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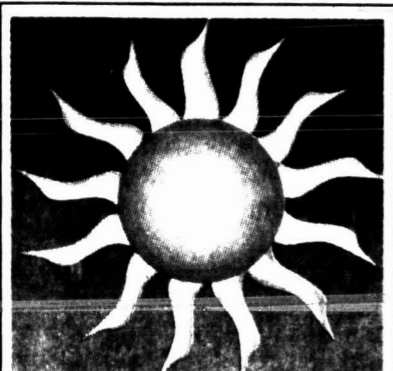
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PAMPA — Southside Senior Citizens Center, 438 Crawford, will host its annual barbeque Saturday, Dec. 10. Serving starts at 11 and lasts until all the food is gone. Carry outs are available. Adult plates are \$6, children's plates for those 10 and under are \$3. For more information call 665-4765.

PAMPA — Flu and pneumonia shots are being offered tomorrow, Dec. 2, from 9 to 12 and again from 1 to 4 at the Harvest House, 736 S. Cuyler, by the Texas Department of Health. The vaccines will be free to those who qualify. The TDH is also providing vaccines from 9 to 4 tomorrow at their office on Kentucky. The flu shot is \$7, the pneumonia vaccine is \$10, and the cost for both is \$12.

GREENVILLE, (AP) — Police were looking for a woman who lived with a couple whose bodies were found at the mini-warehouse complex the woman managed.

The dead were identified by relatives as Tom Booth, 53, and his wife, Linda, 50. They were found shortly before 4 p.m. Monday.

An autopsy was ordered. In addition to looking for a woman who had lived at the site with the Booths, police put out a bulletin for their 1997 Jeep Grand Cherokee.

- Jean Douglas, 79, former Shamrock resident.
- Johnnie Moore Jones Jr., 70, retired employee of Phillips Petroleum Company.
- Donald L. Ritter, 70, farmer, rancher.

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Crash critically injures woman

Gray County tractor-trailer rig involved

A crash east of Pampa Monday afternoon involving a sport utility vehicle and a county-owned tractor-trailer rig has left an Oklahoma woman in critical condition at an Amarillo hospital.

The woman's 11-month-old daughter and the driver of the other vehicle were released after being treated for minor injuries at Columbia Medical Center.

Cynthia Stuart of El Reno, Okla., was reported in critical condition today at Northwest Texas Hospital after being airlifted from the crash scene about 3:30 p.m. Monday. Hospital officials said Stuart underwent emergency surgery late Monday night.

Department of Public Safety troopers said Stuart was eastbound on Texas 152 in a 1997 Chevrolet Tahoe when she was involved in a crash with a Gray County 1985 Mack tractor-trailer rig. Officers said the Mack truck, driven by Kenneth Nickel of Letors, was southbound on county road Gray 18. Officers said the truck-tractor appeared



Emergency crews rush a critically injured Cynthia Stuart aboard a helicopter for the trip to Northwest Texas Hospital (inset) following a two-vehicle crash Monday afternoon east of Pampa involving a Gray County tractor-trailer rig and Stuart's sport utility vehicle. The driver of the county truck and Stuart's infant daughter were treated for minor injuries at Pampa's Columbia Medical Center.

'Changed person' will serve 60 days

Spends anniversary in jail

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

A 23-year-old Pampa woman will be in Gray County jail for the next 60 days as she awaits release following six months in prison.

Amy Beth Maul Henderson was first convicted of forgery on July 20, 1994, and placed on probation for six years. Following a second trial that also resulted in probation, Henderson faced new charges and a probation revocation last summer. She reported to the Texas Department of Corrections to begin serving the rest of her sentence behind bars on July 8.

Henderson, who spent her first wedding anniversary Sunday in the Gray County jail, told 31st District Court M.

"Before I got my probation revoked in 1996," she said tearful from the witness stand, I thought I was untouchable, that I'd always get another chance."

Kent Sims said although her first chance on probation was a failure, she was asking for probation again.

"Before I got my probation revoked in 1996," she said tearful from the witness stand, I thought I was untouchable, that I'd always get another chance."

She said that six months behind bars had made her

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Two men get two years for marijuana smuggling

Two Arizona men were in Gray County jail today awaiting transfer to the Texas Department of Corrections after pleading guilty to charges of possession of marijuana.

Jose Angel Tavira, 38, and Anthony Dee Harris, 39, both of Phoenix, Ariz., pleaded guilty Monday in 31st District Court.

The pair was stopped by Department of Public Safety Trooper Jeremy Wallace on Feb. 2, on Interstate 40.

Wallace reported that he was patrolling the interstate that cold, windy night when he saw an eastbound Toyota truck with a refrigeration unit in the back. He stopped the truck about 8:30 p.m. for hav-

ing a faulty license plate light, he said.

After gaining permission from Tavira, who was driving, Wallace and other troopers searched the truck. Trooper John Holland, using a drug sniffing dog, found about 65 pounds of what appeared to be marijuana packaged in small plastic bags stashed in the refrigeration unit in the back of the truck.

In addition, a routine check indicated that Harris was wanted on a warrant out of Dallas County for criminal non-support.

Harris testified in 31st District Court Monday that the marijuana was bound for Jackson, Mich.

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School to honor artist tonight

(See related photo Page 5)

Pampa Middle School is honoring a nationally-recognized artist tonight from 6-8 at the school's art show in the school cafeteria. Artist Brian Joseph of Austin is in town this week completing a mural in the cafeteria.

Joseph is noted for painting fictitious, multicultural BYDEE people, a term which stands for "Bringing You Delightful, Entertaining Experiences."

According to Joseph, the message behind his

art is simple.

"One does not have to be good looking to be happy and colorful as we are," he said.

"Brian Joseph is being sponsored by a joint effort of the Pampa ISD and the Pampa Middle School Booster Club," according to one of the middle school's art teachers, Barbara Bigham.

"The contributions of both of these entities have helped to make the artist-in-residence a possibility," she said.

Quite frankly... It's Dec. 1, so have you started Christmas shopping?



"No, because I selfishly want all the dough to myself."

-- Chris Crow



"No ... I wait until the last minute to shop."

-- Kim Peevey



"No, because I need money to buy presents."

-- Lynnsee Hancock



"No. I'm waiting for good sales."

-- Amy Newhouse



"No ... I haven't thought of anything to buy."

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Services tomorrow

DOUGLAS, Jean — 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa. Graveside services, 4:30 p.m., Shamrock Cemetery, Shamrock.

JONES, Johnnie Moore, Jr. — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

PRYOR, C.O. "Ned" — 4 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Obituaries

JEAN DOUGLAS

Jean Douglas, 79, of Pampa, died Sunday, Nov. 29, 1998, at Panhandle. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with Glen Walton, of High Plains Children's Home of Amarillo, officiating. Graveside services will be at 4:30 p.m. in Shamrock Cemetery at Shamrock. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Mrs. Douglas was born Aug. 16, 1919, at Hulen, Okla. She married James Douglas on Aug. 25, 1939, at Farmersville, Texas; he died in 1985. She had been a Pampa resident since 1979, moving from Shamrock. She was a member of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters, Alice Ann Bradshaw of Denton and Linda Thompson of Pampa; a sister, Gwen Foshee of Sunray; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

JOHNNIE MOORE JONES, JR.

FORT LYONS, Colo. — Johnnie Moore Jones, Jr., 70, died Saturday, Nov. 28, 1998, at Fort Lyons Veterans' Hospital. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Jones was born Oct. 8, 1928, at Kirkland. He attended Hopkins #2 School, Pampa Junior High School and Pampa High School, graduating from Lefors High School at Lefors in 1948. He married Florene Williams in 1951. He worked for Phillips Petroleum Company in Pampa and Berger. He had been a resident of Lyons for the past 30 years. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving in Germany when the Berlin Wall was built.

He was preceded in death by his father, Johnnie Moore "Cowboy" Jones; and by his mother, Leone Sears Jones.

Survivors include two daughters, Cathleen and Jennifer; three sisters, Janis Cunningham of Perryton, Jolynn Cash of Pampa and Joyce Hutsell of Groom.

The family requests memorials be to Voluntary Services, Fort Lyons VA Hospital, Fort Lyons, CO 81038.

DONALD L. RITTER

GROOM — Donald L. Ritter, 70, died Sunday, Nov. 29, 1998. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Byron Williamson officiating. Burial will be in Groom City Cemetery under the direction of Schooler Funeral Home of Amarillo.

Mr. Ritter was born in Gray County, graduating from Groom High School in 1946. He married Juandell Cruse at Groom. He was a farmer and a rancher.

He served on the Grandview School Board, on the former Highland General Hospital Board of Directors in Pampa, and was director of Groom Co-op. He was a Mason and belonged to First Baptist Church where he was a deacon.

Survivors include his wife of 50 years, Juandell; a daughter, Marla Overstreet of Lubbock; a son, Troy Ritter of Groom; two sisters, Arlene Wallace and Geraldine Wood, both of Amarillo; six grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Groom Ambulance Fund, First Baptist Church of Groom or Groom Community.

Calendar of events

PAMPA CHESS CLUB

The Pampa Chess Club meets every Tuesday night at Yummie's Pizza in the Pampa Mall at 7:30 p.m. We offer casual yet competitive games, free instruction, and a quarterly newsletter. For more information contact James A. Shook at 669-0227.

TOASTMASTERS

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

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER FOR WOMEN

Tralee Crisis Center for Women is offering an in-house support group for victims of family violence. Meetings will be Tuesday's from 11 a.m.-12 noon and on Thursday's from 7-8 p.m. For more information call (806) 669-1131. All calls are kept confidential.

Police report

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

Monday, December 30

Ricky F. Arguijo, 25, 405 Pitts, was arrested on DPS warrants.

Christopher Shane Nolte, 24, no address given, was arrested on DPS warrants.

Regina Irene Ellis, 33, 629 N. Dwight, was arrested on municipal warrants.

Harassment was reported in the 1000 block of Love.

Ambulance

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

Monday, Nov. 30

8:08 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of W. 25th and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

9:54 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Baptist St. Anthony's West in Amarillo and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

2:34 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one patient to Baptist St. Anthony's West.

3:22 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 and Gray 18 on a motor vehicle accident and two patients were transported to Columbia Medical Center.

4:36 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Highway 60 and Gray 18 on a motor vehicle accident and one patient was transported to Life Star to Northwest Texas Hospital.

5:55 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

11:28 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of W. Foster on an injury and one patient was transported to Columbia Medical Center.

Tuesday, Dec. 1

1:04 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of Hamilton and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

1:33 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2700 block of N. Hobart for lifting assistance and no patients were transported.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 1.

Monday, Nov. 30

3:21 p.m. — Three units and six personnel responded to a motor vehicle accident 10 miles east on Highway 152.

6:04 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to a gas odor at 917 E. Francis.

Tuesday, Dec. 1

1:04 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to a CO Alarm at 1200 Hamilton.

