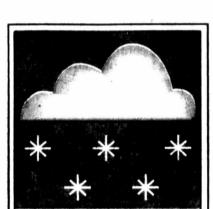


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PAMPA -- Panhandle Community Services and Panhandle Transit will be closed on Dec. 25 and 26 and on Jan. 1 and 2.

PAMPA -- The Zion Lutheran Church will hold a Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 7 p.m., Wednesday.

PAMPA -- Lovett Memorial Library will be closed Dec. 24 and 25 for Christmas. They will also be closed New Year's Day.

Other than Christmas Eve, Christmas and New Year's Day, however, the library will be open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m,

PAMPA -- The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys will meet Saturday night at Clyde Carruth Pavillion. A pot luck supper is planned for 6 p.m.

For more information, call 665-0190, 665-8067 or 665-

PAMPA -- The Pampa Chess Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Grand Coronado Hotel for an instructional session followed by a speed tournament.

For more information, call James A. Shook at 669-0227.

PAMPA -- Nona S. Payne will appear in concert Dec. 29, at the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

PAMPA -- The Pampa High School choir will present Evening on Broadway Dec. 27 and 31.

The Jewish Festival of Lights, Hanukkah, begins at sunset.

On this day in 1823, the poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" by Clement C. Moore ("'Twas the night before Christmas...") was published in the Troy (N.Y.) Sentinel.

- · George L. Casey, 85, of Pampa.
- Lorene Tallet, 84, former Miami resident.
- Ruth McCarver Payton, 74, of Groom.
- Lucy Lovey Mathus, 92, of
- Pampa.

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Pampa hotel owner pleads not guilty to federal charges By JEFF WEST

Staff Writer

A Pampa woman pleaded not guilty today to federal fraud charges before a United States Magistrate in Amarillo today.

Laurel Parker, co-owner and operator of the Grand Coronado Hotel in Pampa with her husband Michael, pleaded not guilty to one count of mail fraud and 23 counts of wire fraud before U.S.

Amarillo.

Parker was indicted Dec. 16, by a federal grand jury.

of the indictment in open court in Amarillo.

After advising her of her rights, Judge Averitte said because Parker had no previous criminal record and appeared in federal court voluntarily, he would released

Magistrate Clinton E. Averitte in her on a personal recognizance bond.

As conditions to her release, Parker cannot travel out of the Today, Parker waived reading state and must refrain from excess use of alcohol. She cannot carry a fire arm and must report any change of address to the

court. "I don't believe I'm supposed to talk about it," Parker said when asked for a comment as she left court today.

Doyce Mallett of the law firm of Mallett and Wester, who represents Parker, had no comment after the 9:30 a.m. court appear-

Authorities said the indictments stem from a credit card scheme involving about

The indictments are the result of a six month investigation by Pampa Police officers, Texas Rangers and the Federal Bureau

Pampa postman Ronny Brownlow

today to deliver the

The 19-year-veter-

an letter carrier said

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of Investigation.

According to the indictment, Parker is accused of defrauding Nona Gray of Pampa and American Express Inc. Court records alledge that Parker also made false and fraudulent statements to perpetuate the credit card scam.

The maximum penalty Parker could receive on all charges is a \$6 million fine and 120 years in

Economy grew at 3.1 percent annual rate in latest quarter

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's economy grew at a robust 3.1 percent annual rate during the July-September quarter, but many analysts believe a slowdown is in store as the Asian financial crisis curbs U.S. sales overseas.

The Commerce Department said today growth in the gross domestic product - the total output of goods and services in the United States — was little changed from the April-June 3.3 percent rate.

Despite its continued strength, the economy so far has not heated price pressures. Although labor shortages are increasing, inflation is nearly nonexistent. In fact, a measure tied to the GDP rose just 1.4 percent at an annual rate, the smallest increase in five years.

Earlier, many analysts predicted economic growth would begin to slow appreciably during the third quarter.

Instead, it continued at nearly the same rate of the April-June quarter, although that was down from an even stronger 4.9 percent in the January-March period, the department said in its revision of third-quarter data.

Many expect financial turmoil in Asia to curb economic growth during 1998 and keep the Federal Reserve from raising short-term interest rates to prevent renewed inflation. They are forecasting a growth rate between 2 percent and 2.5 percent.

Some said the Federal Reserve may be forced to cut rates next year to keep the seven-year economic expansion alive as the strong dollar makes U.S. goods more expensive overseas at the same time hard-pressed foreign businesses cut their prices to attract American consumers.

Woman drops lawsuit over hot-dog contest

HOUSTON (AP) — A Louisiana woman has dropped her lawsuit accusing a nowdefunct nightclub of negligence because she nearly choked to death during a hot-dog eating contest in 1995.

Farley Grissett, lawyer for Victoria Franks Rios of Baton Rouge, La., notified District Judge Scott Brister earlier this month that she was dismissing her action against Peter's

Philip Brinson, an attorney representing the nightclub, said club operators paid no money to Ms. Rios, 27, and there was no settlement.

The woman sued the club's owners, Richmond Club Enterprises in March in connection with the March 26, 1995 inci-

The lawsuit said the hot dog lodged in Ms. Rios' throat, causing serious injuries when her brain was deprived of oxygen.

The club denied any wrongdoing, saying the woman herself was to blame for "failure to exercise ordinary care under the circumstances," and that any injuries may have been caused by a pre-existing condition of the

Pampa museum receives grant

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY

The White Deer Land Museum is receiving almost \$13,000 in grant money from Amarillo Area Foundation. The funding is a portion of about \$250,000 that is being given to museums in the 26 county panhandle area.

Anne Davidson, curator of the White Deer Land Museum, said the grant is being used to rework exhibits in the Pampa museum. The money will pay for an exhibit expert from the Quarter Horse Museum in Amarillo, who scheduled to come to town mid-January, to assess and more appropriately utilize White Deer

Land Museum's current exhibits. "The museum is blessed with

museum its size," said Davidson. An archeologist West Texas A &M is also scheduled to come to the museum in January to evaluate the large collection of arrow-

heads the museum has in its collection, Davidson said. 'We have a very extensive col-

lection and I want to tell what arrowheads are man made," she said.

A new computer system was included in the grant, with internet capabilities to provide the museum and Davidson with the means to communicate with other museums in the area, in the country and throughout the world. Davidson also completed computer training at Amarillo College recently to prepare for the arrival of her Windows '95 program and the computer sys-

grant funding from the Amarillo Area Foundation was required to get a computer and adequate training as part of grant conditions.

The museums were able to get this funding in part through the cooperation of a recently established network of panhandle museums known as the Panhandle Resource Sharing Consortium.

The group, comprised of area representatives. museum assessed the needs of the museums and the consortium then approached the Amarillo foundation about funding these needs. Each museum was able to specify what their greatest needs were and in what areas the monies would apply. Davidson chose to "rework" the White

Every museum that received Deer Land Museums extensive exhibit collection.

The Pampa museum, which was opened in December of 1970 through the efforts of M.K. Brown, is a Gray County entity, Davidson said.

"We have one of the most generous commissioners court in the 26 county area," she said. "They take care of our staff, the exhibits and maintain two buildings."

The museum in turn adheres to county hours and holidays and Davidson said she submits an annual budget to the commissioners under which the museum operates.

"But there's just so much a budget can handle and so we apply for grants to meet needs above and beyond what's allowed for in the budget," she said.

more artifacts than any area tem that now sits in the museum. Nazareth competing with

By DINA KRAFT Associated Press Writer

NAZARETH, Israel (AP) — The city of Nazareth, where the Bible says Jesus was raised, is gearing up for a millennial rivalry with Palestinian-run Bethlehem over the hearts and pocketbooks of millions of pil-

Both cities have recently begun a publicity blitz that will grow increasingly intense as 2000 approaches, and are raising millions of dollars for much-needed face lifts.

For Israel, Nazareth has gained new prominence since Bethlehem became autonomous two years ago. With the holy city of Jerusalem under dispute, this Israeli-Arab town, with about 35 churches and monasteries, is Israel's main undisputed Christian tourist attraction.

Nazareth's Christian credentials will be economically significant in 2000, when up to 5 million tourists, mostly pilgrims, are expected — up from the normal 2 million per

Bethlehem is more geographically central and enjoys a somewhat higher profile in Western song and lore. But Nazareth officials gathered at a millennium party Monday said they are optimistic that history is on their side.

"Nazareth is the place Jesus spent most of his life," said deputy mayor Suhail Diad.

"Jesus was only born in Bethlehem, and he died in Jerusalem. Between those times he was always in Nazareth."

The two cities have much in common: Both are hilly, and Nazareth, with 60,000 people, is only slightly larger. While less than onetenth of Palestinians are Christian, both cities have a considerable Christian minority — in Nazareth about 40 percent, in Bethlehem, about one-quarter.

But Bethlehem is considered part of the West Bank, which Israel captured from Jordan in 1967. It became autonomous in 1995, and it will almost certainly be part of the Palestinian "entity" to emerge in a future final peace settlement.

Nazareth, about 80 miles north, is in land Israel captured during its 1948-49 war of independence, which created borders widely accepted now in the Arab world.

So whereas Bethlehem's population is Palestinian, the people of Nazareth are "Israeli Arabs," part of a minority that accounts for almost one-fifth of Israel's population of 6 million.

"Nazareth is in Israel and will stay in Israel," Tareq Shihada, the city's tourism

Shihada said Nazareth plans some \$250 million in improvements by 2000, and about one-third of the sum had already been raised from the Israeli government.

The focus is on increasing the number of hotel rooms in the city from 600 to 2,000. As part of that, buildings from the 18th and 19th centuries will be converted into bed-andbreakfast inns, he said.

Other projects include adding roads, improving the sewage system, creating a sound-and-light show on the history of Nazareth, renovating the old city and central market, and building a half-mile pathway from downtown to a hilltop church on a site Jesus is believed to have frequented as a boy.

On Monday, the city launched the "Jubillenium," cultural and religious events promoting peace and coexistence over the next two years at various sites around the world and funded by three unidentified businessmen, an Israeli, a European and an American. Nazarenes in biblical robes roamed the hotel lobby where the ceremony was held,

handing out hors-d'oeuvres. It was a prime occasion for Nazareth hype. Mayor Ramiz Jaraisy, who addressed Israeli and foreign dignitaries, said, Nazareth is one of the most important cities in the whole world. It's the hometown of Jesus. He is called Jesus of Nazareth, not Jesus of any other city!"

Bethlehem also has high hopes for a, successful celebration. Last Thursday, the city launched "Bethlehem 2000"

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Services tomorrow

TALLET, Lorene — 2 p.m., Lemons Funeral Home Memorial Chapel, Plainview.

