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Group asks for permit to sell water

Landowners seek ground water district approval

By DAVID BOWSER
 Staff Writer

WHITE DEER - While a handful of Texas Panhandle ranchers in Roberts County want to sell the water beneath their properties to thirsty cities down

state, a new computer shows that in order to meet water reserve standards set by the local underground water district, pumping rates will have to be cut more than half.

Almost four dozen people crowded into the Windmill Room of the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District Wednesday afternoon in White Deer for a hearing on well permit requests from Dallas oilman T. Boone Pickens and a handful of landowners who want to sell water to water-poor cities down state.

The decision on the permits is expected in 30 to 45 days.

Operating as Mesa Water Inc, the group plans on pumping some 150,000 acre-feet of water a year from the Ogallala Aquifer,

an underground water formation stretching from the Texas South Plains north into South Dakota.

They want to pipe the water from Roberts County to urban areas to the south, possibly Dallas, San Antonio or El Paso, where they intend to sell it for between \$675 and \$1,400 per acre-foot. The sale price includes construction of aqueducts to move the increasingly precious commodity.

The district has already approved a pumping permit for the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority (CRMWA) which provides water from the Lake Meredith reservoir on the Canadian River to 11 communities in the panhandle and on the south plains.

Pampa, Amarillo, Lubbock, Borger, Plainview, Levelland, Brownfield, Slaton, O'Donnell and Tahoka all get at least part of their municipal water supplies from CRMWA.

The CRMWA permit allows the water authority to pump water from 40,000 acres from the Ogallala beneath Roberts County to mix with the water it takes from Lake Meredith.

John Williams, general manager of CRMWA, says that the underground water is needed because Lake Meredith, designed and built in the early 1960s, has never been able to produce enough water and the water it provides has a high mineral content.

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Pampa to host gold medalist

By L.D. STRATE
 Sports Editor

For sports fans, and specifically wrestling fans, Christmas is coming early to Pampa.

That's because Olympic champion Brandon Slay of Amarillo is coming to town for a fundraising banquet Saturday night.

Slay will present his "More Than Gold" program, at 7 p.m. Saturday at Calvary Baptist Church. Banquet proceeds will go to The Takedown Club in Pampa.

Slay, 25, became an instant celebrity after winning the gold medal at the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney Australia. He's been on a whirlwind tour of autograph-signing sessions and speaking engagements since his triumph. The 1993 Tascosa High graduate is in New York City this week and is expected to return home today.

"Brandon is going to cut his trip short so he can come to Pampa," said Rick Urquhart of the Takedown Club. "I think that tells what kind of

person he is."

Slay received his freestyle gold medal from the Olympics on the "Today" show Nov. 15. The medal ceremony took place in New York City's Rocketeller Center where International Olympic Committee vice-president Anita DeFranz hung the gold medal around Slay's neck. He was decked out in his red, white and blue Olympic warmup during the ceremony. Also with Slay were silver-medalist Moon Fuijue of South Korea and bronze-medalist Adem Bereket of Turkey.

The national anthem was played and Slay sang the anthem out loud. Slay's parents, Doug and Becky Slay; his grandmother, Dorothy "Me Ma" Slay, all of Amarillo; were among a large group of relatives and friends who witnessed the ceremony.

"I was very excited for the unique opportunity to have the event showcased on national television," Slay said in a statement released by USA Wrestling. "Unfortunately, I didn't get a ceremony in Sydney. So in many ways, this is the best I could hope for

under the circumstances. I appreciate the efforts by the IOC, USOC and USA Wrestling on my behalf."

Grandmother Slay has been Brandon's biggest supporter since he was 8 years old and just starting to wrestle at the Maverick Boys Club in Amarillo.

"He would say, 'Me Ma, I'm going to the big Olympics someday.' Then about four or five weeks later he would say the same thing," Mrs. Slay said in a telephone interview Tuesday. "He was always committed to working real hard. He never thought anything was too hard."

Slay would wrestle in grade school tournaments in the mornings and then compete in middle school meets against older athletes in the afternoon.

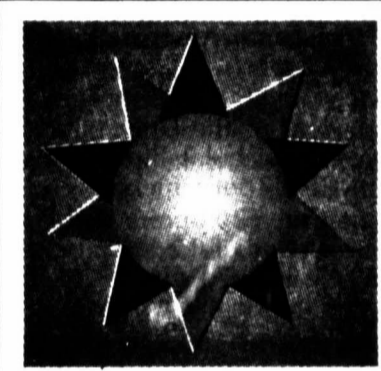
"He felt the more tournaments he entered, the better he would be," Dorothy said. "He was on the short side and he wanted to learn how to handle the taller wrestlers at the junior high level."

Dorothy made the trip to Sydney to

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(Associated Press photo)
 Olympic wrestling champion Brandon Slay, stands on the podium during the awards ceremony in Sydney, Australia.



High today, high 40s
 Low tonight, 30
 For weather details, see Page 2

County Commission to discuss law library

Disposition of Gray County-owned law library items will be among the items considered during the Gray County Commissioners Court meeting on Friday.

Commissioners Court will also consider a request for a new checking account and change in signature on District Attorney's Forfeiture and Seizure Fund account, a tax refund to Nickles Industrial Manufacturing regarding lawsuit settlement with Gray County Appraisal District and appointing two people to the county personnel committee.

Routine items include consideration of intrabudget transfer requests, budget transfers, budget amendments and county treasurer's report.

Payment of bills and salaries as approved by the county auditor is also on the agenda.

The meeting will be at 9 a.m. Friday in the County Courtroom on the second floor of the Gray County Courthouse.

AP - There were no winners in Wednesday's Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 54 were: 15 34 42 47 3 41

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$9 million.

Martha Rose Bevel, 70, church nursery worker.
Dr. Horace Glenn Gordon, 80, Wheeler native.
Richard Ray Sloan, 27, grandson of Canadian couple.

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Skellytown educator retires after 17 years

SKELLYTOWN - She isn't sure just what she'll do when she retires, but she plans to enjoy herself.

Paulene Stuart has taught young children in Kindergarten, reading, and third grade these past 17 years at the Skellytown Elementary School.

As a young wife, Stuart first began college at Sul Ross while her husband was in the military. A native of the small community of Marathon, she said it was only natural she attend the nearby college at Alpine. Raised on the family ranch in the Big Bend area, she attended only one semester. She continued through the years to value the importance of a college education.

(See TEACHER, Page 2)

Jail escapee caught

By NANCY YOUNG
 Managing Editor

LIPSCOMB - After hot-wiring two additional vehicles following his escape from Lipscomb County Jail Tuesday afternoon, Ivor Lloyd Debusk, 21, was captured by police Wednesday night in Ellinwood, Kan.

Lipscomb County Sheriff James Roberts said he received word Wednesday night Debusk was arrested outside Ellinwood.

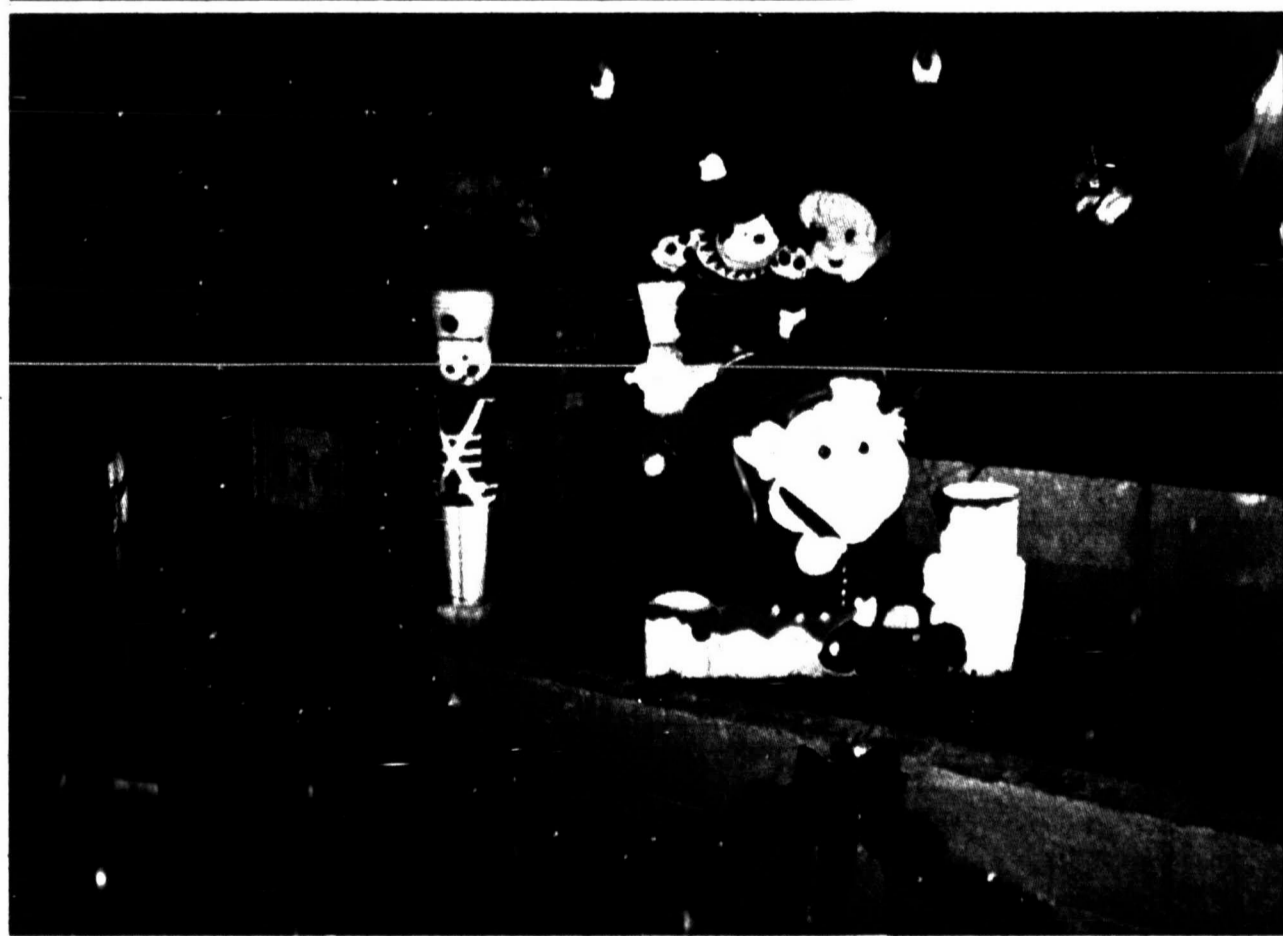
He said authorities told him Debusk "ditched" the Lipscomb County Sheriff's blazer he stole during the Tuesday evening escape from Lipscomb County.

