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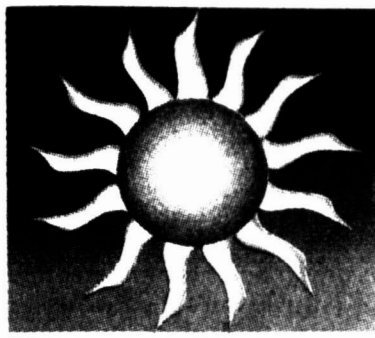
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low tonight in low 20s.
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details.

PAMPA — The membership of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ will be hosting the 12th annual Christmas Day dinner from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday in the fellowship hall.

Members expect to deliver about 150 dinners to residents in the city, with another 250 meals served at the church.

All those having no place to eat Christmas dinner are invited to attend and share the meal with others.

People who would like to receive a Christmas dinner or obtain more information may call the church at 665-0031.

McLEAN — A McLean man has been selected for a cattle feeding leadership program.

Neal Odom, manager of McLean Feedyard, was selected by the Texas Cattle Feeders Association's executive committee for the 1996 TCFA Leadership Program, a year-long program of involvement with the Texas Cattle Feeders and the cattle feeding industry.

Barry Josseland of Hereford was also selected for the program.

Odom was named to the TCFA board of directors earlier this year at the association's convention in Dallas.

AMARILLO — At the end of the year, IBP meat packers will discontinue its truck fleet that haul cattle to the Amarillo packing plant, company officials said.

IBP officials said they will use outside contractors to ship the more than 60 semi-truck loads of cattle that are delivered daily to the plant from area feedyards.

PAMPA — Due to Christmas Eve and Christmas Day falling on Sunday and Monday this year, there will be no Monday edition of The Pampa News.

All offices of The Pampa News also will be closed Monday to allow employees to enjoy the holiday with family and friends.

Regular publishing and office hours will resume on Tuesday, Dec. 26.

PAMPA — Gray County commissioners are to meet in special session at 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 28, to consider a brief agenda.

The court will open and consider bids for Gray County insurance coverage. Commissioners will also approve payment to Gray County Appraisal District.

The court meets in the second floor courtroom of the courthouse.

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NATO troops testing route in Serb-held land

ROUTE MICHIGAN, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — Ragtag Serb troops stared sullenly at NATO tanks thundering across the Posavina Corridor on Saturday for a first look at Route Michigan, an American gateway to Bosnia.

It was the first time in 3 1/2 years that foreign troops traveled the old Yugoslav Highway M-17 across the strip of land that links Serbia and Serb-dominated parts of western Bosnia.

"Yeah, some Serbs didn't seem too happy to see us," said Master Sgt. Richard Williams, one of two U.S. liaisons who rode to the Sava River with the Danish and Swedish armored column. "But a lot did."

The Americans, along with Nordic officers, inspected the dynamited bridge at Bosanski Samac, nervously eyeing mines and booby traps. Then they drank coffee with Serb commanders.

"Everything has worked as we wanted it to, perfectly," said Lt. Col. Sverker Goran, chief of staff of the Nordic Battalion. Serb units were melting away, he said, and he expected no resistance at all.

Swedes have taken over the checkpoint on the bombed-out moonscape outside of Gradadac, the last front-line town on the Muslim side. NATO armor now clatters past the Serb and Bosnian roadblocks where U.N. peacekeepers were often harassed.

But heavy American convoys moving south into Bosnia via Hungary may face other difficulties.

The bridge is beyond repair, Goran said. Route Michigan is likely to be a secondary road to Route Arizona, a parallel blacktop from Zapenja, Croatia,

where Americans will build a pontoon bridge.

Nordic engineers are still uncertain whether small bridges on Michigan and Arizona will support the Americans' 67-ton Abrams tanks.

Williams, from Vero Beach, Fla., agreed that Route Michigan did not look promising.

"I'm afraid our tanks would end up destroying this road," he said. He was also worried about how the Abrams would climb the steep bank from the pontoon bridge up to Route Arizona.

He had no estimate on when Americans would start pouring across the Sava. But, he said, "I hope it's soon."

Two days earlier, Maj. Gen. William Nash, commander of the U.S. forces in Bosnia, rode up Route Arizona to the Sava, protected by Danish Leopard tanks, which cleared away some earthworks and boobytraps.

The ride up Route Michigan amounted to a peace-on-earth tour of hell's rec room, across the corridor which Serbs fought to widen. Muslims held them back in long, bloody battles.

Tanks passed villages devastated beyond recognition, watching closely for signs of possible hostility. Nonetheless, they were relaxed, with their tank hatches wide open.

"I don't think anyone is going to tangle with us," said Sgt. Kenneth Pedersen, in charge of a Leopard named Gongehovdingen, after an old Danish warrior.

As the mud-spattered Leopards crossed the Serbs' 10-mile corridor between Gradadac and the Sava River, farmers, old women and kids waved friendly greetings. A few soldiers smiled and flashed peace signs.

Threatened snowman



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Frosty the Snowman may have had a magician's hat but this snowman on the north side at the Caprock Apartments had to settle for a doorknob instead. The recent snow the Panhandle experienced made an interesting way for people to express themselves in the snowmen created across the city for the first snow storm of the season, arriving just a week before Christmas. Cold temperatures kept much of the snow on the ground throughout the week, but warmer weather today and Monday threaten to end chances for a white Christmas.

Christmas in Lefors



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Carole Watson and Helen Akins, members of the Art and Civic Club in Lefors, put the finishing touches on the Christmas tree in Lefors Civic Center. This year the club bought and made new decorations for the room and tree. Donations of money and decorations were made by Lefors Senior Citizens, Curley's Service Station, Lefors Federal Credit Union, Mayor Derl Boyd, Watson and Faye Miller.

Thousands greet Arafat's arrival in Bethlehem as Christmas nears

BETHLEHEM, West Bank (AP) — From a church roof overlooking Manger Square, PLO leader Yasser Arafat on Saturday declared the newly autonomous Bethlehem "liberated" and promised to continue toward Jerusalem.

Thousands of cheering supporters greeted Arafat as he arrived to preside over Bethlehem's first Christmas under Palestinian control.

"I tell the whole world ... that the city of Bethlehem that is liberated is the city of peace," Arafat said from the roof of the Church of Nativity, which is built on the spot where tradition says Jesus was born.

Church bells pealed and the crowd roared as Arafat waved and held up his fingers to form a "V" for victory.

Israel's troops withdrew from Bethlehem on Thursday, ending almost 28 years of Israeli rule. Bethlehem was the sixth West Bank town — in addition to the

Gaza Strip — to come under Palestinian control as part of the Israel-PLO autonomy accords.

The Israeli troops were replaced with 850 Palestinian policemen. Another 180 arrived Saturday to help control the crowd upon Arafat's arrival.

Just five miles south of Jerusalem, Bethlehem is the closest Arafat has come since the start of the Israel-PLO peace process to the Israeli capital. Both sides want control over east Jerusalem which Israel captured in the 1967 Middle East war. Israel claims the entire city as its capital.

Arafat called Saturday for the establishment of a Palestinian state and said that holy sites in Jerusalem would soon be under Palestinian control, including the Church of the Holy Sepulchre where tradition says Jesus died.

"I call upon you to help build the Palestinian state so we can fly the Palestinian flag every-

where," Arafat said. "Today we embrace in the Church of Nativity and tomorrow we shall embrace in the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem."

Arafat was to speak from the rooftop of the Church of Nativity again on Sunday, Christmas Eve. Arafat's wife Soha and 5-month-old daughter Zahwa launched Christmas celebrations Friday by switching on the lights of a Christmas tree in Manger Square.

The square was adorned by pictures of Arafat and Palestinian flags, including one 30 feet long. A large banner said "Congratulations to our people for the departure of the occupation. May it never return." It was signed by the PLO's mainstream Fatah Party.

In this city of 15,000 Christians and 35,000 Muslims the Christmas celebrations are being viewed by many as nationalistic rather than religious.

House allows unlimited royalties for members

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defying its ethics committee, the House voted Friday to let lawmakers receive unlimited book royalties as long as they have their book contracts cleared by the ethics panel and do not accept advances.

By 259-128, the members rejected a strict curb on income they can earn from books — a proposal that could have cost House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., handsomely in connection with his book, *To Renew America*.

The rule adopted Friday applies to book contracts signed after Jan. 1, 1996, so that Gingrich's deal would not be affected. The issue of book sales, which felled a Democratic House speaker in the late 1980s, has bedeviled Gingrich this year.

In Friday's vote, 46 Democrats sided with the majority Repub-

licans. Five Republicans voted against the rule, which covers only House members.

Democrats accused the Republicans of pushing through the rule to shelter Gingrich's royalties. They said it was the first time a recommendation from the bipartisan ethics committee had been weakened in a House vote.

"This vote is for private profit. That's what this is all about," Rep. Rosa DeLauro, D-Conn., said after the House action.

House Democratic Whip David Bonior, D-Mich., referring to the ongoing government shutdown, said, "Veterans are still waiting for their checks ... kids are being denied Christmas presents ... (and) Congress voted to protect its own interest and to protect the speaker's interest to make money."

The original rule proposed by

the ethics committee would have cost Gingrich a substantial amount of money. The panel said it proposed the rule because Gingrich left the impression he was using his office for personal gain.

The ethics committee voted 10-0 on Dec. 6 to curb royalty income starting Jan. 1 by putting royalties under the current \$20,040 annual cap on outside earned income for lawmakers.

Under present House rules, there are no restrictions on book advances or royalties other than the "usual and customary" contract standard for them.

In overturning the ethics committee's bipartisan proposal, Bonior said, the House has "undermined" the panel. "This was a vicious, savage attack on a bipartisan committee," he told reporters.

Company founder gives employees \$1,000 each

GLENS FALLS, N.Y. (AP) — Saying he missed the place, a newly retired company founder went to the office and presented every worker with a check for \$1,000, drawn out of his personal bank account as a Christmas gift.

Philip H. Morse spent more than three-quarters of a million dollars of his own money on the gifts to employees of NAMIC U.S.A., the catheter-making

company he founded in 1969. "I have missed the responsibility and the challenges that came with each day," Morse wrote in a letter accompanying each gift.

"But above all," Morse wrote, "I miss the relationships. For those of you that touched my life deeply ... Thank you from the bottom of my heart."

NAMIC has plants in Ireland and Mexico as well as Glens

Falls, 46 miles north of Albany. Pfizer Inc. bought NAMIC last year. Morse retired in March.

Most every employee was visibly moved Wednesday by the former chairman's generosity, said Jeanne Wehnau, administrative assistant to the president, Saturday.

"We had some that wept, some that shrieked with total joy, some that were stunned," she said.

Daily Record

Services

Services today
FRANKENBERY, Lydia Elizabeth — 2 p.m., Thayer Christian Church, Neodesha.
Services Tuesday
BARRETT, Price Conley — 2 p.m., Church of Christ, Shamrock.
ELKINS, Mary Annette — 10 a.m., Briarwood Church, Pampa.
SHARP, Lorine Johnson — 2 p.m., Church of Christ, McLean.

Obituaries

PRICE CONLEY BARRETT
 SHAMROCK — Price Conley Barrett, 88, died Saturday, Dec. 23, 1995. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Church of Christ at Shamrock with Vernon Tarbet and Don Perry, former minister, officiating. Burial will be in the Shamrock Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.
 Mr. Barrett moved to Shamrock in 1930. He married Oneta Comer on May 22, 1934, at Sayre, Okla. He owned and operated several service stations at Shamrock including one on Route 66 for 40 years. He later operated Barrett Car Care Center from his home. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy, serving as a Seabee in New Guinea and the Philippines during World War II. He attended West Texas State College for three years. He was a member of the Church of Christ.
 Survivors include his wife, Oneta, a daughter, Betty Kay Mullican of Lubbock, and three grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

MARGARET BROWN
 CANADIAN — Margaret Brown, 77, died Tuesday, Dec. 19, 1995, at Perryton. Memorial services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in the First Presbyterian Church. Burial will be in New York state.
 Mrs. Brown grew up in Morgantown, W.Va. She graduated from West Virginia University in 1938 and, following graduation, married James E. Brown; he died in 1955. The couple moved to central New York state in the 1940s. She was a teacher, focusing on children with learning disabilities. In 1973, she suffered a stroke from which she never fully recovered. She spent several years in Florida before moving to Canadian.
 Survivors include a daughter, Anne Reid of West Bend, Wis.; two sons, James Brown and Rob Brown; five grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to the Memorial Piano Fund at Senior Village, Perryton, TX 79070.

BILLIE STEEN CLARY
 AMARILLO — Billie Steen Clary, 65, mother of a Miami resident, died Thursday, Dec. 21, 1995. Services were held Saturday in N.S. Griggs Funeral Directors Pioneer Chapel at Amarillo, with the Rev. William D. Nix Jr., of St. Andrews Episcopal Church, officiating. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery.
 Mrs. Clary was born at Canyon. She attended Amarillo High School. She married Charles Clary in 1957 at Clovis, N.M.; he preceded her in death. She was a Lubbock resident from 1976 to 1989 before moving to Amarillo. She was a member of the Holy Cross Episcopal Church at Lubbock.
 Survivors include a daughter, Judy Walls of Miami; three sons, Jim Clary of Midland, John Clary of Topeka, Kan., and Lee Clary of Chicago; three sisters, Bobbie McGee and Peggy Wood, both of Amarillo, and Vickie Newman of Corpus Christi; eleven grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

MARY ANNETTE ELKINS
 PAMPA — Mary Annette Elkins, 52, of Pampa, died Friday, Dec. 22, 1995, at Amarillo. Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Briarwood Church with the Rev. Gene Allen, former pastor, and the Rev. Paul Pletcher, associate pastor of Calvary Assembly of God Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mrs. Elkins was born March 31, 1943, at Paris, Texas. She had been a Pampa resident most of her life. She married Monty Elkins on Aug. 10, 1990. She worked for IRI International as administrative assistant in the personnel department for the past 18 years. She was a member of Briarwood Church for 20 years and was involved in children's ministry for eight years. She later became a member of Calvary Assembly of God Church, which her son pastored. She sang with the "Cross Winds" gospel trio.
 Survivors include her husband, Monty, of the home; two daughters, Tonya Annette Barton of Pampa and ReDonn Marie Woods of Amarillo; two sons, the Rev. R. Scott Barton and Jimmy Don Barton, both of Pampa; her parents, F.M. and Mary Preston of Pampa; a grandmother, Susie Marie Chase of Pampa; a sister, Sandra Joan Eccles of Pampa; two brothers, Robert Charles Preston and Fannie Mark Preston, both of Amarillo; five grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.
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Emergency numbers

Emergas.....	665-5777
SPS.....	669-7432
Water.....	669-5830

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LYDIA ELIZABETH FRANKENBERY
 NEODESHA, Kan. — Lydia Elizabeth Frankenberg, 81, mother of a Wheeler, Texas, resident, died Saturday, Dec. 16, 1995, at the Wilson County Hospital. Services will be at 2 p.m. today in the Thayer Christian Church. Burial will be in the Altoona Cemetery. Duane Cowan will officiate.
 Mrs. Frankenberg was born Dec. 27, 1913, at Fayetteville, Ark., to John and Annie Dotson. She attended Neodesha High School. She married Kenneth Frankenberg on Aug. 19, 1931, at Neodesha. The couple farmed northwest of Harrison Cemetery. She was a member of the Thayer Christian Church, where she was a former Sunday School teacher and member of the Bible Study Group. She was a former member of the Five Mound Ladies Aide Society, the Helping Hands 4-H Club, the Home Extension Board and the Extension Homemakers unit. She was a former member/board member of the Wilson County Farm Bureau. She quilted and gave quilting lessons.
 She was preceded in death by four half-sisters, a brother, two half-brothers and two grandchildren.
 Survivors include two daughters, Darlene McLaren of Pittsburg, Kan., and Treva Scott of Neodesha; a son, Bobby Lewis Frankenberg of Wheeler; a brother, William C. Dotson of Augusta, Kan.; eight grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

MARTIN FRANCIS LUDEMAN
 DENTON — Martin Francis Ludeman, 84, a former Pampa resident, died Thursday, Dec. 21, 1995, at the Denton Good Samaritan Village retirement facility. No memorial services are planned. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery at Gainesville under the direction of Mulkey-Mason, Jack Schmitz and Sons of Denton.
 Mr. Ludeman was born Oct. 20, 1911, at Lubbock, to Albert and Frances Ludeman. He moved to Gainesville in August of 1915 and later to the family ranch at Marysville, Cooke County, Texas. He attended Texas A&M University, receiving a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering in 1933. He worked for Cities Service Oil Company from 1933 to 1941 as a petroleum engineer on assignments throughout Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle. He married Marjorie Olive Cox of Seminole, Okla., on Oct. 19, 1941 at Denton; she died March 13, 1984.
 He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving in World War II in the 2nd Infantry Division as Executive Officer of the 242nd Ordnance Battalion in the European theater of war, rising to the rank of major. He retired from the reserves in 1961 as a lieutenant colonel. He returned to Cities Service Oil Company as project engineer based in Pampa. He joined the West Pampa Reengineering Association and was a Watkin's Operator Committee staff engineer, retiring in 1981 after 35 years of service. He was affiliated with the American Petroleum Institute for 48 years, serving as secretary-treasurer of the Panhandle Chapter for 25 years. He moved to Denton in 1986.
 He was preceded in death by a sister, Helen Anna Ludeman, of Denton on Dec. 15, 1995.
 Survivors include two daughters, Patricia Jan Keeton Scheckner of New York City and Pamela Ann Price of Grapevine; a son, Michael Martin Ludeman of Irving; a sister, Alice M. Spencer of Silver Springs, Md.; two brothers, John A. Ludeman of Chesapeake, Va., and Richard M. Ludeman of Lake Jackson; six grandchildren, Michele D'Ann Ludeman, Keith Evan Ludeman, Amy Patricia Price, Jason Richard Price, Lucia Scheckner and Tessa Scheckner; three great-granddaughters; and numerous nieces and nephews.
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Ambulance
 Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday, **FRIDAY, Dec. 22**
 8:20 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to one mile west on Highway 152 on a trauma call and transported two patients to Coronado Hospital.
 12:02 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Coronado Hospital for a patient transfer to High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.
 6:35 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the intersection of Gray County Roads 12 and E on a motor vehicle accident and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.
 6:40 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home on a trauma call and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.
SATURDAY, Dec. 23
 1:50 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Perry Lefors Airport for a transport for Lubbock EMS to Coronado Hospital.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents and arrest in the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday, **FRIDAY, Dec. 22**
 Gray County Sheriff's Office reported possession of a controlled substance on West Highway 152.
 Aggravated assault - domestic was reported. Aggravated assault was reported.
Arrests
 Benjamin Eugene Crocker II, 33, Amarillo, was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance over four grams and under 400 grams. He remained on \$5,000 bond.
 Glenn Spencer Charles, 33, Amarillo, was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance over four grams and under 400 grams. He was released on bond.
 Randy Harris, 38, 1032 Huff Rd., was arrested on a charge of aggravated assault. He remained in jail on \$30,000 bond.

GOP bill would charge children for parents' care

WASHINGTON (AP) — States could require grown children to help pay their parents' nursing home bills under one of the most emotionally charged provisions in the Republican plan to overhaul Medicaid.
 The "family responsibility" provision has become a favorite target of Democrats who portray the Medicaid rewrite as heartless.
 "If you go into a nursing home, your family could go bankrupt to pay for it," Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., told reporters. "If you go into a nursing home, your children's assets could be seized to pay for it."
 Rep. Ron Klink, D-Pa., one of the most vocal critics, said he wouldn't be surprised if Republicans let the provision die quietly. "It's really indefensible," he said.

The issue is getting only a halfhearted defense from Republicans, who say it has been overblown to obscure the larger issue of reining in Medicaid costs.
 "There isn't a state in the union that would incur the political consequence of trying to seek contributions from the children of people in nursing homes," said House Commerce Committee Chairman Thomas E. Bliley Jr., R-Va. "Especially when they consider the relatively small amount of money that could ever be recouped."
 Texas Gov. George W. Bush has expressed support for making families pay at least a token amount for indigent parents' care, however.
 And Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, said a family responsibility law would fit America's tradition of families "taking care of their own."
 "But I do think we'd have to see what people's circumstances are," she said. "If they can't take care of themselves or raise their own children, or

face bankruptcy doing it, then I think we have to weigh that and not go that far."
 Nursing home bills average \$36,000 per year. The Republican bill would allow — but not require — states to seek help with Medicaid bills from grown children who earn the state's median income or above for a family their size. Nationally, the median household income is \$32,264.
 Medicaid, financed jointly by the states and the federal government, pays for half of all nursing home care in the United States. Current Medicaid law prohibits states from making children pay for their parents' nursing home bills.
 The Republican-controlled Congress voted to drop that prohibition as part of a bill that throws out reams of federal regulations, allowing states to make their own rules.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday, **FRIDAY, Dec. 22**
 8:06 a.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 2600 block of North Crest on an electrical short.
 6:39 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 1321 W. Kentucky on a medical assist.
 8:11 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to the intersection of Huff Road and Wilks on a car fire.
 8:58 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 720 E. Craven on a motor vehicle accident.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests in the 32-hour period ending at 3 p.m. Saturday, **FRIDAY, Dec. 22**
 Assault was reported in the 1800 block of West Alcock.
 Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1200 block of South Dwight.
 Burglary was reported in the 400 block of Hughes that occurred Thursday.
 Harassment was reported on North Hobart.
 Violation of a protective order was reported in the 1000 block of South Faulkner.
 Officer Doyle Finstad reported unlawful carrying of a six-inch sheath knife at 201 E. Kingsmill.
SATURDAY, Dec. 23
 Violation of a protective order was reported in the 600 block of East Foster.
 Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 2100 block of Williston.
 Unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was reported in the 3000 block of 3009 Rosewood.
 Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1300 block of Terrace.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Sunny and warmer today, with a high in the mid 40s and light and variable winds. Clear and cold tonight, with a low in the lower 20s. Monday, sunny with a high in the low 50s. Saturday morning's low was 17; the high Saturday was 35.
REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas — Panhandle: Today, sunny. Highs 40 to 47. Tonight, clear and cold. Lows 12 to 23. Christmas Day, sunny and warmer. Highs 46 to 53. South Plains: Today, partly cloudy. Highs 45-50. Tonight, fair. Lows 20-25. Christmas Day, partly cloudy. Highs around 50.
 North Texas — Today and tonight, partly cloudy west and southwest. Clear elsewhere. Highs 45 to 52. Lows tonight 28 to 33. Christmas Day, partly cloudy and mild. Highs 51 to 57.
 South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Today, partly cloudy. Highs from near 50 to low 50s. Tonight, increasing clouds. A slight chance of light rain or drizzle west. Lows near 30 Hill Country, 30s south central. Christmas Day, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of light rain or drizzle west. Highs from near 50 to mid 50s. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Today, mostly cloudy. A slight chance of light rain or drizzle Rio Grande plains. Highs in low and mid 50s. Tonight, cloudy with widely scattered light rain or drizzle. Lows in upper 30s inland, low 40s coast. Monday, cloudy with occasional light rain or drizzle. Highs in the 50s. Upper Coast: Today, mostly sunny. Highs in low 50s. Tonight, mostly clear north, increasing clouds south. Lows in low to mid 30s inland, low to mid 40s at the coast. Christmas Day, partly sunny north, mostly cloudy south. Highs in mid to upper 50s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Today, patchy valley fog northern and western mountains in the morning. Partly to mostly cloudy south, early morning fog southeast plains. Partly cloudy in the afternoon with a slight chance for snow showers mountains, rain or snow showers south. Highs mid 30s to 40s mountains and north with upper 30s to near 50 south. Tonight and Christmas Day, variable clouds. A chance for snow showers mountains and north, rain or snow showers south. Lows both nights from 5 below zero to near 20 mountains and north, upper teens and 20s south. Highs Monday 30s to mid 40s mountains and north, 40s to low 50s south.
 Oklahoma — Today, sunny. Highs in the 40s. Tonight, clear. Lows in upper teens to upper 20s. Christmas Day, sunny. Highs in mid 40s to around 50.

City briefs

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CRACKED PECANS, \$3.50 lb. 665-9131. 665-6764. Adv.
CHRISTMAS BUFFET: Enjoy a traditional Christmas Lunch on Christmas Day at the Coronado Inn Coffee Shop, included will be turkey and ham with all the trimmings and special desserts. \$7.95 adult, \$6.95 seniors, \$4.95 children. Reservations appreciated, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. 669-2506. Adv.
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Holiday gift list offered for Texans

By STEFANI G. KOPENEC
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Here's a tongue-in-cheek list of gift items some Texans might like to find under the Christmas tree.

GEORGE W. BUSH — A gift certificate for handgun training lessons now that lawmakers say Texans can carry concealed weapons, especially in light of his infamous shooting of a protected killdeer while dove hunting last year.

TEXAS DEMOCRATS — A life-support system to sustain the party, which has seen more than 40 elected officials in the Lone Star State switch to the Republican party since last November's elections. Another handful of Democratic congressmen say they aren't seeking reelection.

STATE DISTRICT JUDGE SAMUEL KISER — Sensitivity training classes for the judge who told a Mexican native she was dooming her 5-year-old daughter to life as a housemaid by speaking only Spanish to her.

ABORTION-RIGHTS ACTIVISTS — A new poster child to replace Norma McCorvey — aka Jane Roe in the 1973 Roe vs. Wade decision that legalized abortion nationwide — since she has joined forces with an anti-abortion group.

ROSS PEROT — Better success with his Reform Party efforts to get on presidential primary ballots across the country. It was smooth sailing in California, but troubled waters in Ohio.

JERRY JONES — A third Super Bowl trophy or a \$35 million refund if his Dallas Cowboys don't get one in 1996 with Deion Sanders sporting a silver-and-blue uniform.

DEION SANDERS — A Super Bowl ring of Prime Time proportions or another chance to pick which football team claims victory in the Deion Derby.

HOUSTONIANS — A new team owner to hate now that Oilers owner Bud Adams plans to take his NFL franchise to Nashville, where they will give him a new home, a wish not granted him by the Bayou City.

