



# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**CLARK, Monta Mae** — 10 a.m., Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors Bell Avenue Chapel, Amarillo.

## Obituaries

### MONTA MAE CLARK

**AMARILLO** — Monta Mae Clark, 82, a former Pampa resident, died Tuesday, Nov. 24, 1998. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Schooler-Gordon Funeral Directors Bell Avenue Chapel with Dr. Howard Batson, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Clark was born at Emmitt. She married Arthur B. Clark in 1935 at Dawson. She had been an Amarillo resident since 1980, moving from Pampa. She was a homemaker and a member and Sunday school superintendent at First Baptist Church where she belonged to the Women's Missionary Union.

Survivors include her husband, Arthur; three daughters, Annette Taylor and Lamoyne Garrison, both of Amarillo, and Deborah Edwards of Deo Norte, Colo.; a sister, Ohma England of Fort Worth; a brother, Woodrow Gorham of Wichita Falls; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family will receive visitors until 8 p.m. today at the funeral home and requests memorials be to the local chapter of the Gideons.

### CALVIN E. STUART

**MOBEETIE** — Calvin E. Stuart, 67, died Wednesday, Nov. 25, 1998, at Veterans Administration Medical Center in Amarillo. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. today in Shamrock Cemetery at Shamrock with the Rev. Jerry Jewel, pastor of Country Chapel in Wheeler, officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mr. Stuart was born June 3, 1931, in Collingsworth County, to Ernest and Beulah Stuart. He graduated from Antelope High School at Antelope. He married Leola Richardson on Dec. 3, 1951, at Wheeler. He had been a Mobeetie resident since 1968, moving from Pampa. He worked for Shell Oil Company in Skellytown from 1954-68, for Gerlane Petroleum from 1968-80 and was a HUD inspector with Panhandle Community Service for five years.

Survivors include his wife, Leola, of Mobeetie; three sons, Ronnie Stuart of Lawton, Okla., Randy Stuart of Amarillo and Dennis Stuart of Lubbock; his mother, Beulah Stuart of Shamrock; a brother, Gerald Stuart of Shamrock; eight grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Sheltered Workshop, 1301 W. Somerville, Pampa, TX 79065; or Panhandle Community Services, 411 N. Cuyler, Pampa, TX 79065.

## Calendar of events

### PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

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

### THEE PLACE

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

### ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP

If interested in the ADHD/ADD Support Group call Connie at 669-9364.

### ST. MARK CME CHURCH

St. Mark will host a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted.

### THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS

The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys potluck will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Clyde Carruth Pavilion. For more information, contact Keven Romines at 665-8547 or Jim Greene at 665-8067.

### PERRYTON SATELLITE ARTS AND CRAFTS FESTIVAL

Perryton Satellite Arts and Craft Festival will be Nov. 21-22, Saturday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Ochiltree EXPO Building. There will be over 200 booths of handmade crafts benefiting mentally retarded persons in the Perryton area. Food and drinks by Wheatheart Shrine, hourly doorprize drawings for color TV on Sunday. For more information call (806) 435-4970.

### RUSHING WIND EMMAUS

Rushing Wind Emmaus Men's Walk #4 will be held December 3-6 at the Waka Center with Mike Gardiner of Canadian as lay director and Ervin Emmert of Wheeler as spiritual director. Applications for the walk are being accepted.

### PAMPA AREA SINGLES DANCE

Pampa Area Singles Dance, Indian Summer, at the M.K. Brown Auditorium on Nov. 28. Potluck at 7 p.m. dance from 8-11 p.m., cost \$5. For more information call 665-0219.

## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests and reports during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Wednesday, November 25

Richard Gene Jones, 24, 637 N. Wells, was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct/ language and harassment.

Burglary of a vehicle was reported in the 1600 block of Zimmers.

Burglary of a vehicle was reported in the 2100 block of Zimmers.

Criminal mischief was reported in the Albertson's parking lot.

### Thursday, November 26

Albert Young Jr., 39, 1040 Neel, was arrested on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Mark Grogan Watkins, 46, 110 E. 27th, was arrested on charges of failure to id, and theft by check.

## Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Wednesday, November 25

Kyle David Krafjack, 28, Tulsa, was arrested on charges of possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled substance, and warrants from Carson County and Okla.

Amy Maul, 23, Angus, Texas, was arrested on charges of forgery.

Ben Allen Cross, 35, 1413 W. 26th, was arrested on charges of forgery and a warrant from Hale County.

## Ambulance

The Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Wednesday, November 25

10:21 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

1:11 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

2:34 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to 23rd and Hobart. No one was transported.

3:08 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to a local nursing facility.

9:29 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1700 block of Duncan and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

### Thursday, November 26

7:47 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

8:28 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Neel and transported two to Columbia Medical Center.

8:56 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of Jean and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

9:30 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of W. Wilks and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

10:53 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Charles and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

11:09 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of Charles and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

12:46 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

1:19 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of S. Gillespie and transported one to a local nursing facility.

6:37 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

### Friday, November 27

2:55 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of N. Zimmers and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### Wednesday, November 25

8:27 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 400 block of N. Sumner on a CO check.

10:50 a.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to an alarm at One Medical Plaza.

12:19 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 100 E. Kingsmill on a good intent call.

12:43 p.m. — Three units and five personnel responded north on Price Road on grass fire.

2:34 p.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to 23rd and Hobart on an automobile accident.

### Thursday, November 26

8:48 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to the 300 block of Jean on a medical assist.

11:09 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to the 100 block of S. Sumner on a medical assist.

6:02 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to One Medical Plaza on a medi-vac standby.

## Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Enc. 248	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	1-800-750-2520
Water	669-5830

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Antebury Grain of Pampa

Wheat	2.66	
Milo	3.13	
Corn	3.74	
Soybeans	4.99	

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

Occidental	19.78	dn 1/4
Magellan	13.08	
Puritan	20.80	

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

Frontier	86.24	up 7/16
Halliburton	31.70	dn 1/16
ICI	4.50	up 1/16
KSI	44.14	up 5/16
Kerr-McGee	41.14	up 1/8
United	28.14	dn 1/4
SEI	22.28	up 7/16
MetLife	35.16	dn 7/8
New Atmos	31.50	up 1/16
NEI	47.15	up 3/16
Pennney's	52.90	dn 2 3/8
Phillips	43.50	dn 5/8
Pioneer Nat. Res.	13.11	dn 1/8
TECO	31.50	up 1/16
Ultramar	28	up 5/8
Wal-Mart	74.38	dn 9/16
Williams	29.70	dn 1/8
New York Gold	296.20	
Silver	4.86	
West Texas Crude	11.95	

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

Amoco	60.10	dn 1/16
Arco	65.70	up 3/16
Cabot	31.10	dn 1/8
Cabot O&G	16.11	dn 1/16

## ESCAPE

Fitzgerald said. Executions occur at the Walls Unit in Huntsville.

Authorities said Gurule and the six other inmates were in the recreation yard when they cut through an interior fence. They hid on the roof of a building after other inmates were returned to their cells around 8:15 p.m. Thursday, Fitzgerald said.

"What these guys had done was fashion some dummies so it appeared someone was sleeping in their beds," Fitzgerald said.

A guard spotted the seven jumping from the roof at about 12:20 a.m. today, sounded the alarm, and then fired 18 to 20 shots, Fitzgerald said. Gurule jumped the outer perimeter fence at that point, but the other six surrendered when they realized they were being fired at.

Searchers later found no traces of blood, but Gurule did fall to the ground after the guard shot at him, officials said. Authorities said it's uncertain whether he was hit.

"We do consider this inmate dangerous," prison spokesman Larry Todd said. "We have no reason to believe that he is armed, but we do think that they had been planning this for several days."

Authorities were not sure how the inmates cut

through the interior fence.

Searchers set up a perimeter eight miles outside of the prison, but foggy conditions hampered search efforts initially, keeping helicopters on the ground, Fitzgerald said.

Texas' death row is the nation's busiest. Of the 74 executions in the nation last year, 37 were in Texas. There have been 17 executions at Huntsville in 1998, but six more are scheduled over the next two weeks.

Gurule was charged in the Oct. 12, 1992, slaying of Piperis, 46, co-owner of U&I Restaurant, and a cook, Anthony Staton, 31. Prosecutors said Gurule cut restaurant phone lines, stole more than \$9,000 and shot Piperis and Staton in the head.

Gurule said it wasn't a robbery, that Piperis called him at home about 1 a.m. and told him to come to the restaurant. He said the owner was angry because Gurule had threatened to report him to the Internal Revenue Service for possible tax violations.

At his trial, police testified that a search of the apartment of Gurule's girlfriend turned up \$1,650 in cash and \$721 in receipts for recently purchased goods. Gurule also bought two money orders totaling more than 900, prosecution witnesses testified.

Ms. Smith testified at her trial that she wasn't thinking clearly when she spent the money from the robbery.

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## TOWN

to the public here, this will be only the third such gathering, said Mrs. Johnson. The town is better known as the home of Bob Wills, who made his mark in the '20s and '30s with Western Swing music.

Across the state, Texans celebrated Thanksgiving by basting turkeys, basking in warm sunshine and serving the less fortunate.

In San Antonio, 23,000 homeless and elderly people packed the convention center for the annual Raul Jimenez Thanksgiving Dinner. In addition to record number of attendees, organizers said they set a new high with more than 6,000 volunteers.

In Houston, thousands jammed downtown streets for a glimpse of the 49th annual parade, with seven floats and many balloons, some of them

65 feet tall. Spectators shed sweaters and jackets as the temperature climbed well into the 70s.

After the parade, the city hosted its annual Superfeast in Sam Houston Park near downtown. An estimated 17,000 people enjoyed free turkey — 6,000 pounds of sliced meat — dressing and cranberry sauce, dished out by 1,300 volunteers. In addition to the food, kids enjoyed the face painting and moon bouncing, and organizers handed out free clothing and blankets.

"Bands are playing, the sun is shining and everybody is having a good time," said event chairwoman Tammy Bohon, straining to be heard over the din. "We had plenty of volunteers — we had to rotate our servers to give everybody an opportunity — and our guests were very appreciative."

As night fell, the city held its traditional Uptown Holiday Lighting in the Galleria area. Santa Claus arrived in a helicopter to throw the switch on half a million lights.

# Pork producers, EPA reach inspection agreement

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hog farmers can avoid costly federal fines under a deal with the Environmental Protection Agency that allows the industry to conduct voluntary independent inspections.

The deal between the EPA and the National Pork Producers Council is the first of its kind between federal environmental regulators and a major section of agriculture.

Under the agreement, pork producers who have their farms inspected under the NPPC's EPA-approved odor and water quality assessment program will be eligible for reduced penalties for any Clean Water Act violations discovered and corrected.

Before the agreement, farmers could be fined up to \$27,000 a day for violations. Under the new system, participating farmers will get a flat fine of no more than \$40,000.

"This program is an example of government and industry working together to find common-sense solutions to protect public health and the environment," said EPA Administrator Carol Browner.

NPPC President Donna Reifschneider called the deal a "win-win for the environment and producers."

"Problems that would have otherwise gone unno-

ticed will be corrected, while farmers will have strong incentives for participating," Reifschneider said. "The public will also have a better understanding of our commitment to protecting the environment."

The NPPC is paying for the program with checkoff fees that hog farmers contribute.

The deal comes at a time when hog farms, particularly large operations, have been under fire in some parts of the country.

In the November election, Colorado voters overwhelmingly approved the monitoring of large hog lots to ensure they meet stringent environmental standards. South Dakota voters approved a constitutional amendment allowing only family-controlled farms to operate in the state.

The EPA and the NPPC have been discussing environmental standards for hog farms since last year, along with state regulators and the U.S. Agriculture Department.

The NPPC has established a team of farm inspectors, also approved by the EPA. The team members include public employees, engineers, university faculty and private consultants.

Officials hope to see more than 12,000 farms participate in the program over the next three years.

## Weather focus

### LOCAL FORECAST

Unseasonably warm today with a high of 80 under mostly sunny skies and with southwest winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight, mostly clear with a high in the mid 40s. Tomorrow, partly sunny and warm with a high of 75-80. Yesterday's high was 70; the overnight low 45.

### REGIONAL FORECAST

**WEST TEXAS** — Panhandle — Record high temperature possible today. Tonight, mostly clear. Low in the mid 40s. South wind around 10 mph. Saturday, partly sunny and warm. High around 75. Southwest wind 15-20 mph with higher gusts. Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, partly cloudy. Low near 50. Saturday, continued unseasonably warm with a high in the upper 70s. Partly cloudy and breezy.

**NORTH TEXAS** — Tonight and Saturday, late night and morning low clouds. Some morning fog south. Otherwise partly cloudy. Low 57 to 63. High 77 to 81.

**SOUTH TEXAS** — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight through Saturday night, late night and morning low clouds and patchy dense fog. Otherwise partly cloudy. Low in the 50s to near 60 hill country, 60s south central

in the upper 70s. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight, partly cloudy, becoming mostly cloudy with areas of fog after midnight. Low in the mid 50s. Saturday, morning low clouds and fog, then partly cloudy. High in the mid 70s. Saturday, morning lows cloudy, otherwise partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 70s. Far West Texas — Tonight, partly cloudy. Low 40-45. Saturday, partly cloudy. High 70-75.

**Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast** — Tonight, becoming cloudy with patchy fog late. Lows in the lower 60s inland, upper 60s at the coast. Saturday, morning clouds and patchy fog. Otherwise, partly cloudy and warm. Highs in the upper 70s to lower 80s. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy. Lows in the 60s. Saturday, morning low clouds then partly cloudy and breezy during the afternoon. High near 80 to the lower 80s.

