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# **Shopping tour** organizers need boxes, volunteers

The annual Children's 3281.

Shopping Tour takes place Saturday and organizers could use more boxes in addition to more volunteers to help children shop and wrap gifts.

"We need boxes of all sizes and shapes," said Whitney Davis, the Opti-Mrs. Chair for the wrapping party.

"We have everything else we need to wrap 800 packages, but we really need boxes," Davis said.

"We will have someone at the Optimist Club today who can accept any boxes anybody might be willing to bring in."

The Optimist Club is at 601 E. Craven.

Organizers have invited 126 children to take part in the annual event, and some volunteers are still needed to help children shop and wrap gifts.

"I am receiving calls daily from people wanting to help," Cook said. "We sent out 200 fliers to people and organizations who have been involved before. We still need additional volunteers to help wrap packages or to help the children shop."

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"The Children's Shopping Tour represents the essence of Christmas," said General Chair David L. Cain. "It's all about giving."

The children do not buy presents for themselves but for members of their households, he said. For many, this will be the first time they have ever been able to experience giving at Christmas.

"We have children coming from Lefors, Miami and Skellytown in addition to Pampa," said Capt. Patricia Steward of the Salvation Army.

Volunteers will register at The shopping tour will, 8 a.m. Saturday in the

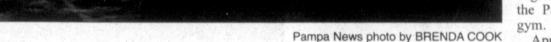


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City water department workers were kept busy Thursday repairing broken water mains due to the freezing temperatures. This one erupted in the alley of the 2200 block of Hamilton.

begin at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Pampa Optimist Club's

Approximately 230 chaperones are needed, according to Kiwanian Shelly Cook, who may be reached at 669-

Optimist gym, Registration Chair John Wagner said. "We will be giving the chaperones the names and addresses of the children See SHOPPING, Page 3

## **Burglary suspect jailed after turning himself in**

### **By MARILYN POWERS** Staff Writer

A Pampa man is in Gray County Jail today after turning himself in on a warrant for burglary of a building.

Jason Paul Allen, 34, of 419 N. Dwight turned himself in at the jail at about 8:30 a.m. today in connection with a warrant for his arrest on a

charge of burglary of a building. Bond on the state jail felony charge had not been set as of press time today, according to jail records.

Gray County Sheriff's Office received a call at about 7:30 a.m. Dec. 3 from Steve and Jimmie's Car and Truck Shop, 315 S. Price Road, reporting that the business had been

burglarized, according to Lt. Joe B. Hoard of the sheriff's office.

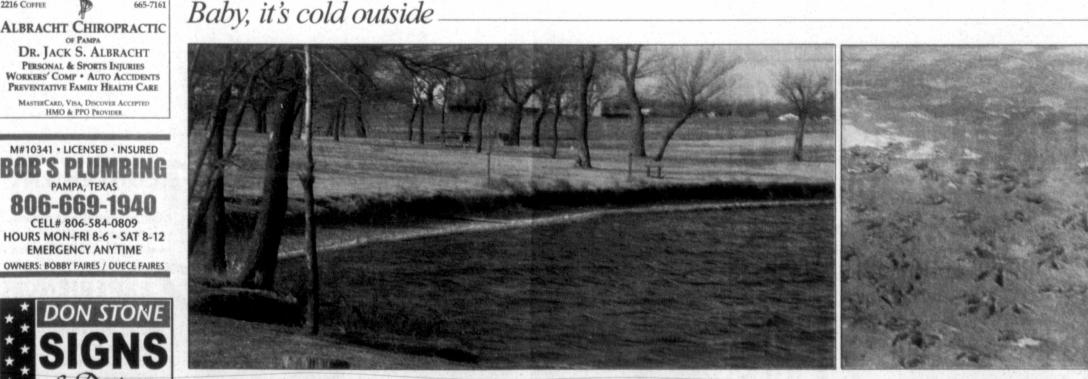
The incident had apparently occurred sometime between the close of business the previous day and the time of the call, Hoard said.

Entry to the building had been gained by breaking a window on a bay door on the west side of the

building. Metal on the door was cut and the bolt was removed from the door, Hoard said.

Currency and checks totaling approximately \$10,000 were taken in the burglary. All of the checks and a portion of the cash was recovered,

See BURGLARY, Page 3



Pampa News photos by MARILYN POWERS

Ice rimmed the shoreline at Recreation Park Lake Wednesday morning as temperatures plummeted to single digits. The main body of the lake remained liquid, although the southernmost portion, south of the spillway, was frozen. Birds that wanted a drink from the portion of Recreation Lake south of the spillway were disappointed Wednesday because that portion of the lake froze over in the wake of single-digit temperatures. A number of bird tracks were preserved in the soil at the edge of the frozen water.

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### **Obituaries**

### **Bonnie Bidwell**, 96

Bonnie Bidwell, 96, of McLean, died Dec. under the direction of Bailey-Ware Funeral 9, 2005, at McLean. Services are pending Home of McLean.

### Jerry 'Pa' Billingsley, 66

Creek, Texas, died Dec. 8, 2005, at Chicken Creek. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Billingsley was born Feb. 22, 1939, in Shamrock. He had lived and worked in the Pampa and surrounding areas all of his life. He had been manager for the Ledrick Ranch for 25 years.

He was the owner and operator of the 7H Cattle Company.

Survivors include best friend and partner, Katy Wilde; children, Brad Billingsley and wife Janis of Canyon, Shann Clark of Irving,

McLEAN — Roger "Buddy" Payne, 63, of McLean, Texas, died Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2005. at McLean.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11, 2005, at the First Baptist Church of McLean, Texas, with Pastor Jim Bible and Pastor Larry Perkins officiating.

Burial will be in Hillcrest Cemetery in McLean, Texas, under the direction of Bailey-Ware Funeral Home of McLean.

Roger "Buddy" Eugene Payne was born Oct. 22, 1942, in Springfield, Ohio, to Clifford and Lucille Payne. He married Effie Callaway on March 30, 1983, in College Station, Texas.