PAYTON, Ruth McCarver — 2 p.m., Groom Church of Christ, Groom.

Obituaries

GEORGE L. CASEY

George L. Casey, 85, of Pampa, died Dec. 22, 1997. Services will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday at Fairview Cemetery with Rev. Jacob Clemmens, rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Casey was born Jan. 22, 1912, in Seminole, Okla. Came to Pampa in 1926 from Hominy, Okla. He was a 1929 graduate of Pampa High School, and received a BBA degree from North Texas State University in Denton. Married Jean Paxson on June 12, 1948 in Pampa. He was a public accountant with Nenstiel and Doggett for 44 years, retiring in 1992.

He served five years in the U.S. Army during World War II, and was a captain in the anti-aircraft division in the European Theater of War. He was a member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church.

Survivors include his wife, Jean of the home; and two sons, Michael Sean Casey of Southlake, and George Patrick Casey of Edmond, Okla.

The family requests memorials be to the St. Matthew's Episcopal Day School, 727 W. Browning, Pampa, Texas 79065, or Hospice of the Panhandle, Box 2795, Pampa, Texas 79066-2795.

LORENE TALLET

Lorene Tallet, 84, died Monday, Dec. 22, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Lemons Funeral Home Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Ron Brunson, pastor of New Covenant Church of Plainview, and the Rev. Richard Emerson, pastor of First Christian Church Disciples of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Parklawn Memorial Gardens.

Mrs. Tallet was born in Buffalo, Mo. In 1914, she moved to Miami, Texas, where she grew up and graduated from high school. She moved to Dayton after graduating and to Plainview in

She worked several places including the Senior Citizens Center. She was a member of the First Christian Church.

She married Earl Tallet in 1934 at Dayton, Ohio. He died in 1980.

Survivors include a daughter, Laveda Anderson of Plainview; two sons, Del Tallet of Houston and Verrell Tallet of Plainview; eight grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

RUTH McCARVER PAYTON

Ruth McCarver Payton, 74, of Groom, died Sunday, Dec. 21, 1997. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Groom Church of Christ with Kent Watson and Alfred White, both of the and locations listed below you will receive a Claude Church of Christ in Claude, officiating. Burial will be in Groom Community Cemetery by Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors, 5400 Bell St., in Amarillo.

Mrs. Payton was born in Wellington. She graduated from Hollis High School in Hollis, Okla. She married Frank Donald Payton in 1950 at

She retired as a dietitian. She was a member of the Groom Church of Christ.

She moved to Groom in 1959 from Pantex.

Survivors include two sons, Kenneth Payton of Groom, and Ricky Payton of Woodward, Okla.; a daughter, Josephine Webb of Clarendon; a brother, JR McCarver of Altus, Okla.; two sisters, Juanita Grant of Bristow, Okla., and Lorene Singleton of Baton Rouge, La.; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to the High Plains Children's Home.

LUCY LOVEY MATHUS

Lucy Lovey Mathus, 92, of Pampa, died Sunday, Dec. 21, 1997. Services pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Police report

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

Tuesday, December 23 Jana Elizabeth Turlington, 23, 510 Starkweather, was arrested on charges of bond forfeit and violation of probation of theft by check in Randall County.

Sheriff's Office

Associated Press Writer

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following calls and arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. todav. Tuesday, December 23

Regina Rene Alexander, 22, 328 Sunset was arrested on two charges of theft by check.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. Monday, December 22

8:37 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport a patient to Baptist St. Anthony's West.

11:58 a.m. – A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport a patient

to Baptist St. Anthony's West. 1:43 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing center on a medical call and one patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

2:23 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport a patient to a local nursing center.

2:48 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of N. Hobart on a medical call and one patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

4:52 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of N. Russell on a medical call and one patient was transported to Columbia Medical

5:42 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center to transport a patient to a local nursing center.

8:36 p.m. – A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of N. Hobart on a medical call and one patient was transported to Columbia Medical

10:30 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of N. Ward on a fire assistance call and no patients were transported.

Tuesday, December 23 3:32 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of N. Hobart on a motor vehicle accident and no patients were transported.

Fires

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

Monday, December 22

9:57 a.m. - Two units and three personnel responded to 1137 Russell on a down power line. 4:50 p.m. - Two units and two personnel responded to 218 N. Russell on a medical assist. 8:17 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to 801 N. Wells on a good intent call. 10:18 p.m. – Two units and four personnel responded to 517 N. Ward on a gas leak.

Calendar of events

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Are you or someone you know in an abusive relationship? Tralee Crisis Center is offering a women's support group Wednesdays at 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. All inquiries will be kept confidential. For information call 669-1131

TOTS-N-TRAINING

Each Wednesday at the following times newsletter and free materials such as books colors, chalk boards, stickers, and much more that will help you get your child ready for school! For more information call Sue Thorton at 669-4700. Frank's Thriftway #1, 300 E, Brown, 10 to 11 a.m.

and 3 to 4 p.m. Frank's Thriftway #2, 1420 N. Hobart, 10 to 11 a.m. and 3 to 4 p.m.

Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart, 10 to 11 a.m. and 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Community Day Care, 1100 Gwendolyn, 4:30 to

TOASTMASTERS

The Toastmasters will meet every Wednesday night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at the Furrs Cafeteria.

PAMPA CHESS CLUB The Pampa Chess Club will hold their

Speed Chess Club Championship Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m.; non member and beginners are very welcome to participate. For more information contact James A. Shook, 669-0227.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are		Chevron84	up 3/16
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Bombing jury still out, a week after closing argu-**By SANDY SHORE**

DENVER (AP) — Jurors resumed work this morning in an effort to determine whether Terry Nichols helped blow up the Oklahoma City federal building, as analysts said the holiday season may become a factor in the deliberations.

The jury was given the case a week ago. By the time U.S. District Judge Richard Matsch sent the Andrew Cohen, who is monitoring the trial. panel home Monday afternoon, deliberations had stretched to 33 1/2 hours over five days.

The jurors have not had any questions since Wednesday, when they asked Matsch for a list of the nearly 200 witnesses and posed a sealed question that has not been revealed

Prosecutors say Nichols and Timothy McVeigh planned the April 19, 1995, bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, the deadliest act of terrorism on U.S. soil. The blast killed 168 people, including 19 children.

Nichols, 42, could receive the death penalty if convicted of murder, conspiracy and weaponsrelated counts. McVeigh, 29, was convicted of identical counts in June and sentenced to death. His appeal is pending.

Jurors convicted McVeigh after deliberating 23 1/2 hours over four days.

Jurors likely are feeling some additional stress because of the holidays, said Denver attorney

"Jurors, like the rest of us, don't like to work around the holiday season," he said. "It adds pressure to get the job done."

The judge hasn't announced what the deliberations schedule would be if jurors don't reach a verdict today. In addition to Christmas looming, Hanukkah begins tonight.

The holidays are stressful for bombing survivors and family members, too. Only about a half dozen traveled to Denver this week, about a third of those who have shown up.

Balloon proposed to lift astronomy instruments to edge of space

AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) - A balloon that can lift 1 1/2 tons to an altitude of 22 miles will be built by NASA as a cheaper way of conducting astronomical research.

The balloon will circle the to \$18 million, Tueller said. Earth about five times during 100 days aloft.

Jack Tueller, a Goddard Space Flight Center astrophysicist and chief project scientist for the Ultra Long Duration Balloon Project, said Monday that the giant balloon — more than 100 yards building — will carry more

earlier scientific balloons.

It will conduct astronomy experiments for about \$1 million, rocket-launched satellites are much less than the cheapest of rarely recovered. The planned NASA's rocket launches, the Pegasus, which costs \$15 million

He said the scientific capabilities of the superballoon and the Pegasus are roughly comparable.

The Pegasus can launch a payload that will stay up for a couple of years, but it is only 500 pounds," he said. "The balloon would carry about 3,000 pounds, but 328 feet in diameter. Altitude wide and taller than a 30-story it will stay up only about 100 days." Another advantage for the baling and heat from the sun.

weight higher and fly longer than loon, said Tueller, is that instruments can be recovered and flown again. Instruments on balloon would be made of a combination of a high-tech fabric and an aluminized polymer material.

Tueller said the balloon would

be partially inflated on the ground with helium, just enough for it to ascend. As the balloon rose, air pressure would decline and the helium expand until the balloon became a sphere some would be controlled by gas vent-

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Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Pampa remains under a winter storm watch with snow expected to continue throughout the day with a high expected of 35 degrees.

It will be cloudy and cold tonight with a 50 percent chance of snow and a low of 25 degrees. Wednesday should be partly cloudy with a high of 37 degrees. The overnight low was 31

REGIONAL FORECAST

WEST TEXAS Plains/Low Rolling Plains advisories/warnings today all except southeast, Tonight, chance of evening rain or snow south plains and rolling plains, otherwise decreasing clouds. Lows 20-30. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs 35-45. Extended forecast, Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the 20s. Christmas, increasing clouds. Highs in the 40s. Friday and Saturday, a chance of rain or tral Texas. Tonight, decreasing snow. Lows in the 20s. Highs in the 40s.

Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Winter weather advisory northwest today. Tonight, decreasing clouds. Lows 25-35. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs 45 northwest to 60 south. Extended forecast, Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows upper 20s to lower 30s. Christmas, increasing clouds. Highs in upper 40s to lower 50s. Friday and Saturday, a chance of rain or snow. Lows upper 20s to lower the 50s. 30s. Highs mainly in the 40s.

Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight, chance of evening rain, then decreasing clouds. Lows 30-40. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs 50-60. Extended forecast, Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows 30-35. Christmas, increasing clouds. Highs upper 40s to mid 50s. Friday and Saturday, a chance of rain. Lows mid to upper 30s. Highs upper 40s to mid 50s.

Far West Texas — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 25-30. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs 50-55. Extended forecast, Highs in the 50s. Wednesday night, increasing clouds. Lows around 30. Christmas, a chance of showers 30s. Highs mid 40s to near 50...

Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 20s to mid 30s. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs 50s mountains to lower 60s rio Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows 20s to lower 30s. Christmas, increasing clouds. lands. Friday and Saturday, becoming mostly cloudy, a slight chance of rain or snow. Lows 20s and 30s. Highs 30s mountains to 50s lowlands.

Tonight, rain ending during the evening west, and by midnight central. Occasional rain and a few thunderstorms east. Locally 44 to southeast. 60s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy north, partly cloudy south. A weather Christmas Day, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 40s to mid 50s. Friday and Saturday, increasing cloudiness Friday, mostly cloudy Saturday. A chance of rain both the mid 40s to lower 50s.

