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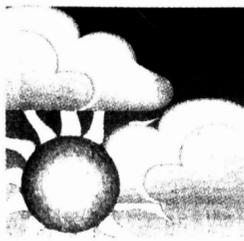
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PAMPA — The cause of a fire that struck an unoccupied apartment building Wednesday evening is still under investigation today, fire department officials say.

The two-story structure at 417 Crest shows little outside damage, but Pampa Fire Department Captain Mike Horton said an upstairs apartment suffered "heavy damage."

Damages are currently estimated over \$20,000.

Horton said that personnel on the scene indicated the fire was under control in about 15 minutes.

Four PFD units and seven personnel initially responded to the scene, and four additional off-duty personnel were later called in as well.

The building's owner, Juan Rodriguez, was listed with an Oklahoma address, according to the fire department.

WHITE DEER — A tractor-trailer rig overturned on U.S. 60 between Panhandle and White Deer early today partially blocking the highway.

The eastbound truck carrying iron beams on a flatbed trailer overturned shortly after 5 a.m. today about three miles west of White Deer, Department of Public Safety officials at the scene said.

The wheels on the right side of the truck apparently went off onto the shoulder of the road where U.S. 60 cuts between two playa lakes in Carson County. The rig came back on the highway and the trailer turned over, blocking the right hand lane of eastbound U.S. 60.

Officers said no one was injured in the crash.

PAMPA — The Veterans of Foreign Wars post has begun collecting items for food baskets to be delivered to the needy for the Christmas holiday.

Persons interested in contributing to the drive are asked to bring canned foods and other non-perishable food items to the new VFW post building at 105 S. Cuyler (formerly Jackie's Furniture).

Also, anyone knowing of a needy veteran family may tell personnel at the VFW post building or any VFW member to arrange for a food basket.

AUSTIN (AP) — One ticket bought in Corpus Christi is worth \$4 million after correctly drawing all six numbers last Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 8, 12, 17, 29, 33 and 39.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be \$4 million.

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Clinton ready to veto another spending bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton says he will not accept a Republican attempt to eliminate his cop-on-the-beat program, and has promised to veto another key 1996 spending bill.

The House passed by 256-166 a \$27.3 billion House-Senate compromise bill Wednesday to fund the departments of Commerce, Justice and State in fiscal 1996, but with the clear understanding it is headed for a presidential veto.

The administration opposes other elements in the bill, particularly a 30 percent cut in the budget of the Legal Services Corporation, the agency that provides legal aid for the poor.

The main dispute is over the Republican attempt to replace the program to put 100,000 new police officers on the streets, part of the 1994 anti-crime act, with a \$1.9 billion block grant program that lets local governments decide how to spend money to fight crime.

"I will not stand for any attempts to keep us from putting 100,000 new officers on the street," Clinton said in a letter to Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y.

Rep. Bill McCollum, R-Fla., head of the Judiciary Commit-

tee's crime panel, said the GOP plan is more flexible and aimed at cities hardest hit by crime. He said he is willing to talk to the administration about the issue, "but so far they've just drawn a line in the sand."

The director of the Justice Department's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS), Joseph Brann, defended the program in a House hearing today, saying it had moved swiftly and efficiently to put 26,000 more police officers on the streets.

"I give you my word, if we continue to receive our appropriation and authorization from you, there will be 100,000 more officers, period," he told the crime subcommittee.

As the Senate debated the spending bill today, Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said it "represents a compromise between our desires and our true, fiscally responsible law enforcement needs."

The Commerce-Justice-State bill, which awaits Senate approval, is one of six spending bills for the current fiscal year that Congress has yet to

send to the president.

Also outstanding and facing likely presidential vetoes are the \$80 billion Veterans Affairs-Housing and Urban Development bill and the \$61 billion Labor-Health and Human Services bill.

House action on the Commerce-Justice-State bill came as Clinton formally vetoed the massive GOP spending and tax cut proposal for balancing the budget by 2002. With negotiations over the balanced budget plan currently stalled, and the six spending bills still pending, Congress will have to pass another temporary spending measure by Dec. 15 to avoid a second federal shutdown.

The Commerce-Justice-State bill provides \$14.6 billion for crime-fighting measures, up 19 percent in 1995, but makes deep cuts in the Commerce Department, which Republicans are trying to dismantle, and the State Department.

The bill would eliminate Commerce's Advanced Technology Program, cutting the budget for the National Institute of Standards and Technology would be cut 43 percent to \$400 million.

Santa letters



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Hannah Hopkins, 5, of Pampa starts the Christmas season by mailing her letter to Santa Claus in the special Santa Claus mail box at the Pampa Post Office. The mail box will be out until Dec. 21. Letters to Santa placed in the special mail box will be printed in *The Pampa News*.

Serbs evict more Muslims from land; looting continues

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — With time growing short before NATO peacekeepers arrive in force, rebel Serbs have resumed expelling Muslims from land Serbs will control in postwar Bosnia, U.N. officials said today.

In addition to the expulsions, Serbs, Croats and Muslims have been destroying property on lands they must vacate to their enemies once the peace accord initialed in Dayton, Ohio, is signed Dec. 14.

With some senior NATO officers saying they will not tolerate such behavior in areas under that will be under their control, it appeared the rival sides were prepared to continue expulsions, looting and arson until full deployment of the 60,000-member NATO force begins. That is expected to happen days after the peace accord is signed in Paris.

NATO advance teams continued arriving today, although a low fog forced three planes to divert from Sarajevo to the Croatian port of Split. The fog lifted later in the day, and four military transport planes were able to land with about 30 troops and several vehicles.

Officials at the Sarajevo airport said NATO officers and troops on the flights diverted to Split would make a long, bone-crunching ride to Kiseljak, 15 miles northwest of Sarajevo. NATO's rapid reaction force is building a temporary headquarters there to handle the transition from U.N. command to NATO command, which is take place shortly after the Paris signing.

The Bosnian peace agreement divides the country into two entities — one Serb-run, the other controlled by a Muslim-Croat federation. For several weeks, the Serbs had stopped expelling

non-Serbs from land assigned to the rebels.

Today, the United Nations reported that up to 60 Muslim families were evicted over the past few days from their homes near the northwestern Serb stronghold of Banja Luka.

Kris Janowski of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees said the families were pushed out of the village of Dubrave, 20 miles north of Banja Luka.

"They have been placed with other Muslim families, and the Muslims in that area now live in terrible congestion," Janowski said. "They have been squeezed into very, very few Muslim houses which still remain in Muslim hands."

"This is particularly alarming in the context of the Dayton, Ohio, agreement ... guaranteeing the right of all minorities to remain in their homes in safety and dignity, and this is an obvious violation," Janowski said.

On Wednesday, Capt. Colin Armstrong-Bell, a spokesman for the British battalion in central Bosnia, said he had witnessed Bosnian Croats torching two villages the day before. His account added to evidence of Croat abuses in areas they must give up under the partition agreement.

Chris Guinness, a U.N. spokesman in Zagreb, said that in addition to burning and looting homes, Bosnian Croats have begun to take equipment out of factories.

Bosnian Serbs also "burned or stripped down" a few houses in Serb-held territory south of the eastern Muslim enclave of Gorazde, which is to be handed over to the Muslim-Croat federation under the Bosnian peace accord, he said.

City Lake to be stocked with rainbow trout

Pampa City Lake is scheduled to receive 1,000 catchable size rainbow trout on Wednesday, Dec. 13, through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department trout stocking program.

This stocking is the first of two scheduled for the lake. A total of 2,000 trout will be stocked this winter. The TPWD purchased the first 1,000 and the City of Pampa purchased another 1,000. The second stocking is scheduled for March 5.

Eric R. Altena, TPWD district biologist, said the winter trout stocking program was begun to provide Texas anglers with a unique fishing opportunity during winter months.

"Trout are stocked in winter when water temperatures are cold enough for trout to survive," Altena said. "Trout cannot survive summer temperatures in most of the waters of Texas."

The objective of the trout program is to have anglers harvest as many trout as are stocked so that none are wasted, he said.

The TPWD winter trout program is funded by

trout anglers through the purchase of a \$7 trout stamp to legally fish for and keep trout.

People who become 65 after Sept. 1 are now required to purchase a Special Resident Fishing License and the trout stamp; however, anglers under 17 or who were 65 prior to Sept. 1 do not have to purchase a license or trout stamp, Altena explained.

The daily bag limit is five fish, with no length limit. The possession limit is 10 fish.

"Remember, people who take more than their limit are stealing from you and all the other legal anglers," Altena said.

Altena advised those witnessing illegal harvesting to call Operation Game Thief at 1-800-792-GAME. Callers are guaranteed complete anonymity if requested. Callers also could earn a cash reward for reporting illegal fishing activity.

For more information on trout stocking, call the TPWD headquarters at 1-800-792-1112 or the district office in Canyon at (806) 655-4341.



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Rehearsing the fight scene in 'Romeo and Juliet,' the modern adaptation of Shakespeare's 'Romeo and Juliet,' at Pampa Middle School are, from left, Jason Burklow, who is cast as Ben; Dean Birkes as Merc; Jason Roark as Romeo; and Jeremy Harper as Tiebolt. In the play, Rusty Brown is set to play the part of Merc.

PMS theatre students to present three plays

Lion and Mouse escapades, *Cinderella* and a modernized version of *Romeo and Juliet*, which is titled *Romeo and Julie*, are set to be presented at the Pampa Middle School auditorium on Saturday by the theatre arts classes.

Romeo and Julie will be presented at 11 a.m. by first and seventh periods, *Lion and Mouse* Stories at noon by sixth and sev-

enth periods, and *Cinderella* at 3:45 p.m.

Dennis Boyd and Shelby McGahan play the lead lion parts while Bryce Jorda and Ashley Kiper are the mice in the animal stories that also includes a cast of 17.

Brittany Kindle is cast as Cinderella. Jason Roark is Romeo while April Sotelo is Julie in the modern adaptation of

Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*.

"With these plays, students are learning to project their voices, act, memorize lines, work as a team, be creative with improvisation and perform before other," stated Dean Birkes, teacher and director of the Pampa Middle School theatre classes.

The productions are open to the public free of charge.

Young man killed in accident

ESTELINE — Services were pending today for a Quitaque man killed in a one-vehicle rollover on his birthday.

Joe David Valdez, 19, died at Hall County Hospital in Memphis shortly before midnight Wednesday of injuries suffered when the pickup he was driving rolled on a highway west of Esteline.

Barbara Cagle, 18, and her husband Brian Cagle, 25, both of Quitaque, were released from Hall County Hospital Wednesday night after being treated for minor injuries.

Department of Public Safety officers said Valdez was driving

a 1986 Nissan pickup south on Texas Highway 86 shortly after 9 p.m. Wednesday when the truck approached a curve in the road about a mile west of Esteline.

