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## Planned day care center needs help

By JEFF WEST  
Staff Writer

A new day care facility will open early next year and it needs your help.

The Pampa Community Youth Services leadership has been discussing the need for a new day care center since 1995. It purchased a former Snappy Shop and laundry at 708 Prairie. The building needed extensive remodeling since it had been vacant since the late 1980s. Much of the physical labor was performed by Promise Keepers and financial support has been provided by a collection of business and civic groups including Wal-Mart,

Celanese, the Amarillo Foundation, Kiwanis and others.

The building is now finished and they hope to take 45 or 50 preschool children in January. Charles Henry, one of the members of the board for the school, says that the school will be open for any of Pampa's citizens who need it but one of the reasons it is being opened is for the parents involved in the new welfare reform.

**One mission will be to provide care to the children of welfare moms who must enter job training or the work force under the new welfare reform law.**

"A lot of mothers who are staying home, and taking care of their children, who are in the welfare system, are going to have to go into job training," Henry said. "They are going to need a place for their young children. We've already gotten inquiries from people wanting to know when we are going to open."

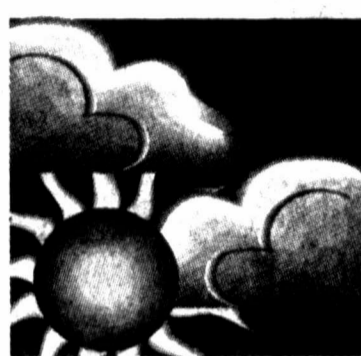
"Also the facilities will be used as a

learning center for youth," Henry said. "Primarily for the kids who are considered high risk kids."

When the program opens, Henry says it will be run by a former teacher in the Pampa school system. He didn't want to give a name until final approval comes from the state, although he foresees no problems.

The learning center program is geared primarily for middle school youngsters primarily, but he said they won't turn any kids away. "Our effort is two-fold. To enhance the learning opportunities as well as keep them off the street."

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**PAMPA** — Chaperones are still needed for the Children's Shopping Tour Saturday. Everyone should meet at 8 a.m. at the Optimist Club building at 601 E. Craven. Volunteers must have their own transportation.

**PAMPA** — The City of Pampa's landfill will be closed Dec. 24 and 25, in observance of the Christmas holidays. Likewise, no routes will be run. The landfill will reopen Dec. 26. The recycling center behind Hobart Street Park will be closed Dec. 25.

**FORT WORTH (AP)** — Planners at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport say a new west runway and a new terminal are on hold until a debate is resolved over additional flights out of nearby Love Field.

"Planning will continue," airport executive director Jeff Fegan told board members at a special meeting Thursday. "But in terms of construction, everything is on hold pending resolution of the Wright Amendment issue, including the west runway."

Two months ago, Congress changed the federal law known as the Wright Amendment to allow expanded service out of Love Field, a smaller airport near downtown Dallas. The law, which had allowed nonstop flights only to cities in Texas and its four neighboring states, now allows service to Mississippi, Alabama and Kansas. The change also allows aircraft with fewer than 56 seats to fly anywhere.

The city of Fort Worth, American Airlines and DFW Airport object to the change, saying Love Field should not be allowed to compete with the big airport that sits midway between Dallas and Fort Worth and is a hub for Fort Worth-based American.

Until the Wright Amendment was changed, DFW was planning to build its eighth runway, as well as a new terminal for American Airlines, which is almost out of gates at DFW. American would help pay for those projects.

• Virgil Otis Eckroat, 80, retired SPS truck driver.  
• Jeremy Joe Morris, 20, sophomore at Texas Tech University.  
• Sallie Ethel Parker, 92, born in Indian Territory.  
• Edith Garner Smith, 82, retired employee of One-Hour Martinizing.

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## Revolving loan fund aims at job creation in city

When it comes to promoting economic development no source of money is too small. Especially if the money has fewer restrictions than other programs.

The city has recently started a Revolving Loan Fund (RLF). It is going to be used to finance private sector projects which could not happen without such financing. The fund is administered by the Pampa Economic Development Fund.

The money for the project comes originally from the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), through the state to the city. The city used the grant money to buy the building that houses U.S. Bus.

The money that's collected in return is then put in the RLF fund,

according to Lew Mollenkamp, executive director of the PEDC. Because it is a city fund he says there are fewer restrictions on the use of the money than on funds controlled by the state.

"This money goes into a revolving loan fund," Mollenkamp said. "It's used for loans and grants to create jobs predominately for low and moderate income people. Fifty-one percent of the new jobs have to be low and moderate income people. It's to create jobs in the city."

Mollenkamp said the loans could be made to new or established businesses as long as they meet the criteria and the money would be used for job creation.

Anyone interested in the loan can check eligibility requirements with the PEDC.

## Charges shouldn't taint entire football team, coach says

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — The fact that two football players and one former player are charged with torching Cross Plains High School shouldn't taint the entire athletic program, the team's coach said.

"We've got 20 kids on the varsity football team, and 18 of them were not involved," coach Cord Woerner said Thursday.

"We run a good, clean, honest program, and there's a lot of good kids who are being thrown in with this, sort of guilt by association," Woerner told the Abilene Reporter-News.

Former player Cory Lee Switzer, 18, is charged with arson and is free on \$40,000 bond. Two 16-year-old students face burglary and arson charges related to Sunday morning's blaze, which caused an estimated \$1.5 million in damage.

The approximately 160 Cross Plains students have been forced to meet in the auditorium, gym and foyers for class this week.

"I'm not giving up on (the suspects)," athletic director Bill Boyd said. "I've been around long enough to not be shocked by anything. Kids make mistakes, and they pay for them."

Switzer helped the two juveniles obtain diesel fuel, but said he didn't go inside the building, police chief Ed Duncan said. Duncan estimated anywhere from six to 16 separate fires were set inside the school around 3 a.m. Sunday.

## Birders sought for count

Lake Meredith National Recreation Area will sponsor the Annual Christmas Bird Count Dec. 20, for members of the National Audubon Society.

The event is a daylong outing (about eight hours) traveling areas within the Recreation Area and Alibates Flint Quarries national Monument. The survey encompasses both land and water.

Organizers are looking for experienced birders to assist.

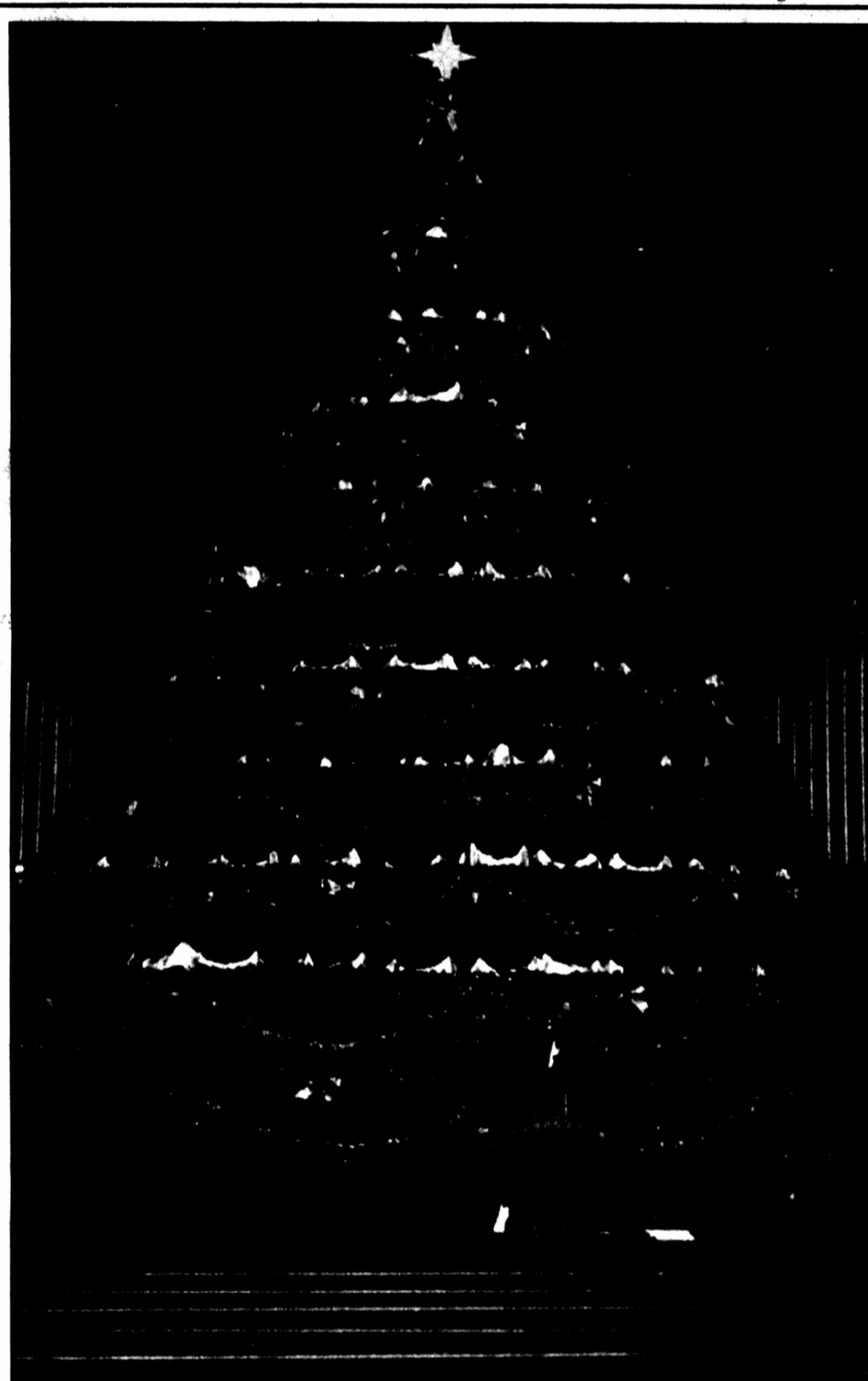
Those interested should contact Mary Dyer or Mike Davin by Dec. 17, at the headquarters office in Fritch at 806-857-3151.

## 'Messiah' sing-along tonight

Come one, come all and join in the second annual "Messiah" sing-along at the First Methodist Church tonight.

The sing-along, which is sponsored by the Pampa Fine Arts Association, is an opportunity for all those shower-singers out there to come and sing in a fairly impromptu production of "The Messiah."

It's a Christmas favorite that several musicians in the area are going to put together tonight and best of all, it's a free performance that everyone is invited to come and sing or listen to at 7 p.m. downtown at First Methodist.



(Pampa News photo by ReDonn Woods)

First Baptist Church chorus members practice for the Living Christmas Tree program that is scheduled to go on this weekend.

## Living Tree performance is free Saturday, Sunday

From the very beginning the Living Tree was to be a gift to the City of Pampa.

And this year, once again, First Baptist Church of Pampa will present its 12th Living Christmas Tree performance this weekend for the public's enjoyment. All offerings and proceeds taken during the performances are given to various charities in Pampa and Gray County.

The program includes both music and drama and lasts about an hour and 15 minutes. No tickets are required and everyone is invited this Saturday, Dec. 13 and Sunday, Dec. 14 at 7 p.m. in the First Baptist auditorium.

This year's "Glory to God in the Highest" presentation involves the immensely constructed 35-foot-tall tree with room for 70 chorus members to stand "in," and a spectacle of thousands of lights and beautiful ornaments.

"Lots of folks are involved in getting the tree ready," said John Glover, the music minister.

"The first step is getting the tree parts into the auditorium," he said.

The parts are mostly steel and must be sorted before construction can begin. They usually have 40-50 people helping to get the tree parts in and ready, Glover added.

The next step is the actual construction. A crew of 15-20 men put the tree together and at the same time, a group of women are getting the ornaments ready, Glover explained. Others are working on costumes and make-up.

"It's quite an undertaking. We can construct the tree and have it ready in one day," he said. "Counting the choir, who will make the tree come to life, there are more than 125-150 people who help with the presentation."

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**ECKROAT, Virgil Otis** — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.  
**MORRIS, Jeremy Joe** — 2 p.m., Briarwood Full Gospel Church, Pampa.  
**PARKER, Sallie Ethel** — 11 a.m., Minton Memorial Chapel, Borger.  
**SMITH, Edith Garner** — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

## Obituaries

**VIRGIL OTIS ECKROAT**  
 Virgil Otis Eckroat, 80, died Thursday, Dec. 11, 1997. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Memory Gardens Cemetery with Dr. Jim Prock, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.  
 Mr. Eckroat was born March 27, 1917, at Muncie, Ind. He married Doris Hall Carter in 1960 at Pampa. He was a truck driver for SPS, retiring in 1988 after 43 years of service. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and was a Baptist.  
 Survivors include his wife, Doris, of the home; two daughters, Linda Pappas of The Woodlands and Cynthia Meers of Houston; a son, Don Carter of Pampa; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

**JEREMY JOE MORRIS**  
 Jeremy Joe Morris, 20, of Pampa, died Thursday, Dec. 11, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Briarwood Full Gospel Church with the Rev. Lynn Hancock officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.  
 Mr. Morris was born March 26, 1977, at Pampa and had been a lifelong Pampa resident, graduating from Pampa High School in 1995. He was a sophomore at Texas Tech University majoring in management information systems. He was a member of Briarwood Full Gospel Church.  
 He was preceded in death by his mother, Marilyn Morris, in 1989.  
 Survivors include his parents, Robert and Cara Morris of Pampa; a sister, Cami Stone of Lubbock; three brothers including his twin, Justin Morris, of Lubbock, Chris Morris of Pampa and Cory Stone of Lawton, Okla.; his grandparents, Clyde and Gwen Tidwell, Joe and Faye Morris and Robbie Summers, all of Pampa; and special friend Mindee Stowers of Pampa.



