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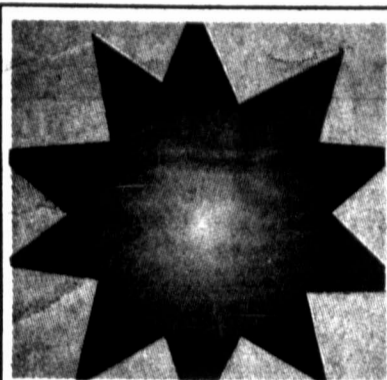
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**PAMPA** - The 11th Annual "Chipping of the Greens" is being sponsored this year by Clean Pampa and Celanese, of Pampa. Everyone who has a real Christmas tree is encouraged to bring the old tree to the Warner Horton Parking Lot at 900 Duncan St. any time of day and deposit in in the roped off area. The trees will be chipped into mulch on Saturday, Jan. 24. The mulch is free to the public but donations will be accepted. For additional information call 665-2514.

**FORT WORTH (AP)** - A judge today began questioning potential jurors for Diane Zamora's capital murder trial in an attempt to find a panel that had not formed an opinion on the former midshipman's guilt or innocence. State District Judge Joe Drago wants testimony to begin Feb. 2.

The December 1995 slaying of Mansfield high school sophomore Adrienne Jones has inspired two true-crime books and a television movie. Investigators maintain that Ms. Zamora, who turns 20 on Wednesday, and former Air Force cadet David Graham, her high school sweetheart, beat and shot Miss Jones, 16, and dumped her body along a Grand Prairie road.

The slaying reportedly stemmed from a brief romantic fling between the victim and Graham, who was engaged to Ms. Zamora at the time of his arrest.

- John F. Etchison, Jr., 73, construction superintendent.
- Ollie M. Lievsay, 89, Borger-area resident for 63 years.

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## U.S. Bus says recent orders total \$3 million

By JEFF WEST  
Staff Writer

The Pampa Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors had their first monthly meeting of the year with a new lease on life for the organization thanks to Saturday's vote extending the supporting tax.

The meeting started with a report from Ray Hupp of U.S. Bus on its current status after almost a year in operation.

He told the board that the company is currently producing two buses a day, but if the production converted from a piece-by-piece operation to assembly line type production, the company could produce three or four buses a day. He said he hopes to complete the change-over by April.

**In other business, a guarantee on a loan to Parker and Parker, the corporation that owns the Coronado Inn, was renewed for one year.**

Hupp said that he had verbal orders of over three million dollars worth of buses that he has not yet received the paperwork on. Those orders would take the company until May or June to complete even if no more orders arrive. "This is our busy season as far as getting orders and so forth," Hupp said.

See U.S. BUS, Page 2

## Potential jurors gather for case against Oprah

By MARK BABINECK  
Associated Press Writer

**AMARILLO (AP)** - Potential jurors in an Amarillo cattle feeder's lawsuit against talk show host Oprah Winfrey began gathering in federal court today.

U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson and attorneys from both sides were to begin the process of weeding out a jury in a city where the largest private employer is a slaughterhouse.

A handful of animal rights protesters wearing cow suits joined the throngs of media outside the courthouse. Ms. Robinson has strictly limited media access inside the courtroom.

A group of Texas cattle feeders has sued Ms. Winfrey and a guest on her show, vegetarian activist Howard Lyman, accusing them of falsely spreading word that American beef could cause mad cow disease in people in the United States. Her Harpo Productions and distributor King World Productions Inc. also were named as defendants.

On Friday, the judge granted a motion for summary judgment dismissing King World from the lawsuit.

During the April 16, 1996, show, Lyman said that feeding ground-up animal parts to cattle, a practice that was banned in the United States last summer, could spread mad cow disease to humans in the United States. To applause from the studio audience, Ms. Winfrey exclaimed: "It has just stopped me from eating another burger!"

After the broadcast, already slumping cattle prices fell to some of

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(Special photo)

Kelly Cambren, HOSTS mentor representing Milton David Roofing Company, with daughter Bennett and HOSTS student Araceli Delatorre.

## Woodrow's volunteer program earns award

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY  
Staff Writer

Local Pampa school, Woodrow Wilson Elementary, earned national recognition recently for efforts in instructing students through the HOSTS (Helping One Student To Succeed) program.

Wilson was awarded the national HOSTS Award for Quality Assurance, which is presented to high performing schools who achieve exemplary status for their HOSTS Supplemental Math Program. The award is

given based on seven characteristics of an effective instructional Math program.

HOSTS creates a cycle of student success by targeting students in grades three through five who need assistance with math objectives, vocabulary, problem solving, thinking and study skills. The students are paired with community volunteers. It's not a curriculum, but an instructional strategy tailored to state, district and schools' math objectives and philosophies.

Founded in 1971, the national HOSTS program. See VOLUNTEER, Page 2

## Woman tries to halt execution

**AUSTIN (AP)** - Lawyers for Karla Faye Tucker, who's scheduled to die by lethal injection in two weeks, today asked the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals to stop her execution.

While not claiming she's innocent of the 1983 pick ax slaying of a Houston man, her lawyers said Ms. Tucker, who says she's a born-again Christian, is a changed woman who deserves clemency.

"This is not a quest to undermine a jury's verdict. We're not asking for a new trial. This is a quest to save her life because she's a changed individual," said lawyer George Secrest of Houston.

"If in fact rehabilitation and mercy play no part in the criminal justice system, tell us loud and clear," he said.

Secrest and a second lawyer, David Botsford of Austin, also said Ms. Tucker would, within the

**The 38-year-old woman is scheduled to die Feb. 3. She would be the first woman executed in Texas since the Civil War.**

next 48 hours, formally ask the Texas Board of Pardons and Paroles to recommend that Gov. George W. Bush commute her sentence to life in prison.

The 38-year-old woman is scheduled to die Feb. 3 after being convicted of killing Jerry Lynn Dean, 27. Deborah Thornton, 32, also was killed.

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## Quite frankly... Should the Internet be censored for minors?



"No. I think we are mature enough to handle anything that might be on it."

-- Sheila Berry  
PHS sophomore



"Yes. Because the little kids don't know how to censor themselves."

-- Amanda Potter  
PHS senior



"I have mixed feelings about it because I believe parents should police their kids; however a lot of parents don't take the time to do it."

-- Johnna Birkes  
PHS teacher



"Yes. Smaller kids don't need to be exposed at such an early age to some of the stuff people put on the Internet."

-- Alexis Amador  
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"Yes. Little kids can get hold of unnecessary things."

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### Beta Sigma Phi fund-raiser



Above are, left-right, Clara Mae Sailor, Carolyn Smith, Co-Chairman Janice Hubbard, Nancy Broggin and Ann Fellers, all members of Preceptor Theta Iota Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. These women are preparing decorations for the chapter's Annual Mardi Gras Dance and Casino slated Feb. 28 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. This fund-raising event provides funds for Beta Sigma Phi's Scholarship, bestowed upon a worthy Pampa High School senior each year. To date, 30 scholarships — each in the amount of \$1,000 — have been awarded.

(Special photo)

### Leading business organization seeking entrants for Business of the Year awards

AUSTIN — Keeping with a tradition that began in 1972, Texas Association of Business and Chambers of Commerce is seeking the most outstanding companies in the state to receive the prestigious 1998 Texas Business of the Year Awards.

As the state's leading employer organization, TABCC annually recognizes one publicly held company and one privately held company for excellence in providing economic opportunity through the free enterprise system. TABCC encourages companies of all sizes and industries from throughout the state to participate in this year's competition. Each company's entry will be judged individually, based on achievements during the 1997 fiscal year in business operations, product/service innovations and contributions to the industrial and civic community.

Any publicly or privately held company with operations in Texas may enter the awards competition. No entry fee is required, and companies are also not required to be members of TABCC to enter. The completed 20-page entry forms must be received by TABCC no later than 5 p.m. on Feb. 20.

Winners will be honored during a gala Texas Business of the Year Awards luncheon on April 8 in Austin. Hundreds of state legislators, elected officials and business/chamber leaders are expected to be on hand to salute the award recipients. The chief executive officer from each winning company will be presented with an originally designed glass and marble trophy following a keynote address by a prominent business leader or state official, who will be announced in March.

Following the April 8 luncheon, TABCC will notify media organizations across the state of the 1998 award recipients and will assist the two winners with local news conferences or other special events designed to highlight each company's achievements in their respective communities.

To request an official entry form or for more information about the 1998 Texas Business of the Year Awards program, call TABCC's Communication's Department in Austin at (512) 477-6721 or visit TABCC on the Internet at <http://www.tabcc.org>.