The truck apparently went off the roadway to the right. Officers said the driver over-corrected, crossed the highway and went into the bar ditch on the left side of the road. The driver over-corrected again, officers said, and brought the truck back onto the road, where it rolled.

Authorities said Valdez was thrown from the cab of the pickup. No one in the truck was wearing a seat belt at the time of the accident, officers said.

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Nation briefs

Premature baby nearly declared dead clings to life
KALAMAZOO, Mich. (AP) — Weighing less than 2 pounds and born 16 weeks premature, Chase Lear-Carter today clung to a life his parents and doctors had been ready to forsake.

Nicholas Carter and Shannon Lear were holding their newborn Saturday, preparing to say goodbye while his death certificate and funeral papers were being prepared. Doctors had said the boy's situation was essentially hopeless after efforts to get him to start breathing properly failed.

Three hours after his birth, Chase gasped for air through his underdeveloped lungs and made a sound. He was placed immediately on a ventilator, where he remained today in critical condition.

"It's a hard feeling to explain when you lose a child, then you find out he's come back to life," said Carter, 21. "There's an overwhelming feeling of joy, like when he was first born."

Lear, 19, never gave up hope for her son.

Mom jailed for letting husband, daughter have sex
HEMET, Calif. (AP) — A woman was sentenced to a year in jail for allowing her husband to have sex with his teenage stepdaughter in hopes that the infertile couple could have a child.

Deborah Louise Bower, 38, pleaded guilty in July to unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor as part of a plea bargain. The girl, who was 14 when the sexual relationship began in 1994, told investigators that she gave in to her stepfather's advances after her mother began encouraging her to submit.

Mrs. Bower told detectives that her husband, James, threatened to leave her because she could not become pregnant and they could not afford a surrogate.

Bower, 48, who committed suicide in May, left a note saying, "Debbie, I'm sorry, tell my mom and my daughters that I love them."

Mount San Jacinto Municipal Judge William R. Bailey Jr. on Tuesday sentenced Mrs. Bower to a county jail, rather than state prison. "There is a potential here for some healing," he said.

The girl has written to the court to say she has forgiven her mother.

Researchers discover AIDS breakthrough

WASHINGTON (AP) — American and German researchers have isolated natural substances in the body that battle the AIDS virus and experts say the discoveries may lead to a more effective treatment of the killer disease.

The researchers identified molecules that the body's immune system secretes and laboratory tests show the natural biological material can stop reproduction of HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

"We identified this family (of molecules) and found that they are very powerful," said Dr. Robert Gallo, co-discoverer of the AIDS virus and director of the Institute of Human Virology at the University of Maryland.

When tested against cultures of HIV, said Gallo, the natural substance "is a very strong inhibition. It stops it (the virus) pretty cold."

BIG NATE'S SECRET SANTA by Lincoln Peirce



State law puts tough nursing home regulations in jeopardy

AUSTIN (AP) — A new state law written to bring Texas in line with federal nursing home standards could force inspectors to apply less restrictive standards than those now in use, according to some in the Department of Human Services.

The move could threaten the 98,000 people living in Texas nursing homes and puts on the cutting block rules over physical restraints, nurse-patient ratios and basic patient rights.

The state law says state rules governing nursing homes that get Medicaid funding can not differ from federal standards. Nearly 90 percent of Texas nursing homes receive Medicaid funding.

The law took effect in September. But officials at the Texas Department of Human Services have not rewritten their rules to conform to the new state law. They are waiting to review a list of rules that would be affected.

A list was drafted and prepared for consideration last month. But state Rep. Harvey Hilderbran, R-

Kerrville and author of the law, asked for a delay because he disagreed with the list.

"I was alarmed by some of the stuff that missed the mark," Hilderbran said in a story published in the *Austin American-Statesman* on Wednesday.

Hilderbran said he wanted to reduce the number of state nursing home rules, not jeopardize residents' care.

"My intent was always to preserve and increase the quality of care," he said.

But state officials say many federal nursing home regulations are less restrictive. They also are concerned by federal lawmakers' efforts to abandon or water down many of their rules.

"If you're told that you can't be more restrictive than federal law and there is no federal law, can we have any more than zero?" asked Mark Chouteau, an assistant commissioner at the Texas Human Services Department.

Hilderbran said the law should not be read as requiring every state rule different from federal laws to be scrapped.

But Sen Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, said the law "takes away the department's ability to tailor rules and regulations to the particular needs of this state."

When lawmakers were considering Hilderbran's idea, Moncrief said he tried to amend it to allow state rules to go beyond federal rules when there was a need to protect patients. That attempt failed.

Hilderbran and nursing home officials said the new law allows enough flexibility and any problems could be dealt with by the next Legislature.

"Twenty-two states that I know of, and there may be more, have adopted the federal rules as the rules they operate by and the rules they hold nursing facilities responsible to," said Sara Speights, a lobbyist for the Texas Health Care Association. "It isn't like this is anything bizarre and crazy."

Ms. Speights said state rules that go beyond federal rules have created unnecessary, complex and irrelevant regulations.

Many U.S. producers returning to oil over gas

HOUSTON (AP) — Fewer U.S. producers plan to concentrate on natural gas next year in favor of oil, a new survey suggests.

Many producers have soured on natural gas and are returning to their first love after a year of disappointing prices, the study by Arthur Andersen shows.

Only 33 percent of all producers participating in the annual U.S. Oil & Gas Industry Outlook Survey intend to focus on finding and producing natural gas in 1996. A year ago, that number was 49 percent.

Meanwhile, the percentage of those centering on oil has risen from 3 to 16 percent.

"The commitment to gas is the lowest it's been in the '90s," said Victor Burk, managing director of energy industry services at Arthur Andersen.

He said demand for gas is expected to grow a healthy 2 percent to 4 percent annually and the vast majority of producers are convinced that large amounts

of gas remain undiscovered.

But company forecasters' anticipations for gas prices are something less than bullish — an average \$1.75 per thousand cubic feet next year, rising only to about \$2.09 by the end of the decade.

Oil prices aren't likely to fare much better, only \$17.50 per barrel in 1996 and maybe \$20 a barrel by the year 2000.

The forecasters are not swayed by normal seasonal price swings, as occurred Tuesday when natural gas futures soared 5 percent on forecasts for freezing weather across much of the northern United States.

Expectations of rising demand for heating fuels pushed oil prices higher as well, with heating oil climbing to the highest point in more than two years and crude reaching an 11-week high.

Because of the less-than-great expectations, oil and gas producers don't think they'll be willing to cough up as much cash to

explore for new oil and gas reserves in the United States.

For the first time in three years, less than half the producers surveyed plan to boost spending next year. Most expect to keep their spending flat.

"When gas prices are up, activity is up," said William J. Barrett, chairman and chief executive of Denver-based Barrett Resources Corp. "When gas prices are down, activity is down."

Barrett said his firm's capital budget will be about \$87 million, up slightly from current levels.

The reluctance to spend money to find new reserves at a time of increasing demand raises the specter of a supply crunch, Burk said. "That has to lead you to the conclusion supplies may not be there to meet demand."

Veteran oil and gas executives, who have watched their industry shed hundreds of thousands of jobs over the last decade, remain pessimistic about the future employment picture.

First Asian inmate set to be executed in state prison

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A Vietnamese man convicted of killing two people in a shooting spree nine years ago today was set to become the first Asian to be executed in the United States since the U.S. Supreme Court allowed the death penalty to resume nearly two decades ago.

Hai Hai Vuong, 40, would become the second condemned killer in as many days to be put to death in Texas and the fifth to be executed in the country this week. Florida had two executions and Missouri one earlier this week.

Wednesday evening, Texas officials gave a lethal injection to Bernard Amos, convicted of the 1988 shooting death of Dallas police officer James Joe. Joe, 34, was gunned down as he interrupted Amos and an accomplice during the burglary of an apartment at the north Dallas complex where Joe was working a second job as a security guard.

"I just say in this case the state of Texas made a big mistake," Amos said in a final statement in which he accused the courts of racism when they consider appeals. "They only hear the white ones," said Amos, who was black.

The U.S. Supreme Court rejected an appeal from Amos Monday and there were no 11th-hour efforts to block the execution. His attorney said there was nothing left to appeal.

Amos, 33, an 11th-grade dropout who worked as a mechanic, was convicted and

sent to prison four times between 1980 and 1987 for numerous crimes including burglary and auto theft. He was on his fourth parole less than eight months when the Joe shooting occurred.

"As a cop, I go out there every single day and see how justice is doled out," Glenn White, president of the Dallas Police Association, said Wednesday. "The whole system has basically become a joke. It really and truly has."

White remembered Joe as a "good guy" who worked in evidence gathering in downtown Dallas.

Senate Republicans jostle for position on resolution

WASHINGTON (AP) — An internal debate among Senate Republicans is intensifying as lawmakers look to a vote next week on whether to support deploying U.S. troops to Bosnia.

With Senate Republican leader Bob Dole trying to craft a measure that can win wide acceptance, eight GOP colleagues offered a rival resolution Wednesday against the deployment.

Republicans on opposite sides of the issue were to meet today to map out next week's debate. "I'm concerned about the policy that we've adopted in this administration of getting into these humanitarian involvements and then coming to Congress and asking for support," said Sen. James Inhofe, R-Okla., an Armed Services Committee member who led the push for the anti-deployment proposal.

The Clinton administration, while insisting it does not need congressional authority to dispatch some 20,000 peacekeepers to the former Yugoslav republic, kept up its campaign for congressional support.

President Clinton hosted a meeting of former national security officials at the White House and dispatched three of his own top defense and foreign affairs advisers to the Armed Services hearing.

Dole and Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., are working on a draft proposal that reluctantly supports the deployment while, at the same time, insisting on a definite plan to arm the Bosnian government. Only by rearming the Muslim-led government can the United States ensure that peace will hold after the troops come home in about a year, the two senators argue.

According to a draft of the Dole-McCain proposal obtained

by The Associated Press, the resolution would require that the United States "lead an immediate effort, separate and apart from the NATO implementation force, to provide equipment, arms, training and related logistics assistance of the highest possible quality" to the Bosnian government. The aid could include surplus U.S. arms.

Defense Secretary William Perry told the armed services panel that Clinton was not prepared to accept that provision, but was willing to negotiate. Like Senate Republicans, Clinton wants to equalize the military imbalance that kept Bosnia on the defensive against rebel Serb attacks for much of the three-year civil war. But the administration is anxious to avoid putting U.S. troops in danger by appearing to take sides.

A more direct challenge to the Clinton administration came from the eight Republican senators who said they will propose a separate resolution asking the Senate to reject the Clinton deployment.

"I think the president has made a mistake," said Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla. "I think it's important that Congress express itself."

