom is the cure-all that's gonna take care of anything that might come along and it's okay to steal and destroy property for the sheer thrill of it. As for the guy with the wig, it sends very mixed signals about right and wrong," she said.

Hopson says she is not trying to keep adults from viewing programs of their choice, but keep MTV away from children.

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Pampa resident recalls his days serving in the Battle of the Bulge

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

Herb Harvey stood on his front porch Friday morning with a cup of coffee enjoying the sunshine. Fifty years ago Friday, he was lying on his belly in the Ardennes Forest wondering if his next breath would be his last.

"Fifty years ago today," Harvey said, "it was pretty sad."

As a rifleman in the 106th Infantry Division, 423rd Regiment, Company E, Harvey and his compatriots bore the brunt of Hitler's

last desperate effort to turn the tide of World War II.

From the surprise attack on Dec. 16, 1944, until Jan. 31, 1945, when the Germans were finally pushed back to their starting point in what was to become known as the Battle of the Bulge, American military forces lost nearly 76,890 men in the largest battle involving the U.S. Army. German losses were estimated at up to 120,000 soldiers. Along the thinly inhabited stretch of the front, some 2,500 civilians were killed and 11,000 houses were destroyed.

After allied troops landed at Normandy in June, 1944, German troops had been on the retreat. By December, allied forces were persuaded the Nazis were on the verge of collapse.

Hitler had been planning a ruthless counterattack for weeks — a last "blitzkrieg" along an 80-mile stretch of the wooded, hilly and bitterly cold Ardennes — to cut the allied forces in half and take the port of Antwerp.

Harvey was one of the 80,000 soldiers facing 25 Nazi assault divisions, some 200,000 German troops, a half century ago this weekend.

"I had been cleaning my BAR (a .30 caliber Browning Automatic Rifle) the night before," Harvey said. "They moved us up in the dark. I didn't have a coat. Nobody had blankets. I didn't have anything but my BAR and little ammunition. We laid there all night with men around us screaming and hollering for medics."

The next day, Harvey's second lieutenant pulled them back to the headquarters unit.

"They put us in a German bunker that was half full of water," Harvey said.

His sergeant went out to inspect the perimeter and, coming back to the bunker, was shot three times.

"He had a stomach wound and two in the arms," Harvey said. "I began pouring sulfa powder on them and finally got him to a doctor. I don't know if he lived or died."

Harvey said nobody really knows who shot the sergeant. There was some speculation that he was shot by accident by a jumpy U.S. soldier.

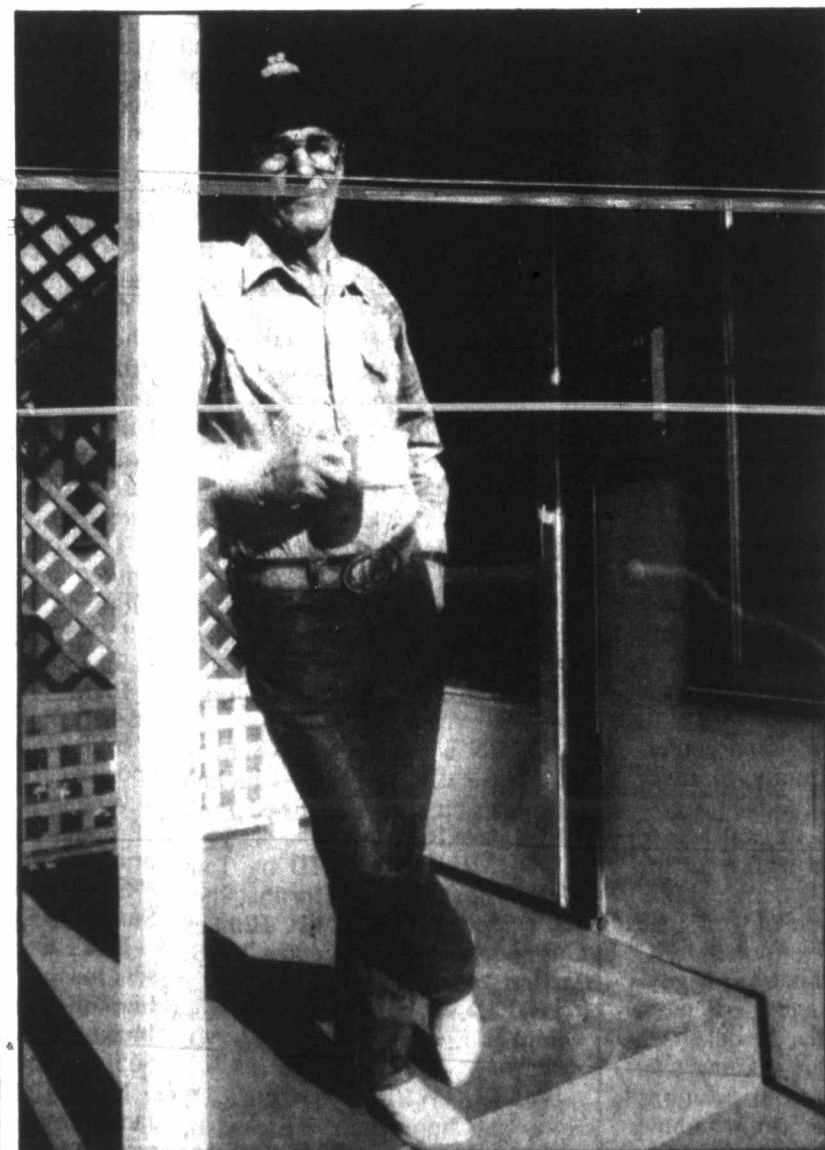
"Everybody there was tin-horn green," Harvey said. "We were just a bunch of kids."

When Harvey got back to the bunker, he found it empty.

"Everybody was gone," he said. He spent the rest of the night looking for them.

"I found them in the morning," he said. "They'd moved up on the mountain."

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Herb Harvey stands on his porch as he discusses his experiences in the Army for the Battle of the Bulge. (Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

U.S. demands North Korea free airmen

By ROBERT BURNS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States demanded the release of two U.S. Army airmen whose helicopter crossed into North Korean airspace Saturday and was either shot down or forced to land. The White House called the incident "ominous."

More than 12 hours after North Korea announced it had shot down an "enemy" helicopter that violated its airspace, Clinton administration officials said they could not determine the condition of the two American airmen.

The Pentagon identified the men as Chief Warrant Officer David Hilemon of Clarksville, Tenn., and Chief Warrant Officer Bobby Hall of Brooksville, Fla. Both are members of A Company, 4th Battalion, 501st Aviation Regiment at Camp Pange in South Korea.

"We want them returned," Leon Panetta, the White House chief of staff, said on CNN. "It's ominous that this incident took place. This should not have happened."

Rep. Bill Richardson, who coincidentally is in North Korea on behalf of the House Intelligence Committee, requested immediate access to the crewmen, his spokesman, Stuart Nagurka, said.

Nagurka, who spoke with Richardson by telephone, said there was no immediate response from North Korean officials who met with the New Mexico Democrat.

Richardson, who is in contact with Secretary of State Warren Christopher, "stressed that failure to aggressively investigate this case, and failure to return the missing servicemen, would have a serious impact on U.S.-North Korean relations," Nagurka said.

The lawmaker "has asked to urgently meet with military officials to discuss this case and has canceled all other discussions which were to have concentrated on the U.S.-North Korean nuclear agreement," the spokesman added.

The United States has no formal diplomatic relations with North Korea, although U.S. and North Korean officials recently began moving toward establishing liaison offices in each other's capital as part of a breakthrough agreement in October on the future of North Korea's nuclear program.

U.S.-North Korea relations were especially tense during lengthy negotiations over the nuclear program. At times, U.S. officials worried that the north might consider launching a military strike at the south, although in recent months there had been no indications of increased tensions along the border.

The incident comes at sensitive period for the North Korean leadership. Kim Jong Il is said to be in charge, but Korea-watchers say it remains unclear whether he has full control. He is the son of Kim Il Sung, who ran the communist state until his death last summer.

Oil wells blockaded in another election showdown in Mexico

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The losing candidate for Tabasco state governor is calling on supporters to blockade oil wells and refineries in the southern oil state of Tabasco in a rising protest over a disputed election.

Mexicans fear the civil disobedience could deepen a national political crisis and even provoke new violence in the south, where a guerrilla uprising is already testing the 65-year-old lock on power of the Institutional Revolutionary Party.

The demonstrations by Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador and his leftist Democratic Revolution Party posed the second major challenge to Mexico's ruling party since a Dec. 8 electoral dispute in neighboring Chiapas.

"We are confronting the government with peaceful civil disobedience because they broke the law," Lopez Obrador said Friday, claiming vote fraud by Mexico's ruling party cheated him of victory in the Nov. 8 election.

Lopez Obrador called for accelerating an opposition campaign of civil disobedience that began earlier this week, prompting headlines in Mexican newspapers warning of a possibly explosive situation.

"It's worrisome what is now occurring in Tabasco. Their political aim is clear and they could commit sabotage" of the oil installations, warned Miguel Angel Granados Chapa, a columnist writing Friday for the newspaper *Reforma*.

The certified governor-elect is Roberto Madrazo of Mexico's ruling party. He is to be sworn in Jan. 1 despite a week of demonstrations outside installations of the country's oil monopoly.

Rifle-toting police guarded the main plaza in Villahermosa, capital of Tabasco state, located 410 miles (650 kilometers) southeast of Mexico City, after protests began this week at government buildings and state-owned petrochemical plants.

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Services tomorrow

BOWERS, Samuel E. "Sam" — 3 p.m., United Methodist Church, Miami.

MCCATHERN, Louise Evelyn Browning — 10:30 a.m., Carmichael-Whitely Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Obituaries

CHARLES H. BARRETT

CORDELL, Okla. — Charles H. Barrett, 81, a former Pampa, Texas, resident and brother of three Pampa men, died Friday, Dec. 9, 1994. Services were held Monday, Dec. 12, in Cordell, with burial in Lawnview Cemetery by Hamilton-McClure Funeral Home.

Mr. Barrett was born Jan. 30, 1913. He attended elementary school in Pampa and then moved to Hinton, Okla., where he graduated from high school in 1930. After serving in the Navy during World War II, he attended the Los Angeles College of Chiropractic. He maintained a practice in Santa Ana, Calif., until 1977, when he moved to Cordell. He retired in 1985. He married Wanza L. Botchlet in 1989 at Guthrie, Okla.

Survivors include his wife, Wanza, of the home; a son, Don Barrett of Cordell; three brothers, Paul Barrett, Floyd Barrett and Raymond Barrett, all of Pampa; four sisters, Gladys Wilkinson of Oklahoma City, Pauline Barrett of Dallas, Cleo Spence of Seagraves, Texas, and Doris Wilde of Spearman, Texas; a granddaughter; and two great-grandchildren.

LOUISE EVELYN BROWNING MCCATHERN LEFORS — Louise Evelyn Browning McCathern, 89, of Lefors, died Thursday, Dec. 15, 1994. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday in Carmichael-Whitely Colonial Chapel, with the Rev. Dr. Don Turner, associate pastor of First Baptist Church of Pampa, and the Rev. Lewis Ellis, pastor of First Baptist Church of Lefors, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors.

Mrs. McCathern was born June 21, 1905 in Bledsoe County, Pikeville, Tenn. She came to Texas with her family when she was 10 years old. She was a former resident of Hereford and had lived in Gray County since 1928. She married Fred H. Browning on Feb. 21, 1921 at Wellington. He died in June 1977. She later married J.E. McCathern Sr. on March 14, 1978 at Aransas Pass, Texas. He died March 25, 1994. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Lefors, where she had served as Sunday School teacher for both adults and children. She was active in the women's missionary program of the church.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers. Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Joy Browning Hurst and husband Jerry of Stillwater, Okla., and Georgia Browning Johnson and husband Maynard of Pampa; a stepdaughter, Peggy Lillard of Borger; two sons and daughters-in-law, Kenneth O. Browning and wife Jean of Allyn, Wash., and Fred O. Browning and wife Mary Alice of Lovington, N.M.; two stepsons and daughters-in-law, J.E. McCathern Jr. and wife Virginia, and Gerald McCathern and wife Bonnie, all of Hereford; 15 grandchildren; and 33 great-grandchildren.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL

Admissions
Pampa
Samuel Lee Roy Belknap
Emogene Hale Douglas
Leon Higgins
Roberta Lynn Pepper
Ricky Joe Pettit
Lola Richardson
Noah L. Sutherland

Dismissals

Pampa
Margaret E. Wells
Billy F. Woods
Willie Jane Winegeart
Canadian
Wanda Jo Rankin

White Deer

Oral Kenneth Paslay
Eugenia C. Wyatt

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

Francis D. Pfannenstiel

Panhandle

Alma Louise Ward

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests during the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Dec. 16

Amy Nicole Trusty, 20, of 827 Deane Dr., turned in property found at M.K. Brown Municipal Swimming Pool.
Janie Luna, of 622 N. Russell, reported criminal mischief to vacant apartments at 628 N. Russell.
Britt Giles Reid, 21, of White Deer, reported criminal mischief to his car, which was parked outside 1030 E. Browning between 11:30 p.m. Wednesday and 7 a.m. Thursday.

Ricky Reynolds, 47, of 500 N. Zimmers, reported criminal mischief to a semi-tractor rig that was parked on the street outside his home.

Alfred Horace Henderson, 25, of 525 Harlem, reported an assault by firearm in the 900 block of East Scott. There were no reported injuries.

Maria Rodriguez, 28, of 845 E. Scott, reported disorderly conduct on the street outside her home. She thought someone had a shotgun.

Chris Lee Brawley, 18, of 811 Albert, reported criminal mischief to his car, which was parked on the street outside 325 Anne.

SATURDAY, Dec. 17

Connie Denise Ballard, 26, of 224 Miami, suffered bruises when she was allegedly beaten by a friend.

A domestic assault was reported in the 1000 block of North Dwight. Police reports indicate that a man was assaulted by his wife and stepson.

Brenda J. Shaw, 22, of 1300 N. Terrace, reported a theft.
Sammy Williams of 1901 Holly, reported the theft of a vehicle belonging to his employer, Northern Natural Gas Co. of Amarillo.

Arrests

FRIDAY, Dec. 16

Stephen Orin Stokes, 31, no address given, was arrested in the 800 block of South Cuyler on an out-of-town warrant. A city police dispatcher said he posted bond and was released.

Calendar of events

T.O.P.S. #149

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #149 meets at 6 p.m. Monday at 513 E. Francis. Call 669-2389 for more information.

12-STEP SURVIVORS GROUP

A 12-step survivors group for victims of incest and sexual abuse meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday. For more information, call 669-7403 or write SIA, P.O. Box 119, Pampa, 79066-0119.

12-STEP SURVIVORS GROUP

A 12-step survivors group for victims of incest and sexual abuse plans to meet at 7 p.m. Monday. For more information, call 883-2097 or write SIA, P.O. Box 903, White Deer, 79097.

T.O.P.S. #41

Take Off Pounds Sensibly (T.O.P.S.) #41 meets at noon Monday at 511 N. Hobart. For more information, call 665-3024.

TOASTMASTERS

Pampa's Toastmaster Club will meet 6:30 a.m. Tuesdays in the cafeteria of Coronado Hospital.

CANDLELIGHT SERVICE AT LEFORS METHODIST

A community candlelight communion service is set for 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 24, at Lefors First Methodist Church.

BETA SIGMA PHI SCHOLARSHIP DANCE

Beta Sigma Phi will have its annual Scholarship Dance on New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center. CrackerJack will be playing. For ticket information, call 665-6037, or any Beta Sigma Phi member.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 36-hour period ending at 7 p.m. Saturday.

SATURDAY, DEC. 17

5:56 p.m. — Three units and six personnel responded to an automobile accident at the intersection of Kentucky and Duncan streets.

MTV

"What's the difference for them to have to pay to have it described and for us to pay to have it blocked?" she said.

"Like one of the guys up there at that advisory council said ... We are the adults ... as long as (children) are in my home ... there is a certain amount of censorship, but we can't take that responsibility for other people's children. In this country we have freedoms as long as they don't infringe on other people's freedoms. We don't want to come across as fanatics but we do have strong beliefs in what's right and what's wrong," said Poole.

"I think it goes back to the fact we know - I won't even say MTV - television obviously has some effect on people or companies wouldn't spend millions and billions of dollars trying to sell something. As parents we do have to be aware of what (children) are taking in," said Hopson.

However, Pampa Police Department's school officer Bryan Hedrick

says MTV has its redeeming moments. Hedrick noted his comments reflect his personal opinions, not those of the department or city.

"There are a lot of programs on MTV that, yes, indeed, are not appropriate for young people. There are a lot of programs that deal with gutsy things. They program on sex in the 90s. They did it from the angle of disease, AIDS, teen pregnancy ... I think in some aspects they do things networks wouldn't do," Hedrick said.

An MTV offering called *Real World* gives kids a gritty glimpse of reality, he said.

The program brings together teens of all races, religions, political persuasions and sexual orientations and forces them to cope with one another, he explained.

"It shows kids being out there in that real world is not so easy," Hedrick said.

"I definitely think MTV is something a parent needs to be aware of what (their children) are watching. Parents really have to monitor it," he said.

However, he finds MTV sheds light on the youth culture he deals with daily, he said.

"It's amazing for me, I can sit down and watch it and see better what's going on," Hedrick said. "To me, if we're going to ban stuff then let's go across the board. If you let kids watch violent cartoons, then they'll act it out. You can't blame all the world's problems on one station."

The officer believes television influences the behavior of young people including how they think, talk and dress. Television's influence is less obvious with older teens and adults depending on their mental capacity, he said.

Hedrick says he is personally shocked by E Network's *Talk Soup*, a compendium of talk show clips.

While MTV's offerings are make-believe and commercial, talk shows portray real people with real situations, he said.

Sammons provides Lifeline service to about 7,000 subscribers and Tier I service to an additional 6,000 viewers.

Coastal management plan sent to Richards

HOUSTON (AP) — The state's first coastal management plan, four years in the making, has been sent to Gov. Ann Richards for approval.

The plan was sent to Richards' office on Friday so she can submit it to the federal government for approval and funding.

Major aims of the coastal plan include halting erosion, preserving dunes and wetlands and guaranteeing public access to public beaches.

Richards has said she intends to submit the plan to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. A spokesman for the governor said Friday he did not know when that would happen.

Approval by NOAA would bring an expected \$2.4 million to Texas, which Texas Land Office officials have said mainly would go to coastal communities as grants for beach nourishment, planning and other work.

Creation of the Coastal Management Plan was autho-

rized by the Legislature in 1991, with no dissenting votes in the Senate and only five negative votes in the House.

This year, however, the plan became a hot election issue, especially in the harsh criticism leveled by Marta Greytak, Land Commissioner Garry Mauro's unsuccessful Republican opponent.

She and other Republicans charged the plan would hamper economic improvement along the coast. Mauro, who defeated Greytak in most coastal counties, said it would coordinate existing state regulations, balancing economic and environmental needs.

If Richards submits the plan to federal officials as expected, uncertainty still would surround its ultimate fate.

Gov.-elect George W. Bush, who will be sworn in on Jan. 17, has expressed concerns that the plan may represent a new layer of government regulation.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Sunny today, with a high of 60 degrees. Southwest winds 5 to 15 mph. Fair tonight, with a low in the upper 20s. Partly cloudy Monday, with a high of about 60. The high Saturday in Pampa was 58.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Today, sunny. Highs in mid 50s to low 60s. Tonight, fair. Lows in upper 20s to low 30s. Monday, partly cloudy and breezy. Highs around 60. South Plains: Today, sunny. Highs in low 60s. Tonight, fair. Lows in low to mid 30s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in low 60s.
North Texas — Today, patchy early

morning fog. Otherwise mostly sunny. Highs 62 to 68. Tonight, mostly clear. Some late night fog developing central and east. Lows 32 to 35. Monday, fair west. Some morning fog and low clouds central and east, otherwise partly cloudy. Highs 61 to 66.
South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Today through Monday, mostly cloudy. Highs in low to mid 60s. Lows in upper 30s. Hill Country to mid 40s south central. Coastal Bend: Today through Monday, cloudy with scattered showers. Highs in mid 60s. Lows near 50 inland to mid 50s coast. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Today through Monday, cloudy with scattered showers. Lows near 50 inland to mid 50s

coast. Highs in mid 60s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Today, increasing high clouds over the southern border counties, otherwise mostly sunny. Warmer northeast. Highs 40s to mid 50s mountains and northwest with 50s to around 60 eastern and southern lowlands. Tonight, fair skies. Lows teens and 20s mountains and northwest with 20s to mid 30s lower elevations east and south. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs 40s to mid 50s mountains and northwest with 50s to near 60 elsewhere.
Oklahoma — Today, mostly sunny. Highs mid 50s to around 60. Tonight, fair. Lows upper 20s to low 30s. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs upper 50s to low 60s.

City briefs

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EASY'S POP & Cheese Shop, let us make your cheese, fruit and vegetable trays for your party or your next get together. Adv.
GREAT GIFTS, great prices for the golfer in your family at David's Golf Shop. Gift certificates always a great idea! Adv.
VETERAN'S BRICKS for Christmas, on the veteran's walkway, 669-8040. Adv.
GIVE AS A gift or make your Christmas Dinner Special with Watkins vanilla and spices at 2325 Mary Ellen, 665-3375. Adv.

SUNTROL 3M Auto Tint - A great gift idea! Gift certificates available. Windshield replacement and repair. 703 W. Brown, 665-0615. Adv.
DON JONAS Calligraphy, Amarillo, Western Plaza - Danny Gamble Booth. Adv.
CORSAGES FOR Christmas at the Hobby Shop. Adv.
OPENING MONDAY Therassage Bodywork Professionals, RMT's Bryan Going and Holly Hoganson, 2139 N. Hobart, located next to Chez Tanz. Call about our Specials, gift certificates, tanning, massage and nail care. 669-6836. Adv.
TEXAS TECH shark tooth caps, limited supply, R.S.V.P. T-Shirts & More, 665-3036. Adv.
IVY SWEATERS 20% off, VJ's, Pampa Mall. Adv.
PAMPA MEALS on Wheels, 669-1007. Adv.
SALE: ALL fall and winter sportswear and separates, buy one at regular price, get the second one of equal or lesser value for 1/2 price! Images, 123 N. Cuyler. Adv.
SANTA WILL be at Pampa Mall, Sunday 1-5 p.m. Adv.
ESTEE LAUDER Holiday gift sets for men and women. Complete line of cosmetics and fragrances. Images, 123 N. Cuyler, Downtown. 665-1091. Adv.
NEW COWBOY'S Double Star Jackets by Apex. Back in stock. Free gift wrap. Holmes Sports Center, 304 S. Cuyler. Adv.
SHARK'S TOOTH Hat, Troy Aikman. T-Shirt's & More, 665-3036. Adv.
CHRISTMAS DAY: Yes we're open, Coronado Inn will be serving Sunday Lunch Buffet 11-2 p.m. Join us after your special church service. Reservations appreciated. \$6.95 adults, \$5.95 seniors, children under 6 eat free. 669-2506. Adv.
SUNDAY LUNCH: Great Sunday Buffet at the Coronado Inn Coffee Shop, today and every Sunday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Adv.
DALLAS COWBOY Thanksgiving Hats, Double Star. T-Shirt's & More, 665-3036. Adv.
TICKET DISMISSAL, Insurance Discount, 669-3871. Bowman Defensive Driving (NTSI). Adv.

20% OFF All Merchandise thru December 31, including new lay-aways, jewelry, firearms, CD's, etc. Merry Christmas. Pampa Pawa, Tuesday-Friday 11-6, Saturday 10-2. 208 E. Brown. Adv.
CHRISTMAS TREATS - Spiral sliced ham glazed hams, home cured hickory smoked hams, smoked turkeys and smoked briskets. Clint & Sons, 883-7831, 115 W. 3rd, White Deer. Adv.
PANHANDLE DESPERADO, Christmas Ball, Friday, 12-23. Band 8 p.m. Close Saturday, Christmas Eve. Adv.
CURRIER PIANO and bench. Great beginners piano, beautiful medium oak finish, \$600. 669-2165 after 5:30. Adv.
SILVERPLATED CANDELABRAS, trays and serving pieces, 30% off. VJ's Pampa Mall. Adv.
DRS. SIMMONS & Simmons will be closed December 23 and 26. We will enjoy the holiday as we hope that you will! Adv.
EASY'S POP Shop, 6 pack of Sprite or Mr. Pibb is 99¢. Adv.
NEED LAST minute Christmas gift? Give a gift certificate for housecleaning, great stocking stuffer. Melissa, 669-0633. Adv.
WE'LL WRAP all your gifts cheap. Cottage Collection, 2121 N. Hobart. Adv.
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Mandela defends government at ANC meeting

BLOEMFONTEIN, South Africa (AP) — President Nelson Mandela, opening the first conference of his African National Congress since it took power, defended the government's initial steps Saturday and urged more work to meet the justified expectations of the country's poor.

In an 85-minute opening address, delivered in a strong, confident voice, the country's first black president made clear he would not be rushed into irresponsible but popular actions that might undermine the economy and harm the ANC's over-riding goal to create a better life for all.

"Ours is not a program of quick hand-outs; but one for serious and lasting transformation," he declared. Mandela called for unity among his followers now that the ANC was the governing party and said visible progress toward improving people's lives must begin next year.

Archivists play musical hairs with Beethoven's curls

BERKELEY, Calif. (AP) — A pair of Beethoven buffs have made a heady acquisition — a lock of the composer's hair. They hope to comb the tresses for clues to his health and physiognomy.

"We're going to split hairs," joked Ira Brilliant, founder of the Center for Beethoven Studies at San Jose State University.

Brilliant and Alfredo Guevara, a surgeon in Nogales, Ariz., paid \$7,300 this month for the hair at

The 76-year-old leader's speech in the city where the ANC was founded in 1912 drew enthusiastic cheers and singing from the 2,800 delegates.

Standing underneath a banner saying, "From resistance to reconstruction and nation-building," Mandela called for unity between ANC members in government and those at the grassroots. "We are one ANC, and we should carry out our historic mission as such," he said to loud applause.

The five-day conference was expected to bring out tensions within the country's largest black-led organization, which has gone from being a revolutionary movement to taking control of Africa's richest and most powerful state.

There have been murmurings of discontent since April, when the ANC won South Africa's first all-race election to head the first post-apartheid government.

Some activists complain the

black-led government has put too much emphasis on reassuring the 5 million white citizens and not enough to uplifting the country's 35 million black, Asian and mixed-race victims of apartheid.

The ANC's 49th national conference was an opportunity to savor victory and look back at the government's performance as well as to map out strategy and tactics for the years ahead.

Mandela, surrounded on the speaker's platform by former ANC political prisoners who are now government ministers and parliament leaders, underlined that the delegates for the first time were coming to a national conference from positions of power, as well as from humble shop floors and squatter camps.

"We can proudly say to the founders: the country is in the hands of the people; the tree of liberty is firmly rooted in the soil of the motherland," he declared.

Sotheby's auction house in London.

The composer is believed to have been born 224 years ago Friday, the day a new movie about his life, *Immortal Beloved*, was being released in some cities.

The hair is in a bundle, on the back of which a man named Paul Hiller wrote that the lock was snipped by his father, Ferdinand, as Beethoven lay in state in 1827.

The composer, famous for his tou-

sled mane, lost most of his hair to the hordes of mourners, Brilliant said.

Brilliant said the lock he and Guevara bought is between three and four inches long, curly and about a half-inch in diameter. It is brown with some gray.

He and Guevara plan to meet Monday to split the lock at Guevara's office.

"It's going to be done under clinical conditions," Brilliant said by telephone from Phoenix, Ariz.

Shots fired at White House again; Clintons are unharmed

By NANCY BENAC
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WASHINGTON (AP) — For the second time in less than two months, bullets were fired at the White House on Saturday, this time landing on the president's back porch and nearby grounds.

President Clinton slept through the latest incident, which occurred just after 2 a.m. EST, when shots were fired from the direction of the grassy Ellipse behind the White House. Four bullets were recovered.

One bullet landed on the first-floor balcony of the South Portico and a second dropped on the rear driveway, said Secret Service spokesman Dave Adams. Two others, found later, also were near the portico.

The Clintons were upstairs asleep at the time. "They were never in any danger," said another service spokesman, Eric Harnischfeger. No one was injured and no one was taken into custody.

The incident nonetheless offered a chilling reminder of the violence in American society and revived questions about protection of the president.

Less than two months ago, a gunman sprayed the front of the White House with semiautomatic weapon fire while Clinton was upstairs watching TV. A 26-year-old Colorado man, Francisco Martin Duran, has been charged with attempted assassination in that incident and is awaiting trial.

Secret Service agents said it was too soon to tell whether the White House was the intended target this time.

"There are bullets raining all over D.C.," said spokesman Carl Meyer. He said it was possible the bullets that reached the White House grounds, apparently fired from a handgun, were "just a stray couple of rounds."

Witnesses had reported hearing four to six shots. Meyer said tests indicated the four bullets found, all 9 mm, came from the same gun.

"The crime-scene search has probably been completed," Meyers said.

He said it "looks like it could be a drive-by" shooting but "I wouldn't preclude anything at this point."

Meyer recalled an incident in which a stray bullet happened to come down harmlessly in the midst of a motorcade carrying President Bush across town.

White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta told reporters: "We don't know if it was someone firing haphazardly from the Ellipse, whether it was someone who was driving by and firing." He said the Clintons slept through the shooting and were informed of the incident by agents checking to ensure that they were safe.

With the nation's third-highest murder rate in 1993, Washington has come to symbolize the ills of urban society. Reports of gunfire are common, albeit usually not at the White House.

"We are living at a time when these incidents of violence take place not just in cities and communities around this country, they take place here in Washington in front of the White House," Panetta said on CNN's *Evans and Novak*.

After Saturday's shooting, the White House was once again transformed into a crime scene. Yellow police tape was strung around the rear grounds and the adjacent Ellipse park area, blocking access to the annual "Pageant of Peace" display, featuring the National Christmas Tree. Agents began a search at first light, combing the grounds inch by inch searching for bullets or other evidence.

Clinton seemed unfazed by the latest incident. He went ahead with plans to deliver his weekly radio address from a community college in the Virginia suburbs, his motorcade departing from the front drive rather than the rear as is customary.

The president declined to answer reporters' questions about whether he heard the gunshots and whether he felt

safe. After the Duran shooting in October, he said he wouldn't hide from danger because "I can't stop being president."

Saturday's shooting was the third major White House security threat in recent months. In September, a small plane crashed-landed on the south grounds of the White House and its pilot was killed.

A review of White House security procedures was ordered after the plane crash and expanded after the Duran shooting. A report is due out in January. Meyers said the investigation of the latest incident has been incorporated into that review.

The Secret Service has long advocated expanding the boundaries of the secure area around the White House, perhaps closing off Pennsylvania Avenue. Meyer said the latest incident could bolster such arguments.

Panetta said the matter was under review but cautioned: "You don't want to turn the White House, the United States of America into a fortress."

The Secret Service was trying gather information about the shooter from witnesses but so far, "descriptions are so varied it's nothing workable," Meyer said. Agents declined to comment on the extraordinary nature of two shootings at the White House within months but said there was no immediate indication they were related.

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Battle

Under protest, they pinned sergeant stripes on him and made him platoon leader.

"I took a patrol out that night," he said. "We were looking for the 101st Airborne. We got back, but we never did find them."

Harvey went to his lieutenant and told him he didn't think he was mature enough to be platoon leader. He also wanted his firepower back. He wanted the security of the devastating BAR in his hands.

The Vernon native had joined the Army in January of 1944, and had landed in Glasgow, Scotland, on his 19th birthday en route to the European theater of war.

Another man, a few years older, was appointed acting sergeant, Harvey said, and took a second patrol out the next night.

