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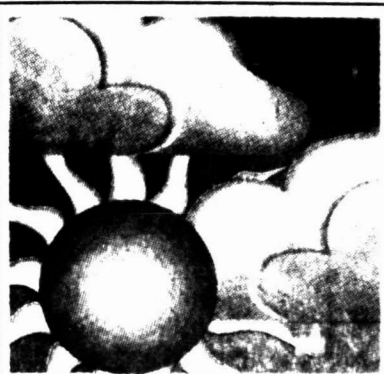
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**PAMPA** — All underground fuel tanks are required to meet EPA and state standards today or the owners are required to stop using them.

The Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission in Amarillo said earlier this month that approximately 18 gas stations remain out of compliance in Gray County, but would not identify them.

The EPA could fine gas stations and others up to \$11,000 a day, and although Texas will only issue warnings at first, the EPA said the fines could start immediately.

Many stations across the country, especially smaller family owned stations, might have to close. In order to come into compliance, a tank has to have monitoring equipment installed and be certified as not leaking.

**PAMPA** — The Pampa Chapter of the Red Cross reminds late shoppers that they have gift certificates for sale. Director Stephanie Guest said they make great stocking stuffers. The Red Cross also accepts Pampa Bucks, according to Guest.

- J.W. 'Buck' Buchanan, 90, state representative.
- Mary Anita Hathaway, 87, lab technician.
- Peggy Ruth Brown Newman, 55, school principal.
- Avis Marie Ray, 86, homemaker.
- Beatrice Thomas, 76, nurse.

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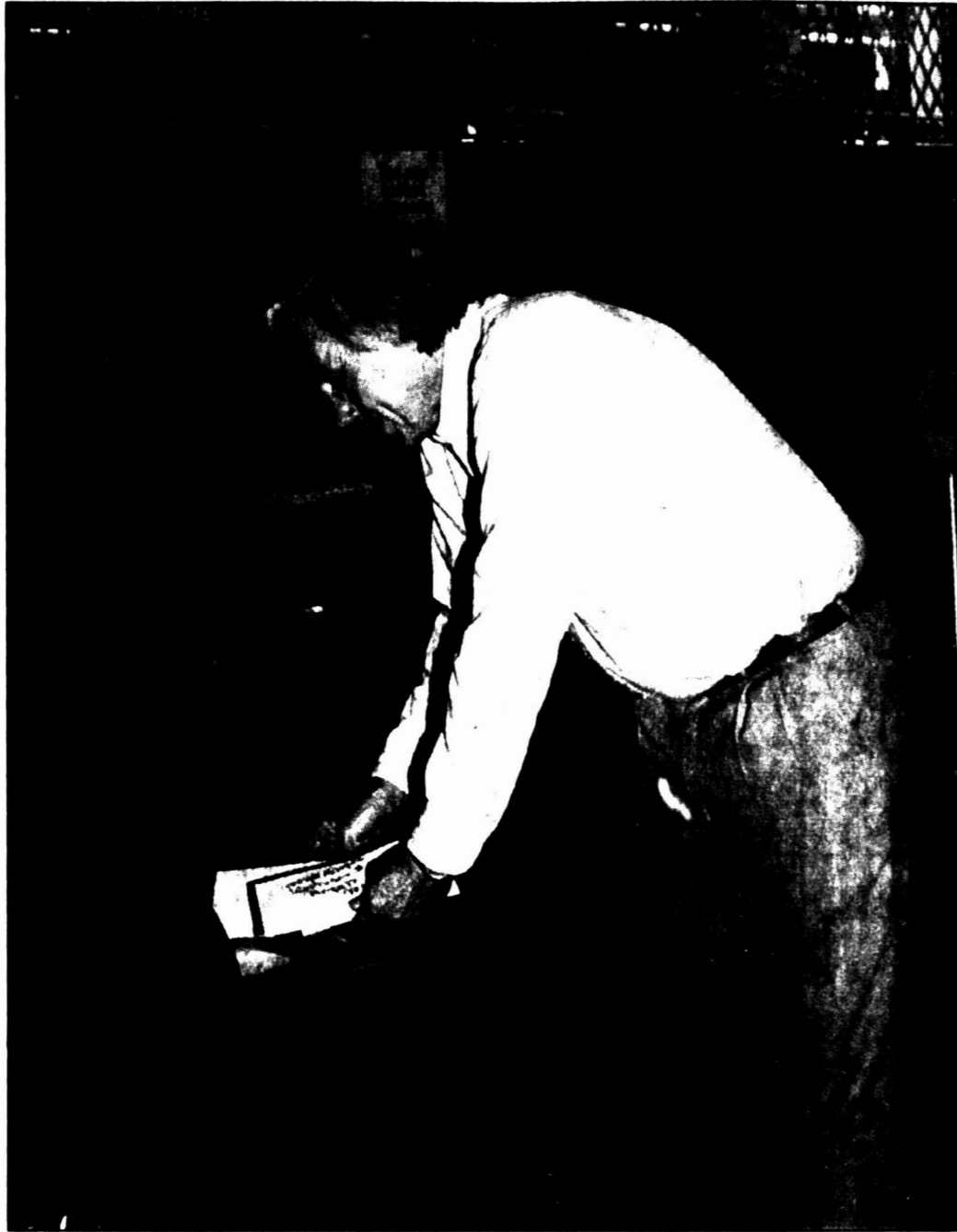
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Postal Clerk Jerry Stroud helping deliver some of the letters to Santa at the Pampa Post Office.

## Arctic winds sweep across panhandle

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer

Bitterly cold temperatures paralyzed the Texas Panhandle today as the Arctic high pressure system that brought them pushed on in to the rest of the state and east into Oklahoma and Arkansas.

The Texas Department of Public Safety said today that all roads in the Texas Panhandle are open but there is a danger of bridges icing over and slick spots on the highway, particularly in the northeastern panhandle.

Weather forecasters warned of poor road conditions east of Pampa, particularly in Oklahoma, Arkansas and northeast Texas. It was 10 degrees in Oklahoma City at 6 a.m. today and 20 degrees in Dallas. Both were reporting slick streets. There were snow flurries to the west around Albuquerque and Santa Fe.

Pampa reported one degree below zero this morning and slick streets. Carson County officials reported clear highways out of Panhandle today.

Wheeler County authorities said roads were clear with temperatures of minus three in Wheeler and three degrees in Shamrock shortly before dawn today.

Sheriff's department officials in Canadian reported a few slick spots on highways in Hemphill County and four degrees at 6 a.m. today.

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## Car, money confiscated

Pampa has a 1979 Ford Thunderbird and \$968.38 after a district court judge ordered the car and money forfeited in a drug case.

Pampa police stopped the car with three people in it on Sept. 2, after getting a tip that men in a white and green Thunderbird were transporting drugs from Amarillo to Pampa.

While the criminal cases are still pending, 223rd District Court Judge Lee Waters ordered in a civil hearing last week that the car and money confiscated during the arrest could be retained by law enforcement officers.

Earlier this month, Felix Wilbur Scott, 24, of 1169 Huff, appeared at a hearing on a motion to suppress evidence in the criminal case. Scott is one of three men in the car to be charged with possession of a controlled substance.

Scott's lawyer, Ken Fields Jr., argued before Judge Waters that officers had no probable cause to stop the car and that any evidence found as a result of the stop could not be used in the case.

Pampa Police Sgt. Charlie Love testified at the hearing that a confidential informant told him that the car was bring drugs to Pampa. Fields argued that the confidential informant is the same as an anonymous informant. Fields cited cases where a stop based on an anonymous source was ruled illegal. Fields contended that a confidential informant is legally the same as an anonymous informant since the defense has no way to check the credibility of the information.

Judge Waters said he would delay ruling on the motion to suppress evidence until he could research the case law on the subject.

## Woman takes groceries without paying

■ Officers locate suspect walking in town

By JEFF WEST  
Staff Writer

There may be no perfect crimes, but some may fall shorter than others. Surveillance cameras at Albertson's recorded a woman taking a basket full of goods out of the store yesterday without bothering to pay for them. When store employees caught up with the woman they found the basket contained four cases of beer, several steaks and other items — over \$300 in goods.

The woman said she had the receipt in her car and when employees let her get in her car to find it, she drove off. The employees had her tag number, which they gave to Pampa Police Officer Don Rowell, when he arrived on the scene.

Rowell recognized the number as belonging to Teresa Lynn Dinsmore, 44, 1722 Duncan, according to police reports.

Several officers searched the city trying to locate the suspect and finally Officers Michael Lundgren and Neal Sandlin spotted Dinsmore walking in the 1000 block of Prairie, according to Sandlin. When Dinsmore spotted the patrol car, officers said, she started hurrying away, and Lundgren said he gave chase on foot.

Soon after the chase began, Sandlin said Dinsmore ducked behind a tree to hide.

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## Economist predicts 'greener pastures' for cattle industry

By DAVID BOWSER  
Staff Writer

AMARILLO — An economist with the Texas Cattle Feeders says there are greener pastures ahead for the cattle industry — he hopes.

"The outlook for 1999, I certainly think it will be a better year than 1998," TCFA economist Jim Gill said Monday. "At least, I certainly hope so."

Although Gill is predicting higher prices for fed cattle, he doesn't think the consumer will notice much difference at the meat counter.

"As for beef prices, I think that during the year of 1999, the consumer won't see much difference at the retail outlet," Gill said. "Right now, the retailer is working with a pretty wide margin. As our live prices start to move higher, I think the retailers will maintain the same average price they've had. I hope that what will happen is the industry will get back some of that margin that

the retailer is working on right now."

"For most of the year, fed cattle prices have been below the cost of production," Richard McDonald, President and CEO of the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, said Monday. "This is very similar to other segments of agriculture. Most all of agriculture has not had a good year."

Even with the depressed cattle prices, area cattle feeders in the Texas and Oklahoma Panhandles and Eastern New Mexico continue to

produce about 30 percent of all the fed cattle in the United States.

"The cost of production was above the price that we received most of the year," Gill said. "I think an average loss for 1998 was around \$100 a head."

Right now, we're doing a little bit better than that. The losses are running about \$20 to \$30 a head. The weather today might have something to do with tightening that."