At the same time, Nickles conceded that "this resolution is not going to stop the deployment of troops."

In a sign of splintering within the Republican ranks, the eight senators included Alfonse D'Amato of New York, one of Dole's leading supporters in the presidential campaign. Sen. Trent Lott, R-Miss., assistant to Dole in the Republican leadership, broke with the majority leader earlier this week over Bosnia.

Comptroller describes tuition plan as the 'perfect' Christmas present

AUSTIN (AP) — Grandmas and grandpas take note.

Comptroller John Sharp says the perfect Christmas gift for a grandchild this season would be prepaid tuition through a new state program guaranteeing to pay up to four years' tuition and required fees at Texas public colleges and universities.

For a newborn, a lump sum payment of about \$8,000 can lock in those costs at today's prices.

The plan, which begins Jan. 2, may be used at public community colleges, state colleges and universities. Monthly payment options and higher lump sum payments for older children also are available through what is called the Texas Tomorrow Fund.

A private college option is available, although it is more expensive and won't include the guarantee that all tuition and fee expenses will be paid, Sharp said Wednesday.

Recommended by Sharp, the program was created by the 1995 Legislature. Sharp says public interest is unusually high.

"We have gotten hundreds of

requests from parents and grandparents to allow them to do something for Christmas," Sharp said. As a result, his office will provide special gift certificates for those who will be purchasing such a contract.

Sharp said experts estimated that 40,000 Texans would take part the first year. "And we already have had 5,000 inquiries." He said average tuition at a public college or university in Texas has risen nearly 8 percent each year for the past decade.

"That means a child born today will be paying more than four times as much for a college education when he or she reaches the age of 18," he said.

Sharp said the initial enrollment period for the plan will run from January 2, 1996 through March 31, 1996. Texans who purchase contracts under the plan will have until May 1, 1996 to make the first payment. The money will be invested by the state.

Sharp described the Texas plan as the most flexible and consumer-friendly of those offered by several states.



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The Board of Directors of the Pampa Optimist Club have approved the expansion of the boy's basketball league to include boys currently in the 3rd grade. There will now be two divisions: 3rd-4th grade and 5th-6th grade. In order to distribute an equal number of players on each team, most of the returning players may be eligible to be redrafted. Therefore it is important and mandatory that ALL players attend at least two of the tryout dates. The number of players that can participate will be limited so it is also important to sign up as soon as possible. We are also in need of additional coaches so we encourage any parents willing to coach to also attend these tryouts. All managers and coaches should contact Mr. Sam Coffee prior to tryouts Phone 665-1259. Any player who cannot attend two tryouts should contact Jeff Maxwell Phone 665-8240 prior to 12-10-95.

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Opinion

Treading water on Pacific Rim

Perhaps we can chalk up another benefit of the late, lamented government shutdown: With the federal government in a "crisis" and the future of the Republic teetering in the balance, President Clinton decided to cancel a long-planned trip to Japan to participate in a meeting of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum. And with the brave president hunkered down back in Washington, APEC managed unanimously to approve plans to create a massive Pacific Rim free-trade region.

Few developments could be more welcome. Welcoming the idea of creating such a free-trade region, of course, is not the same as having a realistic expectation that APEC will actually be able to carry it off.

For starters, the leaders of the 18 nations involved chose the comfortably distant figure of 25 years hence for the realization of their free-trading dream. And the first steps taken were to call for multi-lateral negotiations to suggest mutual reductions in tariffs, improvement of intellectual property rights and other things.

Such a negotiating forum with such a timetable is likely to spend years squabbling over minutiae and come up with a very complex agreement that looks a lot more like politically-managed trade than genuinely free trade. The most effective and honest way to move toward free trade would be to lead by example.

That means the United States - or some other country that wanted to be leader with the best interests of "its own" people at heart - would reduce or eliminate one's own tariff barriers unilaterally and challenge others to do likewise.

Other countries would start to do the same after a few years - though there would be grumbling and stumbling along the way - when it became obvious how much more prosperous and competitive the free-trading country was becoming, how it was outstripping its fellows in economic growth and the well-being of the people.

What emerges from the APEC morass is more likely to resemble the GATT agreement with its World Trade Organization or the North American Free Trade Agreement. These agreements are worthy of perhaps one cheer because they eventually really should reduce tariff barriers, but they are needlessly complex and leave many interpretations and decisions to panels of international bureaucrats.

Still, all the APEC nations have endorsed - no doubt with varying degrees of sincerity - a Pacific Rim free trade region. If something even close to that can be accomplished - preferably sooner than 25 years down the road - the United States would benefit enormously, as would ordinary people all over the Pacific Rim who yearn for prosperity but find their hopes frustrated by political manipulation of marketplace transactions.

Anytime either Pat Buchanan or Ross Perot opens his mouth on a matter of public policy, there is a 75% chance that what you are about to hear will be wrong. But anytime they are both saying exactly the same thing, the likelihood is close to 100% that it is stark, raving nonsense.

Their pronouncements on international commerce fall in the latter category. On this subject, Buchanan and Perot are like farm-raised turkeys who assume they are getting extra feed because the farmer is so personally attached to them. They are never happier than when they are talking about trade, but only because they haven't got a clue.

Buchanan has made his latest presidential race a crusade to protect American workers, who he says have been "sacrificed on the altar of free trade." Bruce Springsteen may be the one with the new album, but it's Buchanan who sounds like the ghost of Tom Joad. So complete has been his transformation to champion of the common folk that the left-wing magazine *The Nation* says of him, "Nearly a century and a half after the publication of *The Communist Manifesto*, America has its first Marxist presidential candidate."

Opposition to free trade has likewise been central to Perot's political movement, aiming first at the North American Free Trade Agreement and more recently at the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Both repudiate free trade simply because Americans cannot possibly compete with Third World workers, who will gladly take jobs paying a pittance. As Perot said in his book *Save Your Job. Save Our Country* NAFTA pits "American and Mexican workers in a race to the bottom. In this race, millions of American workers will lose their jobs."

He trotted out charts showing that the average



Stephen Chapman

manufacturing wage in Mexico was just \$2.35 an hour, compared to \$16.17 an hour in the U.S. The advantage of exporting jobs to Mexico becomes even plainer, he wrote, when you consider that "once properly trained, Mexican workers' productivity and work quality equals that of anyone, anywhere in the world."

But Perot and Buchanan are simply wrong on the economics of trade. They don't seem to have noticed that since NAFTA took effect nearly two years ago, the U.S. unemployment rate has dropped from 6.7% to 5.5%. That represents a gain of 3.4 million jobs - just the opposite of what they predicted.

If their theory were right, as Swarthmore College economist Stephen Golub puts it, "Bangladesh and Botswana would rule world trade." In a study published recently in the weekly bulletin of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, he documents that though American workers are well paid by world standards, they are highly competitive. The reason: They are far more productive than their counterparts in the Third World.

Golub examined trends in wages and productivity between 1970 and 1990 in eleven different countries, from wealthy to poor, to see how wages and productivity influenced international trade. Perot and

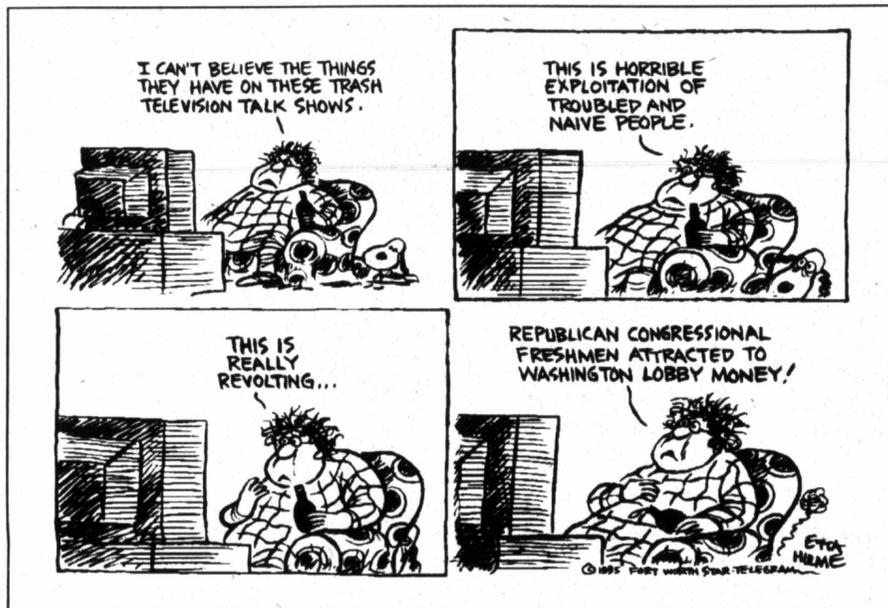
Buchanan are correct in saying that foreign workers will often work for a paltry fraction of what American employers have to pay. But they are hopelessly out to lunch in assuming that wages are all-important.

Average wages in Malaysia, for example, are about one-sixth the level here. But American workers, on average, are more than six times as productive as Malaysians. Mexican workers, who get paid about one-fourth as much as Americans, are less than one-third as productive. "Low wages," explains Golub, "are a symptom of low productivity."

The protectionist camp says the United States can't compete because poor countries can combine rock-bottom pay with the most advanced technology. But matching the United States in technology is easier said than done - it is hugely expensive, and it takes a long time. (Japan has yet to match our average productivity.) Even a brand-new, state-of-the-art factory in a poor nation may be hobbled by lousy roads, a corrupt legal system or poorly educated workers.

What Buchanan and Perot fail to grasp that when countries import the latest in plant equipment, their productivity rises - but, in short order, so do their wages. In 1970, South Korean workers earned less than one-fourth as much as Americans. By 1990, they earned 45% as much. Trying to combine low wages with high productivity is like trying to lose weight while eating cheeseburgers six times a day: The two are directly contradictory.

Buchanan and Perot have a view of international trade that is clear, simple and thoroughly bone-headed. Sam Rayburn said that when two people are saying the same thing, only one of them is doing the thinking. In this case, neither is.



Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Thursday, Dec. 7 the 341st day of 1995. There are 24 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Dec. 7, 1941, Japanese warplanes attacked the home base of the U.S. Pacific fleet located at Pearl Harbor on the Hawaiian island of Oahu, an act that resulted in America's entry into World War II.

On this date:
In 1787, Delaware became the first state to ratify the U.S. Constitution.

In 1836, Martin Van Buren was elected the eighth president of the United States.

In 1842, the New York Philharmonic gave its first concert, performing works by Ludwig van Beethoven and Carl Maria von Weber.

In 1946, a fire at the Winecoff Hotel in Atlanta killed 119 people.

In 1965, Pope Paul VI and Orthodox Patriarch Athenagoras I simultaneously lifted the mutual excommunications that had led to the split of the two churches in 1054.