"He was the only one who came back," Harvey said.

Two-thirds of Harvey's division was wiped out the first three days of the battle.

"Then the weather turned sour," Harvey said. "There was snow and ice. We didn't have gloves. I can't remember when they issued us coats."

The American line had been pushed back along the Belgium front some 50 miles. Then they reorganized and began the battle back.

"As a rifleman they don't tell you about strategy," Harvey said. "You just move up and dig in."

Moving back over ground lost, Harvey said his unit captured a number of German stragglers.

"We saw two Germans go into a cave up on the side of a mountain," he said. "We brought up a GI with a rifle grenade, and he fired a grenade in there. It was a dud, but they sure came out of there in a hurry."

"There was another turkey that tried to run. He wouldn't halt, either. I had to shoot him."

With so much death and destruction around him, Harvey still marvels that he came out alive.

"I don't know why I survived," he said. "A guy next to me, 10 inches away, would have his head blown off, and the canteen on my belt would be hit. Water all over me. A little blood on the shoulder, but that's all."

He lost a lot of friends in Belgium that Christmas season.

"A lot of my buddies didn't make it," he said. "Some of them were blown to pieces. I guess it wasn't my turn."

He still recalls the German artillery shells coming into the American lines.

"They always fired their 88s in volleys of three," he said. "The first one would be long; the second, short, and the third, right in the middle."

Harvey suffered a burst ear drum during the poundings by the German 88 millimeter artillery pieces and took shrapnel in the shoulder.

He got hit Christmas Day, 1944, lying in a tank track near the Belgium town of Sankt Vith. But it was the frost bite that almost cost him his life.

"It was a living hell," he said. "All we had was C-rations and K-rations. I melted snow to make coffee."

What saved him, he said, was a



Herb Harvey in a photo from his World War II Army days.

blister on his foot. He had been sent back to a rest area where there was hot food.

"They had pancakes," he said with the tone of a kid describing his first Christmas. "Pancakes with steam rising from them."

He piled his mess kit high with pancakes and moved down the chow line.

"The next guy asked me if I wanted oatmeal," Harvey said. "I said, 'Is it hot?' He said, 'Yes,' and I told him to pile it on top of the pancakes. It had been 30 days since I'd had hot food."

He took his food, pulled the hood up on his coat and walked out into the cold, wet rain to eat his meal off the hood of a nearby ambulance.

"Somebody came along and said this was our chance to see a doctor," he said.

He had a blister on his middle toe burst, and it hurt so he went back to a medical aid station down the road.

"It was a bombed-out building with sheets and shelter halves for walls," he said.

He hadn't had his boots off in over a month. When the air hit his feet, they turned black. The doctors ordered him off the line and sent him back to a string of hospitals in France, England and, finally, Santa Fe, N.M. He spent eight months in the hospital and almost lost his feet because of the frostbite.

"Penicillin is what saved them," he said.

His feet still bother him. He has to move around. He can't stand on his feet for long periods of time.

He left the battle zone Jan. 18, 1945. The following Sept. 7, he was released from the hospital. The fighting was over, but the memories remained. He had spent 32 days in combat in one of the most vicious battles in American history.

"About all I got into was the Bulge in Belgium," he said.

He still has trouble talking about it. He still remembers his buddies that didn't make it.

"I thought I spent a long time there," he said, "but there were some that spent only 15 minutes."

The irony of it is, he said, the money he sent his grandson, Cliff Dyer, who is stationed with the Army in Germany.

"I sent him money to take his German girl friend out to dinner Christmas Eve," Harvey said.

Russian warplanes buzz capital of Chechnya

By CHRIS BIRD
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GROZNY, Russia (AP) — With Russian tanks and troops poised to enter his capital, Chechen President Dzhokhar Dudayev on Saturday offered last-minute talks with Moscow to end the fighting in his separatist republic.

But Russian officials said it was already too late, and threatened a missile assault on Grozny unless Dudayev's forces surrendered their weapons by midnight.

Shortly after the deadline passed, Russian warplanes buzzed the Chechen capital and explosions were heard northwest of the city.

Chechnya's vice president went on television and urged his people "to be courageous and calm in the face of the coming aggression."

"Thanks to the will of Allah, the evil hanging over the people will pass by," Vice President Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev said.

Russian soldiers seemed reluctant

to fight, even if it meant disobeying direct orders.

"If we get the order to move forward, none of us will go — we all prepared our letters of resignation two days ago," said a senior lieutenant who identified himself only as Viktor.

He was part of an armored column that stopped about 30 miles west of Grozny, the Chechen capital. The column commander, Maj. Gen. Ivan Babichev, said his tanks won't advance even if ordered to do so.

"If we send tanks against civilians, it'll be just like the Soviet Union — what if they did the same to my mother in Belarus?" Viktor said, shuffling his feet in large felt boots.

In a telegram to Russian President Boris Yeltsin, Dudayev said he would agree to peace talks "without any preliminary conditions," the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

Dudayev was responding to a message earlier in the day by Yeltsin, who met with his hawkish Security Council in Moscow.

As evening fell, sporadic shelling

could be heard on the outskirts of Grozny.

Deputy Prime Minister Nikolai Yegorov said missiles would be fired at strategic targets if steps aren't taken to disarm "illegal armed groups" by midnight (3 p.m. CST).

If Dudayev "does not come to his senses after the strike, the groups will be destroyed," he told the ITAR-Tass news agency.

Chechen spokesman Movladi Yudugov shrugged off the threat.

"When the bombing starts, we will first go to our shelters. When it is finished, the command will go out to our forces to defend the city against the Russian attack," he said.

But the threat was the most serious challenge yet by Moscow to Dudayev's regime.

Chechnya, a mostly Muslim region of 1.2 million people in the Caucasus Mountains, declared independence in 1991. Russia sent troops last Sunday to try to restore Moscow's authority.

Already, there are unconfirmed

reports that hundreds of civilians are

dead in the Russian offensive, along with at least 15 — and perhaps as many as 70 — Russian soldiers. More than 8,000 civilians have fled the advancing Russian troops, the Interfax news agency reported.

Babichev's armored column has withdrawn about a half mile from where it was stopped last week by peaceful demonstrators near the village of Dovidenko.

According to soldiers at the head of the column, officers agreed unanimously to disobey orders to move on the Chechen capital.

"A mutiny? You could call it that," said a lieutenant colonel from the 19th Motorized Infantry Division with a shy smile. Like other soldiers in the division, he spoke on condition of anonymity.

Officers said Babichev had been recalled to regional military headquarters in Mzodok.

If Yeltsin orders an attack on Grozny, it remains unclear how many soldiers will obey.

Counting America: Plans already under way for 2000

By RANDOLPH E. SCHMID
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WASHINGTON (AP) — With the national census still five years away, the government is already preparing to test new forms and methods aimed at getting a more accurate total than ever before.

Attempting to reach every American has become such a complex job that planning starts far in advance on how to find people, what to ask them, how to design the forms and how to learn the most while imposing as little as possible.

For the most part, people like to be counted, and they like to read about the results, says Martha Farnsworth Riche, the new director of the Census Bureau.

"Census data is the stuff of people's lives," said Riche, a former editor at American Demographics, a magazine focusing on population

and economic statistics. "People are fascinated by how they stand" in comparison to their neighbors and other communities.

But counting everyone is a struggle, she said. Forms are designed more for the convenience of data-collecting machines than the people answering the questions.

The bureau will begin testing new methods and forms in March, in Oakland, Calif., Paterson, N.J., and six parishes in northwestern Louisiana.

Someday, the census may be taken by computer. But the 2000 count will still be done mainly by mailing out forms and asking people to send them back, Riche said. Changes will focus more on improving forms and following up to count people who are missed on the first pass.

In 1990, workers visited some homes six or seven times before finally resorting to information from neighbors or others about people

they couldn't reach — a costly and not especially accurate process.

So, one thing to be tested is the idea of doing a large survey of areas being counted. Then, if one or two visits to homes that didn't answer fail to get needed information, the survey could be used to estimate the typical person or family there. That test program is called "sampling for non-response follow-up."

Another problem is the undercount, or the number of people missed by the census, which statisticians say is a problem that tends to affect minorities disproportionately.

"We have always had an undercount, we always will have one," because people refuse to cooperate for various reasons, Riche said. "But we can't count them out, because they are here."

This will involve another special survey, called "integrated coverage measurement," that statisticians will

use to estimate the number and characteristics of people missed in the census. This estimate could then be included in the final count to provide a single more accurate number at the end of the census.

Such estimates were developed in 1990, but under political pressure, the bureau released two sets of numbers, the actual count and an adjusted number including the estimate of those missed.

That led to lawsuits and bickering between states and cities because using one set or the other could shift seats in the House of Representatives and millions of dollars in federal money from one area to another.

Another problem Riche faces is the ethnic classifications used for Americans. There has been pressure to include "mixed race" as an option, and the Office of Management and Budget is considering that term for all federal programs.

Sammie Morris attends tax assessor-collector seminar

COLLEGE STATION — Sammie Morris, Gray County tax assessor-collector, was among some 200 county tax assessor-collectors and their deputies from across the state participating in the 12th Annual County Tax Assessor-Collector's Seminar and Educational Exposition.

The conference was held at the College Station Hilton Conference Center near the Texas A&M University campus on Dec. 3-6.

The training was conducted as a program of the V.G. Young Institute of County Government of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, the Texas A&M University System, in cooperation with the Texas Association of Counties, the Tax Assessor-Collectors Association of Texas and the Office of Continuing Education of Texas A&M University.

Morris said county tax assessor-collectors "can prepare to meet future challenges — and do a better job today — by taking part in professional development seminars such as the one I just attended."

County tax assessor-collectors are required to achieve and maintain professional certification by successfully completing continuing education courses. Those attending all sessions of the December seminar received 1.5 continuing education units from Texas A&M's Office of Continuing Education and 15 CEUs from the State Board of Tax Professional Examiners.

Discussions covered a wide range of timely topics, including Consolidated Collections for the County Tax Office, National Voter Registration Act, Accounting in the County Tax Office, Motor

Vehicles Sales Tax, Emissions Control, Department of Licensing and Regulations, and Property Tax Code Procedures — Purging the Property Tax Roll, Creating the Inactive Roll and Property Tax Delinquency.

Keynote speaker on the program was Garry Mauro, Texas land commissioner.

The 1994-1995 officers of the Tax Assessor-Collectors Association of Texas are Chuck Wilson, Galveston County, president; Carol Autry, Randall County, president-elect; Max Wheeler, Palo Pinto County, vice president of internal affairs; Mark McClelland, Liberty County, vice president of external affairs; J.R. Moore, Montgomery County, secretary/treasurer; and Diana Earp, Crane County, immediate past president.

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"Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ: that, whether I come and see you or be absent, I may hear of your state, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one soul striving for the faith of the gospel;" (Phil. 1:27.) God's standard of worthiness and acceptability is the gospel of His Son, Jesus Christ. In Mark 16:15-16, we read, "And He said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to the whole creation. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that disbelieveth shall be condemned." Thus we see the seriousness of measuring up to the demands of the gospel. Those who believe it and are baptized shall be saved while those who refuse to believe it shall be eternally condemned.

The first thing one must do to be worthy of the gospel is to believe the truths set forth therein. The gospel establishes that Jesus is the Christ, the only begotten Son of God. Paul wrote to the Corinthians: "Now I make known unto you, brethren, the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye received, wherein also ye stand, by which also ye are saved, if ye hold fast the word which I preached unto you, except ye believed in vain." (1 Cor. 15:1-2.) Paul goes on in the passage to emphasize the proof of Jesus' deity is in His death, burial and resurrection from the dead (1 Cor. 15:3-8.)

Next, one must repent of his sins, confess belief in Jesus Christ the Son of God and be buried with Him in baptism wherein one's sins are washed away (Acts 2:38; Rom. 10:10; Acts 22:16.) These actions put one into Christ where one is a new creature (Gal. 3:27; 2 Cor. 5:17.) At this point the obedient believer is acceptable to God, and worthy of the gospel of Christ.

But the gospel also demands that the sanctified individual live a life of holiness, godliness and righteousness. Peter wrote: "But like as He who called you is holy, be ye yourselves also holy in all manner of living; because it is written, Ye shall be holy; for I am holy." (1 Pet. 1:15-16.) Even as the new birth realized at baptism establishes one as a child of God, the same gospel demands that one live up to the standard of holiness set forth by the heavenly Father.

-Billy T. Jones

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Opinion

Private arts funds better than federal

The news out of our nation's capital is that "supporters of the arts" are wringing their hands these days over talk that the new Republican-dominated Congress will cut, or even eliminate, federal arts funding.

That, of course, is precisely what Congress should do, but true art lovers and patrons need not fear the end of the federal government's gravy train; they should welcome it.

At least some members of Congress, veteran and newcomer alike, seek to rein in hotly debated, partially tax-funded programs like the National Endowment for the Arts, the National Endowment for the Humanities and the Corporation of Public Broadcasting. Often enough, what has irked some in Congress about these entities is that, alongside their many broadly popular endeavors, they've indulged arguably more controversial artistic expressions or political philosophies that some taxpayers find offensive.

The fare should by now be familiar — "performance art" like a Minnesota presentation that involved spattering an audience with AIDS-tainted blood (or so the audience was told); the occasional PBS presentation (on, say, U.S. involvement in Central America) that might as well have been edited by Fidel Castro's information minister; sponsorship of controversial photo exhibits by Robert Mapplethorpe and others, and so forth.

But the real point here is not who is offended or whether their indignation is justified. Rather, it's that in a truly free society, liberties like our precious freedom of expression should be free in every sense of the word — meaning they shouldn't cost taxpayers a dime. It's simply not the place of government to force its citizens to foot the bill for what some may consider culture, irrespective of how popular or substantive that culture may be.

Indeed, government-funded culture not only abuses taxpayers, but the artists themselves. It's most understandable when a federally funded painter or photographer or documentary producer bristles at government "censorship" of his work. But then, that's the inevitable price of doing one's thing on Uncle Sam's tab.

Incoming House Speaker Newt Gingrich hit a nerve recently when he suggested privatizing the major federal programs that fund arts and broadcast programming. That's a capital idea. Most of these programs already, commendably, tap heavily into corporate and individual philanthropy for funding. Why not nudge them the rest of the way? Privatization would preserve the many laudable offerings of these programs — while getting government off of the backs of artists and taxpayers alike.

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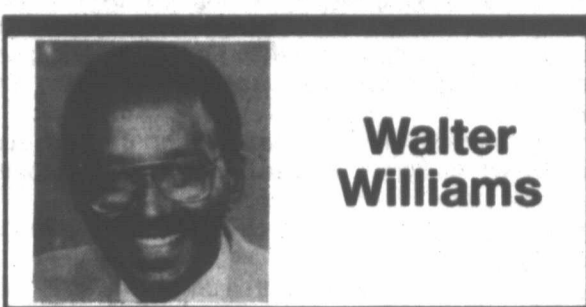
Excuses for poor education

According to the National Right to Read Foundation, last year, the National Adult Literacy Survey reported that among adults with 12 years of schooling, over 96 percent couldn't read, write and compute well enough to attend college. In 1990, 40 million young Americans with nine to 12 years of schooling could not make sense out of a printed page. Only 56 percent of blacks over the age of 14 could read.

There's little new in this downward spiral. In 1964, 20 percent of Selective Service registrants scored in the lowest rank (Category V) on the Armed Forces Qualifications Test (AFQT), making them ineligible; another 20 percent scored little better, putting them in Category IV.

How do liberals and the civil rights and education establishments explain these results? If you said a heritage of slavery, racism, poverty, a need for the Outcome-Based Education program and not enough education money, go to the head of the class. We've been duped. Let's look at it, but first, a bit of history.

During World War II, only 9 percent of recruits scored in Category V on the AFQT. Most of these were Depression-era young men who never attended school. In 1930, only 3 million older Americans couldn't read, compared to today's 40 million. Also, in 1930, 80 percent of blacks could read, compared to only 56 percent today. If we buy the liberals' excuses for today's educational mess, we



Walter Williams

must also believe there was less racism and poverty and more spent on education in 1930 than today. That's nonsense. The explanation for what we see today is that we've allowed hustlers, quacks and charlatans to sell us on harebrained schemes that could work nowhere, no how. One of these schemes is that there are 5 million students in special education classes with 4 million of them having no physical or mental handicap — unless it's that new handicap called attention deficit disorder. By the way, when teachers sent notes home about my not paying attention in class, Mom cured it overnight.

How do liberals and the education establishment respond to efforts to reverse the educational destruction of our kids? They attack. A case in point is Thaddeus Lott, the principal of Houston's Mabel B. Wesley Elementary School. Nearly all his students are poor and black. Yet, on standardized

tests, they average at least one year above grade level.

According to a story in *Destiny* magazine (October 1994), Wesley Elementary consistently produces test scorers in the top 80 percent to 90 percent of the Houston Independent School District (HISD), which includes Houston's wealthy areas.

The HISD's early response to Lott's success was to deny Wesley Elementary materials given to other schools. HISD representatives barged into a first-grade teacher's class, accused her of cheating to raise student scores and barred her from the class while they conducted a search. Of course, they found nothing. Now, as a result of parental demands and publicity, Lott's methods have been exported to other Houston public schools.

Lott's success is driven by his simple educational creed: "Students, given opportunity and direction, can learn. Blacks and other minorities are the intellectual match of white children." The trouble for Lott is that the education establishment sees him as an authoritarian, anti-modern principal who uses phonics, rote and drill to teach students.

I say great — we need more Lotts. Black people must stop allowing muddle-headed liberals, civil rights organizations and a self-serving education establishment to make our children virtually useless for the high-tech world of the 21st century. And, by the way, white education is nothing to write home about either.



Judges want to rewrite history

Charley Reese

Judicial activism, or to put it more plainly, judicial baloney, usually creates more problems than the ones the activists are trying to solve. Prayer in public schools is a good example. The issue, created by judicial activism, has burned far more political calories, and continues to do so, than it's worth.

Keeping prayer out of public schools is not part of the American tradition. From 1789 until 1962, so far as I know, it never occurred to anyone that it was "unconstitutional."

You don't need to be a lawyer to figure out that the 1962 decision to ban prayer in public schools is a logical absurdity. Here's why:

The House of Representatives and the Senate of the United States are opened with prayers prayed by federally employed chaplains. If that is not "establishment of religion," then certainly a one-minute prayer over a public address system in a school isn't. A prayer by a football coach (and if anybody needs prayers, it's high school football coaches) certainly cannot be.

Furthermore, this tradition goes back to the very Congress which wrote the First Amendment guaranteeing freedom of religion. And that's what it says, freedom of religion — not freedom from religion.

That very Congress asked President George Washington, who presided over the convention that

drafted the Constitution and was president when the Bill of Rights was adopted, to set aside a day for "fasting and public prayer." Washington, who was a very religious man, issued the first Thanksgiving proclamation and it is plainly a religious document. President Abraham Lincoln likewise strongly favored religion in his public proclamations.

Even today, the United States Defense Department provides for tax-paid ministers, priests and rabbis in the chaplain's corps and, heavens to Betsy, builds chapels on federal property — to wit, military bases.

So you can see the 1962 decision was ripped out of historical context as all absurd interpretations of the Constitution are. The Constitution is not a philosophical tome by a German philosopher; it is not a Buddhist sutra. You do not need to be either a scholar or a political hack appointed to the federal bench to understand it.

It is a plainly worded contract in simple English between the American people and the government. It is silent on 99 percent of the issues modern Americans get into a hiss about and for a very good

reason. Its main purpose was to delimit the role of the federal government, to spell out what it could do, and what the states could or could not do. It was not intended to be a one-size-fits-all issues legislature.

Clearly, the Constitution intends for most issues to be resolved, if at all, privately or by legislation and most of that on the state and local level. Read in its historical context, which is the way all documents older than yesterday's newspaper should be read, the meaning of the First Amendment's freedom of religion clause is clear.

There was to be no government-sponsored church, as the Church of England is the official church of the United Kingdom. There was to be no government-decreed religion as in all Americans must be whatever. And that's it. Nothing more.

I personally don't think a prayer broadcast over a public address system in a public school is going to solve any problems. I don't think it would create any except among cranks who should never be allowed to dictate public policy. But I certainly don't think the Constitution prohibits it, because if it did, it would also logically have to prohibit prayers in the White House and in Congress and by members of the armed forces.

To arrive at its 1962 decision, the Supreme Court simply rewrote American history. That's a very common practice today.

Battered women: Too many to protect?

The O.J. Simpson case put the phrase "domestic violence" on newscasters' lips for a few days last summer. Then we heard the terrible statistics: that domestic violence is the leading cause of injury to women, and that anywhere from 30 to 50 percent of all women murdered each year are killed by a man they knew.

But for the most part, the issue was presented as an appalling fact of life, one that law and society were helpless to remedy, and attention quickly went back to the circus of Simpson's trial.

But a more recent case in Maryland illustrates just how much — or little — can be done to protect a woman from being harmed by a lover.

It's the case of Kenneth Peacock, who confessed to killing his wife after he caught her in bed with another man. Well, not right after. He didn't kill her immediately. First he drank some beer and wine and argued with his wife for several hours. THEN he killed her. He pleaded guilty to voluntary manslaughter.

What do you suppose was his sentence? Fifty years? Twenty-five years? Ten?

Not even close. Peacock was sentenced to a mere 18 months in prison. In fact, the sentencing judge, Robert E. Cahill, said he was reluctant to give him any prison time at all and did so "only because I think I must do it to keep the system honest," he said.

"I seriously wonder how many men married five, four years would have the strength to walk away without inflicting some corporal punishment," the judge reasoned.

Now Judge Cahill would probably strike most



Sara Eckel

people as a jerk, his sentence an aberration. And while the first point would be relatively easy to argue, the second, unfortunately, is not.

The fact is, assaults against women are almost always taken less seriously by the criminal justice system when the offender is the victim's husband or boyfriend.

First of all, it's harder to get police to respond to a call in a domestic violence dispute. "People often advise battered women, 'Don't say it's your husband or ex-boyfriend. Just say someone is trying to break in,'" says Ellen Pence of the Battered Women's Justice Project in Duluth, Minn. "If you say, 'My ex-boyfriend is over here bothering me and trying to get in,' it could have the effect of slowing down the police response in many cities."

If the police do come, it's unlikely that the case will ever go to trial, or even make it into police records. In Washington, D.C., of the 18,000 domestic violence calls police received in 1988, reports

were filed on 44; none were prosecuted. In New York City, which has mandatory arrest laws (police are required to report every domestic violence call), police reported only 30 percent of the 200,000 calls received in 1992. And of the domestic violence arrests made in Connecticut in 1992, only 14 percent ever went to trial.

If the victim really beats the odds and the case makes it to the courts, the chances are her assailant will ever do hard time are, once again, slim. A study done in Pennsylvania found that of the domestic violence convictions made in Philadelphia Municipal Court in 1989 and 1990, less than 1 percent involved prison terms.

Worse, the U.S. Justice Department found that about half of the domestic violence incidents that were classified as misdemeanors were, in terms of bodily injury, as serious or more serious than the assaults police would normally classify as felonies.

That's right, same bruises and broken bones for the victims; radically different treatment for the offender. Police contend that the sheer volume of domestic violence calls prevents them from granting a full response to every one. "If we went out there every time a man threatened to kill his wife," said a Minnesota police officer, "we'd do nothing but respond to this type of call."

And so, domestic violence finds a curious place in the American justice system. It is taken lightly, not because it is so rare or difficult to comprehend, but because it is so common.

Letters to the editor

Fighting vandalism

To the editor:
It happens every year. Homeowners enter into the spirit of fall and improve the looks of their homes and neighborhoods with decorations in their front yards and on their front porches. Criminals, otherwise known as thieves and vandals, make garbage of the pumpkins by smashing them on the streets and cause thousands in damage by bashing windows and cars. With all the technology available today, I believe the cooperation of police and citizens can put a stop to this nonsense.
We can stop the vandalism in our parks, which has exceeded this year the total of several previous years.
Also, we can stop the newest fad of stealing and destroying Christmas decorations. Somehow, I don't believe that Jesus considers these acts appropriate for the celebration of his birthday.
Possibly, the most effective means of crime control would be random civilian patrols, armed with cellular phones, cameras and close contact with police HQ.
A second weapon for crime prevention would be well-publicized stings. The numbers, times and places would be secret. The equipment would be motion detectors, which would activate floodlights, sound alarms, cameras, 911 number, alert to the police station and a fast response by the police.
The purpose of these measures would be to place the criminals in jail overnight, fine them, publish their photographs and names in the newspaper, require them to make restitution and enter their names in the criminal records.
I recommend parking a patrol car and replacing it with two motorcycles. A motorcycle can sometimes evade a patrol car. Evading a car and a motorcycle is hard. Evading two motorcycles is harder. Also, I recommend two 18-speed all-terrain bicycles. Don't laugh. These bicycles can traverse streets, alleys and parks faster than any runner and do it quietly.
Although I keep a shotgun handy, I would not purposely shoot a pumpkin bowler. However, don't bet on it. I might mistake an ordinary trespasser for someone who was threatening my life or destruction of my house.
J. Kirk Duncan
Pampa

Museum needs help
To the editor:
Dear people, since we [Freedom Museum USA] opened in August, a lot has happened and we are all much wiser to the ways of museums, and there are still a good many things that we do not know. The town of Pampa is still the best place to be.
We are needing many things to get on with the work. We need a good electric typewriter, a copier, a television with VCR, Money, Money, Money, and an endowment

to help us continue to make this a better museum. We now have memberships for any person who wishes to be a part of our museum. Please come and join us!! We need memorabilia from Korea, Grenada, Panama and any other place that our troops served. How about Somalia? Come on, you guys and gals, don't let us miss where you were.
We will have a place at the Senior Citizens Center for people to sign up to help in the museum as guides and some other use of your talents. We have times when special tours can be scheduled. Bring your class, your club, your group; no matter when you meet, we will open up for you.
An afterthought: If you have any kind of tools that are laying around in your way, call us at 669-6066 and talk to us about them. We just might be able to put them back to work in our workshop. We will be opening new displays continually. We are not buying displays, we are building them.
Thank you once again for your past cooperation and future help.
Myron J. (Mike) Porter
Vice President, Freedom Museum USA

Watching the parks

To the editor:
Yesterday (Dec. 10), the buzz of a chain saw caused some residents to call the police department about suspected vandalism in Mora Wilks Park. I am grateful for the calls, for I believe alert citizens are our first defense against thievery and vandalism. Apparently, trees were being cut in the park by someone for firewood. Thankfully, this was not the case.
The chain saw was being used to trim trees located on adjoining privately-owned property. The trimming is being paid for by me as a public service.
This park as well as other parks were donated to the city by the William T. Fraser family. It was named after the wife of Will Wilks, a founder and benefactor of our town. Red Deer Creek goes through the park. Generally, the land to the east is privately owned.
The park from Harvester Street bridge to the low water crossing bridge is adopted by volunteers from Texaco. The part east of this bridge is adopted by Ryan Morris and me.
The city has done a marvelous job on this park. It is mowed regularly, and the big row of trees on the easterly part are trimmed regularly.
Landfill is being dumped into this area. It will be top dressed with top soil and seeded with grass seed. The entire area should look much nicer within the next year or two.
The callers to the police department refused to give names. I wonder why.
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Rediscovering the mystery of Christmas

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

This is the time of year when I feel like I might implode. Shopping, stories, decorating, stories, programs, stories — and I feel almost paralyzed by my inability to get at least one thing done.

Column

But what really bothers me is shopping, decorating and holiday programs that have so little to do with what happened in Bethlehem 2,000 years ago. I love Silent Night as well as the next Christian, but a Baby born in a grubby cave-cum-barn to a pair of tired and dirty traveling taxpayers seems so far removed from Jingle Bells and Jetsons wrapping paper that I get worn out trying to make the mental leap which allegedly connects them with the Baby.

Yet, in the eternal quest to live the *Southern Living* lifestyle and pretend to be Super Woman, I feel a certain pressure to have just the "right" Christmas to make those magic memories (gotta do that for the kids, I'm told). You figure out what it has to do with Jesus.
I'm expected to have "just right gifts" (paid for with cash) for my family, and if I am really with it, personal little selections for my dear friends. My home is to be filled with aromas which would send *Southern Living* food editors into a swoon, when the truth is all I know about cooking is that a pound of butter and a pint of cream make anyone a good cook.
My home should be decorated with handmade decorations, or at least those with intense sentimental value; I think that's in the Bible somewhere.
We should begin charitable works during Christmas and vow to continue them through the New Year in which we lose 15 pounds, clean out the garage, don't forget to vote and

take more time to smell the roses.
Spending time with family and friends is paramount. Actually, Mary and Joseph didn't have any friends helping them when their Baby was born. Three wise guys showed up maybe a couple of years later bearing regal gifts, but the couple was not surrounded by adoring family in the birthing suite of a nice Catholic hospital. Nobody gave Jesus a diaper shower.
Lest you think I'm an old bah-humbag, I'm not. The mystery of "Glory to God in the highest and on earth, peace, goodwill toward men" enchants me with its poetry and design. The words of Dr. Luke unchanged by translation and time are indeed the most beautiful ever written.
I want to be steeped in the mystery of a stable birth to an unwed teenage mother whom God the Father in his wisdom selected to bear his only begotten Son. Please don't let wrapping paper with The Jetsons distract me.

Girl killed by driver fleeing police pursuit

HOUSTON (AP) — A 7-year-old run down as she walked to the store has become the fifth bystander to die in Houston in less than a month during a chase of criminal suspects by law officers.
The death early Friday evening reignites an already boiling public issue in Houston.
Earlier this month, a 70-mile chase from Houston to near Huntsville involved nearly 20 Houston Police Department cars chasing one drunken driving suspect. No one was injured, but the incident fueled the growing debate regarding lax chase standards.
Four people were killed in two separate chase-related accidents in one week last month when vehicles being pursued by Houston police struck other vehicles.
Although Friday's incident, which claimed the life of Tanitra Edwards, involved county officers, not those with the Houston Police Department, the dispute is the same.
"At some point they should have

used common sense ... and I felt like my niece would be alive today," Tanitra's aunt Jacquelyn Edwards told radio station KTRH on Saturday.
Early Friday evening, a car hit Tanitra and a friend of her mother's — Yolanda Benjamin — as it fled capture by the Harris County Organized Task Force.
Two of the the fleeing car's occupants, Jerome Hall, 22, and Brad Daugherty, age unknown, were then fatally shot by task force members. Ms. Benjamin was in stable condition Saturday with a fractured leg.
Capt. Johnny Erikson, director of the Harris County Organized Crime Task Force, said the suspects were shooting at undercover officers who had followed them more than four miles through northeast Houston after witnessing a shooting outside a pawnshop in northeast Harris County.
Two other car occupants, Robert Lee Ware and Leon Ware, were later arrested after they tried to flee from the stopped car.
Erikson said only one unmarked

task force unit followed the car trying to keep it in sight until marked patrol units could arrive.
He said the driver of the fleeing car appeared to be playing games with pursuing officers, speeding ahead and then slowing down and firing at them as they caught up.
"The part that bothers me is that the actors would stop and wait for them, then shoot at them," Erikson said.

