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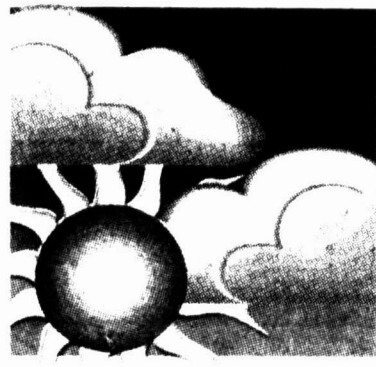
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**PAMPA** — The All-Star Jubilee will be holding a Cowboy Country Christmas at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 9, featuring area talent.

The show will be held in the John Stokes barn east of Pampa, located across from the Schwann's warehouse on Hwy. 60.

Admission is \$3, with chili, cowboy stew and cobbler available for additional cost.

Performers include The Good News Band, with members from Pampa and Lefors; Charlie and Kiwi Hutchinson, from Fritch; Cross Wind, from Pampa; and Carol Ziegelgruber and Cindy Nunn, both from Pampa.

In addition, storyteller Lorelee Cooley will be presenting some tales, and Linda Burt will be demonstrating a spinning wheel. Both are from Pampa.

Those wanting only to attend the concert may bring their lawn chairs to sit in the heated barn.

For more information, call 665-7896 or 665-2213.

**PAMPA** — Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Carole Keeton Rylander will host a town hall meeting in Pampa at 1 p.m. Friday in the Pampa City Commission chambers on the second floor of City Hall, 200 W. Foster.

"I look forward to visiting with the fine folks in the Panhandle," Rylander said. "I'm a firm believer that government should go where the people are instead of making people come to the government."

Rylander will give a brief update on Railroad Commission activities and then open the meeting for comments and suggestions.

**PERRYTON** — John R. Erickson, nationally known author of the Hank the Cowdog series, will be at the Museum of the Plains in Perryton (Hwy. 83 North) for a book signing on Sunday, Dec. 10, from 1-3 p.m.

Erickson's latest book in the western series, *Through Time and the Valley*, is now available at the museum.

The museum is hosting the book signing during its annual Christmas Open House. All of Erickson's books, tapes and T-shirts will be available, with the public invited to attend.

For more information, contact Jody Logsdon or Mabel McLarty at the museum, (806) 435-6400.

**PAMPA** — The Southside Senior Citizens Center, 438 W. Crawford, will be having its annual barbecue fundraiser on Saturday.

Barbecue ribs and brisket with beans, potato salad and cabbage slaw will be available from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the center for dine in or carry out.

For orders, call Mae Williams at 665-4765.

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## Senate delays debate on troop deployment

WASHINGTON (AP) — A bid by Senate leaders to back the Bosnian troop deployment is running into rank-and-file resistance as members worry that the Balkan war will reignite once U.S. troops leave.

The Senate postponed until next week a debate that had been expected to begin today on the deployment of 20,000 U.S. peacekeepers to Bosnia. President Clinton, after gaining the backing of three former presidents, sent top military and diplomatic officials to Capitol Hill to give testimony today to try to keep the momentum behind the deployment from flagging.

A U.S. negotiating team will return to the former Yugoslavia on Thursday to complete plans for the introduction of NATO troops to Bosnia, chief negotiator Richard Holbrooke said today.

Holbrooke told the Senate Armed Services Committee that Clinton has ordered his negotiating team to meet with leaders in Belgrade, Sarajevo and Zagreb, the capitals, respectively, of Serbia, Bosnia and Croatia, to discuss final plans for implementing the Dayton peace agreement.

The president met at the White House with a cross-section of supporters of the military mission, including Alexander Haig, secretary of state in the Reagan administration, and Zbigniew Brzezinski, national security adviser to Jimmy Carter. "Today

you have joined across partisan lines to make a strong case for America's leadership in Bosnia," Clinton said.

"Leadership is not a spectator sport," he added. "In Bosnia, our leadership can make a difference between peace and war." Addressing fears that the United States will get bogged down in a long-term commitment, he said, "There will be no mission creep."

Some participants said Clinton was not absolutely wedded to the 12-month deployment timetable that the administration has frequently mentioned.

"He did not indicate that a 12-month limit is an absolutely rigid, iron-clad limit," Brzezinski said. "He expects the mission to be accomplished in 12 months. He indicated some degree of flexibility on this issue, and that seems to me reasonable because you cannot define an undertaking as complex as this precisely in terms of months."

Defense Secretary William Perry gave lawmakers a stark choice today: Send U.S. troops to Bosnia or see the Balkan civil war reignite.

"There really is only one alternative to going in and that is a restart of the war," Perry told the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Perry, Gen. John Shalikshvili, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Holbrooke testified today as part of a continuing

administration campaign to generate congressional backing for the deployment.

While lawmakers predicted Clinton eventually would win congressional support, Republican senators pressed to make their resolution of support as grudging as possible.

"It's a very difficult set of negotiations," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who was working with Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., to craft a resolution backing the deployment. "There are people who want to make it clear that the Congress was not consulted."

Specifically, they wanted provisions to guarantee the United States will strengthen the Bosnian armed forces, criticize Clinton's refusal to lift the arms embargo against Bosnia sooner and voice dissatisfaction with the way Clinton kept Congress out of the decision-making process.

In Brussels, Belgium, Secretary of State Warren Christopher said the peacekeeping will take into account the needs of all ethnic groups in the former Yugoslavia.

"It is clear the implementation of the Dayton agreement needs to be done with sensitivity to the needs of the parties and certainly that will be taken into account," Christopher said at a news conference with Russian Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozyrev.

## O.J. agrees to televised CNN interview

ATLANTA (AP) — O.J. Simpson has agreed to give his first televised, no-holds-barred interview to CNN, but no date has been set, network legal analyst Greta Van Susteren said today.

Van Susteren said in a CNN broadcast that she spoke for four hours with Simpson last weekend and he was "adamant" that there would be no ground rules for the interview.

"He has promised CNN an interview with no rules whatsoever," said Van Susteren, who provided legal analysis for CNN during Simpson's murder trial.

She said she believes the interview will be within the next few months, but she could not say

whether it will come before or after the trial of a civil suit pending against Simpson. Shortly after his criminal trial ended, Simpson backed out of his previous agreement for a broadcast interview because of the pending civil case.

CNN spokesman Steve Haworth did not return phone calls this morning seeking more detail.

Van Susteren said Simpson is ready to speak out and wants to skip ground rules to give himself more credibility.

"I think that O.J. Simpson wants a good, tough interview," she said. "He wants to have an interview that has a

level of credibility."

She said she initiated the talks about an interview.

Telephone calls placed before business hours today to Simpson lawyers Robert C. Baker and LeRoy Taft in Los Angeles were not immediately returned.

Simpson was acquitted Oct. 3 in the slayings of his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman.

