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# The Pampa News

Pampa, Texas

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**Good Evening!**

**LOCAL**

**PAMPA** — The day after Thanksgiving, local volunteers will help The Salvation Army kick off its annual Christmas kettle drive.

Lt. Tony Housley, commanding officer of The Salvation Army in Pampa, said Pampa citizens will join during the kick-off to begin the fund-raising drive for the annual appeal at Christmas.

"We have set the goal at \$30,000," Lt. Housley said.

The kettle kick-off will begin Friday at Wal-Mart Discount City from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

"The Salvation Army's Mobile Canteen will be on hand giving out free hot chocolate and coffee," he said.

Serving as volunteer coordinator for the kettle drive is Nadine Moore. Those wishing to help with the kettle drive, either as individuals or as groups, may contact The Salvation Army office at 665-7233.

**PAMPA** — Pampa's state senator will hold a town hall meeting Wednesday, Nov. 30, at the White Deer Land Museum.

State Sen. Teel Bivins (R-Amarillo) will discuss the upcoming legislative session in Austin including bills he has prefiled and those he plans to introduce, according to Tammy Shaklee, a spokesman for Bivins.

"The Texas Legislature has been adjourned for a year and a half now," Bivins said. "It's important for me to hear what citizens want out of this next legislative session. The state also has new leadership, and I hope to learn what expectations people have in light of that."

The 74th Legislature, scheduled to convene Jan. 10, 1995, is expected to address juvenile crime, education reform, home equity and casino gambling, Shaklee said.

**PAMPA** — In keeping with tradition, *The Pampa News* will not publish a Thanksgiving Day edition Thursday. The next edition of the newspaper will be on Friday.

Students in Pampa's public schools began their holiday today. There will be no school Friday. Classes will resume Monday.

City, county, state and federal offices will be closed Thursday, as will banks, credit unions and savings and loan association. Gray County Courthouse will be closed Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday. Regular hours will resume Monday. Emergency services will be staffed for the holiday.

There will be no mail delivery Thursday, though post office boxes will be open for those patrons. Regular delivery will resume Friday.

Most businesses will be closed Thursday, but will open Friday, many to begin their Christmas holiday sales.

**PAMPA** — A Pampa man is in Gray County jail today accused of holding his wife against her will in her Browning Street home.

Rudy R. Rodriguez, 18, 221 Lefors, remains in jail in lieu of \$10,000 bond set Tuesday by Justice of the Peace Margie Prestidge.

According to police officials, Rodriguez allegedly assaulted Hope Esperanza Rodriguez from 1 to 9 a.m. Tuesday. Mrs. Rodriguez was able to escape after Mr. Rodriguez fell asleep.

She reportedly suffered bruises and abrasions to her right forehead and eye.

**PAMPA** — The board of directors of the Pampa Economic Development Corp. Tuesday approved payment of \$71,387 to Plains Builders Inc. as the final payment of \$413,000 approved for the first phase of an expansion of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's Rufe Jordan Unit east of Pampa.

Once completed, the prison expansion will provide about 125 new jobs for the area.

Executive Director Jack Ippel told the board he has been talking with Premium Standard Foods, a Missouri company, about locating a hog processing plant in Pampa. The company already plans to put a hog-raising operation in the Dalhart area.

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## Four killed at D.C. police headquarters

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A man carrying a semiautomatic assault weapon walked into the District of Columbia police headquarters, starting a shooting spree that killed two FBI agents and a city detective. The gunman also was shot to death.

Police and the FBI had only a scant explanation for what happened in the middle of Tuesday afternoon in the crowded police headquarters. Police Chief Fred Thomas described it as a "hectic and chaotic situation."

In a city already known as the U.S. "crime capital" because of its many homicides, it was an event that could only add to that reputation. The four deaths brought to 369 the total number of homicides in the District this year, compared with 467 for all of 1993.

Police spokesman Sidney Bennett today identified the gunman as Bennie Lee Lawson, 25, of Washington, who was questioned by police a week ago in a triple slaying in Washington.

Lawson made his way to the third floor

of the police building carrying a TEC-9 semiautomatic assault weapon that fires multiple rounds in just seconds, FBI spokeswoman Susan Lloyd said today.

Lloyd said the weapon is slightly larger than a handgun and can be easily concealed. She described it as "the weapon of choice these days on District of Columbia streets."

Following Tuesday's shootings, the head of the police union complained about headquarters security.

"They've got no metal detectors down here, no security," said J.C. Stamps, president of the Fraternal Order of Police. "We need more protection just like anyone else, and they should see that now."

Thomas promised a review of security procedures to "see where we need to make changes. But because it's a public building... it's hard to control access."

The police headquarters shares space in a large building, four blocks from the U.S. Capitol, with other city agencies such as the motor vehicle bureau. The mayor's office is in a building across the street.

The dead policeman, Sgt. Henry Joseph Daly, had been on the police force for 28

of his 51 years, earning more than two dozen commendations. He was married, with grown children.

The others were a man and woman with 8 and 7 years experience, respectively, with the FBI. All were members of the "cold case squad," a two-year-old joint FBI-police task force that reviews unsolved murders three months or older.

"We believe the gunman was a suspect" of the squad, said Tony Daniels, head of the FBI's Washington field office. However, Lloyd said today that Lawson had no reason for being in the building that day.

"He was not killed by the police emergency response team called to the scene," Thomas said. "We don't know if he committed suicide or if he was shot and killed by one of the agents."

Thomas said the man had brought a semiautomatic weapon into the task force squad room located on the third floor, where he and two other people were being interviewed.

The three were "either witnesses or suspects" in cases, Thomas said, declining further details.

"We believe he had been interviewed

before by agents of the Metropolitan Police Department," Daniels said. "What brought him to that room at that particular time, we don't know."

He would not identify any of the three. One was wounded and the other was unharmed but in custody, he said.

Daly, 51, was supervisor of the cold case squad. The FBI agents were Martha Dixon Martinez, 35, of Springfield, Va., and Michael John Miller, 41, of Upper Marlboro, Md. Martinez was married to another FBI agent; Miller was married and had two children.

After the shooting started about 3:30 p.m., Thomas said, other officers dragged Daly and one of the FBI agents from the squad room. A civilian also "managed to crawl from the room despite a gunshot wound to the leg," Thomas said.

About an hour after the initial shots were fired, police emergency teams broke into the room and found three more wounded people — two other FBI agents and another civilian. A fourth person was not harmed. The two civilians "were not involved with Lawson. They were just in the wrong place at the wrong time," Lloyd said.

## Youthful Thanksgiving



At Wilson Elementary School on Tuesday, kindergarten classes of Tana Gardner and Melanie Lansford joined together for some Thanksgiving Day celebration, including dressing up as pilgrims and Indians and having a feast in the school cafeteria. Above left, Gardner gives Erin Teague a cookie. Above right, Lansford tells Colton Barton about the pilgrims and Indians and the first Thanksgiving Day. Gardner's students dressed as the pilgrims and Lansford's students were costumed as Indians. The two teachers and volunteer mothers helped prepare the Thanksgiving feast, including stew, pumpkin pie and cookies. The two classes also paraded to other classrooms at Wilson to show the costumes they had made. (Pampa News photos by Darlene Holmes.)

## Recalling Thanksgiving 50 years ago... Pampans managed despite war and rations

By BEN KECK  
Assistant Editor

It seems unlikely that many Pampans — in the week between the two Thanksgiving Days celebrated here in 1944 — even knew that Nubbins was missing.

What most residents did seem to notice, based on reading the newspapers of the day, was a shortage of turkeys, the inability to travel during the holiday because of gasoline rationing and the scarcity of tires, and the Harvesters' Thanksgiving Day victory over the Plainview Bulldogs.

America was, after all, at war on Thanksgiving half a century ago, and with three war plants and Pampa Army Air Field in full operation, most residents probably had no time to notice a three-line classified ad in *The Pampa News* offering a reward for the return of a black and white screwtail bulldog that wore a yellow collar and answered to the name "Nubbins."

How the holiday was celebrated 50 years ago is well-documented in the news stories and grocery store ads in those yellow, brittle 1944 newspapers.

But the three lines on the classi-

fied page calling for the return of a lost dog are so obscure that they evoke an image only of what might have been — an image of a home warmed by the smells of holiday cooking, of a festive table at which sits a sad-faced child wondering, as father says grace, just what there is to be thankful for if he, or she, might never see Nubbins again.

That's what might have been. What was, was this: There were two Thanksgiving Day celebrations in 1944. The first, on Nov. 23, was observed mostly by the soldiers at Pampa Army Air Field, in accordance with the federal law that set the holiday on the fourth Thursday of November.

The soldiers there — as well as American soldiers on faraway battlefronts — feasted on turkey and all the trimmings. Forty-one states and the District of Columbia celebrated Nov. 23.

But for Pampans and other Texans, as well as residents of Arkansas, Idaho, Nebraska, Tennessee and Virginia, Thanksgiving was celebrated a week later, on Nov. 30. It was, according to one news story, because of a "quirk in the calendar." There were five

Thursdays in November that year, and those states had laws that set the holiday on the last Thursday of the month.

A shortage of turkeys in Pampa markets came about because the federal government rationed the birds to ensure that military forces got first choice.

"Most persons, however, were able this year to purchase a chicken, and a large number of ducks will be eaten here tomorrow," *The Pampa News* reported on Nov. 29. "On the basis of (Office of Price Administration) prices, a chicken dinner with all the trimmings for the entire family would cost about \$6."

The Ideal Food Mart advertised "heavy type, full dressed" hens for 45 cents a pound. Pumpkin was 15 cents a can; sweet potatoes were four pounds for \$1; new crop soft shell pecans sold for 33 cents a pound; and Folger's coffee was 29 cents a pound.

Folks in those days didn't get up on Thanksgiving to watch the Macy's Parade on television. Pampans, however, could get up at 7:45 a.m. to hear *Lum and Abner* on KPDN radio.

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## Richard Peet gives official resignation as mayor of Pampa

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS  
News Editor

City Mayor Richard Peet is thinking and planning ahead in anticipation of his swearing in as Gray County judge Jan. 1.

The mayor tendered his resignation, effective Nov. 30, during the Tuesday Pampa City Commission meeting. In a letter to the panel, Peet looked back on his 5 1/2 years as mayor recalling construction of Recreation Park, revitalization of the Fourth of July celebration, construction of the Rufe Jordan Unit, progress of Pampa Economic Development Corporation and reduced property taxes.

He concluded with his desire to see a commission member appointed mayor until the April regular election.

In work session, commissioners heard a proposal from Clarendon College - Pampa Center director Joe Kyle Reeve concerning the school's desire to construct a new \$3.5 million facility, possibly north of Pampa near Coronado Hospital.

Reeve asked the commission for input and support concerning utilities for the campus.

Clean Pampa Inc. director Pam Green told commissioners the agency move from the Pampa Community Building to a city-owned building at 836 W. Foster is complete and added that it is a satisfactory facility.

"Chipping of the Greens" is set for Jan. 7 in the parking lot of 900 N. Duncan, she said. Last year 2,500 Christmas trees were chipped for composting.

Clean Pampa is working on plans for an appliance recycling day, she said. Removal and disposal of freon and compressors from old refrigerators is a problem in completing plans for the event, she said.

City of Pampa landfill cannot accept refrigerators without a certificate saying a refrigerator is freon-free, Green said.

A household hazardous waste day is set for April 22, 1995, Green said.

During the meeting, commissioners established by resolution M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center as the polling place for city elections. Early voting will continue in City Hall, 210 W. Kingsmill.

Commissioners passed on second and final reading an ordinance allowing up to two members of the Lovett Memorial Library Advisory Board to be out-of-city residents.

## San Diego Zoo first to hatch harpy eagle

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The San Diego Zoo has become the first in the country to hatch a harpy eagle, an endangered bird of prey from the rain forests of South and Central America.

The eagle's sibling was eaten by one of the parents recently as it emerged from its shell. The surviving chick, thought to be female, was taken from the nest when the second egg was hatched.

The eagle is being raised by zoo keepers, who hide behind a screen and use a puppet resembling an eagle when they feed the bird mice slivers three times a day. They hope to prevent the bird from having identity problems.

The eagle, the first ever to be artificially incubated, will be kept at the zoo for six months and may eventually be reintroduced into the wild.

The two adult birds have on several occasions attempted to hatch an eagle but failed. Harpy eagles can grow up to 10 pounds with claws the size of human hands. They lurk atop the rain forest canopy and prey on parrots and small mammals including monkeys.

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# Daily Record

## Obituaries

**GLADYS SELLARS HODGES**  
 PLANO — Services for Gladys Sellars Hodges, 81, of Plano, a former resident of White Deer, will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa. The Rev. M.B. Smith, pastor of Friendship Baptist Church in Pampa, will officiate. Burial will be in White Deer Cemetery by Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hodges died Tuesday, Nov. 22, 1994 in Plano. She was born June 27, 1913 in Texola, Okla. A former longtime resident of White Deer, she moved to Plano in 1973 from Hereford, where she had lived since 1947. She married Robert Lee Hodges on Jan. 4, 1932 in Texola. He died Dec. 14, 1972. She was a member of First Baptist Church of Hereford.

She was preceded in death by two sons, R.L. Hodges in 1939 and Terry Dean Hodges in 1990, and a grandson, Howard Scott Washburn in 1984.

Survivors include a daughter, Sharon Hodges Washburn of Plano, and two grandsons, Terry Dean Hodges Jr. of Baird and Barry David Hodges of Garland.

The family requests memorials be to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch.

### MINNIE LOU QUARY

Minnie Lou Quary, 91, died Tuesday, Nov. 22, 1994. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. M.B. Smith of Friendship Baptist Church officiating. Arrangements are by Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Quary was born Dec. 19, 1902 in Oklahoma. She married Nathaniel N. Quary on Feb. 4, 1918 in Sulphur Springs. They came to Pampa in 1946 from Sulphur Springs. Mr. Quary died in 1969. Mrs. Quary was a homemaker and a charter member of Highland Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Joy Quary in 1978 and Mary Quary in 1926.

Survivors include a son, James Quary of Pampa; two granddaughters, Ciance Doss of Midland and Barbara Cripps of Murphysboro, Ill.; six great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

## Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

### TUESDAY, Nov. 22

Domestic violence/false imprisonment was reported by Hope Esperanza Rodriguez, 20, 509 N. Browning. James Shanon Durney, 929 S. Wells, reported two episodes of criminal mischief. An electric motor and can of food were used to break out windows of his residence at 9:55 and 10:30 p.m.

Charles Eugene Emmons, Lefors, reported forgery at 900 E. Frederic.

Robert Leon Saiz of H&S Heating, 1318 W. Kentucky, reported criminal mischief at 1129 E. Francis. His 1990 Ford pickup truck was egged about 9 p.m. Tuesday.

Paul Dennis Cearley, Rosenberg, reported theft by check at 2627 Seminole.

Officer Morse Burroughs reported information.

Sgt. Katie Gerhardt reported two minors in possession of alcohol at 600 W. Foster at 9:18 p.m. Tuesday. They were discovered during a traffic stop.

Sgt. Katie Gerhardt reported sale of alcohol to minors at Price Road and Kentucky.

Gary Jones, 705 N. Frost, reported assault at 700 N. Frost.

### WEDNESDAY, Nov. 23

Assault/family violence was reported in the 1100 block of Garland. Bruises to the face and eye were reported.

### Arrest

#### TUESDAY, Nov. 22

Rudy R. Rodriguez, 18, 221 Lefors, was arrested at 509 W. Browning on a charge of domestic violence. He was transferred to Gray County jail.

Jade Brown, 20, Pampa, was arrested at 600 W. Foster on a charge of minor in possession.

William Winborne, 19, 2309 Comanche, was arrested at 600 W. Foster on a charge of minor in possession.

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### TUESDAY, Nov. 22

7:21 a.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to a medical assistance call at 300 E. Brown.

9:59 a.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to a vehicle fire in the 1000 block of Twiford.

11:44 a.m. — Four units and eight personnel responded to a cooker fire at 1501 N. Hobart. Light damage was reported.

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5:46 a.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to an alarm malfunction at 2800 N. Crest Rd.

## Hospital

### CORONADO HOSPITAL

#### Admissions

Deborah Chandler  
 Tanner Dyer  
 Cynthia Parks  
 Joshua Seabourne  
 Olive Morriss (extended care)

#### Waynoka, Okla.

Isabell Bradt  
 Dismissals

### Pampa

Pamela Dalton and baby girl

#### Groom

Ruby Latta

### SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

#### Admissions

Shamrock

John H. Oldham

#### Dismissals

Shamrock

Patricia Bryant

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa:

Wheat	3.51	
Milo	3.70	
Corn	4.13	

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

Novoco	14	NC
Occidental	18 7/8	dn 3/8

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Magellan	65.02	
Puritan	14.97	

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa:

Amoco	60	dn 1/4
Arco	104 1/4	up 3/8
Cabot	26 1/2	dn 3/8
Cabot O&G	16 3/4	up 1/8

## Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

### TUESDAY, Nov. 22

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported a minor in possession on Randy Matson Avenue between Wells and Nelson streets.

# NATO bombs more Serb positions

By ROBERT H. REID  
 Associated Press Writer

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — NATO warplanes conducted two air strikes today on Bosnian Serb missile positions, a NATO official said.

News of the latest airstrike came hours after about 20 NATO attack and support planes from the United States, Britain, France and the Netherlands struck at least two Serb surface-to-air missile sites in northwest Bosnia and in a Serb-held section of bordering Croatia.

The NATO source, speaking at alliance headquarters in Brussels, Belgium, refused to give any details on the latest air attack beyond saying it was again on a Bosnian Serb target in the north. He spoke on condition of anonymity.

It was the first time in the 45-year history of NATO that allies, either acting on the United Nations' behalf or to protect itself, have struck at multiple targets in a single day.

The morning airstrike at Otoka and Bosanska Krupa in Bosnia and Dvor just across the border in the Krajina section of Croatia was the second on Serbian positions by the allies in three days.

NATO said the 10:30 a.m. bombing run by 20 attack and support aircraft was defensive, in response to Tuesday's firing of a pair of missiles at two Harrier jets over the Bihac region. The Serb missiles missed the British aircraft.

Adm. Leighton W. Smith, NATO commander for southern Europe, said the attack was "done in self-defense" after the British reconnaissance mission was fired at by Serbs east of Bihac, a U.N.-designated safe haven.

It was the eighth NATO air action since the Bosnian war began in April

1992. On Monday, about 50 alliance aircraft participated in a strike on the Udbina military airfield in Serb-held Croatia that had been used to bomb Bihac 22 miles away.

NATO sources in Brussels said the warplanes were dispatched today to bomb the Serb missile site at Otoka, 15 miles northeast of Bihac, believed to have carried out the Harrier attack.

En route, NATO planes were locked on by Serb radar at missile sites in Bosanska Krupa and Dvor, south and north of Otoka. Those installations were bombed as a precaution, the sources said.

"This is our right to defend the pilots who are required to fly in that area," Adm. Smith said.

A U.N. source in Zagreb, Croatia, said the bombings were not linked to the deteriorating situation in Bihac, where the Muslim-led government army has been fighting to hold off advancing Bosnian Serb and rebel Muslim forces.

The government has lost almost all of its recent war gains to the new Serb offensive. Serb forces control about 70 percent of Bosnia in a war that has left 200,000 people dead or missing since the conflict broke out in April 1992.

In reaction, France urged a cease-fire today in Bihac.

"The offensive against Bihac must stop, a cease-fire must be put into place immediately and the security zone respected," Foreign Ministry spokesman Richard Dague said.

Today's NATO strike did not address urgent pleas from the Bosnian government to help save Bihac.

U.N. sources reported villages to the south and west of Bihac were ablaze from heavy fighting.

Serb fighters from Bosnia and

neighboring Croatia, backed by fighters loyal to a local Muslim warlord, rolled over several villages in the Bihac area Tuesday, leaving thousands of refugees in their wake and destroyed or abandoned villages.

Peter Kessler, a spokesman for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, warned of a pending humanitarian crisis, saying food and potable water was running short in some places.

Tuesday's airstrike was also criticized as too limited. The NATO operational commander said U.N. officials had asked that only the taxi and takeoff areas be bombed and that no Serb planes be targeted.

Italian Defense Minister Cesare Previti, at a signing ceremony in Rome with Boutros-Ghali, called the raid "more demonstrative" than punitive.

Earlier today, U.N. officials reported up to eight artillery shells had hit Bihac, one of six U.N. safe areas in Bosnia where peacekeepers are stationed to protect civilians from attack.

Ham radio operators in Bihac broadcast urgent pleas for food and medicine and said large numbers of refugees were pouring into town.

Maj. Herve Gourmelon, a U.N. spokesman in Sarajevo, said Serb fighters were reported to have entered the southern part of the zone, an ill-defined area encompassing Bihac town and its immediate environs.

Elsewhere, Bosnian government and Serb forces battled with tanks and heavy weapons inside the Sarajevo weapons exclusion zone Tuesday night, violating the U.N. ban on big guns in the area, said Lt. Col. Jan-Dirk von Merveldt, a U.N. spokesman in Sarajevo.

# Unsecure nuclear material transferred to U.S. soil from Kazakhstan, Perry says

By BARRY SCHWEID  
 AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States today completed a "high priority, extremely sensitive" transfer of a large cache of bomb-grade uranium from Kazakhstan to a U.S. energy facility in Tennessee, Defense Secretary William Perry announced.

He said it constituted enough to make about two dozen nuclear weapons.

"We have put this bomb-grade nuclear material forever out of the reach of potential black marketeers" and terrorists, Perry told a Pentagon news conference.

He disputed published reports that the material was being poorly safeguarded by Kazakhstan, but he said the security costs were such a financial drain on the former Soviet republic that it made sense for Washington to step in.

"The concern about security was the driving factor" in making the mutually agreed arrangement to move the material secretly to American soil, Perry said.

Perry said 600 kilograms, or more than one-half ton, of highly enriched uranium was flown out of Kazakhstan to Dover Air Force Base, Del., and the last amounts reached the Y-12 plant at the Oak Ridge, Tenn., nuclear weapons plant this morning.

He said President Clinton gave the go-ahead for the operation on Oct. 7, and the material was move by U.S.

military airlift from Kazakhstan last weekend.

Kazakhstan inherited the material from the former Soviet Union when it dissolved in 1991. It has pledged to give up all its inherited nuclear weapons.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher, appearing at the Pentagon with Perry, said the Kazakhstan material was enough to start a substantial and highly dangerous nuclear weapons arsenal if it had fallen into the hands of a rogue state.

Perry praised Kazakhstan for its cooperation in safely disposing of the nuclear material.

"We recognized both the risk of proliferation and the opportunity to prevent it, and moved quickly," the defense secretary said at the news conference, also attended by Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary, whose department owns the Oak Ridge facility.

O'Leary said she wanted to assure Americans that the material from Kazakhstan is "non-irradiated material" and will be safe to workers who are handling it at Oak Ridge.

The U.S. officials said they could not immediately estimate the cost to the U.S. government of taking over the nuclear material. Perry said the military airlift cost alone was about \$3 million. That does not include the costs incurred by the Energy Department for sending a team of experts to Kazakhstan.

O'Leary said the intent was eventually to have a commercial U.S. entity

process the material into a lower state of enrichment so it can be used for fuel in a commercial reactor.

"The material had been held at a nuclear plant at Ust-Kamenogorsk, an eastern Kazakhstan city about 200 miles from the borders of Mongolia to the east and China to the south."

The White House issued a statement today calling the transfer "an historic step toward meeting the proliferation challenges of the post Cold War era."

In Moscow, a spokesman for Russia's Nuclear Power Ministry told The Associated Press that the uranium was enriched, but was "unsuitable for producing nuclear weapons."

Asked about this today, Perry said there was no question but that the material was enriched to a degree that it could be used to make weapons.

"It is weapon-grade material. I state that unambiguously," Perry said.

Vitaly Nasonov of the Russian Nuclear Power Ministry told the AP that Kazakhstan first had offered to sell Russia 167 kilograms (368 pounds) of uranium-beryllium alloy, which is used to produce fuel rods for nuclear power plants. It also offered 27.4 kilos (60 pounds) of uranium-dioxide powder, which is also used to produce the rods.

"But we didn't want this material," Nasonov said. "We produce enough of it ourselves. So earlier this year they reached an agreement to sell it to the United States."

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## Pampans

And there was football on Thanksgiving 1944, though not in living color and not on a multitude of channels. KPND broadcast the Pampa-Plainview game at 2:15 p.m. Those hardy enough to brave the 29-degree afternoon temperature paid 30 cents each to get into Harvester Stadium to watch Pampa hold off the Bulldogs 7-0.

"The cold caused a good many fumbles and unsatisfactory handling of the ball," the newspaper reported. "It caused the fans a good deal of suffering, too."

All-in-all, Thanksgiving in Pampa 50 years ago wasn't too much different from the holiday that will be celebrated Thursday.

Except for the two unsolved mysteries.

In the mystery of the lost dog, as best as can be determined there were no children in the house where Nubbins lived.

In fact, that house at 402 N. Ballard no longer stands. Old directories and records at the White Deer Land Museum and the Gray County Courthouse indicate that only three people lived there in 1944 — Harvey Frank Martin, who was in the oil well leasing business; his wife Mary

Catherine, who operated the Orchid Beauty Salon in the Combs-Worley Building; and their 23-year-old daughter, Martha Ann Martin, a nurse.

But records do not show what happened to the Martin family, so it could not be determined if Nubbins ever came home.

And finally there is the mystery of the 1944 holiday itself, and how through the hardship of war Pampans managed, by all accounts, to create and enjoy a bountiful feast.

The mystery is how they did it without microwave ovens and Stove Top Stuffin'.

## Weather focus

### LOCAL FORECAST

Variable cloudiness tonight and Thursday, with southwesterly winds 10-20 mph and gusty. Low tonight near 30. High Thursday near 60. Thursday night, partly cloudy with a low in the lower 30s. Tuesday's high was 37; the overnight low was 23.

### REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows near 30 to low 30s. Thanksgiving, partly cloudy. Highs in upper 50s. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows 30-35. South Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in mid to upper 30s. Thanksgiving, becoming partly cloudy. Highs in upper 50s to near 60. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the 30s.

North Texas — Tonight and Thanksgiving day, continued mostly cloudy and cool with a chance of rain. Lows in upper 30s to low 40s. Highs Thanksgiving day in the 50s.

### BORDER STATES

Oklahoma — Tonight, mostly cloudy in the Red River Valley. Fair

Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Lows in upper 40s to low 50s.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in the 40s. Thanksgiving day, mostly cloudy. Highs in the 60s. Thanksgiving night, mostly cloudy. Lows from the 40s Hill Country to the 50s south central. Coastal Bend: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows from 40s inland to 50s coast. Thanksgiving day, mostly cloudy. Highs from 70s inland to 60s coast. Thanksgiving night, mostly cloudy. Lows from 50s inland to 60s coast. Thanksgiving day, mostly cloudy. Highs from 70s inland to near 70 coast. Thanksgiving night, mostly cloudy. Lows from 50s inland to 60s coast.

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## Custer's raid to be commemorated at Cheyenne

CHEYENNE, Okla. — A Cheyenne memorial service is scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday at Coyote Hills Ranch near the Washita Battlefield in Roger Mills County.

The service, to commemorate Gen. George Custer's 1868 raid on the village of Black Kettle, a Cheyenne

## Vegetarian Thanksgiving



For C.Y. Thomas and his family, the holidays kick off with Thanksgiving dinner. From left are Lance James, Charlece James, Marsha Wooding, Charles Y. Thomas Sr. and Patrice White. Everybody pitches in, bringing several vegetables — necessary because White is a vegetarian. But they all say the dinner is fine, even without the traditional turkey and ham, and it's easier on the waistline. (AP photo/Fort Worth Star Telegram)

## Appeals court upholds discharge of gay midshipman

NEW YORK (AP) — Supporters of a gay man who was forced out of the Naval Academy say an appeals court ruling against his reinstatement is merely a temporary setback.

The 7-3 ruling Tuesday by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia said the Navy's decision to expel Joseph C. Steffan was not based on an "irrational bias" against gays. The ruling reversed the finding of a three-judge panel.

Steffan, who went to law school after leaving the academy, is now a clerk for a federal judge in Newark, N.J. He did not comment on the latest ruling, but his supporters said the judges would not have the last word.

"This is one inning in a long ball

game," said Michelle Benecke, co-director of the Servicemembers Legal Defense Network. "Ultimately, the Supreme Court will decide the issue."

Kevin Cathcart, one of Steffan's attorneys and executive director of the Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund, said at a news conference that the legal fight would continue "until this ugly chapter of military discrimination is closed and all American service members are free to step forward and do their jobs free of discrimination and fear."

After acknowledging he was a homosexual, Steffan was forced out of the Naval Academy in 1987, six weeks shy of graduation.

The former midshipman, who was honored for "constant dedication to superior performance" before his ouster, was never accused of engaging in homosexual acts. But the appeals court rejected Steffan's contention that the Navy could not expel him solely on the basis of his statements about his sexual orientation.

"We think that when a service member declares or openly admits that he is a homosexual without any explanation, the Academy may rationally take that statement, at least for purposes unrelated to criminal enforcement, as highly likely to be an admission of homosexual conduct or intent," said the majority opinion, written by Judge Laurence Silberman.

## TWA jet collides with small plane, kills two people

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A TWA jet 1,500 feet into its takeoff roll collided with a twin-engine plane that had strayed onto the runway, shearing the roof off the smaller craft and killing both people aboard.

Eight of the 142 passengers on the Denver-bound jet suffered minor injuries in the collision about 10:15 p.m. Tuesday at Lambert Airport, said Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Sandra Campbell.

"There was an impact and the plane veered," said passenger Pete Hockett of Madison, Wis., who was headed to Denver for a ski vacation with his family. "It was scary. It was scarier when we stopped and they said fuel was leaking."

The jet was evacuated and most passengers took a later flight to Denver, airport spokeswoman Sandy Singer said.

Airport director Leonard Griggs

said the pilot of the MD-80 jet tried to avoid the plane when he spotted it on the runway.

"The pilot did an absolutely superb job in avoiding what could have been a catastrophe, because rather than going straight into it he managed to lift it and clip it with the right wing," Griggs said.

No information about the victims was available. Campbell said their private plane, which could carry up to eight people, had been headed to Iron Mountain, Mich.

The jet had traveled about 1,500 feet on its takeoff roll when it hit the Cessna twin-engine turboprop, which lacked clearance for the runway, Griggs said.

## Soloists of St. Petersburg give fine introduction to the classics

By BILL HALEY  
Guest Reviewer

The Pampa Community Concert Association opened its current season with a program by the Soloists of St. Petersburg on Saturday night at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center.

St. Petersburg, formerly Leningrad, took back its former name with the dissolution of the Soviet Union. The Soloists are a group of violinists and cellists led by Michael Gantvarg; its members are all graduates of the Rimsky-Korsakov Conservatory of St. Petersburg, Russia's oldest school of music.

The company has toured extensively and has received recognition throughout Russia and the world for their fine classical talents. That talent shined as the evening concert opened with early classic compositions by Handel, Bach and Vivaldi. Bach's work was first performed when its composer was kapellmeister at Prince Leopold's court in Arnhalt-Cothen.

In another offering, the Soloists

presented Mozart's "Divertissements in D Minor," one of the lighter works of that composer, and it really wasn't hard to listen to. A "divertissement" is something to get your mind off your troubles, and the Soloists offered the Pampa audience that opportunity with their performances during the night.

## Review

The artists performed in a semi-circle stretched across the stage, nearly a straight line. The instrumentalists were spread along the semi-circle, with the conductor at one end. This technique gave all those in the audience the feeling that they were part of the proceedings. Each number featured a soloist. (The group members had all been featured soloists, many winning various competitions before joining the group.)

The evening was really a marvelous introduction to Bach, Handel and Vivaldi, and the performers finished with a spirited sonata by Rossini.

## Richards exploring options upon leaving office

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Ann Richards is exploring her options after losing her re-election bid two weeks ago, but she knows what she doesn't want.

Despite the rumors that have been floating, she said Tuesday she has no plans to head the Democratic National Committee. She also says she won't become U.S. agriculture secretary, turn to an acting career or challenge Sen. Phil Gramm in 1996 either as president or senator.

"Whatever I do, it's going to be wonderful," she told reporters at her first public appearance since the Nov. 8 general election, an early Thanksgiving dinner for the needy where she helped serve plates of turkey and trimmings.

"All of the discussions that I'm having really have to do with how I might interface in business and how I might do some things that will help me make a living," she said. "I'm not going to go away."

Whatever she does, Richards says she expects it will be in her home state.

"There are a lot of family constraints and things that would keep me in Texas," she said. "I love Austin and I love Texas. My heart is here, so I'm sure I'll be here."

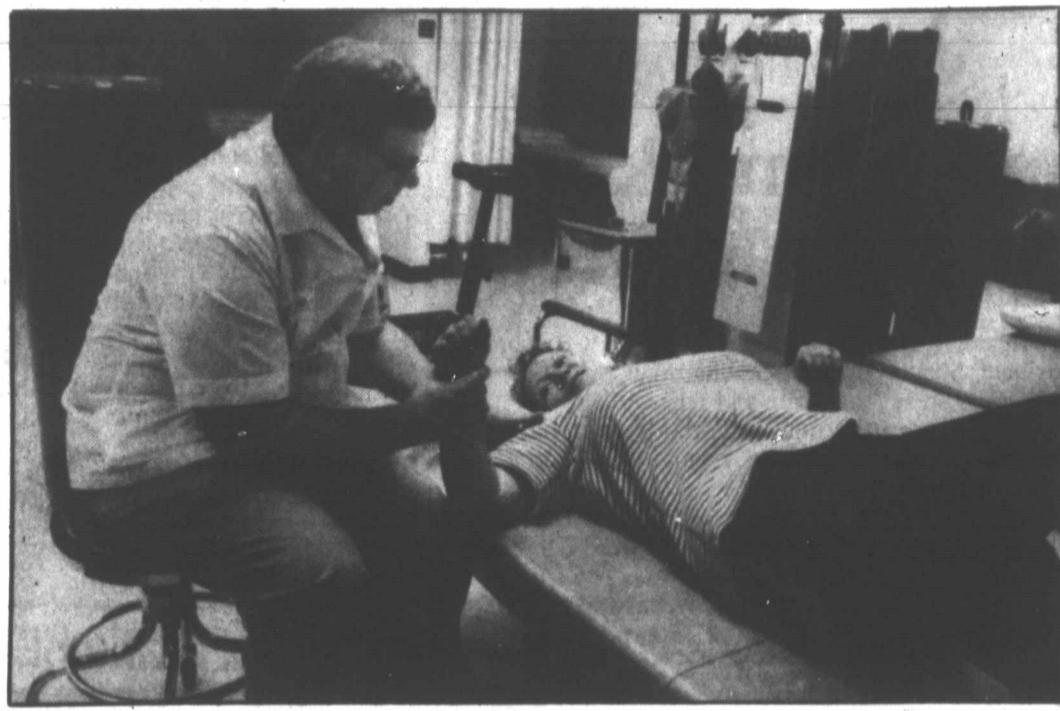
The 61-year-old Democratic governor added that she feels "absolutely great" despite her loss to Republican Gov.-elect George W. Bush, who will be inaugurated Jan. 17.

"I get up and read the morning newspaper, and I used to, you know, I took those things so personally, that there ought to be something I could do about this or that," Richards said, "and knowing that I'm no longer responsible ... in a long-range way, it's really a great feeling."

Richards said she feels good about her term in office. "I had a fabulous, fabulous four years."

Richards served plates of food, shook hands, shared hugs and held a baby at the annual "Feast of Sharing" at City Coliseum, where 6,000 people were expected for an early Thanksgiving dinner.

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Wayland Thomas  
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## Opinion

### Texas lawmaker has the right idea

Rep. Bill Archer, the Texas Republican slated to become the House Ways and Means Committee chairman in January, has offered a bold program of tax reform and reduction.

Although the response from the inside-the-Beltway media was predictable, the response from citizens around the country verged on the ecstatic.

What sparked such a response? It wasn't just the specific proposals, but the idea behind them — in Archer's words, to "remove the IRS to the greatest extent from our lives."

As soon as the new Congress settles in, Archer says he will propose the following reforms: a tax credit of \$500 per child for families earning up to \$250,000 a year; phasing out the income tax's marriage penalty; repealing the tax increase imposed last year on Social Security benefits; reducing the effective rate of the capital-gains tax by 70 percent; and reinstating Individual Retirement Accounts for people earning more than \$50,000 a year.

He also wants to raise the estate-tax exemption from \$600,000 to \$750,000, allow more generous new-equipment write-offs for businesses, give independent gas and oil producers more tax breaks and encourage workers to set up "Medisave" accounts for health insurance and medical care.

Estimates in most news reports about how much the government would "lose" to such reductions (a fascinating formulation suggesting that it's the government's money, not yours) are based on a "static" model that assumes lower taxes mean less revenue. But experience with the Kennedy and Reagan tax cuts suggests that lower tax rates promote more economic activity and more revenue.

That's in the short run. In the longer run, Archer wants to open a discussion on more fundamental reform of the income-tax system — whether replacing the present structure with a "flat tax" — the same percentage for everybody regardless of income, with only a few simple deductions — or with a broad-based consumption tax.

A flat tax would be much simpler to collect, to administer — and, for the taxpayer, to pay without getting into a lot of trouble or spending a fortune on accountants. A consumption tax would be easy to collect and almost impossible to avoid. It would make the intrusive Internal Revenue Service almost a bad memory rather than an active terrorist outfit.

Archer is to be commended for making such bold proposals. He might consider going a step or two further.

When Andre Marrou ran for president under the Libertarian Party banner in 1992, he proposed eliminating the federal income tax and replacing it with — nothing. He noted that the income tax accounted for only about 34 percent of the federal government's revenue.

An elimination of the income tax, accompanied by serious spending reductions, might have to be phased in over a period of years. But if Americans really want less government and less snoo-pervision — and they seem ready to give up some middle-class "entitlements" — they might be ready to eliminate the federal income tax.

Archer make a bold bid. Somebody should raise him.

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# Star Chambers in our colleges

From the 15th to the 17th century, the most feared court in England was the Star Chamber, which held its sessions in secret, delivering cruel and arbitrary judgments. On occasion the Star Chamber expedited its work by obtaining confessions through torture.

The spirit of the Star Chamber — but not the use of torture — lives on in the disciplinary proceedings at a considerable number of American colleges and universities. For years, I have read transcripts of these proceedings and have interviewed participants.

At some schools, sympathetic professors can be advisers to defendants, but the advisor often is not allowed to speak to the court or to cross-examine witnesses. The rules of evidence are frequently abandoned so that, for example, hearsay becomes part of the official record.

The hearing panel generally consists of students, faculty members and administrators who customarily have little or no training in judicial procedures.

If convicted, the defendant can appeal but usually the judicial temperament and experience of those sitting at the appellate level hardly offer hope that sunlight will suddenly enter these proceedings.

What is surely lacking at these institutions — from the more prestigious to the lesser-known colleges — is the very idea of due process, basic fairness. Or, as defined by Justice William Brennan: "Due process asks whether the worth of an individual has been acknowledged ... if due process values are to be preserved in the bureaucratic state of the late 20th century, it may be essential that officials possess passion — the same passion that would put them in touch with the dreams and disappointments of those with whom they deal."



Nat Hentoff

I have talked to college presidents and provosts about the parlous state of passionless, alleged due process on their campuses. Their invariable answer is that they are utterly averse to bringing in the lawyers and the rest of the adversary system in the courts with which the rest of us deal.

As one college president put it, "This is family. We don't 'prosecute' people." Yet these "family" disciplinary proceedings can and sometimes do result in students being suspended or expelled — permanent marks on their records, closing off entrances to graduate school and to certain jobs.

In a recent case, Federal District Judge Vincent Broderick of the Second Circuit gave colleges urgent advice as to how to bring fairness into their disciplinary machinery so that they can avoid being brought into an actual courtroom. Outside lawsuits should be avoided, Judge Broderick believes, because those suits "would have a 'chilling effect' on proper management of the institutions."

Broderick sealed the file on this case lest the parties, and others, "be unnecessarily injured if charges untested and unproved contained in the file became public knowledge."

The case concerned a drunken student who

"engaged in sexual misconduct" with a female student. A comrade of his then allegedly took her undergarments and hid them in a wooded area. While expulsion of the first student — and suspension for one semester of the second student — was being considered, "they were given less than two hours" to decide whether the first would accept voluntary withdrawal and, for the second student, community service.

This hardly being exemplary due process, both students sued in Broderick's federal court for damages. Broderick did not disclose his decision in the case, but he did advise all colleges to develop more precise due process procedures. To be avoided, he said, are "encouraging or pursuing false or malicious charges, or permitting investigations or internal adjudications to turn into abusive events."

He also advised providing an accused student with "notice as to the substance of the allegations against him or her, including a description of what the student has done ... together with an explanation of the disciplinary action which might be imposed."

The accused, before appearing for the hearing, should be able to provide "any statements, documents, affidavits, or other materials to be offered in defense." The accused, said Judge Broderick, also should be permitted to suggest persons to be interviewed in his defense — and the questions to be put to them.

Broderick omitted the right to cross-examine and permit the student's adviser to be actively involved in the proceeding. Furthermore, as Gary Pavela, director of Judicial Programs at the University of Maryland (College Park), emphasizes, those appointed to hearing panels should be trained to hear cases before deciding them.

## Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 23, the 327th day of 1994. There are 38 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 23, 1889, the first jukebox made its debut in San Francisco, at the Palais Royale Saloon. The contraption, devised by Louis Glass, consisted of an Edison tinfoil phonograph with four listening tubes — no loudspeakers — and a coin slot for each tube. A nickel purchased a couple of minutes of music.

On this date:

In 1765, Frederick County, Md., repudiated the British Stamp Act.

In 1804, the 14th president of the United States, Franklin Pierce, was born in Hillsboro, N.H.

In 1903, singer Enrico Caruso made his American debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, appearing in *Rigoletto*.

In 1936, the first edition of *Life*, the picture magazine created by Henry R. Luce, was published.

In 1945, most wartime rationing of foods in the United States ended.

In 1963, President Johnson proclaimed Nov. 25 a day of national mourning following the assassination of President Kennedy.



# Democrats have blown their chance

American voters exclaimed with a shout: "You Democrats had a chance and blew it!"

Republicans are celebrating, but two years from now, they could be shouted out of office if they don't deliver.

It's easiest for an elected crusader in the crosscurrents of Washington, D.C., to turn into a jellyfish.

Two years ago, we sent a lot of people to Washington who promised to do good, and they didn't.

Before this election, 300 members of Congress promised to do better. They assembled on the Capitol steps to pledge themselves publicly to a balanced budget, tax cuts, welfare reform and anti-crime measures.



Paul Harvey

They promised, if elected, to accomplish those objectives within 100 days. President Clinton scoffed at them then.

He can't now. Even his veto may now be im-

portant if they have the numbers to override him.

Republicans, having tasted blood, are licking their lips.

Senator D'Amato, who will head the Senate Banking Committee, wants to privatize the Federal Aviation Administration. He says government has spent billions of your dollars seeking to discipline the aviation industry and has done "a poor job of it."

Indeed, when we, the people, demand eye-for-eye justice for killers, when we protest "don't meddle in quarrels not your own," when we decree, "he who does not work, let him not eat," we can cite for precedent and authority both the Constitution and the scripture.

# Should American history be neutralized?

There is nothing more important than teaching America's story to American children.

Unfortunately, the new "National Standards for United States History: Exploring the American Experience" doesn't do the job right. The most important thing in NSUSHEAE is this statement up front: "This paper does not necessarily represent the positions or policies of the United States government, and no official endorsement should be inferred."

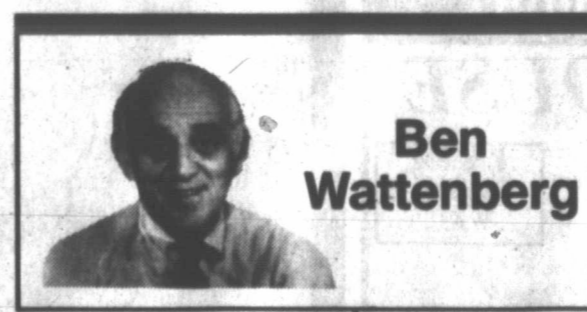
Not yet, anyway. But it might happen, unless the Clinton administration speaks out. Otherwise, there is a risk of making a political shambles of the idea of setting (voluntary) standards for American schools, as embodied in Clinton's "Goals 2000: Educate America Act," which became law earlier this year.

It's not that NSUSHEAE doesn't cover the key aspects of American history. Its thick prose deals with far more than students from grades 5-12 can be expected to absorb.

It touches on the peopling of America 30,000 years ago, and compares *The Simpsons* with *Ozzie and Harriet*. A student is asked about the African political kingdoms of Mali, Songhai and Benin, about reverse discrimination, about how "white land hunger" shaped pre-Revolutionary times, and about what they think of the idea that "Ronald Reagan's defense and military initiatives led to the collapse of communism." Shay's Rebellion, the Whiskey Rebellion, Jay's Treaty and the Monroe Doctrine all make their appearance.

The problem is in the point of view. One is prevalent. Another is missing.

The one that dominates stresses those who were "left out" of earlier histories. It's true that in times



Ben Wattenberg

past not enough attention was paid to women, blacks, Native Americans and Hispanics. But here they seem to be the principal players on a politically correct stage, with each honored group appearing in each of ten "eras." And so Harriet Tubman, a black woman (in modern personnel hiring parlance, a "twofer") who rescued slaves, gets six mentions. Robert E. Lee (a white male "nofer") gets zip.

What's left out of this work is a single broad positive theme that defines our story. George Will has written that "... America is the most important thing that ever happened." I pretty well buy that. The academic New Historians dismiss such thinking as "triumphalism." The co-director of NSUSHEAE, Gary B. Nash, says the document in question is "against triumphalism." He told me that too many nations have suffered from viewing themselves "as us, the good guys, versus them, the bad guys."

This sort of value-free lens prompted Albert Shanker, president of the American Federation of Teachers, to issue a statement, somewhat positive, which also notes that "the section on the Cold War doesn't even mention Soviet aggression in Eastern

Europe." He regards the work as "a draft that deserves respectful debate — and requires substantial revision." He's right.

America is not just another nation. That subversive thought even manages to seep into NSUSHEAE a few times. Thus, nearby buried, it is reported that the voyages of Columbus "led ... to the planting of English settlements where the ideas of representative government and religious toleration would grow haltingly and, over several centuries, would inspire similar transformations in other parts of the world."

What will our children be taught? That we are just another country in the us-vs.-them game? Or that we have changed the world, mostly for the better?

The process of setting up voluntary standards began in the Bush administration. Its resolution will come about during Clinton's time. Soon Clinton will appoint the 19-member board of NESIC (National Education Standards and Improvement Council). That board can "certify" new standards, or ask for changes, or dump them.

The U.S. history standards have already become politicized. Expect more. Conservatives are on the warpath. The world history standards, coming soon, are supposed to be worse still, putting Western Civilization in its place, which is not high. (Other standards, in geography, civics and math, are apparently on the right track.)

Now that the issue has been raised politically, it would be good to hear from Bill Clinton. He'll pick the board. What does he want our children to learn about America? Value-neutral? Or great country?

It's important: Those kids will star in the next chapters of American history.

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## Clinton says U.S. will stand with non-nuke Ukraine nation

By DONALD M. ROTHBERG  
AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Welcoming the president of Ukraine on Tuesday, President Clinton expressed the world's relief at the former Soviet republic's decision to give up its nuclear arsenal. Clinton pledged that "America will stand with you to support your independence and territorial integrity."

Ukrainian President Leonid Kuchma responded that his country "hopes to become good and reliable partners with the United States."

After a day of meetings, the two presidents signed agreements laying out areas for future cooperation and focusing on joint space ventures. Officials were to sign two other agreements to encourage private investment in Ukraine.

At a news conference after the signings, Kuchma said they had "opened the way to full-fledged cooperation."

Once seen as the problem child of the countries that emerged from the breakup of the Soviet Union, Ukraine moved into favor when it agreed last week to give up its inherited nuclear arsenal, missiles and bombs that made it the world's third-largest nuclear power.

It was a move with immediate consequences for the former Soviet republic.

"It will permit us to strengthen our military relations with Ukraine, it will open up Ukraine to a new range of business and technological opportunities," Clinton told the news conference. "In addition, we pledge to help defray some of the costs for participation by Ukraine in the Partnership for Peace."

Clinton promised \$200 million in new U.S. aid over the next two years. Congress already has approved \$700 million, half of which was to help dismantle nuclear missiles.

The president also promised to seek additional aid from European countries and Japan.

He told the news conference that "the agreements we've reached promise to help deliver concrete results: increased security, increased prosperity for Ukrainians and Americans."

In the evening, President and Mrs. Clinton were holding a state dinner for the Ukrainian president and his wife.

During the welcoming ceremony on the White House South Lawn, Clinton said Kuchma "blazed a path ahead on the two most critical issues for the future: economic reform and nuclear weapons."

"You are removing the threat of nuclear weapons and laying the groundwork for an era of peace with your neighbors," he said.

Clinton pledged that "America will stand with you to support your independence, your territorial integrity and your reforms."

That pledge was particularly important to a country that lives in uneasy proximity to Russia, which ruled Ukraine for more than 300 years. Since the breakup of the Soviet Union, tensions have flared between Ukraine and Russia over a number of issues, including control of nuclear weapons, ownership of the Black Sea naval fleet and the future of the Crimea.

Referring to the communist era, Kuchma said that "we are lucky that an attempt of expansion of totalitarian political structures to assault against the human rights, values and freedoms of civilization was a failure."

He conceded that Ukraine still faces daunting economic problems.

"Today, they say that Ukraine is a poor country," said Kuchma. "We are not a poor country, we are a young country, and an inexperienced one. That is why we are ready to learn."

## Waiting for the ax to fall



Tom the Turkey, belonging to Les and Kathy Hanscom, struts around their Algoma, Ore., yard, about five miles north of Klamath Falls, Ore., tree stump and dreaded ax in the background. Tom was not slated to be the holiday meal for the Hanscoms, however. That fate awaited another turkey, one purchased in a grocery store. (AP photo/Herald and News)

## Japan continues to reject war compensation

By MARI YAMAGUCHI  
Associated Press Writer

TOKYO (AP) — For nearly 50 years, Asian victims of Japanese wartime brutality have been awaiting letters of apology and compensation from Japan's government.

But Japan continues to firmly reject any financial compensation to individuals.

War victims were dissatisfied with Japan's announcement in August that it would create a \$1 billion atonement fund to finance regional educational and cultural projects over 10 years.

"The package contains nothing that can soothe their pain," says Keiko Usuki, who heads a Japanese citizens' group that is demanding redress similar to that given by the U.S. government to Japanese-Americans held in American internment camps in the war. Under a 1989 law, about 60,000 Japanese-Americans each received \$20,000 and a letter of apology.

Stung by the criticism, Japan's coalition government intends to set up a private charity to make payments to individual Asian women who were forced to serve as sex slaves to Japanese soldiers.

The Cabinet on Tuesday approved a bill to pay money to families who lost members in the 1945 U.S. atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Survivors, however, protested that the plan was too limited. The \$1,020 payments would only go to survivors registered with the government who lost immedi-

ate relatives in the bombings in which 210,000 people died.

Even a half-century later, Japan has not come to grips with World War II. Two Cabinet ministers have resigned so far this year over their defense of Japan's wartime actions. Asian neighbors have angrily protested Japanese efforts to whitewash the war.

Japanese groups supporting former sex slaves and other war victims share the goal of compensation for each victim, but their methods vary.

Some groups are working for a settlement arranged by the Netherlands-based Permanent Court of Arbitration. Others sponsor demonstrations or support a swelling number of legal suits brought by victims demanding apologies and compensation.

