

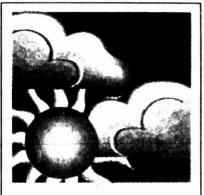
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Celebration bullet may have killed teen

LAREDO, Texas (AP) — A teen-age girl who was killed after being struck by a bullet

Area water was big issue in 2000

By DAVID BOWSER Staff Writer

The year 2000 turned out to be a pivotal year with regard to one of the most precious resources in the Pampa area water!

The Panhandle Regional Water Planning Group completed work on its plan for water over the next 50 years in the Texas Panhandle.

Chaired by C.E. Williams of the White Deer-based Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, the planning group determined with some degree of accuracy the amount of water in storage in the Ogallala Aquifer, the giant underground water formation that stretches from the Texas South Plains north into South Dakota, and proposed a plan that would

With CRMWA and Amarillo already owning water rights and holding pumping permits from the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, Kennedy said he, Pickens and the others in their group have no alternative than to pump their water and sell it to the highest bidder before CRMWA and Amarillo suck the water from beneath their land.

prohibit using more than 50 percent of the water now in storage by the year 2050. Although the plan is based on many assumptions, the people involved in the planning are among the most experienced in the state. While state officials derided many of the regional water plans mandated in 1997 by the Texas Legislature as

incomplete, there was nothing but praise tor the panhandle's water planning group

Williams, a veteran of water planning in this semi-arid region that to a great extent depends upon the Ogallala for moisture, noted that the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District has pursued such

quests for the better part of half a century. The district was the third water conservation district created in the state.

Indeed, Williams was called upon by other planning groups in Texas to help with their plans.

But even with the experience of Williams and other Panhandle Regional Water Planning Group members, there were some unexpected turns in the water wars of 2000.

Although it did not suffer as much a other parts of the state, the Pampa area faced a major drought for most of 2000. Williams said were it not for some timely rains late in the tall, the situation could have become critical

Also, in the middle of developing a regional water plan, Dallas oilman and (See WATER, Page 2)

Muns plans to step down on March 16

By DEE DEE LARAMORE Staff Writer

Bob Muns, Justice of the Peace Precincts 1 & 3, today announcec his plans for retirement effective March 16.

Muns said he submitted a letter





"Bob does a Bob Muns

tremendous job. He is very good at what he does. He has a long background

Man found dead in snow, another dies from suicide Stabbing probed **By DEE DEE LARAMORE**

Staff Writer

Violence and tragedy marked the first hours of the new year, as local law enforcement officers were called to investigate a reported suicide, a stabbing, and a man found dead in the yard of his home

At 1:40 a.m., Pampa police received a 9-1-1 call reporting that a man had shot himselt at 2315 Fir.

Officers arriving at the residence discovered the body of Robert Leroy Burkett, 48, in a bedroom at the home, dead of a gunshot wound to the head, according to police reports. Justice of the Peace Bob Muns pronounced Burkett dead and requested an autopsy be done at Lubbock County Medical Examiners Office in Lubbock. According to police reports, Burkett and his girlfriend had been involved in an argument prior to the shooting. The weapon used in the shooting was a 9mm pistol, police said. An autopsy is being conducted today, Judge Muns said. He said it appears that Burkett died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound, but added that he will not submit a final cause of death until he gets the results of the autopsy.

Sign of the times ...



early Monday may have been the victim of a reveler who was firing a gun to celebrate New Year's.

"What goes up, must come down," said Rio Bravo Fire Chief Jerry Arizola. "This is a horrible example of that, and I hope these people who fire their guns in the air remember this little girl."

Webb County The Sheriff's Department is investigating the incident. A spokesman declined to comment.

Fach year, Texas lawenforcement officials warn of the dangerous and illegal practice of firing guns in the air to celebrate New Year's.

In Dallas alone, police received more than 1,000 reports of guns being fired after midnight. No homicides were recorded.

The 14-year-old El Cenizo girl was hit by a bullet just after midnight Sunday while celebrating the new year outside her home. The girl's mother saw her collapse in the front yard. Arizola said.

The bullet struck the girl's left upper chest, and she later died, he said.

El Cenizo is about 10 miles south of Laredo.

• Kermit B. Lawson, 88, retired Cabot Corp. chemist, farmer.

• Susie Sims Lohberger, 83, homemaker, beautician. · Lucille Murrill, 63, homemaker.

• John Graham Reeves, 85, retired printer at Cabot Corp. · John Wesley Vermillion, 82, board member of Farm Bureau, Wheeler County Soil and Water Conservation District.

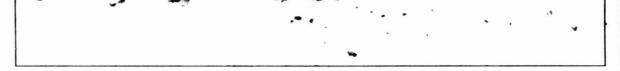
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Burkett was employed as supervisor at the Pampa Sonic Drive In on North Hobart.

While Pampa police were investigating the suicide report on Fir Street, Gray County Sheriff's deputies were called to a reported assault at a residence in Kentucky Acres, east of Price Road.

Chief Deputy David Russell (See MAN, Page 2)



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

A snow sculpture proclaiming "Happy 2001" greets passersby at Russell and Randy Matson streets. The snow creation is protected by the family dog at the home of Paul Carruth, 1501 N. Russell.

Snow woes continue ...

By KATE B. DICKSON Associate Publisher

Collections from residential dumpsters remain non-existent today, as they have since before Christmas, as deep snow and ice continues to keep - placing 90-gallon polycarts on some streets and or trucks out of the alleys.

Neither can street crews clear the alleys because their work is concentrated on streets, downtown details ironed out by tomorrow morning. snow pile removal and getting areas cleared for back-to-school traffic tomorrow

Sanitation Superintendent Rick Stone said all commercial accounts, nursing homes and the prison are being serviced because their dumpsters are easier to get to.

aren't fairing too well because deep snow around - cleared. Refreezing snow from the mounds cause them prohibits trucks from getting close enough, streets to continue to be slick.

- Misty Alvey

he said

Meanwhile, some residents are piling bags of garbage in the alleys - something Stone asks residents to please not do.

Stone is working on a plan that may include creating a central collection point where residents can bring their garbage. He said he will have the

"It's a nightmare," Stone said today. "We've never had anything this bad. We always can get in the alleys in a couple of days.

As far as the streets go, Public Service Supt. Kimberly Lincycomb said crews began work downtown at midnight clearing some of the Adempts to empty some street-side dumpsters mounds of snow pushed up when lanes were

in the area of law enforcement .He will be missed by the people of Gray County," Peet said.

"I will miss him. He's been a lo of support for me to as county judge. He was always fair and courteous to the people in Grav County and professional in his manner. I appreciate that. I makes the county work better. Peet said

Muns said he had no definite plans for the future, other than " have lots of honey do's" he said Muns has served as a justice of the peace for 14 years Approximately one year and nine months remain in the term

Grav County Commissioners will appoint someone to serve until the next general election, the county judge said

Commissioners will begin accepting letters of request for the position. Peet said but will not make a decision to till the vacanevantil the first of March.

"We will not consider filling the position until the first of March or shortly thereafter," Peet said. "Forone thing, (Muns) can change his mind until the last minute, ever though he's given his resignation

Quite frankly... What is your New Year's resolution?



"To exercise more and "To eat healthier." get into shape." -Casey Blalock



"To be healthy." - Janice Mackie



"I didn't make one "To have more fun this because I never keep year." them."

Veronica Coleman

Kelly Davis



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Daily Record

Obituaries

KERMIT B. LAWSON

Kermit B. Lawson, 88; of Pampa, died Monday, Jan. 1, 2001, at Amarillo. Services will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday in First United Methodist Church

with the Rev. Todd Dyess, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Lawson was born Sept. 28, 1912, at Mobeetie. He had been a Pampa resident since. 1959. He married Josephine Lane on Dec. 3, 1939, in Pampa.

He was a chemist with Cabot Corporation for 25 years and was a longtime farmer in Carson County.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church and Men's Fellowship Sunday School Class. Mr. Lawson was also a member of Panhandle Masonic Lodge #1167 AF&AM and York Rite Bodies of Borger.

Survivors include his wife, Josephine Lawson, of the home; two daughters, Naomi Kay Carter of Overland Park, Kan., and Joanne Watkins of Plano; a sister, Vada Lee Olson of Amarillo; and a grandson, Mark Watkins of Dallas.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, TX, 79066-1981; or to a favorite charity.

LUCILLE MURRILL

Lucille Murrill, 63, of Pampa, died Sunday, Dec. 31, 2000. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Murrill was born Feb. 13, 1937, at Wellington. She graduated from Carver High School in Pampa in 1955. She married James W. Murrill on July 8, 1956, at Pampa. She had lived in Pampa periodically for over 44 years, returning most recently in 1997.

She was a homemaker and a member of Open Door Church of God in Christ.

Survivors include her husband, James, of the home; two daughters, Vickie Shepard and Myra T. Murrill, both of Austin; two sons, James R. Murrill of Austin and Steven L. Murrill of Pampa; her mother and stepfather, Earsell and John W. Hopkins of Pampa; a grandchild; and a great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to Open Door Church of God in Christ, 402 Oklahoma, Pampa, TX 79065.

SUSIE SIMS LOHBERGER

ALLISON - Susie Sims Lohberger, 83, died Friday, Dec. 29, 2000, at Amarillo. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in United Methodist Church with the Rev. Wayne Sheffield and the Rev. Ernie McGaughey of Tulia officiating. Burial will be in Zybach Cemetery under the direction of Wright Puneral Directors of Wheeler.

Mrs. Lohberger was born Feb. 1, 1917, at Mobeetie, to Robert Alva and Viola Anderson

Services tomorrow

CHILTON, Bill – 2 p.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

LAWSON, Kermit B. - 4 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Pampa.

PRYOR, Mary Louise Adams - 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors Colonial

2 p.m., Alanreed Cemetery, Alanreed.

STONE, Ivan Ray — 11 a.m., Leon Springs First Baptist Church, San Antonio.

Police report

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

Friday, Dec. 29

The executor of an estate reported the theft of a 1971 Airstream travel trailer valued at \$3,500. A 1998 Chevrolet Cavalier was reported stolen

from the 100 block of East Craven. An officer observed the vehicle traveling though the intersection of West Brown and Ballard streets. Two men in the vehicle were arrested on outstanding warrants. The case has been forwarded to the district attorney's office.

Allsup's, 1900 N. Hobart, reported theft of \$15.27 of gasoline.

Saturday, Dec. 30

An information report was made in the 1000 block of South Faulkner.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 2100 block of North Wells. City of Pampa impounded a 1978 Ford pickup

abandoned in the 500 block of Harlem.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1000 block of East Darby. Jewelry and CDs, value unknown, were reported taken in the burglary. Sunday, Dec. 31

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1200 block of East Browning. A tire, valued at \$75, on a vehicle belonging to Caldwell Production was slashed.