### BORDER STATES

**NEW MEXICO** — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 20s to low 30s mountains and northwest with 30s to mid 40s elsewhere. Saturday, mostly cloudy west with a slight chance of showers late. Partly sunny east. Breezy and not as warm. Highs upper 40s and 50s mountains and northwest with 60s and 70s elsewhere.

### OKLAHOMA

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## City briefs

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**FRESH CUT** Oregon Christmas Trees, will be here Tuesday, 700 blk. Hobart. You come see us. Adv.

**FANCY NAILS** - Grand Opening, Coronado Center, next to Don Ho's, special full set \$25, fills \$15, \$2 discount for student w/ID. 665-2525. Adv.

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## VIEWPOINTS

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"AH, I SEE YOU'RE ANGRY... LET'S PLAY THE GAME JUST ONCE MORE... YOU'LL WIN! I GUARANTEE IT!"

## Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion from Texas newspapers:

The Victoria Advocate on flood recovery:  
It has been a month since floodwaters began disrupting the lives of thousands of South Texans. For most, life is back to normal, more or less, but the hardest-hit among them still face seemingly insurmountable problems.

At present, no one knows exactly how many people in Victoria and Cuero, the communities with the largest number of displaced persons, not only have no permanent place to live, but are having difficulty in finding affordable temporary housing. It is not enough for the rest of us to simply declare that this is unacceptable — we must make sure that everything that can be done to correct this deplorable situation is being done. ...

The time for some unconventional thinking may have arrived. Instead of waiting for displaced persons and other flood victims to come to them, perhaps the private agencies and government representatives alike need to redouble their outreach efforts. Instead of insisting on getting all the forms filled out, perhaps it's time to get people what they need, and worry about completing the forms later. ...

Austin American-Statesman on memories of Barbara Jordan and Watergate:

"They looked like an uninspiring group of partisan politicians when the tough-minded 'gentle-lady from Texas' first encountered her colleagues of the House Judiciary Committee in 1974.

But they rose to the occasion, and she rose even higher—finding a defining moment and creating a national sensation with her role in the Watergate impeachment hearings.

Memories of Barbara Jordan, who adopted Austin as her home and died here in January 1996 at the age of 59, have been rekindled in recent days as a new committee begins new impeachment hearings.

Jordan's experiences at the hearings, and her studies of the Constitution during that time, not only made her a national hero, they transformed her personally, according to one of her biographers."

Corpus Christi Caller-Times on Asian economies tied to politics:

In some circles, the notion that market economics is an indispensable prerequisite for political freedom — and vice versa — might prompt snorts of derision. But the cases of Malaysia and Indonesia should give the skeptics pause for thought. Both nations, until recently, have basked in the Asian economic miracle. So long as the good times continued, there was little effective resistance either to their authoritarian governments or the cronyism and centralization of their economies.

Now, however, the reckoning has materialized, crushingly, for the two countries: That odd popping sound from the Pacific Rim was the sound of economic bubbles bursting. The most prominent casualty, of course, has been Japan — but everyone else has been suffering and scrambling right along with the Japanese.

Indonesia in fact represents a worst-case scenario in which virtually everything that could go wrong did — and in the most spectacular fashion possible. The dictator Suharto presided over Indonesia's fortunes for more than three decades. His style was classically authoritarian: He saw to it that family members and cronies became fabulously wealthy even as political dissent was summarily snuffed out.

So long as relative prosperity continued, the regime was secure — but now, with the bottom having dropped out of the economy, student protesters have toppled the Suharto government and Indonesia's version of the misery index is off the end of the dial.

Malaysia's travails are less desperate than Indonesia's, but there, too, rulers and subjects alike are paying the price for decades of insider rule and inflexibility. Prime Minister Matathir Mohamad is now scrambling for political survival even as he proposes to revive regional economies through currency controls.

In a crushing snub, that remedy was summarily rejected by the nations represented at the Asian Pacific Economic Cooperation summit — held, ironically, in Kuala Lumpur, the Malaysian capital.

Nor was that the only embarrassment Matathir suffered during the conference. American Vice President Al Gore took the extraordinary step of expressing support for Malaysia's pro-democracy demonstrators during remarks he delivered in the Malaysian leader's presence.

Matathir was predictably livid, but he has only himself to blame for his woes: In a particularly ill-advised move, he recently jailed former Deputy Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim on wildly improbable charges of corruption and sexual misconduct. Not surprisingly, the embattled Anwar has now become a popular hero in Malaysia.

It is easy to understand why leaders like Suharto and Matathir succumb to the Faustian temptation that goes along with great power. Far more difficult to comprehend is how such individuals can ignore the price they must ultimately pay for yielding to that seduction.

# Downside of death penalty

Dennis Williams and Verneal Jimerson are perfect examples of what many people think is wrong with the way we administer the death penalty.

Early one morning in May, 1978, Carol Schmal and Lawrence Lionberg, who were newly engaged to be married, were abducted from a gas station outside Chicago and taken to an abandoned row house. There, Schmal was raped and both were shot to death.

Williams and Jimerson were arrested and convicted of murder. A jury sentenced them to die, and both were sent to death row. There they stayed, filing appeals and avoiding the justice that had been decreed for this horrible crime. And 20 years later, they have still not been executed.

You could hardly find a better illustration of why we need to make the death penalty swifter and surer. Except for one small matter: Dennis Williams and Verneal Jimerson were found to be innocent — completely, indisputably innocent. After living a large chunk of their lives in the shadow of the gallows, they are now free men.

Northwestern University Law School recently co-sponsored a conference on the subject, "Wrongful Convictions and the Death Penalty." Among those invited are all the people who have been exonerated after being sent to death row in the years since capital punishment was reinstated by the Supreme Court in 1976. No fewer than 74 people belong to this exclusive club.

Their experience dramatizes one intransigent flaw in capital punishment: Its mistakes cannot be repaired. An innocent person sentenced to life in prison can be released, pardoned and paid financial compensation. A lethal injection, however, is stubbornly resistant to remediation.



Steve Chapman

Syndicated columnist

Advocates of the death penalty have long dismissed the possibility of mistakes as insignificant or overblown. From the abundance of evidence compiled since 1976, when the Supreme Court allowed the reinstatement of capital punishment, we now know better.

In the last two decades, 486 people have been summarily dispatched to the next world. And for every seven people executed, one condemned person has been cleared.

A 13 percent failure rate is not bad for a soufflé cook, but no one would put their loved ones on an airplane that had a one in eight chance of crashing.

That's a conservative figure. It's entirely possible that some of those who have been put to death were unjustly convicted: Investigations into possible errors generally don't outlive the defendant. With more than 3,500 inmates currently on death row, there are most likely hundreds who were sent there for crimes they didn't commit.

What are we doing wrong? Lawrence Marshall, a Northwestern law professor who helped organize the conference, says shocking crimes create intense pressures for authorities to find and punish the culprit pressures that often override good judgment. Police sometimes convince themselves of one person's guilt and then

block out any evidence that points elsewhere. Prosecutors do likewise.

Jurors, fearful of unleashing a killer on new victims, are loath to return a not-guilty verdict. They are supposed to acquit unless guilt is proven beyond a reasonable doubt, but Marshall thinks many do just the opposite voting to convict unless the defendant's innocence is absolutely certain. "One lawyer I work with says it is easier to win an acquittal in a speeding case than it is in a murder case, because no one cares about acquitting someone in a speeding case," he says.

There are ways to minimize the possibility of executing the wrong person, most of which involve assuring vigorous, competent legal representation to capital defendants many of whom now have to entrust their lives to underpaid attorneys with no experience in such cases. But the only important change that has been made in the system in recent years has been a federal law sharply curtailing the right to appeal.

The idea is to speed up a process that now has the frustrating effect of postponing justice for years and even decades. But in the 74 cases being discussed at the Northwestern conference, the average time it took for the truth to emerge was seven years. If the system had worked faster, many or all of those who have been exonerated would be dead, instead of strolling around law-school campuses.

Advocates of capital punishment think it serves as the only adequate expression of our outrage at certain heinous crimes. In that case, we should at least take the time and money needed to see that we execute the right people. Putting an innocent person to death in our haste for vengeance doesn't sound like justice. It sounds like murder.

## Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Nov. 27, the 331st day of 1997. There are 34 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 27, 1978, San Francisco Mayor George Moscone and City Supervisor Harvey Milk, a gay-rights activist, were shot to death inside city hall by former supervisor Dan White.

On this date:

In 1839, the American Statistical

Association was founded in Boston.

In 1901, Army War College was established in Washington, D.C.

In 1910, New York's Pennsylvania Station opened.

In 1939, the play "Key Largo," by Maxwell Anderson, opened at the Ethel Barrymore Theater in New York.

In 1942, during World War II, the French navy at Toulon scuttled its ships and submarines to keep them out of the hands of the Nazis.

In 1953, playwright Eugene O'Neill died in Boston at age 65.

In 1970, Pope Paul VI, visiting the Philippines, was slightly wounded at the Manila airport by a dagger-wielding Bolivian painter disguised as a priest.

In 1973, the Senate voted 92-3 to confirm Gerald R. Ford as vice president, succeeding Spiro T. Agnew, who had resigned.

In 1983, 183 people were killed when a Colombian Avianca

Airlines Boeing 747 crashed at Madrid's Barajas airport.

In 1985, the British House of Commons approved the Anglo-Irish accord giving Dublin a consultative role in the governing of British-ruled Northern Ireland.

Ten years ago: The United States was hit by a flood of worldwide criticism for its refusal a day earlier to allow PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat to address the United Nations.

# Clinton's wayward foreign policy

Bill Clinton (he doesn't deserve the title of the office he has so disgraced) will probably have murdered more Iraqi citizens by the time you read this.

You should know that the murders are for two purposes: to maintain an excuse to keep Iraqi oil off the market so the price of oil, already at its lowest point in 10 years, won't go lower; and to make a lying, draft-dodging adulterer seem presidential.

This nonsense is morally wrong, strategically wrong and tactically wrong.

It is morally wrong because it kills innocent people.

It is strategically wrong because it will strengthen Saddam Hussein or his regime, should he accidentally have gotten killed, and it will have enraged the average Arab citizen in every Arab country. It will make every Arab government less stable.

It is tactically wrong because we will have spent a billion or more dollars and gotten nothing for it.

The Iraqi position is that they have gotten rid of their chemical and biological weapons and that if the sanctions are lifted, the United Nations can continue its arms inspections. Quite logically, they have concluded that the United States has no intention of lifting the sanctions no matter what they do.

Now, do Iraqis have arms hidden away? I



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

doubt it, but even if they do, it doesn't matter. Let's get real. For 50 years, we deterred the Soviet Union from using its arsenal of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons — an arsenal 2 million times larger than anything Iraq could hope to have. We deterred the Soviet Union even though there is no way we could have fought a nuclear war with them without losing our own country in the process.

So why do the liars in Washington pretend that Iraq, a nonaligned nation of about 19 million people, cannot be deterred? The firepower on one American submarine could kill every man, woman and child in Iraq and render the land uninhabitable for a generation.

Because Saddam Hussein is mad? He isn't. He's a dictator, and he plays rough, but he isn't mad. Have you forgotten that during the Gulf War Iraq did not use any of its chemical or biological weapons? That was Saddam Hussein's

decision. He's quite rational. After all, for seven years he has frustrated the United States' desire to get rid of him.

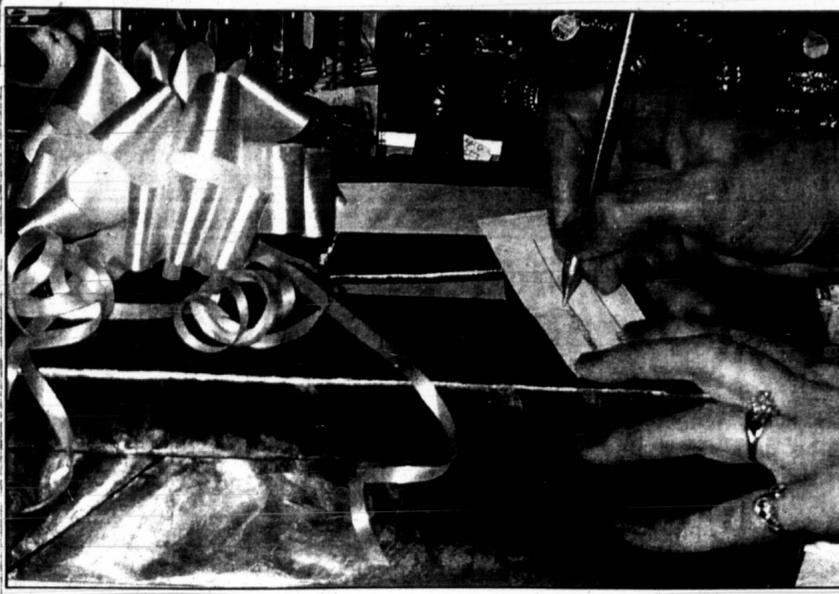
The United States and Great Britain have maintained the economic embargo on Iraq and are responsible for the deaths of a half-million Iraqi children, according to U.N. estimates. The Iraqi government claims that 1.5 million Iraqis have died as a result of the sanctions.

Perhaps some of those left-wing magistrates in Europe should issue arrest warrants for Clinton and Tony Blair, the British prime minister. I'd say that killing 500,000 innocent children is closer to a crime against humanity than General Pinochet's 4,000 — all adults and all trying to overthrow the government of Chile at the time they were killed.

The disastrous consequences of Clinton's policy won't be immediately evident to most Americans, many of whom seem to take a vicarious pleasure in watching U.S. forces kill foreigners on TV. But you can bet your life savings that a time for payback will come.