The private-charity proposal has sparked some divisions. Some former sex slaves continue to demand direct official compensation; others say the private funds are the most realistic prospect for providing the now-elderly women some financial support.

Yoshiki Mine, a senior official in the Prime Minister's Office, says Japan has already fulfilled its obligations through reparations and development assistance given to Asian governments.

He claims many governments prefer Japanese economic aid over direct compensation to citizens.

"It's unrealistic to reverse our policy and shift to individual compensation, which can damage our diplomatic relations," he says.

## Testimony ends without Heidi Fleiss on stand

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Testimony in Heidi Fleiss' pandering trial ended Tuesday without the reputed Hollywood madam taking the witness stand and with the names of her clients still a secret.

The jury was dismissed until Monday, when closing arguments were scheduled.

Fleiss, 28, is accused of running a call girl ring catering to the rich and famous. She was arrested after allegedly arranged prostitutes for four undercover officers posing as businessmen.

The names in Fleiss' black book could still be revealed when she and her father go on trial for money laundering Jan. 25. The federal case will focus on financial dealings, and is more likely to trace individual transactions that may reveal identities.

Defense attorneys claimed Fleiss is the victim of selective prosecution because authorities haven't prosecuted her clients. They also alleged during the trial that Fleiss was entrapped by officers in the sting at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.

During Tuesday's testimony, Officer Steven Takeshita, one of the four undercover officers, acknowledged that he was the one who first mentioned sex to an alleged prostitute during a June 9, 1993, meeting arranged by Fleiss.

Jurors watched a videotape that included Takeshita asking Brandi McClain if there were certain sex acts that she would not perform. The video, which contains exchanges between the undercover officers and the women, has been used by both the prosecution and the defense.

One of the women, Samantha Burdette, had testified earlier she was sent to the hotel by Fleiss and that she was to give 40 percent of her \$1,500 prostitution fee to the defendant.

In addition to five counts of pandering, Fleiss also faces a cocaine charge. If convicted on all charges, she could be sentenced to up to 11 years in prison.

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## Texan declared dead in climbing accident

HOKITIKA, New Zealand (AP) — Texas tourist John Charles Payne was declared dead Tuesday, though his body has not been found in the 18 months that he has been missing.

Payne, a 20-year-old student from Dallas, died on the Copland Pass in South Westland, probably during adverse weather conditions, the coroner ruled.

His body and belongings have never been recovered despite two extensive searches, according to infor-

mation provided at the inquest held by coroner Owen Johnston in Hokitika.

Payne was reported missing to Christchurch police after his mother became concerned when she had not heard from him since late March 1993. A postcard had revealed that Payne had arrived on the West Coast and planned to go ice climbing.

He had been seen at Fox Glacier on March 30 and had signed a form saying he planned to hike into Copland Pass the following day. It



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Wearing a Thanksgiving turkey costume, crossing guard Bonny MacLean raises her wings — er, her arms to halt traffic for school children on South Street in Fitchburg, Mass. MacLean said she began dressing up for certain holidays back in the 1960s when her children were in school. (AP photo/Sentinel and Enterprise)

## Angola truce begins with shaky start

By CASIMIRO SIONA  
Associated Press Writer

LUANDA, Angola (AP) — A cease-fire to end Angola's 19-year civil war got off to a shaky start Tuesday as government and UNITA rebels battled on, each accusing the other of violating the truce.

But the fighting appeared to subside later Tuesday, a few hours after the truce was to begin at 1 p.m.

The cease-fire is part of a power-sharing deal signed Sunday in Lusaka, Zambia, the third peace agreement between the rebels and the government who have been fighting since Angola's independence from Portugal in 1975.

The last pact failed in 1992 when UNITA, the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, lost multiparty elections and returned to war.

The treaty signed Sunday gives the rebels four Cabinet posts, six ambassadorships, three provincial governorships, as well as bodyguards for their leaders, U.N. spokesman Joao Albuquerque said Tuesday.

He said it would take at least a year for all the provisions of the peace accord to take effect.

Both state radio and the rebels' Vorgan station announced the cease-fire in their 1 p.m. news bulletins but

neither broadcast appeals for their troops to hold fire, as in past truces.

Later, the rebel chief of staff, Gen. Arlindo Pena Ben-Ben, ordered his troops "to cease all offensive movements throughout the country and to hold positions."

Gen. Pedro Neto, air force chief and top government delegate at the Lusaka talks, announced over state radio that the army would also respect the truce.

But tensions were high and both sides warned provocations could lead to new fighting.

Seconds after announcing the truce, Vorgan claimed government troops were bombarding the northern city of Uige and the airstrip in nearby Negaje, which the government claimed to have captured last week.

Uige, 155 miles northeast of Luanda, was the last provincial capital in rebel hands after the fall of their main base at Huambo two weeks ago.

Government officials blamed UNITA for attacks on Luena and Malanje, important government garrisons in the north and east, and on a staging post near coastal Benguela.

But by nightfall, government command spokesman Brig. Joao Manuel Jota reported "a general lowering of tensions nationwide, even around Uige."

Neither government nor rebel

claims could be independently verified. Journalists were banned from U.N. aid flights Monday, apparently to prevent any reports of clashes from inciting either side to fight on.

Both sides have used propaganda to gain international sympathy in the war that has killed a half-million Angolans and left millions more threatened with starvation and disease.

The United Nations has promised Angola 7,000 peacekeepers if the cease-fire holds, although it has only received commitments for only 15 percent of the force.

"Let's give it a few more hours to take effect," said the U.N. mediator, Alioune Blondin Beye.

Talks to iron out last-minute differences bogged down in Lusaka over how to integrate rebel troops into the national army. U.N. mediators have proposed grouping UNITA soldiers at 12 sites nationwide. The rebels want 16 sites, apparently to keep their men spread through more of the country.

Other negotiators were discussing a possible meeting between President Jose Eduardo dos Santos and rebel chief Jonas Savimbi.

Foreign Minister Venancio de Moura and UNITA Secretary General Gen. Eugenio Manuvakola signed Sunday's pact after Savimbi failed to show to sign with dos Santos.

## State budget leaders approve spending cap

By CHIP BROWN  
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — State budget leaders on Tuesday approved a limit on government spending over the next two-year budget period and outlined funding priorities for the legislative session that begins in January.

The limit, which tracks a constitutional requirement, prohibits legislators from spending tax-generated revenues in excess of the state's growth rate for personal income.

"Texas legislators have always been frugal in spending," said Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, chairman of the Legislative Budget Board, which adopted the proposal with a unanimous vote.

"We rank 50th in the country in per capita spending. The spending cap adopted today will help ensure that we continue to wisely manage tax dollars sent to us."

Comptroller John Sharp has estimated that personal income in Texas will grow 13.98 percent during the 1996-97 budget cycle.

Based on that estimate, the Legislative Budget Board, which is comprised of House and Senate members, approved a spending cap of \$35.57 billion on tax revenues that aren't already dedicated by the Texas Constitution to pay for programs.

The limit is about \$4.3 billion above what the government is spending in the current two-year budget period, Bullock said.

"It doesn't mean we have to spend it," Bullock said. "We don't know at this time how much money will be available."

Two years ago the Legislature budgeted \$857 million less than it was allowed under the cap, Bullock said.

Bullock and House Speaker Pete Laney said basic services such as education, prisons, health care and highways will top the list of spending priorities during the 1995 Legislature.

"I feel that mainstream Texas and mainstream U.S.A. is a lot more interested in seeing the Legislature fund basic services — education, our prison system,

mental health and retardation and our highways — than it is seeing the Legislature create a lot of other new programs at the expense of the basic services," Bullock said.

"I have looked closely at some of the bills being pre-filed and apparently some House members and some senators don't agree with me on that because I do see that quite a few new programs are being suggested in bill form."

Both Bullock and Laney said they haven't yet felt the momentum of an expected push to legalize casino gambling in Texas during the legislative session. The men said they haven't heard any debate that casino gambling would generate substantial revenues for the state.

"I have not seen any revenue stream that it (casino gambling) would bring in that would be a positive," Laney said. "I don't think anything has been given to us on the economic benefits."

Bullock said, "I haven't seen any figures that would indicate it would add much to the budget."

By KILEY ARMSTRONG  
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — It has been 30-odd years since Gregory Condolucci, an elevator operator, laid eyes on Milton Petrie. It turns out that neither man forgot. Petrie left the 85-year-old Condolucci \$9,999.96 a year for life.

Petrie, known in life — and now, in death — for his generosity, remembered hundreds of people, a few famous, most unknown, in his \$800 million will.

"He got a big kick out of me," recalls the 85-year-old Condolucci, who operated the elevator at a New York City tennis club frequented by Petrie decades ago. "I always kidded him."

Petrie, 92, the down-to-earth son of a Russian immigrant pawnshop owner, died on Nov. 6. He built his fortune with a chain of women's clothing stores.

Petrie's will names 451 beneficiaries, including strangers he'd

been helping since he read about them in the newspapers, and loyal employees whom he'd promised a more comfortable retirement.

He also provided generously for his own family members and for a few celebrities such as former Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, writer Elie Wiesel and Marla Hanson, the model whose face was slashed on the street.

The value of his estate fluctuates with the stock market, but one of his lawyers, Jerome A. Manning, believes it's around \$800 million.

"He said he never forgot where he came from," said Cordelia Fuller, whose son, transit policeman Robert Venable, was killed five years ago by a car thief.

A dozen times, Petrie asked Mrs. Fuller to bring Venable's daughter, Januari, now 15, to his office.

"He would give her teddy bears and a check," Mrs. Fuller recalled. "He wanted to know about her progress in school. She was very

crazy about him."

Under the will, Mrs. Fuller, a nursing supervisor in Brooklyn, will receive \$5,000 a year for life.

"It's nice what he did but I'd rather for him to be here," she said.

The will divides the beneficiaries into groups, each of which will be paid from the income of a particular trust. So in some groups, the beneficiaries get an odd amount.

Condolucci, a widower, said he'll use his money to help his brothers, nieces and nephews. And he'll replace his couch, which was ruined in a flood.

"He always took care of me," Condolucci said. "I had polio. He paid for my two pairs of shoes. They were \$500 apiece."

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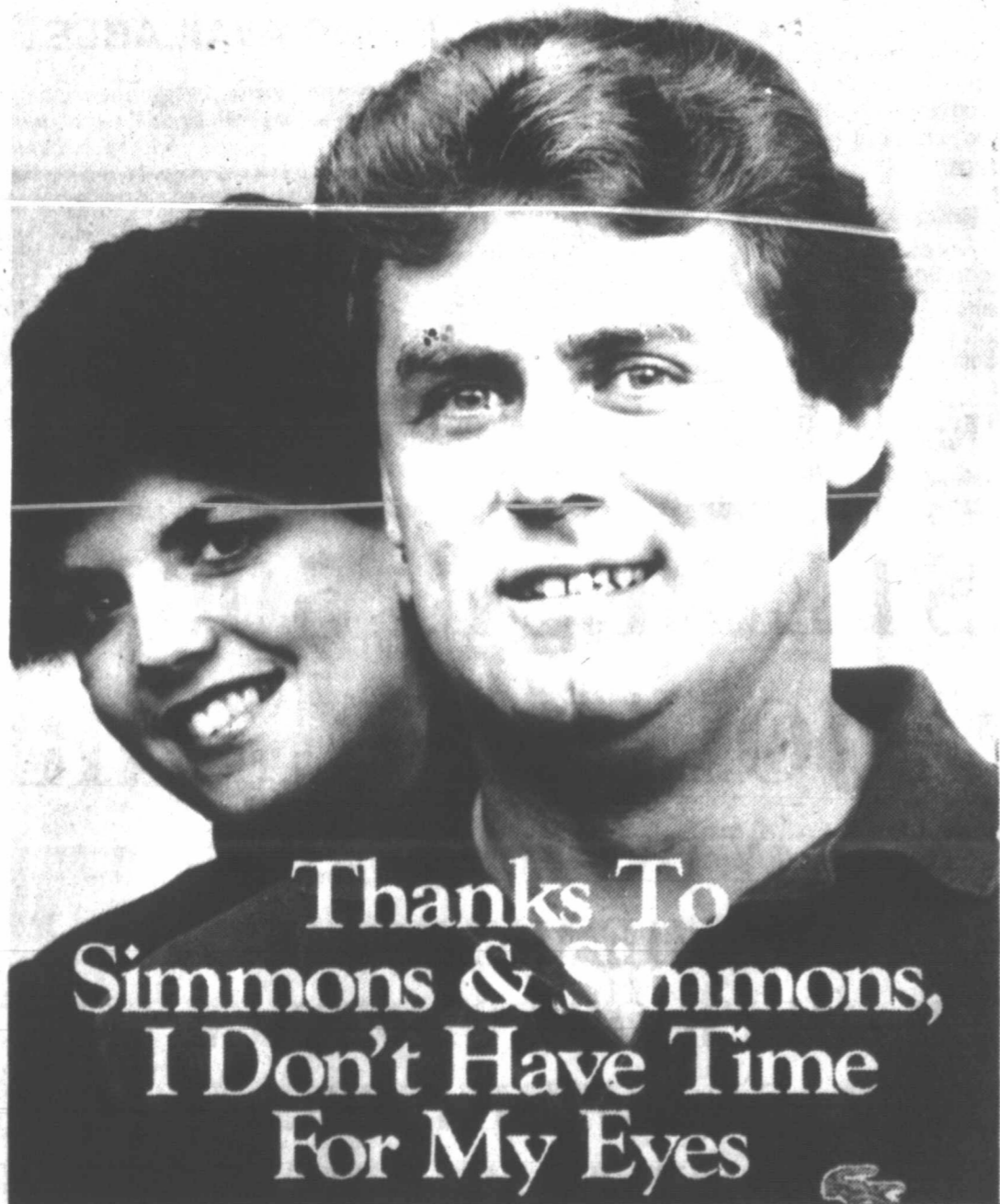
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# New whooping cough vaccine shows great promise

By PAUL RECER  
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A whooping cough vaccine designed to replace one that has caused serious side effects and about 250 deaths has been tested successfully in Sweden and could be available soon in the United States.

The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development announced Tuesday that the new vaccine was about 71 percent effective in preventing whooping cough among about 1,700 infants who were inoculated.

"Even more noteworthy was the absence of adverse side effects," the announcement said.

A whooping cough, or pertussis, vaccine used in the United States since the 1940s contains a dead pertussis cell. This cell prompts the body to develop an immunity toward the disease.

But the vaccine also contains a toxin that in some infants can cause serious side effects, including swelling, fever and crying. Some doctors have claimed that the vaccine can cause brain damage and even death.

Because of this, the pertussis vaccine became controversial in the 1980s and many parents avoided the inoculations out of fear of the side effects.

"Many parents are afraid of the side effects and haven't been getting their kids immunized," said Michaela Richardson, a spokeswoman at the NICHD.

In some European countries, including Sweden,

the vaccine has been banned or its use discouraged.

After a number of lawsuits were filed, the U.S. government became concerned that liability claims would drive American vaccine makers out of the business. In 1988, federal legislation established an \$80 million fund to compensate children injured by the vaccine.

Since then more than 4,684 pertussis claims have been filed, according to National Vaccine Injury Compensation program figures. Parents and doctors have reported more than 7,200 adverse reactions and at least 250 deaths.

The controversy prompted National Institutes of Health scientists to develop a pertussis vaccine that protected against the disease without the danger of side effects.

From development of the vaccine to its testing in Sweden, the NIH has spent \$16 million, Richardson said.

The new vaccine is based on a protein made by the pertussis bacteria that usually causes toxic symptoms — the classic coughing and fever of whooping cough. The NIH experts changed the protein slightly so it produces fewer side effects, but causes the body to make antibodies that protect against the disease.

In the Swedish tests, 1,692 infants, aged 3, 5 and 12 months, were given shots of the new whooping cough vaccine, along with diphtheria and tetanus shots, starting in September 1991.

Another 1,687 infants received only the diphtheria and tetanus shots.

Over 20 months, 240 of those who received only diphtheria and tetanus shots developed whooping cough. Among those getting the new pertussis vaccine, 72 developed whooping cough.

And just as important, said officials, neither group reported side effects.

"The results of this trial are significant," said Dr. Charles Lowe, an associate director of the NICHD. "The vaccine appeared to perform well in both efficacy and safety."

NIH holds the patent on the new vaccine, but has licensed its manufacture and testing to AMVAX, a subsidiary of North American Vaccine, Inc.

Richardson said the new vaccine could not be tested in the United States because the clinical trials required that half of the patients receive no pertussis shots. That would be unethical in this country, since the pertussis shots are part of standard medical care.

But in Sweden, the pertussis vaccination has not been recommended since 1979 and failing to give the shot represented no change in medical treatment.

In the United States standard medical care calls for pertussis vaccinations at the ages of 2 months, 4 months, 6 months and 15 months, with a final one between ages 4 and 6.

Usually, the shot is given along with diphtheria and tetanus, forming the well-known DPT shot combination. The vaccine using the dead pertussis cell is the only one available now for children up to the age of 15 months.

## Poll: Nation's health 'only fair'

NEW YORK (AP) — A Harris Poll says Americans are feeling lukewarm about the country these days.

About two-thirds of those questioned rated the state of the nation as "only fair" or "poor." They cited crime, the government and the economy as the main reasons, according to a poll conducted by Louis Harris and Associates.

Only 2 percent of the 1,246 adults surveyed said the nation was in "excellent" shape in the days after the elections; 31 percent said it was "pretty good"; 49 percent said it was "only fair"; 18 percent rated it as "poor"; and 1 percent said they were not sure.

Of the 67 percent who said it was fair or poor, 18 percent cited crime as the reason; 15 percent said gov-

ernment, another 15 percent cited the economy and 10 percent cited "a lack of good jobs."

Other answers included a decline in family values (6 percent); President Clinton (4 percent); high taxes, foreign aid policy and Washington (3 percent each).

Asked to name the top two issues government should address, respondents most often mentioned crime and health care, by 37 and 30 percent, respectively.

Harris said it was the first time since the president was elected that health care was pushed out of first place. Taxes ranked third with 14 percent.

The nationwide poll, conducted by telephone between Nov. 8-10, has a margin of error of 3 percent. Poll results were released Tuesday.

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**HOUSTON (AP)** — Jeff Bagwell had some impressive numbers on the field last season to win the National League MVP award.

He did very well at contract negotiating, too, signing on Tuesday a 4-year, \$27.5 million contract with three years of options that could keep him with the Astros through the 2001 season.

"As much as everyone thought I wanted to be in Boston, I really wanted to stay in Houston and have a chance to finish my career here," Bagwell said.

The Astros also hired Tal Smith as team president. Smith, the father of San Diego Padres general manager Randy Smith, was fired as Astros' general manager 14 years ago.

Houston will pay Bagwell \$6 million per season for 1995-1998, and a \$3.5 million bonus when he completes his term with the Astros.

In the option years, Bagwell would get \$6.5 million per year, and the option would become guaranteed if Bagwell plays in 145 games or has 502 plate appearances.

**VOLLEYBALL**

**TOKYO (AP)** — World champion Italy beat the Netherlands 15-11, 9-15, 15-4 today in the final of the men's World Super Four volleyball tournament.

Italy received \$250,000 and the Netherlands, which also finished second in the World Championship and the 1992 Olympics, collected \$120,000.

In the third-place match, Japan beat the United States 15-6, 15-6, 15-7.

**BASKETBALL**

**LAHAINA, Hawaii (AP)** — Maryland was supposed to have a rough road of ranked opponents if it was to win the Maui Invitational. Those surveying the field for the eight-team tournament had the seventh-ranked Terrapins facing No. 11 Indiana in the semifinals and No. 13 Michigan in the championship game.

Forget that. Maryland reached the title game all right, but it came with a 90-78 semifinal win over Utah on Tuesday night. And tonight's title game opponent will be Arizona State, which beat Michigan 79-62 in the other semifinal.

"You can't pick who you want to play," Maryland coach Gary Williams said. "I thought Utah was good, so that was no surprise and I don't know a lot about Arizona State, but I do know they're really good."

Maryland advanced behind sophomore center Joe Smith and junior guard Duane Simpkins, who each matched their career-high against Utah. Smith had 33 points, most down low where he dominated, and Simpkins had 20, including a 10-for-11 performance at the free throw line.

**FOOTBALL**

**WHEELER** — Wheeler meets Wink at 7:30 Friday night in the Class 1A Region 1 playoffs at Levelland.

Wheeler beat Spur, 14-8, and Wink downed Plains, 26-10, in the area round last weekend.

"Line-wise Wink is going to be about the same size as Spur, about 215 pounds on the average across the line. They don't have the breakout runners like Michael Kelly (Spur), but they've got two good backs who are tough runners," said Wheeler head coach Jim Verden.

**GOLF**

**PONTE VEDRA, Fla. (AP)** — The scene was idyllic. On a sunny November day, beneath the pine trees of the Tournament Players Club at Sawgrass, the two sides sat down not far from the first hole, discussing the future of golf.

They resumed their talks as cordial. They spoke of cooperation, conciliation and the need to avoid the strife that has plunged baseball and hockey into chaos.

But when a 2 1/2-hour, closed-door meeting between representatives of the venerable PGA Tour and the upstart World Golf Tour was over, there appeared to be little room to maneuver toward a peaceful coexistence next year.

John Montgomery Jr., executive director of the World Tour, came armed with a compromise plan: six tournaments instead of the originally planned eight, and the possibility of switching some events from the PGA Tour to the World Tour to avoid scheduling conflicts.

"We gave the Tour a number of either-or scenarios," said Montgomery, who wants to challenge the PGA's monopoly on American golf. "Our first event won't be played until the May-June time frame, which gives the tournaments, the television sponsors and the TV networks a chance to look at both sides of the issue and decide how feasible this is for next year."

The PGA's response: It will be "very, very difficult" to fit any new tournaments into the '95 schedule because of commitments to television, sponsors and charities.

"We're trying to be constructive with them," said Ed Moorhouse, the PGA's top attorney and chairman of a task force that met with World Golf Tour officials. "But the bottom line is we have contractual obligations we certainly have to honor."

# Pampa tames Palo Duro in home opener

## Harvesters entered in Fantasy of Lights

**PAMPA** — The Pampa Harvesters made it a perfect 3-0 Tuesday night over a talented Palo Duro club.

The Harvesters, leading by as many as 11 points in the fourth quarter, held off the Dons down the stretch for a 66-63 win in the home opener at McNeely Fieldhouse.

It was Pampa's third win over a Class 5A team. Last weekend, the Harvesters beat Abilene High, 82-59, and Midland Lee, 75-55, in the McDonald's Classic.

Junior guard Rayford Young sparked Pampa with 27 points while Coy Laury added 12 and Jeremy King, 11.

Palo Duro made it tough on the Harvesters, who never gained a lead until two minutes remained in the first half.

"Palo Duro was rugged. They played us a tough game," said Pampa head coach Robert Hale. "I thought Rayford and Coy showed some good leadership and poise for us. You could tell they've been in a few big games before. I thought Jeremy King had a good game for not getting to play very much. This was his first start."

Pampa went on top, 40-34, at intermission and trailed only once in the second half. The Harvesters pulled steadily away and went up by 11 (64-53) on a fast break layup by J.J. Mathis with less than four minutes left in the contest. Palo Duro, however, refused to fold and went on a 10-point run.

A tip-in by Demetrius Smith pulled the Dons within one, 64-63. With 16 seconds left, Young sank a pair of free throws

to give Pampa a 66-63 lead. With the seconds ticking away, Palo Duro set up for a 3-point shot, but Smith missed from the corner and Pampa's Coy Laury grabbed the rebound as the final gun sounded.

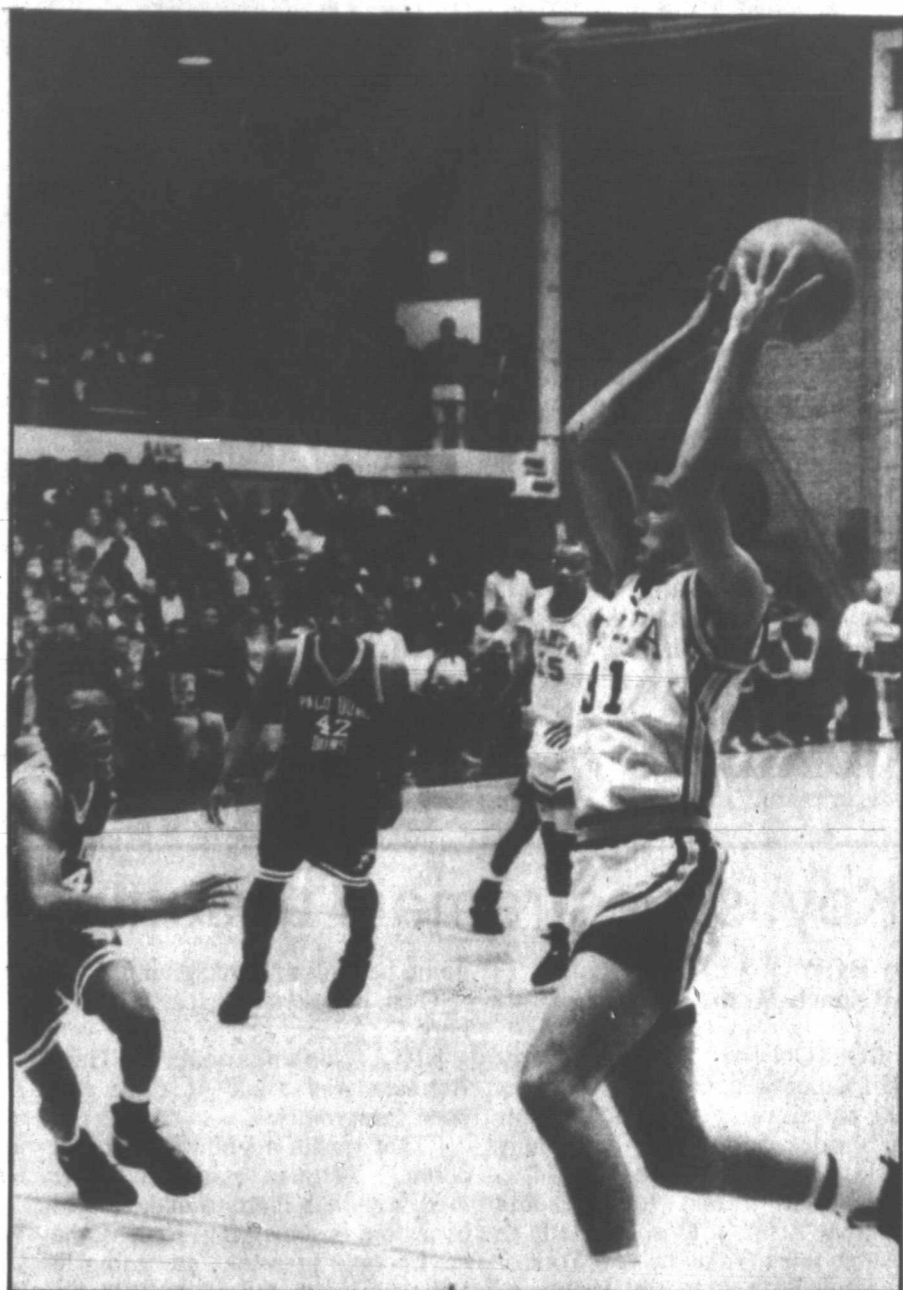
Leland Wilson led Palo Duro in scoring with 17 points. Donald Encinas and C.J. Hunter added 11 points each.