Monday, Jan. 1

Criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of North Faulkner. The windshield of a 1997 Pontiac Sunfire was reportedly smashed in a domestic dispute. The case was forwarded to the county attorney's office.

The body of a 48-year-old man was discovered at a residence in the 2300 block of North Fir. The victim suffered a fatal gunshot wound to the head. An examination of the body was ordered by Justice of the Peace Bob Muns.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests and incidents during the 24-hour period ending at **7 am today**. Monday, Jan 4

Deputies investigated a reported stabbing at a residence in Kentucky Acres.

Roberts County rancher T. Boone Pickens announced that he had formed Mesa Water, Inc., and would sell water pumped from his land along the Canadian River north of Pampa and the land of several neighbors who are joining with him to

thirsty cities to the south. No agreements have been reached, but Pickens apparently has interested markets in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex, San Antonio or El Paso. Several cities along proposed pipelines leading to the urban areas have also expressed an interest in buying water from the Roberts County consortium.

One of Pickens allies in the project, Carl Kennedy, a former Gray County judge, said he had fought long and hard to keep the water beneath Pampa and the surrounding area for regional use, but the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, an entity that provides water for 11 towns and cities, including Pampa, has bought water rights in Roberts County and in the spring will begin to pump and pipe it to communities stretching from Pampa and Borger to Tahoka and Lamesa south of Lubbock.

The City of Amarillo also has water rights north of Pampa, although they don't plan to begin pumping from that area for another 25 years.

With CRMWA and Amarillo already owning water rights and holding pumping permits from the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District. Kennedy said he, Pickens and the others in their group have no alternative than to pump their water and sell it to the highest bidder before CRMWA and Amarillo suck the water from beneath their land.

Pickens said he talked to both CRMWA and Amarillo, but neither entity was interested in buy-

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MAN

said Deputies David Rushing and Morse Burroughs were called to investigate a domestic assault at 2:30 a.m., Jan. 1.

"Apparently the stepdad and son got into an argument," Russell said. "A knife was produced and the stepdad was stabbed several times."

Frank Groves, 44, was taken to Pampa Regional Medical Center's emergency room by Rural Metro Ambulance Service, Russell said. He said Groves remained hospitalized in serious, but stable condition, today.

involved," Russell said.

Accidents

The following Pampa Police Department traffic ditions (snow and ice) and no liability insurance ccident reports were submitted during the 24 hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. the 900 block of Cinderella struck a parked 1995. Saturday, Dec. 23 Dodge Ram pickup owned by Bill Robben, 1601

vater from Mesa. cision on i ted soon after the

said. Under state law, regulation of the under-ground water is left to water districts at the local

Pickens plan appears to meet all the rules and regulations of the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District and the proposed rules of the Panhandle Regional Water Planning Group, but studies presented at Mesa's permit hearing indicate that pumping by an increased number of entities would draw down the water table more than expected.

The initial plans reflected only major pumping by CRMWA. Revised calculations that include pro-posed pumping by not only CRMWA, but also Amarillo, Mesa and another group who may apply for permits after the first of the year, indicate that depletion of the Ogallala beneath Pampa would be faster than initially expected.

Williams, however, said that future permits might be written allowing for less pumping than is presently being requested. Pickens said all he wants is the same treatment

given previous permit holders.

Williams noted that even existing permits allow for cut backs if the pumping depletes the aquifertoo quickly.

To complicate matters even more, there is apparently a move within the state legislature when it meets this month to change Texas water laws.

Whether significant changes are made and how they will impact the water situation in Pampa remain to be seen, but O.Henry's statement in the 19th Century that in Texas whiskey's for drinking and water is for fighting may well hold true for the 21st Century.

to assist a man lying in the snow.

Judge Muns pronounced John Graham Reeves, 85, dead at the scene of an apparent heart attack. He said it appeared the man had probably died immediately, but had laid in the yard overnight before being discovered the next day.

"It looked like he was going to take some things to the trash," Muns said, adding that the man had had an extensive history of heart problems and was wearing a pacemaker. Mr. Reeves' wife suffers from Alzheimer's and

was not aware that her husband had not returned from going outside Judge Muns said. Mrs. Reeves was taken to Panipa Regional Medical Center emergency room by Rural Metro Ambulance. Service to be checked, Muns added.

"They had been married more than 60 years," he said.

Funeral services for Mr. Burkett are pending. Graveside services for Mr. Reeves are to be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Alanreed Cemetery at Alanreed under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral

Directors He had been a resident of Pampa since 1945, retiring in 1980 from Cabot Corporation.

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Saturday, Dec. 30

No citations were given when two northbound

vehicles in the 2200 block of North Hobart collid-

ed. Evaristo Jimenez, 21, 909 E. Gordan was the-

driver of a 2001 Chevrolet Z71 pickup and

Stephane Dawn Gattis, 17, 2319 Navajo, was dri-

Monday, Jan. 1

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when the 1997 Toyota Camry he lost control of in

"We are withholding the name of the teenager

Deputies are continuing to investigate the stabbing, the chief deputy said, adding "this was an alcohol-related incident." He said the two were arguing over a personal matter. Other family members were present at the time of the stabbing, Russell said, but only Groves was injured.

A man found dead in the yard of his posidence at 2519 Christine Monday morning apparently died of natural causes, officials said today. Emergency personnel were called to the residence at 11:40 a.m.

Chapel, Pampa. **REEVES**, John Graham — Graveside services,

Sims. She graduated from Mobeetie High School and later married Verne Lohberger in 1950 at Clovis, N.M. The couple made their home in **FIRES** Allison where Mrs. Lohberger was a homemaker and a beautician

She belonged to United Methodist Church of Allison.

Survivors include her husband, Verne of Allison; two daughters, Carolyn Morello of Cyress, Calif., and Suzanne Lohberger of Allison; four sons, Danny Lohberger of Melpitas, Calif., Joe Rucker of Briscoe, Howard Lohberger of Sweetwater, Okla., and Alton Lohberger of Allison; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Allison United Methodist Church and Alzheimer's Association.

JOHN GRAHAM REEVES

John Graham Reeves, 85, of Pampa, died Sunday, Dec. 31, 2000. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Alanreed Cemetery at Alanreed. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Reeves was born May 12, 1915, at Alanreed. He had been a Pampa resident since 1945 and worked for Cabot as a printer, retiring in 1980.

He married Murl Allen on Sept. 2, 1940, at Austin.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II from 1941-45.

Survivors include his wife, Murl, of the home; three daughters, Barbara Reeves and Cheryl Brockman, both of Houston, and Sharland Reeves of New Canaan, Conn.; a brother, Ray Phillip Reeves of Houston; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

JOHN WESLEY VERMILLION

SHAMROCK — John Wesley Vermillion, 82, died Monday, Jan. 1, 2001. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. John Dorn officiating. Burial will be in Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Vermillion was born at Shamrock and was a member of the board of Farm Bureau and of o Wheeler County Soil and Water Conservation District. He married Iris Hiller in 1942; she died Pi in 1963

In 1974, he married Priscilla Pinkerton Glover. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during World War II, and belonged to Veterans of Foreign Wars, First United Methodist Church and Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Priscilla; a daughter, Glenda Robinson of Shamrock; a son, John V. Vermillion of White Deer; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Shamrock Cemetery Association; or to First United Methodist Church.

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

Monday, Jan. 1

7:54 a.m. - One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assist in the 600 block of Reed.

3:11 p.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the alley in the 1800 block of Evergreen.

Ambulance

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

Monday, Jan. 1 7:42 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of South Reid and transported one to PRMC.

9:38 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing home and transported one to PRMC. 2:02 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC

and transported one to (no location listed). 3:26 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1200

block of Garland and transported one to PRMC. 8:46 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of Campbell and transported one to PRMC

Tuesday, Jan. 2 2:20 a.m. - A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility and transported one to PRMC.

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Raul Ramero Mendoza, 35, 511 N. Nelson, was Grape. King also struck a mailbox. cited for no valid driver's license and failure to meet requirements when striking a fixed object after the 1988 blue Chevrolet Silverado pickup he was driving in the 1000 block of West Rham struck a street light pole. Police said Mendoza fled the scene.

Friday, Dec. 29

Alfonso Garcia III, 19, 701 East Albert, was cited for no driver's license and failure to control speed when the 1988 Chevrolet pickup he was driving in the 1000 block of North Hobart struck the rear of a 1987 Ford pickup driven by Richard Harrison Leger, 19, Pampa. Leger was charged with stop- Charles, struck the rear of a 1987 Chevroletping in an intersection. There was ice and snow on the roadway, the report said.

Forrest Gilchrist King, 18, 2600 N. Hobart, No. stop sign and the van driven by Chapman slid on: 7, was cited for failure to control speed/road con- icy pavement and hit the back of the Suburban.

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SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) — sometime during the first quarter Andrew P. Wolf of BB&T Capital Huge beef and pork packer IBP of the year, said Tyson spokesman Markets said last month that a Inc. will become part of Tyson John Lea.

Smithfield Foods in a bidding bat- lion in debt.

purchase announced the weekend, Springdale, Ark.- the pork market. Monday, for \$3.2 billion in cash based Tyson will pay \$30 in cash and stock, will triple Tyson's and Tyson stock for each share of annual sales to an estimated \$24 IBP, based in Dakota Dunes, S.D. billion a year and make it the IBP, which bills itself as the world's leading producer of fresh beef and pork, employs about nation's leading poultry, beef and pork producer, Tyson representa-50,000 people. It also makes pre-In early trading Tuesday on the pared foods for the retail and food service industries.

New York Stock Exchange, IBP shares jumped \$1.13 to \$27.88, Tyson is the nation's largest while Tyson slumped 9.3 percent, poultry producer and has about 68.000 workers. It has operations or \$1.19 a share, to \$11.56. Smithfield shares held steady at in 18 states and 15 countries and exports to 73 countries, The transaction, which is sub-Virginia-based Smithfield is the ject to regulatory and shareholder world's largest hog producer and approval, will likely be final processor.

ven by Rhonda McCulloch Chapman, 39, 1115 Suburban driven by William Thomas Griffin, 16, Pampa. The report said Griffin was stopped at a

Tyson Foods to buy beef and pork giant

Tyson-IBP merger would create a Tyson also will assume \$1.5 bil- company with 30 percent of the beef market, 33 percent of the Under the deal reached during chicken market and 18 percent of



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TOTALLY TERRIFIC Tuesday!! All You Can Eat Buffets, \$6.99, every Tues. in January!! Clint & Sons Smokehouse, 1421

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posted a freezing rain advisory

until midmorning for South

The National Weather Service

and South Central Texas. It was raining in the lower Rio Grande Valley.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the teens and 20s in the north and west to 40s in the south, with some wind chills in

Temperatures dropped below freezing across the northern half of South Texas. In northern regions, remnants of weekend snows remained on the ground. It was 27 degrees at Burnet, Huntsville and Port Arthur, with 55 degrees at Port Isabel.