We are hopelessly alienating an important part of the world. We are driving Syria and Iran into a rapprochement with Iraq. We are making it difficult and perhaps impossible for any Arab leader to be seen as an ally of the United States and not risk assassination at the hands of his own people.

And sooner or later, maybe years from now,



(Pampa News photo by Miranda Bailey)

# Salvation Army, Hallmark give cards to local inmates

Pampa's Salvation Army reaps what it sows. In the spirit of "it's better to give than to receive" the local Salvation Army donated over 6,000 quality Holiday Hallmark Cards they recently received to the inmates incarcerated at the Jordan Unit prison facility.

Chaplain Schlewitz, graciously accepted this gift and the challenge of equal distribution among the 100 inmates. He organized a volunteer group of inmates to sort and package the fabulous gift of Hallmark cards for the Holiday season.

Inmate Kenneth M. spoke from the heart concerning this surprise gift.

"With only 20 minutes per year of telephone time available, these cards represent the main source of communication to our loved ones. These cards are a

true blessing, and a great gift to our families. The vast majority of inmates are in fact indigent, so this gift represents a lot of joy, and has brought a thousand smiles to the inmates here," he said.

The local Salvation Army has been a cheerful giver over the past several years to the inmates on the Jordan Unit.

"Each year Salvation Army gives inmates a gift box which includes hygiene items and assorted small gifts," said Jerry Guthrie.

"The Army is a true example of the gift of giving and the reward that it brings," according to Schlewitz.

Schlewitz wishes to acknowledge the inmate volunteers for their dedicated service and full day of work involved in the card distribution.

"Shop Pampa Days" is today and tomorrow at participating Chamber of Commerce Retail Trade Committee members stores. Most of these stores have a large sign to indicate participation. By shopping at participating stores, customers have the opportunity to register for over \$1,500 worth of prizes along with the 14 karat yellow diamond fashion ring grand prize.

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## SHOPPERS

band, Mike, sell the majority of their gift baskets and gourmet foods the week before Christmas, today is the day they typically sell a lot of candies.

"We could use a little cold weather, though," Charlotte said in her explanation of why she hasn't put out the hot cocoa for customers today.

"Everyone's at Wal-Mart now," she added at 9:30 this morning.

The discount store advertised via television of extra discounts from 6 to 11 this morning. Manager James Shafer said there were probably close to 100 people waiting for the doors to open before dawn at the store's annual after Thanksgiving sale.

Nationally, that was comparable to the reported 80 people who waited in line for the 6 a.m. opening of a K-Bee Toys store in Cambridge, Mass., where Associated Press reports indicated customers waited with hopes of snagging one of the "hard-to-find Furby dolls."

Although store managers like Pampa Wal-Mart Manager James Shafer said this is the store's biggest money-making day of the year, a New York-based trade group indicates that last year, 11 percent of people did their holiday shopping after Christmas, compared with the 9 percent who bought gifts during Thanksgiving weekend.

While the outcome of the holiday season won't

be known until January, there are some areas of retailing that are expected to outperform the rest.

Computer and electronics retailers also are expected to have a strong year, thanks to rising demand for cheap computers, CD-ROMs and video games. Home furnishing stores will benefit from the booming housing market.

Youth-oriented retailers, like Abercrombie & Fitch, Limited Too and Old Navy, also should fare well. Unlike their cautious baby boomer parents, young people have high levels of disposable income that they are eager to spend.

Internet retailers, too, should have their best year to date, with more consumers going online and more merchants offering merchandise on the Web. According to the Internet research firm Jupiter Communications, holiday sales will rise to \$2.3 billion this year from \$1.1 billion in 1997.

Department stores, however, continue to struggle, unable to fend off competition from discounters and specialty retailers. Already, the department stores are advertising discounts up to 40 percent off, according to national reports.

But department stores like Pampa's Dunlaps saw a cluster of shoppers at the store's early 8 a.m. opening.

"Still, said the store's manager, Christy Parker, the week before Christmas brings a lot of business, too.

## 15-year-old Wisconsin girl weighed just 15 pounds; charges pending for mother

JANESVILLE, Wis. (AP) — The mother of a 15-year-old girl was arrested after her emaciated daughter, weighing only 15 pounds, was dead on arrival at a hospital, police said.

The teen-ager was pronounced dead at Mercy Hospital in Janesville late Wednesday, the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel reported Thursday. Hospital officials declined to comment.

Police said the girl seemed malnourished and evidently was bedridden. Sgt. Pete Schulz said police were recommending to prosecutors that her mother, Karen N. Kuffer, 50, be charged with child neglect.

Kuffer told police that her daughter never weighed more than 23 pounds and suffered from

medical problems, including multiple sclerosis.

The girl had not attended school for a long time, police said. Kuffer, who is 5 feet 2 inches tall and weighs 130 pounds, has no other children.

A healthy weight for a 15-year-old girl who is 5 feet 2 inches tall should be about 100 pounds, said Susan Nitzke, an associate professor of nutritional science at the University of Wisconsin.

"If she was, say, 5 feet tall, it would be life-threatening for her to weigh under 80 pounds," Nitzke said. Police did not say how tall the girl was.

"That's almost unbelievable" that the teen-ager weighed 15 pounds and was still alive, said Barbara Troy, dietetics professor at Marquette University.

## CDC: Vaccine wiping out meningitis-causing disease

ATLANTA (AP) — Vaccinations against a disease that is the leading cause of meningitis among preschoolers have cut cases 99 percent since 1987, government health officials reported today.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said cases of Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) in children under 5 plummeted from about 20,000 in 1987 to 81 in 1997.

"The bottom line is that Hib invasive disease has virtually disappeared in this country due to the very effective and very widespread use of the vaccine in infants," said Dr. Kris Bisgard, a CDC epidemiologist.

Meningitis, an infection of the membranes cov-

ering the brain and spinal cord, can cause paralysis, deafness, retardation and death.

Children carry Hib in their throats, and the disease is spread through contact with infected respiratory fluids when children sneeze or share drinks, Bisgard said.

Hib vaccines, which have been phased in since 1985, have worked better than expected, considering that the disease has been nearly wiped out within a decade, Bisgard said.

In 1997, 61 percent of children under 7 months had received the three recommended doses of Hib vaccine, and 93 percent of children were vaccinated by age 2, the CDC said.



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- The last book I read was: \_\_\_\_\_
- My favorite possession is: \_\_\_\_\_
- The biggest honor I've ever received is: \_\_\_\_\_
- My favorite performer is: \_\_\_\_\_
- I wish I knew how to: \_\_\_\_\_
- My trademark cliché or expression is: \_\_\_\_\_
- My worst habit is: \_\_\_\_\_
- I would never: \_\_\_\_\_
- The last good movie I saw was: \_\_\_\_\_
- I stay home to watch: \_\_\_\_\_
- Nobody knows: \_\_\_\_\_
- I drive a: "or" \_\_\_\_\_
- Someday I want to drive a: \_\_\_\_\_
- My favorite junk food is: \_\_\_\_\_
- My favorite beverage: \_\_\_\_\_
- My favorite restaurant is: \_\_\_\_\_
- My favorite pet: \_\_\_\_\_
- For my last meal, I would choose: "or" \_\_\_\_\_
- My favorite meal is: \_\_\_\_\_
- I wish I could sing like: \_\_\_\_\_
- I'm happiest when I'm: \_\_\_\_\_
- I regret: \_\_\_\_\_
- I'm tired of: \_\_\_\_\_
- I have a phobia about: "or" \_\_\_\_\_
- My biggest fear is: \_\_\_\_\_
- The electrical device I couldn't live without is: \_\_\_\_\_
- My most embarrassing moment: \_\_\_\_\_
- The biggest waste of time is: \_\_\_\_\_
- If I won the lottery, the most extravagant thing I would do is: \_\_\_\_\_
- If I had three wishes they would be: \_\_\_\_\_
- If I could change one thing about Pampa, it would be: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Pirate Pride



## The Teacher's Pen

Mr. Gaylon Fry,  
Lefors Science  
Teacher



When given the opportunity to give an opinion of what could help improve our school, on thought came to mind. Our community needs to support our students more! Our students work hard in all of the school activities, both curricular and extra curricular. I feel that if more community members of Lefors would support our students when they participate in positive programs, then they would not have to complain about the few negative actions that a few of the students might do. The out come would be an increase in the students' self-esteem.

This year alone, our students have participated in an elementary drug free program, a sixth grade play, an all level choir program, and junior high and high school football and basketball. In each of these activities, the majority of those attending were parents and students. I believe that if more people supported the students of Lefors' school, self-esteem, school pride, and the achievements of our students would improve. These improvements would help our students feel less of a need to

get attention elsewhere by doing inappropriate actions that the community members would complain about such as, experimenting with drugs, alcohol, and doing mischievous acts when given the opportunity.

Our TAAS scores and extracurricular achievements have had success in the last year. With more support from the community in supporting the upcoming programs, our achievements could have even more success.

It would take only a few hours a week to attend a basketball game or choir program, but the contributions you would make would reap great rewards. My hope is to see only standing room at the next school function. This act of support would show our students that we really appreciate their accomplishments.

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## The Out-side of Basketball.

Pirate Pride editor  
Jeremy "Ponyboy" Pierce

As I stepped out of the dark GYM into the bright sunlight, I only had two things on my mind, the Pirates of Lefors, and the Championship game. I wish I could play ball like Michael "Two-bit" Steele, he's tuff. Then again, so is Tommy "Dally" Davenport, he reminds me of Melody "Cherry" Seely, a playmaker. They're tough. I just watched Shamrock get beat by the Pirates, both guy and girl teams. I bet they don't have to worry about a ride home. Michael has the moves, he can jump, block shots, and score, he has nothing to worry about. Tommy is much the same way, he can shoot though, and he doesn't have to pack heat. Melody, just like a movie star, golden blond hair, and moves you've

only seen in the picture shows.

Oh, Shamrock did well. They had some talent, but talent doesn't always win. It's skill, dedication, and defense that win games. The Pirates and the Lady Pirates sure had enough of that. I guess that's why they're headed to the championship game in the Lefors Tournament. I shouldn't have bet against them, but sometimes I don't use my head, even though I'm a straight "A" student.

I sneaked into the GYM, I had the money to pay, but I guess I just sneaked in to prove that I could. The girl's championship game was on. The Pampa Academy girls against the Lady Pirates. It was a really good game. It would have been worth the \$2.00, had I paid. The Lady Pirates didn't win; but then again, the

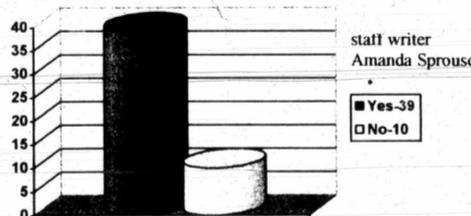
good guys don't always come out on top. Not saying Pampa Academy was bad, but I was rooting for the Lady Pirates. They won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the tournament. I was really proud. I couldn't really tell anyone though; they just don't dig sports like I do.

The boys Championship was next, it was one of those double features. It was the Eagles of Lakeview vs. the Pirates of Lefors. The Eagles jumped out to an early lead, but the Pirates kept on coming. I always like to root for the underdog. That's why I wanted the Pirates to win. They also never give up. That's another reason I like them, they're tough. They didn't win, but I still felt as though they were winners. Anyone who had the dedication to put themselves on the line like that deserves and demands my respect. The Pirates also won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the tournament.

Well, I had better go, they'll think I eloped to Mexico.

### PIRATE PRIDE HAS TAKEN A POLL OF THE LEFORS HIGH SCHOOL AND JUNIOR HIGH:

Do you feel that there is enough tension between the U.S. and Iraq to lead to a war?



staff writer  
Amanda Sprouse

## A DAY IN THE LIFE

staffwriter  
Chris Alexander

The day started just like any other...well, almost. I was hanging around with my friends when this old guy wearing plaid started chasing me with an axe!!!

Obviously I ran, but he still caught up to me. The axe almost got me; it just nicked my thigh as I slide under the door of the barn. I was safe...for then.

I was cowering in a corner, when I saw the ugliest site I've ever seen. It was a hideous black...thing. It had beady black eyes, a fat hairless tail, and these nasty looking buckteeth. This thing came running up to me, and sniffed me from top to bottom. I thought I was gonna throw up all over him. He had the most frightened look I had ever seen. After he ran away, I knew why.

A ferocious feline lunged out of nowhere, scaring me half to death. I was tired from the chase earlier, so instead of running I simply poked that crazy hairball in the eye. He wasn't too happy, but stuff happens.

Just as the beast was running away, hurt and beaten, the guy with the axe came in through the doors, screaming bloody murder, and looking mighty hungry. I had nowhere to run: he had me cornered.

The old man swung the axe, and everything went black for a few seconds. Then I saw a headless turkey running around, with the crazed axe murderer grinning and chasing it around. Weird.

