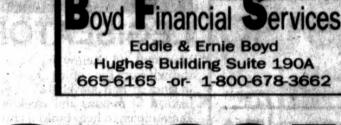
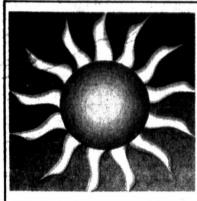


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High today upper 50s. Low tonight 30. For weather details see Page 2.

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) - A 17-year-old juvenile parolee ignited a controversy when he decided to smoke a cigarette in the restroom of a Texas Youth Commission halfway house.

The youth wound up in jail, prompting questions about the application of the state's new misdemeanor law against tobacco use by minors.

'They wanted us to arrest him because he was 17,' Corpus Christi police Capt. Gene Frobish told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times. "When we told him we wouldn't, that we generally just issue citations for things like this, they went ahead and wrote up the paperwork to revoke his parole right then and there.

The teen-ager was arrested and taken to the Nueces County Jail.

Price, Hwy. 152 utility additions on city agenda

It's expected that city commissioners will receive preliminary plans and cost estimates for extending water and sewer services outside the city limits when commissioners meet tomorrow.

A number of business owners and representatives on Price Road and Highway 152 are seeking the service as a replacement for inadequate private water lines and septic tank systems.

Late last year, a plea for help was made before the Pampa Economic Development Commission, Gray County Commissioner's Court and the Pampa City Commission.

Commissioners will meet at city hall at 4 p.m. for their public work session where most discussion takes place, followed by the formal meeting at 5 p.m.

In other business, commissioners will consider the award of the bid for the Somerville lighting project which can be awarded in either one or two phases. Funds will need to be allocated either from contingency or commission reserves to pay for the project.

Also, commissioners will consider the award of bid for the purchase of the public siren system. The old system will be distributed to other locations in the county.

Included in the consent agenda is first reading of an ordinance to increase, by \$1, some of the fees at at Hidden Hills Gold Course. If passed, the new week day green fee will be \$9, the twilight free will be \$7 and the seniors fee will be \$7.

Firefighters say now is bad time to burn debris

Pampa firefighters have had several instances lately of people burning trash or debris and causing grass or outside structure fires. They want to remind you of a few safety and legal requirements for burn-

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Two women were taken to Columbia Medical Center this morning Mitsubishi after a **Eclipse Spyder, traveling** east on Highway 60, struck a Chevy Tahoo pickup that was turning east onto Highway 60 from FM 2300. The pickup was able to be driven away but the Mitsubishi had to be hauled from the scene. Names were not available at press time.



tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn were: 1-11-13-31-34-43 (one, eleven, thirteen, thirty-one, thirtyfour, forty-three)

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$23 million.

• Naimi Clemmons, 64, longtime Pampa resident.

 T.H. Howard, 85, retired U.S. Postal Service employee. • Ida Blanche Jenkins, 97, Pampa resident since 1928. • L.A. Meathenia, 76, retired employee at Cabot R&D. • Margaret Talley, 89, former Pampa resident.

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ing or disposing of the debris.

First Fire Marshal Gary Stevens said that burning inside the city limits is illegal and can result in a fine of \$269.25. He said that it doesn't happen very often but he has had to file one case this month.

There have been several cases of grass fires this month but most of those have been accidental according to Stevens.

"People need to take extra precaution this time of year, because everything is extra dry," he said.

Other suggestions are to be sure of the wind direction to avoid having smoke drift over roads which can cause a traffic hazard also avoid

burning when the smoke will carry over into a neighbors house. Several of these suggestions may seem self evident but the rash of recent fires may indicate people need reminders.

The fire marshal's office also suggests waiting to burn until one hour after sunrise and to stop at least an hour before sunset and to burn only when the wind is between six and 23 miles an hour.

To be really safe, the fire marshal' office suggests that as alternative to burning people could try recycling, composting landscape materials, and using a mechanical chipping or mulching machine to use either as a fertilizer or just a way to reduce the volume of waste you need to dispose of in some other way.

County savings reach \$1.5 million

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY Staff Writer

The most recent Gray County treasurer's report revealed revenue is up and the county is doing well financially.

"The main thing is for a number of years we've been working to achieve three months forward of reserve money," said County Treasurer Scott Hahn.

As of Dec. 31, 1997, the county achieved that goal with approximately 1.5 million in the bank - an amount the commissioners court have sought to keep in reserve over the past few years.

For example, Hahn said, the county spent about \$300,000 for the Skinner trial and the question has been raised as to what the county would do if "another Skinner trial" came along.

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No one's saying yet when Oprah will testify

By MARK BABINECK Associated Press Writer

AMARILLO (AP) — Oprah Winfrey has made her name interviewing others. When she'll become an interviewee on the witness stand is the lingering question as her beef defamation trial grinds into a second week.

One of the cattlemen suing her was to resume testimony today as defense attorneys continue trying to deconstruct the plaintiffs' case.

At issue is whether Ms. Winfrey aired knowingly false and defamatory statements about the potential U.S. threat of mad cow disease, which began ravaging British cattle herds in the 1980s.

Ms. Winfrey has showed little reaction through two days of often-dry testimony, except for signs of fatigue caused by long days at the courthouse followed by evenings of taping her talk show at a local playhouse.

Attorneys cited a gag order when asked to speculate when Ms. Winfrey might take the stand. Her name appears on both sides' witness lists.

Already slumping cattle prices tell after the April 16, 1996, show, which included an interview with vegetarian activist Howard Lyman, a co-defendant in the lawsuit. Plaintiffs claim they lost \$10.3 million in the market plunge.

Because the feeding of rendered livestock protein to cattle — thought to have spread the disease in Europe — was occurring here, Lyman said consumers ran the risk of contracting a similar braindestroying disease.

The feeding custom was voluntarily banned in 1996 and outlawed last summer.

"I think that any supermarket shopper after watching would be afraid of buying beef products, because they were afraid to cook it and get holes in their brain," Amarillo cattleman Bill O'Brien testified Friday.

O'Brien and Mike Engler, son of plaintiff Paul Engler, drove home to the jury last week that mad cow disease hasn't been found in the United States, that Ms. Winfrey's show was biased and that the cattle industry suffered.

Defense attorneys Charles Babcock and Barry-Peterson got the witnesses to admit that there's no proof bovine spongiform encephalopathy, the disease's tormal name, doesn't exist here.

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Benevolent legislator tends to his injured family

By DENISE GAMINO Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN — Texas lawmaker Kenny Marchant has been in the hospital in Dallas for three weeks with a broken heart

Night after night, he converts a hospital couch that is surrounded by flower bouquets into a bed and tries to sleep away his sorrow.

Across the room, his namesake son lies paralyzed from the waist down. Upstairs, his wife of 23 years has a broken back, neck and collarbones. A head injury has left her mind fuzzy. His daughter, although she was expected to go home today, lies in another room with a broken back and leg.

trade places with any of them," Marchant's pasing to do the at once.

area state representative, a key player in the home equity loan bill in 1997, knows all about people in need. When he's away from the Capitol, he's planning church missionary trips to some of the world's poorest spots.

Russia. Haiti Across the room, his namesake son lies para- Bulgaria. Mexico. lyzed from the waist down. Upstairs, his wife of 23 the has visited these places and coats, jeans, shoes, antibiotics and help build to churches.

Now, he finds

his own family in need because of injuries suffered on just such a mission.

A church van crashed in Mexico on Jan. 3. Donna See LEGISLATOR, Page 2



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tor says. But he years has a broken back, neck and collarbones. A others to deliver can't, so he is try- head injury has left her mind fuzzy. His daughter, impossible — be although she was expected to go home today, lies other supplies, and at three bedsides in another room with a broken back and leg. Dallas-

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Services tomorrow

MEATHENIA, L.A. - 3 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

TALLEY, Margaret Jenny Chamberlain -Graveside services, 1 p.m., Memory Gardens Cemetery, Pampa.

Obituaries

NAOMI CLEMMONS

Naomi Clemmons, 64, died Sunday, Jan. 25, 1998. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. today

in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Cecil Ferguson, retired minister from Pampa, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Clemmons was born Jan. 6, 1934, at Pampa and had been a longtime resident. She moved

to California in 1960 and returned to Pampa in 1991. She attended First Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Survivors include two sisters, Betty Gage of Pampa and Ruby Jones of McLean; and two brothers, Lester Clemmons of Lubbock and Woodrow Clemmons of Albuquerque.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Sheltered Workshop, P.O. Box 2806, Pampa, TX 79066-2806.

T.H. HOWARD

DALLAS - T.H. Howard, 85, a former longtime Pampa area resident, died Friday, Jan. 23, 1998. Graveside services were to be today in Dallas. Mr. Howard was born Jan. 22, 1912. He had

been a Pampa area resident for over 40 years prior to moving to Dallas. He retired from the United States Postal Service in Pampa and was a veteran of World War II.

He was preceded in death by his wife, his parents and a brother.

Survivors include a sister, Lara Mae Manning of Pampa

IDA BLANCHE JENKINS

Ida Blanche Jenkins, 97, of Pampa, died Sunday, Jan. 25, 1998. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Darrell W. Evans, pastor of First Christian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Jenkins was born Oct. 12, 1900, in rural eastern Oklahoma. She married Miron S. Jenkins on Feb. 14, 1920, at Canyon; he died in July of 1980. She had been a Pampa resident since 1928. She was an active member of First Christian Church, was a lifetime member of Home Extension Service and was a charter member of Salvation Army Home League. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by a granddaugh-

Accidents

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

Saturday, January 24

No charges were listed when the Ford Windstar driven by Lucy Favette Crocker, 82, backed into a Cadillac owned by Vicki Cates, no dob, 2137 N. Faulkner, that was legally parked in the 2200 block of N. Hobart. Crocker left and later reported she did not know the accident occurred. A hit and run occurred at 1 a.m. Saturday when an unknown vehicle struck a legally parked trailer owned by Earl Culver, 2101 Williston, which was parked in front of Culver's house and drove

Sunday, January 25

A hit and run occurred Sunday when an unknown vehicle struck a Ford pickup owned by Keith Owen Fisher, 1129 Scirroco, in the 500 block of N. Nelson and drove off.

Ambulance

off

Rural/Metro answered the following calls for the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, January 24 9:52 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

11:01 - A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of Dwight and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

11:49 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of S. Russell on a fire standby.

3:15 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

3:47 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Lefors on a medical call. No patient was transported.

11:55 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to Northwest Texas Hospital.

Sunday, January 25

3 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home for a patient transfer to Baptist St. Anthony's West.

3:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to a local nursing home.

6:43 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home for a patient transfer to Columbia Medical Center.

Monday, January 26

5:57 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home for a patient transfer to Columbia Medical Center.

Fires

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

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LEGISLATOR

Marchant, 45, Kenny Jr., 14, and Dallas, 12, were thrown from the vehicle. Kenny Marchant had been ill and so had stayed home with two other sons instead of making the weeklong trip to Tampico, Tamaulipas, to help build a church.

"He's pretty crushed," said Marchant's brother Ron, a justice of the peace in Denton County. "They are debilitating injuries that will take a long time and a lot of prayer to really heal."

The Marchant family's private pain is bringing public attention to their church missionary work, an endeavor that poses risks every time they pack their bags and receive another stamp on their passports.