Winds were mostly northerly and northeasterly at 5 to 20 mph,

Country. An advisory for freezing driz-

Plains.

Afternoon highs should be in the 30s.

Lows overnight were expected

Otherwise mostly cloudy with highs around 30. Variable winds 5 to 10 mph. Tonight, decreasing clouds with lows around 20. the single digits. Southwest winds 5 to 10 mph. Wednesday, sunny with highs

around 50. West winds 10 to 15 STATEWIDE — While a frozen blanket remained on North Texas, rain and fog developed

Tuesday in southern and west-Light snow was falling in Lubbock, while freezing drizzle with higher gusts was reported in the Hill Country

Fog developed between to fall into the 20s

PAMPA — Today, occasional light snow this morning.

Angelo.

Central Texas and the Hill

zle was issued for the southern Texas Panhandle, South Plains, Permian Basin, Guadalupe Mountains and the Edwards

Plateau. Dense fog was expected in the southern Panhandle and South

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Experts describe escapee as scary, smart

Paso man who police believe is leading a group of escaped Texas convicts is a career criminal who is fascinated by weapons and has no remorse for his actions, according to a prosecutor and a psychiatrist who testified at his trial.

El Pasoan George Rivas, 30, was serving a 99-year sentence for the May 1993 aggravated kidnapping and robbery of the West Side Toys "R" Us.

"He's so fascinated with guns that his dogs are named Ruger During that robbery, in which and Beretta," prosecutor John Rivas and two men used walkie-Williams told the jury during talkies to communicate, employclosing arguments of Rivas' 1994 trial, according to court transcripts.

Rivas and six other men records. escaped from the Connally Unit in Kenedy on Dec. 13 and are believed to have killed an Irving police officer Dec. 24 during the robbery of an Oshman's Sporting subsequent robbery," Williams Goods store.

"(Rivas) is cunning. He's smart. He's conniving, and he shows absolutely no remorse," Dr. Richard E. Coons, a psychiatrist, testified at Rivas' trial, according to court transcripts.

Though Rivas has been described as one of the most dan- monitor activity outside the gerous men in Texas, his background shows little insight into the man he is today.

Rivas graduated from Ysleta High School in 1988 and was lence against other people," raised by his grandmother after Williams said during closing his parents divorced in the early arguments of the 1994 trial. 1970s, according to court records. His grandfather worked for the Oshman's in Irving this month city as a firefighter. Rivas has was similar to the method in family ties in Michigan, Texas both El Paso robberies, police and California, according to said. court records.

Vasquez and lived with her fam- Rivas hiding on the roof of the ily in West El Paso. The childless store. Three of the guns recovcouple divorced in 1999.

hearing in 1993, Rivas said he Oshman's store. An additional 45 was studying civil engineering at stolen Oshman's guns were at the University of Texas at El Paso Rivas' home, according to court and had accumulated 30 credit- records. hours toward his degree.

County Sheriff's Department.

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — The El into our family and I love him as my son," Rosa Vasquez, Laurie Ann Vasquez's mother, testified. Rivas had been implicated in more than a dozen aggravated robberies since 1987 in West Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, according to court records. Police said Rivas was heavily armed

during each alleged heist. While on probation for bur-glary of a home, Rivas participated in an April 1993 gang robbery of an El Paso Oshman's Sporting Goods store, court records say. ees were handcuffed while the men robbed the store of guns and money, according to court

"He went in there with weapons, and what is it that he did at Oshman's? He stole guns. Guns that were later used in a

said during the trial ... One month later, Rivas and the same two men tried to rob the West Side Toys "R" Us using guns stolen from the El Paso Oshman's store. The men again used walkie-talkies, and police scanners, to communicate and store, according to court records. "He used the Oshman's weapons that were stolen at Oshman's to commit acts of vio-

The method used to rob the

After a three-hour standoff at In 1992 he married Laurie Ann the Toys "R" Us, police found ered after the botched robbery in During his bond-reduction 1993 were stolen from the El Paso

Among the seven men who Family members testified that broke out of prison this month is

was an expert witness for the defense during Harper's 1996 trial.

'He has a lot of serious mental problems. Jailing him was not serving his best interests."

Harper, a UTEP student studying political science before he was convicted of aggravated sexual assault, described to Gold his proudest accomplishment.

"The zenith of his life was military airborne school," Gold said.

Harper was in the Army ROTC, was commissioned as a second lieutenant and served nine years in the Army Reserve. He participated in a 17-week infantry course and was stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., Gold said.

"He was serving his country and thought it was a worthwhile endeavor. He was following in his father's footsteps," she said.

Harper's father, Harold Harper Sr., was a highly decorated military man who served in Vietnam.

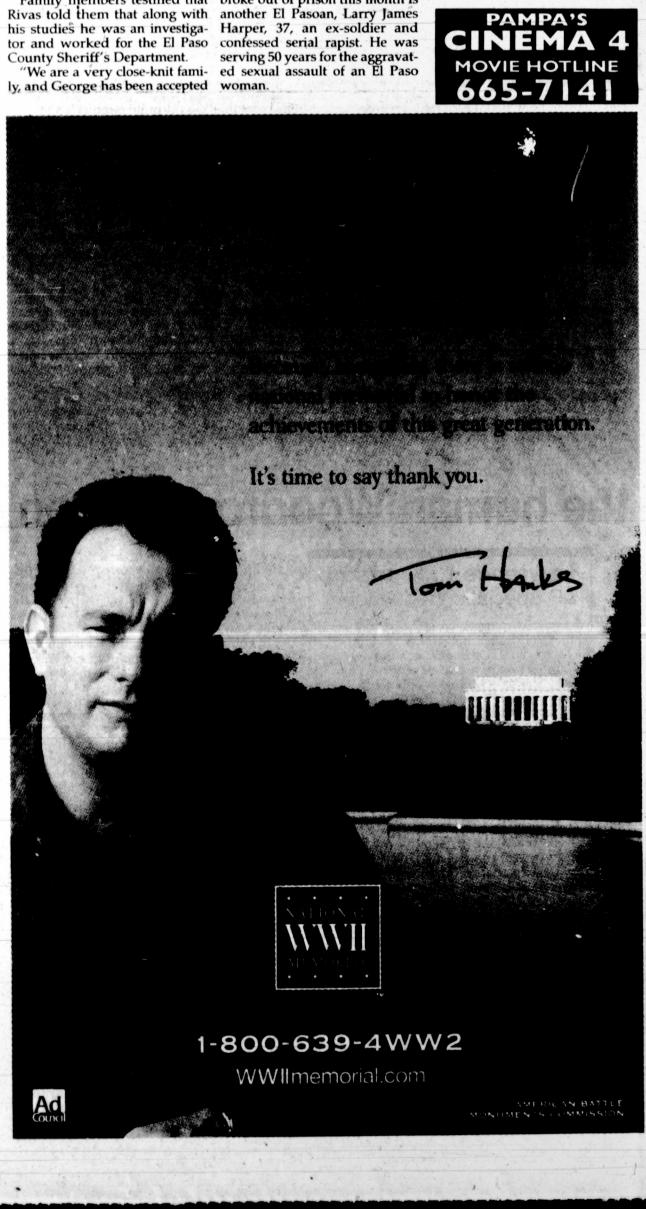
His son's "survival training may or may not have helped; we don't know if they (the escapees) are in an urban or rural setting," said Larry Todd, spokesman for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

He said authorities are sure someone is helping the seven men evade officers.

"We know they have help in the free world, and they had help right after the escape," Todd said.

Though authorities say they do not know which direction the fugitives are traveling, local authorities have been notified, as have Mexican law-enforcement agencies, Todd said.

"We are certainly concerned that they could come here,



Paso police spokesman.

"As I said during the trial, he is a sick puppy," El Paso psy-chologist Karen Gold said. She and we are on the lookout for hem," said Sgt. Al Velarde, El Paso police spokesman. had been seen in El Paso, but hend them," Velarde watned neither account could be veri-fied, Velarde said. hend them," Velarde watned seen in El Paso, but hend them," Velarde watned the public. "Get as much detail as possible about what they are fied, Velarde said.

Two calls reported that Rivas ous; do not attempt to appre- tion."

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Bush still favors school voucher plan

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) ----programs, and increased student President-elect Bush is readying an education package that would aggressively test students and cut federal funds for schools that fail to measure up. Aides say that despite significant opposition in Congress, he will not abandon a school voucher plan.

Bush was also putting the finishing touches on his Cabinet with three jobs yet to fill. Sources said Norman Y. Mineta, currently commerce secretary in the Clinton administration, is being considered for the post of transportation secretary by Bush.

If chosen, Mineta, 69, would be the first Democrat in the new Cabinet. Mineta, who for 20 years was a California congressman, became the first Asian-American to hold a Cabinet job when he was selected six months ago by President Clinton to fill a vacancy created when William Daley became Al Gore's campaign manager.

The two other Cabinet jobs that Bush has yet to fill are labor secretary and energy secretary.

As he tries to wrap up his Cabinet selections, Bush also is weighing how to present his education proposals to Congress. He has said improving public schools is his No. 1 priority, and lawmakers are certain to see his proposals just after he takes office Jan. 20.

Key elements of the plan include flexibility for states and local districts in their education

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testing. The most politically sensitive component of Bush's proposal is

from the worst-performing schools and make them available to parents for private education, 'choice.' tutoring or "whatever offers Fleisc hope," as he put it.

Using public money to allow students to go to private schools is commonly known as voucher programs, and it is the most divisive issue in Bush's plan, one sure to spark a debate in Congress. Proponents call it school choice.

tial election and the slender advantage Republicans hold on Capitol Hill, Bush cannot force his programs through Congress.

Advisers say he will stick with some form of his campaign proposal to allow parents with kids they choose.

"School choice is one of the strongest ways we have to educate our children," said Ari Fleischer, spokesman for Bush's his plan to strip federal funds transition effort. Bush "believes in school choice and he is going to work hard to enact school

> Fleischer disputed a report in Tuesday's Washington Post that Bush is likely to drop the voucher proposal because too many members of Congress oppose it. He said the proposal is "part and parcel of what he believes in."