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Columbia Medical Center's auxiliary donates Christmas stockings to all December newborns. (Left) "Baby girl" Ledbetter, daughter of Ronnie and Lynn Ledbetter of Pampa, held by Dana Lewis; "Baby boy" Smith, son of Gary and Jen Smith of Perryton, held by Angela Looten; "Baby boy" Perez, son of Carmen Perez of Canadian, held by Denise Jost

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# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**BUCHANAN, J.W.** "Buck" — 2 p.m., Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home, Spearman.  
**HATHAWAY, Mary Anita** — 2 p.m., Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors Memorial Chapel, Borger.  
**THOMAS, Beatrice** — 11 a.m., First Baptist Church, Wellington.

## Obituaries

**J.W. 'BUCK' BUCHANAN**  
 DUMAS — J.W. "Buck" Buchanan, 90, brother of a Pampa resident, died Sunday, Dec. 20, 1998. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home in Spearman. Burial will be in Hansford Cemetery.

Mr. Buchanan was born in Indian Territory. He moved to Hansford in 1911 and later to Spearman, graduating from Spearman High School in 1929 where he served as senior class president. He married Millie Ferrin in 1940 at Dodge City, Kan. He had been a Dumas resident for 43 years.

He was executive director of North Plains Water District from 1955-80; was a state representative from 1959-60, 1961-62, 1981-82 and 1983-86. In addition, he was manager of Spearman Chamber of Commerce from 1952-55.

He was Water Conservation Man of the Year in 1977, was Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Area Man of the Year in 1977, was Dumas Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year in 1967, was Texas County Agriculture Agents Association Man of the Year in 1973, was Dumas Lions Club Oldtimer of the Year in 1997 and earned the Fort Worth Press Award for leadership in water conservation in 1977.

He served as president of the Texas Water Conservation Association in 1971 and 1973, of Dumas Chamber of Commerce in 1966 and of Water, Inc., in 1976 and 1977. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, was past member of Hansford Lodge #1040 AF&AM and Amarillo Council #134 RS&M. He was a long-time member of Dumas Lions Club. He received life memberships in various state and national organizations including Dumas Chamber of Commerce in 1997.

Survivors include his wife, Millie; a daughter, Judy Ward of Houston; a son, John W. Buchanan Jr., of Missouri City; four sisters, Edna Bassel, Louise Vaught and Virginia Cates, all of Amarillo, and Helen Fisher of Spearman; two brothers, Paul Buchanan of Pampa and J.B. Buchanan of Spearman; and two grandchildren.

**MARY ANITA HATHAWAY**  
 FRITCH — Mary Anita Hathaway, 87, died Sunday, Dec. 20, 1998. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors Memorial Chapel in Borger with Bill Bailey, of Monroe Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery at Pampa.

Mrs. Hathaway was born at Brice. She married Homer Hathaway in 1934; he died in 1949. She moved to Borger in 1945 and had been a Fritch resident since 1972, moving from Borger. She was a retired lab technician for Phillips Copolymer Plant. She was a member of Monroe Church of Christ.

Survivors include three daughters, Arlene Siedenstrang of Akron, Ohio, Margory Farrell of Guyton, Okla., and Melba Jo Guthrie of Malvern, Ark.; two sons, Harvey Hathaway and Harold Hathaway, both of Borger; two sisters, Leta Mae Gathlin of Mobeetie and Velma Carter of Lefors; 12 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

The body will be available for viewing at the funeral home.

**PEGGY RUTH BROWN NEWMAN**  
 BLOOMINGTON, Calif. — Peggy Ruth Brown Newman, 55, died Thursday, Dec. 17, 1998, at Fontana, Calif. Services were Monday. Burial was in Old Velma Cemetery at Velma, Okla.

Mrs. Newman was born Jan. 9, 1943, at Comanche, Okla. She taught school for 24 years and was department director of special education at Truman Middle School in Fontana. She had also served as school principal. She was a Grand Master Life in Bridge and was choir director of First Presbyterian Church in Bloomington.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Clarence Brown and Jewell Green Brown. Survivors include two sisters, Patsy Wilson of Loco, Okla., and Gayle Nelson of Gila Bend, Ariz.; and two brothers, Jimmy Brown of Odessa and Dale Brown of Pampa.

**AVIS MARIE RAY**  
 WHITE DEER — Avis Marie Ray, 86, died Monday, Dec. 21, 1998. Services are to be at 4 p.m. today in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel in Pampa with the Rev. John Collins, pastor of First Baptist Church of White Deer, officiating. Private graveside services will follow in White Deer Cemetery at White Deer.

Mrs. Ray was born Nov. 20, 1912, at Oklahoma. She married Marion Albert "Curley" Ray on Nov. 1, 1921, at Hollis, Okla.; he died Nov. 23, 1990. She had been a White Deer resident for the past 30 years and was a member of First Baptist Church of White Deer.

She was preceded in death by a son, James Marion Ray, on Jan. 13, 1960.

Survivors include a daughter, Wanda Kaler of White Deer; twin sisters, Faye Miller of Ponca City, Okla., and Maye Whaley of Oklahoma; two brothers, Thurman Mills of California and James Mills of Oklahoma; four grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

**BEATRICE THOMAS**  
 WELLINGTON — Beatrice Thomas, 76, died Monday, Dec. 21, 1998. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in First Baptist Church with Kerry Hookstra, minister of First Christian Church of Erick, Okla., officiating. Burial will be in South Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Adams Funeral Home.

Mrs. Thomas was born in Comanche County and moved to Quail in 1929, graduating from

high school at Quail. She married Trusten A. Thomas in 1944 at Laredo; he died in 1973. She held a degree in nursing from Northwest Texas Hospital School of Nursing and was a registered nurse. She owned nursing homes in McLean and Wellington for 25 years.

She belonged to the 1954 Study Club, Hospital Auxiliary and RSVP advisory board. She was a member of First Christian Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Patricia A. Barnett of Wellington; two sons, Trusten A. Thomas Jr. of Wellington and Billy W. Thomas of McLean; seven grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First Christian Church Building Fund.

## 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 21**  
 Teresa Lynn Dinsmore, 44, 1732 Duncan, was arrested on charges of theft and evading detention.

Phone harassment was reported in the 1700 block of E. Browning.

## Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**Monday, December 21**  
 Chad W. Clifton, 23, 516 Montague, was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct.

Donald W. Carter, 41, 801 E. Francis, was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct.

## Accidents

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

**Monday, December 21**  
 Janice Reining Freeman, 41, 1010 Charles, was cited for failure to control speed when her 1985 GMC van couldn't stop at a stop sign at Williston and Russell and struck the 1985 Crown Victoria driven by Donald Ira Butler, 66, 1237 N. Russell. No injuries were reported.

## Ambulance

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

**Monday, December 21**  
 4:48 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of N. Wells and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

## Fires

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

**Monday, December 21**  
 1:27 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to the 500 block of N. Starkweather on a good intent call.

## 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 Furr's 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.

**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.  
**PAMPA AREA SINGLES**  
 The Pampa Area Singles dance will be Saturday, Dec. 26 at M.K. Brown. The potluck supper begins at 7 p.m. and the dance begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 a person and Mike Porter will be the featured entertainment. Call 665-0219 for more information.

**STOCKS**  
 The following gran quotations are provided by Atebury Gran of Pampa:

Wheat	2.38	Chevron	83 7/8	dn 1/8
Milo	3.27	Coca-Cola	65 3/8	dn 3/8
Corn	3.58	Columbia/HCA	22 1/4	dn 11/16
Soybeans	4.79	Enron	56 9/16	dn 5/16
		Halliburton	32	up 1
		IBR	3 1/8	up 1/16
		KNE	38 9/16	NC
		Kerr McGee	36 3/4	dn 3/8
		Limited	25 3/4	dn 5/16
		McDonald's	77	dn 1/2
		Mobil	89 7/16	dn 1/2
		New Atmos	31 1/8	up 1/8
		NCE	47 9/16	dn 5/16
		Pennsey	50 5/16	up 7/16
		Phillips	41 13/16	up 1/4
		Pioneer Nat. Res.	8 7/8	up 5/64
		SLB	45 7/16	up 1 3/64
		Tenneco	33 3/8	dn 3/16
		Texaco	51 1/2	NC
		Ultramar	23 1/8	dn 3/16
		Wal Mart	78 7/8	up 1/4
		Williams	29 7/8	dn 1/16
		New York Gold	288.50	
		Arco	65 5/8	NC
		Cabot	26 3/4	dn 9/16
		Cabot O&G	15 7/16	dn 1/4

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Ammo	56.91/6	dn 3/16
Arco	65.5/8	NC
Cabot	26.3/4	dn 9/16
Cabot O&G	15.7/16	dn 1/4

## Groceries

Unfortunately for her, the tree had no leaves on it and she was taken into custody early yesterday

afternoon. Bond was set at \$2,000 on a theft charge and \$2,000 on evading arrest. Dinsmore was released on bail late last night.

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## Cattle

There was blowing snow and the temperature was in single digits today in the Texas Panhandle. Wind chill factors were about 20 degrees below zero.

"I think in the first quarter we'll still have some supplies to work off the cattle market," Gill said. "Of course, the hog market continues to be severely depressed with their record production. Not only are record

numbers being slaughtered, but also record weights. The average weight last week of hogs slaughtered was 263 pounds."

The cattle feeding industry has suffered much the same problem, he said.

"Cattle have been at record weights this year," Gill said. "I think sometime in the first quarter of 1999, we'll see a downturn in weights."

The livestock economist said he is already beginning to see a seasonal

downturn in cattle weights. "I think in 1999 we'll be back to a more traditional weight on these live cattle which will reduce production," Gill said.

He said he expects to see reduced hog numbers by February or March.

"I hope that by the second quarter of 1999, we'll see some improvement in cattle prices," Gill said. "Maybe this business will get back to a profitable position."

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## Weather

Amarillo reported one degree above zero at 6 a.m. today with a wind chill factor of minus 17 degrees.

Skellytown reported two degrees this morning. Dalhart was at two below zero under partly cloudy skies with a wind chill factor of 21 below. Childress reported 10 degrees and fair skies. Lubbock was reporting eight degrees at 6 a.m. today with a chill index of 11 below zero.

Perryton reported one above zero overnight. White Deer was two degrees above zero. Wellington was at nine degrees. Morse reported one below zero overnight. Dumas reported zero.

Despite the frigid temperatures, the National Weather

Service in Amarillo said the cold weather is not setting any records. The record for this date is eight degrees below zero set in 1989.

The average low for Dec. 22, however, is 22 degrees.

Amarillo National Weather Service reported 0.3 of an inch of snow Monday. Weather officials said that amounts to 0.02 inch of moisture. Weather officials said that still leaves the area behind normal in moisture by about 2.3 of an inch for the year.