Sheriff Roberts said Debusk apparently broke into a county barn Tuesday evening and stole a 1984 Chevrolet Blazer belonging to the sheriff's department. The jail trustee was last seen at 5:55 p.m. Tuesday evening doing janitorial work at the Lipscomb County Courthouse. He was determined missing at 6 p.m.

along with the county-owned vehicle.

The Lipscomb County vehicle was found in Greensburg, Kan., which he said is southeast of Dodge City, Kan., Wednesday evening. Debusk allegedly hot-wired another vehicle and drove it as far as Great Bend, Kan. Taken was a 1984 Ford F150. The F150 was left in Great Bend, and a 1992 van was stolen in that community. It also was hot-wired, police said.

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Painted lawn ornaments, lights, Christmas music, a Santa and reindeer ascending to the roof are features of Keith Arnzen's first-place winning residence at 434 N. Hill Street.

Decorating contest winners announced

Winners of this year's residential holiday decorating contest were announced at a Christmas tea hosted by members of Pampa Junior Service League at the Pampa Community Building earlier this week.

The Pampa News, the Pampa Junior Service League and Celebration of Lights jointly sponsored this year's contest. Seven brightly decorated homes throughout the city and surrounding countryside were chosen as winners of the event.

First prize winners were each awarded \$50 in Pampa Bucks. Second place and honorable mentions receive certificates honoring them for their accomplishments.

Following is a list of the winning entries in each of the seven divisions. Some districts have only one winner due to limited number of entries.

RURAL - 1st - Bill & Sandra Waters, 118 Walnut; 2nd - Jim & Jannis Schoonover, 1000 Cole Addition; and Honorable Mention - John & Carolyn Stokes, Hwy. 60 East;

DISTRICT 1 - 1st - John A. King, 1608 N. Sumner;

DISTRICT 2 - 1st - Phyllis & Elmer Wilson, 2801 Duncan; 2nd - Bob & Pat Johnson, 1841 Fir; Honorable Mention - Jay Gist, 2401 Dogwood;

DISTRICT 3 - 1st - Marland & Lynn Miller, 616 N. Sumner; 2nd - Randy Milligan, 813 N. Wells; Honorable Mention - Josh Parsons, 708 N. Nelson;

DISTRICT 4 - 1st - Keith Arnzen, 434 N. Hill

DISTRICT 5 - 1st - Herdis Jackson, 1109 Varon Dr.;

DISTRICT 6 - 1st - Robert & Mary Hartley, 936 Campbell.



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Services tomorrow

CRUPPER, Ruby — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Ball Cemetery, Childers, Okla.
SLOAN, Richard Ray — 10 a.m., Memorial Park Funeral Home Chapel, Amarillo.

Obituaries

MARTHA ROSE BEVEL

Martha Rose Bevel, 70, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2000, at Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Central Baptist Church with the Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor of First Baptist Church of Childers, and the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of the church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael - Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Bevel was born March 29, 1930, in Creek County, Okla. She married Loran Clifford "L.C." Bevel on April 17, 1948, at Oilton, Okla.; he died in 1987. She had been a Pampa resident since November of 1950 and worked in Central Baptist Church nursery for 10 years. She was a seamstress for Marie Foundations for 12 1/2 years as well.

She belonged to Central Baptist Church, Pampa Senior Citizens, Amarillo Area Singles and Monday Night Swingers.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Fred Lewis Armstrong and Alice Arminta Witt Armstrong; three brothers, Raymond Armstrong, Delbert Armstrong and Donald Armstrong; and two sisters, Delta Mae Armstrong and Gladys Harness.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda Kay Kopec of Powder Springs, Ga., and Janelle Joy Hagemann of Wichita Falls; a son, Thomas Dale Bevel of Grand Prairie; a sister, Gloria Hildreth of Millville, Calif.; and five grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Central Baptist Church, 515 E. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065; or to Pampa Senior Citizens, 500 W. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065.

DR. HORACE GLENN GORDON
TOLEDO, Ohio — Dr. Horace Glenn Gordon, 80, died Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2000. The body was cremated and no services are planned at this time.

Dr. Gordon was born Dec. 1, 1920, at Wheeler. Survivors include his wife, Barbara, of Toledo; two daughters; three sisters, Elda Wilson of Pampa, Flora Mae Kelly of Amarillo and Lucy Kilbreth of Lubbock; and a brother, George Gordon of Monmouth, Ore.

RICHARD RAY SLOAN
AMARILLO — Richard Ray Sloan, 27, died Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2000. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in Memorial Park Funeral Home Chapel of Memories with G.A. Roach, chaplain of Baptist-St. Anthony's Health System, officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mr. Sloan was born in Amarillo. Survivors include his parents, Linda and Andy Sloan of Amarillo; three brothers, Shawn Sloan, Thomas Abernathy and Jeffery Abernathy, all of Amarillo; and his grandparents, Beth Cypert of Las Vegas, Nev., Lee Roy Hall of Safford, Ariz., and Henry and Margaret Leach of Canadian.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atchafalaya Grain of Pampa

Wheat	2.48
Milo	1.26
Corn	0.56
Soybeans	4.32

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

Occidental	21.15/16	up 3/16
Fidelity Magncr	124.16	
Puritan	19.21	

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

BP Amoco	48 1/16	dn 1/16
Cabot	24 5/8	up 1/8
Cabot O&G	24	dn 1/2
Chevron	31 1/8	dn 1/8
Coca Cola	56 7/16	dn 1/32

Fires

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

Wednesday, Dec. 13
10:31 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at U.S. 60 and Hobart streets.

11:37 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle collision at Hamilton and Worrell streets.

11:40 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a reported motor vehicle collision. Firefighters were called back before arriving at the scene.

Police report

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

Wednesday, Dec. 13
Jesse Rivera, 34, Canadian, was arrested on violation of protective order.
Nearly \$900 damage to a large window was reported at Bealls Department Store, 1201 N. Hobart. A large rock and small bar bell were used to break the window, according to the police report. Damage to three leather coats displayed in the window was listed at \$479.91.

Coronado Beauty Shop, 816 W. Kingsmill, reported a burglary to the building. A small amount of cash was taken while \$200 damage was reported to a window.

Denney Appraisal Service, 721 W. Kingsmill, also reported a burglary to the building. A small amount of cash was reported stolen and damage to a window totaled approximately \$400.

Violation of a protective order was reported in the 1000 block of North Duncan.

Sheriff's Office

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

Wednesday, Dec. 13
Lauren Wilkins, Phoenix, Ariz., 27, was arrested on warrants for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, probation violation; theft by check, class B; and class B theft out of Potter County.

Carl Hayter Brown, 39, 521 Doyle, was arrested for public intoxication.

Jesus Polanco, 28, El Paso, was arrested on warrants for failure to appear/motion for enforcement.

April Cherril Adams, 40, Skellytown, was arrested on charges of public intoxication.

Benjamin Lara Ramirez, 22, Amarillo, was arrested by Department of Public Safety for possession of marijuana over 50 lbs. and under 2,000 lbs.

Accidents

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

Wednesday, Dec. 13
Kevin Lamar Costley, 34, Pampa was driver of a 1990 Mercury Cougar which struck the rear of a 1998 International 4700 cargo truck driven by Charles Lancer Rankin, 31, Amarillo, in the 900 block of Wilks at 10:24 a.m. Wednesday. Costley was traveling east behind Rankin when he struck the truck. Ice and snow was the apparent cause. No injuries were reported and no citations were issued, according to the PPD.

Joshua Thomas Etheredge, 16, Pampa, was driver of a 1993 Chevrolet Blazer which collided with a 1999 Rava utility driven by Shanna Michelle Buck, 16, Pampa, at the intersection of W. Worrell and N. Hamilton at 11:36 a.m. Wednesday. Etheredge was cited for failure to yield right of way. No injuries were reported.

Anita Davey Anderson, 64, Pampa, was driver of a 1991 Subaru Legacy which collided with a Nissan Sentra driven by Michael Leslie Weatherly, 22, at the intersection of 900 W. Kentucky and 1300 N. Banks at 17:55 p.m. Wednesday.

No injuries were reported and no citations were issued.

Christopher Evan Lewis, 16, Pampa, who was driving a 1994 Mercury Cougar in the 600 block of W. Kingsmill, swerved attempting to avoid a 1995 Chevrolet Silverado pickup driven by Terry Eugene Gillis, 35, Pampa, at 12:07 p.m. According to the police report, Lewis believed Gillis was going to run a stop sign. The report stated he lost control of his vehicle on the icy road and slid into oncoming traffic. Driving a 1995 Chevrolet Blazer, Danny Winborne, 51, Pampa, jumped the curb trying to avoid the Lewis vehicle. No injuries were reported. Lewis was cited for faulty evasive action.