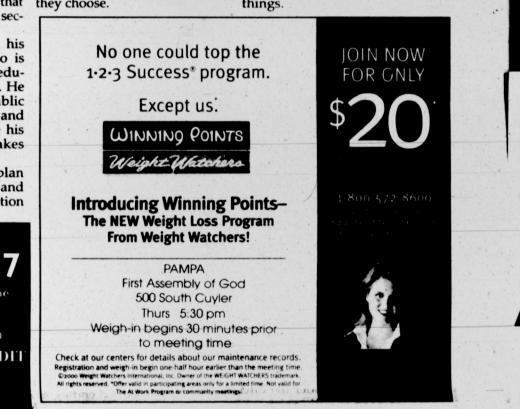
A top adviser, speaking on condition of anonymity, added that Bush might be open to dis-Given the disputed presiden- cussing a mix of private and public school choice. He noted that Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., has favored public school choice.

Vice President-elect Dick Cheney met with Lieberman, his rival during the presidential in chronically ailing schools to campaign, last month to talk pend federal education funds as about education, among other things.

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Texas Editorials

By The Associated Press

A sampling of editorial opinion around Texas:

The Victoria Advocate on national parks:

National parks deserve more. Yosemite Sam, the cartoon pirate, could well have been speaking of the national park that gave him his name when he declared scornfully, "We haven't got all day!"

It's time we quit acting as if we did. The Yosemite Valley, the seven-square-mile magnet for 3.6 million visitors a year, is threatened by cars, crowds and clutter. It's taken eight years, but the National Park Service has come up with a plan to revive and preserve the site, which is dominated as much by gridlock now as it is by the incomparably majestic Half Dome.

Parking for day visitors would be cut by two-thirds and motor traffic by 50 percent. Most would travel by shuttle buses. Some roads would be removed, and hiking and biking trails added. Lodging in the valley would shrink by 20 percent, and money would be spent to curb erosion along the Merced River and to repair damage done by people and nature.

The Sierra Club complains that the proposal doesn't go far enough, but the Wilderness Society backs it. For those who care about Yosemite and the entire national park system, supporting the plan is the wiser route. Failure to get behind this effort is more likely to mean the park will get no help than it is that a plan will be substituted that a torrent of class-warfare rhetoric, legislation scription drug benefit to Medicare, a program (Now) The Heritage Foundation happens to would make the valley still more pristine.

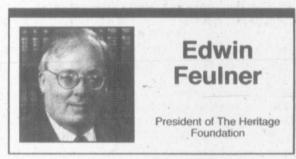
And if Yosemite is to serve as a model for striking a balk both houses of Congress by healthy margins.

A 'do-something' Congress

"6 (19#! Our flight's canceled again ! ... "

You've no doubt heard by now what political pundits on both sides of the ideological aisle are saying about the difficulties our new president will face in getting anything done with a closely divided Congress. Can't expect anything substantive out of this bunch, right? Not so fast. True, governing over the next few years will require more tact and finesse than we're accustomed to seeing in Washington. But lawmakers can rack up some real accomplishments — and keep gridlock and partisan rancor to a minimum - if they're willing to reconsider some of the bipartisan reform measures scuttled by President Clinton.

Take the campaign to eliminate the estate tax (more appropriately known as the "death tax"). It easily lent itself to demagogic charges that it would help only the "rich." Yet despite



eliminate the "marriage penalty," that quirk of the tax code that forces millions of married couples to pay more than singles who simply live together. Legislation that would have eliminated the marriage penalty enjoyed strong bipartisan support but fell victim to the president's hyperactive veto pen.

Or take the continuing effort to add a pre- favors. strong baby boom generation retires. A bipar- defense that would offer more effective proalong the lines of the Federal Employee would at least signal to our enemies that we Health Benefits Program (FEHBP), which cov- don't intend to remain sitting ducks. The drive to kill the death tax was subse- ers members of Congress and their staffs, as quently shot down by President Clinton, who well as 9 million federal employees, retirees

business, and guess what? Every plan offers drug coverage, with most covering between 80 percent and 90 percent of drug costs. So why did the Breaux commission's proposal go nowhere? Because President Clinton pressured his appointees to vote against the plan, and the vote fell one short of the necessary super-majority needed to forward a formal recommendation to federal lawmakers. The next Congress can pick up where the commission left off.

Or what about efforts to finally deploy a national missile defense? Though the president signed legislation last year making it U.S. policy to deploy missile defenses "as soon as is technologically possible," he has refused to give the Pentagon the green light to build anything, including the land-based system he

This is only a sampling of what the next

president can tackle, even with a closely divid-

ed Congress. Or have we endured one of the

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ance between nature, people and commerce in other national parks, then it is awfully important that we don't spend the next decade arguing about what should be done

This plan took eight years to write and will take a decade to implement. We can't afford to spend another decade debating whether it's good enough. The rough price tag to fix Yosemite is \$350 million, and it's worth it, every pitiful penny. Consider it a down payment on the infrastructure work the National Park Service says our national treasures need.

The sewage treatment plant near Old Faithful can't keep up with the crowds and is failing. The Grand Canyon needs a new water system. The roads in Acadia National Park on the coast of Maine are deteriorating. Gettysburg doesn't have the resources to protect Civil War relics from rot.

In 1997, the Park Service's maintenance backlog was \$3 billion. Now, it's nearly \$5 billion. The \$240 million appropriated this year for these efforts was inadequate before congressmen raided it, as they do habitually, for pet projects, including Illinois' own Lincoln Library. The treatment of our national parks, as if they were Third World countries begging for handouts, is inexplicable and inexcusable

Support was so strong that Rep. Charles tisan committee headed by Sen. John Breaux, tection against the kind of threats we can Rangel, D-N.Y., a long-time opponent of tax D-La., and Rep. William Thomas, R-Calif., set- expect in the future. But a land-based system cuts of any kind, felt compelled to introduce tled on a sensible solution: Reform Medicare could serve as a back-up, and its deployment legislation that would at least have reduced the tax.

insisted in his veto measure that it "failed the and their dependents. test of fairness." But there's no reason the campaign can't be revived. Ditto the effort to health insurance plans that compete for their to watch federal lawmakers sit on their hands?

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The president could wiggle his ears, play practical jokes, recite limericks. He was a baseball fanatic who was also keen on movies, enjoyed burlesque halls and was quite capable of falling deeply and passionately in love.

At the same time, Woodrow Wilson was also a man viewed by many contemporaries as remote, cold, bookish, moralistic, overly idealistic and preachy - a rigid executive stubbornly incapable of compromise.

Sorting out the Wilsonian hallmarks, making sense of contrary characteristics and the impact of illness on his presidency, fell to the historians.

Chief among them was Arthur S. Link, who for 35 years plowed the Wilson furrow, editing contents of the house. "It's, I think, one of the and publishing 69 volumes of the Wilson Papers. It was an accomplishment that fellow historian Arthur Schlesinger Jr. called "a landmark in historical scholarship.

A reminder of the bond between scholar and president comes in a new slim volume, "The Real Woodrow Wilson," a 1993 interview conducted five years before Link's death by James Robert Carroll, a Washington reporter for the Louisville Courier-Journal. The book is published by Images From the Past in Bennington, dent's romantic life as revealed in a separate ∀t.

As Link described it, sorting out the Wilson Wilson's first wife, Ellen. papers for posterity was a bit of a detective pated discoveries.

The scholar remembered a call from Woodrow Wilson House, the Washington residence that was the former president's refuge after he left the White House in 1921. "And there were five old steel trunks, just jam-packed, letters, papers - here were the burned. Wilson papers until 1902," he said. "Nineteen

Lawrence L. Knutson AP Special correspondent

Uncovering the human Woodrow Wilson

mother and father, his sisters, his brother, all his high school notebooks, as an undergraduate, all his lecture notes, all of them, from the time he started teaching — annotated, beautifully organized."

"Nineteen thousand documents that no one knew had existed. They had been in a closet far up on the servant floor of the Wilson House" and were found during an inventory of the greatest manuscript discoveries of all history."

To a scholar, historian, biographer, there's no thrill in the world equal to seeing a mass of monumentally important papers and knowing that you're looking at them for the first time since they were generated," Link said.

To a scholar, the real thrill was in the exploration of the papers and the evidence, they revealed of "the dynamics of that family."

The dynamics extended to the future presiand also unknown collection of 2,800 letters to

Wilson thought of a thousand ways to say, story, full of unexpected twists and unantici- 'I love you,"' Link told his interviewer. "... He pours out every thought."

'Edith Galt Wilson, the president's second wife, had the letters sealed. Some provided evidence of an extramarital affair. She thought they were too intimate to be shared with the public and was determined to have them

Link argued that the letters showed Wilson's thousand documents. All the letters from his human side, "his capacity for love, his love of Washington's history for more than 30 years.

people, and a great man of words.

He offered a guarantee to Mrs. Wilson that the letters would not be excerpted or printed individually, rather published as part of the Wilson Papers. The president's widow agreed. Link said the hardest part of the project was

the 12 volumes devoted to the six-month Paris Peace Conference at the end of World War I.

Among his discoveries was the fact that Wilson, who had a long history of high blood pressure, suffered "a really bad, small stroke" on July 19, 1919, just days after his return from Paris.

"It so discombobulated him he lost his memory, lost-his poise ...," Link said. "And (he) never was an effective leader after that. His leadership just crumbled and crumbled and crumbled.

Link noted that Wilson suffered a massive stroke on Oct. 2, 1919 that left him "rigid, uncompromising, unvielding" and incapable of striking a deal with the Senate that might have saved his vision of a League of Nations working to prevent future wars with the United States as a full and active member.

But Link also uncovered the personal side of Wilson: the practical jokes, the limericks and his ability not only to wiggle his ears but to dislocate and waggle his jaw, all for comic effect.

The scholar described the project as being as time-consuming and exacting, "like laying railroad ties from New York to San Francisco you don't ever think you're going to get it done.'

"But we did it," he said. "Yeah. We did it."

EDITOR'S NOTE — Lawrence L. Knutson has covered the White House, Congress and



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For Better or For Worse

Weddings Can Be Beautiful And Still Come In on Budget

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for setting "Singing the Wedding Bell Blues" straight. She's the young woman who was miffed because her parents offered her "only" \$7,000 to spend on her wedding when she wanted four times that amount. How dare she assume that her parents are financially responsible! They do not "owe" her anything.

I am a wedding coordinator and have been involved in many weddings where the bride and groom had a limited budget. They were some of the most beautiful and romantic weddings I've seen. I have also done a wedding where the par-ents spent \$100,000 to impress 2,000 people. That couple isn't any more married than a couple who spends very little.