ALAMO CITY RESIDENTS — An airtight deal from a company to occupy Kelly Air Force Base and employ its workers once the facility is shuttered by the federal government as part of the base-closing process.

ANNA NICOLE SMITH — A judgment saying the model and onetime *Playboy* centerfold is entitled to half the income her late husband earned during their 14-month marriage. The estate of the 90-year-old oil baron is estimated at \$300 million to \$700 million.

HIDALGO COUNTY OFFICIALS — Acquittal at their retrial on bid-rigging charges, no conviction or another mistrial like the end of the first trial, which stopped after jurors said they couldn't reach any verdicts.

THE TEXAS RANGERS — A morale boost for the state's elite crime-fighting force, which has faced a year of scrutiny after one of the group's first two female members alleged harassment at a meeting.



Susan Bromlow, left, won the 1982 Beta Sigma Phi scholarship. The money, she said, helped her parents afford to pay her way through college, and today Bromlow is in her ninth year as a teacher in the Pampa Independent School District. Bromlow is shown here with her microcomputer applications class.

Beta Sigma Phi chapters to host annual dance to fund scholarships

Beta Sigma Phi is to host its holiday dance 8 p.m. to midnight Dec. 30 at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium's Heritage Room. The dance provides the main support for Beta Sigma Phi's annual scholarship.

Kracker Jack will provide music. Set-ups and snacks will be provided for \$20 a couple and \$10 for single advanced tickets. At-the-door tickets will be \$25 per couple and \$15 for singles.

Tickets may be purchased from any Beta Sigma Phi member, at NBC Bank or Billie's Boutique.

Local Beta Sigma Phi chapters have donated over \$60,000 in scholarships since 1964 to Pampa High School graduating seniors.

There are five students now receiving scholarship assistance to various Texas colleges.

The scholarship fund is administered by The Opportunity Plan, Canyon. The Opportunity Plan screens applicants and selects the nominee on basis of need and academic achievement. Nominees must maintain a 70 grade average with a minimum of 12 hours.

Applications are available from the counselors' office at Pampa High School. At least one scholarship is awarded each spring.

Beta Sigma Phi is an international organization of women which promotes fellowship, friendship and cultural development of members.

Pampa has seven chapters with 70 active members.

Man arrested for possession of poison kills self

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — A man arrested on a biological weapons charge for having a lethal extract of the castor bean plant committed suicide in his jail cell, a federal prosecutor said Saturday.

Thomas Lewis Lavy was arrested Thursday at his farm in northern Arkansas and charged with possession of a toxic substance, ricin, with intent to use it as a weapon.

The FBI lists ricin as third in toxicity behind only plutonium and the botulism toxin. It has no known antidote.

At a hearing Friday, Lavy was ordered held without bail.

Lavy killed himself in his jail cell sometime during the night after that hearing, U.S. Attorney Paula Casey said Saturday. She said the death was under investigation and she could not give details.

Lavy was charged under the Biological Weapons Anti-Terrorism Act of 1989 with possession of a castor bean extract called ricin. If convicted, he could have been sentenced to life in prison.

Prosecutors didn't buy Lavy's claim that he was trying to carry some of the poison from Alaska into Canada because he wanted to bring it to Arkansas to use it to kill coyotes that threatened chickens on his farm.

"It would be tantamount to saying you can use a thermonuclear device to protect your prop-

erty from break-in or burglary," said prosecutor Robert Govar.

Canadian customs agents who searched Lavy's car at a border crossing in 1993 found 130 grams of ricin, \$89,000 in cash, four guns, more than 20,000 rounds of ammunition and a quantity of white powder, FBI Agent Thomas Lynch testified. Analysis of the powder showed it was ricin.

Lynch said he didn't learn of the Canadian border incident until earlier this year, and then had to trace Lavy to his farm.

U.S. Magistrate Jerry W. Cavaneau said at Friday's hearing that the government hadn't produced any evidence that Lavy used or intended to use ricin for criminal activity.

Lavy's lawyer said he had planned to appeal the magistrate's detention ruling.

Castor beans, produced by a commonly available ornamental plant, are potentially lethal to humans, especially if a person

chews them hard enough to break through their protective coat, said Dr. Toby Litovitz, director of the Poison Control Center in Washington.

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Clinton asks Republicans to reopen talks on budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton called on the Republican Congress on Saturday to reopen the government's darkened offices and voiced optimism negotiations will quickly deliver a seven-year balanced budget he can sign.

Clinton also used his weekly radio address to review his administration's efforts this year to "open the door to peace in places where only rancor and war had previously existed."

And he hailed the year's 12 percent drop in the nation's murder rate, calling it the sharpest decline in 35 years and evidence that "the seeds of peace are also sinking deeper roots right here in the United States."

Speaking from the Oval Office with a sparkling Christmas tree at the side of his oak desk, Clinton said he and Congress already have moved to ease the impact of the budget impasse by

enacting legislation to allow 3.3 million veterans and 13 million needy children and their mothers to receive their benefits by Jan. 1.

But in a statement issued when he signed the legislation, Clinton called that "a poor substitute" for an acceptable congressional resolution reopening government.

Although the radio address took an optimistic tone, Clinton was more confrontational in the written statement.

"The congressional majority apparently wants to use a partial government shutdown to force me into accepting their extreme budget plan," he said. "It did not work last month. ... And it will not work now."

He called again for a plan that balances the budget in seven years without ripping the social safety net protecting the elderly, children, the needy, education and the environment.



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Let Peace Begin With Me

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Opinion

Texas 'Contract with America'

Simplicity wins. That was the message of the "Contract with America" fashioned in 1994 by Republicans in the House of Representatives. Ten simple points to enact.

Not everyone agreed with all the points, but who would disagree that the concept certainly was brilliant. And even though many Americans didn't hear that much detail about the contract, it focused the minds of those running for office, giving them starting points for their individual races.

Perhaps Texas state legislators can do the same thing in their 1996 session. Maybe not 10 points, maybe just five or six simple points of one sentence each. Period.

One point could be to just leave Texas families and businesses alone.

Another, to leave our local governments alone. Let us take care of our own problems.

Haven't Texas families been threatened enough through excessive taxation and laws that substitute government programs for family interaction?

Gray County does not need state government (nor the federal government, for that matter) interfering in how they take care of indigents; how they solve the problems (whatever they might be) in the school systems; how to address environmental concerns; or how to solve landfill issues.

Government is the enemy of families and businesses, taxing and regulating them into penury.

Another point in a state "contract" could be a welfare reform component based on this country's decades of experience that proves that only cutting benefits gets people off welfare. No tinkering with the state welfare, like providing taxpayer supported "work incentive programs," but real change that would return to New Mexicans self-respect and responsibility for themselves and their families.

Perhaps the Texas Legislature's agenda could look something like this, for starters:

- Reduce families and business tax burdens with a 15% income and corporate tax cut.
- Reform welfare simply by cutting payments across the board by 20%. (No complexity is needed.)
- Across-the-board regulatory reduction and simplification.
- Schooling reform, not through toying with the existing system, but through school choice and tax credits for private and home schooling.

The GOP plan didn't go nearly far enough, and such a state "contract" with its citizens won't go far enough, either. There'll be no true freedom until welfarism and confiscatory taxation have been expunged from the universe. But if Texas legislators really want to begin doing what needs to be done for the people - to reduce taxes and create an environment that will grow the economy (part the job they were elected to do, anyway) - they should write such a simple plan into a "Contract with Texas." Then live by that plan.

Surely, most Texans want much less government. If Texas Republicans and Democrats haven't yet noticed, (as the 1994 elections showed) the "party" that outlines a simple plan for less government will win.

Thought for today

"Solitude is as needful to the imagination as society is wholesome for the character."

James Russell Lowell, 1819-1891
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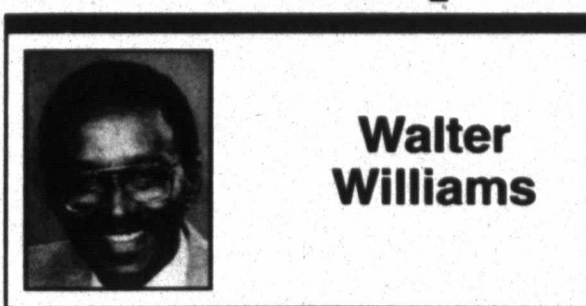
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Dr. Thomas Sowell's new book, *The Vision of the Anointed*, has numerous tidbits that are helpful in the understanding of the political demagoguery and deliberate media lies about budgets and other social issues.

Take the charges of Republican tax cuts for the "rich." Is a person rich if his income puts him in the top 20% of income earners, or is it the top 5%? That's for you to answer, but here are the facts: In 1992, a \$60,000-a-year salary qualified you for the top 20% of income-earners, and \$100,000 a year qualified you for the top 5%. There are truly rich people in our country, but ask a person earning \$100,000 a year, with two children in college, a mortgage and almost half his income taken in taxes, whether he feels rich like ABC's Peter Jennings or Sen. Ted Kennedy. But according to the political rhetoric and media lies, a tax cut for such a person is equated with undeserved tax cuts for the rich. Clinton and his media allies deliberately misled us about richness in order to foment class envy as a means to greater power and control.

How about the "glass ceiling" lies where occupational and income disparities between college-educated women and blacks on the one hand and white men on the other are portrayed as a crisis requiring government intervention. Sowell points out that men with masters degrees outnumber women with master's degrees 2 to 1. Men



Walter Williams

with Ph.D.s outnumber women by 59%. Although women earn 37% of Ph.D.s, they earn almost half of them in social sciences and more than half in education. Men earn more than 80% of natural sciences Ph.D.s and 90% of engineering Ph.D.s. Ph.D.s earned by blacks exhibit a pattern similar pattern to those earned by women. Should anybody be surprised by people holding more advanced degrees, and in the hard sciences, earning more than those with touchy-feely degrees?

What about media stories charging banks with mortgage discrimination against blacks? The media presented the Boston Federal Reserve study as controlled and definitive. A follow-up study took into account significant differences in black/white net worth, credit histories, existing debt and the size of the loan sought as a percentage

of the value of the property. When these factors were taken into consideration, the racial difference in mortgage approvals virtually disappeared. When Alicia Munnell, author of the flawed, media-hyped story, was approached by a *Forbes* magazine writer and confronted with her study's deficiencies, she responded, "I do not have evidence (of mortgage lending discrimination) ... No one has evidence." Did you hear the media report that?

Washington Post writer Haynes Johnson is just one of those to spread the claim that half of all marriages end in divorce. That's unforgivable ignorance. Sowell says that in a particular year the number of divorces may well be half the number of marriages; however, the marriages counted took place that year while divorces being counted are from marriages that took place over decades. If the same reasoning was applied to deaths and births, and if deaths were half the number of births in a given year, Haynes Johnson might report that half the population died that year. The fact of business is only 11% of all adults who were ever married are now in divorced status. Married people outnumber divorced people by 54 million to 3 million.

Sowell's *The Vision of the Anointed* exposes one media lie and invented crisis after another. It's a book well worth its price for some informative Christmas reading.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Dec. 24, the 358th day of 1995. There are seven days left in the year. This is Christmas Eve.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 24, 1814, the War of 1812 officially ended as the United States and Britain signed the Treaty of Ghent in Belgium. (However, because of the slowness of communications, the countries fought the Battle of New Orleans the following month.)

On this date:

In 1524, Portuguese navigator Vasco da Gama - who had discovered a sea route around Africa to India - died in Cochin, India.

In 1851, fire devastated the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., destroying about 35,000 volumes.

In 1865, several veterans of the Confederate Army formed a private social club in Pulaski, Tenn., called the Ku Klux Klan.

In 1871, Giuseppe Verdi's opera "Aida" had its world premiere in Cairo, Egypt, to celebrate the opening of the Suez Canal.



Dole doesn't have what it takes

Charley Reese

Even the most dense Republican partisan should now realize that Sen. Bob Dole is a sorry excuse for a leader. He is to leadership what anti-matter is to matter.

If any Republican thinks Dole can beat Bill Clinton in 1996, please contact me right away. I'll let you be one of the first investors in my subdivision and shopping mall on Mars.

Clinton's disastrously bad decision to commit U.S. troops to the killing ground of the Balkans ought to be a defining issue between Clinton and the Republican nominee in 1996.

But look at Dole's pathetic progression of policy statements: First, he said the president hasn't made the case for sending troops. Second, he says if the president can convince the American public, he (Dole) will support it. Third, despite Clinton's failure to convince the public, Dole announces his support. Fourth, he wrings his hands and says that since Clinton is going to do it anyway, what can Congress do about it?

What an upchuck, disgusting performance by a man who claims he ought to lead the United States. He should retire before he embarrasses himself even more.

Where's the leadership? Why would anyone wish to exchange an energetic opportunist devoid of vision for an elderly opportunist devoid of vision? If Clinton has the bad judgment to send

troops to the Balkans, and Dole has the bad judgment to support him, what's the difference? Oh, gosh, I forgot. Dole doesn't like the new Wesley Snipes movie, *Money Train*. Yeah, that's a heck of a difference.

Joking aside, there is no difference. Those internationalist, Rockefeller Republicans such as Dole and Newt Gingrich are no different at all from those internationalist, Rockefeller Democrats. That's why, no matter how many times Americans vote for change, they end up with a new face but the same old policy.

At the rate Dole is going, he will have endorsed all of Clinton's policies before the New Hampshire primary. He supported NAFTA, GATT, the Mexican bailout, the Haiti farce, the Somalia tragedy and now the Balkans blunder. He's failed miserably to get the House Republican programs through the Senate. What's next? He can be a co-author with Al Gore on his next environmental book.

Instead of running for president, Dole ought to ask Clinton to appoint him to some job in the administration. He certainly acts as if he would be perfectly at home there. Maybe he could be

ambassador to Outer Mongolia. I understand it looks somewhat like Kansas.

There really needs to be a political realignment in this country. We need to get all the Rockefeller internationalists in one party and all the Americans in another. That way, the American people would have an honest choice at the polls.

As it is now, the internationalists infect both parties, and like termites, they cause them both to die of dry rot. People keep being presented with a choice between a Democrat who will kiss Wall Street's bottom or a Republican who will kiss Wall Street's bottom; a Democrat who will be an interventionist or a Republican who will be an interventionist; a Democrat who will advocate poisonous trade policies or a Republican who will advocate poisonous trade policies.

That, of course, is precisely the way the Wall Street internationalists want it. Real democracy is far too risky a game for the big-money boys to take a chance on. Better to stack the deck. Better to own both horses in the same race. Better to be the money source and the advisor source for both candidates.

If Dole gets the Republican nomination, then we'll know that Republican primary voters are as befuddled as he is.

I'm seriously thinking about unregistering to vote.

'I don't recall defense' doesn't work

R. Emmett Tyrrell Jr.

Lawyer and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton filed a legally binding affidavit the other day with the special Senate Whitewater committee under penalty of perjury. In keeping with her imperial style, it came in a day after the deadline. And in keeping with a trend that the press is beginning to perceive, this affidavit presents this celebrated legal mind with problems. Requested to inform the committee as to whom she called the night of Vince Foster's death, Hillary stonewalled. "That evening and the days following were a time of grief and shock," she writes. "I do not recall all the people I spoke with that evening, although I do know I spoke with my husband and to others who shared my grief over Vince's death."

Richard BenVeniste, the committee's Democratic counsel, tells us: "After weeks and weeks of investigating the matters under the Whitewater committee's jurisdiction, we have found no evidence of impropriety, much less illegality, and that should be reassuring to the American people." Well, BenVeniste is quite properly a zealous advocate for his clients, the Democrats and the Clintons. He is also a seasoned Watergate prosecutor possessed of special familiarity with a White House's attempts at stonewalling and obstruction of justice. Is it possible that he and his clients are ignorant of the Justice Department's position on the "I don't recall defense"?

In the hours after deputy White House counsel Foster's death, his boss, Bernard Nussbaum, promised to cooperate with the Justice Department in allowing its investigators to review Foster's documents. Then there was a series of calls among Hillary and her colleagues: From her mother's Little Rock home, Hillary

spoke with Margaret Williams, her chief of staff in Washington, and lawyer Susan Thomases in New York. Nussbaum was also in the loop. All of a sudden, Nussbaum reneged on his deal with the Justice Department.

The Whitewater committee is intent on discovering what happened to documents in Foster's office. Was there a conspiracy to obstruct justice? The committee wants to know what Clinton and her telephone interlocutors discussed just before Nussbaum broke his promise and barred investigators from Foster's office. We know that documents were taken. What did the documents contain? Hillary goes on in her affidavit, "Although I do not specifically remember making these calls two years later, they make sense to me, given that these people are some of my closest friends and colleagues."

Regarding this "I do not specifically remember" reply, let us direct Hillary, her conferees and BenVeniste to the Justice Department Criminal Division's Federal Grand Jury Practice Manual. It contains specific guidelines for prosecutors who are being stonewalled by the "I do not specifically remember" reply. The manual reads, "Prosecutors are often faced with witnesses who, rather than deny a fact, claim that they do not remember it. These witnesses may be prosecuted for perjury." Cited as authority is *In re Battaglia*. Now, I am a native of Chicago, and Battaglia was a Mafia name back home. I have not the stomach for looking back into that case, or for looking into the other legal precedents, but I would hope that the Clintons

are not following the legal defenses of Mafiosi.

What this means is that if circumstances are such that it is likely the witness should be able to recall, then that witness can be charged with perjury. This applies to a witness under oath before a court or, as in Hillary's case, a congressional committee. Hillary may claim not to remember whom she talked with on the night of Foster's death or what she discussed, but someone has stepped forward and remembers talking with her. He is Bill Burton, a top aide to then-Chief of Staff Mack McCarty. He answered the telephone in McLarty's office when Hillary called at 11:41 p.m. (Eastern time). Her conversation lasted 10 minutes. Burton has been asked to appear before the committee. Surely, his testimony will sharpen Hillary's memory. But is it really credible that Hillary does not recall what she discussed with these White House aides and friends on that singular evening when her friend's body was discovered? I doubt it, and seasoned prosecutors familiar with the instructions of the Criminal Division's manual will doubt it too.

And if, as is likely, Hillary was discussing with her associates how to discover and dispose of the documents in Foster's office, what did they contain that might provoke the aforementioned telephone callers to attempt to obstruct justice? Is it possible that duplicates of those documents survive and are in the hands of others - for instance, me? Is it possible that those documents deal with unsavory deals - both real estate and banking deals - in which the Clintons were active conspirators? If so, those calls extend the statute of limitations right into the present moment. It is a terebrous moment framed in danger for those who continue to deceive a congressional committee. BenVeniste ought to know better.

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Letters to the editor

A word to the young ones

To the editor:

It soon will be seven months since my son's death. To me it seems like yesterday. Our hearts still ache and our nights are restless. This is very unreal to us. I can't believe that he is gone. Today [when I wrote this letter] was to be his birthday. This is a sad month for us. I will never wish this on any parent.

I was very angry when the verdict was read, 27 years for my child's life. But one day a still voice said unto me, Vengeance is mine, I will repay, said the Lord. (Romans 12:19). Whenever you do wrong, you will pay for it one day.

I would like very much to say something to the young people here in the City of Pampa. Something that will help you to go forward. Something that will help you to grow up to be someone and somebody in this life. Please think on LaCraig's (my son) death, what happened to him could have happened to you. It took only a minute and a twinkle of an eye, and our child's life was ended and our life was changed.

Young people, please get Christ in your lives. Let him be your Personal Savior. Living for him you can't go wrong. When you do wrong, you destroy the whole family. Never let someone tell you that you will never be nothing, and that you are nobody. You are somebody; whatever you want to do, you can do it. You can do all things with Christ in your life. If you have problems, need help and need someone to talk with, call on Jesus Christ, and I promise you that he will answer prayer.

The church doors here in the city are always open to you. The pastors and members will be glad to welcome you.

Young men and women don't have to steal, kill, hate, do drugs and live in a world of being sorry. All of this brings pain and sorrow to your loved ones. Stop, think and listen.

I truly hope that this letter will help some young man and woman to think about their lives and come to Jesus Christ. Let us all get together and love one another.

May God bless each of you through this Holiday Season and ever more.

Mrs. Hubert Kelley
Pampa

Christmas is a special day

To the editor:

This is to every one of you. As we open our Christmas presents, I want to wish every one of you a Merry Christmas, and a happy New Year! I hope every one gets something they deserve. I also hope that you like what you get for Christmas. Special days like this is not just about opening presents, it's about when Jesus was born.

Right now we are celebrating a very important birthday, and I hope everyone knows what that special day is about, because if you don't know what it means, well, then you need to ask someone what it's about and maybe then you'll understand. Christmas is an important time of year.

One more thing about Christmas is, I'm sure every little kid without a home would want to feel the feeling of a teddy bear or a toy gun; not every kid can get that chance.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!
April Taylor
Pampa

The greatest gift is life ...

To the editor:

Just two short years ago, we spent Christmas recovering from a tragic accident that involved our daughter Janna. At that time we were reminded of just how fragile life really is and how it can be taken and how it can be spared. At that time the people of Pampa came through in such overwhelming fashion with prayers and support that made the healing process much easier.

Again we find ourselves in that same situation of recovery from a near fatal tragedy. God has again shown his love and grace by sparing life once more. And again we come to the won-

derful people of Pampa to say thanks!

Thanks for your prayers and support for Janna. Thanks for being with her in our place while we were trying desperately to get here from Louisiana. Your support has been greatly appreciated. So many people have helped since the explosion, it would be impossible to thank each one individually. But for those who sat through the nights at the accident site, those who helped clean debris, those who have brought food, and the church family at First Baptist who organized the New Beginnings shower, our heartfelt thanks to all.

For all the phone calls, cards and letters and personal visits we appreciate so much. We would not forget the EMT team that not only rescued Janna from a dangerous situation (foregoing their own safety), but also cared for her until she was seen by doctors. And to those doctors and nurses and now the physical therapists of Northwest Texas and St. Anthony hospitals of Amarillo, we owe our gratitude.

We ask for your continued prayers as Janna faces a long recovery period.

So at this time we want to wish all a joyous holiday season and to say that we again have been reminded that the greatest gift is life itself and friendships that accompany it, given only by a gracious and loving God.

Merry Christmas to all from ...
The Hogan Family
LaWayne and Marcella
Janna
Brian and Amy
Pampa

Downtown's 'River Walk'

To the editor:

To our city manager:

T-Shirts & More and the 41 customers who attempted to park in front of our store wishes to thank you for providing them with the "River Walk" (courtesy of Superior Engineering) of the downtown streets. The 100 block section of Kingsmill, especially during the Christmas season, wishes to thank you for this Aquatic Adventure.

Tuesday I only had 41 customers that DID NOT get out of their cars. Maybe they stopped elsewhere - maybe they simply parked somewhere else - maybe they decided to go to Amarillo where they are not required to wade through 6-10 inches of water to step on the sidewalk. No where else in downtown does this occur.

I think you should either fix the street or stock the pond with lake trout - there would be some beneficial use.

Miles Cook
T-Shirts & More, Pampa

Thanks, SPS, for hard work

To the editor:

I would like to express my sincere gratitude and appreciation, to and for, all the Southwestern Public Service Company employees. Due to the inclement weather we experienced on the 18th of December 1995, power outages were frequent and at times quite lengthy.

So many of us take electricity for "granted" these days. With our centrally heated and air conditioned houses, some of which are totally electric, we've become "spoiled." It's very comforting to know that Pampa's SPS crew is dedicated to providing as consistent and economical an electrical service as is humanly possible.

The professionalism and dedication displayed by SPS employees to restore power and prevent future outages during adverse weather conditions is commendable and greatly appreciated. SPS, as a company, should be extremely proud of its "Pampa crew." There are not many of us who have any idea of what it's like to be out for 16 to 18 hours in subfreezing weather, in bucket trucks, climbing gear, 35 feet off the ground, freezing wind in your face, hands numb from cold, restoring power. Just so the rest of us might enjoy comfort and warmth in our homes.

So thank, SPS, and a MERRY CHRISTMAS to each of you.
Charlie Walker
Pampa

Representing the majority

To the editor:

I read where Judge Kent Sims still has a chance to represent the people on the Canadian River 13,000 acres dispute. It will be interesting to see who matters the most - a small special interest group or the people who elected him.

Since I began writing about this particular official, my phone has rung off the hook with people patting me on the back and telling me to keep at it. The last article I wrote was sent to six newspapers in the area, but I missed one and it called to ask permission to run it also.

In the Canadian River dispute, it seems the representative of the State wants a jury trial, but Sims and the ranch group doesn't. Maybe they feel if the people speak, it would be against their special group. If there is to be a trial, it shouldn't be held in a county that's predominantly ranching oriented, because a jury would probably be large landowners or someone that worked in ranching, and that would be a conflict of interest.

We have to have doctors, lawyers, judges and many other people to get along, but we never know how good or bad they are until we have a bad experience with one. I believe we have had a bad experience with Kent Sims. We should all encourage other lawyers, who we think would represent the people, to run for this office in 1997. It doesn't matter whether they are Democrats or Republicans, so long as they represent the majority of people that elected them. Our elected officials should never be allowed to forget who they work for.

C. Calvin Lacy
Pampa

Searching for her quilt

To the editor:

I know it has been six months since the tornado, but it still hurts to go to town, see someone you know and they say, "Does so and so have some of your rugs, basket or fabric?" You go confront them, they say yes I do have, but they never offer them back to me. I have had lots of those days these past few months, and one day this week was one of them.

Losing three buildings and contents, a motor home, damage to 14 cars or trucks (no insurance), 11,000 pounds of fabric (no insurance), having 56 items made up, only five were returned to me, and again I thank those who brought them to me. These five items hung with a keepsake, handmade Bule with yellow trim quilt that I worked on for two years in spare time. This special quilt was memories of Mom (who is 86) and me.

I would like once again to offer a small reward but a big Thank You for any information or return of my quilt.

Joy Shelton
Pampa

Spend holiday with Christ

To the editor:

I'm writing to the community in behalf of Brother Bill Easter. Every word of this the Lord has given to me. Brother Bill Easter was a very, very great saint of the Lord, and cancer took Brother Easter; just a few days ago he left this twisted world. I know Brother Bill doesn't want anyone to cry for him. And Brother Bill, it's going to seem like just a few moments and I'll be with you for eternity.