Ambulance

Rural Metro Ambulance Service responded to the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 13
11:38 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Hamilton and Worrell streets. No one was transported.

3:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC).

4:16 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to West Highway 60 and transported one to PRMC.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	1-888-Energas
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	1-800-750-2520

Oklahoma murder suspect shoots self prior to arrest

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

SAYRE, Okla. — Services were pending today for a homicide suspect accused of shooting three people south of Sayre last week.

Arthur "Artie" Puckett Jr., 45, of rural Beckham County in Western Oklahoma, was pronounced dead at 6:45 a.m. Tuesday after being mediflighted from Sayre to University Hospital in Oklahoma City, according to Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation.

Officers said Puckett apparently died of self-inflicted wounds.

Sayre police said that an officer on routine patrol noticed movements in the home of Puckett's estranged wife in Sayre. Misty Puckett has been staying with relatives since last week's shooting.

"When officers arrived, they

knocked and told the person inside that he had 30 seconds to come out or they were going to send the dog in," said OSBI spokesman Kym Koch. "A few minutes later, they heard a muffled gunshot. They went inside and found Artie Puckett in the bathroom of the house and with a single gunshot wound to the head."

Law enforcement officers in Western Oklahoma and the eastern Texas Panhandle had been searching for Puckett in connection with the murder of Charles Page, 23, on Dec. 4. Page's wife, Jamie, 23, was wounded in the attack as was her mother, Norma Carkin, 43.

Witnesses said Puckett forced his way into Norma Carkin's home about a mile from Puckett's house about 4 a.m. Monday, Dec. 4, armed with a shotgun.

Authorities said Puckett shot

Carkin as she held one of her grandchildren, then went into a bedroom where he shot Charles and Jamie Puckett.

Officers said that when Puckett went into a bedroom and shot the Pages, Carkin escaped and drove to a neighbor's house for help.

Investigators think the Dec. 4 shooting may be linked to the shooting death of Donald Carkin, 55, in rural Beckham County. Donald Carkin was the husband of Norma Carkin and Jaime Page's father.

OSBI records, officers said, indicate that Puckett was arrested in July for pointing a firearm and intimidation.

A fund has been set up at InterBank in Elk City to help for medical expenses for Jamie Page and Carkin. Both are listed in fair condition in an Oklahoma City hospital suffering from gunshot wounds.

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GOLD

see Brandon perform. When Brandon was presented a bouquet of roses during the medal ceremony, he gave the flowers to his grandmother.

"It's all been kind of like a Cinderella story. Sometimes what Brandon has done seems to be a fantasy, but then you just shake your head and realize everything that's happened is all real," she said.

Throughout the years, Slay has always given credit to others for helping him win a medal, Dorothy said.

"He doesn't call it a silver medal or gold medal, it's always the people's medal. When he gives his (More Than Gold) talks, he always tells the kids the color of the medal doesn't matter if you don't have a close relationship with Christ. That's his message," she added.

Slay became the first Texas wrestler to ever win an Olympic gold medal. Competing in the 167-1/2

pound final, Slay had lost to Germany's Alexander Leipold 4-0, on the last day of the Games on Oct. 1. However, Leipold was stripped of the medal by the IOC after he tested positive for the steroid nandrolone. That ruling automatically made Slay the gold medal winner.

Slay didn't start out as an Olympic favorite. Last spring, he was seeded as low as sixth on the U.S. amateur team. However, he climbed rapidly to the top, winning Nationals and claiming the 167-1/2 freestyle spot on the U.S. team during the Olympic trials in Dallas. He became Amarillo's first Olympian in an individual sport.

Slay was a three-time state high school champion for the Rebels and went to the University of Pennsylvania on a wrestling scholarship. He was twice runnerup at the NCAA Tournament.

Tickets for the banquet are \$10 apiece and can still be purchased from any Takedown Club wrestler. Urquhart can be contacted at 665-8321 for information.

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TEACHER

While raising her four children she steadfastly stressed the importance of a college education to them as she had come from a teaching family. She said none of her children were interested in pursuing a college degree. As she tried to encourage her children, she said one of her daughters told her mother that she was the one who should go to college. She decided to follow her daughter's suggestion.

Then a grandmother, Stuart began her return to college at Frank Phillips College in Borger in 1980. After attending FPC one semester, her husband, who had retired from the U. S. Navy and was a cowboy, took a job in the Hereford area, the couple moved to that community.

Stuart commuted to Canyon from Hereford until her graduation in May, 1984. Shortly afterwards she and her husband moved back to Skellytown where she began teaching in the fall. Her entire teaching career has been in the schools in the small Carson County community.

The couple will be moving to Clayton, N.M., where they have purchased a home and they will be centrally located among their children's residences. She said one daughter lives in Clayton and a son lives in Colorado. Another son and daughter live in Amarillo.

The couple has ten grandchildren and six great-grandchildren whom they will be enjoying during their retirement.

Stuart will be honored with a retirement party from 2:30-4 p.m. on Dec. 17 at the school library in Skellytown. The public is invited.

City Briefs

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

10% OFF Christmas items at Cole Creek Thurs, Fri, & Sat 10-5.

BABY'S 1ST Christmas Deadline Has Been Extended to Dec. 20th, 12 noon, due to bad weather. Happy Holidays from The Pampa News

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS
"Golden Touch" 2 hr. massages-3 essential oils-3 types of vibration stretches trigger points, therapy. Hot towels on back and legs; also uses hot stones on back, neck and legs. 1 massage \$45, \$10 savings. 2 massages \$85, \$25 savings, 3 massages \$130, \$30 savings, 4 massages \$175, \$45 savings, 5 massages \$205, \$70 savings. 806-665-6850.

DECK THE Halls Thurs., Dec. 14th, Open until 7:30 p.m. Buy an ornament, get a second of equal value at 50% off. Select Holiday Items 20% off. Offer excludes hand-painted ornaments. Best Kept Secrets, 1925 N. Hobart.

ESA SORORITY is sponsoring the Christmas Dance featuring Indian Summer. \$3 each at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center Friday 7-9:30 p.m.

LET PACK 'N' Mail do your Christmas packing, mailing & gift wrapping. Mon-Fri. 9-5:15 p.m. Special Holiday Hours Sat. Dec. 9th & 16th 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

LIQUIDATING ESTATE of Oscar J. Engle-For Sale: 4 choice cemetery plots in preferred section near road, Fairview Cemetery. Also, house at 1005 E. Foster-good starter home or rent house. Fred Epperly 669-3636.

Weather focus
PAMPA - Mostly sunny today. High: 45 to 50. Southwest winds 10 to 15 mph. Tonight, considerable high clouds. Lows around 30. Southwest to west winds 5 to 15 mph. On Friday, partly sunny. Highs 60 to 65. West winds 10 to 20 mph. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows around 35. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs around 62.

Yesterday's high was 30 and the overnight low 18.
STATEWIDE - Some ice remained on Texas roads and

CUSTOM EMBROIDERY. Stitchin' Barn, 669-3543, at Walnut Creek.

FOUR P Silver Company (in Pack 'n' Mail), 1506 N. Hobart, 665-6171. New shipment of sterling silver jewelry!

FREE TURKEY Dinner. Everyone welcome! Saturday, Dec. 16th, 5 p.m. 422 N. West, 669-1956.

GIFTWRAPPINGS SERVICE and supplies. Paper, Boxes, Tissue, etc. Call or come by The Coffee Shop. (Ask for Robin: 665-2999).

OPEN HOUSE, Fri. Dec. 15th, 1-4 p.m. Huge Sale. Drawing for Christmas wreath. Gift Shop in Tangles Hair Salon, 2121 N. Hobart.

PARTY TRAYS avail. for Holidays at Hoagies Deli. We deliver! 665-0292.

ROCK BOTTOM Prices for Large Rocks. Diamonds: 1.33 ct Marquise reg. \$10,000, sale \$4895, 1.00 ct Heart \$7900, sale \$3849, 1.00 ct Oval \$5900, sale \$3695. Come in let's talk! Goldkraft Jewelers, 1334 N. Hobart, 669-1244.

SEE US for in-car video. Custom overhead monitors, in dash, headrest or visor mountings, DVD, VCR, video games & wireless head phones. Halls' Auto Sound.

JEWELRY, LOTS of glitz for the holidays at Carousel Expressions, 113 N. Cuyler.

LIQUIDATION SALE, New Name-Brand men's clothes, suits, sport coats, shirts, sweaters, etc. 50-75% Off. Mike McComas, 810 W. Kingsmill, 665-3798, 9-8 p.m.

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Winds were mostly light and variable at less than 10 mph.

Because of patchy areas of ice on North and West Texas roadways, motorists were advised to use caution during morning commutes. But road conditions were expected to improve by Friday.

Daytime temperatures should warm to the 40s and 50s before falling into the 20s and 30s overnight.

Another cold front could bring a wintry mix by the weekend, the National Weather Service said.

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ESCAPEE

Sheriff Roberts said authorities in that community said the van was spotted heading east out of Great Bend towards Ellinwood.

"The Ellinwood police put themselves in a strategic location and caught that little devil," said Roberts. "I was told by the Kansas authorities (that) Debusk would waive extradition to be transported back to Lipscomb County

The sheriff said after he talked with 31st Assistant District Attorney Phil Pendleton concerning Debusk's capture and efforts to extradite him, Pendleton called back within 10 minutes and had both a complaint and warrant for Debusk's arrest.

He said the former county trustee was arrested on the Lipscomb County escape charges. Roberts said additional charges are being considered by

Pendleton. Attempts to reach Pendleton before press time were unsuccessful.

Debusk was being held for several burglaries in Lipscomb County. He had previously been held in Ochiltree County on similar charges before being transferred to Lipscomb about a month ago.