## Legislators, political candidate to sue over tobacco settlement

AUSTIN (AP) — A Republican seeking to replace Attorney General Dan Morales is the latest to say he's suing the state's top lawyer over Texas' \$15.3 billion settlement with the nation's tobacco industry.

Former Texas Supreme Court Justice John Cornyn, who's running for the Republican nomination for attorney general, says he will file a lawsuit today in state district court to block "any attempts to pay \$2.3 billion to five trial lawyers Morales hired to handle the state's lawsuit."

Morales announced the settlement Friday.

Under a 1996 agreement between Morales and the outside attorneys, they would be paid 15 percent of the total.

The attorney general, who's not seeking re-election, has taken much heat over the attorneys' fees and other terms of the settlement. On Friday, he said the issue of fees would be left for U.S. District Judge David Folsom to decide.

The judge is expected to sign the settlement Tuesday and could decide the attorneys' fees at any time.

One of the five attorneys, John O'Quinn of Houston, said a deal's a deal and they should get the entire 15 percent fee. There

was "no way" the record agreement would have been reached without them, O'Quinn told the Houston Chronicle.

"We did some great lawyering in this case," he said. "Tobacco was very nervous about going to trial against me and this group."

O'Quinn said reports speculating that he and the other attorneys will actually share \$2.3 billion — a figure that has drawn fire from Gov. George W. Bush and other Republicans — were inflated.

Whatever the fees total, they will come from the tobacco companies, not from the state's \$15.3 billion, Morales spokesman Ron Dusek said Monday.

"The state of Texas is going to get the same amount regardless of what is done with the attorneys' fees," Dusek said, adding that that 1996 agreement "is superseded by this new agreement."

Cornyn acknowledged that Folsom can ignore the 1996 agreement, but he said the lawsuit needs to be filed nonetheless. He called it disingenuous of Morales' office to say the state's settlement wouldn't be larger if the attorneys were not getting so much money.

"Texans should be pleased with the amount of the settle-

ment," Cornyn said. "I also believe that lawyers, just like anyone else, should be paid for their work. But the amount of the attorneys fees in this case are outrageous and must be reduced."

Under Texas' Constitution, the Legislature decides how state money is spent. Cornyn said by setting aside a portion for the attorneys, Morales violated the constitution.

Dusek said that is not true since the attorneys' fees won't come from the state's share of the settlement.

Cornyn, who is in a three-way race for the GOP nomination March 10, said his lawsuit is not politically motivated. But a spokesman for opponent Barry Williamson said the lawsuit is nothing else.

"It is counter-productive for a candidate, solely for partisan political gain, to jam up the judi-

cial docket prior to the governor and the legislative leadership exploring all of the state's possible legal remedies," Eric Bearse said.

Bearse said Williamson, too, is concerned about the fees but will allow lawmakers and the governor time to figure out what to do.

Meanwhile, Rep. Rob Junell and Sen. Bill Ratliff, heads of the Legislature's budget-writing committees, are expected to ask the Texas Supreme Court to stop the agreement, which sets aside more than \$1 billion for health-care spending.

Junell, D-San Angelo, and Ratliff, R-Mount Pleasant, say that violates the Legislature's role of setting state spending.

The lawmakers already have filed a motion to intervene in the federal lawsuit. Folsom has not responded.

### Officials take mercury concerns to local school children after theft

TEXARKANA, Ark. (AP) — Emergency officials frustrated at their failure to trace mercury stolen from an abandoned factory plan to take their case directly to school children who might be harboring the material.

"We're hoping kids will come forward after seeing the presentations," Dave Hall, the city's emergency services coordinator, said Monday.

Last week, state Health Department officials were disappointed to hear that children were still deliberately exposing themselves to the slippery metal — including a 14-year-old who dipped a cigarette into mercury and smoked it.

"You'd think people would have picked up the message by now," said Dr. Thomas McChesney, the state's epidemiologist.

The mercury scare began Dec. 30 when a 17-year-old boy fell ill. He and another 17-year-old boy told police they had taken the material from the city's old neon plant and shared it with their friends. Mercury vapors affect the central nervous system. Damage can be permanent.

Hall said Monday that officials of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency would speak to students in local junior and senior high schools this week about mercury's dangers.

Also, Hall said a ninth family had been moved from their homes and that 46 people had been referred to doctors. The latest evacuation came after a woman told police one of her nephews brought mercury into her home and spilled it on the kitchen counter.

### School to help rural residents

KILLEEN, Texas (AP) — Texas A&M University's Health Science Center College of Medicine has announced a breakthrough program to help rural residents.

The School of Rural Public Health is designed to help people who live far from immediate health care.

Of the 254 counties in Texas, 196 are classified as rural, the Killeen Daily Herald reported in today's editions.

Dr. Michael Friedland, dean of the TAMU Health Science Center's College of Medicine in Temple, introduced Dr. Ciro V. Sumaya as the school's first dean. Classes are scheduled to begin this fall.

"We have given him a big task and look forward to working with him," Friedland said. "I'm very optimistic that he can do for health, and the school of rural public health, what the Extension Service has done for agriculture in Texas."

Sumaya, the former deputy assistant secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services under President Clinton, called the school an "innovative, cutting-edge endeavor."

"It has the distinct potential to be a resource for pivotal knowledge and leadership in addressing major health issues facing rural communities," Sumaya said. "The mission of the school is to enhance the health and well-being of citizens of Texas."

Texas through excellence in public health education, research and outreach services focused on rural Texas.

Sumaya said the school's goal is to train future leaders in rural health care and serve as a source of continuing education for health professionals who hold degrees and are interested in the public health sector.

Clinton appointed Sumaya to the Presidential Task Force on National Health Care Reform in 1993.

A Brownsville native, Sumaya earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Texas and his medical degree from UT's medical branch in Galveston. He interned at Los Angeles County General Hospital-University of Southern California Medical Center and served his residency in pediatrics at St. Christopher's Hospital for Children-Temple University School of Medicine in Philadelphia.

### Chamber Communique

Pampa Chamber of Commerce welcomes new member **Clint and Sons Smokehouse**. This meat and deli store is located at 1421 N. Hobart and is co-owned by Johnny Freeman.

The National Bank of Commerce will sponsor the January Chamber Luncheon Tuesday, Jan. 20 in the M.K. Brown Room of the Pampa Community Building. Dyer's Bar-B-Que will begin serving at 11:45 a.m. Loralee Cooley and Mitch Mamoulides will present the program on Artrain — Artrain will be coming to Pampa next month.

The public is cordially invited to attend the monthly luncheon. Reservations will be accepted until 9 a.m. on the 20th by calling the Chamber at 669-3241.

### Dr. Craig Shaffer announces his association with Dr. Simoneta Soriano



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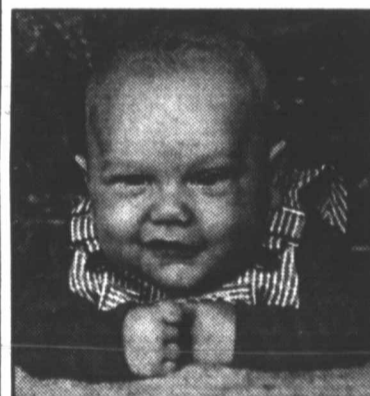
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L.W. McCall  
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Opinion

Another step toward federal health control

**THE POINT:** After failing to force government-run health care on American citizens in one fell swoop, the Clinton administration is nibbling away at that goal.

Referring to his failed attempt at imposing a government-run health care system on Americans, President Clinton last year made the following remarks (as reported by Reason magazine) to the Service Employees International Union: "While people may not have wanted to bite the whole apple at once in 1994, almost the whole populace wants to keep nibbling away at the apple until we actually have solved the problems of cost, accessibility and quality for all responsible American citizens."

According to Reason, the best example of this incremental approach to Clinton care is the health care bill of rights now being pushed through Congress.

The "rights" the administration and Congress are trumpeting differ from genuine rights in an important way. True rights are protections against encroachments from others, whereas these "rights" are demands that people can extract from other citizens; in this case from doctors and insurance companies.

Another way the administration is exerting federal control over Americans regards Medicare. The Clintonites insisted on a small but important regulation in the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 that severely restricts the rights of seniors to secure necessary health care services.

The law went into effect Jan. 1. It "effectively prohibits people enrolled in Medicare from paying out of their own pockets for medical services and diagnostic tests — such as a common screening test for prostate cancer — that are not approved by the Medicare bureaucracy," according to Kent Masterson Brown. He is an attorney challenging the law for the United Seniors Association.