In Pampa, it should be partly sunny today with a high of 17 degrees, well above Monday's high of 10 degrees, according to Pampa's weatherman, Darrell Sehorn. Winds should be light and variable from the southeast at five to 10 miles an hour.

Tonight, skies will grow cloudy

again with a low of about 10 degrees. Clouds will fill the sky Wednesday giving Pampa a 20 percent chance of light snow and a high between 15 and 20 degrees, Sehorn said. Flurries could continue through Wednesday night with temperatures dropping to near five degrees.

Thursday will be mostly cloudy with a slight chance of snow and a high near 30 degrees. There is a chance of snow for Christmas Day with cloudy skies and a high of about 25 degrees, according to Sehorn.

The National Weather Service in Amarillo was a little more optimistic, predicting that the temperature could hit the freezing mark Christmas Day and could be in the 40s by Saturday.

## Weather focus

### LOCAL FORECAST

Today's high is 17 with a projected low tonight of 10 degrees. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of light snow and a high between 15 and 20. Thursday, a chance of light snow again with a high of 20. Yesterday's high was 10 and the overnight low was minus one degree.

### REGIONAL FORECAST

**WEST TEXAS** — Panhandle — Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Lows around 5 above. Southwest winds 5-15 mph, becoming north after midnight. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of light snow. Highs around 20.

**NORTH TEXAS** — Tonight, occasional snow flurries and freezing drizzle west. A chance of light snow or sleet central and northeast, chance of sleet or freezing rain southeast. Low 17 north to 26 southeast. Wednesday, continued cloudy and cold. Occasional snow flurries west and south central, chance of snow and sleet north central and northeast, chance of sleet or freezing rain southeast. High 27 north to 32 south.

**SOUTH TEXAS** — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Winter weather advisory in effect tonight through Wednesday night, cloudy and very cold with a chance of freezing rain or freezing drizzle. Some accumulation possible. Lows will range from near 20 in the Hill Country to the 20s south central. Highs in the 20s.

**TRANS Pecos** — Tonight, mostly cloudy with flurries, freezing rain or drizzle possible east. Lows in the mid teens to lower 20s. Wednesday, becoming partly cloudy, morning flurries possible. Highs in the 30s. Concho

Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight, cloudy with freezing drizzle or light freezing rain. Lows in the upper teens to mid 20s. Wednesday, becoming partly cloudy, morning flurries or freezing drizzle possible. High in the mid 30s. Far West Texas

— Wednesday, variable high clouds. Highs 50-55. Wednesday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Tonight, cloudy with light freezing drizzle possible. Lows in the 20s and 30s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the 40s to near 60.

**BORDER STATES**  
**NEW MEXICO** — Tonight, increasing clouds with a chance for snow showers after midnight northwest third. Low clouds and fog developing east with flurries and patchy freezing drizzle possibly developing. Partly cloudy southwest. Lows from near zero to near 20 mountains and north, with 20s to near 30 south. Wednesday, a chance of snow showers northwest in the morning, then clearing. Low clouds and fog with flurries and patchy freezing drizzle lingering southeastern third. Partly cloudy remainder. Highs 20s and 30s north and mountains, 40s and 50s south.

**OKLAHOMA** — Tonight, a chance of light snow or sleet south. Cloudy and cold. Low in the single digits and teens. Wednesday, a chance for light snow or sleet south and light snow elsewhere. Highs mainly in the 20s.

# Man charged for stabbing

Police tell officials that man said his wife wanted to die

HAMMOND, Ind. (AP) — A man has been charged with stabbing his 84-year-old wife with a butcher knife and hitting her three times in the head with a hammer because she was "not in the Christmas spirit" and wanted to die.

William Fagyas, 82, was charged Monday with attempted murder and battery on his wife, Eleanor, at the couple's home 20 miles southwest of Chicago.

After the alleged assault on Friday, Fagyas stuck the knife into his own chest before calling police.

Mrs. Fagyas was in fair condition today at St. Margaret Mercy Healthcare Center in Hammond. Fagyas was released from the hospital Monday.

Police Detective Thomas Textor said Fagyas had told him he tried to kill his wife "because she told him she wanted to die, she was not in the Christmas spirit and he could no longer go on like this."

Lt. Richard Hoyda said the couple had been preparing to move to a retirement home, "and they were both very tired" from the stress of packing.

## City briefs

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**Gas Well Completions**  
**GRAY (EAST PANHANDLE)**  
 Gruy Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #B-3-Hudgins 'B', 1083' from North & 2055' from East line, Sec. 7, 25, H&GN, elev. 2633 rkb, spud 7-3-98, drlg. compl 7-7-98, tested 11-13-98, potential 415 MCF, rock pressure 115, pay 2092-2152, TD 2347', PBD 2230', tops: Br. Dolo 2120 Gr. Wash 2205, B/Granite 2225, 8 5/8" csg. 349' (440 sx) 5 1/2" csg. 2325' (75 sx) 1 1/2" tbg. depth set 2158' — API # 42 179 32356

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**Plugged Wells**  
**ROBERTS (ALPAR LIPS Marmaton) Alpar Resources, Inc., #4D Brainard '178', Sec. 178, C,G&M, spud 5-18-97, plugged 11-17-98, TD 8000' (oil)**  
**ROBERTS (ALPAR LIPS Marmaton) Crescendo Resources, L.P., #1 Lips Ranch 'D' 169, Sec. 169, C,G&M, spud 4-3-97, plugged 11-6-98, TD 7750' (oil) — Form 1 in Amoco Production**  
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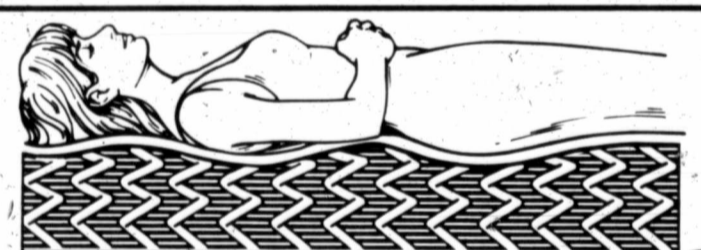
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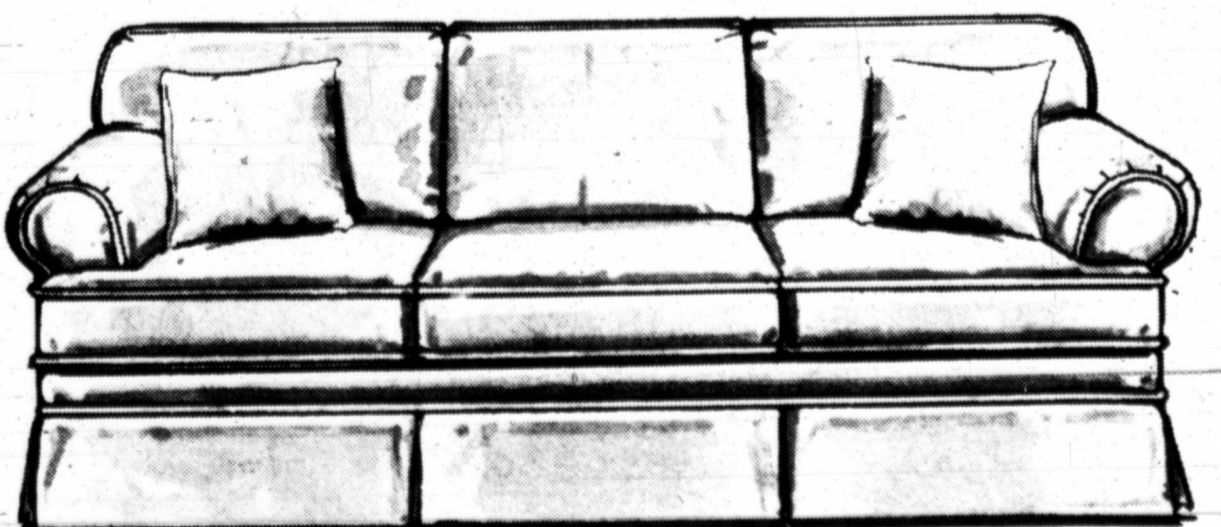
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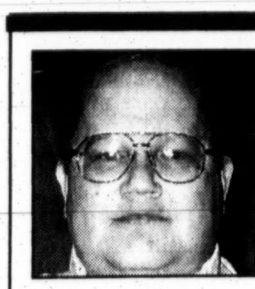
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# Giving vent to winter woes

Quickly joining my list of pet peeve phrases is, 'Well I guess we can't complain, we've had a mild winter'. Yes we have had a mild winter; I have extolled this winter highly, but when the weather turns like this I can complain plenty. The weather is really, really, cold, and I hate that.



Jeff West  
Pampa News staff

Sure I know that complaining doesn't actually change anything, but it allows me to vent my feelings. It's not good to hold your feelings in, "they" say. Of course "they" weren't talking about being mad at a Hell's Angel, or a traffic officer, or your mother-in-law, but generally that's what "they" say. No I don't really know who "they" are, I guess "they" are the same people who shot Kennedy, hide the UFO's, control television programming and deny there's a monster in the Loch Ness.

so that people know that you are overworked, underpaid, and generally put upon that can be a good thing. Besides it can be helpful. Squeaky wheels gets the grease and all that. Just be careful not to squeak too much, otherwise you could get your bearing replaced and we know how painful that can be.

But back to complaining, there is an art to it. If one never complains, everyone thinks your life is rosy and you need more to do. If you complain too much, then no one takes you seriously. **But complaining just enough**

I suppose there's one good thing about this cold weather. One of the reasons that some people think have kept the Salvation Army kettles below average is that the weather has been nice and people don't feel sorry enough

for the bell ringers. I don't see how that could be. If you think you get tired of hearing that bell for the five minutes or so that you have to hear it going into a store, imagine listening to that clanging for hours. I suspect some of those folks hear that bell into the middle of February. You know you should really give some money to those folks. Not only is it a good cause, but I hear they report to Santa who's been naughty and nice.

Since this is the last column I'll write before Christmas I suppose I should wish you all a Merry Christmas. Of course I also wish you a happy Christmas Eve and a jolly December 28. I don't want to wish anyone just one happy day out of the year (two if you count your birthday). But since murder, suicide and family violence are usually up this time of year I hope you take time to give Christmas cheer to someone who needs it. A kind word or a smile may do, or you might have to actually listen to someone.

Be good to one another and be good to yourselves.