Many of Marchant's colleagues at the Capitol know little about his international trips of mercy, although he is known as a deeply religious man. Last year, he sponsored a bill to require parents to be notified before their teen daughters could obtain an abortion. The bill did not pass.

"It's kind of a difficult thing to have his family in the limelight," said the Rev. Jim Hill, pastor of Carrollton Church of the Nazarene, where the Marchant family worships.

"He's a real private man," Hill said. "He doesn't blow his own horn a lot."

Kenny Marchant, 46, declined to be interviewed, but agreed to have his friends and brother explain the drive that motivates the Marchants to globetrot for the church.

"He had a minister's heart a long time ago," Ron Marchant said. But "his ministry has proven to be greater as a successful Christian businessman than it could have been as a pastor or minister."

The popular suburban area north of Dallas is where Kenny Marchant has made a good living as a land developer and home builder. He also served two terms on the Carrollton City Council and as mayor before his 1986 election as a Republican to the Texas House of Representatives.

With his earnings from land development, Marchant created a private foundation in 1989. The foundation provides scholarships to Southern Nazarene University, makes loans to churches for renovation projects and buys goods to donate on mission trips

Hill recalls a 1994 mission trip to Russia led by Marchant. About 15 people from the Carrollton church delivered enough clothing, school supplies, medicine and money to keep an orphanage for 250 children in operation for another year or two, Hill said.

"I walked outside one day, and there were 250 orphan children," Hill said. "They were dirty and ragged, and some of them had head lice. And right in the middle of that group was Kenny Marchant, and he was kneeling down, and all of those kids were running and hugging him. "He never turned a kid away."

On another trip, this time to Bulgaria, Marchant gave an orphanage \$5,000 to repair its substandard kitchen so government officials would not shut the institution down.

Colleagues in the Texas Legislature say the same

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actual and unspecified punitive damages related to

oversupply and other factors.

months to recover.

strong religious faith that propels Marchant around the world also guides him in the state Capitol.

"I find him to be honest," said close friend and colleague Steve Wolens, a Democratic representative from Dallas. "I find him to have core principles driven by morals and family responsibility and the obligation of family values.

But that doesn't mean Marchant is not keen on politics.

"He seems to be a political poker player," Wolens said. "He can see the future."

State Rep. Tony Goolsby, R-Dallas, calls Marchant a gentleman who "doesn't try to show anybody

"He's very conscientious and hard-working," Goolsby said. "Lots of times, he flies home at night to be with his family, but he's there the next day.

The outpouring of concern for the Marchant fam-ily — 30 hospital visitors a day, hundreds of cards and letters, enough food and fruit baskets to feed a village - is a sign of the regard in which they are held by their church and community.

"We have heard from people literally all over the world," Ron Marchant said. "It's just been an unbelievable outpouring of affection for my family. This has really struck a chord.

"You always hear the statement, "How can bad things happen to good people?' The second part of that shows how good people respond to bad things," Ron Marchant said.

Worshippers in the Church of the Nazarene in 120 countries are holding prayer vigils for the Marchants.

Kenny and Donna Marchant attended Bethany Nazarene College in Oklahoma. The school, now known as Southern Nazarene University, sponsored the mission trip to Tampico that ended in the fatal van crash. The van's driver and a passenger were killed in the 7:20 a.m. accident 85 miles south of Brownsville.

Donna, Kenny Jr. and Dallas Marchant were thrown from the van. They received medical help from a busload of student nurses from the Nazarene university who arrived about 20 minutes after the accident.

Volunteers drove the injured passengers to a Mexico hospital 50 miles away. From there, they were driven in a pickup and a Suburban to Harlingen, a 31/2-hour drive.

Kenny Marchant met his family when they arrived in Harlingen. A few days later, the three injured Marchants were flown to Dallas for hospitalization.

Donna Marchant and Kenny Marchant Jr. may be hospitalized for several more weeks and will require months of rehabilitation.

Ât the Carrollton Christian Academy, where Kenny Jr. is in eighth grade and Dallas is in seventh grade, the students hold prayer vigils daily for the family.

Prayers are what the family wants and needs above all, say friends.

"I really feel that Kenny's faith is what keeps him strong," Hill said. "I think he believes it's his faith that's going to see him through this and see his family through this as well."

Paul Engler, O'Brien' and others are suing Ms. Winfrey, her production company and Lyman for

the price drop. O'Brien said Texas Panhandle cattle

prices fell 7 percent in just eight days and took

The defense blames the price drop on drought,

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ter, Kathryn Bullard Smith, in 1971; and a greatgranddaughter, Heather Bullard, in 1973.

Survivors include two daughters, Betty Jack and Viola Bullard, both of Pampa; a son, Emmett Jenkins of Pampa; nine grandchildren; 26 greatgrandchildren; and 26 great-great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 401 Lowry and 723 E. Locust and requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

L.A. MEATHENIA

L.A. Meathenia, 76, of Pampa, died Saturday, Jan. 24, 1998. Services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Albert Maggard, pastor of First Pentecostal Holiness Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Meathenia was born Feb. 3, 1921, at Kelton. He married Viola Weiss on Nov. 18, 1942, at Wichita Falls; she died Jan. 15, 1994. He had been a Pampa resident since 1948 and was an operator at Cabot R&D, retiring in 1986 after 38 years of service. He was a U.S. Army Air Corp veteran, serving during World War II. He was a member of First Holiness Church.

He was preceded in death by a son, Frank David; a daughter, Cecilia Ann Meathenia; four brothers, R.C. Meathenia, Ray Meathenia, George Methenia Jr. and Jack Meathenia; and two sisters, Pauline Stages and Bessie Target.

Survivors include two daughters, Mary Coombes and Rita Keldon Ellis, both of Pampa; a sister, Bonnie Schaub of Pampa; a brothers, Kenneth Meathenia of Bloomfield, N.M.; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Sheltered Workshop, P.O. Box 2806, Pampa, TX 79066-2806.

MARGARET JENNY CHAMBERLAIN TALLEY

FREDERICKSBURG - Margaret Jenny Chamberlain Talley, 89, a former Pampa resident, died Jan. 21, 1998, at Knopp Nursing Home in Fredericksburg. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Memory Gardens Cemetery. Local arrangements are under the direction of Schaetter's Funeral Home, Inc., of Fredericksburg.

Mrs. Talley was preceded in death by her husband, Russell "Pete" Talley, longtime employee of Skelly Oil Company in the Pampa area.

Survivors include three children, Russell Talley of Fredericksburg, Katherine Hess of Cleveland, Ohio, and Jean Miller of Mexia; seven grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Police report

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

Sunday, January 25

Mark Douglas Scott, 23, 937 S. Wells, was arrested for no valid drivers license.

Jeremy B. Lambert, 21, 1301 Garland, was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia, no drivers license and failure to I.D.

Saturday, January 24

12:44 p.m. - Two units and three personnel responded to a grass fire at 1408 E. Francis. 1:23 p.m. — Three units and seven personnel

responded to a structure fire at 839 S. Russell. Sunday, January 25

11:12 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to sparking power lines in the 200 block of S. Canadian.

Calendar of events

TOASTMASTERS

Smooth Talkers and Knee Knockers Toastmasters Club meets 5:45 p.m. Wednesday in the dining room of Furrs Cafeteria. For more information, call Daniel Silva at 669-6351 or Gary Casebier at 665-4214.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON

Clean Air Al-Anon will hold meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-3988. **PANHANDLE SPE**

Russell E. Ott of Artificial Lift Solutions will be speaking Tuesday, Jan. 20 at the Borger Bank Building, 3rd Floor Conference Room. The cost for the luncheon is \$10 per person. Ott will discuss, "Improving Operating Techniques to Reduce Operating Expenses Inexpensively." Call Cindy Boyer at 806-275-3403 for more information.

JUNIOR SERVICE LEAGUE

Junior service league meeting at St. Vincent Conference Room on Januray 20th. Please contact Angie Leos, 665-6854

TOP O' TEAXS KNIFE AND FORK CLUB The Top O' Texas knife and Fork Club will meet onTursday, February 5th at the pampa country Club at 7:00 p.m. Members may pick up their dinner tickets at Dunlap's department store after January 28th and before February 3rd. The program will be Cynthia Sayer whose program is entitled "Cynthia Sayer's Jazzin' banio"

MAGIC PLAINS'TOASTMASTER CLUB The Magic Plains Toastmasters Club will meet at the Borger Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, January 27 at 6:15 p.m. The public is invited to attend. Scheduled to speak are Cindy Gillman and Thelma Hinton.

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ments on the program usually were prefaced by cautionary words like "could" and "may," or formed into questions, not statements. Plaintiffs countered that her show edited out important probeef comments, and they hold her liable.

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With three months operating expenses reserve in the bank, an amount that was suggested to the court early on as a minimum to have saved, the county is more prepared for unplanned financial circumstances, he said.

"Now we can start the new year with 1.5 million in the bank," Hahn said.

And with that amount saved, the county will begin to operate not to hold the money, " said under the 1998 budget.

Hahn said the exact amount saved, \$1.547 million, gives the county the \$1.5 figure amount they planned on, plus \$47,000 extra.

County Judge Richard Peet suggested at the last meeting that commissioners may be able to lower next year's tax rate with this goal completed.

"The goal of setting a tax rate is Hahn this morning.

"We're not in a position to want to over tax the taxpayers to get huge reserves, and yet we cannot operate on a shoestring budget, either," he said.

The commissioners court has worked hard to reach this goal, he said, and I've supported them. "We've done exactly what we

wanted to do," he said.

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Gas prices take another fall

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gasoline prices took another fall, dropping nearly 3 cents per gallon at the pump as crude oil prices continued a months-long decline.

The average price of gasoline nationwide, including all grades and taxes, was about \$1.16 per gallon on Friday, down 2.7 cents in two weeks, according to the Lundberg Survey of 10,000 stations.

"Tumbling seems to describe it for me," analyst Trilby Lundberg said Sunday.

Dipping crude oil prices are a main reason that gasoline retail prices have fallen continuously since Sept. 5 and are now 17 cents per gallon lower, Ms. Lundberg said.

At self-service pumps, regular gasoline was \$1.10 per gallon, mid-grade was about \$1.20 and premium was nearly \$1.29

At full-service pumps, regular was \$1.53, mid-grade was \$1.61 and premium was \$1.68.

Weather focus

Sunny today with a high in the upper 50s and winds from the tonight with a low of 30 and light sunny. westerly winds. Tomorrow, mostly sunny with a high in the from 10-15 mph.

WEST TEXAS — Panhandle -Tonight, clear. Low 25 to 30. West mostly cloudy east. Clearing wind 5 to-10 mph. Tuesday, becoming partly sunny. High in the mid 60s. Southwest wind and west. Clearing east. Warmer around 15 mph. Low Rolling with highs 58 northeast to 69 Plains - Tonight, clear. Lows 25-35. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs mid 60s to lower 70s. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Tonight, clear and cold. Lows near 70 east and south. Lows Pecos — Tonight, clear. Lows upper 20s to mid 30s. Tuesday, central. Tuesday, sunny. Highs in mid 20s to 30s elsewhere. mostly sunny. Highs upper 60s mid 70s. Čoncho Valley/Edwards Plateau

Tonight, clear. Lows lower to mid 30s. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs upper 60s to lower 70s. Far West Texas — Tonight, fair. northwest at 10-20 mph. Clear Lows upper 20s. Tuesday, mostly Highs upper 60s. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area - Tonight, clear. upper 60s and southwest winds Lows 20-35. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Highs 60s to mid 70s.