"Singing" should wake up and rethink her plans. Allow me to offer a few suggestions:

(1) Consider having her wedding at a bed-and-breakfast or other facility that provides everything needed for a wonderful event.

(2) Have a double ceremony with her brother. (They have the same family members and probably share some of the same friends.)

(3) Change the wedding date so she and her fiance have more time to save for the splashy wedding of their dreams.

(4) Hire a wedding coordinator who will help her stay within a bud-

Abby, even if this bride-elect is a 4.0 graduate, she's showing neither maturity nor common sense, not to mention gratitude for the \$7,000

Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 3, 2001 **BY JACQUELINE BIGAR**

3-Average: 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) * * * * Look at sudden changes as shocks or surprises. Stay confident that you can handle anything. Curb a tendency to be overly sensitive and uptight during the next few weeks. Use your high makes you happy

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) *** Take your time making good **** Your imagination could lead making money and enhancing your Do needed research you respect knows he can trust your look at a personal matter. Be willing to take a key risk. Tonight: You need downtime

and I had a comfortable upbringing, Abigail Van Buren SYNDICATED

her parents have offered. She is more concerned about having a wedding than a marriage, and that is sad.

COLUMNIST

KATHY IN ATLANTA

DEAR KATHY: Mail poured in after that young woman's let-ter appeared. While none of the other letters came from profes-sional wedding planners, all of it came from readers shocked by "Singing's" attitude of entitlement. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I commend you

for your response to "Singing the Wedding Bell Blues." If I were writing your column, I might have chosen a few four-letter words to emphasize the selfish immaturity displayed by those young adults. Keep shooting straight. DOING ALL I CAN – AND

THAT'S ALL, OKLAHOMA CITY

*** DEAR ABBY: My parents worked hard during my entire childhood to ensure that my sisters

like to walk in this person's footsteps. Tonight: A must appearance. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

* * * * Reach out for a different point of view, especially if you hit a snag. Think about what you want from a friend The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll or associate. Once more, others act in Have: # 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive: unanticipated ways. Be less vested in has everything to do with how it is caring in a way that is comfortable for him. Tonight: Out and about. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

*** Realize what is going on with for several moments. Tonight: Be a a close friend or associate. If this person couch potato. acts up in an unanticipated way, initiate a AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) thinking. Tonight: Say yes. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

ou down interesting trails. Listen care-

only to lose everything in a business they bought for their retirement after the three of us left home. When my sister and I were being married, neither of us expected financial assistance from our parents. We were delighted they could even attend our weddings. My parents drew upon their life

insurance policies so they could give us each \$1,000 as a wedding gift. I will never forget how wonderful it was to have them with me when I married my husband, nor the heartbreak at opening their card and having to accept their gift, knowing what a tremendous sacrifice it was for them.

"Singing" should be happy that her parents are able to retire comfortably and that she won't have to worry about their future. For years, I could not say the same

GRATEFUL DAUGHTER IN OHIO

DEAR ABBY: When I married in May 1977, my parents couldn't afford an elaborate wedding either. We had an outdoor wedding on my father's property. We spent the entire spring building trellises and planting flower beds. My husband and I invited 150 guests at a cost of \$1,500. Two weeks before the wedding, several aunts and I made up 300 tamales. The day of our wedding, we had a huge Mexican feast.

Our wedding was gorgeous, and I have the pictures to prove it. "Singing" should quit sulking and use her imagination. MADE DO IN KANSAS

special relationship. Imagine what it is you. Do something special for family or a loved one. Good feelings surround your domestic life. Be spontaneous. Don't hold back. Tonight: Wherever you are, everyone has a good time - including

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★ ★ ★ ★ How you convey your message

how others respond. Let another express received. Use your verbal skills to drive home a point with a friend or loved one. Unexpected financial developments could toss your domestic life into chaos

long-overdue discussion. Others seem **** You have an unusual style sensitivity to feel or sense what is going more flexible once you clear the air. Let and way of reaching out for others. on with another. Tonight: Whatever another come around to your way of Recognize that you sometimes stun others with your sudden moves or different opinions. You find an interesting way of

> financial stability. Tonight: Treat another B.C. have a tendency to be idealistic and today, adding to your radiance and romantic. Tonight: Accept an invitation. appeal. Maximize these positive qualities over the next few weeks. Your instincts *** Focus on day-to-day matters. guide you financially. Understand what



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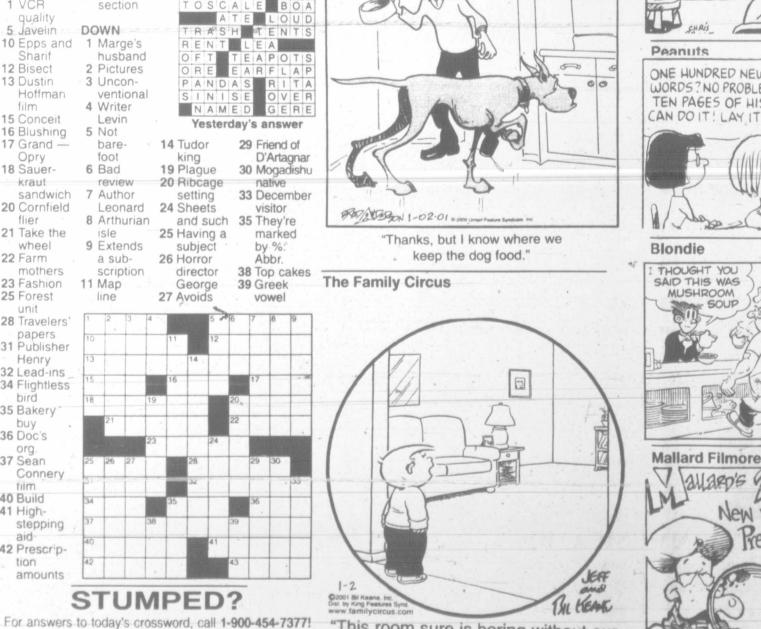
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SPORTS

No. 11 K-State claims Cotton Bowl victory

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Pampa Optimist Club will have boys basketball sign-ups Thursday through Saturday in the club's meeting room. The signup is for third through sixth graders.

Notebook

Sign-up times are at 6-7:30 both Thursday and Friday. Saturday's signups are from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Sign-up fee is \$35.

OBITUARY

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (AP) — Harry "Fritz" Dorish, one of the first true relief pitchers of the post-World War II era, has died at 79.

Dorish spent 45 years in baseball as a player, coach and scout.

He pitched for 10 years in the majors, all in the American League with Boston, St. Louis, Chicago and Baltimore.

He led the AL in 1952 with 11 saves and was second the next season with 18.

The right-hander joined the majors in 1947 with Boston. He had a career record of 45-43 and a 3.83 ERA.

Dorish has the distinction of being the last AL pitcher to steal home, in the fifth inning against the Washington Senators on June 2, 1950.

TENNIS

PERTH, Australia (AP) - Martina Hingis and Anna Kournikova have split as doubles partners. Hingis, the world's No. 1 player, said she wants to cut back on her doubles commitments this season. The Swiss star plans to play doubles with Monica Seles at the Australian Open and a warmup tournament in Sydney next week.

put No. 11 Kansas State ahead to three touchdowns. stay with touchdown catches on consecutive possessions in the and we rolled from there," said first half.

Wildcats used back-to-back no- 12 and 6 yards. pass scoring drives to put the on Monday.

could," Kansas State coach Bill Snyder said. "We didn't want to stray once we knew we could have some success running."

DALLAS (AP) - Playing interception 47 yards, and season high with seven catches out, a big game playing at home Wildcats' only other New Year's legally at the Cotton Bowl for Kansas State needed just five for 145 yards. the first time, Quincy Morgan more runs to extend their lead to

Kansas State senior running With Morgan nursing a tender back Josh Scobey, who scored left ankle after halftime, the the third-quarter TDs on runs of

game out of reach and went on with its fourth straight 11-win put Kansas State ahead for good. terback was still moving. to beat No. 21 Tennessee 35-21 seasons by winning consecutive "We knew we had to run the The Wildcats had 297 yards Morgan caught a 56-yard touch- ing his ankle less than a minute a K-State junior who was the ball and thought we probably rushing, just one yard less than down pass. The Volunteers then before halftime. The injury came nation's leading punt returner, Tennessee had in total offense Monday.

slip into the Cotton Bowl to play with Morgan's 10-yard TD Cotton Bowl was the final game if it didn't count," Aaron Lockett With a 21-14 lead, the Wildcats pickup games, was back in the catch. went 75 yards on five running stadium near his childhood plays to start the second half. home for his final game at being his last chance," Snyder games in their careers. And their well on the same field is defi-Jon McGraw then returned an Kansas State. He matched his said. "What a better way to go finale came four years after the nitely a victory for both of us."

"It's like the beginning and

great way to go out." early in the second quarter, ent fumble was nullified by an clinched the game with an inter-Morgan had touchdown catches official who had whistled the ception on the next play. Kansas State (11-3) finished on consecutive possessions to play dead even though the quar-Just two plays after bowl games for the first time. Tennessee's tying touchdown, 128 yards before slightly twist- the Cotton Bowl. Aaron Lockett, went three-and-out, and the after a 14-yard catch. Wildcats took a 21-7 lead after a

Morgan, who as a kid used to seven-play drive that ended seasons at Kansas State, the

and making big plays.

Morgan's second score came the Cotton Bowl. the end," Morgan said. "We just three plays after he convert-

While Morgan played just two TD nullified by a penalty.

Day game, a 19-15 loss to BYU in

In that 1997 Cotton Bowl, "We put them on their heels used to sneak out here as kids ed a third-and-10 with a 37-yard Kevin Lockett grabbed a pass in and play. Now it was legal and a over-the-shoulder catch along the back of the end zone in the the sideline. And it came right closing minutes. But he was After Tennessee tied the game after Jonathan Beasley's appar- knocked out of bounds and BYU

> Lockett was at Monday's game and watched his younger Morgan had five catches, for brother also be denied a TD in had a 68-yard punt return for a

"I'll tell him I scored too, even for about two dozen seniors said. "It was important for him "Quincy talked about this who won a school-record 44 to be here, and for us to play

Pampa cagers host Caprock **District 3-4A doubleheader**

against Caprock in District 3- the all-tournament team.

four-game winning streak cial." after taking the consolation Lubbock.

nament Saturday with an 84- opener to Muleshoe 65-56. 75 win over Lubbock Coronado, giving was also in the same tourna- letes. 10 of their 11 players 40 win.