The Health Care Financing Administration, the federal agency that administers the Medicare program, claims no rights are infringed upon by what is called Section 4507, and that seniors are still free to negotiate private health deals with physicians.

The agency is playing fast and loose with the facts. Seniors covered by Medicare can only pay for private medical services if — this is a very big IF — the physician is willing to forswear all Medicare patients for two years. Few doctors could afford to give up all of their Medicare patients for that length of time.

There are good reasons why some Medicare patients would opt to pay for some medical services on their own.

The most frightening aspect of the rule is it dictates what private citizens can do outside the Medicare system. It's like forbidding a food-stamp recipient from buying any food with his own money.

The only purpose for the law is to bring seniors completely under the thumb of the government's health care system. It's another instance of an administration so distrustful of the marketplace that it seeks to put federal authorities in charge of most every health care decision.

The United Seniors Association is correct to challenge this law, which seems to clearly violate constitutional principles. Correct also are the senators and representatives cosponsoring legislation to overturn this provision.

Even more important, Americans must be keen to what the administration is doing and stand up as adamantly against step-by-step Clinton care as they did against the administration's full-scale attempt to nationalize our nation's medical system.

—Odessa American



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Your rights as a tenant

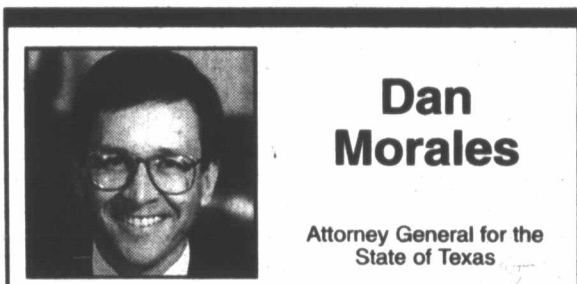
More than half of all Texans live in rental properties. Landlord-tenant disputes are always among the top ten issues in the consumer complaints we receive at the Office of the Attorney General. This column explains some of your legal rights and obligations as a tenant in the state of Texas.

The most important source of information about your relationship with your landlord is your rental agreement or lease. Be sure to read the lease carefully before you sign it. Discuss with your landlord any changes that you would like to make. If the landlord agrees, the appropriate changes should be written into the lease and you should both initial the document.

Under Texas law, by renting you the property, the landlord guarantees that it will be a fit place to live. For your safety, landlords are required to install window locks, doorknob locks or keyed deadbolts on exterior doors, sliding door pin locks or security bars and peepholes.

You have a right to demand that the landlord repair any condition that affects your health and safety. The landlord, however, does not have an obligation to repair damage caused by you or your guests through negligence, carelessness, abuse or accident.

Unless you fail to pay your rent or electric bill, your landlord cannot turn off your electricity except to make repairs. The landlord must provide smoke detectors, and a tenant cannot



Dan Morales  
Attorney General for the State of Texas

waive that provision of the law. You may be held liable if you intentionally disconnect or disable the smoke detectors.

The law is very specific in outlining how to proceed if your landlord refuses to make necessary repairs. Send a letter, by certified mail, detailing the needed repairs. If the landlord does not respond within a reasonable amount of time (one to two weeks), send another letter describing the action you intend to take. Keep copies of your letters.

In some circumstances, you may have the problem repaired and deduct the cost from the rent. You may do this only if:

- the landlord fails to fix water or sewage flooding;
- the drinking water supply to the dwelling has stopped functioning; or
- the landlord has been notified by local health or building inspectors that a breakdown in the heating or cooling equipment, or some

other problem with the dwelling, materially threatens your health or safety.

You do not have the legal right to withhold rent because the landlord does not make repairs if your health and safety are not materially threatened. You must notify the landlord in writing if you intend to make the repairs yourself and deduct the cost from your rent. The amount you deduct in any given month cannot exceed \$500 or one month's rent, whichever amount is greater, and you may not deduct repair costs if you are behind on your rent.

A security deposit is intended to cover the cost of repairs that are needed when you move out. Under the law, a landlord cannot refuse to return the deposit without a valid reason. A landlord may not charge you for normal wear and tear of the premises — you can be penalized only for "abnormal" damages.

While normal wear and tear are difficult to define, you cannot be charged, for example, if the carpet becomes worn because you walked on it. On the other hand, if your leaking water bed mildews the carpet, your landlord may hold you responsible.

For more information about consumer protection issues, visit the website of the Office of the Attorney General at <http://www.oag.state.tx.us>. For a list of our free consumer protection brochures, write to: Research and Legal Support Division, P.O. Box 12548, Austin, TX 78711-2548.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 20, the 20th day of 1998. There are 345 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 20, 1981, Iran released 52 Americans held hostage for 444 days, minutes after the presidency had passed from Jimmy Carter to Ronald Reagan.

On this date:

In 1801, John Marshall was appointed chief justice of the United States.

In 1839, Chile defeated a confederation of Peru and Bolivia in the Battle of Yungay.

In 1841, the island of Hong Kong was ceded to Great Britain. (It returned to Chinese control in July 1997.)

In 1887, the U.S. Senate approved an agreement to lease Pearl Harbor in Hawaii as a naval base.

In 1896, comedian George Burns was born Nathan Birnbaum in New York City.

In 1936, Britain's King George V died; he was succeeded by Edward VIII.

In 1942, Nazi officials held the notorious Wannsee conference, during which they arrived at their "final solution" that called for exterminating Europe's Jews.

In 1986, the United States observed the first federal holiday in honor of slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.

In 1986, Britain and France announced plans to build the

Channel Tunnel.

In 1987, Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite disappeared in Beirut, Lebanon, while attempting to negotiate the release of Western hostages. (He was freed in November 1991.)

In 1992, a French Airbus A-320 crashed near Strasbourg, killing 87 people.

Ten years ago: An Arizona House committee opened hearings on the possible impeachment of Gov. Evan Mecham.

Global warming is cold science

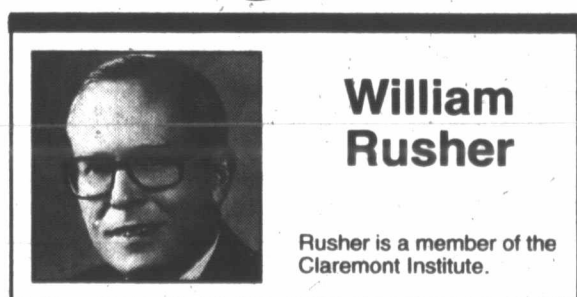
President Clinton and Vice President Gore, backed by the environmental lobby and most of the media, have labored long and hard to give the impression that scientists are virtually unanimous in regarding the so-called "greenhouse gases" as major contributors to the alleged problem of "global warming." Dissenting scientists are treated as isolated oddballs whose doubts can safely be disregarded.

Thus, late last month, a lead editorial in the *New York Times* declared flatly that "Few scientists doubt that the warming of the earth's atmosphere, caused by carbon dioxide and other greenhouse-gas emissions, poses a gigantic threat."

"Few scientists"? And yet, according to a Gallup Poll, only 17 percent of the members of the Meteorological Society and the American Geophysical Society think that global warming in the 20th century has been caused by greenhouse gas emissions. Are the other 83 percent of the members of these two learned societies — organizations directly concerned with the subject at hand — to be dismissed as outside the mainstream?

Repeated phone calls to the editorial board of the *Times*, seeking enlightenment on this matter, went unreturned.

In addition, careful scientific responses to the contentions of the global-warming theorists are now beginning to appear, and they are devastating. For example, one of the most prominent exponents of the global-warming hypothesis is Dr. Michael McCracken of the Office of the United States Global Change



William Rusher  
Rusher is a member of the Claremont Institute.

Research Program. Recently he undertook to counter what he called "Ten Leading Myths" of those who reject the hypothesis.

What he did not anticipate was that his own statements would be responded to, in turn, by Dr. Sallie Baliunas and Dr. Willie Soon, both of the Harvard Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, who are respectively a senior scientist and a visiting scholar at the George C. Marshall Institute in Washington.

Thus Dr. McCracken asserts that "Most climate scientists agree that the climate is changing and will change much more. ... The recent round of IPCC (United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) assessments has involved hundreds of authors and thousands of reviewers who have worked to develop an unbiased, measured, documented, and peer-reviewed result."