SOUTH TEXAS -- Hill Country and South Central Texas — Flash flood watch in effect today for eastern Hill Country and portions south cenclouds. A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms east early this evening. Lows in the 30s Hill Country to near 40 south central. Wednesday, sunny. Highs in the lower and mid 60s. Wednesday night, clear. Lows near 30 Hill Country to 30s south central. partly cloudy. Highs in the 50s. Friday and Saturday, cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows in the 30s hill country to near 40

in effect today and tonight, elsewhere. Tonight, cloudy and breezy with widespread showers and thunderstorms, with locally heavy rainfall and severe storms possible. Lows in the 40s inland to 50s coast. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 60s. Wednesday chance of rain. Lows in the 40s.

cloudy and cooler. Highs in the 60s. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the 40s. Extended forecast, Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 60s. Friday and Saturday, cloudy grande. Extended forecast, with a chance of rain. Lows around 50 coast to 40s inland. Highs in the 60s.

Deep South Texas — Tonight, Highs 40s mountains to 50s low-mostly cloudy with a slight chance of early evening showers mid 50s coast to upper 40s inland west. Wednesday, partly mid 30s. Highs mid 30s to mid cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s to 40s.

NORTH TEXAS -- Flash flood near 70. Wednesday night, partly watch today and this evening. cloudy. Lows in the mid 50s coast to upper 40s inland west. Extended forecast, Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in the 60s. Friday and Saturday, cloudy heavy rainfall possible north with a chance of rain. Lows near central and east. Lows 34 north- 60 coast, 50s inland. Highs in the

BORDER STATES NEW MEXICO — Winter

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weather advisory today for northwest and west central Oklahoma. Winter storm watch tonight for northwest Oklahoma, Tonight, occasional snow northwest, rain becoming night, partly cloudy. Lows in the mixed with or changing to snow 30s inland to 40s coast. Extended from western north Texas into forecast, Thursday, partly north central Oklahoma, with cloudy. Highs in the 50s. Friday occasional rain southeast and Saturday, cloudy with a Oklahoma. Lows mid 20s northwest Oklahoma to mid 30s southeast Oklahoma. Coastal Bend and the Rio Wednesday, mostly cloudy. A Grande Plains - Tonight, chance of snow north, a chance cloudy and breezy. A slight of a mixture of snow, sleet and late. Highs around 50. Friday chance of showers early in the rain central and southwest, and and Saturday, a chance rain or east. Lows near 50 coast to 40s a chance of rain southeast. Highs snow. Lows upper 20s to lower inland. Wednesday, partly mid 30s northwest to mid 40s southeast. Wednesday night, partly cloudy and cold. A few flurries north central Oklahoma. Low from around 20 northwest Oklahoma to the lower 30s southeast Oklahoma. Extended forecast, Thursday, cloudy. Highs mostly 40s. Friday, increasing cloudiness with a chance of rain or snow west. Lows mid 20s to lower 30s. Highs mostly 40s. Saturday, or thunderstorms. Lows in the mostly cloudy with a chance of rain of snow. Lows upper 20s to

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Class teaches officers how to spot drunken drivers

DALLAS (AP) - After two the pen from side to side. hours of drinking beer and laughing, sheriff's deputy Chris Montemayor was a bit tipsy. Suddenly, Sgt. Danny Fisher of the Dallas Police Department was

this pen?" Fisher asked, moving

Montemayor's eyes twitched other officers were paid to and struggled to keep up with drink alcoholic beverages as the pen.

said later. "It was quite obvious that he failed everything. It "All right, do you see the top of jumps right out. Just like they taught us in class.

Montemayor and seven part of a recent three-day "He is definitely drunk," Fisher seminar to teach officers across North Texas how to spot drunken drivers and how to administer and evaluate field sobriety tests.

Movie not accurate

CHIPPEWA FALLS, Wis. (AP) Residents are giving the new movie "Titanic" two thumbs down for historical accuracy. In the film, which opened

Friday, actor Leonardo DiČaprio plays a budding Chippewa Falls artist who describes ice fishing back home on Lake Wissota.

But there's one snag: Lake Wissota wasn't created until five years after the infamous passenger liner sank in April, 1912.

"It couldn't have happened because the lake wasn't filled until 1917," said Chippewa Falls historian Dolores Beaudette. "Have you ever been to

Wisconsin?" the fictional Dawson asks the aristocratic Rose Bukater, portrayed by actress Kate Winslet.

Residents are asking that same question of the movie's filmmakers: Have you ever been to Wisconsin?

"At that time there was no body of water there," said Northern States Power Co. spokesman Brian Elwood.

Robber leaves clue

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — A man accused of robbing a local bank might have left with the cash but he certainly didn't leave police with a whodunit.

He left his Social Security number on the teller's counter. "This was not a real tough one

to solve," said Fargo Police Lt. John Sanderson.

Timothy A. French, 23, of Grand Forks, is accused of holding up a branch of the Gate City Federal Savings bank Friday morning in Fargo, and getting away with about \$3,400.

The FBI said he entered the with a note scrawled on the outside demanding money.

The teller complied and the robber fled, leaving the envelope behind.

Inside was a pay stub from a Grand Forks company that had French's Social Security number on it. The company confirmed French had worked there for a short time ago. Within hours, French was caught.

Student sues town

MILFORD, Conn. (AP) — An 18-year-old has sued the town claiming his nose got hooked "like a fish" on a city-owned basketball hoop.

ripped his nostril on a hoop while rights cases. playing a pickup game June 30 at a city playground.

When he jumped for the basket, he caught his nose on an 'S' 12, 1963. hook attached to the rim, his mother, Margaret Vella, said.

The hook pierced her son's nostril "like a fish" and tore it open, she said.

Vella, a high school basketball player, claims the city was negligent for failing to properly maintain the basketball net and hoop.

He needed multiple stitches both inside and outside his nose.

Holiday cheer -- from plastic surgery to skulls

By JUSTIN BERGMAN **Associated Press Writer**

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) - Everyone is used to clothing and toys at Christmas, but cles used to grimace or squint. what about a toe-tag key chain? It's the rage at one coroner's office.

How about a stuffed version of Socks, the Clinton cat? You can find one at the White House gift shop. You can even stuff a stocking with a cat's skull — it's yours for just \$49 at a Buffalo knickknack shop.

Americans giving the unusual at the holidays isn't THAT unusual. But store ownthe offbeat, sure to make a lasting impres-

There's even big demand for rhinoplasty nose jobs — and temporary wrinkle T'll be seeing a lot of people over the

said Fran Younger of Rochester, who spent \$400 to have her wrinkles removed.

holidays and I just wanted to look better,"

George Brennan in Newport Beach, Calif., are offering a deal this Christmas on Botox, an injection that eliminates wrinkles by temporarily "paralyzing" the facial mus-

Quatela calls it the "event collagen," because so many people want to have the procedure done before holiday parties.

"This time of year, people like to give themselves a little boost but they don't

At the Lucy-Desi Museum Gift Shop in Jamestown, mail-order requests have piled ers this year are offering a wide variety of up. The store is filled with unusual items, including a \$250 music box that features Lucy pouring the tonic while her dubbed cookie jar shaped like the convertible the Ricardos and the Mertzes took to California gold White House.

"I think people like it because the things look really authentic," said Louise Hayden, voice tries to hawk it. There's also a \$130

Drs. Vito Quatela in Rochester and some people, it's also nostalgic. If they else.

grew up watching (I Love Lucy'), they might like this memorabilia."

If they like the morbid, a gift from the Los Angeles County coroner's office may tickle their fancy. T-shirts, hats, mugs, note pads, beach towels and those key chains all with an coroner's office seal - fill the

Or they may like something from Tattoos by Paul Massaro in Buffalo, which stocks want to incur any downtime like major real skulls of lizards, coyotes, spider mon-surgery would entail," Quatela said. keys and bobcats. Culled from taxidermists and universities, the skulls can cost as much as \$329 for an alligator.

And then there's the White House gift shop, which offers not only the stuffed Socks but golf towels with the Secret Service logo and beer mugs adorned with a

"I think it's a little more personal if you who lives in Washington. "It has the know someone's a Lucy fan," said Susan insignia from the White House, it's defi-Ewing, director of the small museum. "For nitely something you can't find anywhere

Private services today for comic **Chris Farley**

MADISON, Wis. (AP) public memorials planned in the big cities where he became famous, the family of comedian Chris Farley sought privacy for their own farewell in his hometown.

Farley, 33, the big, boisterous comic who was a cast member on NBC-TV's 'Saturday Night Live" for four seasons, was found dead Thursday at his apartment in Chicago. The cause of death has not yet been released.

Relatives and close friends gathered here for his funeral today at Queen of Peace Catholic Church. His family asked that fans stay away.

"Later on, the public will be able to visit Chris' (grave) site if they want to get close to him," said his brother, John Farley.

A public service was being arranged for later at Edgewood High School, which Farley attended, and other memorials were being planned in Chicago, New York and Los Angeles, John Farley

Another brother, Tom Farley, said Monday the family was dealing with the tragedy "in typical Irish fashion. A lot of tears, a lot of laughter."

'It's wonderful to see the outpouring of support and sympathy from well beyond the boundaries of Madison," he said. "It's a fine tribute to Christopher."

Energy Department releases film of A-bomb tests

By SCOTT SONNER **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S. government set off more than two dozen atomic blasts from 1961 to 1973 to study whether nuclear explosives could and canals, newly declassified blast. The bomb at Hiroshima large area of contaminated water. documents show.

The most destructive, at the Nevada Test Site July 6, 1962, was previewed the films with Kennedy donning eye shades to seven times the size of the bomb reporters, including new footage view a blast at the Nevada Test Hiroshima, Japan. It displaced 12 radiation tests on pigs and other nuclear weapon from a shoulder-fied," Pena said.

the seismic energy equivalent of ing the Cold War. an earthquake with a magnitude of 4.75 on the Richter scale.

Newly released film of that "Project Sedan" shows the spectacular explosion and 320-foot- harbors. The small nuclear device was 15 kilotons.

Energy Secretary Federico Pena Attorney

million tons of earth and released animals at nuclear test sites dur- fired rifle, a weapon the Army

The Energy Department also showed tests 30 years ago using parachutists to deliver a lightweight nuclear device to enemy

Other footage included then-

withdrew from units in 1972. The release of the previously

secret material was part of the Clinton administration's evolving policy of openness at DOE. It said. was accompanied by new rule deep, 1,280-foot-diameter crater would have yielded less than a changes intended to protect be used to build harbors, tunnels left behind by the 104 kiloton kiloton, but could have left a whistleblowers who work for DOE contractors and to reverse the burden of proof when deter-General Robert mining whether nuclear-related documents should be classified.