NÓRTH TEXAS — Tonight, elsewhere. Lows 33 west to near 40 east. Tuesday, sunny central west.

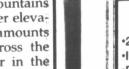
and South Central Texas - and northwest with upper 50s to near 30 Hill Country to 40s south teens to mid 20s mountains with the lower 70s, upper 60s Hill Country. Southeast Texas and mostly clear. Lows in the mid 20s Upper Texas Coast - Tonight, to mid 30s. Tuesday, partly partly cloudy and cold. Lows in cloudy-Highs in the 60s.

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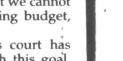








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Starr's investigators prepare to quiz Clinton's friends, aides

WASHINGTON (AP) - With the Clinton administration in cri-sis, a probe of an alleged presidential sexual relationship and investigators about what Ms. Lewinsky, 24, will tell them in possible coverup is picking up speed. Whitewater investigators exchange for immunity from prosecution. are preparing to question aides and friends of President Clinton before a federal grand jury.

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The question of when Clinton would deal with the swirl of allegations in detail hung over Washington today. "We're working this out almost hour by hour," White House communications Even in rallying around the president, Clinton's advisers said the White House was limited in what it could say because of the director Ann Lewis said on NBC's "Today" show:

Nobody wants to get the facts out more quickly and more publicly than Bill Clinton," she said. "We have to do this in a way charges raised, "your first priority is cooperating with investigathat is appropriate."

She said Clinton was going to a public morning event on child care but was not planning a statement there about the allegations.

Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr spent much of Sunday at his office amid a report by ABC News that an eyewitness saw Clinton and former White House intern Monica Lewinsky in an intimate encounter in the spring of 1996, just before Ms. Lewinsky was transferred to the Pentagon.

Former White House chief of staff Leon Panetta and former deputy chief of staff Evelyn Lieberman issued a statement denying that either had been notified by any White House aide or Secret Service agent who might have witnessed "certain sexual activities between the president and Ms. Monica Lewinsky."

Ms. Lewinsky's lawyer pressed, meanwhile, for an immunity deal for his client, pledging to "remain in Washington as long as tion will provide investigators." it takes to see that the truth in every detail, wherever it may fall, comes out."

Clinton last week denied having any "improper sexual rela-tionship" with the young woman or asking her to lie to investigators

criminal investigation.

"I'm all for a rapid response," Lewis said. But with serious

Ms. Lewinsky filed a sworn affidavit in the Paula Jones sexual harassment case denying an affair with Clinton - an assertion that is contradicted by secretly taped conversations now in the hands of Whitewater prosecutors.

Ginsburg said it would be unwise for the White House or Clinton's personal lawyers to attack Ms. Lewinsky as unstable, noting that she was aided over a long period of time by people around the president.

"How could they have helped her get jobs, including with responsible companies, large companies, if she was so unstable?" Ginsburg said.

On ABC, Ginsburg said he had made "a couple of oral attorney proffers" to Whitewater prosecutors. A proffer is an outline of what evidence a potential cooperating witness in an investiga-

Ginsburg did not elaborate during his television appearance, but a source familiar with the matter has said Ms. Lewinsky is Doing a Sunday media blitz of television talk shows on NBC, willing to tell prosecutors that she had sex with the president.

Muscular Dystrophy Association to hold annual 'Lock-Up'

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The Muscular Dystrophy research projects and more. Association will be rounding Some of the Pampa jailbirds up and issuing warrants for are as follows: C.J. Johnston, notorious Pampa citizens Kathryn Killgo, Bill Allison, Wednesday, Jan. 28, in an Wilbur Killbrew, Harold Price, effort to raise funds for local patients with neuromuscular diseases.

The "jail" for the Pampa Lock-Up will be at Scotty's Mains Street Grill, 115 S. Cuyler. The arrests will begin at 10 a.m. and will continue through 4 p.m. Sponsors of the event include Scotty's and Dobson Cellular.

Upon arriving at "jail," jailbirds will be read their rights, sentenced and given a phone to begin raising their bail. The prisoners will be given plenty of "bread and water," have a mug shot taken and receive a souvenir T-shirt.

Money raised through the local lock-up helps to provide free comprehensive medical care, support groups, summer camp, funding for

Bill Carter, Sharron Braddock, John Tripplehorn, Ann Wade, Jim Davidson, Sherryl Lanham, Brenda Baxter, Kim Banner, Lori Boyd, Jim Prock, Harold Hook, Patricia Farmer, James Schoonover, Diane Hillman, Linda Hawley,

Paulette Paul, Greg Stevens, Homar Brewer, Cathy Potter. Jack Hilton, Stephen Dewey, Wayne Wilson, Susan Fisher, Larry Heard, Holly Hiton, Kathryn Cota Bill Kimble Kathryn Cota, Bill Kimble, Paul Nachtigall, Jeannie Bridges, Calvin Sage, David Whitson, Joe Reeve, Greg Boyd, Debbie Contrell, Rita Sewell, Jene Sewell, Stacey Brown, Kathryn Phillips, Bob Keller, Susan Roberson, Larry Price, Retha Jordan, Janie Palma, Larrie Brewer, Rocky Farrar, Carrie Williams, Barbra Prease, Christy Parker, Paula Goff, Brian McGraw, Roger David, Warren Chisum, Don Belaire, Ken Hinkle, Robin Manzanares, L.W. McCall, Charles Smith, Les Weatherly, Terry Carpenter and Mark Taylor.

For more information, contact the Muscular Dystrophy Association at (806) 359-3141.

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Golden Nail Awards organizers seeking for nominations

Golden Nail Awards Gala planners are now port for the fine arts in the Texas Panhandle during 1997. The Golden Nail Awards is Panhandle area are of such magnitude that activities. sponsored by the Arts Committee of the the impact on the arts is significant. Amarillo Chamber of Commerce.

tions which will be honored at the ceremonies held on Saturday, April 4, 1998 at the Amarillo Civic Center. Chef Flynt Payne of the Inn of the Anasazi

in Santa Fe will be guest chef and will plan the dinner menu. Music will be provided by

Nominations are invited from individuals Recipients of the Golden Nail Awards as well as organizations. Nomination forms Marian Stroup, and Darlene Birkes. Golden include individuals, businesses, and founda- are available at the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce office, 1000 S. Polk in Amarillo of from Darlene Birkes area representative, at Hill, Woody Guthrie tributes by Thelma Bray, 665-2913. The deadline for the nominations is February 9, 19°8.

The Golden Nail Award categories include the Summit, Individual, Business, Each year, the Summit Award goes to an indi- The Pampa News.

Established in 1982, the purpose of the vidual for lifelong support to the arts. Special seeking nominations from a 15 city area of Golden Nail Awards is to honor those who awards are presented when warranted. those who have provided extraordinary sup- financial, in-kind and volunteer contribu- Golden Touch Awards are also presented for tions to the fine arts in Amarillo and the innovative ideas in the arts events and area

Past Golden Nail winners from Pampa include Lilith Brainard, Gerald Sanders, Touch awards have been made to the Elementary Chorus productions by Wanetta "Gray County Adventure" video, and ACT I. Business awards have been made to Cabot Corp., Cree Companies, Citizens Bank and Trust Co., other award winners are M. K. W.T. Greer, formerly of The Melrose Library Foundation, and Distinguished Volunteer. Brown Foundation, FOCUS magazine, and

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welcomes Technical Solutions! Teresa Broseh is office manager and Wayne Holder is sales and service representative for this Amarillo-based computer and telephone system company located at 4221 Southwest 21st

The Chamber Tourism Committee will meet at 2 p.m. Jan. 27 in the Nona Payne Room of the Pampa Community Building.



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EVER STRIVING FOR THE TOP O' TEXAS TO BE AN EVEN BETTER PLACE TO LIVE

Let Peace Begin With Me

This newspaper is dedicated to furnishing information to our readers so that they can better promote and preserve their own freedom and encourage others to see its blessings. Only when man understands freedom and is free to control himself and all he possesses can he develop to his utmost capabilities.

We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not a political grant from government, and that men have the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property for themselves and others.

Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment

L.W. McCall Publisher

Kate B. Dickson Associate Publisher/Editor

Opinion

Taking a judicious look at the courts

The partisan process of appointing federal judges has long been a problem, but some nominees simply are not acceptable.

During the last half of George Bush's presidential term, the Democratic-controlled Senate did everything possible to delay his appointments to the federal bench. The reason was clear: Senate leaders were hoping a Democrat would be elected president and nominate far more "acceptable" justices.

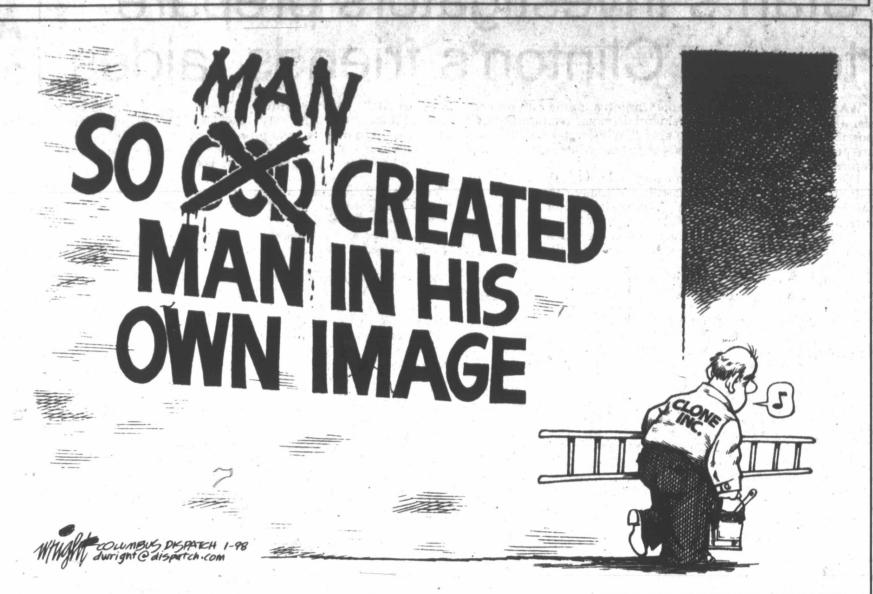
Given their lifelong tenure and the great power federal judges have, it was understandable that Democrats would use every political weapon to influence appointments. Perhaps that's why the nation's media, paid scant attention to GOP cries of unfairness.

The situation is now reversed. Our Democratic president complains of a Republican-controlled Senate playing politics by delaying his federal judicial appointments. The media are outraged Republicans would resort to such tactics.

But battles over judicial appointments are nothing new. This was one of the few serious topics debated during the Clinton-Dole presidential campaign. Even after the election, some conservative House Republicans threatened to impeach Clintonite judges who put liberal ideology over the letter and spirit of the nation's laws.

The latest skirmish began New Year's Eve when Supreme Court Chief Justice William Rehnquist, a Republican appointee, complained about the oppressive caseload federal courts must handle. He called on Congress to pass limits on certain types of civil lawsuits that he believes should be state, not federal, matters. He also criticized the Clinton administration for being too slow in sending judicial nominees to the Senate. But he saved his most pointed criticism for Senate Republicans, whose inaction has left a nearly 10-percent vacancy rate in federal courts.