Authorities said Debusk is not considered dangerous, but is skilled at hot-wiring vehicles and adept at breaking into buildings.

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Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL
Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP
If interested in the ADHD/ADD Sport Group call Connie at 669-9364.

OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS
Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule — seven days a week — two meetings a day — noon till 1 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday noon meetings are non-smoking. For more information, call 665-9702.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER
Women's Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

LAS PAMPA WATER GARDEN AND KOI SOCIETY
Las Pampa Water Garden and Koi Society meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Austin Elementary School. For more information, contact Sharron Andrew at 665-6138 or Lance DeFever.

MONTHLY GOSPEL SINGING
First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, hosts a Gospel Singing from 2-4 p.m. every second Sunday of the month. Pastor Albert Maggard and the congregation of First Pentecostal cordially invites the public to attend. Singers and musicians from area churches participate in this informal congregational singing and enjoy various special vocal and instrumental presentations.

PHS SCHOLARSHIPS
Pampa High School is seeking clubs organizations, individuals or groups interested in establishing scholarships for high school seniors. The scholarships can be for any amount. The high school will make the scholarships available to senior students at the end of February. For more information, contact Starla Kindle or Billie Lowrey at 669-4800.

SANTA HELPERS
In an effort to raise funds for its Summer Educational Student Exchange trip to Germany, the German Club at Pampa High is organizing a volunteer program during the Christmas season. The volunteers are calling themselves "Santa's Little Helpers" and are available to help wrap presents, decorate homes (indoors and outdoors), remove decorations and much more. For more information or to schedule "Santa's Little Helpers," contact Jamie Greene, PHS German Club sponsor, at 669-4800 (PHS) or at 665-8850 (home). Donations are accepted.

PAMPA SHRINE CLUB
Pampa Shrine Club will meet at 7 p.m., Friday, Dec. 15, at the Sportsman's Club on South Barnes. Christmas dinner will be provided by the club. Blue Lodge members are invited to attend.

JOY FELLOWSHIP CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
The women's Joy Fellowship group at First Assembly of God Church, 500 S. Cuyler, will host a Christmas luncheon beginning at 11 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 16 at the church. Colleen Bartel, the wife of the pastor at Calvary Baptist Church of Pampa, will be the guest speaker. Music will be provided by Donna Carnagey, Angela Hicks and Beverly Moss. Tickets are \$4 each and reservations are required by Friday, Dec. 15. All ladies are invited and a nursery will be provided for chil-

dren through age four. For more information, call 665-5941.

FIRST ASSEMBLY CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
First Assembly of God Church, 500 S. Cuyler, will present its annual "Home for Christmas" program at 10 a.m., Sunday, Dec. 24 in the sanctuary of the church. Pastor Mike Moss will share the Christmas story, Christmas carols will be sung by candlelight and refreshments will be served. The program is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Moss at 665-5941 or 665-6060.

WINTER PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

A Winter Photography Workshop is in the offing at 1 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 16 at Caprock Canyons State Park in Quitaque. Participants will need their own camera, film, note pad and snacks. The workshop will be conducted both inside and outside and will not be canceled due to inclement weather. Cost is \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors/TCP members and \$10 for children 12 and under. Reservations are required. For more information, call (806) 455-1492.

TRAIL RIDE OF THE MILLENNIUM

"The Journey" will celebrate the first Butterfield Overland Stagecoach Run in 138 years with the "Historic Trail Ride of the Millennium!" The trip will begin March 24, 2001, in Springfield, Mo., and will conclude May 25 in Tombstone, Ariz. The event will raise money for Special Olympics, St. Jude's Children's Hospital and Children's Miracle Network, both by the sale of tickets and by corporate sponsorship. For more information, contact "The Journey" at (417) 255-2390 or visit www.thestagecoachjourney.com on the Internet.

CANYON NATURE HIKES

The following nature hikes are scheduled at Palo Duro Canyon State Park: 2-5 p.m., Dec. 9 and 23, Givens, Spicer and Lowry Running Trail, 2.5-mile hike, moderately difficult; and 2-4 p.m., Dec. 30, Sunflower Trail. Participants should bring water and good walking shoes. The walks will include discussions on geology, history, wildlife and plants. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

PDCSP PROGRAMS

Palo Duro Canyon State Park will host a series of evening programs throughout the month at Lone

Star Interpretative Theater near Hackberry campground. Topics and dates are as follows: "Canyon Critters," 7-8 p.m., Nov. 25. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

AYUSA

Academic Year in the U.S.A. International, a non-profit student exchange program, invites high school students to apply for the Congress-Bundestag scholarship, a full scholarship for one year to study in Germany. Deadline for application is Dec. 1. For more information, call 1-800-727-4540, ext. 567 or visit www.ayusa.org/usagermanyscholarship on the World Wide Web.

AAA INTERNSHIPS

American Angus Association and the "Angus Journal" will offer three summer internships to college students who want to learn more about breed association work. The paid internships will begin approximately June 1, 2000, and will conclude mid-August. Application deadline is Feb. 15, 2001. For more information, call (816) 383-5100.

MS. TEXAS SENIOR PAGEANT

Ms. Texas Senior Pageant officials are currently seeking participants and corporate sponsorships for the 14th annual Ms. Texas Senior pageant scheduled March 23-24 at the Ramada Market Center in Dallas. For more information, contact Nell Coleman, state director, at (972) 239-3342, or Red Walker, executive director, (972) 270-5944.

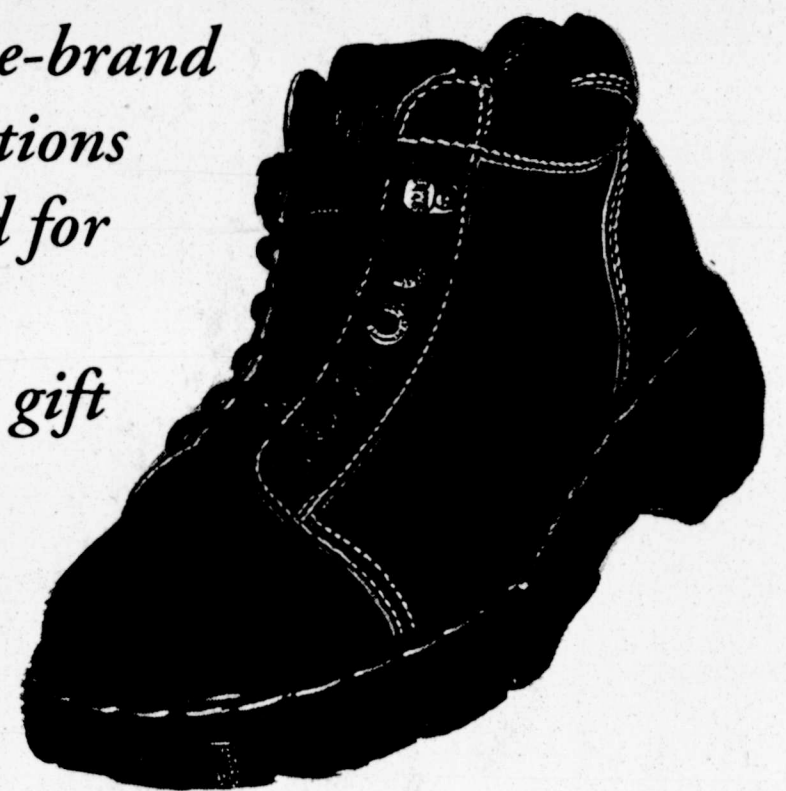
IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines will also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9:30 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4:00 p.m., Dec. 6, 20, Pampa Family Clinic, 700 W. Kentucky; 2-4:30 p.m., Dec. 11, McLean Clinic, McLean; 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Dec. 12, Allison School, Allison; 10 a.m.-12 p.m., 1-3 p.m., Dec. 18, Miami School, Miami (flu).

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Clean Hands Are First Line Of Defense to Fight Off Colds

DEAR ABBY: Christmas came early last year. Our copier repairman at work gave me his cold. I spent Christmas Eve and Day with my cat, because I dared not inflict my cold on my elderly parents.

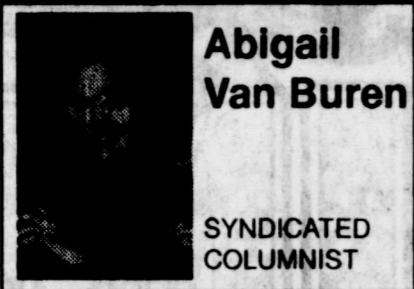
Abby, please remind your readers to cover their mouths when coughing or sneezing. A big thank-you. Sign me ...

AAACHOO!

DEAR AAACHOO: You're welcome. (Gesundheit!) As important as covering one's mouth when coughing or sneezing may be, it is equally important for everyone to frequently wash their hands during cold season. Contrary to popular belief that colds are caught from germs flying through the air, more colds are caught because people cough and sneeze into their hands, and then touch objects that are touched by others (door handles, elevator buttons, stair rails, telephones). When their contaminated fingers touch their eyes or noses — that is how colds are transmitted.

Frequent hand-washing (or sanitizing) is the best defense. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: As we all know the importance of washing our hands because illness can be transmitted by touching our eyes, nose and mouth, it amazes me that strangers have an uncontrollable desire to test a newborn infant's



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

hand grasp. Don't they know that babies comfort themselves by putting their hands into their mouths?

It's flu season, Abby, so please ask your readers to try to keep their hands to themselves when they see a baby. Only their smiles, coos and kind words are appreciated by their parents.

CALIFORNIA MOTHER OF TWO

DEAR MOTHER OF TWO: That makes good sense to me. Although tiny babies are almost irresistible, adults must bear in mind that the immune systems of infants are fragile, and make the effort to lessen their exposure to illnesses they may be ill-equipped to fight off.