Buddy was a musician who loved to sing Alanreed, TX 79002. country and gospel songs.

Jerry "Pa" Billingsley, 66, of Chicken Kerri Lake and husband Bo and Robin Kelley and husband Cliff, all of Pampa, and Tim Johnson and wife Rene of Woodbury, Minn.; one brother Doyal Billingsley and wife Nancy of Amarillo; one sister, Margaret Nix and husband Keg of Clinton, Okla.; seven grandchildren, Brandon Billingsley, Jacklyn Billingsley, Ashlee Clark, Allie Clark, Justin Lake, and Kade Morse; and many nieces and nephews.

> The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

-Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

### Roger 'Buddy' Payne, 63

Survivors include his wife, Effie Payne, McLean; six sons, Steve Callaway (Shari), McLean, Dale Callaway (Kathy), Houston, Ricky Callaway (Pam), Houston, Rocky Callaway (Laura), Houston, Randy Payne, Ohio, and Rodney Payne, Ohio; two daughters. Phyllis Ryburn (Wes), College Station, Texas, and Sharon Karkon, Austin, Texas; one sister, Vicki Pelfrey, Springfield, Ohio; 18 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Buddy was preceded in death by a sister, Linda Smith.

The family requests memorials be to Alanreed Baptist Church, P.O. Box 74,

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North-northwest

### Gray County Weather

Today: Mostly sunny, with a high near 44. Wind chill values between -2 and 8. South-southwest wind 5 to mph. 10 mph becoming westnorthwest.

Tonight: Clear, with a low around 20. Wind chill values between 11 and 16. Westnorthwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 50. Wind chill values between 9 and Southwest wind between 5 19 early. North-northwest wind between 10 and 15

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low near 27. Wind chill values between 20 and 25.

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Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 49.

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South wind around 5 mph

Monday: Partly cloudy,

Monday Night: Mostly

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with a high around 52. East-

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clear, with a low around 29.

### **Emergency Services**

### Pampa PD

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrest today. Tuesday, Dec. 6

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 500 block of West Oklahoma. DVDs valued at \$15 were taken.

Wednesday, Dec. 7

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1400 block of North Russell. Minor injuries were reported.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of Bradley. Tires on a vehicle were punctured. Estimated cost of damage is \$150.

The following incidents were reported in the 24hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Nine traffic stops were made. Motorist assistance was rendered in the 800 block of North Hobart. A traffic complaint was

block of North Somerville. A vehicle accident was reported in the 700 block of

Sloan. Fire department assistance was rendered in the 1200 block of North Hobart and the 1400 block of

Charles. Four burglar alarms were

A welfare check was made in the 100 block of East Craven.

was received from the 900 block of Fisher.

ed in the 300 block of Miami.

A suspicious person call was received from the 800 block of South Hobart.

Suspicious vehicle calls were received from the 200 block of North Ballard and the 1800 block of Alcock.

during the 24-hour period Disorderly conduct was ending at 7 a.m. today. reported in the 600 block of Thursday, Dec. 8 East Browning.

Criminal trespass was

reported in the 2100 block

of North Dwight and the

400 block of North Christy.

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Harassment was reported

A missing person call

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Burglary was reported in

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Gray County Sheriff's

Thursday, Dec. 8

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Friday, Dec. 9

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7:23 a.m. - One unit and Criminal mischief was three personnel responded reported in the 800 block of to the intersection of Sloan South Faulkner, the police and Kentucky on a vehicle department lobby and the rollover. 2800 block of Charles.

10:19 a.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 300 block of North Banks on a carbon monoxide check.

10:46 a.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 400 block of Short on a carbon monoxide check.

1:20 p.m. - Two units and six personnel responded to the 1200 block of North Hobart on a fire alarm.

2:20 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 1500 block of North Faulkner on an odor investigation.

2:57 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to the 600 block of North Gray on a service call.

7:19 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to the 1400 block of Charles on a structure fire.

### Ambulance

Guardian EMS ambulance reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Thursday, Dec. 8 7:21 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Kentucky

and Hazel. No transport. 11:04 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center and transferred a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

12:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1400 block of North Hobart and transported a patient to PRMC.

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### Hurricane animals come to Amarillo

### **By DAVID BOWSER** Staff Writer

AMARILLO -- It was not quite yet 5 p.m. Monday when the vintage DC-3 twin-engine plane touched down at Rick Husband International Airport here. Grins and giggles rippled through the crowd as the plane's cargo door opened and a long happy howl emanated from inside.

Aboard the 1942 aircraft was 4,000 pounds of dogs and cats, refugees from Hurricane Katrina.

In an airlift for abandoned pets from New Orleans, organized by the American Kennel Club, the American Boarding Kennel Association and the Florida Kennel Club, some 125 dogs and cats in varying sizes, colors and temperaments arrived in Amarillo from Dothan, Ala., where the animals had been gathered.

It's the third such airlift across the nation, said Judi Glidewell, owner of Critter Camp, an animal shelter between Amarillo and Canyon, where the dogs and cats will be housed.

The first two airlifts for pets from New Orleans were to Chicago and



Pampa News Photo by DAVID BOWSER

Judi Glidewell, owner of Critter Camp near Amarillo, hugs a newly arrived mixed breed dog at Rick Husband International Airport. Some 125 dogs and cats, refugee pets from New Orleans, were flown into the Texas Panhandle by the 1942 vintage DC-3 in the background.

### Wisconsin.

Glidewell said the animals would be neutered and given their shots before being put up for adoption.

As the travel cages were unloaded from the silver plane glinting in the cold late afternoon sun, there were a variety of howls, barks and meows. Almost everybody seemed to be happy to be on the ground after the seven-hour flight. A beagle on a leash rushed from cage to cage, dragging a volunteer behind, sniffing and wagging its tail furiously.

A small forlorn mixed breed dog wrapped in a sweater quivered as Jennifer Headding, one of the volunteers, tried to reassure the dog.