Rehnquist made some reasonable points. Clearly, Congress should assure the federal court system has enough judges to keep cases from being backlogged. And he also is right that it would be far better if the Senate showed the courage of its convictions and rejected excessively liberal or unqualified nominees. But the Senate's instincts are correct in putting the brakes on some questionable choices. In a recent editorial, the Wall Street Journal describes one appointee that may reveal what the Clintonites are up to. The judge is Frederica Massiah-Jackson, and Clinton has appointed her to serve on the federal court for eastern Pennsylvania.



oes capital case reflect bias?

If the death penalty could ever be justified, it would appear to be in this case. The killer murdered two people by bludgeoning them with a pickax. The murderer never denied having committing these crimes and even reported feeling a sexual surge while striking the blows

And indeed, the defendant in this case was sentenced to death. But 14 years later, there are many who now say that this killer's life should be spared. Calls to overturn the death sentence of Inmate 777 of the Mountain View Unit in Gatesville, Texas, have been heard throughout the nation. Even more interesting is the unusual mix of people who are calling for mercy – a group that includes a sister of one of the victims, a former juror on the case and televangelist Pat Robertson.

"I think compassion should overrule the socalled sense of justice," Robertson told the TV news program "60 Minutes." "There's a certain amount of punitive right that a society against the death penalty, but in this case, I think (Texas Gov. George W. Bush) should Who is so trusted by the prison staff that she is lege should not be the sole province of goodcommute the sentence. Why this sudden rush of compassion for wearing handcuffs. someone who so clearly murdered in cold

By The Associated Press

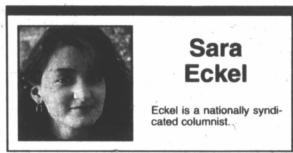
Today's Highlight in History:

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landed in present-day Sydney.

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On this date:



because the inmate found God, converting to Christianity and becoming - by all reports one of the nicest people death row has ever seen. But many others believe something more insidious is happening. Many believe it's sexism

You see, Inmate 777 is Karla Faye Tucker, an attractive 38-year-old white woman who has curly brown hair and stands 5-foot-3-inches tall. She is a woman who is dedicated to a prison-based ministry that tries to keep young has against killers, and I support that. I'm not people from becoming criminals. Who fell in that her exemplary behavior behind bars

mitted those horrible crimes. That she has matured into a good, God-fearing Christian woman

But the problem with this rationale is that religious conversions on death row are not uncommon. Many men have found God after being sentenced to death, but no celebrity preachers came to their defense.

Unfortunately, justice has not been blind when it comes to the death sentence. Justice has been all too aware of both the gender and the race of the convicted. Since the Supreme Court opened the door for capital punishment in 1976, we have executed 432 felons, only one of whom was female. Women make up one in eight of those arrested for murder, but only one in 70 of the inmates on death row. Meanwhile, blacks comprise 12 percent of the total population, but they are 37 percent of those executed.

This is not to say that I believe Tucker should be executed. I agree with Robertson love with and married the prison chaplain. should allow her to live. However, this privi-

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Massiah-Jackson's actions on a Philadelphia court were so outrageous some fellow Democrats have started what the Journal calls "a grassroots rebellion to stop her nomination." Massiah-Jackson is so lenient toward criminals and so hostile toward prosecutors that "defense attorneys love having cases assigned to her and often waive the right to a jury trial so the judge becomes the fact finder in the case."

She has purposefully blown the cover of undercover drug agents and has found every manner of excuse to allow killers to escape punishment, the Journal says. In one incident, a man with 19 previous adult convictions ran down a pedestrian, left her by the side of the road, then beat the victim's relative. According to the Journal, the judge gave him two years probation because "he had merely been involved in a car accident."

If these are the types of nominees the Senate is delaying, Americans should be thankful for its efforts.

-Odessa American

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blood? Well, Robertson and others say it's has seen the error of her ways since she com- they man or woman, black or white.

26th day of 1998. There are 339 He wanted the turkey.

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expressed unhappiness over the In 1861, Louisiana seceded Today is Monday, Jan. 26, the eagle as the symbol of America. from the Union.

miered in Dresden, Germany. In 1942, the first American expeditionary force to go to

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> In 1950, India officially proclaimed itself a republic as In 1870, Virginia rejoined the Rajendra Prasad took the oath of office as president.

> > In 1962, the United States launched Ranger 3 to land scientific instruments on the moon, but the probe missed its target by some 22,000 miles.

In 1979, former Vice President New York at age 70.

Home health patients need relief

There is a lot of good and bad information floating around our communities about Medicare cuts in the area of home health. It is true that benefits are being cut. Without going into a lot of detail about laws and bills that are hard to understand, we can boil it down to a few simple facts. You will notice that I support my opinions with facts from recent reports, and enabled a beneficiary to meet the eligibiland that, in every case, there are solutions being studied and enacted.

 Congress is rightfully concerned about fraud and abuse of the Medicare System. Plans to include computer technology are already being looked at as a way of preventing and detecting fraudulent practices.

'Close collaboration with our partners in the law enforcement arena is one way we can maximize our success ... When we find bad apples among our many good providers, we must take enforcement action against them. In fiscal year 1995, every dollar spent by our Medicare contractors yielded a \$14 return." This according to a report by Bruce Merlin Fried, director, Center For Health Plans and Providers, Sept. 29, 1997. This committee is to be applauded since detection of fraud should be the focus for the upcoming year, rather than cutting benefits to our elderly population

 Waste needs to be cut and money needs to be saved, but the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 has made cuts so drastic that even the most needy of our patients will not have care past Feb. 5, 1998, unless we bombard Washington ber of beneficiaries and visits per beneficiary. with letters, personal and professional, that the venipuncture qualification issue should be deemed "out of control" by many are actually studied intensely.

Quoting Linda A. Ruiz, director of Program try. From the HCFA press office on Jan. 13, Integrity, Health Care Administration, "No Home Health Benefits just 5.4% in 1997, which is down from rates Based Solely On Venipuncture ... Previously, that exceeded 25% from 1990 through 1995.

Guest column

ity criterion for intermittent skilled nursing services under the home health benefit ... Effective 2/5/98, if venipuncture for the purpose of obtaining a blood sample is the only skilled service that is needed by the beneficiary, that individual will not qualify for all the benefits under home health.

This eliminates a huge number of beneficiaries who need basic care with hygiene needs, skin care, incontinence care, and other services that are cost effective provided by home health aides act as a vital link between the patient and skilled nurses - then the physicians - thus often keeping patients out of the hospital or emergency room, which is more costly. In many situations, these elderly people cannot leave home for routine blood work to monitor for therapeutic levels of cardiac medications or response to blood thinners.

• Despite the perception of uncontrolled growth, home care spending increased just four percent in 1997, according to Eli's Home Care Week. The home health industry has been under attack for ballooning costs during the 1990s due to an increase in both the num-

However, new data suggests that those costs well under control by the home health indus-Financing 1998, "The growth rate for home health was venipuncture qualified as skilled nursing care Our work to prevent fraud and abuse

accounts for an important part of that reduction in growth."

Again, plans are in effect to control growth and fraud and abuse – the price should not be paid by our precious elderly people who are vulnerable to the changes and don't have a strong voice.

♦ HR 2912 is a bill before the House of Representatives proposed to reinstate venipuncture as a qualifying home health skill. It was written by Rep. Rahall, and is intended to rescind the portion of the Balanced Budget Act that refers to venipuncture. It is a valid service, provided by law to homebound elderly who cannot leave their homes unless they are in an emergency situation.

Rep. Rahall has asked for a year in which to study and research this matter. Under HR 2912, the Secretary of Health and Human Services would be required to study potential fraud and abuse under the Medicare program. It is our hope as providers that each of you reading this column will take a few minutes to write letters to our representatives and our senators, so that they will know that the effects of this act are devastating and farreaching.

It affects families of patients, doctors and employees of home health agencies. Please write a short note to the following people to let them know that this issue concerns all of us. Fax numbers are included, so that you may be assured that your communication will be received in the appropriate offices by Jan. 27 when Congress reconvenes. Be sure that you ask that your representative support HR 2912 when writing.

-U.S.Rep. Mac Thornberry, Fax: (202) 225-

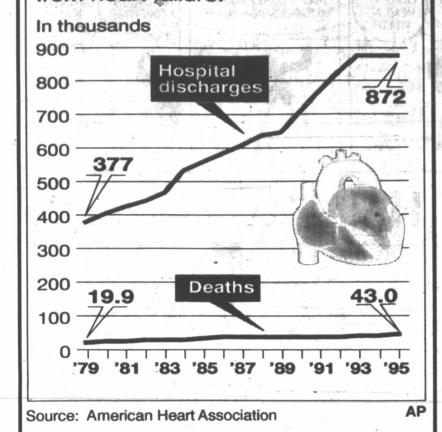
-Kay Bailey Hutchison, Fax: (202) 224-0776 -Phil Gramm, Fax: (202) 224-2934.

Kelly Beavers, RN

Today in history



There are twice as many admissions for heart failure as for all cancers combined. A look at hospital discharges and deaths from heart failure:



Neutralizing specific protein helps patients suffering heart failure

HOUSTON - Blocking the protein known as tumor necrosis factor can relieve problems caused by heart failure.

Cardiology researchers at Baylor College of Medicine and the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Houston observed improvement in heart-failure patients given a drug that neutralizes TNF.

Weak hearts produce an excess of TNF, a protein that turns on the immune system. In small amounts, TNF helps the body defend itself against injuries and infections. But large amounts are toxic and worsen such heart-failure symptoms as shortness of breath, water on the lungs, fatigue and abnormal heart beats.

"In the early 1990s we linked TNF with heart failure, which, was completely unexpected," said Dr. Douglas Mann, Baylor professor of medicine and VAMC chief of cardiology. "And now we've discovered a way to lower the amount of TNF circulating in the blood. Mann and colleagues tested the safety of a drug called TNF:Rc in patients with advanced heart failure. The drug acts as a decoy, luring TNF away from natural receptors in the body. The inactivated TNF does not circulate in the body. "Although our study was intended to evaluate whether the drug was safe, we found that within two weeks of the TNF:Rc injection, patients were able to walk farther without running out of breath, their hearts beat more strongly and they felt better," said Mann, principal investigator for the double-blind study. No participants showed signs of drug toxicity. Twelve of the 18 study participants received one of three doses of TNF:Rc. People with the highest dose showed the most improvement, usually within three days. The six volunteers who received a placebo showed no significant improvement. Mann hopes to begin a multi-center study of the drug this year at universities and VAMC hospitals around the nation to evaluate morbidity and mortality in heart-failure patients. The Immunex Corporation of Seattle, which makes TNF:Rc, is sponsoring the studies. "Heart failure is reaching epidemic proportions in the United States," Mann said. "More than 4.7 million Americans are affected by this problem, which is the most frequent cause of hospitalization." If the TNF:Rc treatment continues to produce positive results, Mann expects it be used in combination with not in place of – standard drug therapy for heart failure.

Legacy of advances in heart care: Bad hearts kill slowly

By DANIEL Q. HANEY **AP** Medical Editor

Not so long ago, bad hearts usually killed quickly. But medical progress has changed that.

MEDICAL

More and more, bad hearts kill slowly.