What's enough to set off alarm bells

Charley Reese

Can New York City feed itself? Chicago? Los Angeles? The answer is no. No city can feed itself. There is neither game to shoot, fish to catch nor fields to plant.

All urban folk are dependent for their survival on rural folk. This is one of those truths that is so easily forgotten - or in some cases not even realized.

It probably also is the real answer as to why civilizations rise and fall. They rise on an agricultural base and they fall when the agricultural base declines.

You hear a lot these days about the air and water, but it is a few feet of topsoil that stands between human race and extinction. You can't live on them either.

Probably what kills empires and civilizations is that as they grow, they urbanize. The power of the king, caliph, emperor, prime minister or president is always based in the city. Today, about 70% of the U.S. population is located in about 130 metropolitan areas. Pretty soon, surrounded by opulence and power, both the ruler and the ruled forget that the opulence and power rests on the shoulders of the farmers who are out of sight and out of mind.

That is certainly true of us today. Rural America is sick. It's been depopulated. Revitalizing rural America ought to be the number one concern in Washington, but it is hardly even talked about.

Most legislators now represent urban areas, come from urban areas. No presidential candidate can possibly win office with only the rural vote. There are far, far more people on welfare than there are people who actually farm. That fact alone ought to set off alarm bells.

This neglect of our survival is further illustrated by the federal budget. Many urbanites think the government provides hundreds of billions of dollars to farmers. Not so. Agricultural subsidies amount to about \$10 billion - out of a \$1.4 trillion budget. The present Republican Congress voted to spend more on foreign aid than it is planning to spend on subsidies for American farmers. That, too, ought to set off alarm bells.

Wendell Berry, a writer and farmer and probably the wisest living American, noted recently that "land is not productive; people are productive." If America's shrinking farm land is left to giant corporations, they will, in the manner of giant corporations, exploit and ruin it and move on to other investments.

Land has to be nurtured, otherwise it dies. To do

the hard work of nurturing land requires people who live on it, love it, know it and have the skills necessary to keep the land productive, not just for this year, but for generations. The problem with the family farm is that giant corporations in league with bad government policies make it virtually impossible for them to make a profit farming.

The difficulties are many but we will never solve them (and we will surely die as a nation if we don't solve them) until we solicit the counsel and listen to the advice of the family farmers.

I have seen many bizarre, outrageous, foolish and stupid acts by politicians in my lifetime, but none has ever topped the spectacle of a congressional committee inviting three wealthy Hollywood actresses who had played the roles of farm wives in movies to testify about American agriculture. Nothing so perfectly describes urban insanity as that comic spectacle.

Those of us in the city must find ways to make personal connections with those who farm so that we can understand their problems and help them solve them. Perhaps some of the nation's farm organizations ought to set up associate memberships for city folk so we can be educated.

If we do not nurture the farm land, we will die. There are 5,000 years of history as evidence. There will be no escaping our fate.

Prime time: Shrink bankroll for sleaze



L. Brent Bozell

Morning, afternoon and night, much of what goes out over the broadcast airwaves is cultural pollution. The sad but undeniable fact is that Big Business, with no concern for the ramifications of its actions, bankrolls filthy shows by purchasing advertising time on them. If there were no sponsors, there'd be no slime. It's that simple.

One slumbering corporate giant woke up recently, and television is the better for it. Procter & Gamble has announced that effective earlier this fall, it would no longer advertise on several daytime talk shows. (P&G wouldn't identify them, but a source told the Wall Street Journal that they include *The Montel Williams Show*, *Sally Jessy Raphael* and *Jerry Springer*.) Moreover, P&G has notified producers and distributors of talk shows it still sponsors that, in the words of a company spokesperson, it "expects to see change (in content) within a reasonable time period" or else it will withdraw from those programs as well.

Looking at some of the topics covered on daytime slimefests, you have to wonder what took P&G so long. For example, last spring, during just one week of Williams' show, an eight-months-pregnant woman claimed to have had eight sexual partners in her first two trimesters, a 17-year-old girl said she'd slept with more than 100 men and an "exotic dancer" with a 14-year-old daughter remarked that when it came to sex, she'd "discussed everything" with her daughter: "The toys, the dildos, the vibrators, the whole bit."

I don't want to just pick on Montel because other talk shows were even more disgusting. Springer's program featured the popular ambush technique: A

guest knew his girlfriend was having an affair but didn't know - until he was told on the air - that she was having it with his cousin. On another broadcast, one guest was, as Springer said, "a 17-year-old (who) married her 71-year-old foster father. They first had sex when she was 14. They have four children. She calls him 'Dad.'" There's more, lots more, on Springer and on other shows, but you get the idea.

So: Applause for Procter & Gamble's refusal to underwrite this trash. (Earlier Unilever and Sears, Roebuck and Co. also stopped sponsoring certain daytime talk hours, so kudos to them as well.) Now, I'd like to encourage P&G to take the next logical step by withdrawing its advertising from the crude, sexually explicit prime time shows it sponsors.

Much of prime time television is becoming a sleazy, albeit more creative, extension of the daytime talk shows. Take Fox's *Beverly Hills, 90210*, which airs from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. in what used to be known as the "family hour." On one episode of this prime time soap, a college student and her boyfriend attempted to have sex in an airplane

lavatory, and on the next episode, the two were at a nightspot when he asked, "Want to go to my place and get naked?" "So much," she responded. Wholesome stuff, this.

Another 8 p.m. "family hour" show that P&G sponsors is NBC's *Friends*. This situation comedy features frequent premarital sex, even more frequent jokes about premarital sex and vulgar language ("ass," "sucks," "pissed"). A scene in one episode had the series' gang of twenty-somethings watching a porn movie in which one of them had participated. None of the "movie" was visible on the show, but the fact that we're at the point where *that's* a bright spot indicates how much broadcast standards have fallen.

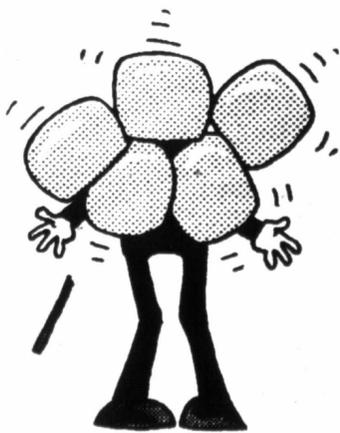
Other sexually charged series P&G has sponsored include Fox's *Ned and Stacey* and NBC's *NewsRadio* and *Sisters*, another prime time soap, features a recurring character who, artificially inseminated by a friend's husband, plans to raise her child with her lesbian lover.

One can already hear the howls of protest at the mere thought that you could equate real life daytime slime with the world of make believe evening entertainment fare. But the message - sex, sex and more sex - is the same. At 8 p.m., the audience - impressionable youngsters - is the same. So, if advertisers like Procter & Gamble are concerned about the values they are funding, they mustn't simply pull their ads from objectionable daytime shows. They should withdraw sponsorship of all programming that is offensive for children. If P&G were to take the lead in this campaign, it would fumigate prime time overnight. It is, after all, in the cleanliness business.

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World briefs

Lawsuit ensues to force renewal of military bases
TOKYO (AP) — The prime minister filed a lawsuit today to force Okinawan landowners to keep leasing land to the U.S. military, after having failed to persuade them to renew the leases voluntarily.

Okinawans have long complained that U.S. troops bring crime, accidents and noise to their island, but their resentment exploded after three American servicemen were charged in the Sept. 4 abduction and rape of an Okinawan schoolgirl.

Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama sued Okinawa Gov. Masahide Ota, a vocal opponent of the bases, after Ota rejected Murayama's recommendation Tuesday that he sign an order forcing the landowners to renew contracts expiring soon. The lawsuit paves the way for Murayama to sign the order himself.

Murayama's action reflected his administration's concern that the land issue might snowball into a threat to the U.S.-Japan security alliance.

Authorities search for missing plane with 97 aboard

MOSCOW (AP) — Heavy snow and low clouds hampered search efforts today for a passenger plane that disappeared in the Russian Far East with 97 people aboard.

The Aeroflot Tu-154 lost radio contact on a flight from Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, on the Pacific Island of Sakhalin, to Khabarovsk, on Russia's mainland, officials said. It was presumed to have crashed.

Military, state and civilian aircraft searched for traces of the plane in the mountains east of Khabarovsk and in the sea.

At nightfall, the planes were called back because of darkness and poor weather conditions, the Emergency Situations Ministry said. Helicopters continued searching.

Vasily Yurchuk of the Emergency Situations Ministry said the plane took off from Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk at 2:43 a.m. today and radio contact was lost a half-hour later, 30 minutes before it was due to land. It disappeared from radar screens five minutes later.

When last heard from, it was about 50 miles offshore, the ITAR-Tass news agency said. It had eight crew members and 89 passengers.

Panel investigates Gingrich

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker Newt Gingrich committed three ethics violations, and a college course he taught will be investigated by an outside counsel, the House ethics committee said in a highly critical letter on his conduct.

Writing to Gingrich on findings it approved 10-0 on Wednesday, the panel also admonished the speaker for signing a lucrative book deal that created "the impression of exploiting one's office for personal gain."

While a Democratic nemesis, Rep. David Bonior of Michigan, said the findings made Gingrich a "wounded politician," the feisty speaker cited several complaints that were dismissed and pronounced himself pleased with the outcome.

"I am confident, after the committee examines the remaining charge, it too will be dismissed," Gingrich said of the outside counsel's investigation that was so eagerly sought by Democrats.

The committee action means the speaker will be under an ethics cloud in 1996 while Democrats make his partisanship and conservative legislative agenda the focus of their effort to recapture a majority in the House.

The committee of five Republican and five Democrats did not vote to punish Gingrich for the three violations, but it recommended changes in some House rules.

According to the findings, Gingrich:

— Allowed a trusted political adviser, Joseph Gaylord, to use his congressional office, violating a rule prohibiting use of official resources for unofficial purposes.

— Misused his floor privileges in House speeches by giving out a toll-free number to order Gingrich political materials. This amounted to an "improper solicitation" for commercial purposes.

— Committed a similar violation by using floor speeches to publicize a nationwide town meeting sponsored by GOPAC.

Committee Chairman Nancy Johnson, R-Conn., and ranking Democrat James McDermott of Washington did not say when the special counsel would be appointed.

The committee already has interviewed candidates, including: Ronald A. Pearlman, a Reagan administration Treasury official; Cono R. Namorato, a former Justice Department lawyer; Milton Cerny, a former Internal Revenue Service official; and James M. Cole, a former Justice Department prosecutor.

Jackson hospitalized after fainting

NEW YORK (AP) — Michael Jackson collapsed on stage suffering from low blood pressure and apparent dehydration after rehearsing all day for an international TV concert.