"We can call her Lucky," Headding said.

Glidewell said there are still an estimated 30,000 animals running loose in New Orleans. Animal rescue workers there, she said, have established feeding stations to attract them and keep them healthy.

The pilot and co-pilot, George Dennis and Sheila Mabbitt, both with Dodson International Airlines of Morristown, Tenn., helped off load the animals, then stood in the setting sun watching their passengers being loaded into trailers for the short trip to Critter Camp.

Normally, Mabbitt said, the freight they haul in the vintage aircraft doesn't howl with delight when they land.



## Shopping

### Continued from Page 1

they will take shopping. We will also provide them with the names, ages and sizes of everybody in the household."

An orientation by Cain will follow. A breakfast of coffee, orange juice and doughnuts will be available.

The volunteers will pick up their children about 9 a.m. and take them shopping. They will have identification badges supplied by the Salvation Army. When they are through, they will return to the Optimist

DALLAS (AP) — The Southwest Airlines Co. jet that skidded off a snowy runway and into a Chicago street Thursday night, killing a 6-year-old boy in a car, showed no mechanical prob-

Southwest jet had

no known problems

lems during a check the day before the accident, Chief Executive Gary Kelly said.

The Boeing jet was equipped with anti-skid and automatic braking systems, but like other Southwest jets, the braking system was turned off to let pilots manually control the plane, Kelly said Friday.

Kelly said at a news conference at Southwest headnames of the crew or passenquarters that it was too early to say what caused the accident, which occurred during a snowstorm that reduced visibility at Midway Airport to between one-quarter and one-half mile. It was the first fatal accident in Southwest's 35-year history. "It's a sad day at

porting the NTSB in the investigation," Kelly said. The National Transportation Safety Board began its investigation within hours of the accident.

Kelly said 13 people were taken to hospitals and three remained hospitalized Friday morning. He had no information on their conditions.

The flight from Baltimore-Washington International Airport to Chicago was the first of the day for the pilot, a 10-year Southwest veteran, and the co-pilot, Kelly said. The airline has not disclosed the

gym where Whitney Davis and other members of the Opti-Mrs. Club will sponsor a wrapping party.

"We expect to wrap between 700 and 800 presents," Davis said. "We would appreciate people volunteering to help wrap even if they do not take children shopping."

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is furnishing a hamburger luncheon for the volunteers and children. Kevin Davis is the Optimist chair for the event.

· Cameron Benge and members of the Energizer Sunday School Class of First United the Methodist Church will entertain children who finish shopping and wrapping early. Rev. Jeff Taylor will present a "Reason for the Season" talk. Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr. and other Gideons will present Bibles in English or Spanish to children who would like to have one. A talk with Santa Claus will round out the morning for the children. Chaperones will take them home about noon. Children's The Shopping Tour has been a community project for 43 vears.

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gers. Southwest took delivery of the Boeing 737-700 in

July 2004. Southwest operates only 737s, and the 700 is the latest update to that model.

It comes with an automatic braking system, but Southwest doesn't use it, Kelly said.

"We let our flight crews make the determination to brake the aircraft," he said.



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# Viewpoints

# **Reviewing modern history for 'smiting' possibilities**

It's been what, more than three months since televangilist Pat Robertson suggested aloud Hugo Chavez of Venezuela needed to be taken out? Taken out meaning assassinated.

After Mr. Robertson's words became news, protestations reverberated from D.C. to Europe. How could a man of God dare suggest the taking of another human being's life?

Most Republicans were mum, suggesting to Closet Writer that Rev. Robertson had a pretty good idea.

All Democrats were aghast as were Europe's governments, and Jesse Jackson even put in his two cents worth by condemning Robertson's suggestion by showing up for dinner reservations with Mr. Chavez in Venezuela. Later, the White House, with fingers crossed behind its back, mentioned it could not agree with Mr.

Robertson's style of politics. Closet Writer understands how Rev. Robertson made his mistake and subsequently lost all political support for his idea.

In today's world of political correctness, using the word "assassination" ain't right. Robertson - as a man of God - should have used the word "smite." "Someone needs to smite Hugo Chavez of Venezuela!" should have

troops opened their

first major offensive

in North Africa dur-

In 1942, the Aram

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"Gayane," featuring

the surging "Saber

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performed by the

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been Rev. wordage.

Bible and how many times smite is used from Old Dennis Testament to Palmitier New Perhaps if

Robertson knows the

Columnist Robertson's suggestion had incorporated smiting,

Rev. Jackson would not have hurried south to console Chavez. Hmm, dream on. Closet Writer would love to read a newspaper headline with the lead story - "Hugo Chavez Has Been Smited -Stability in Latin America Returning." Think about the

Robertson's current price of a barrel of I'm all for it! oil and the hardships many Americans are facing this very day.



wrong with just doing some smiting of an enemy instead of suggesting so?

I'm for bringing back clandestine smiting of our enemies, and if a man of God wants to smite or hire someone to do his smiting on an enemy of our country –

Strictly from a religious viewpoint mind you, did God ever ask for a consensus from the Israelites when it came to some needed smiting?

Let's relive modern history to review if some good old smiting should have taken place against those who've made malicious marks on the world and if the world would have been better without them.

I'll mention only one. Adolf Hitler. I rest my case. Roosevelt should have had Hitler smited in the 30s. The world certainly knew what Hitler was up to well before the start of WWII!

Why would that have been good smite? Two reasons. 6,000,000 Jewish lives and WWII's casualties.

I'm in agreement with Rev. Robertson. Hugo Chavez should be assassinated - I mean, smited. Chavez in his present life form represents a dangerous and volatile situation for the United States. Look what he initiated in Argentina during G-8 Economic the Conference.

We're Americans, not wussies! Apologize for wishing/desiring/wanting an enemy of our way of life dead? Not from Closet Writer's mouth or pen!