The Harvesters, 1-0 in district, will have to overcome Caprock's height advantage. The Longhorns are led by 6-5 Derrick Collins and 6-3 Jay basketball games. We beat Fields. Caprock is 0-1 in district with its only loss coming 52) and our other games were had 23 points in a 70-47 against Hereford. "Caprock is bigger and stronger than we are, but -I think we've got more depth," said Pampa coach Jerry Schaeffer. "I look for it to be a hard-fought game. Whoever plays the hardest is going to win." Pampa was sparked by 5-8 senior Gary Alexander and 6-1 junior Adam Rodgers in the Caprock Tournament.

PAMPA — Pampa opens the Pampa's 77-74 win over games, whether they're close new year on the homecourt Levelland. He was named to or not."

4A action tonight. The girls "I believe Gary had the overall, 1-2 in district) will be game tips off at 6, followed by most points of any player in looking to even their district the boys game at 7:30. Schaeffer record tonight. The Pampa The Harvesters are on a said. "However, that's unoffi-

championship last week at capped off the tourney with a cel the trip because of poor the Caprock Tournament in 26-point effort against road conditions. Coronado.

Pampa closed out the tour- Pampa lost the tournament

"We were disappointed getthe ting beat by Muleshoe in that Harvesters a 14-7 record for first game, but they had a the season. Amarillo Caprock bunch of tremendous athment and put Coronado into went to the state football to ourselves that we can win Andrade.

The Lady Harvesters (5-9 girls were scheduled to play last week in the Ardmore Rodgers had 70 points and Tournament, but had to can-

> Pampa's last game on Dec. 21 resulted in a 61-49 win Dumas. Charity over Nachtigall (5-6 senior) had 20 points and Jennifer Lindsey (5-7 junior) added 18 to pace Pampa:

The Lady Longhorns have the loser's bracket with a 51- finals. They really came alive been struggling this season, against us. However, I was but they did pick up a win in pleased with the way our kids the Caprock Tournament last responded by coming back week. They defeated Lorenzo and winning the consolation 36-25 behind an 11-point perchampionship. We've proved formance by 5-5 junior Julia

Jessica Self, a 5-5 senior, can



PERTH, Australia (AP) Monica Seles returned to the Hopman Cup after a 10-year absence, leading the United States to a 3-0 victory over Slovakia in the mixed-teams tournament.

She beat Karina Habsudova 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, and teammate Jan-Michael Gambill defeated Dominik Hrbaty 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

In mixed doubles, Seles-Gambill downed Habsudova-Hrbaty 4-6, 6-2, 7-6 (4).

Marat Safin, the Russian ranked No. 2 in the world, was upset by little-known Belgian Olivier Rochus 6-2, 1-6, 6-3.

That gave Belgium the decision over Russia in the round-robin event following Kim Clijsters' earlier 6-1, 6-4 win over Elena Likhovtseva.

ADELAIDE, Australia (AP) — With temperatures reaching 102 degrees, sixth-seeded Andrei Pavel of Romania Justin defeated Gimelstob 6-2, 6-2 n the first round of the AAPT Championship.

Christophe Rochus of Belgium beat Andrew Ilie of Australia 1-6, 7-6 (2), 7-5.

Jason Stoltenberg of defeated Australia fourth-seeded Sebastien Grosjean of France 6-3, 6-2.

Alexander finished with 123 points in five games, including a 41-point performance in

Stephenville pretty good (67- be an explosive scorer. She pretty close. We did show that Caprock loss to Odessa

we have the talent to win Permian in the tournament.

Cougars win own tourney

scored 23 points to lead Fort time. Elliott by Wheeler 67-37 finals of the Fort Elliott the finals. Tournament.

points to the Fort Elliott attack. Shamrock. Caleb Finsterwald followed with with 7.

BRISCOE - Richard Rowe Fort Elliott led 28-19 at half-

In the girls division, Saturday in the championship Shamrock beat Wheeler 74-48 in

Lacy Wilson had 19 points Nathan Hefley added 18 and Lindsey Perkins 18 to spark

Brad Frame was Wheeler's Taylor Hudgins had highhigh scorer with 13 points, scoring honors for Wheeler 17 points. Lyndi Finsterwald followed with 13.

(Photo by Grover Black)

Twelve-year-old Amanda Hood (left) and Nicky Parks are members of a girls boxing team organized by the Youth Survival Club of Pampa. The girls boxing program was started last year and both Amanda and Nicky are expected to compete in a tournament in Pampa, tentatively scheduled for later in 2001.

College basketball's second stage tips off this week semifinals and at South ing wins over Detroit and jumps this week, while Illinois and Connecticut. Saint Louis around an 80-68 Cincinnati's fall from 19th to Seton Hall was 11th for the Florida. Iowa (11-2) dropped after semifinal loss to Tennessee. No. 25 was the biggest drop.

By JIM O'CONNELL **AP Basketball Writer**

college basketball season conference play - gets under way this week with Maryland, six games between ranked Georgetown and Southern teams sure to affect The California. Associated Press Top 25. Michigan State was No. 1 were for a second straight week Mississippi, Iowa State, opponent that has its number make," said Mobley, who was The Rockets started the game Monday, with very little Texas and Cincinnati. change in the rankings after the final week of nonconfer- matchups also will be one of ence games produced few unbeaten teams, with ble upsets.

the same spot from last road game against a ranked week, and the top 11 teams opponent this week when stayed in the same order. they play at North Carolina The only new member of the on Saturday. poll was No. 24 Texas.

Michigan State, which beat Notre Dame is at Syracuse, Bowling Green and Wright while Saturday's other State last week, received 47 ranked, matchups are Seton first-place votes and 1,607 Hall at Georgetown, points from the national Oklahoma at Iowa State and media panel.

Fordham and Santa Clara the rankings on a five-game last week, was No. 1 on the winning streak that includother 18 ballots and had ed a home victory over have even been playing. He went immediately went after Brandon last minute, to keep the Rockets 1,577 points.

Tennessee, Kansas, Virginia, Duke in the Preseason NIT nity.

second straight week and Carolina, Oklahoma, Alabama, 66

The last five ranked teams

The first of the ranked Virginia at Wake Forest on Tuesday night. The Demon The Spartans (11-0) held Deacons also will have a

Also on Tuesday night, Stanford at Arizona.

Stanford (11-0), which beat Texas (10-2) moved into Illinois.

- Duke was third again and ______. The Longhorns, who were on the pain or the 30 points after second time this season he through the final quarter. was followed in the Top Ten ranked all last season and the game. He was more con- fouled out. by Wake Forest, Florida, got as high as No. 9, lost to cerned with the missed opportu-

Arizona, Rainbow Classic, sandwich- - made modest two-spot 69-66 to Toledo.

was followed in the Second out of the poll after a three- Five teams - Oklahoma, The Bearcats (9-3) beat The second stage of the Ten by Wisconsin, North week run. The Hawkeyes Alabama, Georgetown, North Carolina-Wilmington Syracuse, finished third in last week's Mississippi and Iowa State 65-55 last week before losing

Rockets defeated by Timberwolves

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) -

Rockets, solving the Minnesota "Minnesota has our number. and led by as-many as eight Timberwolves has been impossi- They've beaten us the last six points in the first quarter as

Kevin Garnett scored 21: over-our heads." points, and Terre'l Brandon had Wally Szczerbiak also had 19 in the second quarter. Brandon 12 of his 19 in the fourth quarter points for the Timberwolves, hit a long jumper with just under to lead the Timberwolves to a who finished with a season-high four minutes to play in the half, 106-96 victory Monday. It was 35 assists and a season-low eight giving the Timberwolves their Minnesota's sixth straight win turnovers. over the Rockets.

despite 30 points from Houston's "The one thing about Wally is the teams met in the season opener.

'He is a great player, one of the the break." best in the league," Houston way beyond the call of duty."

Notre Dame, Almost every NBA team has an some shots that we usually saw. times, and that's like a cloud Francis scored 10.

The Timberwolves prevailed Saunders said of Szczerbiak.

coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. with 6:12 to play added 20 points opened a double-figure lead. "He's got an abscessed wisdom for the Rockets. Francis got his Mobley had 11 points in the tooth and probably shouldn't fifth foul defending Garnett, then quarter, including the five in the But Mobley didn't concentrate whistled again: It was only the come the loss of Francis midway

"They were just calling fouls," would have won the game, trust Francis said. "I can't do anything that," he said.

"We were just missing shots, about that. They saw what they

every time. For the Houston 14-of-16 from the free-throw line. with three straight 3-pointers

But Houston went just 4-of-19, first lead of the game. Brandon 'He's playing more aggres- had seven points in the second sively," Minnesota coach Flip quarter as Minnesota took a 48-45 halftime lead.

"It really came down to shoot-Cuttino Mobley. He had a career- that he takes some bad shots ing," Tomjanovich said. "We just high 33 points on Oct. 31 when every now and then, but he's didn't make the shots I think we aggressive and plays hard. can make. That changes the Today he went out there and ran whole psychology of the game."

Szczerbiak had 10 points in the Steve Francis, who fouled out third quarter as Minnesota on a drive to the basket and was close, but they couldn't over-

"If I had been in the game, we

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Ravens looking to emerge with another victory over the Titans

OWINGS MILLS, Md. (AP) - they're going to think the same we did. Then it was, 'Can you Billick believes Baltimore's most said. difficult obstacle in reaching the Super Bowl is Sunday's game There's a little bit of divisional against the Tennessee Titans.

comes and knocks you off," Billick said Monday.

Broncos 21-3 Sunday, the Ravens come Sunday night. (13-4) earned a trip to Nashville to play the defending AFC week

But Baltimore is the only team to defeat the Titans in Adelphia Coliseum in 17 games, rallying for a 24-23 victory Nov. 12.

The teams rank 1-2 in the NFL in total defense, have only one loss between them since October and waged a season-long fight for dominance in the talent-Billick says the winner of that before this year never had a Sunday's game is headed to the winning season. Super Bowl.

With apologies to Miami and thing: From this game is going beat Jacksonville anywhere?' We Oakland, Ravens coach Brian to come the AFC champion," he did that. 'Can you beat

"We have a right to think that. pride here. You'd like to think might be one additional barrier "Tennessee is the No. 1 seed. If that, by golly, if it's not us, it's that we would have to deal you beat the No. 1 seed, long one of ours. We had to battle with, in a playoff environment, live the king - until somebody through them, and that's why that doesn't exist now. That we didn't get there.'

By defeating the Denver Titans' lament, not Baltimore's, it's going to be tough.