DEAR ABBY: Why is it that after a couple has dated for more than two years, everyone assumes that they are ready to get married and that the woman is anxiously holding her breath waiting for the ring?

I am 31 years old and have been in a relationship for three years. While we are very happy, we feel we still need time before moving on to the next step. It amazes me when family and friends chastise my boyfriend and pity me because I haven't been so "lucky" as to have gotten engaged.

HAPPILY DATING IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR HAPPILY DATING: Before popping off, please consider that your family and friends are traditional thinkers. Your attitude is extremely contemporary. Until the last 15 or 20 years, it was most women's dream to be married — and if they were in a steady relationship for more than two years without a commitment, the problem often was that the boyfriend was unwilling.

Years ago, girls used to dream about a little white house with a picket fence. Now, they're likely to dream about a corporate office with a couple of windows.

***** Friends seek you out. Plan on doing research, clearing your desk and perhaps handling details involving the office party. You're right on top of everything, even if you drag by the night's end. Unexpected news energizes you. Tonight: Others follow your lead.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
***** Reach out for someone who impacts you both financially and emotionally. Establish limits with a child or a new "buddy" friendship. Someone might expect something that you might not be willing to give. Use care with a financial hunch. You might not like the end results. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***** Others come forward with a myriad of ideas. You might be full of surprises. A family or domestic issue weighs on you. Understand that there are solutions. Just sit down and discuss the problem with a partner on a one-on-one level. Teamwork draws positive answers. Tonight: Say thank you to a loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
***** Those in charge share different points of view. You hear opinions loud and clear. Consider ideas. The more you use, the better the product. At least you can test an idea. Don't worry if you feel closed down or quiet. You have a lot to do. Clear those matters first. Tonight: It could be a late night.

BORN TODAY
Roman Emperor Nero (A.D. 37), executive John Paul Getty (1892), actor Don Johnson (1949)

Horoscope

FRIDAY, DEC. 15, 2000

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)
***** Brainstorm with someone in the know. Also seek out those who might not see situations the same as you do. Greet different opinions positively. Others do their best to help you realize what you want. Be careful with another great moneymaking scheme. Tonight: Out with friends.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
***** Build security and don't let others intimidate you. Often, a brusque exterior pushes you away. Unusual ideas stem from a boss or parent. Work one-on-one with a special partner or friend. Together, you gain. Do not minimize what is happening with a child or loved one. Tonight: Nap, then go out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
***** Keep communication flowing. Listen carefully to others, even if you might be a bit jolted. You see a situation quite differently. Break barriers and attempt to find positive solutions. A child or loved one delivers a strong message. Perhaps you haven't been listening well. Tonight: Playtime.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
***** Deal with money matters head-on. You cannot minimize the importance of family and the holidays. Reach out for

another and have an important talk, especially if this person is angry. A friend might not follow through. You could be disappointed. Tonight: Shop on the way home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
***** Unexpected developments open your mind to other possibilities. Make calls and reach out for another. Take your time with a touchy, difficult boss. Handle him! Your ingenuity knows no limits. Use your abilities. Tonight: Playfulness draws just what you want.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
***** Take your time making a decision. Your mind could be tuned to information. Absorb facts and integrate information. Don't follow your instincts with spending, as you could go way overboard. News from a distance throws you off. Share your deeper thoughts with a family member. Tonight: Togetherness counts.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
***** You are more likely to speak your mind and not listen right now. Listen well, especially to a child or loved one. Though you could be jolted at first, solicit feedback to get more of what both of you want. Gather with friends. Success comes in groups. Tonight: Wherever the party is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
***** Re-evaluate what is going on with another. Carefully think about a decision that involves a boss or higher-up. Your thoughts take you in another direction, especially with gift buying. Your instincts help you with what isn't being said at the office. Tonight: A force to behold.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

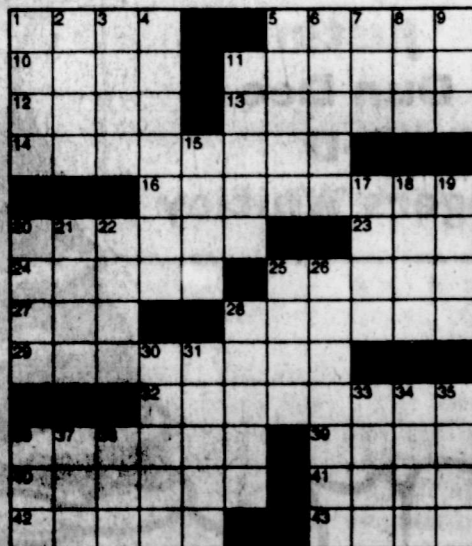
Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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 - 14 Requiring
 - 16 Replacing
 - 20 — Thursday
 - 23 Vietnam's My —
 - 24 Ninnies
 - 25 Long journeys
 - 27 Flight, slangily
 - 28 Least confined
 - 29 Words on a fire alarm
 - 32 Due to
 - 36 Tenant
 - 39 Janet of Justice
 - 40 Eye-related
 - 41 Snack in a shell
 - 42 Prepared a fish
 - 43 Pitcher Hershiser
- DOWN**
- 1 Sandwich shop
 - 2 Little Engine's phrase
 - 3 Leg part
 - 4 Cough medicine additive
 - 5 Vietnam capital
 - 6 "Get —!"
 - 7 Mai tai base
 - 8 Greek vowel
 - 9 Actor
 - 11 In a blue way
 - 15 Finishes 17 1997
 - 17 1997 role for Peter Fonda
 - 18 Sturdy counselor
 - 19 Boxing weapon
 - 20 West African nation
 - 21 Strong — ox
 - 22 "Semper Parvum" group
 - 25 "Star Trek" writer
 - 26 Mention
 - 28 Flu symptom
 - 30 Usher's place
 - 31 Golfer Sam
 - 33 Put on
 - 34 Formerly
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 - 37 Writer Umberto
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"Mommy, I know all about cryin', but have I learned to POUT yet?"

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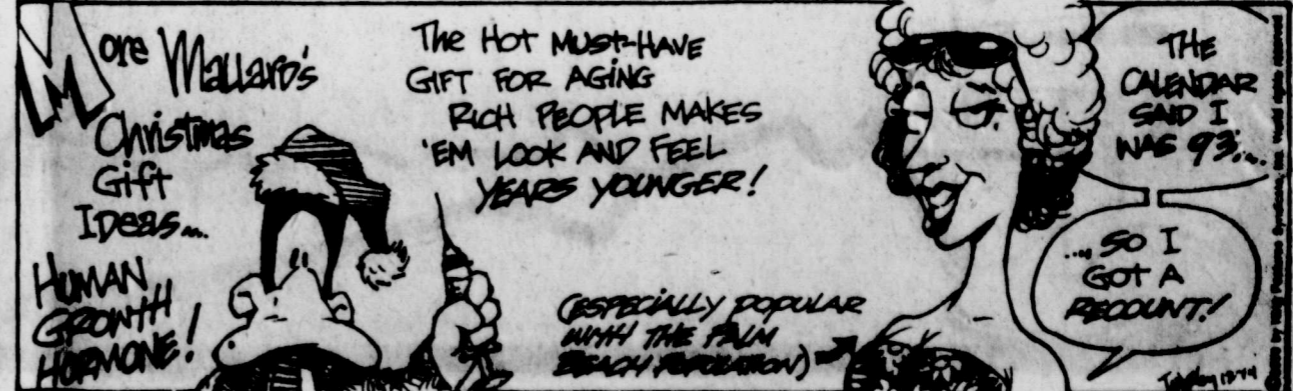
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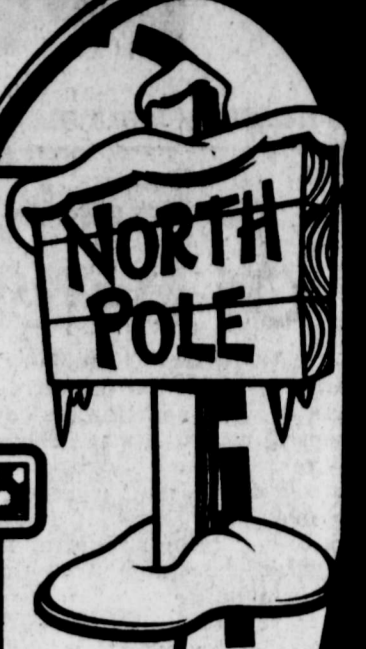


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WATER

The City of Amarillo has four permits to pump water from 72,000 acres in Roberts County, although by agreement, the city will not begin pumping for another 25 years.

This week's hearing concerned a permit for 24,055 acres of land owned by Pickens; 3,037 acres owned by the Reynolds family; 3,377 acres owned by the Wilde family; 53,733 acres owned by Harold Courson; 3,042 acres owned by the Carl Kennedy family; 6,038 acres owned by the Albert Reynolds estate, and 5,835 acres owned by the Bill Tolbert family.

Quiox WRR Corporation, part of a local electric utility, has 56,487 acres for which it had applied for a pumping permit.

Another group, Tandy Adams of Kansas that owns property in Roberts County, requested a permit but was unable to make the hearing because of a snow storm. The group requested their hearing to be rescheduled at a later date.

Other groups are expected to apply for more well permits in Roberts County in the near future.

While the established permits and the permits requested reflect a pumping rate of one acre-foot per acre per year, a new computer model indicates that in order to have at least 50 percent of the water that was in the aquifer in 1998 still available in the year 2050, the pumping rates would have to be reduced to less than half an acre-foot per acre per year.

"Our whole life changed in Roberts County when CRMWA bought 43,000 acres of water rights in the summer of 1997," Pickens told the district's board of directors. "They paid approximately \$350 an acre for them."

That water is to be shipped as far as 300 miles south of Roberts County, said Pickens who owns a ranch in Roberts County.