# Today in History

### By The Associated Press

Today is Friday, Dec. 9, the 343rd day of 2005. There are 22 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 9, 1854, Alfred Lord Tennyson's famous poem, "The Charge of the Light Brigade," was published in England.

On this date:

In 1608, English poet John Milton was born in London. In 1907, Christmas seals went on sale for the first time, at

the Wilmington, Del., post office; proceeds went to fight tuberculosis. In 1940, British

> 'All sins are attempts to fill voids."

> > - Simone Weil French philosopher (1909 - 1943)

In 1958, the anti-Communist John Birch Society was formed in Indianapolis

In 1965, Nikolai V. Podgorny replaced Anastas I. Mikoyan as president of the Presidium of the Supreme Sovie

Politicians, like writers, preachers and professors, are word people. They deal mainly in words, not in actions. If you wish to understand the present political situation, you need to understand how politicians use words. You can start by scratch-

ing off "communication of truth." That is a very low priority in Washington, for the simple reason that if the public knew the complete and whole truth about the federal government, most of the politicians would be looking for work after the next election. Truth may be bandied about on the Potomac occasionally in private, but it is rarely called upon for a public appearance.

Politicians, being word people, are used to imaginsomething is successful, it is hard to lead from the rear. If The Israelis, for example,

The president, for example, says we are succeeding in Iraq. To know whether that is true or not would require, first of all, a definition of "success" and then an extensive trip to Iraq to see if conditions

on the ground meet the criteria for success. The presihas dent

gone to Iraq only once, for a photo opportunity. He spiraled in, in the dead of night, spent an hour or two in the heavily fortified Baghdad Airport and then spiraled out, never, so far, to return. Since he is so obsessed with the war, one has to wonder why he has not made several trips to the

the case, then we don't control Iraq.

Whether drawing down the American forces is cutting and running or a sign of victory depends entirely on which politician is describing the

we

action. The president says won't cut and run, but others in his administration

are talking about reducing troop levels in 2006. The reality will be a reduction of troops. How that reduction is described is the province of words. There will be victory when the president declares there is victory - regardless of the facts on the ground.

The best strategy is to dising that reality conforms to country. Leaders of other regard words and watch their words. If they say countries have done so. It's what actions people take.

ground that will make a viable Palestinian state an impossibility. Watch what people do, not what they say, and that applies to everyone.

The FBI, for example, says it is not abusing the Patriot Act, but the fact is, the agency has sent out 30,000 "security letters" demanding the private records of private citizens. Not even the most rabid terroristmonger has ever suggested there were 30,000 terrorists in our midst. Who are these people whose privacy a federal law-enforcement agency is invading? Shush, it's a secret. It's classified. You, peon that you are, are not entitled to know.

The very reason secrecy should be strenuously opposed by citizens of a free society is because it is always its actions, not its words, that government seeks to hide.

A place where words mean anything

Charley Reese Columnist

In 1975, President Ford signed a \$2.3 billion seasonal loan-authorization that officials of New York City and State said would prevent a city default.

In 1984, the five-day-old hijacking of a Kuwaiti jetliner that claimed the lives of two Americans ended as Iranian security men seized control of the plane, which was parked at Tehran airport.

In 1990, Solidarity founder Lech Walesa won Poland's presidential runoff by a landslide.

In 1992, Britain's Prince Charles and Princess Diana announced their separation. (The couple's divorce became final Aug. 28, 1996.)

Ten years ago: U.S. Rep. Kweisi Mfume, D-Md., was chosen to become the new head of the NAACP.

Five years ago: The U.S. Supreme Court ordered a temporary halt in the Florida vote count on which Al Gore pinned his best hopes of winning the White House. Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak announced he would resign and call a special election. Florida State quarterback Chris Weinke won the Heisman Trophy.

One year ago: President Bush ruled out raising taxes to finance a Social Security overhaul. President Bush announced he was keeping the heads of the Transportation, Interior, Housing and Labor departments. Canada's Supreme Court ruled that gay marriage was constitutional.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Kirk Douglas is 89. Actress Dina Merrill is 80. Actor Dick Van Patten is 77. Actor-writer Buck Henry is 75. Actress Dame Judi Dench is 71. Actor Beau Bridges is 64. Jazz singer-musician Dan Hicks is 64.

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successful, regardless of any evidence to the contrary. Words and beliefs, however, are not reality.

An old Asian saying puts it quite well: "If you understand, the world is as it is; if you do not understand, the world is as it is." Our words and beliefs do not have the power to affect reality. Reality can only be changed by actions.

things are going as swimmingly as he says, travel to Iraq should not present a great risk. What a great photo op it would be if he would go out on a night they have put Jewish settlepatrol with one of our units. In fact, his action of not going undercuts his words. His not going says that regardless of what he says, it is not safe for him to put his feet on Iraqi soil. If that is

have long known that creating facts on the ground trumps words every time. Regardless of what they have said through the years, ments on Palestinian land and even now are strengthening them on the West Bank, despite having withdrawn from Gaza. Whatever they say, they are, in fact, creating conditions on the

Words have been so abused in Washington that they are practically worthless. I don't even waste my time anymore interviewing politicians.

They bloviate, but they don't communicate. Washington is so drowned in words and disconnected from reality that it resembles an open-air insane asylum.

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### Texas Thoughts.

### By The Associated Press

A sample of editorial opinion around Texas:

#### Nov. 27

The Victoria Advocate on Congress and a new drug war:

Congress is considering doing nationwide what the Oklahoma Legislature did in early 2004. While the Sooner State seldom can be held up as a national role model, this time it has achieved an exceptional success that merits copying.

By the late 1990s, Oklahoma had become one of the nation's top states for producing illegal and highly addictive methamphetamine. By 2004, the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control, the Oklahoma Highway Patrol and local law enforcement were making, on average, 105 meth lab busts a month.