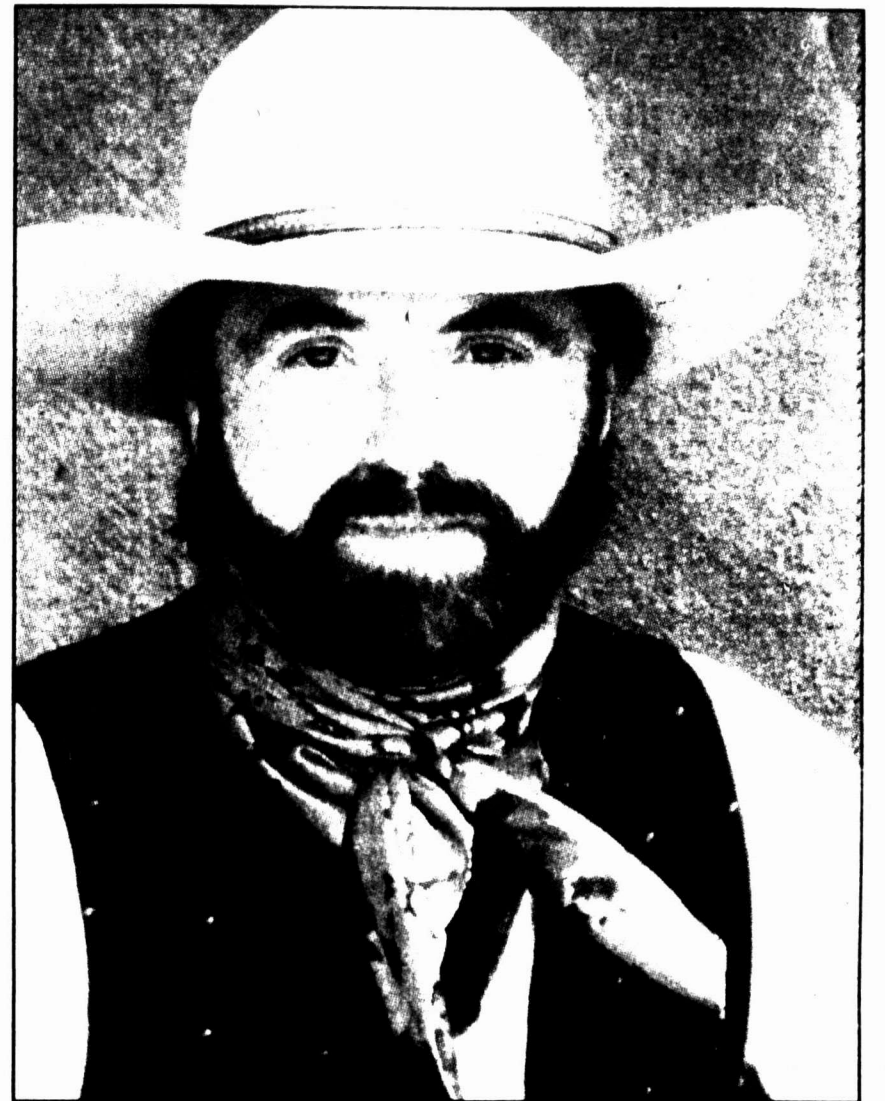
A week after the verdict, Simpson agreed to an interview with NBC, but backed out hours before airtime on the advice of his attorneys. They were concerned about a wrongful death civil suit filed against him by the victims' families.

## Brownie Christmas project



(Special photo)

Members of Brownie Girl Scout Troop #435 chose to spend a portion of their earnings from last year's cookie sales helping the aged and disabled in the community. On a shopping trip to buy products are, from left, troop co-leader Patty Denney, Becca Gindorf, Emily Elliott (behind Becca), Whitney Karr and Heather Holt. After a shopping trip to Wal-Mart, Brownies turned over their purchases to Shawn Bybee, Texas Department of Human Services social worker who coordinates community care for the aged and disabled. Donations are being accepted through Thursday at the DHS office, 1509 N. Banks. Cleaning products and personal care items are especially needed at this time, she said. For more information, call the local DHS office at 665-1863.



Michael Martin Murphey

## Michael Martin Murphey to bring tradition to Pampa with his Christmas concert

By CHIP CHANDLER  
Staff Writer

Tradition. That's what Michael Martin Murphey promises to bring to Pampa with his Cowboy Christmas Concert on Monday night.

That's also what he's breaking by bringing the concert to M.K. Brown Auditorium.

It's a word that came up frequently in a telephone interview late last week, a feeling that imbued all aspects of the conversation.

Tradition, he hinted, is something he lives by, something he deeply respects.

"One thing I like about the Panhandle is it sticks with a certain tradition of cowboys, ranchers, horses, stewardship of the land. That's the way I grew up," he recounted.

"The Panhandle tenaciously holds on to it. I'm thrilled to be doing this event in the heart of true Texas country," he said.

Despite that professed love of tradition, Murphey is the first to admit that he's breaking custom this year by bringing the Christmas concert to Pampa.

Since he began performing the concert 10 years ago, the only Panhandle-area date on the tour has been in Amarillo.

"It's a good reason to bring the Cowboy Christmas Concert to [Pampa] — the cowboys are out there. Pampa's better than Amarillo in that regard; it's closer to the cowboys, the ranchers, the farmers," he said.

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## First American Bank, Day Care Center join for children's project

In a joint effort, First American Bank and Community Day Care Center are asking for community help in brightening Christmas morning for 24 area children.

Each angel ornament hanging on the Christmas trees at both First American Bank locations in Pampa contains the wish list of children who will not enjoy Christmas without help. A child can be sponsored for \$50 or the equivalent donation in clothes and toys.

To become an angel sponsor, call or visit either Pampa branch at 221 N. Gray (665-2326) and 2500 Perryton Parkway (669-2326).

First American Bank is also welcoming visitors to their lobby to enjoy Christmas carol-

ing from area youth ranging in ages three to early teens.

"At First American Bank, we strive to be a positive force in the Pampa area, not only by providing economic benefits in the form of jobs and financial services, but also by being a part of the community, supporting charities and participating in various civic organizations," Dennis Godwin, branch manager of First American Bank, explained.

"The Community Day Care provides a very worthwhile and needed service to our community. We are proud to work with them on the angel tree project, as well as provide the opportunity for everyone in the community to hear caroling from our area children," Godwin said.



**BIG NATE'S SECRET SANTA** by Lincoln Peirce



**Legislators express confidence towards eventual outcome of redistricting case**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Peering intently from a front-row spectator's bench in the Supreme Court's ornate chamber, several Texans in Congress anxiously watched oral arguments in a redistricting case that could have a profound effect on their political futures.

At issue is the constitutionality of three minority-dominated congressional districts in Houston and Dallas. The key question before the Supreme Court is whether race or protection of incumbent lawmakers was the driving force behind the Texas Legislature's 1991 remap of the state's 30 congressional districts.

A three-judge federal panel ruled last year that the districts — represented by Democrats Gene Green and Sheila Jackson Lee of Houston and Eddie Bernice Johnson of Dallas — were the products of unconstitutional racial gerrymandering.

Texas Assistant Attorney General Javier Aguilar defended the oddly-shaped districts, whose tentacles reach out across Dallas and Houston. The unusual configurations resulted because the Texas Legislature's priority was protecting incumbent House members, not racial gerrymandering, Aguilar told the justices.

But Washington lawyer Daniel Troy, representing Texas Republicans who challenged the districts, said the Constitution

doesn't allow race to be used as a tool to protect incumbents. "Motive does not matter if the means is race or ethnicity."

Standing in the chilly air outside the court after the 80-minute session, the Texas lawmakers expressed confidence that the plaintiffs had failed to prove their case before a clearly divided Supreme Court.

"I think their case has fallen apart," said Ms. Jackson Lee, who represents Houston's 18th District.

But one of the plaintiffs, former GOP congressional candidate Edward Blum of Houston, disagreed. "I think the state of Texas has found itself in a very difficult position after today's arguments," said Blum, who is chairman of Campaign for a Color Blind America, which is bankrolling the plaintiffs' case. "You cannot use race as a tool to either empower or disempower incumbent politicians."

The lawmakers said their districts' contorted shapes offer proof that more than race was at play, since compressed minority-dominated districts could easily have been drawn had the Legislature not taken into account incumbents.

Reps. Jackson Lee and Johnson, who are both black, bristled at court challenges against minority-dominated districts, saying oddly-shaped white-majority districts have escaped scrutiny.

"There is a double standard here," Ms. Johnson said. "Districts have been scrambled all over the state of Texas and they elected white people and nobody questioned it... They are constitutional, because they elect white people."

Blum said his court challenge isn't an attempt to decrease minority representation in Congress. "It is unconstitutional to take African-Americans who live in southwest Houston and combine them 45 miles away ... with African-Americans who live in northeast Houston," he said. "That's what's unconstitutional, not the aspect that we have districts that are majority-minority."