The pop superstar, who had been scheduled to appear Wednesday night at the Billboard Music Awards, was listed in stable condition today at Beth Israel Medical Center North.

The fainting spell was the latest in a series of medical problems for Jackson, dating to 1984 when his hair caught fire during the filming of a Pepsi commercial.

Emergency workers found Jackson semiconscious and lying on the side of the stage when they arrived at the Beacon Theater at dusk Wednesday, said Emergency Medical Service technician Kevin Barwick.

Marie Lamberti, an EMS spokeswoman, said when Jackson was first treated, his blood pressure measured a low 70, over 40. A typical healthy reading would be 120 over 80.

Jackson appeared dehydrated and was treated with oxygen and intravenous fluids before being taken to the hospital, EMS technician Lashunn Knight said.

Dancing cop stops traffic in Providence, Rhode Island

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) — He wiggled his butt at one car, prayed before a stalled sports car, and synchronized his white-gloved hand motions with spins, leaps and hops.

Tony Lepore doesn't just direct traffic. He stops it.

Pedestrians chuckled Wednesday as Lepore, the Dancing Cop, whirled and barked instructions at one of the city's busiest corners.

Lepore, 48, who retired several years ago after nearly 20 years on the force, was pressed back into service to help entertain holiday shoppers and brighten the mood of downtown workers. He gets \$1,000 for his two-week holiday stint.

Pedestrians greeted him with "Welcome back," and one driver yelled out, "You're looking good!"

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Furthermore, don't assume that your spouse or anyone else will see that your relatives receive what you want them to have — regardless of what verbal assurance you've been given. Money has a strange way of making people "forgetful."

My younger brother died unexpectedly a year ago, after only 13 months of marriage to a woman he'd known for only two months. He owned valuable real estate and antique cars. His wife managed to circumvent estate laws that direct an estate be divided between the surviving spouse and the next of kin (my mother) when there is no will. She kept it all.

The only way to be sure your assets are disposed of in the manner you wish is to make a will. Period.

And when you make a will, be sure that there is more than one copy. (In my brother's case, it was rumored that he had a will, but no one had a copy of it.)

Abby, if this saves one family the pain and anguish that my family endured, it will have served its purpose.

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DEAR VOICE: Unfortunately, not all understand that if they die without a will, state laws determine how their estate will be distributed. A will that meets the legal requirements of the state in which you live is necessary so that your assets will be distributed as you wish, and with the least delay. And if it is drafted by an attorney, or knowledgeable estate planner, you can be assured it's at the lowest possible tax rate and administrative costs.

An all-too-often refrain: "I don't have much in the way of material goods or money, so I don't need a will." Not so! Most people, when they take inventory, find they have more assets than they imagined. Simple wills are not expensive. Everyone should have a will, preferably one drawn up by a professional.

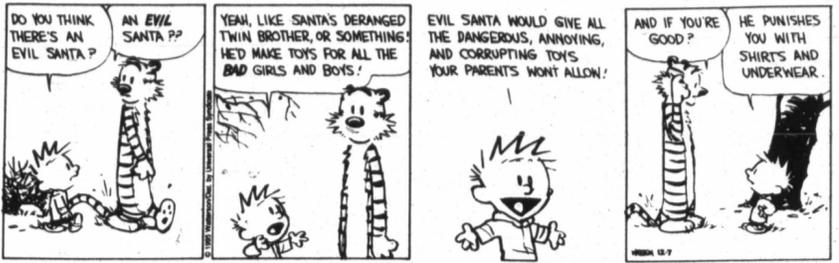
DEAR ABBY: Many household appliance and cable service repairmen with whom I have made appointments for house calls do not show up at the appointed time. I realize that they cannot always accurately estimate the amount of time that's needed to make repairs and may need some flexibility in their schedules.

But when they know they are going to be more than an hour off schedule, it seems to me they could at least telephone the customer to reschedule the appointment. It's not uncommon for them to be five hours behind and not even bother to call to reschedule — much less apologize.

Needless to say, this can be a great inconvenience, annoyance, and a waste of the customer's time. Such arrogance and lack of consideration by repair people seem typical of our modern society.

Abby, will you please send the message that their bosses are losing business because of it?
DR. WAYNE EARNEST,
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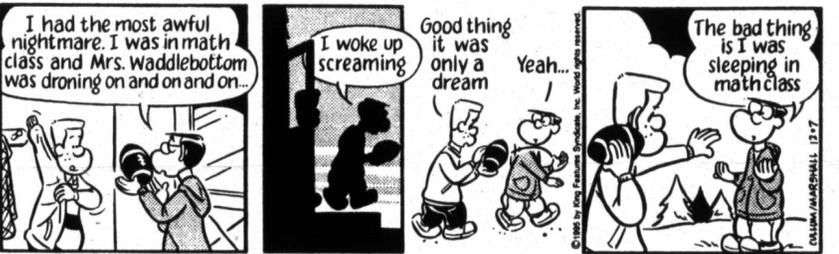
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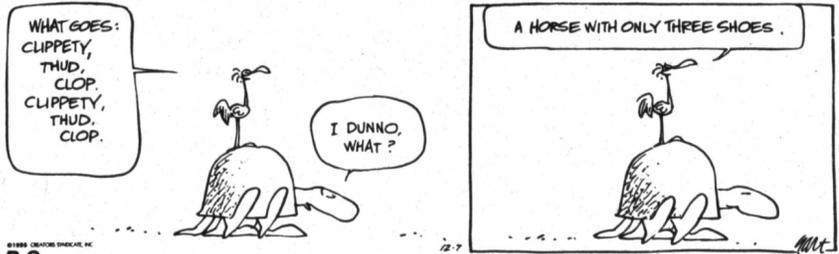
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Friday, Dec. 8, 1995

Fun times will be possible in the year ahead if you maintain a sense of order and balance in your life. Try not to work or play too hard.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Do not discount your judgment in financial matters today. Letting someone else call all the shots for you could end up costing you money. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It will not

be wise to act independently today on a critical development that concerns both you and your mate. Get his or her consent first.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You will not perform too well today if someone is looking over your shoulder and telling you what to do. Do not let anyone push you into a corner.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Try to avoid friends and acquaintances who are unduly demanding at this time. Usually you can tolerate their behavior, but today might be an exception.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Challenging developments usually awaken your stronger qualities, but this might not be the case today. Do not involve yourself in an uphill battle.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Subdue the temptation to contradict others merely for the sake of argument today. Instead of making points, you might just make enemies.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Do not be stingy when dealing with others today. In addition, take measures to see that the

lion's share of responsibilities and expenses don't fall on you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you are overly concerned about protecting your interests today, you may fail to recognize the needs of your associates. Broaden your perspective.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) A recurring problem might worsen today because of a duty you've been neglecting. This cannot be taken care of by anyone else, so get to it!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Strive to be independent and individualistic today. If you don't, you might yield to peer pressure and do something against your better judgment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Beware of the temptation to take an unyielding position on an unpopular issue. Even friends who are usually supportive might side with the opposition.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today, keep in mind that everyone is entitled to his or her opinion, even if it conflicts with yours. Harsh criticism could cause a serious confrontation.

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"How does a childproof cap know if it's a child or a grownup tryin' to open it?"



"It won't do any good. The vacuum cleaner has to come out of the closet sometime."

The Family Circus



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Notebook

BASKETBALL

MIAMI — Miami is entered in the Follett Tournament, which tips off today for a three-day run.

Both teams play Beaver, Okla. in first-round action today, the boys 4 p.m. and the girls at 8 p.m.

Miami is coming off victories against Hedley Tuesday night.

The Warriors improved their record to 5-2 with a 79-64 win over the Owls.

Miami broke away to a big lead in the second half after leading by 8 (38-30) at half-time. The Warriors led by 11 (56-45) going into the fourth quarter.

Jared Neighbors poured in 30 points to lead the scoring attack while Steven Browning added 27.

The Miami girls are 2-6 after slipping by Hedley, 54-52. Lindsay Gill had 19 points and Mindy McConnell 11 for the Warriorettes.

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP) — Doron Sheffet scored 23 and Ray Allen broke out of an early shooting slump to finish with 19 as No. 9 Connecticut defeated the Fighting Irish 85-65 Wednesday in Notre Dame's first Big East home game.

The Huskies led by 15 at the half, and rolled off 13 unanswered points to take a 72-46 lead with 7:31 to go. Fans didn't even bother to stay for the end, leaving the Joyce Athletic Center in droves with eight minutes left to play.

In the second half, Notre Dame's Ryan Hoover and UConn's Travis Knight nearly came to blows after Knight smacked Hoover hard as he drove to the basket. Knight was called for an intentional foul, then hit with a technical and Hoover made all four shots.

UConn (5-1, 2-0 Big East) was called for another technical when coach Jim Calhoun yelled at a referee with 18:56 left to play. Notre Dame's Pat Garrity also was called for a technical with 10:56 left when he shoved Knight.

Notre Dame (1-3, 0-2) couldn't compete with UConn's experience and size.

FOOTBALL

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The Houston Oilers are leaning towards the Liberty Bowl in Memphis as a temporary home, and team executives want an agreement by early January to use the stadium.

"We would like to have something on that by then," Oilers' executive vice president of administration Mike McClure told The Tennessean Wednesday. "It would outline things if we were able to reach a settlement in Houston."

The Oilers, who have a contract with Nashville to move here in 1998 if the city meets a set of requirements, must conclude a lawsuit over a canceled exhibition game before negotiating a settlement to its lease in the Astrodome.

But both sides now say that the Oilers can work on both issues at the same time.

"The two things are not related," said Carl Marsalis, president of Astrodome USA. "They are two separate things and can be worked out together or separately. But right now, our position is we'd love to sit down and talk."

Any lease settlement by the Oilers with the Astrodome must be cleared by Harris County (Texas) commissioners and the city of Houston. County commissioners met Monday to discuss the Oilers' future.

"But they didn't reach any conclusions and recessed until they could meet on it again," said Sally Lear, a spokeswoman for Harris County Judge Robert Eckels.

Oilers' owner Bud Adams dispatched one of his top officials to Memphis the day he signed the relocation agreement in Nashville.

McClure also toured the Liberty Bowl Monday during a visit to pitch luxury suites in Nashville's planned stadium.

Nebraska's Frazier leads AP America team

By RICK WARNER
AP Football Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — During his four years at Nebraska, Tommie Frazier has been the ultimate team player, winning lots of games, but few individual awards. Until now.

The senior quarterback recently won the Johnny Unitas Award and was honored as the Big Eight's offensive player of the year. He also is one of the favorites to win the Heisman Trophy this weekend.

Frazier added to his collection Wednesday when he made The Associated Press All-America team.

Frazier, who led the top-ranked Huskers to their third straight undefeated regular season, was joined in the backfield by rushing champion Troy Davis of Iowa State and scoring leader Eddie George of Ohio State.