1:31 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to a lift assistance call at 2700 Hobart.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.67	Chevron	81 1/8	dn 2 1/2
Milo	3.46	Coca-Cola	69 9/16	dn 1/2
Corn	3.76	Columbia/HCA	24 3/16	dn 7/16
Soybeans	5.23	Enron	52 7/16	dn 1/16
		Halliburton	28 1/4	dn 1 1/8
		IRI	4 1/8	dn 1/4
		KNE	43	dn 3/4
		Kerr McGee	38 7/8	dn 5/8
		Limited	28 1/2	dn 7/16
		McDonald's	70 1/2	up 7/16
		Mobil	85 9/16	dn 7/16
		New Atmos	30 17/32	dn 3/32
		NCE	48 1/8	up 1/16
		Penney's	54	dn 1
		Phillips	43 11/16	dn 1
		Pioneer Nat. Res.	13 5/16	up 1/16
		SLB	43 11/16	dn 1
		Tenneco	35 1/8	dn 1/2
		Texasco	57 3/8	dn 5/16
		Ultrapar	25 7/8	up 1/4
		Wal-Mart	73 5/16	dn 2
		Williams	28 1/2	dn 5/16
		New York Gold	293.80	
		Silver	4.82	
		West Texas Crude	11.26	

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

Occidental	20 1/8	dn 1/8
Puritan	113 1/8	
Magellan	19 7/8	

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

Amoco	58 5/16	dn 7/16
Arco	67 3/4	up 1 1/4
Cabot	30 5/16	up 3/16
Cabot O&G	15 1/8	dn 5/16

TOTS-N-TRAINING

Each Wednesday at the times and locations listed below you will receive a newsletter and free materials that will help you get your child ready for school.

• Frank's Thriftway #1 300 E. Brown 10-11 a.m. & 3-4 p.m. & 5:30-6:30 p.m.

• Frank's Thriftway #2 1420 N. Hobart 10-11 a.m. & 3-4 p.m.

• Albertson's 1233 N. Hobart 10-11 a.m. & 3:30-5:30 p.m.

• Community Day Care 1100 Gwendolyn 4:30-6 p.m.

PAMPA PRISON MINISTRY

The Pampa Prison Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month at Central Baptist Church located at Francis and Starkweather at 7 p.m. sharp. For further information call Bob Andersen 665-4252 or J.B. Walker at 669-2266.

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CRASH

to have struck the driver's side of the Tahoe.

The stop sign at the intersection is for traffic traveling on Gray 18, officers said.

Witnesses said Stuart's sport utility vehicle went into a ditch along side the highway and landed on its top. It was not immediately known if she was wearing a seat belt.

Stuart was airlifted by helicopter to Northwest Texas Hospital. She reportedly suffered head

injuries. Her daughter suffered only minor injuries. Officers said the child was in an infant's seat buckled into the sport utility vehicle.

The child and Nickel were rushed to Columbia Medical Center by ambulance for emergency treatment and released late Monday afternoon.

Authorities said Stuart had apparently been visiting relatives in Pampa.

Trooper Ron Shank said the circumstances surrounding the accident were still under investigation today.

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realize the damage she had done to her life and to her family.

Henderson testified that she married on Nov. 29, 1997, and her husband and sister were taking care of her 4-year-old son.

"I'm a changed person," she said.

Her husband, Michael Henderson, and her mother, Donna Finch, both testified that she had matured.

"She's grown up," Finch said. "Amy changed

two years ago when she met Mike."

Her mother said that the incarceration was good for her, that it forced her to mature, but that further time behind bars would have a negative impact on her daughter and her daughter's family.

Her attorney, Mark Buzzard, noted that she had a job waiting for her, a husband with a good job, a son who needed her and a family supporting her.

Judge Sims ordered her to spend the next 60 days in the Gray County jail and pay restitution, fines and court costs amounting to about \$6,500 within the next 45 days as a condition of her probation which was extended one year.

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MARIJUANA

He said he didn't know who had sent it nor did he know who would pick it up. His instructions were to take it to a motel in Michigan and call a pager number. He said that he and Tavera had each received \$1,000 and were to collect another \$3,000 when the marijuana was delivered.

Judge M. Kent Sims sentenced the duo to two

years each in the Texas Department of Corrections. "That's in keeping with our office's policy of not granting probation to a person involved in illegal narcotics activities," said District Attorney John Mann, "but to send them to jail."

He said there were exceptions to that rule, but only under such circumstances as when the defendant would agree to work with law enforcement authorities as an informant.

Missing girl's body found father, stepmother charged

CLERMONT, Fla. (AP) — Richard Adams sounded calm Thanksgiving morning when he told a 911 operator that his 6-year-old daughter was missing. "My daughter hasn't come back yet," he said. "She should have come back home two hours ago."

Police on Monday said Adams admitted to killing the shy girl the day before Thanksgiving, punching and throwing Kayla McKean against a wall during a fit of rage and then dumping her body in a remote area 40 miles from home.

Adams also told police he may have used a wooden "discipline" paddle on his daughter, according to an arrest affidavit.

Adams, 24, bowed his head and appeared to cry this morning during an arraignment on a charge of murder. He was denied bond.

Kayla's stepmother, Marcie Adams, led investigators to the girl's shallow grave near a creek in the Ocala National Forest on Monday, The Orlando Sentinel reported today.

She was charged with misdemeanor obstruction of justice, sheriff's Capt. Steve Corbett said.

Hundreds of volunteers and police officers had spent five days searching for Kayla in Clermont, an agricultural community 20 miles west of

Orlando. Pictures of the girl were mailed out to 2,000 Texaco gas stations around the country.

"I don't know why he didn't just admit it in the beginning and spare us all the trouble," said Lawrence MacPhee, a volunteer searcher.

Kayla had been living with Adams and their infant child since April when she left the custody of her mother, Elizabeth McKean.

Ms. McKean, a telemarketer, declined to explain why Kayla ended up living with her father, saying "I don't want to focus on anything negative."

Court records indicated Ms. McKean turned over custody of Kayla to the girl's paternal grandparents.

Sheriff's officials have said state social workers investigated Adams on at least three occasions. Court records show Adams has a history of violent behavior dating back to 1992 and has served jail time for assault and other crimes.

As he was escorted in handcuffs to the Lake County Jail, Adams admitted he had a problems controlling his anger and said he had sought help from social services workers.

"Accidents happen," he said. "I asked for help for my anger problem ... and they didn't help me."

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Sunny today with a high in the low 70s and south winds at 10-20 mph. Tonight, clear and 43 with southwest winds at 10-20 mph. Tomorrow, cloudy with a 20 percent chance of rain and a high of 65. Yesterday's high was 68; the overnight low 43.

REGIONAL FORECAST

WEST TEXAS — Panhandle

— Tonight, partly cloudy with a low 40 to 45. South to southwest wind 10-20 mph. Wednesday, becoming cloudy with a 30 percent chance of rain. High around 65. South wind 10-20 mph. Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Low in the 40s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. High in the 60s. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Low in the mid 40s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. High around 70.

Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Low in the lower 50s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. High in the lower 70s. Far West Texas

— Tonight, increasing cloudiness with a slight chance of showers. Low in the 40s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and possibly a thunderstorm. High in the 60s. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Low in the 30s and 40s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. High in the 60s mountains to mid 70s along the river.

SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, becoming cloudy with patchy fog developing towards morning. Lows in the mid 50s, near 50 Hill Country. Wednesday, morning cloudiness and patchy fog becoming partly cloudy. High in the mid 70s. Lows in the upper 50s. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande plains — Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy with fog developing. Lows mid 60s Rio Grande plains to near 70 coast. Wednesday, early morning low clouds and fog, then partly cloudy. High near 80. Southeast Texas and the Upper Texas Coast — Tonight, mostly clear inland, partly cloudy at the coast. Patchy

fog developing late. Low in the mid 50s north, mid 60s coast. Wednesday, early morning patchy fog. Otherwise, partly cloudy with highs in the mid and upper 70s.

NORTH TEXAS — Tonight, increasing cloudiness west and central. Partly cloudy east with low clouds developing late. Lows 50 to 54. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of late afternoon thunderstorms west. Highs 71 to 77.

BORDER STATES

NEW MEXICO — Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy with a chance for lowland rain and high mountain snow showers west. Lows mostly 20s to mid 30s mountains and northwest, 30s to mid 40s elsewhere. Wednesday, breezy to windy and cooler with lowland rain and mountain snow showers likely. Highs 40s mountains and northwest, 50s to low 60s lower elevations east and south.

OKLAHOMA — Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Lows in the mid to upper 40s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of afternoon showers west. Highs in the mid 60s to around 70.

City briefs

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Raytheon to modify 737s

WACO, Texas (AP) — A workhorse of commercial aviation is becoming a thoroughbred of corporate jets.

The first of at least 22 Boeing 737s to be modified into business jets by Raytheon Systems Co. arrived Monday at the Texas State Technical College airport.

In the next six months, hundreds of workers will install bathrooms with showers, bedroom suites and lounges in the jet.

Those involved with producing the 737 Boeing

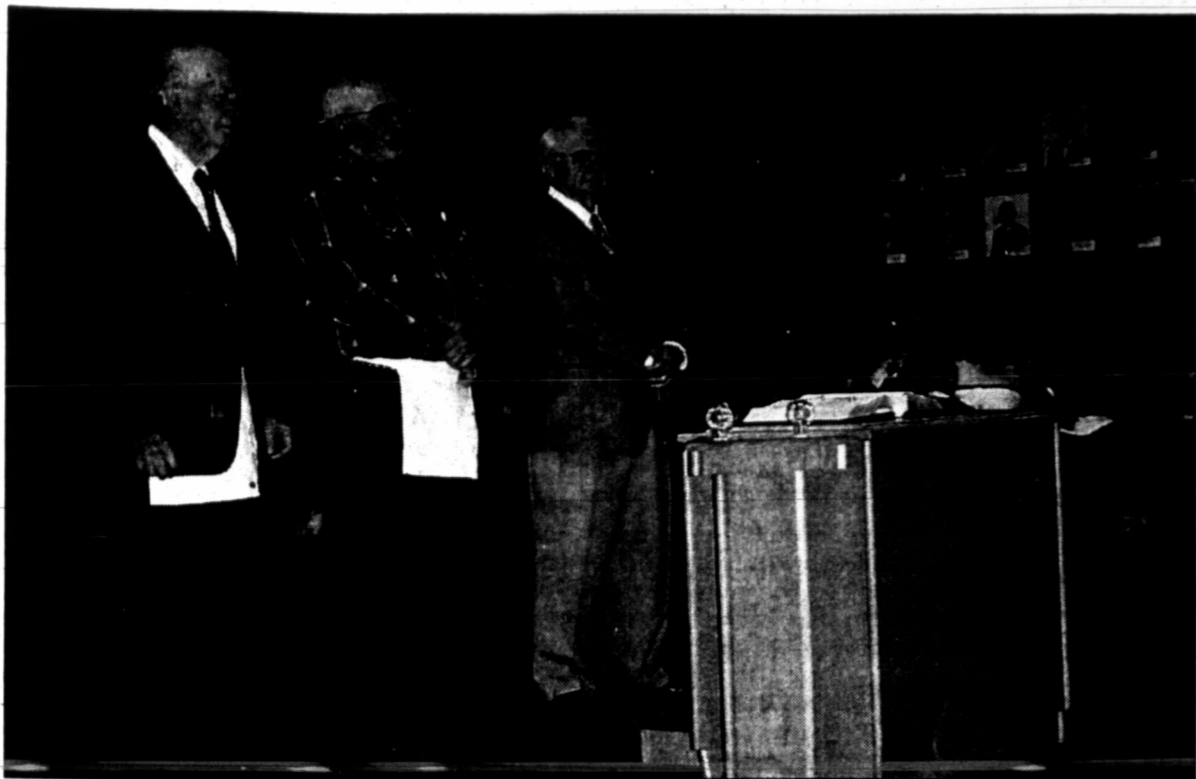
Business Jet say it will offer an unprecedented level of comfort for business travelers.

The \$100 million deal will mean job security for the city's biggest employer, said Kenneth Peek Jr., director of commercial programs at the 1,670-employee plant.

"We now have a core of business that is long-term," he said. "It should stabilize our employment. ... We very well may need additional personnel."