## ELEMENTARY AWARDS

assoc. editor  
Dee J. Preston

### Best Citizen

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| Abby Andis     | Janie Ponce    |
| Erika Dodge    | Keenan Lott    |
| Haley Smith    | Ashley Woodard |
| Ashlyn Johnson | Ashlyn Johnson |
| Hannah Andis   | Kaid Jones     |
| Brent Roberson | Misty Pairsh   |
| Drake Jackson  | Kendra Ray     |
| Trent Roberson | Jordan Dodge   |
|                | Amanda Ponce   |
|                | Dante Wilbon   |
|                | Jerad Andis    |
|                | Devan Franks   |
|                | Tanner Ray     |

### Perfect Attendance

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| Danielle Foreman | Kayla Andis    |
| Arthur Gifford   | Matt Daugherty |
| Sadie Stover     | Bobby Sprouse  |
| Brenden Kimbley  | Trent Roberson |
| Keely Callaway   | Shayla Smith   |
| Seth Fry         | Josh Feltner   |
| Corey Graham     |                |

## GOBBLE

### Lefors I.S.D honor roll

assoc. editor  
Dee J. Preston

The "A" honor roll students are Cameron Barnes, Keely Callaway, Seth Fry, Keenan Santacruz, Haley Smith, James Vaid, Amanda Lawrence, Hannah Manass, Mathew Daugherty, Lindsay Duckworth, Drake Jackson, Racheal Stubbs, Nicholas Miller, Gareth Vaid, Katherine Barnes, Julie Davenport, Savannah Smith, Zachary Kidd, Sarah Schwab, Tom Davenport, Jeremy Pierce, Candid Ray, Melody Seely, Heather Hqward, Gwen Nolte, and Linda Schwab.

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## GOBBLE

### WILD MAN!

Author Unknown  
Adapted by  
staff writer  
Heather Howard

Years ago, a teacher arrived to speak at a high school convocation in Louisiana. He entered the faculty lounge to relax and get his thoughts together. Two teachers stormed through the door and immediately started griping about a student they called the Wild Man. "That long-haired, dope-smoking, frisbee-throwing, skateboard-jumping, flag burning hippie will never amount to a hill of beans," said one. The other joined in with absurd gossip, about as accurate as "my wife's sister's dog's mother-in-law told me through the grapevine that he did this and that."

Zachary was an energetic kid who supported all the games and dances. He had Multiple Sclerosis—a disease that affects the nerves and muscles. For years Zach had been in a manual wheelchair, moving from class to class and function to

function. Zach's condition worsened and he needed a motorized wheelchair to stay at this school. With out it, he would have to attend a school with special equipment. Zach had no choice but to check out, because his Parents couldn't afford a new motorized wheelchair.

Wild Man gave the faculty and the whole student body a shock when he does an amazing thing for Zach. Wild Man had four football players assist him in surprising Zach with a motorized wheelchair.

When the auditorium burst out with applause, they weren't just applauding Zach. They were cheering for Wild Man, who had used his own initiative to rally for Zach's new chair.

So, it's true: we shouldn't judge a book by its cover. When given a chance to feel wanted, important, capable and needed, even the most deceiving "books" can deliver a great moral to the story. "A broken clock is right twice a day." Never give up on anyone!

## PIRATE

### Vidbits

November

25<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>  
Thanksgiving break

30<sup>th</sup> Bandits play  
samnorwood (6:00  
Here)

December

1<sup>st</sup> Pirates play  
Bible Heritage (6:30  
there)

7<sup>th</sup> Bandits play  
Miami (6:00 there)

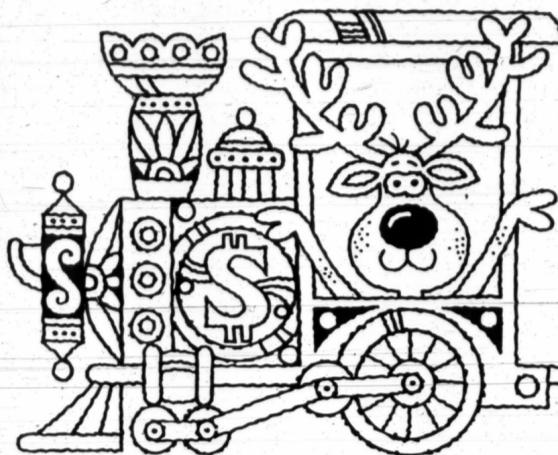
8<sup>th</sup> Pirates play  
Bible Heritage (6:30  
Here)

10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup>  
Samnorwood  
Tournament (there  
TBA)

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# RELIGION

## Fire strikes the couple's home...

The heat came across her face like a scalding blanket. The air was too thick to inhale and her eyes refused to open against its acid weight.

Sal fought the sheet over him thrashing it backward as his feet slapped the thin carpet. "Get out! Get out!" he screamed and ran toward the wooden door that separated their tiny bedroom from the narrow galley kitchen.

Sal pulled the door open. The rickety door split from its frame, weakened by years of casual slams and dry desert air. Flaming layers of ancient paint seared the door as it flew across the room, launched by Sal's tug.

Two steps across the kitchen, another into the yard. Sal gasped for breath and dashed as near the house as he dared looking for Ally.

"Ally! Ally! Get out!" he cried.

Flames began to whisper around the edges of window and the outdoor air, usually clean and light, stank with the same heavy acrid aroma as inside.

Sal ran to the house where his landlord lived on the same parcel of land and pounded with all his might.

"Help! Help! Fire! It's on fire!" he called. The door flew open and Elmer Jones looked at Sal's crazed face and sniffed the air.

"Oh, my God! Dorothy, dial 911! The house

From the Back Pew...

By Cheryl Berzanskis



in on fire!" Elmer screamed. He threw open the screen and ran for water hose in the flower bed. "Ally's not out! I don't know where Ally is! Oh, what if she's on fire?" "What about the baby?" Sal cried. "Grab the hose so maybe we can get in the house to her," Mr. Jones answered. "Dorothy, did you call the fire department?" "They're comin'," she answered. "Where's Ally?" "I don't know, I don't know," Sal wailed. Tears streamed down his face as he pulled at the green hose. The water stream issuing from it was tiny in comparison to the growing

blaze. Flames columned up from window tops and a crash inside signaled a ceiling gone down.

Sirens screamed and one by one lights turned on in neighboring houses. A few faces peeked through screen doors.

Firefighters pulled hoses from inside the their truck and grasping the awkward tubes tugged them as they tried to run toward the house.

"Sir, is anyone inside the house?" asked a firefighter wearing captain's bars.

"She's inside! She's inside!"

Hysterically, Sal tried to tell the man about the tiny bedroom and the burning door and the last glimpse he had of his stunned wife still trying to sit up in bed, coughing as if no breath could get inside her.

"We're going in, Sir," the captain said. "Sal, you gotta get ahold of yourself," Elmer said. "They'll find Ally and then you'll have to help her like nobody else can."

Sal didn't know if Ally would want his help, but he knew his bride and the child inside her were all that mattered.

Elmer and Dorothy awkwardly caught Sal's weight as he fell slumped into the sandy soil. They knew he needed help, too.

(To be continued)

## Religion briefs...

### Black churches face financial pinch

ATLANTA (AP) — A national survey of 141 black Protestant congregations showed 54 percent of the members believe their churches face serious financial problems. The two-year study was conducted at the Interdenominational Theological Center, a consortium of six seminaries sponsored by black Protestant denominations.

The report said the typical black congregation has an average attendance of 250 and an annual budget of \$181,500. It spends 77 percent of income on basic local programs and operations, with little left for outreach ministries.

One purpose of the survey was to determine if the churches can fill the gap in light of cutbacks in government assistance programs, said management consultant Walter Collier, the lead researcher. With a median household church offering of \$1,930 annually, Collier said, expanded outreach efforts are unlikely.

The report said 41 percent of church members do not believe they receive sufficient financial information. And the researchers said many congregations do not keep adequate financial records.

### Episcopalians elect Illinois bishop

CHICAGO (AP) — The Rev. William Persell has been elected bishop of the Chicago Diocese of the Episcopal Church.

Persell, now dean of Trinity Cathedral in Cleveland, will serve as bishop of the 43,000-member diocese. It covers 21 counties of northern Illinois and ranks 12th in the nation with 137 congregations.

Persell, 55, will fill the post vacated last January when Bishop Frank Griswold was elected presiding bishop of the national church, based in New York.

Persell describes himself as a liberal in the areas of social action, race and justice, and says he hopes the church will eventually endorse same-sex unions.

### Baptists act on homosexuals, charismatics

COLUMBUS, Ga. (AP) — The Georgia Baptist Convention, the second largest regional association of Southern Baptists, voted to exclude congregations that approve of homosexual behavior but to allow those using Charismatic or Pentecostal-style practices.

A majority of the 2,400 representatives meeting here favored the Charismatic ban, but the 61 percent support fell short of the necessary two-thirds margin. The homosexuality bill passed overwhelmingly.

On the Charismatic issue, the Rev. Mike Everson of Warner Robins, Ga., a member of the state executive committee, said Baptists needed to draw clear lines: "There are churches in the state of Georgia practicing being slain in the spirit, barking like dogs, roaring like lions. They ought not be doing this and calling themselves Baptists."

The homosexuality policy states that local churches should not knowingly take any action to affirm, approve or endorse same-sex behavior. The Georgians' newly elected president, the Rev. J. Herald Harris of Marietta, said "the unanimous verdict of Scripture is that practicing homosexuality is a sin."

The Rev. J. Robert White, Georgia's executive director, said only the Baptist conventions in Florida, North Carolina and Texas have enacted policies on homosexuality and that only Florida has taken a stand on Charismatic practices.

### Sweden's Catholics get Swedish bishop

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — For the first time in 400 years, Sweden's Roman Catholics will have a Swedish bishop.

The Vatican has named the Rev. Anders Arborelius as bishop of the Stockholm diocese, which covers all of Sweden. Arborelius was born in Switzerland of Swedish parents and grew up in the Swedish city of Lund.

He replaces Bishop Hubertus Brandenburg, a German, who is retiring at age 75.

Arborelius will become the first Swede to head the church in Sweden since the Protestant Reformation swept the country in the 1500s. The Reformation changed Sweden from an almost entirely Catholic country into one where Catholics were banned.

Until 1860, no native Swedes were allowed to be Catholics and today the church claims only about 2 percent of the population — about 165,000 people — and most of its priests are foreign-born, according to the Stockholm diocese.

### Black Baptists bar woman minister

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The Memphis Baptist Ministerial Association, a black organization that is the city's largest clergy group, voted 86-27 to reject a woman minister's request to join.

Sybil Mitchell, an associate pastor at Springdale Baptist Church and religion editor of the Tri-State Defender, said she was given no reason for the rejection. Springdale's head pastor, the Rev. Lee Brown, said, "It's because she's a woman."

Many Baptists, black and white, believe a literal reading of the Bible forbids women from the clergy, though ordination is controlled by each local congregation.

## Prison Fellowship holds graduation

By Jerry Guthrie  
Jordan Unit Reporter

Rufe Jordan held its first Prison Fellowship graduation recently when 12 inmates completed the first year-long study of the Gospel of John.

Prison Fellowship is a vital of a strong spiritual foundation on the prison unit. Unit Chaplain Schlewitz has organized different innovative classes for the inmates. Prison Fellowship had taken a concept of Bible Study into the walls of the unit and now has seen its first effort pay off. Twelve area volunteers give their Thursday evenings to guide and teach prison inmates Bible history.

The first graduating class was honored with a "Free for Sure" celebration. This event gave all glory to Jesus Christ and his saving grace. Graduates completed a four-part study on the Gospel of John. Each segment saw inmates grow in the richness and glory of God. The Gospel lessons were an in-depth interactive study which included skits and small group discussions on each topic, as well as personal testimony and prayer. The P/F class is as exactly as titled — a fellowship class.

Each of the 12 graduates was presented Graduate Certificates and a personal picture with P/F volunteers. Personal testimony was a viable part of the P/F class. During each session inmates are urged to give their prayer requests and special praises before the group. The entire class then honors the Lord and graciously asks for these needs to be met and they are! Inmates and volunteers

have witnessed healing individuals, families and true spiritual growth. It can be said by the grace of God our prayers are answered.

The Holy Spirit held hands with the 12 graduates as they spoke of the previous year. Each man praised the fellowship that P/F has given them. Walls of hate were torn down. Racial barriers bridged and unconditional love, learned, earned and renewed. Several men mentioned the change of heart that has taken place by their participation in a Bible study, due to the fellowship atmosphere, and the promise that God made to us all. We are all new creatures in Christ.

The graduates spoke of how active participation in the year long class has followed them into their daily lives inside the prison and overflowed to their families and friends.

Following the Certificate presentation and warming personal testimonies the class enjoyed melt-in-your-mouth cake graciously baked for the graduating class of '98 by Cakes by Carol. During the year, numerous churches and area volunteers baked cookies, sweet breads and assorted treats for the P/F class.

Closing the night's celebration, the Free for Sure class was honored by a song fest provided by the Gospel of John Singers. The evening concluded in prayer and praise.

The entire Prison Fellowship class gives a heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers who donated their personal time and effort to make this class possible. Special thanks to the Jordan Unit's Senior Warden DeLaRosa and his cooperative staff for providing security and allowing the P/F volunteers to provide food for the class.

## Author still wins converts for 'Mere Christianity'

OXFORD, England (AP) — Twenty-five years after his death, and a century after his birth, C.S. Lewis continues to win converts to "Mere Christianity" — the title of one of his best-known books.

Lewis is the first author recommended to people exploring Christianity through the Alpha Course, a program of suppers and conversation that is now the largest evangelistic effort in Britain.

The course, which has been taken up by all the main Christian denominations, has also spread to the United States and other countries.

Indeed, the first author quoted in the course is Lewis: "Christianity is a statement which, if false, is of no importance, and, if true, of infinite importance. The one thing it cannot be is moderately important."

The thought is typical of C.S. Lewis, "wonderfully logical, yet at the same time it goes right to the heart of the matter," said the Rev. Nicky Gumbel of Holy Trinity Brompton, the London church where the Alpha Course began.

"There is a balance in his writing, I think, between the mind and the heart," Gumbel said.

Lewis was an Oxford don and later a Cambridge professor who won respect as a scholar of English literature and an enduring popular following for his religious writings, as well as his "Narnia" fantasies.