The implication is one of overwhelming agreement with Dr. McCracken's views. Yet Drs. Baliunas and Soon quote the most recent IPCC report (1995) as saying that "Overall, there is no evidence that extreme weather events or climate variability has increased in a

global sense, through the 20th century." It adds that the computer model results that global-warming theorists rely on "cannot be considered as compelling evidence of a clear cause-and-effect link between anthropogenic forcing — i.e., human influences — and changes in the earth surface temperature." They demolish Dr. McCracken's other major contentions with equal ease.

Then there is *Hot Talk, Cold Science*, a small but powerful book by S. Fred Singer, published by the Independent Institute of Oakland, Calif. Dr. Singer's credentials are formidable: He is professor emeritus of environmental science at the University of Virginia; a distinguished research professor at the Institute for Space Science and Technology, and has received, among many other honors, the (First) Science Award of the British Interplanetary Society.

The three sections of his book are entitled, in thoroughly businesslike fashion, "Overview: The Scientific Case Against the Global Climate Treaty," "Unfinished Business: Scientific Issues to Be Resolved," and "Epilogue: What to Do About Greenhouse Effects."

Nobody who reads the Singer book will hereafter doubt that there is a serious scientific case against the global-warming hullabaloo, or that it is anything less than overwhelming. The world is being hustled down the road to ill-advised and ultimately harmful decisions by special interests that are fundamentally hostile to the growth of human economic activity, with all the latter portends for the greater happiness of mankind.

Berry's World



Jim Berry  
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"Hey, Hillary, guess what! Some more missing documents have mysteriously appeared."

### Volunteer of the Month



(Special photo) Meredith House Director Cinda Jennings recently recognized Volunteer of the Month Sandra Elliott with a certificate of appreciation. Elliott, left, has been volunteering every Monday morning for several months, calling Bingo for Meredith House tenants.

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**Intentions to Drill**  
**GRAY (WILDCAT)** Raydon Exploration, Inc., #1 Cook, 990' from North & 1650' from West line, Sec. 110, M-2, BS&F, PD 10000'.

**GRAY (PANHANDLE)** E R Operating Co., Melton, Sec. 95, B-2, H&GN, PD 3800', for the following wells:

#9, 899' from South & 2019' from West line of Sec.

#10, 1670' from South & 1357' from West line of Sec.

**GRAY (WEST PANHANDLE)** Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #2 Dwyer, 1413' from North & 872' from West line, Sec. 11, 30, H&GN, PD 3000'.

**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT)** Devon Energy Corp., #1 Stickle, 930' from North & 1669' from East line, Sec. 1, A-1, ACH&B, PD 16400'.

**HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & CAMPBELL RANCH)** Upper Morrow Apache Corp., #2 Campbell, 2000' from South & 1800' from East line, Sec. 11, 1, I&GN, PD 12000'.

**ROBERTS (HANSFORD)** Lower & Upper Morrow Alpar Resources, Inc., #1C Brainerd '177', 1250' from South & West line, Sec. 17, C, G&M, PD 8900'.

**WHEELER (WILDCAT & WEST PARK)** Upper Morrow Devon Energy Corp., #2 Holmes '17', 800' from North & 1063' from East line, Sec. 17, RE, R&E, PD 17000'.

**Application to Plug-Back & Re-class**

**HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE)** Lyco Energy Corp., #3 Henry Harrison, 990' from South & 2970' from West

line, Sec. 14, M-16, AB&M, PD 3275' —

**Amended Intention to Drill**  
**WHEELER (WILDCAT & BUFFALO WALLOW)** Upper Morrow Devon Energy Corp., #1 Thomas '47', 1074' from South & 2057' from East line, Sec. 47, A-2, H&GN, PD 14700'. Amended to change well location

**Oil Well Completions**

**GRAY (PANHANDLE)** Phillips Petroleum Co., #9 Jackson, Sec. 88, B-2, H&GN, elev. 3029 rkb, spud 6-5-97, drlg. compl 6-11-97, tested 10-22-97, pumped 16.5 bbl: of 37.7 grav. oil + 2 bbls. water, GOR 61, TD 3155', PBTD 3155' —

**HEMPHILL (N.W. MENDOTA)** Granite Wash) Pablo Energy, Inc., #4-34 Pablo, Sec. 34, 1, I&GN, elev. 2625 gr, spud 12-9-97, drlg. compl 12-16-97, tested 1-3-98, flowed 16.7 bbl. of 34.5 grav. oil + 9 bbls. water, GOR 6467, TD 11976', PBTD 10958' — Re-Entry

**Gas Well Completions**  
**CARSON (WEST PANHANDLE)** Pantera Energy Co., #1R Dowd, Sec. 5, 4, I&GN, elev. 3341 kb, spud k10-15-97, drlg. compl 11-7-97, tested 12-26-97, potential 291 MCF, TD 2815', PBTD 2815' — Replacement well for #1 Dowd

**HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Douglas)** Crescendo Resources, L.P., #4 Willa Rae Dumler 'A', Sec. 2, 1, I&GN, elev. 2642 kb, spud 8-12-97, drlg. compl 8-29-97, tested 12-11-97, potential 180 MCF, TD 8150', PBTD 8143' — Form 1 filed in Midgard Energy

**HEMPHILL (HEMPHILL Granite Wash)** Crescendo Resources, L.P., #15 Charles E.

Brown, et al 'B', Sec. 222, C, G&MMB&A, spud elev. 2541 kb, spud 9-1-97, drlg. compl 9-29-97, tested 12-12-97, potential 2000 MCF, TD 10650', PBTD 10554' — Form 1 filed in Midgard Energy

**HEMPHILL (HOWE RANCH)** Upper Morrow Burlington Resources Oil & Gas Co., #8 Gene Howe, Sec. 5, 1, G&M, elev. 2270 gr, spud 9-2-97, drlg. compl 10-2-97, tested 11-10-97, potential 112000 MCF, TD 12340', PBTD 12340' —

**ROBERTS (N.W. MENDOTA Granite Wash)** Crescendo Resources, L.P., #8 Flowers Trust 'A', Sec. 82, B-1, H&GN, elev. —, spud 7-15-97, drlg. compl 8-9-97, tested 11-6-97, potential 4500 MCF, TD 10800', PBTD 10791' — Form 1 filed in Midgard Energy

**ROBERTS (MORRISON RANCH)** Lower Morrow Natural Gas Anadarko Co., #2190 Carrie, Sec.

190, 42, H&TC, elev. 2614 kb, spud 10-4-97, drlg. compl 11-7-97, tested 12-22-97, potential 1820 MCF, TD PBTD 10693' —

**WHEELER (MILLS RANCH)** Des Moines) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #2045 Fabian, Sec. 45, A-7, H&GN, elev. 2162 kb, spud 9-19-97, drlg. compl 11-3-97, tested 12-28-97, potential 11907 MCF, TD 12260', PBTD 12079' —

**WHEELER (WEST PARK)** Upper Morrow Devon Energy Corp., #1 Reid '9', Sec. 9, RE, R&E, elev. 2616 gr, spud 7-27-97, drlg. compl 10-3-97, tested 12-1-97, potential 980 MCF, TD 16201', PBTD 16091' —

**Plugged Well**  
**HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE)** Hansford, Inc., #A-38 C.C. Whittenburg, Lot 43, 3, W.M. Neil, spud unknown, plugged 11-25-97, TD 3281' (gas) —

### Seven major cities to hold auditions for outdoor musical, drama 'TEXAS'

CANYON — Auditions are scheduled in seven major cities across the U.S. for salaried positions with the nation's best attended outdoor drama TEXAS. The 33rd season of the musical will run June 10 through Aug. 22, 1998, at Palo Duro Canyon State Park near Amarillo.

Directors are looking for actors, singers, dancers, technicians and staff to fill 140 positions. Company members must be available from May 17 through Aug. 23.

Auditions will be from January through March in Tucson, Ariz., Manhattan, Kan., Norman, Okla., San Antonio, Dallas, Canyon and Chapel Hill, N.C.

Written by Pulitzer Prize winning author Paul Green, the action in TEXAS takes place on stage in the Pioneer Amphitheatre beneath a spectacular 600 foot cliff of the Palo Duro Canyon.

A job with TEXAS has enhanced many a career. The show is directed by Neil Hess, who is widely recognized for his talent and offers expert instruction and valuable exposure to cast members who come from across the United States. In 1998, more than 12 states were represented in the TEXAS cast and crew. Many company members also use the opportunity to advance academically by earning college credits for performing in TEXAS from West Texas A & M University.