The family requests memorials be to Texas Tech Health Science Center Pediatric Unit in Amarillo or Baptist St. Anthony's Critical Care Unit.  
**SALLIE ETHEL PARKER**  
 BORGER — Sallie Ethel Parker, 92, died Friday, Dec. 12, 1997, at North Plains Care Center in Borger. Services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Minton Memorial Chapel with the Rev. John Givens, pastor of First Christian Church of Fritch, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery at Pampa under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Borger.  
 Mrs. Parker was born in Indian Territory. She was a homemaker and a Baptist.  
 She was preceded in death by her husband, John Parker, in 1979; a son, Ken Parker, in 1979; and a daughter, Virginia Birdwell, in 1988.  
 Survivors include two sons, Otis Parker of Fritch and J.E. Parker of Oklahoma City, Okla.; 16 grandchildren; and numerous great- and great-great-grandchildren.  
 The family will be at 116 Michael Drive in Fritch.

**EDITH GARNER SMITH**  
 ARLINGTON — Edith Garner Smith, 82, a former Pampa resident, died Thursday, Dec. 11, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel in Pampa with the Rev. Todd Dyess, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Pampa, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.  
 Mrs. Smith was born Sept. 4, 1915, at Childress. She retired from One Hour Martinizing in Pampa and was a homemaker. She was an accomplished cook and seamstress.  
 She was preceded in death by a husband, Harold Garner; a son, T.L. Garner; a great-granddaughter, Kristen Garner; and two brothers, Weldon Keel and Soapy Keel.  
 Survivors include her husband, Robert E. Smith; a daughter, Lajuana Bridges of Arlington; a son, Lynn Don Garner of Flower Mound; a sister, Hazel Wygall of Childress; a brother, Bud Keel of Pampa; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.  
 The family will be at 700 East 17th Street in Pampa.

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

## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following calls and arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.  
**Thursday, December 11**  
 Mark Eugene Elliott, 35, Rt 1 Box 312, was arrested for issuance of worthless check.  
 Pete Vargas Perez, 19, 123 S. Nelson, arrested on warrants and for resisting arrest, illegal possession of a dangerous drug.

## Sheriff's Office

The Pampa Sheriffs Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.  
**Thursday, December 11**  
 Arthur Botello, 21, 1136 Crane, was arrested for theft over \$1,500 and less than \$20,000.  
 Rexall Dewain Millins, 24, 824 Beryl, was arrested for theft over \$1,500 and less than \$20,000.  
 Mario Paul Lesperance, 18, 610 N. Banks, was arrested for theft over \$1,500 and less than \$20,000.

## Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.  
**Thursday, December 11**  
 9:31 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Doucette and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.  
 11:31 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to a local residence.  
 3:34 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2700 block of N. Hobart and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.  
**Thursday, December 11**  
 2:04 p.m. — Three units and five personnel responded to a structure fire on Gray Four.  
 9:04 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to a CO alarm in the 2600 block of Dogwood.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebery Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	2.93	Chevron	76 1/2	dn 1 1/16
Milo	4.14	Coca-Cola	64 3/16	up 9/16
Cor	4.73	Columbia/HCA	29 15/16	dn 1/2
Soybeans	6.38	Enron	40	dn 5/8
		Halliburton	51 1/2	dn 1 1/8
		IRI	16 1/4	dn 7/16
		KNE	46 13/16	up 1/2
		Kerr McGee	64 1/8	up 3/8
		Limited	24 3/16	up 1/4
		Mapco	44	up 1/4
		McDonald's	46 1/4	up 1/8
		Mobil	72 7/8	dn 5/8
		New Atmos	26 13/16	up 1/16
		New Cent. Enc.	45 1/4	up 1/4
		Pennsey's	62 3/16	dn 3/8
		Phillips	48 1/4	dn 7/8
		Pioneer Nat. Res.	27 1/2	NC
		SLB	80 1/2	dn 5/16
		Tenneco	40 5/16	dn 1/16
		Texaco	53 13/16	dn 3/4
		Ultramar	30 3/16	dn 3/16
		Wal-Mart	39 15/16	up 1/8
		New York Gold	282.25	
		Arco	76 5/16	dn 3/8
		Cabot	26 11/16	NC
		Cabot O&G	20 3/16	NC

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:  
 Occidental.....29 19/16 dn 5/16

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:  
 Magellan.....93.74  
 Puritan.....19.80

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa:  
 Amoco.....87 13/16 up 9/16  
 Arco.....76 5/16 dn 3/8  
 Cabot.....26 11/16 NC  
 Cabot O&G.....20 3/16 NC

## Calendar of events

**PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL**  
 Pampa Area Literacy Council office will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

**THEE PLACE**  
 Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.

**CLEAN AIR AL-ATEEN**  
 Clean Air Al-Ateen will hold weekly meetings on Mondays at 7 p.m. at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, contact 669-0407.

**ST. MARK'S CHURCH**  
 St. Mark's will host a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted.

**NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY**  
 In light of the holidays approaching, New Life Assembly would like to help those less fortunate. The church will be accepting good used toys and coats at LeeAnn's Grooming, 420 W. Francis, Dec. 8 - 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at New Life Assembly, 1435 N. Sumner, from Dec. 12, 2 to 7 p.m. and Dec. 13, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**MOBILE MEALS**  
 Mobile Meals will be serving the following on Saturday, December 13: sliced ham, greens, squash, bread, and peach cobbler.

**THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS**  
 The Spirit of Christmas volunteers will distribute Wish Cards and raise funds for gifts Nov. 13 - Dec. 13. Gifts will be given to abused and neglected Amarillo children under the care of the social services agency Child Protective Services. For information or to make a contribution, call Nancy Hutchens, (806) 378-3206.

**PAMPA CHAPTER NO. 65**  
 Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet Tuesday, Dec. 16, at 7:30 p.m. in the Pampa Masonic Lodge Hall, 420 West Kingsmill, for a stated meeting. A Christmas party will follow the meeting. Everyone is asked to bring a Christmas tree ornament as an exchange gift and their favorite Christmas baskets. For more information, call 665-1760, 665-4880 or 665-2665.

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## DAY CARE

In order to make the project work, the center needs some baby items they are soliciting from the community.  
 "Gifts of playpens, baby beds, high chairs, and small toys for preschool and nursery ages," he said.

If anyone has any of these items, they may be donated by calling Ann Williams at 665-3446. Since tuition for the children on assistance will be limited by state and federal regulation, cash to pay the operating expenses will also be useful. Henry says, "Any gift will be appreciated and made good use of."

## Two children safe; hostage killed

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Police stormed a house before dawn today and safely rescued two young children, killing the murder suspect who had held them hostage for three days.  
 Four-year-old Malcolm Phillips and his 2-year-old cousin, Tedi Priest, are doing well. The boy and girl were reunited with their mothers, who cradled the youngsters outside the house in a misty rain.  
 "I was so happy. I had all smiles," said Tedi's grandmother Margaret Vickson. The girl's uncle, Alphonso Wright, said, "I had faith they were going to come out OK."  
 John Edward Armstrong had been holding the

two at gunpoint in their duplex since Tuesday morning, when he burst into their home while fleeing police who suspected him of a fatal shooting.  
 He ordered the children's mothers out and kept the two toddlers. A father of three himself, he had apparently treated them well, but police became concerned as he repeatedly broke promises to free them.  
 "There were concerns about what he would have done. He had nothing to gain by giving up. He knew what charges were facing him," said Police Chief William Kennedy. "We gave Mr. Armstrong every opportunity to come out peacefully. He did not."

## Weather focus

**LOCAL FORECAST**  
 Tonight, mostly clear with a low in the low to mid 20s. North wind decreasing to 5 to 15 mph. Saturday, mostly sunny and warmer with a high in the lower 50s. Northwest wind 10-20 mph. Yesterday's high was 30; the overnight low, 12.  
**REGIONAL FORECAST**  
**WEST TEXAS** — Panhandle — Tonight, mostly clear with a low around 20. North wind decreasing to 5 to 15 mph. Saturday, mostly sunny and warmer with a high in the lower 50s. Northwest wind 10-20 mph. Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, clear. Lows 15-20. Saturday, sunny. Highs 45-55.

Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Tonight, clear. Lows 15-25. Saturday, mostly sunny. Highs 45-55.  
**NORTH TEXAS** — Tonight, mostly clear west, becoming mostly clear central and east. Lows 21 west to 29 east. Saturday, sunny and warmer. Highs 44 north to 52 south.  
**SOUTH TEXAS** — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, decreasing clouds with a hard freeze. Lows in the upper 20s, near 20 to lower 20s Hill Country. Saturday, mostly clear. Highs in the lower 50s. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows near 40 coast to the lower 30s inland. Saturday, mostly

cloudy early with decreasing clouds during the afternoon. Highs near 50.  
**BORDER STATES**  
**NEW MEXICO** — Tonight, fair skies and cold. Lows 5 below to teens mountains and north with teens to lower 20s lower elevations south. Saturday, fair skies. Warmer Saturday with highs 30s to mid 40s mountains and northwest with mid 40s to mid 50s elsewhere. Lows 5 below to teens mountains and north with upper teens and 20s elsewhere.  
**OKLAHOMA** — Tonight, mostly clear. Lows in the mid teens to mid 20s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 40s to near 50.

## City briefs

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**BROGAN'S BOOZERY**, 1001 E. Frederic, now has a drive-up window for your convenience. Adv.  
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**SHARE THE WARMTH**. Bring your used coats to Comet Cleaners, 726 N. Hobart. We will clean them and donate them to local charities. Adv.  
**GRAY COUNTY** Association for Retarded Citizens Pecan Sales. Imogene McMinn 669-1361, Sherry Carlson 669-7171, or Pampa Sheltered Workshop 669-6322. \$6 per lb. Adv.  
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**DANCE AT** McLean Country Club, Saturday 13th, 8-12. Music by Plain Country. Members and guests welcome. Adv.  
**SANTA IS** at Coronado Center, west of Furr's, M-F 2-7 p.m., Sat. 12-4 p.m., Sun. 1-4 p.m. Pictures available. Adv.  
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**CHAMPION ZACH** Thomas Jerseys. T-Shirts & More. Adv.  
**AUCTION, SAT.**, Dec. 13th, 10 a.m. - Pampa, Tx. 1333 Price Rd., Lone Star Tech. Lyndon Loyd Auctioneers #7119, (806) 826-5850. Adv.  
**CHANEY'S CAFE** - Fri. 5-8 p.m. Hand breaded catfish, turkey & dressing, chicken fried steak. 716 W. Foster. Adv.  
**CREATURE COMFORTS** Open Sunday 1-5. See Baby Ferret & Water Dragon. 669-7387. Adv.  
**PAMPA SENIOR** Citizens Christmas Dance Tonight 7-9:30 p.m. Refreshments, music by North Fork Band, admission \$3. Adv.  
**GT VERTIGO** Freestyle bicycle. 2 yrs. old, kept in garage. Good shape. New \$400. Any boy 10-13 yrs. old wants this bike. I'll take \$150. 665-2439 after 4 or 665-8886 during day. Adv.  
**GRAY COUNTY** Adventure Video shown 8 times on History Channel this year. \$20 Gift Box, Hastings. Adv.  
**GARAGE SALE:** Saturday 9-? 1612 N. Nelson. Lots of items. No checks please. Adv.  
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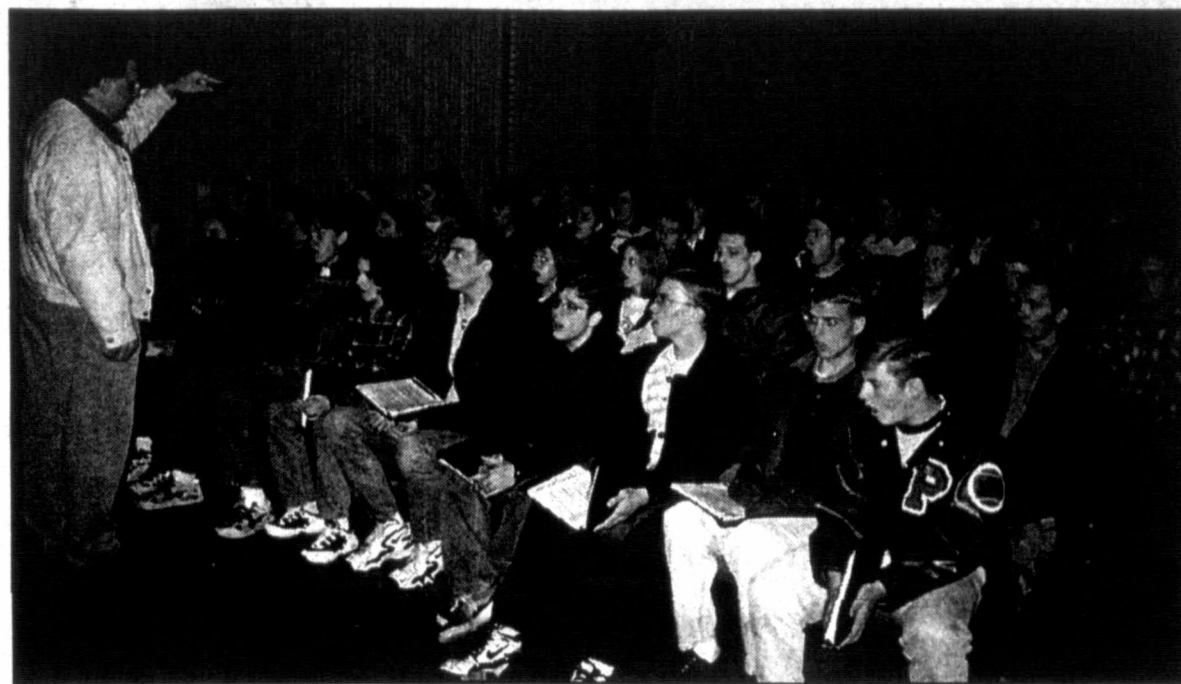
### Area A choir competition



(Community Camera photo)

The following students made the Area A All-Area choir Saturday at Tascosa High School: (left-right) Thann Scoggin, fourth chair, first bass; Andy Furnuik, fourth chair, first tenor; Fosse Fruge, third chair, first soprano; Brad Allen, first chair, second tenor; Dillon Hill, third chair, first bass. Auditioning students prepared the entire *Beethoven Mass in C* for the solo audition. These choir members will now go to Lubbock in January to audition for the Texas All-State Choir. Three other regions from El Paso, Midland-Odessa and Lubbock will each bring the top five in each of 8 sections to compete for the top five chairs that will be named to the All-State Choir.