Frazier directed an option attack that averaged a nation-leading 52 points per game. Displaying his versatility, he passed for 17 touchdowns and ran for 14 scores.

Davis is only the fifth runner in NCAA history to gain more than 2,000 yards in a season. He finished with 2,010 yards, including an Iowa State-record 302 against UNLV.

George led Division I-A with 24

Thomas on elite roster

Texas Tech linebacker Zach Thomas of Pampa became the Red Raiders' second unanimous All-America pick in school history after being named to the Association Press and United Press honor squads.

Thomas, a 6-0 senior, has been previously named to the Football Writers, Walter Camp, American Football Coaches' Association and Football News honor teams.

Thomas and Washington defensive back Lawyer Milloy were the only defensive players in the nation selected to all six major All-America teams.

Thomas and the Raiders will face Air Force in the Copper Bowl on Dec. 27 in Tuscon, Ariz.

Tech now has at least one player named All-American in each of the past five seasons (Thomas in '94, Lloyd Hill in '92 and Mark Bounds in '91). Bounds, a punter, is the school's only other unanimous All-America choice.

touchdowns and was fifth in rushing with 152 yards per game.

Ohio State and Nebraska each placed three players on the AP team.

Along with George, the Buckeyes had wide receiver Terry Glenn and offensive lineman Orlando Pace. Frazier was joined by Nebraska center Aaron Graham and defensive lineman Jared Tomich.

Glenn caught 57 passes for a school-record 1,316 yards and 17 touchdowns. The other wide receiver is Southern Cal's Keyshawn Johnson, who set a Pac-10 mark with 90 receptions and an NCAA record with 12 straight 100-yard receiving games.

Tight end Marco Battaglia of Rutgers led everyone at his position in receptions (69), receiving yards (894) and touchdowns (10).

The all-purpose player is Leeland McElroy of Texas A&M, who rushed for 1,122 yards, caught 25 passes for 379 yards, returned nine kicks for 208 yards and scored 16 touchdowns.

Joining Pace and Graham on the offensive line are Jonathan Ogdan of UCLA, Jason Odom of Florida and Heath Irwin of Colorado.

Rounding out the offense is placekicker Michael Reeder of Texas Christian. Reeder was 23-of-25 on field-goal attempts and

made all 20 of his extra-point tries.

The defense is led by Arizona lineman Tedy Bruschi, the only repeater from last year's team. Bruschi had 14 1/2 sacks to tie the NCAA career record of 52 set by Alabama's Derrick Thomas.

Also on the defensive line are Tomich, Cornell-Brown of Virginia Tech and Marcus Jones of North Carolina.

Tomich was one of the leaders of Nebraska's swarming defense, which held opponents to 78 rushing yards and 13.6 points per game. He had 10 sacks and 24 quarterback pressures.

Brown had 103 tackles, including 14 sacks and 11 other stops behind the line, for the nation's top-rated run defense. Despite constant double-teaming, Jones had 17 tackles for losses and six sacks in his last eight games.

The linebackers are Pat Fitzgerald of Northwestern, Kevin Hardy of Illinois, Ray Lewis of Miami and Zach Thomas of Texas Tech.

Fitzgerald anchored a defense that gave up the fewest points in the nation. His 130 tackles were second in the Big Ten even though he missed Northwestern's final game with a broken leg.

Hardy, the latest in a long line of great Illinois linebackers, had 11 sacks, intercepted three passes

and forced five fumbles. Lewis led the Big East with 160 tackles and had two interceptions, while Thomas made 131 tackles, caused six fumbles and recovered four.

The secondary features Greg Myers of Colorado State, Chris Canty of Kansas State and Lawyer Milloy of Washington.

In addition to his standout play at defensive back, Myers set a school record by returning three punts for touchdowns and broke the Western Athletic Conference mark for career punt return yardage.

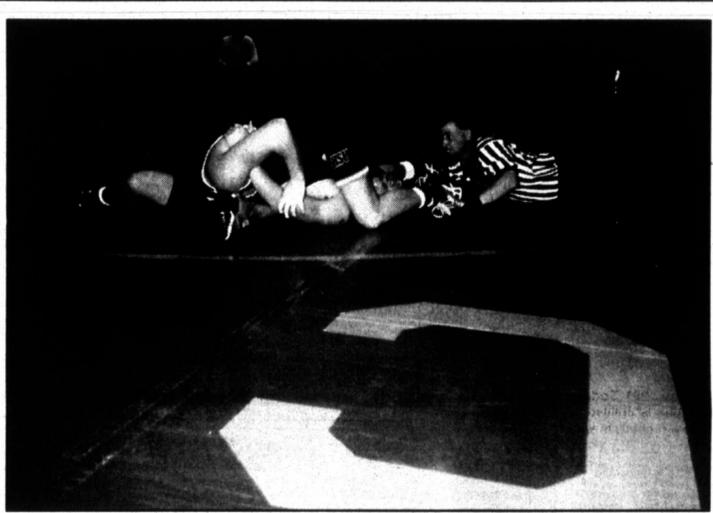
Canty tied for the NCAA lead with eight interceptions, including two for touchdowns. Milloy led Washington with 115 tackles and forced three fumbles.

Punter Brad Maynard of Ball State led the nation with a 46.5-yard average.

There are four sophomores and eight juniors on the team, which was selected by AP college football writer Rick Warner and regional AP writers.

Davis, Pace, Reeder and Canty are sophomores. The juniors are Glenn, McElroy, Brown, Tomich, Lewis, Fitzgerald, Milloy and Maynard.

The AP All-America team will be introduced by Bob Hope during NBC's postgame NFL show on Dec. 23. The segment will air between 3:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. EST.



(Special photo)

Corey Alfonsi is in position for a pin in a recent collegiate wrestling dual at Fort Hays, Kan.

Pampa's Alfonsi earns spot on college mat team

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

HAYS, Kan. — Like any freshman athlete at the college level, former Pampa High wrestling star Corey Alfonsi is having his ups and downs. Through hard work and perseverance, however, Alfonsi has earned the 177-pound spot on the varsity wrestling team at Fort Hays State University.

Alfonsi, of Pampa, won his first match by an 8-3 decision in a meet at Laramie, Wyoming. Having difficulty coping with altitude and breathing, he lost his next two matches by identical 10-2 scores.

"Endurance is important," Alfonsi said. "About 50 percent of my matches go into overtime, plus being 3-minute time periods I'm not where I need or feel I want to be yet, but I'm working on it."

Alfonsi wrestled in the Omaha, Neb. Open Tournament the weekend before Thanksgiving, losing the first match, 14-5. Coming back, he pinned his next opponent, and then lost the next match in overtime, 5-4.

This past weekend, Alfonsi won a 5-4 decision over Jason O'Dell, a sophomore from Western State College of Colorado, during a dual at Fort Hays. That same weekend during the Fort Hays State Open, he posted a 9-6 decision and then lost a 7-6 decision to O'Dell in the final five seconds. A Colby Community College wrestler eliminated Alfonsi in his third match, 8-6, in overtime.

During an interview with the Hays Daily News, Fort Hays head coach Bob Smith said: "We hope to get four or five into the national tournament this year. That's the hope, that's the goal."

Smith hopes to get junior All-American Josh Gooch back in the lineup next month. Gooch has been sidelined with a knee injury sustained during the football season.

Smith said sophomore Brian Allender, 6-2 on the season, has been a pleasant surprise at 142 pounds. He also added that Alfonsi (3-5) and another freshman, R.J. Price (1-2 at 134), have also looked good.

"We want to improve in every match, use this as a stepping stone," Smith said. Alfonsi will be wrestling in the Kearney, Neb. Open on Saturday and at Fort Hays State University Dec. 14 against Kearney, Neb. before breaking for the Christmas holiday.

As a high school senior, Alfonsi compiled a 33-3 record and advanced to the state tournament finals. He won the team's MVP award.

Haley undergoes successful back surgery

IRVING (AP) — Dallas defensive end Charles Haley underwent successful back surgery in California on Wednesday, but it won't be known for several weeks whether he could play with the Cowboys in the January NFL playoffs.

Dr. Robert G. Watkins performed the two-hour surgery in Los Angeles and found a fragment of disc in Haley's back between the fourth and fifth lumbar vertebrae on the left side.

"Everything went just

fine," Dr. Watkins said. "Charles is resting comfortably and will be able to return to Dallas in a few days."

"At this point, we can't make a projection as to when he might return to the field. We should have a much better feel for his recovery time after a two- to three-week period has passed."

Dallas coach Barry Switzer, who has said Haley won't play this season, said, "Our primary concern with Charles right now is his health. We're not going to address any

timetable for his return to the field. We just want him to get back to Dallas and begin the road to recovery."

Said Cowboys owner Jerry Jones, "This is not a time to speculate on his return. We hope to have a better indication of that in a few weeks."

Haley said before he left for California he still wants to play.

"My career might be over this year but I'm looking forward to next year and getting back into the grind again," Haley said.

Harvesters entered in Lawton, Okla. tourney

PAMPA — The Pampa Harvesters are entered in their second tournament of the season today, meeting the Lawton High Wolverines at 7 p.m. in the Texoma Classic.

"This is a nice tournament. The games are in a coliseum, so it's a big place to play in," said Harvesters' head coach Robert Hale.

The Harvesters participated in the Fantasy of Lights Tournament last month and placed third, winning two of three games.

Pampa is on a 7-1 roll and have won its last three games. Class 5A Tascosa was the latest victim as the Harvesters rallied for a 55-49 overtime win Tuesday night.

"We've played a lot of good teams, the best in the Panhandle and South Plains area," Hale said. "It's going to help your program when you play those good teams."

Hale seems to have put together just the right blend of promising newcomers and experienced players on this season's roster.

"Our seniors are playing excellent

basketball and the juniors have come on and exceeded all our expectations," Hale added. "Our sophomores have had some tremendous games and once they get a little more experience, they're going to be even better."

Senior veterans Rayford Young, Coy Laury and Jason Weatherbee add stability and leadership to the Harvesters as well as scoring punch and solid defense. Underclassmen August Larson, Ray Tollerson, Gabe Wilbon, Bryan Waldrip and Lynn Brown have played key roles in the victories. Junior Devin Lemons and senior Jimmy Reed, both experienced players, are fresh off the football team and suited up for the first time this season against Tascosa.

Pampa's comeback win over a strong Tascosa club has been one of the highlights of the young season.

"We've been behind several times this year. When a team can come back and win those kind of games, you know you've got a bunch of guys who really care about each other and are working together out there on the basketball court," Hale said.

Team roping championship goes to Hurley, Bach at National Finals Rodeo

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Bobby Hurley and Allen Bach needed to have a good performance at the \$3 million National Finals Rodeo to win the team roping world championship.