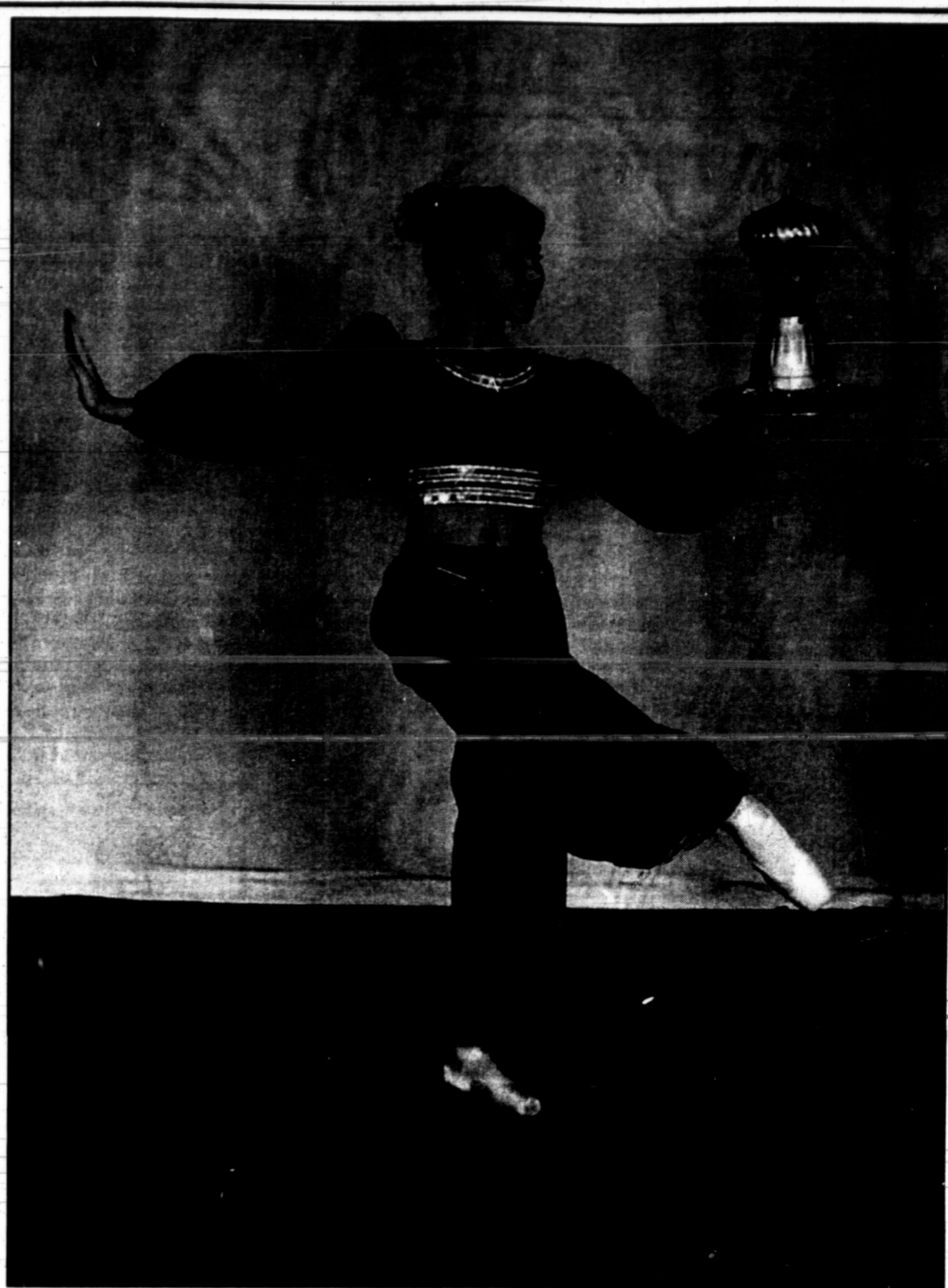
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Masonic Service Awards



(Special photos)

Masonic Grand Lodge of Texas recently conferred 50-year and 25-year Masonic Service Awards on qualifying members during a ceremony held at Top O' Texas Lodge #1381. Fifty year Masonic Service Awards were presented to Arthur W. Skewes, bottom photo, and Bob R. Carmichael and 25-year awards were presented to Everett R. Butler, top photo, McRoy Wright and Harold Reid and absentees J.A. Martindale, Jerry W. Neef and Victor L. Snider.



(photo by Keith Hart)

In its 27th season under the direction of Jeanne Willingham, the Civic Ballet will present its annual Christmas production, "The Nutcracker," at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5 in the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium. Tickets, available at the door or in advance, are \$5 for adults and \$3 for students. For ticket information, call (806) 669-6361. Above is Anna Johnson, Arabian (Coffee).

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill
ROBERTS (N.W. MENDOTA Moore Co. Line) Crescendo Resources, L.P., #12 Frank M. Chambers 'C', 2425' from South & 595' from East line, Sec. 1A-1, EL&RR, PD 4300.
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HEMPHILL (FELDMAN Douglas) Canyon Exploration Co., #1 LaDonna, 660' from North & East line, Sec. 64, OS-2, Landering Bros., elev. 2420 kb, spud 7-5-98, drlg. compl 8-22-98, tested 11-16-98, treated A/1000 gals 7 1/2% HCL, fraced w/24000 gals 65% QC foam & 46000# 20-40 sand, A/2000 gals 7 1/2 HCL, fraced w/39000 gals 65% WC foam & 86000# 20-40 sand, pumped 70 bbl. of 4. grav. oil + 190 bbls. water, GOR 2114, perforated 7418-7460, TD 8300', PBTD 8080', tops: B/Heebner T/Douglas 7330, Douglas A Sand 7346, Douglas B Sand 7393, Douglas C Sand 7418, Tonkawa Sand 8172, 8 5/8" csg. 1630' (800 sx) 4 1/2" csg. 8291' (352 sx) 2 3/8" tbg. — depth set 7342' — API# 42 211 32295
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLER) J.M. Huber Corp., #41 Magnolia Herring, 2366' from South & 2250' from East line, Sec. 7,X-02,H&OB, elev. 3047 kb, spud 9-17-98, drlg. compl 9-21-98, tested 11-10-98, treated 6900 gals 15% & 10122 gals 7 1/2% NE HCL, 133000 GGW w/5000# GOR 6667, perforated 2797-3206, TD 3297', PBTD 3251', to: Red Cave 1830, Br. Dolo 2568, Moore Co. Lime 2847, Pan. Lime 2096, Wh. Dolo 2752, 8 5/8" csg. 413' (250 sx) 5 1/2" csg. 3294' (100 sx) 2 3/8" tbg. — depth set 3221' — API# 42 233 32834
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MCF, rock pressure 24, pay 2245-3950, MD 3950', TVD 2495', tops: Pan Lime 1875, 8 5/8" csg. 2227' (75 sx) — This is a Horizontal Sidetrack well in the same formation as originally drilled — API# 42 065 01569 — Orig. W-1 shows this well in Sec. 10,5,I&GN

CARSON (WEST PANHANDLER) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #T-1-H S.B. Burnett, 1334' from North & 1333' from East line, Sec. 64,5,I&GN, elev. 3082 gr, spud 9-29-98, drlg. compl 10-8-98, tested 10-20-98, potential 1300 MCF, rock pressure 26, pay 2092-3273, MD 3273', TVD 2301', tops: Pan. Lime 1670, Br. Dolo 2060, 8 5/8" csg. 2070' (200 sx) API# 42 065 01446 — This is a Horizontal Sidetrack completion in the same formation as originally drilled

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HE KNOWS WHEN I'VE BEEN SLEEPING, HE KNOWS WHEN I'M AWAKE... I WONDER HOW HE FEELS ABOUT CHASING CATS.

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Texas Farm Bureau President addresses Lubbock convention

LUBBOCK — In his annual address to the Texas Farm Bureau's 65th annual convention, Bob Stallman, president of the state's largest farm organization, warned the Texas farm economy "is still perilously close to a catastrophe."

Stallman, speaking to some 1,300 delegates at the TFB convention, said the summer droughts of 1996 and 1998 have severely depressed the Texas farm economy and many producers are in trouble. He expressed hope the \$6 billion in disaster aid recently passed by Congress will help keep Texas farmers and ranchers in business.

"The assistance is not the entire answer, but we hope it will buy some time for producers that might otherwise be forced to give up farming this year," Stallman said.

The rice producer from Columbus also questioned the direction of U.S. farm policy which is phasing out agricultural support in a time of crisis in agriculture.

Stallman reminded delegates when the 1996 Farm Bill, the Freedom to Farm Act, was passed farmers received promises of an aggressive trade policy, a reduced regulatory burden and more funding for agricultural research. Few of those promises, he said, have been kept. He warned of dire consequences if U.S. farmers are forced to compete against foreign governments without assistance.

Stallman concluded 1998 was "one of the most difficult years in the history of Texas agriculture. Hellish triple digit temperatures baked the life out of crops and livestock, cooking away chances for profit and potentially driving many off the land. Drought ruined pastures, destroyed crops of grain and cotton, and prematurely drove livestock to market, further depressing prices that were already ridiculously low."

In his address, Stallman thanked members of the Texas Congressional delegation for helping shepherd the disaster relief package through Congress.

Stallman has served as president of TFB since 1993. He also serves on the American Farm Bureau Federation Board of Directors.

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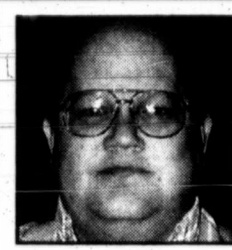
Gratitude versus disgust

When this comes out it will be the first day of the last month of this year. But I am writing this the day after Thanksgiving (it's not that I write really slow it's, well never mind) and I'm not sure whether I'm more thankful or more disgusted.

Now don't get me wrong, I'm not one to complain, (no, really I'm not, Seriously.) but now that the greed and idiot-thon has begun once again I just get so disgusted I want to kick the jolly ol' elf in his ho, ho, hos.

Now it's not that I didn't have a nice Thanksgiving, I did, thank you. And it's not that I never have a nice Christmas. Of course I've admitted in the past that I think Scrooge had the right idea before he got brainwashed. People have always spent too much and tried too hard and screwed themselves up trying to make a perfect Christmas but lately the stupid sheep factor seems to have gotten out of hand.

Furby. That's the latest. Before that there was Tickle Me Elmo. Before that there were the Cabbage Patch Dolls. The technology of the toys is improving at least. Cabbage Patch Dolls were just dolls. Elmo laughed and talked when



Jeff West

Pampa News staff

you tickled him. These new creatures will talk to a child when the child speaks to him or her or it or whatever a Furby is. The more the child talks the more Furby talks back, becoming more and more irritating as it goes along to quote one mom.

But not everybody can have a Furby apparently. They are "so popular" they are scarce. Just like Elmo or Cabbage Patch Dolls were in their time. So popular that the toy company can't make enough of them to go around. A major American toy company. Even though the first signs of a "shortage" took place in late November, they

can't crank them out fast enough.

All right. A show of hands. How many people thought these were great toys in September? How many had heard of a Furby in September? How many kids did you hear clamoring for a Furby in September?

I'm not a conspiracy buff. I'm even fairly anti-conspiracy but how come there's a shortage of one particular toy every year lately. Not the same toy of course. You can get a bucket full of Elmo's this Christmas. At discount probably. No discount for Furby's though. Full retail if not inflated prices. Can't make enough of them. Would you like to bet if there was a run on Cadillacs or Tootsie Rolls or Charmin that there would be a way the makers could get enough in the store in a week or two. Why not a toy?

By the way, a kid young enough to want a Furby would probably be happy with a lot of other things too, unless he hears he has to have a Furby.

Be good to one another and be good to yourselves.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 1, the 335th day of 1998. There are 30 days left in the year.