"The problem is meth is not treatable," state Rep. Leo Berman, R-Tyler, told The Associated Press. He wrote a bill for Texas based on Oklahoma's. "Once the brain cells are destroyed, it's almost impossible to get off meth. You can get off cocaine; you can get off heroin. You cannot get off meth. "'How addictive is this stuff? Explain it to me in a way I might understand," Walker County Sheriff's narcotics Detective Justin Smith told The Huntsville Item. "I asked a user that one time, and he paused and looked back at me and said, Sir, you know how you desire your next breath? Multiply that by 100.' That really made me realize what this stuff can do.

Some users lose everything they own their home, business, marriage. I've

even known them to walk away from their children." The toxic fumes cooking meth produces endanger young children and other innocents exposed to them.

In Oklahoma, as in other states, officers raiding meth labs often found children, sometimes still alive, at those sites. One Oklahoma county's district attorney accurately characterized this as a particularly pernicious form of child abuse.

Cooking meth "begins with ephedrine or pseudoephedrine, which is used in over-the-counter cold and allergy medicines. The meth cook then uses household chemicals - including Coleman fuel, brake fluid, muratic acid and bleach - and finally water," the Tyler Morning Telegraph reported.

That is a nasty, nasty mix of chemicals. Just how dangerous is seen when law enforcement personnel cleaning up meth labs have to wear biochemicalhazard protective gear. The nationwide extent of the meth plague is already horrifying, and it is growing.

"According to the 2003 National Survey on Drug Use and Health, 12.3 million Americans had tried methamphetamine at least once - up nearly 40 percent from 2000 and 156 percent from 1996," Hearst Newspapers reported. "In 2004, the survey notes that an estimated 1.3 million Americans regularly smoked, snorted or injected the drug, which delivers a jolt of energy that can cause insomnia, paranoia or sometimes violent rages. It is also known to lead to cardiac arrhythmia, stroke and convulsions," Hearst continued.

The meth plague is hitting Lone Star

State increasingly hard.

"The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration ranks Texas the topyielding state in the nation for methamphetamine seizures. In 2002, approximately 288 pounds were seized. By 2004, that number jumped to about 1,481 pounds, an amount that could garner more than \$28 million on the street," the Huntsville newspaper reported. In 2004, the Oklahoma Legislature passed a bill, and Gov. Brad Henry signed it into law, that "designated pills and tablets made with pseudoephedrine a controlled narcotic, meaning only licensed pharmacists could sell them. The law also required buyers to show photo identification and sign a log before they could purchase the products," The Des Moines Register reported.

Oklahoma also limits how much pseudoephedrine customers can legally buy to no more than nine grams every 30 days. Within seven months of the law taking effect, the number of meth raids in the Sooner State had dropped by more than 80 percent.

It is not likely that meth cookers suddenly became so much more sophisticated that more and more of them were able to elude police. Nor were law enforcement agencies giving up and cutting back on raiding these labs.

Instead, sharply restricting the availability of cold remedies containing pseudoephedrine made it much more difficult for meth cookers to obtain a chemical without which they could not produce the illegal drug.

Customers who legitimately need

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# Religion

# 'Christmas at Calvary' bigger, better this year, organizers say

Calvary Baptist Church will stage its annual Christmas production, "Christmas at Calvary," at 6 p.m. Sunday in the church worship center, 900 E. 23rd St. Each year, Christmas at

Calvary keeps getting bigger, organizers say.

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This year's musical will include four choirs, two ensembles and the Calvary Christmas Orchestra.

More than 100 singers and musicians will participate in the program staged to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

Short devotionals, written by award-winning author Calvin Miller and presented by Sandy Crosswhite, will intersperse the musical selections.

"Instrumental Christian music has always been a favorite of past Christmas at Calvary audiences," a press release from the church said. "This year

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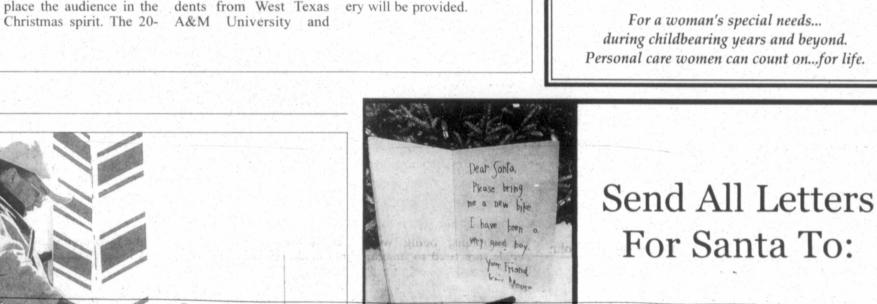


Ronnie Holmes narrated last year's Christmas at Calvary.

definitely won't be a disappointment. The orchestra selections are sure to musicians, along with stu-

piece orchestra is made up of Calvary Baptist Church

Pampa High School." The program is free and open to the public. A nurs-

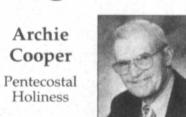




Kevin Whinery and Marvin Carlton worked hard recently securing the "Jesus sticks" on Hi-Land Christian Church's Christmas float. Pastor Mike Sublett explained, "We just wanted to remind everyone that the first candies that looked like this weren't called candy canes, but rather 'Jesus Sticks.' That is why we turned them like the letter 'J."

### **Minister's Musing: The heart of creationism**

In the Nov. 26 edition of the Amarillo Globe-Guy Consolmagno was warning against intelligent



instead of trying to say how He did it. Concerning bringing life

on earth, Consolmagno said,

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"Of course God did it. I want to know how He did it."

Head learning is good and great knowledge can help us lift up Christ after we have See COOPER, Page 10



See what's at the top of the "wish list" for our area children this Christmas, as Santa shares some of his favorite holiday letters with you.