## Today in history

**By The Associated Press**  
Today is Tuesday, Dec. 22, the 356th day of 1998. There are nine days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
On Dec. 22, 1944, during the Battle of the Bulge, the Germans demanded the surrender of American troops at Bastogne, Belgium; Brig. Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe reportedly replied: "Nuts!"

**On this date:**  
In 1775, a Continental naval fleet was organized in the rebellious American colonies under the command of Ezek Hopkins.

In 1807, Congress passed the Embargo Act, designed to force peace between Britain and France by cutting off all trade with Europe.

In 1864, during the Civil War, Union Gen. William T. Sherman sent a message to President Lincoln from Georgia, saying, "I beg to present you as a Christmas gift the city of Savannah."

In 1941, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill arrived in Washington for a wartime conference with President Roosevelt.

## Opinion

### Independent counsel law needs reviewing

Following his acquittal on 30 corruption charges, former Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy described himself as the victim of an independent counsel who acted like a "schoolyard bully." Espy, accused of taking \$34,000 in illegal gratuities, has only himself to blame for his long ordeal, which stemmed from admitted mistakes. Nonetheless, Espy's case raises valid questions.

Does the special prosecutor statute, established in the Watergate era to combat political corruption, give independent counsels too much unchecked power to investigate high-ranking government officials? Is it routinely abused to wage partisan political witch hunts rather than to pursue justice?

The Espy case is now widely viewed as an example of why the statute should be repealed. Espy clearly took gifts from corporate benefactors and others were convicted in the investigation. But there is a legitimate sense — reflected by the jury decision — that special prosecutions can be pursued out of proportion to any crimes committed.

In Espy's case, the prosecution took four years and spent \$17 million to uncover relatively minor acts of corruption. Other special prosecutor investigations, such as Kenneth Starr's pursuit of Bill Clinton in Whitewater, and Lawrence Walsh's probe of the Bush administration for Iran-Contra, have cost far more, though they are easier to justify based on the seriousness of the accusations involved.

There are advantages and problems with the statute. Having an independent investigator doesn't depoliticize what will always be political matters, but it does provide an independent mechanism for investigating corruption at the highest levels. Without the statute, top officials could easily brush their own corruption under the rug, especially if the same party controls the presidency and Congress.

On the other hand, independent counsels can run amok. Too often, they have an open-ended mandate to uncover any potential wrongdoing, in any area of a targeted person's life. Special prosecutors allow Congress, in particular, to shirk its investigatory duty, instead allowing an independent — and perhaps unconstitutional — arm of government to do its dirty work.

Democrats, who were the driving force behind the law's creation, rarely complained about it as prosecutors tormented the Reagan and Bush administrations. Now that a Democratic administration is on the hot seat, their cries of unfairness have been deafening. Likewise, many Republicans are now content with a law they spent years opposing.

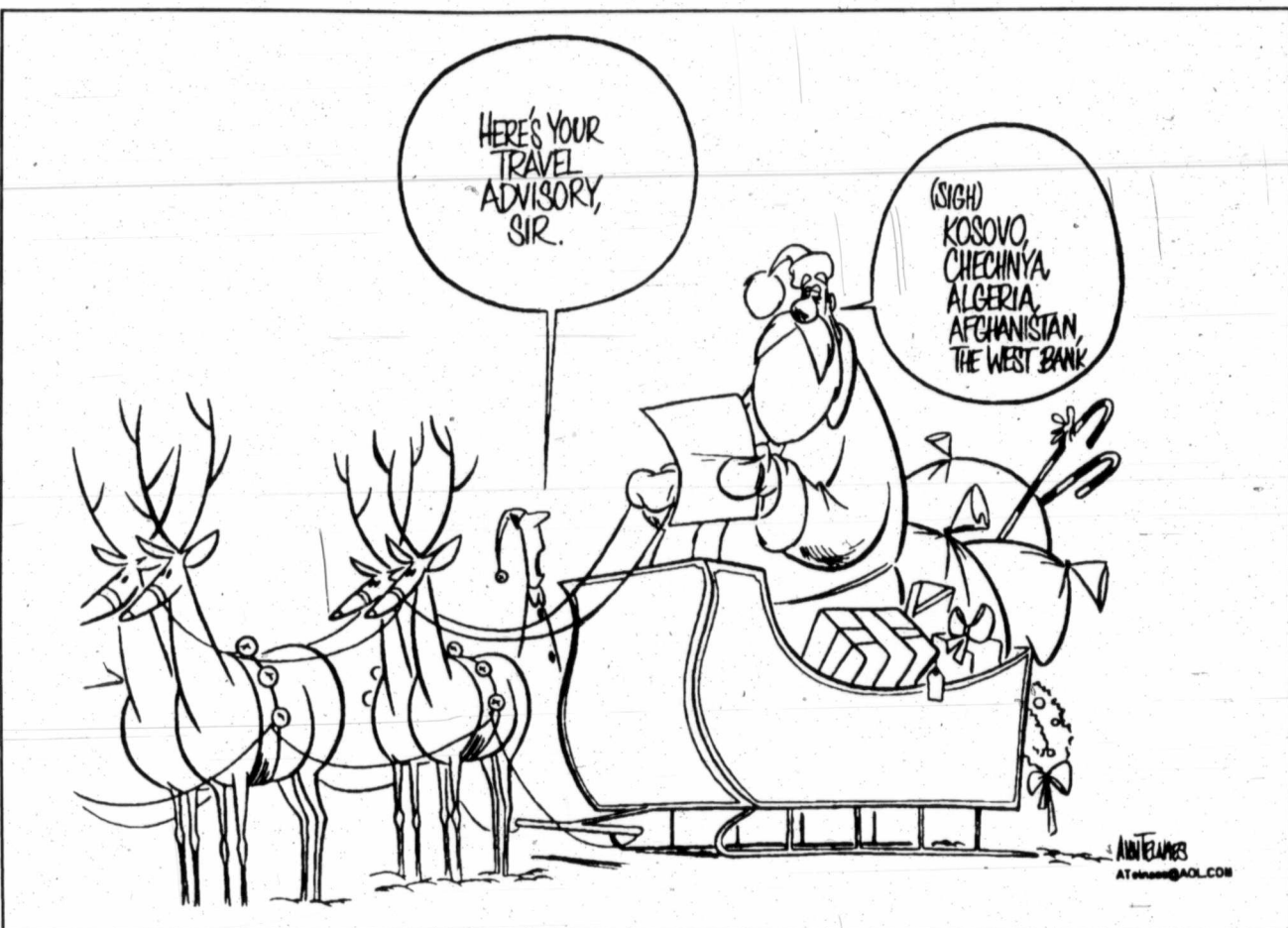
Complaints about the statute have "occurred to the American Bar Association, all the left-wing columnists in the country as the result of the fact that the independent counsels have pursued the wrong 'guys,'" said Peter Schramm, executive director of the John M. Ashbrook Center for Public Affairs in Ohio.

Schramm believes it's "bad law" and probably should be eliminated. But former judge Robert Bork, now the John M. Olin Scholar in Legal Studies at the American Enterprise Institute in Washington, D.C., said he is beginning to rethink his previous opposition to the statute largely because of the politicization of the Clinton Justice Department.

Bork said he had believed the law was unconstitutional, but the Supreme Court now has ruled that it isn't. Both men agree that, as long as the law is on the books, it should be triggered when evidence indicates sufficient wrongdoing, such as in the administration's acceptance of Chinese campaign contributions.

This much is certain: The debate that has emerged in the wake of the Espy verdict and the Starr investigation should continue, especially as Congress revisits the special prosecutor law next year. Now that the law has been used against Republicans and Democrats alike, perhaps partisans on both sides can think more evenhandedly about how it affects the U.S. political system, rather than simply whose ox it is most likely to gore.

—Odessa American



# Burning Bush sighted in Israel

Nobody thinks retired Gen. Colin Powell will run for president in 2000. Trouble is, "nobody" often is wrong. Exhibit A: Nobody thought Republicans would lose House seats in the just-completed elections, and certainly nobody thought Newt Gingrich would be forced to resign as House Speaker.

Plenty of people within the Republican Party — in BOTH parties, as a matter of fact — believe Powell would be the strongest candidate the GOP could field.

But Powell has said he isn't running, and there are no visible indications otherwise.

Which is one reason the next voice you'll hear announcing his candidacy for president will be Republican Sen. John Ashcroft of Missouri.

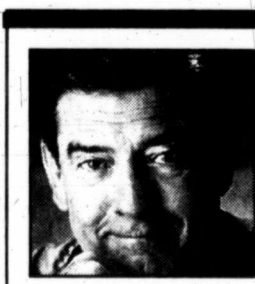
Say who? No, he isn't well known outside his home state. But that's about to change.

Make no mistake, Ashcroft is serious, well-organized, heavily backed by the self-described Christian Right, and has, among Republicans, what football coaches call "breakaway potential."

Some Republican presidential wannabes are waiting to see what Texas Gov. George Bush decides to do. But Ashcroft isn't dallying. He's going for it.

This could be trouble for Bush if he waits much longer, and maybe even if he doesn't. Nobody in the Bush camp underestimates Ashcroft.

Both camps believe Powell won't change his mind about running. Even if Powell did run,



Dan Rather  
Syndicated columnist

they maintain that he wouldn't be unbeatable for the nomination.

Reason: Many of the Republicans' biggest contributors and most active workers have reservations about Powell. Some of them see him as a kind of closet Democrat. His pro-choice position on abortion and his stand for affirmative action, for example, don't sit well with those Republicans.

So the thinking goes among Bush and Ashcroft supporters (and many others) that, while Powell might be a stronger candidate IF he could get the nomination, both Bush and Ashcroft would likely fare better in Republican primaries, where the Religious Right and farther-right-than-Powell forces dominate.

Bush continues to maintain that he hasn't made up his mind about running. But his actions indicate otherwise.

He recently completed a tour around the Mediterranean, carefully calibrated to build up his thin foreign policy credentials and buttress his standing among two groups important in

modern U.S. presidential elections: voters of Jewish or Italian heritage.

His stop in Italy was brief and low-profile. The one in Israel was lengthy and highly publicized. In between, he went to Cairo, shepherded by his father, the former president, through a meeting with Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak.

In Israel, he was photographed with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu, whom Israelis generally view as partial to Republicans. Netanyahu, educated in the United States, has wide contacts within the American-Jewish political arena.

Bush said and did all the right things in Israel. His well-crafted statement on arrival was a thing of political beauty: "Israel is a great friend of the United States. I'm here to learn not only about Israel but about my own religion."