Born in Belfast, Northern Ireland, on Nov. 29, 1898, he was raised in a conventionally religious Anglican home but grew into an atheist.

He affirmed his belief in God following a mystical experience in 1929, but it was another two years before Lewis fully embraced Christianity — prodded by an all-night conversation with his friends Hugo Dyson and J.R.R. Tolkien, a Roman Catholic don who wrote the "Lord of the Rings" and other highly regarded fantasies.

The first of Lewis' religious works was "The Pilgrim's Regress" in 1933, followed by "The Problem of Pain" in 1940 and "The Screwtape Letters" in 1941. The first of his "Broadcast Talks," later expanded as "Mere Christianity," was published in 1942.

His marriage in 1956 to an abrasive American divorcee, Joy Davidman Gresham, and her death from cancer four years later, has been retold on stage and in the 1993 film "Shadowlands," but most poignantly in Lewis' own words.

"You never know how much you believe anything until its truth or falsehood becomes a matter of life or death to you," he wrote in "A Grief Observed," published under a pseudonym in 1961.

Lewis died Nov. 22, 1963 — the day John F. Kennedy was assassinated.

He has a strong following in the United States, with Wichita, Kansas, planning more centenary events in November (11), than Oxford (three).

"It's just us crazy Americans. We overdo everything," said Frank Kastor, professor emeritus of English at Wichita State University, who rates Lewis as this century's most gifted and articulate communicator of Christian beliefs.

"I've been teaching him in my classes for quite a few years. I've been reading him for 20 years, and he continues to feed me," Kastor said in a telephone interview.

The Marian E. Wade Center at Illinois' Wheaton College has 2,000 volumes from Lewis' personal library, and the wardrobe from his Belfast home that inspired "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe," the first of the "Narnia" tales.

Lewis' old home in Oxford, called The Kilns, has been bought and restored by the C.S. Lewis Foundation of Redlands, Calif.

Not that Lewis was entirely neglected at home. The Royal Mail issued a commemorative stamp this summer, and admirers in Northern Ireland paid for a statue in Belfast of Lewis opening the wardrobe into the realm of the imagination.

Michael Ward, now a resident at The Kilns, said the pilgrims still come, most of them Christians.

"The variety of his writing, in so many styles, keeps one's inter-

est alive," Ward said. "And the fact that he is a Christian, but is not sort of locked away in a ghetto but is interested in making sense of the whole of life, and isn't narrowly pietistic."

Walter Hooper, an American who was a trustee of Lewis' estate, lives in Oxford and is now editing Lewis' letters, sees a simple reason for the continuing interest.

"I think Lewis has been around for so long we've had a chance for many, many minds to look at his books," he said. "I think he proved to be as good as we think he is, both profound and clear."

Admiration of Lewis has not been universal, however. During his lifetime, his religious writing and his wartime broadcasts on the BBC were an embarrassment to some of his academic colleagues.

The Rev. R.H. Lightfoot, chaplain of New College, Oxford, once said Lewis' turn to religion was "a sad loss to the English faculty. I wish it could be said to be a gain to the faculty of theology."

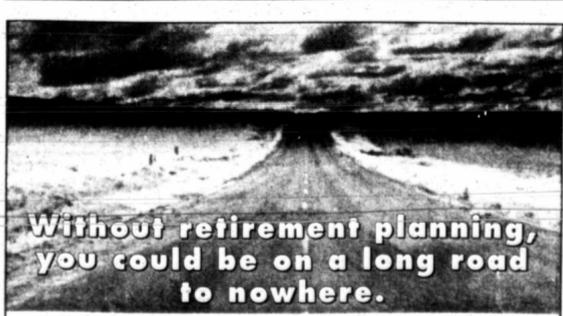
A.N. Wilson, whose generally sympathetic biography of Lewis was published in 1994, wrote recently in The Daily Telegraph that doing the book converted him from a tepid believer into an atheist. Wilson attacked the "either/or" type of argument that Gumbel quoted, and which Lewis put more strongly in "The Problem of Pain," the first of his religious books, published in 1940.

Lewis said of Jesus: "Either he was a raving lunatic of an unusually abominable type or else He was, and is, precisely what He said."

That argument, Wilson contended, contradicted Lewis' major concern as a literary scholar — to make the reader think about how something was understood by the people who first read it.

As Wilson sees it, Lewis ignored the possibility that "different books of the New Testament have different ways of describing the indescribable, that is, the nature of Christ."

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# Wife Reluctant to Surrender To Husband's Briefs Revolt

**DEAR ABBY:** What do you think about a person who refuses to wear underwear? My husband is driving me crazy.

He hates clothing and usually runs around the house in a pair of old shorts worn well below the waistline, no shirt and no underwear. When no one but me is there, he goes completely naked. He says he would like to join a nudist colony because he hates clothing so much.

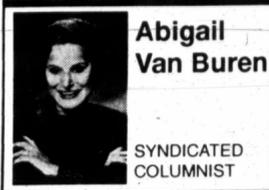
We have been married many years, and over the years I have bought him just about every brand of men's underwear to try. He hated them all.

Abby, I love my husband and am not contemplating divorce or anything like that, but I'm grossed out by his refusal to wear underwear.

If you say I should learn to live with it (which I mostly have anyway), I will try to keep my mouth shut. I hope you don't think this letter is too ridiculous to print. Oh, by the way, my husband insists that there are many people out there like him.

WIFE OF ALMOST NAKED HUSBAND IN K.C.

**DEAR WIFE OF ALMOST NAKED HUSBAND:** I'm sure there are many people of both sexes who find underwear too confining and opt not to wear any. To say it "briefly," it's a matter of personal choice. If this is the only thing about your husband that bothers you, consider yourself fortunate, and avert your gaze.



**Abigail Van Buren**

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

He's an adult now, and it's time for him to get up on his own. Anyone can do it if he's properly motivated, and you won't always be around to pry him out of bed. You gave your son an important wake-up call: It's time for him to rise and shine on his own.

**DEAR ABBY:** Can a woman who has been divorced multiple times choose any of her former husbands' last names?

My former wife has been married three times. I was her first husband more than 20 years ago. When we were married, she used my last name. During each of her other marriages, she went by that husband's name, but when each ended, she reverted back to mine.

I have demanded that she stop using my name, as I believe that she no longer has a right to do so. I have told her that she should use either her maiden name, or the last name of her last husband.

DENNIS DYER, SAN PEDRO, CALIF.

**DEAR DENNIS:** Your former wife can call herself anything she wishes as long as the purpose is not to defraud. However, she may not call herself Mrs. Dennis Dyer, as it might cause her to be confused with your current wife.

**DEAR ABBY:** My 18-year-old son can't — or won't — get himself out of bed in the morning for work. He relies on my wife or me to get him up. He has an alarm clock, but he turns it off and goes right back to sleep.

Two nights ago, I told him I would no longer be responsible for getting him out of bed in the morning; it was time for him to assume responsibility for himself. He countered with the accusation that if he lost his job because he was late, it would be my fault for not waking him.

Abby, I would feel bad if he lost his job, but I can't see that it would be my fault. Should I continue to be his human alarm clock or let the chips fall where they may? Is it wrong to make a young adult face the music for his actions (or lack of them, in this case)?

**DEAR DAD:** No, it's not wrong to make your son face the consequences of his actions.

ner has surprising feedback that presents another option. Don't count on the financial figures being accurate; take responsibility. Pull back, and pace yourself with diet and errands. Avoid extremes. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Reach out for others, to make plans. Experiment; try something you haven't done before. Your openness enhances a partnership. Enjoy yourself with lots of friends. Embrace the unexpected. A relationship could be brewing if single. If attached, caring kindles. Tonight: Be entertained.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Close relating makes a relationship sizzle. You love what is going on, and feel closer to someone than you have in awhile. A new hobby could surprise you; you are more interested than you originally thought. Take time to relax; home life has many rewards. Tonight: A quiet talk.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* You are unusually active and draw others to you. A loved one demonstrates his caring nature. Swap jokes, catch up on news and break bread with a special friend. You might not often have time together. Make some! Another perspective comes as a result. Tonight: Get into the social whirl.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Pace yourself. You could be doing too much, and are entering a busy season. Recognize and enforce limits. Don't let pressure get to you;

rather, lighten up and relax. Take a brisk walk, go to the gym or exercise stress away. Swap jokes and let yourself laugh. Tonight: Easy does it.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* You easily make inroads with others. A loved one or potential suitor only sees you in the best light. The caring comes forth. The unexpected occurs with people in your daily life. Express your acceptance of their quirks. Commit only to fun activities. Tonight: Carry on.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Anchor in, and handle family matters. Others appreciate your extra effort. Opt to spend funds in an unexpected way. Loosen up about plans; allow greater freedom to those you care about. Buy a card for a special friend or loved one. Tonight: Make a favorite dinner.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Reach out for others; you naturally put them at ease. Somehow, you do the frivolous or unexpected. You give others a greater sense of enjoyment. Friends want to get together and catch up on Thanksgiving happenings. You enjoy yourself with all. Tonight: Find the fun.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Begin holiday errands. Perhaps you're ready to don your Santa suit or work some overtime. Let others share what they want. You are surprised at how easy this can all be. Someone wants you with him. Make that appearance. Tonight: Remember how much you have to offer.

**For Better or For Worse**



Zits



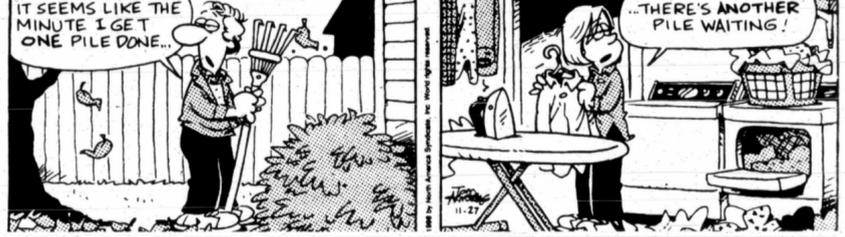
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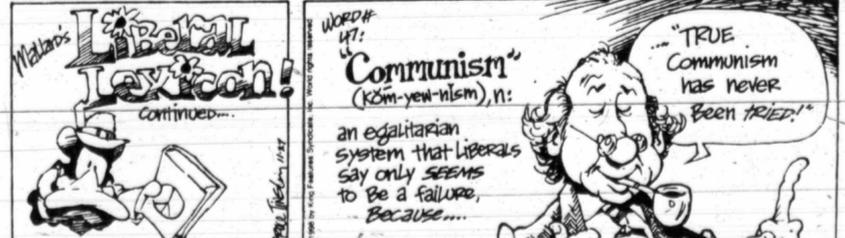
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## Horoscope

SUNDAY, NOV. 29, 1998  
 BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

- ARIES (March 21-April 19)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Your personality melts barriers. Laugh at the unexpected, and roll with what is happening. News from a distance is positive. Think about a trip in the near future. Someone appreciates your caring. Walk in someone's shoes before making a judgment. Tonight: It is your call.
- TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
 \*\*\* Take a back seat. Think through decisions. A parent or someone you put on a pedestal could provoke interesting reactions. When you use your instincts, good communication results. A partner gives you key feedback, think through a decision. Tonight: Call it an early night.
- GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Allow a friend to play a major role in your plans. Your sense of humor allows more fun and celebration. You could easily shake your head at surprising news. Someone's perspective just might not be yours. Popularity presents many different invitations. Tonight: Go for what you want.
- CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
 \*\*\* Maintain a high profile. A part-

## Crossword Puzzle

by THOMAS JOSEPH

**ACROSS**

- 1 Aladdin's find
- 5 Roster
- 9 Disney mermaid
- 11 Film trophy
- 13 Very small
- 14 Chap
- 15 Furniture wood
- 16 Make better, as a deal
- 18 Navy builders
- 20 Youngster
- 21 Noted name in mail order
- 22 Storage sites
- 23 Wt. units
- 24 Fish eggs
- 25 Mexico peninsula
- 27 Fruit parts
- 29 Altar words
- 30 Soup ingredients
- 32 Growing spots
- 34 Favorite
- 35 Poet Nash
- 36 Superior
- 38 Baseball's Luis
- 39 Annoyance

**DOWN**

- 1 Actor
- 2 Lorenzo
- 3 Dream
- 4 A pop
- 5 Ear parts
- 6 Man, for one
- 7 Dream
- 8 Team member
- 8 Hire
- 10 Also-rans
- 12 Lets
- 17 Director
- 19 Rum cake
- 22 Cloth unit
- 24 Increases
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- 26 Down
- 27 Corral
- 28 Jacket part
- 30 See
- 31 Scatter
- 32 Car scar
- 37 Pod unit

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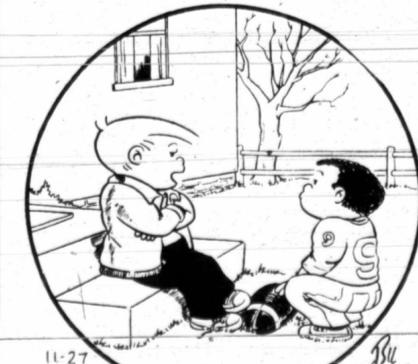
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**Marmaduke**



"He always checks after I polish the table to make sure he can still see his reflection."

**The Family Circus**



"Thanksgiving was okay, but I bet we'll have a lot more to be thankful for on Christmas."

## STUMPED?

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# SPORTS

## Notebook FOOTBALL

**PONTIAC, Mich. (AP)** — Detroit's Barry Sanders joined Walter Payton as the only NFL players to rush for 15,000 career yards, gaining 33 yards in the Lions' 19-16 overtime victory over Pittsburgh.