I know Brother Bill would not desire for anyone to spend Christmas alone, and you don't have to. Christ will spend Christmas with you if you know him, and if you don't know him and desire to know him, call me anytime, day or night, 669-3728. He will be the best friend you ever had and is waiting to meet you right now, and I personally will find pleasure in introducing you to him. So be sure to make that phone call.

Brother Easter, I am sure going to miss your amens and praise Gods and Hallelujahs. Mr. Easter, you will never die in my heart; you will also be in my heart. We will always be together.

God bless all of you,
Jerry Lee Hicks
Pampa

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Poll: Voters still concerned with economy

By JOHN KING
AP Political Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Jobs and the economy are uppermost on the minds of voters as they look ahead to the 1996 elections, according to an Associated Press poll that shows most Americans expect the new year will bring little change to their personal finances.

Education and health care followed pocketbook concerns when voters were asked what issue mattered most in shaping their 1996 votes, and Democrats were viewed as the party best suited to address both.

Crime and taxes came next. Republicans enjoyed a slight advantage on crime and a big edge on taxes.

With the presidential campaign year about to begin, the AP poll showed Democrats with a narrow early edge, 42 percent to 35 percent, when respondents were asked which party they trusted to lead the country for the next four years.

Democrats had a similar advantage, 40 percent to 34 percent, when 1,013 randomly surveyed adults were asked which party would do a better job addressing the issue that mattered most to them.

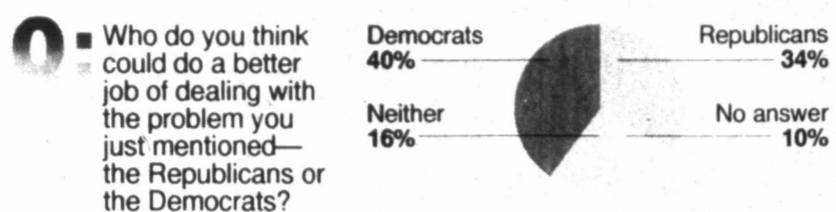
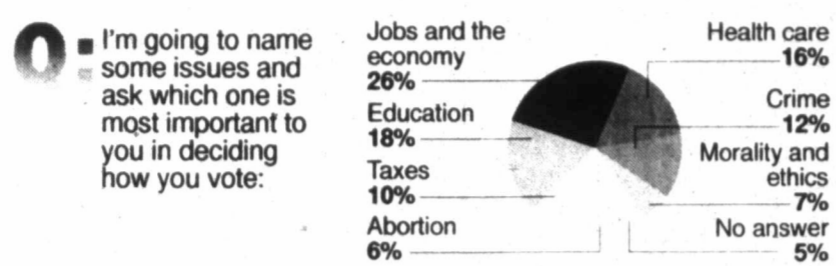
The results show the partisan congressional battles of 1995 have sharply polarized the electorate heading into the presidential election year. Democrats and Republicans are loyal — by overwhelming margins — to their party when asked who is best suited to handle a particular issue, or who they trust to lead the country.

The poll findings also suggest a fierce competition in the coming year if major party candidates hope to win the support of independent voters: By a narrow 34 percent to 28 percent margin, independents said they trusted Democrats over Republicans to lead the country for the next four years.

And when asked which party was best suited to address their top concern, 30 percent of independents picked Democrats, 28

Associated Press Poll

Election '96: The issues



Issue	Democrats	Republicans	Neither	No answer
Jobs and the economy	37%	31%	21%	11%
Education	50%	27%	12%	11%
Health care	58%	1%	19%	11%
Crime	31%	34%	22%	13%
Taxes	27%	57%	12%	4%
Morality and ethics	22%	61%	12%	5%
Abortion	27%	62%	3%	8%

Source: AP national telephone poll of 1,013 adults taken Dec. 15-19 by ICR Survey Research Group of Media, Pa., part of AUS Consultants. Margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3 percentage points. Sums may not total 100 percent because of rounding.

percent Republicans. Twenty-nine percent said neither party, and 14 percent weren't sure — a clear reflection of the disenchantment that has many Americans intrigued with the prospect of new political parties.

That sense of malaise came through both in AP interviews with voters and in the poll, taken separately by ICR Survey Research Group, a division of AUS Consultants.

"I just really don't trust anybody (in politics) anymore," said Martha Bombel, a 43-year-old auto broker in Flint, Mich.

"You can trust them as far as you can throw them — which ain't far," said Ron Schott, a 33-year-old Pittsburgh cobbler. "Their promises aren't always kept."

In the poll, respondents gave mixed grades to Republicans for

delivering on promises to balance the budget, cut taxes, reform welfare and dramatically shift power from Washington to the states. Thirty-nine percent said Republicans have not gone far enough in acting on those promises, 35 percent said Republicans have gone too far and 16 percent said they had struck the right balance.

The survey had a margin of error of 3 percentage points.

For all the GOP troubles in recent polling, the data suggest a possible silver lining: Since 4 in 10 Americans believe Republicans have not gone far enough, they could score big with voters by year's end if they deliver on their pledges to balance the budget and cut taxes.

"Getting the budget in order needs to be a top priority," said

Sheri Kelly, a 27-year-old Colorado computer saleswoman and self-described independent voter.

As for their own financial outlook, a clear majority of Americans predict a status quo 1996: 55 percent said they expected their personal financial situation to be about the same next year. Thirty-five percent were more optimistic, predicting they would fare better financially, while 9 percent predicted they would do worse.

Twenty-six percent of respondents picked jobs and the economy when offered a list of seven issues and asked which one was most important in deciding how to vote. Men were more likely than women to cite this issue, and the data underscored anxiety felt by middle-aged Americans at a time of economic turmoil: 39 percent of those between the ages of 45 and 54 cited jobs and the economy as the most important issue.

Education was the No. 1 issue for 18 percent of respondents, like 30-year-old Nicholas Miller, a part-time student and shoeshine man in Portland, Ore., who said he thinks the Democrats would do more about it.

"The Republicans, I'm a little scared of. They seem to be big-business oriented," he said.

Sixteen percent of respondents picked health care as their top concern.

The survey was taken Dec. 15-19, coinciding with the second partial government shutdown forced by the budget impasse between President Clinton and Republican congressional leaders. Medicare spending has been a big issue in that debate, and the poll showed clear evidence of the political fallout: 30 percent of those 65 and over picked health care as the No. 1 issue, nearly twice the overall figure.

After health care came crime, cited by 12 percent as the top issue looking ahead to 1996. Taxes was next at 10 percent, followed by morality and ethics, 8 percent, and abortion, cited by 6 percent.

Menus

Dec. 25-29

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USDA reports Mexican cattle imports continue to increase

SANTA TERESA, N.M. — Almost 50 percent more feeder cattle moved across the border from Mexico into Texas and New Mexico in 1995 than the year before.

As 1995 draws to a close, the U.S. Department of Agriculture reported that as of the week ending Dec. 15, 1,505,283 had been imported through ports of entry along the Texas and New Mexico borders with Mexico. That compares to 1,042,558 feeder cattle reported for the same period in 1994. The federal agency reported that 73,232 head moved across the border during the first two weeks of December.

For the week ending Dec. 15, a week when packers pushed the price of live cattle down a dollar for the second week in a row, Mexican feeder steers and heifers were selling mostly steady, according to the USDA Market News Service. Demand was good for No. 1 yearling steers and light to mod-

erate for calves under 400 pounds. Officials reported the bulk of the supply in mid-December consisted of steers and heifers weighing 300 to 600 pounds. Fifty percent of the feeder supply were previously contracted, retained by owners or sold on video.

The USDA said 72,433 head of slaughter cattle were imported into Texas and New Mexico during the same period. The department did not keep records on slaughter cattle prior to September 1994, so no comparable figures were available.

The surge of cattle coming into the U.S. from Mexico initially was blamed on a three-year drought in Northern Mexico. The surge became a flood beginning at the end of 1994 with the devaluation of the peso.

The report covered only cattle moving through Texas and New Mexico, not Arizona. There are no ports of entry for Mexican cattle in California.

Coors' Bull Bash set for Dec. 30-31

AMARILLO — Brahman bulls, soft lights and country music will welcome in the new year during the Coors' Bull Bash '95, December 30 and 31 in the Fair Park Coliseum, Tri-State Fairgrounds.

Chute gates open each night at 7:30 p.m. The band Pure Pleasure will play for the dance immediately following the open bull riding on Sunday, Dec. 31.

Two nights of bull riding, and an evening of steer riding will be featured contests at Bull Bash '95. The open bull riding competition will be held on Sunday, Dec. 31 and will feature top bull riders from the Professional Bull Riders, Super Bull '95, Texas Cowboy's Rodeo Association, and Texas High School Rodeo. Contestants from over a five-state area are scheduled to compete for approximately \$10,000 in prize money.

Opening the weekend's activities will be a novice bull riding and steer riding competition on Saturday, Dec. 30. Novice bull riders will compete for about \$2,000 in prizes. Novice bull riders must not have won over \$500 in all previous contests. Young steer riders, 13 years of age and under will buck out the same evening. There will be a special competition for ladies during the steer riding. Challenge ladies teams from Hummers, West Texas Western Store and Dick's Dive will make their debut at the Fair Park Coliseum.

Stock for the events will be furnished by Keeter-Alexander Bucking Stock, Tullia; Messer Bucking Bulls, Amarillo and McCloy Rodeo Company of Morse.

Proceeds from Bull Bash '95 will go to the Amarillo Tri-State Exposition capital improvement fund.

Dobson Cellular raises funds to 'Support Our Schools'

S.O.S. signals distress for most people, but for one company and its customers, S.O.S. stands for Support Our Schools, a fund-raiser sponsored by Dobson Cellular Systems to benefit local schools.

For students and educators in Oklahoma and Texas, S.O.S. means over \$8,000 in new library books, supplies and computer software.

Like Texas educators, Dobson believes Lone Star students deserve the best education money can buy, or, in this case, raise. Dobson Cellular Systems, an area cellular telephone service provider, teamed up with 24 school districts in the Panhandle to raise money for local school districts.

Dobson made a \$25 cash donation to the school of the buyer's choice for each cellular

phone sold between Oct. 1 and Nov. 15. Each new Dobson customer selected a school to receive the \$25 donation.

In all, Texans selected over 50 schools to receive donations. Many S.O.S. supporters named elementary, junior highs or middle schools, and high schools, while others chose entire school districts like Pampa and Borger. Most school districts chose to place Dobson contributions in their general fund to benefit all schools in that district.

Everett Dobson, president of Dobson Cellular Systems, is pleased with the S.O.S. contributions to local schools.

"Dobson Cellular Systems is proud of our endeavor to instill education as a priority in the communities we serve. Support Our Schools gave us the opportunity to make a

positive impact in the education of children in these communities," Dobson said.

Dobson is "The Difference Maker" when it comes to cellular service with nearly 48,000 square miles of home coverage, 36 cell sites, courteous customer service and seven stores conveniently located throughout western Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle, Dobson said.

"For the past 50 years, Dobson has been committed to providing customers with the most advanced telecommunications and the highest level of quality service and customer satisfaction," he said. "As cellular technology continues to be one of the most versatile sources of communication, so will Dobson continue to explore all avenues of expansion for its customers."

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Protesters threaten to block traffic after arrest of Mexican debtor leader

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Mexico's largest debtor organization threatened to block holiday traffic on highways nationwide Saturday to protest the arrest of the top two leaders of a group many consider the government's peskiest critic.

Two hundred group members gathered Saturday afternoon at the Interior Ministry, promising to use tractors, trucks, and their bodies to block highways leading to popular vacation destinations of Acapulco, Veracruz and the border city of Nogales until their leaders are released.

"This is an injustice," said Maria Eugenia Luna, who joined the movement in April when she couldn't keep up credit card payments. "We want to pay our debts, but price-gouging bankers don't let us because interest rates are too high."

In an apparent slap at the organization which claims to unite more than 1 million middle class debtors, federal agents on Friday arrested Alfonso Ramirez Cuellar and Enrique Puebla Ramos on charges of violently blocking entry into a Mexico City mortgage agency in March.

Such protests against financial

agencies have been common since interest rates soared above 100 percent on some loans after last year's peso devaluation. Six million Mexicans — or 75 percent of those with loans — are unable to pay off debts which in some cases exceeded the original loan.

El Barzon representatives charged that the arrests were linked to a break-in at the group's headquarters last Tuesday in which unknown assailants stole computers and documents.

"We believe that the arrests ... and the selective robbery of El Barzon's offices is the government's response to our activities," said the group's legal adviser Armando Herrera Hernandez, in front of the Mexico City penitentiary where the two are in custody. "All of this is designed to break up El Barzon."

Known in Mexico as "el sabadazo," arrests at the start of Christmas holidays are a common method of jailing opposition leaders until judges return from their vacations, sometimes after the New Year.

Officials at the Mexico City Attorney General's Office were not available for comment, but did fax a statement saying a judge

on Thursday had sentenced the leaders to three years in jail.

The arrests underscore the standstill in talks among the debtors, banks and the government to resolve the pressing problem of unpaid debt.

In August, the government and banks signed a \$1.5 billion accord to cap interest rates and stop property foreclosures for debtors agreeing to the plan. But El Barzon, which claims it was illegal for banks to charge such high interest rates, urged its members to continue their moratorium on payments.

One year into a painful economic slump that began with the collapse of the peso, the government is trying to promote an image of Mexico as financially stable, and on the path to recovery.

"In 1996, the economy will begin a clear recuperation ... which means that instead of bankruptcies, we will see that businesses will begin to grow and create new enterprises," Zedillo said Thursday in a national address.

El Barzon, however, has staged increasingly dramatic protests to call attention to the problem of credit card, farm and business debts.

'Gone With the Wind' actress dies at 84

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — Butterfly McQueen, who played Scarlett O'Hara's dimwitted maid in *Gone With the Wind* and later dropped out of acting, unhappy with dumb roles, died after a kerosene fire in her home.

McQueen, 84, was critically burned while trying to light a heater Friday and died about 10 hours later at Augusta Regional Medical Center.

Neighbors cried as they recalled seeing McQueen's clothes in flames. Neighbors and two passing Boy Scouts eased her onto a mat and pulled her out of the house onto the sidewalk.

"All I can tell you, she was the sweetest and best person I ever met," said Mary Green, who likened herself to McQueen's daughter.

No relatives called and her body will be donated for medical research, a hospital spokesman said.

But lots of friends and admirers did call. Dozens of people from around the country called the hospital Friday, sometimes in tears, burn center nursing director Butch Dorman said.

"People loved this woman," he said. "She was a private person, but she had great friends. I guess they were her extended family."

Funerals are not usually held when a body is donated for research, Dorman said. He did not know of plans for a memorial service.

Born Thelma McQueen in Tampa, Fla., to a stevedore and a domestic, McQueen studied nursing in New York, then a teacher suggested she would be a good actress.

McQueen's career spanned Broadway, the movies and television. But for better or worse, her immortality rested on her small role in the 1939 film *Gone With the Wind*.

Hers was a role no black performer could relish

— a slave, and a dimwitted one who gets slapped by Scarlett.

But few seeing *Gone With the Wind* could forget the half-pathetic, half-comic Prissy, admitting, just as Melanie was about to give birth, that she had lied about being a midwife. "Miss Scarlett, I don't know nothin' 'bout birthin' babies!"

"I hated it. The part of Prissy was so backward," McQueen told an interviewer in 1986. "I was always whining and complaining. ... But now I'm very glad I made the film because I make a living off it. You wouldn't be here if I hadn't been Prissy."

In later years, she frequently made personal appearances in connection with the film, reminiscing and signing autographs.

McQueen got the nickname Butterfly early in her career after dancing the Butterfly Ballet in a production of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

Her neighbors said they knew her as Thelma because she wanted to remain anonymous.

She dropped out of film acting in 1947, saying she was happy about her career but resented playing dumb characters. But she returned to films in 1974, playing Clarice in *Amazing Grace* with Moms Mabley, Slappy White and Stepin Fetchit, and Ma Kennedy in *Mosquito Coast* in 1986 with Harrison Ford.

From 1950 to 1953, she appeared in the television comedy *Beulah*, one of the first shows to star a black performer. She played the best friend of the title character, played first by Ethel Waters and later by Louise Beavers.

McQueen, who never married, bought the one-bedroom house in Augusta around 1960 and began spending winters there. She moved in full time in her later years.

Caverns to stay open

CARLSBAD, N.M. (AP) — About 100 visitors braved snowy conditions and made it to Carlsbad Caverns National Park Saturday morning after city and state officials signed a deal allowing parts of the park to reopen.

The caverns opened on a limited basis at 8 a.m. Tourists were limited to taking the self-guided tour of the caverns' Big Room, a popular 1 1/2-hour hike that comes at the end of an elevator ride into the cave.

The caverns, New Mexico's most popular tourist attraction, closed last weekend in the wake of the latest federal shutdown.

The agreement allowed for limited operation at the park from Saturday through Jan. 2. Only the Big Room will be open.

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By Don Taylor



True holiday meaning

The story of "Unlucky Jimmy" is a Christmas tradition for this column. Because the true meaning of Christmas is a timeless message, I will share it again.

Unlucky Jimmy is a sad little story my mother read to me when I was small. It's about a little boy named Jimmy whose family was very poor. His little sister was an invalid and spent most of her days in bed. Christmas held no hope or joy for either of the children.

As he trudged home from school each day, Jimmy would stop to look at the toys in the bright store windows. More than anything, he wanted a little red fire engine. Jimmy knew he would never be lucky enough to get one. In fact, his only marble had rolled down a storm drain the previous week. He felt that he was the unluckiest boy alive. He even called himself Unlucky Jimmy.

Then, one night just before Christmas, Jimmy received an invitation to a Christmas party for the poor children in the neighborhood. A nice lady from a nearby church mission promised Jimmy a special gift. Jimmy grew excited as he drew near the mission. He couldn't believe his eyes when he saw the Christmas tree. It was covered with lights and surrounded by toys. Jimmy saw a bright red fire engine just like the one in the store window.

When it came time for each child to pick out a gift, Jimmy's heart nearly stopped. He was afraid that someone else would pick the fire engine. Fortunately, when his turn came, the little red truck was still under the tree. As Jimmy reached for the engine, he thought of his frail little sister at home in bed; He stopped and turned to the mission lady. He asked softly if he might pick two gifts, one for himself and one for his sister at home. The lady shook her head sadly and told Jimmy there were only enough presents for one per child.

Jimmy looked longingly at the little fire engine. Then he picked out the prettiest doll under the tree. It had blue eyes and curly blond hair just like his little sister. As he returned to his seat with the doll, the other children began to laugh and make fun of him. Unlucky Jimmy clutched the little doll and ran from the mission. He stopped crying by the time he reached home.

Jimmy began to feel better when he saw the look of surprise and delight on his sister's face. As she hugged the doll and cried with joy, Jimmy didn't feel so unlucky after all.

Later, as Jimmy sat by his little sister's bed watching her play with her doll, someone knocked on the door. When he opened it, the mission lady was there. She gave him the red fire engine and explained to Jimmy that the children were sorry they had laughed at him. They had not known about his sick little sister. After she told them why Jimmy had chosen the doll, the children asked her to bring the fire engine to Jimmy.

The True Meaning

I often think of Jimmy at Christmas time and usually feel a little selfish. Shall we start a "Jimmy" tradition this Christmas season? We can make the coming year a joyous occasion for all people by giving more of ourselves.

Volunteer time to your favorite church or charity. Make or bake something for someone less fortunate. Take time to listen to someone who needs you. Let's make this year a year of giving.

Remember the real reason we celebrate Christmas is Christ's birth. Whether or not you are a Christian by faith, Christ's life of giving, sharing and caring is a good example for all of us.

Retailers' woe: Those Texans who have it all

By CALEB SOLOMON
The Wall Street Journal's Texas Journal

If you come up stumped when asked what you want for Christmas, you could be part of the reason for this year's sluggish holiday sales.

In the ninth year of Texas' economic expansion, economists say, a lot of people are suffering consumer overload, having bought or received every VCR, necktie and flannel nightie that they can stomach. Indeed, some say these replete citizens, while still a small minority of Texans, have multiplied to a number large enough to contribute in some small way to the retail sector's doldrums.

Of course, the experts know that for every spoiled Texan, there are many others who are uncertain about their financial future, fretting over high debt levels and chained to tight budgets - all of which take a greater toll on consumer spending. Yet the wealth effect has its allure.

"I can't think of a way to quantify it, but boy I'd love to," says Al Ballinger, an economist at the University of Houston's Center for Public Policy. Despite the lack of hard data, he is nonetheless convinced that holiday gift-giving is waning among people who can well afford to buy presents this year. He theorizes that some of them have enough disposable income to acquire what they want when they want it, or that they simply have enough things already.

These are people like Ballinger himself: "If I had to name anything I wanted, I couldn't think of what it would be," he says. "I'd like to build my house in Galveston, but that's not going to be reflected in Christmas sales."

So far, sales have been dull. Texas retail sales since Thanksgiving have fallen 5.9 percent from a year earlier, according to TeleCheck Services Inc., a subsidiary of First Data Corp., Hackensack, N.J. TeleCheck is a check-acceptance company used by a host of retailers, which it samples around the holiday. The number of checks written in the period fell 5.4 percent. Meanwhile, Texas Perspectives Inc., an Austin economic consulting firm, predicts fourth-quarter sales will rise 5.1 percent this year, at the lower end of growth for the period during Texas' long upward economic cycle.

Leonard Berry, director of Texas A&M University's Center for Retailing Studies in College Station, says the phenomenon Ballinger describes "isn't the only reason behind what may be just a mediocre sales season, but it certainly is a contributing factor."

Also worthy of blame: holiday hype. "The commercialization of Christmas is wearing a bit thinner each year with a lot of people," he adds.

Indeed, the Christmas season and accompanying sales seem to start earlier each year. This year, for instance, Astroworld, an amusement park in Houston, put up Christmas decorations the day after Halloween. It seems that not too long afterward, stores were advertising goods at prices marked down 50 percent.

Keith Phillips, an economist at the Federal Reserve Bank in Dallas, suspects that people aren't spending less, but that their spending may be less seasonal. "You buy what you want throughout the year and don't lump it all in the end," he suggests.

Cabot Christmas service project



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

At their annual Christmas party on Dec. 9, the employees of Cabot Corp. in Pampa held a fund raiser with the proceeds benefiting needy foster children from Pampa. Showing some of the purchased gifts are, at left, Liza Harrison, Melody Oliphant and Glenda Fletcher; sitting, Susan Timmons, Child Protective Services representative; and at right, Barbara Eldridge, Dedria Bynum and Jeneane Seaton. Fund-raiser activities included a raffle and silent auction of handmade and donated items from the employees. Total proceeds from the event raised \$2,200 used to purchase Christmas gifts from local businesses. Employees helping in coordinating the evening's events include Glenda Fletcher, Bill Hammer, Barbara Eldridge, Dorothy Ware and Jeneane Seaton, from Cabot Pampa Plant, and Toni Howard, Melody Oliphant, Dedria Bynum, Liza Harrison, Mary Anna Lindsey, Barry Hedrick and Kathy Hammer, from Pampa R&D and Technical Services.

RRC to host natural gas forum in Houston

AUSTIN - Texas mavericks, majors and marketers should plan to attend a two-day forum slated to explore the role that natural gas will play in the future energy mix and discuss evolving competitive markets.

The Railroad Commission of Texas (RRC) will host the "Gas Forum" in Houston Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 21-22, 1996, at the Doubletree Houston - Post Oak. Oscar Wyatt Jr., chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Coastal Corp., is confirmed to deliver the keynote luncheon speech at the forum.

"This conference is all about Texas natural gas in the 21st century," Chairman Carole Keeton Rylander said. "Our forum is an opportunity to begin an open and straight-forward dialogue between the public sector and the private sector about the future of one of the greatest natural resources in our state."

The idea for the statewide forum was conceived by RRC Commissioner Barry Williamson, who believes the time has come

for the Texans to look toward the future of their natural gas industry.

"Natural gas will be to the future of the Texas energy industry what oil was to its past. Not only is it our duty to prepare for that future, indeed, we should help shape it," Williamson said.

The forum is expected to attract 350-500 industry representatives to hear discussions on topics such as the role of gas in tomorrow's energy market; the evolving roles of value-added services such as storage and marketing; whether certain services are being offered competitively in Texas; and the impact on Texas of recent developments in the Canadian and California markets.

"This conference will provide a great opportunity for intrastate pipelines and the end-users to have meaningful dialogue with each other and the Railroad Commission," Commissioner Charles R. Matthews said. "These issues should be of great interest to the various segments of the natural gas industry, especially in the

larger context of deregulation."

In addition to Wyatt, confirmed speakers include David Biegler, chairman and president, Enserch Corp.; Tom Case, president and general manager, Mobil Natural Gas, Inc.; Katherine B. Edwards, partner, Travis and Gooch, Washington, D.C.; Rich Kinder, president and chief operating officer, Enron Corp.; Jerry Langdon, president, Republic Gas Corp. and former commissioner of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Earle Nye, president, Texas Utilities; T. Boone Pickens, chairman of the board and chief executive officer, Mesa Inc.; Raymond Plank, chairman and chief executive officer, Apache Corp.; James Walzel, chairman, HNG Storage Co.; and Pat Wood III, chairman, Public Utility Commission of Texas.

To be included on Gas Forum registration mailing list, call Linda James at the RRC (512) 463-6710. For information on exhibiting at the forum, call Pam Roberts at International Meeting Managers Inc., (713) 965-0566.

Edward D. Jones plans investors broadcast

Roger D. David, the Edward Jones investment representative in Pampa, will host a satellite broadcast for individual investors Thursday, Jan. 4, 1996.

The program, "Year in Review & Outlook for 1996," is the firm's third annual broadcast featuring an in-depth year-end review of the market's performance and a forecast for the new year. The program will feature specific stock and bond investment recommendations.

Special guests on the broadcast will include Alfred M. Zeien, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of the Gillette Company, interviewed from his company headquarters in Boston, and H. Bradlee Perry, co-chairman of the Edward Jones Investment Policy Committee. Perry is a consultant and former chairman of the investment advisory firm of David L. Babson & Co.