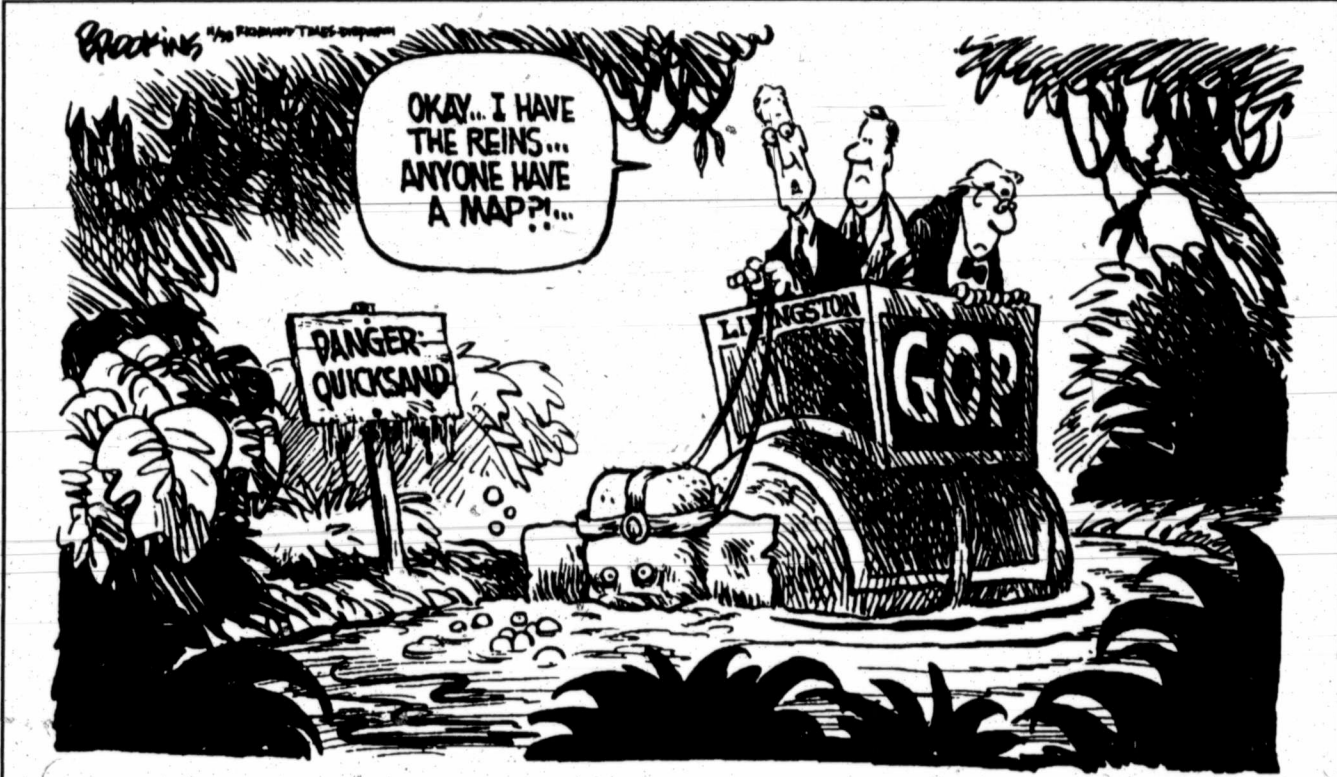
Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 1, 1955, Rosa Parks, a black seamstress, refused to give up her seat to a white man on a Montgomery, Ala., city bus. Mrs. Parks was arrested, sparking a year-long boycott of the buses by blacks.

On this date:

In 1824, the presidential election was turned over to the U.S. House of Representatives when a deadlock developed among John Quincy Adams, Andrew Jackson, William H. Crawford and Henry Clay. (Adams won.)

In 1934, Sergei M. Kirov, a collaborator of Josef Stalin, was assassinated in Leningrad, resulting in a massive purge.



Opinion

Glimmers of hope for independence

■ During their latest trips to the ballot box, at least some voters showed they still have a rebellious nature and a thirst for freedom.

It is difficult to find too many silver linings in an election in which voters in many states seemed willing to tax or ban anything that could be demonized cleverly enough. Perhaps there is comfort to be taken in the innate cantankerousness of American voters, who confounded most predictions of the so-called experts on turnout and voting patterns.

And, beneath what appears to be not so much a Democratic sweep as a rejection of Republican haplessness, some encouraging developments emerged.

How can one not delight in the election of a former pro wrestler as governor of a major state? Jesse "The Body" Ventura is not an utter novice, having been mayor of the Minneapolis suburb of Brooklyn Park. He decided to run when the legislature failed to "give back" a burgeoning state government surplus to taxpayers. His message is anti-tax economic conservatism and social tolerance — or, as Minneapolis-St. Paul Star Tribune writer Bob Von Sternberg put it: "He explains it as classic small 'l' libertarianism."

That such a candidate could win in Minnesota — and utterly flummox the two major parties in the process — can't be all bad.

Then there was the victory of medical-marijuana initiatives in Alaska, Nevada, Washington and Oregon, along with the reaffirmation of the drug medicalization initiative Arizona voters passed in 1996. These votes came in the face of increasingly shrill opposition from relevant authority figures, including most elected officials, the censorious "drug czar" and three former presidents, who took time out from their busy retirements to lecture the people on the awfulness of it all.

Congress even refused to allow federal funds to be used to count the votes on a medical-marijuana initiative in the federal plantation known as Washington, D.C. But the people decided, at least on this narrow issue, to let compassion and common sense overrule stern lectures from the anti-drug warriors.

In Washington state, voters passed a measure to prohibit government entities from discriminating or granting preferential treatment to people based on race, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin, a virtual copy of Prop. 209, which California voters approved two years ago.

And the verdict on hunting was mixed. California banned those traps. Ohio defeated a ban on hunting mourning doves and Minnesota amended its constitution to declare formally that hunting and fishing are part of the state's heritage.

So the people showed important glimmers of independence. That's something to build on.

—Odessa American

Protective order stops stalkers

It is a fact that violence committed by family members or acquaintances of the victim occur all too often in our society. Incidents of family violence or stalking occur in families of all races and colors and all social or economic classes. However, legal means such as protective orders can provide some measure of protection for victims and their families.

The Office of the Attorney General, through the Crime Victims' Compensation Division, works to assist victims of such violence as well as prevent further acts from occurring.

A protective order is a civil court order issued to prevent continuing acts of violence. Acts of violence can include serious threat of physical harm or the abuse of a child. If a court finds that an act of violence has occurred and is likely to happen again, a protective order will be issued.

A protective order may prohibit an offender from committing further acts of violence or further threatening or harassing the victim. This harassment can be through either direct or indirect communication of a threat. Additionally, a protective order can prevent an offender from going to or being near a school or day-care center that a child protected by an order attends.

A protective order can be applied for through the district or county attorney, a private attorney or a legal aid service program. The application must be filed in the county in which either the victim or the offender lives.



Dan Morales

Attorney General of the State of Texas

Protective orders are available in every county in Texas.

A protective order can be filed for a victim or by any adult for the protection of a child. Additionally, the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services can file for an order on behalf of a victim.

Certain information must be supplied on the application for a protective order. Applicants should be prepared to provide the name and county of residence of the victim, the name and county of residence of the offender and the relationship between the victim and offender.

Victims should file for protective orders as soon after the incident has occurred as possible. Additionally, the victim, or the person filing on behalf of a victim, needs to present information on prior incidents of violence, if any.

Victims do not pay for the filing of a protective order. The court requires the offender to

pay any and all fees connected to the process.

When an application is filed, the court must set a hearing date no later than 14 days after the filing. However, if there is evidence of the possibility of further violence, a temporary order may be issued immediately. Temporary orders are valid for up to 20 days while final orders are effective for up to one year.

If an offender violates a protective order, the victim should call the police immediately. Law enforcement agencies are notified of all protective orders issued in the area and they are required to maintain a list of the orders. If an offender violates an order and the police are notified, officials will move to arrest the offender and seek to have charges filed.

Remember, if someone has physically assaulted or threatened you, contact your local police department or sheriff's office to press charges. For further assistance or information you can contact:

- Local Police Department, 911
- Office of the Attorney General Crime Victims Compensation Division, 1-800-983-9933
- National Domestic Violence Hotline, 1-800-799-7233 or 1-800-787-3224
- Women's Advocacy Project, Family Violence Hotline, 1-800-374-4673
- Texas Department of Human Services Abuse Hotline, 1-800-252-5400

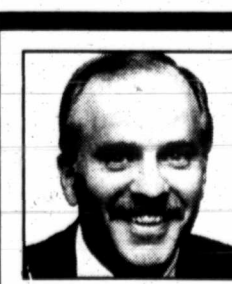
The American double standard

NEW DELHI, India — If Donald Trump advised you that the way to happiness is to renounce worldly possessions, your response would probably be that you'd like to see him take that advice before trying it yourself. This is roughly the response here to the United States government's continuing criticism of India's rude entrance into the nuclear club.

In the wake of last May's five nuclear tests, the Clinton administration has imposed and then eased economic sanctions on India (as well as Pakistan). But it continues to treat proliferation as a terrible thing that is bound to resist. Indians, however, can't help noticing that nuclear proliferation was actually invented by the United States, which in 43 years has never wavered from the conviction that doomsday armaments are indispensable to our security and to world peace.

In that respect, Americans are right. The use of nuclear weapons would have almost unimaginably horrific consequences. But that's why they are so valuable. They make governments extremely careful in taking steps that might unleash a cataclysm. It's no coincidence that in 40 years of armed hostility, the United States and the Soviet Union never met on the battlefield. The risk of escalation between two superpowers was too frightening to allow it.

Our mistake is in refusing to admit that India has a legitimate gripe about being deprived of something that the older nuclear powers think they must have. It is bordered on one side by Pakistan, which has also tested nuclear weapons, and on another side by China, which has the third biggest atomic stockpile in the world. India has fought a total of four wars with these two countries since gaining its independence in 1947, and the disputes that ignited



Steve Chapman

Syndicated columnist

these conflicts are still simmering.

On the south, India is surrounded by an ocean that appears pacific in everything but name. But when Indians look in that direction, they see the world's mightiest military power in the form of the U.S. Navy. Wherever it turns, India finds itself contemplating nuclear weapons — owned by someone else.

The Clinton administration may think India should base its policies on its hopes, not its fears. But governments can't afford to rely on the kindness of strangers. Their first obligation is to assure their nations' independence and survival.

As one Indian government official put it privately, the disagreement with Washington is simple and irreconcilable: "The United States wants nonproliferation. India wants security." No Indian government can achieve it while renouncing the instruments wielded by its rivals, actual and potential.

Security, however, was not the only motive behind the tests. The intangible element lay in one of the most potent forces in international relations: national pride. The detonations were wildly popular with the Indian people, who don't need to be told that the alternative was to be consigned to a permanently inferior status.

It has been said that India has a post-dated sense of self-worth: It expects to become a great power and in the meantime thinks it should be treated as if it had already arrived. Thanks to the tests, the established powers are paying a lot more attention than before. A nation with a billion people, 5,000 years of history and a fond wish for world peace can safely be ignored. A nuclear power can't.

India was a late and reluctant convert to that reality. In the 1950s, its first prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, called for an end to atomic testing and proposed a worldwide ban on weapons of mass destruction. India was one of the countries that began the push that produced the 1968 Nonproliferation Treaty. But as it happened, the accord denied the bomb only to those countries that didn't already have it, allowing the existing owners to keep a firm hold on their security blanket. So India refused to sign.

Not until 1974 did it conduct a test, which the government, with more inventiveness than candor, labeled a "peaceful" detonation. It waited 24 years before testing again — this time as a statement that its policy of coy ambiguity was history. From that point on, India was a full-fledged member of the nuclear club, no matter what the admissions committee said.