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By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I worked in an entertainment establishment for about 16 years. Finally I grew tired of it. I knew I was not getting anywhere in life, so I decided to go back to school and pursue a career in law enforcement. I completed my courses recently, and would like to become a cop or a court officer. My concern is, what if they find out about my career choice in the past? It could be personally embarrassing and might even cause me to lose my job. Should I come out and put on my resume what I did for 16 years of my life? -- LATE BLOOMER IN CANADA

**DEAR LATE BLOOMER:** You appear to be an intelligent and forward-thinking woman. Please do not attempt to lie about your past. I cannot imagine any law enforcement agency that would not do a background check before hiring an applicant -- and the truth would come out anyway. To my way of thinking, because of your background, you could be a unique asset to a police department. Let's hope whoever's hiring sees it my way. P.S. Clip this item and include it with your job application. I hope it helps.

**DEAR ABBY:** My boyfriend, "Kenny," and I broke up six months ago. Nothing bad happened; we were just at different points in our lives. I didn't hear from Kenny until a couple of weeks ago, when I found a message from him on my answering machine. He said he was sorry for not being the best boyfriend he could be. By then, I was already in love with another man, "Scott." I agreed to meet Kenny for lunch to get closure, but the minute our eyes met, all the old feelings came rushing back. Now I don't know what to do. Kenny and Scott are both perfect men. They treat me with respect.

I'm supposed to move in with Scott next month, but I don't know if I want to be with him anymore. He is planning on moving three hours from home to attend a school that is closer to me. I tried to end the relationship with Scott, but he was devastated. What do I do? I think I may be in love with two men, and I don't want to hurt anybody. -- SINCERELY CONFUSED, SPENCER, IOWA

**DEAR SINCERELY CONFUSED:** End the relationship with Scott NOW, before he moves closer and enrolls at the new school. Do not move in with him out of pity, feeling as you do about your old boyfriend. Right now, you need a cooling-off period, so don't jump back into the frying pan (or anywhere else) with Kenny either. From my perspective, although you think you're in love with both of these perfect men, you may only be in love with love.

**DEAR ABBY:** I'm throwing a little birthday party for my 4-year-old son. I am trying very hard to keep the party small so that it does not become overwhelming. My son chose four little preschool friends to come to his party, but two of the mothers have asked if they can also bring along 2-year-old siblings of the children who were invited. Must I provide party favors for the 2-year-olds? -- **NEEDS TO KNOW -- FAST!** 

**DEAR NEEDS TO KNOW:** It appears that two of the mothers either couldn't find -- or didn't want to spring for -- baby sitters. If you agreed that the little ones could come to the party, it would be gracious to provide something for them, too, so they won't feel left out. Sorry, but when you're on the hook, you're on the hook -- and the items needn't be expensive.

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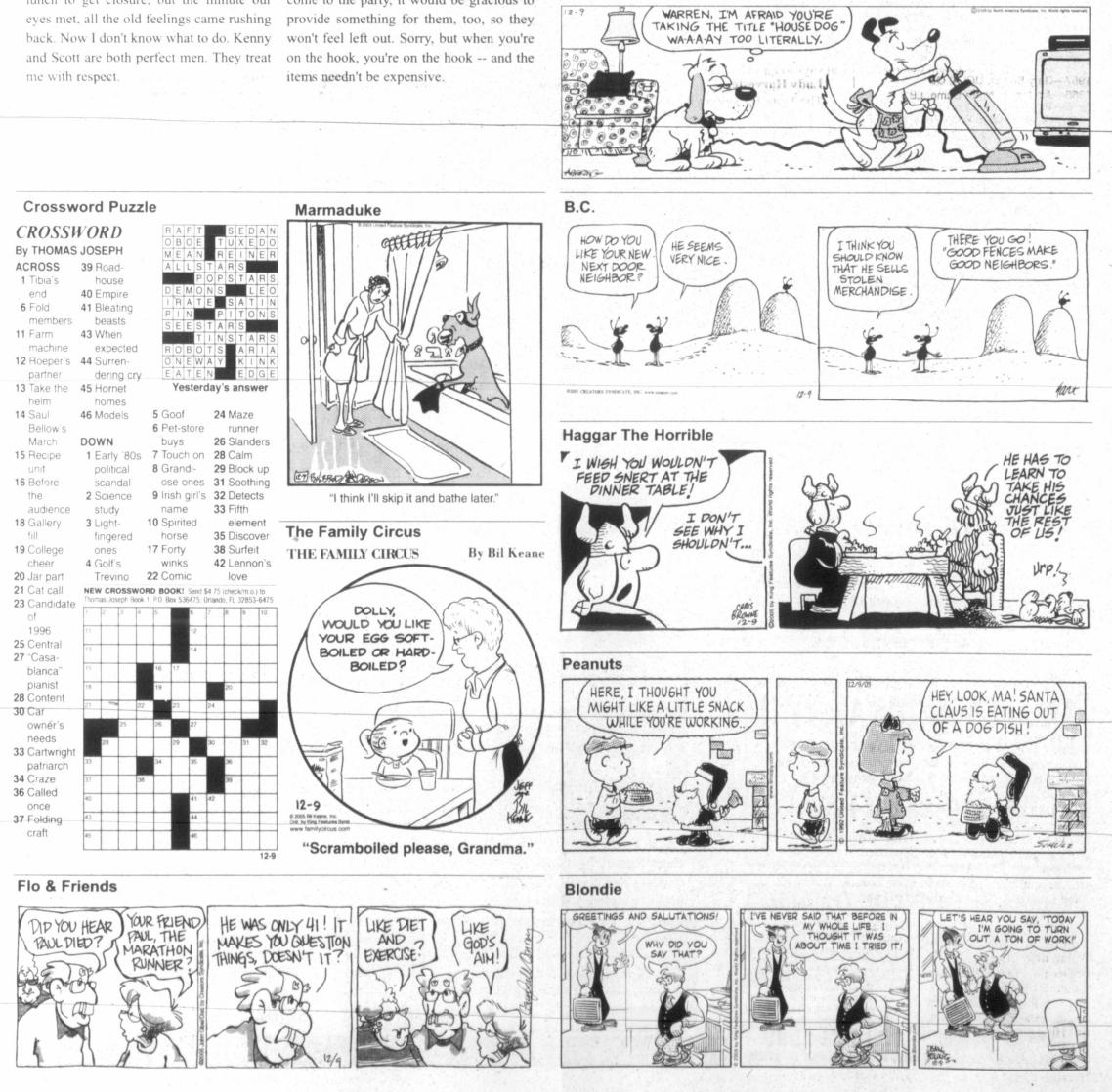
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# Sports Day

### Young wins Maxwell

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) - Texas guarterback Vince Young won the Maxwell Award as the nation's top player, beating out fellow Heisman Trophy finalists Reggie Bush and Matt Leinart of Southern California.