The court's decision, expected by July, isn't likely to affect the 1996 races, said Rep. Martin Frost, the Dallas Democrat who chairs the House Democratic campaign committee. Candidate filing opened Monday and ends Jan. 2, he noted, with the primary in March.

Frost has more than a passing interest in the case. Any redrawing of Ms. Johnson's district would have a profound effect on his neighboring 24th District. A fellow Dallas Democrat, Rep. John Bryant, also would find his 5th District significantly impacted. In Houston, the 25th District seat held by Democrat Ken Bentsen likely would face significant change.

**State briefs**

**Gun Barrel council members could go to jail**

**GUN BARREL CITY (AP)** — The political standoff that has paralyzed the civic government of this lakeside town appears as entrenched as ever.

Henderson County Attorney Larry Heffington has warned Gun Barrel City officials that they will be prosecuted if they hold any secret meetings regarding an upcoming election on a new city charter.

The *Athens Daily Review* reported Tuesday that Heffington sent a memo to three City Council members regarding repeated attempts to conduct special council meetings without the approval of Mayor Joe Agnes or notification of the other council members, as required by Texas' Open Meetings Act.

A feud that started last year between Agnes and City Administrator Allan Taylor has all but shut down the government in the East Texas lakeside community of 3,500 people, in Henderson County about 50 miles southeast of Dallas.

**Legislators say Gramm is making campaign mistake**

**DES MOINES, Iowa (AP)** — Phil Gramm will suffer the consequences during Iowa's caucuses if he misses today's deadline to sign a pledge to ignore Louisiana's presidential conventions, state legislators say.

"I believe that price will be paid at the time of the caucuses," state Sen. Joann Douglas said. "I think any candidate who flakes off will pay the price."

Douglas joined two other legislators Tuesday at a Statehouse news conference to discuss Gramm's refusal to ignore Louisiana's conventions in favor of Iowa's traditional first-in-the-nation caucuses. The legislators have supported different GOP presidential candidates, but agree that Gramm is making a mistake by refusing to sign Iowa's pledge. "Everybody in this state is united behind this. Iowans support the fact that we're first and we want to keep it that way," said Iowa House Speaker Ron Corbett, who supports Lamar Alexander for president.

**AIDS program moved to university**

**DALLAS (AP)** — One of the Dallas County commissioners who has staunchly opposed many of the county health department's AIDS prevention policies, such as condom distribution, has helped negotiate the transfer of many of the services to a local medical school.

Much of Dallas County's AIDS prevention program will be shifted to the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas in an effort to ease tensions between the county health department and the commissioner's court.

Commissioner Mike Cantrell, one of the county AIDS program's most vocal critics, later formulated a settlement allowing the county to hand out privately donated condoms.

The Dallas County Health Department will give up federally funded education, counseling and testing programs after Jan. 1.

"It looks like the best solution to the political difficulties that Dallas County has gone through for the last 11 months," said Dr. Robert Haley, UT Southwestern chief of epidemiology.

**Santa look-alike commits armed robbery at all-night cafe**

**BAYTOWN, Texas (AP)** — A man dressed like Santa Claus walked into an all-night cafe, muttering a few ho-ho-ho's on his way, pulled a pistol from his belt and demanded that his toy bag be filled with money from a safe, employees told police.

After pistol-whipping a pregnant assistant manager who fumbled while trying to open the safe, the white-whiskered man in the red suit ran with about \$5,000 from T.A. Country Pride Restaurant on Interstate 10 shortly before midnight Monday as employees yelled for someone to stop him.

After commandeering a taxicab and leading customers and police on a chase, Frank Sidney Smith, 35, who had been fired as a waiter at the restaurant, was

arrested at the apartment complex where he lives.

Smith still had patches of cotton glued to his face, and a BB pistol and the bag of money were found in the back seat of a second car he switched to during the chase, police said.

Bobby Mattox, 31, said that about 11:30 p.m. Monday, a man dressed as Santa hailed his cab at a barbecue restaurant about a half-mile away.

The man told him that he'd recently finished a shift as Santa at a local shopping mall, Mattox said.

"He told me that he needed to go to the restaurant and get some

money for his wife and asked me to wait for him," Mattox said.

Minutes later, the waiting cab driver saw people chasing his customer.

**IT'S BASKETBALL TIME**  
**PAMPA OPTIMIST BOY'S BASKETBALL**

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 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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## White House writing seven year budget plan, Republicans cautiously optimistic

WASHINGTON (AP) — According to a GOP demand, President Clinton is preparing a seven-year plan for balancing the budget, the first sign of movement in the week-old budget talks and one that is receiving a guarded welcome from Republicans.

Clinton is likely to suggest smaller tax cuts and more savings from welfare, corporate tax loopholes and other programs than he proposed six months ago, as well as smaller spending boosts for many domestic programs, according to an administration official and a congressional source who spoke on condition of anonymity.

GOP negotiators have demanded a detailed seven-year proposal, and until now Democrats had insisted on working from a broad-brush, 10-year budget-balancing outline Clinton presented in June.

"We are in the process of preparing a seven-year plan," White House chief of staff Leon Panetta told reporters Tuesday. "As you know, this isn't an easy process."

Administration officials and congressional Democrats said they hoped to give the proposal to Republicans when bargaining resumes Thursday.

"We probably won't like what they come up with," said Senate

Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., who added that Clinton told him in a phone conversation about the decision to prepare a plan. "At least that's what he told me. But that's at least a start."

The administration official said the new White House plan probably would contain a smaller tax cut than the \$98 billion, seven-year reduction Clinton proposed in June and might delay the effective date of a \$500 per child tax credit until 1997 or later to reduce the cost.

Panetta said the White House would stick with its June proposal to extract \$124 billion in savings from Medicare. Clinton's plan to save \$54 billion from Medicaid is also likely to remain intact, said Sen. James Exon, D-Neb., and the administration official.

Exon, ranking Democrat on the Senate Budget Committee, said the administration wanted to keep its tax-cut figure, but many lawmakers want the cuts eliminated, reduced or postponed for several years until the deficit is on its way down.

"Most of us feel there should be a dramatic reduction" in the tax cut, Exon said.

Overall, the new White House plan would propose gentler reductions for Medicare, Medicaid, welfare and taxes; more spending for education, environment and other Clinton

domestic priorities; and a bigger bite out of corporate tax loopholes than Republicans want.

Republicans pushed their own seven-year budget balancing package through Congress last month, containing deeper spending cuts and bigger tax reductions than Clinton wants. The president is likely to veto it this week.

Democrats said that in return for their new plan, they wanted Republicans to show how they would ease the reductions they plan for Medicare, Medicaid, education and environmental initiatives.

"We expect of them a willingness on their part to come forward with suggestions on how we address the priorities the president considers important, and we hope that the discussions as they proceed in coming days will take on that flavor," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said.

Despite the potential for progress, the talks could miss their Dec. 15 deadline. The bargainers were told Tuesday that the Congressional Budget Office's economic forecasts would not be available until at least Dec. 12. Those estimates will be used to measure the deficit and the savings negotiators propose.

## Board of Realtors elects officers



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

The Pampa Board of Realtors elected officers for the 1996 year. They are Bill Stephens, president; Doris Robbins, vice president; Chris Moore, secretary; Henry Gruben, director, three years; Neva Weeks, director, two years; and Roy Sparkman, director, one year. From left are Jim Davidson, retired board member; Beula Cox, past president; Neva Weeks, director; Chris Moore, secretary; and Bill Stephens, president.

## Club news

### Civic Culture Club

Civic Culture Club's November meeting was held in the little dining room at Furr's Cafeteria.

After luncheon, President Eva Dennis conducted the business session. Secretary and treasurer reports were given and approved. Teresa Reed was elected replacement secretary to Buss Bates who resigned.

The club voted and passed the following items: 1) a contribution to be made to the White Deer Land Museum; and 2) a memorial to be given in the memory of Annabel Wood, former member.