Mathis and Jason Weatherbee scored 7 points each and James Wilbon had 2 to round out Pampa's scoring.

Laury and Mathis pulled down 7 rebounds apiece to help give Pampa a 30-26 edge on the boards. Pampa had 14 turnovers compared to 20 for Palo Duro.

The Harvesters are entered in the Fantasy of Lights Tournament this weekend in Wichita Falls. Their first-round opponent is Wichita Falls Rider at 3:30 p.m.

"We're pretty excited about our ballclub. We've played three pretty outfits, hung in there and won," Hale said.



Pampa's Jason Weatherbee drives to the basket against Palo Duro Tuesday night. Weatherbee scored 7 points in the Pampa win. (Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

# Lady Harvesters down PD girls

**PAMPA** — Things got a little shaky near the end, but the Pampa Lady Harvesters held off Palo Duro, 57-56, in a basketball thriller Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

With Palo Duro ahead by one (56-55), Pampa senior Misty Scribner hit two free throws with 33 seconds remaining to give Pampa the lead. Palo Duro never got another shot off as the Lady Harvesters claimed their first win after two setbacks.

"The girls went out and found a way to win. They've been thinking we're not supposed to win the close ones. When we were three down, I told the girls to go out and find a way to win. Their intensity picked up and Misty hit some clutch free throws. I couldn't be prouder of the girls," said Pampa head coach Mike Jones.

In the last three minutes of the game, Scribner hit 4 of 5 foul

shots and freshman Tashia Wilson hit a basket and two free throws to help hold off Palo Duro.

Pampa led Palo Duro by as many as 9 points in the second half and by as many as 7 in the first half.

Serenity King was the leading scorer for Pampa with 17 points, followed by Wilson and Jennifer Jones with 13 each, Kristy Carpenter 9, and Scribner 5. Carpenter led the Lady Harvesters with 5 rebounds.

The taller Lady Dons enjoyed a 36-16 rebounding advantage, but the Lady Harvesters' defense caused 33 turnovers, many coming off a fullcourt press. Pampa had 14 turnovers.

"Our press was really working well until we got in foul trouble and couldn't use it," Jones said.

Pampa plays Palo Duro again next Tuesday night in Amarillo.



Pampa's Kristy Carpenter goes up for a shot against Palo Duro Tuesday night. Carpenter scored 9 points and had 5 rebounds. (Pampa News photo)

# Bowl alliance is new and improved version of same old promise

By JIM LITKE  
AP Sports Writer

It's probably a good thing the truth-in-advertising laws don't cover college football. Otherwise, the unemployment lines would be swollen Jan. 3 with just about everyone who ever drew a paycheck from the bowl coalition.

Remember the bowl coalition? That fast-talking, fashion-challenged, deal-making crowd that promised to clean up after the messy split-championship seasons of 1990-91? The same bunch that virtually guaranteed a No. 1 vs. No. 2 matchup to end each and every season?

Well, after delivering the last two years, the coalition has run out of rabbit's feet. There's no way they'll be able to deliver a clear-cut championship game this time around.

And yet, most of them will keep their jobs — and probably get a raise. In what amounts to an awesome display ofchutzpah, most of the coalition people will be back next season with a new name — the bowl alliance — and a new-and-improved version of the same old promise.

And because the NCAA won't allow a Division I playoff — the latest push ended this summer and won't be revived for some three years — it's the only promise we're likely to get. But without a major change in the way it does business, the coalition, or the alliance, or

whatever it calls itself, can't guarantee No. 1 vs. No. 2. And this season shows why.

There's still one weekend of regular-season games, a few conference championships, and the usual glut of bowl contests to complete. Any and all things could still happen.

But if matters go according to form, Jan. 3 will dawn with three traditional powerhouses — current No. 1 Nebraska, No. 2 Penn State and No. 3 Alabama — all sporting perfect records and each staking a claim to the national championship.

# Carlson headed for knee surgery

**HOUSTON (AP)** — Houston Oilers quarterback Cody Carlson is heading for surgery on his injured left knee and will be lost for the rest of the NFL season.

Still unresolved, though, is what kind of surgery and what kind of rehabilitation.

Carlson, who began the year as Houston's starting quarterback but has been hobbled since an injury in the first game, was meeting with club officials Wednesday to try to come to a decision.

"Cody's knee is definitely a problem," coach Jeff Fisher told the Houston Chronicle. "We have to make a decision."

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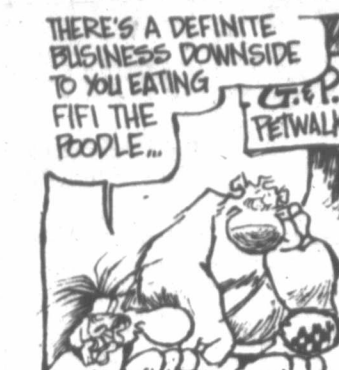
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## Soup kitchens struggling to feed the needy

By ROBERT DVORCHAK  
AP National Writer

The Thanksgiving larder is anything but bountiful this year as soup kitchens preparing holiday meals for the poor.

From Buffalo, N.Y., to Boston, from Lansing, Mich., to Louisville, Ky., donations are down and demand is up.

Church workers and social service agencies blame a steady decline in government funding and also say that many Americans, themselves struggling to make ends meet, are losing sympathy for the unemployed and the homeless.

"Homelessness has been around for a long time now, and people are beginning to say, 'Gee, if we can't solve the problem, maybe we ought to pretend it's not there,'" said Rick Roberts, chairman of the Chicago Christian Industrial League. The league expects to prepare 1,500 Thanksgiving meals — 200 to 300 more than last year.

In Lansing, Mich., donations are way down at the Cristo Rey Community Center, said senior citizens program coordinator Toni Diaz.

"By this time last year, we had people who had donated four turkeys and the fixings. This year, we haven't had one turkey donated," she said.

"Donations are dropping like a stone," said Tom Wilder of Friends of Night People, a Buffalo soup kitchen expecting to serve up to 300 Thanksgiving meals.

In California, where Proposition 187 was recently passed to deny most government services to illegal immigrants, at least one soup kitchen director sees a less charitable attitude.

Proposition 187 "has created or perhaps brought to the surface a lot of unspoken feeling from people directed not just at illegal immigrants, but poor people in general," said Willie Jordan of the Fred Jordan Mission along Los Angeles' Skid Row.

Westy Egmont, director of the Boston Food Bank, said: "1994 has been a tough year for donations. There is a level of compassion fatigue."

In New York City, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani has proposed closing a deficit by eliminating a \$6.3 million emergency food program. Without that money, many soup kitchens and pantries may be forced to close by the start of winter.

The soup kitchen at St. Bartholomew's Church in New York has already seen its government funding drop from 40 percent of its budget to about 25 percent in the past five years, said the Rev. Elizabeth Maxwell.

"It's frightening to think about what might happen to the people who come to eat here and who have so very little, if some of the cuts I've heard bandied about go through," she said.

## PUC approves plan for utilities bills in Spanish

AUSTIN (AP) — The Public Utility Commission has approved a proposal that would require electric and telephone utilities regulated by the commission to provide bills and notices in Spanish to customers who request them.

The proposal, approved in a unanimous vote of the three-person panel on Tuesday, will be placed in the *Texas Register* for a 45-day public comment period and will likely be considered for final adoption early next year, according to Anne Roussos, a PUC spokeswoman.

"The commissioners see this as an effort to make sure customers can make informed decisions in an increasingly competitive market," Ms. Roussos said.

The proposed rule states that 37 Texas counties have 2,000 or more people who speak only Spanish.

Under the rule, if a utility serves one of those counties, it would be required to inform its customers that they can request bills and notices in Spanish.

The rule would also require those utilities to have toll-free numbers that customers could call for bilingual service and repair representatives.

Any notices of rate changes would be required to include a brief statement in bold face Spanish about the change and a toll-free number where consumers could reach bilingual representatives for more information.

Critics have said the proposal will increase costs for utilities and that English should be the dominant language.

But Ms. Roussos said because the rule calls for providing Spanish language bills and notices only upon request, the measure will be less expensive than if utilities had been required to provide both English and Spanish notices to customers.

## Toys to be banned next year still on sale

By CONNIE CASS  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Toys that will be banned or carry warning labels next year because young children can choke on them remain on sale through the holiday shopping season, a consumer group warned.

A new federal law, effective Jan. 1, will ban the sale of small balls intended for children under age 3 and require warning labels for balloons, marbles and toys with small parts.



Mattel's Solar Gak is pulled from its container Tuesday. Gak has been named as a hazardous toy because it crystallizes into sharp, jagged pieces that can cut a child's hands. (AP photo by Lacy Atkins)

Since the law is not yet in effect, many of the toys are still in stores and mail-order catalogs without warning labels. Bill Wood, consumer advocate with the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, said Tuesday.

"While not technically illegal for a few more weeks, more toys will be sold now than at any other time during the rest of the year," he said. "Continuing to sell these potential instruments of death is reprehensible."

The Child Safety Protection Act will ban balls intended for children under age 3 that have a diameter of less than 1.75 inches.

Existing law allows balls with a diameter of 1.25 inches, but balls of this size have caused choking deaths, the consumer group said.

The group recommends that parents of children under 3 avoid all balls or toy parts that are smaller than a child's fist.

The law also requires that toys for children ages 3-6 that contain small parts be labeled "choking hazard" and "not for children under 3 years."

The package must identify what is inside that might pose a hazard, such as marbles.

Many toys already are voluntarily labeled "for children 3 and over" but parents may read this as a recommendation, not a safety warning.

Children up to 8 years old can choke on deflated balloons, so balloons also must carry a warning label under the new law.

The labels should help educate parents, said Kathleen Begala, director of public affairs for the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

"When you're 3 and under, everything goes in the mouth," Begala said. "And you don't have the same gag reflex older people do."

Because the warning labels and ban on small balls aren't in effect yet, shoppers should be extra vigilant this Christmas, she said.

The safety commission is charged with keeping harmful products off store shelves. But some things slip by, and each year consumer groups find hazardous toys in stores and catalogs, in violation of safety rules.

In addition to choking hazards, parents are advised to look out for toys that have sharp points or edges, contain lead paint, or make loud noises that can damage hearing.

Consumers with questions about toy safety or who want to report the sale of unsafe toys can call the Consumer Product Safety Commission hot line at 1-800-638-2772.

The line is answered from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. CST, and recorded messages can be left anytime.

## Beauty queen convicted of attack on rival's parents

By A.V. GALLAGHER  
Associated Press Writer

LEWISBURG, W.Va. (AP) — A former beauty queen accused of arming herself with a pistol, knife and hammer to kill a romantic rival and her family was convicted Tuesday of reduced charges of trying to murder the woman's parents.

Tracy Lippard, 23, could get up to 6 1/2 years in prison.

A jury deliberated two days before finding her guilty of two counts of second-degree attempted murder, a misdemeanor, and five other misdemeanors.

Lippard was originally charged with 10 counts — including three felony counts of first-degree attempted murder — carrying up to 30 years in prison.

"It was a heat of the moment thing," juror Jane Metheny said.

Prosecutors said the 6-foot blonde from Newport News, Va., crowned her successor as Miss Williamsburg on Feb. 26, then drove 250 miles to Lewisburg armed with the pistol, a butcher knife, lighter fluid and a hammer, intending to kill Melissa Weikle and her parents, Rodney and Lynn Weikle.

Rodney Weikle, a former Secret Service agent, put her a headlock and disarmed her after she whacked him on the head with a hammer.

Both Lippard and Melissa Weikle were dating Todd Scott, and Weikle was eight months pregnant with Scott's child. Weikle and Scott have since married.

Under state law, first-degree attempted murder involves intent, while the second-degree charge involves actions that are "more impulsive than deliberate," prosecutor Richard Lorensen said.

Lippard showed no emotion when the verdict was read but was near tears outside the courthouse afterward. "I'm very sorry I put the Weikles through this," she said. "If this isn't blown out of proportion, I don't know what is."

Lippard was released on \$42,000 bail. Sentencing was set for Jan. 4.

Her rival said the verdict "makes no sense."

"I think she was more apt to kill me than my parents," Mrs. Scott said. "I'm always going to have to look over my shoulder. Always. I'm sure I'll still have a few nightmares."

Rodney Weikle said he let Lippard into the house after she lied and said her car had broken down.

Lippard contended she went to Lewisburg simply to confront her boyfriend. Her lawyer, Paul Detch, said Lippard was upset because Scott didn't keep a promise to attend the Miss Williamsburg pageant, where she dedicated a song to him.

Lippard denied having the hammer and said she had the pistol for protection and the knife and lighter fluid to vandalize Scott's car if he rejected her.

Detch was pleased with the verdict and said he doubted Lippard would go to jail.

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Lifestyles

# Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

**DEAR READERS:** By popular demand, here is my traditional Thanksgiving column:

Tomorrow is Thanksgiving Day, so take a few minutes to think about what you have to be thankful for.

How's your health? Not so good? Well, thank God you've lived this long. A lot of people haven't. You're hurting? Thousands — maybe millions — are hurting more. (Have you ever visited a veterans hospital? Or a rehabilitation clinic for crippled children?)

If you awakened this morning and were able to hear the birds sing, use your vocal cords to utter humans sounds, walk to the breakfast table on two good legs and read the newspaper with two good eyes, praise the Lord! A lot of people couldn't.

How's your pocket book? Thin? Well, most of the world is a lot poorer. No pensions. No welfare. No food stamps. No social Security. In fact, one-third of the people in the world will go to bed hungry tonight.

Are you lonely? The way to have a friend is to be one. If nobody calls you, call someone. Go out of your way to do something nice for somebody. It's a sure cure for the blues.

Are you concerned about your country's future? Hooray! Our system has been saved by such concern. Concern for fair play under the law. Your country may not be a rose garden, but it also is not a patch of weeds.

Freedom rings! Look and listen. You can still worship at the church of your choice, cast a secret ballot, and even criticize your government without fearing a knock on the head or a knock on the door at midnight. And if you want to live under a different system, you are free to go. There are no walls or fences — nothing to keep you here.

As a final thought, I'll repeat my Thanksgiving prayer; perhaps you will want to use it at your table tomorrow:

O, heavenly Father:  
 We thank thee for food and remember the hungry.  
 We thank thee for friends and remember the friendless.  
 We thank thee for freedom and remember the enslaved.  
 May these remembrances stir us to service.  
 That thy gifts to us may be used for others. Amen.  
 Have a wonderful Thanksgiving, and may God bless you and yours.

LOVE, ABBY

An afterthought: Want an instant high? The surest cure for the post-holiday blues is to do something nice for someone. Why not call someone who lives alone and invite him (or her) over for dinner?

Better yet, call and say, "I'm coming to get you, and I'll see that you get home." (Many older people don't drive, and those who do don't like to go out alone after dark.)

Try it. And let me know the results.

P.S. Special greetings to those of you in the military who wrote from remote corners of the world to tell me that you are using my Thanksgiving prayer on this Thanksgiving Day.

## A time to share

Colden Fortenberry, right, and Josh Mulkey, enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving meal at St. Matthew's Day School. Students of the school celebrated the holiday dressed as pilgrims and Indians. (Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)



## Arteritis can cause blindness unless treated

By DR. MARK A. EBERLE  
 For AP Special Features

Temporal arteritis is a disease of unknown cause that can literally strike people blind. But once diagnosed, it almost always can be controlled by drug therapy.

Arteritis is a form of vasculitis, inflammation of the blood vessels believed to be caused by some unidentified immune disorder. It's often called giant cell arteritis, because of the large cells seen in this form of inflammation of blood vessels; or temporal arteritis, because the inflammation is in the temporal arteries in the scalp, branches of the carotid arteries that carry blood to the brain.

This form of arteritis almost always occurs in people aged 50 and over, and it's more common in women than in men.

The telltale symptoms of temporal arteritis occur because the condition narrows the blood vessels, reducing blood flow from the

carotids. The symptoms include throbbing headaches on one or both sides of the forehead, tenderness of the scalp over the blood vessels, and jaw and tongue pain.

The most striking — and menacing — symptom is a sudden episode of blindness that can last for seconds or minutes.

The loss of vision is caused by reduced blood flow to the optic nerve. Untreated, arteritis can cause permanent blindness. When arteritis is suspected, drug treatment with prednisone, an adrenocorticoid steroid that reduces inflammation, is started immediately, to prevent blindness.

In the days before an effective drug treatment in the form of prednisone was available, 30 percent of people with temporal arteritis became blind.

A blood test called the sedimentation rate is used to help make the diagnosis of arteritis. The test measures the rate at which red blood cells settle as they move through the blood in a test tube. The rate is greatly

increased in temporal arteritis.

Another diagnostic test is a biopsy, in which a segment of the temporal artery is clipped off and examined for signs of inflammation. The biopsy usually can be done without hospitalization.

Once diagnosed, temporal arteritis is treated by giving high doses of prednisone for three to six weeks. The dose is reduced as the symptoms subside. Low doses of prednisone generally are continued for a prolonged period. The drug treatment is effective in the great majority of cases.

Temporal arteritis is not always easy to diagnose because the symptoms can be more general — mild fever, anemia and weight loss. Those symptoms, along with stiffness of the neck, shoulder and hip, can be caused by a related illness, polymyalgia rheumatica, which sometimes accompanies the arteritis.

The treatment for polymyalgia rheumatica consists of low doses of prednisone, which usually give dramatic relief.

## Jury awards \$8.4 million in age discrimination case

ELIZABETH, N.J. (AP) — A jury has awarded a former sales representative for a pharmaceutical company \$8.4 million after finding the company guilty of age discrimination for firing him.

Ferdinand Maiorino, 67, had worked for Schering-Plough Corp. for 35 years before he was fired July 15, 1991. Maiorino contended that he was fired because of his age; the company said it fired him because of poor performance.

A Union County jury agreed with Maiorino on Oct. 28. It awarded him compensatory damages of \$435,000 and punitive damages of \$8 million.

In 1987, Schering-Plough ranked Maiorino the No. 1 sales representative, out of nine, in his district, one of his attorneys said. However, when performance ratings were released a few months later, a 29-year-old sales representative who was ranked eighth received a "very good" rating, while Maiorino received only a "good" rating.

## Crisis center conducts training

Tralee Crisis Center will be conducting orientation for volunteer training from 6-9 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 5, at the center office located at 119 N. Frost.

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## Celebrate the holidays with creamy eggnog



Easy espresso eggnog is made with frozen vanilla yogurt, low-fat milk, instant espresso powder and vanilla extract. (AP/National Dairy Board)

By The Associated Press

Eggnog is traditional for the holidays. But in the following recipe, you might notice something different. Although rich and full of creamy taste, easy-to-make espresso eggnog boasts a fat profile much leaner than eggnogs of yore. Delicious milk (whole, low-fat and skim) is used instead of cream. Other ingredients easily replace eggnog's traditional high fat without sacrificing flavor.

### Easy Espresso Nog

- 1 pint frozen vanilla yogurt
- 2 cups low-fat (1 percent) milk
- 2 tablespoons instant espresso powder
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract

In the container of an electric blender, whirl all ingredients until smooth, about 30 seconds. Pour into six or eight small cups or glasses. Top with whipped cream and grated nutmeg, if desired. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

\* Recipe from: National Dairy Board

## Roast is simple yet spectacular

By The Associated Press

If you're looking for a spectacular holiday entree, it's easy to please everybody around the table with a roast cooked to perfection.

The beauty of a roast is its simple preparation. It can be cooked plain or jazzed up with flavor rubs, coatings and marinades. When purchasing the roast, plan about 6 ounces of cooked meat per serving.

Just three ingredients make a delicious coating for Country-Style Rack of Lamb: grainy mustard, bread crumbs and thyme. Preparation takes just a couple of minutes. While the lamb roast cooks, you can work on side dishes and desserts — or relax with holiday company.

### Country-Style Rack of Lamb

- 2 well-trimmed 6-rib lamb rib roasts, about 1 1/2 pounds each
- 1/4 cup coarse-grain Dijon-style mustard
- 1/2 cup seasoned dry bread crumbs
- 2 tablespoons dried thyme leaves

Generously spread all sides of lamb roasts with mustard. In small bowl, combine bread crumbs and thyme; pat mixture over mustard.

Place roasts, fat side up, on rack in shallow roasting pan. Insert meat thermometer into thickest part of roast, not touching bone or fat. Do not add water or cover. Roast in a 375-degree F oven until thermometer registers 140 degrees F to 155 degrees F (for medium-rare to medium), about 55 to 60 minutes.

Let roasts stand 15 minutes. Roasts will continue to rise about 5 degrees F in temperature to reach 145 degrees F for medium-rare, 160 degrees F for medium doneness. To serve, carve roasts between ribs. Makes 6 servings.

Nutrition facts per serving: 251 cal., 26 g pro., 9 g carbo., 12 g fat, 4.6 mg iron, 358 mg sodium, 77 mg chol.

\* Recipe from: Meat Board Test Kitchens



The holiday meal should be special and enjoyable for everyone — including the cook. An easy country-style rack of lamb fits the bill. (AP photo/Meat Board Test Kitchens)

## Exotic red berry

WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. (AP) — America's newest soft drink is made from a precious red berry, the guarana, found only in Brazil.

Fruity, refreshing and energizing, guarana-based drinks have been popular for generations in Brazil, which claims to be the world's third largest soft drink market. They account for more than 16 percent of all soft drinks consumed there.

Imported here by IBI Beverage, Inc., the premium soft drink is named Samba, after Brazil's super-lively dance. It comes in four tropical flavors and blends — original guarana, raspberry passion, papaya orange and mango guava.

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## Doctors fear losing money from more cuts in Medicare

WASHINGTON (AP) — Worried physicians are seeking to head off a new round of cuts in Medicare, asserting that many doctors already lose money treating elderly patients.

Leaders of organized medicine, testifying this week before a panel that advises Congress on physician pay, bemoaned the fact that Medicare is such a tempting target for budget-cutters from both parties.

Every health reform bill on the table this year called for tens of billions of dollars in savings each year from the \$160 billion government insurance program for 36 million elderly people or disabled workers.

President Clinton wanted to add new benefits for the elderly while squeezing Medicare to help bring the deficit down. Next year Congress, under Republican control, may be looking to Medicare anew to help pare the deficit or pay for tax cuts.

Whether it's for health reform or deficit reduction, "the result in either case would be the destruction of Medicare as we and our patients know it," Dr. James S. Todd, executive vice president of the American Medical Association, told the Physician Payment Review Commission.

Medicare now pays physicians only 59 cents for services that private insurers pay \$1 for, according to the commission's figures.

Congress already has shaved billions of dollars from future Medicare payments to doctors and hospitals. Todd said a new round of

cuts could leave Medicare paying just 34 percent of private payments by 2004.

But Uwe Reinhardt, a Princeton University political economist and commission member, said it was "extremely iffy" to assume that private payers would be willing to keep paying physicians so much more than Medicare would.

In the past, health care providers have made up Medicare's shortcomings by charging private payers more than the actual cost of their services.

But the growth of managed care and demands for discounts by major employers and health plans have made it harder for hospitals and physicians to keep shifting those costs.

"We face a real risk that many physicians will lose money treating each Medicare patient," said Todd. Dr. Robert Graham, executive vice president of the American Academy of Family Physicians, said Medicare's fees for office visits are already less than what the services cost. "We see it only getting worse," he said.

The doctors also complained that managed care plans are arbitrarily refusing to deal with some doctors, or dropping those they initially signed up when entering a new market.

"It has really gotten brutal," said Dr. Clifton R. Cleaveland, a Chattanooga, Tenn., internist and president of the American College of Physicians. "It's a totally irrational market out there."

## The talk of Awlad el-Sheik: Let there be light

By DALIA BALIGH  
Associated Press Writer

AWLAD EL-SHEIK, Egypt (AP) — The flat blue and white panels atop the sand-colored bedouin houses look totally alien in the stark landscape of this tiny desert village.

But they have catapulted its inhabitants into the 20th century. The tribal life little changed for centuries has been given a jolt — solar energy technology has brought electricity to the first time.