Equity and bond specialists from Edward Jones will join the guests to share their insights during a business round-table discussion. The program will be broadcast live, from the firm's headquarters in St. Louis via Edward Jones' private satellite network to its 3,100-plus branch offices nationwide.

"This broadcast is a great opportunity to review the diversification in investors' portfolios," David said. "The program will combine analysis of the market with specific recommendations for stocks and bonds."

Following the hour-long program, viewers will be able to call a phone bank of Edward Jones' equity and bond specialists. These experts will be standing by to answer customer questions on a broad array of bonds as well as more than 200 of the most widely held stocks in America.

The broadcast's featured company, Gillette, is the world's largest manufacturer and marketer of blades and razors. Gillette is also a leading producer of other toiletries, personal-care items and household products. Its products include Sensor, Atra, Trac II, Right Guard, Series, Papermate, Parker Pen, Oral-B, Braun and many other name brands. Revenues in 1995 should approach \$6.8 billion.

Edward Jones traces its roots to 1871. Today, with more than 3,100 branches in 49 states, Jones has more offices than any other brokerage firm in the nation. Its investment representatives have more than 2 million clients and specialize in serving individual investors and small-business owners.

For more information on the Jan 4 program, or to reserve a seat, contact Roger D. David at (806) 665-7137.

Houston company wants to freeze aborted fetuses

HOUSTON (AP) - A local company is trying to sell the idea of freezing aborted fetuses so that it could offer the possibility of resuming pregnancy later.

Many experts question the unproven technique, saying the process would not be safe.

Howard Turney, the entrepreneur-founder of Cryogenic Solutions Inc., admits he couldn't promise women that the fetus could be reimplanted.

"Nothing is being harmed," Turney told the *Houston Chronicle*. "The fetus is dead and gone if the conventional abortion is done. But this offers the hope that at a later date the women can reinstate the pregnancy. We are not trying to take advantage of anyone or do anything except good."

Dr. Robert Kaminsky, a physician who has consulted with the company, said some women who have sought abortions from him have opted for the procedure. But he said he makes sure they understand there are no promises that the frozen material could be used later.

"I would not offer this unless it was clear that the woman wanted to end a pregnancy," Kaminsky said.

"This is not a wedge to convince people that abortion is justified," he said. "But if you abort a pregnancy, this is an option. Should I have the tissues discarded or should I pay to have the tissue saved? But the techniques have not been developed and may never be developed."

Turney said he began his company because of his desire to provide an alternative to women seeking abortions. He said the fetuses would be removed and frozen in liquid nitrogen. It would cost \$356 to maintain a frozen fetus for 10 years.

Turney said he would freeze fetuses that had been developing as long as seven weeks.

He said the company hopes to fund research that would develop better methods of freezing and thawing fetuses.

"The problem is not in the freezing of the tissue, but in the thawing process," he said.



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NATO force leader warns Bosnians to 'knock it off'

TUZLA, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — The commander of NATO forces in Bosnia warned the republic's rival factions to "knock that stuff off" Saturday after gunfire ripped through an American plane and a British helicopter was targeted.

"I hold all parties responsible for making sure their people know this is a peace mission," said U.S. Navy Adm. Leighton Smith. "I'm going to put the onus on the leaders of the parties."

One small arms round hit a C-130 military transport plane bringing humanitarian aid to Sarajevo, Bosnia's capital. The bullet entered under the navigator's bulletproof seat and ricocheted in the cargo bay, NATO spokesman Lt. Col. Mark Rayner said. There were no injuries.

In Friday's other incident, a British Sea King helicopter flying two sick infants and their mothers from the northern city of Tuzla to Sarajevo came under small arms fire two miles north of the capital. It was fired on again on the return flight. It was not hit either time.

Smith, speaking to reporters as he toured the American headquarters at Tuzla air base, said it had not been determined who fired the shot. He added the culprits probably would claim it was "celebratory gunfire."

But he said that was no excuse. "Celebratory fire is the mark of an undisciplined army," he said. However, he added that cooperation with Bosnia's rival sides had been good so far, despite "a few bumps in the road."

NATO formally took over the Bosnia peacekeeping mission from the United Nations on Wednesday, in accord with a peace plan aimed at ending a 3 1/2-year war between Bosnia's Muslim-led government and rebel Bosnian Serbs.

Tuzla is the center of operations for the 20,000 Americans who are part of the 60,000-member NATO-led army implementing the peace agreement, worked out last month in Dayton, Ohio.

After the handover, NATO forces immediately set to their task of separating the rival forces, bulldozing competing checkpoints and clearing mines.

In an accident highlighting a key danger of the mission, two British soldiers were wounded Thursday when a landmine blew up their vehicle near the northwestern town of Sanski Most, said spokesman Maj. Simon Haselock. One soldier was seriously wounded in the legs, while other other received minor wounds.

Smith, who arrived from Sarajevo, said he flew over parts of the Sava River in the Tuzla area, where American forces are building a pontoon bridge over the river that divides Croatia and Bosnia. American officials said the Sava is a major obstacle to the advance of 1st Armored Division into the Tuzla area.

On the Sava on Saturday, engineers from the U.S. 502nd engineering company connected the first seven segments of the bridge and reinforced the river banks for the construction. The bridge is expected to be completed by the end of next week.

Smith said troops and equipment were coming in pretty much on schedule, despite weather problems that severely hampered the airlift for several days.

Piecemakers donate quilts



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Members of the Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild recently donated 19 baby quilts for use in the Tralee Crisis Center shelter. Shown here amidst a stack of quilts are Linda Town, Tralee director; RoseAnn Gowin, shelter manager; Piecemakers members Vallie Futch, Carol Allen, Kathy White and Mary Seedig; and Tralee workers Misty Perez and Wendi Brock. Piecemakers began work on the quilts in August. They have done a charity Christmas project every year for the past 10 years, according to Futch.

No clunker this: Auction offers rare Bugatti Royale car

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — A 64-year-old car designed for royalty, a regal behemoth so exclusive that just six were made, is going on the auction block for the car lover who has more than a few million to spare.

The 1931 Bugatti Royale is expected to sell for a mere \$15 million to \$20 million at the annual Barrett-Jackson Classic Car Auction Jan. 18-21, with an international crowd of about 60,000 expected.

The Bugatti Royale Type 41 Binder Coupe de Ville is 20 feet long and weighs 7,000 pounds. The body came down no assembly line, but from a carriage builder.

Bugattis, with their trademark horseshoe-shaped grills, were made from the 1920s to early 1940s by French auto perfectionist Ettore Bugatti.

The factory produced about 8,000 sports, touring and race cars that were flaunted by kings, capitalists and playboys.

Investigators X-ray bodies in search for crash cause

BUGA, Colombia (AP) — Investigators X-rayed rows of bodies in a makeshift morgue Saturday to determine if an American Airlines crash that killed 160 people was caused by sabotage.

Officials believe Flight 965 from Miami to Cali crashed into a remote mountainside by accident — it was 13 miles off course. But X-rays will establish whether shrapnel from an explosive device is embedded in any corpses.

Colombian officials say there is no evidence that an explosion brought down the airliner. "If it was a bomb, it would have exploded in the air," said William Duarte, spokesman for the prosecutor general's office.

Peasants in the hills near Buga, 40 miles from Cali, saw the plane flying low before smashing into the forest and bursting into flames Wednesday night. Only four people and a dog survived.

Rescuers poring over the wreckage Friday found the flight data recorder, which should contain information about the plane's air speed, direction and pitch at the time of the crash.

The "black box" and a cockpit voice recorder also found in the forest were being flown by a Federal Aviation Administration plane to Washington, D.C., for analysis. The FBI and the National Transportation Safety Board were also investigating the crash.

Francisco Piedrahita, whose son died in the crash, said an FBI agent in Buga told him terrorism had not been ruled out.

"He said they had to X-ray everybody to make sure the plane wasn't bombed or fired at

by the guerrillas," Piedrahita said.

The crash was the deadliest involving a U.S. airliner since a Pan Am flight went down over Lockerbie, Scotland, on Dec. 21, 1988. That crash, blamed on terrorists, killed 270 people.

The American Airlines plane crashed in an area of southwestern Colombia where guerrillas are active. In 1993, a Colombian plane crashed into a mountain after rebels destroyed a navigational beacon. Some 132 people were killed. The same year, rebels dismantled a radar system near the Cali airport.

Alberto Davila, assistant director of Colombia's civil aviation agency, insisted Saturday there was no evidence of terrorism in the crash.

There was no word of trouble from the cockpit, and no report of bad weather before the crash.

Piedrahita, whose 22-year-old son, Gabriel, was an economics student at Harvard University, complained that the X-rays were holding up the release of victims' bodies. Duarte said not all the bodies would be X-rayed.

A truck filled with coffins was parked outside the morgue in a sports center in Buga, where family members wept and waited Saturday. Among them was Maurice Ferre, former mayor of Miami, whose son, daughter-in-law and grandson were on the flight.

Inside the morgue, Red Cross workers wearing gloves and masks walked among naked bodies laid out on the concrete floor or on stretchers. Some bodies were put into coffins and driven to funeral homes.

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BASEBALL

ARLINGTON (AP) — Pitcher Ken Hill and the Texas Rangers agreed Friday to an \$8.15 million, two-year contract. Texas also agreed to a \$2 million, one-year deal with reliever Mike Henneman.

Rangers general manager Doug Melvin was pleased with additions of the free agents. "These two signings certainly strengthen our 1996 pitching staff," Melvin said.

"Ken Hill has been one of the top starting pitchers in baseball over the last five years and Mike Henneman is a solid closer who had one of his best seasons in 1995."

Rangers spokesman John Blake said Henneman will receive \$2 million in 1996 and has an option for \$2.1 million in 1997 that is automatically exercised if he appears in at least 55 games.

Hill's contract includes \$3.5 million next year, \$4.25 million in 1997 and a mutual option for \$4.6 million in 1998 with a guaranteed buy-out of \$400,000.

BASKETBALL

BOSTON (AP) — Dana Barros of the Boston Celtics made a 3-pointer in his 80th consecutive game Friday night, setting an NBA record.

Barros swished one from the top of the key on his second shot of the night, then raised his arms to acknowledge the cheers of the crowd and the Celtics bench.

But that wasn't it for the record: Teammate Todd Day scored 24 points in the second quarter to tie Larry Bird's team record for points in a quarter. Bird had 24 against Indiana on March 30, 1983.

Barros made a trey in every game since Dec. 23, 1994. Michael Adams, who went to Boston College before Barros, connected in 79 straight games in 1988-89.

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Pittsburgh scored 28 straight points early in the game and went on to beat Prairie View 101-59 Saturday.

Freshman Mark Blount scored 15 points for the Panthers (4-3), who went on a 28-0 run after Prairie View (3-7) made the opening basket.

Prairie View outscored Pitt 21-10 during one stretch in the first half but still trailed 44-25 at halftime.

Andre Howard scored 14 points for Pitt, while Michael Gill and Jason Maile each had 13.

Tamarron Sharp had 13 points for Prairie View.

FOOTBALL

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Dallas Cowboys tight end Jay Novacek was to undergo arthroscopic surgery on his right knee Saturday night to repair a partial tear of his medial meniscus, team officials announced Saturday.

Novacek originally injured the knee in the fourth quarter of the game two weeks ago at Philadelphia. He aggravated the injury in practice Friday.

An MRI detected the tear Saturday morning.

Novacek will not travel to Tempe, Ariz., for Monday night's game between the Cowboys and the Arizona Cardinals. Team officials said the timetable for his return will not be determined until after Christmas.

HONOLULU (AP) — Karim Abdul-Jabbar's frustration ends Christmas.

The record-breaking UCLA running back's Christmas present will be being in the starting lineup when the Bruins meet No. 11 Kansas in the Aloha Bowl.

Abdul-Jabbar, who rushed for 1,419 yards and 11 touchdowns in the Bruins' first nine games, sat out the final two games — including the upset of Southern Cal — with a severely sprained ankle.

"It's been very frustrating just to stand on the sidelines and watch," he said. "That was tough to take. But I was happy that we won the game (against Southern Cal) and were able to make it to the Aloha Bowl."

La Marque tops Denison for 4A state crown

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ AP Sports Writer
HOUSTON (AP) — Kwasi Cockrell passed for one touchdown and ran for another and Derrick Foster had a textbook 82-yard touchdown run as La Marque ended 10 years of playoff frustration, defeating Denison 31-8 Saturday for the Class 4A state championship.

The Cougars (16-0) were playing in their third straight state title game and their fourth in 10 years, each time losing in the final game.

This time, they wouldn't be denied. The defense didn't allow Denison to

cross midfield until the fourth quarter and produced five turnovers, three leading to points, and held the Yellowjackets (15-1) to 97 total yards.

The Jackets entered the game averaging 342 yards and 39.2 points per game. The Cougar offense was just as devastating in the final 4A title game before La Marque goes to Class 5A next season.

Cockrell staked the Cougars to a 14-0 halftime lead on a seven-yard run in the first quarter and a two-yard touchdown pass to Ryan Silvertooth in the second period.

Denison's Reggie Hunt fumbled on his first carry of the game in the third quarter and defensive back Derrick McCray scooped it up and ran seven

yards for a touchdown and 21-0 lead with 8:27 left in the third quarter.

Russell Bynum kicked a 33-yard field goal early in the fourth quarter and Foster put the game away with an 82-yard touchdown run down the sidelines for a 31-0 lead.

Foster's big run gave him 200 yards on 24 carries.

Hunt, Denison's leading rusher all season, played only on defense in the first half because of a sprained ankle. He had eight yards on nine carries in the second half.

La Marque took the only turnover of the first half and turned it into a 7-0 lead on Cockrell's seven-yard run with 8:35 to go in the first quarter.

The Cougars got the early break when Oscar Hall fumbled the opening kickoff and it was recovered at the Denison 30.

Big plays spiced La Marque's second touchdown. Dwayne Goynes ran 18 yards on a double reverse to start the drive, Cockrell hit Maurice Scott for 21 yards to the Denison 24 and Foster almost broke free before he was stopped for 16-yard gain to the Jacket eight.

Cockrell found Ryan Silvertooth behind defensive back Curtis Moore for a two-yard touchdown pass with 4:13 left in the half.

The Cougars lost to Plano in 1986 and to Stephenville in 1993 and 1994 in state championship finals.

Closely guarded



(Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa's Jane Brown (right) is closely guarded by White Deer's Carrie Urbanczyk in a non-district girls' game last week at McNeely Fieldhouse. Both Pampa and White Deer are involved in tournament action later this week. Pampa is entered in the Slaton Invitational while White Deer plays in the Canadian Tournament.

LSU hopes to control Michigan State offense in Independence Bowl

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) — If granted two wishes for the Independence Bowl, LSU defensive coordinator Carl Reese would like to stop the Michigan State run, which has averaged 156.8 yards per game and produced a 1,000-yard rusher and stop fullback Scott Greene, who ranks second in the Big Ten Conference and fourth nationally in scoring.

"When they go to other things I think we match up better," Reese said. In overloading the defensive front in anticipation of the run, Reese said the secondary will be asked to play man-to-man pass coverage.

Michigan State senior quarterback Tony Banks missed three games with a sprained ankle that hasn't fully healed. Still, in just two years, Banks ranks sixth on the school career passing chart (3,781 yards).

The Spartans also have talented junior wide receivers in Derrick Mason, Nigea Carter and Muhsin Muhammad, Reese said.

Mason has caught a team-high 47 passes for 713 yards and four touchdowns. He also leads the Spartans in all-purpose yardage with an average of 160.2 yards per game. Muhammad is next with 41 catches for 696 yards and two touchdowns. Carter's 18 catches have gone for 267 yards and two touchdowns.

"I think the strength of the offense is their skill positions," Reese said. "They have good receivers, probably as a tandem as good as we've played against. They can run, block and catch."

It's the Spartans' running, and themselves 5A's best because they handed Division I champion Converse Judson its only loss, 35-21, in the regular season.

Roosevelt and Judson are both from District 26-5A, making this the first time one district has provided both 5A champs since the UIL began the two-championship format in 1990.

Before this season, it would've been hard to imagine that the

collective strength belies the vulnerability of its individuals. Not only can Greene be shifty carrying the football, he can be hard to find in Michigan State's offensive scheme. In addition to fullback, Reese said Greene can line up as Michigan State's lone running back, a tight end, or an "F back," which is what LSU calls its tight end when positioned in the backfield.

LSU will have at least one defender assigned to Greene, Reese said. It will be the responsibility of junior linebackers Allen Stansberry and Pat Rogers to call checks at the line of scrimmage to put the Tigers in the proper defense, Reese said.

LSU's total defense (308.9 yards per game) ranks second in the Southeastern Conference, and 17th nationally, but only sixth against the run (135.6). The Tigers top the SEC, and rank sixth nationally, in scoring defense (14.6).

"They put the guy all over the place in a lot of formations," Reese said of Greene. "They run the same plays, and let him beat you."

Michigan State doesn't run a complicated offense, Reese said, relying more on execution than deception. In fact, Michigan State's offense is similar to the one LSU employs, Reese said. The exception, of course, is Greene. LSU normally plays without a fullback.

"There are so many similarities it's scary..." Reese said of the teams who both sport 6-4-1 records. "We're so much alike. It's the team that has the emotional edge, and the enthusiasm, and flies around, that will win."

San Antonio Roosevelt claims Division II 5A title

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Even with two champions, there's no disputing which team is the best in Class 5A this season.

San Antonio Roosevelt earned that distinction Saturday by defeating Flower Mound Marcus 17-10, capping a rise from obscurity to the school's first state title.

Although this game was for the 5A Division II crown, the Rough Riders (16-0) can call

themselves 5A's best because they handed Division I champion Converse Judson its only loss, 35-21, in the regular season.

Roosevelt and Judson are both from District 26-5A, making this the first time one district has provided both 5A champs since the UIL began the two-championship format in 1990.

Before this season, it would've been hard to imagine that the

Unofficially, he's No. 1 Harvester football fan

PAMPA — If a number one all-time Harvester football fan was ever chosen, the honor would probably go to Travis Lively Jr.

As a small boy, Lively saw his first Pampa football game in 1929. He can't recall ever missing a home game until World War Two started and he went into the armed forces.

While on military leave, Lively returned to Pampa to see the last home game of the 1945 season — Pampa versus Amarillo High on Thanksgiving Day. Since his discharge in 1946, Lively has witnessed every Harvester game on the home turf. Counting the one game in '45, that makes 51 consecutive seasons Lively has been at Harvester Stadium cheering on the Mean Green.

"I've always been a strong supporter of Pampa High School athletics, especially football," the 75-year-old Lively said.

Lively, who owns and operates Pampa Hardware, did more than just watch the action from the bleachers. He was the public address announcer at the home games for 10 years and also served as president of the Quarterback Club.

The '95 Harvesters, which compiled a 10-2 record in reaching the third round of the playoffs, was one of the best Lively has ever seen.

"I was real, real proud of this team," Lively said. "If things had gone their way just a little bit, they would be playing for the state championship. They did one of the finest jobs a Pampa team has ever done."

Naturally, Lively has season tickets and he can be found seated in the section just below the press box at Harvester Stadium. God willing, he'll be in that same spot next fall for the 1996 kickoff.

Pampa cagers entered in holiday tournaments

PAMPA — Both Pampa boys' and girls' basketball teams are entered in tournament action during the Christmas holiday.

The Harvesters meet Granbury at 9 p.m. Thursday in the first round of the Lions Club Tournament in Fort Worth. The winner plays either Fort Worth Brewer or Fort Worth Poly at 11 a.m. Friday. The loser plays at 3:30 p.m. Friday. The championship finals are scheduled for 8 p.m. Saturday.

The Lady Harvesters go

against Abilene Wylie at 1 p.m. Thursday in the Slaton Invitational. The winner plays Crosbyton at 1 p.m. Friday. The championship finals will be at 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

On coming home, the Harvesters will prepare for their District 1-4A opener with Randall. Both Pampa boys and girls go to Randall on Jan. 2 with the girls playing at 6 p.m., followed by the boys at 7:30 p.m.

The Lady Harvesters are 0-1 in district play.

NFL could delay Browns' move

WASHINGTON (AP) — National Football League club owners may await the outcome of a trial in Cleveland before voting on the proposed move of the Browns to Baltimore.

A special league meeting is scheduled for Jan. 17 in Atlanta so the clubs can act on owner Art Modell's request to move the Browns. The Akron Beacon Journal in Akron, Ohio, and The Washington Post reported Saturday the vote isn't likely to take place.

NFL spokesman Joe Browne said a decision would depend on three factors — the result of a report Jan. 4 by the NFL's finance committee, a league office analysis and the court case.

A trial starts Feb. 12 in Cleveland to determine whether the city will be allowed to make the Browns honor their lease with Cleveland Stadium that runs through 1998.

The Akron Beacon Journal quoted Minnesota Vikings president Roger Headrick as saying the owners probably will delay their vote until the case is decided.

"If there is something that could decide whether or not the Browns have the legal right to move, then there's no point in taking a vote until it's resolved," said Headrick, who is chairman or a member of four prominent NFL committees.

The Post, citing league sources it did not identify, said NFL owners and commissioner Paul Tagliabue prefer to wait on the vote because they do not want any decision used in the trial.

Browne said no decision had been made.

Nancy Lesic, press secretary for Cleveland Mayor Michael R. White, said Saturday she was unaware of any change in the date for the vote.

Modell spokesman David Hopcraft could not be reached for comment. Phone messages were

left at his office and home.

Headrick also indicated the Browns' status could be resolved before the vote or the lawsuit trial, the Beacon Journal reported.

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Four headed for State Bassmasters Casting Kids contest this summer

PAMPA — Four young anglers are headed for the State Bassmasters Casting Kids competition after placing in the local contest.

Erin Watson of Lefors was first and Stephanie Kogler of Pampa was second in the 7-10 age group.

In the 11-14 age group, Michelle Kogler of Pampa took first and Chance Taylor of Canadian was second.

The local contest was held at the Pampa Mall earlier this month.

The Top Of Texas Bassmasters is one of 2,300 B.A.S.S. Chapters that helped to conduct the nationwide contest, which is presented by the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society, Zebco and Rubbermaid.

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Prizes for the highest points accumulated at the local level are medallions and Zebco rods and reels.

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Pictured, l-r, are Stephanie Kogler, Michelle Kogler and Erin Watson. Not pictured is Chance Taylor.

Rift reported between Aikman, Switzer

IRVING (AP) — Troy Aikman grumbles and the earth rumbles for the Dallas Cowboys. And the seismographs are twitching at the team's Valley Ranch home.

A reported philosophical rift between the star quarterback and second-year coach Barry Switzer has the coach-player relationship on the rocks, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported Friday.

This isn't the first disagreement for Aikman and Switzer. Aikman had played as a freshman for Switzer at Oklahoma before transferring to UCLA after a difference in philosophy.

Switzer, who says he will remain with the Cowboys next year, downplayed the disagreement and says "outsiders" have long tried to poison his relationship with Aikman.

"Troy gets squeezed all the time by people who have their opinions of me. People who pretend to be his friend are trying to create a separation," Switzer said.

"Troy's got to filter through that and understand we're on the same team here."

Switzer says he has talked over some issues with Aikman. Owner Jerry Jones says he plans to confer with Aikman after the season.

"All Troy wants to do is win," Jones said. "His concerns have to do with the direction we're heading more than with personalities."

"The bottom line is, Troy and I walk in the same shoes here. He has as much at stake in the Dallas Cowboys as I do."

"I know it's totally a business," Aikman said. "I do still get the spirit of competition, the camaraderie with the guys, the emotions. But beyond that, everything that's happened has taken a lot out of me."

"At some point, there will be a physical reason (to retire). Or there will be the fact that it's just no fun. How soon that comes, I don't know. But that will be the end."

Although he is only 29, Aikman has experienced back soreness and knee problems that are the sort of ailments that could drive the five-time Pro Bowl player and Super Bowl MVP to an early retirement.

"At this time, it's ridiculous for me to say I'd retire," Aikman said. "For 60 minutes, I get to do what I enjoy."

"But this has not been an enjoyable year for me, in regard to things outside the football field."

Aikman, who says he likes the area, the fans and the lifestyle, says he has no desire to play elsewhere.

Jones predicted that Aikman's views will not lead to the end of his career with the Cowboys and said he doesn't believe they will bring a premature end to what he

believes is a bright future in Dallas for Switzer.

"I remember when Troy tolerated (former head coach) Jimmy (Johnson) when he was unsure of the direction we were going," Jones said. "That took time then, and it can be expected to take time in other situations too."

Switzer believes that he and Aikman, who is paid \$6 million per year, will be able to work out the problems.

"Some of this comes with the territory. But he's making millions," Switzer said. "We've all got B.S. we've got to put up with. He shouldn't dwell on the negatives."

But Aikman said that money will not keep him in shoulder pads longer than he wants to be.

"I played here in 1989, was making a lot of money, but we went 1-15 and it wasn't enjoyable," Aikman said. "I paid my dues. Then we built something very special. Believe me, the money is nice, but I will never play for just a paycheck."

Aikman called commitment more important than money.

"I can't predict what's going to happen this off-season," Aikman said. "But what I've always believed is that we all need to be committed to reaching our potential, and if we're ever doing less than that I don't want to be a part of it."

Chargers outlast Giants to make playoffs

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Not even snowballs, an injured Stan Humphries or a 14-point second-half deficit could keep the San Diego Chargers from returning to the playoffs.

Shaun Gayle returned an interception 99 yards for a touchdown for the go-ahead score with 5:44 to play and the Chargers completed a late-season run to the playoffs by defeating the New York Giants 27-17 Saturday.

The victory was the fifth straight for the Chargers (9-7), losers to San Francisco in last season's Super Bowl, and it guaranteed them a wildcard playoff berth in a game they almost won on a forfeit.