"In the past, documents have dropped in August, 194,5 on he described as "disturbing" of Site in 1962 and a soldier firing a been assumed to be born classi-

bank, asked to cash a check, then handed a teller a torn envelope Evers' killing conviction upheld, Beckwith plans appeal

By GINA HOLLAND **Associated Press Writer**

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — Byron De La Beckwith is ready to go as far as the U.S. Supreme Court now that Mississippi's highest conviction in the slaying of civil rights leader Medgar Evers.

cist was fairly convicted in his third trial, which came more than shot to death at the age of 37.

Black activists said they hope the decision will inspire other Peter Martin Vella said he prosecutions in now-closed civil

retary for the Mississippi said. NAACP, in his driveway on June

The ailing Beckwith, now 77, was tried twice in 1964, but both all-white juries deadlocked. Beckwith, a fertilizer salesman, claimed he was 90 miles away at you just can't go out and kill a and two dissented. the time, but his fingerprint was found on the scope of a rifle believed to be the murder

A jury of eight blacks and four whites convicted him in 1994

after the case was resurrected.

sooner or later, face the cold realization that justice, slow and plodding though she may be, is court has refused to overturn his Mississippi," Justice Mike Mills

The retrial came at the urging like that, just (asked) what's the The state Supreme Court ruled of Evers' wife, Myrlie Evers- next step? We knew the case Monday that the white suprema- Williams, the national chair- could go either way," Coxwell woman of the National said. Association for the Advancement three decades after Evers was of Colored People. She said she was "deliriously relieved" with the ruling. nesses w "It's like taking a deep breath was lost.

and letting the air out of your lungs very slowly and saying 'it's A sniper killed Evers, field sec- over' and really meaning it," she should Mississippians free, as my family, 1994, to merely state the truth in Medgar's family, is now free —

> finally. Said Evers' brother, Charles: would go free. Now we know

black man or woman and noth-"Miscreants brought before the ing is done. Justice finally came. bar of justice in this state must, It was a long time coming, but she's welcome home." One of Beckwith's attorneys,

Merrida Coxwell, said he met certain in the state of with his jailed client, who wants to appeal in federal court. 'He didn't cuss or anything

> The heart of Beckwith's appeal was that he was denied a speedy and fair trial. Many potential wit-

nesses were dead and evidence The resolution of the case "resulted from voices, both present and past, who showed the courage and will, from 1964 to open court," Mills wrote. "Their

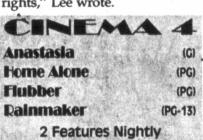
Three of the nine justices did "Before, the killer of a black man not take part in the appeal. Four justices supported the conviction

voices cannot be ignored."

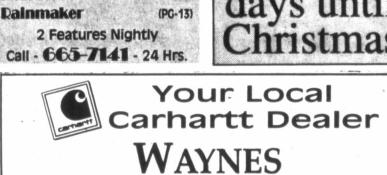
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Chief Justice Dan Lee, one of the dissenters, said upholding Beckwith's conviction "results in a total eradication of the guarantee of a speedy trial from the constitutional lexicon.'

"The state delayed prosecution of Beckwith for some 9,706 days and, with the legal equivalent of a 'straight face,' asked us to ignore Beckwith's constitutional rights," Lee wrote.







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want to wish their Great-Grandparents, Lee Roy & Mary McBride, a very Merry Christmas. We Love you!

Finding Water Valve Now Will Keep Your Powder Dry Later

DEAR ABBY: This is good advice any time of the year, but especially now that the weather is cold. Please tell your readers to locate the main water shut-off valve in the house and make sure it's in good working order now, before they have an internal water leak.

I work as a dispatcher, and you would be surprised at the number of people who call and don't know where the water meter and shut-off valves are located. They become frantic when a pipe breaks and causes damage, and demand that a water company representative respond immediately to turn off. the water.

Most water companies are not responsible for internal leaks, but that's hard to explain to a panicked

While they are at it, they should also locate and inspect the shut-offs for sinks, toilets, washing machines, WATER COMPANY DISPATCHER

DEAR DISPATCHER: Good advice. People should also make sure the wrench they may need is handy and that they know how to use it.

DEAR ABBY: I'll get straight to the point. I lie too much. Sometimes I lie about little things, but other

times I lie about big things. Last week, I woke up and realized that my habit of lying was

Abigail Van Buren

wrong, and one day I'll have to pay

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I've tried to stop, but over and over I catch myself doing it again. I want to talk to my mom about this, but when I get ready to ask her for help, I feel embarrassed and scared. Abby, I desperately need your

NEEDS ADVICE IN VIRGINIA

DEAR NEEDS ADVICE: You're right - someday you will have to pay for your lies if you continue.

When you find yourself lying, confess immediately that you stretched the truth or embroidered it - then apologize. Most people will be forgiving when you immediately admit a

Not only will you feel better about yourself, you won't have to keep track of all the lies so you can cover for them.

Don't hesitate to ask your mother to assist you in breaking

this habit. She loves you and wants the best for you, so go ahead and talk to her about it while you have the desire to quit.

DEAR ABBY: My husband passed away many years ago when our children were very young. I have remained close to his family and they are a big part of my chil-

I am planning to remarry and don't know if I should stop referring to them as my in-laws. We will always be close, but I don't want to hurt them or offend my new

Abby, how should I refer to "old"

IN-LAW RICH IN NEW YORK STATE

DEAR IN-LAW RICH: Your in-laws are now your former inlaws, except in some cases in which the IRS states that they are in-laws 'til death do ye part. However, since you are on such friendly terms with them, continue to call them "Mom," "Dad," "sister-in-law," etc. In view of the emotional attachment, it's justified.

CONFIDENTIAL TO MY JEWISH READERS: Happy Hanukkah!

Horoscope

Wednesday, Dec. 24, 1997 🦠

In the year ahead, you could enjoy exciting opportunities that will introduce signif- ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you fail to

shopping today, leave your credit cards your companions today. Try to see things at home. It is OK to spend time window from their point of view. Set an example wishing, provided you don't make com- for yourself and others. pulsive purchases. Capricorn, treat your- GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You might be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You could tions so you'll know exactly what you're

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create dissension in the ranks today if you champion an unpopular cause and LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Brace yourself for try to impose it upon others in a forceful

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today, you might have to pick up the loose threads others have unraveled and try to piece them together in a way that will bring order out of chaos.

icant changes into your lifestyle. The screen your social commitments carefully results should be pleasing if taken one at today, you might find yourself immersed

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Take into CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you go consideration the feelings and needs of

self to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro- saddling yourself with unworkable con- and adhere to it Graph predictions for the year ahead by cepts that need to be modified. Do not let SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) This mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o your stubbornness impede your progress. might be one of those days when you're this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758, Murray CANCER (June 21-July 22) Before not too good at keeping secrets. Your Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be involving yourself in a joint endeavor chatty nature could reveal something and today, carefully analyze all its ramifica-

getting into

turbulence if you're disinterested or not supportive of your mate's ideas and desires. Thoughtlessness has a bigger sting than usual today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Assignments done in haste today may have to be repeated. Analyze each task properly before beginning it and pace yourself so what you do, you'll do well.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Usually you're in a complicated agenda designed by conservative in managing your resources. Today, however, the splurger in you may emerge and cause you to indulge when you shouldn't.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today, you might be restless and this could induce you to start a number of things you won't finish. Set your mind on a specific course

spoil a surprise

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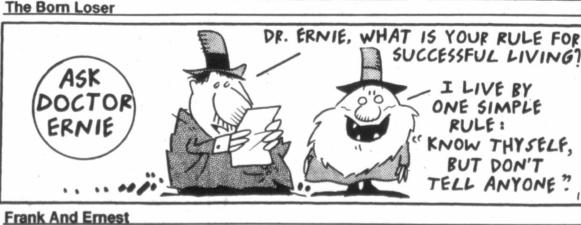
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BASKETBALL

PAMPA — The Pampa High boys' and girls' basketball teams are both entered in tournaments over the holidays.

The Harvesters (5-9) meet Fort Worth Western Hills (6-6) at 3 p.m. Monday in the opening round of the Lions Club Tournament in Fort Worth.

The Lady Harvesters (6-7) meet Slaton at 7 Monday night in the first round of the Slaton Tournament.

GOLF

PAMPA — Hidden Hills Seniors held a scramble last week with 50 players entered. Results are as follows:

First place: Leroy Morris, Oscar Sargent, Charles Terrell and Roy Porter, 63.

Buddy Second place: Epperson, Irvin Williams, Jim Maher and Glen Downs, 63.

Third place: Dale Haynes, Bob Young, Waldon Haynes and Bill Abernathy, 63.

Fourth place: Ralph Wilson, Morris Driver, Preston Cox and Joe Wheeley, 64.

FOOTBALL

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — Reggie Brown's chances of recovery are good but his football career appears over.

The Detroit linebacker had spinal neck surgery Monday after he was injured during a victory over the New York Jets that sent the Lions into the playoffs. He will wear a neck brace known as a halo the next three months.

Brown's face turned blue after a collision on a tackle, and a doctor gave him mouthto-mouth resuscitation on the

"At this point, it is hard to say how serious and how permanent his injury is," team physician Dr. David Collon said. "The first 72 hours after such an injury are important. The next two weeks also will tell us a lot."

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — While ridding themselves of a troublesome situation by trading outfielder Carl Everett to the Houston Astros, the New York Mets might have more relievers than they need now that they have John Hudek.

Everett's tenure in New York has been tenuous since Aug. 7, when his two children were taken into custody by New York City officials after a Shea Stadium child care worker noticed bruises on Shawna, 6. Five-year-old Carl also was placed in foster care although he was not injured.

A New York Family Court judge dropped child abuse charges against the outfielder and his wife Oct. 29, but ruled that Linda Everett inflicted "excessive corporal punishment" on their two children and that her husband did little to stop her. Since then, the Everetts have been allowed supervised visits with the chil-

"We are confident that that issue is heading in the right direction and under control and, hopefully, will not be a major distraction to either Carl or the ballclub in the coming year," Astros general manager Gerry Hunsicker said after Monday's trade.

Mets general manager Steve Phillips said Everett's off-thefield situation didn't cause the

trade. "It's been a very difficult thing for Carl and his family," Phillips said. "Our position has been we hope it resolves itself in a way that is beneficial for Carl and his family and everyone involved."

Everett hit .248 last season with 14 home runs and 57 RBIs in 443 at-bats. With the acquisition of Brian McRae last summer and Rich Becker during the offseason, the Mets found Everett expendable.

"Clearly he has the talent to become an impact player in this game, and hopefully 1998 will be that year,' Hunsicker said.

Sanders is unanimous pick for All-Pro Team

Stubblefield, were unanimous history. selections for The Associated Press All-Pro Team released Monday.