A holiday parade float entry was scratched until next year.

Roll call consisted of the following: Eva Dennis, Lennie Howard, Geneva Dalton, Helene Hogan, Teresa Reed and Florence Rife.

A program was presented by Geneva Dalton on artist Samuel J. Butcher originator of "Precious Moments" figurines. Dalton gave a biographical sketch of the artist including the launching of the "Precious Moments" chapel near Carthage, Mo.,

which she visited personally last summer.

The next meeting will be held Dec. 12 in Eva Dennis' home. This meeting will double as a Christmas party and members are to bring an exchange gift as well as gift for the Tralee Crisis Center. Members should also bring a Christmas treat.

### Preceptor Theta Iota

Preceptor Theta Iota met in the home of Carol Carpenter with Marilyn Howell presiding. The Ritual of Jewels Ritual was given to new member Jan Oblak.

Three angels from the Angel Tree at the First American Bank have been adopted as the club's holiday service project. Gifts for these angels are to be viewed/wrapped at the meeting in December.

The club's next meeting will be Dec. 11 in the home of Betty Schaffer. This meeting will double as Christmas party and gift exchange.

Happy holidays to all.

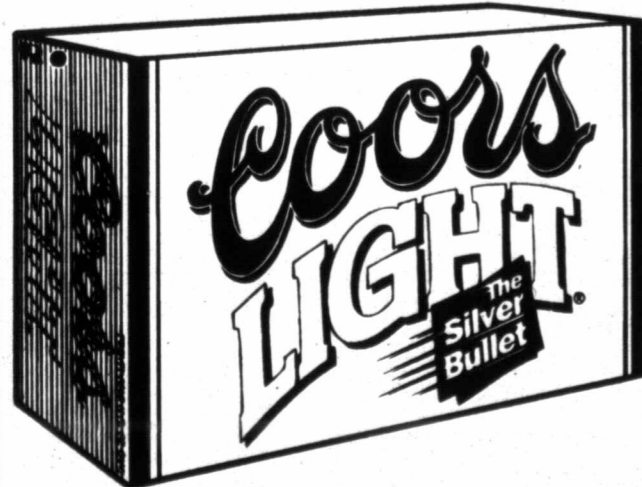
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## No licenses suspended under new 'deadbeat' law

DALLAS (AP) — The state has yet to suspend a hunting permit, fishing license or driver's license under a heralded child support law that went into effect Sept. 1.

Some lawmakers and child support advocates are unhappy about that, despite the attorney general's boast that it has helped collect \$5.4 million merely with the threat of the law, *The Dallas Morning News* reported.

"There are teeth in our laws now," said Rep. Toby Goodman, R-Arlington, a sponsor of the law. It permits suspension of professional, recreational and driver's licenses of parents owing child support.

"Getting \$5.4 million on \$1.4 billion owed is not much money. It's all relative," Goodman said Tuesday.

Ron Dusek, a spokesman for the attorney general's office, said Tuesday that actually going after licenses is premature at this point.

Since the law went into effect in September, about 18 percent of targeted parents have responded to suspension notices by arranging child support payments, Dusek said.

Notices were mailed to 75,000 parents who have ignored court orders to pay back child support. So far, 13,857 delinquent parents have responded by arranging payments, Dusek said.

He said second notices are being sent to some of those who previously failed to respond, and if there is still no answer, license suspensions could begin "in several months."

"We want to give the opportunity for these persons to come in and voluntarily pay first. That is the most efficient way to do this," Dusek said.

Goodman, a lawyer who has practiced family law, said enforcement of child support laws is key to getting the attention of delinquent parents.

"Some of these people have been threatened with jail for 20 years, and very few of these offenders ever have gone to jail. And they get the idea, 'So what?'" he said.

He noted that more than 800,000 delinquent child support cases have been filed with the attorney general's office, which by state law is responsible for collection efforts.

In August, Texas Attorney General Dan Morales announced he was mailing out notices to child support scofflaws and that the time for excuses was over.

He said each case involved an already procured court order and that his concern was for the "children who need adequate food, clothing and shelter and parents who seemingly don't care." He predicted collecting \$20 million in the first year from deadbeat parents.

Lynda Bensen, president of the Association for Children for Enforcement of Support, said she believes that the difference between what the attorney general's office says and what it does has created "a credibility problem."

"They have established themselves as a no-action agency," she said.

Some private agencies already have successfully pursued license suspensions in court for clients who are owed back child support.

"The difference is that we're filing right away," said Richard "Casey" Hoffman, president of the Child Support Enforcement firm based in Austin.

## Nation briefs

### Alaskan oil spill covers nine mile stretch

KENAI, Alaska (AP) — About 1,600 gallons of crude oil spilled from a storage tank and into Cook Inlet, producing a slick that stretched at least nine miles.

The oil leaked Tuesday from a storage tank at Kenai Pipeline Co. and escaped from a containment area because of an open valve, said Ronald Noel, assistant general counsel for company owner Tesoro Alaska Petroleum.

About 50 barrels reached the waters north of Kenai in south-central Alaska, creating the 500-yard-wide slick.

The company blamed a frozen tank gauge for the leak, which occurred as the tank was being filled. Company officials weren't sure why the dike's containment valve was open, Noel said.

A cleanup ship worked into the night skimming oil off the waters of Cook Inlet, about 160 miles southwest of Anchorage. Noel said most of the cleanup would be done early today.

The Alaska Environmental Conservation Department said cleanup crews were using radio signaling devices to track the crude oil through the night.

### Holocaust stamp presented to museum

WASHINGTON (AP) — Postmaster General Marvin Runyon has presented an enlargement of the artwork from its Holocaust commemorative stamp to the trustees of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum.

The stamp, showing the faces of concentration camp survivors peering from behind barbed wire, was released in September as part of a World War II set.

"When the Allies liberated the Holocaust survivors they came face to face with those who had peered into the very heart of ... darkness," Runyon said Tuesday. "A half-century later those faces still speak."

Rep. Ben Gilman, R-N.Y., said the stamp and the museum "will help ensure that future generations will not forget the Holocaust."

"Stamps have great power," said Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich. "This stamp will contribute to your work making sure the American people are told about the Holocaust."

The stamp's depiction of the survivors "is a tribute to the triumph of the human spirit over pure evil," added David Fineman of the Postal Service's governing board.

The museum in Washington honors the memory of the 6 million Jews killed by the German Nazis.

## 'Toy Story' remains first for second week

By JOHN HORN  
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Disney's computer-animated *Toy Story* was the nation's No. 1 film for the second straight weekend, earning \$20.2 million in its second week of release.

The James Bond film *Goldeneye* slipped 66 percent from Thanksgiving weekend but was still a strong second. *Casino*, fifth a week ago, moved up to third and *Money Train* was fourth.

Two new films, *White Man's Burden* and *Wild Bill*, fared poorly in their debut weekend, finishing eighth and 12th.

The Top 20 movies at U.S. and Canadian theaters Friday through Sunday, followed by studio, gross, number of theater locations, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled Monday by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc.:

1. *Toy Story*, Disney, \$20.2 million, 2,461 locations, \$8,194 per location, \$64.7 million, two weeks.
2. *Goldeneye*, MGM, \$8.8 million, 2,667 locations, \$3,314 per location, \$70 million, three weeks.
3. *Casino*, Universal, \$6.1 million, 1,617 locations, \$3,785 per location, \$23.7 million, two weeks.
4. *Money Train*, Columbia, \$6 million, 2,522 locations, \$2,386 per location, \$24.1 million, two weeks.
5. *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls*, Warner Bros., \$5.7 million, 2,705 locations, \$2,116 per location, \$93.9 million, four weeks.
6. *The American President*, Columbia, \$5.3 million, 1,508 locations, \$3,520 per location, \$33.5 million, three weeks.
7. *It Takes Two*, Warner Bros., \$2 million, 1,581 locations, \$1,285 per location, \$15.1 million, three weeks.
8. *White Man's Burden*, Savoy, \$1.73 million, 942 locations, \$1,841 per location, \$1.73 million, one week.
9. *Get Shorty*, MGM, \$1.72 million, 1,366 locations, \$1,259 per location, \$15.1 million, three weeks.
10. *Nick of Time*, Gramercy, \$1.6 million, 1,849 locations, \$861 per location, \$1.6 million, two weeks.