A generation of breakthroughs in heart care - the new medicines, the bypass operations, the angioplasties - have saved millions from swift and certain death from heart attacks and high blood pressure.

Now the beneficiaries of this care are living with the consequences: Their damaged hearts still beat, but not strongly enough.

The unintended result of better cardiac care is an unprecedented increase in a chronic, debilitating disease called heart failure. Some say it's a virtual epidemic.

Heart failure is a product of our success in dealing with heart disease and hypertension," said Dr. Michael Bristow of the University of Colorado. "Patients don't die catastrophically from these diseases but go on to develop something more insidious and subtle."

This has also transformed heart failure, once a backwater of cardiac research, into a hot area of investigation. The goal is to understand the basics of what goes wrong and to translate this into new treatments. Already on the horizon are a variety of new drugs that may undo some of the damage of heart failure, implantable pumps that can give the heart a boost and operations that make it work more efficiently.

Heart failure is not what happens when the heart stops beating, as many people mistakenly believe. Rather, it is often a gradual ebbing of the heart's power to pump blood and supply the body with oxy-

It can be a slow, uncomfortable death. Because the heart fails to beat strongly enough to move blood properly, fluid seeps into body cavities, including the lungs, making breathing difficult. Sometimes victims wake up terrified because they cannot catch their breath.

Their legs and feet swell up. They feel faint and dizzy. And because the body is getting too little oxygen, they are drained of energy. An estimated 4.9 million Americans have heart failure – up from 3.4

million eight years ago. Eighty percent are over age 65.

Victims are often hospitalized repeatedly. Indeed, heart failure is the most common reason to be hospitalized. There are twice as many admissions for heart failure as for all cancers combined. And since one admission costs an average of \$11,000, heart failure is the single most expensive item that Medicare covers.

Once symptoms develop, about three-quarters of the patients die within six years. According to the American Heart Association, heart failure killed 43,000 Americans in 1995 - double the 1980 it works in some and fails in others.

numberSome estimate that it contributes to perhaps five times that many deaths.

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Hospitalization rates and mortality from heart failure are gallop ing forward at an unrestrained pace," said Dr. James Young of the **Cleveland Clinic**

Coronary artery disease and high blood pressure, complicated by

the effects of aging, are the major underlying causes of heart failure. The failing heart triggers a logical but ultimately ruinous cascade of hormones and chemicals as the body tries to compensate for its inadequate circulation.

"We now recognize that it may be the body's response to the heart damage - not the damage itself - that kills people," said Dr. Jay Cohn of the University of Minnesota

One of these responses is adrenaline, the hormone that makes your heart work harder in times of stress. While in short spurts this stimulation works fine, years of it actually destroy the heart.

Doctors long thought that a steady supply of adrenaline, though ultimately harmful, was essential to keep the failing heart ticking. Now, however, they are finding that blocking this hormone actually. makes the heart improve.

Drugs that do this, called beta blockers, are already a mainstay of treating coronary artery disease. Studies involving about 13,000 patients are under way to see if beta blockers keep heart failure victims living longer.

The body also reacts to a failing heart as though it has been injured. One of its misguided repair attempts is production of a chemical messenger called tumor necrosis factor, or TNF. As with adrenaline, a short burst may be helpful, but constant exposure is a disaster, causing the heart to enlarge dangerously. Drugs that block TNF are being tested in heart failure patients and showing early promise.

Enlarging the heart is one of the body's primary means of compensating when it cannot pump enough blood, but this eventually makes heart failure worse. One solution is to "shrink" the heart to a normal, efficient size with a scalpel, cutting out sections and then stitching it back together. Dr. Randas Batista amazed heart surgeons when he pioneered this operation four years ago in Brazil.

Among those who went to watch was Dr. Patrick McCarthy of the Cleveland Clinic. "We didn't understand the science," he said. "But what we did know is that sometimes it works."

Some of Batista's patients who were near death are now playing soccer. However, no one kept track of how many improved or died.

McCarthy's team in Cleveland has now done about 60 of the operations, the largest number in the United States. After one year, about 60 percent of the patients appear to be doing well. Still, these doctors caution against doing the operation routinely until they sort out why

Study supports kidney transplants from cadavers

BOSTON (AP) - Doctors may be able to increase greatly the supply of kidneys for transplants by using organs from dead peoole whose hearts have stopped beating, rather than relying solely on brain-dead donors with hearts. beating hearts.

Because of a shortage of organs considered suitable for transplants, many victims of kidney failure never get the transplants they need.

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the New England Journal of neys from people whose hearts 8,600 kidneys were transplanted Medicine, they compared the had stopped beating were still outcome of 229 of these trans- alive, compared with 89 percent plants with 8,718 that used kid- of those who got kidneys from

After one year, they found that 34,000 Americans were awaiting supply of kindeys for transplants.

In a report in a recent issue of 83 percent of those who got kid- kidney. transplants. Only about from dead donors that year.

The researchers said using kidneys from donors whose hearts have stopped beating could mean At the end of 1996, more than a two- to five-fold increase in the

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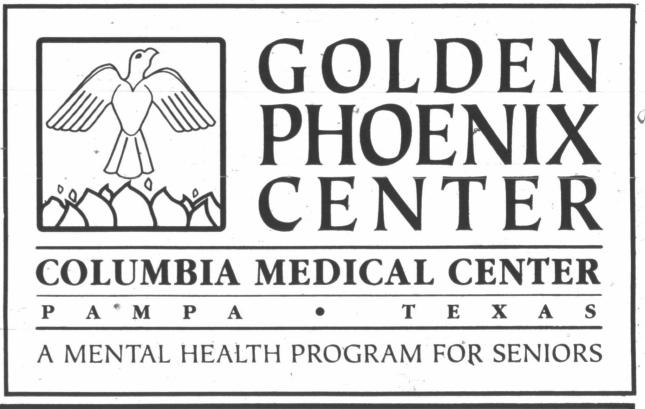
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In the United States, transplant surgeons have relied on organs taken from people who are brain dead but whose hearts are still beating. These organs were thought to offer the best chance of success.

In Europe and Japan, doctors have started using kidneys from newly dead people whose hearts have stopped beating. Several small reviews in the United States have also suggested these might work well.

Now, Dr. Yong W. Cho and others from the University of California at Los Angeles have published the results of a large study suggesting that kidneys taken from donors whose hearts have stopped beating are an acceptable alternative.



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DEAR ABBY: I am an active-duty member of the U.S. Navy stationed aboard the USNS Laramie, a Navy refueling oiler that supports the fleet. I have recently spent my first holiday away from home - in the Mediterranean Sea, to be exact.

My crew members and I applaud all of the individuals who worked so hard to make Operation Dear Abby a success this year. Abby, many of us have tried to respond to each person individually. Unfortunately, with the hundreds of cards, boxes of hearts and never far from our cookies and candies, and other thoughts. items that were sent to "Any Service Member, Operation Dear Abby," I'm not sure every person will get a reply. So, on behalf of my fellow shipmates and other military members s ationed away from home, I would like to say, "Thank You, America! We may not have been home for the holidays, but we know that our sacrifice has not been in vain. Your kindness is ,appreciated!"

I know that I speak for all members of the military when I say we wish everyone all the best during

the coming year. DONNA A. EVANS, YEOMAN FIRST CLASS, U.S. NAVY

DEAR DONNA: It is with pleasure that I'm transmitting your message to the patriotic Americans who participated in **Operation Dear Abby. Although** our servicemen and women may be far away, they are in our



DEAR ABBY: I must respond to the daughter-in-law who was upset about her father-in-law's new relationship. Having recently lost my wonderful husband, friend and companion of 29 years, I, too, found solace in the companionship of a widower friend who was in the same situation. This relationship has not replaced the love for my husband, but it has permitted me to experience life and joy again.

My husband and I discussed these matters, and this was his wish as well as mine. Those who have not experienced such grief and loss should be the last to condemn those who have

GRIEVING BUT LIVING IN PITTSBURGH

DEAR GRIEVING: Well put. Those who have not experienced a comparable loss should

know that when you give your word, you'll for success. follow it through to a constructive conclu-

sion. ARIES (March 21-April 19) Sharing time with old friends and adhering to familiar routines will gratify you today. You are these priorities first. not likely to find the same pleasure with new acquaintances.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You are better equipped to handle tough assignments today than you may realize. You will emerge from the projects unscathed

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Special knowledge you've acquired through personal experience can be used advantageously today. Let your instincts direct

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Someone done will be touching.

paper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Desirable results are in the works today pertaining to mat-

withhold judgment before con-demning the wounded.

DEAR ABBY: I am making a speech to a local professional secretaries group next month. My topic is "beauty.

Is there a specific minimum number of jewelry pieces and accessories that a woman can wear? Also, are white shoes limited to weddings and debutante parties? If you can add some pointers on "beauty," it would be greatly appreciated

YOUNG SECRETARY, NORTH FORT MYERS, FLA.

DEAR YOUNG SECRETARY: White shoes are not limited to weddings and debutante parties, and there is no specific rule concerning minimum jewelry and accessories a professional woman should wear.

My rule of thumb is: When in doubt - leave it off.

'Tis said, "Beauty lies in the eye of the beholder." The plainest woman can light up a room when she wears a smile.

P.S. Good hygiene and neatness are cardinal rules for welldressed women - and men.

For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

objectives are achievable today if you have the fortitude to do so. Put everything else on the back burner and place

pleasure should blend well today. If there is something important you want to discuss with a client, do so in convivial surroundings

issues can be concluded satisfactorily today. You might doubt your abilities, but once you face issues, this impediment will dissipate.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your best gift today is your ability to keep everything in proper perspective. Even when dealing with serious issues, you won't be overwhelmed.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) This could be a good day to go shopping because you'll be sensible in your purchases. The items you buy could remain your favorites for a long time.







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Tuesday, Jan. 27, 1998

Partnership arrangements not formed for material purposes will greatly enrich your life in the year ahead. Three in particular and appreciative of the experience. might be definite standouts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) The more difficult the challenge today, the greater the gratification you'll experience overpoming it. You know your limitations as your mode of application. well as your abilities. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph for whom you've done a thoughtful deed Matchmaker can help you understand recently may be able to reciprocate what te do to make the relationship work. today. The affection with which this is Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this news-

Station, New York, NY 10156.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Your peers ters in which you and your mate are in

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Ambitious

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Business and

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Serious



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SPORTS

Notebook

PAMPA — Pampa hosts Liberal, Kan. in a pair of nondistrict basketball games Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Starting time is 6 for the girls and 7:30 for the boys.

The Pampa teams return to District 1-4A action Friday night, hosting the Hereford Whitefaces.

COMMERCE, Texas (AP) - Donald Garrett scored 21 points, Stacy Lamb added 16 and Brad Linder 14, combining to outscore Eastern New Mexico in Texas A&M Commerce's 95-50 victory Saturday

A&M-Commerce (14-3, 6-1 Lone Star) scored 59 points in the first half while hitting 24 of 34 field goals, including 6 of 9 3-pointers.

Matt Vail led ENMU (6-11, 1-5) with 17 points. As a team, ENMU hit just 30 percent of its shots

CHICAGO (AP) - Karl Malone scored 35 points and the presence of Bulls bad boy Dennis Rodman mattered little to the Utah Jazz, who did what they couldn't do in last year's NBA Finals — win at the United Center.

Howard Eisley and Bryon Russell provided a big lift off the bench as the Jazz won 101-94 Sunday, handing the Bulls only their second home loss this season.