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1921 Bryan 35, Dallas Oak Cliff 13	1922 Waco 13, Abilene 10	1988 3A Cuero 14, McGregor 6	2A Loerna 8, Refugio 7
1923 Abilene 3, Waco 0	1924 Dallas Oak Cliff 31, Waco 0	1989 1A Wheeler 23, Bremond 21	6-Man Lofn 58, Welman 30
1925 Waco 20, Dallas Forest Avenue 7	1926 Waco 20, Dallas Oak Cliff 7	1990 5A Dallas Carter 31, Converse Judson 14	4A Paris 31, West Orange-Stark 13
1927 Waco 21, Abilene 14	1928 Abilene 38, Port Arthur 0	1991 3A Southlake Carroll 42, Navasota 8	2A Corrigan-Camden 35, Quanah 14
1929 Port Arthur 0, Breckenridge 0 (tie)	1930 Tyler 25, Amarillo 13	1992 1A White Deer 14, Flatonia 13	6-Man Fort Hancock 76, Zephyr 30
1931 Abilene 13, Beaumont 0	1932 Corsicana 0, Masonic Home 0 (tie)	1993 5A Odessa Permian, 28, Houston Aldine 14	4A Tyler Chapel Hill 14, A&M Consolidated 0
1933 Greenville 21, Dallas Tech 0	1934 Amarillo 48, Corpus Christi 0	1994 3A Mexia 22, Vernon 21	2A Groveton 20, Lorena 13
1935 Amarillo 13, Greenville 7	1936 Amarillo 10, Kerrville 6	1995 1A Thorndale 42, Sudan 24	6-Man Fort Hancock 48, Jayton-Girard 24
1937 Longview 19, Wichita Falls 12	1938 Corpus Christi 20, Lubbock 6	1996 5A Big School Marshall 21, Converse Judson 19	5A Regular School Houston Aldine 27, Arlington Lamar 10
1939 Lubbock 20, Waco 14	1940 Amarillo 20, Temple 7	1997 4A Wilmer-Hutchins 19, Austin Westlake 7	3A Vernon 41, Crockett 20
1941 Wichita Falls 13, Temple 0	1942 Austin 20, Dallas Sunset 7	1998 2A Groveton 25, De Leon 19	1A Bartlett 36, Munday 28
1943 San Angelo 26, Lufkin 13	1944 Port Arthur 20, Highland Park 7	1999 6-Man Fort Hancock 66, Christoval 17	5A Division I Killeen 14, Sugar Land Dulles 10
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Say Hi to Miss Santa and say Hi to dasher dancer princider and vexin comit cupid doner and blitsin and rudolf
from Aaron B. Ledbetter, 8 1/2-years-old
P.S. have a safe trip and i'll be praying for you

Dear Santa,
My name is Kaylee, and I am 4 1/2-years-old. My favorite reindeers are Comet and Rudolf. This year for Christmas I would like a Newborn Nancy Doll, a Splash Doll, a my size Barbie and a Cut and Style Barbie. I would also like a big bicycle because I am to big for my smaller bike and since December 29 I will be five. I would like a big girls bike. I would also like some starter in-line skates, a stroller, some new clothes, a girls game-boy. If you can, I would like it red or pink. Finally, I would like some baby stuff and a diaper bag for a Newborn Nancy. Please be careful on your long trip, and I will be praying for you. Thank you.
In Jesus' Love,
Kaylee B. Ledbetter
P.S. Say hi to Mrs. Claus.

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Heather I want a Cut and Style Barbie. And a baby all gone. And a game which is Checkers and Connect Four
And a backpack purse And a baby doll And a Butterfly Princess Barbie. I've been good this year. I was on the A Honor Roll at school
Love, Heather
P.S. I'm leaving you some cookies and milk.

Dear Santa,
Hi! My name is Brittany. My Momma is helping me write this. I want a Baywatch Barbie and Ken, a Baby Tumbles, a new game for my Mom's computer, so I can play with it. New clothes, new soccer ball. My size Barbie Doll.
Love,
Brittany
P.S. I've been a real good girl this year.

Dear Santa,
My name is Layce Smith. I'm two-years-old. I want you to bring me a babydoll with bottle and daipers. New clothes, house shoes, dishes, new purse.
Love Layce

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Daniel Smith. I'm three-years-old. I want you to bring me a

Batman car, Batman suit with a cape. Oh, yeah, my Momma is helping me write this.
I want some army toys, cop car, cop play gun. Lots of toys.
My momma is making you some cookies for Christmas Eve and leaving you a coke with your picture on it.
Love
Daniel

Dear Santa Hi how are you doing? My name is Julie. I would like a bike and a gmy nastik doll and a My size barby doll. My sisters name is Kayla and she would like a doll and a baby born and a gmy nastik doll and a computer too. WE WILL LEAVE SOME MILK AND COOKYS OUT FOR YOU TOO!
LOVE Julie and Kayla Jefers

Dear Santa,
Have a Merry Christmas. For Christmas I want (1) gocart (2) radio (3) camera and number (4) a bell off of your sleigh.
Love
Rhiannon Casados
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Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Cassidy Melynn Casados. I hope you have a safe trip on Christmas and I want Ask Zandar's Sweet dreams Barbie and a Go-cart, and a Dear Diary.
Love Cassidy

Dear Santa,
Thank you for my toys last year! I have a little tree in my room. Don't take the present for Lena - she's my aunt. She goes to col-

lege. Please leave some toys in my room and some by our big tree. I want a Barbie Dollhouse and a Barbie Bubble Gum Shop.
I rememered you told me your favorite was Choco Chip cookies and milk. Jack and I will leave you some. Hot Choco if it's real cold!
Kayla Joan Ware

Dear Santa Clause,
My name is Evan, and I am three-years-old. I would like Gator Golf, Mr. Bucket, a desk to play work on, and a Cowboy football helmet. I want some games and lots of toys - that's all I need! I will leave you cookies and milk. Don't forget to visit my new cousin's baby Wesley and baby Troy.
Love you,
Evan McElwain

Dear Santa,
I want a water toy, a Frady Cat game. I like everything; I'm not real picky. My momma made you lots of cookies for being so nice to all the good boys and girls, and I have been real good.
Love
Blake Morse
Age 3 1/2

Dear Santa,
THANK YOU FOR ALL THE NICE THINGS LAST YEAR! Please bring me a Longhorn Ranch, Criss-Cross Crash, or a Playmobile. I really like those! [Horses] Kayla and I will leave your favorite Choco Chip cookies and milk out for you. You're welcome to rest at our house for awhile.
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The trials and joys of today's Santas

By JIM BARLOW
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON (AP) — Santa has already come to town. You'll find him at the mall.

While Santa used to live at the department store — when he wasn't at the North Pole — he can now be found mostly at the mall. Sure, a few department stores — Marshall Field's and Macy's come to mind — might still have Santa at select stores.

But most department stores prefer to use the place where Santa used to hang out as selling space. Besides, as the marketing guy at one department store chain told me, with all the hysteria about child molestation these days, the stores regard close physical proximity between their employees and your children as a potential lawsuit.

So Shopping Mall Santas now fit right in with the times. They've been outsourced. Companies such as Cherry Hill Photo Enterprises in Cherry Hill, N.J., or Western Staff Services of Walnut Creek, Calif., provide the Santas.

And they too worry about Santa and lawsuits. That's why they spend so much money on background checks and training, says Sandra Graubner, a spokeswoman for Western. It's also why all of Western's 3,000 or so Santas in the United States, Australia and New Zealand always wear white gloves so there is no flesh-to-flesh contact with the children.

And it's one of the reasons children don't sit on the laps of Western's Santas. They sit on Santa's knee.

The other reason is concern for Santa's back. Western teaches him a nifty way to use his leg to boost a child up to a handy talking and photo level. That means fewer workers' compensation claims.

You must remember that Santa is a profit center these days. About 90 percent of the parents who watch their children on Santa's knee also buy a picture of the event — paying anywhere from \$6 to \$9 for a single photo and more for a package of shots.

The malls and the Santa company split that. The split varies with volume and negotiating clout, but

usually the mall winds up with the short end of cash. The outside contractor provides the Santa — with suit — along with assorted elves, managers and the camera. Electronic cameras using computers instead of film to make instant pictures are popular these days.

The mall usually does the Santa setting and often plows back its portion of the Santa proceeds into either the set or marketing of the program.

The money isn't all that big for Santa. The usual shift is four hours a day, for around \$7 to \$9 an hour. Santas with real beards get more, as do those with great personalities who can really relate to kids. A few Santas — you see them in print advertisements and on television commercials — make professional baseball player salaries.

Mall Santas come from everywhere. Some are actors, playing just another gig. One actor in Chicago plays Santa at Christmas because he likes costume work. Around Easter he plays a bunny. At income tax time, he's outside the Post Office inside a giant Excedrin bottle.

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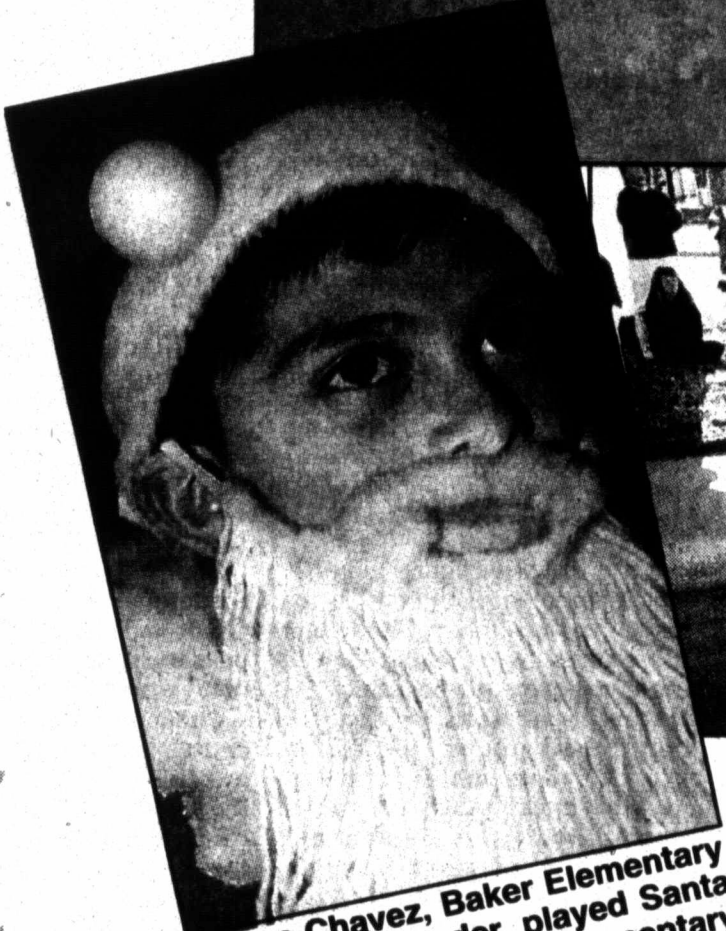
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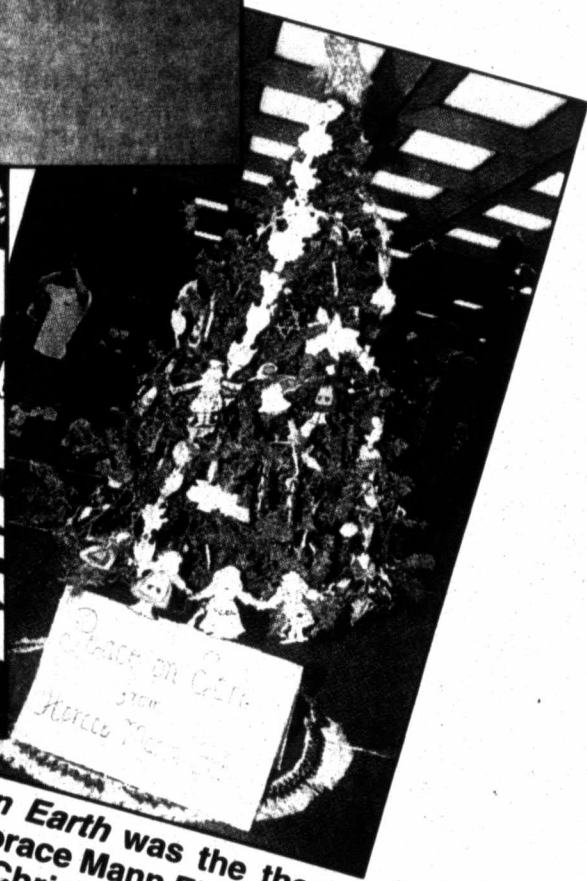
Left: Ten-year-old April Taylor, daughter of Beverly, *The Pampa News* classified ad supervisor, and Keith Taylor, was among those of *The Pampa News* float crew who decided to brave the early hours Dec. 2, don a green Christmas cap, paint her cheeks and nose, and participate in the Pampa Christmas parade. Merry Christmas, April and Del!



Ruven Chavez, Baker Elementary School fifth grader, played Santa Claus in the Baker Elementary School production of *Christmas* at the O.K. Corral.



Children and grown-ups lined the streets of Pampa Dec. 2 waiting for the various floats in the Christmas parade to pass by and throw some Christmas treats.

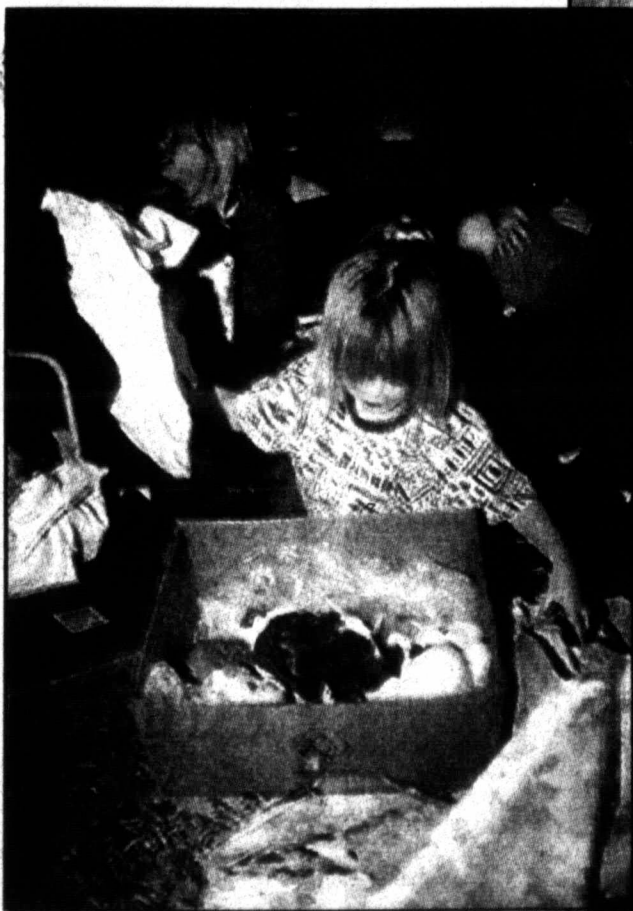


Peace on Earth was the theme for the Horace Mann Elementary School Christmas tree display in the Festival of Christmas Trees and Gift Boutique Dec. 1-3 at the M.K. Brown Civic Center and Memorial Auditorium.

These are just some of the scenes of the 1995 Christmas season in Pampa.



Schneider House Apartment residents know about the spirit of giving. The residents, who are on fixed incomes, each donate a dollar every month when they pay their rent so they can give a needy family a merry Christmas complete with gifts. In the top photo, seven-year-old Joshua Snider shows one of the many presents the residents bought for him. In the photo to the right, Joshua's sister Candace, 4, ripped through the wrapping paper to find a box full of dolls. Joshua, Candace, their mother Aneca and father David, and sisters, Tafna, 11, and newborn Acena were the recipients of the Schneider House residents' generosity. The residents watched with pleasure as the Snider family opened up their gifts. The residents also gave the family a benefit dinner and raised \$235 for them.



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Above: Aaron Langford portrayed the Baby Jesus while Mark Langford played Joseph and Sandra Langford played Mary in First Baptist Church's *Christmas is Calling You Home* presented Dec. 17 and 18.

Left and right corners: Candy canes and gingerbread people were just a few of the wooden cutouts made by inmates of the Rufe Jordan Unit. The cutouts were displayed all over town including the medians on Somerville and in front of City Hall.



Frohe Weihnachten!





Ruth Evelyn Whittaker and Donald Earl Smith

Whittaker-Smith

Ruth Evelyn Whittaker and Donald Earl Smith were married Nov. 18, 1995, with the Rev. William Reeves of Bryant, Ark., officiating. The bride is the daughter of Faye and Hollis Wreyford of Benton, Ark.

The groom is the son of Barbara and Earl Smith of Pampa. Serving as the matron of honor was Leigh Ripka, sister of the bride, of West Memphis, Ark.

Standing as the best man was Dr. Paul Lacey of St. Louis, Mo., a world renowned physician.

Serving as the usher was Bodie Nance of Alexander, Ark. Taped music for the event included, "Household of Faith" and "Flesh of My Flesh."

A reception followed at Bryant First United Methodist Church Family Life Center.

Serving the guests were Jane Stacy, Becky Jones, Janice Bleisch and Chris Donovan, all of Bryant, Ark., and Debbie Nance of Alexander, Ark.

The bride is employed by Windsor Door Accounting Department in Little Rock, Ark., and attends the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. She is pursuing a degree in accounting.

The groom is self-employed and is involved in diabetic research in St. Louis, Mo. He is a graduate of Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

After a honeymoon to Virginia and Washington D.C., the couple plan to reside in Bryant, Ark.

TEA now has Web home

AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas Education Agency has a home page on the World Wide Web containing school enrollment, dropout figures, some test scores and other data.

Like other such features on the Internet, the TEA offers hypertext links.

The links access home pages of 48 Texas public elementary, middle-junior high and high schools, 18 independent districts and three regional education service centers.

The TEA said in a prepared statement that its page offers information for parents and others interested in increasing their knowledge of and participation in the public education process.

Through a menu item for the Academic Excellence Indicator System, statistical data gathered by the Public Education Information Management System is available for each school district.

The information available includes Texas Assessment of Academic Skills scores, dropout rates, enrollment data and staff information.

Hypertext links are also provided to national and state education associations including the Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers,

National Education Association and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, among others.

A special area for teachers has links to the Library of Congress, the federally funded Education Resource Information Center and NASA home pages, along with Ask Dr. Math, a home page sponsored by the Swarthmore College mathematics department.

Further improvements are planned.

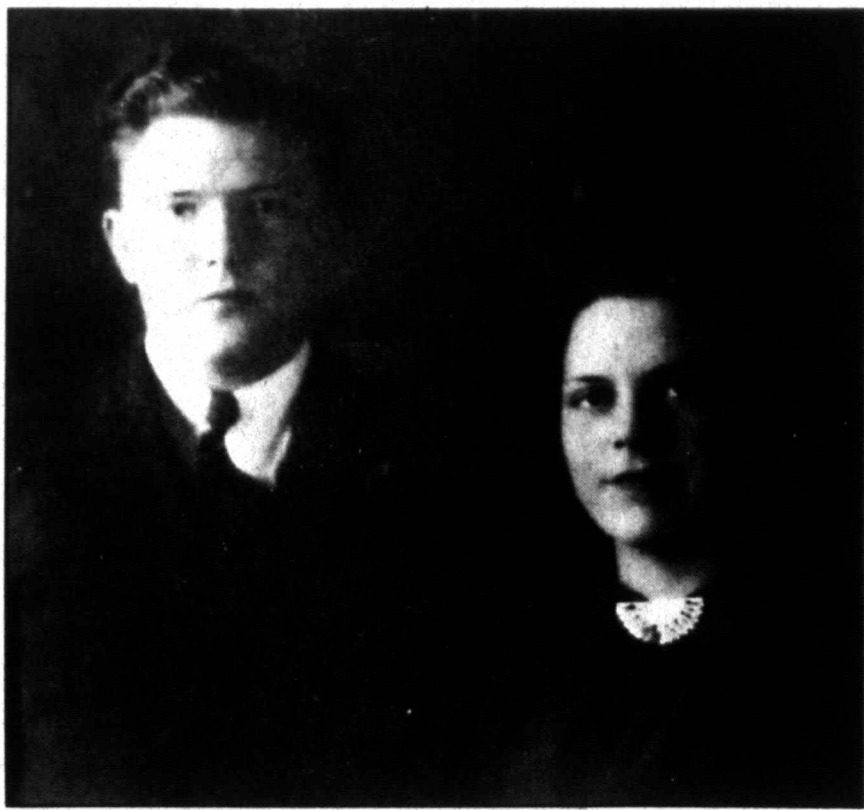
The TEA home page address is accessed on the Web under:

<http://www.tea.state.tx.us>

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Rex and Wynema Little

Little

Rex and Wynema Little of Pampa plan to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary Dec. 25, 1995.

The Littles were married Dec. 25, 1935, in Sulpher, Okla. They have lived in Pampa for 35 years.

Mrs. Little had been employed by Pampa Middle School for five years and taught the fifth grade in Pampa elementary schools for eleven years. She retired in 1976. Mr. Little had been employed with Transwestern Oil for 17 years. He retired in 1977.

Mrs. Little attends a local Baptist Church.

Their children are Jimmy R. Sr. and Deanna Little of Houston; Johnny and Hildegard Little of Orlando, Fla.; and Janice and John Patrou of Tucson, Ariz. They have three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

First public viewing opens for Van Gogh gift to museum

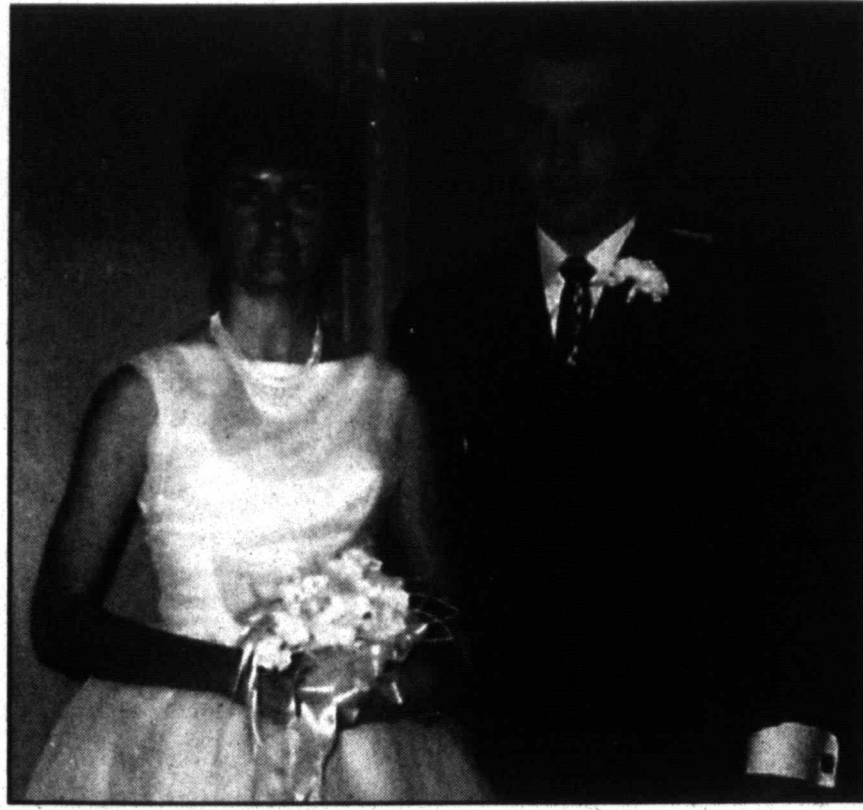
AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) - A Van Gogh painting dating from a sex scandal in the artist's life is being shown to the public for the first time at an Amsterdam museum.

"Peasant Woman Digging Potatoes" was known to exist but had been in private collections until recently donated to the Van Gogh

Museum in Amsterdam.

The museum did not identify the donor but said the person has lived in the Netherlands for several decades.

The oil painting, measuring 12.4 inches by 16.1 inches, shows a black-clad and somber-faced woman working in the fields with a pitchfork.



Dennis and Ann Caldwell

Caldwell

Dennis and Ann Caldwell of Pampa plan to celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary today, Dec. 24, 1995. She is the former Lola Ann Persons.

The Caldwelles were married Dec. 24, 1960, in the home of her parents in Pampa.

The Caldwelles have resided in Pampa for 25 years.

Mr. Caldwell was the owner of National Auto Salvage for 15 years and has been the owner of Caldwell Production Company for ten years.

They are members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. Their children are Dennis Rex Caldwell of Pampa; Darryl Caldwell of Salt Lake City, Utah; and Regina Caldwell of Idaho Falls, Idaho.

It is typical of the figure studies the Dutch impressionist drew during his stay in the southern Dutch town of Nuenen between 1884-1885, at the beginning of his artistic career.

Painted against a gray and brown background, the picture was likely executed in 1885 during the potato harvest, which started around the beginning of August and ended in September.

Experts have ruled out September, since by then Van Gogh had been forbidden to use peasant women as models after one became pregnant.

The local pastor "pressured his church members at that time not to pose anymore for the artist," the museum said in a profile of the painting that went on display this past week.

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Mr. and Mrs. William L. Ferguson

Ferguson

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Ferguson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Dec. 17, 1995. Their children hosted an anniversary celebration for them at their home in Pampa.

Breast cancer gene isolated

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists have captured a second major gene that causes a high inherited risk of breast cancer, a finding that may help researchers find clues for treatment and prevention.

In families with a strong history of breast cancer, women who inherit a defective version of the gene run about an 80 percent lifetime risk of the disease.

The gene is called BRCA2, and the new work follows the identification of BRCA1 just last year. Together, the genes account for perhaps 90 percent of breast cancers from inherited susceptibility, with BRCA2 responsible for maybe 40 percent.

Last year, scientists narrowed the search for BRCA2 to a small area of chromosome 13. In the current issue of the journal *Nature*, an international research team says it has captured part of BRCA2 itself.

Myriad Genetics Inc. of Salt Lake City announced that its scientists had recovered the entire BRCA2 gene. The company plans to use it in combination with BRCA1 to develop a test for predisposition to hereditary breast

cancer, the announcement said.

Only about 5 percent to 10 percent of breast cancer cases are thought to come from inheriting a faulty gene. The cause of the vast majority of breast cancers is not known, although scientists are investigating possible hormonal and other triggers.

Scientists hope studying inherited breast cancer genes will teach them about the basic biology of breast cancer, which could someday pay off with new treatments and ways to prevent the disease.

More immediately, the new finding will let members of the relatively few families affected by BRCA2 find out if they carry a flawed version of the gene, which also raises the risk of breast cancer in men. But the researchers who reported their finding in *Nature* said it's too soon to start testing the general population for the presence of a defective BRCA2 gene.