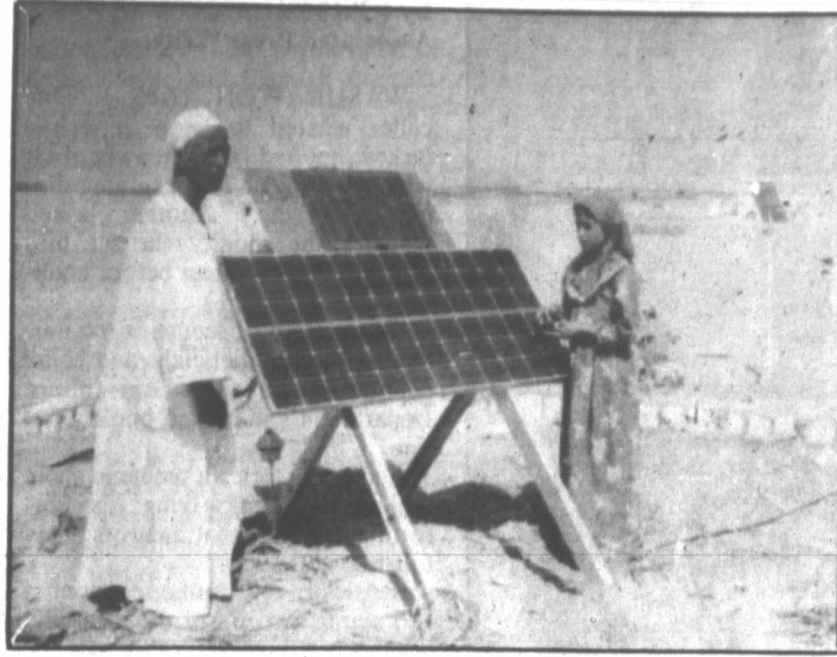
"It is as though we were dead and have become alive, as though we were buried under the ground and have been dug out," said Karima el-Senoussy, her brightly embroidered robe contrasting with a wizened face bronzed by the scorching sun.

For the village's 450 residents, the fluorescent lights with white plastic shades mean they now stay up at night seeing friends and relatives. They talk of buying a television but have yet to realize what other changes might come. They have a battery-powered radio now.

Electrification of the Western Desert village 100 miles northwest of Cairo is part of a project that the government hopes can be expanded to dozens of other remote villages.

Most of Egypt's 58 million inhabitants have electricity, especially along the Nile and the great river's delta, generated by power plants fueled by natural gas and by hydroelectric stations.

But the government is looking for other sources to meet the combined problems of rapidly increasing population, decreasing natural gas and petroleum resources, and rising pollution. Solar energy is on



Abdel-Wanees Breik, the 62-year-old head of Awlad el-Sheik village in Egypt, and his daughter Nagwa, 12, stand next to a solar panel on the roof of their home. Solar technology has brought electricity to their village for the first time. (AP photo)

solar energy. In Awlad el-Sheik, which means "children of the sheik," a German grant is helping finance electrification.

Twenty of the village's 40 houses got roof-top solar panels in September and the others are expected to be equipped soon. The families paid 105 pounds (about \$30) for each unit and were told they would have to pay more later, but the government has not said how much or when.

The long-term effect of electricity on their primitive life is still unclear.

Mud brick houses replaced their tents in recent years, but the floors are still sand. Furniture is minimal; the villagers sit and sleep on handmade carpets.

With water available only from a well 2 1/2 miles away, the women do not dream of washing machines. And with kitchens consisting of outdoor mud-brick ovens, refrigerators and toasters are a world away.

But the 62-year-old village head, Abdel-Wanees Breik, said electricity already has changed their lives.

"We used to sleep shortly after sunset," he said. "Now that we have electricity, we stay up late and visit with the neighbors who are all cousins."

The villagers are shepherds, like their forefathers. They live on the meat and milk of camels, cows and sheep. The women use wool from the animals to weave colorful carpets to supplement family incomes.

A 12-year-old named Nagwa said she enjoyed playing into the night with friends under the village's eight new street lights. But she added: "We still get up early to tend to the animals."

## Audit says DOT can save millions

AUSTIN (AP) — The state agency that builds highways could potentially save \$13 million a year in construction, maintenance and administration in its regional districts, according to a state audit released this week.

The Texas Department of Transportation, which has a \$3.1 billion budget this fiscal year, said audit results would be used in ongoing cost reduction and efficiency efforts.

The agency underwent a major reorganization last year.

"We agree with the intent and direction of the audit recommendations," agency spokesman Randall Dillard said. He said some proposals already are being implemented.

The audit recognized some agency initiatives, such as an effort to reduce travel expenses, he said.

The agency also said in its response, which was contained in the audit report, that "cost controls and performance measures must factor in the many differences and variables of the organization."

The potential \$13 million in savings was identified by comparing regional transportation districts' performance to others in similar geographic areas — rural, urban or metropolitan. It was based on fiscal year 1993 data.

The state auditor's report stressed that actual savings could vary because the audit simply identified practices that indicated below-average performance. It did not say what specific changes should be made.

Dillard said using an average can be misleading because preliminary engineering costs can vary with the type and complexity of a project.

Among the report's findings of potential yearly savings:

— \$6.2 million in preliminary and construction engineering activities.

— \$5.9 million in maintenance operations.

— \$900,000 in administration.

The audit also said that a monthly assessment of contractors isn't linked to the contract-awarding process. It said contractors who receive poor performance ratings subsequently can contract with the department for future projects.

The agency responded, "Every project is administered and inspected to assure that the contractor's performance, materials, and end products comply with the plans and specifications. This is the procedure for precluding being given substandard work by contractors."



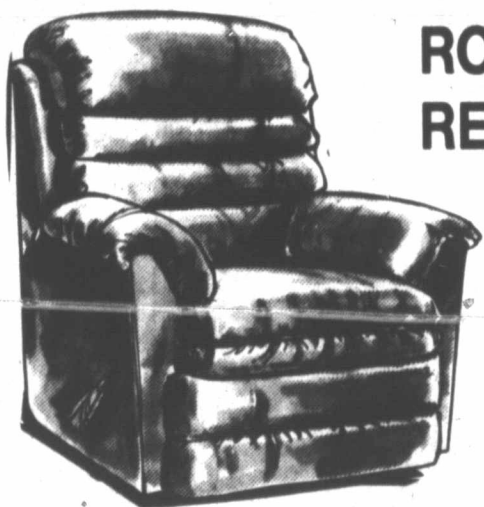
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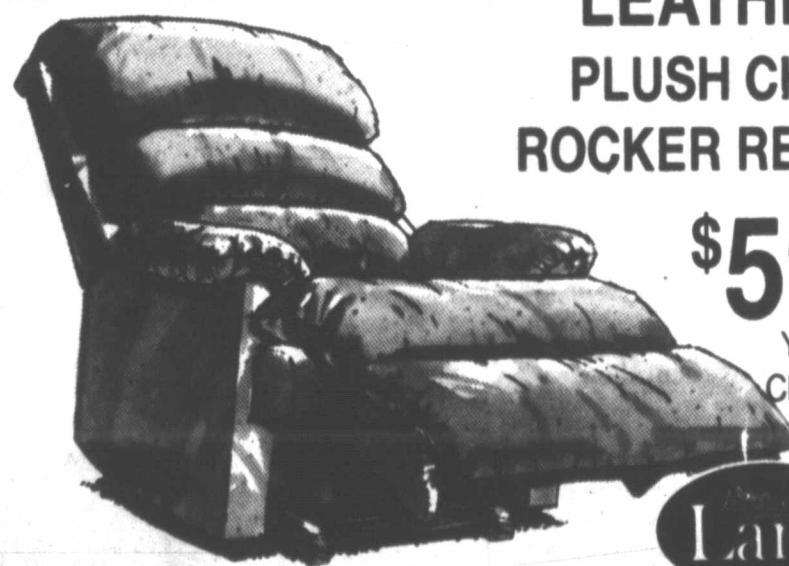


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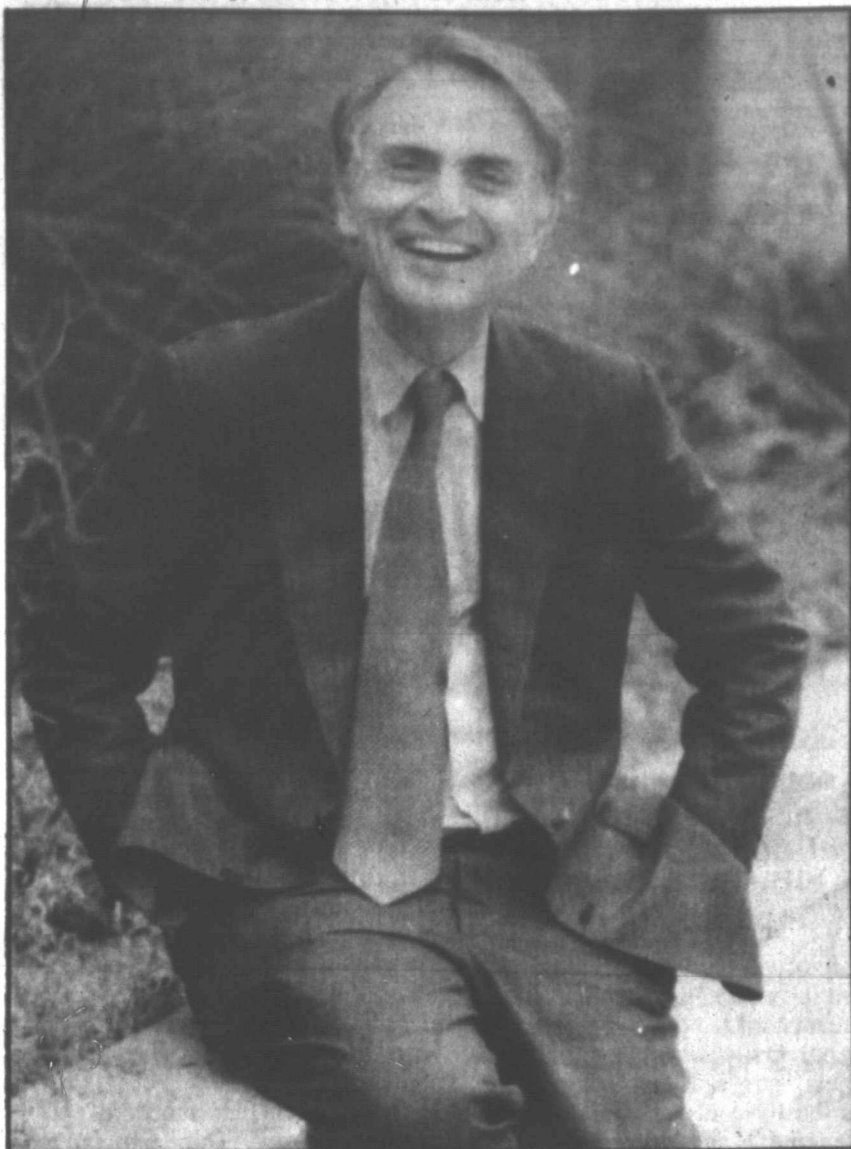
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Scientist and author Carl Sagan poses on the Cornell University campus in Ithaca, N.Y. (AP photo)

## Astronomer, science author Sagan still a high-wire act

By BEN DOBBIN  
Associated Press Writer

ITHACA, N.Y. (AP) — If space aliens ever show up for real, don't expect them to even begin to resemble the middling monstrosities on "Star Trek."

"Time for us to revise our views of repulsive!" says Carl Sagan, among the most energetic and eloquent of stargazers.

The sheer grandeur of the cosmos and the riddle about whether humankind shares some distant crossroads or voyages alone have bewitched this Russian garment worker's son since childhood.

"My experience is that kids are natural-born scientists. First of all, they ask the deep scientific questions: Why is the moon round? Why is the sky blue? What's a dream? Why do we have toes? What's the birthday of the world?"

"By the time they get into high school, they hardly ever ask questions like that. My conclusion is that everybody starts out as an enthusiastic potential scientist and then has the science beaten out of them by society."

Sagan said his parents ("who didn't know anything about science") not only nurtured his sense of wonder, they also instilled a healthy skepticism. That mixture, he said, is the key to being a scientist.

Combined with mental agility and a flair for elucidation, it begins to explain his success in astrophysics, as researcher and popularizer.

The author of *Cosmos*, one of the most-watched series in the history of American public television, and *The Dragons of Eden*, which won him a Pulitzer Prize in 1978, scans the future of space exploration in his 29th book, a recently published *Cosmos* sequel.

*Pale Blue Dot* visualizes mankind "100, 200, 300 years from now and why it is in fact central for our survival that we be in space," he said.

Not just whizzing around in spacecraft. Actually settling other worlds.

Sagan himself, who just turned 60, is still performing on the high wire. Between lectures and symposiums and robotic missions, which he's been helping design for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration since the late 1950s, he's turning his novel *Contact* into a Hollywood script and writing another novel, this one a "love story," with his wife, Ann Druyan.

When he gets stuck on one project, Sagan moves on to the next, allowing his subconscious to go to work.

"When you come back, you find to your amazement, nine times out of 10, that you have solved your problem — or your unconscious mind has — without you even knowing it."

At Cornell University's Laboratory for Planetary Studies, which he set up in 1968, space-mission data go into lab simulations to draw lessons about dust storms on Mars or the greenhouse effect of Venus.

Organic molecules, the kind that life on Earth is dependent on, "seem to be almost everywhere in the solar system beyond Mars," suggesting that "life and intelligence ought to be in lots of places," he said.

But extraterrestrials would "almost certainly not" bear any physical resemblance to humans.

"If you started the Earth over again, absolutely identical 4 1/2 billion years ago, and just let random factors operate — when a cosmic ray would hit a gene, which gene gets mutated — you might wind up with intelligence of great moral virtue, but they would not look anything like us," he said.

While detection techniques are limited to spacecraft and radio telescopes, finding out whether mankind is alone, or not alone, "is one of the most important issues you can imagine," Sagan said.

Trying to convince earthlings of that is not always easy.

"The trouble often is, you can't just invent something, you have to have underlying science," Sagan said. "It is foolish for us not to encourage at every level in the educational system better support for science education and for the encouragement of young scientists. From the most practical self-interest, if you care about anything else, our policy is foolish."

Who's to blame when science takes a back seat? Parents and teachers. Politicians who emphasize short-term solutions over long-term ones. Newspapers that publish "hokum" horoscopes in place of science columns.

"When's the last time you had an intelligent unprompted remark on science by a president of the United States? Put that all together and you can see that there's a problem that just runs up and down the society."

As for UFOs, lost continents and the like, the world can ill afford such pseudoscientific twaddle, Sagan said.

"Nobody would be more interested than me if we were being visited by extraterrestrials, but I demand reasonable standards of evidence, just as I do in searching for radio signals," he said.

## Turkey troubles? Call your Uncle Sam's poultry hot line

By KIMBERLY A.C. WILSON  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — One caller wanted to know if a live turkey that had fallen in a vat of tar was still OK for Thanksgiving dinner. (It was.) Another asked whether she should take the bird out of the plastic bag before cooking it. (She should.)

No question, it seems, is too outlandish for the dieticians and home economists at the Agriculture Department's meat and poultry hot line.

And as America's amateur chefs prepare for Thanksgiving, it's comforting to know that answers are a toll-free call away.

Bessie Berry, home economist and acting director of the meat and poultry hot line, offers this advice:

"Relax. Enjoy your time in the kitchen. It's not dangerous; it is fun. Don't make it so difficult that you can't enjoy the process."

Berry said the hot line logged

about 23,000 calls last November, 400 of them on Thanksgiving Day.

"There are those who will put a bird in the oven without any covering at all, or maybe lightly covered, or in a cooking bag. There are those who smoke or grill pieces or cook the whole bird in a covered-type grill," Berry said.

"The key to all of these methods is to make sure you cook it to the correct temperature. If the leg joint moves easily (at 180 degrees Fahrenheit), it's done. If the meat is still pink, you'll need to cook the bird more. It's that simple."

After choosing a turkey, Berry says, it's a good idea to defrost it in the refrigerator, 24 hours for a 5-pound turkey, four days for a 20-pound bird. Those who forget to defrost should unwrap the turkey on Thanksgiving Day, begin cooking and remove the giblet bag when it is defrosted. This only increases cooking time by one-half.

Berry recommends cooking at no lower than 325 degrees Fahrenheit

for 15 to 18 minutes per pound for an unstuffed turkey and 18 to 24 minutes per pound for a stuffed one.

Meat thermometers or pop-up timers should be checked about an hour before the bird is supposed to be done.

"Sometimes the timers fail or the bird is cooking faster than you expected," Berry said. "This way you will avoid overcooking and therefore you won't have a dry bird."

Pop-up timers found in certain frozen packaged turkeys don't score as high with Berry as old-fashioned thermometers, which sell for between \$4 and \$12. "With the meat thermometer, you can see how the cooking is progressing ... and how fast the bird is cooking," she said.

The same bacteria that can form on raw meat at room temperature can form on cooked meat left out for more than two hours, so carve and store leftover meat promptly in

meal-sized shallow containers for no longer than four days or frozen for up to three months. Any longer than that and you'll diminish its quality, Berry says.

Before carving, let the cooked bird stand for 15 to 20 minutes to allow the flesh to firm a bit and remove any stuffing.

Except for recommending that high-fat content geese be stuffed only after cooking, the hot line's hints apply to wild game, goose, duck and turkey and grocery store varieties of poultry.

"The process is the same. The internal temperatures are the same," Berry said. "The key to all of this is proper handling and proper cooking."

The toll-free number is 1-800-535-4555. (Washington, D.C., residents should call 202-720-3333.) The hot line is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. CST, except on Thanksgiving Day, when the hours are 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## Archaeologists find high mercury levels in Honduran ruins

By TED ANTHONY  
Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Archaeologists excavating a Mayan acropolis in Honduras are battling a ghost from the past that is all too real — a chemical trap laid inadvertently by a civilization nearly two millennia old.

Mayans burying a nobleman believed to be Popol Kinich, the son of the founder of the culture's royal dynasty, scattered and burned a crimson powder known as cinnabar in their farewell rituals.

Now, 15 1/2 centuries after the suspected burial date of 437, archaeologists from the University of Pennsylvania must wear protective clothing and respirators to prevent exposure to cinnabar's byproduct — mercury.

It's not a trap, the expedition's head says, but most likely an accidental oversight by Mayans unaware of mercury's potential health hazard and oblivious that cinnabar actually is mercuric sulfide.

"It was part of the burial ritual," said Penn archaeologist Robert Sharer. "Red is often associated with burials as a symbolic color, so it's a

common component in a pigment to sprinkle about the tomb."

He said the danger lies in the lack of air flow in the confined area of the room in the Margarita Tomb Complex at Copan, about 150 miles west of Tegucigalpa, the capital of Honduras.

None of the researchers has reported any ill effects.

The tomb was discovered in April 1993 about 30 feet below the ground, on the ninth level in a Troy-like site of stacked cities under excavation for six years.

Researchers entered it a short time later through a circuitous, 2-kilometer network of tunnels they built. They descended a staircase from a Mayan temple to a doorway and entered the tomb chamber, which is 6 feet long, 5 feet high and 3 feet wide.

They immediately saw the red powder coating the chamber and realized it was cinnabar.

An offering vessel near the tomb contained bits of jade, animal bone and bits of shell burned together with cinnabar, leaving a metallic mercury residue.

"We can put two and two together and say they must have burned this offering with cinnabar and

produced the mercury," Sharer said.

Ensuing tests determined a high level of mercury vapor escaped when the room was opened.

In the months since, the 20 or so archaeologists and graduate students studying the area have been equipped with protective clothing and respirators that resemble gas masks.

"It's really not that different from any other contaminated site," said Joseph Passante, an industrial hygienist at Penn's Office of Environmental Health and Safety.

"It can be dealt with in a pretty straightforward way," he said. "But it's certainly a unique area in which to practice industrial hygiene."

Sharer can't say definitively whether the Mayans knew about cinnabar's danger, but he doubts it.

"There's no indication that they knew it was toxic," he said. "There's every indication it was used as a red pigment. I suspect they did not know."

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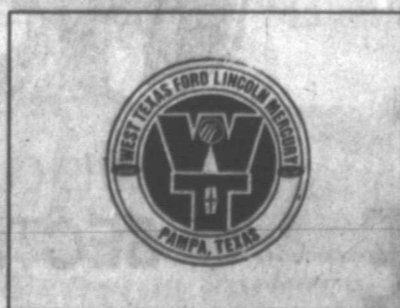
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## College tries to stop sex in cyberspace

By HENRY CUTTER  
Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP) — In a case that has colleges taking another look at their legal responsibilities in cyberspace, Carnegie Mellon University has blocked access to bulletin boards that students can use to call up dirty pictures.

About 300 students protested the move earlier this month as an assault on academic freedom, and a public interest group for computer users suggested Carnegie Mellon overreacted.

"It is censorship," said Declan McCullagh, student body president. "We have obscene books in our library, but the university isn't burning them. The university is burning cyberbooks."

Carnegie Mellon officials said they fear the school can be prosecuted for distributing pornography to minors if it knowingly allows access to the pictures via the Internet to anyone under 18. Most of the school's students are adults, but children as young as elementary-school age also use the university's computer networks.

The dispute started when Martin Rimm, a research associate working on a study of pornography in cyberspace, used Carnegie Mellon computers to collect 917,000 dirty pictures, ranging from simple nudity to pictures of men and women having sex with animals. He tracked how often the pictures had been downloaded, or called up by a computer user — 6.4 million times.

When Rimm took his findings to the administration, Carnegie Mellon could no longer claim ignorance about the material, said Erwin Steinberg, vice provost for education.

"It's a difficult issue, an emotional issue," said William Arms, Carnegie Mellon's vice president for computing services. He received calls from six other schools after the problem came to light. "People want to know which way to go," he said.

The school decided to block access to both written and photographic pornography. In the face of student opposition, Carnegie Mellon decided not to enforce the block on text. But X-rated pictures remain off limits.

"I have not accessed that material, but I feel that each person has a right to choose what kind of shoes, what kind of ties, what kind of information they want," said Cesar Rios, a graduate student in public management.

Freshman Jessica Rhodes disagreed. "We sort of have to abide by the laws of the state," she said. "There are other ways of getting pornography. If people want pornography that bad, they should go buy it themselves."

Mike Godwin, a lawyer for the Washington-based Electronic Frontier Foundation, said the chances of Carnegie Mellon being held liable for carrying the pictures are extremely slim.

Richard Goldberg, an Allegheny County deputy district attorney, said it would be very difficult to prosecute Carnegie Mellon, for the same reason it is hard to prosecute other kinds of obscenity cases: The prosecutor would have to prove the material has no redeeming social value.

"Then you have the problem of where do you prosecute them? Where is it coming from?" he said.

Goldberg was referring to the question of what community standards should be applied to obscenity-in-cyberspace cases. In 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that obscenity must be judged by local community standards. But cyberspace crosses such earthly boundaries.

In July, a California couple, Robert and Carleen Thomas, were convicted in federal court in Memphis, Tenn., for sending obscene pictures via interstate telephone lines. Although the verdict might have turned out differently in California, the court in the Bible Belt held that the pictures were obscene by the standards of the local community.

Jay Silberblatt, chairman of the civil litigation section of the Pittsburgh Bar Association, said it would be difficult to prosecute Carnegie Mellon because the university doesn't distribute the words and images itself.

"They simply buy the computer hardware that allows the distribution to take place," he said.

Carnegie Mellon set up a committee to study the controversy and make a recommendation to university President Robert Mehrabian.

A Carnegie Mellon neighbor, the University of Pittsburgh, hasn't decided whether to block access but is leaning toward the CMU position, said Kenneth Service, a Pitt spokesman.

"The main reason we have computers here is for education and research," he said, "and that's where our focus should be."

## Letters to the editor Send a local message

To the editor:

As I sit here and watch the country send a message to our leaders in Congress, I feel it is time for the people of the City of Pampa to send a message to our local leaders. Our city is dying before our eyes and we must do something about it.

I understand the latest blunder by our city fathers involves losing a Wal-Mart super center. Their reason — we don't want to drive the little man out of business. BAH.

If the "little man" wants to stay in business, let him get in and compete. Competition does not include opening at 10 a.m. and closing at 5 p.m., or closing at noon Saturday, if he is open at all. It does not mean carrying a take-it-or-leave-it inventory. It does not mean having a customer come in your store and stand for 15-20 minutes and not get waited on. Competition does not include putting yourself on enough governing bodies in city government to make the rules to suit you.

With our location in the Panhandle, our "little guys" need to work on getting more people into Pampa and less people passing through heading to Borger — yes, Borger — or Amarillo. The way to do this is not to go to our city government and say keep the big boys off us.

I realize that large businesses are not knocking down the doors to come to Pampa; heck, they are building in Borger and Amarillo where they don't have to fight to get in. We can't even get a Taco Bell back in Pampa.

Maybe I don't know all the facts, but I do know that we gave the Wal-Mart distribution center to Plainview. We gave away a plastics manufacturer. In years past we gave away an automobile assembly plant. We ran out Marie Foundations.

Our oil and gas job base is rapidly deteriorating and, people, we need to find ways to replace this base. We need to wake up and clean the courthouse, before we look like Kingsmill.

Jessie Etheredge  
Pampa

## Put love in our hearts

To the editor:

The election is over, and I'm sure we all think we voted to our advantage. We felt good to say the Republicans took the seat from the Democrats, and the Democrats took the Republicans. What difference does it make who took what? My Bible tells me, Mark 8:36, "For what shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world and lose his soul?"

My grandson Tyrone used to do a lead part with the junior choir in a song entitled "Plenty Good Room in My Father's Kingdom." One line in a verse said, Choose your seat and sit down. We really won't have a seat if we don't put a little love in our hearts. On this past Sunday, the Rev. B.F. Roberts, pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church in Amarillo, delivered a message. His text title was, Don't lose your seat over fleeting experiences.

Let's forget about our seats and put some love in our hearts, then there would be no big "I's" and little "you's," only soldiers of the cross.

My Christian brothers and sisters, we must have love. John 13:34-35 reads as thus: 34. A new commandment I give unto you, that you love one another, as I have loved you, that you also love one another. 35. By this shall all men know that you are my disciples, if you have love one to another.

God is surely in control. Why do we think we can change things in a sea? Matthew 6:33 gives us a good pattern to follow. It reads: But seek you first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you. Do we not believe in God's word?

He also tells us in Proverbs: Trust in the Lord with thine heart, lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways, acknowledge him and he shall direct thy path.

I am beginning to wonder if we believe what we hear and read in our Bible. I'm a strong believer of taking heed to what I read, if it's right. What is wrong with II Chronicles 7:14: If my people which are called by my name shall humble themselves, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

Remember, God said it, you believe and that's it.