### PHS Concert Choir



(Community Camera photos)

Pampa High School Concert Choir is rehearsing at First Christian Church where they will present their Christmas Concert along with the Women's Choir, Mixed Choir and Show Choir at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 15.

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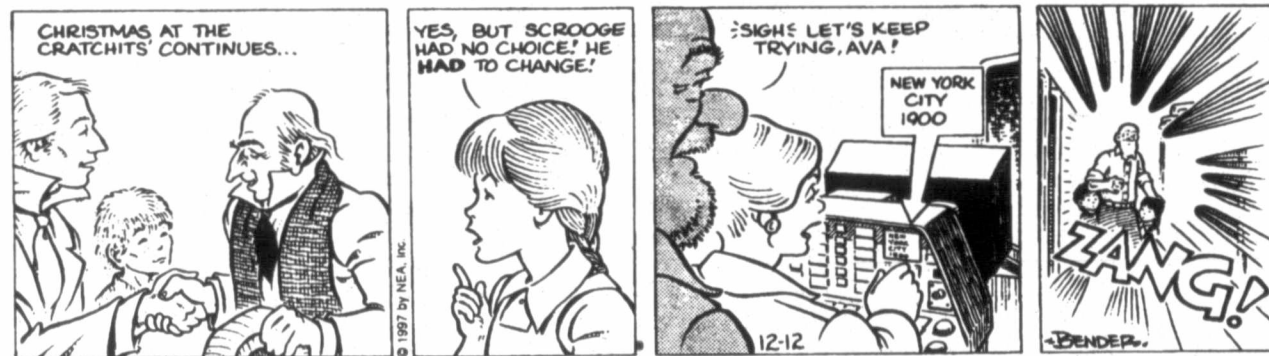
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### High court curtails taxpayers' rights, attorney says

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Supreme Court has struck a blow against taxpayers' rights to sue accountants who give them bad advice, according to an Austin attorney.

In a decision released late Thursday, the court said partners in a now-defunct San Angelo food store company wanted too long to sue their accountants after being charged more than \$2 million in back taxes and interest.

The partners said they followed the advice of accountants

when paying their taxes and should not be stuck with the extra bill. But the court, in a 5-3 decision, said the partners could not pursue their claim against the accountants.

Winston Krause, an Austin attorney for the company's partners, said under the law, taxpay-

ers with disputes over what they owe can fight the Internal Revenue Service and then sue their accountants if ultimately found liable for additional taxes.

That is what the partners in Colonial Food Stores, Inc. did, Krause said.

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L.W. McCall  
Publisher

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### Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from Texas newspapers: *Houston Chronicle* on election of Lee Brown as mayor:

... (Lee) Brown, formerly Houston's first African American police chief now becomes the first ethnic minority elected to the mayor's seat.

The city's ethnic population mix and the relative closeness of the vote cannot be ignored, but Brown's task of bridging gaps and reaching out to all constituencies is no different than would be required of any new mayor in the nation's fourth-largest city.

Of particular sensitivity, of course, is the city's affirmative action program with regard to awarding contracts. Brown has pledged to preserve the program based on race and gender "to level the playing field" and add a "graduation" component and other modifications so that the program reaches only "the truly needy." He should be encouraged in that...

...Brown, during his campaign, laid out a clear and wide-ranging agenda. He, fortunately, has a booming local economy that makes all of his tasks easier. The broad support of Houstonians is also now required and merited. As are all the leadership skills he can muster. Best wishes to Mayor-elect Brown.

Abilene Reporter-News on Morales' early dropout:

In announcing Tuesday he would not seek re-election in 1998, Attorney General Dan Morales demonstrated why Texas' primaries should be moved back to May.

If that argument is not immediately apparent, ask yourself: Why did Morales bail out in December on an election that will not be held until next November — 11 months away?

With primaries set for March 10, candidates must declare their intentions by Jan. 2. That means potential office seekers have to start far ahead of time to see whether they can raise the funds to make a competitive primary race and, should they win, a competitive statewide race.

Morales already faced a March challenge within his own party from Texas Court of Criminal Appeals Judge Morris Overstreet. That contest threatened to be divisive, pitting the state's highest Hispanic official against the state's only African-American one, with the central issue sure to be Morales' ruling against affirmative action in state universities.

Had he waited until January to drop out, Morales would have handed his party's nomination to Overstreet uncontested, which might not have been appreciated by other Democrats wanting to make a bid in the incumbent's absence and who now have a month to test the waters for support.

Had he stayed in and beaten Overstreet, Morales would then have confronted a strong Republican opponent for the November election. Among the three high-profile contenders for the GOP nomination, one will emerge as a battle-tested champion and be likely to receive heavy financial backing from the big tobacco companies that have targeted Morales for suing them.

All this maneuvering and speculation so far in advance makes for too long and too costly an election year, serving no good purpose and several bad ones.

It is evident that joining the Super Tuesday March primary hasn't helped Texas exert influence on the national scene during presidential election years. And for statewide elections, the March date is counterproductive, as Morales' textbook example illustrates.

Besides the wasteful expense and the public alienation produced by more political overexposure, Texas must now live with a lame-duck attorney general

until Jan. 1, 1999. That's 13 months the state's top crime fighter will be unaccountable to the voters who put him in office. Without intending to impugn Morales' integrity or suggest he might become less than exemplary in carrying out his responsibilities, that's not a good situation for the people of Texas to be left in by anybody.

December of one year is too soon to be making choices about an election that won't occur until November of the next. Texas' March primary is too early. Let's move it back to May. Are there any legislators out there listening?

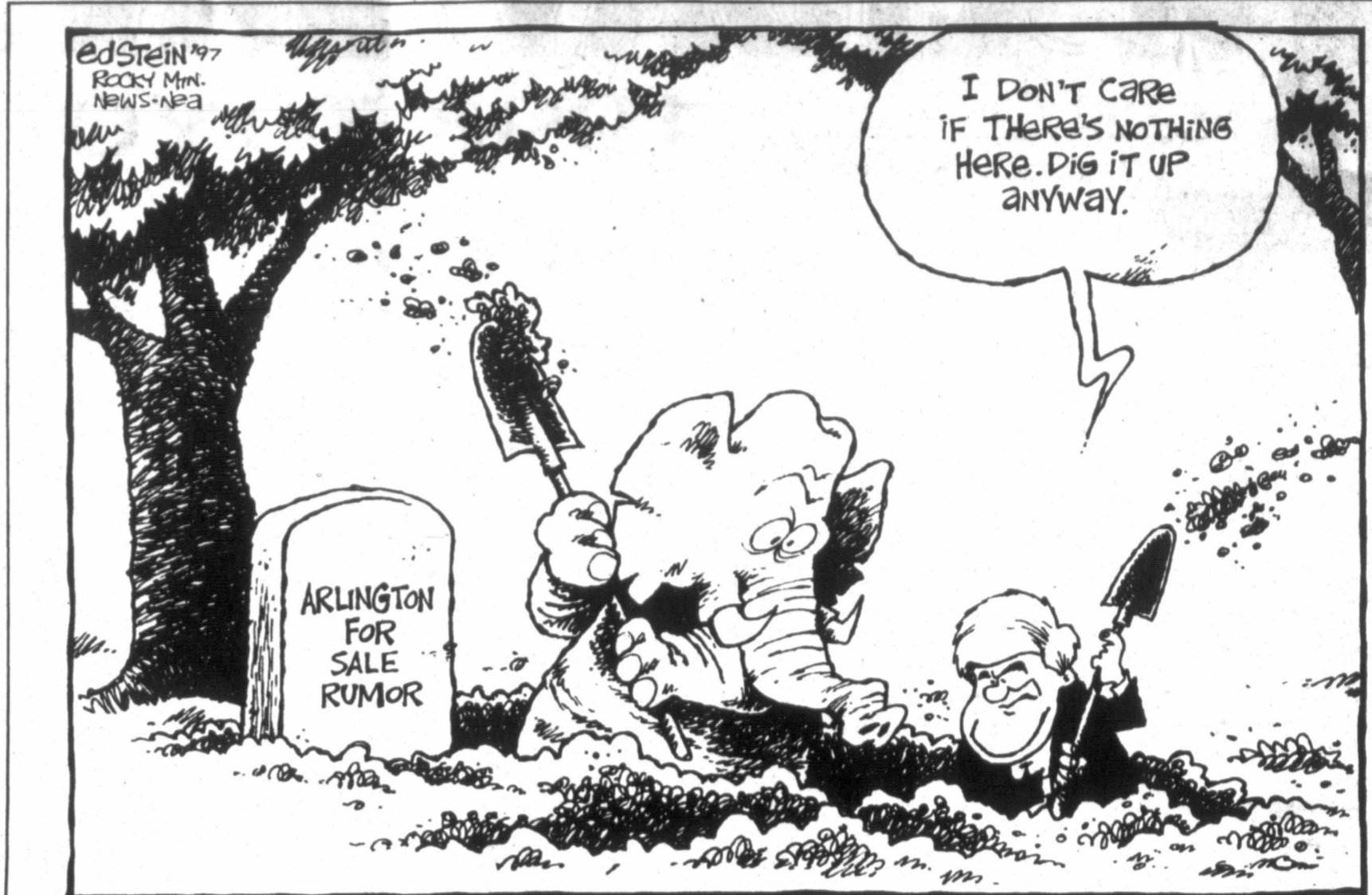
The *Brownsville Herald* on global warming conference politicking:

Early reports from the global warming conference in Kyoto, Japan, are mixed. Some news stories say a binding treaty obligating countries to reduce emissions of carbon dioxide and other "greenhouse" gases is imminent. A Washington Post story suggests that an agreement would be difficult, in part because emerging Asian countries, including Japan, are preoccupied with their own economic difficulties and not in any mood to accept limitations on energy use or pressure other countries to do so.

What is curious is that few news reports note that entering into a treaty with strict limits on greenhouse gas emissions would mean, unless the world plans to go all-nuclear in the next 10 years or so, severe limits on the use of energy. Nor do they reflect serious doubts about the validity of the science behind global warming predictions. Yet such doubts are more than warranted.

But atmospheric science is more complicated than that simple calculation, and there's still a great deal scientists do not know.

But Kyoto goes on. And perhaps it has less to do with science than with power and politics.



## A word from the new guy

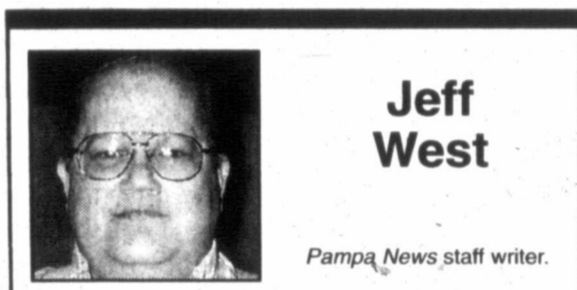
Hi, I'm the new guy in town. I wanted to say the new kid in town but after you lose your hair that's harder to pull off. I've lived most of my life in Amarillo and the Panhandle so I know what it is on the sole of boots but I've never grown fond of it.

I've had a chance to meet some of the good folks of Gray County. So far I haven't had a chance to meet a lot of the bad ones although they usually make better news copy.

Everyone has been really helpful and while I think I've seen "dumb city slicker" in some eyes no one's come out and actually said it yet.

For those of you who wish to know a little bit about me and wonder what makes me think I can do a good job writing for a newspaper, all I can say is I've done a multitude of things in my life, not all well in some cases, but done them none-the-less.

I've been in a retail store, traveled while selling cookware, gone door-to-door with a



Jeff West  
Pampa News staff writer.

couple of things. I've worked in most areas of the media, I even spent a year one month at a restaurant. I've never been a cowboy but I've had horses step on my feet and I've never been a farmer but I've had blisters, been broke and I eat a lot so I am sympathetic.

As far as public officials go I've never been one of those. I tend to like them individually and dislike them as a group so I guess I'm an average American in that sense. I hope I will never be guilty of blaming too soon or being

too polite. As far as making you mad when I write about this upcoming political season if I make half the people mad because I'm too easy on someone and the other half mad because I'm too hard it's probably the truth I've written. And that is all I'm after. Of course then everyone's mad at me but it won't be the first time.

If you are one of those people who get mad a lot at what you find in a newspaper, chill out, it's just the news. The events may or may not affect you personally but if you let stuff like that get to you, soon you'll soon be part of the newspaper, under the taking a dirt nap section. I've been closer to that than I like to be, having had my chest cracked open and gutted like a fish, (well they left more parts in than your average trout I guess.)

Thanks for a great welcome. Hope we have some good times together.

Be good to one another and be good to yourself.

### Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Dec. 12, the 346th day of 1997. There are 19 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

One hundred years ago, on Dec. 12, 1897, "The Katzenjammer Kids," the pioneering comic strip created by Rudolph Dirks, made its debut in the *New York Journal*.

On this date:  
In 1787, Pennsylvania became the second state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1870, Joseph H. Rainey of South Carolina became the first black lawmaker sworn into the U.S. House of Representatives.

In 1913, authorities in Florence, Italy, announced that the Mona Lisa, stolen from the Louvre Museum in Paris in

1911, had been recovered.

In 1917, Father Edward Flanagan founded Boys Town outside Omaha, Neb.

In 1925, the first motel — the "Motel Inn" — opened in San Luis Obispo, Calif.

In 1937, Japanese aircraft sank the U.S. gunboat Panay on China's Yangtze River. Japan later apologized and paid \$2.2 million dollars in reparations.

In 1946, a United Nations committee voted to accept a six-block tract of Manhattan real estate offered as a gift by John D. Rockefeller Jr. to be the site of U.N. headquarters.

In 1947, the United Mine Workers union withdrew from the American Federation of Labor.

In 1963, Kenya gained its inde-

pendence from Britain.

In 1975, Sara Jane Moore pleaded guilty to a charge of trying to kill President Ford in San Francisco the previous September.

In 1985, 248 American soldiers and eight crew members were killed when an Arrow Air charter crashed after takeoff from Gander, Newfoundland.

Ten years ago: Secretary of State George P. Shultz, during a visit to Denmark, urged U.S. allies to increase spending on conventional forces, following the signing of a superpower intermediate-range missile ban treaty.