Tennessee worked all season to get home-field advantage decided by four points or less, champion Titans, who finished throughout the AFC playoffs. and the teams split the series the with the best record in the NFL It's not as much an edge against past two seasons. (13-3) and are fresh off a bye the Ravens, who went 6-2 on the road, but are still feeling their Monday, but did not practice. way around the postseason.

never been in the playoffs to a and was limping. team that now has playoff-win experience," Billick said. "The left briefly after taking a hard next experience is to play in that next level."

Beating the Titans on the road laden AFC Central. No wonder is just another hurdle for a team

whether they say it or not, Pittsburgh in Pittsburgh?' OK, for the bye.

Tennessee in Tennessee?' We did

that, too. "Had that not happened, that doesn't mean we don't respect Billick hopes that will be the the fact that they're home and

> The rivalry is evenly matched — six of the 10 games have been

The Ravens lifted weights The only Baltimore injury of "It's amazing, in 24 hours note was to safety Kim Herring, we've gone from a team that had who sprained his ankle Sunday

Quarterback Trent Dilfer, who hit, was fine, Billick said.

While the Titans had Sunday off, the Ravens played a tough game.

"This team is tired, they're sore and they're beat up, as you You're always dealing with might expect after the first "We all have the same atti- barriers," Billick said. "When I round in a playoff," Billick said. tude. Oakland and Miami, got here, it was, 'Can you beat "That's why you fight so hard

COLLEGE FOOTBALL College Bowl Games At A Glance

By The Associated Press All Times EST Wednesday, Dec. 20 Mobile Alabama Bow Mobile Alabama Bowl Payout: \$750,000 uthern Mississippi 28, TCU 21

Thursday, Dec. 21 Las Vegas Bowl At Las Vegas Payout: \$800,000 UNLV 31, Arkansas 14 Sunday, Dec. 24 Oahu Bowl At Honolulu Payout: \$750,000 Georgia 37, Virginia 14

Monday, Dec. 25 Blue-Gray Classic At Montgomary, Ala. Gray 40, Blue 37 Aloha Bowl At Honolulu Payout: \$750,000

Boston College 31, Arizona State 17 Wednesday, Dec. 27 Motor City Bowl At Pontiac, Mich. Payout: \$750,000 Marshall 25. Cincinnati 14 Galleryfurniture.com Bowl At Houston

Payout: \$750,000 East Carolina 40, Texas Tech 27 Thursday, Dec. 28

Humanitarian Bowl At Boise, Idaho Payout: \$750,000 Boise State 38, Texas-El Paso 23 Music City Bowl At Nashville, Tenn. Payout: \$750,000 West Virginia 49, Mississippi 38 Micronpc.com Bowl At Miami Payout: \$750,000 North Carolina State 38, Minnesota 30 Insight.com Bowl

Scoreboard Payout: \$750,000 owa State 37, Pittsburgh 29 Friday, Dec. 29

Liberty Bowl At Memphis, Tenn. Payout: \$1.25 million Colorado State 22, Louisville 17 Sun Bowl At El Paso, Texas Payout: \$1 million Wisconsin 21, UCLA 20 Peach Bowl At Atlanta Payout: \$1.8 million LSU 28, Georgia Tech 14 Holiday Bowl At San Diego Payout: \$1.9 million Oregon 35, Texas 30

Saturday, Dec. 30 Alamo Bowi At San Antonio Payout: \$1.2 million Nebraska 66, Northwestern 17

Sunday, Dec. 31 Silicon Valley Classic At San Jose, Calif. Payout: \$1.2 million Air Force 37, Fresno State 34 ndependence Bowl At Shreveport, La. Payout: \$1.1 million ssissippi State 43, Texas A&M 41, QT Monday, Jan. 1 **Outback Bowl** At Tampa, Fla. Payout: \$2 million South Carolina 24, Ohio State 7 Cotton Bowl Payout: \$2.5 million At Dallas Kansas State 35, Tennessee 21 Getor Bowl At Jacksonville, Fla. Payout: \$1.4 million Virginia Tech 41, Clemson 20 Cltrus Bowl At Orlando, Fla. Payout: \$4 million

At Pasadena, Calif. Payout: \$13.5 million Washington 34, Purdue 24 Flesta Bowl At Tempe Ariz. Payout: \$13.5 million Oregon State 41, Notre Dame 9

Tuesday, Jan. 2 Sugar Bowl At New Orleans Payout: \$13.5 million Florida (10-2) vs. Miami (10-1), 8 p.m. (ABC)

Wednesday, Jan. 3 Orange Bowl At Miami At mann Payout: \$11-13 million Oklahoma (12-0) vs. Florida State (11-1), 8 p.m. (ABC)

> **PRO FOOTBALL NFL Playoff Glance**

By The Associated Press **All Times EST** Saturday, Dec. 30 Wild-card Playoffs Miami 23, Indianapolis 17, OT New Orleans 31, St. Louis 28 Sunday, Dec. 31 Baltimore 21, Denver 3 Philadelphia 21, Tampa Bay 3

Divisional Playoffs Saturday, Jan. 6 New Orleans at Minnesota, 12:30 p.m. (FOX) Miami at Oakland, 4 p.m. (CBS) Sunday, Jan. 7 Baltimore at Tennessee, 12:30 p.m. (CBS) Philadelphia at New York Giants, 4:15 p.m. (FOX)

Conference Championships Sunday, Jan. 14 AFC-NFC Championship Games (CBS, FOX)

Super Bowl Sunday, Jan. 28 6 p.m, at Tampa, Fla. (CBS)

Pro Bowl Sunday, Feb. 4 NFC vs. AFC, 5:30 p.m. at Honolulu (ABC)

Oregon State rips Irish, 41-9

Michigan 31, Auburn 28

State's remarkable rise from pitiful to powerhouse is complete.

ranked Beavers backed up their pregame boasts and then some Monday night in a 41-9 rout of

Oregon State, college football's laughingstock for more than a quarter-century, handed the tenth-ranked Fighting Irish their worst bowl defeat since a 40-6 loss to Nebraska in the 1973 Orange Bowl.

TEMPE, Ariz. (AP) — Oregon sure most of the night, threw two ter. LoVecchio completed 13 of 33 sacked six times.

LoVecchio, who was 7-0 as a thrown just one interception and season. The Irish had five to go in the third. turnovers against the Beavers.

The Irish, criticized for getting their fifth consecutive bowl

The Beavers had a 278-98 advantage in yardage at halftime, but led just 12-3.

Any doubts ended, though, with four touchdowns in a span

It got worse for LoVecchio, interceptions and fumbled the who threw a pass right into the ball away - all in the third quar- hands of Robinson to give Oregon State the ball on the Irish passes for 138 yards. He was 22. The Beavers scored in four plays, Smith throwing 4 yards to Johnson for the score and it was starter going into the game, had 34-3 with 7:02 left in the quarter.

The final touchdown came on Notre Dame had just eight Simonton's 4-yard run at the end turnovers - tying an NCAA of a five-play, 55-yard drive to record — through the regular put the Beavers up 41-3 with 4:54

The most interesting play was Johnson's long touchdown catch. He raced down the sidelines and casually dropped the ball as if he had crossed the goal line. But television replays clearly showed he was two yards short of the end zone.

No official saw it, though, and the touchdown put Oregon State up 12-0 with 4:18 to play in the half.

Consecutive sacks of the LoVecchio pinned the Irish at

Billington makes a rare start

By IRA PODELL AP Sports Writer

anticipated

The Washington Capitals Thrashers 4-2 Monday.

his first action in over a ice.' when Olaf Kolzig's wife and two assists, giving him before the afternoon start.

"To be honest, that's why 11. I'm here," said Billington, a play much in his role of the Peter Bondra got his 20th for the NHL. Vezina Trophy winner's the Capitals. Peter Zednik backup

was Boston 4, Buffalo 3; Atlanta's Donald Audette.

got to put somebody in goals and P.J. Axelsson there.'

The new year started a lot for the season, but the team busier than Craig Billington scored just nine goals in his Buffalo. five starts.

"I think it's overdue," said eral Sabres flurries in front of goalie topped his 2000 win Billington, who made 28 the net in the last minute to total on the first day of 2001 saves in the long-awaited hold on The Bruins' last win when he beat the Atlanta victory. "I know my role. At in Buffalo was March 21, the same time, it always feels 1998, and they were 1-8-1 in Billington was thrust into good to contribute on the their last 10 games there.

month, with no real backup, Dmitri Khristich had a goal for Boston. went into labor just hours 14 points in 11 games since Blues 5, Oilers 2 joining the Capitals on Dec.

added the final goal during a without injured forward

In other NHL games, site major penalty against Pavol Demitra, are 13-1-1 in

scored his first goal in 30 Billington had been 0-3-2 games as Boston ended a sixgame losing streak in

The Bruins withstood sev-

Byron Dafoe had 33 saves

Pierre Turgeon had two Sylvain Cote scored his goals and an assist as St. 13-year veteran who doesn't first goal in 14 games and Louis took over first place in

The host Blues, playing their last 15 games and lead

The brash, belligerent, fifth-

Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl.

Jonathan Smith, the 5-foot-10 a Bowl Championship Series bid former walk-on who was mistak- over teams ranked ahead of en for the team manager when them in the BCS standings, lost coach Dennis Erickson first saw him, completed 16 of 24 passes game. for 305 yards and three touchdowns, then sat out the final quarter.

It was one of the most humiliating nights ever for college football's most storied program. of 7:10 in the third quarter. Only a late touchdown against Notre Dame forced

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Kolzig, who started 15 straight games, notified the team at 8 a.m. that his wife, Christin, was in labor.

Billington, whose earned his last victory Nov. 27, 1999, didn't indulge in New Year's Eve celebrations because he knew he could be thrust into unexpected action.

"I was eating the same as if pay for them." I were playing," Billington said of his holiday schedule. Stefan scored for the Vincent Damphousse had a "I go to bed when I normally Thrashers. go to bed. You do it in case something like this happens. Canucks 5, Predators 2 It rarely happens, but that's why I get the big bucks."

greater when emergency Vancouver won at Nashville. call-up Corey Hirsch's plane Morrison has four goals Tkachuk scored for the was delayed. Hirsch didn't and 13 assists for 17 points in Coyotes, who recorded two arrive until the end of the his last 14 games. He scored goals or fewer in 20 of 25 first period, and if Billington his ninth goal of the season had been injured, defense- midway through the second man Joe Reekie would have period. had to play goalie.