Sanders, the Detroit Lions' star running back, made the squad for the sixth time, earning votes from all 48 members of a nationwide panel of sports writers and broadcasters. Pittsburgh's Dawson, the leading vote-getter last season, was the only center named on any

San Francisco among defensive players and the one of the league's best record —

and defensive end Dana were the second most in NFL

"It's a huge honor," Dawson said. "Unanimous means special, means everybody. It doesn't get any better than that."

Dawson was one of three Steelers on the team, joined by safety Carnell Lake and inside Denver and Dallas also had three each.

Buffalo defensive end Bruce Smith was chosen for the eighth time and, like Dawson and defensive tackle John Randle of tackle Minnesota, made it for the fifth Stubblefield was the leader consecutive season. The other defensive lineman was Michael

and Denver linebacker John Mobley.

Szott's wife, Andrea, was upset when he didn't make the Pro Bowl, but "she won't cry tonight.

'She was not crying for herself, she was crying for me," said Szott, who was joined by linebacker Levon Kirkland. Dallas' Larry Allen at guard. "For the people who don't get a lot of recognition, it's as big a

Cowboys were cornerback Deion Sanders, making it for the fifth time (once as a kick only member of the team with Strahan of the New York Giants. returner), and first-year kicker league? Two players who drew atten- Richie Cunningham. In addi-

NEW YORK (AP) - Barry Kansas City - to make All-Pro. Bowl in voting conducted by the squad were tight end were chosen at receiver. Also

league's most valuable player the past two years - the MVP will be announced Saturday, and nobody has won it three times - was an easy winner at quarterback. The other member Packers to make All-Pro was safety LeRoy Butler.

MVP the last two years, because and Lake in the secondary was it's MVP of the quarterbacks," deal for the wives and the par- Favre said. "Any player who ents and the brothers as it is for us. This is exciting."

Along with Allen, the other this year. What other honor can made the team and 12 from the you give besides MVP that is AFC. First-time All-Pros were that special, because there are Rob Moore, Ogden, Boselli, some great quarterbacks in this Szott, Alstott, Cunningham,

along with Green Bay and tion for not making the Pro tion to Mobley, the Broncos on Herman and Arizona's Rob, Lake and Barker.

Sanders, the third NFL player to rush for 2,000 yards in a season, happened this year," said chosen for the All-Pro team: back Terrell Davis.

"A lot of nice things have fans, players and coaches were shannon Sharpe and running making the offensive team were tackles Jon Ogden of Baltimore and center Dermontti Dawson Sanders, whose 2,053 yards Kansas City guard Dave Szott Green Bay's Brett Favre, the and Tony Boselli of Jacksonville, fullback Mike Alstott of Tampa Bay, and kick returner Eric Metcalf of San

> Joining Mobley at outside linebacker was Jessie Armstead of the defending champion of the Giants, while the other inside linebacker with Kirkland was Hardy Nickerson of Tampa "It means just as much as the Bay. Along with Sanders, Butler Arizona's Aeneas Williams.

The punter was Jacksonville's

Strahan, Stubblefield, A pair of Moores, Detroit's Armstead, Mobley, Kirkland,

Pats slip by Miami

MIAMI (AP) — The Patriots beat the Dolphins in New England and in Miami. Now they'll try to beat them in the playoffs.

The season series climaxes Sunday with a winner-take-all rematch. The Patriots will be at home, thanks to Monday night's 14-12 victory over Miami.

The win gave New England (10-6) the AFC East championship and home-field advantage for the first round in the playoffs.

"I'm thrilled that we get to take this game back to our fans," coach Pete Carroll said.

Miami (9-7) will try to break a seven-game losing streak in postseason road games since winning the Super Bowl in January 1974. They lost at New England 27-24 on Nov. 23.

"Fortunately we get another shot," coach Jimmy Johnson said. Johnson was bitter about the officiating in Monday's defeat. A holding penalty negated a twopoint conversion that would have tied the score, and a fumble return for a touchdown was waved off when the officials said the play

was blown dead. "I wouldn't like it at all if it was over. But it's not over," Johnson said.

The site for the rematch favors New England, however, especially if the weather is wintry.

"Hopefully it will be 20 below," Patriots cornerback Ty Law said. 'You know those guys aren't used

New England's path to the division title was a rocky one that included a potentially devastating overtime defeat against Pittsburgh on Dec. 13. The defending AFC champions had trouble protecting leads and suffered lopsided losses to Denver, Green Bay and Tampa Bay. But they beat Miami twice.

"The AFC East championship means a lot to us," quarterback Drew Bledsoe said. "It was one of our goals and we were able to do it. We didn't do it probably in the fashion we would have liked, but we get to play in front of our fans next week and we're very excited about that."

Bledsoe, trying to shake a reputation for poor play in big games, threw for only 173 yards Monday. But he rallied New England from a 6-0 halftime deficit with touchdown drives of 70 and 55 yards.

"Obviously this game was important for a lot of reasons," he said. "We had to show we could play well and win a game with some huge implications."

New England's defense forced the Dolphins into repeated negative-yardage plays with frequent blitzing. A harried Marino completed 28 of 44 passes for 278 yards, but was sacked four times.

"They blitzed us and blitzed us, and half the time we didn't make the adjustments," Marino said. "There were some I missed. It created a problem, and it's something we're going to have to work

Marino's 8-vard touchdown pass to Lamar Thomas made the score 14-12 with 3:46 left. But Karim Abdul-Jabbar's two-point conversion run was negated by a holding penalty on seven-time Pro Bowl tackle Richmond Webb, and on the second conversion attempt, Marino's pass fell incomplete.

"The official called one of the eight or nine penalties he called against us," Johnson said. "I think they had

Mr. Bass



Roy Alderson (above) has been named Mr. Bass for 1997 in the Top Of Texas Bassmasters. Alderson finished the year with 84.03 points. The top six finishers for the year are: Roy Alderson, Ronny Alderson, Steve Stauffacher, Bill Crook, Mike Young and Matt Schiffman. These anglers qualify to fish in the state tournament at O.H. Ivy in March, 1998. New officers for 1998 are Jim Corley, president; Bill Crook, vicepresident and Matt Schiffman, secretary treasurer.

Is it the end of an era in Dallas?

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Barry Switzer's days at Valley Ranch and Switzer have had a good run. appear numbered, with owner Jerry Jones the only one who can and our team have a Super Bowl say when that number is up.

While the end of the four-year Switzer era appears near, other pen.' changes will sweep through the Dallas Cowboys after their most disappointing season since 1989, when Jimmy Johnson was a rookie coach in a 1-15 campaign.

several veteran players probably have played their final game as a Cowboy.

Dallas dozed through a 20-7 loss to the NFC East champion New York Giants on Sunday to end the season at 6-10. Dallas will have the

Cowboys, but his teams have been 17-17, including playoff games, since they beat Pittsburgh in the 1996 Super Bowl.

The Cowboys' vast complex was shut down Monday for the holidays. Owner Jerry Jones has said nothing would be done regarding up offensive line. coaching or personnel changes

until late January or February. It is the first time the Cowboys haven't been in the playoffs since trade them.

made, even though it may include the painful dismissal or reassignment of his close friend Switzer.

"I'm not looking at this thing miserable pass rush. through rose-colored glasses, Jones said. "We have a lot of work to be done."

Switzer himself said his days as coach are probably over.

"I'm not sure I want to come back," Switzer said. "I'll sit down with Jerry and talk about it and then we'll let you know what we decide. There will be a lot of

Switzer said he and Jones have talked about a possible consultant role, but Jones corrected his coach by saying they have never talked. Jones considers Switzer a good his \$1 million per year contract.

Jones is already talking like he

I feel very rewarded that Barry ring," Jones said. "This would be very hard to take if that didn't hap-

While Switzer went Christmas shopping, Jones had his own shopping list for players.

Dallas' dynamic trio of quarterback Troy Aikman, wide receiver Offensive coordinator Ernie Michael Irvin and Emmitt Smith, Zampese expects to be fired and will return although they all had subpar seasons.

Aikman had 19 touchdown passes, but served up 12 intercep-

"I'm disappointed with my performance and the team's and I look forward to doing what it No. 8 spot in the draft, highest takes to get this team back to where it was," Aikman said. "In Switzer is 45-26 with the fact, if we can get things together I'd like to play another six years.

Irvin caught 75 passes for 1,180 yards, but had only nine TD receptions. He spent most of the season being double-covered.

Smith, despite injuries, still managed 1,074 yards behind a banged-

Both Irvin and Smith will return because it would cost too much against the salary cap for Jones to

Dallas desperately needs a pass-Jones knows changes have to rushing end. Broderick Thomas, Shante Carver and Kavika Pittman were busts this year. Jones could trade up to help the Cowboys'

> The Cowboys also need offensive linemen. Veteran Mark Tuinei is unlikely to return because of injuries which kept him on the sidelines most of the season. Guard Nate Newton was overweight and injured most of the year. Dallas wants him back, but at 40 to 50 pounds lighter.

> Dallas must re-sign free agent Larry Allen, who moved from right guard to left tackle late in the season and was most impressive. His free agency price tag could be around \$4 million.

Wide receiver Anthony Miller evaluator of talent and, besides, is a free agent, but Jones has indi-Switzer has several years to go on cated the Cowboys want to resign him.

WT soccer program puts four on regional teams

placed one player each on their points. respective region's first and second team, according to WTAMU head coach Butch Lauffer.

Ragan Young (Sr., Forward, Richardson) was a NCAA Division II All-Midwest firstteam selection, while teammate Highland Village) was a secondteam pick. Although WTAMU for entry into the NCAA Tournament, it is a part of the Midwest Region for post-season

Saylor Amarillo) was chosen to the 36 WT matches. NCAA Division II All-Great Euless) was tabbed to the second-

in scoring per game with an aver- and five assists to up her career age 2.00 points per game on the totals to 10 goals and seven strength of 13 goals and 10 assists assists. Last season, Daniels was

Texas A&M University men's career with 60 starts producing and women's soccer teams 25 goals and 18 assists for 68

Meanwhile, Dougan was a four-year mainstay on the Buffalo defense, but he was not the ordinary defender. He contributed four his career five goals this season to improve his career points level to 19. Dougan com-Michael Dougan (Sr., Back, pleted his career at WT with 68 starts in the Buff backfield.

Saylor, a two-time all-Lone Star competes in the Far West Region Conference first-team pick, topped all Lady Buff scorers this season with 21 points on seven goals and seven assists in 20 starts. During her two-year On the women's side, Julie career, she has produced 12 goals (Soph., Midfielder, and 13 assists, while starting all

Daniels, who was overlooked Plains first-team, and Amy by the LSC coaches for its post-Daniels (Soph., Midfielder, season recognition, received her due notice by the Great Plains Region. As a midfielder, she Young led the Far West Region recorded 17 points with six goals

The men' soccer team, 12-6 on heartbreaking four overtime State University.