BOX OFFICE		Top weekend movies	
Weekend of December 1-3, 1995			
All dollar figures in millions			
Gross to date, weeks in release, number of screens		Weekend gross	
1	<i>Toy Story</i> \$64.7, two weeks, 2,461 screens		\$20.2
2	<i>Goldeneye</i> \$70, three weeks, 2,667 screens		\$8.8
3	<i>Casino</i> \$23.7, two weeks, 1,617 screens		\$6.1
4	<i>Money Train</i> \$24.1, two weeks, 2,522 screens		\$6
5	<i>Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls</i> \$93.9, four weeks, 2,705 screens		\$5.7
6	<i>The American President</i> \$15.1, three weeks, 1,581 screens		\$2
7	<i>It Takes Two</i> \$15.1, three weeks, 1,581 screens		\$2
8	<i>White Man's Burden</i> \$1.73, one week, 942 screens		\$1.73
9	<i>Get Shorty</i> \$1.72, seven weeks, 1,366 screens		\$1.72
10	<i>Nick of Time</i> \$1.6, two weeks, 1,849 screens		\$1.6

Source: Exhibitor Relations Co., Inc. AP

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## Texas Railroad Commission recommends safety check

AUSTIN — With cold weather gripping the state, the Texas Railroad Commission suggests that homeowners who fuel furnaces and appliances with propane contact their local dealer for a safety check of their propane tank and regulator.

Although it doesn't happen often, safety officials warn that if the regulator vent ices over or is clogged by insect nests or debris, high pressure gas can be released directly to home appliances. Homeowners should participate with their propane dealer in a regular safety inspection program each year.

Regulators on most home tanks are located under a protective metal dome on the top of the tank, shielding them from weather and insects. On some tanks, however, the circular regulator is installed outside the dome cover. Owners of these tanks should make sure the regulator is properly installed and operating correctly by contacting the local dealer that fills the services their tanks.

Some Texans buy propane in portable tanks for use in barbecues or as a supplemental heat source. Colder weather may prompt such users to bring the portable cylinders indoors. But Railroad Commission officials say all propane cylinders and containers must stay outside for safety, as required by the Commission's safety rules.

Propane is commonly used as a residential and commercial fuel throughout Texas.

EL PASO (AP) — Texas' lucrative games of chance have once again put the state in the thick of the battle over Indian gambling.

The Kickapoo Traditional Tribe of Texas has become the second such group to file a federal lawsuit against the state. It argues that if Texas can offer gambling, such as the lottery, then so can an Indian nation.

The argument is based on the 1988 Indian Gaming Regulatory Act, which permits tribes to offer any form of gambling offered by their respective states, provided they reach an agreement with authorities.

"Everyone knows that the state of Texas is the biggest gambler on the block," said attorney Tom Diamond, whose El Paso-based law firm is assisting on the Kickapoo case.

## Kickapoo tribe launches pro-casino effort

The lawsuit, filed in Pecos in mid-October, seeks to force the state to negotiate a compact that would allow the roughly 460-member tribe to operate a casino on its 125-acre reservation near Eagle Pass.

"The Kickapoo see it as an opportunity to have some kind of enterprise that would attract investment and would provide jobs for the tribal members," said tribal administrator Roberto De La Garza.

But Gov. George W. Bush has refused to discuss a compact, leading to the suit's charges that he failed to deal in "good faith." State attorneys are challenging and have filed a motion to have the suit dismissed.

"The state is going to oppose any group or entity that tries to claim that it has the right to set up gambling that is currently prohibited under state law," said Ron Dusek, a spokesman for the Texas attorney general.

The state fought a similar legal challenge brought by El Paso's Tigua Indians and scored a decisive victory last year when an appellate court reversed a lower court's ruling that Texas had to negotiate.

Ron Jackson, a Kickapoo attorney, said that despite some similarities to the Tiguas' case, the second suit has a chance to succeed where the other didn't because of significant differences in the tribes' situations.

The Kickapooes are subject to different regulations than those that caused the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to uphold the Tiguas' bid last year.

11. *Home for the Holidays*, Paramount, \$1 million, 1,000 locations, \$1,005 per location, \$15.8 million, five weeks.

12. *Wild Bill*, MGM, \$988,000, 775 locations, \$1,274 per location, \$988,000, one week.

13. *Copycat*, Warner Bros., \$600,000, 763 locations, \$787 per location, \$27.2 million, six weeks.

14. *Powder*, Disney, \$564,000, 842 locations, \$670 per location, \$27.7 million, six weeks.

15. *Dangerous Minds*, Disney, \$434,000, 471 locations, \$921 per location, \$82.9 million, 17 weeks.

16. *Seven*, New Line, \$398,000, 529 locations, \$752 per location, \$86.1 million, 11 weeks.

17. *Carrington*, Gramercy, \$375,000, 124 locations, \$3,028 per location, \$1.7 million, four weeks.

18. *How to Make an American Quilt*, Universal, \$270,000, 575 locations, \$470 per location, \$23 million, nine weeks.

19. *Mortal Kombat*, New Line, \$269,000, 423 locations, \$637 per location, \$69.7 million, 16 weeks.

20. *Mighty Aphrodite*, Miramax, \$250,000, 189 locations, \$1,321 per location, \$4.4 million, six weeks.

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## Spaghetti sauce, pizza said to help fight cancer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Good news: Researchers have found that pizza and spaghetti sauce can protect against prostate cancer. Really.

A Harvard study of the eating habits of 47,000 men over six years found that those who had at least 10 servings a week of tomato-based foods were up to 45 percent less likely to develop prostate cancer.

Most of the protection came from eating spaghetti sauce, said Dr. Edward Giovannucci of the Harvard School of Public Health, but pizza that includes layers of tomato sauce also helped.

"We found that more was better," said Giovannucci. He said men who typically took only four to seven servings of the tomato-based food had a 20 percent reduction in the rate of prostate cancer.

A report on the study is published in the *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*.

Giovannucci said researchers checked the consumption of 46 fruits and vegetables and only tomato-based foods and strawberries seemed to have a protective effect against prostate cancer.

He said the benefits of tomatoes came from several forms: sauce, juice, raw and even when cooked into pizza. Spaghetti sauce was the most common tomato-based food eaten by the men in the study group.

Giovannucci cautioned that the findings should not be interpreted to mean that people should load up on tomato products.

"These findings support the

idea that people should eat a variety of fruits and vegetables," he said. Nutrients in other foods, said Giovannucci, may be protective against other types of cancers.

Tomatoes may be protective, he said, because they are rich in an anti-oxidant called lycopene. This molecule may act to block the initiation of the cancerous process.

Giovannucci had no explanation for the apparent benefit of strawberries, but suggested that the finding was a statistical fluke.

However, the result for tomatoes was clear, he said, because the benefit was shown in four forms of the food.

Giovannucci said the study found that other nutrients, such as beta carotene and vitamin A, had no effect on the rate of prostate cancer. He said, however, that these nutrients may be protective against other types of cancers as some other researchers have reported.

The protective effects of tomatoes had been suggested in some earlier studies of prostate cancer rates. Giovannucci said the research had found that prostate cancer was less common in southern Mediterranean countries, such as Italy and Greece, where tomato-based foods are a major part of the diet.

In the new study, Giovannucci said cooked tomato products seemed to be more protective than juice or raw tomatoes. It could be, he said, that when tomatoes are heated cells burst to release more lycopene.