Young leads the nation in passing efficiency with a 168.6 rating. He has passed for 2,769 yards and 26 touchdowns, and leads the Longhorns in rushing with 850 yards.

The Maxwell Award was once considered a good way to predict who would win the Heisman, but not recently. The past five winners, including Oklahoma's Jason White last season, did not win the Heisman. The last player to win both the Maxwell and the Heisman was Wisconsin running back Ron Dayne.

Young was the third Texas player to win the Maxwell Award.

Winners of the Maxwell Award for the outstanding collegiate player, presented by the Maxwell Memorial Football Club of Philadelphia:

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Courtesy photo

While two Rangers defenders give chase, Pampa's Sharod Young leaps toward the basket during last week's visit to Perryton. The Harvesters (9-2), off until Tuesday, won the game, 76-49.

### Lady Harvesters try to even season mark in Lubbock tonight; PHS wrestlers in Tucumcari Saturday

By MICHAEL J. STEVENS Sports Editor

#### **Basketball** Harvesters

Both the varsity and junior varsity boys are off until Tuesday when they will travel to Borger to battle the

always tough Bulldogs. Lady Harvesters The Lady Harvesters varsity team is on the road tonight at Lubbock

Coronado for a meeting with the Lady Mustangs. The game will start team will be competing in the at 6 p.m. winning streak into Lubbock that featured solid performances against two

very tough teams on the road, including Tuesday night's rumble against Tascosa, where they edged the Lady Rebels, 51-46.

The freshman Lady Harvesters are scheduled to host Canvon Saturday at 10 a.m. at McNeely Field House. Pampa Junior High

The 7th grade teams will resume tournament play in Plainview Saturday.

#### Wrestling The Pampa High School wrestling

Tucumcari Tournament Saturday. **Pampa** (6-7) is riding a 2-game Matches are scheduled to begin at 9 a.m.

### Rockets 106, Kings 95

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) - Starting a long road trip at an arena where they have experienced very little success did not bother the Houston Rockets.

Tracy McGrady scored 28 points, and the Rockets used a dominating fourth quarter Thursday night to beat Sacramento 106-95 and extend the Kings' losing streak to

Houston, which opened a six-game, 11-day trip, had lost nine of its previous 10 games at Arco Arena, where the Kings are an uncharacteristic 6-7 this season.

"This is still a tough place to play, that hasn't changed," Houston guard Derek Anderson said. "The Kings are struggling now, but so are we. Hopefully this starts a growing spurt for us. We need to start winning some games.

Yao Ming had 21 points and nine rebounds for Houston, which has won three of four games since McGrady returned to the lineup following a back injury. Anderson added 16 points, and David Wesley had 12.

Rookie guard Luther Head scored nine points and was a key factor in the fourth quarter for Houston.

The Rockets scored 17 straight points in an 8-minute stretch in the fourth quarter. Head made two 3-pointers during the run, and Anderson's two free throws made it 92-83 with 4:31 remaining.

"That gives me confidence to know I can make big shots," Head said. "We brought it defensively in the fourth quarter, that's what won it for us. This is definitely a great way to start the road trip."

Mike Bibby had 24 points and six assists for the Kings, who have lost four straight games at home for the first time since late in the 1997-98 season. Brad Miller and Bonzi Wells each scored 21 points, and Peja Stojakovic added 15.

"Our fans are disgusted, I'm disgusted," Wells said. "We're playing terrible."

The Kings, who held a 14-point lead midway through the third period, suddenly went cold, scoring six points during a 10-minute stretch that extended into the fourth quarter when the Rockets took control of the game.



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### **BARNETT BE GONE**

### **Troubled coach reluctantly resigns**

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — Gary Barnett's tumultuous stay at Colorado ended when the coach reluctantly stepped down, accepting a \$3 million payment. Barnett, who finished 49-38 in

seven seasons at CU, led the school to a Big 12 Conference championship and four Big 12 North titles, and won two AP Big 12 Coach of the Year honors.

After a sordid recruiting scandal, Barnett got into further trouble when he used derogatory terms in talking about kicker Katie Hnida, who came out with allegations that she was raped by a teammate in 2000.

### Kaminski takes over world barrel racing lead

LAS VEGAS (AP) -Kelly Kaminski moved into first place in the world barstandings racing rel Thursday night, winning the seventh round of the National Finals Rodeo in 13.90 seconds to push her earnings season to \$138,192.

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"I was really surprised with the time I had," said Kaminski, from Bellville, Texas. "I rocked the first two barrels and all I could think was to make sure I was smooth on the third. Then I whipped home, but I was shocked when I heard I had run a 13.9."

Aggregate leader Liz Pinkston of San Antonio was second in 13.97, and Shali Lord of Lamar, Colo., the previous world leader, finished third in 14.03.

In team roping, injury replacement Trevor Brazile of Decatur, Texas, and Kory Koontz of Sudan, Texas, won their second straight round, tying Wade Wheatley of Hughson, Calif., and Kyle Lockett of Ivanhoe, Calif., at 3.8 seconds. Brazile took over in the

sixth round after Jake Barnes lost part of his right thumb in the fifth round.