Five years ago: At least 2,200 people were killed in an earthquake that struck the Flores Island region of Indonesia. President-elect Clinton tapped Thomas F.

"Mack" McLarty to be his chief of staff and Democratic national chairman Ron Brown to be commerce secretary.

One year ago: Hollywood power broker Michael Ovitz resigned as Walt Disney Company's No. 2 executive.

Today's Birthdays: Frank Sinatra is 82. Jazz singer Joe Williams is 79. TV host Bob Barker is 74. Former New York City Mayor Edward Koch is 73. Singer Connie Francis is 59. Singer Dionne Warwick is 57. Jazz musician Grover Washington Jr. is 54. Rock singer-musician Dickie Betts (The Allman Brothers) is 54. Actor Wings Hauser is 50. Gymnast-turned-actress Cathy Rigby is 45. Actress Sheree J. Wilson is 39. Singer-musician Sheila E. is 38.

## A casualty of affirmative action

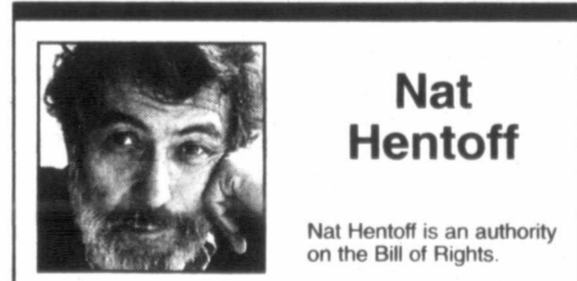
Her name is not on the case, Piscataway Township vs. Taxman, but she is the loser. Debra Williams is the black teacher who was retained when a white teacher, Sharon Taxman, was fired for budgetary reasons. The Piscataway school board said that Williams — the only black teacher in the business division — was kept for the sake of diversity.

As the national debate over that decision intensified, Debra Williams began to feel she was not being judged by her qualifications. Only her skin color was being seen. Frustrated — as Brett Pulley reported in the *New York Times* — she was told to leave, because there was no more room, during oral arguments on the case in Philadelphia. She started yelling, "This is my case! I belong in this courtroom!"

Now she has been abandoned by the Piscataway school board and by the civil rights establishment, which raised \$433,500 — a substantial amount of it from corporations who see affirmative action as a shield against lawsuits — to settle the case just as it was about to reach the Supreme Court. Jesse Jackson was a major player in the venture. Debra Williams wept when she heard that he and the others had succeeded.

Months before this extraordinary involvement by third parties to quash a lawsuit by paying off Sharon Taxman, Debra Williams' husband, Alvin, told the *New York Times* that he had said to his wife: "You and Sharon Taxman have both been judged by the color of your skin. This situation violates the principle that civil rights stand on. The board did both of you wrong. You both have been used. You should be teamed up together."

It's too late for that. But Debra Williams is only an individual, and the Black Leadership



Nat Hentoff  
Nat Hentoff is an authority on the Bill of Rights.

Forum — a coalition of leading civil rights groups — has discarded her for the greater good of its constituencies. (She had still hoped to be validated by the Supreme Court.)

Kweisi Mfume, president of the NAACP, says that the deal to keep the Piscataway case from the Supreme Court "was in the best interest of the nation." Presumably this will give some comfort to Debra Williams.

The Black Leadership Forum's manipulation of the court system may well, however, come back to dishearten the civil rights leaders currently celebrating their triumph. What is to prevent right-wing foundations, which have an abundance of funds, from settling a school voucher case — involving public funds for parochial schools — just before it is likely to be defeated at the Supreme Court? The legal costs of the anti-voucher side would be taken care of by the right-wingers and certain concessions in that particular law in that jurisdiction could be arranged so that a full-scale voucher law could be fought for on another day.

Understandably, the Black Leadership Forum was determined to snatch the Piscataway "diversity" case from the waiting jaws of defeat by the Supreme Court. They feared the Court would significantly limit

racial and gender preferences in workplaces around the country. But the buying off of the case need not have happened if key black leaders had urged the Clinton Justice Department to drop its support of the firing of Sharon Taxman. The case was a clear loser in view of past Supreme Court decisions — particularly rulings against diversity as a reason for firing white workers.

I do not remember a single civil rights personage publicly disputing Deval Patrick, then the assistant attorney general for civil rights, who turned the litigation into a relentless crusade. For a long time he was seconded by the president and the attorney general.

Recently, Patrick characterized those who do not agree with him on race-based and gender-based affirmative action as believing that "once slavery was ended, nothing more had to be done." Also somewhat less than inspiring was Kweisi Mfume's repeated insistence during a *Nightline* discussion that the Piscataway case "was never about affirmative action." But it was indeed an advocacy of diversity as a justification for affirmative action.

But Mfume believes he has now found a formula for civil rights victories. "The real fact of the matter," he said on *Nightline*, "is that civil rights groups in this country have learned the tactics of the extreme right wing, have adjusted to them, and have found a way to beat them at their own game. So we're not running. We're getting smarter."

I doubt that Martin Luther King Jr. would have been impressed by this absorption of the tactics of the right wing. Nor would A. Phillip Randolph. But that was then. Those old-time civil rights leaders weren't smart enough to mock the Supreme Court.

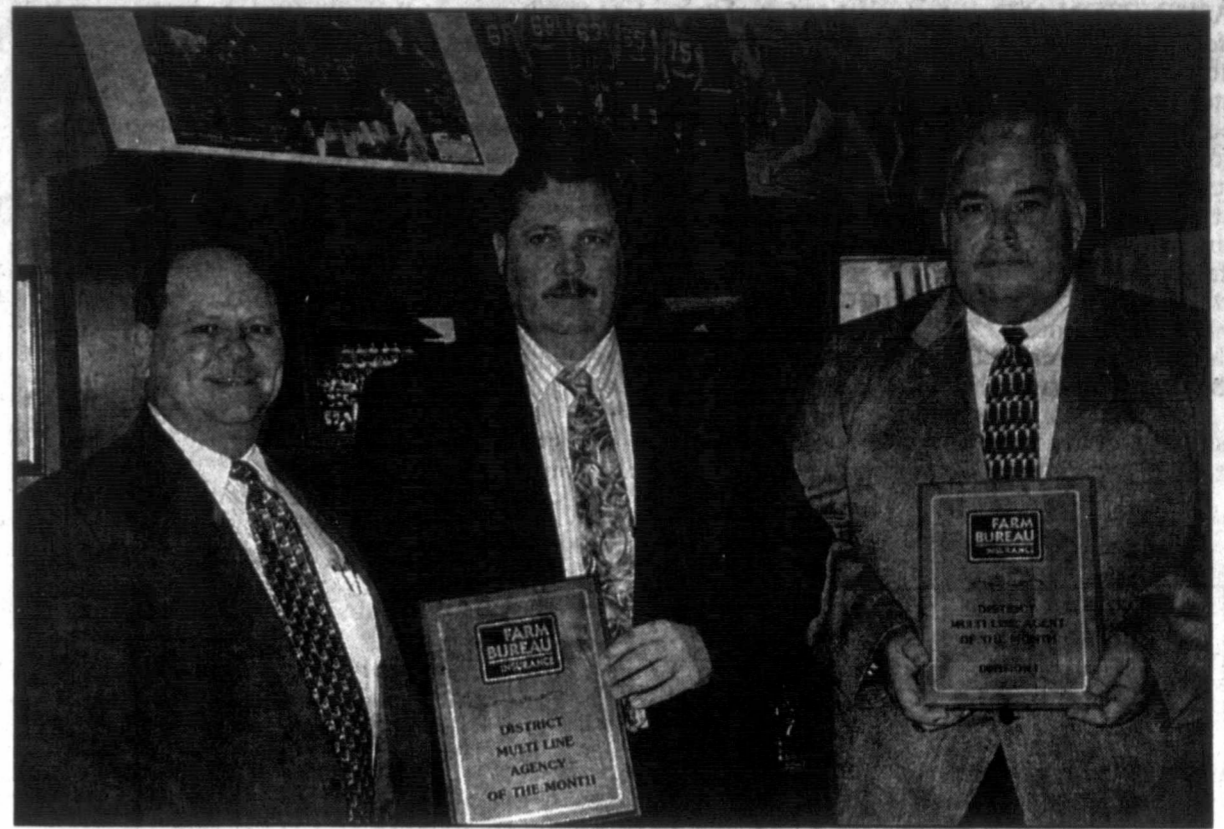
### El Progresso honorary member



(Special photo)

El Progresso Club recently named Mabel Ford, second from left, an honorary member. The club will dedicate the 1997-98 yearbook to Ford who has been an active member for many years.

### Agents attend district meeting

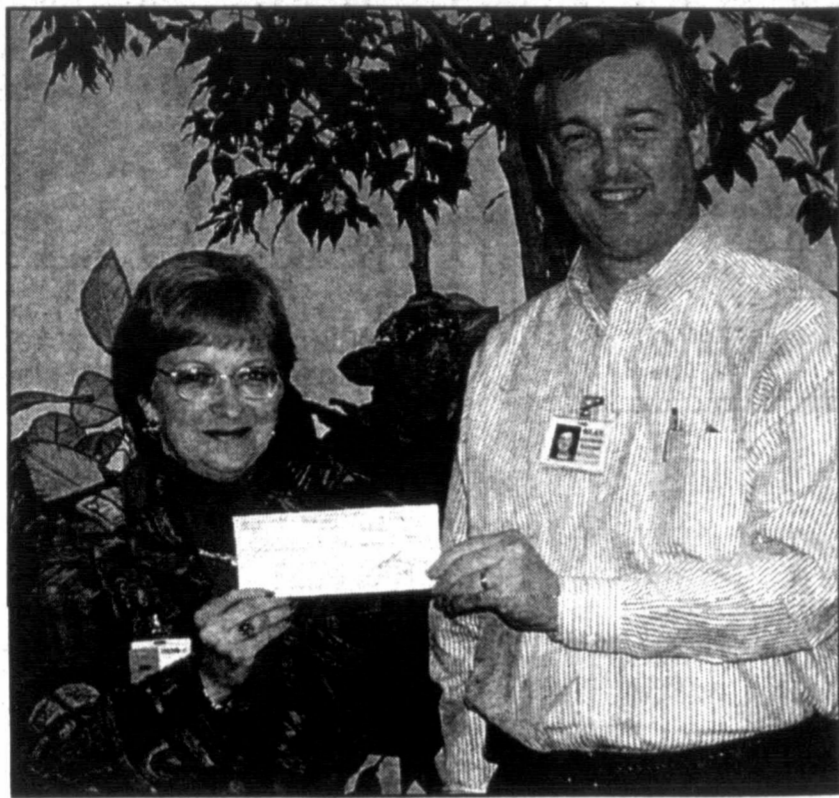


(Special photo)

James Race, left, LUTCF agency manager, David Haynes, center, service agent and Don Whitney, LUTCF service agent recently attended the District I, district meeting in Amarillo. Whitney won the Multi-Line Agents Award of District One, and Gray-Roberts County Farm Bureau was named Agency of the Month for November.

(Pampa News photo by Miranda Bailey)

Riley Kothman, right, plant manager at Celanese presents Katrina Bigham and the United Way with a check to reimburse them for the money they recently gave to pay for a new heating system for Red Cross.



### Dallas rejected as initiative site

DALLAS (AP) — The White House rejected Dallas' bid to play host to President Clinton's meeting on race relations because the city's racial problems are "too big a mess," according to a lawyer involved in the process.

The White House eventually chose Akron, Ohio, for the president's town meeting because that city had been in the forefront of structured interracial discussion.

But Michael Sorrell, a Dallas lawyer hired recently as a special assistant to the initiative's executive director, called Akron a "horrendous" choice for the meeting that occurred last week.

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# Former Clinton housing secretary indicted

WASHINGTON (AP) — A second former member of President Clinton's Cabinet has been indicted on felony charges.

Henry Cisneros, who was Clinton's first housing secretary, was charged Thursday in an 18-count indictment with conspiracy, obstructing justice and making false statements to the FBI about payments to his former mistress, Linda Jones.

Jones, whose married name was Medlar, and two others also were indicted. All four defendants were charged with one count of conspiring to defraud

the United States by impeding an official investigation. If convicted, the defendants face up to five years in prison on each count.

Independent Counsel David M. Barrett alleged that Cisneros lied about the amount and nature of his payments to Jones when questioned during a background check by FBI agents as part of the Cabinet confirmation process.

Cisneros' indictment is just the latest case involving high-level Clinton appointees:

—In August, former Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy was indicted on 39 counts for

allegedly accepting favors from companies doing business with the Agriculture Department.

—Former Commerce Secretary Ron Brown had been under investigation by an independent counsel when he died in a plane crash in 1996.

—Attorney General Janet Reno is reviewing whether to ask for an independent counsel to investigate Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt's role in rejecting an Indian casino opposed by other tribes that had contributed to the Democratic Party.

Clinton himself is the subject of a Justice Department investigation into fund raising during the 1996 campaign; an independent counsel's probe into an Arkansas land deal known as Whitewater; and a sexual harassment suit filed by former

Arkansas state employee Paula Jones.