## Poll: Significant opposition to U.S. deployment in Bosnia

NEW YORK (AP) — Unconvinced by the president's rallying cry, Americans oppose sending troops to Bosnia nearly 2-1, according to an Associated Press poll.

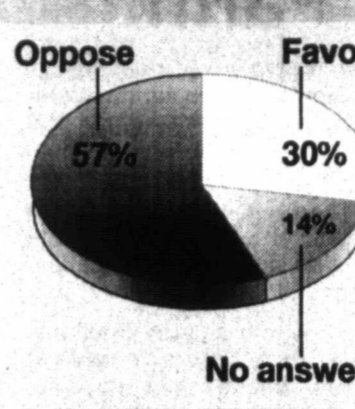
Fifty-seven percent are against the deployment, 30 percent in favor and the rest are unsure in the survey of 1,016 adults.

The poll was taken Wednesday through Sunday, even as President Clinton was giving the troops in Europe marching orders. But that spectacle did not seem to lift a skepticism that has endured through numerous surveys in recent years, including those taken Nov. 27, the night of Clinton's televised speech.

Only 38 percent in the poll consider the situation in the former Yugoslavia very important to the interests of the United States. And a 51 percent to 37 percent majority do not think saving the lives of civilians in Bosnia is worth putting U.S. soldiers at risk.

### Associated Press Poll

Q: Do you favor or oppose sending 20,000 U.S. troops to Bosnia as part of a NATO peacekeeping force?



Source: AP national telephone poll of 1,016 Americans taken Nov. 29-Dec. 3 by ICR Survey Research Group of Media, Pa., part of AUS Consultants. Margin of error is plus or minus 3 percentage points. Sum may not total 100 percent because of rounding.

While debate rages in Washington about the largest

U.S. military operation in Europe since World War II, 42 percent of adults in the poll — and 55 percent of those under age 35 — say they are not following the situation closely.

Twenty-one percent profess to be following it very closely, and 37 percent somewhat closely. These people are somewhat more supportive of the deployment than the least attentive respondents, who oppose it by 3-1.

Even Democrats in the poll narrowly oppose the military mission by 46 percent to 42 percent, while two-thirds of Republicans are against it.

The 52 percent who think Bosnia is not very important to U.S. interests are somewhat more likely to be young and male. In the 55-64 age bracket, a generation whose childhood was dominated by World War II, a plurality sees vital interests in Bosnia.

The latest poll was taken by phone by ICR Survey Research Group of Media, Pa., part of

AUS Consultants. Results have a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Clinton's optimism that the United States can extract itself from the Bosnian peacekeeping operation in about a year is widely shared. Only 35 percent think the United States is heading for a drawn-out military involvement like in Vietnam.

Other than that bright spot, the poll shows no evidence that the public has been rallied on Bosnia by a president who is not known for a willingness to buck popular sentiment. In this case, though, Clinton is wearing the unfavorable polls like a badge of honor to show his resolve.

As Secretary of State Warren Christopher told at least two congressional committees Thursday: "The president is not unduly motivated by polls because if he were he would not be recommending the deployment of American forces. By all accounts this action is not popular."

## Smith, Wyden nominated for Oregonian seat in mail-in vote

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Oregon voters who cast ballots from their homes nominated a liberal Democratic congressman and a conservative GOP businessman to run for the U.S. Senate seat vacated by Republican Bob Packwood.

Tuesday's election marked the nation's first congressional election conducted by mail, and state officials declared it a success because of higher turnout and lower costs.

Democratic Rep. Ron Wyden turned back a strong challenge from Rep. Peter DeFazio, while Republican state Senate President Gordon Smith easily defeated two opponents.

With 95 percent of the vote counted, Wyden, a 15-year House veteran, had 51 percent to 44 percent for DeFazio in a field of five Democrats.

Smith, the millionaire owner of a frozen food company, defeated 10 other Republicans with 64 percent of the vote. Superintendent Norma Paulus had 25 percent, and state Labor Commissioner Jack Roberts, 8 percent.

Packwood's resignation following allegations of sexual and official misconduct has given Democrats their best shot in 30 years to win the seat.

And last week, Oregon's other senator, Republican Mark Hatfield, announced he would not seek re-election next year, leaving that seat vulnerable as well.

The general election, also to be conducted by mail, is Jan. 30.

In their victory night speeches, Wyden and Smith made it clear that the general election campaign will be hard fought.

Smith, 43, who was elected to the state Senate in 1992, immediately went on the offensive, joking about Wyden's flubbed responses to a pop quiz posed to him earlier in the campaign by a Portland TV station. Wyden, 46, refused to try to guess the price of milk, bread or gasoline, or to find Bosnia on a globe.

"Real Oregonians have real problems and buy real products and know what they cost," Smith said.

Wyden, meanwhile, said he would make an issue of Smith's anti-abortion stance and his acceptance of an endorsement from the Oregon Citizens Alliance, a group that has sponsored various anti-gay rights measures.

"I represent mainstream

Oregon values," Wyden said. "The other side has staked out some extreme positions on the issues."

About 1.5 million ballots were sent out three weeks ago. By Tuesday evening, 55.5 percent of the ballots had been returned to election officials. That compares with 43.3 percent of voters who took part in Oregon primaries last year.

Secretary of State Phil Keisling estimated the election will cost between \$1.6 million and \$1.8 million, about half the cost of having voters go to the polls.

"Oregonians are making vote-by-mail a success," said Keisling, who proposed mail-in ballots. "This reflects their commitment to elections with high integrity and high turnout."

## World briefs

### Snake causes rush-hour traffic jam in India

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — A cobra crawling across a busy road created a miles-long traffic jam during morning rush-hour today in India's capital.

Most Indians will not harm cobras because it was the mythical pet of Shiva, one of the most revered Hindu gods.

Hundreds of buses, cars and motor scooters halted near the Nizamuddin bridge in the eastern part of New Delhi when the six-foot-long poisonous reptile slithered onto the road.

The cobra, which seemed confused by the vehicles and would not cross the road, was picked up by someone who had fetched a stick and gingerly carried to an adjoining field where it was released.

### Forty-nine dead in Azerbaijan plane crash

BAKU, Azerbaijan (AP) — Forty-nine people died and 33 were injured in the crash of a Tu-134 passenger plane after takeoff in southwestern Azerbaijan, airline officials said today.

The Baku-bound plane went down Tuesday night in a mountainous area about 6 miles from the airport in Nakhichevan after an engine failed, the officials said.

The state airline said 74 people, including six crew members, were listed on the flight manifest of the Russian-designed plane, but there were apparently others who boarded late.

### Amid violence and fraud, Egyptians elect parliament

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Egyptians voted today in a runoff to elections that left opposition candidates without a single seat in parliament. Two people were killed in election-related clashes.

More than 600 candidates are vying for 306 seats in the People's Assembly. In the first round last week, the government took 90 percent of 138 seats decided. The rest went to independents, many of them government supporters.

### New bank allows genetic deposits

DENTON, Texas (AP) — The University of North Texas and a private company have announced the formation of a "genetic banking service" to operate like a safety deposit vault for DNA.

The private, for-profit venture will store DNA specimens for 25 years for people who pay \$175 each for the service, the *Houston Chronicle* reported today.

The point is to ensure that future generations will be able to examine a person's genetic code after the person has died, mainly to help their doctors fight diseases they may have inherited.

The new gene bank will avoid ethical tangles by gathering and storing data only, and not providing that data to anyone but members of a donor's family, an official said.

The Muslim Brotherhood, the government's main rival despite being banned, backed 150 candidates in last week's election and predicted one-third would win if the results weren't rigged.

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## Mom Can't Believe Daughter Is Considering Leap of Faith

DEAR ABBY: Four years ago, my 100-percent Jewish daughter (now 29) married a religious Catholic her age. We are not religious, but we observe all the Jewish holidays.

Recently, our daughter and her husband started adoption proceedings for a little girl from another country. She'll be 15 months old when they get her.