"In 1999, Amarillo purchased 71,000 acres of water

'We believe we are entitled to have what this conservation district has given CRMWA and Amarillo.'

T. Boone Pickens
Roberts County ranch owner

rights," Pickens said. "Even though they say they do not intend to develop and produce it for several years, the conservation district granted Amarillo production permits. That is exactly what the landowners are asking for today. Nothing more. Nothing less."

Pickens said that with Amarillo and CRMWA planning to pump water from beneath Roberts County, he and his neighbors have no choice other than to try to sell their water to the highest bidder. The other entities who already have permits in Roberts County can suck up the water from beneath Pickens' Mesa Vista Ranch and the ranches of his neighbors, he said.

"We are pleased that some of our neighbors agreed to sell their commercial water rights, water that they would never use for ranching or wildlife and water that could be drained by others," Pickens said. "We left out landowners cannot afford to wait. We feel we will be drained."

He said the ranchers are seeking the same opportunities afforded to their neighbors.

"Each of the landowners have applied for production permits in order to obtain what Amarillo and the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority already have," Pickens said, "the right to produce and sell water."

Pickens said the group has offered to sell their water to CRMWA and Amarillo, but neither CRMWA nor Amarillo would buy the water so the

ranchers want to seek other buyers.

"We believe we are entitled to have what this conservation district has given CRMWA and Amarillo," Pickens said.

"I think the bottom line is all we are asking for is the same thing that our neighbors have been granted," said Susie Reynolds, a Roberts County landowner.

"We just want to be treated equal," said Harold Courson, who also owns land in Roberts County.

Another Roberts County landowner who is requesting a permit, Carl Kennedy said he attended area water meetings both as a Roberts County landowner and as Gray County Judge and mounted a campaign in years past to prevent Roberts County water from being pumped and piped to other areas by CRMWA.

"At that time I was very concerned because I felt in time it would not only take the water where we were and the neighbors adjacent to CRMWA," Judge Kennedy said, "but also it would where we live just north of Pampa and even the City of Pampa would suffer."

Kennedy said he didn't win that battle, but he said that CRMWA would eventually pump the water out from under his land and the land of his neighbors.

"The decision to take the water has already been made," Kennedy said. "The amount will be up to the water district board."

Sandy Webb with an Amarillo law firm represent-

ing Quiox WRR, part of a public electrical utility, told the board that Quiox was seeking the right to sell water from about 60,000 acres in Roberts, Carson County and Gray County. She said they had retained Mesa to handle the sale of their water.

Dan Coffee with the City of Amarillo told the district board of directors that Amarillo was concerned about the preservation of water. He and John Williams both asked that any permit granted Mesa include the same specifications that are required of Amarillo and CRMWA.

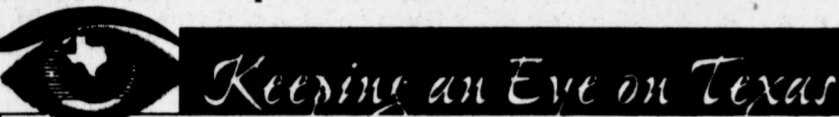
Alan Dutton with the University of Texas' Bureau of Economic Geology explained to those at the meeting that the district's aquifer management standard is at least half of the water stored in the underground aquifer in 1998 will remain by the year 2050.

Under the computer model developed by Dutton for the district, Mesa would be able to withdraw water at the rate of 0.44 acre-feet per acre per year in order to meet the 50 percent standard. Amarillo would be able to withdraw water at the rate of 0.43 acre-feet per acre per year. CRMWA would be able to withdraw water at a rate of 0.41 acre-feet per acre per year. Taking all of Roberts County, producers would be able to withdraw water at a rate of 0.45 acre-feet per acre per year.

Generally, the board allows pumping of one acre-foot per acre per year, but Dutton says if such is the case, the allowable water on the Amarillo tracts would be used up in 22 years.

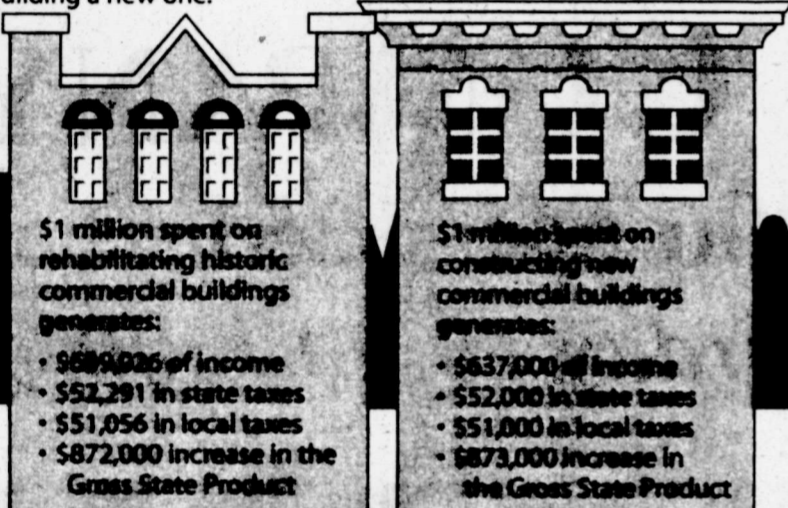
The allowable water on the Mesa tracts would be used up in 23 years. The allowable water on the CRMWA tracts would be used up in 21 years. The allowable water across all of Roberts County would be used up in about 23 years.

"Average long term production rates would probably have to be less than half an acre-foot per acre per year for that 50 percent standard," Dutton says.



Makeover marvels

Historic preservation efforts create more than \$1.4 billion in economic activity in Texas annually, and support nearly 41,000 Texas jobs. In terms of cost, the rehabilitation of a historic commercial building has almost the same economic impact as building a new one.



SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts (www.window.state.tx.us); the Texas Historical Commission

Federal judge affirms UM admissions policy

DETROIT (AP) — A federal judge has upheld the University of Michigan's undergraduate admissions policy of weighing the race of applicants in a closely watched case that may be headed for the Supreme Court. For some, Wednesday's ruling demonstrates a win for affirmative action policies. Colleges and universities across the country consider race and ethnicity in admissions. In a two-part ruling, U.S. District Judge Patrick Duggan struck down a policy the school used from 1995 through 1998 that was targeted in a class-action lawsuit by two white students who were denied admission.

American businessman receives pardon

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian President Vladimir Putin on Thursday pardoned an American businessman who had been sentenced to 20 years in prison on espionage charges, clearing the way for him to go home, the Kremlin said. Edmond Pope of State College, Pa., was released immediately from Moscow's Lefortovo prison, said an official speaking on condition of anonymity. Associated Press reporters saw two cars escorted by police speeding away from the prison where Pope had been held for more than eight months. The cars headed straight to Moscow's main international airport and a plane carrying Pope took off for Frankfurt, Germany, shortly before noon, said Pope's lawyer, Pavel Astakhov.

Putin starts historic trip

to Cold War ally Cuba

HAVANA (AP) — Vladimir Putin, the first Russian president to visit Cuba since the collapse of the Soviet Union, was to hold talks Thursday with Fidel Castro on Thursday as he started a trip aimed at warming up ties between the former Cold War allies. The two men were already chatting animatedly through an interpreter late Wednesday shortly after Castro greeted Putin at the Havana airport. Dressed in his customary olive green uniform, Castro shook Putin's hand and at one point placed his hand affectionately on the Russian

president's shoulder.

Federal agency: to exclude contraceptive coverage is illegal

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal agency says it's against the law for many health plans to exclude contraception. The decision by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, announced Wednesday, has potential implications for millions of women whose health insurance plans exclude birth control pills, diaphragms and other forms of prescription contraceptives.

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East and Central Texans left without electricity in below-freezing weather

DALLAS (AP) — Almost 300,000 customers remained without electricity in East and central Texas Wednesday night as ice coated tree limbs knocked down power lines. A nursing home was forced to transport 32 residents to a nearby church for warmth.

As forecasters predicted below freezing temperatures for the third consecutive night, Red Cross volunteers scrambled to open up shelters while staff of the Camelot Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Tyler loaded up mattresses, blankets, food and medical supplies before moving about a third of its patients to the Friendly Baptist Church.

Other patients were picked up from the home by relatives when staff were told it could be as late as 3 p.m. Thursday before electricity was restored. Patients with Alzheimer's disease or dementia stayed in the home, using generators to stay warm.

The outages are a reminder of an ice storm that moved through Texas on Tuesday. Much of the ice on roadways melted Wednesday but some refreezing occurred late Wednesday.

"It was real cold over there and it was real nice of them to take us in over here at the church," Mary Torbert told the Tyler Morning Telegraph. "It was very nice of them."

"It was getting pretty cool," Andrew Holman said. "It was nice of the church to do this."

Patients watched television and visited Wednesday afternoon.

"We just tried to keep them warm and keep food in them," said Erika Ross, a nurse assistant.

In the Tyler area, where 50,000 customers were without electricity Wednesday night, only one Red Cross shelter was being used. Spokeswoman Tammy Prater said temperatures were not as low as forecasters initially anticipated. However, volunteers were ready to reopen shelters if the need should arise.

The outages encompassed 50,000 customers in the Tyler area; 25,000 in Dallas; 25,000 in the Waco and Killeen area; 65,000 in Austin; and, 123,500 in Longview.

The American Red Cross initially opened about 10 shelters in Gregg, Wood and Smith counties.

In Marshall, volunteers were expecting about 25 people at the shelter.

"We can take care of them one way or another," said Christi Stennis-Ball, director of services for American Red Cross. "We can house maybe 25, then we'll start moving them to other buildings. We could house 600 if we need to, but we don't expect anywhere near that."