While the script never changes, the costumes, lighting and special effects are constantly updated to keep the show fresh and entertaining. The latest in digital sound and advanced lighting technology compliment the theatre's natural beauty to create startling effects. A summer thunderstorm seems so real that visitors often reach for umbrellas, and an exploding lightning bolt prompts many to glance around the theatre to locate the nearest shelter.

TEXAS is produced by the non-profit Texas Panhandle Heritage Foundation, Inc. For additional information about auditions or for show reservations, call (806) 655-2181 or write P.O. Box 268, Canyon, TX 79015.

### Panhandle API chapter to meet

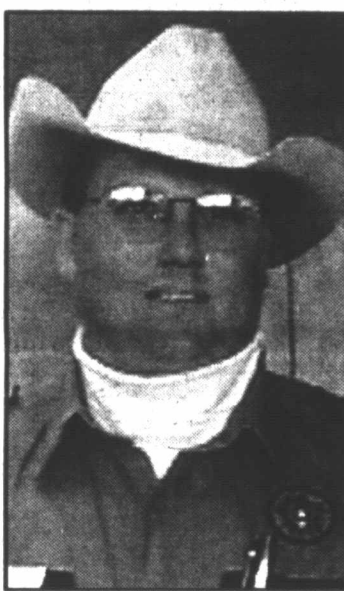
The Panhandle chapter of the American Petroleum Institute will meet at 6:30 p.m. Jan. 22 at the Pampa Country Club.

The program will include the 65th annual election and installation of officers and presentation of Service Awards for the 1997 year. The master of ceremony will be Mayor Bob Neslage. A brief history of the chapter's activities will also be given.

The chapter has awarded over \$100,000 in scholarships in the Panhandle area since 1990.

The door prize has been donated by B&B Solvent, Inc. An Italian buffet dinner — to be served at 7 p.m. — will be \$12 per person. Attendees are encouraged to bring a guest. Memberships will be available at the door.

### Employee of the Month



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Field Lieutenant Ben Watson is Jordan Unit's Employee of the Month. Watson heads the Field Force for the Jordan Unit. He graduated last month from Wayland Baptist University and also serves as mayor of Lefors.

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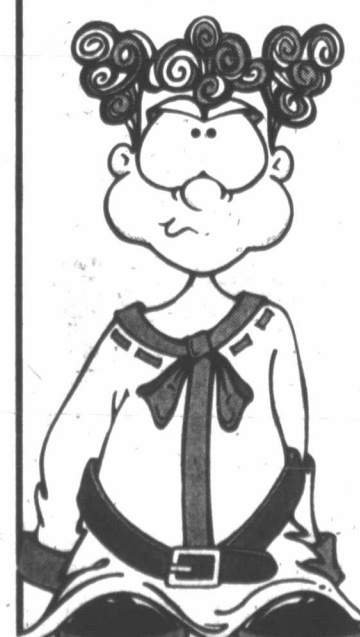
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# Walker's Anti-Litter Crusade Proceeds One Step At A Time

**DEAR ABBY:** Where I work, I see a lot of people from other states and countries, and I hear the following comment a lot: "For such a beautiful place, I'm surprised to see so much trash along the side of the roads."

Abby, I live in a nice little town in North Carolina and walk two miles in my neighborhood every day. After hearing that comment, I began carrying a trash bag with me to pick up the refuse people throw onto the side of the road. To my surprise, I find I'm picking up two large bags of trash a week — and I live in a nice neighborhood. What kind of people do this?

My neighbor asked me why I pick up the trash as I walk. I told him that trash made our neighborhood ugly, and if someone didn't do it we'd be knee-high in trash. He was very surprised. Maybe people don't realize what they're doing when they toss their soda cans, candy wrappers, cigarettes and beer bottles out of their cars. I was taught as a child that this was the wrong thing to do. It looks like a lot of people weren't.

Please, parents and teachers: Teach your children that this is wrong, and maybe it will be the start of a cleaner America. I would also like to encourage other walkers to carry a bag and pick up trash as they walk. Also, bending is great for reducing the waistline.

**VICKY HURLEY, HICKORY, N.C.**

**DEAR VICKY:** I'm pleased to



**Abigail Van Buren**  
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**promote your anti-litter crusade. Every state has littering laws. People should keep trash bags in their cars in which to dispose of trash, and teach their children that littering is wrong. Unfortunately, many individuals think they are the exception to the rule. There should be no exceptions!**

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**DEAR ABBY:** Recently I parked in the handicapped space at a restaurant and went in for lunch. Although I look healthy, I am a senior and have a much-needed handicapped placard on my car.

While I was enjoying my lunch, a customer who was leaving stopped at my table to tell me that the hostess and food servers were commenting that I didn't need the placard or special parking space.

As I paid my check, I asked the hostess, "Do you have arthritis?" "No," she replied. I asked if she had heart trouble. Again I received a

negative reply. "Have you had two major abdominal surgeries," I continued, "and four operations?" She replied that she hadn't. Then I said, "Well, I have. And I do not appreciate you and the servers deciding by looking at me that I'm fraudulently parking in a handicapped space. Please don't judge that about which you have no knowledge."

Abby, there are times when I can barely walk or breathe, and when I'm in extreme pain. However, I have my pride, and I try my best not to appear anything other than healthy, but I do need some concessions because of my poor health.

In her last year, my 76-year-old mother dressed immaculately and wore makeup to look healthy, even though she was dying of cancer.

How dare people judge those they don't know, and decide they don't need the handicapped parking space? Some disabilities are not obvious, so people should give us the benefit of the doubt. Please print my letter so that the public will get the drift and be more compassionate.

**WALKING TALL IN THE MIDWEST**

**DEAR WALKING TALL:** I have received many letters from people who are outraged at the obviously able-bodied people who park in parking spaces reserved for the handicapped.

Once again, I caution readers, "Don't judge a man until you've walked a mile in his moccasins."

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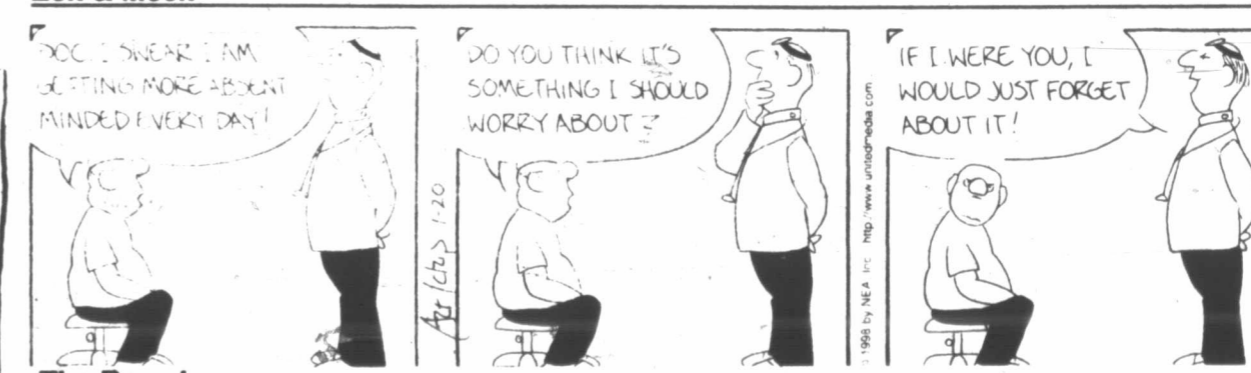
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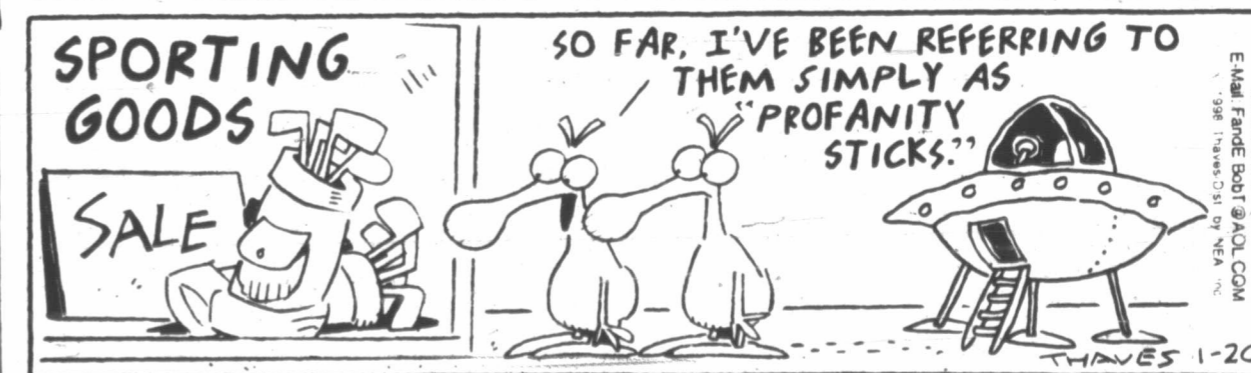
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## Horoscope