The *Nature* report is by Dr. Michael Stratton of the Institute of Cancer Research in Sutton, Surrey, England; P. Andrew Futreal of the Duke University Medical Center in Durham, N.C.; and others.



Ed and Betty Kinsey

Kinsey

Ed and Betty Kinsey of White Deer plan to celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary Dec. 27, 1995, with a reception from 7-8:30 p.m. hosted by the Hospitality Committee of White Deer Baptist Church.

She is the former Betty Williams. The Kinseys were married Dec. 27, 1970 at Forest Home Baptist Church in Kilgore.

They have resided in White Deer for eight years. Mr. Kinsey has been employed by CDI Stubbs Overbeck at Hoechst Celanese for ten years. Mrs. Kinsey has been employed by Homeland for one and a half years.

They are members of First Baptist Church of White Deer and are non-active members of the Lions Club.

Their children are Bryan D. Kinsey of Canyon who is a student at West Texas A&M University and Jon Kinsey of the home who is an eighth grade student.

Barbie museum gains reprieve

PALO ALTO, Calif. (AP) — Barbie won't have to move out of her Dream House after all.

An eviction lawsuit against the Barbie Doll Hall of Fame has been dropped, much to the delight of museum owner Evelyn Burkhalter.

Burkhalter's landlord, San Francisco restaurateur Rowena Wu, had sued to have the museum evicted in early November, claiming it breached its lease by not providing adequate insurance.

Burkhalter argued that a waiver releasing the building owner of liability was part of the lease with the previous landlord, and Wu assumed that lease.

Burkhalter said Wu did not

give a reason for dropping the lawsuit. She intends, however, to pursue her lawsuit against Wu seeking damages for the attempted eviction.

Burkhalter, a longtime doll collector, started the museum 11 years ago. It boasts 20,000 items, and is believed to be the world's largest Barbie collection.

Although Burkhalter charges \$4 admission, the museum doesn't make money — and she feared she could not afford to relocate. But, she said, she got calls of support from as far away as South Africa and England.

"We had total strangers send us \$10, \$20, \$30-dollar checks," she said.

4-H Futures & Features

Dates

Dec. 29 — 4-H "Sew Fun" Workshop, 2-4 p.m., Courthouse Annex

Dec. 29 — Rabbit Rabbit Raiders 4-H Club meeting, 7:00 p.m., Courthouse Annex

Dec. 22, 25, 29 and Jan. 1 — Extension Office closed for holidays

Pony of Americas Contest

The Pony of the Americas Club of Texas has sponsored a 4-H essay contest since 1987. The winner of the contest wins a Junior pony donated from the POA.

This statewide contest is open only to junior aged 4-H members. 4-H members must be 9 years old and be in the third grade but not 14 by Jan. 1, 1996.

Since the pony to be given away will be a young Junior Pony that the 4-H'er is to train, the essays should cover the following:

(1) First essay is "My plan for keeping and training the POA."
(2) Second essay is "Why I want a POA."

(3) Third essay is "What 4-H means to me."

Creativity is encouraged.

Entries will be due in the summer. For more information, call the Extension office.

4-H Clothing Workshop

4-H members at the beginner level in clothing construction skills are invited to participate in a "Sew Fun" workshop on Friday, Dec. 29, from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Gray County Annex. 4-H'ers will learn to use the sewing machine and be involved in games, and will do a "make, it and take it" activity.

Participants should bring one dollar for supplies.

Gray County 4-H Show

Date Set — Jan. 5, 1996

This year's Gray County 4-H Show will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 5, at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion in Pampa. Show order will be lambs, steers, heifers and swine.

There will be no entry fee and all 4-H animals will be eligible to show. Banners, rosettes and ribbons will be presented in each species, breed and class. Showmanship jackets will be awarded to the top showman in each species.

There will be a special pee wee show for any young person who would like to show a pig (no pig required). Also, we will have the adult showmanship class for all the parents to display their showmanship skills.

See your newsletter for more details and get prepared to a great show. Grandparents, friends, neighbors, and the general public are all invited.

Swine Project Meeting

We will be teaching 4-H'ers and parents the proper way to bathe, groom, clip and how their swine projects. Nonnie James and Tracy Tucker will be demonstrating supplies needed and how to properly bathe swine. O.L. Tucker Jr. and Danny Nusser will be demonstrating proper clipping, and Kelby McClellan and Alan Parker will talk about showmanship.

All 4-H'ers and their parents need to attend.

We will start at 6 p.m. on Jan. 2, 1996, at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion.

Museum to host book signing

PERRYTON — The Museum of the Plains in Perryton is hosting a book signing by Carl R. McQueary, author of *Ma's in the Kitchen* and *Miriam Amanda Ferguson*.

The book signing will be held Thursday, Dec. 28, from 2 to 4 p.m., with the public invited to attend.

The Museum Board of Trustees will be serving coffee and cake for the event.

A contributing author for the *Texas Heritage Magazine*, Mc-

Queary has a broad range of experience in museum operations from directorship to research and museum security. He is currently serving as director/curator of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas Museum in Austin. He was the director at the Museum of the Plains for four years.

McQueary has received several awards and recognition for his research and preservation work.

For more information, contact the museum at (806) 435-6400.

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Registry for Adoptees Offers Opportunity for Joyful Reunion

DEAR ABBY: Many times I have seen letters in your column from people who have given up children for adoption and who didn't want to be found. I have also seen letters you have printed about the International Soundex Reunion Registry (ISRR) for those of us who do want to be reunited with the children from whom we've parted — for whatever reason — in the past.

I relinquished my beautiful infant daughter for adoption 25 years ago. On Tuesday, Oct. 31, I received a call from Susan at the ISRR in Carson City, Nev., informing me that a "match" had been made for my daughter and me! The reason she was able to locate me was because you provided the address for ISRR in one of your columns 15 years ago. Hearing my daughter's voice for the first time was a dream come true. In fact, it was the sweetest, most rewarding moment of my life.

Thank you, Abby, for your part in this most joyous reunion. If you print my letter, please use my name. I'm the happiest person in the world, and I want everyone to know it.

JEANNE SCOTT, EVERETT, WASH.

DEAR JEANNE: My congratulations to you and your daughter. I wish you both much happiness, and I'm glad I was able to help you find each other. The International Soundex



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

Reunion Registry (ISRR) is a group I have recommended for many years. I have found them to be efficient, honest, and in total agreement with my feelings that neither the identity of the birth parents nor the adopted child shall be disclosed unless all parties are agreeable to a reunion. Birth parents and children can register, and when the children become of legal age, if both parties are registered and want to find each other, a match is made.

The address is: International Soundex Reunion Registry (ISRR), P.O. Box 2312, Carson City, Nev. 89702. Send a long (business-size), stamped, self-addressed envelope to the registry and request Soundex forms.

DEAR ABBY: Here is a creative idea I got from my wonderful moth-

er-in-law: One Thanksgiving, she asked everyone in the family to "autograph" and date her tablecloth. She included all the children, too. Then she embroidered the signatures and dates. Now she has a priceless keepsake of all her children and grandchildren.

BEVERLY MOLATORE, CLOVIS, CALIF.

DEAR BEVERLY: What a clever idea. On Thanksgiving, most people (especially young children) decorate Grandma's tablecloth with cranberry sauce.

DEAR READERS: This was sent to me unsigned. How I wish the author would come forward and take a well-deserved bow. What a lovely tribute to a mother-in-law.

MY OTHER MOTHER

I thank you for the countless loving things you've done.

You've given me a gracious man with whom to share my life;

You are his lovely mother, I am his lucky wife.

You used to pat his little head, and now I hold his hand.

You raised, with love, a little boy

And then gave me a man.

Horoscope



Your Birthday

Monday, Dec. 25, 1995. The year ahead may hold greater career opportunities than in the past. If you hope to make your mark in the world, it will be important to get an early start. **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** A chain of unusual developments today may cause a negative condition to shift suddenly into something that offers unique advantages for yourself and others. Major changes are ahead for Capricorn in the coming year. Send your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign. **AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Luck may

favor you today in group situations. At the least, you will have good fortune when you work with friends who share a common interest.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you try to promote something significant today, devote as much time as possible to this task. Fortune will favor you when the stakes are impressive.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may hear from several more long-lost friends or relatives today than you have in holidays past. Both you and the callers will welcome the contact.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Old-fashioned traditions may have less punch today than some of the newer traditions you're hoping to establish. Try to incorporate both.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A joint endeavor will have an excellent chance for success today, provided you and your ally are equally enthusiastic. This could be exciting.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Conditions will change today and a situation you felt was a liability might become something

beneficial. Keep hoping. **LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** A friend you haven't seen for quite some time might suddenly pop back into your life today. However, he or she may not hang around for long.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you have been searching for a unique but useful item for your home, it may be presented to you today. This item could help make your Christmas.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You could be luckier than usual today in situations that contain elements of chance. However, this will not give you the green light to take foolish gambles.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Financial conditions will continue to look encouraging at this time. Put your ingenuity to work in ways that can add to your financial holdings.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A good attitude will be of paramount importance to you today. If you can envision yourself in a positive light, you can amaze everyone with your feats.

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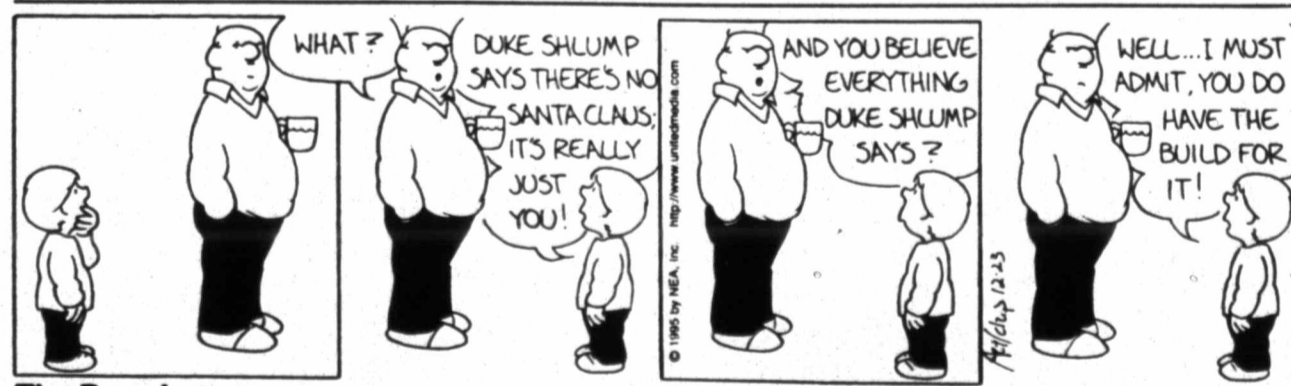
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Mountain lovers decorate for Christmas

By LOUISE POPPLEWELL
The Victoria Advocate

BEEVILLE (AP) — First came the mountain and then seasonal decorations which have become a Gray family tradition since the first scene of a man and a huge, round bale of hay went up for Halloween in 1991.

Traveling state Highway 202 between Beeville and Refugio, a stranger might be surprised to see an eight-foot bunny or turkey, in the proper season, perched high up on the 30-foot manmade mountain.

People who travel the road frequently are not surprised. They have come to expect the art work of Joyce and Norman Gray, their four children and their spouses, and seven grandchildren.

The mountain has been there a long time.

"Because we love Colorado and we love the mountains, one year my husband said I'll just build us our own little mountain," Joyce Gray said.

And he did, using dirt dug out for ponds. The final touch was to add two pine trees ... or so they thought.

Then the idea came to add the huge, round bale of hay and a man.

That went up on a smaller hill near the highway. When that scene disappeared — mysteriously on the night of the Refugio High School bonfire — and then a second one vanished, the Grays were disillusioned. So the next

holiday they commemorated with larger figures on a taller hill and put a spotlight on it.

Joyce remembers that first effort with affection. The man was dressed in new boots that pinched Norman's toes and an old, old ragged pair of jeans. People teased; "Norman, those must be your jeans ... they look just like you," Joyce remembers with a chuckle.

During the year, the holidays they celebrate are Easter, the Fourth of July, Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas. But between holidays, Norman tries to provide some kind of entertainment for motorists. Just recently, the hill was afluster with decorative flags.

"If there is nothing up there, people will stop and ask us why not," Joyce said. "It has gotten to be quite a tradition. We enjoy it so much and the people and kids of the area do too." While some of the scenes are not lighted, the Christmas one will be.

This year's display is an eight-foot Santa waving to passersby and a four-foot toy bag, and all sizes and shapes of colorful toys tumbling down the mountain-side.

The main figures are cut from eight-foot sheets of plywood, hence the eight-foot everything. Toys, Joyce explained, come into being when Norman and son-in-law Kevin Shreckengost twirl a scrap piece of plywood around until something appears.

One of the men might exclaim,

"Oh, look this has become a sail-boat."

Joyce said everyone helps decide what will go up. The men do the sawing, and she the painting.

Norman Gray might go to bed thinking all the work is done, only to get up the next morning and find Joyce has painted over everything during the night and started over.

"I'm very, very picky about what goes up there," she explained.

Each season sees new additions to last year's scene and each season brings a lot of new visitors from far and near. And there is a lot of picture taking.

Joyce remembers opening a big-city newspaper one day and seeing a bunny. "My, that looks familiar," she thought before realizing it was hers.

The mountain has become a familiar landmark. When people ask directions, Joyce will tell them to stay on the highway until they see an eight-foot witch or whatever is there at the time.

The frequent response, she said is, "Oh. We know where that is."

Joyce said putting up and taking down the decorations is a lot of work and time consuming, but "It's a very interesting thing to do."

The Grays' mountain, which is slowly evolving into several mountains, is on state Highway 202, 12 miles west of Refugio and 20 miles east of Beeville, in Bee County.

Safety tips for a better holiday

As we gather with family and friends during this holiday season, let's not forget to think about safety. Here are some tips to help you have a safe and happy holiday:

(1) When preparing and serving food, remember the important food safety guidelines — (A) wash hands and food preparation utensils often; (B) keep hot food hot (above 140 degrees F.); (C) avoid cross-contamination of foods. Keep the USDA Meat and Poultry hotline number (1-800-535-4555) handy to answer your food safety questions.

(2) Keep fresh trees green with water. Be careful with lights on a dry tree because it could cause a fire.

(3) Only use outdoor lights in the outdoor decorations. Dispose of lights with worn wiring or defective plugs. These could cause a short. Also be careful in the use of extension cords inside and outside the home.

(4) Candles are a wonderful way to set the mood but be careful to keep them away from small children and a safe distance from other decorations. Watch candles around fresh greenery that may be dry.

Homemaker's News

By Donna Brauchi



(5) Hang small or breakable items on trees away from small hands or pets. Avoid decorations that may look like candy if you have small children because they may not know the difference.

(6) Poinsettias, mistletoe and holly berries can be poisonous, so place them out of the reach of children and pets. Take special care with any plant that may have berries that could be picked up by children and pets.

(7) Place candy, nuts or small foods away from children who might choke on them if eaten.

(8) Dispose of wrapping paper and ribbons after gifts are opened because babies can get tangled in them. Do not throw them into the fireplace because some of the dyes could cause

flare-up of the flames. (9) Teach older children to keep the toys that could be dangerous up and away from small children.

(10) Make use of night lights if you have visitors in the home so they will not fall during the night.

(11) Pick up clutter to prevent falls and think about rugs that may be on the floor.

(12) Make sure all extension cords are out of the traffic path.

(13) Buckle up your seatbelt and your children's safety seat when traveling and anytime you are in a vehicle.

Greetings for a safe and happy holiday season from your Gray County Office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Major cruise lines interested in sailing from Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — At least six major cruise lines are interested in sailing out of the Port of Houston by 1997, according to a study by Port Authority officials.

Ned Holmes, chairman of the Port Authority, said Carnival, Celebrity, Costa, Princess, Royal Caribbean and Royal Lines all have expressed serious interest.

One of the lines, Carnival, said it wants to do test cruises in Houston by 1997 with a ship, Tropicale, now docked in New Orleans, Holmes said.

Other cruise lines, including Commodore and Sun Lines, have said they may sail to Houston by next year, but have not put it in writing.

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Christmas decorations pull neighbors closer together

By DAVID FLICK
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS (AP) — Only a few neighborhoods are as intensely decorated with holiday lights as Hamilton Park, and none glow with more fidelity to the Christmas spirit.

"We've always been very close — all the neighbors here have been very, very close," said Bettye Towns.

As Ms. Towns spoke, her son wrapped a string of Christmas lights around the base of her front-yard tree. She pointed with pride to her neighbors' yards.

"That man over on Ellery never used to do anything, but this year he put up some lights and some candy canes," she said.

Even neighbors such as LaVerne Brown, who could not participate without the goodwill of other residents on Rialto Drive, have houses outlined in tiny white bulbs.

Last year, Mrs. Brown feared that she would have to abandon her practice of decorating the outside of her house with lights. Mrs. Brown's husband had fallen ill, and she had nei-

ther the money nor the physical ability to continue the tradition.

To her delight, her neighbors bought outdoor decorations and installed them for her, she said.

Lee Burks, one of those neighbors, is paid by some Hamilton Park residents to install lights, but he donates his services to those, such as Mrs. Brown, who can't afford it.

In her case, though, he doesn't always get the chance. He installed her lights last year and intended to repeat the offer this year, "but when I got to her house, two ladies were already putting up the arch (full of lights) in front of her driveway," he said.

"I just thank the Lord, I do," Mrs. Brown said. "It's a mean world out there, and I'm just thankful that I've got good neighbors."

Hamilton Park, which lies just southeast of the Central Expressway-LBJ Freeway interchange, was developed as a black, middle-class subdivision in the mid-1950s.

Soon after, its residents organized an annual Christmas

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— Sheree Bullard

lighting competition.

But it was Ada Hansford's idea three years ago to give the award to entire streets, rather than to individual households. She remains the prime organizer of the competition.

"We were zeroing in on particular houses, and it was one or two people on just one or two streets winning it every year," she said.

"The advantage, by doing it this way, is they're having fun with neighbors. Everybody's out there working. They're learning each other's names."

Planning begins early in the

year, when a captain is selected for each street. Theoretically, this is done by election. But on recalcitrant streets, Mrs. Hansford has been known to recruit.

Each street captain picks a holiday theme. Three judges are selected from outside Hamilton Park, and they base their verdict on three criteria: lighting effect, creativity and evidence of group participation.

"When the winner's announced, there's a victory party on that street," Mrs. Hansford said. "They get so

excited, I don't think anybody gets any sleep that night."

Rialto Drive, on which Mrs. Hansford lives, is the reigning champion, and as such its name is memorialized on a bronze plaque in the community center. That, of course, is not the point.

"The main thing is to get involved, not just the winning, but the fun," Mrs. Hansford said. "It's more than just competition — we're putting out some other things, like sharing."

Sheree and Roderick Bullard became co-captains of Glen Regal Drive after a visit last year from Mrs. Hansford. At that time, theirs was one of only five households on the street with outdoor decorations.

The Bullards talked to every person on their street and found ways to help decorate the homes of elderly residents, as well as people who are

younger, but otherwise preoccupied.

Their efforts have born fruit. Fifteen houses on Glen Regal are decorated with lights this year in keeping with "Candyland," the street's chosen theme.

"It was a lot of work, but it made everybody excited about it," Mrs. Bullard said. "A lot of people who may not see each other because they have to work are out there in their yards talking to each other."

Lola Freeman, who this year added angels and a star to her outdoor decorations on Ellery Drive, said Hamilton Park's streets are sometimes crowded at night — often with local people admiring their own handiwork.

"People get in their cars and ride around, just to see how their neighbors decorated this year," she said. "It gives you a nice feeling. It gets you in the spirit."

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When the law of Moses was put into effect at Mt. Sinai, the record states: "For when every commandment had been spoken by Moses unto all the people according to the law, he took the blood of the calves and the goats, with water and scarlet wool and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, saying, This is the blood of the covenant which God commanded to you-ward. Moreover the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry he sprinkled in like manner with the blood." (Heb. 9:19-21.) Thus, before the tabernacle, the furniture, thereof, or the people could be acceptable to God, they had

to be sanctified through God's process. So it is today. Before anyone can offer acceptable service to God, they must be sanctified. The Hebrew writer speaks of the "sanctification" (holiness) without which no man can see the Lord (Heb. 12:14.) While all religious people, I am sure, will agree to the necessity of sanctification, most would disagree as to what is involved in that sanctification.

The scriptures teach that one is sanctified through the word of God. It follows then, that the word of God furnishes the information as to what is required in order to sanctification. Since sanctification involves cleansing and we recognize that sins must be forgiven or washed away, then we look to the word of God to find out how and when sins are washed away. Saul (Paul) was told to "arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on His name." (Acts 22:16.) Peter says one's soul is purified in obeying the truth (1 Pet. 1:22.) Acts 15:9 states that the Gentiles had had their hearts cleansed by faith. It takes faith, repentance, confession and baptism to sanctify a person and thus make him acceptable to God.

—Billy T. Jones

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Review: 'Father' sequel predictable but charming

By PATRICIA BIBBY
Associated Press Writer

There's something mildly ironic about the ad campaign for *Father of the Bride Part II* that says to "expect the unexpected." Because if you've seen just the film's trailer, there's not much that will come as a surprise. That doesn't mean this sequel to the original *Father of the Bride* is without charm. Despite its grinding predictability, there are some genuinely endearing moments, thanks primarily to the comic brilliance of Steve Martin.

In fact, if it weren't for Martin and his deft touch as a physical comedian, there would be little to recommend here. With his trademark mobile face and nimble form, he imbues this film with a bit of magic.

Based on the 1951 film *Father's Little Dividend*, starring Spencer Tracy in Martin's role, the plot's been updated with a twist aimed squarely at aging baby boomers.

Martin plays George Banks, a contented father who has his

house paid off and his daughter married. He's got a beautiful wife, Nina (Diane Keaton), a woman he seems to love more every day. His son Matty (Kieran Culkin) is stably entering adolescence, no small feat.

So now George is relishing the onset of his golden years, gleefully anticipating his hard-earned freedom and all that it entails: selling the house, buying a condo, traveling and buying a Harley.

Of course, that is not meant to be.

First, daughter Annie (Kimberly Williams) announces that she's pregnant. George narrows his eyes at son-in-law, Bryan (George Newbern), muttering, "first that runt steals my daughter, then he makes a grandpa out of me."

That's just the beginning of George's ordeal. Before you can say, "kitchen scene seduction while the kids are out," wife Nina has her own big news to break.

Pushing 50, Nina's pregnant with their third child, making for

some of the best comic exchanges. Imagine the ridiculous possibilities of having a child younger than his niece or nephew.

Because this is Hollywood, there's never a discussion of options for Nina's unplanned pregnancy. If there's a scarlet letter "A" in a screenwriter's lexicon, it stands for abortion. So with the abortion issue safely skirted here, the Banks wrestle predictably with the implications of Nina's pregnancy.

This movie has such a warm, glowing Capra-esque feel about it that it never occurs to you that this dueling mother-daughter pregnancy could really pass for a campy talk-show topic: "Mother Stole Daughter's Thunder by Getting Pregnant!"

Martin Short reprises his role of Franck Eggelhoff, the maniacally unintelligible decorator-party planner. B.D. Wong is also along as his ever-squinting sidekick, Howard Weinstein.

Mixed in to the madcap of the two pregnancies are two subplots that add little and potentially dis-

tract a lot. One concerns the sale of the family home to a foreign investor who carries around a wad of \$1,000 bills.

The other subplot comes about three-quarters of the way through and very nearly deflates the light, frothy feel of the film. As Nina and Annie enter the hospital, Nina experiences a mysterious problem that threatens the unborn child.

There's a great deal of forced hand-wringing and suddenly, this nicely paced effort with plenty of bounce begins to slow to dreadful dullness. There's never any question as to the outcome of the artificial crisis, it becomes something to simply endure before we can get the perfunctory warm-fuzzy ending.

Most of the original filmmakers from *Father of the Bride* returned to make this sequel. Charles Shyer directed and co-wrote the screenplay along with Nancy Meyers, who also served as producer. The Touchstone Pictures release is distributed by Buena Vista Pictures and rated PG.

'Heat' eminently watchable

By BOB THOMAS
Associated Press Writer

Seasoned directors are sometimes seized with the impulse to make revisionist versions of tried-and-true film genres — the Western, the comedy, the gangster movie. The result can be outsized spectacles with big names, elaborate production and lengthy running time.

Such is the case with *Heat*, written, directed and co-produced by Michael Mann (*Miami Vice*, *The Last of the Mohicans*).

The stars: Al Pacino, Robert De Niro, Val Kilmer. The set pieces: three meticulous heists. Running time: almost three hours.

Despite its excesses, "Heat" is eminently watchable. Seeing the two great practitioners of the crime movie together (though they meet only twice, the last time violently) is a treat in itself. The logistics and the execution of the robberies have a morbid fascination. And the violent action is overlaid with a melancholy view of the lives of a master criminal and a demonic crime fighter.

De Niro has served time, and now he is determined to make a big score and vanish to New Zealand. He and his gang, including Kilmer, Tom Sizemore and "fixer" Jon Voight, pull off a deftly choreographed robbery of an armored truck that starts the movie with high excitement.

The daring heist and the execution of the guards immediately fixates Pacino, a Los Angeles robbery-homicide detective. His three marriages attest to his single-mindedness about his work.

With the help of his police crew and informers, Pacino begins to piece together the identities of the gang. The members are put under surveillance, and their next job is aborted when De Niro realizes they have been detected.

Aided by Voight's information, De Niro and company attempt their last big haul: a bank vault loaded with cash. The plan succeeds until the escape. Police swarm around them, and a minor war ensues through the streets of downtown Los Angeles. It is the film's most grievous excess.

The gang scatters and the detectives close in. The final battle comes at Los Angeles International Airport, where the on-and-off landing lights eerily illuminate the gunmen.

Side-plots feature the women in the story: Pacino's third wife, Diane Venora, whose crumbling marriage causes her to turn to another man; De Niro's newfound love, Amy Brenneman, whose sweetness contrasts his coldblooded nature; Kilmer's wife, Ashley Judd, who refuses to betray him. All three actresses perform ably.

Mann deserves high points for devising the richly textured tale and keeping it in some form of cohesion. If only he as co-producer could have said, "Enough, already."