Just waitin'



These two cocker spaniels wait in the back of a pickup parked at Wal-Mart Discount City, looking like they were tired of waiting for their owner to complete some Christmas shopping as the busy holiday season continues. (Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

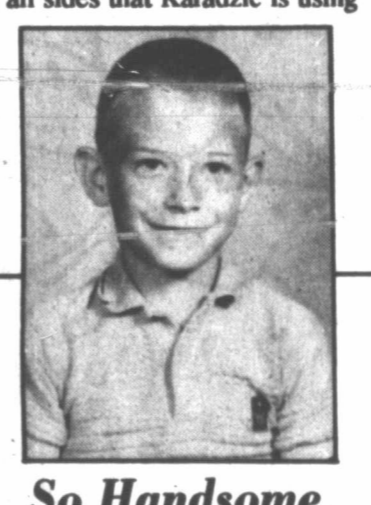
Carter expected to bring negotiating talents to peace efforts in Sarajevo

By ROBERT H. REID
Associated Press Writer

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Former President Jimmy Carter brings his freelance peace efforts to the former Yugoslavia on Sunday, despite widespread skepticism that he can help end the 32-month-old Bosnian conflict.
There were unconfirmed reports that a key government-held town in northwestern Bosnia had fallen.
Carter said Saturday he will travel first to Zagreb, Croatia, headquarters of the U.N. mission to former Yugoslavia, and decide then whether to travel to Sarajevo.
A statement from the Carter Center in Atlanta said Carter decided to make the trip after "extensive discussions" with the White House and U.N. officials. He planned to leave Saturday.
Carter said he would meet with Croatian President Franjo Tudjman and Bosnian Prime Minister Haris Silajdzic in Zagreb. He also was expected to meet with the U.N. chief for former Yugoslavia, Yasushi Akashi of Japan.
If he decides to go to Bosnia, Carter was expected to visit Bosnian Serb headquarters at Pale, outside Sarajevo, and Belgrade, the capital of Serbia.
Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic invited Carter to help restart peace talks. Carter successfully intervened this year to break deadlocks and resolve crises in Haiti and North Korea.
But the visit is raising concern from all sides that Karadzic is using

Carter to undermine an international peace plan that would reduce Serb territory in Bosnia to 49 percent from the 70 percent it now holds. The Serbs, who have had the military advantage in Bosnia since the outset of the war, have rejected the plan, despite repeated efforts by international mediators and diplomats.
White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta, speaking on CNN's *Evans and Novak*, questioned Carter's ability to resolve Bosnian issues "because they are very complicated and because we have seen that, frankly, the motives ... involved here with the parties are always suspect."
The visit has also been questioned by Bosnian leaders, Serbia's powerful leader Slobodan Milosevic, and Russia, a traditional Serbian ally.
Carter said he will encourage the Bosnian Serbs to accept the peace plan.
"My purpose in traveling to the region is to seek ways to contribute to the cessation of hostilities and to encourage the acceptance of the contact group's plan as the basis for negotiations," he said.

To lure Carter to Bosnia, Karadzic pledged Wednesday to ease tension with the United Nations that increased following three NATO airstrikes on Serb targets. Hundreds of peacekeepers were detained and U.N. movements through Serb-controlled territory were virtually frozen.
The Serbs allowed two U.N. flights to land Saturday at Sarajevo's airport, which had been closed since Nov. 21 after Serbs' positioned anti-aircraft missiles nearby. Sources said one plane carried an advance team for Carter.
But the Serbs blocked three flights earlier Saturday and set new conditions for resuming the humanitarian airlift.
The Serbs want to bar Bosnian citizens from U.N. flights, U.N. sources said. They also want Bosnian Serbs to be able to fly to Serbia proper. There have been no regular flights to Serbia from Sarajevo.
The Serbs are also requiring the United Nations to get permission for each flight it wants to land, said a U.N. spokesman, speaking on condition of anonymity.



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If flying is safe, why are people so scared?

By MITCHELL LANDSBERG
AP National Writer

We've all heard the statistics: Every year, more than 20,000 Americans die on the nation's highways, while at worst a few hundred die aboard planes.

So why are so many people afraid to fly?

Is there an air passenger alive who hasn't felt, at some point in the turbulence of a frequent flying career, that the cushion of air between an airplane and the ground is simply not soft enough for comfort?

These feelings, little evolutionary reminders that human beings are not lighter than air, become more nagging at times such as the past few months, when planes have seemed to fall willy-nilly from the skies.

They haven't, of course. Crash deaths are still infinitesimal compared to the number of passengers flying. And Americans are continuing to fly more than ever: 28 million passengers are expected aboard U.S. commercial flights this holiday season, according to the Air Transport Association.

But a spate of bad news from the airline industry has shaken consumer confidence this fall. Just last week:

— On Tuesday, an American Eagle turboprop crashed in North Carolina, killing 15 people.

— On Thursday, American Eagle grounded planes in the Midwest so that pilots could get more cold-weather training, a concern that arose after a plane crashed in icy weather Oct. 31 in Indiana, killing all 68 aboard. Also, Kiwi International Air Lines suspended its 42 daily flights after federal inspectors raised questions about the airline's pilot training.

— On Friday, the FBI said it was investigating recent vandalism of several Tower Air jumbo jets in New York.

All this has been enough to give even the most seasoned air travelers a pinch of apprehension.

Jerilyn Ross, who treats fear of flying at her Ross Center for Anxiety and Related Disorders in Washington, said even she can't help but feel a little anxious after hearing so much bad news about air travel.

"I think each time we hear it, we have to wrestle with ourselves ... and I think each time it wears down our confidence level," Ross said by telephone from Puerto Rico, where she had flown to attend a convention.

Ross knows all about the statistics. "Statistically, you have a higher chance of dying in a bathtub," she said.

You also have a far greater chance — dozens of times higher — of dying in a car accident than aboard an airplane.

The fact is: statistics don't have much to do with fear.

"The biggest thing, the most important factor, is that when people walk on a plane they give up a perceived sense of control," Ross said.

In a car, there's a sense — however illusory — of control. Even on a bus or train, she said, people have the sense that they could somehow escape if they had to.

On a plane, escape is not an especially attractive option.

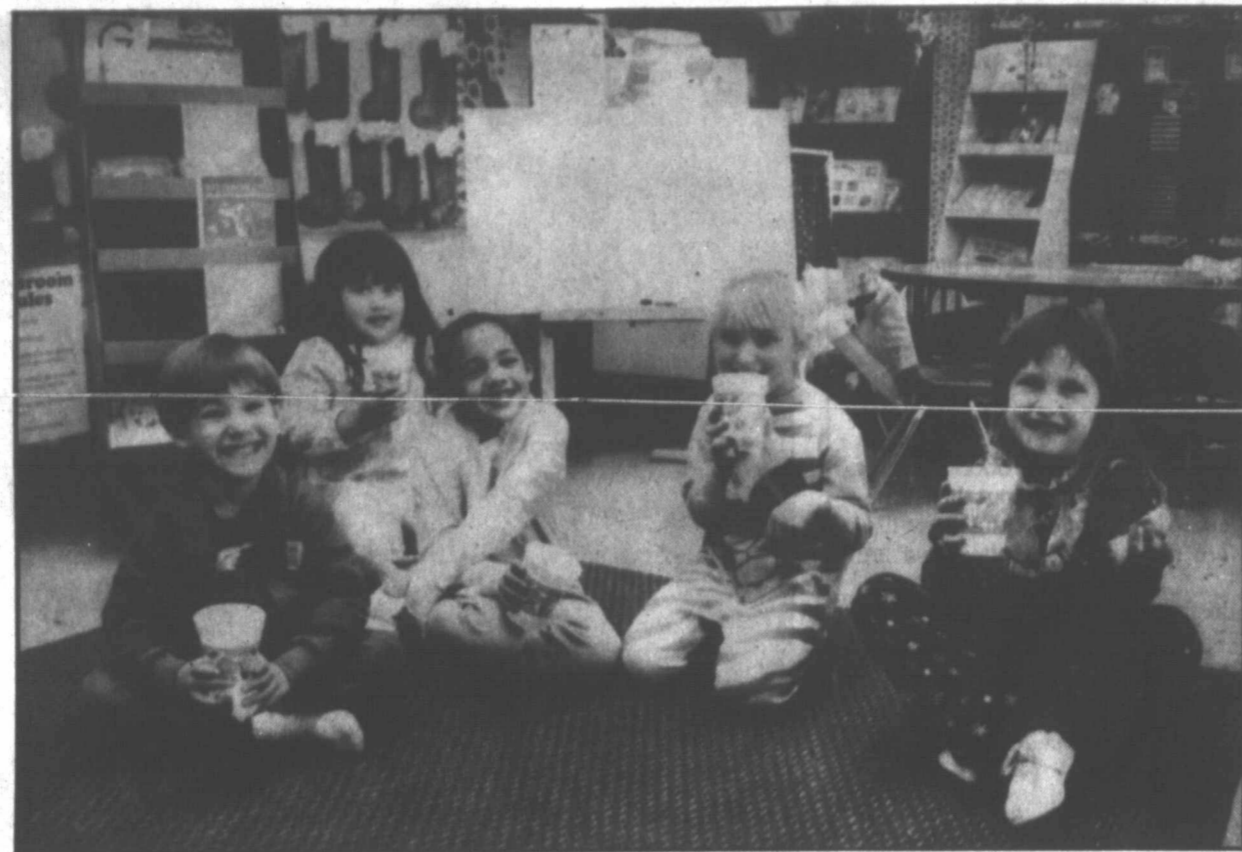
This gets into the other big issue surrounding air travel: gravity. As Ross put it, "There are things that we, as humans, are not evolutionarily prepared for."

The fear of flying is built on several gut-level fears, according to Reid Wilson, a clinical psychologist who designed a take-home kit, "Achieving Comfortable Flight," to help people overcome their fear of flying.

"The fears that we face on a plane are very primitive fears," he said. "Fear of being trapped, fear of being out of control, fear of heights."

These fears, he said, are exacerbated by news accounts of plane crashes, which are usually far more prominent and grisly than accounts of automobile accidents.

North Pole bound



Dressed in their pajamas for a special trip to the North Pole via the Polar Express on Friday are, from left, kindergarten students Justin Sealman, Toria Rodriguez, Nikki Gardner, Keisha Gutierrez and Tasha Tripplett. Students in Melanie Langford's kindergarten class at Woodrow Wilson Elementary Class spent the day for the trip to the North Pole in their pajamas and finished the class day with hot cocoa, marshmallows and doughnuts, a special activity for the Christmas season. (Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Drainage project fund draws criticism

McALLEN (AP) — Residents of a colonia in Progreso say they plan to press fraud charges against Mayor Pro-tem Janie Chavez, who agrees she took more than \$3,000 they gave her for drainage projects and placed it in her personal savings account.

The \$3,160 originally was intended for drainage projects in Colonia Frontera, which has unpaved streets that become muddy and impassable after heavy rains.

Ms. Chavez says she has done nothing wrong. She said she kept the money so it would not get mixed up with city funds.

But some residents disagree.

"She stole money from the people," Elida Limon, the colonia's treasurer for the project, told *The McAllen Monitor* on Friday. "She used us."

Various families that wanted drainage for their property contributed money, some as much as several hundred dollars. Ms. Limon said they gave the money to her, and she turned it over to Chavez.

Limon said Chavez paid about \$1,400 for 23 pipes in October, but then did not lay any more pipes.

Chavez said the money — minus the \$1,400 used to buy pipes — is now being held by her lawyer. She said interest that the money earned

was used to buy pipes, which she found were more expensive than she had anticipated.

She said the colonia residents' money was not intermingled with her money in her savings account, because she has none.

Chavez said she was holding the money because she has not yet received enough money to complete the project.

"Only 27 people paid out of 72 lots," she said.

Lt. George Arce of the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Department said the matter has been under investigation for about two weeks.

Family sentenced for selling toxic drums as barbecue pits

HOUSTON (AP) — Converting chemical drums into barbecue pits and selling them to the public has garnered 10 years probation for a 71-year-old man and five-year prison sentences for his two sons.

Lucius Lowell Flanagan, 71, and his sons, Lionel, 36, and Donald, 43, pleaded guilty to charges of transporting and disposing of hazardous waste without a permit. The three were sentenced Friday.

State District Judge Mike Wilkinson also ordered the elder Flanagan to complete 600 hours of community service at a rate of 20 hours a week.

His sons were each sentenced to five years in prison because they had prior drug-related convictions, said Harris County pollution division chief Roger Haseman.

The Flanagans illegally accepted up to 3,000 barrels from area companies at a 2-acre site in a residential area in northeast Houston.

Many barrels at the site were tagged with labels for hydrofluoric acid, methylene chloride and formaldehyde, all toxic materi-

als, officials said.

The elder Flanagan, who was ordered to stop taking the waste as early as 1991, initially told investigators he only converted into barbecue pits drums that had held syrup, chocolate and soup.

But investigators found toxic labels on barrels at the site that were being converted into barbecue pits.

Attorney Roland Moore III, who represents the elder Flanagan, said his client did not know how many of the barbecue pits he sold.

Moore said the "real villains" are the companies that paid the Flanagans \$50 per barrel to dispose of them. It costs about \$500 per barrel to legally dispose of them, he said.

Haseman said his office now will pursue the companies that left the toxic barrels with the Flanagans. Cleaning up the sites, which so far has cost more than \$1.6 million, is almost complete, Haseman said.

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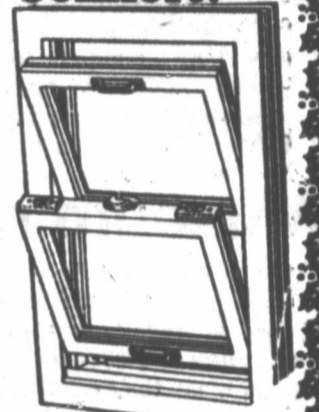
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Penney buyer admits taking vendor bribes

DALLAS (AP) — A former top buyer for J.C. Penney Co. has confessed to accepting up to \$1.5 million in bribes and kickbacks from vendors in a case that has garnered the attention of the FBI.

The buyer, Jim Gayle Locklear, confessed Friday to accepting between \$800,000 and \$1.5 million between 1988 and 1992. He also has agreed to testify against others who took part in the conspiracy. The FBI is conducting a nationwide investigation of bribery by people who have sold products to the Plano-based retail giant, federal officials said.

"It's an important and significant case," Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael J. Uhl said. "It demonstrates that corporate executives are committing crimes. And all of society suffers, particularly consumers."

In court documents, Locklear, 45, of Dallas stated that Penney's officials were unaware of his illegal acts at the time they were committed.

Hank Rusman, a spokesman for J.C. Penney, said corporate officials reported the conspiracy to the FBI as soon as corporate investigators discovered it in 1992. The company also sued Locklear and several individuals who allegedly corrupted Penney's bid process.

"We obtained a judgment against him for \$789,000," Rusman said, declining to say how much has been paid by Locklear. He would not comment on the other pending suits.

As a senior buyer in Penney's housewares division, Locklear purchased cookware, cutlery, kitchen utensils and appliances that were sold across the nation.

He admitted to U.S. District Judge Jerry Buchmeyer that he did not obtain products at the lowest cost to Penney's. Instead, he took kickbacks from representatives of manufacturers in New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Virginia, California and France to ensure that the retailer bought their merchandise.

Rusman said Penney's officials do not believe that other buyers were corrupted. He said officials have no idea how much Locklear's actions increased inventory costs.

Locklear, who is scheduled to be sentenced March 3, has pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to commit mail and wire fraud.

He received cash payments from some vendors, he said. Other vendors mailed him checks.

One Penney's supplier regularly sent Locklear cashier's checks for \$15,000 from offshore bank accounts. Another handed him \$10,000 in cash during a gourmet show in San Francisco.

"This type of activity corrupts the free enterprise system and market competition," U.S. Attorney Paul Coggins said. "Commercial bribery of this nature and magnitude deprives the employer of the loyalty ... of a trusted employee and will be vigorously prosecuted by our office."

Red kettle donation



Jamie Young, 3, puts a dollar donation into The Salvation Army's red kettle at Wal-Mart Discount City on Friday while accompanying her grandmother, Nancy Reynolds, for some Christmas shopping. Manning the kettles are Malcolm Hinkle Inc. employees Nancy Arnold, accounting, and Heidi Mitchell, purchasing. Malcolm Hinkle volunteers, who have challenged other businesses to do the same, manned the kettles Friday for The Salvation Army. (Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Nancy Kissinger, wife of ex-secretary of state, hospitalized

NEW YORK (AP) — Nancy Kissinger, wife of former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, has been hospitalized with an undisclosed ailment.

At Mrs. Kissinger's request, New York Hospital was not releasing

information on her condition; administrator Steve Rubenstein said. He said only that she did not arrive at the hospital Saturday.

Kissinger and Nancy Maginnes married in 1974, when he was secretary

of state and she was a foreign policy aide to her longtime employer, Nelson Rockefeller. She directed international studies for Rockefeller's Commission on Critical Choices for America.

Condemned dog set free

DANVILLE, Va. (AP) — Smokey, the sad-eyed black Labrador retriever whose death sentence for chasing mail carriers attracted worldwide attention, was sprung from the pound after the prosecution dropped its case.

Smokey scampered in small circles around his owner, who plied him with big chunks of deer meat from every pocket as he walked him home Friday across a creek and through a hilly neighborhood.

"This all shows you, you don't mess with a man's best friend," Craig Jackson, 29, said on his front porch as he smuggled Smokey's cold nose. Jackson, an unemployed repairman, is separated from his wife and has no children.

"This is my boy here, my son. I missed him. Ain't no mailman gonna see him again," Jackson said.

Smokey had been caged at the

Danville Area Humane Society since Dec. 6, when General District Judge T. Ryland Dodson Jr. sentenced the Lab to die by lethal injection after convicting Jackson of harboring a vicious animal.

Dodson rescinded the order Friday after Danville Commonwealth's Attorney William H. Fuller III said city laws do not adequately define "vicious."

Postal workers testified that the dog had menaced them but had never bitten them.

The humane society was deluged with calls from people protesting the death sentence and offering to adopt the animal.

Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger considered offering his diplomatic skills to negotiate a pardon and members of the Italian Parliament expressed their concern for Smokey's plight.

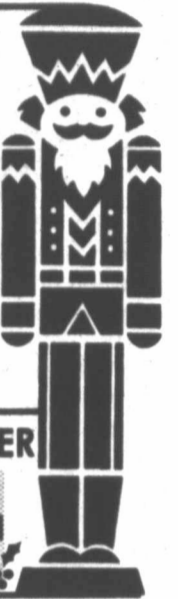
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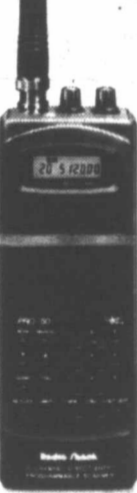
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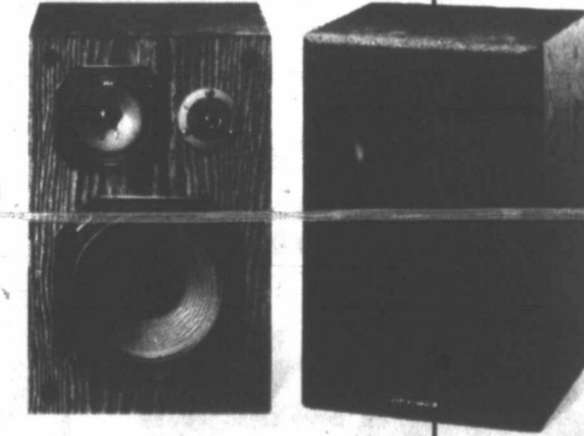
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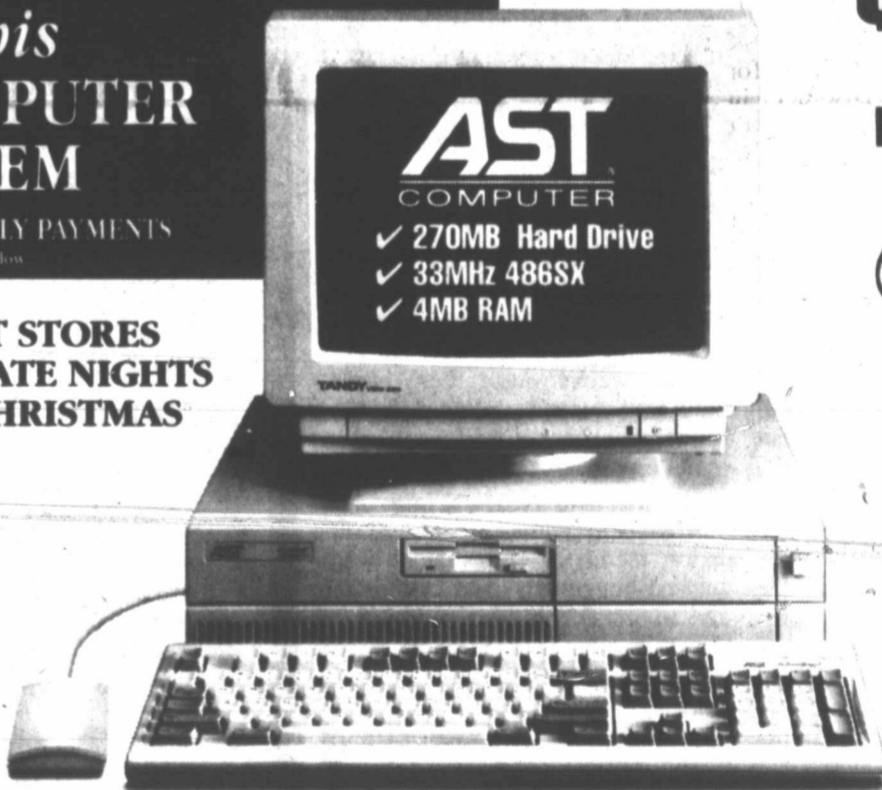
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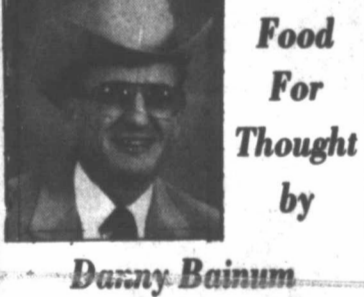
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Flavorful swordfish can stand up to salsa - the classic kind with tomatoes and onions, or a fruit mixture. Key ingredients for authenticity are jalapeno pepper and cilantro.

Add swiss cheese and snipped dill to the flour for the pastry shell, and you get a super-flavorful quiche.

Top creamy custard with luscious raspberry or papaya puree. It's just as nice when you pool sauce on the plate and unmold custard over it.

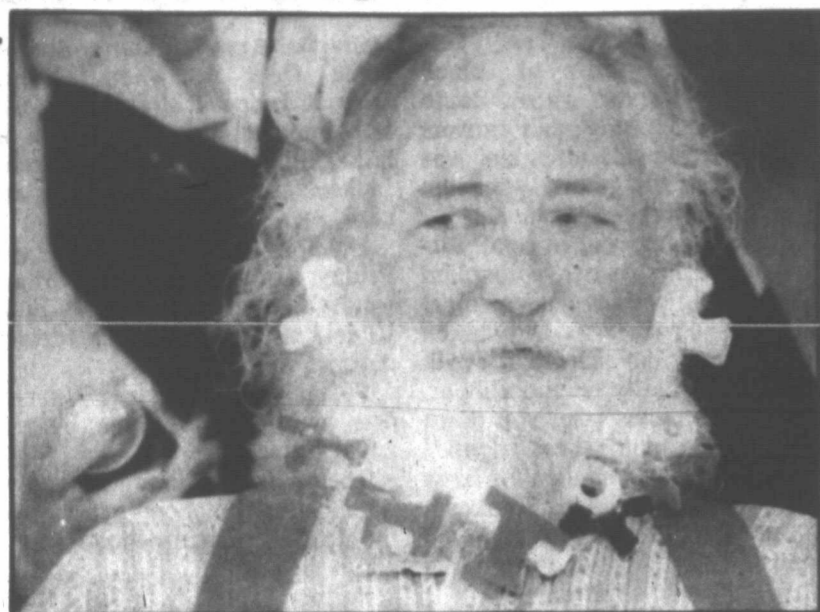
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State refuses Lotto claim

AUSTIN (AP) - Scott Wenner has the winning numbers for a \$10.4 million Lotto Texas jackpot, but he's not quitting his job.

In fact, Wenner, a 37-year-old policeman in Riverside, N.J., isn't behaving at all like a multimillionaire.

Texas lottery officials say they're not sure they'll pay Wenner, even though he's the only player who picked all six numbers in the Nov. 23 Lotto Texas drawing.

State officials say the winning lotto ticket wasn't purchased legally.

"I'm trying to stay positive," Wenner told *The Dallas Morning News* in a telephone interview Friday. "I keep asking myself if this is all a dream."

Wenner was turned away Thursday by Texas lottery officials when he traveled to Austin to claim the money.

He had ordered the ticket at a hardware store in Croydon, Pa., five miles north of Philadelphia, according to Pic-A-State Lottery Service, based in Lakewood, N.J. The service sells \$1 Texas tickets for \$2. A Pic-A-State agent bought the ticket for

Wenner at Heart's Discount Liquor, a licensed lottery retailer in Houston.

State law prohibits the sale of lottery tickets by anyone not licensed by the Texas Lottery Commission and makes it illegal to sell them for more than their face value, lottery officials said. Pic-A-State is not licensed to sell Texas lottery tickets.

Nora Linares, executive director of the Texas Lottery Commission, said her office is reviewing the claim, aided by the attorney general's office and Travis County district attorney.

Pennsylvania law also prohibits the sale of any interest in a lottery of another state. In addition, federal law prohibits the sale of one state's lottery products in another state unless there is an agreement between the states involved.

"I can assure you that Texas has no such agreement with Pennsylvania or any other state," Ms. Linares said.

Wenner said he won't comment on Texas' position, but his attorney, Joseph F. Polino of Mount Holly, N.J., said his client will take action if he is not paid.

Dying girl's wish: Gifts for homeless

SEATTLE (AP) - Sixteen-year-old April Fleming was facing death within days, and she wasn't thinking of herself.

When the Make-A-Wish Foundation promised to grant the repeat runaway's dying desire, April didn't ask for food, travel, fancy clothes or exotic animals. She didn't even ask to meet a personal hero.

She asked for Christmas presents for homeless kids.

"I've never had a child want to give to someone else," said Susan Houk, marketing director for the foundation that answers the wishes of dying children. "It was very, very touching."

Three years ago, April found she had polycythemia vera, a pre-leukemic disease that has led in her case to cirrhosis of the liver. Three months ago, doctors gave her a year

to live. Three weeks ago, they said six months. Last week, they said she'd be lucky to see Christmas.

Friday, she went home with an aunt. "She decided she didn't want to die in the hospital," said Dean Forbes, spokesman at Children's Hospital & Medical Center.

April asked the hospital to tell well-wishers she needs nothing more and they should give to children who do.

Two weeks ago, her nurse, Barbara Swenson, called Make-A-Wish and said, "If you want to do something for this girl, you've got to do it in the next 48 hours."

When April named her wish, foundation members immediately went out and bought toys and clothes for 12 children. The next morning, a board member suited up as Santa Claus delivered the goodies to a homeless shelter.

Body of woman stolen from grave found by side of road

DALLAS (AP) - Just as mysteriously as it disappeared, the body of a former Texas Tech honor student that was stolen from a cemetery reappeared by the side of a road in southeast Dallas County.

Officials identified the body as that of Melinda Ann Lee, 20. Her body had been unearthed from its freshly dug grave between dusk Monday and dawn Tuesday.

A newspaper carrier for *The Dallas Morning News* said he found the body, stripped of its clothes, shortly before 6 a.m. Friday just outside the Mesquite Archery Club grounds, about one mile south of Interstate 20.

The carrier, who asked not to be identified, said he found Ms. Lee's body face down near a "No

Dumping" sign that was defaced with a spray-painted obscenity. A plastic garbage bag had been placed over her head, the carrier said.

"It was so unreal, I thought it was a mannequin at first," the carrier said. "I pulled up alongside it and I didn't even get off the van. I was looking straight down at her and she still didn't look real."

The body was left so conspicuously that he first believed someone was pulling a prank, the carrier added.

"It was as if someone were saying, 'I want you to find this,'" he said. "It was so obvious."

Dallas police found some of Ms. Lee's clothes in a pile a few feet away.

Ms. Lee, a 1992 Lake Highlands High School graduate, died Dec. 7

from injuries suffered in a Lubbock automobile accident two months earlier. She was buried Dec. 10 at Restland Memorial Park in northeast Dallas.

Her pastor, speaking for the family, said they plan to bury her again at Restland.

"They are greatly relieved," said the Rev. Byron Myrick, associate pastor of Lake Highlands United Methodist Church. "This will bring them some peace of mind. They were afraid on one hand that she would not ever be found, or if she was found, that her body would be mutilated. The word is there was no mutilation."

Ms. Lee's body was at the Dallas County medical examiner's office late Friday as investigators examined

it for clues that might lead to whoever removed it from the grave.

"There is no physical evidence at the scene to lead us to a suspect," said sheriff's Capt. Larry Williams. "We have investigators in Lubbock, but so far they have uncovered nothing that we feel hopeful about."

Investigators did remove the defaced sign, but said they did not know if it was connected to the case.

FBI investigators have agreed to inspect the graveyard crime scene using more advanced techniques designed to help profile a suspect, sheriff's deputies said.

Sheriff's officials declined to discuss the condition of the body. Williams said investigators were trying to determine whether it had been abused.

M.D. Anderson receives radiation center worth \$44 million

HOUSTON (AP) - A non-profit radiation center in Fort Worth worth \$44.2 million has been donated to The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center.

The early holiday gift of the Moncrief Radiation Center is the largest single contribution to the state hospital since it was first opened in 1944, said Dr. Martin Raber, M.D. Anderson's associate vice president and physician-in-chief.

"This is a gift to Anderson and to the citizens of Tarrant County. The

gift will be used to further care of people in Tarrant County," Raber said.

The gift, announced Friday, includes the primary Moncrief Radiation Center and a new satellite facility at Huguley Memorial Medical Center in south Tarrant County. The satellite clinic is scheduled to open in January.

The primary facility recently underwent a \$10.8 million renovation that included some new construction. It has six linear accelerators, a superficial treatment unit,

three simulators, a computerized tomography Scanner and a computerized treatment planning system.

Raber said the Moncrief clinic will be the anchor of a comprehensive network of cancer care to be provided under the Anderson umbrella.

He predicted that announcements of the formation of similar new networks in other Texas cities will be made in coming months.

Funds that accompany the gift of the 54,000-square-foot facility must be spent on cancer care in Tarrant County, said Raber.

The parties to the agreement are still working out details and are not ready to disclose the amount of the endowment that goes with the gift, said Rand Fredericks, a Moncrief spokesman.

The gift is officially earmarked for the M.D. Anderson Outreach Corp., a nonprofit organization formed to enable the public institution to participate in joint ventures inside and outside the state, said Raber. Earlier this year, the corporation announced the acquisition of the Orlando Cancer Center in Orlando, Fla.

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Clinton says his tax cut plan will make higher education more affordable

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unless the nation gives all of its people a chance for higher education, the United States risks becoming a two-tiered society with an elite few reaping the rewards, President Clinton said Saturday, giving a push to his plan to cut taxes for the middle class.

"Too many people are being priced out of a fair shot at high-quality education," Clinton said in his weekly radio address, broadcast from Northern Virginia Community College in suburban Annandale, Va.

The president said a key element of his plan, which he calls the "Middle Class Bill of Rights," will make college tuitions tax deductible up to \$10,000 a year for families making up to \$120,000 a year.

"Nothing like this has ever been done before," Clinton said.

He announced the tax-cutting plan in a nationally televised speech last Thursday.

While education after high school more important than ever, it is also more expensive than ever, Clinton said Saturday.

"If we can't change that, we're at risk of losing our great American middle class, and of becoming a two-tiered society with a few successful people at the top and everyone else struggling below," he said.

He also touted the other parts of the proposal, including a tax credit of up to \$500 for most children under age 13, enhanced Individual Retirement Accounts, and a new program to channel job training money directly to workers for use as they see fit.

"Of course, we have to pay for all this," Clinton said, sketching his proposal to cut back the programs and

activities of three Cabinet departments and extend a spending freeze on the government.

Clinton said he and Vice President Gore would outline the cuts in more detail Monday.