In the slang of late 20th-century American politics, Italy, Israel and Ireland are called the "Three-I League," because so many crucial elements of the U.S. electorate trace their roots to those three countries.

By any reasonable analysis now, Bush the Younger is working the "Three-I League." As he does so, talk grows of a Republican ticket pairing Bush with New York Gov. George Pataki.

Overnight is a long time in politics. A week is forever. The election is still almost two years away. Any predictions risk eventually looking foolish.

But Bush IS running. He may get knocked out along the way, or may yet decide to pull out. But his campaign is already formed, well financed, and moving forward.

# Russia is not on the brink of disaster

"To understand Russian foreign policy," Alexi Pushkov said, "we have to go back to 1991. At that time, our goal was to be integrated into the West, and we adopted a pro-Western foreign policy. This may never have been a realistic option. But realistic or not, the West decided it did not want us and made this clear when it expanded NATO to include three former Warsaw Pact countries."

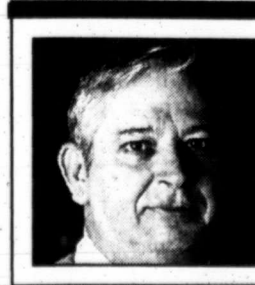
Now think about that statement. Russia wanted to be integrated into the West and adopted pro-Western policies. The West rejected her.

Pushkov is an international affairs columnist for Nezavisimaya Gazeta, an influential Russian daily. He made the statement to Alain Gresh, editor in chief of Le Monde Diplomatique, who quoted him in an article in the Journal of Palestine Studies. Pushkov has very close ties to the Russian government.

As I have said before, the expansion of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization is a strategic blunder of catastrophic dimensions. While a public conditioned to be entertainment spectacle focuses on Bill Clinton's sordid sex life and photo ops, Clinton's greatest damage to America is in foreign policy.

The consequences of turning his back on an opportunity to integrate Russia into Western society will be not immediate, but they will be painfully significant. There is a lot of potential for evil outcomes in that dumb decision to expand NATO.

Why it was made, I wish I could tell you, but I



Charley Reese  
Syndicated columnist

have yet to hear any halfway rational justification for it. All I can say is that despite the hype, parroted by a stupid press, Clinton is not a brilliant man. He's a clever con artist, and his appointments have been of unusually low quality.

I think some have gained the impression from the now-standard superficial news coverage of Russia that it has fallen apart and is in chaos. It is indeed having hard economic times, but remember, World War II started with all its participants in the depths of the Great Depression. Consumer economics does not equate to military power. Remember, too, that Russian has not fallen apart.

It still has its strategic nuclear missiles and despite its troubles not long ago completed the 15th successful test of a brand-new intercontinental ballistic missile. It just put the heaviest component of the new space station into orbit because we don't have a rocket powerful enough to lift it.

It would be wrong to think of Russia as if it were some Third World country that could be kicked around. It remains a major power.

Furthermore, it's only a matter of time before Russia gets her internal affairs in order, one way or another. Thanks to Clinton, it is not likely to be in a Western-oriented way.

Adolf Hitler and World War II were created by the Treaty of Versailles, dictated mainly by vain old politicians from Great Britain and France in 1918. Twenty-one years would pass before the consequences of that blunder began to unfold in a war that cost an estimated 55 million human lives.

History can be said to be the story of human errors and the consequences. As the power of governments to do evil has grown enormously so, too, have the consequences of human error.

The answer is easy. America needs to re-adopt the wise policy of George Washington — armed neutrality, entangling alliances with none, friendship and trade with all. That is easy to say but perhaps impossible to achieve, given the intertwining of government and international business interests, which began after the destruction of the Republic in 1865.

At best, Americans had better pressure Congress to override another of Clinton's great blunders, his veto of an anti-missile system to protect American lives. Count on it, Clinton has not sewn any seeds of peace.

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# Texas octuplets spark debate

HOUSTON (AP) — While doctors guard the fragile health of the world's first surviving set of octuplets, the births have rekindled the medical community's debate over the use of fertility drugs.

The babies born to Nkem Chukwu (nih-KEHM chuhk-WOO) were "a disaster" from an infertility standpoint, said Dr. Randle Corfman, director of the Midwest Center for Reproductive Health in Robbinsdale, Minn.

Corfman worried that insurance companies may reconsider providing health coverage for women like Mrs. Chukwu who have fertility treatment. Others question whether parents who take fertility drugs really understand the health risks of underdeveloped multiple births.

"The fact is that the vast majority of these cases (of quadruplets or more) end in disaster, sometimes for the mom, most often for the babies," Dr. Alan Copperman said in today's New York Times.

Copperman, director of reproductive endocrinology at Mount Sinai-New York University Medical Center, said every time a case like the Chukwus' comes along, desperate couples become more willing to take greater risks.

A Saudi woman gave birth to three girls and four boys in January, and the McCaughey septuplets were born in Iowa just 13 months ago. All of those babies have survived.

By the time Mrs. Chukwu's eight tiny children are well enough to

be taken home, an estimated \$2 million will have been spent on their care, about \$250,000 a child, predicted Dr. Leonard Weisman, chief neonatologist at Texas Children's Hospital.

Doctors said the infants, who have not yet been named, could be in the hospital for up to two months, while their mother may be released within a week.

The six girls and two boys remained in critical condition Monday at Texas Children's.

Seven of the eight weighed between 1 pound and 1 pound 11 ounces at birth. Doctors say that in general, such babies have an 85 percent chance of survival with today's improved techniques for caring for small babies. The other baby weighed 11 ounces at birth, and her chances would be somewhat less.

Chief among the worries with the Chukwu children was lung development. Baby A, the girl born Dec. 8, was delivered 15 weeks premature. Her two brothers and five sisters were born Sunday morning, 13 weeks early. All were placed on ventilators.

"It's alarming in the sense premature babies have problems," Weisman said.

Dr. Brian Kirshon, who delivered the octuplets, said the woman and her husband, Iyke Chukwu, a respiratory therapist at a Houston hospital, rejected the idea of "selective reduction," a technique in which doctors abort some fetuses so others have a better chance of survival.

"It was totally out of the question," to the deeply religious, Nigerian-born couple, Kirshon said.

The octuplets are covered by the family's insurance. But it's a matter of time, according to Corfman, before insurance companies re-examine how to cover infertility treatments when multiple births produce such sickly children.

"Our fear is that is exactly what will happen," he said. "They'll say we cannot cover this."

"When we use these medicines we have to be conscious of the fact that we cannot predict with certainty which eggs will take. When we start cranking up having the woman produce more than one egg, we run the risk of producing more than one baby."

And more babies in a womb designed to hold just one increases the likelihood the infants will have undersized lungs, brains and hearts.

Weisman said the advent of fertility treatments has forced the medical community to confront the ethical issues surrounding multiple births.

Should doctors, for example, be more aggressive about promoting selective reduction? And should multiple births, which are increasing annually, be viewed as successful notwithstanding the health risks?

"For certain families who are having trouble conceiving I think they are a success," Weisman said. "The problem, the side effect is you wind up with all these multiple pregnancies, multiple births which result in a lot of increase in health problems."

## Amid growing need, day care facility established for young at heart

LAWRENCEVILLE, Ga. (AP) — Florence Green was living in a nursing home when doctors told her she had to have one of her legs amputated above the knee, the result of vascular disease.

Gail Stone remembers those days. Frustrated with the care her mother was getting, she quit her job as a registered nurse to tend to her.

"She basically deteriorated very badly

there," Ms. Stone said. "She was having pains and they dismissed it as arthritis."

Ms. Stone could not remain out of work indefinitely. Three days a week, she drops her 84-year-old mother off at the Gwinnett County adult day care center. There, her mother gets pedicures, plays bingo and chats with friends until her daughter's work day is done.

Adult day care operators say the U.S.

demand for such centers, touted as guilt-free alternatives to nursing homes, is growing. Twenty years ago, there were 300 facilities; now there are more than 4,000, ranging in cost from a few dollars per day to more than \$100 for each visit.

"It really is an ideal option for the working caregivers who can rest assured knowing their family member

is in a safe setting when they're at work," said Mary Brugger Murphy, director of National Adult Day Services, a unit of the National Council on the Aging.

The centers are mostly geared toward seniors who need limited supervision and medical assistance. While many are operated on a nonprofit basis by churches, hospitals or community groups,

more private-run centers are opening.

As baby boomers start to retire early in the next century and the pool of caregivers shrinks, the demand for such centers is expected to grow. The population of Americans over 65 will grow from 34 million to 53 million by 2020, according to Census Bureau forecasts. The over-85 population will nearly double to 7 million.

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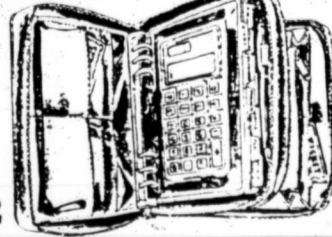
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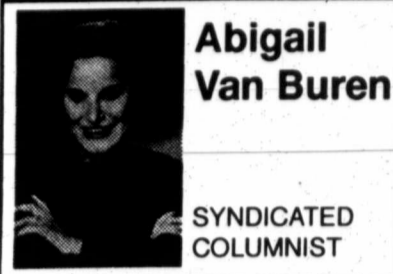


### Store Hours This Week

Monday & Tuesday 10:00 - 8:00  
Wednesday 9:00 - 8:00  
Thursday 9:00-5:00  
Friday - Closed - Merry Christmas  
Saturday 10:00 - 6:00

# Renting With Boyfriend Could Cost Woman Her Independence

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a female, 20 years old. I live in an apartment by myself, have a new car and heavy new car payments. I'm working two jobs in order to pay my bills. Work takes up so much of my time and energy that, quite frankly, I'm about ready to go crazy. Not only that, I don't have time to go to school, which is really terrible — because I have career goals.



**Abigail Van Buren**  
 SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

My boyfriend and I have dated almost three years. We were best friends for a year and a half before we started going out. He's a wonderful guy, and we've always gotten along great. He lives in a house with a roommate and things aren't going well there, so the idea of us living together came up. It's not like, "Oh, we need to take our relationship a step further." It's just that we'd both greatly benefit from it, and we get along great — so why not? I know he'd be a good roommate.

My problem? If I didn't have financial problems, and could go back to school as things are now, I wouldn't live with him. I prefer living alone. I have thought this through, but there really are no other alternatives. There aren't any apartments that would cut my living expenses enough so I could quit my second job.