In the global environment, nations can't entrust their fate to the benign intentions of countries that, whether good or evil, can always be counted on to put their own needs first. That's why India reached the conclusion that despite all the grave dangers that go with owning nuclear weapons, there is no reasonable substitute for them. The problem for Washington is not that India rejects our view of the value of nuclear weapons. It's that India has finally embraced it.

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PERRYTON — Pampa defeated West Texas High, 62-36, to win the Perryton Junior Varsity Tournament. Kirk George led Pampa's scoring attack in the championship game with 18 points. Pampa JV's opened the tournament by defeating Dumas, 50-36. Jarod Allen had 10 points to lead Pampa. Pampa won over Fritch, 49-30, in the second game. Stephen Vanderpool had 14 points and Tanner Hucks 12 for Pampa. Pampa defeated Spearman, 45-33, in the semifinals. George had 13 points for Pampa.

FOOTBALL

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP) — Texas running back Ricky Williams on Monday received the Player of the Year award from the Walter Camp Football Foundation. Williams, of San Diego, Calif., has set 12 NCAA Division I-A benchmarks and tied four others. During his four-year career, Williams rushed for a total of 6,279 yards, beating the record of 6,082 yards set by Pittsburgh's Tony Dorsett from 1973 to 1976. He also holds division records for career all-purpose yardage (7,206), career rushing touchdowns (72), career points overall (452) and career yards per carry (6.2).

BOXING

NEW YORK (AP) — Lennox Lewis says when he faces Evander Holyfield on March 13 in Madison Square Garden, Holyfield will wish he had continued ducking him.

"To hear Holyfield talk, Lewis will wish the fight for the undisputed heavyweight championship hadn't been made.

"He's had his reasons for staying away from me, and they'll be apparent in the fight," said Lewis, the 33-year-old WBC champion from Britain. "He definitely was ducking me."

"Two things are going to happen," said the 36-year-old Holyfield, the WBA-IBF champion. "I'm either going to knock him out good or I'm going to knock him out bad."

"The fans are getting a fight they want to see," Lewis (34-1 with 27 knockouts) said Monday at a news conference at the Garden to announce the fight. "I've been waiting for this fight for such a long time. It's basically overdue."

But Holyfield (36-3, 25 knockouts) said, "I never thought it wouldn't happen." Promoter Don King and Seth Abraham, president and CEO of Time Warner Sports both said it took a year to put together the match that will be distributed on pay-per-view by Time Warner's TVKO.

"I predict to you we will sell the Garden out and we will have 2 million (pay-per-view buys)," King crowed. A sell-out would be about 19,000.

The Garden reportedly is paying a live site fee of \$8.5 million.

"I can't confirm that figure," said Dave Checketts, Garden president and CEO. "Is it substantial — yes. I think we're going to sell out at pretty substantial prices. I think we'll be fine. This will put us in the fight game in a very big way."

The ticket prices will be scaled from \$1,500 down to \$100. No pay-per-view price has been announced, but it is expected to be \$49.95. One of the pay-per-view exhibitors, who keep half of the pay-per-view revenue, will be Cablevision, which has a universe of 3 million homes.

The biggest pay-per-view sale for a fight was 1.99 million for the Holyfield-Mike Tyson rematch carried by SET. Tyson has been involved in the four top pay-per-view bouts and seven of the top 10.

Smith joins Deion on injured roster

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The news keeps getting grimmer for the Dallas Cowboys' secondary.

Left cornerback Kevin Smith joined right cornerback Deion Sanders on the 'questionable' list Monday, and coach Chan Gailey is readying numerous strategies for doing without them in Sunday's game against New Orleans.

Following three days off after a 46-36 loss to Minnesota on Thanksgiving Day, Gailey got the trainer's injury list and it showed Smith with back and neck injuries.

Sanders missed the Vikings game with an injured left big toe. Smith was hurt returning a punt against Minnesota.

"We'll just have to go on a day-to-day basis" with both Sanders and Smith, Gailey said.

Sanders said Monday that his toe injury "is going to be a lingering thing. Pray for me."

The best news for Gailey was the return of defensive back Kevin Mathis, who has been sidelined with a broken arm. Mathis hopes to be able to return kicks and play cornerback.

"He'll do both if he can go," Gailey said.

Charlie Williams, Kenny Wheaton, and Terry Billups, who was activated off the practice squad last week, will work at corner during the week.

The Cowboys were bombed by Randall Cunningham for four touchdowns. Gailey said a combination of youth and

injuries served to make the secondary an easy target.

"You don't have as much communication back there," Gailey said. "It's kind of been a domino effect."

Other Cowboys who were questionable included running back Chris Warren, who injured the groin opposite the one he hurt in August, and wide receiver Jeff Ogden with a shoulder injury.

Dallas is sitting pretty in the NFC East with Arizona's loss to Kansas City on Sunday.

Any combination of two Dallas wins or Arizona losses in the final four weeks puts the Cowboys in the playoffs.

Quarterback Troy Aikman said the Cowboys would just have to work through the injuries because the most important time of year is approaching.

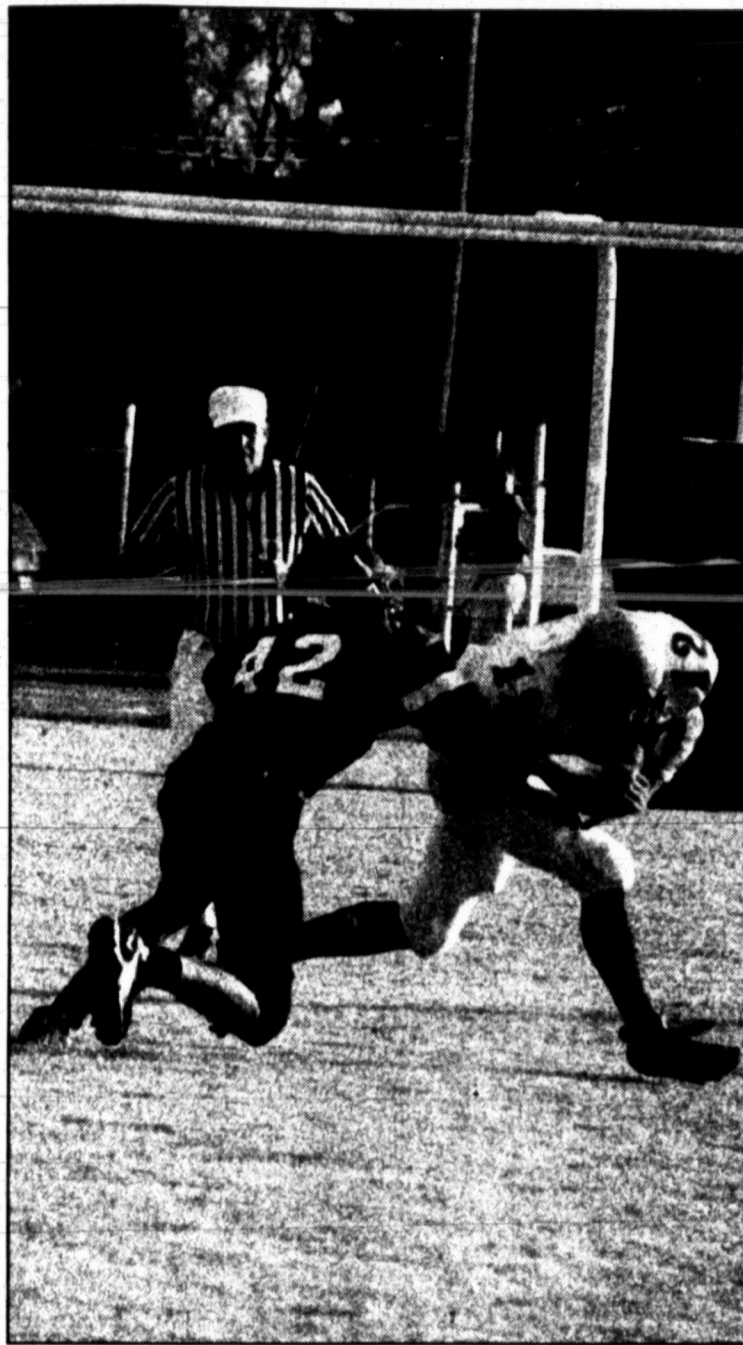
"December is the month that defines the team," Aikman said. "It's important to be playing well in December going into the playoffs. It's a pivotal time for us."

Aikman predicted the Cowboys (8-4) will be in good shape by January.

"I still think we can play with anybody in the league," he said. "The injuries could hurt us but we can work around them. We'll just do what we have to do."

Listed as probable for the Saints game are tight end Eric Bjornson (sprained left ankle), tackle Erik Williams (sprained left knee), safety Darren Woodson (sprained left elbow) and Mathis.

Six-man stop



(Pampa News photo by Bonner, Green)

Groom's Wyatt Weinheimer puts the defensive stop on a Borden County ballcarrier in the state six-man quarterfinals last weekend in Floydada. Borden County won, but Groom finished with the season with an outstanding 12-1 record.

49ers crush Giants

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — When defensive tackle Bryant Young went down, his right leg broken and his face contorted in pain, Steve Mariucci rushed to be at his side.

"I thought it was appropriate," the San Francisco 49ers coach said. "I love that guy."

The injury to Young, a key to San Francisco's defense, soured the 49ers' 31-7 victory over the New York Giants on Monday night.

Young, who faced surgery today, is out for the season.

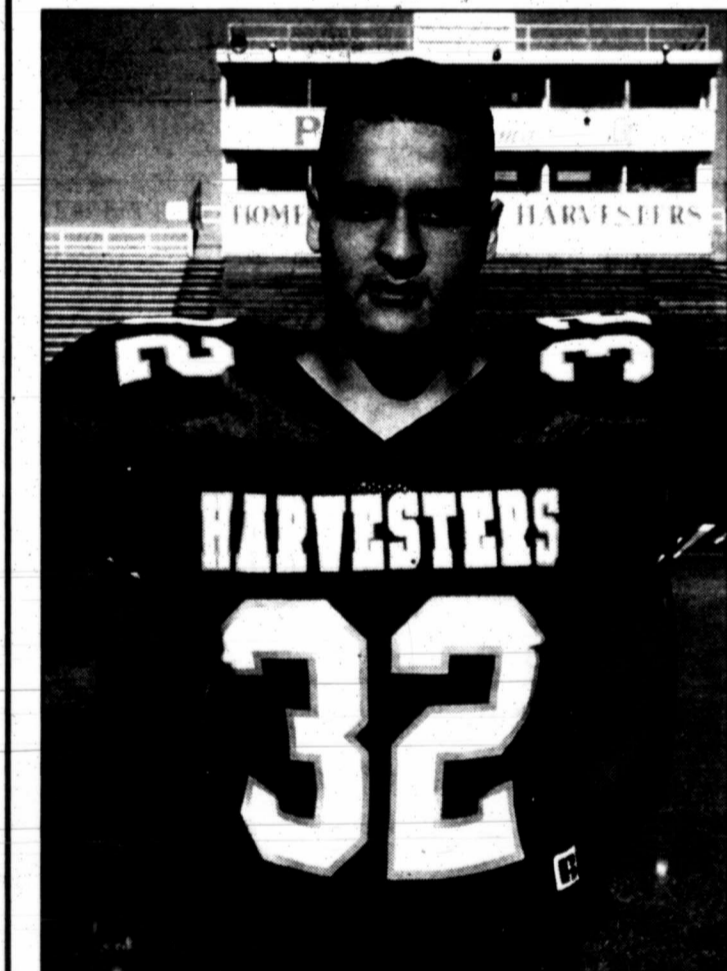
Replays showed Young's leg bent backward when he collided with linebacker Ken Norton Jr. as they closed in to tackle Giants quarterback Kent Graham.