Doris Jones  
Pampa

## Good job at hospital

To the editor:

There is much in this world today to be upset about, and plenty of things about which to complain. And lots of people do. But sometimes good things happen, too. Things that are so good that they deserve recognition. Such is the subject of this letter.

My wife and I moved to Pampa seven weeks ago. We have been quite pleased with the friendliness of the people and the atmosphere which pervades. One of the greatest sources of anxiety concerning our move was that my wife was late in her first pregnancy. Changing surroundings, as well as doctors, late in her pregnancy produced great tension.

Our little girl was born Saturday morning, Nov. 12. Our doctor is Dr. R. Ross Hampton, with whom we couldn't be more pleased. His professionalism and proficiency eased our concern and tension from the first time we visited him. His performance in the delivery room confirmed our confidence.

We would also like to recognize the hospital staff who assisted us. Dana Lewis was the first nurse who attended us when we arrived at the hospital, and she is as competent as they come. Margaret Mason brought her experience to the situation, and Ellen Batman also helped. The next shift was also wonderful. Laquita Belflower first cared for our newborn, and couldn't have used more care had it been her own child. Rebecca Blair and Stacy Ladd arrived at work Saturday, and it was obvious to us that their work is much more to them than simply punching a clock. They helped and assured us as if we were family. Elizabeth Houdashell also made us feel comfortable and secure, as did Kristi Harden with her warmth and sincerity.

These people did not help us in order to be praised or recognized. They represent the very essence of what the health-care industry ought to be, and should take pride in a job well done. For their dedication to doing more than just earning a paycheck, hats off to these people who aid in the preservation and sustenance of life.

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## NEA Crossword Puzzle

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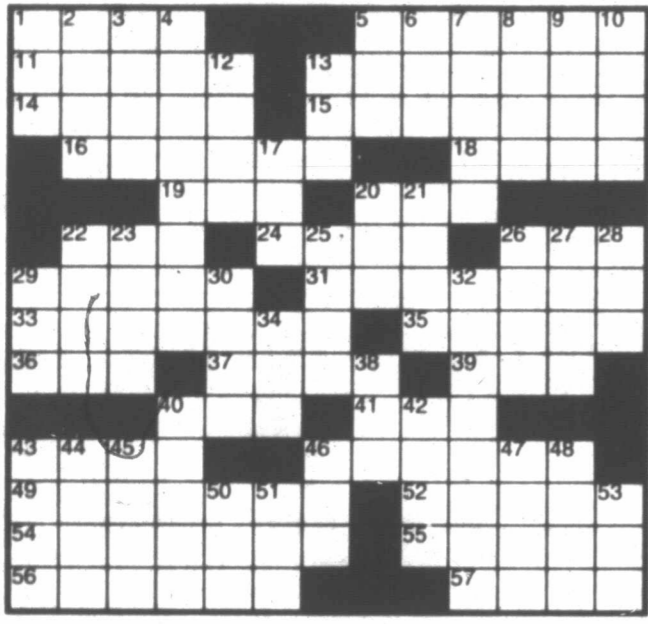
- 1 Ineffective
- 5 Parent
- 11 Yellow-brown shade
- 13 City in Kansas
- 14 Pasture grass
- 15 Loser
- 16 Peaceful
- 18 Brittle
- 19 Mellow
- 20 Chemical suffix
- 22 Vast age
- 24 Arrivederci
- 26 MD's chart
- 29 Shoe part
- 31 Dress part
- 33 For each day measure (2 wds.)
- 35 Uncanny
- 36 Pollack fish
- 37 Clamping device
- 39 Southeast Asian holiday
- 40 Even (poet.)
- 41 Dine
- 43 Electrical

### DOWN

- 1 Cavity in a rock
- 2 Biblical king
- 3 Construction beam (2 wds.)
- 4 Degraded
- 5 Wire
- 6 Mil. school
- 7 The ones there
- 8 Lease
- 9 Coup d'
- 10 Genus of frogs
- 12 Sounded a bell
- 13 Army female (abbr.)

### Answer to Previous Puzzle

BUDS NED BUBO  
 ALTA ADE AYAT  
 BURG VEE UTSY  
 BATTERY MULLIE  
 NEZ DEL BAY  
 BREW ALBERTAN  
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## Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Continue to be on the alert for unusual arrangements that could bring in extra money. Two extraordinary opportunities might open up for you today. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Today your associates will greatly influence your productivity and effectiveness. Seek companions who can get things done.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** You could be lucky today professionally and financially. If you have something on the drawing board, don't put it off until tomorrow.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Your greatest successes today may stem from someone else's ideas instead of your own. Try not to let your ego get in the way of a profitable day.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Instead of doing business with strangers, go back to companies that have given you breaks in the past. You might get an even better deal today.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** You will be strongly impelled to bend over backwards and be fair today. Even when you have the upper hand, you probably won't use your clout.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Don't be content to establish only one goal for yourself today; set several. You'll perform best and utilize your full talents when you're pushed a bit.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Try to establish firmer footing with a new acquaintance today before requesting favors. As the friendship matures, you might not even need to ask.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** If there's something you've been unsuccessfully trying to change, try enlisting the aid of your friends today. Their push could do the trick.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** One of the best things you can do for yourself today is to help somebody else. Your generosity will be rewarded in ways you cannot even begin to suspect.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Your financial situation looks good today. If you're enterprising, there is a strong possibility of adding to your resources in two ways.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Important personal matters should not be left to a surrogate today. If you want it done right, do it yourself.

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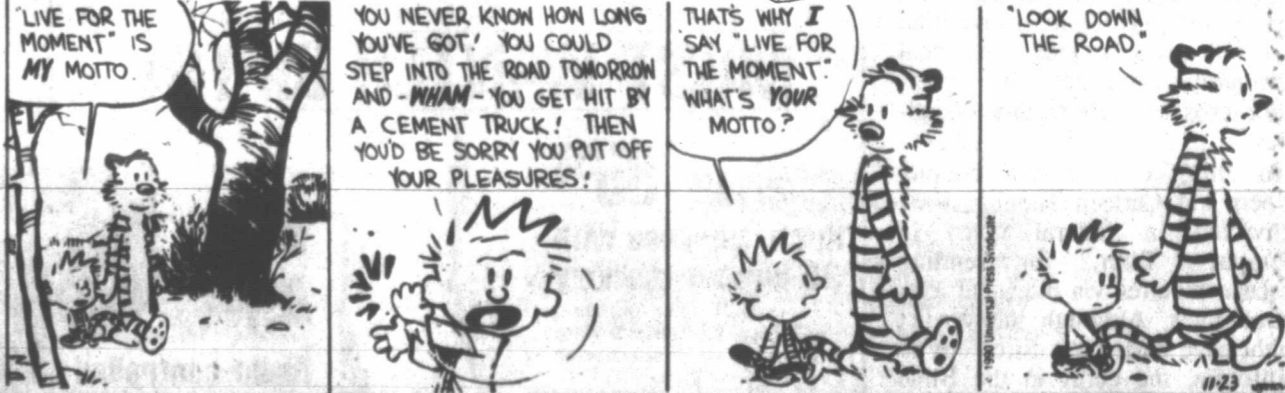
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## Getting ready for the parade

HOBOKEN, N.J. (AP) - Barney the Dinosaur and The Cat In The Hat are ready for the helium, but take it from 5-year-old Joseph Rovito - Spiderman will be the coolest balloon by far in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

"You should see it; it's 2,000 feet tall," said Joseph, whose stepfather, Joe Rovito, works at Macy's Parade Studio. Actually, the Spiderman balloon is 78 feet tall with a 40-by-36-foot web. But don't tell that to Joseph, who says he's visited the studio where the floats are built "a billion hundred times."

Twenty-five workers have toiled all year in a rundown warehouse near the Lincoln Tunnel, preparing new floats and balloons and retouching older models. In the eyes of the

kindergartners who toured the studio across the river from the parade route in Manhattan, it's Santa's workshop. Toys "R" Us and a Disney movie rolled into one.

The kids stood on the newly completed Swan Princess Castle float, visiting with Princess Odette, Prince Derek, Jean-Bob the Frog, Speed the Tortoise and Puffin the Bird.

In all, 17 floats, 10 mini-floats, 37 balloons and three "falloons," (a combination float and balloon), will be making the 2 1/2-mile trek down Broadway, past thousands of spectators and before 50 million television viewers.

"We are all just dreamers, making our dreams into reality," said Manfred Bass, leaning against a giant doughnut on the Holiday Sweets float.

## Grandview-Hopkins Honor Roll

Grandview-Hopkins School has announced its Honor Rolls for the second six-weeks grading period of the 1994-1995 school year.

**A Honor Roll**  
Second Grade  
Nicholas Bruton.

**Third Grade**  
Paul Baxter, Chance Bowers, Collin Bowers, Michael Dominguez, Jake Hopkins and Erin Norris.

**Fourth Grade**  
Lauren Acker, Cody Babcock, Sara Blankenship and Tandi Quisenberry.

**Fifth Grade**  
Chandler Bowers and Clay Ritter.

**Sixth Grade**  
Marci Babcock, Stephanie Blankenship, Chris Bruton and Lori Stephens.

## Lefors School Honor Roll

LEFORS - The Lefors Independent School District has announced its Honor Rolls for junior high and high school students for the second six-weeks period of the 1994-1995 school year.

**A Honor Roll**  
Seventh Grade  
Jeremy Pierce, Candid Ray, Melody Seely and Michael Steele.

**Eighth Grade**  
Shelly Murray and Linda Schwab.

**Freshmen**  
Angie Davenport, Misty McMullen and Tracy Tucker.

**Sophomores**  
Tenille Franks and Karla Murray.

**Juniors**  
Bryan Bockmon, Shelly Davenport and Tommy Green.

## Baker School Honor Roll

Baker Elementary School has announced its Honor Roll for the second six-weeks period of the 1994-1995 school year.

**Second Grade**  
All A's  
Nicole Brown, Marisela Camacho, Omar Chavez, Megan Coffey, Shannon Lewis, Jaime Resendiz, Jain Patel, Jennifer Bryan, Mateo Campos, Felipe Portillo and Diana Resendiz.

**All A's and One B**  
Michael Flores, Omar Kirklun, Michael Martin, Joshua Mason, Araceli DeLaTorre, Jay Kelly and Mario Marin.

**Third Grade**  
All A's

**A-B Honor Roll**  
Third Grade  
Calvin Schaffer.

**Fourth Grade**  
Christopher Lee.

**Fifth Grade**  
Carolyn Munoz and Shaun Smith.

**Sixth Grade**  
Ashlie Lee and Joel Quisenberry.

Special Achievement Awards were given to the following students:  
Lauren Acker, fourth grade, 100 average in spelling.

Paul Baxter, third grade, 100 average in science.

Jake Hopkins, third grade, all subject averages 99 or higher.

- Kindergarten: Haley Acker, Cody Cochran, Maggie Hopkins and CayLee Willingham. First Grade: Casey Willingham.

**Seniors**  
Renea Brookshire, Shawna Lock, Jason Winegart and Tommy Wyatt.

**A-B Honor Roll**  
Seventh Grade  
Michael Brown and Jessica Smith.

**Eighth Grade**  
Gwen Nolte and Nicole Summers.

**Freshmen**  
Nikki Bockmon, Matt Green and Laura Velasquez.

**Sophomores**  
Jennifer Lock and Brandie Pierce.

**Juniors**  
Keith Franks, Heather Maples and Angie Turpen.

**Seniors**  
Chris Chadwick, Michelle Helfer and Bruce Mize.

**All A's and One B**  
Aaron Silva and Jaime Chavez.

**All A's and One B**  
Frank Shaw and Stormy Ragan.

**Fourth Grade**  
All A's  
Megan Davis, Zach Ferris, Luis Campos, Ruven Chavez, Viviana DeLaTorre, Luzann Garcia, Julian George, Levi Holder, Griselle Ramirez and James Silva.

**All A's and One B**  
Joel Botello, Lionel Nash, Chris House and Ramona Perez.

**Fifth Grade**  
All A's  
Dolly Anderson.

**All A's and One B**  
Michael Campos.

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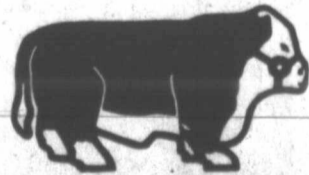
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## Boldly going and going, 'Star Trek Generations' debuts atop box office

By LARRY GERBER  
Associated-Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — *Star Trek Generations*, which featured the long-awaited pairing of William Shatner and Patrick Stewart, proved the most popular film yet in the screen adventures of the starship Enterprise, grossing \$23.1 million in its debut weekend for the No. 1 box office spot.

In the battle of the Christmas movies, John Hughes' remake of the venerable *Miracle on 34th Street* got off to a weak start, while *The Santa Clause* continued to perform strongly in its second week.

*Interview With the Vampire*, last week's leader, dropped to second place with \$17.4 million in receipts. Last week's No. 2 *The Santa Clause* slipped to third with \$17.1 million.

*Star Trek Generations*, which features Enterprise crews of past, present and future, takes viewers into the 24th century. The sequel outperformed *Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country*, which took in \$18.1 million at its 1991 debut.

"At a time when sequels haven't been performing to the level of their predecessors, the seventh *Star Trek* film proved just how remarkable a phenomenon this series has become," said Barry London, vice chairman of Paramount's Motion Picture Group.

*The Lion King* cartoon feature came in fourth with \$5.5 million after Buena Vista reissued it for 1,456 screens. The children's story has grossed \$272.9 million, topped only by No. 15 *Forrest Gump* (\$292.3 million) among movies now showing.

Here are the top 20 movies at U.S. and Canadian theaters during the weekend, followed by studio, gross, number of screens, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled by Exhibitor Relations from actual returns and studio estimates:

1. *Star Trek Generations*, Paramount, \$23.1 million, 2,659 locations, \$8,694 per location, \$23.1 million, one week.
2. *Interview With the Vampire*, Warner Bros., \$17.4 million, 2,604 locations, \$6,694 per location, \$63.6 million, two weeks.
3. *The Santa Clause*, Buena

Vista, \$17.1 million, 2,201 locations, \$7,786 per location, \$40.6 million, two weeks.

4. *The Lion King*, Buena Vista, \$5.5 million, 1,456 locations, \$3,784 per location, \$272.9 million, reissue.

5. *The Professional*, Columbia, 2,033 locations, \$2,171 per location, \$52.9 million, four weeks.

6. *Stargate*, MGM, \$4.4 million, 2,033 locations, \$2,171 per location, \$52.9 million, four weeks.

7. *Pulp Fiction*, Miramax, \$3 million, 1,151 locations, \$2,615 per location, \$48.4 million, six weeks.

8. *Miracle On 34th Street*, Fox, \$2.8 million, 1,190 locations, \$2,314 per location, \$2.8 million, one week.

9. *The War*, Universal, \$2.6 million, 1,537 locations, \$1,665 per location, \$13.4 million, three weeks.

10. *The Swan Princess*, New Line, \$2.4 million, 1,403 locations, \$1,743 per location, \$2.4 million, one week.

11. *Mary Shelley's Frankenstein*, TriStar, \$1.5 million, 2,154 locations, \$702 per location, \$20.3 million, three weeks.

12. *The Specialist*, Warner Bros., \$1.1 million, 1,343 locations, \$819 per location, \$53 million, seven weeks.

13. *Bullets Over Broadway*, Miramax, \$901,332, 272 locations, \$3,314 per location, \$5 million, five weeks.

14. *The Mask*, New Line, \$866,912, 800 locations, \$1,084 per location, \$115.1 million, 17 weeks.

15. *Forrest Gump*, Paramount, \$851,785, 765 locations, \$1,113 per location, \$292.3 million, 20 weeks.

16. *The River Wild*, Universal, \$670,025, 679 locations, \$1,000 per location, \$42.6 million, eight weeks.

17. *Little Giants*, Warner Bros., \$536,961, 916 locations, \$586 per location, \$17.9 million, six weeks.

18. *Natural Born Killers*, Warner Bros., \$519,925, 150 locations, \$3,466 per location, \$47.8 million, 13 weeks.

19. *Love Affair*, Warner Bros., \$506,128, 626 locations, \$809 per location, \$17.3 million, five weeks.

20. *Time Cop*, Universal, \$322,050, 460 locations, \$700 per location, \$43.4 million, 10 weeks.

## Pampa High School Honor Roll

Pampa High School has released its Honor Roll for the first nine-weeks grading period of the 1994-1995 school year.

### A Honor Roll Ninth Grade

Tracy M. Albus, Josh R. Blackmon, Katy D. Cavalier, Shana D. Grusendorf, Amy L. Hahn, Amy D. Harvey, Heather D. Herndon, Shanna D. Janison and Brandy J. Kempf.

Sarah E. Landry, Kimberlea M. McKandles, Dana J. McPherson, Brooke Petty, Michael O. Plunk, Jaimie K. Reed, Heather A. Robben and Andrea L. Rodriguez.

### Tenth Grade

Deena M. Bridges, Ann E. Carmichael, Kristi L. Carter, Derahian Evans, Heather Fernuik, Misty L. French, Cherith A. Huss, Keith S. Jacoby, Venson C. Jameson and Jennifer L. Jones.

Nathan J. Knight, Jennifer B. Meadows, Mitsziko G. Mechler, Isaiah J. Nolte, Amy E. Rainey, Beverly J. Schiffman, Fabian Silva, Victoria A. Street and Thorban B. Weaver.

### Eleventh Grade

Kerry S. Adams, Jason S. Ambrose, Matthew S. Bell, Amanda R. Brown, Joshua D. Calby, Janet M. Dancel, Shannon E. Ervin, Phillip M. Everson, Jennifer L. Fischer, Rhonda C. Gourley and Amanda K. Kludt.

Melody D. Lamb, Katie A. McKandles, Edith M. Osborne, Brian S. Phelps, James M. Reeves, Shaylee J. Richardson, Jamie L. Slater, Bobbie J. Taylor, William R. Thomas, Amanda R. Tracy and Rayford E. Young.

### Twelfth Grade

Jill R. Brokenbek, Jason L. Bryan, Tammy L. Chesher, Jessica A. Dawes, John B. Easley, Dana E. Eskridge, Matt P. Garvin, Marissa Q. Grabato, Amy D. Hayes, Jennifer J. Holland, Jason M. Jones, Jennifer L. Mays and Christopher A. Nelson.

Alicia L. Nicholas, Kyle W. Parnell, Angie D. Parsley, Andrea J. Phillips, Summer L. Scott, Audra A. Shelton, Cole G. Tefertiller, Tausha D. Thrasher, Trisha L. Treadwell, Danica E. Weeks, Richard A. Williams and Shanda E. Winton.

### A-B Honor Roll Ninth Grade

Mary Lee Adamson, Grace Albear, Tyson M. Alexander, Shelbie R. Allison, Brian W. Anderson, Adrienne D. Arebalo, Carmen M. Arreola,

Priscilla Arreola, Jeremy W. Atchley, Halley L. Bell, Nicholas L. Brookshire and Aretha V. Brown.

Christian E. Bruce, Valarie L. Bruner, Laramie S. Chronister, Erin M. Cobb, Brandon J. Coffee, Laura Cortez, Heath G. Cowan, Deidre J. Crawford, Amber L. Crosswhite, Faustine E. Curry, Ricardo Delfierro, Patricia J. Dinges and Deanna E. Dreher.

Keili D. Earl, Justin R. Ensey, Cal A. Ferguson, David A. Foreman, Vickie L. Fossett, Joshua C. Franklin, Desiree N. Friend, Jordan E. Frugé, Leon Garza, Suzanne Gattis, Melissa K. Gindorf, Tami L. Graves and James D. Gross.

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Jeffrey T. Jenkins, Brittany R. Jones, Deepak Kammani, Vera R. King, Jared R. Knipp, Dustin B. Laycock, Rachel A. Laycock, Alicia M. Lee, Nickie N. Leggett, Grayson J. Lewis, Lindsay K. Lewis and Timothy S. Lewis.

Christopher L. Lockridge, April M. Lopez, Jackie D. Lovelady, April M. Martinez, Jesse L. May, Tiffany L. McCullough, Misty L. Moreland, Lyndy A. Morgan, Chandra D. Nachtigall, Justin W. Nelson, Micah I. Nolte and Britany L. Olsen.

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### Tenth Grade

Cristina Arreola, Curtis W. Atwood, Amanda J. Baldridge, James A. Barker, Brandon L. Baxter, Jason R. Bliss, Brian T. Brauchi, Wade L. Bruce, Melissa E. Butcher, Nichole P. Cagle, Kellie A. Carter and Shawn P. Caskey.

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### Eleventh Grade

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## Second thoughts about term limits

By JIM ABRAMS  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Republicans, committed to a first-ever vote on congressional term limits, are having second thoughts about limiting their own stays in Washington.

The man who will be the new House majority leader, Rep. Dick Army of Texas, suggested that public support for term limits may wane now that the GOP will control Congress. If Republicans "can straighten out the House," he said in a recent interview, Americans may not be so enthusiastic about a constitutional amendment limiting the time a person may serve in Congress.

"They don't want to go home, they love this job," said Cleta Mitchell of the Term Limits Legal Institute in explaining the difficulty of getting the two-thirds majority in both chambers needed to pass a constitutional amendment to limit terms.

The House Republicans' "Contract With America" that lays out their agenda for their first 100 days in power promises a vote on term limits, which many Republicans made a key issue in their successful runs for congressional seats.

House Speaker Thomas Foley's opposition to term limits was a major factor in his loss to his GOP challenger, George Nethercutt Jr.

But already there are signs that the Republicans, back in power in the House for the first time in 40 years, are not that eager to give up their jobs.

Army said in a recent National Public Radio interview that he supported term limits because the House has performed so poorly in recent years, but that he did so "with a terrible amount of reluctance."

"I think Americans will find their enthusiasm for term limits waning quite a bit," the Texas lawmaker said, if the Republicans "can straighten out the House."

Another Republican, Rep. Newt Gingrich of Georgia, the next Speaker of the House and the chief promoter of the "Contract," has also dismayed some term limit advocates by saying the legislation would not be retroactive, thus relieving current members of immediate concern about their future employment.

Mitchell said that even with a groundswell of public support for term limits, getting the two-thirds majority of both houses needed for a constitutional amendment will be tough. If the amendment passes both houses, three-quarters of the states would have to ratify it.

James Geoffrey, legislative aide to Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla., agreed that the prospects of winning two-thirds of the members were "on the edge." McCollum has 105 co-sponsors for a bill he introduced earlier this year that would limit House members to six two-year terms and senators to two six-year terms.

Many Democrats can be expected to support the Clinton administration position that term limits threaten the election system, and even some key Republicans oppose limits. "I think America is always going to need statesmen and you don't get them out of the phone book," Rep. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., said earlier this year.

## No surprise: Study says urban traffic problems getting worse

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — The Texas Transportation Institute's annual study on traffic reports what commuters already know: roadway congestion is only getting worse in most of the nation's large urban areas.

In the 86-page study released this week, Texas A&M University transportation engineer Tim Lomax puts together traffic data from 50 urban areas around the country. The data were from 1991, the most recent year available.

For the sixth consecutive year, Lomax determined Los Angeles is the most backed-up urban area in America with a roadway congestion

index of 1.56.

An index of 1.00 indicates a desired amount of traffic. Anything over that indicates what Lomax calls "undesirable congestion" and is measured by percentages. Los Angeles' index, for example, indicates traffic is 56 percent more con-

gested than engineers think should be on the roads.

New York was tied with Atlanta for ninth on the list with a traffic index of 1.14.

Of the 50 areas studied, traffic has gotten worse in all but three since Lomax first conducted his study in

1982. One of those areas is Houston, where traffic has decreased every year since 1984.

"Texas cities look pretty good for congestion levels since 1986, a combination of new construction and the economic downturn of the late 1980s," Lomax said.

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## Lights, festival, parade and ballet will open holiday season in Pampa

It's just about 10 days until someone throws a switch that will set Pampa aglow with the Christmas spirit.

City workers will begin Sunday installing Christmas decorations along the streets and in the parks, and putting up the 50-foot Christmas tree that will stand along North Hobart Street near the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium and Civic Center.

All that will take most of the week. "I anticipate that we'll light the tree on the evening of Friday, Dec. 2," said Bill Hildebrandt, the city's director of public works.

That would be just in time to get Pampans warmed up and in the mood for the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce's annual Christmas parade, scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 3.

With a theme of "Top O' Texas Christmas Carols," the parade will begin at Coronado Center, travel up Somerville Street to Francis, turn east on Francis to Cuyler, then head south on Cuyler.

Exactly where it will go from there was still up in the air at the deadline for this special Christmas section.

"We want to go by Schneider House (an apartment building for senior citizens at 120 S. Russell)," but we haven't yet decided whether to turn off Cuyler at Foster or Atchison streets," said Nanette Moore, executive vice president of the chamber.

The exact route will be published later in *The Pampa News*.

The 11th Annual Festival of Christmas Trees and Gift Boutique, which has become a traditional part of the Christmas celebrations for Pampa and the surrounding area, is set from 6-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 2; 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3; and 1-5 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 4 at the M.K. Brown Auditorium and Civic Center. Admission is free.

Entertainment will be furnished by Pampa and area youth groups throughout the three-day event in the auditorium foyer where illuminated and decorated Christmas trees will be displayed.

The Gift Boutique will be in the Heritage Room, where 51 exhibitors from the Panhandle will display arts and crafts. A food booth will also be located in the Heritage Room and will be under the direction of the festival committee and volunteers. Profits raised will be donated to the Pampa Sheltered Workshop.

After the Festival of Trees concludes, the trees, donated by volunteer individuals, groups and businesses, will be given to area families to enable them to better enjoy the holidays.

Also a tradition for the holidays, the Pampa Civic Ballet is set to present *The Nutcracker*, under the direction of Jeanne Willingham, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3, at the M.K. Brown Auditorium and Civic Center with guest artists Dmitri Korobeinikov and Elosia Narvaez.

Korobeinikov and Narvaez, a husband and wife team from the Alabama Ballet, are returning to Pampa again this year for another performance with the ballet.