"Joe's put the pads on for Vancouver. every year a couple of times," Capitals coach Ron Bruins 4, Sabres 3 Wilson said. "Not that he's a

The Thrashers forward Colorado by one point. Louis 5, Edmonton 2; and was also given an attempt to Turgeon snapped a sixinjure penalty for the high- game goal slump with his

sticking infraction. "He was getting a little on Dec. 15. Chris Pronger frustrated," Thrashers coach and Al MacInnis each had a Curt Fraser said. "We talked goal and two assists. about it before the game, that discipline was going to be Johnson, the backup to the key. ... The Capitals just Roman Turek, improved to kept coming, and their 14-1. He allowed third-peripower play is so good. If you od goals to Ryan Smyth and are going to take needless George Laraque. penalties, you are going to

Per Svartvadet and Patrik

Brendan Morrison scored a who won for only the second And his value was even short-handed goal as time in six games (2-3-1).

Bob Essensa made 26 saves

very good goalie, but you've Sergei Samsonov had two ing Todd Harvey in the head.

first scores since a hat trick

Rookie goalie Brent

Sharks 3, Coyotes 2

goal and an assist as San Jose won at Phoenix. Scott Hannan and Tony Granato also scored for the Sharks,

Jeremy Roenick and Keith games since the end of October.

Phoenix is 7-9-5 since a 9-1-5-start.

Coyotes defenseman Louie DeBrusk received an attempt to injure penalty for elbow-

the Beavers' reserves prevented Dame loss in 24 bowl appearances.

Had Oregon State (11-1) not committed a Fiesta Bowl and school record 18 penalties for 174 yards, it would have been even more one-sided as the plodding Irish (9-3) were no match for the speed of the hard-hitting Beavers.

The Beavers, who in 1999 ended their NCAA-record streak of 28 consecutive losing seasons, had a 446-155 advantage in total vards rushing.

Darnell Robinson forced a fumble and intercepted a pass to set up two touchdowns in the Beavers' 29-point third quarter.

Chad Johnson caught touchdown passes of 74 and 4 yards, but he got away with a big mistake on the first one when officials didn't see him drop the ball two yards short of the goal line. Ken Simonton, Oregon State's big-talking 5-foot-8 tailback, gained 85 yards on 18 carries, including a 4-yard touchdown run. In the process, he broke his own single-season school rush-

ing record. Notre Dame's 18-year-old LoVecchio, under extreme pres- season-best fifth straight game.

Beavers to punt for the first time, thrid-and-31 on their own 2, but

Beavers at the Irish 26. 19-3 with 12:04 to play in the Setta's 29-yard field goal. quarter. Notre Dame punted on its next possession.

up the middle to midfield, then field goals of 32 and 29 yards by fumbled. Teammate Terrell Ryan Cesca to go up 6-0. Roberts picked the ball up at the 45 and ran to the end zone. The own 11 to the Notre Dame 1 early yards and held Notre Dame to 17 stwo-point conversion pass from in the second quarter but were Smith to Robert Prescott put stopped on fourth down. It was a Oregon State linebacker Oregon State up 27-3 with 9:08 to momentary setback on a monugo in the third.

night.

it from being the worst Notre but LoVecchio fumbled on a Oregon State free safety Calvin blindside hit by Robinson. Eric Carlyle was called for a personal Manning recovered for the foul for shoving down a player after the play. Notre Dame got a Two plays later, Smith lofted a first down, LoVecchio threw 40 perfect 23-yard scoring pass to yards to Javin Hunter and the I.J. Houshmandzadeh to make it Irish ended the half with Nick

The Beavers drove to the Irish 15, 10 and 1 on their first three Houshmandzadeh returned it possessions but had to settle for

> Oregon State drove from its mental night.

Trail Blazers are on a roll

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) -Jamal Mashburn and David Bonzi Wells scored 16 points and Wesley each scored 12 for Rasheed Wallace grabbed a Charlotte, which shot just 33 percareer-high 18 rebounds as the cent from the field and managed Portland Trail Blazers beat the only 12 points in each of the first Charlotte Hornets 89-67 Monday and third quarters.

P.J. Brown added four points Wells started for the second and 13 rebounds and Baron consecutive game in place of Davis, Lee Nailon and Otis Steve Smith, who is recovering Thorpe each scored 10 points for from the flu, and added seven the Hornets.

After Charlotte scored the first rebounds. Wallace and Damon Stoudamire each scored 12 six points of the second half, freshman quarterback Matt points as the Blazers won their Portland put the game away in the third quarter.

Broncos runnning back Mike Anderson wins top rookie honor

accomplishments, Mike Anderson - Lewis got 10. admitted he never expected to be defenses who failed to stop him.

The Denver Broncos running to starter because of injuries and finished his rookie season with 11 guys to move the ball.' 1,500 yards rushing and 15 touchdowns.

On Year.

broadcasters who cover the NFL, performance in league history.

DENVER (AP) - Reflecting on Anderson received 40 votes.

"I'm kind of speechless," Rookie of the Year. Neither, appar- Anderson said. "This award, it ently, did many of the opposing just sums up what kind of season Orleans. Winning this award. it has been.'

back, who went to training camp rest of the Broncos' offense, November all the way up the end team and playing on special thing. We did this together. When after the shaky start we had going teams, vaulted from third-string you're racking up those yards, into the bye week." you can't do it by yourself. It takes

Anderson's 1,500 yards, which ranked fourth in the NFL this sea- team during preseason drills his Monday, Anderson's son, represented the fifth-best per- freshman year after a coach tried rushed for 131 yards and two TDs remarkable odyssey culminated in formance ever by an NFL rookie. to convert him into an offensive against Atlanta. The following his selection as The Associated Against one of the league's best lineman. Instead, he played week he had 187 yards against Press NFL Offensive Rookie of the defenses on Dec. 3, Anderson drums and marched in the band in Oakland. Later, he ripped Seattle ripped New Orleans for 251 yards Fairfield, S.C. In balloting by a nationwide rushing — an NFL rookie record

things. Rushing for 1,500 yards. sons. The 15 TDs. That game in New Making it to the playoffs with my Quick to credit his line and the teammates. The run we had from with a goal of merely making the Anderson added, "It's a team of December, saving our season chart.

Anderson, 27, is an unlikely rookie award winner. He quit his high school football

took up football again. Then came Saints.

Asked what feats he would two years of junior college and a season replete with unforeseen Baltimore running back Jamal most savor from the 2000 season, two years at Utah. He rushed for win this award," Anderson said. Anderson said, "There's a lot of more than 1,000 yards all four sea- "I was going against some great

> A sixth-round draft choice, Anderson trailed Terrell Davis, a 2,008-yard rusher in 1998, and Olandis Gary, a 1,159-yard rusher even really mentioned. It goes to 15 carries. But the rookie voting in 1999, on the Broncos' depth

"Just making the team was a realistic goal," Anderson said.

When both Davis and Gary went down with injuries, Anderson started the second game of the season and promptly

for 195 and 131 yards in a three-After graduation, he spent four week span, sandwiching his Anderson said. "You're talking panel of 50 sports writers and and the fourth-best single-game years in the Marines, where he record-setting effort against the about some of the best backs in the catch the ball out of the backfield,"

were much better known than I was. They were being talked about before the draft and I wasn't show if you just dedicate yourself to something and you put a lot of hard work into it, it pays off in the

Anderson is the first Broncos player to win the award. Last year's winner was Indianapolis running back Edgerrin James. St. Louis' Marshall Faulk, Tennessee's Eddie George and the New York Jets' Curtis Martin also have won it.

"That's great company," game. To be listed in the same Ravens coach Brian Billick said.

"I really didn't believe I could breath with them, I couldn't ask for anything more.'

The postseason was much competition, against guys who kinder to Lewis, who rushed for 110 yards on 30 carries Sunday as Baltimore beat Denver 21-3. Anderson was held to 40 yards on covers only the regular season.

> Lewis had a major knee injury in 1998 at Tennessee, but the Ravens made him the first rookie taken in the draft, fifth overall, 184 spots ahead of Anderson. After a slow start, Lewis came on strong, running for a Baltimore singleseason record 1,364 yards in 13 starts.

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Satellites to beam hundred radio channels to drivers, consumers

WASHINGTON (AP) - Tired of endlessly fid- two new companies. "I have all channels for all dling with the car radio dial to avoid commercials, improve reception or find a good song?

The remedy could be radio's response to cable TV: a subscription satellite service that beams 100 channels of music, news and other programming to cars - and eventually homes - with coast-to-coast coverage.

Two companies are launching pay satellite radio in the new year, hoping to give listeners more variety, better sound quality and fewer commercials. Reggae lovers will have their own channel. Country and rock fans will have multiple choices.

Analysts say it will take a few years for the service to make inroads in the radio marketplace. Traditional broadcasters argue that consumers won't pay for what they can get for free.

But the new industry players disagree. Today, listeners have "one channel for all things,"

things.

XM's Washington facility contains more than 80 digital studios to create content for those channels. The spacious rooms, filled with state-of-the-art equipment, will soon house on-air personalities and programmers assembling 24 hours of music and entertainment. Inside a special performance stage, live music concerts can be recorded and carried on the channels.

Listeners, on the road nationwide, will even be able to call in on an 800-line and make requests. XM plans to offers satellite radio by mid-2001.

Both pay radio services cost \$9.95 a month. In the short term, consumers will have to shell out several hundreds dollars for adapters or special car radios Commission to offer satellite radio. that can receive satellite broadcasts along with their

AM and FM stations. But in the next year or so, car markers are looking benchmark they should be able to meet in a few to build satellite radio receivers as a standard fea-

option on less pricey cars. Eventually, retailers will sell home and portable units with satellite receivers too.

"Radio hasn't changed in 30 years. It exists to deliver listeners to advertisers," said Joe Capobianco, senior vice president of content for New York-based Sirius Satellite Radio, which starts offering service this month. "We flip that on its head because we are focused on the subscriber."

Both companies have partnered with news and content providers to help fill their channels and have recruited famous names to anchor some of their shows

XM and Sirius are the only two companies that have licenses from the Federal Communications

But they will need to snag about 15 percent of the radio listening market to be considered viable - a years, said Mark O'Brien, executive vice president

The services work like this: A ground antenna sends the radio signal to the companies' commercial satellites, which in turn transmit the signal to cars or other audio systems.

Satellites need a direct line of sight to beam their signals, meaning that tall buildings or other obstructions could interfere with the broadcasts, especially as cars weave in and out of different areas. So the companies also are using low-wattage radio transmitters on the ground - operating on the same frequencies as the satellites - to fill in the gaps.

"When you're moving in a car with a portable radio, it introduces a whole host of new technical challenges," O'Brien said.

Despite the new variety made possible by the channels, the broadcasting lobby doesn't think this is a threat to free, over-the-air radio.

Dennis Wharton of the National Association of Broadcasters said most people turn on the radio to find out about local information such as traffic jams, something that a national service can't provide.



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