"I heard a crunch," Graham said. "I heard he was obviously in pain. It's one of those situations you hate to see a fellow football player go down like that. I told him I would be praying for him. He was hurting big-time."

Mariucci stayed at Young's side, holding his hand, until he was lifted onto a gurney and wheeled off the field. Fans gave the tackle a standing ovation as he pumped his fist.

"He's one of our truly great players and his absence will be felt," Mariucci said.

It was a victory the 49ers (9-3) should have relished, but instead the mood in the locker room was somber because of Young. The win clinched San Francisco's 16th straight winning season and kept the team a game behind first-place Atlanta in the NFC West with four games remaining.



Jared White is district's defensive player of the year.

Pampa dominates All-District Squad

PAMPA — Eleven Pampa Harvesters have been named to the 1998 All-District 3-4A Football Team.

Middle linebacker Jared White (204-sr) headlined the Harvester picks by being named the district's defensive player of the year. Harvesters named to the first team offense were fullback Erich Greer (184-sr), tight end Justin Barnes (167-jr), tackle Cody Sheppard (250-jr) and center Jeremy Miller (248-sr). Joining White on the first-team defense were end Brandon Hill (229-sr), linemen Tyson Curtis (230-jr) and Calvin Tucker (247-sr), linebacker Kris Davis (150-sr); Jarred Bowles (156-sr) and Joel Barker (162, sr).

Offensive lineman Kory Nickell (230-sr), defensive end Andy Schroeder (210-soph), and kicker Justin Barnes (167-jr).

Borger running back Eron Haynes was named offensive player of the year. Coach of the year honors went to Craig Yenser of Hereford.

Pampa and Hereford were district co-champions this season.

The Harvesters will be honored with a banquet Jan. 9 at M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Stephenville beat themselves in lone loss

After doing a number on Pampa last weekend, it's hard to believe the Yellow Jackets had lost a game this season.

Stephenville dropped a 40-35 decision to Brownwood in its sixth game of the season. Brownwood was able to take advantage of Yellow Jacket miscues to pull off the win.

"We turned the ball over five times," explained Sports Editor Dave McCallum of the *Stephenville Empire Tribune*. "That was the only way they could have beaten us."

After that loss, Stephenville went on a 7-game win streak, including the 42-0 victory over the Harvesters in the Class 4A Division 11 semifinals at Texas Stadium.

Stephenville (12-1) advances to meet Wichita Falls Hirschi (8-5) in the regional finals. It was this same Hirschi squad that shocked Brownwood, 23-21, in the area round of the playoffs.

Pampa did manage 147 yards of offense against a huge, mobile Stephenville defense. Many of the Yellow Jacket foes have been hard-pressed to finish with yards on the plus side.

Four Harvesters finished with plus yardage against Stephenville. Quarterback Justin Roark had 64 yards on 16 carries, fullback Erich Greer had 33 yards on 11 carries, tailback Curtis Johnson had 21 yards, five attempts and fullback Thomas Long had three yards on one



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carry. Roark completed two passes to Joel Barker (16 yards) and Blake Baldrige (10 yards), both going for first downs. It was only two of the five first downs Pampa managed to put together.

Harris Ratings has Stephenville ranked No. 1 in the state, which is hardly a surprise. The Jackets are picked to destroy Wichita Falls Hirschi by 21 points in the Division 11 quarterfinals.

It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure Kelan Luker, Stephenville's rocket-armed quarterback, is a major college prospect. Luker is being sought after by the University of Texas-El Paso, Baylor, Houston and Colorado.

The Lanky Luker threw for 272 yards and two touchdowns in the first half alone. He spent most of the second half on the sideline.

OU may have found new coach

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma will name Bob Stoops its new head football coach, three Oklahoma City television stations reported Monday.

KFOR-TV said it had confirmed with several sources that Stoops, the defensive coordinator at Florida, has agreed to take the OU job. Later, KOCO and KWTW also reported that Stoops had been chosen.

None of the reports identified the sources, and university officials did not immediately return phone calls seeking confirmation.

Stoops was among the names mentioned as a possible candidate to succeed John Blake, fired Nov. 22. Blake was 12-22 in three seasons.

Athletics director Joe Castiglione has been mum about the search, which he has been conducting on his own.

"There is really nothing I can say other than the process is moving along well," Castiglione said Sunday. "I'm not going to reveal anything, because it could really impede the process, if not alter it entirely."

When Blake was fired, it was widely believed a new coach would be in place by Tuesday, for the start of recruiting.

The leading candidate apparently was Stoops, who interviewed with Castiglione last week. Various media outlets have said Stoops reportedly was asked to return for a second interview this week.

Stoops also has been mentioned as a candidate for the vacancy at Iowa.

Pampa middle linebacker Jared White is also receiving his share of major college offers. Nebraska and Oklahoma State are just two who are looking at the 204-pound senior.

White has been named defensive player of the year in District 3-4A after leading the district in tackles.

Congratulations to linebacker Bryan Fuller, running back Ike Hanes and end Frankie Sparling of McLean for making the All-District 2-A six-man Team. Fuller used to live in Pampa.

Congratulations are also in order for Robert Hale, who picked up win No. 280 last weekend as head basketball coach of the Pampa Harvesters. Pampa defeated Wichita Falls High, 79-76, in overtime at the Fantasy of Lights Tournament.

Russians stand in line to buy food. Americans stand in line to buy Furbys. Is this a great country, or what!

Flashback, 1957: The Pampa Harvesters defeated the Abilene Eagles, 68-53, in the regional finals to advance to the state tournament. Sam Condo led Pampa scorers with 23 points while Jerry Pope and Bill Brown added 12 each.

Hoagie's even score in Optimist girls' play

PAMPA — The Hoagie's Deli 5th-6th grade Pampa Optimist girls' basketball team took the court last week against the National Bank of Commerce and came away with a 20-9 win as six players for Hoagie's scored in the game.

Key defensive plays in the game by Missy Brown, Emily Hillman, Heather Balay and Lindsey Rhoades held the NBC team back as the offense kept putting in points.

Leading scorer for Hoagie's was Jennie Rogers with 6 points. Dawnya Hicks and Teryn Garner added 4 each, Courtney Crawford, Isabell Chavez and Missy Brown chipped in 2 each to round out the scoring for Hoagie's.

Brittany Adams tossed in a game-high 7 points and Autumn Schaub scored 2 for NBC Bank.

In a game played earlier this season, NBC had beaten Hoagie's 27-22.

In other 5th-6th grade girls' games, Celanese defeated Centramedia 29-20 with Jackie

Gerber scoring 12 points for Celanese and Morgan Meharg putting in 11 points for Centramedia.

Ashley Davis had 13 points to lead Holmes Sports over Clifton Supply 44-11.

Erin Winegeart had 10 while Yolanda Young had 9, Holly Miller 8, Kadrian Grays 2 and Angie Hall 2.

Payton Baird scored 5 points to lead Clifton. Heather Dildy, Kelly Mullican and Kari Terrell each had 2 points.

Games will be continuing nightly except Sunday and Monday at the Pampa Optimist Youth Club basketball gym, located at 601 E. Craven. The basketball program is for girls in grades three through six. The season ends Dec. 11 and will be followed by the city tournament Dec. 12-17.

Team	Standings (As of Nov. 28)	W	L	T
Holmes Sports Center	8	1		
Celanese	7	1		
Hoagie's Deli	4	3		
NBC Bank	4	4		
Centramedia	3	4		
Meredith House	1	6		
Clifton Supply	0	8		

Diamondbacks make Johnson baseball's highest-paid pitcher

PHOENIX (AP) — Millions of Diamondbacks are giving the Arizona Diamondbacks one of the most imposing pitching rotations in baseball, with a rocket-armed, stringbean 6-foot-10 left-hander leading the way.

Diamondbacks owner Jerry Colangelo is not a man of great patience, and after a 65-97 record in their first season, he looked at the free-agent market and saw a chance to get a lot better in a hurry.

He needed to look no further than the swanky Phoenix suburb of Paradise Valley for the marquee player he wanted so badly, Randy Johnson, arguably the game's most feared pitcher.

This week, Johnson became the latest player to succumb to Colangelo's allure, agreeing to a four-year, \$52.4 million contract that makes him the second-highest paid pitcher, and highest paid pitcher in baseball.

The acquisition of Johnson caps an ambitious free agent campaign by the Diamondbacks, who spent \$97.4 million, almost all of it on pitchers. Johnson joins newly acquired Todd Stottlemyre and Armando Reynoso, along with holdovers Andy Benes, Omar Daal and Brian Anderson in a rotation that should be one of the best in the league.

"When you can improve your staff like I thought we would be able to with the addition of a Randy Johnson and the others, that gives you a chance to compete right now," Colangelo said.

"There isn't any reason to wait four or five years," Benes, who says he is a close friend of both Johnson and Stottlemyre, seemed overwhelmed by the sudden improvement in the staff.

"It's amazing," Benes said. "I've never been on a team where they've been able to just go out there and add people like they have. It's thrilling. You want to pitch on a staff like that. It makes me want to go out and work out right now."

With an average salary of \$13.1 million per season, Johnson is second only to Mo Vaughn, who agreed last week to an \$80 million, six-year contract with Anaheim that averages \$13.3 million.

Johnson, 35, will be pushing 40 when his contract expires, but the Diamondbacks had to agree to a four-year deal to land the Big Unit.

"The marketplace dictates what you need to do, and the fact is that was what the market was for Randy," Colangelo said. "To play the game, you have to accept the risk. And this is not a blind risk. He is that dominant to where you would be prepared to take that risk with him more than with someone else."

Colangelo believes it is money well spent. He said Johnson is one of the few players who, by himself, can increase attendance, decrease the number of no-shows among season ticket holders and boost television ratings, all of which will bring more revenue.

"Randy Johnson is one of those fierce competitors," Colangelo

said. "He comes to play. When he has his game face on, when he's out there ready to roll, you've got a chance for nothing to happen, including a no-hitter or 20 strikeouts, an unbelievable performance. You know you're going to be in every game."

Johnson didn't meet with reporters on Monday. He is scheduled to be introduced as a Diamondback at a news conference on Wednesday.

He chose Arizona over the Anaheim Angels, Los Angeles Dodgers and Texas Rangers because he wants to play close to home, and he thinks Arizona is making moves to quickly become a contender.

"We tried to weigh all the factors — how competitive the team would be in the future, where his family would be comfortable," said Johnson's agent, Barry Meister. "Money was a non-factor because everything was pretty comparable. He made the decision late, late, late last night, slept on it, still felt that way in the morning, and we called the other clubs."

Johnson gets a \$5 million signing bonus, \$7.35 million next year and \$12.35 million in each of the following three seasons. Arizona has a \$12 million option for 2003, with a \$3 million buy-out. The option would increase to \$15 million if he wins the 2002 Cy Young Award and to \$13.5 million if he's second through fifth.

As was the case with Stottlemyre's \$32 million, four-year contract, about half of Johnson's pay will be deferred — \$25.05 million over the next four years at 6 percent interest.

Johnson was 10-1 with a 1.28 ERA and 116 strikeouts in 84 1-3 innings this year for the Houston Astros, who acquired him from Seattle on July 31. Unhappy with the Mariners after they refused to give him a contract extension after the 1997 season, Johnson asked for a trade.

When Seattle refused, he sputtered through a grouchy 9-10 record with a 4.33 ERA before the Mariners dealt him just minutes before the trade deadline.

In all, he struck out 329 last season, leading the major leagues.

Johnson has a 143-79 career record, striking out 2,329 in 1,978 1-3 innings.