CANYON — Both the West in 18 matches. He finished his selected to the College Sports match to eventual national cham-Information Directors of America pion Cal State University-All-Great Plains Region First- Bakersfield in contest lasting over 146 minutes.

The Lady Buffs, 13-7 on the the year, finished the 1997 season year, hosted and won the Lone with its first-ever invitation to Star Conference Post-Season the NCAA Division II playoffs. Tournament with a 1-0 victory The Buffs lost a thrilling, but over top-seeded Midwestern

Carolina now unanimous No. 1

By JIM O'CONNELL

AP Basketball Writer

The Associated Press' college bastimes last season, including in the ketball poll, and now no one else is final poll. The last time the Tar

getting any No. 1 votes. rankings for the second straight they received all the first-place week Monday, and it's the first votes four times. time they were a unanimous

choice since 1986. The first five spots in the Top 25 remained the same from last week round of 16. as Kansas, Duke, Kentucky and Arizona held their places in the

The Tar Heels (12-0) received all two spots to ninth.

70 No. 1 votes and 1,750 points from the national media panel. Kansas, which had 1,635 points,

North Carolina is still on top of was a unanimous No. 1 three Heels were a unanimous No. 1 The Tar Heels were atop the was in the 1985-86 season, when

That season, like Kansas last year, the Tar Heels were eliminated in the NCAA tournament's

Utah, Purdue and Stanford each moved up one place to Nos. 6 through 8, while UCLA jumped

Late block helps Number 23 Mountaineers survive scare

By The Associated Press

Not long after West Virginia found out it was ranked for the first time in three years, the Mountaineers found themselves in

Twenty-five minutes before playing Virginia Tech, the No. 23 Mountaineers learned they were back in the AP Top 25 for the first time since 1994. Then they went out and shot 39 percent from the field, 47 percent from the line and

turned the ball over 14 times. But Damian Owens blocked Eddie Lucas' 3-point try with three seconds left Monday night to save West Virginia, which held off Virginia Tech 55-52 at Blacksburg,

"I jumped up and tried not to foul him, and I guess I got a little higher than he did," Owens said.

With his team leading by three in 10 3-pointers. the final seconds, West Virginia coach Gale Catlett had simple instructions for his club.

"Give them all the 2s they want, but don't foul them and no 3s," Catlett said he told his team.

Fortunately, Owens was listen-

Elsewhere in the Top 25, it was No. 7 Purdue 118, Florida A&M 77; No. 8 Stanford 95, Santa Barbara 62; No. 9 UCLA 81, Boise St. 75; No. 15 Iowa 82, Southern Miss 58; No. 16 Mississippi 74, Louisville 70; No. 20 Maryland 110, N.C.-Asheville 52; No. 21 Clemson 65, Charleston Southern 42; and No. 22 Rhode Island 85, Ohio 72.

West Virginia was frustrated by the Hokies' zone defense, halfcourt trap and slow-down offense.

The young Hokies (5-3), who start two sophomores, two seniors and a freshman, were unable to In the final 9 1/2 minutes, the Hokies scored only six points.

"Basically this game boiled

place in Las Vegas at an undeter-

mined site on April 25, according to

Holyfield, the WBA and IBF

champion, will get at least \$30 mil-

Jion and Lewis, the WBC champ, at

done," Lewis said Monday. "But,

Like all things in boxing, I'll believe

it's happening when Holyfield and

I are standing face to face in the

But Jim Thomas, Holyfield's

lawyer in Atlanta, disputed the

contract and reported payments

Monday. He said both sides met

Saturday and came very close to an agreement, but nothing was

"It's purely speculation," he said.

Holyfield was in Houston,

where he told television station

KRIV he will sign a deal soon.

"I'm happy the deal has been

Lewis' promoter, Panos Eliades.

Evander Holvfield.

Teast \$20 million.

ring in Las Vegas."

plays at critical times," Tech coach time.

with 18 points.

Jenis Grindstaff and Rolan in the final tonight. Roberts, both freshmen, scored 14 points apiece for the Hokies. No. 7 Purdue 118, Florida A&M 77

Jaraan Cornell scored 23 points and Brad Miller 18 to lead the Boilermakers (10-2).

Chad Austin had 17 points and Gary McQuay 14 as Purdue set a Mackey Arena record by making 14 3-pointers.

Jerome James paced Florida A&M (3-6) with 20 points. No. 8 Stanford 95, Santa Barbara

At Stanford, Calif., David Moseley scored a career-high 20 points and Ryan Mendez 18 for the

Cardinal (8-0). Moseley made six of Stanford's

B.J. Bunton paced Santa Barbara (2-6) with a career-high 20 points, and Kealon Wallace added 11. No. 9 UCLA 81, Boise St. 75

At Los Angeles, Kris Johnson and J.R. Henderson scored 22 points each and Toby Bailey added 21 as the Bruins won their seventh

UCLA (7-1) trailed by five points midway through the second half and only led by three with 55 seconds remaining.

Boise's Kejuan Woods hit two free throws to draw Boise State within three, but seconds later, he picked up his fifth foul.

Mike Tolman scored 19 points to lead the Broncos. No. 15 Iowa 82, Southern

free throws in the final 55 seconds.

Mississippi 58 At San Juan, Puerto Rico, Ricky capitalize on the miscues, shooting Davis scored 16 points to lead the a woeful 32 percent from the floor. Hawkeyes (9-1) into the championship game of the Christmas San

Juan Shootout. down to some young guys not 20-6 run over the final 6:12 of the and led the Bobcats (2-7) with 18 being able to execute and make first half to take a 44-28 lead at half-points.

Holyfield-Lewis bout taking shape

who is the undisputed champion.

done it with Michael Moorer. Now

it's time for Lennox and I to come

together and just prove who is the

Eliades was upbeat about the

'We've agreed to terms and

Eliades said. "Now Don King has file.

showdown but acknowledges the

we've entered into a contract,"

to agree with Holyfield to accept

the balance available. Hopefully,

by the end of the week we should

agree terms with them. Then he

has to go to Holyfield. I think he

not in his interests to hang

A representative for HBO in

New York said King has not con-

"King has to go to HBO and

negotiations face two big steps.

LONDON (AP) — Lennox "It's close. It's close. ... This could

The proposed bout would take I've done it with (Mike) Tyson. I've

fication fight. Now it's up to "We are both taking a step to see stretch.

better man."

Lewis has his name on a contract be the biggest fight in '98,"

for a \$50 million heavyweight uni- Holyfield said.

Bobby Hussey said. Kelly McCarty scored 14 points
Owens led the Mountaineers to lead Southern Mississippi (7-2). Kelly McCarty scored 14 points Iowa will play St. Bonaventure

No. 16 Mississippi 74, Louisville

At Louisville, Ky., Keith Carter scored eight of his 18 points during a 10-0 run at the start of the second half as the Rebels (8-1) won the first meeting between the schools. Louisville (3-6) has lost five of its

last six. No. 20 Maryland 110, N.C.-Asheville 52

Sarunas Jasikevicius scored six of his 17 points when the Terrapins scored 21 straight in the first half.

Maryland (6-3) extended its nonconference home winning streak to 57 games and posted the fifthhighest margin of victory in school

Laron Profit scored 23 points for Maryland, which hasn't lost a non-ACC home game since 1989. Kevin Martin had 10 points for

UNC-Asheville (5,5). No. 21 Clemson 65, Charleston Southern 42

At Clemson, S.C., the Tigers returned to the national rankings with a rout. *

Greg Buckner scored 16 points and Harold Jamison 14 for Clemson (8-3), which won its third straight game without star and floor leader Terrell McIntyre, out with a foot injury.

Charleston Southern is 1-10.

The Broncos (6-3) got only two No. 22 Rhode Island 85, Ohio 72 At Providence, R.I., senior guard Tyson Wheeler found his shooting touch in the second half, scoring 25 of his game-high 29 points for the Rams (6-1).

> Wheeler scored 10 of Rhode Island's first 12 points in the second half and made all seven of his 3-point attempts in the final 20 minutes.

Leading 24-22, Iowa went on a Jim Peterson make six 3-pointers

A Holyfield-Lewis showdown is

a logical move for a heavyweight

division going through a rocky

against Michael Moorer in his last

defense, knocking him down five

times and stopping him in the

eighth round. But his previous

fight against Mike Tyson ended

with the former champ disquali-

Lewis took part in two bouts that

did little to heighten boxing's pro-

appeared to be a nervous break-

down during their fight, which was

stopped when he burst into tears

Lewis' next opponent, Henry

At least Lewis finished off his

Akinwande, was disqualified for

and refused to throw punches.

will come back very quickly either continually holding Lewis instead

October.

to say it can be done or it can't. It's of trying to punch him.

Oliver McCall had what

Though not of his own doing,

fied for biting Holyfield's ears.

Holyfield was impressive

Scoreboard

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Detroit, Minnesota or Tampa Bay at San

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xas A&M (9-3) vs. UCLA (9-2), 1:30 p.m.

Michigan (11-0) vs. Washington State (10-1), 5 p.m. (ABC)

Florida State (10-1) vs. Ohio State (10-2), 8 At Atlanta

Clemson (7-4) vs. Auburn (9-3), 3 p.m. Orange Bowl

Nebraska (12-0) vs. Tennessee (11-1), 8 p.m.

Knicks win without Ewing; Wizards continue to roll on in NBA action

By The Associated Press

The New York Knicks won easily without Patrick Ewing. The Washington Wizards won again with Juwan Howard, Chris Webber and Rod Strickland.

Playing their first game since Ewing's season-ending wrist injury, the Knicks handed the Dallas Mavericks their ninth straight loss, 79-67 Monday night.

"I really was encouraged," New York's Buck Williams said. "I didn't know how we'd react offensively without Pat in the lineup, but we really moved the ball well instead of dumping it into the low post."

Allan Houston scored 19 points and Larry Johnson had 18 points and eight rebounds for the Knicks, who dominated inside despite Ewing's absence. New York outre-

"We're going to have trouble with teams with big centers. Fortunately, we're playing a team tonight that doesn't have one," Madison Square Garden president Dave Checketts said at halftime.

At Milwaukee, Howard scored 25 points and Webber added 23 as the Wizards extended their season-high winning streak to five games with a 110-79 victory over the Bucks.

Strickland added 19 points and 10 assists for Washington, which turned 23 Milwaukee turnovers into 30 points.

"We have to give our defense credit," said Howard, who also had 10 rebounds. "That's what it was because our defense caused a lot of turnovers.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was most recent challenger swiftly and Detroit 96, Philadelphia 92; New efficiently, a first-round knockout Jersey 99, Orlando 88; Charlotte of Poland's Andrew Golota in 81, Toronto 79; Utah 101, Atlanta Jazz 101, Hawks 99

99; Los Angeles Lakers 94, State 76; and Sacramento 89, Minnesota 79.