I'm afraid if we live together it would be for the wrong reasons. But if I don't, I won't be able to go back to school. Do you think it would be a mistake? If so, have you any suggestions?  
**SCARED TO SHARE IN ARIZONA**

**DEAR SCARED:** Yes. Do not move in with anyone unless you're 100 percent sure you want to live with that person. Sell the new car and drive something more economical, and put an ad in the paper for a female roommate to share expenses until you can live alone without causing yourself economic hardship. That way, you won't risk losing a boyfriend.

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm a sophomore attending college in Houston. Every once in a while since I've been in school, I would receive an e-mail message from my grandmother with a nice poem or meaningful essay. I never questioned where she got them because she has always loved to read, and I knew she probably ran across things like that quite often.

On my last birthday in July, she sent me a copy of your booklet titled "Keepers," and as I flipped through it I recognized several of the pieces she had sent me. Then I knew where she had gotten them.

Gramma died suddenly last month of a massive stroke. It was a shock to all of us because we had no idea she wasn't in tiptop shape.

Last week, Mom and I went to her home to sort through her things and distribute her belongings to family members or her favored charities. I found your booklet in her night stand, right next to her Bible. She must have treasured the booklet to have kept it next to her Bible, which she read every day without fail.

Thank you, Abby, for putting so many meaningful things in one booklet. I'm sure she isn't the only one who has enjoyed it. I will treasure my copy even more knowing she liked it, too.  
**CYNTHIA BETH IN HOUSTON**

**DEAR CYNTHIA BETH:** Thank you for your heartwarming letter. It pleases me that your grandmother shared her favorite pieces from "Keepers" with you. Please accept my deepest sympathy for the death of your beloved Gramma.

To receive a collection of Abby's most memorable — and most frequently requested — poems and essays, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's "Keepers," P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

## Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 23, 1998  
 BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) \*\*\* You fluctuate from one viewpoint to another. Understand that your efforts make a surprising difference. Unexpected news from a distance makes you think. Bring loved ones together for the holiday season, to share good cheer. Tonight: Do something just for yourself!  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) \*\*\*\* Finish as much work as possible. Listen and evaluate before you nix an offer that turns attention to you. Shift your focus to friends and co-workers in the afternoon. If you don't have a formal office party, take the lead and organize a spontaneous one! Tonight: Make merry.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) \*\*\*\* Open your heart and allow others to share their feelings with you. An unexpected confession from a friend has a strong effect. You might be challenged to rearrange your world. A must appearance demands your complete attention. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) \*\*\*\* Get down to basics at work. Discussions about presents or bonuses might preoccupy your think-

ing. Be realistic about what is offered; don't make demands that cannot be met. Understand where others come from. Caring builds between you and someone. Tonight: Say "yes!"  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) \*\*\*\* Take in someone's point of view. You have a hard time identifying it right now. Surprise happenings turn this into a fun day, if you choose to go with the flow. Release rigidity, and let a partner dominate. You'll love what happens for both of you. Tonight: Turn down the heat!  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) \*\*\*\* Get as much done today as quickly as possible. The social nature of this week takes over by afternoon. A co-worker is full of surprises. Learn to flow with the moment. Consider bringing home extra work, to ease the load. Others clearly want you with them. Tonight: In the holiday whirlwind.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) \*\*\* Laughter and humor mark talks. You find a loved one unusually perky. If single, an encounter could suddenly develop. Think before leaping. Nurture yourself and someone in your immediate environment. Your kindness means a lot. Tonight: The time is getting short!  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) \*\*\*\* An unexpected expenditure could make you upset. Realize what you need to do to get around a problem. Brainstorm with others; creativity comes through. A loved one delights you. Let him dote on you. Whether you are ready or not, you

fall into the holiday spirit. Tonight: Mistletoe fantasies.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) \*\*\*\* Reach out for others, and listen well. Don't hold ideas back. Someone needs to listen to your opinions. Expect the unexpected. Communications are accelerated and take off. Take time to be with family. A relative appreciates your attention. Tonight: Curl up at home.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\*\* Expenses are still out of whack. You could decide to take a risk. Be sure you can afford the pros and cons before you launch into action. Curb spending, for your own sake. Reach out, make calls and invite others over. Tonight: Partake in some old-fashioned holiday cheer.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\*\* Listen carefully to others. An event can trigger impulsiveness, sending you in the wrong direction. Unpredictability works for you. A friend delights in spending time with you. Be realistic about your energy. Finish wrapping a couple of extra gifts. Tonight: Indulge.

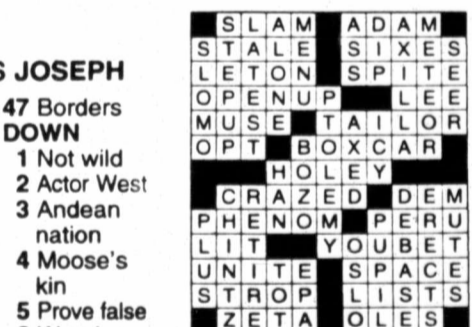
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\* Promptly handle some behind-the-scenes matters. A boss or respected friend could ask you for a last-minute favor. Make it your pleasure. Consider taking the afternoon off as your mind will be drifting to everything but your work. Others depend on your high energy. A holiday hooray!

## Crossword Puzzle

by THOMAS JOSEPH

**ACROSS**

- 1 Candle
- 6 Heart
- parts
- 11 Fred Astaire's sister
- 12 Bank offerings
- 13 1976 Rookie of the Year pitcher
- 15 Flightless bird
- 16 Exploit
- 17 Retiring
- 18 Night lights
- 20 Discernment
- 23 Flower part
- 27 Historic canal
- 28 Texas city
- 29 Singer Shore
- 31 Southern drink
- 32 Stop
- 34 Cry of insight
- 37 Raced
- 38 Except
- 41 Record setter of 1998
- 44 "Dallas" matriarch
- 45 "Sweet Dreams" actress
- 46 Vegas machines



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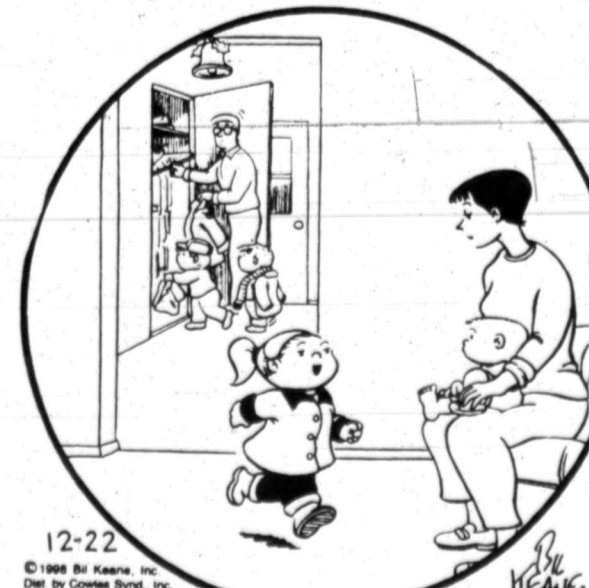
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- 2 Actor West
- 3 Andean nation
- 4 Moose's kin
- 5 Prove false
- 6 Wood-yielding shrubs
- 7 Rocky hill
- 8 Sunbeams
- 9 Ruler part
- 10 Pale
- 14 "Rose — rose ..."
- 18 Pillar
- 19 Assure
- 20 Koppel of "Nightline"
- 21 "Exodus"
- hero
- 22 Sermon topic
- 24 Chum
- 25 Top card
- 26 Cut off
- 30 Messenger god
- 31 Tarzan's home
- 33 One of three in a
- row
- 34 Iowa city
- 35 Foyer
- 36 Singer
- Guthrie
- 38 Bob's "Road" buddy
- 39 Goad
- 40 Golf pegs
- 42 Young fox
- 43 Bankroll

## Marmaduke



"Now would be a good time to walk him."

## The Family Circus



"Don't tell ANYBODY, Mommy. It's a surprise! We got you a fax machine!"

## For Better or For Worse



## Zits



## Garfield



## Beetle Bailey



## Marvin



## B.C.



## Hagar The Horrible



## Peanuts



## Blondie



## Mallard Fi'l'more



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 For answers to today's crossword, call 1-900-454-7377/ 99¢ per minute, touch-tone/rotary phones. (18+only.) A King Features service, NYC.



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# SPORTS

## Notebook

### FOOTBALL

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Chan Gailey celebrated his first NFC East championship with the Dallas Cowboys as wildly as he knew how.

"I had a big dinner and a bowl of ice cream," he said Monday. "That's as big as I ever celebrate."

The Dallas coach, the former offensive coordinator for the Pittsburgh Steelers, flipped the Cowboys from a 6-10 season in Barry Switzer's final year into a 9-6 team that was the best in a bad division.

Dallas has one game left — at home against Washington on Sunday night — but the outcome won't change the NFC playoff schedule. The Cowboys will be home against a wild-card team on Jan. 2 or Jan. 3.

Gailey predicted the Cowboys would be playing in January during the July training camp. He kept referring to the team as "the 1998-99 Dallas Cowboys."

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Gov. Don Sundquist will join Tennessee Oilers owner K.S. "Bud" Adams Tuesday in unveiling a logo to go with the new Titans team name.

The new logo will be unveiled by Adams and Sundquist at the Parthenon at 11:15 a.m. CST. Simultaneously, it will be unveiled by team officials in Chattanooga, Kingsport, Knoxville, Memphis and Huntsville, Ala. The logo will be unveiled at 2 p.m. in Jackson.

Information about the new logo also will be delivered Tuesday to the newspaper, team radio affiliate and TV station in Bowling Green, Ky.

Adams said the grand prize winner of the "Guess the Name" contest, a Memphis resident, will be announced during the news conference in Memphis. The winner gets a trip for two to the Super Bowl.

## Dolphins down Broncos to clinch playoff spot

MIAMI (AP) — The Miami Dolphins are in the playoffs, and the Denver Broncos are in a slump.

Dan Marino dominated in his first matchup against John Elway since 1985, throwing for 355 yards and four touchdowns to lead Miami past Denver 31-21 Monday night.

Miami (10-5) clinched the final AFC playoff berth as a wild-card entry, giving the AFC East four teams in postseason. The Broncos (13-2), who were unbeaten and looked unbeatable two weeks ago, lost their second game in a row.

The Broncos had little incentive because they had already clinched the home-field advantage throughout the AFC playoffs. Their loss to the New York Giants last week dashed the tantalizing prospect of an unbeaten

Denver team playing in Miami, where the 1972 Dolphins are revered for achieving the NFL's only perfect season.