Wednesday, Jan. 21, 1998

You are likely to experience continued improvements in your commercial affairs in the year ahead. These shifts and changes might not be enormous, but they will be significant.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** You have a secret admirer who has been doing a lot of PR work for you recently. There is a possibility you will learn of this in greater detail today. Aquarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

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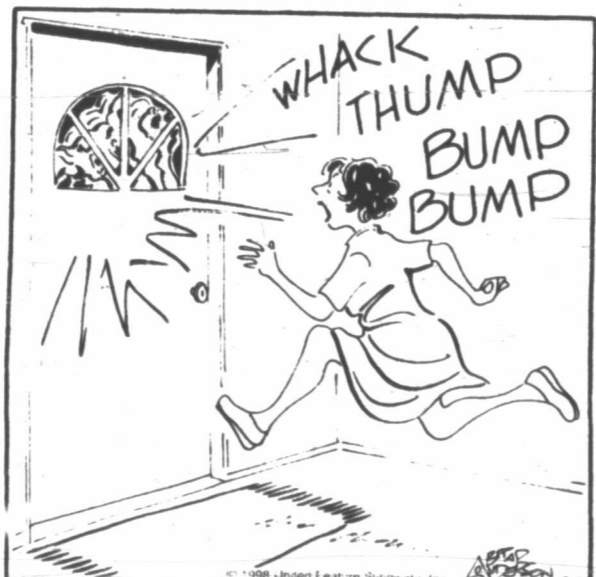
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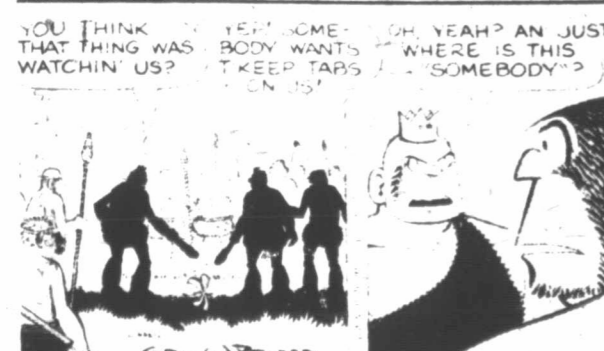
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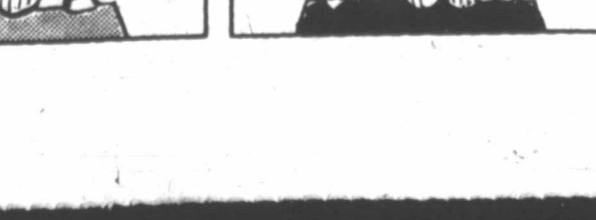
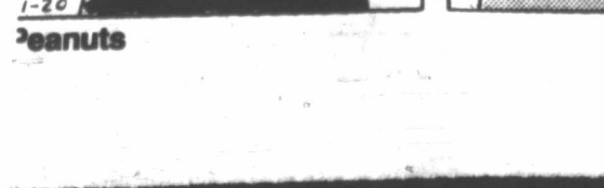
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# SPORTS

## Super Bowl paranoia reaches new heights

### Notebook

#### BASKETBALL

**HONOLULU (AP)** — Texas Christian coach Billy Tubbs had no trouble pointing to the turning point in the Horned Frogs' victory over No. 24 Hawaii.

With Hawaii dominating late in the first half Monday night, technical fouls were assessed on both benches for protesting rough play in Texas Christian's 83-76 victory.

"I think they came at a real critical point," Tubbs said. "We were down six and we were able to cut it to two after that. I think they really had us on the ropes at that point."

Hawaii led 38-32 and had high-scoring TCU under control. After the call, the Horned Frogs (15-4, 4-0 WAC) got five quick points before Alike Smith's shot at the buzzer gave the Rainbows (12-3, 1-2) a 40-38 lead at the half.

It was all TCU after that.

#### FOOTBALL

**OAKLAND, Calif. (AP)** — Despite reports to the contrary, the Oakland Raiders have not settled on Philadelphia Eagles offensive coordinator Jon Gruden as their new head coach, a team spokesman said.

"We're continuing to have follow-up interviews with some of the candidates," Raiders spokesman Mike Taylor said late Monday night.

In addition to Gruden, the Raiders also have expressed interest in Atlanta Falcons offensive line coach Art Shell, who had a 56-41 record when he coached the Raiders from 1989 to 1994, and New York Jets defensive coordinator Bill Belichick.

Gruden's name has been mentioned in some reports speculating that he might be a candidate for the head coaching vacancy of the Dallas Cowboys.

#### TENNIS

**MELBOURNE, Australia (AP)** — U.S. Open champion Patrick Rafter played two astonishing points for a key break in the next-to-last game before overcoming stubborn Jeff Tarango today in the first round of the Australian Open.

Rafter's big serve and acrobatic volleying finally prevailed over the Tarango's baseline sharp-shooting, 7-6 (7-4), 7-6 (7-4), 6-7 (4-7), 7-5 in the night match that lasted 3 1/2 hours.

Some of the most devastating shots came at 5-5 in the final set. On the first point, Rafter surprised Tarango by chasing down shots on opposite sidelines, and pressuring the American into netting a forehand.

Two points later, he went ahead 0-40 by curling a forehand passing shot down the line on a dead run.

That almost wasn't enough. Tarango, ranked No. 58, got back to deuce on two errors by the No. 2 seed and a passing shot that he punctuated with a fist gesture toward Rafter that drew boos from the crowd.

But two Tarango errors gave Rafter the game, and he served out the match, ending with his 26th ace.

Earlier in the final set, Tarango was given an unsportsmanlike conduct warning after holding up two fingers and shouting at the umpire: "That's two (line calls) you owe me, and you know it."

He had just been broken to trail 3-2, but immediately got the break back.

Tarango refused to discuss the incident.

He said Rafter "played like the world No. 2.... I was trying to be like a pit bull and hang on and scrape and hope that an opportunity would come. To his credit, it didn't."

Andre Agassi, and third seed Michael Chang also had to struggle through their first-round matches.

**SAN DIEGO (AP)** — Super Bowl news flash: Helicopter hovers over practice field. Coach not happy.

Day 1 of Super Bowl week produced little news other than Denver coach Mike Shanahan's displeasure with a television news helicopter that made a lot of noise while his team practiced Monday.

He attempted to be upbeat about it by saying the news crew was just trying to prepare the Broncos for crowd noise at Sunday's game.

Green Bay Packers coach Mike Holmgren tried to be even funnier.

"Flying that helicopter was fun," he joked.

Truth is, Shanahan was annoyed.

"It was inappropriate," Shanahan said. "There are things

we're doing from a game-plan standpoint that we would like to keep within our organization, just as the Green Bay Packers have a game plan that they would like to keep private."

There were no such disruptions with the Packers. The only real news is that Dorsey Levens will be looking to make a whole lot of money now that the NFL has its record-breaking \$17.6 billion TV deal.

"It's great timing as far as my contract is concerned," the running back said. "I really struggle sometimes not to think about it with this one more game to play. But that's got to be what I'm thinking about, playing in the Super Bowl."

Levens turned down a contract extension last summer, agreeing instead to play for \$785,000 this season and then test free agency.

Edgar Bennett got hurt in the exhibition opener, and the Packers' running game tandem that helped take them to the NFL championship last year became a one-man show.

Levens rushed for 1,435 yards, 39 short of Jim Taylor's club record. Then he broke Green Bay's playoff rushing record twice with 112 yards against Tampa Bay and 114 against San Francisco.

General manager Ron Wolf said re-signing Levens is the top offseason priority for the Packers. But Levens' agent, Hadley Engelhard, said they won't negotiate with Green Bay until they see what he's worth on the open market.

The helicopter incident was the talk of the day.

About five minutes after Denver's practice began at the

San Diego Chargers' complex, the chopper appeared. It circled the field four times and hovered above it for five minutes. In all, the helicopter, from San Diego's KFMB-TV, was in the vicinity of the practice field for about 25 minutes.

It was another example of the paranoia and hype that surround the Super Bowl, although such incidents also occur in other playoff rounds.