Hornets 81, Raptors 79

Glen Rice made up for a subpar performance with the winning tipin at the buzzer, capping a comeback from a 12-point deficit with nine minutes left. Rice, who came in as the NBA's

fifth-leading scorer with a 22.4

average, missed nine of 15 fieldgoal attempts before tipping in the miss by Dell Curry. Rice finished with 16 points. Damon Stoudamire had 21 points and five assists for Toronto,

which has lost 11 of 12 road games. Nets 99, Magic 88 Sam Cassell had 28 points, six assists and five steals to lead New

Jersey to victory at Orlando. Cassell and rookie Keith Van

Kendall Gill scored 18 points for the Nets, while Van Horn finished with 16. Mark Price led the Magic with 23 points and seven assists. Pistons 96, 76ers 92

Grant Hill had 22 points, 10 rebounds, eight assists and three blocks, and Detroit overcame a 21point second-half deficit.

Jerry Stackhouse, traded from Philadelphia to Detroit last week, scored 17 points and made a key block against Tim Thomas with 6.4 seconds left. Joe Dumars then hit two free throws to clinch it for the **Pistons**

Brian Williams and Lindsay Hunter also scored 17 points for Detroit, who snapped a four-game road losing streak and beat the 76ers for the second time in three nights. Derrick Coleman led Philadelphia with 23 points and eight rebounds.

Karl Malone scored 27 points, Houston 83; Phoenix 91, Golden including a clinching jumper with 32 seconds remaining, as Utah handed Atlanta its third straight Malone led the visiting Jazz in

> scoring for the 25th consecutive Christian Laettner scored 20 points for the Hawks.

> Lakers 94, Rockets 83 At Houston, Kobe Bryant scored 19 points and Eddie Iones had nine of his 17 points in an early third-quarter charge that helped Los Angeles beat the Rockets for

the third time this season. Clyde Drexler led the Rockets with 17 points. Charles Barkley had 21 rebounds and 14 points for Houston, which shot only 38.5 percent from the field.

Suns 91, Warriors 76 At Phoenix, Cedric Ceballos bounded Dallas 44-36 and Horn sparked a decisive 13-0 run scored 11 of his 17 points in the outscored the Mavs 44-16 in the that started at the end of the third fourth quarter as the Suns beat Golden State.

Antonio McDyess also scored 17 points for the Suns, who won their third straight overall and fifth in a row over the Warriors. Jason Kidd narrowly missed a triple-double with 10 points, 10 assists and nine rebounds for Phoenix.

Tony Delk scored 15 points for Golden State. Erick Dampier, making his first start at center because of Donyell Marshall's pulled hamstring, had 11 points, 12 rebounds and six assists for the Warriors. Kings 89, Timberwolves 79

Mitch Richmond scored 27 points as the Kings rallied in the second half to defeat Minnesota.

Rookie Michael Stewart scored a career-high 13 points, grabbed 13 rebounds and blocked four shots for Sacramento, which has won four of its last five homes

Tom Gugliotta scored 19 points for the Timberwolves.

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PAMPA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 1997

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Data Control Codes		100-199 GENERAL FUND	200-499 SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	500-599 DEBT SERVICE FUND	600-699 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	98 AUGUST 31 1997
	REVENUES:					,
5700	Local and Intrmediate Sources	11,628,355	749,360	56,423	215,999	12,650,137
5800	State Program Revenues	7,529,729	211,739	-		7,741,468
5900	Federal Program Revenues	40,085	1,606,127			1,646,212
5020	Total Revenues	\$19,198,169	\$2,567,226	\$56,423	\$215,999	\$22,037,817
	EXPENDITURES:					
	Current					
0010	Instruction and Instructional-Related Services	11,457,223	778,780			12,236,003
0020	Instructional and School Leadership	1,203,544	35,718			1,239,262
0030	Support Services - Student (Pupil)	1,917,279	996,915		_	2,914,195
0040	Administrative Suport Services	911,441	-			911,441
0050	Support Services - Nonstudent Based	1,785,662	9,846			1,795,508
0060	Ancillary Services	16,595	146,783	-		163,379
0070	Debt Service	495,902		400	. 5.41	496,302
0080	Capital Outlay	352,404	266,636		7,747,098	8,366,138
0090	Intergovernmental Charges	-	217,043		-	217,043
6030	Total Expenditures	\$18,140,051	\$2,451,722	\$400	\$7,747,098	\$28,339,270
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	1,058,119	115,505	56,023	(7,531,099)	(6,301,453)
7020	Other Resources			12,690	8,400,000	8,412,690
8030	Other (Uses)	(397,034)			(55,411)	(452,445)
1200	Excess (Deficiency) of Revnues & Other Resources Over (Under) Expenditures				1	
	and Other Uses	661,085	115,505	68,713	813,490	1,658,793
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	3,701,956	243,030	* 1		3,944,986
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	\$4,363,040	\$358,534	\$68,713	\$813,490	\$5,603,778

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Auditor can't tell if program is working

By PEGGY FIKAC **Associated Press Writer**

AUSTIN (AP) — Is a program designed to help at-risk students stay in school doing the job? The state auditor said problems with the helping at-risk students stay in school. way information is gathered and calculated

concerning the Communities in School program makes it impossible to tell. The Texas Workforce Commission, which

David Beshear said Monday. The program got \$13.6 million in state and federal money in fiscal year 1997, which

problems it identified, agency spokesman

ended Aug. 31. ter to legislative leaders that his office wasn't cal year 1997 are properly accounted for and tance. able to assess the effectiveness of the program, safeguarded. For example, three computers due to inadequacies in policies, procedures

mance information is either not collected or that they might be in use in a different area.

not reliable," he said in the letter.

Agency officials believe the program is working properly but agree that mechanisms are necessary to verify that, Beshear said.

"We've worked with the state auditor to "Yes, we have housekeeping to clean up. We are serving the kids. ... I think we're being very effective in helping kids stay in school." Among the auditor's other concerns:

- There are not adequate procedures to State Auditor Lawrence Alwin said in a let- ensure fixed assets valued at \$257,000 for fis- drug abuse programs, tutoring and job assison the inventory list couldn't be located, the "Specifically, we found that needed perforbelieve that the computers were stolen but

- Controls aren't in place to ensure proper Because accuracy can't be ensured, Alwin accounting of the program's operating added, the commission "is not able to deter- expenditures. For example, the commission mine if the Communities in Schools program couldn't locate supporting documentation is effective in accomplishing its main goal of for a number of fiscal year 1996 program expenditures.

The agency requested the review after a 1996 internal audit found problems and management was changed, Beshear said. The Workforce Commission, responsible for disoversees the program, requested the audit come up with this corrective action plan that tributing the funds to local Communities in and has either corrected or is working on we think will address the problems," he said. Schools boards and monitoring the local program, took over the program in 1996, he said.

The program is designed to help at-risk students stay in school by connecting the youngsters and their families with community resources such as counseling, court advocacy,

In fiscal year 1997, there were about 31,000 students in the program being overseen by a auditor said. Beshear said officials don't case manager and more than 190,000 who participated in some aspect of the program,

Report: Unsolved girl's disappearance among footage on porno tapes

WACO, Texas (AP) dence of a pornography and sex ring includes that of a teen-age girl whose abduction and slaying years. is unsolved, according to the Waco Tribune-Herald.

The newspaper, in a copyright report for Tuesday's editions, said one videotape includes scenes of men having sex with juvenile boys as well as footage from news coverage of Sheila Finch's abduction.

"That's just odd," Detective Derrick Johnson of the Bellmead Police Department told the newspaper. "It could be completely coincidental but in a case like this you don't want to take any chances."

Waco Police He said Department investigators made arrangements to view the tape once the lead detective on the case returns from vacation.

The 10-year-old girl missed her to a grocery store to call her aunt, but disappeared shortly thereafter. Two days later, fishermen found her body at Lake Waco's Speegleville III park.

She died of multiple stab

Six men have been arrested for Videotapes among seized evi- their alleged involvement in multiple sexual assaults on juveniles in the Waco area over the last two

Seven boys between the ages of 14 and 17 have been identified as victims, according to the newspaper's weekend editions.

Many other seized tapes contained segments that had been taped over, but investigators said portions relating to the Finch case had survived almost 10 years.

A former Waco police detective who investigated the case said none of the names of those arrested so far in the alleged pedophile ring in Bellmead, north of Waco, turned up during his investigation of the Finch case.

But Lacy-Lakeview Administrator Mike Nicoletti said that, in some of his cases, suspects kept videotapes or articles about similar crimes.

"It is not that unusual for a school bus Oct. 17, 1989 and went pedophile or anyone involved in a series of crimes to create a collection of some kind that relates to the things that they do," said Nicoletti. "But I would sure be curious to find out any possible lead or information about that

Dillard's meets with area civil rights leaders

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — An executive of Dillard's Inc. met with area civil rights leaders versy that began when a black cerns if we can." woman won a lawsuit in which

surveillance. beyond the Paula Hampton lawunderstand that.

James Darr, a senior vice president and the general counsel for the Little Rock, Ark.-based further meetings with the black

Cleaver had called for the Monday meeting when leaders making up the Community Redress Committee grew frustrated with Dillard's silence in the wake of the \$1.1 million jury

exchange of concerns," Darr said. "We'll continue to talk and con-Monday to discuss a race contro-tinue to meet to resolve the con-

Cleaver, she claimed the department store Dillard's did not respond to the targeted black people for extra committee's broader concerns that it had fled the urban core by The civil rights leaders closing stores in Kansas City, Mo. attempted to broaden the issue and Kansas City, Kan. He also said Dillard's was unresponsive suit, but Mayor Emanuel Cleaver to the committee's call that the said Dillard's apparently did not department store become "a

"This is not about the lawsuit, and we have apparently inarticudepartment store chain, agreed to lately conveyed that to the Dillard's people because they keep talking about it," said Cleaver, who attended the two- in punitive damages. hour meeting for only 10 minutes, but was briefed by his staff afterward.

Neither side would say specifically what was discussed in the

"It was a good meeting, a frank represented a very frank had not seen the motion and exchange of concerns, and the could not comment. group felt that progress had been made," said Michael Zedek, senior rabbi of Temple B'nai however, said Jehudah, where the meeting was

> Hampton and her niece were stopped on suspicion of shoplifting as she tried to turn in a coupon for a free fragrance sample at a Dillard's store in subur-

ban Overland Park, Kan. Their bags were searched by a model of racial harmony for our security guard after an employee reported seeing the niece conceal something underneath her coat.