Clinton shared the microphone with Education Secretary Richard Riley, who said the president has produced "the most far-reaching education agenda of any president in a generation."

"We need to invest in our future and that future is our children," he said. "And the president's proposal takes us forward toward that goal."



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Minding your own Business

By Don Taylor



Some common sense

Sometimes the truth can get a little twisted as illustrated by the following story. A young reporter — working against a short deadline — hurriedly wrote a story about a Wall Street investor who had made a million dollars investing in cattle futures. At the last minute the reporter called the investor and read the story over the phone to verify the facts.

"You're pretty close," said the investor after listening the what the cub reporter had written. "Your story is correct except that it wasn't me, it was my brother; it wasn't cattle futures, it was hog bellies; it wasn't a million dollars, it was only five thousand; and he didn't make it, he lost."

I know how that young reporter must have felt about that time. Sometimes it is hard to find the whole truth. That is why I've worked on this column for several months. When you advertise truth in the headline, you better make certain it is the truth.

I think you'll recognize the wisdom in the thoughts that follow. Common sense is the foundation of these business truisms and they have already withstood the test of time. Some are original, but I've also borrowed from the best.

•You cannot stockpile customer goodwill. Goodwill starts from scratch every morning when the sun comes up.

•The smartest business owner in the world doesn't know everything. The dumbest one does know something. If you put them together, both have an opportunity to learn.

•The world will eventually tip its hat to the man or woman whose number one/priority is to improve their business.

•You can neither borrow nor spend your way to prosperity. (This applies to governments as well as businesses.)

•Money carries no guarantees of happiness. The business owner who has amassed a fortune of five million dollars, is not five times as happy as the owner with only one million. Money is only a method of keeping score in business. In and of itself it does not guarantee happiness.

•Business owners who focus mostly on themselves aren't helping their businesses. However, owners who focus their attention on their business, always help themselves.

•Quality is always preceded by persistence — even in the dictionary. •Don't expect a thank you. Work for the satisfaction of achieving. Work for the joy of serving. Work for the thrill of discovery. Then if someone does say thank you, your day will be made and your expectations exceeded.

•When you can define a problem, you've gone a long way toward finding a solution. (Unless you're happy just defining problems.)

•Some business people are just lucky. When you talk to successful business owners some will admit it. The really honest ones will tell you the harder they worked, the luckier they got.

•Honesty and integrity are business fundamentals. A business owner's character should always sell for full retail. Possessing character above reproach is the only sure-fire success system with a guaranteed long-term retirement program.

•We are quick to judge harshly those in business who try, but fail. The country would be stronger if we criticized only those who fail to try.

•There is a difference in business between being successful and being happy. Success is working hard enough to get exactly what you want. Being happy is liking what you get.

•Great business opportunities still exist. They are often disguised as work, hidden in responsibilities, look like interruptions and camouflaged as problems.

•To know that you do not know is a great beginning step toward knowing.

McDonald's in Mecca

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — The world's newest McDonald's is off-limits to most of the world, but it's not lacking potential customers.

The fast-food chain opened an outlet on Wednesday in Mecca, Saudi Arabia, the holiest city of Islam. Only Muslims are allowed to enter Mecca. The construction of the McDonald's had been kept under wraps and was announced by the company's vice president for international operations, Roger H. Lexell, at a news conference in Bahrain.

Mecca, which is being developed by the government of King Fahd into an ultramodern city, caters year round to hundreds of thousands of Muslims who make the pilgrimage to the Grand Mosque and its Kaaba shrine, toward which 1 billion Muslims around the world turn in prayer five times a day. Mecca is most active at the annual hajj, when about 2 million Muslims gather in the city.

Meat used at the Mecca McDonald's branch, as in other Muslim countries, will be "halal," from animals slaughtered according to Islamic rules.

Bahrain's first McDonald's is to open Thursday, followed next week by one in Dubai.

Chamber Communiqué

Welcome new Chamber members: Blockbuster Video, Ward Plato, manager; and Pampa Pest Control, Mike Phillips.

The Chamber of Commerce Tourism Committee sponsored a commercial lighting contest along with The Pampa News residential lighting contest. The contests were very successful.

During the announcement party, with an over-flow crowd in attendance, Mike Parker, chairman of the tourism committee, and Seleta Chance announced winners of the commercial lighting contest.

They were: •First place — Der Launder, Rene Garrison, 715 N. Hobart.

•Second place — M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center, employees of the City of Pampa, 1000 N. Sumner.

•Third place — All It's Cham, Carmie Ferland, 109 W. Francis.

There were more than 70 entries in the Pampa News residential lighting contest, and Publisher Wayland Thomas presented the winners with their ribbons and special awards.

If you are planning a party, reception or meeting — large or small — you can call the Chamber office at 669-3241 for information on booking an event in the Pampa Community Building, 200 N.

Ballard. The Chamber board of directors welcomed Seleta Chance, Tom Etheredge, Paulette Hinkle, Dr. Joe Lowry, Beverly Teague, Ted Dickman, Kathy Massick, and Larry Orman as new board members. Re-elected to the board were Mary McDaniel and Billy Smith.

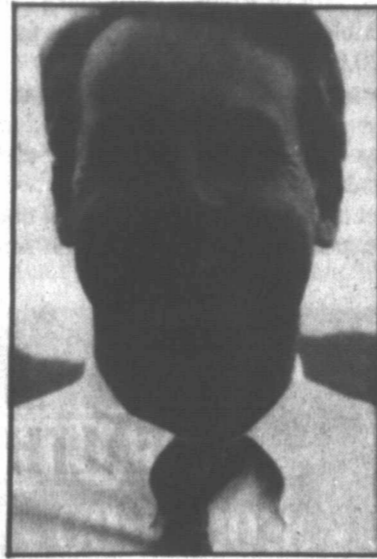
Pampan leads Texaco venture in Scandinavia

A Pampa native has been named to head a three-member management team chosen to lead a joint venture between Texaco and Norsk Hydro to sell petroleum products in Norway, Denmark and the Baltic states.

Thomas Neslage, son of Fred and Dorothy Neslage of Pampa, was named managing director and chief executive officer of Hydro-Texaco. Neslage, based in Copenhagen, Denmark, of he has been serving as Texaco's general manager for marketing and sales in Scandinavia.

In making the announcement, Glenn F. Tilton, president of Texaco Europe, said: "Tom Neslage's proven international experience as general manager has helped Texaco achieve a reputation throughout Scandinavia for providing unparalleled quality service and leadership. In his new role, Tom will be responsible for the operation of this exciting new venture and will serve as board chairman for both the Danish and Norwegian operating companies."

Both Texaco and Norsk Hydro will hold a 50 percent share of the new venture. Combining the established service stations networks of both companies, the joint venture will give the two a combined gasoline market share of about 20 percent in Norway and 17 percent in Denmark.



THOMAS NESLAGE

Neslage, a graduate of Pampa High School, earned a bachelor of arts degree in marketing and management from Texas Tech University, and a master of business administration degree from the University of Tulsa.

He joined Skelly Oil Co., which later became part of Getty Oil Co., in 1974 and was the company's regional marketing coordinator in Tulsa when Getty merged with Texaco in 1984. He was named Tulsa regional retail marketing manager in 1987, and in 1988 moved to Houston as director of credit card and automated marketing systems.

He was appointed director of quality for Texaco Refining and Marketing Inc. in 1990. He has held his current position since 1993.

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill

HANSFORD (TEXAS-HUGOTON) Phillips Petroleum Co., #1R Hart 'E' (640 ac) 1320' from South & West line, Sec. 77,2, GH&H, 11 mi W-SW from Gruver, PD 3500' (Box 358, Borger, TX 79008)

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE & WEST PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #1 Herring 'E' (1510 ac) 330' from North & 4320' from East line, Wm. Cole Survey, 7.5 mi NW from Stinnet, PD 3500' (7120 1-40 West, Suite 100, Amarillo, TX 79106)

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Sandra Arkoma, Homer, Sec. 392,44, H&TC, 7 mi N-NW from Dumas, PD 3850' (Box 1662, Pampa, TX 79066) for the following wells:

#1, 330' from South & 1320' from East line of Sec.

#2, 1320' from South & 1980' from East line of Sec.

#3, 2640' from South & 1320' from East line of Sec.

POTTER (PANHANDLE) Red Cave Arrow Energy Inc., #3702P Arrow-Bivins (482 ac) 1905' from North & 1046' from West line, Sec. 37,0-18,D&P, 30 mi N-NW from Amarillo, PD 2500' (8144 Walnut Hill Lane, Suite 998, Dallas, TX 75231)

SHERMAN (TEXAS-HUGOTON) Mississippi EOG (Texas) Inc., #1-133 Schafer (653 ac) 990' from North & West line, Sec. 133,1-C, GH&H, 10 mi SW from Texhoma, PD 6900' (621

17th St., Suite 1800, Denver, CO 80293)

Application to Re-Enter SHERMAN (WILDCAT & TEXAS-HUGOTON) Phillips Petroleum Co., #2RE Lawyer (666 ac) 1320' from South & East line, Sec. 30,2, GH&H, 21 mi S-SE from Texhoma, PD 3400'.

Applications to Plug-Back MOORE (WILDCAT) Phillips Petroleum Co., #1A C.R. Jones 'G' (320 ac) 1650' from South & 2310' from West line, Sec. 171,3-T&NO, 3.5 mi S-SE from Sunray, PD 2900'.

SHERMAN (PALO DURO CREEK) Red Cave Phillips Petroleum Co., #3 Kathryn 'A' (645 ac) 467' from North & West line, Sec. 8,3-B, GH&H, 24 mi S-SE from Texhoma PD 2300'.

WHEELER (GAGEBY CREEK) Simpson Phillips Petroleum Co., #4 Carville 'A' (640 ac) 1320' from North & 990' from East line, Sec. 99,A-5,H&GN, 4.5 mi NE from New Mobeetie, PD 15820'.

Plugged Wells GRAY (PANHANDLE) J.L. Romines, #2W Fannie Lovett 'B', Sec. 36,B-2,H&GN, spud 11-22-41, plugged 11-28-94, TD 3017' (inj) — Form 1 filed in Stanolind Oil & Gas Co.

HARTLEY (WILDCAT) Cambridge Production, Inc., #2 Chat 'C' Farms, Sec. 376,44,H&TC, spud 9-8-94, plugged 9-28-94, TD 8370'

Savers and investors looking toward 1995

By CHET CURRIER
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — After the beating they have taken in the 1994 bond market, many income-conscious savers and investors are understandably gun-shy as they look ahead to 1995.

Most people aren't eager to be exposed to the kind of risk that sent the price of the longest-term Treasury bond tumbling more than 25 percent as interest rates soared over the past year.

But for countless individual and family money managers, the amount of income they can squeeze out of their investments makes a big difference in their standard of living. So they can't simply run away and hide from every hazard the markets present.

"You can't make money without taking risk," points out Deborah Hicks Midanek, portfolio manager at Solon Asset Management, an investment management firm based in Walnut Creek, Calif.

Investors with money to put to work now have a distinct advantage over their counterparts a year or two back. The yields available in today's market are much juicier.

A 30-year Treasury bond, for

example, now yields around 8 percent, versus as little as 5.75 percent in the fall of '93. Since you get paid more now to take the risks of price fluctuations in bond investments, the potential risk-reward ratio is improved.

But that doesn't mean that bonds are a guaranteed "bargain" simply because they sell for less.

Many analysts are busy these days trying to call the bottom in bond prices, arguing that today's long-term interest rates generously compensate for all inflation threats that can be seen on the horizon.

While they may prove right, any attempt to act on their recommendations is inevitably a venture into market-timing, which has been demonstrated to be a very tough game.

If so few people saw the 1993 upturn in interest rates coming, what credentials can they present now to suggest that they have the market outlook right this time?

Fortunately, there are alternative strategies to market-timing that investors can use to limit risk, if they are willing to compromise a bit on yield.

The first is to diversify by time, spreading your money among interest-bearing investments with different maturities.

- (dry) — HEMPHILL (ALLISON-PARKS Upper Morrow) G>E> Operating Inc., #1-12 Markham, Sec. 12,2-1,ACH&B, spud 4-20-85, plugged 9-20-94, TD 15125 (gas) — Form 1 filed in Dyco Petro.
- HUTCHINSON (HUTCH Granite Wash) Benson-McCown & Co., #7 Peacock, Sec. 10,L,EL&RR, spud 12-18-91, plugged 11-23-94, TD 6326' (oil) —
- HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Harco Operating Co., #4W Herring, George Bason Survey, spud 8-26-57, plugged 9-4-94, TD 3228' (disposal) — Form 1 filed in Wm. K. Davis.
- HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #6 Stevenson 'A', Sec. 7,M-24,TCRR, spud 9-21-55, plugged 10-6-94, TD 3265' (oil) —
- HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #20L-W Bryan Mayfield Unit, Sec. 2,HC,H&OB, spud 5-8-47, plugged 10-21-94, TD 3345' (inj) —
- HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., Weatherly, Sec. 25,Y,A&B (oil) for the following wells: #7, spud 2-40, plugged 10-31-94, TD 3080' —
- #10, spud 8-41, plugged 10-27-94, TD 3087' —
- #16, spud 8-24-41, plugged 10-25-94, TD 3190' —
- HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Phillips Petroleum Co., I. Johnson, Sec. 5,1,B&B (oil) — for the following wells: #5, spud 3-4-47, plugged 10-4-94, TD 3132' —
- #10, spud 10-15-47, plugged 9-30-94, TD 3112' —
- #13, spud 2-18-48, plugged 10-7-94, TD 3089' —
- HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Suoco Oil Corp., #11-W Haile 'E', Sec. 5,M-21,TCRR, spud 5-28-62, plugged 11-17-94, TD 3235' (swd) — Form 1 filed in Smith & Sanders.
- HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) VRK Oil & Gas, Inc., #2-C.E.E. Watkins 'B', Sec. 10,M-21,TCRR, spud unknown, plugged 12-6-94, TD 2870' (inj) —
- HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #14 Herring, William Cole Survey, spud 6-15-45, plugged 9-23-94, TD 3081' (gas) —
- HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE) Phillips Petroleum Co., #5 J. Ford, Sec. 28,Y,A&B, spud 11-28-94, plugged 10-12-64, TD 2750' (gas) —
- LIPSCOMB (UNIT Upper Morrow) Unit Petroleum Co., #1 Lincoln Booth, Sec. 595,43,H&TC, spud 4-21-80, plugged 9-15-94, TD 10400' (gas) —

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Notebook

FISHING

PAMPA — Recently, Honey Hole BCA held the Top Six Championship at Toledo Bend Lake on the Texas-Louisiana border.

Representing the High Plains Bass Anglers were the top six of 1994, Gary Carter, Randall Williams, Blake Howard, Gordon Blythe, Randy Hinds and Bobby Jones.

The team placed 69th out of 96 teams entered and had a total of 24.67 pounds. The club was also acknowledged as having traveled the greatest distance, 640 miles one way, to compete.

The High Plains Bass Anglers meet the first Tuesday of each month, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at Mr. Gattis Pizza in the Pampa Mall.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

RODEO

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Bull rider Brent Thurman died at a hospital Saturday, six days after he was critically injured while competing in the National Finals Rodeo.

A University Medical Center spokesman said Thurman was pronounced dead at 9:43 a.m.

He had been listed in very critical condition with severe facial and cranial fractures. He also had been in a coma and on life support.

Thurman suffered the injuries Dec. 11 when a bull he was riding in the final event of the rodeo bucked him and then stepped on his head.

His parents, Will and Goodnight Thurman, kept a vigil in a motorhome in the hospital parking lot.

Mrs. Thurman, who was in the stands at the UNLV campus arena when the accident happened, said she has received food, cards and cash from people she has never met.

"It has been incredible," she said. "If I live to be 1,000, I can never repay the people of this city. I'm so glad that if this had to happen, it happened in this city."

FOOTBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — Third quarter touchdown runs of 50 yards by Marc Broyles and 47 yards by Michael Price keyed Tyler John Tyler to a 35-24 victory over Austin Westlake on Saturday for the Division II Class 5A state football championship.

It was Tyler's second state champion trophy. The Earl Campbell-led Lions defeated Austin Reagan 21-14 for the 1973 Class 4A crown.

Tyler (16-0-0) took a 21-7 lead in the second quarter before Westlake gained late momentum.

But Broyles broke off two tackles on the first play of the third quarter for a touchdown, and on Tyler's next possession, Price outran Westlake's Michael League to the end zone with 7:37 left in the quarter.

Still, Westlake didn't quit.

Jay Rodgers got the Chaparrals back in the game, completing passes of 21 and 16 yards to John Peays that put David Bremer in position for an 8-yard touchdown run with 5:38 left in the third quarter.

That's where the scoring ended, although both teams provided an entertaining fourth quarter. Tyler quarterback Morris Anderson broke four tackles on a 21-yard fourth down run, helping the Lions reach the Westlake 1-yard line, where Michael Throckmorton recovered his second fumble of the game.

Westlake drove back to the Tyler 22, keyed on a 40-yard run by Bremer on fourth and one from the Austin 10-yard line. Westlake later reached the Tyler 15.

Ryan Nunez led all rushers in the game with 119 yards on 14 carries for Westlake (14-1-1). Price led the champions with 108 yards on 16 carries.

Tyler took its 21-7 second quarter lead on runs of one yard each by Jessie Taylor and Taafee Hines and Anderson's 23-yard pass to DeRoyce Gee.

But the Chaparrals rallied in the final 2:50 of the half with Rodgers' 36-yard touchdown pass to John Peays and a 25-yard field goal by Kam Praytor as time expired in the second quarter, trimming Tyler's lead to 21-17.

Tyler relied on its running attack early but Anderson kept Westlake off balance by completing his first five passes for 100 yards.

Anderson set up Gee's touchdown catch by completing passes of 27 and 13 yards to Brian Giddens.

Rodgers got his passing arm loose in the late first half charge. He hit Ben Peays for 16 yards prior to his 36-yard touchdown pass to John Peays.

Linebacker Roderick Dunn caught John Peays at the 5-yard line but he wiggled free and scored the touchdown. Rodgers completed a 34-yard pass to John Peays that set up Praytor's field goal.

HUNTINGTON, W.Va. (AP) — Youngstown State's football team, like Santa Claus, wears red and does its best work in December.

The defending champion Penguins (14-0-1), playing in their fourth straight NCAA I-AA championship game, beat Boise State 28-14 Saturday for their 14th consecutive victory.

Youngstown State has won three of the past four championship games played in mid-December, losing only to Marshall in 1992.

"We like to set the tone and show an opponent we're going to pound on them and pound on them," Youngstown State running back Shawn Patton said. "Winning this was ... great."

Boise State (13-2), which was only 3-8 last season, lost for the first time in eight games.

Youngstown took control of the game in the second quarter behind Mark Brungard's rushing. The quarterback capped a nine-play, 43-yard drive by leaping for a 2-yard touchdown, tying the score 7-7.

Boise State quarterback Tony Hilde and Brungard traded interceptions on the ensuing series, then Youngstown State forced Boise to punt with only 1:18 left in the half.

Youngstown needed only 43 seconds and three plays to score. Patton ran for 8 yards on the first play, then Brungard threw to Trent Boykin for 17 yards. On the next play, Brungard ran untouched 39 yards for a touchdown on a quarterback draw, making it 14-7.

Brungard said he changed the play from a pass to a run just before the snap.

"Boise was in a man-to-man defense on our four wideouts," Brungard said. "The middle linebacker came up. It was like a parting of the Red Sea. ... It was easy."

Brungard ran the option several times during the third quarter, and Boise State couldn't stop it.

Pampa's Finney named to all-state team

Seven area players also receive honors

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

Pampa's Todd Finney, the leading kick scorer in District 1-4A this season, was named last week to The Class 4A All-State Team by The Associated Press Sports Editors.

Finney made the honorable mention list at placekicker for the 7-2-1 Harvesters, and he earned his all-state spot the hard way. With no one to help him, the 5-10, 155-pound junior had to teach himself the fine art of kicking a football, not only for distance, but also for accuracy.

"Todd was self-taught and self-motivated," said Pampa head coach Dennis Cavalier. "None of us know a lick about kicking, so it's something he's had to do by himself."

Finney booted 7 of 9 field goal attempts this season, including a school record 55-yarder against Amarillo High in Dick Bivins Stadium. The kick is also believed to be a record for Dick Bivins Stadium.

"Todd is an outstanding athlete in our program in both football and baseball," said Dennis Cavalier, PHS head football coach and athletic director. "He's as good a kicker as anybody I know about and a very versatile athlete. He also did our punting and was a receiver."

Finney was successful on 27 of 31 field goal attempts and punted 29 times for a 35.8 yard average.

"The best thing about Todd is that he's a junior. We'll be able to count on him for next season."

Cavalier said.

Finney, also an honor student, led the district in kick scoring with 48 points. Hereford's Terrance High was a distant second with 26.

"Todd has great range and great accuracy," Cavalier said. "I'll never forget that monstrous 50-yard kick into the wind he had against Berger. It fell just short of the goal post, but it was still quite a kick into the wind."

Finney still made good on a 41-yard field goal against Berger in the season's final game.

"With continued improvement, we'll be looking at him making the first team next season and being a well-recruited player," Cavalier said.

Earlier, Finney was named to the Amarillo Globe-News Super Team first-team offense at placekicker.

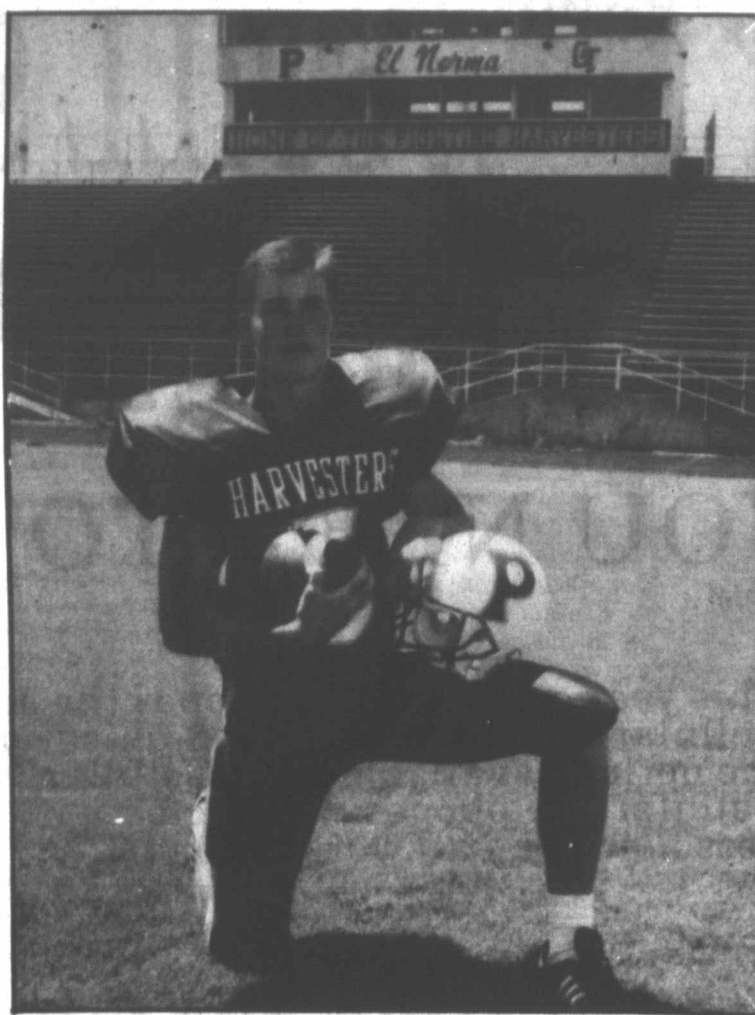
Pampa's J.J. Mathis was named Sophomore of the Year by the Amarillo Globe-News. Mathis played split end and free safety for the Harvesters.

Mathis scored 7 touchdowns from his split end position and had 57 tackles on defense. On offense, he rushed 24 times for 240 yards and caught 14 passes for 220 yards. Mathis also averaged 13.1 yards on 21 punt returns and averaged 26 yards on six kickoff returns.

Seven area players also made the AP Sports Editors All-State Team.

Defensive back Jeff Caffey of White Deer was named to the Class 1A second-team defense.

Caffey had 23 solo tackles, 103



Pampa's Todd Finney makes the Associated Press Sports Editors Class 4A All-State Honorable Mention Team at placekicker. (Courtesy photo)

assisted tackles and had six tackles for losses. He had five interceptions, returning two for touchdowns. Caffey, 5-9 1/2, 185-pound senior, also recovered a fumble, blocked a kick and caused a fumble. He runs the 40 in 4.6.

Caffey is the son of White Deer head coach Stan Caffey.

"I think the key to Jeff's success has been the dedication he has to our program," said the

elder Caffey.

Caffey's teammates Jeremy Savage, an offensive lineman, and Mitch Ford, a defensive lineman, made the honorable mention team.

Savage stands 6-foot and tips the scales at 275.

"Jeremy graded at 89 percent for the year, which is very good for an offensive lineman," Caffey said. "It means he got his block 89 percent of the time. Jeremy

also was selected both ways to the all-district team."

The 6-foot Ford also possesses good size at 255.

"Mitch has great quickness for his size," Caffey said. "He also has an outstanding work ethic."

Ford had 13 solo tackles, 92 assisted tackles, nine tackles for losses, two fumble recoveries and three blocked kicks this season.

All three White Deer all-stars have been recruited by college teams, Caffey said. Among the interested schools are Tarleton State, Hardin-Simmons, Cisco Junior College and Valdosta State in Georgia.

Defensive lineman Charlie Flanagan and linebacker Corey Case of Wheeler also made honorable mention.

Linebacker Jason Folk of Canadian and running back Kevin Flowers, also of Canadian, were named to the honorable mention team in Class 2A.

Case and Folk were also selected to the Globe-News Super team as first-team defenders.

Folk, who played for Childress as a sophomore, had 61 solo tackles for the Wildcats as a senior. Case averaged more than 12 tackles a game and recovered six fumbles.

Canadian and Wheeler both won district championships this season.

The Globe-News named Nick Knocke of White Deer as Freshman of the year. Knocke led the Class 1A area in receiving with 36 catches for 520 yards and two touchdowns. He also earned first-team District 1-1A honors.

Offensive player of the year honors went to Berger running back Cornell Jones. Randall's Lance Denton was selected as Defensive player of the year.

Coach of the year is Eric Roanhaus of Clovis.

Sanders helps Lions bury Vikings

By HARRY ATKINS
AP Sports Writer

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — The Detroit Lions have never lost faith in themselves. With players like Barry Sanders and Mel Gray, it's easy to see why.

On Saturday, they made believers of the Minnesota Vikings, too.

Sanders had touchdown runs of 18 and 64 yards, Gray returned a kickoff 98 yards for a touchdown and the Lions tied Minnesota for first place in the NFC Central by beating the Vikings 41-19.

Both teams have 9-6 records with one game remaining. Had the Vikings won, they would have clinched the division title.

"We were the division champs, not Minnesota," Lions coach Wayne Fontes said. "I think a lot of people forgot that."

The Lions, who have won the division two of the last three years, were brought back off after a 2-4 start that included a 10-3 loss at Minnesota in the second week.

But the Lions have a history of fast finishes.

The Lions are 22-12 in regular season games on and after Thanksgiving under Fontes, 18-9 in December and early January. After the 2-4 start, the Lions have rallied to win four in a row and seven of their last nine.

"A lot of things were being written and a lot of things were being said when we were 2-4," Fontes said. "I kept telling peo-

ple to wait and see. But nobody wanted to listen to me."

It was the most points allowed by the Vikings since a 44-38 overtime loss to Washington on Nov. 2, 1986.

"I thought we'd play better today, to get the division title," Vikings linebacker Jack Del Rio said. "But we didn't get it done. We've been working all year and we'll just continue to work."

Sanders, the NFL's leading rusher, gained 110 yards on 17 carries. He needs 169 yards in the Lions' final regular season game, Christmas night at Miami, to become the third NFL rusher in history to gain 2,000 yards.

"We knew it was early in the season," Sanders said. "The NFL is comparable to a marathon. You just have to stick with it. Who cares who gets out of the gate fast? It's how you finish that counts. You know, a lot can happen in just a couple weeks."

Minnesota wide receiver Cris Carter, who had 8 catches for 80 yards, broke the NFL record of 112 catches set by Green Bay's Sterling Sharpe in 1993. Carter has 119 catches this season.

The Vikings played most of the second half without quarterback Warren Moon. He went out with a bruised right knee with 7:33 left in the third quarter. But it's doubtful that Moon could have saved the Vikings, who trailed 27-13 when he left. Moon was 15-of-22 for 186 yards, with one interception.

"He's one of the finest quarterbacks in the NFL and you want him in the game," Vikings coach Dennis Green said.

Brad Johnson went the rest of the way in place of Moon. Johnson was 14-of-29 for 104 yards.

Gray, selected to his fifth Pro Bowl on Thursday, brought the Silverdome crowd of 73,881 to life early with his electrifying return. Gray had earlier given a hint of what was to come with a 33-yard kickoff return to open the game.

"Mel's just as important as Barry to us," quarterback Dave Krieg said. "Not only did he get us a touchdown, but on the first drive of the game, he gave us the ball at midfield."

"When he comes through like that, along with the rest of the special teams, it can really make our job a lot easier."

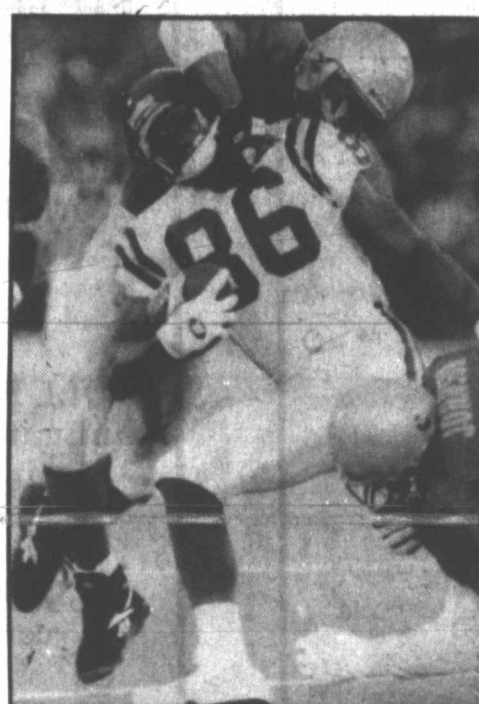
On his touchdown run, Gray changed direction nine times and hurdled teammate Ty Hallock at the Vikings 25 on his way to the game's first touchdown which gave Detroit a 10-3 lead with 4:03 left in the first quarter.

"He's the best returner in history," Green said. "Well, I don't know if you can say that. But he's the best in the '90s. The game was even at that point."

Moon pulled the Vikings into a 10-10 tie with a 20-yard scoring pass to Jake Reed early in the second quarter.

But it was all Detroit after that. Jason Hanson, who had a 39-yard field

goal in the first quarter, put Detroit ahead to stay with a 41-yarder. An 18-yard scoring strike from Krieg to rookie Johnnie Morton gave Detroit a 20-10 lead with 2:49 left in the half.



The Vikings' Jake Reed (86) is wrapped by Lions' defenders Robert Massey and Mike Johnson (right). (AP photo)

Hoosiers tame Kansas

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (AP) — Brian Evans scored 29 points and Alan Henderson added 22 Saturday as Indiana beat No. 3 Kansas 80-61 to extend the nation's longest home winning streak to 47 games.

The Jayhawks (5-1) went seven minutes without a point as the Hoosiers (5-4) scored 15 straight points and stretched the lead to 39-19 with just over two minutes left in the first half.

Two free throws by Jacque Vaughn ended the Indiana run, but Evans countered with a 3-point goal. Then, after baskets by Greg Ostertag and B.J. Williams, 3-pointers by Evans and freshman Neil Reed put the Hoosiers ahead 48-25 at the half and Kansas never recovered.