My daughter informed us that she is attending classes on both the Old and New Testaments — in the church rectory. She says she would like some education in order to be able to answer questions concerning religion. I asked why she didn't go to a synagogue to learn Jewish history. No reply.

I asked, only half-seriously, "You aren't considering converting, are you?" Her reply, "I don't know yet. I might."

Abby, it was like I was struck by lightning. She said she would still celebrate the Jewish holidays with us, and nothing would change.

"Then why convert?" I asked. "Why not raise the child in both faiths and let her decide when she gets older?"

What will her answer be when her daughter asks, "Why are we going to Grandma's for Passover if we're not Jewish?" Should my daughter say, "I used to be Jewish?" The next question would be, "Why did you change, Mommy?"

Abby, where does that leave us and her three Jewish brothers who



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DEAR DEVASTATED: It leaves her parents and three brothers who are committed to Judaism ... practicing the Jewish faith.

DEAR ABBY: Last summer I underwent surgery to fuse two of the vertebrae in my neck, and I had to wear a hard cervical collar for six weeks. For the first time in my life, I saw the world through the eyes of someone with a disability.

Most people were wonderful, but some were insensitive boors. Conversations with the latter usually went something like this:

"Oh, Lynn, what happened to you?"

"I underwent some sur..."

"I know, I had surgery myself about 10 years ago. What I went through, you wouldn't believe!"

These people would then engage in long harangues about their own health problems, the agony, the tedious recovery and their residual problems.

If I ventured, "Well, that is not what I had, I had ..." they would interrupt with, "I know, my daughter had that, too ..."

Then began a lengthy discourse regarding their children's medical conditions, broken bones and accidents!

Most people are not remotely interested in anyone other than themselves. They feign interest simply as a pretext to discuss their own medical problems.

Abby, will you please remind your readers that the next time they ask people how they are, they should at least pretend they care enough to hear the answer?

LYNN R. SHOEN, LAS VEGAS

DEAR LYNN: Some people mention their own illnesses as a way of relating to yours — to let you know they've "been there." Unfortunately, some self-centered individuals view these conversations as an opportunity to deliver an "organ recital."

Perhaps your letter will cause some of them to stop and think — but don't count on it. Take comfort from those who are sincerely concerned and sympathetic, and try not to dwell on the others.

## Horoscope



Your Birthday

Thursday Dec 7, 1995

A great deal of mobility may be possible for you in the year ahead. Your trips might not last long, but they will satisfy your sense of adventure.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** You are usually an easy-going person and an enjoyable companion. Today, however, you might act uncharacteristically opinionated and sarcastic. Major changes are probable for Sagittarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail S2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Allot extra time for difficult tasks today. You may run into some unforeseen complications, and you'll need the additional time.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Youngsters will require firm but fair treatment today. If you give in to their pleas, you will spoil them. Next time, they may be even more demanding.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** If you're planning something at your place today, limit the number of invitations. The crowd could get out of hand if everyone shows up.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Try to maintain an optimistic outlook while keeping a firm grip on reality. Do not view life through rose-colored glasses; a clearer lens is required.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Try to avoid deficit spending today, especially if you're counting on funds that have yet to arrive. This money might be needed to cover other contingencies.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Today, you might be too easily influenced by a person whose judgment may not serve your best interests. Think for yourself.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Before assuming new responsibilities today, make certain you're capable of managing the ones you already have. If doubts cross your mind, back off.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** If you plan an evening out on the town, you may enjoy going to familiar places more than experimenting with new ones.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Do not underestimate your competition today. Adversaries could have secret weapons at their disposal to trick you out of a reward.

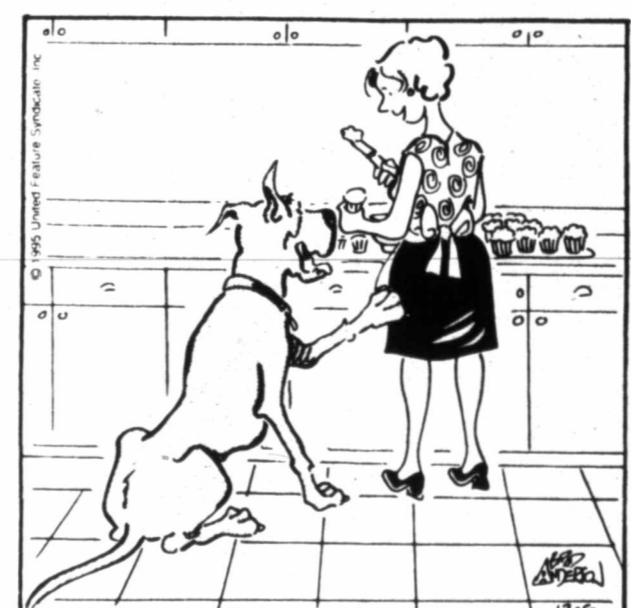
**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Do not pretend to be an expert today if you have only cursory knowledge of a certain subject. Someone may discover your secret, and you will be embarrassed.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Select your companions with care today. Avoid associating with people who spend money extravagantly. Their bad habits may be contagious.