Volunteers prepared cots and blankets, as well as sandwich dinners for their guests.

The Marshall shelter also was without electricity and was operating only by candlelight and lanterns, but was able to keep residents warm with gas heaters.

Though never completely without water, Tyler officials issued a warning to conserve water until the city pumps were back up and running.

Prater said the city was close to panic at one point.

"Grocery stores were hit very hard with people stocking up on things," she said. "There was a mild panic about the water situation but the water pressure is coming back much better and things are calming down."

Don Rogers, spokesman for the Texas Division of Emergency Management, said the power would not be back up until late Thursday or Friday. However, emergency crews were working to restore power to hospitals and cities to preserve water supplies.

About 100,000 of those without electricity were customers of TXU Electric & Gas.

"We're working to restore service as fast as we can," said TXU spokeswoman Carol Peters.

TXU had more than 1,650 workers working to restore power, with additional workers on call. The company is bringing in extra crews from areas of the state not affected by the ice storm. Crews are being forced to remove trees that surround the power lines before they're able to work on them.

Mexico keeps watch on volcano after increased activity

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Soldiers reviewed evacuation procedures with residents after a volcano outside Mexico City erupted a record number of times in a single day.

The Popocatepetl Volcano registered 200 eruptions on Tuesday, breaking a 1996 record of 180 in a single day.

Officials issued an intermediate state of alert Wednesday after the volcano spewed ash in the pre-dawn hours and authorities detected internal vibrations and a tremor that

lasted an hour and 10 minutes. The national disaster prevention agency warned residents to stay at least six miles away. When the volcano is more stable, the distance is 4.35 miles.

But there were no reports of ash falling on any populated areas.

Officials were reviewing evacuation routes from towns near the volcano and stepping up security to prevent people from entering roads leading to Popocatepetl.

The 17,886-foot volcano is located 40 miles southeast of Mexico City. Popocatepetl has been spewing vapor, ash and rock intermittently since December 1994 after lying largely dormant since 1927.

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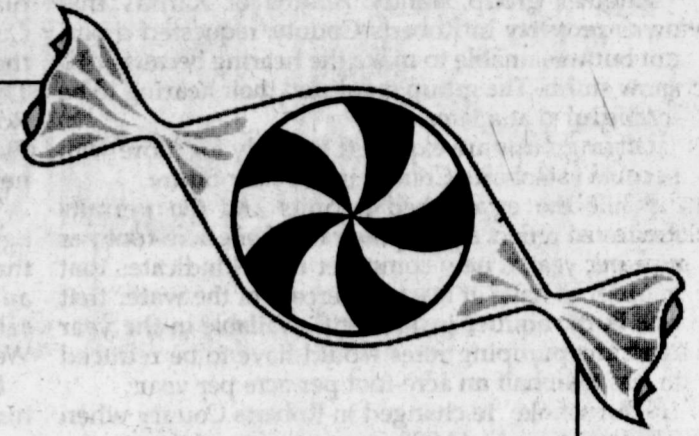


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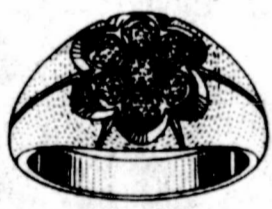
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SPORTS

Cowboys' Wright is learning the hard way

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Anthony Wright is getting a quick, extreme lesson in what it's like to be an NFL quarterback.

The Dallas Cowboys' second-year pro got the first significant playing time of his NFL career in an emotional game against Washington. His first start comes Sunday night on ESPN against the hard-charging New York Giants. His second start could be on Monday Night Football on Christmas in Tennessee, where the reigning AFC champs rarely lose.

Troy Aikman is used to three-game stretches like that. Not Wright, a recent fourth-stringer who until two weeks ago hadn't taken a snap in a game that counted since 1998, his senior year at South Carolina, when the Gamecocks went 1-10.

"I never saw myself at this point so quickly," said Wright, who is still amazed at having a locker roughly halfway between Aikman and Emmitt Smith. "It is kind of overwhelming.

The Pittsburgh Steelers thought enough of Wright to keep him around all last season even though he never played a down. They used him this preseason, including against the Cowboys, then released him.

Dallas added him to the practice squad Aug. 30. When Aikman had the concussion in the opener, the Cowboys instead promoted Clint Stoerner, an undrafted rookie who'd been on the team all summer.

Stoerner later returned to the practice squad. In October, another third-stringer was needed. Again, Stoerner was picked.

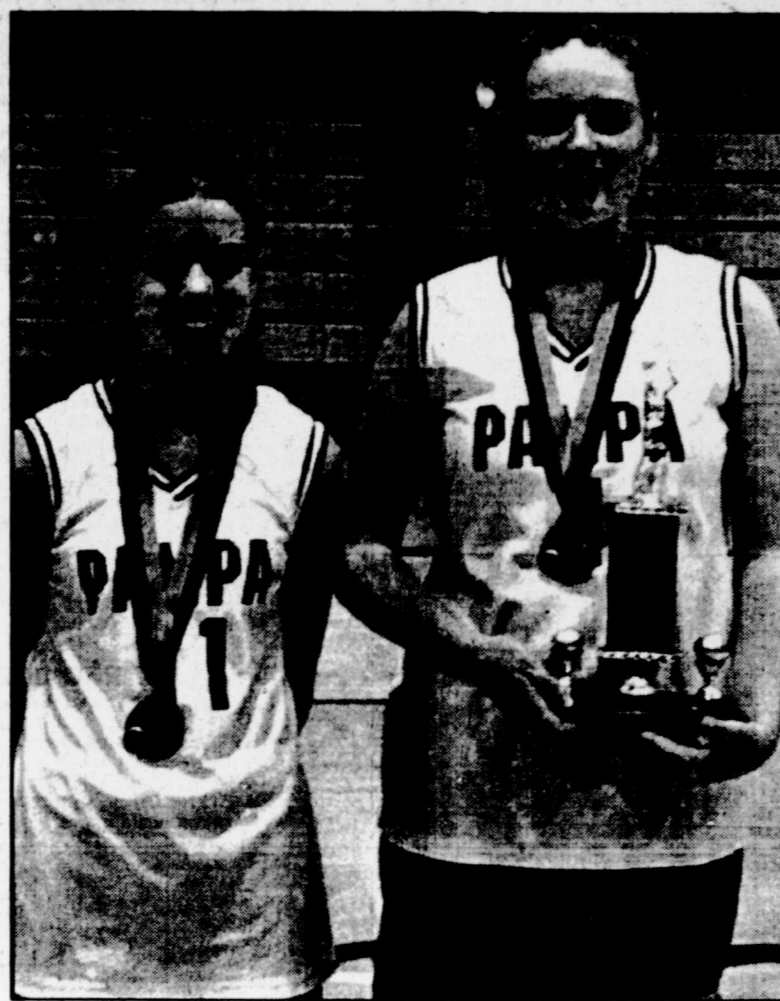
Then, in late November, Miami and Kansas City showed interest in Wright. Faced with the choice of using him or losing him, Dallas added Wright to the 53-man roster a few days before Thanksgiving.

"I tried not to concern myself with what was going on around me," Wright said. "I knew they liked me or I wouldn't have been here. They told me to stay patient and that's what I did."

In a season where little has gone right for the Cowboys (5-9), that move may wind up being one of the best.

Wright, who made his NFL debut two weeks ago in a mop-up role against Tampa Bay, was forced into action Sunday when Aikman suffered another concussion and played three solid quarters as Dallas beat Washington 32-13.

Wright will start Sunday as Aikman already has been ruled out.



(Pampa News photo by Lance Burton)

Jennie Waggoner (right) was named the most valuable player and teammate Abbi Covalt of the Pampa freshmen girls were named to the all-tournament team at Dumas last week. Pampa won the tournament and has a perfect record at 10-0.

Super Bowl favorites will miss the playoffs

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Lost somewhere in the chasm between excellence and irrelevance, the Jacksonville Jaguars are playing out their season of regret.

If they beat the Cincinnati Bengals on Sunday, the Jaguars (7-7) will have a five-game winning streak, a winning record for the first time since September and a chance to finish the season above .500.

But there will be no playoffs. And hardly any player in this melancholy locker room can stop thinking about what might have been, or how things could have turned out differently.

Some suggest the pressure of being Super Bowl favorites made it difficult to play well early this season. Likewise, the lack of pressure since they fell out of the playoff picture might be the reason things are running so smoothly now.

"It's because the guys aren't worried about anything," receiver Jimmy Smith said Wednesday. "They're not worried about the playoffs. There's not a lot of pressure on us. We're just going out and playing with nothing to lose. That's what it takes. You just play and let it go."

Receiver Keenan McCardell

concluded.

"We put a lot of pressure on ourselves," he said of the early season. "We went 14-2 last season and felt we had to repeat.

There were people pressing. But we've kind of stopped pressing ourselves and started having fun. There's nothing wrong with pressing ourselves. But you can keep pressing until you make too many mistakes."

Coach Tom Coughlin refuses to concede that the Jaguars respond poorly to pressure. That was a prevalent issue in the offseason, after Jacksonville got thoroughly outplayed in the second half of a 33-14 loss to the Titans in the AFC title game.

Coughlin has his own ideas about pressure, where it comes from, and how to play when the stakes are high.

"One of the things that's very important to me is that our players understand that the only true pressure is that which is placed on themselves," Coughlin said. "It doesn't come from the outside. It doesn't come from the media. It doesn't come from the circumstances. It comes from within. It's the pressure on each other to perform and not let each other down."

Coaches meeting is Monday night

PAMPA — There will be a boys basketball coaches meeting at 7:30 Monday night at the Pampa Optimist Club.

Anyone interested in coaching or helping to coach is urged to attend. Players' signups will be announced after the holidays.