Sanders has 15,003 career yards. Payton rushed for 16,726 yards in his Hall of Fame career with the Chicago Bears.

Sanders also caught one pass for 20 yards to top 18,000 combined rushing and receiving yards. Payton leads that list at 21,803, followed by Herschel Walker (18,168) and Sanders (18,026).

**STARKVILLE, Miss. (AP)** — With one victory, No. 25 Mississippi State beat its archrival and earned a spot in the Southeastern Conference championship.

Battered tailback James Johnson rushed for two short touchdowns in his only half of action Thursday night as the Bulldogs (8-3, 6-2 SEC) won the SEC West title with a 28-6 victory over Mississippi.

"It is a great feeling for us. We took care of our archrivals, and now we can get refocused and get ready for Tennessee," said Bulldogs senior defensive end Ed Smith, who had 13 tackles.

By winning its third game in 13 days, including 22-21 over No. 13 Arkansas last Saturday, Mississippi State made up for last year's late-season collapse, when the Bulldogs lost their last two games and missed out on a bowl game.

The Bulldogs have just more than a week to get ready to play top-ranked Tennessee in the Dec. 5 SEC title game.

In Thursday's only other ranked game, No. 11 Tulane beat Louisiana Tech 63-30.

Four more ranked teams played today: No. 6 Texas A&M at Texas, No. 7 Arizona at Arizona State, No. 13 Arkansas vs. LSU, and No. 14 Nebraska vs. Colorado. On Saturday, No. 1 Tennessee plays at Vanderbilt, No. 9 Notre Dame travels to Southern Cal, No. 12 Georgia is at No. 17 Georgia Tech, No. 15 Michigan visits Hawaii, No. 16 Virginia plays at No. 20 Virginia Tech, No. 19 Miami travels to No. 21 Syracuse, and No. 23 Penn State visits Michigan State.

Ole Miss (6-5, 3-5) may have played its final game under coach Tommy Tuberville, who was expected to be in Auburn today to discuss the coaching vacancy there.

The Rebels, who played just five seniors this season, completed their second straight winning record after a two-year NCAA probation that Tuberville inherited. He is 25-20 in four seasons.

"As far as I know right now, I will be coach, there is nothing to say I won't," Tuberville said, adding that he hadn't been offered a job.

When pressed for an answer, Tuberville later admitted that he had a tough decision to make.

Johnson, already limited and grimacing because of a groin injury, had TD runs of 2 and 1 yards. He didn't return after injuring his shoulder on the second TD, but that was enough for the Bulldogs.

Johnson didn't start, but came on for the second series, scoring on a 2-yard run with 4:27 left in the first quarter. After a 39-yard pass play and an Ole Miss penalty that nullified a Johnson fumble, he scored on his third straight carry.

The second TD was on a fourth-and-goal play, ending a 98-yard drive, the longest of the season for Mississippi State. At one point of the drive, Johnson came off the field grimacing in pain.

"It's been a hard season," said Bulldogs coach Jackie Sherrill. "My hat is off to all of our players. I was concerned Tuesday because they were tired. They did a great job. They won't quit."

With a school-record 1,345 yards, Johnson leads the SEC in rushing, 160 yards ahead of Kevin Faulk of LSU entering today.

## Harvesters take aim at Jackets

**PAMPA** — With a rapidly-improving offense to go along with a defense that has been solid all year long, Pampa has a new lease on life going into tonight's regional semifinal game with Stephenville.

The Harvesters averaged 235.5 yards per game during the regular season, but boosted that average to 364.5 in the Harvesters' two playoff games.

Senior quarterback Justin Roark has been the catalyst for Pampa's offensive thrust. Roark has rushed for 186 yards and 2 touchdowns while passing for 319 yards and 2 TDs in Pampa's playoff wins over Frenship (21-14) and El Paso Riverside (35-26).

Senior tailback Curtis Johnson is Pampa's leading rusher for the year with 980 yards while scoring 7 touchdowns. He had 3 touchdowns in the two playoff games. Roark rushed for 589 yards and fullback Erich Greer has 562 yards. Both have rushed for 5 touchdowns.

Stephenville, which won state championships in 1993 and 1994, has an explosive in the air and on the ground. Quarterback Kelen Luker has thrown for 3,420 yards and 36 touchdowns while tailback Zac Hunter has rushed for 1,271 yards and 8 touchdowns.

The Yellow Jackets also have plenty of size, averaging 250 pounds on the front line.

"Stephenville is big, fast and mobile. They've got all of it," said Pampa head coach Dennis Cavalier. "They've got a couple of 300-pounders at the guard positions."

Tonight's game tips off at 7 in Texas Stadium in Irving. Pampa has a 10-2 record while Stephenville is 11-1.

## Central Okla. to host Texas A&M-Kingsville

**EDMOND, Okla. (AP)** — The last time Central Oklahoma played Texas A&M-Kingsville, Bronchos running back Reggie Donner ran for 125 yards and scored three touchdowns, including an 80-yard TD run, on the way to a 38-9 victory.

Donner, who started his career at Kingsville, would like nothing more than to repeat that performance when UCO hosts Kingsville Saturday in the NCAA Division II quarterfinals.

Donner hopes for another opportunity to run wild in front of his recruiter and mentor, Kingsville running backs coach Don Pittman.

"We will always be the best of friends," Donner said. "From a student-teacher standpoint, you always want to show your old mentor that you can use what was taught to you and use it effectively."

No. 1 UCO (12-0) last met No. 11 Kingsville (10-2) on Sept. 12 in a game that snapped the Javelina's 12-game winning streak against UCO as well as Kingsville's 39-game Lone Star Conference win streak.

"I know they're going to come with a game plan to try to stop our offense," Donner said.

Donner saw significant action for Kingsville as a redshirt freshman in 1993. Grade problems kept him out of football from 1994-96. In 1997, Pittman helped him find a home at UCO.

"It would be real gratifying for me to use what he taught me, to say: 'Coach Pittman, you taught me what I know. Now watch me use it against you,'" Donner said.

## Pampa plays Herd in girls' middle school basketball

**HEREFORD** — Pampa played Herford in middle school girls' basketball action earlier this week.

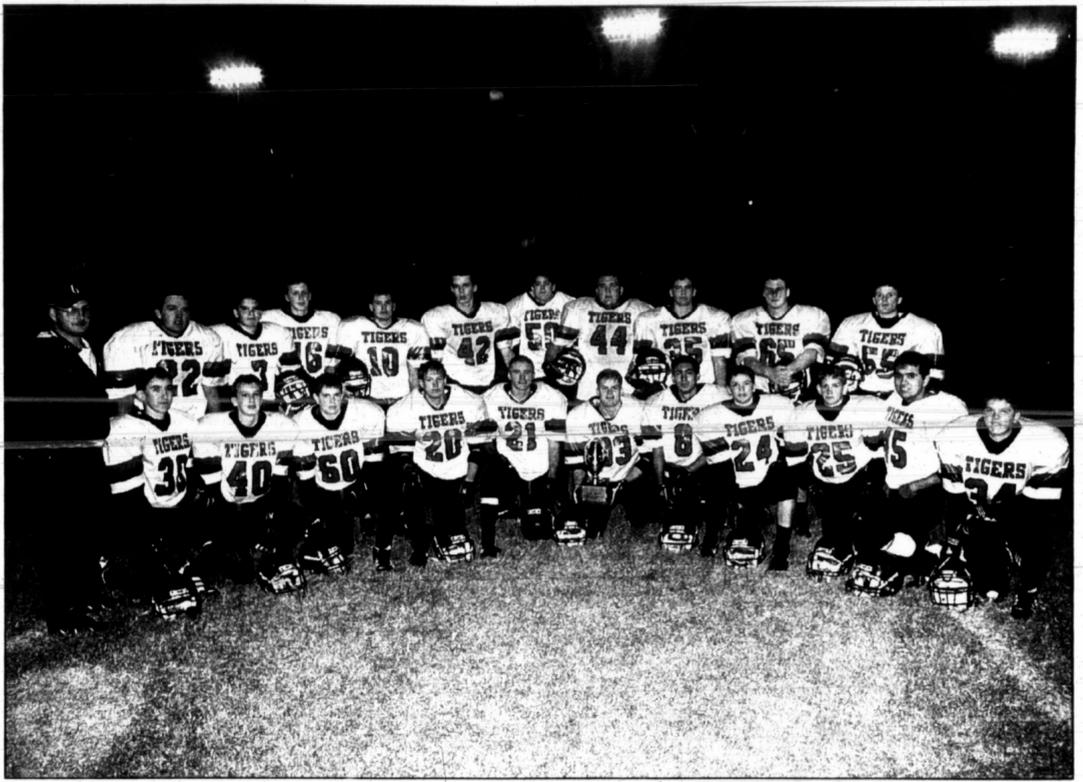
Hereford defeated Pampa, 47-12, in the 8th grade division.

Sara Blankenship had 3 points and 6 rebounds while Sarah Porter had 1 point and 4 rebounds for Pampa.

In the B game, Pampa won by a score of 42-30.

Hollie Gattis was high scorer for Pampa with 15 points. Christina Rodriguez had 9 points, Jessica Knipp 6, T'Andra Holmes 6 and

## Unbeaten Groom



The unbeaten Groom Tigers (12-0) meet defending state champion Borden County (11-1) at 3 p.m. Saturday in the six-man quarterfinals at Floydada. The Tigers (above) are ranked No. 6 in the latest state poll. Team members are (front row, from left) Luke Pavlovsky, Hugh Weinheimer, Wyatt Britten, Wade Ritter, Dean Fields, Jamie Shuck, Alberto Vega, Cody Bivens, Russell Conrad, Gustavo Caro and Trey Britten; (back row, from left) coach Larry Reid; Daniel Treadwell, John Carroll, Grant Weinheimer, Josh Evenson, Wyatt Weinheimer, Clay Ritter, Dusty Crump, Chris Ollinger, Evan Crowell and Josiah Scott.

## Moss leads Vikings past Cowboys, 46-36

**IRVING, Texas (AP)** — The Dallas Cowboys had heard all about how big and strong Randy Moss was, how he could catch the deep ball for a touchdown or take a short pass and turn it into a long gain.

Now they can say they've seen it, too. And without Deion Sanders to try to stop him, they were just as helpless as every other team Minnesota has played.

Moss turned his three catches into a 51-yard touchdown and twin 56-yard scores to lead the Vikings to a 46-36 victory. He also drew a 50-yard pass interference penalty that set up another score.

"Randy only made three catches," Vikings coach Dennis Green said, "but he made big plays with each of them."

Another Minnesota (11-1) victory or a Green Bay loss would wrap up the division title for the Vikings. They're already the favorite for home-field advantage in the NFC playoffs; their next two opponents have losing records and their toughest remaining game is at home against Jacksonville.

The Cowboys (8-4) had a four-game winning streak snapped despite getting a career-high 455 yards from quarterback Troy Aikman.

In Thursday's other game, Detroit beat Pittsburgh 19-16 in overtime.

On Sunday, Arizona is at Kansas City, Atlanta at St. Louis, Carolina at the New York Jets, Indianapolis at Baltimore, Jacksonville at Cincinnati, Tampa Bay at Chicago, Tennessee at Seattle, Buffalo at New England, New Orleans at Miami, Philadelphia at Green Bay, Washington at Oakland, and Denver at San Diego.

The New York Giants play at San Francisco on Monday night. The matchup of Moss vs. Dallas

was significant because the Cowboys were tempted to draft him.

Dallas needed someone to take the pressure off Michael Irvin and Moss was available when the Cowboys had the ninth pick. Scouts gave Moss their highest ratings, but owner-general manager Jerry Jones decided the team and its tarnished image couldn't take the risk in a player whose background included two arrests, a probation violation and a one-month jail term. So Dallas filled its second-biggest need by taking defensive end Greg Ellis.

Other teams who were scared off by Moss' baggage, greasing his slide to Minnesota at No. 21, all he's done for them is become a game-breaker.

"I'm glad they (Dallas) didn't take him," said Vikings quarterback Randall Cunningham, who was 17-for-35 for 359 yards and four touchdowns. "I'm glad all those teams didn't take him."

Minnesota waited all of three snaps before throwing to Moss. The play actually began as a flea-flicker, with Robert Smith taking a handoff and flipping it back to Cunningham, who connected with Moss for the 51-yard TD. Cornerback Kevin Smith was beat on the play, but safety Darren Woodson wasn't there to help because he fell for the fake.

Two drives later, Cunningham saw that Smith was the only defender on Moss, so he changed the play at the line to another deep pass to the rookie.

Smith grabbed Moss' jersey at the 20, but it didn't work. The 6-foot-4, 202-pound Moss still made the catch at the 8 and scored easily.

Moss' next catch came on the last play of the third quarter. It was just a quick strike about two yards from the line of scrimmage at roughly the Minnesota 48.

But Moss made cornerback Charlie Williams dive past him at

midfield, then he charged down the sideline past two more defenders. Rookie Terry Billups tried shoving Moss out of bounds around the 7 and didn't even come close.

The touchdown put the Vikings ahead 39-22, pretty much icing the victory. The three long catches gave Moss 1,014 yards receiving on the season, setting the Vikings' rookie record.

The Cowboys can only wonder how things might have been different if Sanders had played. Sanders decided about two hours before the game that his left big toe hurt too much.

## Williams becomes top rusher in 1-A history

**AUSTIN, Texas (AP)** — Ricky Williams of Texas became the leading rusher in Division I-A history today, breaking the record set by 1976 Heisman Trophy winner Tony Dorsett 22 years ago.