Evans and Henderson, dominating the boards, grabbed 12 rebounds apiece as the Hoosiers out rebounded Kansas 57-40.

The Jayhawks, shooting 53 percent from the field for the season, managed only 26 percent in the first half and 36 percent for the game. They led only once, 7-5, on a 3-pointer by Jerod Haase. But a basket by Evans, a 3-pointer by Henderson and a layup and free throw by Reed gave Indiana a 13-7 lead.

The Jayhawks stayed close the next six minutes and trailed only 24-19 after a 3-pointer by Vaughn before the Hoosiers started their long streak with 3-point goals by Reed and Evans.

Henderson scored Indiana's first nine points of the second half, and the Hoosiers took their biggest lead at 57-31 on a rebound basket by Henderson with 12:12 to go. Indiana had one more lead of 26 points before a late Kansas rally cut the margin to 14.

Indiana shot only 23 percent in the second half and 35 percent for the game but hit 27 of 35 free throws to only 4 of 9 for Kansas.

Haase led the Jayhawks with 16 points, while Williams added 11 and Raef LaFrenz 10. Reed added 14 points for the Hoosiers.

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Harvesters blast AHS to push record to 11-3

PAMPA — Rayford Young and Coy Laury scored 22 points apiece as Pampa ripped Amarillo High, 76-55, Friday night in McNeely Fieldhouse. The Harvesters improved their record to 11-3 while the Sandies drop to 6-8 for the season. There were four lead changes in the first quarter, but the Harvesters trailed only once in the second quarter.

Pampa led by two, 31-29, at halftime, but started pulling away in the third quarter. The Harvesters built an 8-point lead (46-38) at the end of the third quarter and then really put the Sandies in a hole by scoring the first nine points of the fourth quarter. Pampa went on to

outscore AHS, 30-17, in the final period.

Young, a 5-10 junior, scored 10 points and Laury, a 6-1 junior, added 9 in the big fourth quarter.

An aggressive defense forced AHS into 22 turnovers, 12 coming in the second half. Pampa had just 10 turnovers for the game.

J.J. Mathis scored 9 points and Jason Weatherbee added 8 for the Harvesters.

Detrick Johnson, a 6-1 junior, led the Sandies with 15 points. Zac Rose followed with 12 and Trey Kemp chipped in 10.

Amarillo High held a 27-26 overall edge on the boards, but Pampa pulled down five more rebounds than the Sandies in the second half. Laury had 9

rebounds to lead Pampa. Johnson had 8 for AHS.

Pampa hosts Dimmitt at 7:30 Tuesday night.

Individual scoring

Pampa: Rayford Young 22, Coy Laury 22, J.J. Mathis 9, Jason Weatherbee 8, Duane Nickelberry 6, Jeremy King 4, Jason Jones 3, Devin Lemons 2; Three-point goals: Nickelberry 2, Young 2, Weatherbee 2, Jones 1.

Amarillo High: Detrick Johnson 15, Zac Rose 12, Trey Kemp 10, Brandon Blunt 6, Bobby Stavenhagen 4, Chris Swayden 3, Jason Trook 2, Brent Hurt 1; Three-point goals: Rose 4, Kemp 2, Swayden 1.



Pampa sophomore J.J. Mathis plays some tight defense against an Amarillo High player. Mathis scored 9 points as the Harvesters won, 76-55. (Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

49ers lock up homefield advantage

By DENNIS GEORGATOS
AP Sports Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — With the NFC West title and a first-round bye already in hand, the San Francisco 49ers locked up home field advantage through the playoffs by defeating the Denver Broncos 42-19 Saturday.

Steve Young completed 20 of 29 throws for 350 yards and three touchdowns in just three quarters, and Ricky Waters scored three times as the 49ers became the top-scoring club in franchise history. San Francisco's 491 points in 13 games topped the previous record of 475 by the 1984 Super Bowl team.

The victory was the 10th straight for San Francisco (13-2), which has outscored opponents by an average of 36.4 to 16.5 during the streak.

Denver, its 27th-ranked defense overwhelmed by the 49ers' precision attack and its offense crippled by season-ending injuries to running backs Leonard Russell and Rod Bernstine, dropped to 7-8 and barely stayed in playoff contention.

John Elway, still bothered by a twisted left knee, had limited mobility and left the game early in the third quarter after being sacked six times. Before being relieved by Hugh Millen, Elway was intercepted by Deion Sanders and fumbled on his

first play from scrimmage, setting up a 49ers' score.

Millen helped Denver to a pair of third-quarter scores and extended his string of consecutive completions to 20 over two games before missing on a throw early in the fourth quarter to fall two shy of Joe Montana's NFL record.

Young had the NFC's top-ranked offense on the move quickly, and the 49ers took a 21-0 lead in the game's first 16 minutes.

He completed six of seven throws on the opening drive, capped by Waters' one-handed grab of a 12-yard pass for a touchdown. It was Young's 32nd scoring pass of the season, breaking Montana's previous club mark of 31 in 1987.

Young, closing in on his fourth straight passing title, has thrown for 25 TDs to just three interceptions over the past 10 games.

Jerry Rice cut through the Denver secondary for 121 yards on nine catches, including a 23-yard touchdown catch that put San Francisco up 14-0 less than six minutes into the game.

Rice now has 108 catches on the season, a personal high and a club record, surpassing his 100-reception season in 1990.

The scoring pass to Rice was set up on the preceding play, when blitzing linebacker Lee Woodall sacked

Elway, causing a fumble that was recovered by Rhett Hall at the Denver 23.

Hall, who had three of the 49ers' seven sacks, was starting in place of defensive tackle Dana Stubblefield, the 49ers' leading sacker, who was sidelined by a left knee sprain suffered last week.

William Floyd's 11-yard scoring run on the first play of the second quarter culminated a 13-play, 91-yard march for a 21-0 advantage.

Jason Elam got Denver on the board with a 28-yard field goal and added a 45-yarder around Floyd's second touchdown run, a 1-yarder that gave San Francisco a 28-6 halftime lead.

An interception of Young by Elijah Alexander led to Denver's first touchdown, an 11-yard run by Glyn Milburn with 8:34 left in the third quarter. But San Francisco answered by driving for another score with Young's 44-yard completion to Dexter Carter setting up a 9-yard touchdown run by Waters midway through the third period.

Millen and Anthony Miller then teamed up for a 76-yard reception to the San Francisco 1 and Derrick Clark ran it in from there two plays later.

Young's 65-yard touchdown pass to Waters made it 42-19, the fifth time this year San Francisco has scored at least 40 points.

Kelton cagers sweep Wheeler Christian

KELTON — J.W. Ray poured in 30 points to lead Kelton past Wheeler Christian, 77-62, in boys' basketball action Friday night.

Brandon Lewis added 19 points for the Lions.

Kelton led by 14 points at halftime. Meek led Wheeler Christian with 24 points.

Kelton's record is now 6-8 for the season.

Kelton also won the girls' game, 41-36, with Kelli Crockett and Jennifer Kirkland leading the way with 13 points each.

Hall was high scorer for Wheeler Christian with 14 points.

The Lady Lions have a 5-10 record. "I feel like we have a chance to be successful. We've improved quite a bit since the start of the season, and as

a coach that's what you're looking for. Although our records don't look like it now, I believe we have a chance at making the playoffs. In my six years as a head coach, I'm never seen Class 1A schools so well balanced," said Kelton coach Brad Slaton. "There's not anybody that's head and shoulders above anybody else."

Thorndale captures second Class 1A championship

By JAIME ARON
AP Sports Writer

TEMPLE (AP) — Thorndale completed a triumphant return to Class 1A by outlasting Crawford 36-13 Saturday, wrapping up the Bulldogs' second title and becoming the third-highest scoring team in Texas history.

Senior quarterback Anthony Dominguez and sophomore running back Twone Simmons kept Thorndale (16-0) in control despite a narrow lead for three quarters, then they broke it open with three fourth-quarter touchdowns.

"Once we got it going, we were unstoppable," said Dominguez, who ran for a game-high 175 yards on 24 carries and had 244 all-purpose yards.

With the victory, Thorndale put a perfect cap to its first season back in 1A after two playoff years in 2A. The

Bulldogs were ranked No. 1 since the preseason and added a trophy to put next to their 1989 1A crown.

Yet, they didn't win in their normal, crunching fashion. They led only 15-13 entering the fourth quarter and weren't ahead comfortably until a Clint Lescher interception set up the touchdown that gave Thorndale a 29-13 lead.

The Bulldogs also were held under 40 points for the first time since week five and allowed the second-most points this season.

But to Crawford (14-1), having slowed Thorndale was hardly a consolation prize to take home from its first championship game.

The Pirates gave up more points in the first quarter (15) than they had in any game this season. The 36 points allowed Saturday was one fewer than they had allowed in all 14 previous games.

"We told the kids all week that we wanted to get it into a fourth-quarter ballgame," Pirates coach Robert Murphy said. "But we just didn't make the plays when we had to. There were a lot of near misses."

But Crawford has no reason to feel bad. No one else has found a way to stop Thorndale this season as it scored a 801 points, just behind the 803 Southlake Carroll scored in 1992 and the 824 by Big Sandy in 1975.

The game got off to a quick start, with 22 points being scored in a 31-second span late in the first quarter. Thorndale emerged from that series with a 15-7 lead, which it held until midway through the third quarter.

Simmons opened the scoring with a 40-yard burst up the middle. Then, the teams became the first in 1A title game history to trade kickoff returns for touchdowns.

Crawford's Jeremy Jones went first, taking a kick 84 yards up the middle to briefly tie the game 7-7. Then Clint Adams went 88 yards and Dominguez threw completed a two-point conversion pass to Lescher on a fake kick.

The scoring stopped until the third quarter when Jones, who ran for 132 yards, struck again for the Pirates.

Jones took a pitch 70 yards for a touchdown, but Crawford missed a chance for the tie when quarterback Rick Weil's run on a two-point try ended with a fumble at the goal line.

Just when it seemed the momentum was going toward Crawford, Dominguez and Simmons were able to pull it back for Thorndale.

With 9:19 to play, Dominguez weaved 70 yards for a touchdown and after the kick was blocked the Bulldogs were ahead 21-13.

Els leads World Championship

MONTEGO BAY, Jamaica (AP) — Not even Nick Faldo's divot could stop Ernie Els at the \$2.5 million Johnnie Walker World Championship.

The only hope now for the rest of the field may be the wind, which has been little more than a whisper during Els' romp through one of the toughest fields of the year.

For the second day in a row, the Tryall Course was vulnerable and the 25-year-old South African was in charge. Els shot another 64 to take a six-shot lead Friday at the midway point of the tournament.

Six birdies on the back nine gave him a 30, breaking the tournament record first set in the inaugural year in 1991 and matched three times last year. He wound up 14-under, comfortably ahead of Tom Lehman and Nick Faldo.

"So far, the weather has been quite nice to us," Els said. "The course is there to be taken."

The U.S. Open champion offset his lone bogey with birdies on the fourth, seven, 11th and 12th holes. Then he birdied the last four holes, topping it off with a 35-foot putt on the 18th.

At the par-5 17th, he thought he was in good shape in the fairway until his father told him his ball had landed in Faldo's divot. Els hit a 6-iron just off the green and two-putted from 25 feet for birdie.

"I thought I was longer (off the tee) than Nick Faldo," Els said with a laugh.

Faldo's 5-iron from the same spot nearly went in the hole for a double-eagle. He settled for a 3 in a round of 67, tied with Lehman at 8-under.

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Pampa Middle School Honor Roll

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Family wins suit against psychiatrist

PITTSBURGH (AP) — A jury ruled against a psychiatrist who didn't think it was her job to question sexual abuse claims made by a teenage patient who told stories about sex parties and a grandmother who flies on a broom.

Dr. Judith Cohen and her former employer, the University of Pittsburgh's Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic, were ordered Friday to pay \$272,232 in malpractice damages to 19-year-old Nicole Althaus and her parents.

Richard and Cheryl Althaus were arrested and charged with sex abuse in 1991 before their daughter recanted her story a year later. She rejoined the family after a year of living with foster parents and about 100 sessions with Cohen.

The family filed a lawsuit saying Cohen fueled the sexual abuse allegations during therapy, and failed to determine whether Nicole Althaus was lying. The psychiatrist diagnosed her as having depression and post-traumatic stress disorder brought on by sexual abuse.

"She saw the diagnosis as a certainty and did not check out anything else. You can't do that," Richard Althaus said. "She was the key person in the entire system. For a jury to find that she was at fault is a great victory."

Police and Cohen discounted many of the sensational allegations Nicole Althaus made — that her grandmother flew on a broom, that the teen-ager was wounded with medieval torture devices, that her parents took her to wild sex parties and that she bore children who were killed.

But the sexual abuse claim led to several serious charges based on Cohen's recommendation. The father was briefly jailed, and Mrs. Althaus was arrested at the elementary school where she worked.

A separate lawsuit by the Althauses in federal court accuses nearly everyone else involved in the case — prosecutors, social workers, police detectives and child-advocacy attorneys — of mishandling the investigation.

The verdict followed about a day of jury deliberations and a month of testimony.

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Letters to Santa

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Will you please bring me a Tonka talking fire truck and a BB gun? Some new clothes and some new shoes also.

Please remember my cousins, Tasha and Tiffany, and KaLeigh Lucas. Don't forget the other boys and girls.

I will leave some milk and cookies for you, and the reindeer can eat grass outside so they won't make a mess in the house.

Thank you Santa Claus. Tell Mrs. Claus hello and keep making those good cookies!

I love you Santa, Aaron Lucas Pampa

Dear Santa, My name is Nicholas Bruton and I am 7 years old. I have been very good. This is what I want for Christmas. I want a TV and a phone and a wagon and a fish and a puppy and a cat and a snake.

I love you! Your friend, Nicholas Bruton

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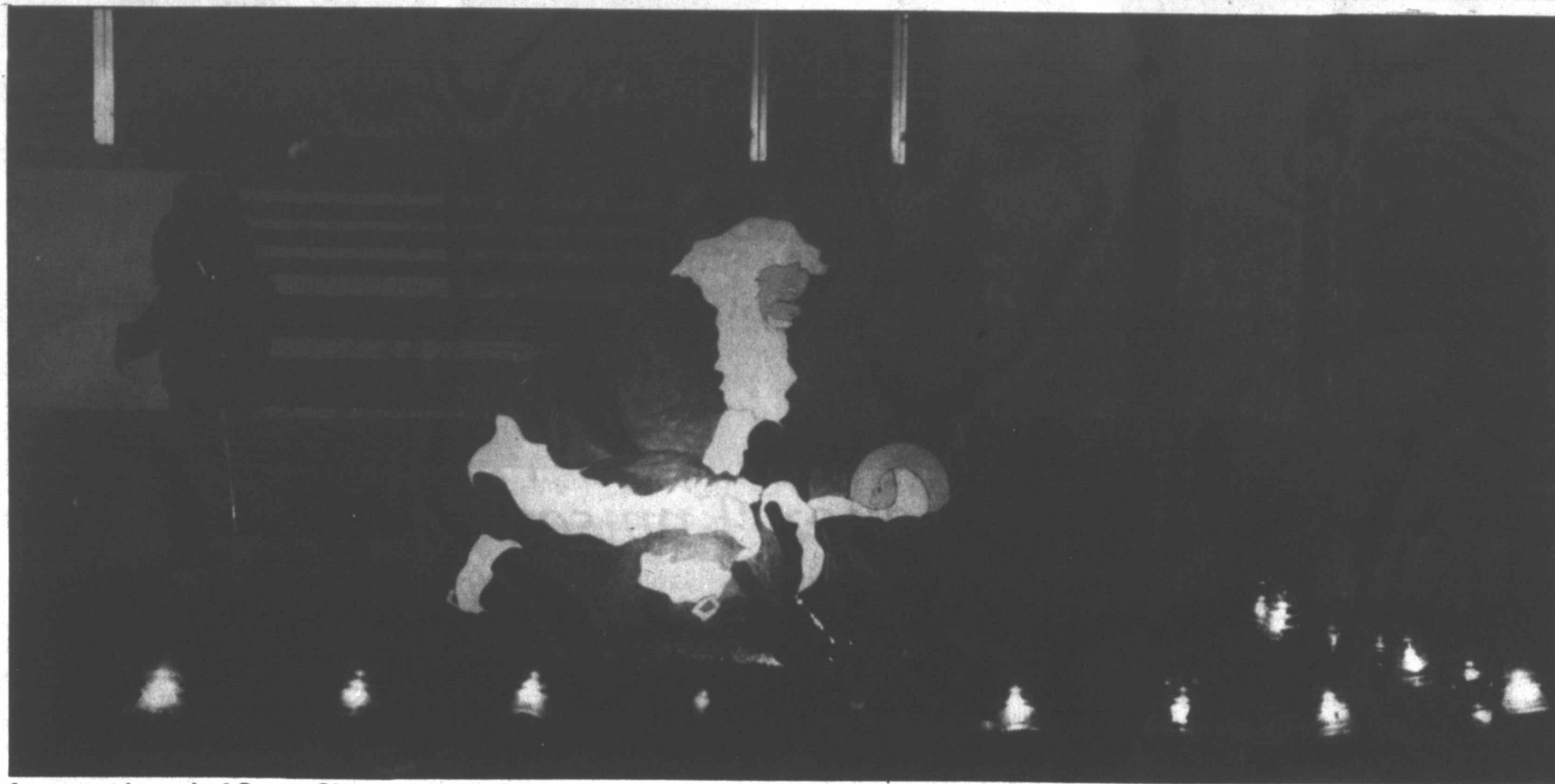
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Lifestyles



A cut-out board of Santa Claus with the Christ Child decorates the lawn of Kevin and Whitney Davis who won in area III for originality.



Gerald Moore took both originality and overall appearance honors in area VI. Cut outs of elves at Santa Claus' workshop adorn his lawn along with other figures.



A Texas Christmas greets all who pass the house of Janet and Frankie Watts who won both for originality and overall appearance in area II.

Winners of the Residential Christmas Decorations contest



Travis and Diane Jennings took the overall appearance award in area I for their winter wonderland theme.

Photos by Melinda Martinez



A Nativity scene decorates the front lawn of Mark and Sherry Lamb who won in area II for overall appearance.



Wooden reindeer can be seen on the lawn of James and Pat Winkleblack who won for originality in area I.

Have a
very
Merry
Christmas

Winners in the 1994 House Decorating Contest sponsored by the Greater Pampa Chamber of Commerce and *The Pampa News* have been selected. The town was divided into six areas with first, second and third place winners in originality and overall appearance. First place winners received \$25 in silver dollars with second and third place winners receiving ribbons. First place winners in originality and overall appearance are as follows: In area I,

winning for originality is James and Pat Winkleblack. Travis and Diane Jennings won for overall appearance. In area II, Janet and Frankie Watts won both for originality and overall appearance. In area III, Kevin and Whitney Davis won for originality while Mark and Sherry Lamb won for overall appearance. Don and Shirley Stafford won both for originality and overall appearance in area IV. In area V, Gerald Moore took both

awards and in area VI, Robert and Mary Hartley also took both honors. Judges for the contest were: Natalie Reeve and Patsy Duncan, area I; Billie Bruner and Donna Daughtery, area II; Dee Dee Laramore and Vernell Houska, area III; Vicki Phillips and Susie Spoonmore, area IV; Lloyd Harvey and Jim Osborne, area V; and Dennis Godwin and Nancy Hahn, area VI. *The Pampa News* provided prizes for the contest.

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Trolinger-O'Dell

Kathryn Diana Trolinger and Keith James O'Dell, both of Pampa, were married Nov. 18 at Hobart Baptist Church with James C. Burt of the church officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Danny McDowell of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Trolinger of Borger. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam O'Dell.

The matron of honor was Rebecca Carpenter, sister of the bride of Pampa. The bridesmaid was Melody Forbes of Pampa. The flower girl was Chelsea Anderson of Pampa.

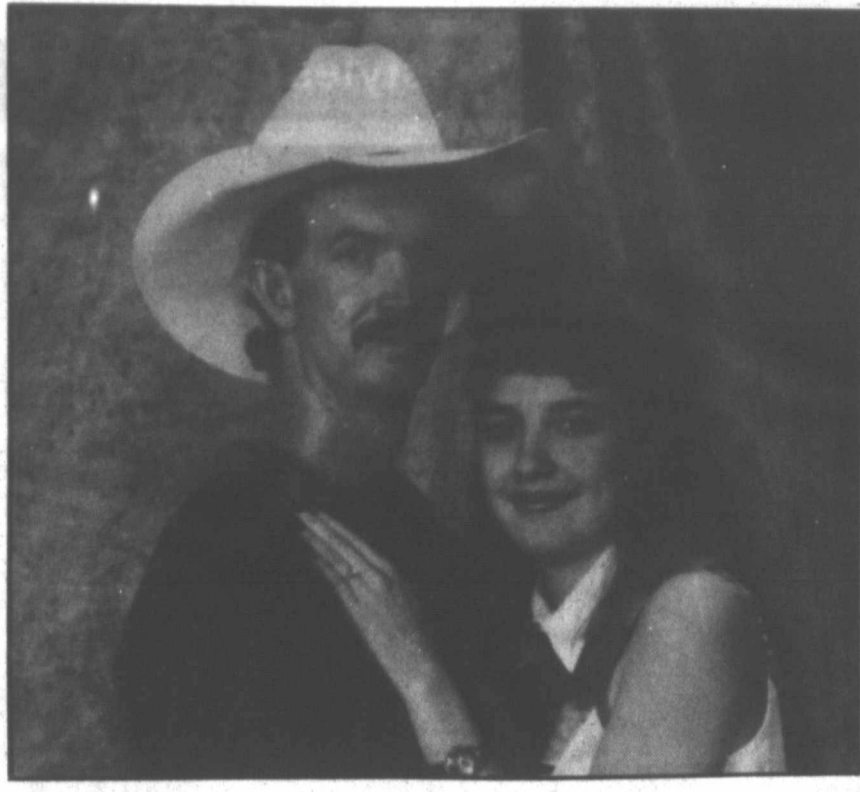
The best man was Brandon Kitchens of Pampa. The groomsman was the father of the groom, Sam O'Dell. The ring bearer was Justin Daniels, nephew of the bride, of Pampa. David Potter and Bobby Carroll, cousins of the groom, of Pampa, served as the ushers.

The candles were lit by Dustin Cates, the groom's cousin, of Pampa. Registering the guests was Marcie Broggin, cousin of the bride, of Pampa. Music was provided by Jimmy O'Dell, uncle of the groom, of Norman, Okla.

A reception followed at the church. Serving the guests were Marcie Broggin, Lois Adamson, aunt of the bride, and Crystal O'Dell, all of Pampa.

The bride is employed by Royse Animal Hospital and the groom is employed by Titan Specialties, Inc.

After a honeymoon to Red River, N.M., the couple plan to reside in Pampa.



Mulanax-Eppison

Perez Rani Mulanax and James Kenneth Eppison, both of Pampa, were married Nov. 19 in Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ with Marcus Brecheen, minister of the church, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Maurita Mulanax and Jerry C. Mulanax, both of Pampa. The groom is the son of Denny and Judy Eppison of Pampa.

Serving as the maid of honor was Erin Mulanax, sister of the bride, Pampa. The bridesmaid was Denise Eppison, sister of the groom, Pampa. Standing as the best man was David Sims of Lefors. The groomsman was the father of the groom, Denny Eppison.

The ushers were Chad Quarels and Brady Broggin, both of Pampa. Registering the guests was Stacey Gross of Pampa.

A reception followed at the church. Serving the guests were Stacey Gross, Pampa, and Catarina Campos, Goodwell, Okla.

The bride is a 1994 graduate of Pampa High School. The groom is a 1990 graduate of Pampa High School and served in the U.S. Navy. He is employed by Culberson Stowers of Pampa.

After a honeymoon to Amarillo, the couple plan to reside in Pampa.



Brown-Graves

Catherine Annette Brown and Gary Franklin Graves Jr., both of Pampa, were married Dec. 3 in the home of the bride's parents with Justice of the Peace Sharon Harper officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marland Hays of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Brown of Crowley. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Graves of Pampa.

Serving as the maid of honor was Chel Smith of Pampa. The flower girl was Ashley Brown, daughter of the bride, Pampa.

Standing as the best man was Danny Graves, brother of the groom, Pampa. The ring bearer was Kelly Brown, nephew of the bride, Pampa. The candles were lit by Angela Pierce, sister of the bride, of Pampa.

A reception followed in the home. Serving the guests were Jody Waters, cousin of the groom, Amarillo, and Jeree Waters, cousin of the groom, Pampa.

The bride is a 1993 graduate of Pampa High School. The groom is employed by Titan Specialties, Inc.

After a honeymoon to Las Vegas, Nev., the couple plan to reside in Pampa.

Fantasies walk down the aisle

By BARBARA MAYER
For AP Special Edition

Hollywood vamp, heroine of a costume drama, sophisticated siren, or sweet young thing: The bride of today can find a dress to fit her favorite fantasy.

As part of a trend towards more personalized weddings, there is more variety in bridal clothing than at any time in recent memory.

One direction for the upcoming spring and summer season emphasizes the wedding dress as a costume. It could be the slinky body-hugging style, a la Hollywood of the 1930s, or an 18th-century ballgown with a voluminous skirt and a tightly fitted top known as a bustier, says Rachel Leonard, fashion editor of *Bride's* magazine.

Lace is hot, especially thicker guipure and venice laces in geometric rather than the traditional floral patterns; geometric patterns give lace a more modern look, Leonard says. An example of the trend is a slim long dress by Carolina Herrera with long sleeves and a yoke of geometrically patterned lace.

Traditionally, a bride wears a dress that covers shoulders and arms, but the newer looks are barer and sexier. Two dresses from Vera Wang are on the cutting edge, with one model that appears to have a bare midriff and another that looks backless. The bareness is an illusion created with a sheer stretch tulle known as illusion fabric that clings to the body. This fabric is being used by many designers, Leonard says.

The trend extends to ethnic outfits, such as African-inspired bridal clothes for both bride and groom made by Thony Anyiam of Langley Park, Md.

Anyiam has made about 200 outfits for weddings this year, twice the number he made last year. He also markets Western-style men's tuxedos embellished with African-style embroidery that are suitable for weddings with an ethnic flair.

In a less extreme way, touches of ethnic dress include gown hems edged with tartan and dresses with a suggestion of traditional folk costume, such as a dirndl skirt or puffed sleeves.

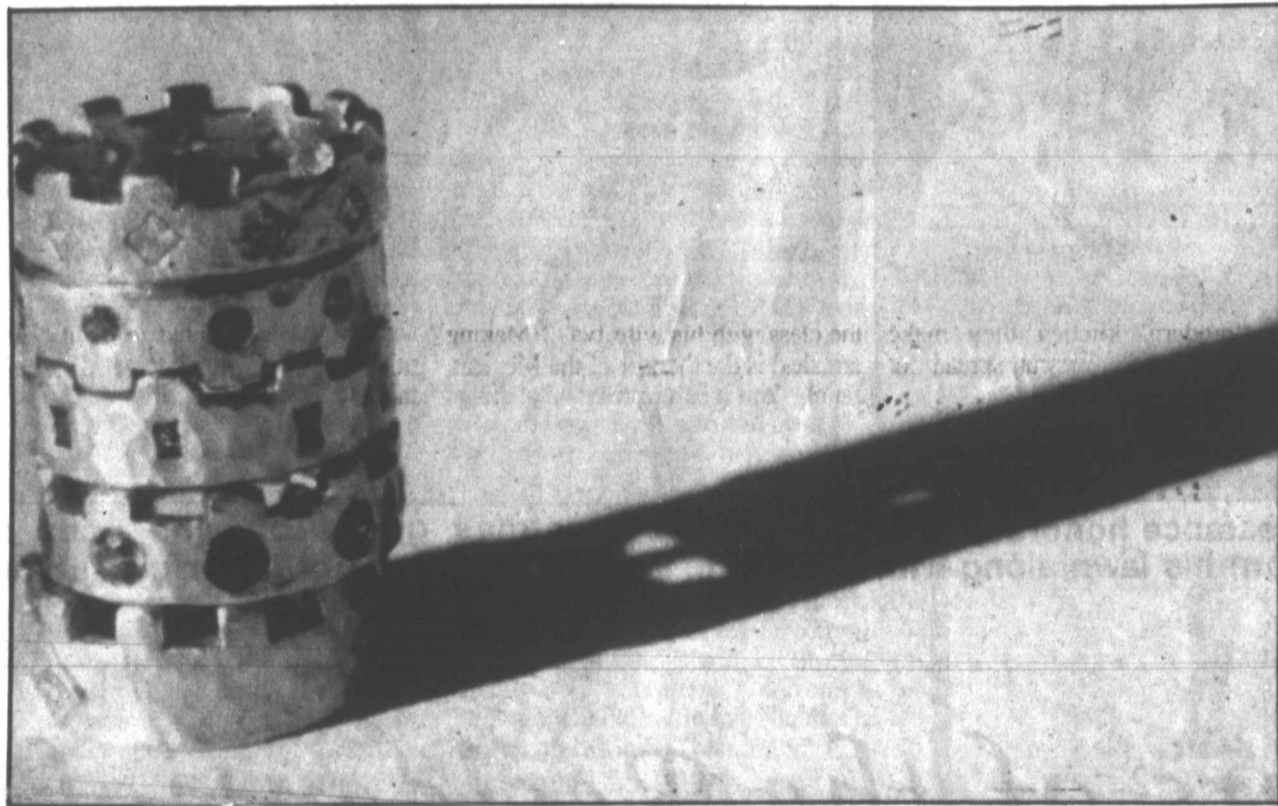
Fashion is playing a larger role in clothing for members of the wedding party, such as the bride's and groom's mother.

Typically, the mother of the bride selects a dress that is in keeping with fashion, says Caroline Simonelli, a designer of party clothes in New York. She wants a versatile outfit that can be worn for other occasions.

Acquiring an outfit that can be worn again is also a goal of bridal attendants. To keep their potential customers from straying to the regular ready-to-wear department, manufacturers of bridesmaids' dresses are widening their designs and color palette, adding colors that are in keeping with ready-to-wear trends.

"The old pastel bridesmaid's dress is now available in neutrals such as silver, champagne color and pale gray," says Leonard.

It is still customary for all the attendants to wear the same dress,



but some brides are offering their attendants an opportunity to select from among several styles.

With bridesmaids often living far away from the wedding site, many dresses "go around the world three times in a box," says Vivian Diamond, a designer of bridesmaid's dresses for Dessy Creations.

Dessy has come out with dresses in a wrinkle-resistant jersey and in a

crinkly fabric that doesn't show wrinkles. Dessy introduced the materials in the fall of 1994 and has added styles and colors for 1995.

A change in emphasis is the greater attention given to what men are wearing.

"Menswear has gotten exciting, especially this year, with unusual jackets and more colorful and lavish accessories, such as a bright vest, tie,

cummerbund or suspenders," Leonard says.

Mandarin collar shirts worn without a tie are becoming more popular, and traditional attire is being updated with new fabrics and colors. An outfit by Alexander Julian combines a classic morning suit of charcoal jacket with gray and black striped pants, a four-in-hand tie, and a with a gold vest.



Top photo: These gold rings by Cathy Waterman were fashioned in the shapes of crenellated castle towers but also evoke the image of crowns with precious stones.

Left: Images of a long-past era are evoked by this silk organza and taffeta gown with fitted bodice and full skirt. Cotton gloves and wide-brimmed bonnet recall turn-of-the-century fashion. (AP photos)

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4-H Futures & Features

DATE
 18 — Showmanship Workshop, 2 p.m., Clyde Carruth Pavilion.
 19 — Prime Swine Club meeting, 6:30 p.m., Annex.
 Shooting Sports, 7 p.m., rifle range.
 20 — Shooting Sports, 7 p.m., rifle range.
 23 — Extension office closed.