The Warner Bros. release was also produced by Art Linson. The rating is R for language and excessive violence, including pointblank killings. Running time: 172 minutes.

Review

'Sense and Sensibility' scores six Golden Globe nods, 'American President' five

By JOHN HORN
AP Entertainment Writer

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) — *Sense and Sensibility* collected a leading six nominations Thursday for the Golden Globe Awards, and *The American President* earned the second most selections with five.

Nominated for best dramatic motion picture were *Sense and Sensibility*, *Apollo 13*, *Braveheart*, *The Bridges of Madison County* and *Leaving Las Vegas*.

In the running for best musical or comic motion picture were *The American President*, *Babe*, *Get Shorty*, *Sabrina* and *Toy Story*.

Nominations for the 53rd annual awards were made by about 90 members of the Hollywood Foreign Press Association. The Globes often presage the Academy Awards. The awards, plus an honorary award for Sean Connery, will be presented Jan. 21 in a program broadcast by NBC.

Unlike the Oscars, the Golden Globes divides films into two categories, drama and musical-or-comedy. Nominated for best dramatic actor were Nicolas Cage for *Leaving Las Vegas*, Richard Dreyfuss for *Mr. Holland's Opus*, Anthony Hopkins for *Nixon*, Ian McKellen for *Richard III* and Sean Penn for *Dead Man Walking*.

The dramatic actress selections were Susan Sarandon for

Dead Man Walking, Elisabeth Shue for *Leaving Las Vegas*, Sharon Stone for *Casino*, Meryl Streep for *The Bridges of Madison County* and Emma Thompson in *Sense and Sensibility*.

Thompson also received a nomination for best screenplay for *Sense and Sensibility*, a romantic film based on Jane Austen's classic 1811 novel. The movie also was nominated for best directing and best original score.

Michael Douglas was among the nominees for best actor in a musical or comedy for *The American President*, in which he plays a widowed president who falls in love with a lobbyist. *The American President* also was nominated for best screenplay and director.

Douglas faces Harrison Ford in *Sabrina*, Steve Martin in *Father of the Bride II*, Patrick Swayze for *To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything! Julie Newmar*, Brad Pitt in *Twelve Monkeys*, Tim Roth for *Rob Roy* and Kevin Spacey for *The Usual Suspects*.

Supporting acting awards are not divided between drama and musical-or-comedy. In nominations for television shows, the picks for best drama series were *Chicago Hope*, *ER*, *Murder One*, *NYPD Blue* and *Party of Five*.

The best comedy nominations were *Cybill*, *Frasier*, *Friends*, *Mad About You* and *Seinfeld*.

Oliver Stone's *Nixon* and Martin Scorsese's *Casino* both failed to be nominated for best dramatic movie.

Scorsese did get a nomination for best director, however. Stone did not. The other best director nominees were Mike Figgis for *Leaving Las Vegas*, Mel Gibson for *Braveheart*, Ron Howard for *Apollo 13*, Ang Lee for *Sense and Sensibility* and Rob Reiner for *The American President*.

Named for best supporting actress were Anjelica Huston for *The Crossing Guard*, Kathleen Quinlan for *Apollo 13*, Kyra Sedgwick for *Something to Talk About*, Mira Sorvino for *Mighty Aphrodite* and Kate Winslet for *Sense and Sensibility*.

Nominated for best supporting actor were Ed Harris for *Apollo 13*, John Leguizamo for *To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything! Julie Newmar*, Brad Pitt in *Twelve Monkeys*, Tim Roth for *Rob Roy* and Kevin Spacey for *The Usual Suspects*.

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Men kiss on 'Late Show'

NEW YORK (AP) — After getting the kiss-off in Hollywood, Howard Stern's quest to show a same-sex smooch on television has succeeded on *Late Show* with David Letterman.

The radio personality known for outrageous antics on his morning radio program tried last month to introduce two bikini-clad women kissing on *The Tonight Show* with Jay Leno. But NBC censors cut away.

Waltzing onto the stage Wednesday in a gold-sequined evening gown, with flowing blond hair and makeup, Stern brought out two men in bikinis who then gave each other a televised peck on the lips.

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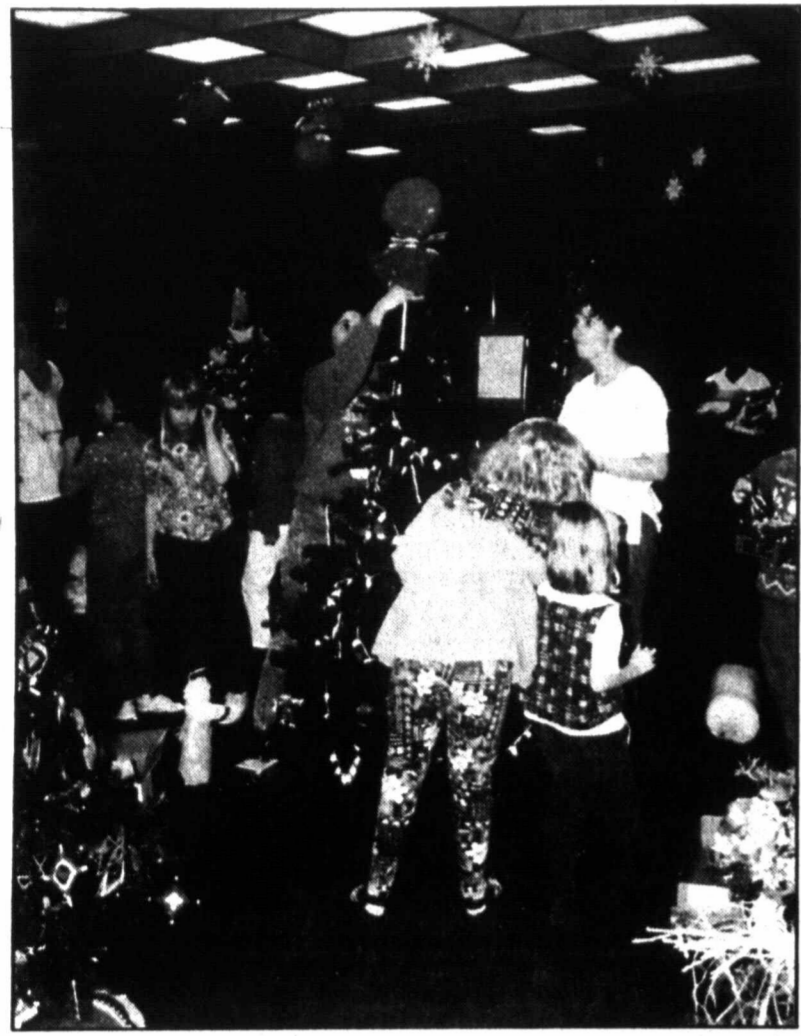
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Pampa Girl Scouts made decorations and donated two Christmas trees through the Festival of Christmas Trees project. Putting up one of the trees at the festival are, from left, Paula Goff, Kellie Mullican, Emily Elliott, Amanda Jeffries, Robin Scott, Joy Hart, Emily Jeffries, Daphne Jeffries and Kendra Hart. One tree, titled "Candyland," was decorated with candy ornaments. The other tree, titled "Love and Wishes," was decorated with hearts and angel ornaments. The trees were given to a family of four and to a family with four children.

Handsome lawyers earn more

AUSTIN (AP) — Looks have a positive influence on law practice, according to a new University of Texas study that shows more attractive attorneys earn higher fees.

Dr. Daniel Hamermesh, a UT Austin economist, also found that attorneys in private practice are better looking than those in the public sector.

"Lawyers who are good looking in the public sector tend to switch to the private firms to take advantage of their good looks and vice versa," said Hamermesh, who has researched the earnings gap between attractive

and unattractive people. Hamermesh and Jeff Biddle of Michigan State University, who co-authored the study, concluded that better looking attorneys who graduated in the 1970s earned more after five years of practice than their worse-looking classmates, with other factors being equal.

The researchers studied a large sample of attorneys who had graduated from one law school. Beauty was measured by 1994 ratings of their first year law school photographs.

More than 4,400 photos were rated.

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to drill
CHILDRESS (WILDCAT) Kermitt L. Waters, #1 Waters (640 ac) 3717' from South & 423' from West line, Sec. 531,H,W&NW, 4.5 mi NE from Childress, PD 8000' (438 East Sahara, Las Vegas, NV 89104)

CHILDRESS (WILDCAT & C.A. HOBBY Canyon Reef) Gunn Oil Co., #1 Lock Unit (40 ac) 2500' from North & West line, Sec. 441,H,W&NW, 1/2 mi SW from Kirkland, PD 5000' (Box GOCO, Wichita Falls, TX 76307)

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Texaco E & P, Inc., #15 J.M. Patton (155 ac) 1595' from North & 1340' from West line, Sec. 61,B-2,H&GN, 4.5 mi west from Lefors, PD 3250' (Box 2700, Pampa, TX 79066) Rule 37

HANSFORD (S.W. MORSE Brown Dolomite) J.M. Huber Corp., #5 Cator 'A' (630 ac) 1980' from North & 660' from East line, Sec. 33,3,GH&H, 6.5 mi NW from Morse, PD 3500' (7120 L-40 West, Suite 100, Amarillo, TX 79106)

HANSFORD (S.W. MORSE Brown Dolomite) J.M. Huber Corp., #2 Cator 'B' (480 ac) 660' from South & East line, Sec. 28,3,GH&H, 6.5 mi NW from Morse, PD 3500'

HANSFORD (S.W. MORSE Brown Dolomite) J.M. Huber Corp., #1 Cator 'E' (640 ac) 1980' from South & West line, Sec. 29,3,GH&H, 6 mi NW from Morse, PD 3500'

HARTLEY (WILDCAT & SOUTH LATHAM Canyon Granite Wash) H-S Exploration, #1 J.W. Bryant (560 ac) 1320' from South & 1980' from East line, Sec. 11,2,BS&E, 2 mi northerly from Hartley, PD 6600' (Box 51326, Amarillo, TX 79159)

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & URSCHER ESTATE Lower Morrow) CoEnergy Operating Co., #7 Studer (640 ac) 1320' from North & 1980' from West line, Sec. 1,—,TTRR, 6 mi east from Canadian, PD 14000' (5400 North Grand Blvd., Suite 305, Okla. City, OK 73112)

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., Herring 'C' (468 ac) Sec. 52,M-23, N.A. Williamson, 4 mi west Stinnett, PD 3500'. For the following wells:

#15, 2011' from most Northerly/North line & 330' from Central West line of Sec.

#16, 2750' from most Northerly/North line & 330' from Central West line of Sec.

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HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., Herring 'F' (220 ac) Sec. —,—,E. McDaniel Survey, 4.1 mi west from Stinnett, PD 3600'. For the following wells:

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#5, 1100' from North & 1395' from

West line of Survey.
HUTCHINSON (S.W. MORSE Brown Dolomite) J.M. Huber Corp., #3 Cator 'A' (630 ac) 660' from South & East line, Sec. 33,3,GH&H, 8 mi NW from Pringle, PD 3500'

LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & BRADFORD Cleveland) Midgard Energy Co., #5 C.C. Duke (646.5 ac) 1520' from South & 1320' from East line, Sec. 770,43,H&TC, 8 mi SW from Lipscomb, PD 7700' (Box 400, Amarillo, TX 79188)

MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE) Phillips Petroleum Co., #2R Neild (320 ac) 330' from North & 1500' from West line, Sec. 361,44,H&TC, 5.5 mi N-NE from Dumas, PD 3250' (Box 358, Borger, TX 79008)

ROBERTS (HANSFORD Lower Morrow) Amoco Production Co., #53 Lips Ranch B Unit 17 (640 ac) 74' from North & 1193' from West line, Sec. 169,C,G&M, 32 mi NW from Miami, PD 8750' (Box 800, Denver, CO 80201)

ROBERTS (WILDCAT & MORRISON RANCH Lower Morrow) CoEnergy Operating Co., #1202 Hank The Cowdog (640 ac) 990' from North & East line, Sec. 202,42,H&TC, 25 mi N-NW from Miami, PD 11100'. Rule 37

Oil Well Completions
GRAY (PANHANDLE) Texaco E & P, Inc., #13 J.M. Patton, Sec. 61,B-2,H&GN, elev. 2953 kb, spud 10-30-95, drlg. compl 11-4-95, tested 11-28-95, pumped 35 bbl. of 42.4 grav. oil + no water, GOR 200, perforated 2845-3130, TD 3130' —

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Watson Operating Co., #8 Melton, Sec. 95,B-2,H&GN, elev. 3220 gr, spud 10-18-95, drlg. compl 10-23-95, tested 12-11-95, pumped 51.2 bbl. of 41 grav. oil + 11 bbls. water, GOR 1191, perforated 2880-3286, TD 3415', PBTD 3321' —

Gas Well Completion
MOORE (WEST PANHANDLE Red Cave) Anadarko Petroleum Corp., #3-104R Brown, Sec. 104,44,H&TC, elev. 3513 gr, spud 9-27-95, drlg. compl 10-1-95, tested 11-27-95, potential 2054 MCF, rock pressure 346, pay 1978-2266, TD 2430', PBTD 2375' —

Plugged Wells
GRAY (PANHANDLE) Oil Well Operators, Inc., Saunders 'A', Sec. 81,3,I&GN (oil) — for the following wells:

#2, spud 4-25-38, plugged 10-23-95, TD 3300' — Form 1 filed in Cambrian Oil Co.

#3, spud 3-13-40, plugged 10-26-95, TD 3300' — Form 1 filed in Cambrian Oil Co.

#5W, spud 1-24-50, plugged 10-30-95, TD 3310' —

HEMPHILL (WILDCAT) Southwestern Energy Production, #1 Hall '241-A', Sec.

241,C,G&MMB&A spud 9-22-94, plugged 10-19-95, TD 15300' (dry) —

HEMPHILL (S.E. CANADIAN Douglas) Vernon E. Faulconer, Inc., #4 J.C. Studer, Sec. 168,41,H&TC, spud unknown, plugged 11-4-95, TD 7200' (gas) —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #B-10 Mayfield B-C, Sec. 5,R-2,D&P, spud 6-17-61, plugged 10-31-95, TD 3340' (oil) —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #C-11 Mayfield B-C, Sec. 2,—,A.B. Pedigo, spud 7-13-56, plugged 10-25-95, TD 3285' (oil) —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #C-17 Mayfield B-C, Sec. 2,—,A.B. Pedigo spud 11-24-58, plugged 10-30-95, TD 3319' (oil) —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Holco Oil & Gas, #F6 Scott, Sec. 68,46,H&TC, spud unknown, plugged 11-21-95, TD 3093' (oil) —

LIPSCOMB (PEERY Cleveland) Mewbourne Oil Co., #1 Mitchell 763', Sec. 763,43,H&TC, spud 3-13-84, plugged 9-1-95, TD 9130' (gas) —

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Lera, #6 Mitzie, Sec. 406,44,H&TC, spud 6-20-86, plugged 11-3-95, TD 3716' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Gordon Taylor Oil

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., Brent, Sec. 24,44,H&TC, (oil) — for the following wells:

#2403, spud 11-25-81, plugged 11-29-95, TD 3643' — Form 1 filed in Hufo Production

#2406, spud unknown, plugged 11-28-95, TD 4000' — Form 1 filed in Ted True, Inc.

#2408, spud unknown, plugged 12-1-95, TD 3379' — Form 1 filed in Hufo Production

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., #3402 Brent, Sec. 34,6-T,H&TC, spud unknown, plugged 12-4-95, TD 4020' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Ted True, Inc.

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., Brent, Sec. 61,44,H&TC (oil) — Form 1 filed in Ted True, Inc.

#6101, spud 6-13-91, plugged 11-21-95, TD 2480' —

#6103, spud unknown, plugged 11-28-95, TD 2572' —

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., Brent, Sec. 62,44,H&TC, (oil) — Form 1 filed in Hufo Oils, for the following wells:

#6201, spud unknown, plugged 11-21-95, TD 3746' —

#6202, spud 5-1-82, plugged 11-27-95, TD 3710' —

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., #6304 Brent, Sec. 63,44,H&TC, spud unknown, plugged 11-27-95, TD 3684' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Ted True, Inc.

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., #6404 Brent, Sec. 63,44,H&TC, spud unknown, plugged 11-27-95, TD 4528' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Ted True, Inc.

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., #6602 Brent, Sec. 66,44,H&TC, spud unknown, plugged 11-28-95 (oil) — Form 1 filed in Ted True, Inc.

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Richmond Petroleum, Inc., #6804 Brent, Sec. 68,44,H&TC, spud 12-10-83, plugged 11-28-95, TD 3328' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Ted True, Inc.

OCHILTREE (NORTH BULER Cleveland) Mewbourne Oil Co., Justice, Sec. 79,13,T&NO (oil) — for the following wells:

#1, spud 1-9-79, plugged 10-6-95, TD 7321' —

#3, spud 3-11-80, plugged 10-10-95, TD 8723' —

#5, spud 8-6-80, plugged 10-10-95, TD 7330' —

OCHILTREE (ELLIS RANCH Cleveland) Burk Royalty Co., #3 J.W. Jines, Sec. 573,43,H&TC, spud 7-20-94, plugged 11-22-95, TD 7400' (dry) —

OCHILTREE (FARNSWORTH-CONNER Des Moines) Vintage Petroleum, Inc., #3 Conner, Sec. 36,4,GH&H, spud 12-5-64, plugged 8-24-95, TD 6920' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Arrowhead Explor.

OCHILTREE (PEERY Cleveland) Mewbourne Oil Co., #1 Schroeder '409', Sec. 409,43,H&TC, spud 12-9-83, plugged 10-2-95, TD 9170' (gas) —

OCHILTREE (WEST PERRYTON Morrow) PNG Operating Co., #4 Theresa Wright, Sec. 3,13,T&NO, spud unknown, plugged 9-29-95, TD 8195' (oil) —

OCHILTREE (NORTHROP Cleveland) Mewbourne Oil Co., #2 Morris, Sec. 762,43,H&TC, spud 2-5-84, plugged 8-29-95, TD 9150' (gas) —

POTTER (WEST PANHANDLE) Mesa Operating Co., #A-152 Bivins, Sec. 41,0-18,D&P, spud 4-5-57, plugged 11-16-95, TD 2754' (gas) —

POTTER (WEST PANHANDLE Red Cave) Mesa Operating Co., #A-2R Bivins, Sec. 13,0-18,D&P, spud 8-26-23, plugged 11-30-95, TD 2578' (gas) —

ROBERTS (HODGES Des Moines) J.M. Huber Corp., #1194 Hodges 'E', Sec. 194,42,H&TC, spud 9-14-68, plugged 10-12-95, TD 8261' (oil) —

SHERMAN (TEXAS-HUGO-TON) Kerr-McGee Corp., #1 Hawpe, Sec. 82,3-T,T&NO, spud 10-9-48, plugged 11-1-95, TD 3232' (gas) —

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Agriculture

The Market Forecaster

By George Kleinman

WHEAT - (BULL)

Outlook: There has not been much talk about the recent European decision to restrict wheat exports, but I think this is extremely bullish. Basically, the EEC has placed a \$30 per ton tax on exported wheat. The intention is to keep the wheat at home. Apparently, the politicians in the European community are worried about rising bread prices.

The net result is the world wheat trade has fewer places to buy. Australia, Canada and the U.S. are the big three. Australia just signed a long-term pact with China which will limit their export capability. If there's any major demand surprise [Russia for example?] wheat prices could surge. Bottom line, at this point in time, I see nothing on the horizon which tempers my bullish enthusiasm for this market.

Strategy: Hedgers: Our strategy of replacing old crop cash wheat sales with options or futures continues to pay dividends. More recently, many of you have been able to sell relatively higher priced cash and replace with reasonably priced March futures or call options due to a strong basis. Our most recent purchase recommendation involved the March 490 calls for 15 cents per bushel. Your downside risk is limited to this amount.

We also suggest beginning a new crop hedging program (on no more than 25 percent of anticipated production) using the July 420 puts. Buy them under 19 cents to assure \$4 wheat on a portion of your crop.

Traders: Based on a previous recommendation, we're long the

March Minneapolis futures at \$4.87 or lower. Risk 20 cents for an eventual profit objective above \$5.35.

CORN - (BULL)

Outlook: Last week, the corn market registered seven year highs across the board. As you know, we've been bullish all year and it's gratifying to see the market prove us right this time. Based on continued good export and domestic feeding demand it doesn't appear the market has made its top yet. Rather, high prices haven't dampened a strong appetite for dwindling supplies. The '88 drought high was about \$3.60 per bushel.

Since this is a demand pull market, rather than a weather situation, I wouldn't be surprised if the nearby futures exceed this level before March. It may become dull over the holiday period, but then again you never know!

Strategy: Hedgers: There are many farmers who are stuck in "hedge to arrive" type forward contracts. While these may work good in a bear market, they're financial death in a bull like we have now. For months now, we've suggested you replace any old crop sales with paper corn in the form of the money March call options.

Based on a recent recommendation we own the March 330 calls for about 10¢/bushel. This is your maximum downside risk. Your risk in cash corn could be higher. More importantly, you stand to benefit from upside price appreciation. This incentive is killed with a forward contract with a commercial elevator. There may be one year out of five

you can reap windfall profits in grain. Why limit them?

Traders: We own the March 330 calls purchased for 10¢/bu. We also are long the March futures at \$3.32. Risk 10 cents [\$500/contract + fees] and continue to hold.

CATTLE - (BULL)

While the market has been sluggish due to poor beef demand, I don't see a lot of good reasons to turn bearish cattle now. A look at the charts for the past 25 years shows a strong tendency for cattle prices to register a seasonal bottom in the mid-December time frame. This happens about three years in four, and the market will then generally be strong into the February to March period.

We have to be careful of that one year in four, but I still get the sense the supplies are tight for the coming month or two. Now, if we can just get the demand side of the equation to strengthen up, we still have a chance of reaching our ultimate objective for mid-winter which is the north side of seventy.

Strategy: Hedgers: I still feel put options are the preferred hedging method for the cattle feeder at this point in the cycle. Puts limit your downside risk for a predetermined and modest cost, yet leave your upside potential open. If we're right about the market reaching a seasonal peak in the next few months, we may wish to use futures to hedge at that time.

Cow/calf operators: While we continue to remain on the sideline regarding hedging strategies, we need to be alert for sale opportunities this winter. I am worried about liquidation next year and its potential depressing effect on cattle prices. However, now's the time in my opinion. Stay tuned.

Traders: We're still long February Live Cattle futures at under 6780. The risk point is a close only under 66 for an eventual objective above 70. We're also in the following spread: Long February and Short August cattle at less than 500. Risk 100 points [\$400 each] for a profit objective above 800 [\$1200 minus fees].

The information and recommendations presented herein are believed to be reliable; however, changing market variables can change price outlooks. Neither Pampa News nor George Kleinman assume liability for their use. Use this section as a guide only. Futures and options trading can involve risk of loss. Past performance is not indicative of future performance. Follow the recommendations if they make sense to you and for your operation.

George Kleinman is president of Commodity Resource Corporation (CRC), a licensed brokerage firm which specializes in marketing strategies using agricultural futures and options. CRC welcomes questions — they can be reached at 1-800-233-4445.

Extension Service to offer computer short-courses for farmers, ranchers

AMARILLO - Area farmers and ranchers still have time to register for upcoming computer short-courses to be offered by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, using its traveling computer lab, next month at several locations around the Panhandle. Each short-course will be taught by Dr. Steve Amosson, Extension economist who specializes in farm and ranch management.

Producers seeking introductory training on computers using the new Quicken4 for Windows software program will learn more efficient, time-saving methods for keeping farm and ranch records. The program allows users to learn simple and complex transactions, including check writing and categorization by type of income or expense.

Classes begin at 9 a.m. and end at 3:30 p.m. each day. The two-day course fee is \$75. Couples are encouraged to attend and will be charged only one registration fee if they share one computer. Preregistration and prepayment of the course fee is required. Classes fill up quickly.

The introductory Quicken4 for Windows class is scheduled in Amarillo Jan. 29-30 at the Texas A&M Research and Extension Center located at 6500 Amarillo Blvd. Other classes will take place earlier in the month at Dumas, Jan. 11-12; Booker Jan. 22-23; and Dalhart, Jan. 24-25.

Another short-course being offered features BUDPRO; this program enables the agriculture operator to project annual budgets for corn, wheat, sorghum, cotton, stocker cattle and cow-calf enterprises. Demonstrations are scheduled Jan. 8 in Perryton and again Jan. 16 in Amarillo at the Texas A&M Center.

In addition to generating enterprise budgets, BUDPRO is a stand alone, menu-driven application that can calculate break-even pricing and provides sensitivity analysis for varying prices and quantities produced.

Each registered participant will receive the software package (\$100 value) when paying

the class fee of \$45.

Registration for the first BUDPRO class, scheduled in Perryton Jan. 8, may be made through Scott Strawn, Ochiltree County agent, at (806) 435-4501 by Jan. 5.

Class begins at 9 a.m. and ends at 3:30 p.m. The one-day course fee is \$45. Couples who attend and share one computer will be charged only one registration fee. Preregistration and prepayment of the course fee for

either class required. A second short-course will be held in Amarillo Jan. 16, contact Amosson to preregister.

To obtain more information about future classes with Extension Service traveling computer lab, call any county agriculture agent in the Panhandle or call the Texas Agricultural Extension Service District Office in Amarillo at (806) 359-5401 and ask for Regina Linder.

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Beef faces supply and demand issues

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

AMARILLO - Supply and demand are the story for next year in the cattle business.

A growing number of cattle mean record beef supplies while a tight supply of corn means higher costs.

"Beef production in 1996 will be near 25.8 billion pounds," said Jim Gill, market director for the Texas Cattle Feeders Association. "This is 2.5 percent above the record production of 25.1 billion pounds in 1995. This will be the ninth consecutive year of record production and puts per-capita consumption at 69 pounds on a retail weight basis for 1996."

He said average carcass weights are expected to be slightly lower than the 712 pounds in 1995 and more than four pounds below the record 716 pounds set in 1994.

"Feeder cattle supplies are still increasing," Gill said. "And with continued high grain prices, pressure will continue on feeder cattle prices."