There was the time that San Francisco coach George Seifert thought he saw a spy in a eucalyptus tree. And New York Jets coach Walt Michaels thinking that Raiders owner Al Davis bugged the locker room ceiling.

"I know you're listening, Al," Michaels shouted at the perceived hidden microphone. "I know you're up there."

Even a picture of Dan Marino

looking a little woozy set off alarms at the Super Bowl 13 years ago.

"There are spies everywhere," said Holmgren, who knows from experience how these things can get blown out of proportion. "You either chose to deal with it, or not. You all understand the pressure and importance of this game. That's all it is."

Holmgren recalled an incident when he was San Francisco's offensive coordinator and Seifert stopped practice because someone was on a bridge several hundred yards away from the practice field.

"He stopped practice and sent a couple of guys driving up there and they grabbed this guy, put him against the railing and were checking him out, and he was a jogger tying his shoe," Holmgren said.

## PHS squads host Caprock

### HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

**PAMPA** — Pampa's 44-31 win over Dumas last week didn't come as much of a surprise to Lady Harvesters' head coach Mark Elms.

"I felt like we should have beaten them the first time. We came out this time and fought hard the entire game," Elms said. "It was a lot of fun."

In the District 1-4A opener between the two teams on Dec. 9, Dumas had held Pampa scoreless in the first quarter enroute to a 57-43 win.

"We spotted them an 11-0 lead and then played them real well the last three quarters," Elms said.

The Lady Harvesters welcome Caprock in district action at 6 tonight in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Caprock, 1-6 in district, is coming off a 59-52 win over Borger last Friday night.

Pampa edged past Dumas, 27-26, in a junior varsity girls' basketball game last Friday night.

Lisa Kirkpatrick had 9 points and Ann Gaddis followed with 6 to lead Pampa scorers.

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The Pampa Harvesters return to the friendly confines of McNeely Fieldhouse tonight, taking on Caprock at 7:30 in a District 1-4A contest.

The Harvesters have had back-to-back games at Dumas and

Canyon and haven't played on the homecourt since Jan. 9.

Pampa is 2-5 in district play and 8-12 for the season. Caprock is 2-3 in district and 10-12 overall.

Pampa ended the first-half of district play with a 62-48 loss Friday night to Dumas despite a 20-point night from senior guard Lynn Brown. Junior guard Shawn Young chipped in 10 points.

The Longhorns gained some momentum after sneaking past Borger, 59-52, last Friday night.

Michael Soria (6-4 senior) paced Caprock with 21 points. Ryan Fiel (5-10 senior) and Quincy Nodine (6-3 senior) added 14 points each.

The Longhorns are in a four-way tie with Dumas and Canyon in the district standings. Randall and Hereford are tied for the district lead at 4-1.

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**WHITE DEER** — White Deer girls go for their third District 2-2A win without a loss when they host Clarendon tonight.

Clarendon is 1-1 in district and 13-7 for the season.

The Lady Bucks, 18-5 overall, are coming off a 55-49 win over Quanah last Friday night. Nicole Salzbrenner led White Deer in scoring with 17 points while Amanda Freeman added 11.

White Deer boys are seeking their first district win tonight after two setbacks. Clarendon is tied with Memphis for the district lead at 2-0.

### TABC RANKINGS

#### GIRLS

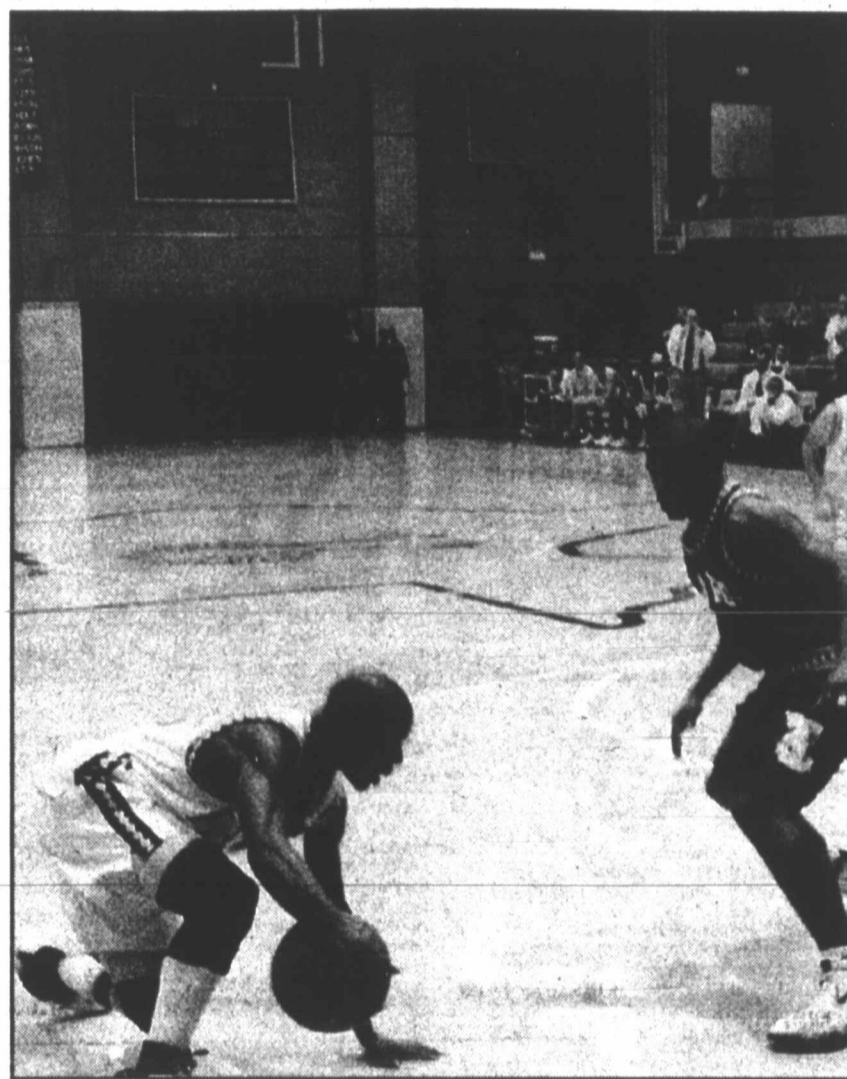
##### Class 4A

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**Pampa guard Lynn Brown (left) had a 20-point performance in last week's game against Dumas. Both Pampa boys' and girls' teams host Amarillo Caprock tonight.**

## Pampa wrestlers get ready for state tourney

**AMARILLO** — Fourteen members of the Pampa Take Down Club competed in the Top O' Texas Tournament.

Results are as follows:

**Division One**  
Kyle Turner, 38 pounds, 9th place; Conner Cambern, 54 pounds, 4th place.

**Division Two**  
Kasey Urquhart, 50 pounds, 2nd place; Cxyz Dills, 50 pounds, 6th place; Dakota Gilleland, 58 pounds, 6th place.

**Division Three**  
Reese Dills, 58 pounds 3rd place.

**Division Four**  
Demetrio Martinez, 72 pounds, 6th place; Kyle Cambern, 100 pounds, 1st place; Steven Muniz, 116 pounds, 2nd place; Chad Muniz, 116 pounds, 3rd place.

**Division Five**  
Andrew Cambern, 116 pounds, 6th place; Michael Cochran, 160 pounds, 2nd place.

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The Rookie State Tournament is Jan. 24 in Wichita Falls and Pampa is sending five wrestlers to the tournament. They include John Burns, 85 pounds, and Cxyz Dills, 50 pounds in Division B; Reese Dills, 58 pounds, Mason Skidmore, 100 pounds, and Michael Cochran, 160 pounds, in Division C.

"We want to wish them good luck," said Pampa coach Rick Urquhart. "We would like to think our local businesses for supporting our club and our young men. We have a strong team and that is a tribute to our kids and supporters."

## Jeffers has followed winding path to success

**FORT WORTH, Texas** — Patrick Jeffers' high school football stardom evolved on a humble private school field at Fort Worth Country Day.

Now, Jeffers is a second-year, second-string receiver for the Super Bowl-bound Denver Broncos.

"It's a long road, no doubt," said Jeffers, who is expected to play mostly on special teams when the Broncos face the Green Bay Packers in Sunday's Super Bowl in San Diego. "When I played for Country Day, playing in the NFL was the farthest thing from my mind, let alone playing in the Super Bowl. To have it happen in my second year so quick, when everything is so new to me, is pretty overwhelming. It's an opportunity of a life-

time with no guarantees that you're going to get back."