Miami fell behind 10-0 before Marino threw scoring passes of 9, 56 and 17 yards to Lamar Thomas, who came into the game with just seven touchdowns in a six-year career. Marino then hit Oronde Gadsden with an 8-yard scoring pass for a 28-13 lead.

The Dolphins' defense did the rest. Elway, playing in Miami for the first time in his 16-year career, completed only 13 of 36 passes for 151 yards and was intercepted twice in the fourth quarter.

Terrell Davis managed just 29 yards in 16 carries, leaving him 170 yards shy of 2,000.

Marino went 23-for-38 and surpassed 3,000 yards passing for the 13th season, an NFL record.

**Going into the Broncos' game, Miami linebacker Zach Thomas has 78 solo tackles and 49 assisted tackles for the season. The Pampa native also had three interceptions, two which went for touchdowns of 1 and 17 yards.**

Denver scored on a kickoff return for the first time since 1972 on Vaughn Hebron's 95-yard runback with eight minutes left, and Bobby Brister's two-point conversion pass to Ed McCaffrey made the score 28-21.

A 42-yard field goal by the Dolphins' Olindo Mare with 1:10 left clinched the win. Miami's Jimmy Johnson

coached the game despite the death of his mother Sunday in Port Arthur, Texas.

The Broncos shut down Miami's feeble running game, but Marino got hot late in the first half. After a controversial ruling cost the Dolphins an apparent fumble recovery deep in Denver territory, Marino moved Miami 50 yards and hit Thomas with a 9-yard touchdown pass, cutting the Broncos' lead to 10-7.

A 56-yard catch-and-run play by Thomas — helped when George Coghill failed in his attempt at an interception — put Miami ahead for the first time 14-13 early in the third period.

On the next possession, Thomas made an acrobatic catch for a 17-yard touchdown and a 21-13 lead.

A pair of fumbles led to the

Broncos' first touchdown. Miami lost the ball at midfield when center Tim Ruddy hiked the ball from shotgun formation off the hip of Marino, who wasn't ready for the snap, and linebacker Bill Romanowski recovered.

Ten plays later, Denver scored when Elway fumbled as he was being tackled at the 1-yard line, and teammate Rod Smith dived on the ball in the end zone.

Two other apparent Elway fumbles were ruled incomplete passes by referee Phil Luckett, who was involved in the notorious Thanksgiving coin-flip fiasco and an erroneous ruling on the final play that cost Seattle a victory against the New York Jets.

Denver's Jason Elam kicked field goals of 52 and 44 yards but missed a 43-yarder.

## White is G-N Super Team's defensive player of 1998

PAMPA — Pampa middle linebacker Jared White claimed another honor last weekend when he was selected as defensive player of the year on the 1998 Amarillo Globe-News Super Football Team.

Last week, White and teammate Jeremy Miller were named to the Associated Press Sports Editors all-state second team. Miller was a senior center for the Harvesters.

White, listed at 6-0 and 204 pounds, was a three-year starter at middle linebacker for the Harvesters. He was the team leader in tackles all three years and finished this past season with 196 tackles, 12 quarterback sacks, 18 quarterback hurries, five blocked punts and field goals, three pass breakups and a fumble recovery.

White was Pampa's leading tackler in all 13 games this

year and was named the District 3-4A defensive player of the year by district coaches. He helped the Harvesters tie for the district title and advance to the Class 4A Division II semifinals. Pampa finished with a 10-3 record.

For his career, White finished with 452 tackles, 24 quarterback sacks, 34 quarterback hurries and seven blocked kicks. He was honorable mention all-state in '97 and second-team all-state this year. He was Pampa's top tackler in 29 of 35 varsity starts, including all seven playoff starts.

White followed in the footsteps of older brother Floyd White, who was the Harvesters' middle linebacker from 1993 to 1995. The two brothers could be playing on the same team next year at Eastern New Mexico in Portales. Floyd is a senior starter for the Greyhounds.

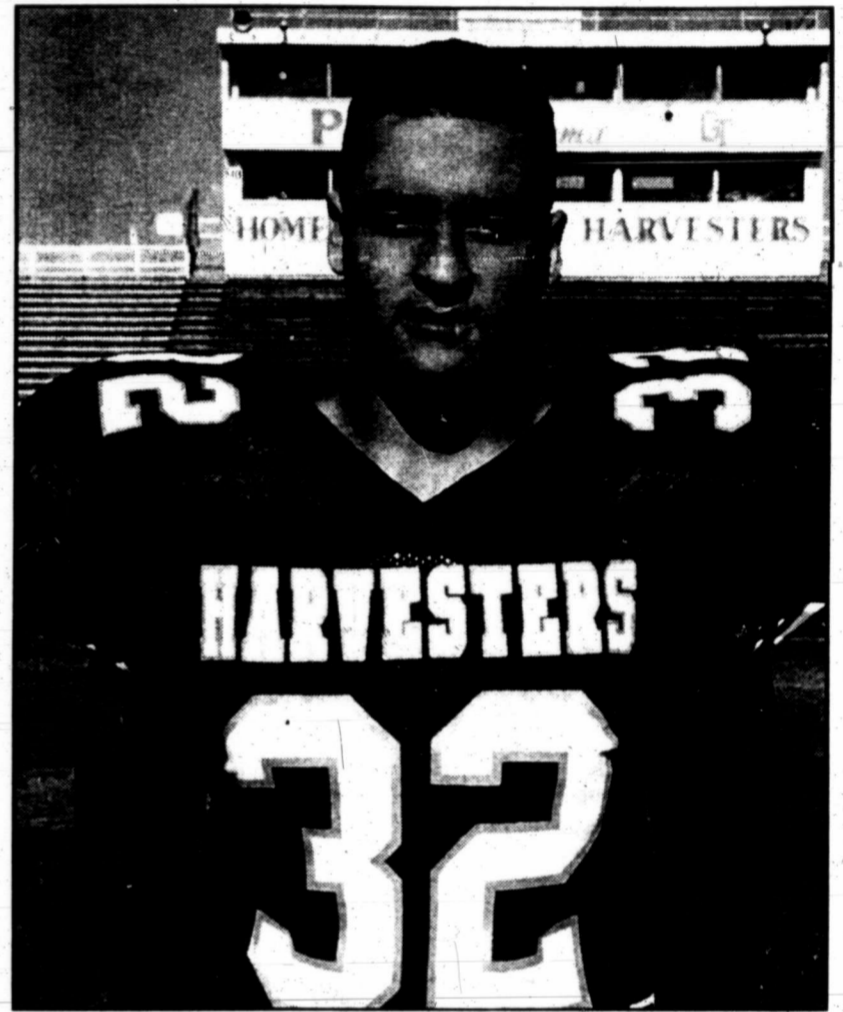
Eastern New Mexico is one of four colleges currently recruiting Jared.

It seemed only natural that Jared would come day be a PHS star. He started serving as the Harvesters' ball boy when he was in grade school and was on the sidelines at every game.

Wheeler's Jim Verden was named Super Team coach of the year after guiding the Mustangs to the state championship for the second year in a row.

Quarterback Aaron Dunnam and lineman Ben Britt of Wheeler were named to the Super Team offense. Lineman Travis Francis of Canadian was named to the Super Team defense.

Spearman running back Michael Lusby was named offensive player of the year. Borger running back Eron Haynes was named sophomore of the year.



Pampa middle linebacker Jared White captures another football award

## Harvester Lanes hosts Toys for Tots tourney; scholarships awarded

PAMPA — The first annual Toys for Tots Tournament was held last weekend at Harvester Lanes.

All toys will be donated to the Salvation Army of Pampa and First United Missionary Services. Youth scholarships were awarded.

Tournament results are as follows:  
First place: Angels (Jo Hicks, Tommy Cox and Ashleigh Burns), 1,932.

Second place: Turkey & Dressing (Billy Lawson, Jake Woodruff and John Carroll), 1,879.

Third place: Snow Balls (Tammy Whinery, Belinda Nolte and Cory West), 1,866.

Fourth place: Wrapped Packages (Art McCracken, Sue Henderson and Philip Rodriguez), 1,822.

### Youth Scholarship Winners

Girls Division (Avg. 0-100)		
Name	Scratch Series	Amount
April Goldthrite	158	\$60
Boys Division (Avg. 0-100)		
Name	Scratch Series	Amount
Philip Rodriguez	273	\$60
Boys-Girls Division (Avg. 101-149)		
Name	Scratch Series	Amount
Ashleigh Burns	468	\$60
Matt Woodruff	456	\$60
Boys Division (Avg. 150 & up)		
Name	Scratch Series	Amount
Cory West	646	\$60

### Door Prizes

Youth		
Name	Door Prize	Sponsor
Gordon West	Dinner	Taco Bell
Tasha Triplett	Basketball	Holmes Sports
Center		
Ashleigh Burns	Water Bottle	Holmes Sports Center
Christopher Moody	baseball	Holmes Sports Center
Schyler Danner	Dinner	Taco Bell
Cody Ponder	Rock 300 Entry	Harvester Lanes
Adult		
Name	Door Prize	Sponsor
Bill Merrick	Car Wash	Robert Knowles
Cody Merrick	Santa Basket	Brenda & Garry Moody
Michelle Helfer	Insulated Mug	Warren Electric
Brenda Moody	Car Wash	Robert Knowles
Art McCracken	Insulated Mug	Warren Electric
Patty White	Poinsetta Plant	Freeman's Florist
Marla Mitchell	Car Wash	Robert Knowles
Tammy Whinery	Poinsetta Plant	Freeman's Florist
Nora Goldthrite	Car wash	Robert Knowles
John Carroll	Car Wash	Robert Knowles

Youth Scholarship Sponsors: Big Country Tire, Columbia

Medical Center of Pampa, Davis Electric, Harvester Lanes, Pampa ABC Bowling Association, Peggy's Place, Red's Pro Shop, Warner-Horton Supply and Warren Electric Group.

Door Prize Sponsors: Holmes Sports Center, Robert Knowles, Taco Bell and Warren Electric Group.

### LEAGUE RESULTS (Harvester Lanes)

Wednesday Nigh Mixed League		
Team	Won	Lost
Cox Enterprise	35	17
Harvester Lanes	32	20
McCarty Hull	30	22
Dorman Tire	29	23
Davis Minit Mart	27	25
Deaver Construction	23	29
Canadian Motel	22	30

### Week's High Scores

High scratch series: Canadian Motel 1,806; High scratch game: Dorman Tire 664 High handicap series: Harvester Lanes 2,415; High handicap game: McCarty Hull 780.