DISTRICT 4-H FOOD SHOW
 Gray County 4-Hers made an outstanding showing in the district 4-H Food Show. Senior 4-Hers, Kim McDonald of Pampa and Shelly Davenport of Lefors took top honors in the Nutritious Snacks and Desserts and Fruits and Vegetables categories. Angie Davenport of

Lefors also earned a place in the top four in the senior main dish category. Other Gray County 4-Hers included: Amanda Kludt, Jessica Fish, Kimberly Organ, Cory Jackson, Julie Davenport, and Kaylee Shank.
 Gray County 4-Hers, David Kludt, Kim McDonald, and Amanda Kludt assisted with the awards program. Serving as two of the 24 judges for the event were Janie VanZandt and Kathy Gist of Pampa.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS
 1995 Texas 4-H Foundation Scholarship application materials are now available in the Gray county Extension office. Any 4-Her who is a graduating senior in the spring of 1995 is encour-

aged to pick up an application now. Tentatively, there will be over 100 scholarships awarded to Texas 4-Hers in 1995. The scholarship values range from \$400 to \$15,000. Applications are due in the Gray County Extension office by March 10, 1995.

SHOWMANSHIP WORKSHOP
 We will have a showmanship workshop on Sunday, Dec. 18, at 2 p.m. at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion in Pampa. We will start with the swine and follow with the lambs. You should bring your animals if possible, but if you are unable to get them to the clinic, go ahead and come anyway. This will be a good time to weigh and visit about your feeding program before county.

Use common sense with credit cards

As our holiday shopping for friends and family continues, we should look at some wise credit practices that can stretch our dollars and help us pay our bills off more quickly. Here are five tips to make your holidays even merrier.
 (1) Give yourself an early present-shop around now for a lower interest rate. The credit card market is very competitive — over 6,000 banks and other issuers are offering credit cards and they want you as a customer. Many are offering the lowest rates in over twenty years. Shopping around for the best rate you can get could save hundreds of dollars each year. For example, you can save \$57 in the first year when you switch a \$1,000 balance from 19.8 percent interest rate to a 14 percent card and you are out of debt a year and half sooner. To order a list of 50 banks that offer low interest rate/no annual fee cards, write

Homemaker's News By Donna Brauchi



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 (2) Don't get hooked on cash advances. Cash advances seem convenient, but watch out. Interest accrues from the moment you take the advance and there is usually a transaction fee. One cash advance could cost you the money you were saving for a special gift.
 (3) Look out for theft and fraud. Keep track of your credit cards. When you use the card, watch the transaction carefully and make sure the clerk returns your card, receipts,

and carbons. Tear up the carbons and save the receipts so you can check them carefully against your statements. Be careful who you give your card number to — don't write it on checks or give your number out over the phone if you did not initiate the call.
 (4) Watch out for minimum payments. If you pay the minimum monthly payment when you pay your credit card bill, you are paying the maximum interest. In fact, when interest is compounded, you could end up paying interest on your interest! The minimum pay-

ment might be convenient if it is all you can afford. But whenever possible, pay as much as you can. If you have an 18.5 percent interest rate card, it will take you more than 11 years to pay off a debt of \$2,000 if you only pay the minimum balance due each month. During this time, you will pay interest charges of \$1,934, almost doubling the cost of your purchase. This calculation is based on making a payment which is 1/36th of the outstanding balance or \$20, whichever is greater.
 (5) Avoid skip payment offers. With many of these plans, the interest piles up even when you skip the payment. Pay down those bills as much as you can as fast as you can. Remember — knowing the facts puts you in charge. For more information on family and personal financial management, contact your Gray County Extension Office.

The tamale — a South Texas holiday tradition

By ELDA SILVA
 San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — In South Texas, tamales say Christmas to Hispanics and non-Hispanics alike the way turkey and pumpkin pie say Thanksgiving.
 Making the corn shuck-wrapped bundles of joy, however, is a lengthy process that can take up a day, and even spill over into the next. In a world obsessed with doing things fast, this is a food you must slow down for. Or buy ready made. Many opt for the latter, but sisters Julie Schwarz and Sarah Gilbert are helping some folks discover and others rediscover the pleasure of making their own.
 In the recreation room and ample kitchen of Casa Helotes Senior Citizen Center, Schwarz and Gilbert have been teaching a popular tamale-making class in November for the past three years under the watchful eye of their mom and veteran tamale maker, Margie Walz.
 "We made tamales as young girls with my mother and grandmother so it's something I've always known how to do," Ms. Schwarz said.
 Shortly after Ms. Schwarz began teaching community education classes, her mother suggested she teach tamale making. So far, the class has been a hit.
 "We get everybody. They like coming out here and socializing and doing it here and not messing up their kitchen," Ms. Schwarz said. "We get a lot of people whose families made tamales all their lives, but they never learned to do it within their families. We get senior citizens. We get young women. We get husbands and wives. We get boyfriends and girlfriends and just girlfriends."
 Ms. Schwarz and Ms. Gilbert walk their students through all the basics of making tamales: mixing the masa, cleaning and softening the corn shucks, smoothing the masa onto the shucks, preparing the fillings, rolling the tamales up and cooking them.
 The idea behind the class is to give participants the building blocks they need so they can improvise.
 "You may think, 'Well, my grandmother didn't do it that way,'" Ms. Schwarz warned one recent class. "(Making) tamales is something that

is developed through the years and everybody does it a little bit different. There's no right way or particularly wrong way. It's whatever fits you."
 In other words, if it tastes good, do it.
 Grinding your own corn for masa would be ideal. But there's authenticity and then there's insanity.
 "That's just a little bit too much work for me," Ms. Schwarz joked. "I will make tamales, but I won't grind the corn. My husband can't understand it. He says I have so much time on my hands, why don't I grind the corn?"
 Though dry mixes are available, Ms. Schwarz recommends using fresh masa from tamale factories such as Alamo Masa Company and Adelita Tamales and Tortilla Factory. To moisten and flavor the crumbly, pasty corn mixture, Ms. Schwarz adds salt, lard, and broth.
 "Now, you will find people who mix in chili powder and other seasonings," Ms. Schwarz said. "Our recipe is just the way we've done it. Instead of lard, you can substitute shortening if you are conscientious about your cholesterol. We use broth which is made from bouillon cubes, (but) you can use broth from your meat."
 For fillings, anything goes. The classic Mexican tamale is, of course, made with pork from the hog's head boiled until it's falling off the bone and seasoned to taste with the usual spices of Mexican cooking: cumin, chili powder, salt, paprika, garlic, or a variation thereof. But, any kind of meat and any spicing can be used.
 "In my family, the men are hunters. They bring home all these things like deer and elk and all this lovely stuff, so that's what I use," she said. "I boil it, I grind it up and I season it however I want."
 For the class, the instructors provided a filling made with beef ground and seasoned guiltlessly with packets of taco mix from the grocery store.
 "It's a very easy way," Ms. Schwarz said. "We all work, we all have other jobs. It's enough we're making tamales."
 Variations are only as limited as the cook's imagination. An easy option for vegetarians are refried bean-filled tamales. In the Schwarz household, a favorite filling is Monterey Jack

cheese and jalapenos.
 Husband and wife team Anita and Art Hyman took the class for the third time in as many years this November, not because they didn't get the hang of it the first time out, but because they enjoy the atmosphere and the roomy work space.
 "It's easier coming out here and doing it, than doing it at home in a very narrow and confined space with the 'modern' kitchen they make today," Art said. "We can spread out and enjoy ourselves."
 They also prefer knowing what is going into their food. Like many health-conscious folks, the Hymans prefer to mix their masa with shortening rather than lard.
 Art, a self-described transplanted Yankee, discovered the food when he moved to the area. Anita, however, grew up in San Antonio making tamales with her mother, but she had not made any in several years until she took the class.
 "It felt good," to make them again, she said. "I think this class is great because it encourages a lot of people who are of Hispanic origin who have never done it before by themselves...My family made them, but my mother passed away and I didn't have anybody to make them with."
 "Until she found me," Art said.
 Indeed, one of the most essential ingredients in making tamales isn't listed in any recipe: companionship.
 "I really think with tamale making, the whole thing of it is togetherness and family and friends," Ms. Walz said. "I can't stress that enough to you. I think that's what makes them so good. You have such an enjoyable time with family and friends. I grew up in a family back in the old days and they would get together my aunts, my mother, my grandmother and make tamales the whole day."
 Getting a group together to make tamales is practical — the amount of

work involved could exhaust the Energizer Bunny. But it is also a way of making what can be tedious work a lot of fun. Any experienced tamale cook can tell you one of the most delicious by-products of making tamales is the gossip that inevitably flows while making them.
 "When the family gets together, it's very therapeutic when you're doing this," said Hector Caldera, who took the class with his wife Iva. "(Making tamales) is the therapy of the Mexican family. You'd be surprised what things come up and you discuss and there's a lot of laughter."
 In Caldera's family, his father was the tamale maker and with 12 kids to cook for, that meant a lot of work. Everyone would help in some way. Caldera's job was to smooth masa on the shucks.
 Though he took part in this family ritual for years, Caldera said he never learned the entire process, so he decided to take the class.
 "I've always wanted to do it," he said. "My wife was interested, too. I said, 'Let's just do it.' I want to get into the habit of making them. It's kind of a tradition."
 Joan Livesay came to the class in pursuit of homemade taste.
 "I've eaten the homemade kind before and they're delicious," she said. "Then I get to looking at them in the store and I've just got to have some. I take them home and every time I'm disappointed."
 For Christmas, she wants to get together with her daughters and granddaughter to make some.
 "It's going to be fun," she said. "We may start a tradition here in this family."

Menus December 19-23

PISD MENU

MONDAY
 BREAKFAST: Scrambled egg, biscuit, fruit or juice and choice of milk.
 LUNCH: Pizza, salad with dressing, carrots, diced pears, and choice of milk.

TUESDAY
 BREAKFAST: Pancake-sausage, fruit or juice and choice of milk.
 LUNCH: Comdog, French fries, vegetarian beans, brownie and choice of milk.

WEDNESDAY HOLIDAY

THURSDAY HOLIDAY

FRIDAY HOLIDAY

MEALS ON WHEELS

MONDAY
 Pork Fritters, scalloped potatoes, tomatoes and candy.

TUESDAY
 Ham, macaroni and cheese, broccoli and fruit cocktail.

WEDNESDAY
 Mexican casserole, pinto beans, spanish rice and Jello.

THURSDAY
 Swiss steak, potato casserole, peas, carrots and pudding.

FRIDAY
 Turkey with dressing, gravy, candied yams, cranberries and cake.

SENIOR CITIZENS

MONDAY
 Chicken fried steak or chili rellenos with cheese sauce, mashed potatoes, beets, spinach, beans, slaw, tossed or Jello salad, butter pecan cake or coconut pie, jalapeno cornbread or hot rolls.

TUESDAY
 Beef tips over noodles or fried cod fish, French fries, cream corn, broccoli, casserole, beans, slaw, tossed or Jello salad, brownies, or tapioca cornbread or hot rolls.

WEDNESDAY
 Roast beef brisket with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, carrots, fried okra, beans, slaw, tossed or Jello salad, lemon cake or chocolate icebox pie, cornbread or hot rolls.

THURSDAY
 Swiss steak or chicken and dumplings, mashed potatoes, turnip greens, buttered squash, beans, slaw, tossed or Jello salad, strawberry swirl cake or rice pudding, cornbread or hot rolls.

FRIDAY
 Baked turkey and dressing with giblet gravy, candied yams, green beans with pearl onions, heavenly hash, peach Jello, tossed salad, pumpkin squares or cherry cobbler or fruit cup, cranberry sauce, deviled eggs, stuffed celery, olives, pickles and hot rolls.
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If the six letter word called stress keeps cropping up in your thoughts as time gathers speed on its way to Christmas Day, overhaul your routine with a few minutes of relaxation. After the first step of getting comfortable and cozy, it gets easier to do, especially when a few items about your friends and neighbors are thrown in for your reading pleasure.

A popular activity among women's groups is a cookie exchange, which calls for first of all a party basis. About 20 members of the



Peeking at Pampa By Katie

United Methodist Women of St. Paul's United Methodist Church baked their best cookies and took three dozen to their Christmas party. The ladies were asked to identify the choral groups of Christmas carols. Recordings varied from numbers by the Andrews Sisters to those by Boyz II to Men. Terry Witt is the group's president.

Because of ill health, Helen Dimmler will leave Pampa, perhaps today, to join her husband Charles in Chicago, where they will make their home in order to be closer to their daughter Carolyn and her family. Carolyn and brood are here now to help with the move. Helen and Charles will be missed in several areas.

Charles and Helen, who is Fred Brooks' sister, moved to Pampa about 15 years ago from New York City simply to enjoy space and fresh air found in the Panhandle. They lost no time in becoming involved in several areas, especially with St. Paul's Methodist Church where they both served in varied capacities, usually wherever they were needed and especially on the board.

Helen served as recording secretary for several years, Sunday School teacher and a leader in UMW. Beta Sigma Phi named her Woman of the Year for her untiring work with the deaf, often as an interpreter of sign language for Social Security and law enforcement agencies.

While they are saddened about leaving their many friends, they are happy at the thought of being with at least part of their family on a regular basis. Being near their grandchildren will make the move go much smoother. Best wishes to Charles and Helen!

The Put-Ons, a singing group of ladies from Central Baptist Church have had a full calendar of December with five performances scheduled. Engagements included Miami Lions' Club Ladies' Night, AARP at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, Gray County Home Extensions Club at the Annex, Coronado Nursing Home and the Texas Department of Human Resources party for their clients at First Baptist Church. In the group are Margie Moore, Rubye Davis, Pat Denham, JoAnn Murray and Kay Harris as accompanist and, when available, Gail Smith. Gail was a soloist with the church choir's Christmas pageant given to a fullhouse for four nights.

Zan Walker was highly pleased with the overwhelming success of the pageant, an annual event attended by people of all faiths and many out of town music lovers.

Friends of John Pitts, a former Pampan, will be pleased to know that he is recovering nicely from serious surgery with hope for a full recovery. John, the son of Gloria and Harold Pitts and a Pampa High School graduate, has multi-talents as an artist and writer. Family and friends hope he will write a book on his varied and unusual experiences, especially some of those from his international travels.

Patsy Poole was seen only a few days ago wearing a

bright smile to match the neon colors of her skirt, topped with a beautiful black sweater. Very pretty!

Welcomed as the new receptionist at First Baptist Church is Deana Polasek.

Major Stewart has the quietest way of saying, "Rah!!!Rah!!!" at sports events. He blows soap bubbles,

great big ones, with a child's soap bubble blower, maybe on a bigger scale but on the same principle. It's a noiseless operation that commands a lot of attention.

Nancy Paronto's birthday was sever-

al days in the celebration stage. First the event was incorporated with a family Thanksgiving dinner in Dallas with her children. Back in Pampa on the real day, volunteers at Coronado Hospital dropped by with cards and gifts to go with several bouquets she received. Later she and Bill Gabelman enjoyed dinner at the Pampa Country Club. Belated birthday wishes, Nancy!

Twelve couples from the Adult Couples Sunday School Class of Central Baptist Church had an out of the ordinary outing a few nights ago. They boarded two of the church buses driven by Billy Mack Milligan, social director and Carroll Clark, and headed for the Cattle Call in Amarillo for dinner. Shopping later was a must before they drove around to see the Christmas decorations in Bishop Hills. Talking all the way over and back finished the round of entertainment for Carroll and Nita Clark, Kenneth and Viola Ward, Norma Jean and Frank Stagle, Carl and Vaneta Cantrell, Lee and Melba Brown, Billy Mack and Frances Milligan, Orville and Rosa Brewer, J.B. and Dorothy Fife, Otis and Clarene Cochran, Jay and Dorene Young, Billie Sue Gowdy and Bob Fick.

Getting all of those red lights at the top of M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center was an architectural maneuver worked out by employee Randy Stephenson and performed by Randy and Danny Malone in three steps. First they put brackets up, next strung the lights up and then screwed each bulb in place. One by one! To see how far up in the air the lights are, cast your eyes slowly from the ground up to the top to the building. Long ways, huh?

Charlene and Roy Morriss spent a week with Charlene's mother and sister and family in South Texas for a pre-Christmas visit and vacation wrapped up in one.

Dorris Houck is proud as can be of her grandson, Justin Parks for several reasons with emphasis on four first places in showing his heifer calf in FFA showings. Justin and his mother Tanya Parks of Duncan, Okla., spent Thanksgiving weekend with Dorris and stayed to celebrate her birthday. Belated birthday wishes, Dorris!

Nell Yokum at Touch of Glass recycles fabric scraps furnished by friends into lap quilts for residents of the Coronado and Pampa Nursing Centers. To date she has made 20 for distribution. Shepherds' Crook's Helping Hands furnished wrapping paper to make each gift special to each recipient. Pretty thoughtful!

Instead of taking time out to smell the roses, do take time to drive around town to see the Christmas decorations in both the business and residential areas. Decorations in Walnut Creek are especially beautiful this year.

Accolades to members of the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ for their willingness to prepare Christmas dinner for all who want to eat with them in Fellowship Hall on Christmas Day at no cost to diners. Hours are from noon until 2 p.m. for the serving of delicious food with a devotional to follow.

See you next week, Katie.

Party dressing:

The many faces of casual dressing

By MIA B. MOODY
Waco Tribune-Herald

With the many faces of casual, it should not be difficult to find comfortable outfits to carry you through the holidays.

For many people, dressing up for special occasions is the best part of the season. But before you make the trip to the store, make sure you know how to achieve the look you want.

Since just about anything goes this year, the biggest problem people will have is defining casual, said Judy Hernandez, manager of Leon's Cinderella in Waco.

"It's hard to define," she said. "You really have to have the things right in front of you and then mix and match."

Hernandez said she is mixing and matching velvet with lots of holiday creations this year. In addition, she is putting the Christmas touch on palazzo pants and black stirrup pants.

Linda Vela, owner of Linda & Co., said the most important fashion ideas to keep in mind this year are texture and colors.

She gives high marks to velvet cigarette pants because they can be paired with many different types of blouses, including cropped sweaters and blousey shirts.

In addition, she also recommends using accessories to dress up or down an outfit.

"However, don't go overboard," she said. "The holiday season is not the season to be gaudy."

If you're wearing a fancy vest, skip the earrings, but wear colorful bracelets, she said. Long necklaces made of black beads, pearls or gold look best if you're wearing a

simple top.

Vela and Hernandez offer these suggestions to help you achieve the two levels of casual this holiday season:

CASUAL

— Velour jogging suits colored in greens, reds or burgundies with quilted effects on the shoulder can take you to the grocery store or an informal office party.

— Denim and chambray shirts decorated with Santa, reindeer or lights on the chest and shoulder get the go ahead during the holiday season.

— Christmas sweaters paired with jeans and turtle necks are a holiday fashion staple. For a Christmas gathering, instead of pairing them with jeans, try them with red or green leggings.

— Pair sweat shirts, decorated with Christmas motifs, with green, black or red stirrup pants.

— Black palazzo pants and straight skirts can get the holiday touch with a Christmas tunic top or sweater.

— Reds, burgundies and blues are all appropriate for casual occasions.

DRESSY CASUAL

— Forgo long evening gowns for short cocktail, A-line dresses for dressy-casual holiday occasions.

— Sweaters and tops trimmed in an animal print work well with straight-leg pants or skirts.

— Chiffon is one of the best holiday fashions around. Because of its versatility, it can be layered over chiffon skirts or satin pants. For a special touch, pair a chiffon skirt with a dressy blouse adorned with lace or sequins.

— Dressy chiffon scarves can give even the plainest outfit holiday cheer. Drape such scarves over a dress or top.

— For special occasions gloves can be used for more than warmth. During the holiday season pair them with suits and dresses.

— Long dresses are appropriate when they are not made out of evening fabrics. Opt for dresses that are made of material you would see during the day.

— For dressy occasions the colors of choice are black and gold; a great fabric is organza and don't forget beading.

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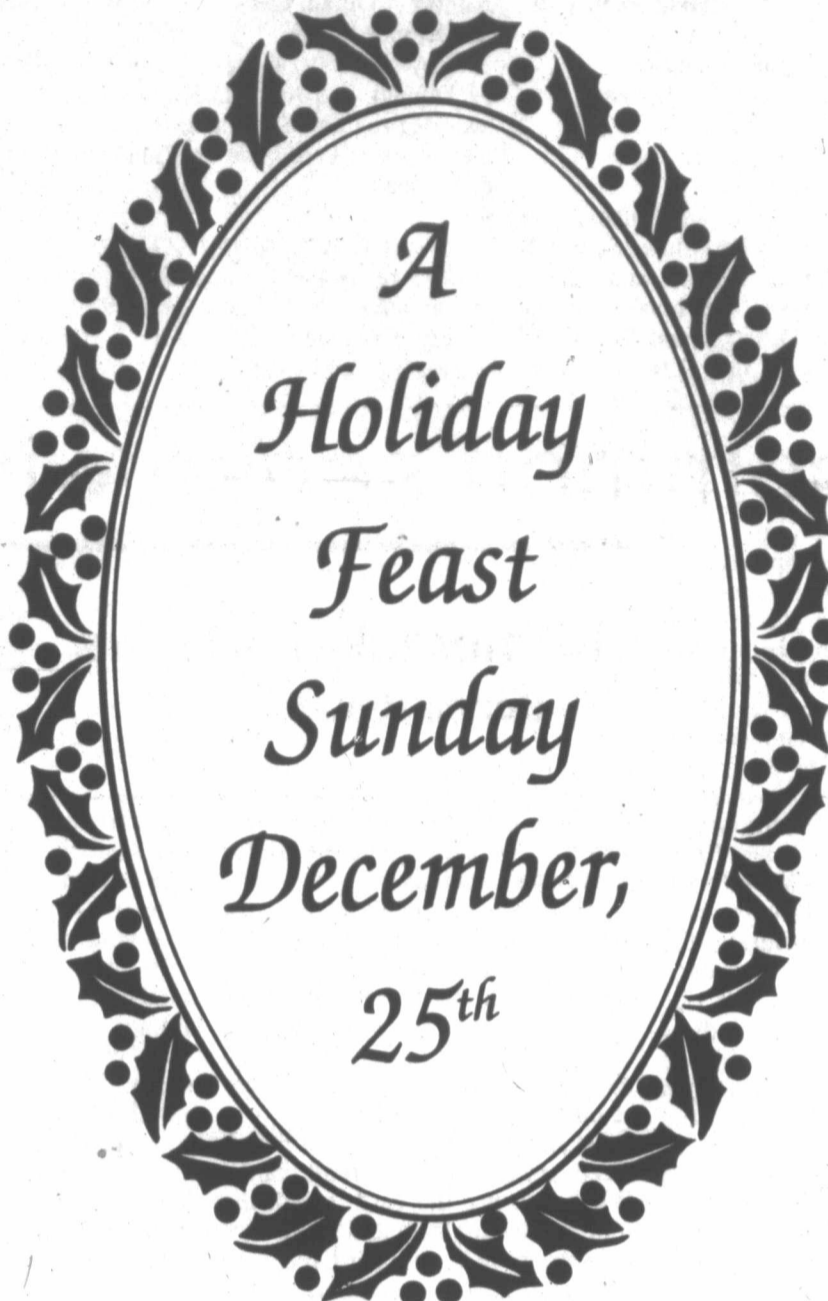
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Type O Negative band members are, from left, Johnny Kelly, Kenny Hickey, Peter Steele and Josh Silver. (AP photo/Roadrunner Records)

Listen to Type O Negative's 'Bloody Kisses' — if you dare

By KIRA L. BILLIK
Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Singer Peter Steele of Type O Negative thinks no one should bother listening to his band's two albums: *Bloody Kisses* and *Slow, Deep and Hard*. He doesn't want anyone showing up at their concerts, either.

He doesn't think he's a very good songwriter or a very committed performer.

"This is something that I do simply because it's a personal thing," says Steele, who up until six months ago was driving a garbage truck for New York City. "It was always meant to be a personal thing."

He says he hates touring and the rock lifestyle, even though the band is currently on the road with Danzig and previously toured with Nine Inch Nails at the personal request of singer Trent Reznor.

The only reason he does tour, he says, is to make money. "That to me represents independence," he said.

He wants to move to Iceland, where he'd live in a house made entirely of glass, raise wolves and build "really crazy vehicles out of truck and tank parts." And the cryptic image he wants to leave of himself with his audience is, "a reflection of a shadow."

Who is Peter Steele? Well, he calls himself "a monster," "a psychopath," "a social retard." But what he seems to be is sensitive, wary and almost paralyzed by low self-esteem.

The last of six children, Steele said he had a sheltered childhood and felt like a burden to his parents.

"I was disillusioned about how the world would be once I grew up ... but it's quite a different place than I thought it was going to be," he said in a telephone interview.

"Some people mistake kindness for stupidity, and so now that I'm a scumbag to people, I get automatic respect. It's a very sad place that we live in that the only way to get what you want is by instilling fear into people."

Steele is not really frightening, even though at 6-foot-6 and 220 pounds he calls himself the "ideal Frankenstein." He's polite to a fault, soft-spoken and very guarded.

The album is a mix of the bitter and the sweet — dark guitars lightened with gorgeous harmony and irresistible hooks. It's a bit heavy metal, a bit industrial, a bit gothic, very bleak and very provocative.

"I've always loved the Beatles, I've always loved Black Sabbath," Steele said. "I like heaviness mixed with a good strong melody."

And then there's Steele's voice, a basso profundo that growls, purrs and croons its way through each expansive track on the 70-minute-plus album. He gives the music a certain medieval romanticism.

"I've really gotten sick and tired of all these male vocalists with low testosterone levels that sound like little girls having their feet tickled," Steele said. "I think men

should sound like men."

Bloody Kisses is a foray into forbidden eroticism. "Christian Woman" intertwines sex and religion to the point that they're almost indistinguishable. "Suspended in Dusk" hints at vampirism, and the title track is a near-ecstatic wish to join a lover in suicide, a la *Romeo and Juliet*.

"I was always slightly into shock value," Steele said. "I like to make people's heads turn, and nothing makes heads turn quicker than some kind of kinky sex."

"Blood and Fire" hints at his self-professed "erotic pyromania," but he admits that he stretches the truth a little.

"My life is so boring that if I don't exaggerate, I'll be writing about what I had for lunch this afternoon," he said.

But there's plenty of subtle humor at work on the album, too. "Black No. 1" pokes fun at gothic girls with their coffin-pale skin, dyed hair and death-warmed-over mannerism.

The band also covers Seals & Crofts' syrupy 1970s love song, "Summer Breeze," layering it with sludgy guitar and Steele's insinuating, throaty vocals.

Steele said he wanted to rewrite the lyrics, and his lurid version of them appears in the liner notes. But Seals & Croft threatened to sue if the band didn't do the lyrics correctly, so Type O Negative had to change their plans.

Mary Chapin Carpenter brings personal pain to country music

By JIM PATTERSON
Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Angst. Mary Chapin Carpenter can tell you all about "that cold sweat kind of thing, that feeling that we'll wake up in the middle of the night and not know where we are."

It's the kind of self-doubt that strikes everyone. But not everybody can write it down and put it on albums that hit on country music radio. That takes courage and a lot of artistry.

"I think the songs on this record in particular are very personal," Carpenter, 36, said about *Stones in the Road*.

Personal, and universal. Here's Carpenter on hope for a broken heart in "This Is Love":

"And if you ever need some proof that time can heal your wounds, Just step inside my heart and walk around these rooms.

Where the shadows used to be, you can feel as well how peace can hover.

Now time's been here to fix what's broken with its power."

"If you're a songwriter, I think you start with being a human being," Carpenter said in an interview. "And we are not all one-dimensional."

But most country songs that make the charts in 1994 are distressingly one-dimensional. That makes

even Carpenter's lighthearted hit, "Shut Up and Kiss Me," a refreshing cold splash in the face when sandwiched between only clever fare such as "Third Rock From the Sun" (by Joe Diffie) or drivel like "Watermelon Crawl" (by Tracy Byrd).

Carpenter's continuing success within the format is astounding, considering she's a lot closer in spirit to Jackson Browne than the Grand Ole Opry. She's won three Grammys and two Country Music Association awards, and hit the *Billboard* country music top 10 seven times since 1989.

Why her and not similarly literate artists such as Lyle Lovett and Nanci Griffith — both of whom tried to crack Nashville without success?

Carpenter considers the question unworthy of consideration.

"I think both of those artists have demonstrated more than capably that they are seminal artists," Carpenter said, "and they have absolutely devoted audiences and sell lots of records."

"I don't look at myself as like the one who got in the door. ... It's not like a competition and it's not like a lottery or anything like that. It's if you're fortunate enough to have opportunities come your way and it's a lot of timing and a lot of unknowns."

"I don't know how easy it would be to really examine someone's career and say, 'Well, this is what they did right versus somebody who did something wrong.' I don't think you can do that really."

Carpenter identifies more readily with the dilemma of John Doe No. 24 than a strategy-conscious careerist. She learned about Doe from an Associated Press story on the life and death of a deaf, blind man found wandering the streets of Jacksonville, Ill., in 1945. He died in an institution without anyone knowing who he was or where he came from, because he couldn't communicate well enough.

"I felt there was a lot about him and his life that resonated with me," Carpenter said. "I think perhaps it's an existential loneliness or fear of abandonment or sort of the feeling of darkness in our lives."

From "John Doe No. 24":

"The doctors put to rest their scientific tests.

And they all shook their heads in pity.

For a world so silent and dark.

Well there's no doubt that life's a mystery.

But so too is the human heart."

"To me it's a sad song in many ways, but it's very affirming as well," Carpenter said. "It's about memory, but it's about having an inner-life, obviously."

Carpenter and longtime co-producer John Jennings manage to include the breezy "Shut Up and Kiss Me" and the majestic breakup song "The Last Word" without breaking the mood of the album.

And tour de force "Stones in the Road" manages to speak for the boomer generation and ring true — "A thousand points of light or shame. Baby, I don't know," the song concludes.

"It's a challenge to cynicism and it's a challenge to absolutely affirm the things that are important to us, and I feel if I had to speak about this record, what I would say is it's the most positive record I've ever made."

"I do believe in our ability to rise above."



Mary Chapin Carpenter knows that to find inspiration and subject matter for her songs, she needn't look very far outside herself. (AP photo)

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Traditional wedding finances are divorced from modern life

DEAR ABBY: Don't you think it's time we retire some of the traditions that originated when they served some useful purpose, but have no place in the late 20th century?

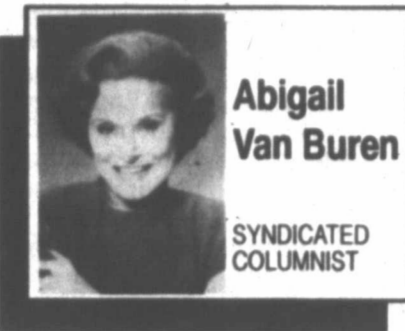
When the responsibility for wedding expenses was assigned to the parents, it was common for children to marry when the bride was still a child. She was prepared to be only a housewife, and seldom — if ever — gainfully employed. Likewise, the groom was a youth likely struggling to establish a home. Hence, a tradition was born, based on common sense.

The bride and groom of today, however, are usually older, and on more stable financial ground than their parents were.

Why should older people have to mortgage their homes, spend their retirement nest eggs, or take out loans to pay for lavish weddings, while the newlyweds trot off to luxury homes? It's insanity that a supposedly intelligent, educated society clings steadfastly to outdated traditions from horse and buggy days.