Michael Jordan scored 32 points for the Bulls (30-13), who didn't sustain their 13th loss last season until the final game.

Rodman was back after being sent home before Friday's game at New Jersey for missing that morning's practice. Rodman didn't start but played 34 minutes, grabbing 14 rebounds.

With Malone and star John Stockton resting on the bench, the Jazz opened the fourth quarter with a 15-6 run to take a 92-79 lead with 5:55 to play. Russell had all seven of his points and Eisley six of his 14. MINNEAPOLIS (AP) -

Brian Billick, the Minnesota

SAN DIEGO (AP) - The old dude finally did it.

John Elway and the Denver Broncos won a Super Bowl for themselves and the AFC by beating the Green Bay Packers 31-24 Sunday in one of the most exciting games ever.

It gave the 37-year-old Elway his first win in four tries and the AFC its first in 14.

Sure, he had help.

He got it from MVP Terrell Davis, who gained 157 yards in 30 carries and scored on three 1-yard runs, including the winner with 1:45 left in the game. He did it despite a migraine that caused him to miss most of the second quarter.

For Elway, carried off the field by his teammates, this was vindication in perhaps his last shot at a title. He rode off as the oldest quarterback ever to win a Super Bowl.

"For all the Broncos fans who never had this feeling, we finally got it done," Elway said.

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becoming the first team ever to lose five - it lost one in 1978, before Elway arrived.

beat Washington 38-9 in 1984, Elway's first season.

And finally, it was the first win for the quarterback class of 1983 that included Elway, Jim Kelly and Dan Marino.

ing champion Packers ended when John Mobley knocked down Brett Favre's pass from the Denver 31 with 28 seconds left. That made the two-touchdown underdog Broncos the second wild-card team to win the Super Bowl.

"They disrespected us all week," Denver tight end Shannon Sharpe said. "Everybody dire- despite a lot of sloppiness - 15 spected us. They never faced a running game like ours. They

hadn't done it against me." Elway scrambled 8 yards to set

Broncos, Elway win first Super Bo

up a touchdown, and scored on a 1-yard run - a lot like the young Elway. He finished 12-of-22 for 122 yards and threw one end-zone interception.

If this wasn't the best Super Bowl ever, it was close to it, penalties and five turnovers by the two teams. Elway's mistake came never faced a quarterback like at the Green Bay 22 when the

"For all the Broncos fans who never had this feeling, we finally got it done. You wonder if you're going to win or if you're going to run out of years."

- John Elway

ours. They never faced a coach Broncos had a chance to go ahead "You wonder if you're going to who puts in a game plan like Mike

The Packers hurt themselves The victory kept Denver from with three critical penalties late in the game. They included a holding call and a false start on rookie left tackle Ross Verba that bottled The win meant vindication for Green Bay deep, and a face mask the AFC, which hadn't won since on Darius Holland that gave the the Raiders, then in Los Angeles, Broncos 15 key yards on their game-winning 49-yard drive.

But nonetheless, it was Elway's game. "In kind of a strange way —

John Elway, I've always enjoyed him," Packers coach Mike That cut it to 17-14 at halftime and

by more than a touchdown late in the third quarter. But otherwise, it was two heavy-

weights going punch for punch ----Favre threw for three TDs, two to Antonio Freeman, and Davis ran for three.

Each team scored a touchdown on its first possession, the first time that's ever happened in a Super Bowl.

Then Denver jumped to a 17-7 lead before a 17-play, 95-yard drive by the Packers, second longest in Super Bowl history.

momentum.

But Elway engineered a 92-yard drive of his own to give the Broncos a 24-17 lead. Then, after Elway threw the interception, the Packers went 85 yards in just four plays to tie it.

The third quarter did not start well for Denver.

Davis fumbled on his first carry of the second half, and Brian Williams recovered at the Denver

That led to Ryan Longwell's 27yard field goal that tied it at 17. An offside penalty on a successful 39yard kick had given the Packers a second chance at a TD, but they couldn't take advantage.

Late in the third quarter, the Broncos drove 92 yards on 13 plays for a touchdown on Davis' 1-yard run. Elway combined with Ed McCaffrey on a 36-yard play and helped set up the score with an 8-yard scramble that ended when he was sandwiched by tacklers and spun around in the air at the Green Bay 4.

Then came a bizarre sequence. and Denver's Tim McKyer recovered at the Green Bay 22. But on the next play, Elway's pass into the end zone was intercepted by Eugene Robinson and returned to his own 15.

minutes later on Favre's 13-yard end zone with 12 seconds left in pass to Freeman at the end of the half. another long drive — 85 yards on four plays, helped by a 25-yard pass interference call on Gordon." Green Bay struck first, just 4:02 win the title.

The final chance for the defend- Holmgren said. "I just wished he Green Bay seemed to have into the game, on a 22-yard pass from Favre to Freeman. Freeman split the Denver secondary, beat-ing safety Steve Atwater after Gordon blitzed.

But the key play of the 76-yard, seven-play drive was the second, when Favre managed to throw the ball away after Neil Smith and Maa Tanuvasa seemed to have him trapped for a sack.

Denver came right back, going 58 yards on 10 plays. The key was a defensive holding

call on Green Bay's Doug Evans as Elway threw an incomplete pass on third-and-10 from the Packers

On the next play, Davis went 27 yards around left end to the 14. Elway scrambled to the 2, and then Davis went in from the 1 two plays later to tie it at 7.

Soon after, Tyrone Braxton intercepted Favre, setting up a 45-yard, eight-play drive capped by Elway's 1-yard rollout into the end zone on the first play of the second quarter.

Less than three minutes later it was 17-7 on Jason Elam's 51-yard Freeman fumbled the kickoff field goal. It was set up when Atwater blitzed Favre, hit him and forced a fumble that Smith recovered at the Green Bay 33.

Then the Packers went 95 yards in 17 plays, capped by Favre's 6-yard TD pass to Mark Chmura on The Packers then tied it two a third down in the corner of the

Denver joined the Oakland Raiders, who won the 1981 Super Bowl, as the only wild cards to

Cougars capture district opener

ALLISON — Fort Elliott boys opened District 1-1A play last Friday night with a 51-46 victory over Allison.

The Cougars' leading scor- ing while Nacole Trammell ers were Michael Hilburn added 10. with 14 points and Curt Smith 13

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Melody Seely was high

Outside shot

offensive coordinator attempting to leave the Vikings for Dallas, will present his case Tuesday to attorneys within NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue's office.

Billick resigned Thursday with one year left on his contract, but Vikings president Roger Headrick asked the league Friday to review whether Billick is allowed to work for another team this season

Tagliabue said Billick's situation is clear cut and that the assistant coach will not be permitted to take another job in 1998. On Saturday, Billick requested a hearing from league officials.

"Obviously I'm going to get the chance to explain my side," Billick said. "At this point, only Roger Headrick's side has been heard."

Billick is trying to leave amid upheaval within the club connected to the possible sale of the team and coach Dennis Green's efforts to either gain a contract extension or move on.

TENNIS

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MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Top-ranked Martina Hingis said the first 6-0, 6-0 victory of her professional career proved she had no fears about reports that she is the target of a stalker at the Australian Open.

Hingis confirmed today that tournament security staff told her a male fan who follows her around the world has been stopped from entering the Open.

"I guess I don't feel very threatened if I win a match 6-0, 6-0." Hingis said after sweeping past Indonesia's Yayuk Basuki to set up a quarterfinal match against France's Mary Pierce.

"I'm not frightened at all. I think you have to ask somebody else - the security how it works, but I am fine."

Australian Open officials have refused to comment on the report in a Melbourne tabloid newspaper.

Hingis said she felt more threatened being cast out to the boondocks of Court 1 rather than her preferred Center Court.



(Photo by Jerry Heasley)

Pampa sophomore Lavonne Evans (10) puts up an outside shot against Borger in a District 1-4A girls' game last Friday night. Both Pampa boys' and girls' teams host Liberal, Kan. in non-district action Tuesday night, starting at 6 in McNeely Fieldhouse with the girls' contest.

Parnevik wins first U.S. tour title

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) - the Phoenix Open. Parnevik, from Sweden, had Jesper Parnevik, a runnerup five times on the PGA Tour, won for birdies on the 14th, 15th and 17th Brent Geiberger and Tom Watson the first time Sunday, breaking holes to win by three strokes at a tied for second at 272. Each away in the final six holes to win 15-under-par 269. He shot a final- earned \$165,000.

round 67 and collected \$450,000. Steve Pate, Tommy Armour III,

Quail are back in big numbers in Lone Star state

BEAUMONT. Shooting quail is one the most been mobile. As an example Lodge located 85 miles south of aesthetically pleasing aspects of Roger and Wanda Buddin of hunting. It's a collage of beautiful Albany have a quail hunting small town of San Fernando, sunrises, pointers over coveys of operation that they have just bobs, and hunters holding steady moved to Shackelford County. as brown little buzz bombs explode from the brush.

Fortunately, this season quail both blue and bobwhite quail," are back in big numbers and hunting for them in all sorts of quail behind dogs and averaging terrain across Texas and Mexico 12 to 15 coveys a day." has been fabulous.

and even in Mexico. The South Texas brush usually holds the most quail. But surprisingly, west, north and even southeast coastal areas of Texas have been few quail hunts just south of the producing outstanding quail hunts.

The measure of a good quail hunt is how many coveys are near brutal in the afternoons. busted during a day of hunting. Fifteen to 20 coveys is outstanding.

Texas — quail hunting outfitters have Las Palomas de Loma Colorado dog to point the way.

"We've just leased 15,000 acres and it's got a good number of said Wanda. "We're walking up

Wonderful thing about bob-So far this season, quail hunt- white quail is that they are so ing has been outstanding diverse. You can find them just throughout much of the state, about anywhere, so long as they have the right habitat. And luckily, Texas and Mexico have ample blue ribbon brush.

> During December, I made a Texas border wihthin an hour of McAllen. The hunting was fantastic in the mornings and damn

"Our morning hunts are usually over English pointers in wide open plains and rolling hills," This season the most consistent said Craig Williams, a guide with grass or brush "blind" with no son why Tosh Brown created

McAllen on the outskirts of the Las Palomas, the worst three-hour hunt produced seven coveys. The Mexico. He was talking to Curtis best was an incredible 15. Thorpe and I as we headed to a

ranch about 60 miles out of town.

"Mid-day hunts are usually along fence lines where the birds covey up when they're not feeding. In the afternoon they're in the buffalo grass and mesquite."

Their morning hunts were fantastic. English pointers used the dew coated grass and brush to lock in on 10 to 13 coveys during a three-hour hunt. Afternoon hunts were a bit rugged. Once the bird boys spotted quail we would bail out of the big 4X4 customized hunting trucks ready to shoot. The knee-high grass and sometimes head-high brush and thorns made afternoon shoots quite a challenge. It's one thing to bust up a covey of bobs from under a pointers nose. And very much another to go into thick diverse as Texas. That's the rea-

points to lead Allison. Nathan Rainey added 10.

Brandon Dukes also had 14

Fort Elliott came from behind to win after trailing by five, 24-19, at halftime. The Cougars went on top by five, 39-34, going into the fourth quarter.

Allison downed Fort Elliott

in the district girls' opener, 47-39.