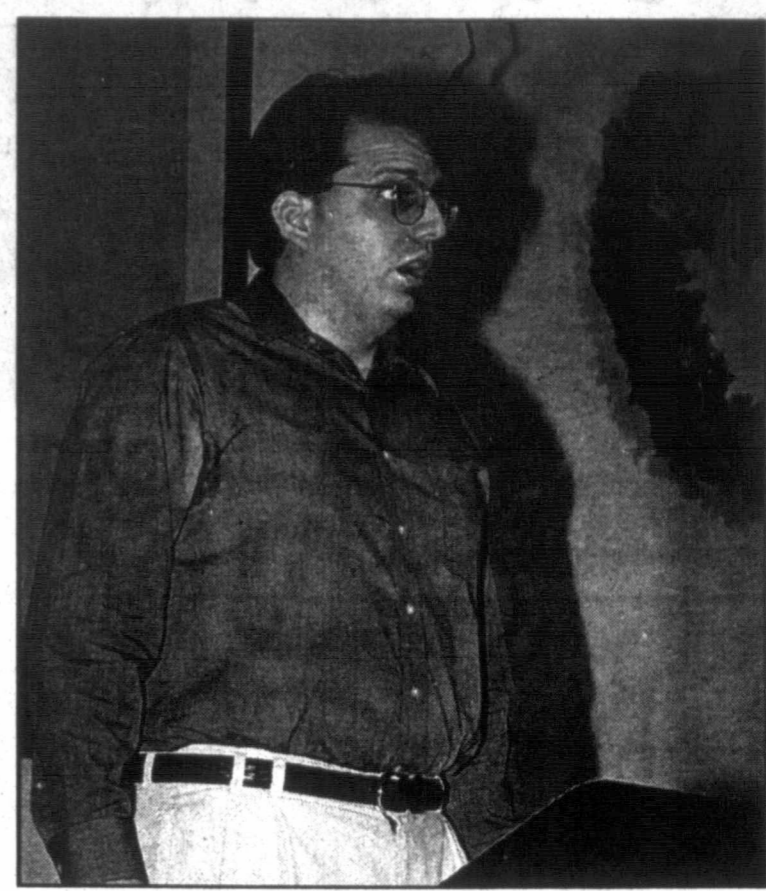
Cisneros was secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development from 1993 until November 1996. He now heads Univision, a Los Angeles-based Spanish television network.

"While Mr. Cisneros and his family do not relish the prospect of further public airing of private events beginning a decade ago, he will defend himself vigorously and expects complete exoneration after a trial," said Cisneros' attorney, Cono Namorato.

Univision said in a statement that it was aware of the investigation when its hired Cisneros last January and that he will continue as its chief operating officer.

Clinton, on a fund-raising trip to Miami, offered kind words for his former Cabinet secretary.

## MESSIAH sing-along



(Special photo)

Paul Smith is one of the several soloists scheduled to sing at the MESSIAH sing-along this Friday, Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the First Methodist Church. Everyone is invited to come and sing or watch. Be sure to bring your copies of the score!

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## Woman felled by monkey virus

ATLANTA (AP) — The employee at Yerkes Primate Research Center didn't think much of the tiny substance that struck her eye as she helped move a caged rhesus monkey.

Ten days later, the woman's eye was inflamed. Four weeks later, she died after contracting the herpes B virus.

The woman's death, announced Thursday, is the first known case in which the virus is believed to have been transmitted through the eye, said Yerkes spokeswoman Kate Egan.

"I don't know what it was, urine, feces ... we just don't know," Ms. Egan said. The virus, common among rhesus and macaque monkeys, is either harmless or causes mild disease

in the primates. It is deadly to humans.

The woman, whose name and age were not released, died Wednesday after a roller coaster battle with the virus. She appeared fine after initial treatment for her eye, then worsened.

The woman, a member of the primate research team, was wearing a lab coat, gloves and a mask, but had no eye protection while helping to move the cage that was covered in a protective mesh to further limit contact.

"During this transfer, as she tried to look into the cage to check the status of the monkey, something came out," Dr. Tom Gordon, Yerkes' associate director of scientific programs, told reporters.

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## Christmas at Calvary set Dec. 14, at 6 p.m.

There's a "song in the air" this Christmas at Calvary Baptist Church. You won't want to miss "Christmas At Calvary," an evening of music and drama presented by the music and drama ministries, will be at 6 p.m. Dec. 14 in the church's new worship center at 900 E. 23rd Street.

The theme of the program is how music is interwoven into the Christmas season, especially Christmas carols. The program even allows the audience to enjoy Christmas music performed by children and preschoolers. "Christmas At Calvary" ends with several medleys of carols that will lift the spirits of everyone present.

Ninety singers, including children and adults, will present this evening of Christmas music. They will be accompanied by a praise band and mini orchestra, consisting of nine instrumentalists. The Calvary drama team, "All His Children," will provide the narration that round out the program. Major soloists will be Dicky McGahen, Pam Fowler and Meagan Wheeler. The lead drama parts belong to Ronnie Holmes, Sandy Crosswhite and Wheeler.

The program is free and seating will be on a "first come" basis.



Calvary Baptist Choir and Praise rehearse for their production of Christmas at Calvary under the direction of Gary Jameson. Among the participants are Vonnie Phillips, and Patricia Muniz, keyboards; Shanna Jameson and Jesse Glaesman, percussion; David Whitson, lead guitar; Ed Trimble, bass guitar. There will also be a nine-piece mini-orchestra performing.

(Pampa News photo by Danny Cowan)

## Legal seminar next week

Lawyers in the Gray County area will gather together next week for a week-long seminar with more than 20 hours worth of information on advanced criminal law.

The state bar puts on this same seminar live every year in other parts of the state, with the exception of the panhandle, said District Attorney John Mann. And so a video-taped version of the conference was suggested as an alternative to the local lawyers spending money on transportation costs.

"This will be the first full-blown seminar of this kind in this area," Mann said.

Lawyers and attorneys in Pampa and the surrounding rural areas were contacted and invited to participate.

The 22 and a half hour conference will count as part of the continuing legal education courses required of lawyers throughout the state. The seminar begins next Monday through Friday from 6 to 10 p.m. in the County Law Library in the Hughes Building.

## Man's body found in trunk

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — A body found in the trunk of a car has been identified as a man reported missing from Fort Worth.

The nude body of Gregory Lynn Walker, 32, was discovered Tuesday afternoon in a car behind an apartment complex. A resident had noticed the keys were in the vehicle, and opened the trunk.

An autopsy performed in Lubbock found no obvious signs of foul play, but the case is being treated as a suspicious death.

Also, police say Walker had an undisclosed medical condition.

Walker's mother reported her son missing on Nov. 24.

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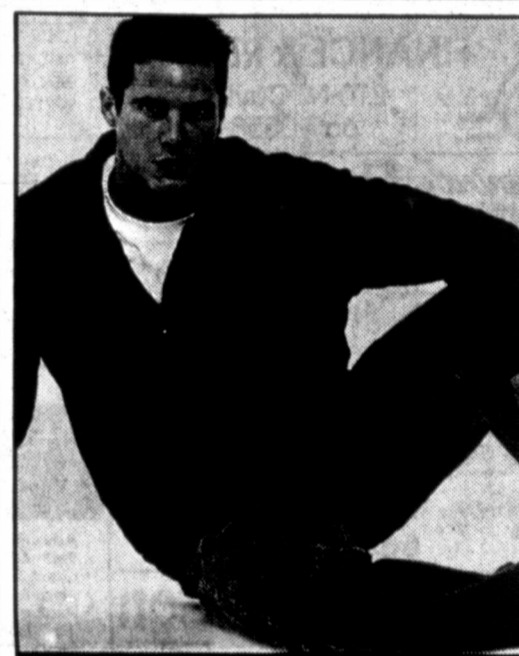
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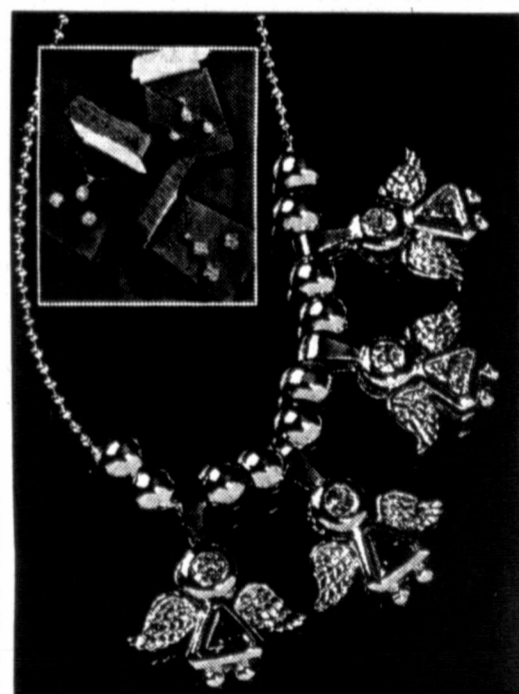
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# RELIGION

Some years ago, I heard a fascinating story. It was in the newspaper and on television. Maybe some of you remember it. It was about a man that worked at a garbage dump. He had found a diamond ring in the midst of all the garbage. The ring was worth nearly a quarter of a million dollars. As the man was being interviewed he was, of course, extremely excited. He had spent years and years and years working at this garbage dump and now suddenly, in just one moment, had more disposable income than he'd ever imagined. He was just thrilled. When they interviewed the man they asked, "How did you manage to pick this ring out of all these mountains of garbage?" The man said, "Through the years I began to realize that my life was so surrounded by garbage that if I only saw the garbage, I would be depressed by it. So, I trained my eyes not to see the garbage and only to see the things in the garbage that were valuable. It wasn't even a miracle, to me, that I saw the diamond because I had trained my eyes not to see the garbage."

I believe that this is a message we need to hear especially this time of year. We need to train our eyes to see the diamond among all the junk. The world we live in at times seems to be like a garbage dump. But, can we see the diamond? A lot of things that go along



By Rev. Lynn Hancock,  
Briarwood Church

with this Christmas season is like garbage. We need to train our eyes so we can see the diamond.

Christmas is not about Rudolph. Christmas is not about "Grandma getting run over by a reindeer." Now, let me say this. There is a balance.

I heard about a large church in the United States where the Pastor decided that he and his congregation were not going to celebrate Christmas at all. He, in fact, announced that he had forbidden the people of the church to celebrate Christmas. They were not to have Christmas trees in their homes; they were not to exchange gifts or send Christmas cards or anything like that. He said, "The modern practice of celebrating Christmas on December 25th came from an ancient pagan Winter Festival and there's nothing to validate that Jesus was born on December 25th.

So, we're not going to celebrate Christmas at all."

Several things come to mind when I think about that story. First, I marvel at any pastor that has such control over his congregation to order them not to celebrate Christmas. I can just imagine the P. O. Box and phone lines at our church if I issued any such command.

The second thing that comes to mind regarding this story is: He is over correcting. He's out of balance. Listen, I'm sure that you understand that there is no biblical or historical proof or evidence of any kind that Jesus was born on a snowy eve, Dec. 25, 2,000 years ago.

What we do know is that He was born. What we do know is that it is an occasion for great joy.

What we do know is that He was the great gift of God to humanity.

What we do know is that the angels in announcing His birth to the shepherds said, "This is glad tidings of great joy."

So, the balance is: Have a joyous celebration. Give and receive gifts. Enjoy the Celebration of Lights. Have a festive time with friends and family. But, focus on Jesus. Focus on the greatest gift for all. See the diamond. Look with trained eyes past all the other things that surround Christmas. See Jesus!

## Religion briefs...

### Monthly singing to be at First Pentecostal

First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, will host the monthly Gospel Singing from 2-4 p.m. Dec. 14. Special singers and instrumental groups from area churches will join together for two hours of music with a southern gospel sound. The event will also provide an opportunity for everyone present to join in singing the songs of the Christmas season. The public is cordially invited.

### St. Paul United Methodist to hold candlelight service

A candlelight communion service will begin at 9 p.m. Dec. 24 at St. Paul United Methodist Church, 511 N. Hobart. The traditional Christmas Eve service will be led by the Rev. Jim Teeters. The public is cordially invited to attend.

### Rushing Wind Emmaus Community to meet in Canadian

CANADIAN — Rushing Wind Emmaus Community will meet at 7 p.m. on Dec. 13 at First United Methodist Church in Canadian. The agape meal will be followed by a praise and worship service with Dick Gillaspie of Spearman serving as lay director and the Rev. Steve Ulrey of Perryton serving as spiritual director. The public is cordially invited to attend. Rushing Wind Emmaus Community covers area counties in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas.

## Arrington will head Diocesan fund project

By EDYTH JACKSON  
For The News

Greta Arrington, from the Diocese of Northwest Texas and member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, was recently named Diocesan Fund coordinator for the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief. The fund raises, receives and uses funds for the relief of human suffering throughout the world.

To prepare for duties with the fund, Arrington and fellow coordinators from all over the United States met in Seattle, Wash., for the annual workshop in May. They saw work in progress on-site and heard from others who assisted persons facing critical needs elsewhere around the world.

"Some needs addressed," Arrington said, "included homeless teenagers from abusive homes, victims of the North Dakota floods, and youth in and healing from alcohol and substance abuse."

"All parishes may choose from the seasons of Advent, Epiphany, or Lent for making contributions to the Fund, and St. Matthew's is designating Advent to allow alternative Christmas gifts for disaster areas."

The Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief awards Emergency Grants up to \$25,000 for immediate crisis caused by natural disaster, civil strife, war or famine. Rehabilitation Funding provides follow-up to crisis situations; and Development Projects are launched to address the root causes of drought, famine, disease and lack of education.

At the November meeting this year in New York City, the 20-member board authorized grants totaling \$1,109,839. Both Presiding Bishop Edmond Browning and Presiding Bishop Elect Frank Griswold attended the meeting.

Arrington invites donations through St. Matthew's — envelopes are available at the church, 727 W. Browning — or directly to the address as follows: PBFWR c/o Banker's Trust Company, Box 12043, Newark, NJ 07101.

Arrington said the Presiding Bishop's Fund is the primary fund for Episcopalians to show compassion, giving assistance, following loss from disaster in the United States and around the world.

"Funds are provided for such things as natural disasters, work projects in under-developed countries for schools and water systems; and, perhaps, closest to us, relief to aid victims after the bombing of Oklahoma City," Arrington said.

## Gatlin 'sis' to sing at Briarwood

"We've always said our little sis is the best singer in the family, and she certainly proves that fact every time she walks on stage. She captivated audiences at our theater in Myrtle Beach with a style that's uniquely her own. You will be totally drawn into her performance and will go out with a song in your heart!" (The Gatlin Brothers)

The sister of country music's famous Gatlin Brothers, LaDonna Gatlin, will perform at 10:45 a.m. during morning worship service Dec. 14 at Briarwood Church, 1800 W. Harvester. Gatlin literally "grew up on stage" singing with her brothers. When she was only five-years-old, the Gatlin Quartet won their first talent show — first place was a pony! By the time she was 10, they had made four albums and toured in 28 states from coast to coast.