*The Nutcracker* is a story set in music about a young



Lindsay Tidwell and Chris Shaffer will star in the Pampa Civic Ballet's presentation of *The Nutcracker* beginning at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 3. Tidwell plays the part of Clara, a young girl with Christmas dreams, and Shaffer plays the part of the nutcracker/prince, the man of Clara's fantasy. (Courtesy photo)

girl and her Christmas dreams and will include local dancers in addition to Korobeinikov and Narvaez.

Tickets to the ballet may be purchased at Beaux Arts Dance Studio, Kids Stuff, from dancers in the show, from Civic Ballet Board members, and also will be available at the door.

In addition to their traditional, special Christmas church services, some Pampa churches will be providing special productions for the public.

Central Baptist Church will be presenting the musical *That Night*, for which cast, choir and crew have been preparing since August, adding new songs, characters and scenes. Presentations are set for 7 p.m. Dec. 10-13. Admission is free, but tickets must be picked up in advance at the church or by calling 665-1631.

The First Assembly of God is busy now with preparations for the musical drama, *Jesus, the Heart of Christmas*. The public performance is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 11.

## A Christmas tree for our feathered friends

Popcorn strings, gingerbread boys and girls, cookies, peppermint canes and other edible decorations have long had a place in ornamenting the traditional Christmas tree, offering temptations for youngsters hungry for holiday treats.

With a little imagination, youngsters can help add other edible items to the tree for placement outside to give a holiday treat to wintering birds. Or perhaps you can take a tree already outside in your yard and decorate it specifically for our feathered friends — and perhaps a few squirrels that may still be wandering around.

Here are some ideas to try on your own Birdie Tree:

1. Small, powdered-sugar coated doughnuts. Attach to tree branches with string or ribbons.
2. Strings of popcorn.
3. Suet and seed balls wrapped in netting. Preparation: Put suet through meat grinder, melt in double boiler, then cool until hardened slightly. Reheat and pour over dry ingredients such as bird seed, peanut pieces, raisins, crushed dog biscuits, nut pieces, Grape Nuts cereal or granola. When cool, but still soft, form into balls and wrap in netting.
4. Orange halves filled with peanuts, raisins, sunflower seeds and cereal.
5. Small foil cups covered with ribbon and filled with peanuts, raisins, sunflower seeds and cereal.
6. Pine cones rolled in melted suet, then birdseed.
7. Pine cones spread with a mixture of peanut butter mixed with cornmeal or breadcrumbs (birds cannot swallow plain peanut butter), then roll in birdseed.
8. String peanuts in their shells and cranberries onto a thin wire. Shape into a wreath and tie with a ribbon.



Winterthur's Garden Guides created this tree, which is decorated with doughnuts, popcorn strands and other edible goodies. Adding other creations specifically for birds, the tree can be placed outside after the holiday to provide some nourishment for wintering birds — and perhaps some pesky squirrels.

## Some quick and easy holiday decorations

- Lay sprays of evergreen on the mantelpiece or end tables, thread a string of white lights (on green wire) through them and nestle some of your collectibles amid the greens.

- Fold a fringed shawl into a triangle with the fringe dripping over the edge, and create a still life of candelabrum, household ornaments or trinkets with dried flowers on top.

- Use wooden bowls, baskets, stoneware, ceramic pitchers and pots amid other decorations for a country or rustic look.

- Cover the mantel or a wide windowsill with a bed of Spanish moss, tuck in pieces of ivy and holly, pinecones (natural or painted) and a few gilded nuts and fruit.

- Drape a long rope of greens over the front door, letting it fall halfway to the ground or floor on each side. Attach a red velvet or satin bow over the doorway, and encircle the garland with a streamer of the same ribbon. Frame the entry further by placing a full red poinsettia plant on each side of the doorway.

- Fill a woven basket with large pinecones interspersed with clusters of delicate baby's breath, then thread tiny white lights throughout, hiding the wires under the pinecones.

- Place extra mirrors around the house during the holidays to add to the glow by reflecting and multiplying the special effects of your decorations.

- Use a galvanized pail for an ice bucket and tie a big calico bow or two western-style bandannas around it for a casual country look for a party.

- Tape, tie or staple Christmas cards to ribbon streamers to hang

from walls, door sills or window frames for display.

- Hang flat snowflake ornaments on the firescreen to create an interesting illusion against the warming blaze. (Make sure to use inflammable materials or keep well away from the heat.)

- Set out a bowl of brightly colored fruits on a bed of evergreen.

- Fill terra-cotta pots or baskets with pinecones and place on the mantel or windowsill.

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# Consumers will find good prices for Christmas shopping this year

By JOYCE M. ROSENBERG  
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — When the Christmas shopping season starts this week, consumers will find their favorite stores relying on the successful formula of the 1993 holiday — with a little fine-tuning and a couple of new twists.

Shops for kids only and personal shopping assistance at big chains like Toys R Us are among the innovations. At many stores, customers will find what they really want — good prices. Retailers are well-stocked with items for the home, the big sellers last Christmas and for much of this year.

Many department and clothing stores will have mark-downs on women's apparel, thanks to the stubbornly warm weather that has lingered in many areas. Retailers have been unable to sell much of their winter inventory, so "a great assortment's available at good prices, in some cases lower than last year," said Janet Mangano, a retail industry analyst with Burnham Securities Inc.

Prices also are restrained by competition among retailers trying to steal market share from one another. Even upper-end stores like Bloomingdale's are catering to the frugal as well as the free-spending. The department stores' newspaper inserts offered what it called special values, \$30 cotton sweaters and \$50 cashmere

scarves, in a pre-Thanksgiving sale.

Prices might fall even further if retailers don't get sales early. While everyone has grown accustomed to the idea of consumers doing most of their shopping the last 10 days before Christmas, nervous storeowners could cut prices further to get people into the stores.

Walter Loeb, a prominent retailing analyst and consultant, said the early arrival of Hanukkah — the holiday begins Nov. 27 this year — may add some momentum to Thanksgiving sales. That may mollify retailers for a while.

Stores already known for low prices are fighting the competition by emphasizing service. Toys R Us Inc. is adding extra sales staff, including employees who will "take a person to find something if they're having difficulty" in the stores, chief executive officer Michael Goldstein said.

Sears, Roebuck and Co., Toys R Us and other retailers will be sponsoring movies and other programs on TV. The point is to leave viewers with a good feeling about the companies that will draw them into the stores — a strategy that has worked so well that Sears will be sponsoring two movies on Thanksgiving Day, up from one in previous years.

"We're taking it to the next level," said John Costello, senior executive vice president for marketing at Sears Merchandise Group.

Catalog companies also are focusing on service, with more switching to faster delivery through FedEx and other overnight couriers. Mail order retailers will reach their peak period for orders in early December.

Competition is prompting many stores, including the entire Kmart discount store chain, to open on Thanksgiving.

Department stores will again be using plush animals as their mascots, with some companies, including Macy's and Bullock's, using them as incentives for shoppers to spend.

These toys are a great come-on, but they can be big business in themselves. In the 10 years since Dayton Hudson Corp. began featuring toys called Santabar in its department stores, it has sold 3.1 million of the bears and \$300 million in bear-related merchandise.

There are new angles in some stores. The 83 Broadway, Emporium and Weinstock's department stores in the West have installed styrofoam igloos called North Pole West designed for children to shop in (the front door's a tight squeeze for Mom or Dad), spokesman Bill Ihle said.

Consumer purchases are expected to mirror Christmas 1993, with many people buying gifts for the home.

"Customers are looking for very practical, home-oriented gifts that are a good value, but they're also looking for luxuries that make life a lot better," Costello said.

Sears reports good sales of home satellite dishes that retail for about \$700. The company also expects a good season for big-screen TVs.

While women's apparel "has not been well accepted, accessories are, and there will be handbags, jewelry and gloves" given as gifts, Loeb said. But men's and children's clothing should be strong, he said.

"There's no fads or hot merchandise" for adults, Ms. Mangano said, noting that styles are conservative, in colors like hunter green or in plaids.

National chains increasingly are tailoring merchandise to fit the needs of shoppers on a local basis. In New York, Macy's is advertising a Festival of Lights Shop, selling menorahs and other items for Hanukkah. Sears will be advertising heavily to Hispanic consumers.

Analysts generally predict sales will rise 5.5 percent to 6.5 percent from last Christmas. They cite the stronger economy, noting that more people are working this year than last.

Surveys of shoppers taken by a variety of companies all point to higher spending. How much people will buy is hard to tell, though.

While a MasterCard poll predicts shoppers will spend an average of \$486 each, another canvass by the International Mass Retailers Association says consumers will spend an average of \$700.

## Christmas home decorating contest scheduled

The residential home decorating contest has been initiated again by the Tourism Committee of the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce and The Pampa News.

To be considered for the judging, all the houses must be decorated by 6 p.m. on Dec. 12 without exception. Fill out the

enclosed entry blank and return it to The Pampa News office or the Chamber office before 5 p.m. on the day of judging.

The city will be divided in six areas with two judges for each area naming winners, for a total of six first place winners. Those placing first will receive cash prizes. Second and third place

winners will receive ribbons. All prizes will be furnished by The Pampa News.

Areas included in the judging are:

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Area 6 — The Santa Fe Railroad tracks are the boundary on the north, Cuyler and Barnes streets on the west and the city limits on the south and east.

## Santa shops by catalog and phone now

By The Associated Press

If you're late or you hate going to crowded stores for holiday shopping, catalogs are for you:

— Flowers and other goodies are available through 800 Flowers. A Merry Mistletoe arrangement (\$44.99) has pink stargazer lilies, mini carnations and mistletoe, either Victorian style or dressed in holiday colors. Call 1 (800) FLOWERS.

The Sony Music Basket (\$49.99), from the company's gift division, has a Tony Bennett Christmas album, potpourri, hot chocolates, Butterfield's candies, rolled wafer cookies and an ornament. Call 1 (800) GIFTHOUSE.

— Anglophiles will like a new collection called The House of Windsor, featuring items used by the British Royal Family and produced under the Royal Warrant. Order an Edwardian felt hat (\$175) by Frederick Fox, designer to the Queen, navy crested pillows (\$85 each) with gold braid edging from Peter Knight, or Savoy Hotel coffee

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— Molded glass flasks — amethyst thin-ribbed in lead crystal (\$56) or aquamarine with a daisy-diamond design (\$28) — reproduced from 19th century originals, are among the Metropolitan Museum of New York's more popular items. The Met also offers books, cards, and art reproductions. Call 1 (800) 468-7386 for a catalog.

— Want to build a house? The Graham Cracker Holiday House Book and Kit (\$4.95) from the Currents catalog has piping tips, icing bags, and a 16-page booklet to raise a sweet roof. The number to call is 1 (800) 643-0042.

— Quilts or linens in holiday and angel designs may be the ultimate home decoration. From the Domestications catalog, order a Patchwork Santa Quilt or a Cherubs bedspread (\$79.99 each), and perhaps add Renaissance Angel flannel sheets (\$24.99 3-piece twin). Order from 1 (800) 746-2555.

— A pop-up hotdog cooker (\$49.95), a Cessna 172 model airplane with radio control (\$299.95), or an 8-foot folding toboggan are some of the odd, interesting and sometimes useful gifts found in the Hammacher Schlemmer catalog. Call 1 (800) 543-3366 for a copy or orders.

— This Christmas record from The Nature Company features music entirely of animal sounds: A Wild Christmas (\$16.98 CD, \$9.98 cassette) has a hippo crooning the lead melody to "We Wish You a Merry Christmas," a rain forest potoo singing a Bach cantata, and a parrot-dolphin-walrus trio performing "Deck the Halls." The catalog is available by calling 1 (800) 227-1114.

— Based on the stained glass dome at the National Portrait Gallery in Washington, the Smithsonian Lamp (\$399) from Exposures has colorful art nouveau shade panels and a solid brass base. Call 1 (800) 572-2502 for a catalog.

## Some children will enjoy getting a special holiday book

By The Associated Press

Holiday books for children often mix text, toys and novelty:

— The Christmas Story (Ticknor & Fields, \$8.95), by Josse Goffin, is a board book presentation for very

young readers about the birth of Christ.

— The Magic Christmas Stocking (Andrews & McMeel, \$16.95), by Louise Betts Egan and illustrated by Robyn Officer, tells a story and offers "presents" between the leaves with pop-up constructions

inside Christmas stockings.

— Down at Angel's (Ticknor & Fields, \$14.95), by Sharon Chmielarz with illustrations by Jill Kastner, is a Christmas revelation story about a Bulgarian woodworker in the American midwest.

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## Gifts of food symbolize holiday hospitality

By The Associated Press

Food gifts at holiday time symbolize hospitality — and of course, one size fits all (ask about shipping-handling fees when ordering):

— New Zealand farmed venison from Broadleaf marks a calorie-smart departure from ham and cheese gifts. A gift pack (\$44.95) has three 4-ounce medallions, a venison pie, four ground venison sausages, and three servings of ground venison for burgers. Allow at least a week for orders by phone, 1 (800) 336-3844.

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and available via Deborah's Country French Bread, 1 (800) 952-1400.

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Or perhaps your gift is intended for someone who enjoys finding new recipes for some great cooking. If so, then look for any of the following cookbooks at your local bookstore:

— *Starbucks Passion for Coffee* (Sunset, \$14.95) will delight any member of America's new coffee culture.

— From the woman who created the cookie with the least amount of flour and the most chocolate chips comes *Mrs. Fields I Love Chocolate! Cookbook* (Time-Life, \$17.95; \$12.95 paperback).

— In *James McNair Cooks Italian* (Chronicle, \$24.95; \$14.95 paperback), the author takes readers on a personal, strikingly visual tour that follows the unique rhythms of a meal in Italy.

— For the lover of food facts and lore, *The Great Food Almanac* (Collins, \$25) will keep a cook busy for weeks, months, even years.

## Roasted chicken offers break from holiday turkey

By The Associated Press

Tired of turkey? A crispy Christmas chicken may be the main dish for you. Roasted chicken can be served with a sweet-and-sour cranberry sauce or roasted with hearty sweet potatoes and delicate apples.

No time to roast? "By setting the chicken at a very hot temperature for a short period of time, you cook the meat just enough to keep the juices in with a delicious crispy skin," says David Wilson of Wilson Fields Co. in Columbia, Ky. Wilson Fields produces free-range chicken, which is available by mail order and at gourmet markets and specialty food stores nationwide.

**Roasted Chicken with Cranberry-Bourbon Sauce**  
3- to 3 1/2-pound chicken  
3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
1 tablespoon snipped fresh parsley  
1/4 teaspoon dried rosemary, crushed  
1/8 teaspoon dried sage

**For the cranberry sauce:**  
1/2 cup sugar  
1/2 cup honey  
3/4 cup water  
1/4 cup bourbon  
2 cups fresh cranberries  
1/4 cup orange marmalade  
1 teaspoon chopped crystallized ginger  
1/4 teaspoon ground allspice

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. Skewer neck skin to back of chicken; tie legs to tail. Twist wings under back. Place, breast side up, on a rack in a shallow roasting pan.

Combine butter or margarine,

lemon juice, parsley, rosemary and sage. Brush over chicken. Roast chicken, uncovered, in a 375-degree F oven for 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 hours or until no longer pink and drumsticks move easily in their sockets, brushing occasionally with drippings.

While chicken is roasting, prepare the cranberry sauce. In a medium saucepan, combine sugar, honey, water and bourbon. Bring to a boil, stirring to dissolve sugar. Add cranberries. Return to boiling, reduce heat. Boil gently over medium-high heat for 3 to 4 minutes or until skin pops, stirring occasionally. Remove from heat. Stir in orange marmalade, ginger and allspice. Serve warm or chilled with chicken. Makes 6 servings.

**Holiday Roasted Chicken**  
3- to 3 1/2-pound chicken  
3 tablespoons lemon juice  
2 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted  
1/2 teaspoon dried thyme  
1 clove garlic, minced  
3 medium sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into 1-inch slices  
2 medium red apples, cored and cut into 6 wedges  
1 medium onion, thinly sliced  
1 cup apple juice  
2 tablespoons honey  
2 tablespoons grated lemon peel  
1/2 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. Skewer neck skin to back of chicken; tie legs to tail. Twist wings under back. Place, breast side up, on a rack in a shallow roasting pan.

Combine lemon juice, butter or margarine, thyme and garlic. Brush over chicken.

Arrange sweet potatoes, apples and onion around chicken. Combine apple juice, honey, lemon peel and pumpkin pie spice; drizzle over sweet potato mixture.

Roast chicken, uncovered, in a 375-degree F oven for 1 1/4 to 1 1/2 hours or until no longer pink and drumsticks move easily in their sockets, brushing chicken and sweet potato mixture occasionally with drippings. Makes 6 servings.

**Hot and Fast Chicken**  
3- to 3 1/2-pound chicken  
1/2 teaspoon dried thyme  
1/2 teaspoon basil  
1/2 teaspoon rosemary  
2 cloves garlic, diced finely  
3 tablespoons olive oil  
1/2 teaspoon coarse sea salt  
1/2 teaspoon cracked black pepper

Preheat oven to 450 degrees F. In the cavity of the chicken, rub the thyme, basil, rosemary and diced garlic. Skewer neck skin to back of chicken; tie legs to tail. Twist wings under back. Place, breast side up, on a rack in a shallow roasting pan.

Rub the olive oil, sea salt and pepper all over the chicken. To roast additional garlic with the chicken, place as many whole garlic cloves as desired around the chicken in the roasting pan.

Roast chicken, uncovered, in a 450-degree F oven for 40 to 45 minutes or until the meat is no longer pink and the juices run clear. Makes 4 to 6 servings.

Recipes from: Wilson Fields Co. of Columbia, Ky. For mail orders, newsletter or additional recipes, phone 1 (800) 242-2982.

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# Multimedia mania creates holiday excitement

By Metro Newspaper Service

It used to be that the only way you could explore exciting new worlds and previously uncharted territories was by using your imagination or reading a science fiction novel.

These days it's a whole lot easier to transport yourself to a creaky old house, or to a foreign country, or into the skin of a great explorer. Multimedia, the whiz-bang technology of the '90s and beyond, can take you just about anywhere you want to go!

Multimedia computers and related products, from CD-ROM drives to a bonanza of accessories and software titles for every interest under the sun, make great holiday gifts. At a magical time of the year when imaginations run wild, multimedia gifts are the perfect way to put smiles on the faces of your family, friends or even yourself.

If you crave games with eye-busting graphics and symphonic sounds, or you're looking for an encyclopedia that offers great, informative articles and sound and video clips, too, then multimedia should be on your gift list. However, you may want to know a little bit about what multimedia is before you head off for the store.

Multimedia marries audio, video and data for an explosive experience unparalleled in the world of computers. Multimedia computing means, in addition to the computer itself, a CD-ROM drive, powerful sound and graphics cards, and speakers.

Before multimedia, the sounds that came out of computers were blips and bleeps; today, entire symphonies come from multimedia systems, thanks to 16-bit stereo sound cards and sophisticated speakers. Combine that with powerful graphics cards and you have systems that deliver three-dimensional experiences unlike any you've ever had.

Multimedia computers make affordable gifts that will bring years and years of enjoyment to your family and friends.

"With the rise in multimedia software that incorporates video, text, sound, graphics and animation, multimedia in the home is a real necessity," says Steve Sklepovich, marketing development manager for multimedia, Apple Computers.

"For users who want to add multimedia capability to their existing computers, upgrade kits are available that include a CD-ROM drive, speakers

and software titles. Invest in a quality upgrade kit that will grow with you. Look for easy-to-set-up systems, quality speakers for rich multimedia sound and a strong selection of titles."

Sklepovich cautions against being swayed by the number of software titles offered in an upgrade kit. "Look for a selection that best suits your particular needs," he says.

Michael Reiter, spokesman for IBM, says if you're interested in purchasing a CD-ROM drive for a computer you already have, you should make sure you have an empty storage bay (the place where the CD-ROM drive will be installed) in your unit.

Reiter also suggests that you upgrade the amount of memory (also known as RAM, or Random Access Memory) in your computer. He says that 8 megabytes of memory is the minimum you should consider.

"People are putting more and more" into their systems, he says, "and that means you need more and more memory to be able to handle this stuff right. You can't wait for long access times — you'll drive yourself crazy."

Reiter also recommends that you have more than 200 megabytes of hard disk-drive storage space (this is where the programs you use are kept), and at least a "mid-range 486" level chip, meaning at least a 486 DX-33 computer. He also suggests considering the quality and size of the computer's monitor; these days you should choose a 15-inch model at minimum.

"Bigger, brighter, more quality in terms of front of screen performance is critical," he says. "You are, I think, limiting the capability if the monitor isn't relatively up to the quality of your hardware."

Remember that sound is very important to achieving multimedia nirvana. Think of it this way: Speakers can be the weakest link in the chain of components that make up your multimedia system.

In fact, David Dietz, vice president of sales and marketing for Labtec, says, "The common denominator among multimedia systems is the fact that they need sound."

Dietz says the biggest challenge you'll face when purchasing multimedia speakers is getting ones with good bass response, or ones that deliver the boom and thump that today's multimedia games

offer. The more money you spend, the better bass response (and better fidelity speakers) you're likely to get, he adds.

Here are some things you should think about when going to purchase a multimedia computer, courtesy of Dennis Cox, AST Research Inc.'s director of marketing for consumer products:

First of all, Cox says to remember which operating system you're looking for — MS-DOS or Apple (the two systems are different and incompatible with each other). Also, make sure the MS-DOS system you're considering has at least 4 megabytes of memory and a double-speed CD-ROM drive. He also says a mouse is desirable in today's Windows environment and suggests thinking about getting a Super VGA color monitor, with at least a 14-inch diagonal viewing area.

There is a wide variety of accessories to help keep your multimedia system running smoothly for years to come. Peter Ildau, vice president of corporate communications for Recoton Corporation, suggests some of the new cleaning systems available for keeping CD-ROM discs, floppy disks and compact discs in tip-top shape.

"The latest, non-contact-type cleaners are really sensational, and do an excellent job restoring discs to their absolute perfect condition," Ildau says. (Non-contact cleaners use a chemical fluid to clean discs, instead of cloths or other abrasive materials that can mar or scratch a disc's surface.)

Ildau continues, "There's a whole assortment of storage devices, pointers and other accessories that are great and make it easier for you to use your equipment." He says to consider surge protectors, which guard against power interruptions that can damage the information stored on your multimedia computer.

Don't forget CD-ROM storage cases and compact storage units, which can also house floppy disks, says Tony Marcon, president of BIB America. And Marcon agrees that care and maintenance of CD-ROM discs is key: "A CD-ROM disc is no different than a music disc," he says. "It's not impervious to scratches, fingerprints or dirt."

He adds that cleaners for keeping the CD-ROM's drive lens clean are also available. And, he adds, multimedia accessories make great stocking stuffers.

# Man who advocated violence now noted for peace message

By The Associated Press

GEORGETOWN, Texas (AP) — A man who advocated overthrow of his country's leader by violent means is being celebrated this holiday season as a messenger of peace.

The man was Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a German minister and theologian who was imprisoned and later executed by the Nazis for his part in plots to kill Hitler. His life and message are the subject of a one-act play, *A View from the Underside: The Legacy of Dietrich Bonhoeffer*, by Al Staggs, being staged at Southwestern University and several other college campuses this season and throughout 1995.

Staggs, pastor of Woodlawn Baptist Church in San Antonio and a doctoral candidate at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, has captured "an astonishing fullness of Dietrich, the personality and the message," says Eberhard Bethge, Bonhoeffer's biographer and friend.

In choosing the play for the college religion lectures, Dr. Farley Snell, Southwestern's chaplain, acknowledges the irony of Bonhoeffer's pacifist calling against his efforts in plots against Hitler's life.

Pacifists do in fact recognize that war is justified in cases of preeminent national interest, Snell says. "In any case, it is always ironical for Christians to be involved in violence and war, and is especially so at the season of Christmas, with its announcement of peace on earth."

Bonhoeffer's last Christmas, in 1944, was spent in a Nazi prison cell. In a year-end letter to a friend, he reminisced about pleasant Christmas memories centering around family, the pleasures of home, and holiday music.

In prison, his captors tried to break his spirit, but he refused to let them, says Dr. Norman Spellman, professor of religion and philosophy at Southwestern. "He delighted in the little things his family managed to bring him in prison — a cigar, some ham, a good book. He enjoyed the sound of the church bells ringing outside the prison

walls. He kept up with assigned passages in the Bible. He celebrated in his cell the various Christian seasons of the year and meditated on these special days in his letters."

Bonhoeffer, from a well-connected aristocratic German family, had evaded the Nazi edict to "excommunicate and give no aid to Jews and non-Aryans." He became involved in the plots against Hitler because he believed that as an ethical Christian he had no other choice but to try to foil a larger evil.

"We have been silent witnesses of evil deeds," Bonhoeffer wrote to friends. "We have been drenched by many storms; we have learnt the arts of equivocation and pretense; experience has made us suspicious of others and kept us from being truthful and open; intolerable conflicts have worn us down and even made us cynical."

"Are we still of any use? What we shall need (after the war) is not geniuses, or cynics or misanthropes, or clever tacticians, but plain, honest straightforward men. Will our inward power of resistance be strong enough, and our honesty with ourselves remorseless enough, for us to find our way back to simplicity and straightforwardness?"

"Here waiting and looking on is not Christian behavior. The Christian is called to sympathy and action, not in the first place by his own sufferings, but by the sufferings of his brethren, for whose sake Christ suffered."

Constantly interrogated by the Gestapo, he wrote to friends that he hoped to be around after the war to help build the badly compromised German Lutheran church. He was arrested and imprisoned in 1944; on April 9, 1945, he was hanged for treason.

Spellman says students are especially intrigued with Bonhoeffer's story.

"His willingness to die for his faith — I think that aspect of Bonhoeffer's life speaks very strongly to students. You don't run into many like him these days without their being David Koresh types. The average person would not say Bonhoeffer was a religious zealot."

# For something different, a whale (or tiger or bear) of a gift

By Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

Feeling less-than-excited to give yet another expensive, fancy toy this Christmas? Then adopt a humpback whale. Or help preserve the habitat of the prairie dog. Contribute to the Pelican Man's Bird Sanctuary and house, feed and give medical care to pelicans, herons and egrets. Rehabilitate injured wild turtles.