"Usually, it's my partner in my position trying to help me win a world title," Brazile said. "It's nice being able to pinch hit and help Kory do the same. That is all I am here for, to give him a shot that he worked hard to get to. And that horse of Travis Tryan's is awesome. He was nice enough to lend him to me as a favor to

Kory, and it just shows the camaraderie of the sport." In all-around, Ryan Jarrett of Summerville, Ga., took over the lead from Brazile with \$195,515. Three-time all-round champion Brazile is second with \$193,361.

In tie-down roping, Matt Shiozawa of Chubbuck, Idaho, won with a time of Ryan Jarrett of 7.0, Summerville, Ga., was second at 7.7, and Brazile third at 7.8.

In bull riding, Bryan Richardson of Dallas scored 90 points on Razor Sharp. World leader Matt Austin of Wills Point, Texas, was second at 88, and Steve who has successfully ridden Woolsey of Spanish Fork, Utah, finished third with an 87. Woolsey, the only rider

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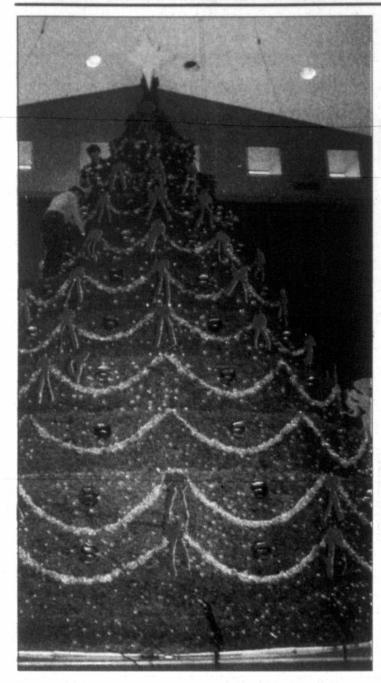


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### Living Christmas Tree

Workers climb to the tippy-tops of this Christmas tree, a tradition at First Baptist Church of Pampa. The Adult Choir and the drama ministry at First Baptist Church, 203 N. West, will present its annual "Living Christmas Tree" at 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Free tickets are available from the church's music office.

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Him in our heart and our mind. However, a mental search may be made by an atheist or a half-hearted believer. The treasure finder is one who seeks God with his whole heart. God is the

Him diligently. These are days when we need to find God, not just find out how He did what He did.

rewarder of them who seek

The three Hebrew boys told the King, "Our God can deliver us from that fiery furnace."

How was God going to do it? They did not try to explain, but they knew God well enough to trust Him. The same God of fire that delivered them also delivered Daniel from the lions.

When the children of Israel needed passage across the Red Sea, the obedience of Moses brought God into action

Again, when Joshua was leading the children of Israel to go into the land of Canaan, the River Jordan overflowed its banks. When the priest who bore the ark touched the flooding waters they stopped their flow and rolled back like a wall.

How did God do that? By his miracle-working power, and that is good enough for me.

By God's miracle-working power, the walls of Jericho came down. When five kings fought against Joshua and the Gibeonites, whom Joshua had made a league with, Joshua needed more time to win the battle and called on the sun to stand still.

At no time has an evolutionist or an atheist called upon a supreme being to give help to a suffering person or nation. At no time has the atheist called upon a people to keep the Golden Rule.

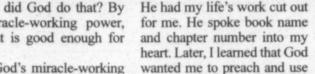
It is poor teaching to teach a child not to kill and not tell them who gave that command, and who we will give an account to.

With the atheist, it is all right to have faith in evolution that never converts a murderer or a rapist to an upright honest citizen, but to the atheist it is foolish to have faith in the living God who comes and lives in our hearts. God is a spirit, not a myth.

And they who worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth. (John 4:23)

I am a living witness how the Holy Spirit can speak words down into your soul. I was seeking God's will with all my heart, not knowing that

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that scripture for my subject. Without the Holy Spirit's aid, no one can find God. The Bible says, "Without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that dili-

gently seek Him." (Hebrews 11:6) We must take the Bible for what it says. At this point, I am remind-

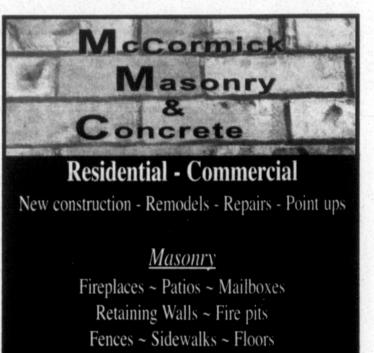
ed of what I learned in the early 1960s when the ministers of the community of Bovina were called together for some community advice. Included in the meeting was a

Roman Catholic priest who said to us, "Where you Protestants say the Bible is infallible, we say that our Tradition was before the Bible and should first be recognized."

Now I am reminded that Jesus said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away." (Mark 13:31)

The Holy Spirit has never witnessed anything to me that needed to be supported by someone's tradition. It's always in harmony with the Bible.

Thank you God for creating the earth and all the things therein, including me, and for filling me with your Holy Spirit.



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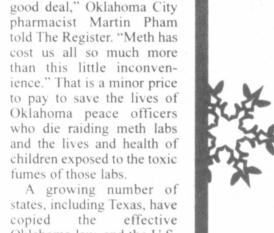
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these cold remedies can still obtain them, at the cost of a little inconvenience. "I think there's no ques-

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The White House Office of National Drug Control Policy has made battling meth one of its highest priorities. Although we are reluctant to recommend federalizing what have been state problems, the increasingly nationwide meth plague requires a national, rather than a state-by-state, response.

### Northeast braces for snow, cold

By REBECCA MILLER Associated Press Writer

A storm that wreaked havoc as it dumped as much as 10 inches of snow from Texas to Indiana barreled eastward today, promising to bring more of the same.

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While the storm system lost steam as it crossed the Ohio Valley and western Pennsylvania early today, it was expected to merge with another one off the Virginia coast later in the day.

Forecasters said the system would move up the coast, bringing as much as a foot of snow to New England.