Jeffers' career has been a world of no guarantees. When he was a private school star at the beginning of this decade, no colleges awarded a scholarship. But with an elder sister attending Virginia, Jeffers visited the campus and elected to stay in 1991.

He landed on the school's football team as a walk-on. "I was the ninth of nine receivers," Jeffers said of making the high-profile team.

Four of the five years that Jeffers was at Virginia, the team gained a bowl berth. During his junior year, Jeffers helped Virginia defeat TCU in the Independence Bowl in Shreveport, La.

"When we played TCU, it was nice to get close to Fort Worth," he said. "I got a lot of questions such as was I angry that TCU never recruited me. But no one recruited me, so I had no bad feelings. I grew up in Fort Worth and wanted to get as far away as I could."

Jeffers was Virginia's leading receiver for three years, grabbing the attention of pro scouts. In 1996, he was drafted in the fifth round (159th overall) by the Broncos.

"It doesn't matter how you get here, the big thing is how you stay here," Jeffers said of playing professionally. "You can come in as a first-round draft pick and be gone in three years."

Jeffers, 24, who is 6-foot-3 and weighs 217 pounds, mostly has

played on special teams. He also is a back-up for veteran receiver Ed McCaffrey. When McCaffrey was injured during the Broncos' regular-season game against Pittsburgh, Jeffers caught two passes.

For the past two years, Jeffers has been thwarted by hamstring injuries in training camp. Though he missed six games this season by injuries, Jeffers is optimistic about his future.

"I feel like I've made progress," he said. "I feel like I'm a better player now than I was two years ago. I just want to keep getting better and better so when my chances come I can step up and do something positive so they think that this guy can help us out."

When Jeffers, the third of four

children, takes the field at the Super Bowl, his family is expected to attend. His father, John, is a medical doctor with an Arlington practice. His mother, Sarah, perhaps is Jeffers' biggest fan and can quote almost every statistic of her third child's entire football career.

"The way he's built his football career all along was the hard way," Sarah Jeffers said. "When he went to Country Day, we knew that he would have gotten more looks from colleges if he would have attended a public school. But now that he's playing professionally, you can see that it all has worked out fine in the end."

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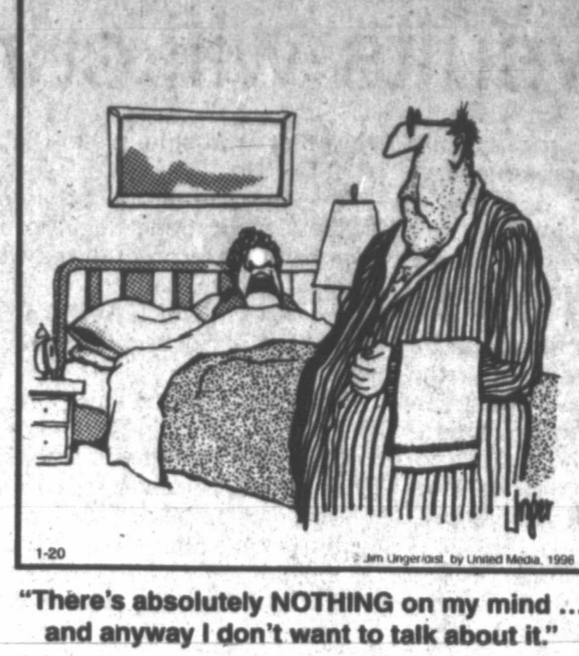
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## Many fear lawsuits will curtail study abroad programs

Still battling the stereotype that regions like Latin America and the Middle East aren't safe for American college students, proponents of study abroad programs have a new enemy: lawsuits.

The rapes of five American college students in Guatemala will likely fuel a growing movement to hold universities liable for the safety of its students studying overseas.

At risk may be the popular courses themselves. "We are afraid programs that are extremely thoughtful and quite safe won't be supported by institutions because they're afraid of the threat of lawsuits," said Len Clark, provost of Earlham College in Richmond, Ind. "This is no time for America to become isolationist."

The ambush involving students from St. Mary's College in Maryland came Friday, but the issue of liability in overseas programs is already a big concern to universities.

Mary Davidson, assistant director of the U.S. office of The American University in Cairo, knows the issue all too well. When 58 foreigners were killed in Luxor, Egypt, in November, col-

leges that send students to the American University canceled from coast to coast.

"Was that responsible behavior? I think many acted on the advice of their institution's legal counsel," she said Monday. "Was it responsible in terms of the educational goals of the students and faculty? I'd debate that."

Two cases in which American schools have been sued for injury or death that happened during overseas programs are being closely watched.

In one, an Earlham student who says she was raped in April 1996 by her host father in Tokyo is suing for \$3 million. In the other, the families of four students killed in a bus crash in India in March 1996 are suing the Semester at Sea program for an undisclosed amount.

Both cases are expected to go to trial this year. Courts have already said that colleges and universities are legally responsible for some injuries that befall students on campus. But whether that applies overseas - and to what sorts of injuries - is unknown.

"In many cases people didn't think there was liability involved, or they didn't want to go after a university - it's not your traditional target of lawsuits," said Robert Aalberts, a professor of legal studies at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas who has written about liability issues in overseas programs.

"First of all, you're dealing with adults, and how much do you have to warn adults?" he asked. "Plus, do you have a higher standard of care because students aren't as acquainted with what's going on?"

Added Aalberts: "I think (universities) were living on borrowed time until big things happened, and now they have."

All of this comes as more American students venture to more diverse destinations.

Two-thirds of the 89,000 students who study overseas still go to Western Europe, according to New York-based Institute of International Education, which surveys the industry each year. But the number of students who went to Latin America in 1996 increased 18 percent over the previous year. In Africa, the increase was 10 percent, in Asia 5 percent. All are records.

## Doctors defaulting on loans barred from Medicare

WASHINGTON (AP) - More than 1,400 doctors and other health care workers who defaulted on student loans will no longer be reimbursed for treating Medicare and Medicaid patients.

"They must pay up or lose out," Donna Shalala, the secretary of health and human services, said today.

The names of the 1,402 defaulters were posted on the Internet today and also will be published in the Federal Register. They include physicians, dentists, podiatrists, psychologists and health care administrators, the majority of whom work in California, Florida, Georgia, New York, Pennsylvania and Texas. The largest group of practitioners on the list is chiropractors.

The defaulters owe more than \$107 million, or an average \$76,000 each, for health education assistance loans that helped pay their way through medical school or other health care training.

After collection attempts failed, the government, which guaranteed the loans, had to repay the banks and other financial institutions that lent the money, said Dr. Claude Earl Fox, acting administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration, which oversees the loan program.

Fox said each of the defaulters has been contacted repeatedly for at least three years and reported to credit bureaus and the Internal Revenue Service, which can withhold income tax refunds.

"They have clearly had sufficient warning," said Fox, adding, "If they make any kind of good-faith effort to repay these loans, we work with them."

Now - and until they repay their debts - the defaulters will be barred from serving the more than 74 million elderly, disabled and low-income Americans covered by the federal Medicare and Medicaid health insurance programs.

## TFRS Council now accepting rural hero nominations

WACO - Entries for the Texas Farm and Ranch Safety Council's 1997 Rural Heroism Award are now being accepted, according to Ben Bullard, council president.

To qualify, a candidate must have performed an heroic act of human lifesaving within Texas during 1997. The heroic deed should be related to farming or ranching.

The 1997 recipient will be announced April 6, 1998, at the Texas Safety Association, 59th annual Texas/Southwestern Conference and Exposition to be held at the Renaissance Hotel in Austin.

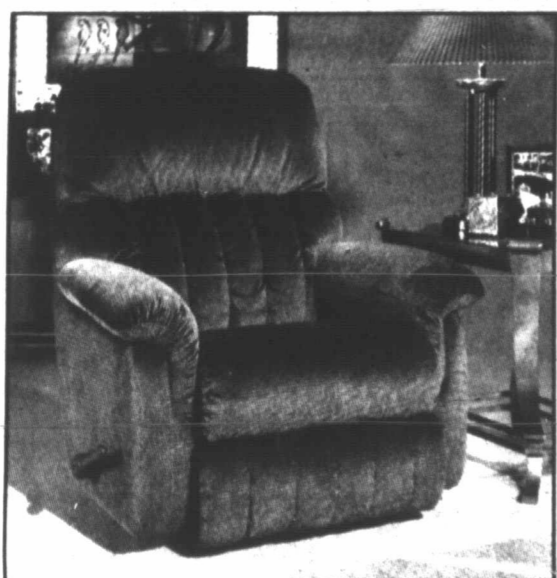
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