### Individual Men

High scratch game: Rick Folk 222; High scratch series: David Livingston 541; High handicap game: Rick Folk 239; High handicap series: Claude Schmatjen 633.

### Women

High scratch game: Peggy Smith 203; High scratch series: Peggy Smith 551; High handicap game: Sallie Beecher 242; High handicap series: Sallie Beecher 645.

### Ladies Trio League

Team	Won	Lost
www.pc2net.com	36	20
Ward's Tree Service	34	22
Chaney's Cafe	34	22
Schiffman Machine Co.	33	23
Hall's Construction	31	25
Team Seven	27 1/2	28 1/2
Knowles Auto Center	27 1/2	28 1/2
Jernigan Tax Service	24 1/2	31 1/2
Regional Eye Center	24	20
Southwest Collision	22 1/2	33 1/2
Team Six	21	35

### Week's High Scores

Individual High scratch game: Jody McClendon 210; High handicap game: Jody McClendon 248; High scratch series: Andre' Roberson 536; High handicap series: Andre' Roberson 650.

### Team

High scratch game: www.Pc2net.com 533; High scratch series: Schiffman Machine Co. 1,440; High handicap game: www.PC2net.com 666; High handicap series: Team Seven 1,815.

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Suspension Bridge.....	600
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Soft Climber.....	600
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# FTC targets generic drug maker

WASHINGTON (AP) — Santina Day got an unwelcome surprise when the price for a tranquilizer she uses skyrocketed. To save money, the New Castle, Pa., woman has been taking a tablet every six hours, instead of every four.

That drug, clorazepate, is one of two at the heart of the federal government's charge Monday that Mylan Laboratories Inc. conspired to cut off competition through an exclusive deal with a key supplier.

The Federal Trade Commission, in announcing a \$120 million lawsuit, said the deal allowed the Pittsburgh-based generic drug manufacturer to raise prices by more than 25 times for two anti-anxiety drugs, lorazepam and clorazepate.

The spike in prices, almost single-handedly distorted a government measurement of wholesale inflation in May.

For Mrs. Day, 67, who began using clorazepate after she had a heart attack, the increase further strained her limited budget. Prescription drugs already consume up to 15 percent of the monthly Social Security checks she and her husband receive.

"I went from a regular brand to a generic brand to save money, and when the generic started to go up, I couldn't figure it out," she said. "Everybody has a right to make a profit, but I don't think they should be able to gouge us."

William J. Baer, director of the trade commission's Bureau of Competition, said the federal civil lawsuit the agency was filing today was driven by Mylan's efforts to create a virtual monopoly.

"It's not unlawful for a company to take advantage of price oppor-

tunities, but it is unlawful to conspire," Baer said. Mylan's actions "deprive many consumers of access to these drugs and put consumers' health at risk," he said.

Baer said Mylan reached a deal late last year to be the exclusive buyer of active ingredients made by Profarmaco S.R.L. of Milan, Italy. Other makers of those ingredients cannot supply adequate quantities to Mylan's competitors, essentially shutting them out, Baer said.

Mylan denied any wrongdoing in a statement, saying the agency's decision was "radical, rushed and wrong." Milan Puskar, the company's chairman and chief executive, said the company charges less than half of what brand-name manufacturers charge.

"How will driving Mylan and other generic drug manufacturers out of the market benefit consumers?" Puskar asked.

The company said it signed an exclusive deal to guarantee "an adequate and uninterrupted source" of ingredients.

The civil lawsuit in U.S. District Court in Washington is the agency's largest antitrust case ever. It seeks at least \$120 million for refunds to consumers.

Also targeted are Profarmaco; its parent company, Cambrex Corp. of East Rutherford, N.J.; and Profarmaco's U.S. distributor, Gyma Laboratories of America Inc., based in Westbury, N.Y.

Commission officials said attorneys general from Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Minnesota, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Wisconsin were preparing similar complaints.

# Economists show no inclination to cut interest rates

WASHINGTON (AP) — After helping stabilize world financial markets with three interest-rate reductions this fall, Federal Reserve policy-makers meeting today have little reason to cut again right now.

Stock prices, which plunged in the United States and elsewhere after the August devaluation of the Russian ruble, have recovered. After more recent jitters over the impeachment of President Clinton, the Dow Jones average of industrial stocks gained 85 points Monday, closing at 8,989.

And business credit, which contracted sharply for all but low-risk borrowers this fall, has loosened up.

Not only that, the U.S. economy just keeps barreling along, showing little sign outside of manufacturing and farming that it has slowed in response to the world's economic problems.

The current expansion, which began in March 1991, this month became the longest during peacetime in U.S. history, surpassed only by the Vietnam War-fueled expansion of the 1960s. Economic growth this year should easily top 3 percent for the fourth time in five years.

The nation's unemployment rate, at 4.4 percent in November, stands just a notch above the 28-year low of 4.3 percent reached this spring.

"Consumers couldn't be happier. ... They have jobs. They see low interest rates and their stock portfolios are going up," said economist David Jones of Aubrey G. Lanston & Co. in New York. "The Fed has no reason to ease and, in fact, it may be on hold well into 1999, contrary to market expectations that more rate cuts are coming."

Jones said Fed policy-makers meeting today probably will leave the benchmark rate on overnight loans between banks unchanged at its four-year low of 4.75 percent.

Rattled by markets' response to Russia, the Fed engineered three quarter-point interest-rate cuts in a seven-week span, starting in late September. But after the last cut, on Nov. 17, policy-makers signaled they were finished cutting for a while.

With the three cuts, "financial conditions can reasonably be expected to be consistent with fostering sustained economic expansion while keeping inflationary pressures subdued," they said.

On Monday, the International Monetary Fund credited rate cuts in the United States and other industrial countries with helping stabilize a situation that seemed in danger of spiraling out of control when Russia's economy collapsed.

But Flemming Larsen, deputy director of the IMF research department, said the staff of the world financial body believes that additional cuts are not required now.

# Scientists working to restore contact with space robot

WASHINGTON (AP) — Scientists were working today to restore communications with a robot spacecraft headed for a rendezvous with a giant asteroid — and to determine how controllers lost contact for more than 24 hours.

They planned to send signals to the small spacecraft some 220 million miles from Earth, hoping to retrieve data collected by it over the past day.

NASA's Deep Space Network located the signal Monday night belonging to the Near Earth Asteroid Rendezvous. NEAR is the first attempt in history to orbit an asteroid.

"I think we're pretty much convinced the signal was there all along," said Helen Worth, a spokeswoman for the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory in

Laurel, Md., which built and manages the craft. It could be that "we were not looking in precisely the right place."

Even a small deviation in the position of the spacecraft could have caused scientists to miss the signal, she explained.

Only after scientists regain the data from the past day will they be able to determine for sure what happened. "Everybody will hold their breath until we get the data back," Ms. Worth said.

The glitch in the craft's mission means the Jan. 10 rendezvous date — when NEAR was supposed to lock into orbit around asteroid Eros — will have to be pushed back, Ms. Worth said.

"Realistically, we are now holding out hope for sometime in February," Ms. Worth said. That

date also depends on whether the data retrieved from the craft reveals any problems, she added.

After the spacecraft's rendezvous date with Eros, it is scheduled to possibly land on its dusty surface, collect data and learn how to possibly divert an asteroid from colliding with Earth.

Scientists lost contact with NEAR about 5 p.m. EST Sunday as the craft's speed was being boosted by a series of rocket engine firings so it could catch and begin its orbit around the asteroid Eros.

A two-minute process of settling fuel apparently was successful, but contact was lost during an 18-minute procedure to fire the large engine, Ms. Worth said.

At about 8 p.m. EST Monday, the network located the craft's signal again.

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## China sentences third leader of opposition party

BEIJING (AP)—Shouting contempt for his summary trial, a Chinese dissident was sentenced today to 12 years in prison, becoming the third organizer of a would-be opposition party to be convicted in two days.

The heavy sentence given to Qin Yongmin fell in line with the severe verdicts issued Monday to fellow China Democracy Party leaders: 13 years for Xu Wenli and 11 for Wang Youcai.

Tried in different cities, the three were accused of the same crime — subverting China's Communist Party-led system — for the same act of trying to set up the China Democracy Party.

Their quick trials and harsh punishments showed how firmly the Communist Party draws the line against open opposition. Their treatment also undermined China's attempts to burnish its international reputation by signing U.N. rights treaties and nudging its legal system closer to international standards.

"This is a travesty of justice. Xu Wenli, Wang Youcai, Qin Yongmin and others are not attempting to subvert the Chinese government. They are simply trying to hold the government accountable to its people," said Xiao Qiang of New York-based Human Rights in China. The Intermediate People's

Court in the central city of Wuhan took 40 minutes to sentence Qin, five days after his 2 1/2-hour trial, his brother Qin Xiaoguang and fellow dissidents said.

In a near repeat of the verdicts issued against Xu and Wang, judges ruled that Qin planned to "overthrow the socialist system" by organizing the China Democracy Party, the official Xinhua News Agency reported.

Denied entry to the courtroom because he was five minutes late, Qin's brother recounted yelling to Qin as guards led him down the hallway afterwards: "Qin

Yongmin, what was the crime? What was the sentence?" He shouted back: "Twelve years."

"I'm not going to appeal. I have contempt for this court," Qin Yongmin said as he was being led away, the brother recounted.

Qin's defiance echoed Xu's at his trial in Beijing on Monday.

Xu told the court, "I'm willing to use the sacrifice of myself to promote democracy in China. I'm not one who encourages a struggle and then just lets others shed their blood," his wife, He Xintong, said late Monday.

China defended the conviction, saying the dissidents broke the laws on subversion and infringed upon the rights of the state and other citizens.

"If the security of a country and the dignity and order of the law cannot be preserved, the human rights of the people cannot be guaranteed," Foreign Ministry spokesman Zhu Bangzao said.

Zhu argued that China was meeting its obligations under the United Nations' International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights because the treaty recognizes the importance of protecting national security.



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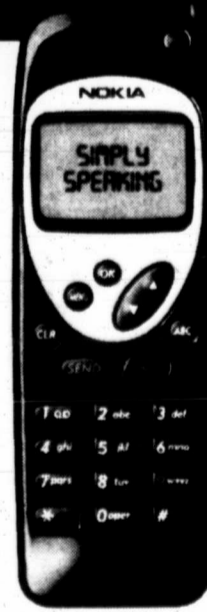
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