After moving within 11 yards of breaking the record, Williams ripped off a 60-yard touchdown run with 1:45 left in the first quarter that gave him 6,132 yards. He started the day needing 63 yards to break Dorsett's mark of 6,082 which he accumulated for Pittsburgh from 1973-76.

Dorsett, who was on the sidelines, congratulated him. Officials presented Williams with the game ball.

Williams was mobbed by his teammates on the sideline, as he pumped his fist in the air.

Williams reached the mark on his 14th carry of the game and 981st of his career, 93 fewer than Dorsett (1,074).

"I just congratulated him," Dorsett said. "We just embraced each other. I feel almost like this is

"The best cover man on our team and in the league didn't play," Williams said. "Moss made the plays where we should have."

Moss, who did not speak to reporters after the game, told Fox: "Luckily Deion was hurt, but injuries happen. A lot of people wanted to see our matchup. I had to make it happen anyway."

Cunningham also threw a 54-yard touchdown pass to Kris Carter, and LeRoy Hoard ran for scores of 12 and 50 yards.

Hoard became Minnesota's lead runner after Smith sprained his left knee. An MRI is planned for today.

This was the last chance for Williams to break the record because bowl games do not count as part of career stats.

He gained his 29th yard on Texas' third possession of the game, breaking the school record of 1,893 yards he set last year.

Not only has Williams rushed for the most yards, he's also been the most productive runner. He came into the game averaging 6.23 yards per carry, well ahead of the Division I-A record of 6.13 set by Archie Griffin of Ohio State from 1972-75.

By breaking the marks of Dorsett and Griffin, Williams owns 12 NCAA records. Other major feats include most career touchdowns and points.

Williams had been aiming at the 1,928 yards needed to be No. 1 single-seasoner in January he was returning for his senior year. He began the year 37th on the all-time list.

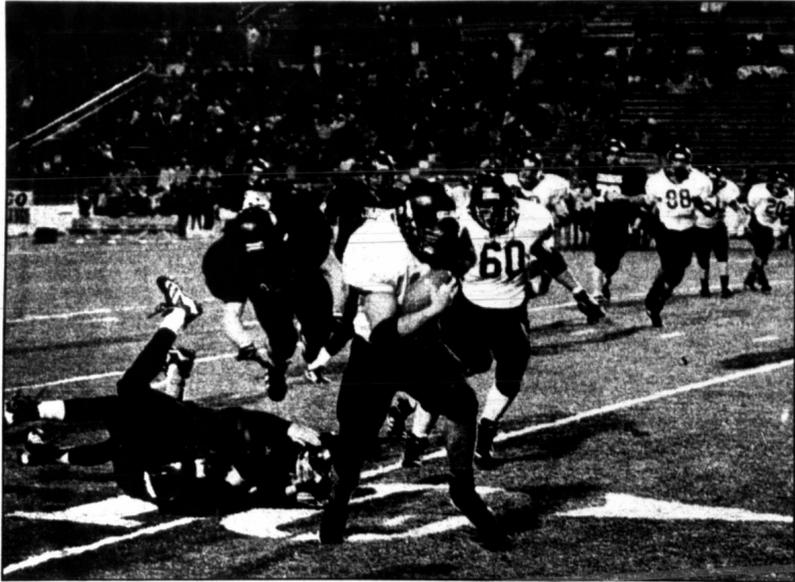
## Bowling News

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High Individual Scores		
High scratch game: Eric Nord 266;		
High handicap game: Eric Nord 271;		
High scratch series: Tony Treiber 678;		
High handicap series: Tony Treiber 678.		
High Team Scores		
High scratch series: 4R Supply 2,893;		
High handicap series: 4R Supply 2,893.		
Ladies Trio League		
Team	Won	Lost
Chaney's Cafe	34	18
www.pr2net.com	32	20
Ward's Tree Service	30	22
Schiffman Machine Co.	30	22
Knowles Auto Center	27 1/2	24 1/2

Hall's Construction	27	25
Team Seven	24 1/2	27 1/2
Jernigan Tax Service	24 1/2	27 1/2
Regional Eye Center	23	17
Team Six	20	32
Southwest Collision	18 1/2	33 1/2
High Individual Scores		
High scratch game: Vicki Blackmon 198;		
High handicap game: O'Nita Robinson 235;		
High scratch series: O'Nita Robinson 557;		
High handicap series: O'Nita Robinson 683.		
High Team Scores		
High scratch game: Schiffman		
Machine Co. 511;		
High handicap series: Schiffman Machine Co. 1,487;		
High scratch game: Hall's Construction		
654;		
High handicap series: Ward's Tree Service 1,828.		

Wednesday Night Mixed League	
High Individual Scores	
<b>Men</b>	
High scratch game: Ray Deaver 244;	
High handicap game: Ray Deaver 278;	
High scratch series: David Livingston 588;	
High handicap series: David Livingston 684.	
<b>Women</b>	
High scratch game: Gail Nabors 186;	
High handicap game: Gail Nabors 251;	
High scratch series: Judy Anderson 496;	
High handicap series: Gail Nabors 667.	
<b>High Team Scores</b>	
High scratch series: Deaver Construction 2,056;	
High handicap series: McCarty Hull 2,427.	

## Wheeler Football



(Pampa News photo by Bonner Green)

Wheeler quarterback Aaron Dunnam breaks loose for a long gain in a recent game. Dunnam has rushed for 1,148 yards and scored 15 touchdowns this season. Dunnam leads the Mustangs against Sudan at 7:30 tonight in a Class 1A regional semifinal game. Both teams have 9-2 records.

## Lions tame Steelers in overtime

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — The Pittsburgh Steelers know football isn't all X's and O's. Sometimes it's as simple as heads or tails.

In a Thanksgiving contest marked by a bizarre coin flip to start overtime, the Detroit Lions escaped with a 19-16 victory over the Steelers on a 42-yard field goal by Jason Hanson 2:52 into the extra period.

On the midfield coin flip, Jerome Bettis of Pittsburgh called tails.

But referee Phil Luckett claimed Bettis called "heads-tails" and Luckett went with the first thing he heard.

"I did not say 'heads-tails,'" Bettis said. "That is a lie. That's a bald-faced lie."

Steelers' coach Bill Cowher, who frequently wears his emotions on his sleeve, was exasperated.

"I'm like a parent, and I've got two stories, right?" Cowher said. "And all I know is I look at two guys like Carnell Lake and Jerome Bettis, and you tell me two classier guys."

The loss was a serious setback for the Steelers (7-5) who went into the day one game behind Jacksonville in the AFC Central.

It was the third straight win for the Lions (5-7), who are still mathematically alive in the NFC Central.

"I've never seen anything like this," said Bettis, a Detroit native who took about 40 teammates over to his mother's house for a big Thanksgiving dinner the night before. "This is the most bizarre situation I've been associated with, and I'm sure that I'll take this one

to my grave as probably the craziest call that a referee would ever make."

In any event, the Steelers kicked off and never saw the ball again.

"When you let the game fall into the referee's hands, sometimes things like this can happen," said Kordell Stewart, who completed 21 of 36 passes for 225 yards and one touchdown with one interception. "They're not perfect, but sometimes you have to open your eyes and ears."

"You can't just think someone said this or that. You have to know exactly what's going on."

Earlier, the Steelers got the benefit of two controversial calls that led to the first of Norm Johnson's two first-quarter field goals.

"You can't sit and pout about the calls they were making," Lions linebacker Stephen Boyd said. "You just have to get ready for the next play."

After a 21-yard runback by Terry Fair, the Lions went 41 yards in seven plays, keyed by a 28-yard pass from Charlie Batch to Herman Moore and a face-mask call against Chris Oldham.

After Barry Sanders was stopped for no gain on second down, the Lions elected to go for the field goal on third down.

"This game was everything rolled into one: Thanksgiving and the Steelers and a great win," said Batch, who grew up in Homestead, Pa., about a 10-minute drive from Three Rivers Stadium.

Sanders gained just 33 yards on 20 carries, but still became the second back in NFL history

to rush for more than 15,000 yards. He now has 15,003 and trails only Walter Payton, who holds the record with 16,726 yards.

Johnson, who had field goals of 30 and 38 yards in the second quarter, kicked a 25-yarder to tie it 16-16 with one second remaining in regulation.

The Steelers built a 13-3 lead in the third quarter when Stewart hooked up with Will Blackwell for a 24-yard touchdown.

Batch, who was 16 of 23 for 236 yards despite sitting out several minutes with a neck injury, connected with Moore on a 21-yard scoring pass to make it 13-13 with 6:36 left in the fourth quarter.

Hanson, who missed a 43-yarder in the fourth quarter, was good from 45, 51 and 35 yards before his winner.

Replays indicated officials erred twice on calls that set up Johnson's first field goal.

Stewart appeared to have lost a fumble on a 7-yard scamper, but he was ruled down. Later in the same drive, Lions cornerback Robert Bailey appeared to pick off Stewart's pass that bounced off Courtney Hawkins' chest. But it was ruled incomplete, and six plays later Johnson kicked a 30-yarder.

"It seemed like every time you looked up at the replays on the board, you were disappointed again," said Bailey, who drew a crucial holding penalty that helped keep the Steelers' last drive alive. "They took every big play I made away from me."

The Lions had a scare late in the second quarter when Batch hurt his neck while throwing a block on Darren Perry and had to leave with 3:14 left in the second quarter.

He returned on the Lions' second series of the third quarter.

## Scoreboard

### PRO FOOTBALL

National Football League  
At A Glance  
By The Associated Press  
All Times EST

#### AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	7	4	0	.636	247	217
Miami	7	4	0	.636	201	158
N.Y. Jets	7	4	0	.636	267	178
New England	6	5	0	.545	237	215
Indianapolis	2	9	0	.182	177	298

#### Central

Jacksonville	8	3	0	.727	277	230
Pittsburgh	7	5	0	.583	224	218
Tennessee	6	5	0	.545	242	217
Baltimore	4	7	0	.364	167	216
Cincinnati	2	9	0	.182	180	287

#### West

x-Denver	11	0	0	1.000	370	190
Oakland	7	4	0	.636	190	215
San Diego	5	6	0	.455	165	216
Seattle	5	6	0	.455	235	192
Kansas City	4	7	0	.364	204	235

#### NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Dallas	8	4	0	.667	325	217
Arizona	6	5	0	.545	227	274
N.Y. Giants	4	7	0	.364	189	226
Philadelphia	2	9	0	.182	92	253
Washington	2	9	0	.182	211	318

#### Central

x-Minnesota	11	1	0	.917	394	220
Green Bay	7	4	0	.636	290	224
Detroit	5	7	0	.417	244	263
Tampa Bay	4	7	0	.364	192	233
Chicago	3	8	0	.273	180	244

#### West

Atlanta	9	2	0	.818	304	208
San Francisco	8	3	0	.727	323	237
New Orleans	5	6	0	.455	206	235
St. Louis	3	8	0	.273	197	264
Carolina	2	9	0	.182	215	274

#### x-clinched playoff berth

Thursday's Games  
Detroit 19, Pittsburgh 16, OT  
Minnesota 46, Dallas 36  
Sunday's Games  
Arizona at Kansas City, 1:01 p.m.  
Atlanta at St. Louis, 1:01 p.m.  
Carolina at New York Jets, 1:01 p.m.  
Indianapolis at Baltimore, 1:01 p.m.  
Jacksonville at Cincinnati, 1:01 p.m.  
Tampa Bay at Chicago, 1:01 p.m.

### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Thursday's College Basketball Scores  
By The Associated Press  
FAR WEST  
Montana St.-Billings 104, Concordia, Ore. 73  
TORNAMENTS  
Carra Great Alaska Shootout  
First Round  
Duke 111, Notre Dame 82  
Fresno St. 82, Alaska-Anchorage 79  
Puerto Rico Shootout  
First Round  
Kentucky 64, Colorado 52  
Maryland 82, American-U., P.R. 32  
Pittsburgh 94, Xavier 76  
UCLA 69, San Francisco 62

### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

How Top 25 Fared  
By The Associated Press  
How the top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college football poll fared Thursday:  
No. 1 Tennessee (10-0) did not play. Next: at Vanderbilt, Saturday.  
No. 2 Kansas State (11-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 6 Texas A&M, Saturday, Dec. 5.  
No. 3 UCLA (10-0) did not play. Next: at No. 19 Miami, Saturday, Dec. 5.  
No. 4 Florida State (11-1) did not play. Next:

Tennessee at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.  
Buffalo at New England, 4:05 p.m.  
New Orleans at Miami, 4:15 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Green Bay, 4:15 p.m.  
Washington at Oakland, 4:15 p.m.  
Denver at San Diego, 8:20 p.m.  
Monday's Game  
New York Giants at San Francisco, 8:20 p.m.  
Thursday, Dec. 3  
St. Louis at Philadelphia, 8:20 p.m.  
Sunday, Dec. 6  
Buffalo at Cincinnati, 1:01 p.m.  
Dallas at New Orleans, 1:01 p.m.  
Detroit at Jacksonville, 1:01 p.m.  
Indianapolis at Atlanta, 1:01 p.m.  
New England at Pittsburgh, 1:01 p.m.  
San Diego at Washington, 1:01 p.m.  
San Francisco at Carolina, 1:01 p.m.  
Seattle at New York Jets, 1:01 p.m.  
New York Giants at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.  
Kansas City at Denver, 4:15 p.m.  
Miami at Oakland, 4:15 p.m.  
Baltimore at Tennessee, 4:15 p.m.  
Chicago at Minnesota, 8:20 p.m.  
Monday, Dec. 7  
Green Bay at Tampa Bay, 8:20 p.m.