Arizona manager Buck Showalter remembers Johnson too well. The lefty almost single-handedly led Seattle past Showalter's New York Yankees in the 1995 playoffs. Showalter said he would waive his no-facial-hair, no-long-hair rule for Johnson.

"We told Randy right from the get-go we like him just the way he is," Showalter said. "That rule will be grandfathered for him. If someone comes to me and says they want to do that, I'll say 'You match what he does on the mound and we'll talk about it.'"

The Diamondbacks likely are finished with free agents, Colangelo said, but either Daal or Anderson, both young, promising pitchers, probably will be traded for an outfielder before next spring.

Scoreboard

PRO FOOTBALL

National Football League
All Times EST
By The Associated Press

AMERICAN CONFERENCE	
East	West
Miami 8 4 0 .667 231 168	N.Y. Jets 8 4 0 .667 315 199
Buffalo 7 5 0 .583 268 242	New England 7 5 0 .583 262 236
Indianapolis 2 10 0 .167 208 336	Central
Jacksonville 9 3 0 .750 311 247	Pittsburgh 7 5 0 .583 234 218
Tennessee 6 6 0 .500 260 237	Baltimore 5 7 0 .417 205 247
Cincinnati 2 10 0 .167 197 321	West
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Seattle 6 6 0 .500 255 210	Kansas City 5 7 0 .417 238 259
San Diego 5 7 0 .417 181 247	NATIONAL CONFERENCE
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Dallas 8 4 0 .667 325 217	Arizona 6 6 0 .500 251 308
N.Y. Giants 4 8 0 .333 196 257	Washington 3 9 0 .250 240 337
Philadelphia 2 10 0 .167 108 277	Central
X-Minnesota 11 1 0 .917 394 220	Green Bay 8 4 0 .667 314 240
Detroit 5 7 0 .417 244 263	New Orleans 5 7 0 .417 223 250
Tampa Bay 5 7 0 .417 223 250	Chicago 3 9 0 .250 197 275
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San Francisco 9 3 0 .750 354 244	New Orleans 5 7 0 .417 218 285
St. Louis 3 9 0 .250 207 285	Carolina 2 10 0 .167 236 322

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Monday's Major College Basketball
By The Associated Press

EAST	
Boston U. 58, American U. 56	Niagara 79, Long Island U. 73
Providence 79, Maine 72	St. John's 97, St. Francis, N.Y. 63

TRANSACTIONS

Monday's Sports Transactions
By The Associated Press

BASEBALL
American League
KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Named Tom Poquette manager of Charleston of the South Atlantic League and Andre David manager of the Gulf Coast Royals.
MINNESOTA TWINS—Named Scott Ulger hitting coach, Ron Gardenhire third base coach, Jerry White first base coach, Wayne Krivsky assistant general manager, Larry Corigan special assistant to the general manager, Steve Liddle minor league field coordinator and Gregg Miller area scout for Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma.
TEXAS RANGERS—Agreed to terms with SS Royce Clayton on a four-year contract.
NATIONAL LEAGUE
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS—Agreed to terms with LHP Randy Johnson on a four-year contract.
MICHIGAN 66, Robert Morris 57
ILLINOIS 53, Valparaiso 49
MICHIGAN 80, Towson 46
MINNESOTA 72, Oregon 61
TOLEDO 85, Miss. Valley St. 53
SOUTHWEST
HOUSTON 67, LSU 55
TEXAS SOUTHERN 88, Tougaloo 59
FAR WEST
CS Northridge 92, Southern Cal Coll. 50
GONZAGA 81, E. Washington 59
IDAHO 85, W. Montana 61
PORTLAND 68, UC Irvine 54

Monday's Game

San Francisco 31, New York Giants 7
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.

High School Football

Southern Cal 91, St. Bonaventure 82
CLASS 5A
SEMIFINALS
Duncanville (10-3) vs. Houston Jersey Village (11-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Bowers Stadium, Kuntzville
Aldine Eisenhower (10-3) vs. Converse Judson (13-0), 5 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston

DIVISION II
Region I
Midland Lee (12-1) vs. South Grand Prairie (9-4), 4 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving
Region II
Lufkin (10-3) vs. Richardson Lake Highlands (8-5), 1:30 Saturday, Homer Bryce Stadium, Nacogdoches

Region III
Katy (12-1) vs. Houston Clear Brook (12-1), 8 p.m. Saturday, Astrodome, Houston
Region IV
SA MacArthur (9-4) vs. SA Madison (11-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, North East Stadium, San Antonio

College Football

NCAA Division II Football
By The Associated Press
All Times EST
First Round
Saturday, Nov. 21
Slippery Rock 37, Grand Valley State 14
Carson-Newman 30, West Georgia 20
Fort Valley State 21, Delta State 14
Shepherd 9, Indiana, Pa. 6
Northwest Missouri State 28, Nebraska-Omaha 14
Northern Colorado 52, North Dakota 24
Central Oklahoma 21, Chadron State 19
Texas A&M-Kingsville 54, UC Davis 21

Quarterfinals
Saturday, Nov. 28
Slippery Rock 31, Shepherd 20
Carson-Newman 38, Fort Valley State 31, OT
Northwest Missouri State 42, Northern Colorado 17
Texas A&M-Kingsville 24, Central Oklahoma 21, OT

Semifinals
Saturday, Dec. 5
Slippery Rock (12-1) at Carson-Newman (11-1), 1 p.m.
Texas A&M-Kingsville (11-2) at Northwest Missouri State (13-0), 1 p.m.

Championship
At Florence, Ala.
Saturday, Dec. 12
Slippery Rock-Carson-Newman winner vs. Texas A&M-Kingsville-Northwest Missouri State winner, 1 p.m.

Bills' coaches blast refs in loss to Pats

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — The Buffalo Bills had no fear of league fines when they talked about the officiating in their 25-21 loss to the New England Patriots.

"We got robbed," Ralph Wilson, the team's 80-year-old owner, said of Sunday's game. "It was awful."

Wilson wasn't alone in blasting the officials for a pass interference call in the end zone that set up the Patriots' winning touchdown with no time left.

The Bills also took issue with a 10-yard sideline catch by Shawn Jefferson on fourth-and-9, giving the Patriots a first down at the Buffalo 26 with 6 seconds left. The Bills claimed Jefferson was out of bounds.

But they were especially furious about the end zone interference call against safety Henry

Jones on Drew Bledsoe's desperation heave that gave New England one more play at the 1. Bledsoe tossed to Ben Coates for the score on the next play. New England tacked on an uncontested 2-point conversion with the Bills in the locker room.

The victory kept New England in the thick of the playoff race and left Buffalo nursing a New Year's Eve-sized resentment hangover.

The Bills said they didn't know until after the game that the extra points were added.

"It was like somebody came into my house and tied my hands behind my back and started slapping my wife around," said cornerback Ken Irvin, whose 7-5 team is tied with New England for second place in the AFC East. "That's what it feels like. But we have to come back from this, and

we will."

"I've been watching football for six decades," said Wilson, one of the six original American Football League owners. "Pass interference? What was that?"

Wilson said that before the last play he turned to his daughter, Linda Bogdan, the NFL's first woman scout and currently the team's corporate vice president, and told her, "Look, Bledsoe is going to throw a Hail Mary, and we're going to get called for pass interference."

"And that's what happened," Wilson said. "I wish I could call the stock market like that."

Many players refused to talk about the game.

"If it ain't about the Bengals (next week's opponent), I'm not going to talk about it," running back Thurman Thomas said.

But defensive end Bruce Smith

said he couldn't recall a worse day.

"It's without question the most frustrating loss I've experienced in my 14 years of playing professional football," he said. "I'm not going to blame it on one aspect of the game or another, but there were some questionable calls."

The seven-man officiating crew, with one exception, was the same group the NFL admitted blew two holding calls in the Indianapolis Colts-San Francisco game Oct. 18. Two penalties kept alive San Francisco touchdown drives late in the second quarter of that game, won by the 49ers 34-31.

In a rare admission, the NFL announced that the league's officiating department determined Colts defenders did not hold San Francisco receiver Terrell Owens in two key second-half plays.

Thomas suggests replacing Hunter, Ewing

NEW YORK (AP) — Isiah Thomas has been where Patrick Ewing is right now, and he knows it's not a comfortable position.

Ewing has to convince players that it's in their best interest to risk the cancellation of the upcoming season and the loss of \$1 billion in salaries.

"Can you imagine if I would have had to come back and say that to Bird, Magic, Jordan, Kareem, Artis Gilmore, Moses Malone, George Gervin and Dr. J? They'd have choked me," said Thomas, who was president of the players union from 1990-94.

Monday marked the 11th day since the last full negotiating session was held, and today marks the second missed payday for players.

The opposing sides are at odds over whether there will be preconditions for a resumption of talks.

Thomas said the players have three choices, including replacing union director Billy Hunter and Ewing, the union president, at the bargaining table.

"They can not have a season, they can take a tough deal or they can get some new blood at the table. It's a question of which choice they will make," he said.

"This is no knock on anyone, but the way I always ran the union was if we brought in talent and that talent wasn't performing, we had the opportunity to bring in someone else who would perform."

Thomas, who played for the Detroit Pistons from 1981-94, sold his ownership stake in the Toronto Raptors last year after failing to complete a purchase of majority shares. He currently works as an analyst for NBC on its NBA telecasts.

Having seen past negotiations

from both sides of the table, Thomas has a unique perspective on the current crisis.

And it's so bad, he says, that there will not be a season.

"That's the way I read the cards," he said in a telephone interview. "There has to be a level of trust and understanding, and the people negotiating this deal do not trust one another and therefore are not able to negotiate honestly."

In the debate over whether the owners would really cancel the entire season, Hunter has questioned whether the owners would be "suicidal."

Thomas says they would.

"I've been in the room with these guys, and it's very, very real. It's not a bluff. And the problem here is that both sides have come to the table and thought the other was bluffing or posturing instead of getting down to the nitty-gritty of a

deal," Thomas said.

Now, however, he said "there's a lack of trust at the table that is not good."

No players have called for Hunter, the union director, and Ewing, the union president, to step aside, but Thomas said the players will have to consider it.

"That's an option the union has and should always have. It's OK to be unified, but I prefer to have unity with money."

"From my experiences, whenever you have a labor negotiation impasse and you have bad blood at the table, then from a union's perspective if your goal is to represent (all the players), it might be like in a basketball game when you're down 12 in the third quarter, and you've got to sub.

"You've got to rebuild some trust between the sides," Hunter did not return a call seeking comment.

Two wins enough to get Stanford ranked

By CHUCK SCHOFFNER
AP Sports Writer

For most teams, a 2-4 record wouldn't even draw a vote in The Associated Press women's basketball poll.

For Stanford, it was enough to get ranked.

Stanford returned to the poll after a two-week absence at No. 24 on Monday, and Connecticut led a top four that was the same as last week.

The only other newcomer was Clemson, which made its first appearance of the season and marked the occasion of its ascent to No. 25 with a 65-54 victory Monday night over Winthrop.

The quality of its victories got Stanford back in the Top 25.

After starting the season with three straight losses and falling out of the poll for the first time since 1987, Stanford beat then-No. 1 Purdue on Nov. 22 and defeated Wisconsin, ranked 23rd at the

time, on Sunday.

All of Stanford's losses have been to teams that were nationally ranked at the time: Arkansas, Duke, Illinois and Texas Tech.

"If there has been a team whose record is not indicative of how good they are, it's Stanford right now," said Wisconsin coach Jane Albright-Dieterle. "They fought like they were fighting for their identity and who they were and their pride."

Stanford was 19th in the preseason poll. When the Cardinal fell out of the Top 25 on Nov. 16, it ended a run of 191 consecutive appearances in the AP poll.