The Gatlins took their family harmony to Nashville, Tenn., in the early 70's to pursue a career in country music. Their efforts



LaDonna Gatlin

were rewarded with a Grammy Award in 1977 for the song entitled *Broken Lady*.

But an interesting thing happened on the "road to stardom." God had a different plan for Gatlin and her husband, Tim Johnson, and called them out of the country music scene and into full-time Christian

ministry. They joined contemporary Christian artist Dallas Holm and formed the group Dallas Holm and Praise. They received Christian music's most coveted award in 1978 when they won a Dove Award for best mixed group. In the 1980's, they were also one of the first groups in Christian music to produce a gold record, which represents sales of half a million.

Her touring schedule puts her on the road over 100 days a year doing conferences, concerts, retreats and corporate events. In addition, during 1994-95, Gatlin spent over 60 days in the prisons of Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas ministering to female as well as male inmates. She has sung on death row in both Texas and Oklahoma — "one of my greatest privileges!" she says.

Don't miss this exciting music presentation at Briarwood Church. Nursery will be provided.

## Cartoon Christmas video show set Sunday

Children of Pampa are invited to attend a special showing of the new cartoon family Christmas video *The Puzzle Club Christmas Mystery* from 2-3:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 14 in Fellowship Hall of Zion Lutheran Church, 1200 Duncan Street. There is no charge for admission.

*The Puzzle Club Christmas Mystery* tells the story of how The Puzzle Club members discover that there is more to Christmas than displays and parades. The young detectives solve the Christmas mystery and bring a message of forgiveness to their town.

"We are excited to bring this unique story to the Pampa area this holiday season," says event coordinator Frankie Hildenbrand. "God has given us such a wonderful gift, and this is a fun way for us to share the message of that gift with the children of our community. We hope that many children will join us for this special event."

There will be additional activities relating to the message of the video following the film. The film and activities are part of a nationally sponsored outreach by Lutheran Hour Ministries. For more information about this video presentation and activities, please call Zion Lutheran Church at 669-2774.

**Attend the church of your choice**



**Behold That Star!**  
A Christmas Musical presented by  
**BARRETT BAPTIST CHURCH**  
903 Beryl • Pampa  
on Sunday Morning  
December 14<sup>th</sup>  
starting at 11:00 a.m.  
*Please join us for this spectacular event!*

**Behold That Star!**  
A Christmas Musical presented by  
**Highland Baptist Church Choir**  
Sunday, December 14  
11:00 A.M.  
Come join us!  
**Highland Baptist Church**  
1301 N. Banks  
(just north of the Coronado Shopping Center)  
Nursery provided

**"GLORY... To God In the Highest!"**

First Baptist Church  
203 N. West



The Living Christmas Tree  
Saturday, December 13, 7:00 P.M.  
Sunday, December 14, 7:00 P.M.

No Tickets Needed  
For More Information Call 669-1155

# Confident Wife Thanks Absent Husband For Being Such A Heel

DEAR ABBY: After spending yet another night alone while my husband was out having a few beers with his friends, I decided to write him the following thank-you note:

Thank you for the countless times you've gone out with your friends and left me home alone; it's made me realize I'm pretty good company.

Thank you for withholding your affection; you taught me I can live without it.

Thank you for refusing to help me do anything around the house; it's made me realize I can do just about anything myself.

Thank you for finding reasons not to spend time with me; it's made me learn to appreciate spending time alone.

Thank you for never sitting down to talk to me; the quiet time has allowed me to re-evaluate my life.

But most of all, and I mean this sincerely, thank you for giving me nine lonely years to realize with conviction that I can walk away from you and survive!

**YOUR 'IN NAME ONLY' WIFE**

DEAR IN NAME ONLY: Your farewell letter gives new meaning to finding the good in every bad situation. I'm sorry your lessons had to be learned the hard way. Perhaps your letter will educate others and save them from the pain you experienced.



**Abigail Van Buren**

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: On the last night of baseball's World Series, I settled in front of the television to watch this deciding game. At the bottom of the ninth inning, my wife asked me to change the channel to her favorite Sunday evening program. This is a program that comes on every week. The last game of the World Series comes on once a year.

I did not want to change the channel, and an argument ensued. I relented, but I was so angry I went for a one-hour walk to cool off while she watched her program. I returned to find my wife pouting because I didn't watch her program with her.

You, being a woman, will have a real problem deciding who should have given in. Abby, please don't suggest two televisions. Come right out with your response.

FRANK B. JAMES, EL CAJON, CALIF.

DEAR FRANK: I had no problem at all deciding. This is not a

man/woman issue. It is about common courtesy and consideration. I think your wife should have conceded.

P.S. Do you own a VCR? It could have averted a disagreement, and allowed you both to have viewed her favorite program at a later time.

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DEAR ABBY: A few years ago you printed the way to determine a dog's age. Would you please send me that column, or print it again?

GLINN IN RENO, NEV.

DEAR GLINN: I'm pleased to oblige. The first year of a dog's life is equal to 15 in a human's. The second year is the equivalent of nine more years of human age, making the dog 24 years old. After that, each year equals four more years of human life. Interestingly, the smaller the dog, the longer its life. So when a pup has been with its owner for 16 years, its age would be equivalent to an 80-year-old human.

To receive a collection of Abby's most memorable — and most frequently requested — poems and essays, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's "Keepers," P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)



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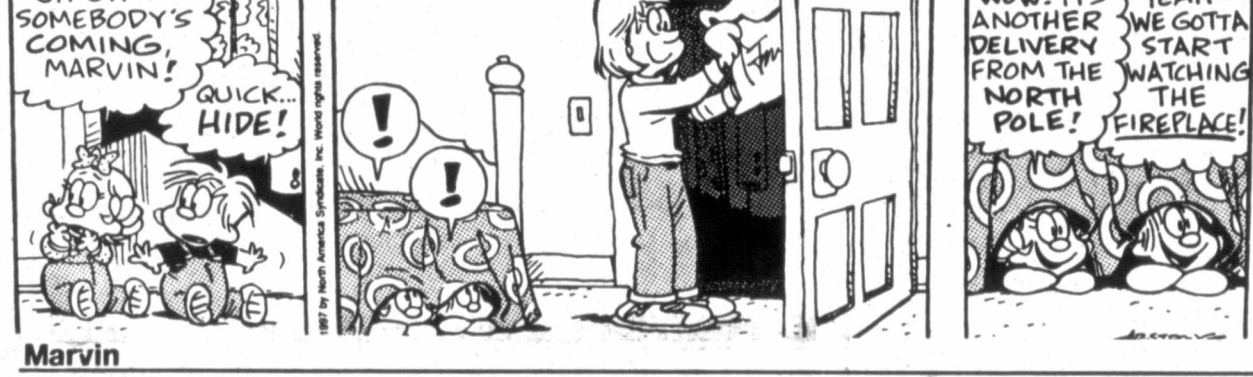
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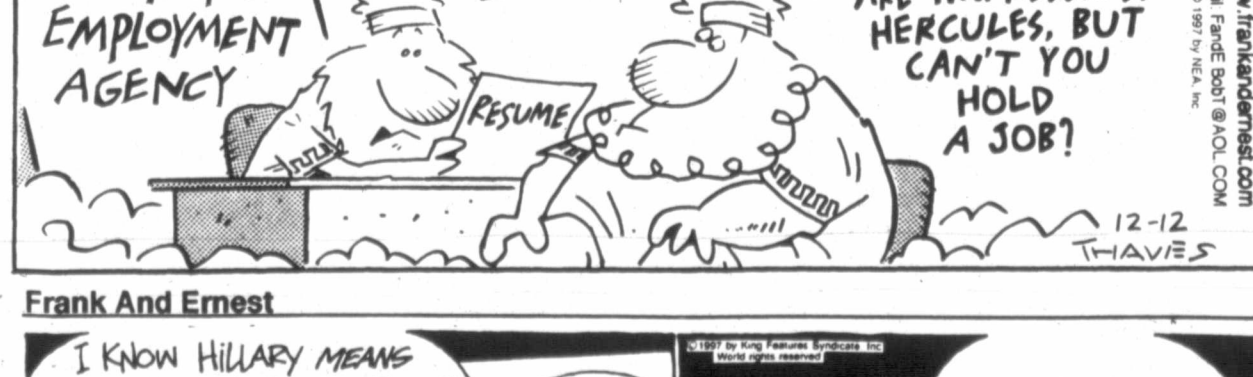
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**The Born Loser**



**Frank And Ernest**



**Mallard Filmore**

## Horoscope



Sunday, Dec. 14, 1997

Being both penny-wise and pound-foolish is a practice you should follow in the year ahead. Your chart shows potential for accumulation that could come in small and large amounts.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Usually when you make a decision, it's difficult to sway you from your position. Today, however, you might be vacillating and indecisive. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that will govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing \$2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** If you make any mistakes today at work, make an effort to try to correct them instead of covering them up. Errors will surface eventually.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Chatty people could turn you off today. If you attend a social gathering, don't sit next to someone who tends to drone on and on and on.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Avoid criticizing your family members today. If you fail to overlook minor annoyances, be prepared to have your own behavior put under a microscope.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Do not portray yourself as a nit-picker who is inclined to make mountains out of molehills. When dealing with others today, tolerance is required.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** A smooth-talking promoter might sell you something today that has little worth to you. Do not believe everything a spellbinder says.

However, you could be poles apart over petty matters.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** An inquisitive acquaintance with ulterior motives might try to pry a confidence from you today. Be guarded; he or she is skillful in drawing others out.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** You might have something on the back burner today for which you have high expectations. Keep mum about it, because it may take longer to do than you think.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** In your haste to make your mark in the world today, don't trip over little things. Keep one eye on your destination and the other eye on your footpath.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Usually you pick up on things quickly, but today the light on your thinking cap might be set on dim. Turn up the power a bit.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** If you're careless with your possessions today, it might lead to some unpleasant experiences. Losing even a little could be emotionally significant.

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"I drew the Mother and Child, but I'm havin' trouble doin' Round John Virgin."



"Call me back. My last customer is still digging up cab fare."

## The Family Circus



## Marmaduke



## Grizzwells



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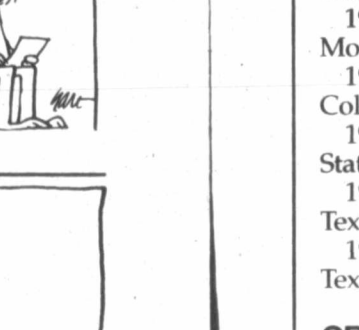
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# SPORTS

## Notebook

### BASKETBALL

**PAMPA** — Pampa plays Caprock tonight in Amarillo in District 1-4A girls' basketball action.

The junior varsity game starts at 6, followed by the varsity at 7:30.

The Lady Harvesters are 5-5 for the season at 0-1 in district play.

**SAMNORWOOD** — Fort Elliott opened the Samnorwood Tournament with a 53-21 win Thursday over the Samnorwood junior varsity.

Tanner Smith had 15 points and Clay Zybach 11 to lead the Cougars in scoring.

Clint McCloy had 8 points for Samnorwood. Adam Herrera added 5.

In the girls' division, Fort Elliott also won over Samnorwood, 61-14.

Amber Estes had 14 points and Carissa Dukes 12 for the Lady Cougars. Lax had 7 points to lead Samnorwood.

**DALLAS (AP)** — Derek Harper's final game at Reunion Arena, like many others before it, was a winning one.

Harper scored 16 points, including a 3-pointer down the stretch, to help the Orlando Magic to a 100-90 victory Thursday night over his former team, the Dallas Mavericks.

"I had mixed emotions," said Harper, who said he will end his 14-year NBA career after this season. "I definitely wanted to win here. When I look back on my career, I want to say I enjoyed it. But after this season, it'll be time to go back home and spend time with my kids."

Harper had two stints with Dallas before he was traded for Dennis Scott in the offseason. He makes his offseason home in Dallas and has been promised a job in the team's front office next season.

### FOOTBALL

Winners of the Doak Walker Award for the outstanding college running back, sponsored by the Southern Methodist Athletic Forum:

1990 — Greg Lewis, Washington

1991 — Trevor Cobb, Rice

1992 — Garrison Hearst, Georgia

1993 — Byron "Bam" Morris, Texas Tech

1994 — Rashaan Salaam, Colorado

1995 — Eddie George, Ohio State

1996 — Byron Hanspard, Texas Tech

1997 — Ricky Williams, Texas

### CROSS COUNTRY

**LUBBOCK, Texas (AP)** — Ending a career that featured 11 NAIA national championships, including seven straight cross country titles from 1990-97, Lubbock Christian track coach Darrell Price retired Thursday.

Price earned NAIA coach-of-the-year honors six times in his 10 years at LCU. His cross country teams defeated highly regarded Arkansas all three times they met.

His LCU teams also have won meets hosted by the University of Texas and Oklahoma State.

### SOCCER

**RICHMOND, Va. (AP)** — In the history of college soccer in the United States, there's Saint Louis, Virginia, Indiana and UCLA, and then there's pretty much everybody else. The 1997 Final Four only adds to that tradition.

One of them will win the national championship again this year.

In the 38 previous NCAA tournaments, one of this year's teams has walked away the winner 20 times. Eleven other times, they've been the runner up.

And in the national semifinals today, all four were chasing the standards of the teams that have gone before.

Indiana, top-ranked for virtually the entire season, can become the first team since Howard went 19-0 in 1974 to finish unbeaten and untied.

# Hostetler returns to scene of first triumph

By DAVE GOLDBERG  
AP Football Writer

On Dec. 15, 1990, a Saturday afternoon at the Meadowlands, Jeff Hostetler began the string that has defined his career. He relieved Phil Simms when Simms was injured and carried the New York Giants through the playoffs and on to a Super Bowl win.

This Saturday, Hostetler will try to spoil what is potentially the Giants' biggest day since then when he quarterbacks the Washington Redskins against his old team. A win by New York and it takes its first NFC East title since that 1990 season; a loss and the Redskins take control of the division.

"Forget any win, loss, forget it all," says Jim Fassel, the Giants' coach. "It's down to this game."