There are no less than 30 organizations devoted to preserving, protecting, saving and increasing public awareness of endangered or abused animals. Through adoption programs and gift catalogs, these groups are able to monitor habitats, conduct research, provide care for injured animals and educate the public about the animals they protect. Make this year's holiday gifts count twice — a gift to a loved one and to a good cause.

The Allied Whale organization, a research, education and conservation group, offers the opportunity to adopt a finback whale and will send an adoption certificate, color photo, a history of the whale and a record of its sightings, fact sheets and a newsletter for \$30.

Allied Whale, College of the Atlantic, 105 Eden Street, Bar Harbor, ME 04609; (207) 288-5644.

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ness and acceptance of the wolf in its natural habitat and its ecological role in the environment. Adoption includes a certificate, photo, learning resource list, newsletter and wolf video for \$75.

Timber Wolf Information Network, Waupaca Field Station, E. 110 Emmons Creek Road, Waupaca, WI 54981; (715) 258-7247.

Everyone knows a cat lover. And if they are like most cat lovers, they would do anything for their beloved pet. The International Society for Endangered Cats, whose goal is to save wild cat species from dying off, offers all manner of cat T-shirts, jewelry, mugs and note cards. The proceeds are used to build breeding facilities, for research and to acquire cats for breeding.

International Society for Endangered Cats, 4638 Winterset Drive, Columbus, OH 43220; (614) 451-4460.

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Of the many nonprofit organizations that exist for animal advocacy, there is certainly a group that will appeal to nearly everyone on your holiday list. Call or write to the following organizations to receive information and catalogs outlining their offerings and programs:

Great Bear Foundation, P.O. Box 2699, Missoula, MT 59806; (406) 721-3009.

Whitetails Unlimited, P.O. Box 422, Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235; (800) 274-5471.

Adopt-A-Cow, Gita-nagari Village, R.D. 1, Box 839, Port Royal, PA 17082; (717) 527-4101.

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# Kids' eyes will light up with all the new toys for Christmas season

By The Associated Press

Those wide-eyed babes in toyland often turn out to be parents, having vicarious fun trying out the holiday goods. Some items they're likely to find on the shelves this year:

## Dolls, Stuffed Creatures

Just about the funniest guy around this year is JibbaJabber (Ertl, \$15), a wacky stuffed nerd with brightly colored hair who giggles like an idiot when you give him a shake.

Funny folks from another era — Looney Tunes characters Daffy, Tweety, Sylvester and Bugs Bunny — have been revived as 6- or 9-inch plush toys (\$8 and \$20) in Dakin's Lovables line.

The company also offers other nostalgic plush personalities, like Lassie (\$40 for the 18 1/2-inch version, \$20 for the 9-inch), and Black Beauty (\$25 for 15-inch toy, \$10 for the 9-inch).

Grandparents remember little rubberized versions of Mickey and Minnie Mouse, now revived as Bend-Ems from Just Toys. These designs are in the early Mickey cartoon mode (not the Hollywood Mickey), as first realized by Walt Disney's pen.

Sweet Angel (Dream Castle, \$25) is a soft-bodied doll with a halo that lights when she's hugged. She also sings "This Little Light of Mine" and can join in prayers with hands that close together with Velcro. She's part of Dream Castle's Heaven Knows line of inspirational toys.

Spanish versions of popular doll models from Tyco are muy bonita, including Ana, La Quinceanera (\$24), celebrating a 15-year-old girl's coming of age; and Bebe Secretitos (\$30), a Spanish-speaking version of Secret Talk Betsy, the baby doll that talks gibberish to everyone except her mommy.

A little girl might flip over My Pretty TopsyTail (Tyco, \$25), a long-haired doll with its own TopsyTail gadget to make those inverted ponytails.

The cherub on the baby food jar has become the Gerber Talking Baby (Toy Biz, \$30), with a vocabulary



Sweet Angels have halos that light up when hugged by their young owners. (AP photo)

corresponding to a real baby's first words. Electronic but soft-bodied, the doll will verbally identify "eye," "nose," or "tummy" when those parts of its body are pressed; it follows with phrases and then recites in memory order.

An object of affection is Katie Kiss 'N' Giggles (Cap, \$20), who wears lipstick and leaves pink smacks wherever she kisses. She makes smoochy kissing sounds, giggles and says, "I love you."

Baby dolls, mommy dolls and now "Granny" dolls — Grannyworld has introduced a line of ethnic-American grandmother dolls to familiarize youngsters with their roots. Among the first are the costumed Jewish-American "Bubbe" and the Irish-American Grandma dolls, each with a cassette of the grandmother telling childhood stories, singing lullabies and teaching words from her native language. Each set is \$100 and available by catalog; call 1 (800) 957-8200.

## Wheels and Blades

The West was won in large part by the Transcontinental Railroad, which connected the coasts in the 19th century.

The romance is recaptured in miniature by Marklin's Maxi train sets (starting price, \$329) with locomotives and cars modeled after stock from old American railroads like Union Pacific and Central Pacific.

Locomotives have working headlights and smoke generators; freight and passenger cars have removable roofs and functional doors. Models have multiple-track compatibility, which allows them to be operated on nearly all large-gauge tracks. Maxi starter sets have a steam locomotive, low-side car, passenger car, an oval of track and a 32-watt transformer.

My Armored Bank (\$20), a toy truck from Nylint, sets off blaring sirens and flashing lights if some unauthorized person tries to beat its secret code. It also offers a secure cache and a coin slot.

An aerodynamic bike for youngsters seems inevitable; Murray's 20-inch Whiplash Frame bikes (\$79-\$99) for youngsters 8 to 12 have curved frame construction, crossbar handlebars, turbo-power pedals, anatomical saddles, clear chainguards, 44-tooth front-racing sprockets, black dirt tires and hot graphic designs.

Bikes that twinkle, glow, and light up are Huffy's latest innovation. The Electro-Light bikes with flickering light systems (\$100) come in both 20- and 16-inch frames in hot pink for girls and electric blue for boys.

Construction vehicles scaled down for play can move mountains, at least in your back yard. The Big Jake Dump Truck (Power Wheels, \$159) is big enough for your 2- to 6-year-old to ride and can hold up to 20

pounds of dirt or other cargo. It runs on a rechargeable battery.

Is it a ski? A sled? SnowBlade (\$40-\$50) is both of these and something else, because your youngster can ride it downhill like a sled and link turns like skis. It's a high-tech version of the old jack jumper made out of barrel staves and used by 19th century lumberjacks for transportation.

The original subcompacts, Matchbox cars (Tyco, about \$1 each) has introduced its SuperFast line, featuring American car models with decos — the kind of cars kids see on the street.

And rolling off the assembly line at Little Tikes (the Rubbermaid brand) is a new mini-van (\$69) for mini-people, ages 2-5. It has cordless play phone, sunroof, two opening doors, behind-the-seat storage, and simulated wood-grain side panels. Tot-powered, it's recommended for helping special needs children learn coordination.

## Building and Blocks

The urge to put things together (and take them apart) is almost universal for youngsters.

The granddaddy of children's building sets may be Erector, which this season features a motorized version of its classic Ferris Wheel Set (Meccano, \$50), originally introduced in 1913. Also new are Junior Erector Sets (\$10-\$65) with their own sturdy plastic "Buddy" screwdrivers.

A newer kid on the block is K'nex, with colorful building sets which this season includes a Roller Coaster (\$100) — a 9-foot-long model made from 3,000 pieces. This one's geared to children 12 or older, but younger ones can start off with Rubber Band Racers (\$20) or the Trucking Company (\$30).

## Back of the Playroom

Play sets only a child could love: Dr. Dreadful's Food Lab and Drink Lab (Tyco, \$25 each), lets your family experimenter whip up a batch of Monster Warts, or some Succulent Spiders, or Putrid Portions in the manner of the master, Dr. Dreadful.

Even a plastic pooch gets pests, and Fleas on Fred (Tyco, \$15) inspires your youngster to keep the family dog flea-free by picking giant color-coded fleas out with big plastic tweezers. The results go — where else? — into a flea bag that bounces, vibrates and shakes.

## Books offer gift items for those grownups

By The Associated Press

Book lovers are usually book givers, and publishers lay out their handsomest projects at holiday time:

The faithful have always revered certain places because of their association with great figures or events in their traditions. In *The Atlas of Sacred Places: Meeting Points of Heaven and Earth* (Henry Holt, hardcover \$45), James Harpur offers histories of many of the best known — Mt. Sinai (Christians and Jews), Bodhi Gaya (Buddhists), The Dome of the Rock (Muslims), Newgrange (burial chamber for an unknown prehistoric tribe in Ireland), Mycenae (ancient Greeks), the Pyramids of Giza (ancient Egyptians), The Golden Temple (Sikhs), Ise (a Shinto shrine), Mount Kailas (Hindus), and Oseburg (Vikings). Each sketch is illustrated with archival art and current photographs of the site.

*The Jews and Europe* (Henry Holt, hardcover \$50), by Elena Romero Castello and Uriel Macias Kapon, traces 2,000 years of Hebrew influence on the culture and events of Europe. The authors begin their story at about the time of Hellenistic and Roman dominance, when Jews began dispersing through Europe from the Iberian peninsula to southern Russia, ending with the story of the Holocaust. Other sections tell about Jewish rites and customs, art, language, and literature.

Is it an art book? A social history? A biography? A recipe book? *Renoir's Table* (Simon & Schuster, hardcover \$35), by Jean-Bernard Naudin, Jean-Michel Charbonnier and Jacqueline Saulnier, is some of all these things. One of the world's most famous French

impressionist painters, Pierre August Renoir also was a gourmand and celebrant of the good life. His paintings, archival photographs and new photographs taken by Naudin at locations linked to the artist, recapture the essence of turn-of-the-century French life. There also are more than 60 recipes by chef Saulnier, recreating dishes Renoir might have enjoyed.

*It Was Thirty Years Ago Today* (Henry Holt, hardcover \$35) is Terence Spencer's photographic memoir of the start of the Beatles' rise to fame. Spencer, on assignment for *Life* magazine, photographed the quartet at a Royal Variety Performance in London in 1963 and again as they rose to fame. The book is based on a collection of previously unpublished Beatles photographs — performance candids and informal portraits.

From a description of the A&P (the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company, founded in 1869 and named in honor of the Transcontinental Railroad) to an explanation of zydeco (a black musical style, circa 1950, found in Louisiana and East Texas), *The New York Public Library Book of Popular Americana* (Macmillan, hardcover \$27.50), compiled by Tad Tuleja, offers plenty of fodder for trivia fans.

Sites associated with African-American history are catalogued in *In Their Footsteps* (Henry Holt, hardcover \$35), by Henry Chase. Chase, travel editor of *American Visions* magazine, intersperses his selections with essays by black writers like Gloria Naylor, Amiri Baraka, Gayle Pemberton, Ishmael Reed, and Frederick Ivor Case. The book also includes a time line of black history.

## Suggestions for keeping your tree fresh and festive

By The Associated Press

Plain water and a cool spot may still be the best way to maintain a natural Christmas tree in your living room.

Make sure you keep enough water in the tree's stand, advises Faith Rodell, a tree retailer with Penn Evergreen in College Park, Md. If the trunk isn't kept under water after you trim off the bottom, it will seal up and the tree will dry out. "Then, even if you put water in there, it doesn't unseal, and you have to make a fresh cut," she says.

Chemical preservatives might help, she says, but that may be because the consumer is more aware of keeping the tree continuously wet.

There's not much of a case for home remedies, either. The National Christmas Tree Association, based in Milwaukee, says that adding 7-Up, bleach or sugar to the water in tree stands doesn't slow needle drop.

And Gary Chastagner, a research plant pathologist with Washington State University in Puyallup, Wash., says that products designed for flowers and bedding plants don't help the tree and may even hurt it.

Chastagner's group tested a preservative that seemed to work one year but didn't help the test trees the following season.

Even if you use preservatives, the tree still needs regular watering.



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# French go easy on cards and gifts but heavy on food for holidays

By SUZY PATTERSON  
Associated Press Writer

PARIS (AP) — Christmas is sacred in this mainly Roman Catholic country, but everybody's mouth waters as Joyeux Noel approaches. Because after Christmas Eve's midnight Mass, the feasting begins, and no matter how tight the budget, the French manage to eat well.

Blowout gastronomy continues right through the week up to and including Saint Sylvester, or New Year's Eve. The French don't so much get drunk as get stuffed — on everything from

dozens of oysters to caviar, seasonal game, smoked salmon, assorted sweets, with plenty of chocolate.

"We spend a lot on our holiday season and enjoy it," says Noelle d'Aulnay, adding that the French go in somewhat less for lavish gift giving and a lot less for cards than Americans do, especially since Christmas cards are costly, running \$2 or more each.

"Our Christmas is traditional — starting with fresh, live oysters, perhaps some smoked salmon, then the chestnut-stuffed turkey and all the trimmings, and a Christmas pudding from Marks

and Spencer," says d'Aulnay. For the Reveillon (it literally means "wake-up party") Christmas dinner, she will be treating her husband, their 29-year-old daughter, Noelle's 96-year-old mother — a discerning palate who nevertheless likes to debut with a stiff gin Martini — and perhaps other relatives or friends.

New Year's eve is when she and her husband Jean-Louis usually go in for a quiet gastronomic celebration "a deux," involving foie gras, fresh shrimp or lobster, maybe even a dab of caviar, and of course, champagne.

"I'm nearly out cold after all that and usually don't make it through to midnight," laughed d'Aulnay, named Noelle because she was born in the Christmas season.

She and many of her friends also like to give special foods, and Paris is full of shops large and small angling for their business.

Fauchon offers impressive displays of just about everything you can eat and drink and has particular success with fresh foie gras from Perigord or Alsace priced at about \$85 a pound. Truffled versions cost about \$180 a pound.

"And of course, don't forget

our various Christmas-log desserts (bûches de Noël, very popular," says spokeswoman Claudie Le Souder. "They come in several flavors, from chocolate with old rum to red-fruit flavored."

D'Aulnay especially likes Hediard for her Christmas gifts. "Everything is wrapped in red, and it looks so festive!" The famous Fauchon rival, whose main store is just across the Madeleine square, has recently expanded. For the season, it devotes 1,320 square feet of decorated space featuring a spectacular atrium and booths — a small mall for "grocery shopping the world," according to its catalog.

"Fruit 'pastes' are our big specialties and best-sellers," says Jean-Philippe Chavane de Dalmassy, the general manager.

Flavored with domestic and exotic fruits, the high class jellybeans (jellybeans) or gumdrops are especially made in Hediard's artisans' workshops near Nimes in southern France.

For other tastes, there's everything from soup (truffle cream) to nuts (Macadamias), as well as a fully stocked cellar of wines.

A special food-wine basket from Hediard can be had for about \$40 on up — way up, if you include the foie gras, caviar, truf-

fles and great wine. "Sky's about the limit," says Chavane cheerfully, glancing up the daylighted atrium.

Caviar houses like Kaspia and Petrossian also do big business during holidays. Housed in an old Left Bank shop decorated with ceramics, Petrossian specializes in gifts like silver-salver caviar "presentoirs" for \$200 or a crystal vodka glass for less than \$20.

And if you can't afford the sevruga caviar at just under \$100 for 125 grams, try the little boxes of Vodka-filled chocolate "caviar" in blue Petrossian tins, a fun gift for under \$20. Petrossian's New York branch also does a thriving holiday business in everything from smoked salmon to truffled foie gras.

In the same upscale neighborhood near the Invalides, chocolatier Michel Chaudun offers mouth-watering gifts in chocolate selections tailored to each

client's tastes. Prices range from about \$4 up to \$400.

"I do about two-thirds of my business during the holidays," says Chaudun, adding that some Lebanese clients often spend nearly \$1,000 on something like an enormous amphora stuffed with 20 pounds of chocolate, "not necessarily at Christmas, of course, since they're generally Muslims, but during the year."

Some of the hand-painted mahogany, tapestry-covered or ceramic boxes are worth giving even without the mouth-watering selection of dark, milk or white chocolates chosen by the customer.

Chaudun does amazing sculptures in chocolate and is especially proud of his 30-year-old life-sized Tutankhamen head on display in the shop. Then there are the seasonal novelties, like the little black, white or milk chocolates shaped like cockers or Yorkies, designed to appeal to dog lovers.



Christelle, a vendor at Paris food specialist Hediard, displays a food and wine basket made up for the holidays. (AP photo by Jacques Brinon)

**Special toys available for special kids**

By The Associated Press

### Wood for Good

In this world of mass-produced plastic toys, there are still a few manufacturers who make long-lasting toys from wood, according to the Hardwood Manufacturers Association.

Among them are Holgate Toy Co. of Kane, Pa., which produces classics like Bingo Bed and Lacing Shoe of eastern hardwoods; Global Starts of Reading, Mass., which makes solid maple blocks with different languages and numbers; and Rich Craft Wood Products of Winthrop, Minn., which makes toys for schools and day care centers from maple, birch and cottonwood.

"It's wonderful for a child's self-esteem to be given a very fine plaything," says Diana Huss Green of Parent's Choice, a consumer guide publisher. "There is an implied respect for the child who's given them to play with."

### Guide to Toys for Blind, Visually Impaired

Suggested toy choices and advice are in *The Guide to Toys for Children Who Are Blind Or Visually Impaired*, 1994-1995 edition, published jointly by the American Toy Institute and the American Foundation for the Blind.

Currently available toy products are listed, and criteria for choosing an appropriate toy are outlined.

For a free copy, write to the American Toy Institute, in care of the Toy Manufacturers of America, 200 Fifth Avenue, Room 740, New York, N.Y. 10010.

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### Special wraps and cards for special gifts

By The Associated Press

#### Bag a Gift

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An all-in-one design, the Bow Tie Bag offers one-minute wrapping: simply put the gift in the bag, pull the cords, then tie the cords into a bow. Since there's no separate ribbon, tape or paper, it's cheaper, the company says. And the recipient can reuse the bag instead of chucking it.

#### UNICEF Cards

The Wreath of Harmony, a holiday card created by Margaret S. Nakamura, is one of the new designs offered by UNICEF this year. All cards in the collection have multi-language greetings.

The original holiday card for charity, UNICEF offers its collection for the 45th year. Most neighborhoods will have a sales table or shop; if you'd like to sell them on consignment for charity, call 1 (800) FOR KIDS.

#### Christmas Seals

The country's youngest artists — school children — are featured on the new Christmas seals from the American Lung Association. Each state of the union is represented, with Santas, trees, houses, and snow scenes predominating.

Youngsters can compete for next year's selections through the 1994 Christmas Seals Kids' Drawing Contest, sponsored by the Triaminic Parents Club. Young artists have until March, 1995, to submit drawings based on the theme, "Things That Make You Feel Good at the Holidays." Entry forms are available by calling 1 (800) LUNG-USA, or at doctors' offices or outlets for Triaminic products.

The National Education Association joins ALA in administering the contest.

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## Holiday celebrations abound throughout the world

By The Associated Press

Holiday celebrations know no nationalities or regions:

— Manger Square in Bethlehem will be filled with choir music on Christmas Eve, when the international Christmas Choir Assembly performs.

Choirs also will be performing at Jerusalem and Nazareth, and the international Choirs in Concert will perform in Jerusalem on Christmas Day, according to the Israel Ministry of Tourism.

— The Christmas crib scene is the pride of the Maltese. Displays and competitions around the country of the presepe, a crib showing the birth of Jesus and the arrival of the Three Kings can be seen Dec. 17 through Jan. 1 in Valletta, capital of this Mediterranean island-nation.

Examples are displayed in churches, squares, shop windows and homes. Made from wood, clay, wax, papier-mache or bread, the cribs often are elaborate with motorized figures, miniature gardens, real waterfalls and illuminated caves and houses.

The Malta Tourist Office, (212) 695-9520, has more information.

— *The Nutcracker*, in a one-hour production for children, is scheduled by the New York Theatre Ballet at Florence Gould Hall in New York City from Dec. 26 to Dec. 31.

Performed by children of Byer's Ballet School in New York, the



Doves fly through lighted ancient oaks in New Orleans' City Park. Celebration in the Oaks is the park's annual Christmas light display, running through Jan. 1. (AP photo)

production is choreographed and designed by Keith Michael.

Tickets are \$17.50 for adults and \$12.50 for children, available through Tickmaster, (212) 307-7171 or the Florence Gould Hall box office, (212) 355-6160.

— New York City's South Street Seaport is home to The Chorus Tree, 40 members of the St. Cecilia Chorus standing on a platform that rises two and a half stories in front of the Christmas tree at Market Square. They perform twice each day, Thursdays through Sundays, throughout the holiday

season. For information, call (212) SEA-PORT.

— For flashing lights down Texas way, visitors can view "A Lone Star Spectacular," a laser and fireworks show that's part of the Fiesta Texas "Lone Star Christmas" celebration in San Antonio. For more information, call 1 (800) 473-4378.

— Thousands of lights strung among the ancient oaks in New Orleans' City Park are centerpiece of the annual "Celebrations in the Oaks," Nov. 25 through Jan. 1. Among the attractions will be a

recreated Cajun village and two-step music along the park's old cypress and wildlife-filled bayou; Louisiana dishes created by Chef Paul Prudhomme, served to visitors to the Botanical Garden; and a Storyland in both the Carousel Gardens and Botanical Garden. For information call (504) 483-9415.

— Dolls from all over the world and from many eras will be displayed at Blithewold Mansion and Gardens in Bristol, R.I. during its annual Christmas celebrations in December.

"All Dolled Up" will include dolls from France, Italy, Germany, Turkey, India or China, all collected in the 1920s and 1930s by Marjorie Lyon, daughter of the coal baron who built Blithewold. For more information call (401) 253-2707.

— A 19th century New England Christmas is recreated all during December at Mystic Seaport in Mystic, Conn.

The Yuletide Tour includes a Gloucester fishing schooner and the historic buildings along the wharf. Costumed staff will explain holiday traditions of the seaport — such as why parishioners of the Fishtown Chapel put gifts in a small boat, or why a family displayed little American flags on its tree, or why St. Nick was so thin.

Lantern Light Tours of the ships and historic buildings on selected December evenings require advance tickets. For information,

call 1 (800) 522-1841.

— The Festival of Christmas and Mid-Winter Traditions at Folklore Village in Dodgeville, Wis., from Dec. 27 to Jan. 1, celebrates folklore and traditions from French-Canadian, Balkan and African customs this year.

The feasting, music, dancing, crafts, games and workshops will be wound up with folk dances and a bonfire of dozens of Christmas trees. For information, call (608) 924-4000.

### Holiday celebrations know no nationalities or regions.

— The Ozark Mountain Christmas Festival of Lights is staged by seven Ozark communities to celebrate with creative lighting on rooftops, steeples, bridges and buildings in Branson, Springfield, Kimberling City, Ozark, Nixa, and Rockaway Beach.

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# Want to deck the halls for the holidays? Here's some suggestions

By SIOBHAN MCDONOUGH  
For AP Special Edition

The pomp and ceremony of the holidays excite all of the senses.

The sweet smell of burning candles and potpourri warm our spirits.

Listening to glorious music sung by a choir or singing joyous songs with a group of carolers pleases our ears.

Tree-trimming and cocktail parties give us a chance to socialize with friends and acquaint our tummies with delicious foods especially popular during Christmas.

With the usual cheer and goodwill at Christmas, we can almost always be certain of a blitheful season. But how we go about pleasing our senses can change each year depending on our spirit of adventure.

To challenge your creativity and excite your senses this season, try some of these ideas, some offered by Leslie Linsley, author of *Leslie Linsley's Weekend Decorating* (Warner Books, \$9.99):

— Line table tops and mantles with evergreen boughs and accent with holly branches and mistletoe.

— Edge a mounted mirror with ribbons and bunches of holly. Place a moveable mirror to reflect the sparkling lights of the Christmas tree.

— Use fabrics in rich festive colors to drape over tables and chairs.

— Display artfully decorated cookies or fresh fruit on a handcrafted platters. Garnish with colorful ribbon.

— Edge windows, fireplaces or shelves with soft white lights to add a glow to your home.

— Use scented and colored candles around the home.

— Pierce lemons and limes around the middle with cloves and set in clay saucers.

— Fill a small vase, basket or bowl with cinnamon sticks tied with red ribbons and set on a coffee table.

— Polish red and green apples and cut a hole in the top large enough to hold a taper candle in each. Line them on the window sill or clustered on a table.

— Make your own Wreath of Memories out of carefully selected personal mementos.

In *The Best of Victorian Christmas Crafts* (Mark Publishing, \$11.95), you'll learn how to assemble your own wreath. Glue 60 tiny objects including photos, shells, bells, dried flowers, single earrings, small wooden animals, lucky pennies, painted eggs, gold lockets, berries and ornaments onto a 30-inch artificial pine wreath. Tie ribbon scraps into bows and glue them onto the wreath. Add red wired beads in a twining pattern.

— Take on a baking and decorating project by constructing your own dream home — one you can build and eat.

In *Gingerbread Houses: A Complete Guide to Baking, Building and Decorating* (Doubleday/Mainstreet Original, \$12.95), author Christa Currie will inspire you

to dust off your rolling pin and preheat the oven. Even the novice baker can learn how to make gingerbread. The hardest part is resisting eating the building materials before the house is completed!

— Holiday revelers can get tree-decorating ideas from the Exposures catalog, available by calling 1 (800) 572-2502. It offers the Celestial Folly Photo Ornament, a frame that holds a 2-by-3-inch photo.

— Old-world European ornaments from the Christopher Radko collection, with all types of Santas, angels, kings, birds, balloons, shells, stars

and other figures will please those with traditional tastes and long memories. Though more expensive than most (\$10 to \$60), the ornaments can be classified as heirlooms-to-be.

— Little Villages, collections of lighted ceramic and porcelain miniatures from Department 56, are today's collectibles. Among them are the Dickens' Village, with 24 pieces that portray the hearty atmosphere of holidays in Victorian England. Other themes evoke New England, Alpine, North Pole, or Bethlehem images.

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