Kery Grayson led Allison in scoring with 12 points while Amber Deyer chipped in 10.

Allison led by three, 23-20, at halftime.

Amber Estes had 13 points and Amanda Shields 10 for the Lady Cougars.

Allison improves to 20-3 for the season.



Samnorwood defeated Lefors, 65-38, in a District 5-1A girls' game last Friday night.

Chy Oldham had 21 points to lead Samnorwood in scor-

Out of three days of hunting at

Some of the most unusual quail

hunting going on this season is

right here in Southeast Texas. It's

taking place on the coastal plains

and Forrest West, a.k.a. Mr.

Adventure, is using ATV's and

some hardened pointers to lead

the way to 10 to 12 coveys of bobs

per hunt. Believe it or not, those

are wild birds and most of them

West, with Los Patos Lodge on

"I found out a long time ago

High Island, has thousands of

acres leased for goose and duck

that all those briars and brushy

fence lines were great quail habi-tat," says West. "This season has

Being mobile is the key to good

hunting in a state as large and

are located south of Winnie.

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been very good."

scorer for Lefors points.

Nikki Bockmon, and Misty McMullen followed with 8 points each.

Samnorwood improved to 12-7 for the season while Lefors is 5-11.

White Deer girls downed Wellington, 50-44, Friday night in a District 2-2A game.

Traci Duncan scored 16 points and Rhonda McClendon added 12 to lead White Deer in scoring.

Camora Lewis topped Wellington with 13 points. Veronica Garcia followed with 6 points.

White Deer lost the boys' game, 67-42.

Kevin Thomas had 17 points to lead Wellington scorers. Chris Lewis followed with 12.

Donnie Adams led the Bucks in scoring with 13 points, followed by Nick Knocke with 10.

Texas Wings, a mobile hunting lodge. His lodge is on wheels. It includes bedrooms, kitchens and a wall tent that is used as a living room and dining area. Wherever the birds are, is where you'll find this outfitter.

His quail hunting has been fantastic so far this season. He says the coveys are big and the birds are in great shape.

"This is the second year Texas Wings has been in operation," said Brown, from Austin where he runs Sporting Charters, a shooting adventures operation he created. "We hunt where the birds are. Right now we're averaging 18 to 22 coveys a day. We've been hunting in North Texas up around Ballinger and Abilene.

Brown says that since Jan. 1, he's moved his Texas Wings to a new lease to hunt unpressured birds.

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Kubiak, Lewis, Jones' top picks for coach talks

DALLAS (AP) - Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones has not received permission from the Denver Broncos and Green Bay ackers to interview their offensive coordinators for the vacant Dallas coaching job.

The Dallas Morning News reported today that Jones, who had said he wanted to interview one of the candidates after Bunday's Super Bowl game, had not asked either team for permission by Sunday night.

Jones is reportedly interested in interviewing Gary Kubiak if the Broncos and Sherman Lewis of the Packers in his search to fill the vacancy created when Barry Switzer resigned Jan. 9 after the Cowboys went 6-10 and failed to make the NFL play-

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported today that Jones is expected to ask the Packers for permission to talk to Lewis. Lewis said Sunday night that he knew of Jones' interest, but had not been contacted.

"I can't say I expect to," Lewis told the Fort Worth newspaber Sunday night. "I'm going to be spending time with family and friends and won't be sitting in my room, but I will be available.

A Packers executive also said Jones had not asked for permission to talk to Lewis.

"He has told everyone in the league that he wants to interview Sherman, which to most would certainly be tampering, but he hasn't called me yet," said Green Bay general manager Ron Wolf. "I don't know if I'll hear from him, but I hope he does call

"We would give Sherman permission to talk to them," Wolf fold the Dallas newspaper.

"I don't know what I'd do if he called Sunday night, but I couldn't see myself doing an interviews," Lewis said. Jones has not contacted Denver owner Pat Bowlen to ask for

permission to interview Kubiak, Bowlen said.

Kubiak was also in the dark following the Broncos' 31-24 victory over Green Bay at San Diego on Sunday evening.

"I don't know anything right now," the former Texas A&M guarterback said. "I'm just going to enjoy this championship fight and see what happens.

The Dallas owner interviewed former San Francisco coach George Seifert last Friday and a source says he met with former UCLA coach Terry Donahue in Dallas earlier.



COLLEGE BASKETBALL

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' men's basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Jan. 25, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	lecord	Pts	Pvs
1.Duke(47)	18-1	1,724	1
2.NorthCarolina(18	8) 20-1	1,686	2
3.Utah(2)	17-0	1,527	4
4.Stanford(2)	18-0	1,511	5
5.Kansas(1)	22-3	1,474	3 6 7 9
6.Arizona	17-3	1,450	6
7.Kentucky	18-2	1,389	7
8.UCLA	15-3	1,169	
9.Connecticut	17-3	1,128	8
10. Purdue	17-4	1,084	12
11. Princeton	13-1	1,050	11
Mississippi	14-2	985	13
13. SouthCarolina	13-3	832	14
14. NewMexico	14-3	772	17
15. Arkansas	16-3	739	18
16. Iowa	15-4	637	10
17. WestVirginia	17-3	528	23
18: Cincinnati	15-3	502	21
19. Michigan	15-5	483	16
20. Syracuse	15-4	341	. 15
21. Rhodelsland	13-4	284	22
22. MichiganSt.	13-4	266	_
23. Maryland	12-6	250	_
24. Xavier	12-5	173	19
25 Indiana	14-5	153	

Others receiving votes: George Washington 134, Florida St. 120, Texas Christian 82, Massachusetts 36, Oklahorna 28, Clemson 24, St. John's 23, Ball St. 21, Hawaii 21, Washington 18, Illinois 12, Colorado St. 11, Florida 11, Missouri 10, Georgia 9, Oklahoma St. 9, Tennessee 8, Murray St. 7, Saint Louis

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SPORTS BRIEFS nd Sports In Brief Associated Press By The Ass FOOTBALL

SAN DIEGO (AP) - Former Cincinnati offensive tackle Anthony Munoz and Chicago line-backer Mike Singletary were elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in their first year of

eligibility Saturday. Minnesota safety Paul Krause also was selected along with Miami center Dwight Stephenson, and Tommy McDonald, a receiv-or with Philodenbia and four other teams from er with Philadelphia and four other teams from 1957-68.

SKIING KITZBUEHEL, Austria (AP) — The Austrian team returned to its dominating form Sunday, with Olympic champion Thomas Stangassinger and Thomas Sykora finishing 1-2 in a World Cup slalom. Stangassinger, who edged Sykora by 0.08 seconds, gav Austria its 19th title in 26 races this season. On Saturday, Kristian Ghedina won the Hahnenkamm downhill Saturday to become the Italian to winner on the Streif track. Norway's Kjetil Andre Aamodt won the combined event in the Saturday-Sunday races. CORTINA D'AMPEZZO, Italy (AP) Germany's Martina Ertl won a women's World

On Saturday, Seizinger won a super-G for her seventh victory of the season. Also, former World Cup champion Anita Wachter of Austria sustained a knee injury in a fall, ending her Olympic chances. BASEBALL

Kansas City's third-round pick in the 1996 draft, was killed in a one-car accident that also left a close friend dead and injured two young women. Biosser, a 21-year-old first baseman, was driving a Mustang when he lost control of UTO RACING AUTO RACING LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fia. (AP) — Tony Stewart won the IRL's season-opening Indy 200 on Saturday, avoiding the perils that caused nine crashes and 10 caution flags in the 200-mile race. Stewart who took the lead on the 196th lap, and edged Jeff Ward by 8.579 seconds.

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TRANSACTIONS Weekend Sports Transact By The Associated Press BASEBALL

NEW YORK METS-Signed LHP Efrain Valdez to a minor-league contract. National Bask NEW JERSEY NETS-Activated F Chris Gatling from the injured list. Waived F Xavier McDaniel. HOCKEY National Hockey League NHL—Suspended San Jose Sharks LW Tony Granato for at least one game for high-sticking of Edmonton Oilers D Drew Bannister on Friday night. ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS—Assigned D Pavel Trnka to Cincinnati of the AHL.

FOOTBALL

Super Bowl Summary By The Associated Press At San Diego Super Bowl Stats Green Bay 77 7 10 37

GB—Freeman 22 pass from Favre (Longwell kick), 10:58. Den—Davis 1 run (Elam kick); 5:39. Den-FG Cluarter Den-FG Elam 51, 12:21. GB-Chmura 6 pass from Favre (Longwell kick), :12. Third Quarter GB-GB—FG Longwell 27, 11:59. Den—Davis 1 run (Elam kick), :34. Fourth Quarter GB—Freeman 13 pass from Favre Freeman 13 pass from Favre (Longwell kick), 13:32. Den-Davis 1 run (Elam kick), 1:45. A-68,912. GB Den 21 21

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Weekend sports shorts.

FOOTBALL

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Former Cincinnati offensive tackle Anthony Munoz and Chicago linebacker Mike Singletary were elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in their first year of eligibility Saturday.

Minnesota safety Paul Krause also was selected along with Miami center Dwight Stephenson, and Tommy McDonald, a receiver with Philadelphia and four other teams from 1957-68. GOLF

PHUKET, Thailand (AP) — Tiger Woods overcame an eight-stroke deficit Sunday to win the PGA European Tour's Johnnie Walker Classic, beating Ernie Els with a 14-foot birdie putt on the second hole of a playoff.

Woods, who earned \$218,661, closed with a 7-under 65 to match Els at 9-under 279. Els, the 1997 winner, shot 74-73 in the final two rounds. Woods' mother, Kultida, is a native of Thailand.

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Sweden's Jesper Parnevik won his first PGA Tour title after five runner-up finishes, shooting a 4-under 67 on Sunday for a three-stroke victory in the Phoenix Open.

Parnevik, who earned \$450,000, had a 15-under 269 total, the same mark he had last year when he finished 11 strokes behind Steve Jones. Tom Watson, Tommy Armour III, Steve Pate and Brent Geiberger tied for second.

KOHALA COAST, Hawaii (AP) - Raymond Floyd won an unprecedented fifth consecutive Senior Skins-title Sunday, holding off a challenge by Hale Irwin and making a winning birdie putt on the first extra hole.

Floyd won 11 skins and \$300,000 in the two-day event. Irwin made \$210,000, Arnold Palmer \$30,000 and Jack Nicklaus was shut out.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) - Sweden's Helen Alfredsson

won The Office Depot on Sunday, closing with a 1-under 71 for a two-stroke victory over compatriot Liselotte Neumann, Alfredsson, who earned \$90,000, had an 11-under 277 total. Neumann shot a 68. TENNIS

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MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) - Defending champion Martina Hingis advanced to the quarterfinals of the Australian Open today, routing Indonesia's Yayuk Basuki 6-0, 6-0 in 38 minutes.

Hingis will face 1997 finalist Mary Pierce of France, a 6-0, 6-0 winner over Slovakia's Henrieta Nagyova. In men's play, Spain's Alberto Berasategui beat 1995 winner Andre Agassi 3-6, 3-6, 6-2, 6-3, 6-3, and Chile's Marcelo Rios defeated France's Lionel Roux 6-2, 4-6, 6-2, 6-4.

In fourth-round matches Sunday, defending men's champion Pete Sampras beat Morocco's Hicham Arazi 7-6 (11-9), 6-4, 6-4, and American teen star Venus Williams defeated Switzerland's Patty Schnyder 6-4, 6-1.

BASKETBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Kobe Bryant, the 19-year-old reserve for the Los Angeles Lakers, will be the youngest starter ever in the NBA All-Star game.

Before Bryant, the youngest All-Star starter was Magic Johnson of the Lakers, who was 20 in the 1980 game. Chicago's Michael Jordan topped the voting for the Feb. 8 game in New York, the NBA said Sunday.

Jordan was selected to the East lineup along with Orlando's Penny Hardaway, Detroit's Grant Hill, Cleveland's Shawn Kemp and Atlanta's Dikembe Mutombo of Atlanta. Hardaway, who is injured, will not play. Bryant will start for the West along with Lakers teammate Shaquille O'Neal, Seattle's Gary Payton, Utah's Karl Malone and Minnesota's Kevin Garnett.

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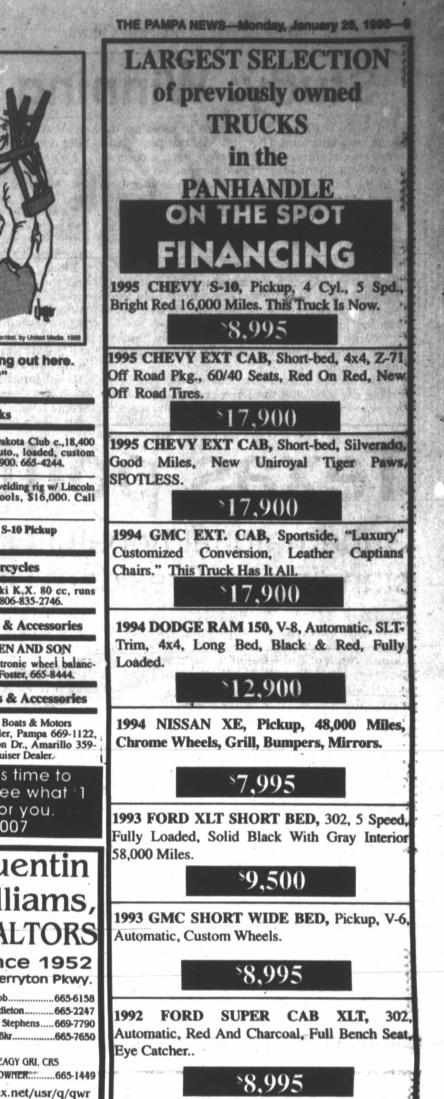
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Study: Winning House members receive big bucks

AUSTIN (AP) - When it comes to races for the Texas Legislature, money wins. And businesses and other special interests are the big givers, according to a new study of Texas House campaigns. In the last election cycle, state House members

raised \$14.6 million in campaign cash.

Most House members got their money in big checks that came from outside their home districts, says the study conducted by three consumer groups.

Just nine of the state's 2,618 postal ZIP codes were the mailing addresses for more than \$6 million of the total. And \$4.4 million came from only three Austin ZIP codes - home of many lobbyists and industry groups.

"Money wins in campaigns," said Tom "Smitty" Smith of Public Citizen, one of the groups conducting the study.

"The special interests are paying the piper and calling the tune, and the Texas Legislature is danc-ing with them that brung them. That's why the poli-

cies in this state favor big business over Bubba, time after time," Smith said.

Political consultant Mark Sanders, told of the report's findings, said, "They just go to show that the Austin lobby cares a whole lot more about who's in the Legislature than voters do. "Anyone who's ever paid any attention to legisla-tive races knows that the Austin lobby is the prima-

ry financial supporter of politicians," Sanders said.

But that is a rather staggering amount of money." Joining in the study were Texans for Public Justice and the U.S. Public Interest Research Group. The report, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press, will be presented this week to a House committee studying campaign finance reform.

Entitled "Mortgaged House," the report analyzed campaign finance reports filed by 149 of the 150 House members from July 1, 1995 to Dec. 31, 1996. (One House member later was elected to the state Senate.) Among the findings:

- There aren't many small donors. Contributions of \$100 or more accounted for 95 percent of House money, and 37 percent of contributions were \$1,000 or more

- Not much of that money is homegrown. House members got 80 percent of their \$100-plus contributions - totaling just over \$10 million - from outside their home districts.

- Business interests and political action committees led the giving, contributing 62 percent, or about \$9 million. Individuals gave 38 percent, or \$5.4 mil-lion. Only 28 House members raised more than half their money from individuals.

- Many House members raised more money than they needed. While 61 lawmakers faced no ponent in the primary or general election, they still raised almost \$3.6 million.

- Of 66 contested November elections, only seven were won by the candidate with the least money. And only two of those seven losers were incumbent House members.

"There's a small, elite – the lobby, the corpora-tions, the organized PACS – who fund the Legislature," said Craig McDonald of Texans for Public Justice.

"It's not consumers, it's not voters, it's not the average Texan who's paying to play the game. And they're locked out," he said.

Incumbency attracts lots of extra money, McDonald added, and a big war chest scares away potential opponents. "They don't raise it because they need it. It scares off competition," he said.

Janet Woodrome, spokeswoman for House peaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, noted that Laney has ordered two House committees to study campaign finance issues.

"The whole trend in financing political cam-paigns is disturbing," Ms. Woodrome said. "It appears that average citizens are losing interest in the political process. Their contributions are playing a smaller and smaller role. We need to find ways to encourage political participation."

Texas politics: Gubernatorial hopeful Gary Mauro

standing by President Clinton DALLAS (AP) – Texas Clintons since they worked Democra gubernatorial hope-ful Garry Mauro says he'll be McGovern's 1972 presidential

asking President Bill Clinton to campaign. campaign on his behalf despite recent allegations of sexual engaged, and we ought to let it improprieties. take its course," Mauro said. improprieties. "I will invite Bill Clinton to

Texas," Mauro said last week.

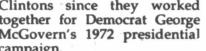
headlined by first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton are scheduled Feb. 19 in Dallas and Austin, the campaign announced Thursday. runs:

"The president and first lady are my friends. I believe and support them," said Mauro, who ran Clinton's presidential campaigns in Texas.

Mauro blames political enemies of the president for allegations that Clinton had an affair with a White House intern and then urged her to lie about it.

"I don't think it's reputable. I nalism comes to an end, you're going to find no substance."

Clinton has denied the accusations, which independent counsel Kenneth Starr is investigat-



"The legal process is now

Aides to Republican Gov. George W. Bush and other GOP Already, Mauro fund-raisers officials previously have tried to capitalize on Mauro's ties to Clinton, who did not carry Texas in his two presidential

> Bush himself said Friday he was "deeply troubled" about the accusations against Clinton.

"When I first heard the story, I was deeply troubled because if the allegations are true, this is bad for our country," Bush said. "I would caution people to let the facts speak, but it's troubling & times.'

Another Republican leader think when all the yellow jour- from Texas, House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer of Houston, declined to take any partisan shots in an appearance on "Fox News Sunday."

"The best thing for us to do,

stay out of this, and not be making comments because a lot of people will think it is politically generated," Archer said.

Texas GOP leaders have said they hope Mauro does bring the president into the state to campaign for him and to try to raise money.

"It was good for Republicans before all this and it is that much better for Republicans considering the cloud of impropriety Clinton is under again," Robert Black, a spokesman for the state GOP, told The Dallas Morning News.

"If he comes to Texas to campaign for Garry Mauro, I hope he makes clear to those who will be giving money whether the money is going to the Mauro campaign or Clinton's legal defense funds," Black said.

Texas Democratic Party chairman Bill White said he does not believe the allegations against Clinton will hurt Mauro or other Democrats running for office this year.

"Most Texans will vote based Mauro has been a friend of the particularly Republicans, is to on who will do a better job for our families, not scandal-monour families, not scandal-monin Washington, gering said.

Bird Club seeking students for field trip

ing to locate a dozen deserving high school stu-

dents for an upcoming field trip. For one month this summer, the club will take a group of high school students interested in a life science career out west. The students will be taught through hands-on experience in zoology, geology, ecology and marine biology. During the trip, students will camp at various 737-4081; <snakeman@phoenix.neta>.

GALVESTON - Galveston Bird Club is look-ng to locate a dozen deserving high school stu-Sierra, Grand Canyon, Yosemite and Olympic National Park, do some hiking and travel in vans.

> The costs of the trip is \$2,500. Some scholarship money has accumulated as well.

> For more information, call, write or e-mail: Route 1, Box 185C, Galveston, TX 77554; (409)



COLUMBIA Medical Center of Pampa

FPC to sponsor AIDS Awareness Week

College Phi Theta Kappa Honor the Student Union Building from Society will sponsor AIDS noon until 1 p.m. Carolyn Hall Awareness Week Jan. 26-29. All events are open to the public. Phi Health will be the guest speaker. Theta Kappa hopes to encourage All attending will be presented students, faculty, staff, adminis- with an AIDS ribbon sticker. students, faculty, staff, administration and community to be more compassionate, understanding and better educated about this devastating disease.

Scheduled events are as follows:

information about AIDS and its victims will be on display on the 10 p.m., Phi Theta Kappa will lawn of the Fine Arts Building co-sponsor an AIDS Awareness Cafeteria. In addition, posters Dance at the Student Union will be hung around campus and in the community. At 7:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building, a representative from P.A.S.O. will ing cans of non-perishable food be speaking about AIDS and items and individuals with four delivering the AIDS Quilt to Phi cans will be eligible for door Theta Kappa. The quilt will be prizes. Admission to the dance on display in the Gallery Room will be \$10 for FPC students of the Fine Arts Building with a valid college ID and \$3 week.

---Wednesday - Wednesday Theta Kappa will wear red and or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 750.

BORGER - Frank Phillips will host a Brown Bag Seminar in from the Texas Department of

The week will conclude with a program at half-time during the Plainsmen Basketball Game. The game will begin at 7:30 p.m. in **FPC Borger Community Activity** Center Gym. Information -Monday - A tombstone with brochures will be distributed at the event. Following the game at The Student Building. Government Association and Phi Theta Kappa will be collectthroughout the remainder of the for non-students accompanying an FPC student.

For more information, contact will be the official AIDS AWARE- Gina Marie Morris, Phi Theta NESS DAY. All members of Phi Kappa sponsor, at (806) 274-5311

TDA accepting comments on possible boll weevil zone

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Agriculture is accepting public comment from Jan. 30 until March 2 on a proposal to create a new boll weevil eradication zone for the Northern Rolling

Plains, Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry said. The proposed zone, the Northern Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, would consist of about 237,000 acres of cotton in 14 counties - Childress, Clay Collingsworth, Cottle Donley, Foard, Gray, Hall, Hardeman, King, Wheeler, Wilbarger, Wichita and a portion of Archer.

The zone's boundary lines were recommended to the commissioner by the Northern Rolling Plains Interim Advisory Committee on Boll Weevil Eradication. Committee members include Eddy Helms representing Donley County and Gary Hardcastle representing Wheeler County. The proposal made by the Interim Committee would simply

create a zone but would not put an eradication program in place. Those wishing to submit written comment can write to Katie Dickie Stavinoha, special assistant for Producer Relations, Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, TX 78711.

Written comment must be received by March 2. Comment on the proposed zone will also be accepted at a pub-lic hearing at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, at the City Auditorium in Childress

For more information, call Stavinoha at (512) 463-7593.

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