The Giants are favored by three in this return match of the dreary 7-7 tie in Washington three weeks ago when Gus Frerotte banged

## NFL PICKS

his head on the Jack Kent Cooke Stadium wall and injured his neck. Hostetler played the second half and overtime and turned over the ball four times.

But he was better last week in Arizona with Frerotte out again — a broken hip this time — throwing for 226 yards and three TDs.

That was against the Arizona defense, not New York's, which ended Bobby Hoying's nice streak of success in Philadelphia last week with five turnovers.

More important for New York is dealing with Ken Harvey, who had three sacks against the Giants and has come on late in the season.

Most important is that the Giants seem motivated and have the home crowd and the home wind. Hostetler knows how to deal with the wind, but the crowd is another story.

**GIANTS, 17-12**  
**Pittsburgh (plus 3) at New England (Saturday)**  
Look at Kordell Stewart's numbers at home. Then look at them away. No surprise the Steelers are just 3-3 on the road.  
**PATRIOTS, 20-15**

**Denver (plus 4) at San Francisco (Monday night)**  
Joe Montana's number will be retired, Jerry Rice may return. That's a lot of emotion and the Broncos could be locked in as the No. 4 seed in the AFC anyway.  
**49ERS, 21-20**

**Green Bay (minus 7) at Carolina**  
The Panthers' breathing spell against losing teams is over.  
**PACKERS, 20-10**

**Tampa Bay (minus 1 1/2) at New York Jets**  
Finally, the playoffs ... for the Bucs.  
**PITTSBURGH**

**Kansas City (minus 9 1/2) at San Diego**  
The Chiefs' eye is on the target: home field in the AFC.  
**CHIEFS, 27-3**

**Detroit (plus 2 1/2) at Minnesota****T**  
The Lions started the Vikings' four-game losing streak. The Vikings end it here.  
**VIKINGS, 31-27**

**Miami (minus 4) at Indianapolis**  
Jimmy will ensure the Dolphins don't let down.  
**DOLPHINS, 24-10**

**Dallas (pick 'em) at Cincinnati**  
For the second straight season, the Bengals win in garbage time.  
**BENGALS, 24-16**

**Philadelphia (plus 3) at Atlanta**  
Can the Falcons actually make the playoffs?  
**FALCONS, 17-13**

**Jacksonville (minus 5) at**

**Buffalo**  
The Jaguars are probably in the playoffs anyway. No picnic here.  
**JAGUARS, 10-9**

**Tennessee (minus 1 1/2) at Baltimore**  
The BRavens are back on track. Such as it is.  
**RAVENS, 22-20**

**Seattle (plus 1 1/2) at Oakland**  
Jon Kitna lights up the Raiders?  
**SEAHAWKS, 31-26**

**Arizona (plus 2) at New Orleans**  
Ditka's demons win their games outside the division.  
**SAINTS, 24-20**

**Chicago (plus 4) at St. Louis**  
The Bears solidify their spot in the Manning-Leaf sweepstakes.  
**RAMS, 24-17**

**LAST WEEK: 9-6 (spread) 7-8 (straight up)**  
**SEASON: 102-99-9 (spread); 134-74-2 (straight up)**

## State gymnast



(Special photo)

Pampa gymnast Jaclyn Spearman (center) receives a ribbon during the North State Semifinals earlier this month in Tyler. Jaclyn, Jennifer Hutchison and Alyssa Bromwell of Gymnastics of Pampa qualified for the Texas State Championships this weekend in Houston.

## Steelers seek revenge

By JIMMY GOLEN  
AP Sports Writer

**FOXBORO, Mass. (AP)** — The New England Patriots found the replays of last year's playoff game against the Pittsburgh Steelers to be unwatchable.

It wasn't because the Patriots played poorly; in fact, they won the game. The game literally was unwatchable.

"You can't see on the film because of the fog," Patriots coach Pete Carroll said after trying to study last year's playoff game, which the Patriots won 28-3 to advance to the AFC championship.

For Pittsburgh (10-4), the problem wasn't the December haze that enveloped the field.

"I've tried to create a fog in my mind," Steelers coach Bill Cowher said. "Obviously, there wasn't a whole lot of success by anybody on our team. ... We really haven't referred a lot to last year's game, other than the fact that we certainly haven't forgotten."

The good news for Cowher is that things have changed for both teams.

First of all, the Patriots (9-5) have adopted the West Coast offense favored by Carroll, who replaced Bill Parcells when he defected to the Jets. For another, two of the New England's key offensive weapons will be hampered, if not absent, as it tries to clinch a playoff spot.

Wide receiver Terry Glenn, who has missed the last four games, is listed as questionable with a sore

left hamstring. Glenn caught an NFL rookie record 90 passes last year, including a 53-yard strike on New England's first play against Pittsburgh.

Running back Curtis Martin has a slight separation of his right shoulder. Martin, whose 1,160 yards is 1,100 more than the next Patriots rusher, is likely to miss his second consecutive game.

"He's a big part of our running game. Nobody else gets a chance to run the ball during the season," said wide receiver Vincent Brisby, whose role has increased in Glenn's absence. "So you've got guys who haven't done it trying to do it."

As for the Steelers, they've added two weapons that were only partially available for last year's game.

In '96, Kordell Stewart was still doing his "Slash" thing, combining some quarterbacking duties with wide receiver and running back. Now he's just the quarterback, and after throwing for three touchdowns and running for two more in last week's win over Denver, Cowher called it his "most complete" game yet.

"Where he is now and where he was back in that playoff game, it's light years," the coach said. "I just think he's getting better and better every week. Every week brings out a new experience. I think that's all he lacks right now."

Last year, running back Jerome Bettis was limited to 43 yards on 13 carries against the Patriots due to a sore groin.

# Five Harvesters named to all-district football squad

**PAMPA** — Three Pampa Harvesters have been named to the 1997 First-Team All-District 1-4A Football Team.

Linebacker Jared White and lineman Aaron Hayden were first-team defensive picks. Jay T. Hamilton was voted to the first team at center.

White, a junior, was a unanimous selection at linebacker. Josh Blackmon was named to the second team at both punter and place-kicker. Lineman Ronnie Proby was a second-team selection as a defensive lineman.

Dumas back Altolfo Venzor was voted the district's most valuable player. Coach of the year honors went to Brent McCallie of Dumas.

All-district players were voted on by the district coaches based on regular-season performances. Dumas, the district champion, had the most first-team selections with eight. The Demons also had the most overall selections with 14.

### 1997 All-District 1-4A Team

#### First Team Offense

**Quarterback:** Michael Soria, Caprock, 6-3, 190, sr.; **Running backs:** Astolfo Venzor, Dumas, 5-10, 195, sr.; Kevin Massey, Borger, 5-11, 166, sr.; Jesse Huancutt,

Randall, 6-4, 212, sr.; **Tight end:** Benny Mitchell, Caprock, 5-10, 180, sr.; **Wide receivers:** Micah Ladd, Randall, 5-9, 153, sr.; Trent Teague, Caprock, 6-1, 180, sr.; **Center:** Jay T. Hamilton, Pampa, 5-11, 232, sr.; **Guards:** Brandon Gibson, Dumas, 5-8, 250, jr.; Jacob Florer, Borger, 5-11, 194, sr.; **Tackles:** Justin Farmer, Borger, 6-2, 208, sr.; Seth Hammit, Dumas, 5-11, 175, sr.; **Place-kicker:** Charlie Russell, Canyon, 6-0, 185, sr.

#### First Team Defense

**Secondary:** Tony Powell, Borger, 5-9, 136, jr.; Anthony Lopez, Hereford, 5-10, 160, sr.; Damon Martin, Dumas, 6-1, 165, sr.; **Linebackers:** Jared White, Pampa, 6-0, 195, jr.; Matt Burd, Randall, 5-9, 167, jr.; Carl Clements, Dumas, 5-11, 200, sr.; Chad Casida, Borger, 6-0, 190, sr.; **Ends:** Zack Wall, Hereford, 6-0, 200, sr.; Derek Scheihing, Dumas, 5-9, 160, sr.; **Linemen:** Aaron Hayden, Pampa, 5-8, 250, sr.; Felipe Arellanes, Dumas, 5-9, 200, sr.; Matt McCormick, Randall, 6-5, 242, jr.; **Punter:** Charlie Russell, Canyon, 6-0, 185, sr.

#### Second-Team Offense

**Quarterback:** Luke Evenson, Dumas, 6-4, 180, sr.; **Running backs:** Jeremy Miller, Hereford,

5-10, 145, sr.; James Terry, Caprock, 5-10, 170, sr.; Shane Stumbo, Randall, 5-11, 187, sr.; **Tight end:** Bart Cheyne, Randall, 6-1, 217, sr.; **Wide receivers:** Mike Davis, Canyon, 5-9, 155, jr.; James Nix, Borger, 5-8, 155, jr.; **Center:** Oscar Murga, Dumas, 5-7, 230, sr.; **Guards:** Aaron Lane, Randall, 6-0, 232, jr.; Ryan Denny, Borger, 5-10, 200, soph.; **Tackles:** Aaron Schnelle, Randall, 5-10, 221, sr.; Leroy Aldana, Dumas, 5-11, 230, sr.; **Place-kicker:** Josh Blackmon, Pampa, 6-0, 160, sr.

#### Second-Team Defense

**Secondary:** Kit Black, Randall, 6-0, 165, sr.; Jose Ibarra, Borger, 5-10, 163, sr.; Trent Teague, Caprock, 6-1, 180, sr.; Josh Buchanan, Dumas, 6-4, 170, jr.; **Linebackers:** Keegan Faris, Dumas, 6-1, 180, sr.; Shane Stumbo, Randall, 5-11, 187, sr.; Lance Bradley, Borger, 6-0, 155, sr.; **Ends:** Kyle Schniederian, Randall, 5-9, 187, sr.; Bradley Blommaert, Borger, 5-10, 168, sr.; **Linemen:** Ronnie Proby, Pampa, 5-9, 270, sr.; J.R. Duke, Borger, 5-10, 185, jr.; Sam Whipple, Dumas, 5-11, 210, sr.; **Punter:** Josh Blackmon, Pampa, 6-0, 160, sr.

**Most valuable player:** Altolfo Venzor, Dumas.

**Coach of the year:** Brent McCallie, Dumas.

## Panhandle buzzing over pheasants

**HEREFORD, Texas (AP)** — Temperatures are dropping, motels are filling up and shotguns are being readied at the approach of one of the most promising pheasant seasons this decade.

"The numbers on the birds are probably better than they've been in the last 5-10 years," Amarillo game warden Win Bishop said.

Pheasant season in the Texas Panhandle begins 30 minutes

before sunrise Saturday and runs through Dec. 28. Area hunters have blamed bad weather and pesticides for low bird numbers since 1990.

Fewer pheasants had meant fewer hunters for merchants across the roosting areas of Texas and Oklahoma. The dropoff in hunters has put a dent in business that depend upon them this time of year.

"You know, anything that brings in business is a big help to the economy," said Dalhart restaurateur Boog Wallace. "We have about 300 booked here (in town), but that's the tip of the iceberg. It would be safe to say thousands come here to hunt."

Bishop said visiting hunters should familiarize themselves with hunting laws and, most of all, know their targets.

## Wheeler — The No. 1 story

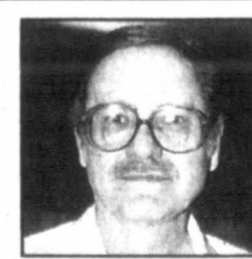
It won't be difficult to pick the area's No. 1 sports story in 1997. Heading the list would have to be that football dynasty east of Pampa.

The Wheeler Mustangs are just one win away from the school's fourth state championship. Wheeler is about due to bring home another state trophy. After all, it's been 10 years (1987) since the Mustangs beat Bremond, 23-21, for the title. Ten years must seem like an eternity for a school with a winning tradition.

Regardless of the competition, very few teams advance to the finals with three losses during the regular season. That's another story in itself. Most teams would either take a perfect record or have just one loss going into the championship game. Wheeler's three championship teams of 1977, 1979 and 1987 had a combined two losses. This year's Wheeler squad is 11-3, but all three of those setbacks came against 2A schools.

Wheeler faces Granger at 7:30 Saturday night in Abilene's Shotwell Stadium for the Class 1A crown.

Wheeler's other titles came in



**L.D. Strate**

Sports Editor

1979 against Highland (33-21) and in 1977 against Lone Oak (35-13). The Mustang reached the finals in 1978, but fell to Union Hill, 14-7.

Head coach Jim Verden was quick to give credit to his players after Wheeler rolled past Munday, 35-12, in last weekend's semifinals.

"This is a tribute to our team. Our kids are the ones that did this, and they really worked hard all season to get here," Verden said following the win.

One the hardest workers has been defensive back Jorge Salas, one of just four seniors on the team. Salas, however, may have been sidelined for the championship game after suffering a dislocated elbow against Munday. The 160-pound Salas was injured after making a leap-

ing interception of a Munday pass in the first quarter.

Verden reported that Salas is determined to suit up and play.

"Jorge says he going to play, but his elbow is pretty swollen," Verden said. "But it's his senior year and he wants to be a part of this big game it at all possible."

The Mustangs hope to follow the same route against Granger as they did against Munday, exploding to a 20-0 first-half lead.

"We wanted to be able to jump on them (Munday) quick," said junior quarterback Aaron Dunnam. "Get them down and keep pouring it on."

The Mustangs may not be counting on a quick lead against Granger, but wouldn't it be nice?

# Rice returns to 49ers

SANTA CLARA, Calif. (AP) — Jerry Rice's is making an improbable return to the San Francisco 49ers 3 1/2 months following knee surgery for one reason: hard work by the top receiver in NFL history. "I started Sept. 20 and I only took one day off," Rice said, and that was only at the insistence of doctors.

"I didn't want to take it off," Rice said. Barring a setback in practice this week, he'll make his return to uniform Monday night against Denver. Rice, who had reconstructive surgery the day after tearing two ligaments and damaging cartilage in his left knee in the Aug. 31 opener at Tampa Bay, was upgraded Thursday to probable from doubtful.

"Basically, I'm doing everything exactly like I was doing before I got injured," Rice said. "I was running good routes, coming out of

my cuts and I felt like I was very explosive."