Modern etiquette should be updated to dispose of the ridiculous. EASTLAKE, OHIO, READER

DEAR EASTLAKE READER: For years I have pointed out that although the bride's family gives the wedding, nowhere is it written in stone that it is imperative. An elaborate wedding is a gift — not an obligation. And in recent years, more couples have



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

opted to pay for their own weddings, which makes sense to me — particularly if the bride has left the nest and established her economic independence.

For parents to spend their savings or take out loans to finance the equivalent of a Broadway extravaganza is, in my view, needlessly pretentious and foolish.

In 1992, I published a letter from Dr. E. Parke Sellard of Fallbrook, Calif. His words of wisdom bear repeating:

"I devised the following plan for my daughter's wedding to protect myself and our sanity."

"I gave her a set amount for the total to be spent. If the wedding cost more, she and her fiancé would pay the difference."

"She had her wedding at Balboa Park in San Diego. Her mother made her wedding dress. A close friend was a photographer, and he gave her the pictures as a wedding gift. We

bought many of the flowers at the market. By spending her money carefully, she had a nice check waiting for her when they returned from their honeymoon.

"This plan enabled all of us to enjoy a beautiful wedding and to keep our tempers and sanity intact. I hope this plan will help your readers to enjoy their daughters' weddings with a minimum of stress."

DEAR ABBY: Considering the potential for accidents and fires from Christmas lights during the holidays, may I make a suggestion that may prove helpful during an emergency?

Many times in emergency situations, one panics and draws a blank when the 911 operator asks for the address. I have placed my printed return address labels on all my telephones.

These labels would help visitors and overnight guests if they need to call 911.

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Horoscope



Your Birthday

Monday, Dec. 19, 1994

If properly prepared, you will stand a good chance of furthering your career in the year ahead. Strive to make yourself indispensable to your boss or company.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your imagination and resourcefulness will serve you well in situations today offering profits. Major changes are ahead for Sagittarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail

\$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today you might learn a painful lesson, but it will be very valuable a little further down the line.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Something important you've been wanting to change might be done by someone else. This person may not realize the significance of what he/she did for you.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Greater benefits are likely to be derived today from a partnership than from acting alone. There is strength in a union.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Approaching tasks as challenges today rather than merely as chores could be extremely productive. It will also set an example for your co-workers.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You might disappoint yourself starting out in competitive activities today. However, after you warm up, you will improve substantially.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This will be a good day to entertain in your home. It doesn't have to be anything elaborate, just sincerely welcome everybody.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This could be a profitable day for you. Put new ideas for making or saving money to the test. You might be pleased with the results.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You might need to be bolder than usual in business or financial affairs today. Assert yourself without being aggressive or selfish.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today will be a rather dull day for you unless you are directly challenged. If you are pulled into a competition, however, your motivation will ignite.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You will be a truly helpful friend today. You will know when to offer assistance and not expect anything in return.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your greatest success today might come from a project that has captured your fancy only recently. Something new may be very lucky for you.

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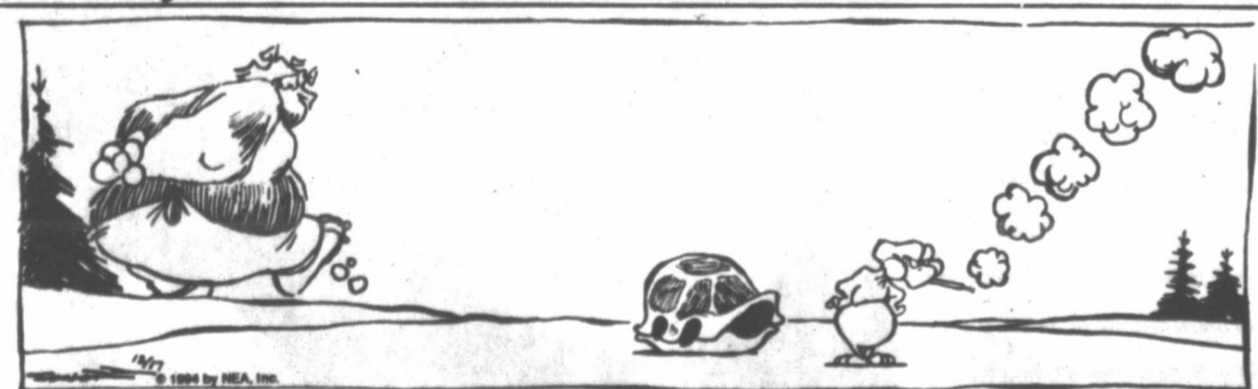


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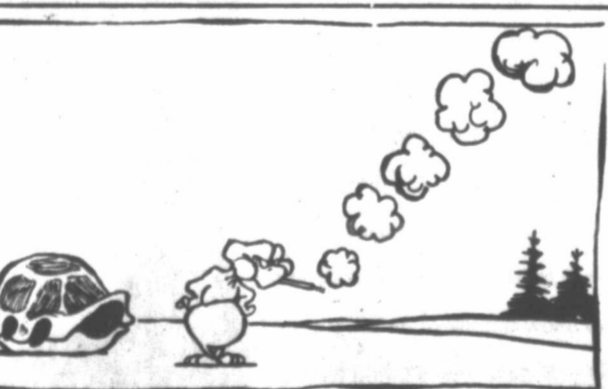


"Court will be in session after I have dinner."

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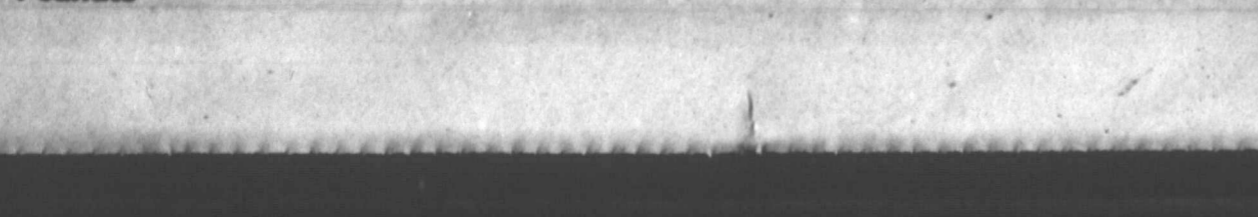
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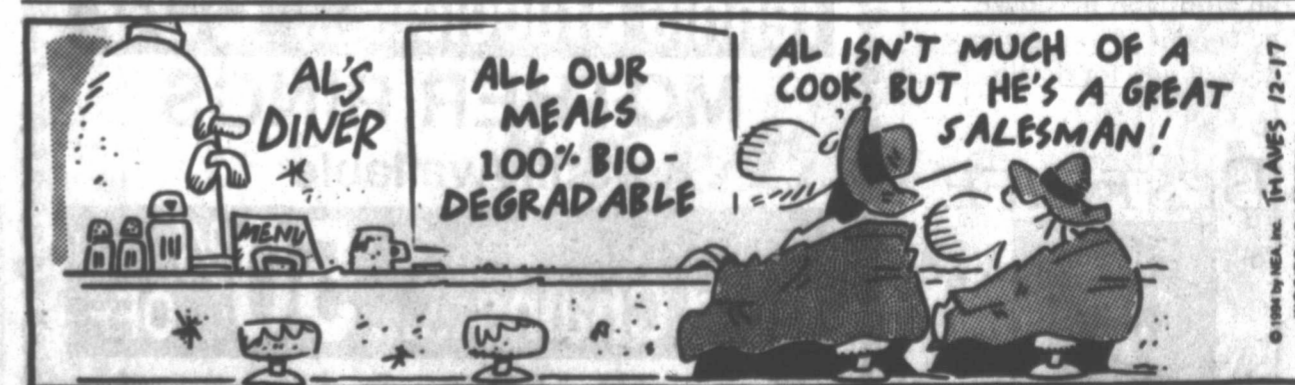
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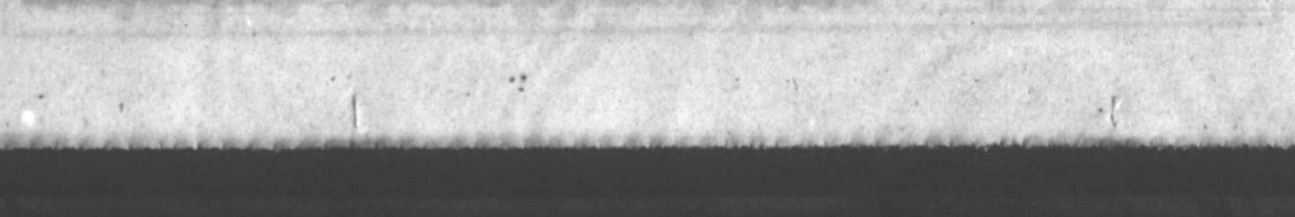
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Oliver Twist vs. Father Flanagan? Is it time to bring back orphanages?

By SHARON COHEN
Associated Press Writer

DES PLAINES, Ill. (AP) — At the age of 12, Michael Armstrong was running wild in the streets with gang members. Then, he was nabbed for selling crack. His mother couldn't control him. He had to leave home.

At the age of 11, Tenisha Stephens was adrift, too. Her alcoholic mother walked out on her five children. Tenisha was confused, angry — and in need of a home.

Both now are teens, sharing the same address, Maryville Academy, a sprawling 98-acre, modern-day orphanage in suburban Chicago that offers troubled kids a roof over their heads, a respite from chaos and a route to a new life.

"We're not here to take children away from their parents who can be parents," said Father John P. Smyth, the affable former Notre Dame basketball star-turned-priest who heads Maryville. "We're here to be a safety net for those children who cannot be at home."

"Many of the children are not happy to be here," he said. "I wouldn't be happy to be here under those circumstances. But for many of them, being here has saved them."

Tenisha, now 17, counts herself among them.

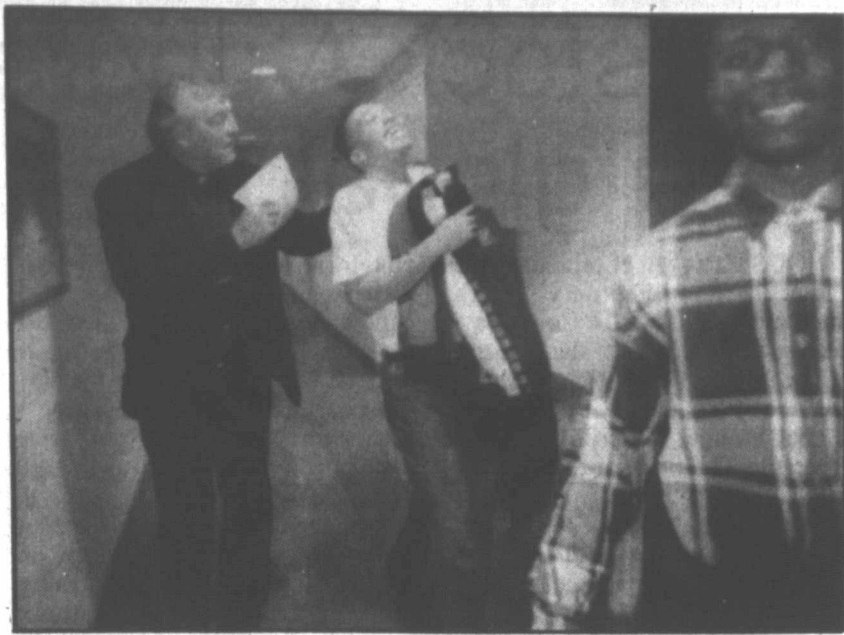
"I think I'm better off than I was with my mother. I'm happier," said the high school senior, who bounced around in several foster homes, running away and occasionally sleeping in hallways before coming to Maryville. "I just get more things than I did at home. More attention. People care about me."

Tenisha is one of the luckier ones in the nation's overwhelmed child welfare system, a mushrooming population of abused and neglected kids now at the heart of a national debate focusing on one very controversial concept — orphanages.

With growing numbers of unwed teen mothers, expanding welfare rolls and 442,000 kids living outside the home in 1992 — a 69 percent increase from a decade ago — experts agree there is a crisis. But in recent weeks, a new question has emerged: Should America turn to a long-abandoned idea from the Victorian past to rescue its troubled children in the future?

In his Dec. 10 radio address, President Clinton warned that orphanages are no substitute for parents and that those who suggest them as an alternative to welfare "are dead wrong."

But incoming GOP House Speaker Newt Gingrich, who has championed the cause, proposes that money saved by cutting off welfare benefits



Father John P. Smyth, left, jokes with Booker Dooley, 18, while fellow resident Ed Ford waits in the hallway outside Smyth's office at the Maryville Academy in Des Plaines, Ill. (AP photo by Beth A. Keiser)

to unwed teen mothers be given to states for alternative programs, including orphanages, now called group homes or child residential centers.

Gingrich has not spelled out who — or how many — children could end up in such places. Few children in the system today are true orphans; most have parents who have mistreated them or can't handle them.

And while some still regard orphanages as bleak dormitories teeming with unloved, unwanted children as depicted in the Charles Dickens novel *Oliver Twist*, Gingrich prefers another vision.

After first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton called his idea "unbelievable and absurd," he suggested detractors watch the heartwarming 1938 Mickey Rooney-Spencer Tracy orphanage movie, *Boys Town*.

The issue, however, is much more complex than a debate over Fagin vs. Father Flanagan.

Some states already are discussing orphanages, including Illinois, where the idea gained momentum after 19 hungry children were found last February living in a roach-infested Chicago apartment, some fighting a dog for a bone.

Still, some politicians such as Rep. Jim Talent, a Missouri Republican and a supporter of welfare reform, which is part of the GOP's "Contract with America," are skeptical about a large-scale orphanage program.

"It's not what the states will do," he said. "It's not what they should do. It's not something they will be able to afford."

The price tag would be in the billions. By one estimate, it would cost \$36,500 a year per child — more than

seven times the cost of foster care — for bare-bones residential care.

About 75 percent of children in the system lived in foster care as of 1990, according to the American Public Welfare Association. But with fewer foster parents available, some say orphanages are a viable alternative.

"It provides a stable and loving environment, a predictable environment they need to grow up to be a functional, civilized adult," said Judy Baar Topinka, an Illinois lawmaker and strong orphanage advocate. "That is the major gaping hole in the child welfare system."

"There are those who wring their hands and scream it's warehousing children. I'd like them to get off the Dickens kick," added Barr Topinka, newly elected state treasurer. "That's not what we're talking about."

Cook County Public Guardian Patrick Murphy, a nationally known child welfare expert whose father lived in Maryville, says orphanages, while not ideal, could serve teens who can't adapt to foster care.

"What's better — 15 foster homes in two years or the consistency in staying in one place?" he asks. "We cannot create a kind and loving family if one doesn't exist."

Richard B. McKenzie, a professor at the graduate school of management at the University of California-Irvine, recently credited his success to growing up in a North Carolina orphanage in the 1950s.

"We realize that we would not be where we are today had we not had the opportunity to grow up the way we did," he wrote in *The Wall Street Journal*. "We got structure and stability. We got knowledge that The

Home would always be there, no mean advantage for children whose families had failed them."

"The best thing that ever happened to me was my (alcoholic) father was denied custody rights," McKenzie said in a telephone interview. "If you saw how we lived ... you would see the way I grew up is much better."

But opponents argue that orphanages have too many drawbacks: They violate federal law mandating family care over institutions, defy studies showing children don't thrive in such surroundings, are unsuitable for toddlers and won't solve the welfare mess.

"Children do much better with their natural mothers. Given the lack of bonding in orphanages, their likely products are going to be more sociopaths — just about the last thing we need," Amitai Etzioni, president of the American Sociological Association, wrote in a recent *Chicago Tribune* piece.

Others question the living arrangements.

"We're going to call them cottages, but they're going to look like barracks," said Mary Ford, research associate at The North America Council on Adoptable Children, based in Minnesota. "Do we want our children raised as children or as inmates?"

While she concedes orphanages would no longer be as harsh as they were in the 19th century when they cared for very poor children, Ford says they also wouldn't have the committed staff of that era.

"Gone are the days of the matron of the orphanage, when it was down the block and the grandfather grew up there," she said. "There's turnover now. Young people stay there a year to three years."

Marcia Lowry, director of the American Civil Liberties Union's Children's Rights Project, also called it ridiculous to put more children under government supervision.

"We're doing a terrible job with the ones they already have," she said. "The irony is we will wind up paying more for the care of these children than for AFDC benefits."

The Child Welfare League of America's estimate of \$36,500 a year for residential care far exceeds the \$2,644 a year it costs for a child on Aid to Families with Dependent Children, the major welfare program. The league estimates foster care costs \$4,800 per child annually.

"I don't know we're as committed to quality of care as we are to teaching young mothers on welfare a lesson," said Earl Stuck, the league's director of residential care.

Maryville, the largest residential

care facility in Illinois, is considered the Cadillac model of modern-day orphanages. Some say it would be hard to duplicate on a mass scale.

"A residential facility like Maryville would be welcomed by any state in the nation. The problem is no state could afford it," said Bob Siegel, an attorney in the Cook County public guardian's office.

Social welfare experts say one major question is volume: If hundreds of thousands of children were moved into long-term residential care, rather than the limited programs in existence such as Maryville, it could cripple the government, which is the main source of revenue for kids in the system.

Maryville's campus in Des Plaines looks more like a college than an institution. It has a pool, tennis courts, skating rinks, two gyms, a high school and a trade school for its 200 residents. It also will pay any graduate's college education.

Smyth, the director, says the Des Plaines program costs about \$30,000 annually for each child; the average length of stay is about four years.

Maryville's total annual budget is \$54 million, 82 percent of it coming from government aid. It has 17 sites offering services ranging from emergency shelter to long-term care, encompassing about 900 children.

Virtually all children in long-term residential care are referred by the state Department of Children and Family Services. Maryville is expanding to meet the growing need — Smyth says he can't build housing fast enough — and, at times, there are waiting lists.

Most kids at the Des Plaines campus — ages 7 to 18 — are clustered in groups of nine or 10 in houses with live-in parents, where they eat, sleep and operate on a points system that rewards good behavior and punishes bad.

Most are from the Chicago area; about two-thirds are black. Many have lived in several foster homes and all have troubled pasts: Smyth says about 80 percent of the girls have been sexually abused. Nearly as many come from families where drugs or alcohol were abused.

Though most children will never live with their parents again, many regularly visit their families.

"We tell them if you want to love your parents, love them. They're free to say, 'I hate my parents,'" said Smyth, the silver-haired, 6-foot-5 priest, whose office is a revolving door for teen bull sessions. "This is more of a neutral place."

Booker Dooley, a towering 18-year-old, arrived eight months ago, having lived for several years in two psychiatric hospitals and a residen-

tial care home. He says he fought with his mother, whom he had been living with for two years, and she kicked him out.

"It was a crummy childhood," he said. "I picked up a lot of things I never would have done — fights, cussing, behavior, attitude problems. I'm learning a lot of things my mom hasn't taught me. They're preparing me to be on my own."

Because so many kids arrive with emotional baggage, temper tantrums, fights and running away are not unusual — and children are always welcomed back.

"A lot of these kids are going to prove to you they're unlovable," said Nancy Mockus, an assistant family teacher for three years. "When you reach out, they'll build up a wall. When you let them know you're going to be there, then they'll see it as a measure of safety."

When Tenisha Stephens arrived four years ago, she already had lived in several homes.

"I felt like a ball, bouncing from place to place," she said, sitting in her room decorated with a Michael Jordan poster, a bed crowded with stuffed animals and a bulletin board filled with photos of her four siblings. "I wanted to hurt myself. I didn't want to be in that situation."

She ran away, fought with others and had trouble at the local public high school. She now attends a special school at Maryville.

With some encouragement, she got involved in running. The slender girl with an easy smile, Nikes on her feet and a baseball cap on her head now boasts a cluster of track trophies atop her dresser and a 1993 homecoming queen ribbon on her wall.

But some teens still struggle to cope with their anger.

Michael Armstrong admits he was incorrigible, skipping school and hanging out with drug-dealing gang members. His mother couldn't handle him or his 13-year-old brother, who also lives at Maryville.

Michael arrived four years ago. "In a way, it feels like jail. They make you go to school. You've got to do things you don't want to do," the baby-faced 17-year-old says in hushed tones that he says mask a short temper and the urge to strike out at those who anger him.

But then Michael pauses, reflects and offers another assessment: He might have ended up in jail, he says, but now he plans to attend college.

"You can make something out of yourself," he said. "You can be a person and not be looked at as an outcast. I have to be here, so I might as well make something out of it. Just do good."

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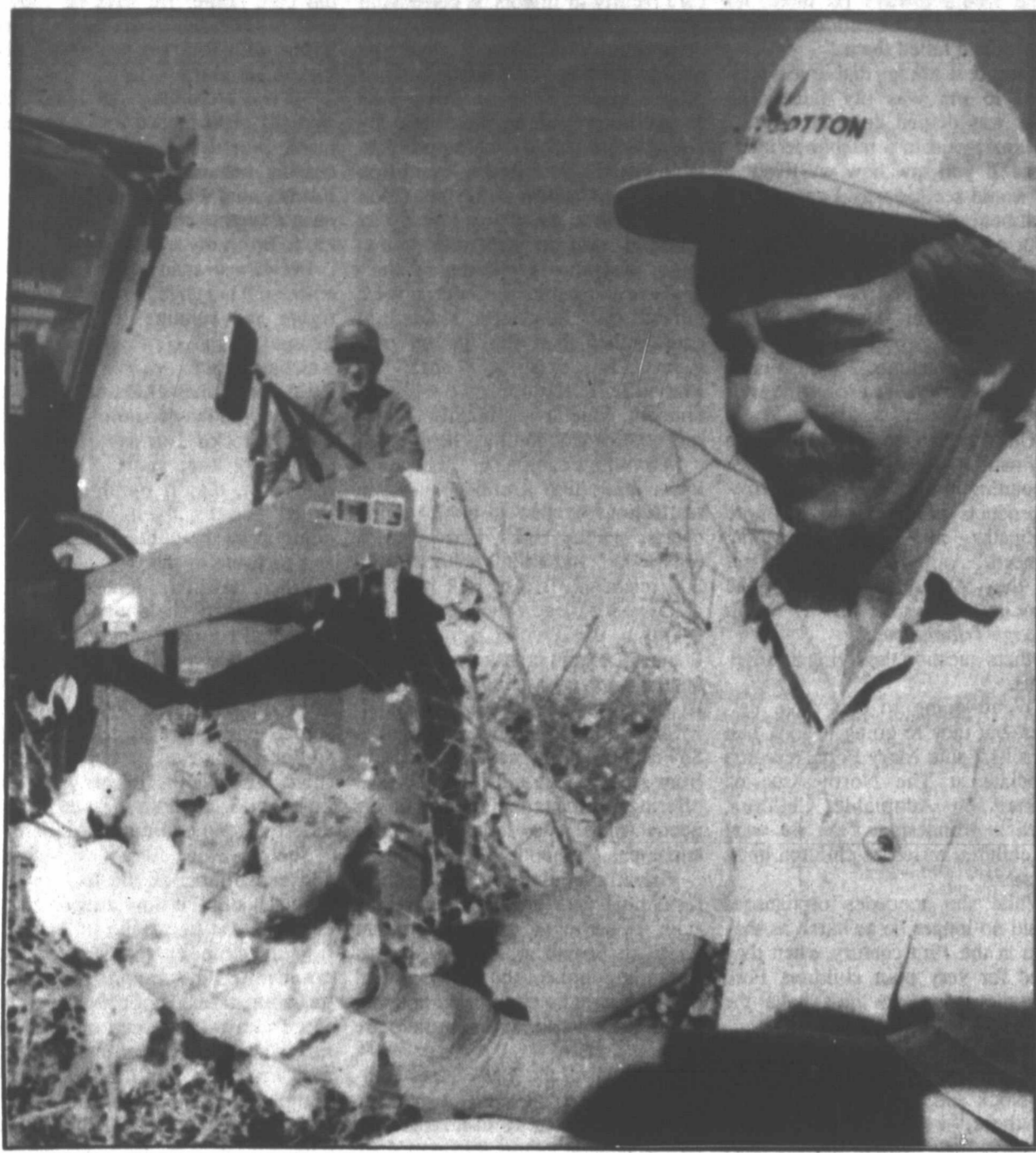
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Georgia cotton farmer Johnny Dunn shows his colors. (AP photo)

The color of cotton

OMEGA, Ga. (AP) — Johnny Dunn's cotton patch is awash in millions of light green, light brown and rusty red bolls. Dunn is among eight farmers in Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia who are taking part in the first experimental planting of naturally colored cotton on the East Coast. "I think this is the coming thing for the consumer," said Dunn, one of three Georgia farmers who agreed to grow 90 acres of naturally colored cotton. "You've got a lot of people who are environment-crazed. They want everything natural." The colored fluff is processed into cloth that is gaining popularity with environmentally conscious consumers and people who are allergic to the dyes in regular cotton.

Americans bought \$30 million worth of Earth-friendly clothing last year and the market is expanding, said Tom Reynolds, who grows organic and natural-color cotton near Hampton, Va. Scientists are trying to breed new varieties with longer, stronger fibers and higher yields. An improved green variety should be available in two years and a genetically engineered blue version is on the way. Farmers already grow about 10,000 acres of colored cotton annually in Arizona and Texas. It was introduced only this year in the Southeast, where most of the textile mills are located. Colored cotton sells for \$1.30 to \$1.40 per pound, compared with 65 cents to 70 cents for white cotton.

But yields on colored cotton are lower, so farmers may not see much difference in profits. Colored cotton may yield only one 500-pound bale to an acre, compared with up to 2 1/2 for regular cotton. Colored cotton has been grown for years in Russia, India and South and Central America, and Israel has become a major supplier. White cotton still dominates. Mills like it because it can be dyed to keep pace with changes in fashions. The nation's leading colored cotton company is Natural Cotton Colours of Wickenburg, Ariz., 60 miles northwest of Phoenix. It was founded by entomologist Sally Fox, who started growing colored cotton for hand spinners and weavers in the early 1980s.

The Market Forecaster By George Kleinman

WHEAT (BULL)

OUTLOOK: "The Chinese are coming" was the cry in the trading pits the day the wheat market made its recent lows. That was on the last day of November when wheat scored a key reversal on rumors of Chinese buying. A key reversal is where a market makes a significant low (in this case the lowest prices seen since last summer) and on the same day closes higher than the previous day's high, on large volume. "Hogwash" said the Chinese after the close. The rumors are baseless and without foundation, they said. And they were right, the world market has yet to see any major buying from China. Yet, it's interesting to note, the market is now trading higher than the day the rumor was denied. In other words, it reacted to bullish news, and did not react to negative news which should have offset the positive. This is good action, and if the Chinese do enter the export market to any degree this market will explode. We remain bullish wheat based on the prospect for improving export demand and the tightest global supplies in two decades.

STRATEGY: Hedgers: Last week I suggested buying the "at the money" calls (at the time the 380 Marches) which were then trading for about 12-14 cents as a low-cost replacement for the sale of cash wheat. If you sold your wheat already I recommended these options as a low-cost way to regain ownership. These options gained more than 6 cents/bu. last week when the market rallied. If you didn't take this advice, and still own wheat, that's OK. You can't buy them this cheap anymore, but you can buy the March 390s and you sell your cash wheat higher. Remember, cash wheat loses a penny for a penny as the market breaks and you really don't know what your ultimate downside is, while options have an absolute limit to

their loss, which is what you pay up this week, but since our bias is still bullish this is a way for you to participate in a bull wheat market even if you have no wheat left on the farm or in the elevator.

TRADERS: Based on previous recommendations, you own March Chicago wheat in the \$3.74 to \$3.80. Risk 12 cents from entry and hold.

CORN (BULL/BEAR)

OUTLOOK: China's withdrawal as a corn exporter is a positive development. They're our primary competition for corn exports in Asia and a major world exporter. While the large U.S. crop and potentially burdensome carryover supplies will blunt any major rally at this time, the short-term prospects for additional appreciation in corn prices appear good. A substantial percentage of this year's corn crop is locked up and essentially off the market via the use of on-farm storage and the government loan program. This corn will not hit the market any time soon. These factors place a positive tint in price action over the next 30 days.

STRATEGY: Hedgers: Based on last week's recommendation we are out of futures and options totally at this time, having taken modest hedge profits previously. Since the downside appears limited I would consider remaining unhedged at this time. Strong basis levels in many parts of the country now make the sale of cash corn and the simultaneous purchase of March at the money call options a viable strategy and a smart way to lower the ultimate risk of corn ownership.

TRADERS: Option sellers have sold the March 230 puts & calls and collected a total of 14 cents. This is

starting to work and I would now lower the risk point to a maximum 10 cents.

CATTLE (BULL)

OUTLOOK: The cattle market appears to have done an about face in recent weeks, and so will I, turning from previously bearish to bullish. Here's the reasons: 1) the packers, who previously have appeared satiated with contract cattle, have started to turn more aggressive as bidders for inventory, 2) weights appear to finally be declining, 3) large daily kills (which should decline down the line) are being absorbed by the market fairly well, 4) the potential for severe weather-reducing weather is now a reality, and 5) the seasonal tendency for cattle prices is to move higher into the winter months. In fact, if you had bought feeder cattle futures on Dec. 6, they were higher in price by early February in 14 of the past 15 years. The average price gain was about \$3/cwt. (data courtesy Moore Research Group). Look for a bullish cattle on feed report Dec. 16.

STRATEGY: Hedgers: Cattle feeders own the February 69 puts. These options give you the right (without obligation) to sell February cattle at 69. They offer downside price insurance, while still leaving upside potential open. If you need to buy feeder cattle in the future, consider hedging via the use of the March feeder contract at approximately 71 (see above).

Cow/calf operators: No hedging recommendations at this time.

TRADERS: If you took last week's recommendation to go short February at 6785, cover at the market. At press time this is a small loss. I would now look to buy February at 6817 or lower, risking a close under 6742 for an eventual objective above 71.

Livestock Congress looks for a global beef market

HOUSTON — Beef producers will gather here in February for the International Livestock Congress to discuss the direction of the industry. The theme of the 1995 conference will be Positioning Beef in the Global Frontier, according to Anne Anderson, chairman of the beef segment. "It will bring together the nation's foremost authorities with U.S. beef producers and international media to discuss the direction beef will take in coming years," she said. "Also invited to the meeting will be world-renowned trade leaders including Carlos Salinas de Gortari, the former president of Mexico and a frontrunner to head the World Trade Organization."

On Feb. 23 and 24, conference speakers at the Sheraton Astrodome

Hotel will focus on three main areas, Anderson said. Media and industry experts will discuss what the industry can do to develop a buffer for criticism from special interest groups, identify the possibility of certifying beef for export from regions infected with virulent cattle diseases, and look at the International Beef Quality Audit to see what consumers in Japan and Mexico want when they buy beef. "ILC provides me an opportunity to see the big picture in relationship to the North American trade area," said Bob Josseland, of Hereford and CEO of AZTX, one of the nation's top 10 feeding concerns. "The contacts made and the simple enjoyment of being with other North American cattlemen affords a great opportunity to better understand the problems

facing cattlemen in the three countries." Government, regulatory and industry leaders from Texas, Chihuahua, Coahuila, Nuevo Leon and Tamaulipas will gather Feb. 23 to sign an agreement pledging support for international trade. "North American beef producers will join together in Houston to forge an agreement that will foster a spirit of cooperation into the next century," Anderson said. "Hopefully, this agreement will serve as a model that will eventually join all provinces and states in Canada, Mexico and the United States. That cooperation will help determine if North America will dominate the world's beef trade or whether we will continue to battle each other for market shares in our own countries."

A new way to price milk

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department plans to change the way it calculates certain milk prices each month, potentially affecting the cost of items like ice cream and frozen yogurt. The new pricing method affects Class II milk products, the Agriculture Department said. That's the kind of milk used in manufacturing soft dairy foods such as cottage cheese, yogurt and ice cream. About 10 percent of the nation's total milk production is used to manufacture Class II products. The price, to be announced at the same time as the Class I milk price, will be determined using the Minnesota-Wisconsin, or M-W, price for the second preceding month, added to a fixed differential of 30 cents.