And with the exception of a Sunday night gaffe, both have come through.

On Wednesday night in the Thomas & Mack Center, Hurley and Bach roped their steer in 4.3 seconds to win for the third time in six nights. The two ropers also have won checks for third- and sixth-place finishes.

"We're on a pretty good roll," said Hurley of Ceres, Calif. "But we're barely at the halfway point. There's still a long way to go."

"The top 15 ropers in the world are here so there's not a lot of breathing room. It feels like someone's holding a pillow to your face."

Teo Woolman and Rich Skelton, both of Llano, Texas, finished second in the round at 4.7 seconds. Doyle Gellerman of Nampa, Idaho and Britt Bockius of Claremore, Okla., were third in 4.8 seconds.

The win put Hurley into first place in the header standings with \$73,342. Bach was already in the lead in the heeler standings.

"I had to have a real good finals to have a chance at the world," Hurley said.

Gellerman and Bockius are second in the world standings, \$4,392 behind Hurley and Bach.

Calif roper Cody Ohl, the youngest competitor at age 22, has had about as much success in his event as Hurley and Bach. Ohl of Orchard, Texas, had a 7.9-second run Wednesday night, good for second place in the round. Ohl has won \$47,512 at the NFR to move from 10th in the world to second with \$100,742 earnings this season.

"I've been drawing some pretty good calves and I've been doing the best I can," said Ohl, who trails first-place Fred Whitfield of Hockley, Texas, by \$14,758. "If I can just keep the guys in front of me from winning any money I'll be in pretty good shape."

Stran Smith of Tell, Texas, won the round with a 7.9 and Shawn McMullin of Iraan, Texas, was third at 9.2 seconds.

In bull riding, Royd Doyal of Lumberton, Texas, scored an 82 to win the go-round and, after Mark Cain's ride from Tuesday, Australian Troy Dunn was officially awarded first for Tuesday's go-round.

Aaron Semas of Auburn, Calif., had an 81 for second place. Four riders, including world standings leader Jerome Davis of Archdale, N.C., tied for third.

Deb Greenough of Red Lodge, Mont., won the bareback riding with an 84. Kirk Richard of Sulphur, La., was second at 82 and Wayne Herman of Dickinson, N.D., was third with an 80.

In saddle bronc riding, Chance Dixon of Kittitas, Wash., came away with the win with an 81-point ride. Dan Etbauer of Goodwell, Okla., who came into the NFR in first place but had yet to win any money, placed for the first time with an 80, good for second.

Billy Etbauer of Edmond, Okla., and Denny Hay of Canada tied for third with 78s.

Todd Fox of Marble Falls, Texas, won the steer wrestling go-round with a 3.6 second run. In second place was Jim White of Hugo, Okla., at 3.8 and third was Frank Davis of Sonora, Texas, at 4.

Kristie Peterson continued to make up ground on first-place Sherry Potter-Cervi with her second straight go-round victory. Peterson rode her horse Bozo to a 14.15 second run.

Scoreboard

BOWLING

CAPROCK LEAGUE

Team	Pins
B & B Solvent One	143
4R Supply	138
Chris Pro Shop	138
D & M Motorsports	135
Scotty's	131
Graham Furniture	131
B & B Solvent Two	131
Ogden & Son	131
Team One	130

Week's High Scores
High game: Justin Cross 244; High series: Curtis Brashears 653; High handicap game: Justin Cross 263; High handicap series: Curtis Brashears 710.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association At A Glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE			
Atlantic Division			
W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	15	4	.789
New York	13	5	.722 1 1/2
Miami	11	5	.688 2 1/2
Boston	7	9	.438 6 1/2
New Jersey	7	9	.438 6 1/2
Washington	7	9	.438 6 1/2
Philadelphia	3	13	.188 10 1/2

FOOTBALL

1995 All-America Team

By The Associated Press

FIRST TEAM

Offense
Quarterback — Tommie Frazier, Nebraska, 6-2, 205, senior, Bradenton, Fla.
Running backs — Eddie George, Ohio State, 6-3, 227, senior, Philadelphia; Troy Davis, Iowa State, 5-8, 185, sophomore, Miami.
Wide receivers — Terry Glenn, Ohio State, 5-11, 185, junior, Columbus, Ohio; Keyshawn Johnson, Southern Cal, 6-4, 210, senior, Los Angeles.
Tight end — Marco Battaglia, Rutgers, 6-3, 240, senior, Queens, N.Y.
Center — Aaron Graham, Nebraska, 6-4, 285, senior, Denton, Texas.
Guards-Tackles — Jonathan Ogden, UCLA, 6-8, 310, senior, Washington, D.C.; Jason Odom, Florida, 6-5, 291, senior, Bartow, Fla.; Orlando Pace, Ohio State, 6-6, 320, sophomore, Sandusky, Ohio; Heath Irwin, Colorado, 6-5, 290, senior, Boulder, Colo.
All-purpose — Leeland McElroy, Texas A&M, 5-11, 202, junior, Beaumont, Texas.
Placekicker — Michael Reeder, Texas Christian, 6-0, 162, sophomore, Sulphur, La.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
Dallas	10	3	0	.769	360	238
Philadelphia	8	5	0	.615	263	281
Arizona	4	9	0	.308	217	336
N.Y. Giants	4	9	0	.308	233	279
Washington	4	9	0	.308	258	299

SECOND TEAM

Offense
Quarterback — Danny Wuerffel, Florida.
Running backs — Darnell Autry, Northwestern; George Jones, San Diego State.
Wide receivers — Alex Van Dyke, Nevada; Chris Doering, Florida.
Tight end — Brian Roche, San Jose State.
Center — Clay Shiver, Florida State.
Guards-Tackles — Dan Neil, Texas; Jeff Hartings, Penn State; Willie Anderson, Auburn; Jason Layman, Tennessee.
All-purpose — Ricky Whittle, Oregon.
Placekicker — Sam Valenzisi, Northwestern.

Central

W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
Green Bay	9	4	0	.692	336	259
Chicago	7	6	0	.538	331	320
Detroit	7	6	0	.538	331	309
Minnesota	7	6	0	.538	331	310
Tampa Bay	6	7	0	.462	205	257

THIRD TEAM

Offense
Quarterback — Peyton Manning, Tennessee.
Running backs — Mike Alstott, Purdue; Tim Biakabutuka, Michigan.
Wide receivers — Derrick Mayes, Notre Dame; Bobby Engram, Penn State.
Tight end — Pat Fitzgerald, Texas.
Center — Bryan Stollenberg, Colorado.

West

W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
San Francisco	9	4	0	.692	362	190
Atlanta	7	6	0	.538	298	287
St. Louis	7	6	0	.538	237	297
Carolina	6	7	0	.462	241	257
New Orleans	6	7	0	.462	270	295

Major college scores

Purdue 77, Oklahoma 63
Oklahoma St. 80, Texas-Arlington 63
Texas A&M 68, North Texas 50
Texas Christian 93, Centenary 81
Texas Southern 93, Texas Coll. 70
Colorado St. 91, Colorado 71
Idaho 64, Washington 61
Long Beach St. 71, Hawaii 66
Southern Cal 96, Houston 73
UC Santa Barbara 76, San Diego 73
Utah 89, Weber St. 60

Friday's Games

Indiana at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Orlando, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Washington at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Denver, 9 p.m.
Toronto at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Detroit at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Under 10 champs



The Massage Therapy "Blue Devils" went undefeated in the Under 10 boys' league to win the fall championship in the Pampa Soccer Association. The team represented Pampa in the Tournament of Champions held in Dallas this month. Team members are (front row, l-r), Landon Ketchersid, Mateo Campos, John Meza, Kellen Ketchersid, Josh Jants and Sammy Silva; (middle row, l-r) Bart Cathey, Jason Brown, Devin Scott, Derek Lewis, Daniel Resendiz and Cody Dyer; (back row, l-r) Coach Lupe Campos (left) and Benny Silva.

Referees, NBA agree to new contract

NEW YORK (AP) — The NBA and its officials signed their new contract today and the league said the regular referees will return Tuesday. With the signing of the contract, the NBA ended its lockout, which began Oct. 1. Referees approved the contract Monday by a 27-26 vote. The five-year deal calls for rookie refs to make \$75,000 this season and \$99,000 in the final season plus play-off bonuses. The most senior officials will get \$211,000 this season and \$278,000 in the final season.

5A games to be televised

AUSTIN (AP) — For the fourth straight year, Prime Sports will provide live television coverage of the University Interscholastic League's 5A Division I and Division II championship football games. Prime Sports' coverage of the Division I final is set for Saturday, Dec. 16, with the Division II game scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 23, the UIL said Thursday.

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<h3>1 Public Notice</h3> <p>NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF SHIRLEY MAE GOODSON Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the Estate of Shirley Mae Goodson, Deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on December 4, 1995, in Cause No. 8048, pending in the County Court of Gray County, Texas. All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to me within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATED the 4th day of December, 1995.</p> <p>Rodney Mark Goodson Independent Executor of the Estate of Shirley Mae Goodson Deceased c/o Buzzard Law Firm Suite 436, Hughes Building Pampa, Texas 79065 Dec. 7, 1995</p>	<h3>1 Public Notice</h3> <p>NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF THE ESTATE OF GEORGE A. PERKINS Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the Estate of George A. Perkins, Deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on December 4, 1995, in Cause No. 8049, pending in the County Court of Gray County, Texas. All persons having claims against this estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to me within the time and in the manner prescribed by law. DATED the 4th day of December, 1995.</p> <p>Ronald C. Perkins Independent Executor of the Estate of George A. Perkins, Deceased c/o Buzzard Law Firm Suite 436, Hughes Building Pampa, Texas 79065 Dec. 7, 1995</p>	<h3>3 Personal</h3> <p>MARY Kay Cosmetics and Skin-care. Facials, supplies, call Deb Stapleton, 665-2095.</p> <p>MARY KAY COSMETICS Skin care and color cosmetic make-overs. Reorders Delivered. Sherry Diggs, 669-9435.</p> <p>BEAUTICONTROL Cosmetics & Skin Care. Sales, Service and Makeovers, available at Billie's Boutique, 2143 N. Hobart or call Lynn Allison 669-9429/669-3848.</p>	<h3>5 Special Notices</h3> <p>ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News, MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.</p> <p>LODGE 966 no meeting on December 7, going to Grand lodge.</p> <p>TOP of Texas Lodge 1381- Study and practice 7:30 p.m. Please attend.</p>	<h3>14b Appliance Repair</h3> <p>RENT TO RENT RENT TO OWN We have Rental Furniture and Appliances to suit your needs. Call for estimate. Johnson Home Furnishings 801 W. Francis</p>	<h3>14d Carpentry</h3> <p>OVERHEAD Door Repair. Kidwell Construction. 669-6347.</p> <p>ADDITIONS, remodeling, roofing, cabinets, painting, all types repairs. No job too small. Mike Albus, 665-4774.</p> <p>Children Brothers Leveling House Leveling Professional house leveling. Free estimates. 1-800-299-9563.</p> <p>14e Carpet Service NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost...it pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541, or from out of town, 800-536-5341. Free estimates.</p>	<h3>14h General Services</h3> <p>COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. 669-7769.</p> <p>ROOFING - Painting - Additions - Remodeling - References - 669-0624.</p> <p>14i General Repair IF its broken or won't turn off, call the Fix It Shop, 669-3434. Lamps repaired.</p> <p>14n Painting PAINTING and sheetrock finishing. 35 years. David and Joe, 665-2903, 669-7885.</p> <p>PAINTING reasonable, interior, exterior. Minor repairs. Free estimates. Bob Gorson 665-0033.</p>	<h3>14q Ditching</h3> <p>DITCHING, gas, water lines and footings. Harold Baston, 665-5892.</p>	<h3>14s Plumbing & Heating</h3> <p>BUILDERS Plumbing, Heating, and Air Conditioning Service Company. 535 S. Cuyler. (806) 665-3711.</p> <p>JACK'S Plumbing Co. New construction, repair, remodeling, sewer and drain cleaning. Septic systems installed. 665-7115.</p> <p>LARRY BAKER PLUMBING Heating Air Conditioning Borger Highway 665-4392</p> <p>MCBRIDE Plumbing. Sprinkler system, water, sewer, gas, re-lays, drain service. Hydro Service. 665-1633.</p>
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21 Help Wanted