TBA.  
No. 5 Ohio State (10-1) did not play. Next: TBA.  
No. 6 Texas A&M (10-1) did not play. Next: at Texas, Friday.  
No. 7 Arizona (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. Arizona State, Friday.  
No. 8 Florida (9-2) did not play. Next: TBA.  
No. 9 Notre Dame (9-1) did not play. Next: at Southern California, Saturday.  
No. 10 Wisconsin (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. TBA, Rose Bowl.  
No. 11 Tulane (11-0) beat Louisiana Tech 63-30. Next: vs. TBA, Liberty Bowl.  
No. 12 Georgia (8-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 17 Georgia Tech, Saturday.  
No. 13 Arkansas (8-2) did not play. Next: vs. Louisiana State, Friday.  
No. 14 Nebraska (8-3) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado, Friday.  
No. 15 Michigan (8-3) did not play. Next: at Hawaii, Saturday.  
No. 16 Virginia (8-2) did not play. Next: at No. 20 Virginia Tech, Saturday.  
No. 17 Georgia Tech (8-2) did not play. Next: at No. 12 Georgia, Saturday.  
No. 18 Air Force (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. Brigham Young, Saturday, Dec. 5.  
No. 19 Miami (7-2) did not play. Next: at No. 21 Syracuse, Saturday.  
No. 20 Virginia Tech (8-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 16 Virginia, Saturday.  
No. 21 Syracuse (7-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 19 Miami, Saturday.  
No. 22 Oregon (8-3) did not play. Next: TBA.  
No. 23 Penn State (7-3) did not play. Next: vs. Michigan State, Saturday.  
No. 24 Missouri (7-4) did not play. Next: TBA.  
No. 25 Mississippi State (8-3) beat Mississippi 28-6. Next: vs. No. 1 Tennessee, Saturday, Dec. 5.

TRANSACTIONS  
Thursday's Sports Transactions  
By The Associated Press  
FOOTBALL  
National Football League  
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS—Signed T Tony Bert.  
HOCKEY  
National Hockey League  
CALGARY FLAMES—Recalled D Denis Gauthier from Saint John of the AHL.  
PHOENIX COYOTES—Recalled D Bryan Heimer from Las Vegas of the IHL.  
VANCOUVER CANUCKS—Recalled C Matt Cooke from Syracuse of the AHL.

## Tennessee: From pass-happy to physical

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Whenever Vanderbilt coach Woody Widenhofer prepared for Tennessee the past three seasons, he always wondered when the Volunteers would change personalities.

Now he knows. Gone is the pass-happy Tennessee team, replaced by a group of Volunteers who have run themselves into the No. 1 ranking in the country.

"This is a really knock-in-the-mouth football that Bo Schembechler and Woody Hayes are used to, minus the option, and they've changed," said Widenhofer. "They've done a great job making that change and just utilizing their talent. They're doing a great job."

Widenhofer can afford to praise the Volunteers (10-0, 7-0 Southeastern Conference), who will be protecting their No. 1 standing in the Bowl Championship Series when they kick off at 3:30 p.m. EST Saturday against Vanderbilt (2-8, 1-6).

Even though Vandy is mired in its 16th straight losing season, Widenhofer's defenses have held Tennessee to its lowest point total in each of the last three seasons (17, 14 and 12). And Widenhofer thinks Vandy helped cost Peyton Manning the Heisman Trophy last season.

All that has the attention of Tennessee.

"It's been a dogfight the last three years, and we don't expect anything other than a dogfight this year," said cornerback Steve Johnson. "We're going to Nashville, and we expect them to play good."

The Vols, who already have clinched the SEC Eastern Division title and a berth in the SEC Championship game next week, will find a different Vanderbilt team than in years past.

Six players graduated from a Vandy defense that was the SEC's stingiest a year ago, allowing just

275 yards a game. Widenhofer lost a seventh starter to injury before the season, and senior cornerback Fred Vinson hasn't played the past month due to a

sprained foot.

Five freshmen start on a defense that is the SEC's worst, giving up 442.3 yards this season.

## Hunting trophy



(Special photo)

Ten-year-old Clay Jones of Pampa exhibits a 10-point whitetail buck he shot while mule deer hunting earlier this month.

## Hey, baseball: They're back!

NEW YORK (AP) — A month ago, this seemed like an impossibility.

No way the New York Yankees could keep their World Series championship team together. They couldn't afford to.

Besides, it looked like Bernie Williams wanted to get out of town as fast as he could.

Well, turns out they are coming back. All it took was an extra \$114.25 million.

"There is a very rare opportunity here to have the exact same ballclub come back and defend our title. That's rare in any sport," general manager Brian Cashman said Wednesday night after Williams agreed to an \$87.5 million, five-year contract.

Barring injury, that means Yankees fans can again look forward to an opening day lineup with Chuck Knoblauch at second, Derek Jeter at shortstop, Paul O'Neill in right field, Williams in center and Tino Martinez at first base.

Chili Davis, recovered from injuries that sidelined him for most of the '98 season, figures to be the designated hitter. Jorge

Posada and Joe Girardi will split the catching again. World Series MVP Scott Brosius will be back at third. Ricky Ledee, Chad Curtis and Shane Spencer are available for left.

And the rotation will have David Wells, David Cone, Andy Pettitte, Orlando "El Duque" Hernandez and Hideki Irabu, with Mariano Rivera to close out games.

And, oh, just maybe, there's a chance Roger Clemens will push for a trade from Toronto to the Yankees, too.

No wonder Joe Torre smiles so much these days.

"At 125-50 in 1998, we're ecstatic to be able to give Joe the tools of essentially the same team, and hopefully New York is excited, too," Cashman said.

New York, which went 114-48 in the regular season and 11-2 in the postseason, really didn't want to add surly Albert Belle to the mix, but Yankees officials thought there was little likelihood of re-signing Williams and were convinced signing Belle to bat fourth and play left was the best alternative.



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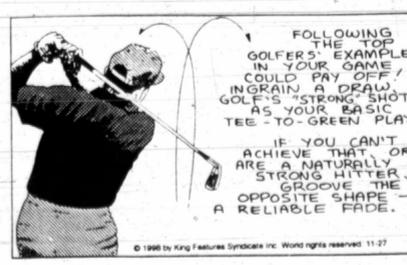
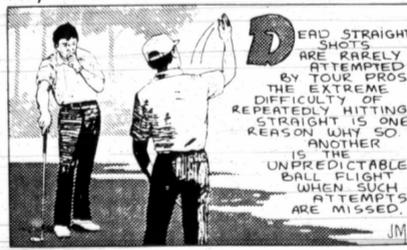


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# Pinochet lawyers may argue he is unfit to stand trial

LONDON (AP) — Gen. Augusto Pinochet is receiving psychiatric care for stress-related disorders, which his lawyers might cite in a bid to have the former Chilean dictator found mentally unfit to stand trial, The Times of London reported today.

Pinochet, who faces the threat of extradition to Spain on charges of genocide, torture and terrorism committed during his 17-year regime, remains under police guard at a London hospital, where he is recovering from back surgery earlier this month.

"He is undergoing assessment for stress and stress-related disorders," The Times newspaper quoted an unidentified "highly placed medical source" as saying. "It is well documented that elderly people frequently react badly to stress."

Foreign Secretary Robin Cook agreed to meet Chilean Foreign Minister Jose Miguel Insulza in London today on the understanding that Pinochet's fate was legal matter, not a political issue, the Foreign Office said.

Pinochet had his hopes dashed Wednesday — on his 83rd birthday — when Britain's highest court made a landmark ruling that Pinochet's alleged crimes were beyond the immunity formerly given to heads of state and former heads of state for any acts committed in office.

Upon hearing the court's 3-2 decision upholding his Oct. 16 arrest, Pinochet put his head in his hands and sobbed, according to Spanish newspapers. An official at the Chilean embassy in London, however, flatly denied that Pinochet cried.

Now, Pinochet's fate rests with Home Secretary Jack Straw, who has wide discretion to decide whether to follow the House of Lords ruling and send the Spanish extradition request through the courts — or to allow Pinochet to go home. Straw was given until Wednesday to decide, however his office said that he has asked for a one-week extension.

Pinochet's supporters are pressing Straw to allow the general to return home on "compassionate grounds" because of his frail health

and age. Chilean Foreign Minister Jose Miguel Insulza was expected in London today to press the British government to free Pinochet.

Meanwhile, human rights activists are urging the government to let the case make its way through the British courts. A Chilean government report says 3,000 people were murdered or disappeared at the hands of the secret police during Pinochet's dictatorship, which began in 1973 when he overthrew Salvador Allende, an elected Marxist. Allende died in the coup.

While politicians and activists continue to make appeals on both sides, The Times said Pinochet will remain under the care of psychiatrist Geoffrey Lloyd, medical director of the Grovelands Priory Hospital where the former dictator is now staying.

Chilean businessman Hernan Briones, a close friend of Pinochet, visited the general in London after the House of Lords' decision and told reporters later that Pinochet "took it very badly. He hardly speaks."



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## Madeline Graves students compete in Lubbock meet

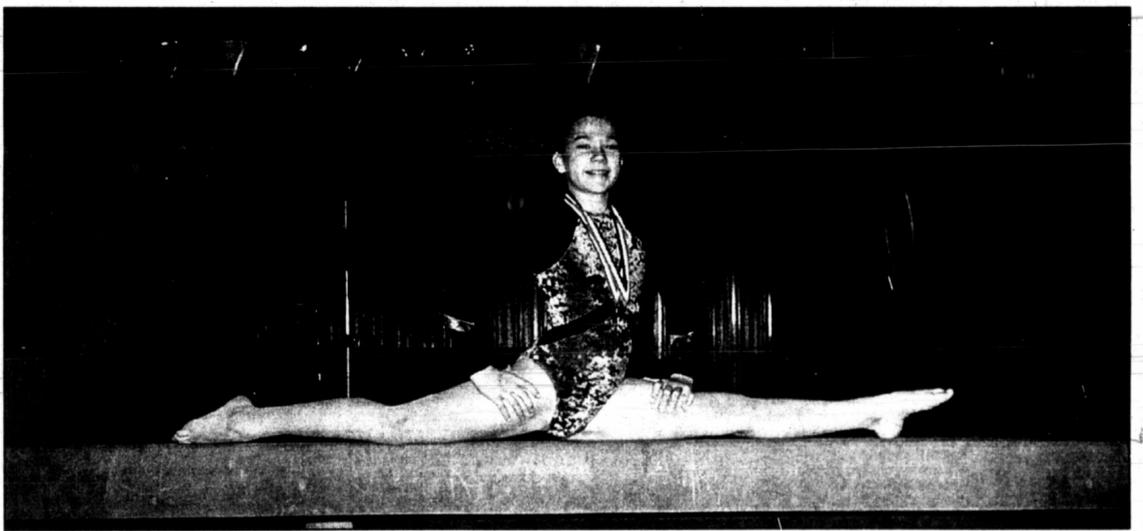
Dancers from the Madeline Graves Dance and Gymnastic Center, under the direction of Madeline Graves and Shauna Graves-Munsell, recently traveled to Lubbock for competition. In the 7-9 year old Petite Miss Dance Division, Jacklyn Cargill won fourth runner-up. In the 10-12 Junior Miss Dance Division, Kristen Hagg won 14th runner-up, Audrey Dunn won 11th runner-up, Alli Caudle won ninth runner-up, Myca Vinson won eighth runner-up, Kaylee Greenhouse won seventh runner-up, and Kaylee Keith won first runner-up. Megan Poole won sixth runner-up in the 13-15 Teen Miss Dance Division. Musetta Carver was crowned Senior Miss Dance

1999. Courtney Lang received the award for Miss Congeniality and Lang was also crowned Miss Dance 1999. Both Kaylee Keith and Courtney Lang have won the opportunity to travel to Anaheim, California this summer to compete for national titles.

Also, competing in the Petite Group and Line division was Taylor Meyer, Jacklyn Cargill and Natasha Bailey who won second place. In the Junior Group and Line Division, Kaylee Keith, Audrey Dunn and Kristen Hagg won second place. Carrie Clay and Staci Clay also placed second in the Junior Duet Division as well as Lauren Denney and Myca Vinson. In the Teen Duet Division Staci Clay and Kaylie Brewer won second place and in the Teen Group and Line Division Courtney Lang, Musetta Carver and Brianna Stynes also took second place.

A group number to the song "Raining Men" took second place, the dancers included in this group were, Kaylee Keith, Kristen Hagg, Audrey Dunn, Lauren Denney, Kaylie Brewer, Brianna Stynes, Annie Chumbley, Lauren Walters, and Musetta Carver. In the Senior Duet Division, Musetta Carver and Courtney Lang won first place.

Scholarship auditions were also held and Musetta Carver won the Ballet and Jazz scholarship. Kaylie Brewer won second runner-up in gymnastics, and Courtney Lang won the overall scholarship.



(Community Camera photo)

Carrie Clay, a member of the M.G. Flyers Gymnastic Team, has qualified to go to North State in Tyler. Clay placed fifth on bars with an 8.1 and fourth All-Around with a 33.45. The M.G. Flyers will have their Annual Christmas Show on Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 7 p.m. at 1345 S. Hobart. The M.G. Flyers Competitive Tumbling and Trampoline Team will start their competitions in January.

## FPC ensemble, choir to perform

**BORGER** — Frank Phillips College Instrumental Ensemble will perform at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 1 and 3 and at 3 p.m. Dec. 6 in FPC Fine Arts Building Auditorium in Borger. The ensemble will be lead by adjunct instructor, Enid Hays.

The Dec. 1 performance will showcase FPC students studying with RoseMarie Scott, adjunct instructor at FPC. The final two performances — to include the ensemble and the choir — will be a Christmas Concert.

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