Patricia Jensen, USDA's acting

assistant secretary for marketing and regulatory programs, said changing pricing formulas would coordinate the value of milk used to make Class II products with higher-grade Class I fluid milk. Pricing for the lower-grade milk has been determined by a pricing method based on a price formula that updates the M-W price monthly and attempts to coordinate it with the lower Class III milk prices. The report cited instances when the lowest-grade milk was actually priced higher than Class II prices. To compensate, the middle-grade milk prices would be altered, sometimes out of proportion to the cost of fluid milk. Jensen said the new formula will simplify the pricing procedure and keep Class II milk prices in line with prices for the highest-grade

milk. That's important because "the Class II product market is closely linked to the same marketing and distribution channels as fluid, Class I milk, and linking the two pricing methods should better reflect and respond to marketing conditions," the report said. Producers will soon vote on the orders that will provide the changes in the method of pricing Class II milk. Details on the Class II pricing method decision were published in the Federal Register on Wednesday. Copies are available from all market administrator offices and from the Order Formulation Branch, Dairy Division, AMS, USDA, Room 2971-S, P.O. Box 96456, Washington, D.C. 20090-6456 or by calling 202-720-4829.

Preserving an ancient apple

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hundreds of rare apple varieties — some dating to ancient Roman times — are being frozen in liquid nitrogen so they won't be lost to future generations, the Agriculture Department says.

Scientists have preserved in suspended animation 250 of the 2,500 apple varieties grown at the national apple orchard in Geneva, N.Y.

"Eventually, we'll have the entire collection backed up" at the national seed storage lab at Fort Collins, Colo., said plant geneticist Philip Forsline, one of the scientists involved in the work.

It's the first time the USDA has frozen rare fruit buds as a backup for frozen and cold stored seeds.

Among the cuttings frozen so far are the "Esopus Spitzenburg," which dates to the American Revolution; "Snow," which is believed to be the parent of today's McIntosh; and "Lady," among the oldest apple samples on record, dating to Roman times.

Previously, only seeds were safeguarded to preserve genetic traits of individual plants. But in crops such as apples, genes must be protected by saving vegetative cuttings, like buds.

Forsline's team plans to freeze about 10 percent of the apple archive each year. The buds are stored at the seed storage lab in temperatures as low as minus 150 degrees Celsius.

Liquid nitrogen vapor keeps the clippings in a suspended state from

which most can later be reanimated if necessary. Forsline says the samples are better preserved on ice than out in the elements. "We spend a lot of time protecting these outdoor specimens, yet they are vulnerable to disease,

insects, ice storms or other natural disasters," he said. Chances are good that most of the frozen samples will be able to produce healthy trees after being thawed and grafted to existing rootstock, he said.

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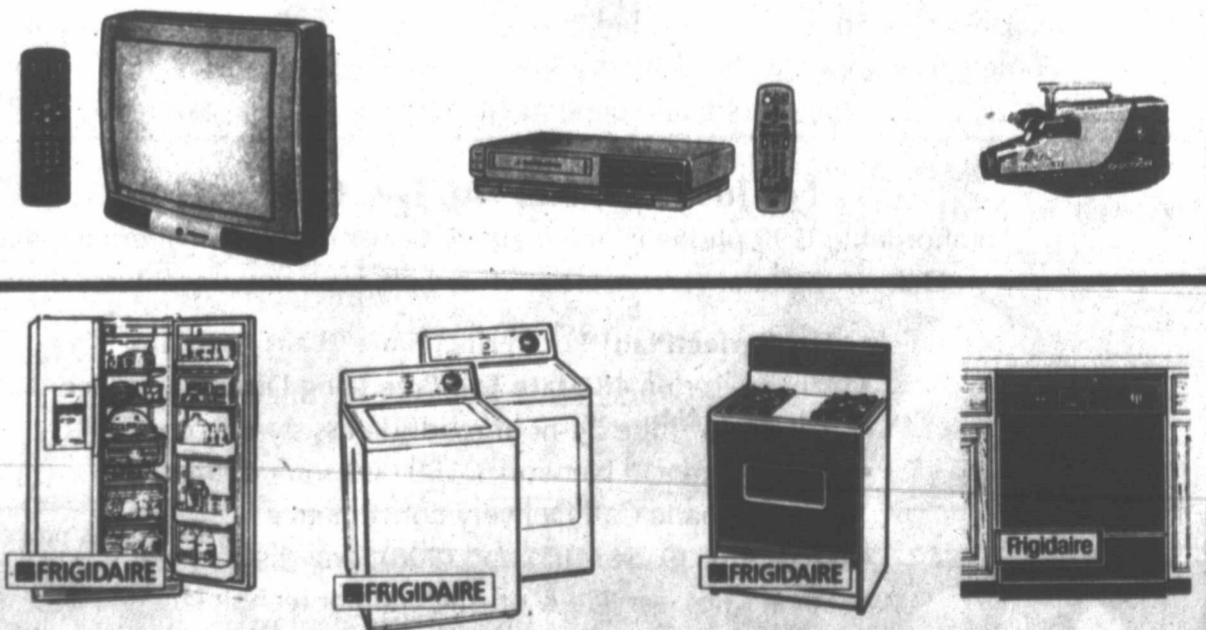
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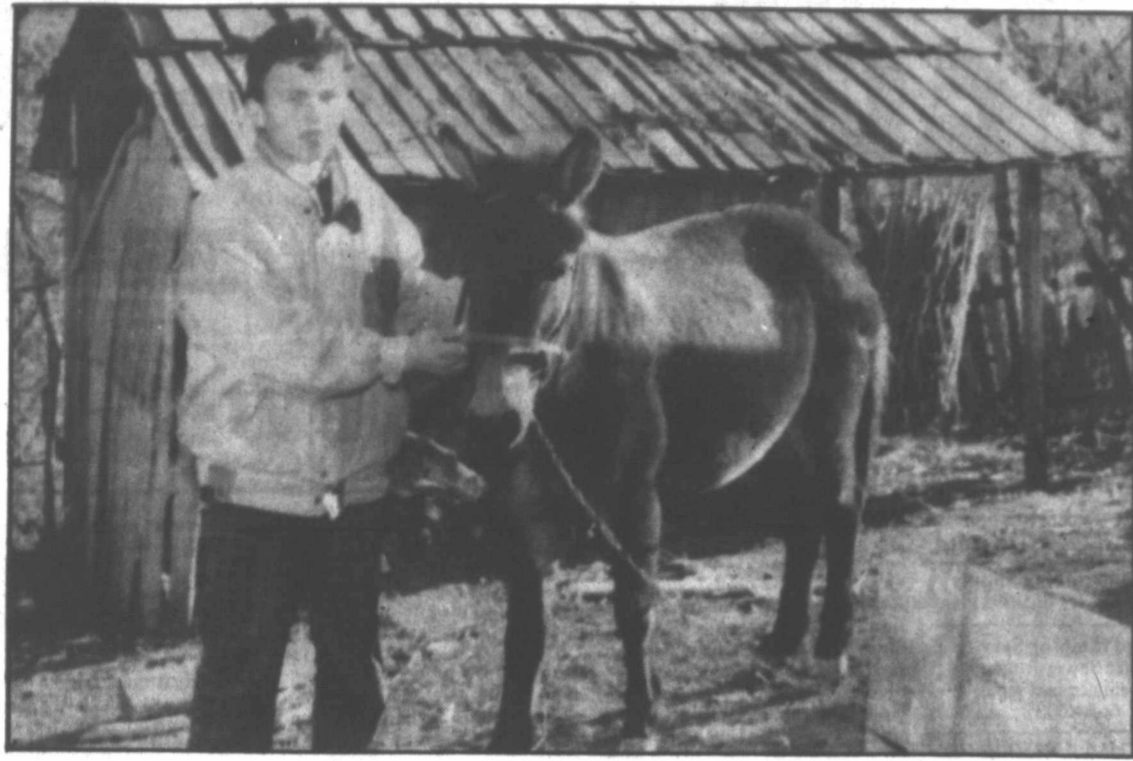


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Piqret Muzhaqi with his father's once-pregnant mule. (AP photo)

Pregnant mule breeds superstition

VILAN, Albania (AP) — Has Jakup Muzhaqi's miraculous mule signaled the apocalypse? Does the devil live in its stomach? Will the town policeman carry out its death sentence?

The mule's reported pregnancy — highly unusual for the usually sterile hybrid — plunged this isolated village into a flurry of speculation and debate.

Town elders worry the mule's Nov. 18 miscarriage could signal a looming catastrophe. Most of the 530 villagers would like to see the evil omen removed. But nobody dares to kill the mule because, they fear, that might make things worse.

So, since the event, villagers have

been gathering in Muzhaqi's garden to debate what to do with the unnamed beast.

The story of his mule shows the depth of superstition that exists in Europe's most backward nation, where 3.2 million people barely subsist in a country of few paved roads, widespread unemployment and mostly ramshackle housing.

In a place like Vilan, 60 miles south-east of Tirana, a mule is a valuable thing. The offsprings of male donkeys and female horses, mules are slower but more surefooted than horses. They also are sterile.

Until Nov. 18, those were undeniable

facts here. Then villagers told visiting reporters their story. After a day of plodding in the field, Muzhaqi's mule started braying with pain.

Something covered with what looked like white plastic fell to the ground.

It looked like a tiny lamb, just over 3 pounds, whose head and legs could be distinguished.

Muzhaqi's 67-year-old brother, Ali, decided the beast had the devil in its stomach. "This mule should die," he declared.

But Jakup, 70, who doesn't talk much, objected. After all, it would be hard for him to kill his only mule.

Here's a joke with some teeth in it

By MIKE CORDER
Associated Press Writer

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — The saga of the fishy false teeth — the best sea yarn to hit Holland since the boy stuck his finger in the dike — was exposed Friday as just as big a hoax.

It all began when fishing enthusiast Cor Stoop lost his upper plate when he leaned overboard during a spell of seasickness while sailing on a North Sea charter boat in September.

On Nov. 27, Hugo Slamet, a tackle shop owner who had organized the charter, found a set of choppers while gutting a 19-pound cod he caught on a fishing excursion. The charter skipper then recalled that Stoop had lost his teeth during the trip in September.

The teeth were eventually given to Stoop at a handover splashed across Dutch media.

But something about the story began to seem fishy.

"They fit all right," Stoop told The Associated Press on Friday. "But I began to have doubts, so I got my dentist to investigate and he told me the top and bottom didn't go together."

Then taxi driver Roel Pool, an amateur fisherman and practical joker, revealed what had really happened.

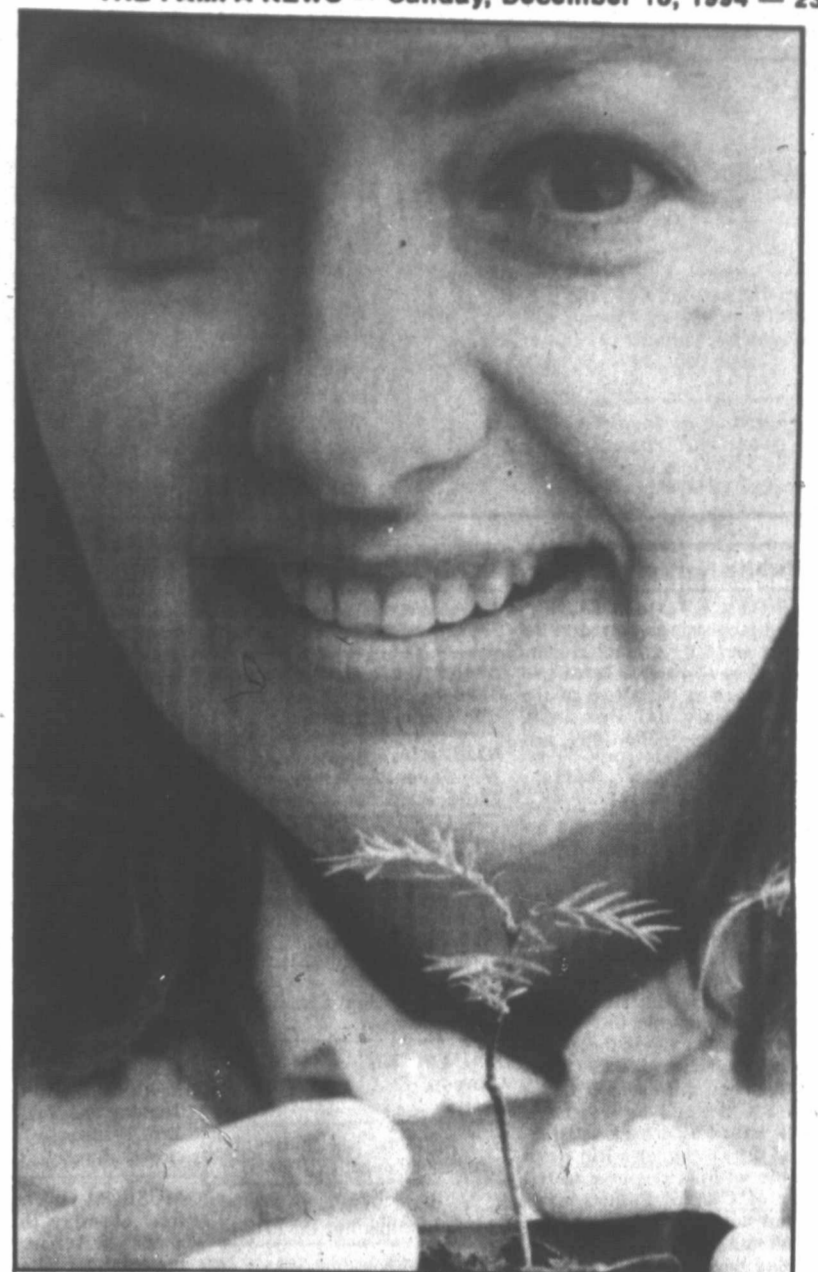
"When we go fishing on the sea we always make jokes. I took the teeth from my wife and put them in the day's biggest cod," Pool said Friday, after the hoax was revealed in the Dutch media.

Slamet found the teeth when he gutted the cod 30 minutes later.

Pool's wife, Janet, said the couple had a good laugh the night after the practical joke. "We didn't realize it was going to get into the papers," she said.

Slamet was not amused. He said he has consulted a lawyer about possible legal action and planned to toss the false teeth off an Amsterdam ferry.

Pool said he wasn't concerned. "It's no problem, my wife has another set of teeth."



Cathy Offord, a researcher, shows seedlings from the ancient Wollemi Pines in Australia. (AP photo)

Son of Jurassic Bark

Scientists reproduce ancient pine seedling

By PETER SPIELMANN
Associated Press Writer

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — A day after announcing the discovery of a real-life Jurassic Park, where pine trees thought extinct for 150 million years still thrive, scientists have unveiled the sequel.

It's the son — or seedling — of the Jurassic Bark.

For the last two weeks, horticulturists at the Mount Annan Botanic Garden have mounted a secret effort to propagate seeds from the prehistoric pines, which were found last August and christened the Wollemi Pines, after the park where they reside.

They announced the results: It's a seedling!

Forty seeds recovered from the grove of Wollemi Pines have been incubating in a special nutrient solution and one has sprouted, said Cathy Offord, the research officer at the gardens.

The institution is also experimenting with branches and leaves brought back from the secret site of the Wollemi Pines, to see if they reproduce by sending out runners or shoots.

"Because it is a new genus, we have no prior knowledge of how to propagate the plant," Offord said.

Now the Mount Annan Botanic Garden is hoping, like the fictional founder of the fantasy Jurassic

Park, to get rich by propagating prehistoric pot plants.

"Let's face it, everyone is going to want one of these plants from the age of the dinosaurs," said Mark Savio, curator of the gardens.

Modern cultivation techniques could use tissue cultures to propagate thousands of plants a year from a single bud.

On Wednesday, Carrick Chambers, director of the Royal Botanic Gardens, said the discovery of the 39 Wollemi Pines "is the equivalent of finding a small dinosaur still alive on Earth."

The trees were found in an almost inaccessible part of Wollemi National Park, about 125 miles west of Sydney in the Blue Mountains.

The biggest tree towers 130 feet with a 10-foot girth, and is reportedly at least 150 years old. They are covered in dense, waxy foliage and have distinctive nobby bark.

So far only 23 adult trees and 16 juveniles have been found, making it one of the world's rarest plants. Their exact location is being kept secret.

The closest relatives of the Wollemi Pines died out in the Jurassic era 195-140 million years ago, and the Cretaceous era, 140-65 million years ago. The Wollemi pine had been thought extinct for 150 million years.

Lack of loot victim's fault, burglar says

HONG KONG (AP) — After breaking into a garment factory and finding nothing of value, a disgruntled burglar left a note warning the owner to do better next time, or else.

"Put some money here next time or I'll set fire to your factory. ... You make me do this for nothing. I can't even find 10 cents," the note said.

It was written by Yu Kin-fong, 33, who was later arrested and admitted to a string of burglaries.

He pleaded guilty Thursday, saying he needed money for his child and pregnant wife in China and to support a drug habit.

The District Court sentenced him to three years in prison.

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The Pampa News

1 Public Notice

NO TICE TO BIDDERS
Sealed proposals addressed to the Mayor and City Commissioners of the City of Pampa, Texas will be received at the office of the City Secretary, P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, Texas 79066-2499, until February 16, 1995, 1:30 p.m., for furnishing necessary materials, machinery, equipment, superintendency, and labor for reconstruction of streets. Bids shall be in a sealed envelope marked "Comprehensive Street Improvement Program"; Phase II - Street Reconstruction, Project No. 94.08. Envelope shall also include time and date for bid opening. Facsimile bids will not be acceptable. Bidders shall submit their bids on the form attached to the Specifications and must submit therewith a Cashier's or Certified Check issued by a bank satisfactory to the Owner, or a Bid Bond payable without recourse to the amount of City of Pampa, in an amount not less than 5% of the bid submitted on the project as a guaranty that the Bidder will enter into a contract and execute bonds in the forms provided within ten (10) days after notice of award of contract to him.

The successful Bidder must furnish performance and payment bonds on the forms attached to the Specifications in the amount of 100% of the total contract price from a Surety Company approved by the Owner holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as Surety or other Sureties acceptable to the Owner.

All lump sum and unit prices must be stated on both scribbled figures. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive informalities and technicalities. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating the prices in the bids, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof, or to reject the bid. The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. Bidders are expected to inspect the site of the work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions under which the work is to be done. The contractor shall comply with all State and Federal regulations regarding wages and conditions of employment, including, but not limited to, those rules and regulations set forth or referred to in the Specifications.

Bids will be opened in City Commission Chamber (Third Floor, City Hall). Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and Plans are on file with the City Purchasing Agents' office (Third Floor, Susan Crane (806) 669-5700, City Hall), 201 West Foster, Pampa, Texas 79065.

The City Commission will consider award of project during the first part of March 1995.

A plan deposit of \$150.00 will be required for all contracts which will be refunded to bidders if bid documents are returned in good condition within 30 days. Non bidders to receive \$75.00 upon return of bid documents.

City of Pampa, Texas, Owner
By: Phyllis Jeffers
City Secretary
C-90 December 18, 25, 1994

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The Pampa Independent School District will receive sealed bids for CATALOG DISCOUNT FOR OFFICE/INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES until 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, January 11, 1995. Bids are to be addressed to Pampa ISD Business Office, Attention: Anita Patterson, Purchasing Director, 321 W. Albert, Pampa, Texas 79065. Specifications may be obtained from the same address or by calling (806) 669-4705.

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C-89 Dec. 16, 18, 1994

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of ZENA BELLE GINN, Deceased, were issued on the 12th day of December, 1994, inocket No. 7888, pending in the County Court of Gray County, Texas, to BRUCE A. GINN, JR., as Independent Executor. Claims may be presented in care of the attorney for the Estate addressed as follows:

Bruce A. Ginn Jr., Executor,
Estate of ZENA BELLE GINN,
Deceased
c/o Gene Thompson
Attorney at Law
P.O. Box 1461
Pampa, Texas 79066-1461

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. Dated this 12th day of December, 1994

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ZENA BELLE GINN, Deceased
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ALZHEIMER'S Disease and Related Disorders Assn., P.O. Box 2234, Pampa, Tx. 79066.
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AGAPE Assistance, P. O. Box 2397, Pampa, Tx. 79066-2397.
AMERICAN Diabetes Assn., 8140 N. MoPac Bldg. 1 Suite 130, Austin, TX 78759.
AMERICAN Heart Assn., 2404 W. Seventh, Amarillo, TX 79106.
AMERICAN Liver Foundation, 1425 Pompton Ave., Cedar Grove, N.J. 07009-9990.
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.
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FREEDOM Museum USA, 600 N. Hobart, Pampa, Tx. 79065
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GENESIS House Inc., 615 W. Buckler, Pampa, Tx. 79065.
GOLDEN Scout Council Trust Fund for Boy Scouts of America, 401 Tasco 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.
LION'S High Plains Eye Bank, 1600 Wallace Blvd., Amarillo, Tx. 79106.
MARCH of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation, 2316 Lakeview Dr., Amarillo, TX 79109.
MEALS on Wheels, P.O. Box 939, Pampa, Tx. 79066-0939.
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PAMPA Area Foundation for Outdoor Art, P.O. Box 6, Pampa, Tx. 79066.
PAMPA Fine Arts Assoc. P.O. Box 818, Pampa, Tx. 79066.
PAMPA Sheltered Workshop, P.O. Box 2808, Pampa.
PAMPA United Way, P.O. Box 2076, Pampa, Tx. 79066-2076.
PASTORAL Counseling Center of Pampa, 525 N. Gray, Pampa, Tx. 79065.
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. 38148-0552.
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.
WHITE Deer High School Book of Remembrance, P.O. Box 656, White Deer, Tx. 79097.
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Survivors honor lost loved ones with special holiday ceremonies

By REBECCA THATCHER
Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN (AP) — For many Texans, the holiday season is a time to rejoice with friends and family, affirm religious beliefs and exchange gifts.

But for some, the merrymaking triggers a nightmare of memories of loved ones who were slain.

Lori Bible, who last saw her sister Colleen Reed on Christmas Day in 1991, suffers through the holidays, reminded of her sister at every turn. Reed was 29 when she was kid-

napped from a West Austin carwash on Dec. 29, 1991. Her body has not been found, but Kenneth McDuff was convicted of kidnapping and killing her and was sentenced to die by lethal injection.

"The Christmas weekend is a hard weekend, and I don't cope with it well," Ms. Bible said.

Even when the holidays do not mark an anniversary of a victim's slaying, they can be hard for those who remember happier times when their families were complete, said Verna Lee Carr, an advocate for crime victims.

"These people will never be able to sit down and hold their loved ones' hands at the Christmas table and say a blessing," Ms. Carr said. "They will not be able to go buy a gift. Instead, they will place a wreath on a grave."

Garr's volunteer agency, People Against Violent Crime, has tried to bring comfort to more than 100 people who have lost loved ones to violent crime with its "tree of angels," dedicated early in December.

Family members decorated a tree at the Travis County Sheriff's Department with an array of porce-

lain, glass, metal and cloth angels, most bearing the name of a crime victim who died recently.

Carr said she started the event four years ago, hoping to give families a chance to remember their loved ones in a "reverent and humbling" ceremony.

Over the years, she said, "I could see I was doing something that reached deep within them."

Ms. Bible, who has attended other tree of angels ceremonies, said the gathering is a great opportunity to get together with people who have had similar tragedies and to

acknowledge their loved ones.

"They are in heaven," she said. "They are angels now."

Another group, For the Love of Christ, held a private ceremony at the beginning of December to remember family members who have died, said Edi Moriarty, associate director of the group. The group is a counseling and support group for people whose loved ones have died, regardless of the circumstances.

Sally Kachoris, a member of For the Love of Christ, knows how painful holidays can be. She and her

husband could not stand to be in Austin for two Christmases after her 15-year-old son, Rudy, was killed on April 7, 1991.

Rudy, an honor student at St. Michael's Academy, was shot in the head at a carnival. Garrett Stanley, then 14, was arrested and served about two years in a Texas Youth Commission facility.

"Every Christmas and Thanksgiving, it's really hard for us," said Sally Kachoris. "The first two Christmases we left. We could not stay. We didn't put up a tree or anything."

Waitress gives special baked Christmas treats

By KAREN HARAM
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — It's not enough that waitress Pat Turella spends all year giving diners some of the best food service in the city at CoCo's Restaurant & Bakery.

Come Christmas, she does her regular customers one better, serving them breakfast or lunch at the restaurant first, then sending them home with oversized boxes filled with holiday cookies, candy and breads from her home kitchen.

Mrs. Turella makes well over a thousand cookies, not to mention hundreds of candies and multiple loaves of sweet breads, to give to six special couples, regular customers who always request her as a waitress when they visit the restaurant.

Turella has worked at CoCo's for nearly 18 years, since her husband Joseph retired as a drill sergeant from the Army.

When their boxes are filled, the rest of the sweet treats are divided among her coworkers, restaurant managers and family members.

It all started at Christmas 15 years ago with one couple, Leo and Doris Melton. The couple would always ask to be seated in Turella's section because they enjoyed her pleasant manner, outgoing personality and efficient service.

"I thought it was so nice that they always asked for me. At Christmas I decided to present them with a big box of cookies and bread," she says.

The Meltons were so excited by Turella's generosity that the next year she added two more couples, also regular customers, to her holiday list. The next year, she added yet another, and so on until she's now making six boxes of treats.

"I make about 100 dozen cookies. I keep busy a whole week. I do it because I want to. It makes me happy," she says.

Making others happy is one of the things that Turella does best, say her coworkers and manager. That's also why she's the kind of waitress that customers request by name.

"I love people. That's why I've stuck with this kind of work. I love it here. I love the guests that come here, the atmosphere in the restaurant. My coworkers are like family. I always feel like I'm home away from home here," she says.

Turella works from 5:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. five days a week during the busy breakfast and lunch shifts. A week or two before Christmas, she begins baking when she gets off work, making batch after batch of Thumbprint Cookies, Sand Tarts, Peanut Butter Fudge, Chocolate Pecan Fudge, Coconut Balls, Peanut Butter Balls, Chocolate Chip Cookies, Scotchies, Oatmeal Walnut Raisin Cookies, Orange Drop Cookies, Apple Cinnamon Bread and Pumpkin Bread.

Each year, Turella tries to add a new cookie. This year it's the Orange Drop Cookies she tasted while visiting her sister in Colorado.

"I keep busy for a whole week," she says. "I start on a Monday and just keep going until I get everything ready."

She begins by going to the military commissary and buying all the ingredients she needs, storing the bags in her dining room. "That way I know I have everything I need," she says.

Turella likes to make several dozen of an assortment of cookies one day, then repeat the process the next. The following day, she'll make six loaves of each kind of bread, then repeat the whole process the next day. Candy making also gets squeezed into her busy days.

By evening, "I'm a little tired, but that's all right," she says. "I clean up the kitchen, take a nice warm bath, watch a little TV and relax with my husband and go to bed," she says.

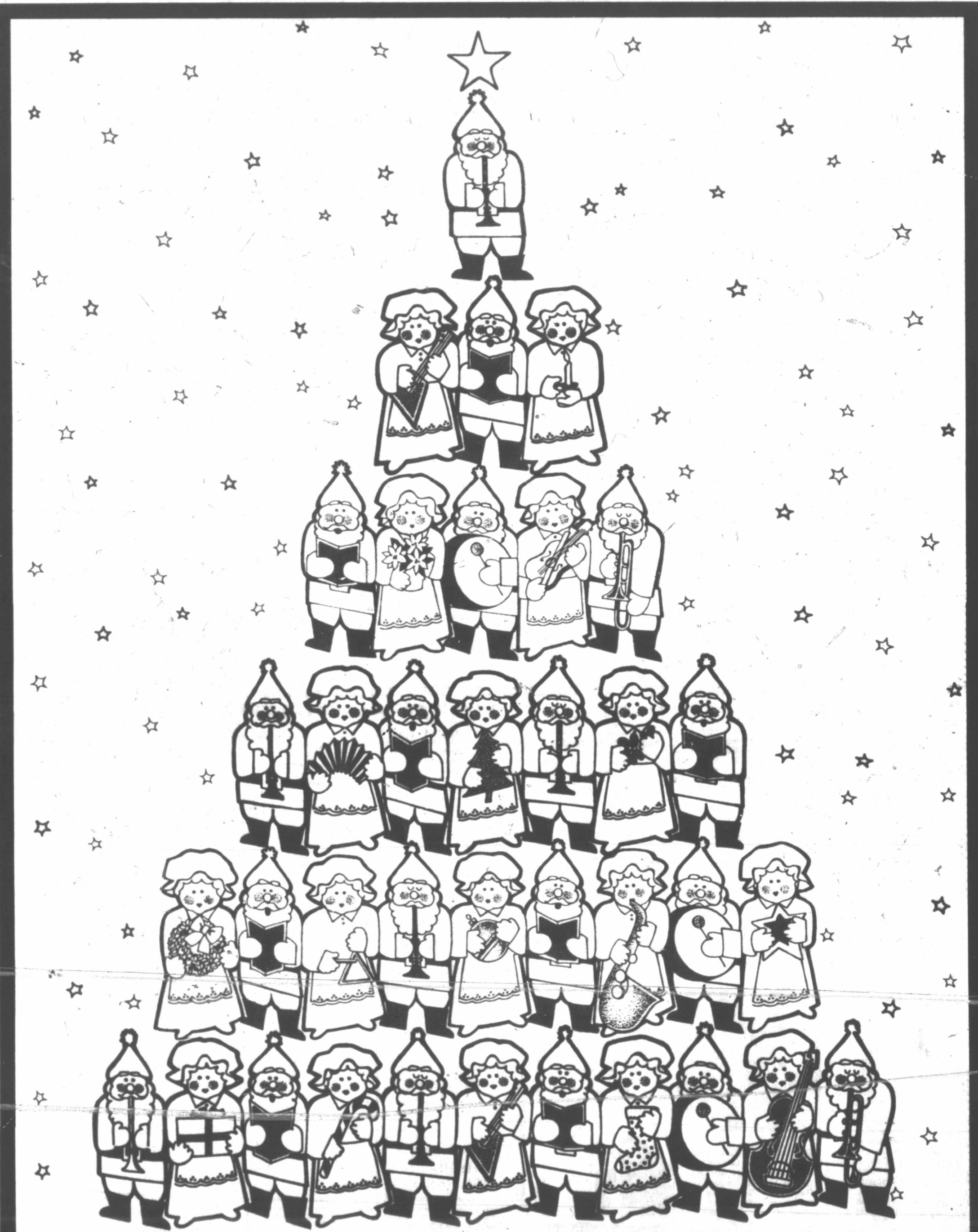
"I don't think about being tired. I think about the boxes."

Turella tells her special customers to be sure to come to the restaurant on a certain day, then she gives them their baked goodies.

As it turns out, Turella has found herself not only on the giving, but on the receiving end, at Christmas.

From the beginning, the Meltons have brought Mrs. Turella hand-crafted wooden items that Leo makes. Another couple brings her "wonderful pecan brittle." Still another brings her crafted items, not at Christmas, but when the mood strikes.


"These customers of mine are so special. It's just a wonderful bond we've created through the years," she says.

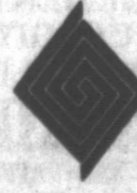


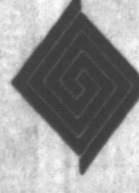
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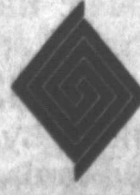
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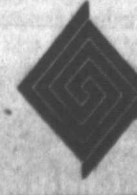
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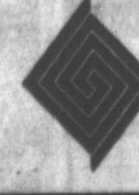
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