Cougars sweep Booker cagers

BRISCOE — Fort Elliott, which has won 12 of 13 games this season, rolled by Booker 67-41 Tuesday night.

Junior Newman had 16 points while Aaron Hartline followed with 14 for Fort Elliott.

The Cougars jumped out to a 16-3 first-quarter lead.

Travis Rogers led Booker with 13 points.

Fort Elliott also won the girls game, 45-31.

Tamara Hartline and Kyleigh Trimble were Fort Elliott's leading scorers with 13 and 12 points, respectively.

Booker's high scorer was Micah Harper with 8 points.

Fort Elliott girls have an 8-4 record.

BASKETBALL

Pampa Middle School Boys Basketball

8th Grade Division
 Pampa Blue 22, Valleyview 18
 P - Jensen Elenberger 8, Mark Murray 6,
 Pampa Blue 31, Hereford 16
 P - Mark Murray 6, Cameron Seger 6, Adam Brown 4, Jensen Elenberger 4. Record: 6-1.
 Pampa Red 42, Dumas 33
 P - Britten East 18, Seth Foster 9, Clayton Hall 5.
 Pampa 55, Dimmitt 38
 P - Britten East 18, Brandon Johnston 9,
 Heath Miller 8, Seth Foster 6. Record: 5-1.
 7th Grade Division
 Westover 32, Pampa Blue 21
 P - Shane Goldsmith 6, Tyler Klein 4, Pablo Alvarado 4.
 Hereford 38, Pampa Blue 32
 P - Pablo Alvarado 11, Nick Robbins 6, Jarred Mohler 5. Pampa record: 2-5.
 Hereford 48, Pampa Red 40
 P - Eric Kingcade 11, Jarrett Kotara 7,
 Dumas 25, Pampa Red 18
 P - Braden Berrier 6
 Pampa Red 43, Plainview 31
 P - Braden Berrier 10, Colby Scott 7,
 Weston Teichmann 7. Record: 1-6.

BOWLING

Harvester Lanes League Results

Caprock Men's League
 Men's high scratch game: Greg Haddock 205.
 Men's high scratch series: Greg Haddock 736.
 Harvester Women's League
 Ladies high scratch game: Peggy Smith 204.
 Ladies high scratch series: Peggy Smith 688.
 Anne Sanborn, a 119 average bowler, had a 203 game and received an award for bowling 75 pins over her average.
 Wednesday Night Mixed League
 Ladies high scratch game: Belinda Edwards 171.
 Ladies high scratch series: Gail Nebors 476.
 Men's high scratch game: Warren Dahn 203.
 Men's high scratch series: Ralph West 597.
 Harvester Couples League
 Ladies high scratch game: Linda Lanham 213.
 Ladies high scratch series: Belinda Nolte 581.
 Men's high scratch game: Steve Nolte 244.
 Men's high scratch series: Jake Woodruff 606.
 8th & 9th League
 Ladies high scratch game: Kim Newman 147.
 Ladies high scratch series: Kim Newman 396.
 Men's high scratch game: Ralph West 243.
 Men's high scratch series: Ralph West 678.
 Boy's high scratch game: Zach Wilson 207.
 Boy's high scratch series: Ashleigh Burns 180.
 Girl's high scratch series: Ashleigh Burns 471.

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Takedown Club competes in Maverick Tournament

AMARILLO — Pampa Takedown Club members participated in the Maverick Wrestling Tournament recently. Results are as follows:

Division One
First place: Zachary Bradley, 80 pounds; Fourth place: Dallan Poole, 52 pounds; Fifth place: Austin Farrar, 46 pounds, Rookie Division; Sixth place: Carlos Regalado, 46 pounds, Rookie Division.

Division Two
Second place: Steven Botello, 58 pounds; Fourth place: Gavin Jimenez, 52 pounds; First place: Riley Woodruff, 58 pounds, Rookie Division; Second place: Cameron Wall, 45 pounds; Third place: Kyle Turner, 58 pounds.

Division Three
First place: Cody Schiffman, 58 pounds, Rookie Division; Third place: Steven Botello, third place; Fourth place: Christian Hinkle, 64 pounds; Fifth place: Cody Schiffman, 58 pounds, Open

Division.
Division Four
First place: Zack Estep, 135 pounds, Rookie Division; First place: Kasey Urquhart, 70 pounds, and third place, 75 pounds; Second place: Ryan Goldsmith, 70 pounds, and sixth place, 67 pounds; Third place: John Burns, 110 pounds; Sixth place: Richard Leal, 67 pounds.

Division Five
First place: Dusty Langley, 145 pounds; Fourth place: Dylan Whitten, 108 pounds; Fifth place: David Burns, 95 pounds; Fifth place: Matt Woodruff, 120 pounds.

Tickets (\$10) are still available for the More than Gold Banquet and program to be presented by Olympic wrestling champion Brandon Clay. Urquhart can be contacted at 665-8321 to purchase a ticket for the banquet, which will be held at 7 Saturday night at Calvary Baptist Church.

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PRO FOOTBALL											
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National Football League											
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Miami	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA					
10	4	0	0	.714	283	182					
N.Y. Jets	9	5	0	.643	294	277					
Indianapolis	8	6	0	.571	378	303					
Buffalo	7	7	0	.500	283	314					
New England	4	10	0	.286	239	301					
Central											
x-Tennessee	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA					
11	3	0	0	.786	291	191					
x-Baltimore	10	4	0	.714	286	138					
Jacksonville	7	7	0	.500	328	282					
Jacksonville	7	7	0	.500	263	231					
Cincinnati	3	11	0	.214	161	329					
Cleveland	3	12	0	.200	161	395					
West											
x-Oakland	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA					
11	3	0	0	.786	403	263					
x-Denver	10	4	0	.714	440	340					
Kansas City	6	8	0	.429	322	318					
Seattle	5	9	0	.357	270	339					
San Diego	1	13	0	.071	228	376					
NATIONAL CONFERENCE											
East											
N.Y. Giants	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA					
10	4	0	0	.714	283	208					
x-Philadelphia	10	5	0	.667	336	238					
Washington	7	7	0	.500	258	242					
Dallas	6	9	0	.357	283	313					
Arizona	3	11	0	.214	200	410					
Central											
x-Minnesota	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA					
11	3	0	0	.786	369	307					
Tampa Bay	8	5	0	.619	336	217					
Detroit	8	5	0	.619	277	277					
Green Bay	7	7	0	.500	303	281					
Chicago	4	10	0	.286	193	318					
West											
New Orleans	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA					
9	5	0	.643	310	272						
St. Louis	9	5	0	.643	479	412					
Carolina	6	8	0	.429	271	236					
San Francisco	5	9	0	.357	362	384					
Atlanta	3	11	0	.214	216	377					
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Orlando	9	13	.409	8							
New Jersey	8	14	.364	9							
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Charlotte	14	7	.609	1/2							
Toronto	11	10	.524	2 1/2							
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Milwaukee	11	11	.500	3							
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WESTERN CONFERENCE											
Midwest Division											
Utah	W	L	Pct	GB							
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San Antonio	13	9	.591	2 1/2							
Minnesota	13	9	.591	3							
Dallas	14	10	.583	3							
Houston	12	9	.571	3 1/2							
Denver	10	13	.436	6 1/2							
Vancouver	7	15	.318	9							
Pacific Division											
Phoenix	W	L	Pct	GB							
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Sacramento	14	6	.700	1/2							
Portland	16	8	.687	1/2							
L.A. Lakers	15	9	.625	1 1/2							
Seattle	12	12	.500	4 1/2							
L.A. Clippers	7	17	.292	9 1/2							
Golden State	6	16	.273	9 1/2							
Tuesday's Games											
Toronto 104, Indiana 90											
Cleveland 92, Dallas 87											
New Jersey 118, Minnesota 94											
Atlanta 107, Sacramento 89											
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Thursday's Games											
New York at Toronto, 8 p.m.											
Denver at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.											
Houston at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.											
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Charlotte at Washington, 7 p.m.											
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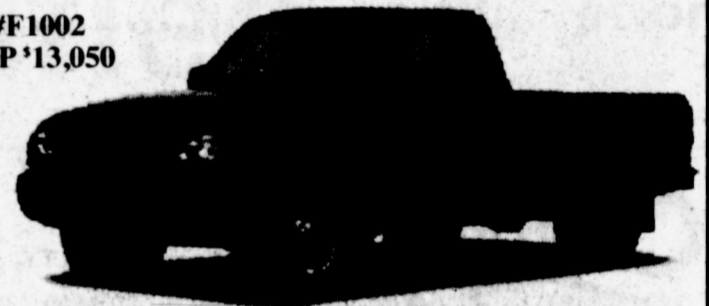
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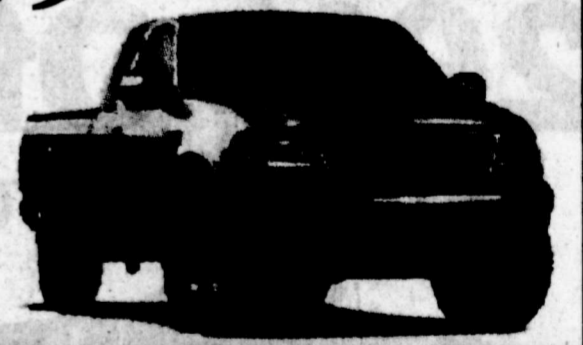
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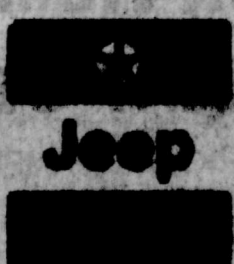
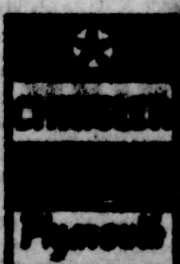
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