> their merchandise. actual damages and \$1.1 million

The two had receipts for all of

Dillard's filed a motion Monday with U.S. District Judge Kathryn H. Vratil asking the judge to either reduce the award, ty to all of our stores. Any Dillard throw it out, or grant a new trial.

One issue raised in the motion was a ruling by Vratil that the security guard had probable cause to search the bags of the two women. The jury was not told of that ruling.

Dillard's claimed the ruling precluded a finding of malice and gross disregard for rights of the women, and therefore Hampton was not entitled to punitive dam-

Dillard's issued a statement last week saying it is fair to all customers.

"Offending any customer group is both wrong and against The jury awarded \$56,000 in common sense business practices," the company said.

"Frankly, we need and welcome all the customers we can get," the statement said. "We have recently reiterated this poliemployee who violates this poli-Kathy B. Finnell, one of cy will be disciplined, up to and

award to Hampton in federal meeting. Kathy B. Finnell, one or cy will be disciplined court in Kansas City, Kan. "We felt that the conversation Hampton's attorneys, said she including discharge." Sex education helpful in teen pregancy decline

pinch a girl's behind.

Young men meet regularly to contraception. talk about college and careers, and about how becoming a teenage father could jeopardize those off.

how to answer awkward questions from their children, ranging from a 4-year-old's "Why were you and mommy naked last 1996, according to the most recent I know if I'm homosexual?"

Many social service agencies in Austin and Travis County are of teen-age pregnancy. Their Statesman reported Monday. hope is to help push down teen

Some researchers and advo- not available. cates say the work may be paying

The teen-age pregnancy rate in Adults are being trained on Travis County, although still one of the highest among Texas' biggest counties, dropped more than 8 percent between 1995 and night?" to a teen-ager's "How do numbers from the Texas Department of Health.

The 1996 rate, 46.1 pregnancies on. per 1,000 girls age 13-17, is the using these and other approaches lowest since 1988, when the rate in an effort to address root causes was 39.5, the Austin American-

Statewide, the rate has dropped

AUSTIN (AP) — Junior high pregnancy rates by touching all from 42.5 in 1992 to 40.3 in 1996. that prevention programs are school students are learning aspects of youngsters' lives, Nationwide, the number of live working, about armpit hair, reproductive including job opportunities, fam- births to teens aged 15-19 Department statisticians have no organs and why a guy shouldn't ily relations, academic achieve- dropped steadily from 60.7 in way of quantifying the effect. ment, recreation, abstinence and 1991 and to 56.8 in 1995. A nation- Janet Lawson, director of the

> sends its Teen Life company to schools to perform skits about sexuality and relationships. "(It's) a culmination of a commu-

Austin Crisis Pregnancy Center, state just distributed \$4.9 million "I'd like to think we had a lot to in federal money for abstido with it."

al teen pregnancy number was TDH Women's Health Division, says, "Of course I'm happy the "This is something that is rates are falling, but many of the exceptional. It doesn't happen problems that initiate the rates very often, anywhere," said Ellen are still there. So this problem is Sanchez, education manager for not going to go away. I don't Planned Parenthood, which want people to be reassured prematurely.

Texas Health Commissioner Reyn Archer cautions against assuming any one particular nitywide effort that's been going approach is working, and says the problem must be fought from Added Kathey Pendleton of a multitude of directions. The nence-only programs through-While people are optimistic out Texas.

Taiwanese religious group living in Dallas suburb plans press conference

DALLAS (AP) - Members of homes in the suburb in recent a Taiwanese religious group are months. in a Dallas suburb waiting for God to appear, a cultural officer

Church plan to address the public Tuesday. They believe God will arrive at a house in what they are doing but if Garland, northeast of Dallas, in everything is under the law, I

"If they do not see God on of religion," Lee said. March 31, what they will do is leaders last weekend. "Most neighbors. have purchased round-trip tick-

Taiwanese families have bought terms.

T.K. Lee, senior information officer for the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office, said group Leaders of the God Salvation members worship life and are vegetarians.

We are concerned about think we respect their freedom

Group spokesman Richard they will return to Taiwan," said Liu told Dallas television station Yu-Chung Lo, deputy director KDFW that he and others general of the Taipei Economic church members believe in eterand Cultural Office in Houston, nal life. He said they're not part who spoke with the group's of a cult, despite suspicion from

"It is stated in the Bible that at the end of the world, God will Garland police Officer J.D. come down from clouds from Bettes said the group of about the sky," Liu said. "That is 200 people is not under investi- what we believe, but people gation. About a dozen may put it in different

Texas Bible scholars participate in international effort

By LORETTA FULTON **Abilene Reporter-News**

ABILENE, Texas — Seven years ago a group of scholars sat in a chalet in Switzerland, taking in the Alps and discussing a monumental international Bible commentary that would be a major contribution to scholarship in the

21st century. In October, 21 of the people who worked on the project took the original manuscripts, in their native languages, to the Vatican and presented it to Pope John

Among them was Dr. Phil Shuler, professor of religion at McMurry University in Abilene. The group originally was scheduled to have a private audience with the pope but because of a conflict, they had to settle for being "in a very distinguished section" on the same platform level with him during the general audience.

It didn't dampen anyone's

enthusiasm. "It's very exciting," Shuler said. "This is considered to be a real contribution to the year 2000."

The pope was interested enough in the handbound manuscripts that he stopped the proceedings to ask questions. By the time the group left Rome, the

"had received acceptance in the Vatican as a work of scholarship," Shuler

The excitement over the commentary, here and abroad, comes from the fact

more than the academy," said Shuler, who serves as pastor of tries, including Brazil, India, Caps United Methodist Church Africa and Latin America. as well as teaching at Methodistaffiliated McMurry.

The commentary, written by 118 scholars from six continents, includes general articles such as "What is the Bible?" introductory and commentaries on the books of the Bible.

The 1,500-page work, titled Commentary," a one-volume ecumenical international Century, is scheduled to be published simultaneously in three

languages next year. Shuler authored a section in the Introduction to the Gospels titled "The Genre(s) of the Gospels." He also was heavily involved in the commentary on Luke, written

several months in 1994. Because of a problem with the mail, Abogunrin's manuscript arrived late and was several hundred pages too long, Shuler said, so he undertook revising the

"I was a ghost writer in that process," Shuler said.

Unlike most Bible commentaries that are written by European and North American scholars, this one relies heavily on people from other cultures.

"It draws upon the skills and context of Third World persons," Shuler said, partly because that is ing its fastest growth.

tributors from Third World coun-

When the original group, all fellows of the International Institute for Renewal of Gospel Studies, met in Salvan, Switzerland, in 1990, they decided they wanted their commenarticles to sections of the Bible, tary to be helpful to ministers "in the more virgin areas" Christian growth.

As a result, the commentary The International Catholic Bible contains articles that do not appear in other standard biblical works because the articles are resource for the church of the 21st written from the perspectives of a variety of cultures.

For example, in the Luke article there are references drawn from the African culture and agriculture experience as illustrations.

"You won't find that in other commentaries," Shuler said.

The process that resulted in the by S. Oyin Abogunrin of Nigeria, commentary began in August who had visited McMurry for 1990 when the group "spent many hours just talking and reminiscing" at a Swiss chalet. Eventually, the idea of the commentary began to surface.

> "I don't know whether it was the thin air or what that caused this to germinate," Shuler said. But by the time the meeting

was over, the Salvan Manifesto was born and the commentary was on its way.

The manifesto proclaims the commentary to be "an ecumenical commentary for the 21st cenall parts of the world who seek to where Christianity is experienc- find in the Scriptures the spiritual resources they need as they face a The majority of the commen-hungry Church which assembles that it is unique in its approach. taries on both the Old and New for worship with but one ques-

"It appeals to the grassroots Testaments were written by contion in mind: Is there any Word

from the Lord?" That question is at the core of the commentary and the reason it was designed for pastors at the grassroots level, not just for

scholars, Shuler said. When people today read Scriptures that were written centuries ago, that question comes up, "Is there any Word from the Lord for us?"

The commentary was written by contributors of various cultures who try to answer that question for their own people who read the Scriptures from varying points of view.

The manifesto also notes that the group draws its inspiration from Vatican Council II, the "one bright moment of enduring hope" from the 20th century.

The University of Dallas, affiliated with the Roman Catholic Church, was the sponsoring school and provided office space and other assistance. However, Shuler noted that from the beginning, the commentary "was to be an ecumenical, joint venture, which it has turned out to be."

Shuler isn't the only McMurry contributor to the commentary. He engaged several students in his advanced classes to help with the proofreading. Although their names aren't listed in the commentary, the students received tremendous benefit from the project, Shuler said.

They had a sense of pride in with the chief aim of knowing they were a part of this "scholarly assistance to pastors in publishing process," Shuler

> Their enthusiasm may be topped only by Shuler's. It has been a real privilege to

Report: FBI probes judge's link to pedofile priest

DALLAS (AP) — Federal young neighbor mine whether a powerful appeals arranged high-profile lawyers for judge wrongfully acted on behalf him. of a pedophile priest, according to a published report.

The Dallas Morning News reported in a copyright story today that two officials in Polk County in southeast Texas said that an FBI agent questioned them about 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Henry Politz's connection to Gilbert Gauthe.

Gauthe's 1985 conviction on 33 counts of abusing altar boys revealed how Catholic officials covered up child molestation.

A source close to the FBI con-

firmed the investigation was under way, but FBI officials wouldn't say whether such a probe exists. Politz said he has no knowledge of the investigation and

wouldn't talk about Gauthe.

There will be no comment about

that," he said Monday. The 65-year-old Politz grew up the south Louisiana town of Napoleonville. Gauthe moved to Texas after being released from a Louisiana state prison in 1995, 10 years earlier than his lawyer and prosecutors antici-

charged him with molesting a chance."

investigators are trying to deter- Shreveport-based Judge Politz

They arranged a deal in which Gauthe pleaded no contest to injury to a child — a nonsexual charge — and was sentenced to seven years's probation. Gauthe, 52, currently lives near

a middle school on the Texas-Louisiana border. He declined to be interviewed. The judge's pastor last month wrote a letter published in The

Times in Shreveport, defending Politz's relationship with Gauthe. "A judge of impeachable ethics, acting out of charity and compassion, has had his reputation, which has been a lifetime in the making, besmirched," Monsignor

Murray Clayton wrote. Clayton said Gauthe entered a plea in Texas to "something that never happened" because he feared jurors would condemn him for his previous crimes.

That denial outraged Karen near the Gauthe family farm in Munson, the Polk County woman who told sheriff's deputies in July 1996 that Gauthe her neighbor— molested her 3-year-son.

"A judge and a priest and whoever else want to protect him," Ms. Munson said. "The little When Polk County officials innocent kids don't have a

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