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54 Farm Equipment

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Must sell immediately 2 Quonset Arch style steel buildings. Brand new, never erected. One is 40x60. Will sell for balance. Ask for Lester, 1-800-431-1338.

60 Household Goods

SHOWCASE RENTALS
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1700 N. Hobart 669-1234
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69 Miscellaneous

CHIMNEY Fire can be prevented. Queen Sweep Chimney Cleaning. 665-4686 or 665-5364.

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OKLAHOMA Oak seasoned, small logs, \$140 cord, split logs \$165 cord. Gene Ripptoe 665-5568.

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FOR Sale: SKS rifle, two Bickels central heating system, 2-pair of skis. 669-0403.

69a Garage Sales

16 ft. walk thru, V-hull boat; clothes, books, tools, lots of miscellaneous. Friday, Saturday, 2707 Alcock.

70 Musical

PIANOS FOR RENT
New and used pianos. Starting at \$40 per month. Up to 6 months of rent will apply to purchase. It's all right here in Pampa at Tarpley Music. 665-1251.

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SWEETER than honey Sudan Hay. \$30 round bale, \$2.50 square. Jason Abraham, 323-8260.

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1989 Cadillac Seville, fully loaded, one owner, extra sharp, only 59,000 miles JUST \$10,900

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1992 Olds, white, 31,000 miles, loaded, one owner. ONLY \$13,900

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1995 Dodge Intrepid, loaded, white, 26,000 miles, ONLY \$14,900

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120 Autos

Clinton condemns special-interest tax breaks via veto message

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's veto of the Republican balanced budget dings the tax-relief hopes of special interests ranging from airline companies to restaurant owners to funeral directors.

Lobbyists who, after months of behind-the-scenes effort, cleared hurdles in both the House and Senate and won a coveted place for their provisions in the budget bill now face the prospect of starting all over.

And their chances of getting their provisions into any compromise between Clinton and Congress are slimmer because the president made the breaks, many of which had bipartisan support, an issue in the budget fight.

"The bill provides unwarranted benefits to corporations and new tax breaks for special interests," Clinton said Wednesday in

his veto message to Congress. Until recently, the administration had focused its tax criticism on larger questions such as whether well-off families should get the \$500-per-child tax credit and proposed cuts in the earned income credit for the working poor.

But, after Thanksgiving, White House Chief of Staff Leon Panetta made "no special tax breaks for special interests" one of the administration's conditions for signing a seven-year balanced budget plan. And the White House chose to underscore that in a document released with Clinton's veto message.

"The Republican bill contains dozens of special tax breaks for particular taxpayers and special interests," it said. "These special-interest favors for the well-con-

nected are inappropriate in this deficit-reduction bill. ... Now is the time to close loopholes and special-interest provisions, not open up new ones."

The administration has identified nearly 30 special-interest provisions, which would forgo more than \$3 billion in revenue over seven years.

The scrutiny will make it more difficult for such provisions as the one sought by funeral directors — an increase in the death benefits that can be received tax-free from burial insurance policies.

GOP lawmakers, even freshmen fighting tenaciously for the per-child tax credit and capital-gains tax reduction, say they are willing to negotiate over the targeted tax cuts that weren't in their "Contract With America" campaign manifesto.

"You bet, it's all on the table," said freshman Rep. John Shadegg, R-Ariz.

A White House statement elaborating on Clinton's reasons for vetoing the budget specifically cited its repeal of a statute known as Section 956A, at a cost of \$244 million over seven years.

Enacted in Clinton's 1993 budget, Section 956A prevents U.S.-based multinational corporations from squirreling profits in overseas tax havens and was intended to reduce the incentive for moving manufacturing plants to foreign countries.

The administration also targeted a two-year extension of relief for airlines from the excise tax on fuel. Airlines' profitability has improved and they don't need the break, which would cost \$900 million, the administration argues.

Other breaks in the vetoed bill would have gone to restaurant owners looking for relief from paying Social Security tax on part of their servers' tips, wealthy landowners who grant conservation easements preventing future development on their property, newspapers that want to treat distributors as independent contractors rather than employees and commercial real estate developers who remodel for new tenants who leave after a few years.

Clinton also said the provisions aimed at rich people who renounce their citizenship to avoid taxes would prove ineffective. And he characterized a provision that would permit companies to withdraw surplus money from pension plans as a "green light to raid pension funds."

At the same time, he com-

plained of two provisions Republicans have said would tighten existing loopholes. One would phase out a credit for companies with manufacturing plants in U.S. territories. The other would end a credit that goes to developers who build housing for the poor.

The administration believes the 10-year phase-out of the credit for manufacturers would unfairly protect pharmaceutical companies in Puerto Rico and should be replaced with "effective mechanisms to promote job creation in the islands."

Tax lobbyist Clint Stretch of the Deloitte-Touche accounting firm said the administration's decision to elevate the visibility of tax loopholes will make it difficult for negotiators to revive the proposals this year.

State briefs

Faculty expresses displeasure at rejection of courses

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — A faculty senate executive committee at Texas A&M has stopped short of a vote of no confidence, but unanimously passed a resolution expressing disappointment in school president Ray Bowen for his rejection of health and cultures course proposals.

The full Texas A&M faculty senate will consider on Monday the resolution, which calls on Bowen to acknowledge the role of the faculty in determining curriculum issues.

Last month, Bowen rejected a required health course proposal.

Since then, Bowen also gave thumbs down to a proposal that would require all undergraduate students to choose six hours of U.S. and international courses from 200 classes.

Three die in two plane collision

CADDO MILLS (AP) — Federal investigators are coming a northeast Texas field for clues to how two small airplanes collided in midair on a sunny day, killing three men.

A Piper PA28-181 with two men aboard collided about 10:30 a.m. Wednesday with a Cessna 182 with one man aboard. Both of the four-seat aircraft plummeted to the ground and crashed in rural southwest Hunt County, about 40 miles northeast of Dallas.

Killed aboard the Piper were Robert Charles Kratschmer, 63, of Richardson, and his 23-year-old

flight instructor, Scott William Cochran of Dallas.

Killed aboard the Cessna, which exploded and burned, was Edward Charles Pieper of Rowlett, age unknown.

The crash occurred about two miles northwest of Caddo Mills Municipal Airport, Texas Department of Public Safety/spokeswoman Lauren Chernow said.

Clinton uses LBJ's pen to veto GOP budget bill

AUSTIN (AP) — In need of a political prop to demonstrate President Clinton's commitment to the nation's elderly and poor, the White House placed a call last week to Austin, Texas.

The Lyndon B. Johnson Library, keeper of the flame of the Great Society creator's life and career, had just the ticket: The pen Johnson used in 1965 to sign the landmark bill creating Medicare and Medicaid.

Fountain pen in hand, Clinton vetoed the Republican budget-balancing plan during an Oval Office ceremony Wednesday. The veto had been promised for weeks, with Clinton chiding that the budget blueprint squeezed too much money from Medicare and Medicaid.

"I am using this pen to preserve our commitment to our parents, to protect opportunity for our children, to defend the public health and our natural resources and natural beauty, and to stop a tax increase that actually undercuts the value of work," he said.

Newsmaker

ABILENE - Abilene Christian University student Holly Abbott of Pampa, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Abbott, was the costume designer of the annual children's theatre production of *The Steadfast Tin Soldier* for about 10,000 schoolchildren from Abilene and surrounding towns Wednesday, Nov. 29, through Friday, Dec. 1.

About 1,200 children filled the Paramount Theatre for each of three daily performances. The general public was invited to a performance at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3.

Based on the Hans Christian Andersen fairy tale, *The Steadfast Tin Soldier* is a beloved tale of unselfishness and inner

beauty. The musical tells the story of a handicapped soldier who is enamored with an egotistical princess and finds the true meaning of love in self-sacrifice.

The play comes from the book by 1988 ACU alumnus Allen Robertson and Christopher Boyd, and music and lyrics are by Robertson. The show was first produced in Austin where it won the B. Payne Award for best children's theatre production and where Robertson lives.

ACU Theatre has presented quality children's theatre since 1981 including productions of *Charlotte's Web*, *The Emperor's New Clothes*, *Anne of Green Gables*, and *Robin Hood*.

Club news

Panhandle Region Bird Club

The Panhandle Region Bird Club will be presenting Bird Fair '96 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., June 8, 1996, at the Holiday Inn off I-40 in the Exchange Room at Amarillo.

Admission is \$2, children under twelve get in free. For more information, contact Barbara West at (806) 323-5722.

Family and Community Education Clubs

The Progressive Club hosted a Christmas Achievement Event Dec. 4 at the Gray County Annex. F.C.E. Clubs brought Christmas food and recipes for a holiday luncheon, and a Christmas bulb

for the tree to be exchanged later. The Council adopted an angel from the Angel Tree and gifts were provided this child.

Following luncheon, Ruth Barrett presented a story, afterwards members participated in Christmas games.

Virginia Horton, 1995 Council Chairman, thanked all Council officers and Committee members for their help and support throughout the year.

New 1996 Council officers were installed by Donna Brauchi, County Agent. The new officers are: Virginia Horton, chairman; Madeline Gawthrop, vice chairman; Betty Baxter, secretary; and Ruth Barrett, treasurer.

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