Connecticut, which scored at least 100 points in each of its first four games, received 37 of 41 first-place votes from a national media panel to hold the No. 1 spot for the second straight week.

The Huskies, who beat Washington 101-81 in their only game last week, had 1,020 total points in the voting. On Monday

night, UConn routed Holy Cross 107-56.

Louisiana Tech was second with 975 points, Tennessee had 950 and Purdue 884. Both Louisiana Tech and Tennessee had two first-place votes. They met Monday night, with Tennessee winning 92-73.

Georgia moved up one spot to fifth, and Notre Dame climbed to sixth after beating then-No. 25 Illinois and San Francisco — its highest ranking ever. Notre Dame's best ranking previously had been No. 7, which it held last week and also in the 1996-97 season.

The Irish (5-0) have matched the best start in school history. They also won their first five games in the 1977-78 season.

Alabama was seventh, followed by Old Dominion, North Carolina and UCLA.

North Carolina dropped four places after suffering its first loss, 86-68 to UCLA at the Rainbow

Wahine Classic in Hawaii. UCLA, which started 1-2, won that tournament with three victories in as many days and moved up two spots.

Rutgers remained at No. 11, and Colorado State jumped four places to 12th. Then it was Arkansas, Texas Tech, Virginia and Duke, followed by North Carolina State, Iowa State, Kansas and Vanderbilt. At No. 18, Iowa State climbed three spots to its highest ranking ever.

Florida, George Washington, Nebraska, Stanford and Clemson held the final five spots.

Clemson last appeared in the rankings in the final poll last season, when the Tigers were 14th. They won their first four games this season by an average of 36.8 points.

The loss to Stanford knocked Wisconsin out of the Top 25. Illinois, which lost to Butler as well as Notre Dame, also dropped out.

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CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — To critics, he's an arrogant elitist who would rule Venezuela for the benefit of the rich.

But to supporters, Henrique Salas Romer is Venezuela's last hope of saving democracy and the only candidate with a chance of defeating former coup leader Hugo Chavez in Sunday's presidential election.

Salas is banking on his reputation as an efficient executive who as governor shook up the state of Carabobo by reducing corruption, cutting costs and making a notoriously chaotic government run smoothly.

"I inaugurated a new way of doing politics in the country," Salas, 62, a political independent, told The Associated Press last week aboard his campaign plane.

The race has polarized Venezuelans between the poor, who see Chavez as a hero partly because of his tough anti-corruption talk, and the middle- and upper-classes who fear he will impose a leftist dictatorship.

Venezuela's political establishment has spent the last two weeks scrambling to convince other candidates to quit the race to boost Salas, who is in second place in polls.

Even his detractors acknowledge the one-time economics professor

made impressive improvements in Carabobo in the heart of Venezuela's industrial belt.

At Puerto Cabello port, Salas slashed the payroll from 5,300 to 190 workers while boosting the amount of cargo handled from 4.5 million tons to 10 million tons a year.

He cracked down on widespread theft of medicines and equipment at public hospitals, created the only police emergency telephone system in Venezuela and computerized highway toll booths to keep workers from stealing.

"We collected more on the first day than in the entire month before," said Abdon Vivas O'Connor, Salas' campaign manager and the former head of the highway program.

Critics say many of Salas' programs such as airport improvements mainly benefited the rich and failed to get at the root of problems such as mass poverty and crime.

"Salas Romer's project is for 10 percent of the population and the other 90 percent gets left out," said Omar Meza Ramirez, a Chavez adviser.

Salas says his administration built 18,000 subsidized houses, helped slash infant mortality rates by 35 percent and created a low-

interest credit program for small-business owners.

He says he will implement the credit program nationwide if he wins the presidency, double or triple the number of tourists who visit Venezuela's Caribbean beaches, Andean mountains and Amazon jungles, and slash the government's bloated payroll of 1.3 million workers by at least half.

Salas is betting his strong ties with the United States also will help him. He and three of his brothers attended prestigious Lawrenceville prep school in New Jersey and then Yale.

Venezuela is the number one foreign supplier of oil to the United States. Chavez has been denied a visa to enter that country because of his 1992 coup attempt.

Over the weekend, Democratic Action, one of Venezuela's two major traditional parties, dumped its candidate and threw its support to Salas. And on Monday the other main party, COPEI, followed suit, switching allegiance from Irene Saez, a former Miss Universe running fourth in polls, to Salas.

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Reno gets more time for independent counsel decision

WASHINGTON (AP) — Attorney General Janet Reno has up to two more months to decide whether an independent counsel should investigate a former White House official accused of lying about aid for a union that contributed to Democrats.

A special court granted Reno's request Monday for extra time to review the case of former White House Deputy Chief of Staff Harold Ickes. The court ruled she had "shown good cause for the requested extension" beyond the 90 days already spent.

The panel, which selects independent counsels, also agreed with Reno's request to seal the document that explained why she needed more time, people familiar with the case said.

Justice Department officials could take other steps during the extension that could resolve the case that has divided Reno's advisers, one official said, requesting anonymity. But he would not describe them.

As they have for two years, Republicans objected.

"There should be an explanation for a request for 60 additional days," complained Senate Judiciary Committee member Arlen Specter, R-Pa., who said Reno "long ago ... should have appointed independent counsel in a broad way on campaign finance issues."

Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., said, "It should not take her half a year to figure out the obvious. ... She should not be investigating her boss and his closest associates in the first place."

Reno met Monday with aides who disagreed over how she should handle the allegation that Ickes committed perjury before a Senate committee about the administration's efforts on behalf of the Teamsters union in a 1995 strike against Diamond Walnut Co. Some recommended a counsel, some opposed it and others wanted to extend the review.

The FBI was recommending, as it has for more than a year, that the case — and the entire campaign finance investigation — be handed to an outside prosecutor, officials said.

Of three cases before Reno during November and December, the Ickes matter is the most likely to prompt her to order an independent counsel, officials said. She has called for seven other counsels to scrutinize Clinton administration officials.

Republicans regularly press her to relinquish control of the campaign finance inquiry, but Reno has insisted for two years that her campaign finance task force can handle it. The task force has charged 14 people, including prominent Democratic donors.

Ickes has denied wrongdoing in the matter, which stems from one question he was asked during a deposition he gave the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee on Sept. 22, 1997.

In 1995, Ickes met with Teamsters leaders about the Diamond Walnut strike. An administration memo prepared for him noted that the union had given \$2.4 million for Democratic candidates in 1992 and suggested that the party consider helping the Teamsters on key issues, like the strike, if it wanted that support to continue.

Ickes helped manage President Clinton's 1996 re-election fund raising.

The Senate panel asked: "What did the administration do regarding the Diamond Walnut strike?"

Ickes responded: "Nothing that I know of."

There were no follow-up questions on that subject.

According to a Teamsters memo obtained by the committee, Ickes said he asked then-U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor if he would urge Diamond Walnut to settle the strike.

Ickes has acknowledged asking Kantor to make a phone call.

Kantor subsequently called the company's chief. He has said the call was not motivated by fund raising and that the administration never acted to punish the company on behalf of the Teamsters. Kantor said he merely asked the status of a possible settlement and applied no pressure.

A company executive testified there was no explicit threat but the call was viewed at Diamond Walnut as part of the Teamsters' effort.

Conference to decide fate of Nazi-looted property

WASHINGTON (AP) — An international conference to help determine the fate of Nazi-looted art and property is being urged to "uncover the truth and seek justice" for Holocaust victims, dead and alive.

Stuart Eizenstat, undersecretary of state and organizer of the meeting, asked delegations from around the world to turn the page on "this black chapter of history" by helping to right past wrongs.

"As painful as it may sometimes be, we must not sweep these issues under the rug out of embarrassment, silence and indifference," Eizenstat said Monday night at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

The museum and the State Department are sponsoring the four-day conference, getting to work today with more than 40 countries and more than a dozen art, history, insurance and Jewish groups hoping to set informal standards for the return of confiscated assets.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who found out only last year that three of her Czech grandparents died in the Holocaust, was scheduled to speak today at the conference's opening State Department session.

Albright, a refugee as a child

from both the Nazis and Communists, grew up in the United States as a Roman Catholic and didn't learn of her Jewish heritage until journalists researched her past.

Delegates are dealing with material and moral questions from a period in which Nazi Germany killed 6 million Jews and looted billions of dollars in gold, art and private and communal property across Europe. Eizenstat declared, "For those who perished, our efforts must be galvanized by an unrelenting aspiration to uncover the truth and to seek justice for both the living and the dead."

Elan Steinberg, executive director of the World Jewish Congress, said it's not enough for governments, museums and other institutions to acknowledge they have custody of Nazi loot, including much that's difficult to trace to Holocaust victims and their families. There must be real restitution, whether to individuals or to Jewish and humanitarian groups that help the survivor community, he said.

"We are going to ask that the last prisoners of war be released to the rightful claimants or heirs," Steinberg said, adding that untraceable art and property should be auctioned to help survivors.

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GOP struggling to broaden Clinton fund raising inquiry

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House Judiciary Committee is opening a carefully scripted hearing into the consequences of perjury. But behind the scenes, political fireworks are exploding over Republican efforts to expand the impeachment inquiry from President Clinton's private life to his campaign fund raising.

Committee Republicans sought on Monday to subpoena secret Clinton administration memos urging Attorney General Janet Reno to appoint an independent counsel to investigate the president's 1996 campaign.

Chairman Henry Hyde has "worked totally unilaterally, so it's very clear that this is a partisan witch hunt that he's determined to ram through as quickly as he can," Rep. John Conyers, the committee's ranking Democrat, said late Monday.

Conyers, D-Mich., spoke just after Republicans, who control the Judiciary Committee, 21-16, moved to subpoena FBI Director Louis Freeh and federal prosecutor Charles LaBella and gain access to their secret memos laying out Clinton's alleged fund-raising irregularities.

"The committee has received information which suggests that the campaign finance abuse memos may contain allegations of criminal wrongdoing by the president," said Paul McNulty, a spokesman for Republicans on the panel. "The committee is duty-bound to investigate that information."

The decision opens up a new avenue of investigation for the impeachment panel, just as Hyde, R-Ill., is pressing to wrap up work in time for a vote by Christmas on possible articles of impeachment against the president.

Hyde and other Republicans will seek subpoenas in closed session after the perjury hearing Tuesday. The subpoenas would compel Freeh and LaBella to answer questions about their recommendation that an independent counsel be named to investigate Clinton fund raising, committee officials said.

They will seek separate subpoenas demanding that Reno turn over memos that Freeh and LaBella wrote laying out their arguments, and demanding that Clinton order Reno to comply, according to committee officials. No request is being contemplated to force Clinton to answer questions.

Neither McNulty nor other committee officials would say what specific allegations against the president they believed the memos contained.

Republicans also want a subpoena that would direct Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr to hand over evidence and testimony that his investigators gathered from John Huang, a key figure in the fund-raising controversy.

Republicans had intended for today's hearing on "the consequences of perjury and related crimes" to underscore Clinton's refusal to admit he lied about his relationship with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky. By calling two witnesses — a women's basketball coach and a former Veterans Affairs psychiatrist — who were punished for lying about sex in civil lawsuits, Hyde hoped to counter Democratic claims that the GOP was holding Clinton to a higher standard than that applied to other citizens.

The committee's agenda also included testimony from legal experts and military officials.

The choreographed hearing masked a swirl of behind-the-scenes maneuvering on Capitol Hill, as lawmakers scrambled to gauge support for articles of impeachment in the full House.

House Democrats have conducted an initial survey, and found that fewer than 10 members contacted since the Nov. 3 elections would vote for an article of impeachment against the president, according to one congressional source familiar with the informal tally.

If that vote count holds, it means Republicans would have to approve any article of impeachment on a virtual party-line vote.

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