A 650 pound feeder steer in 1995 averaged near \$68.50 per cwt., 15 percent below the 1994 average of \$80.05.

"In 1996, prices will likely average in the low to mid \$60 range for the year," he said.

Corn production in 1995 was a disappointing 7.4 billion bushels, 27 percent below 1994's record 10.1 billion bushel crop. The reduced production, combined with strong world demand, sent prices sharply higher in 1995. Corn prices in 1995 ranged from \$4.70 at the beginning of the year to \$7.15 by the end of the year. Corn in the Texas Panhandle area averaged \$5.85 per bushel compared to \$4.75 in 1994 and a \$4.86 over the past five years.

"Corn prices are expected to remain strong through at least the first six months of 1996," Gill said.

Poultry and pork will continue to offer stiff competition to beef prices, Gill said.

"Pork production for 1996 is expected to be near 17.9 billion pounds, one percent below

1995," he said. "Total poultry production in 1996 will be near 32.2 billion pounds on a ready-to-cook basis, three percent above 1995 and yet another record."

All this should translate to lower prices in at the supermarket counter.

"Retail beef prices averaged \$2.84 per pound in 1995, virtually unchanged from \$2.83 in 1994," Gill said.

Certain beef cuts have been highly featured by retailers this year, causing the overall price to be the lowest in five years, Gill said. With record beef and poultry production predicted for 1996 and near record pork production, it is likely that retail beef prices will continue trending downward in 1996.

"The Spartans of ancient Greece believed that a frugal life built a strong character," Gill said. "That being the case, Spartans would have made good cattlemen, because prices for feeder cattle and fed cattle alike have been frugal the past several years. The outlook for 1996 is no better."

Texas Agricultural Forum to be held in Waco

WACO - The Texas Agricultural Forum is scheduled for Jan. 16 in Waco.

The Forum will be held in conjunction with the Blackland Income Growth Conference (BIG) at the Waco Convention Center at the corner of Washington and South University Parks Drive.

The Agricultural Forum morning session will be a discussion of the 1995 Farm Bill with Keith Collins, chief economist, USDA, and Congressman Charles Stenholm. In addition, producer and agribusiness leaders will constitute a reaction panel to offer their views of local impact.

The afternoon session will be devoted to state issues including an update on the boll weevil eradication program led by Woody Anderson, chairman, Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation.

Larry Soward, deputy commissioner, Texas Department of Agriculture, will talk about key agricultural issues specific to the state.

For those serving on the Texas Agricultural Forum Steering Committee, Chairman Donald Johnson has called a planning meeting from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 15, at the Waco Hilton Board Room.

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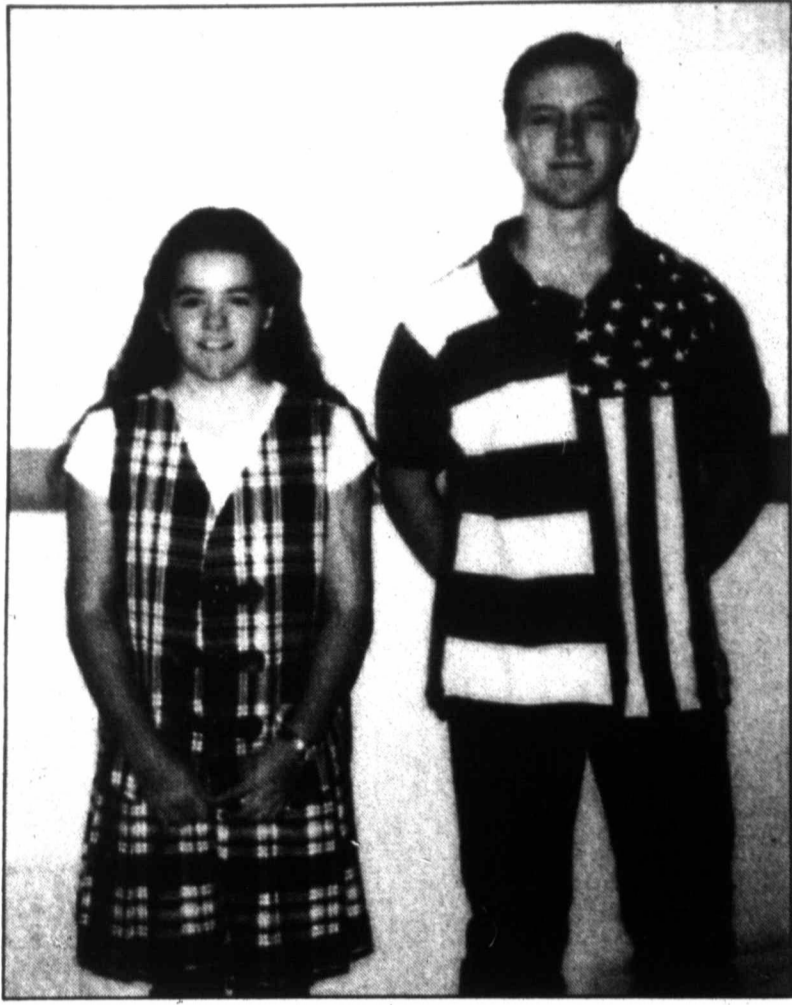
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Pirates of the Month



(Special photo)

Tracy Tucker, left, and Bryan Bockmon were chosen as the Lefors High School Pirates of the Month for December. Tucker, a sophomore, is the daughter of O.L. and Shirley Tucker. Her favorite subject is world history, and she raises show pigs in 4-H. She is a cheerleader and enjoys spending time with her friends, both on and off the phone. Bockmon, a senior, is the son of Charlotte and Russell Bockmon. He works at Country General and his newest hobby is rapelling. He will be attending Texas A&M University in the fall of 1996.

Older folks learn to work off their property tax bills

By CAROLYN THOMPSON
Associated Press Writer

CHELMSFORD, Mass. (AP) — For years, 72-year-old Patrick Swanberry watched, frustrated, as the town raised his property tax while his fixed income held steady.

So it didn't take much convincing for the retired corrections officer to take Chelmsford up on its offer of a \$500 tax break earlier this year. Even if it meant postponing a round or two of golf and going back to work for a while.

For 100 hours over the summer, Swanberry stood guard at Freeman's Lake, keeping the out-of-towners away from its sandy beach and shade trees.

His \$5-an-hour "pay" wasn't quite on par with his pre-retirement salary, but then the gate-crashers he ran into probably weren't as ornery as those he encountered at the Middlesex House of Corrections.

Chelmsford is one of a growing number of Massachusetts cities and towns dangling \$500 tax rebates in front of older people with the hope they'll tackle some of the jobs town employees can't seem to find time to do.

Seniors are put to work collecting tax payments, delivering meals, putting books on library shelves or any number of other tasks.

"There are jobs that are important that are No. 101 on the priority list of the 100 things you need to do," said Chris Gaffney, who coordinates the program for Hopedale. "They're jobs you just can't get to."

Job placements are based on

questionnaires which ask about past work experience, interests and physical limitations.

"We're not going to have them up on ladders or buildings or carrying heavy things or anything like that," said Tracy Blais, who administers the program in West Newbury, where she is finance director.

For Swanberry, his hours on the job seemed more like, well, a day at the beach sometimes.

"I more or less enjoyed the job, work-wise," he said. "It was no task whatsoever as far as the 100 hours go. I would have liked to even stayed."

And the tax break "was a tremendous help," he said. He's already asked for a spot in the program next year.

"I'm on a fixed income, and anything that comes up above what you're already getting is like taxation on your own. You don't have it. Your income doesn't go according to your tax increase," he said.

The program got its Massachusetts start four years ago in Chelmsford, which took its lead from a similar program in Littleton, Colo. There, seniors are recruited to work only in the city's schools.

Sandy Markwood, director of human services programs for the National Association of Counties, said that in addition to Massachusetts and Colorado counties in South Carolina and California offer programs under which older people can work in exchange for a tax break.

"It's not widespread but ... It's an idea that's catching on," she said. "It's not like anybody's getting something for nothing. They're working."

Area students named to high school Who's Who

Almost 200 area students are included in the 29th annual edition of *Who's Who Among American High School Students 1994-95*.

Who's Who is the largest high school recognition publication in the country. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally, 99 percent of *Who's Who* students have a grade point average of B or better, and 97 percent are college bound.

The 29th edition of *Who's Who*, published in 18 regional volumes, features almost 750,000 students or just six percent of the nation's 12,000,000 high school students. They represent approximately 18,000 of the 22,000 public, private and parochial high schools in the country.

Area students selected include:
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What a tangled web we weave — on the Internet

By ELIZABETH WEISE
AP Cyberspace Writer

If 1994 was the year America discovered the Internet, 1995 was the year merchants and the sheriff arrived to civilize the new frontier.

Suddenly fancy storefronts were built. Ads appeared on the sides of barns. That final symbol of settled-down life went up on main street.

The final result looked something like the city of San Francisco a year after the gold rush — imposing new mansions next to wooden shacks, Eastern banks next to saloons, outlaws bumping against the rule of law.

The Internet was no longer a toy that could be overlooked. It was as large as a 51st state.

At the start of 1995 there were approximately 16 million people on the Internet, according to demographer John Quarterman. The projected estimate for January 1996 was 32 million. On the commercial on-line services such as CompuServe and America Online, the growth rate was even more impressive, from 4.6 million at the beginning of the year to 11.3 million just by the end of November, according to Rod Kuckro, editor of *Information and Interactive Service Report*.

One of the big reasons the numbers had grown so fast was the introduction of World Wide Web — the "killer app" that everyone had been waiting for to punch the Internet into the big time.

As a program, or "application," the Web started life as a simple way for physicists to connect their research computers. But it grew up when 22-year-old Marc Andressen developed the Mosaic program. Getting a computer to talk to other computers became point-and-click easy.

A great democratizing force, the Web made self-publishing on a shoestring possible, with a potential audience that num-

bered in the millions. Suddenly anyone from the State Department to a gang of rowdy feminists in Australia could write and design a Web site and let the Internet community itself decide what was worth checking out. It was like a storefront theater group being given Carnegie Hall for the weekend.

They went wild. So did everyone else. As the Web revolution spread, businesses that had been nosing around the Internet suddenly felt the water rising around their ankles. A market of untold proportions was being born and the rush to reach it began.

In the words of Brock Meeks, whose advertising-free *Cyberwire Dispatch* reaches millions, the "dumb money" started to fly.

"Corporate culture sensed there was something valuable there, but they didn't know what it was or how to define it. But they were desperately afraid of missing it. So they started throwing dumb money at the Internet — in the hopes that some of it would stick."

It's unclear if anyone's actually making much money on the Internet yet, but no one disputes that when there is money to be made, it will go to those who've staked a claim.

To Bob Smith of the Interactive Services Association, 1995 was the year that the Internet became a corporate necessity for marketing and communications.

"The transformation clearly happened this year. If you don't have it, you're considered part of the Dark Ages."

Business wasn't alone in noticing that this computer adolescent was suddenly 6-foot-2 and knocking into things. As long as the Internet was a small in-group of academics and researchers talking mostly about science and Star Trek, it had been left alone.

But 1994 saw a blossoming of the net as something not just for academics, and by 1995 govern-

ment began to worry about just what was going on out there in cyberspace. Issues such as privacy, intellectual property and protection against fraud came up, along with a bright light being shone into some of the seamy corners of net.

The April 26 bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City allowed people around the world to share their collective grief over the explosion that killed 169 people.

It also brought up fears that the Internet has been used to plan the attack. While that turned out not to be the case, some made much of the fact that detailed instructions on how to reproduce the bomb were found on-line — although those same instructions were available in most libraries.

Policy makers were also shocked to find there was pornography on-line, despite the fact that most of it had been scanned in from magazines which could be easily purchased in much of the country.

Things got worse in July when *Time* magazine features a cover story on "Cyberporn" based on a since-discredited study by Carnegie Mellon undergraduate Marty Rimm. The article intimated that as much as 80 percent of the content found on the Internet were pornographic.

Rimm's study actually found that on the Internet's Usenet newsgroups, only 3 percent of all the messages are pornographic image files.

Some on-line users had hoped that applying existing laws to their new world would be enough, but a move to regulate cyberspace was under way. Language was added to the year's telecommunications de-regulation bill imposing an up to two-year jail sentence and \$100,000 in fines on anyone posting "indecent" material on the Internet.

On Dec. 13 the issue caused as many as 20,000 methheads to leave

cyberspace and take action in "meat space" by calling members of Congress to express their displeasure, according to the Center for Democracy and Technology in Washington.

This could be the beginning of a new form of on-line political organization — appropriately enough, the future will tell.

Ah, the future ...

At least part of what will happen in the coming year seems clear. Cyberspace will be regulated — kicking and screaming — and the court battles over free speech will begin. "It's going to throw the Internet into a state of uncertainty for several years," said Smith.

Despite that, business growth on the net will begin to catch up with the phenomenal increase in accounts. A study by Input, a California-based information services research firm, estimated that \$20 million in business was done on-line in 1994, \$40 million in 1995 — with a whopping \$260 million estimated in 1996.

Which also means that 1996 will be the year cyberspace gets measured, as businesses seek to justify the money they're spending on Web sites and on-line advertising. Do a million hits on your home pages mean anything in terms of sales? Companies won't be able to afford to work on faith any more.

Next year could see a cheap computer link 50 times faster than the fastest modem now available. That kind of speed makes video and sound as easy to use as text, bringing with it the possibility of a whole new cyber revolution.

The net went from clunky file-transfer-protocols to snazzy Web sites in less than two years. Three-dimensional systems are already coming out, with more amazing ones being dreamed up all the time.

What the net of 1997 might be is almost beyond imagining.

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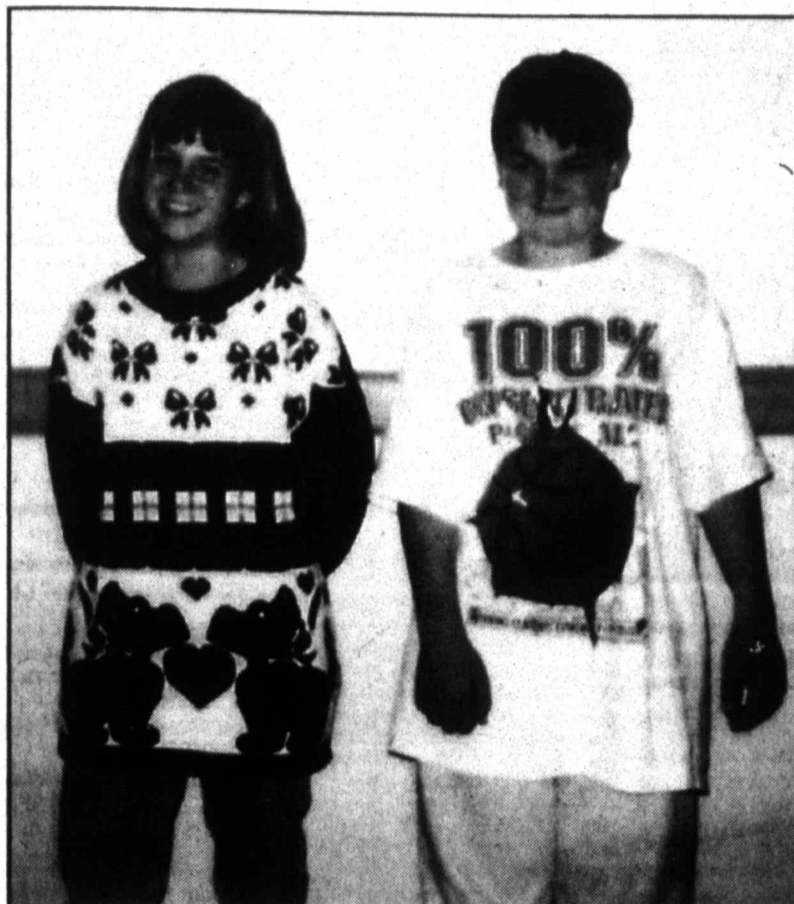
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Bandits of the Month



(Special photo) April Rodgers, left, and J.W. Mains were chosen as the Lefors Junior High School Bandits of the Month for December. Rodgers is the daughter of Liz Rodgers. She is an eighth grader who likes talking on the phone and also enjoys sports. Mains is the son of Lloyd and Kathy Mains. He is a seventh grader who likes television, Nintendo and playing sports with his friends.

Chess teaches Camden youth lessons in life

By KISHA MCKINNEY
Associated Press Writer

CAMDEN, N.J. (AP) — Officers Bill Reed and Michael Williams were weary of mopping up the blood of Camden's young people. Perhaps they could not end the carnage, but they believed they had a weapon that might help.

That weapon was chess. "Thinking four moves ahead, that's our motto," Williams says. In chess, a player must consider the consequences before making a move.

Camden is the poorest city in the state and the fifth poorest in the nation. Nearly half the city's 87,000 residents are under age 21, but there are no bowling alleys or movie theaters.

With more than a month left in the year, the city surpassed its previous homicide record of 50.

"I got so tired of picking these kids up off the street dead," Reed said. "They're killing these kids at such a rate — it's unreal."

So Reed and Williams started a Monday night chess club to get kids off the street, and

to teach them some skills that might save them when they returned.

"This is the best part of my day," Williams said when he arrived at East Camden Middle School's cafeteria. Two dozen boys and girls were there to greet him.

Williams said it takes only 20 minutes to teach them the basics of the game. After that, it's on to advanced strategy.

"Almost all these kids have never played chess," Williams said. They prove to be quick studies.

"These are inner-city kids who aren't supposed to be that bright, and look at them. Look at the concentration," Reed said.

"I wanted to not only prove a point, but prove it to these kids," Reed said. "I believe in all these kids. I let them know there is hope and people care."

"I didn't know how to play when I came, but I learned fast," said Jose Perez, 17, who joined the club when it started last spring.

Farther down the table, Reed's son, Atiq, 14, is deep into a game with James Hatcher, 13. James knits his brow and frowns as he decides what move he'll make next. He starts

to pick up a piece, then puts it down.

After a few hesitant starts, James makes his move. "Check!"

Atiq takes his turn, then James moves another piece. "Check!"

Another move, another countermove with a different piece. "Check!"

Finally, James moves yet another piece. "Checkmate!"

James exults as he knocks over Atiq's king and raises his arms in triumph.

"I'm the champion now!" the eighth-grader gloats to his friend.

The program involves more than chess — it builds confidence and self-esteem. The pizza that is served is also important; for some of these kids, it is the only hot meal they will eat all day.

"We basically have the kids nobody wants," Williams says. "They have nothing to do."

Reed, 37, talks to the kids in their own language, yelling "what's up?" when they arrive at the school. When they call out his name, he fondly responds, "yes, baby."

"We're not going to be daddies, but we can be a friend," Reed said.

How landscaping can help you save on energy bills

By JAMES E. WALTERS

PHOENIX (AP) — The nicest thing about energy-landscaping is that it pays off year after year. If your home's energy bills seem high, look closely at your landscaping.

The sun is lowest at the winter solstice, on Dec. 21 or 22. So this is a good time to do some calculations because, as the days become longer and seasons change, shadow directions and lengths also change.

Properly placed plants affect inner-outer wall surfaces.

In winter, the sun will supply free solar heat. Conversely, on June 21 or 22, the summer solstice, the sun reaches its highest point overhead. Thus careful selection and positioning of plants can help to control heat loss or gain.

Deciduous trees are ideal for energy landscaping. With the leaves gone, they allow the sun to reach and warm the house in winter, cutting heating costs. During the warmest months, they provide shade and cooling from intense sunlight.

The Salt River Project, a major supplier of electricity in Arizona, advised customers a few years ago that three trees planted on the west and southwest sides of a home can save \$50 to \$100 in summer-cooling costs when they mature. No estimates were given on heating, but think of what comes through a sunny window.

Positioning of landscape plantings to save energy requires some knowledge of the sun's movement. While the sun always travels on an east-west arc during daytime, the arc varies as the sun moves from the southern sky in winter to the northern sky in summer.

Tables have been calculated for each latitude in the United States and should be available from your area's Cooperative Extension Service office or land-grant university.

Directing the air flow around a home also will contribute to energy conservation and comfort of living. Plant windbreaks perpendicular to the wind direction to reduce the wind's effect. And be sure you know the direction of your winter winds, usually from the north or west.

Heat or cooling is also lost or gained through the home's building materials. Insulation will help and sealing cracks around doors and windows is a must. Also, there always will be some conduction through the building, no matter how good the insulation and sealing.

One caution: if shading walls with vines sounds appealing, be sure you determine if those you are considering will cause physical deterioration of the wall or work their way into your home.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Jim Walters worked for the AP as a reporter and editor from 1947 until he retired in 1984.

Special Christmas tree



(Special photo)

Mrs. Alice Sharum displays one of the individually decorated Christmas trees purchased, decorated and donated by employees of Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency Inc. The tree pictured was decorated for Mrs. Sharum by Patsy Brown, a home health aide at Shepard's Nursing.

Dickens on the Strand grows

GALVESTON (AP) — Dragging his chains and pointing an accusatory finger, the ghost of Marley follows Ebenezer Scrooge through the crowds screaming 19th-century epithets as women in bustles and men in top hats step aside in mock horror.

Suddenly, a disposable camera appears in the crowd. The crusted, ashen face dissolves into a grin as Marley stoops to tickle the chin of a toddler and pose for pictures.

Welcome to Dickens on the Strand where Christmas past meets Christmas present in a dazzling two-day celebration full of fancy costumes, jugglers, madrigals and the occasional sword swallower.

As Galveston's Strand National Historic Landmark District has been renovated, so has Dickens on the Strand grown.

The festival originated in 1973 as a private party for the Galveston Historical Foundation. It was such a hit, the following year they opened it up to the public and named it A Dickens Evening on the Strand.

That year vendors set up their wares in a couple of the old, run-down abandoned warehouses in

what was then considered Galveston's skid row, according to Foundation spokesman David Bush. It was held at night because the buildings were in such bad shape "they didn't want anyone to see them," Bush said. "The idea was to give people an image of what it had been."

The island city's Strand has one of the largest collections of Victorian architecture in the country. As the buildings were renovated, Dickens on the Strand evolved into a daytime street festival spanning nine blocks.

From "maybe 2,000" visitors in 1974, the festival hosted more than 50,000 guests this year, adding an estimated \$3 million to the city's economy.

All of the vendors, volunteers, craftsmen and entertainers dress in Victorian garb and the festival boasts two daily parades. Visitors are encouraged to dress in costumes themselves.

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Learning math and science through teamwork ... on the high river

By MICHAEL HADDIGAN
Associated Press Writer

PITTSBURGH (AP) — For many children, the equation is simple: Math plus science equals boredom.

Hundreds of students are discovering a better solution that has more in common with the expeditions of Jacques Cousteau than the algebra class of Mr. Peabody. On a gray, 80-foot former Navy training vessel, they learn critical thinking, real-world problem solving and teamwork.

The Pittsburgh Voyager has been converted into a floating classroom that teaches more than formulas and memorization. Scrambling fore and aft on a recent expedition, 29 students eagerly collected scientific information for a shipboard computer database logging changes in the Ohio River's health.

"The idea is to create excitement on the river and keep a gleam in students' eyes," said William R. McGowen, who heads the river program. "We want them to say, 'Maybe math and science aren't so bad.'"

It's a message that seems to be sinking in. "If you just sit and listen to somebody talking, you get bored and fall asleep. This is a lot more exciting," student David Metzger said.

"I've never seen a program like this," biology teacher Ron Gratz said.

The 28-year classroom veteran watched as the shivering ninth-graders from suburban North Hills

Junior High School crowded the boat's stern to trawl for microscopic animal and plant life in the frigid river.

"We're going to look at them under a microscope and find out if there's enough for the fish to feed on," said Greg Kirkland, 14.

Classmates checked cloud conditions, calculated wind speeds and tested water for oxygen content. As the Voyager sailed past low-riding coal barges and rusted work boats, students recorded sightings of rock doves, loons, grebes and mallard ducks.

"We can't get away with just lecturing any more," said teacher Mary Lou McNavage. "You have to give students real problems to solve."

The children on the boat are part of an American generation that will likely kick the information revolution into high gear, explore Mars and cure AIDS. And they'll earn a living in a high-technology global economy where smokestack skills and a strong back won't cut it, said Harvard University Professor Lewis Branscomb.

Even low-skill jobs will require at least some technical expertise.

"People will be required to think, work together in teams and solve technical problems without having to call an engineer," Branscomb said.

Branscomb chaired a 1991 Carnegie Commission study calling for new teaching methods to improve math and science education. Hands-on learning programs like Voyager are part of the solution, he said.

'We're doing science instead of just studying it,' student Kristen Balestreire said.

Filmmaker and photographer Kenneth Love and teacher Jim Coor founded the program in 1992. The Navy provided the decommissioned training vessel; government, corporate and private foundation grants support Voyager's work.

Groups of elementary and middle school students board the tidy gray vessel three or four times a week for four-hour working cruises on the city's rivers.

Pittsburgh, the nation's largest inland port, stands at the point where the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers meet to form the Ohio River.

"We're not a field trip. We're part of the curriculum," said McGowen, who flew Navy jets and commanded the massive aircraft carrier John F. Kennedy for two years before retiring as an admiral.

Weeks before students set foot on deck, they begin studying a "Captain's Chest" of materials provided by Voyager. They'll continue to work with the data when they return to their dry-land classroom, McGowen said.

One elementary school principal, Barbara Rudiak, is so impressed she's building the school's entire curriculum around river studies. Phillips Elementary is now known as "the River School."

"The kids can really see a purpose to their learning," Rudiak said.

Patricia C. Griest, one of three teachers on the Voyager's crew, said science experiments and relevant math problems are not especially new. The shipboard experience transports them into the realm of practical science.

"Students use legitimate scientific field equipment. And they use all their senses and their brains to investigate the rivers," she said.

Below decks in the converted crew quarters, a half-dozen students squinted into microscopes to examine river samples.

"This is scum," said Kate Plowey, 14. "There might be some algae living in here."

Nearby, Carol Smialek, also 14, struggled with her fellow students to reconcile wildly different results from separate oxygen level tests on the same river water samples.

Students in a school science lab might well shrug off the disparity and move on to homeroom. Aboard Voyager, there's much more at stake. Faulty observations could skew later studies of the river.

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