Rice, 35, resumed practicing with the team on a limited basis last week. Wednesday, team physician Dr. Michael Dillingham, who operated on Rice's knee, cleared him to practice without any restrictions and for the past two days, he has been involved in all the team's workouts, including bump-and-run drills against defensive backs.

"It's surprising that he's available this early," coach Steve Mariucci said. "In the back of our minds, we were preparing not to have him at all. But we didn't put him on injured reserve and after he cut his own cast off, we started thinking, 'Maybe the playoffs.' Then he's running around stadiums before our games and he's going, 'shoom, shoom,' running back and forth and pretty soon it's sooner than that."

## Tell Us Your Favorite Daily Comic Strip

List your 5 favorite comic strips with your most favorite first. Mail or drop your list at The Pampa News before Christmas Day.

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### PRO FOOTBALL

Eds: Tied teams ordered based on tiebreakers.  
National Football League  
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Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
New England	9	5	0	.643	334	253
Miami	9	5	0	.643	327	272
N.Y. Jets	8	6	0	.571	307	274
Buffalo	6	8	0	.429	220	316
Indianapolis	2	12	0	.143	244	362

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
y-Pittsburgh	10	4	0	.714	342	270
Jacksonville	9	5	0	.643	354	295
Tennessee	7	7	0	.500	298	283
Baltimore	5	8	1	.393	291	310
Cincinnati	5	9	0	.357	308	367

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Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	8	5	1	.607	257	248
Washington	7	6	1	.536	282	227
Philadelphia	6	7	1	.464	268	317
Dallas	6	8	0	.429	273	263
Arizona	3	11	0	.214	244	326

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x-Green Bay	11	3	0	.786	360	251
Tampa Bay	9	5	0	.643	268	217
Minnesota	8	6	0	.571	302	317
Detroit	7	7	0	.500	352	283
Chicago	3	11	0	.214	235	380

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-San Francisco	12	2	0	.857	332	210
Carolina	7	7	0	.500	237	253
Atlanta	6	8	0	.429	274	315
New Orleans	5	9	0	.357	197	292
St. Louis	4	10	0	.286	259	328

x-won division title  
y-clinched playoff berth  
Thursday's Game  
Cincinnati 41, Tennessee 14  
Sunday's Games  
Chicago 20, Buffalo 3  
Pittsburgh 35, Denver 24  
Green Bay 17, Tampa Bay 6  
New England 28, Jacksonville 20  
New York Giants 31, Philadelphia 21  
Kansas City 30, Oakland 0  
St. Louis 34, New Orleans 27  
Baltimore 31, Seattle 24  
Atlanta 14, San Diego 3  
Indianapolis 22, New York Jets 14  
San Francisco 28, Minnesota 17  
Washington 38, Arizona 28  
Miami 33, Detroit 30  
Monday's Game  
Carolina 23, Dallas 13  
Saturday, Dec. 13  
Washington at New York Giants, 12:30 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at New England, 4 p.m.  
Sunday, Dec. 14  
Dallas at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.  
Detroit at Minnesota, 1 p.m.  
Tennessee at Baltimore, 1 p.m.  
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Green Bay at Carolina, 4 p.m.  
Kansas City at San Diego, 4 p.m.  
Seattle at Oakland, 4 p.m.  
Chicago at St. Louis, 8 p.m.  
Monday, Dec. 15  
Denver at San Francisco, 9 p.m.

### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

College Bowl Games  
At A Glance  
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Saturday, Dec. 20  
Las Vegas, Nev.  
At Las Vegas  
Air Force (10-2) vs. Oregon (6-5), 6 p.m. (ESPN2)

Thursday, Dec. 25  
Blue-Gray Classic  
At Montgomery, Ala.  
Blue vs. Gray, Noon (ABC)  
Aloha Bowl  
At Honolulu  
Michigan State (7-4) vs. Washington (7-4), 3:30 p.m. (ABC)

Friday, Dec. 26  
Motor City Bowl  
At Strevport, Mich.  
Marshall (10-2) vs. Mississippi (7-4), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Dec. 27  
Heritage Bowl  
At Atlanta  
South Carolina State (9-2) vs. Southern University (10-1), 2:30 p.m. (ESPN)  
insight.com Bowl  
At Tucson, Ariz.  
Arizona (6-5) vs. New Mexico (9-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Sunday, Dec. 28  
Independence Bowl  
At Strevport, Mich.  
LSU (8-3) vs. Notre Dame (7-5), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Monday, Dec. 29  
Humanitarian Bowl  
At Boise, Idaho  
Utah State (6-5) vs. Cincinnati (7-4), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN2)  
Carquest Bowl  
At Miami  
Georgia Tech (6-5) vs. West Virginia (7-4), 7:30 p.m. (TBS)  
Holiday Bowl  
At San Diego  
Missouri (7-4) vs. Colorado State (10-2), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Tuesday, Dec. 30  
Alamo Bowl  
At San Antonio  
Oklahoma State (8-3) vs. Purdue (8-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Wednesday, Dec. 31  
Sun Bowl  
At El Paso, Texas  
Arizona State (8-3) vs. Iowa (7-4), 2 p.m. (CBS)

Liberty Bowl  
At Memphis, Tenn.  
Pittsburgh (6-5) vs. Southern Mississippi (8-3), 3:30 p.m. (ESPN)  
Fiesta Bowl  
At Tempe, Ariz.  
Kansas State (10-1) vs. Syracuse (9-3), 7 p.m. (CBS)

Thursday, Jan. 1  
Outback Bowl  
At Tampa, Fla.  
Wisconsin (6-4) vs. Georgia (9-2), 11 a.m. (ESPN)  
Gator Bowl  
At Jacksonville, Fla.  
North Carolina (10-1) vs. Virginia Tech (7-4), 12:30 p.m. (NBC)

### Scoreboard

Citrus Bowl  
At Orlando, Fla.  
Penn State (9-2) vs. Florida (9-2), 1 p.m. (ABC)  
Cotton Bowl  
At Dallas  
Texas A&M (9-3) vs. UCLA (9-2), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)  
Rose Bowl  
At Pasadena, Calif.  
Michigan (11-0) vs. Washington State (10-1), 5 p.m. (ABC)  
Sugar Bowl  
At New Orleans  
Florida State (10-1) vs. Ohio State (10-2), 8 p.m. (ABC)

Friday, Jan. 2  
Peach Bowl  
At Atlanta  
 Clemson (7-4) vs. Auburn (9-3), 3 p.m. (ESPN)  
Orange Bowl  
At Miami  
Nebraska (12-0) vs. Tennessee (11-1), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

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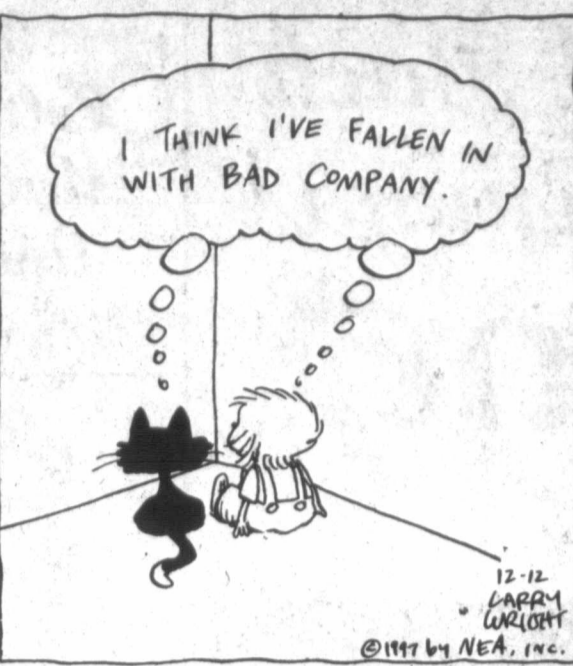
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**NEA Crossword Puzzle**

**ACROSS**

1 Number —  
4 Cures  
9 One —  
12 Car fuel  
13 Like  
14 Aunt or uncle (abbr.)  
15 Actually  
17 Salon purchase  
18 Mideast nation  
19 Emotionless  
21 Letters of the alphabet  
22 Indian  
24 Cagney's partner  
26 Cheese dish  
30 Slipped  
31 Merry  
32 Kin of mono  
33 Roman bronze  
34 Night before a feast  
35 Mention  
36 Artist's medium

**DOWN**

1 Citrus fruit  
2 River nymph  
3 Exclusion from a group  
4 Unorthodox belief  
5 Israeli airline (2 wds.)  
6 Labor org.  
7 Mae West role  
8 Talk-show host

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

**MLT** **ACRE** **TICER**  
**AES** **CRAM** **DORIA**  
**MEL** **CYNICALLY**  
**ARET** **TEAGUE** **SELE**  
**SPAR** **AVAIL**  
**YULETIDE** **AWAL**  
**MHO** **ELO** **PRIMA**  
**CUBED** **MAR** **TAD**  
**AHEM** **CEREMONY**  
**SEA** **EMU**  
**MVI** **LVI** **ISAAC**  
**INTIMENTS** **MER**  
**ASTA** **AGEE** **MOE**  
**NEON** **TEND** **ONE**

12 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11  
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36 37 38  
39 40 41  
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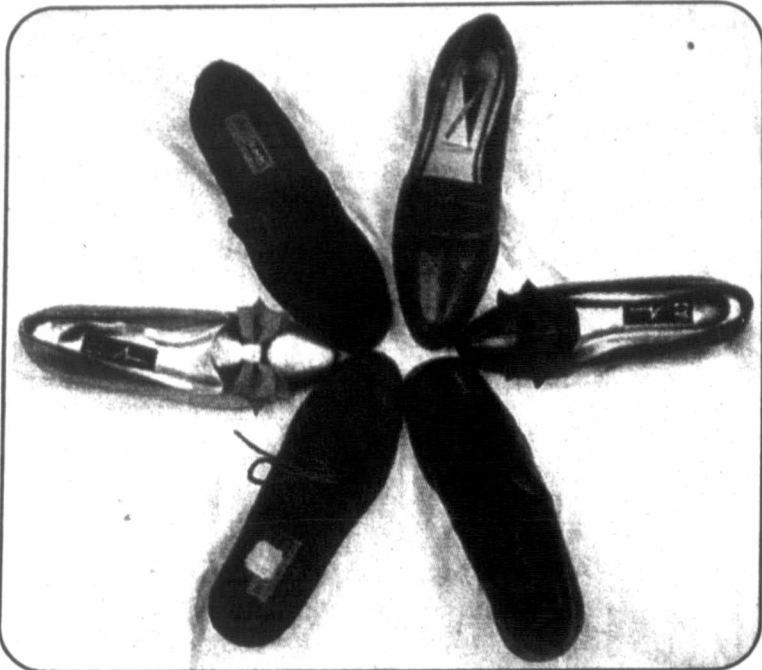
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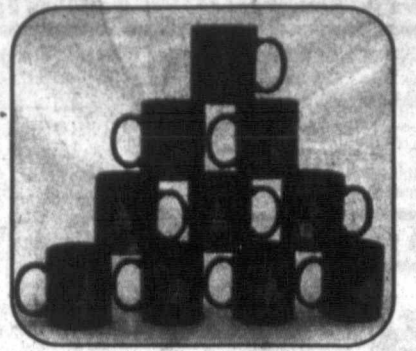
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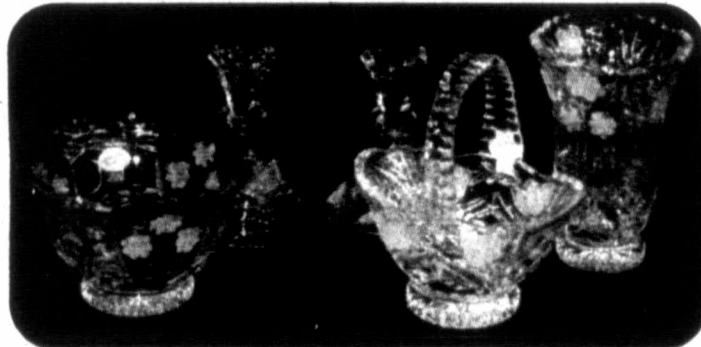
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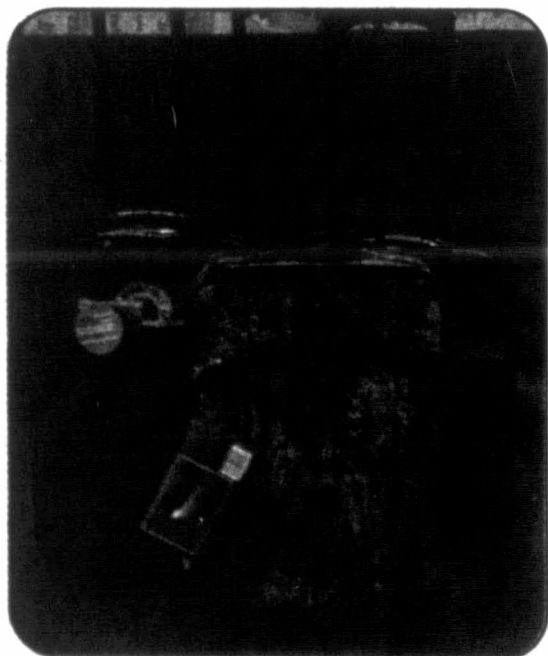
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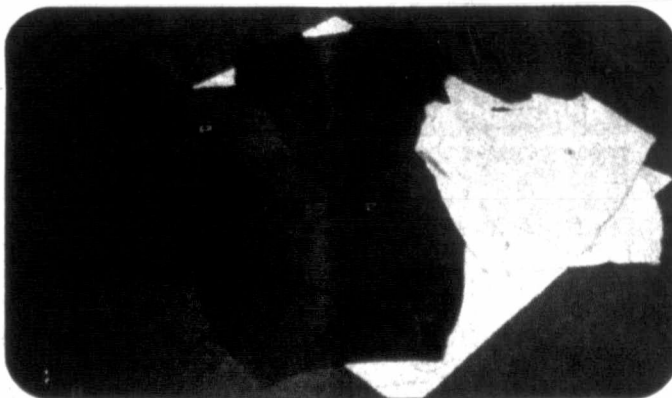


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