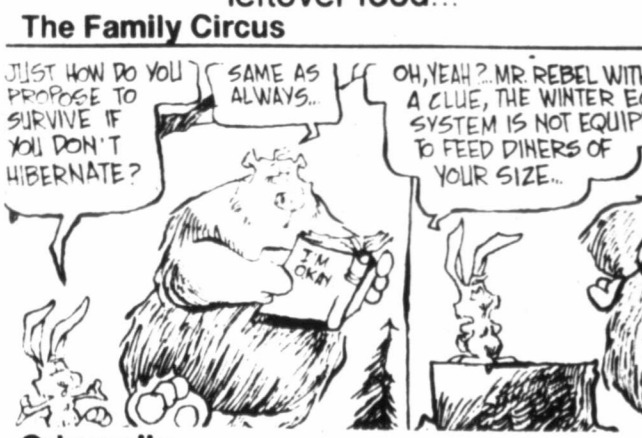
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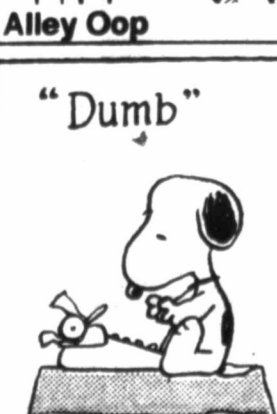
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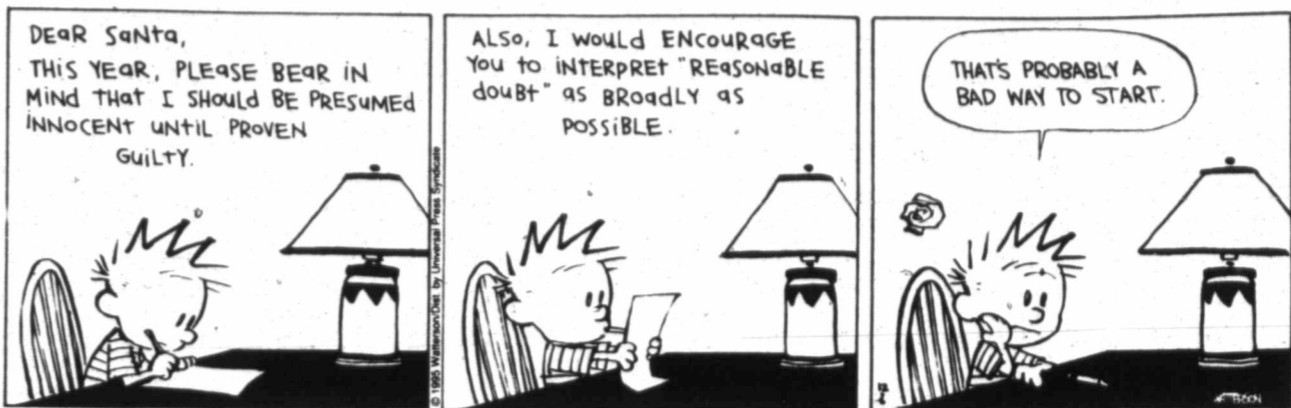
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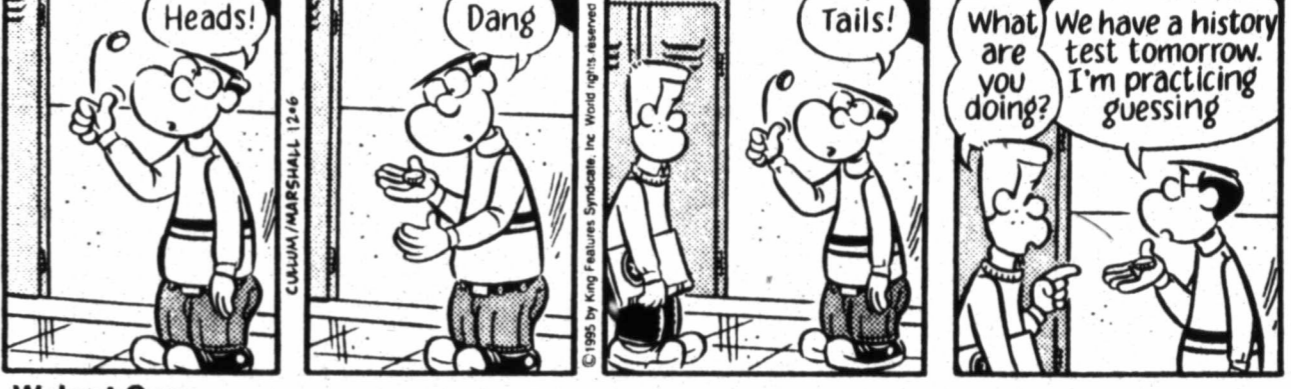
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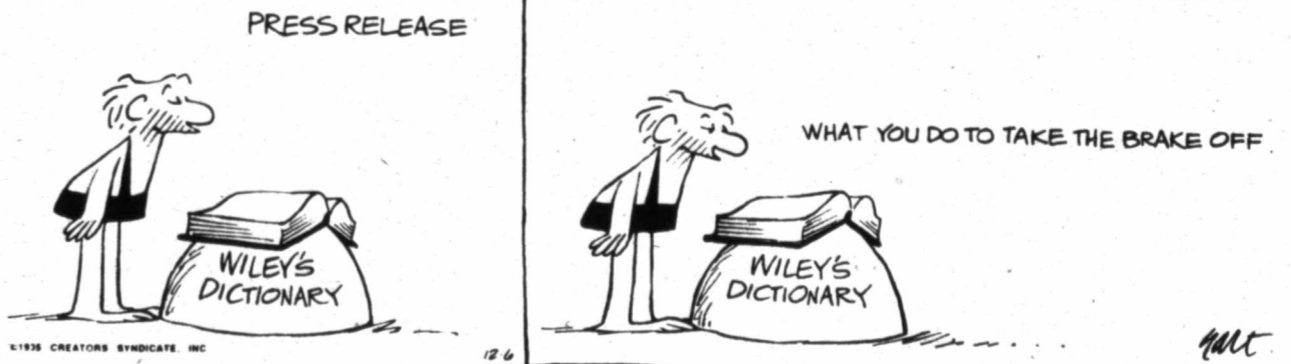
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## Sports

### Notebook

#### BASKETBALL

**CANYON** - Harvester Freshmen boys B-team lost to Canyon's Freshmen Boys B-team at Canyon 49-32. The leading scorer for Harvester's B-team was Manny Wyne with 11 pts. followed by John Hervey with 9 pts.

Overall, the B-team played hard, but for whatever reason didn't make the shots, said coach Troy Bell.

Harvester Freshmen Boys A-team beat Canyon's Freshmen Boys A-team at Canyon 51-36. Leading scorers were Kyle Gamblin with 16 pts. followed by Shawn Young with 12 pts. and Justin Roark with 10 pts.

Overall team effort was good with Canyon scoring 5 points to the Harvesters' 23 in the second half. Defense was much improved, and it is likely that if defense remains at this level, offense will take care of itself, Bell said.

An A-team tournament is scheduled at Borger Thursday, Dec. 7. The Harvesters' first game will be against Gruver.

**LEFORS** - Allison defeated Lefors in a basketball doubleheader Tuesday night.

In the boys game, Allison posted a 76-56 victory. Monty Dukes and Brandon Dukes had 24 points each to lead Allison.

Justin Howard topped Lefors with 20 points, followed by Jerimey Howard with 15.

Allison, led by Amber Dyer and Mi Mara Yowell with 13 points each, won the girls game, 61-14.

Karla Murray was high scorer for Lefors with 10 points.

**MEMPHIS** - Kay Case scored 20 points as the Groom Tigerettes slipped by Memphis, 61-58, in girls' basketball action Tuesday night.

Sandie Conrad added 12 points for Groom.

Sharla Odoms was high scorer for Memphis with 18 points.

Groom won a 59-58 squeaker in the boys game. Justin Ritter had 12 points Terry Eatmon 8 to lead Groom in scoring.

Kedrick Monson had 31 points for Memphis.

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** - Houston coach Rudy Tomjanovich was forced to sit Hakeem Olajuwon for half of the fourth quarter because of foul trouble. It was more than worth it having him around for the final minute.

Olajuwon made two free throws with 54 seconds left to cut Utah's lead to one and scored the winning basket with a hook shot with 11 seconds remaining to give the Rockets a 103-100 victory Tuesday night.

"I think they showed why they are the world champions," said Utah coach Jerry Sloan, whose team lost to the Rockets in the playoffs last season. "When they went back inside to Olajuwon, it was very difficult for us to maintain our defensive intensity."

Olajuwon scored 25 points to help turn around the Rockets' 112-105 loss to the Jazz last week. Robert Horry also scored 25, including five 3-pointers. Clyde Drexler scored 10 of his 17 points in the final quarter for the Rockets, who scored the game's final six points.

Karl Malone led the Jazz with 12 rebounds and 27 points, 15 of them from the line. Chris Morris scored 21, but did not play in the fourth quarter.

Olajuwon's hook gave the Rockets a 101-100 lead with 11 seconds to play, plenty of time for the Jazz to get a shot. But John Stockton threw a pass to a surprised Bryon Russell on the baseline, and the ball bounced off Russell and out of bounds with three seconds left.

Stockton fouled Sam Cassell on the inbounds pass with 1.9 seconds remaining. Cassell hit both free throws, and Malone's 26-footer at the buzzer skimmed off the rim.

## Harvesters rally past Rebels in overtime

**AMARILLO** - You just can't keep a good team down.

Pampa never had the lead for four quarters against Tascosa, but the Harvesters were able to claim a 55-49 overtime victory Tuesday night in the Tascosa Activity Center.

Tascosa was leading by five, 36-31, after three quarters, but Pampa snipped away at the Rebel lead and tied the score at 45-all on a fast-break layup by August Larson at the end of regulation.

Senior guard Rayford Young sparked Pampa in the 4-minute overtime period, scoring 9 of 10 points, including 6 of 6 from the foul line. His two foul shots with 11 seconds remaining put the game out of reach. Hampered by an aggressive Pampa defense, the Rebels missed their first three shots from the floor and managed only one field goal in overtime.

Tascosa led 17-8 at the end of the first quarter and 25-19 at halftime.

Young led all scorers with 29 points and he also finished

with 4 steals and 4 assists. Coy Laury followed with 12 points and the senior center led Pampa on the boards with 15 rebounds.

"Our guys deserve a lot of credit," said PHS head coach Robert Hale. "They came back after being down and got a big victory."

Kirk White paced the Rebels with 22 points and Paul Lewis chipped in 11.

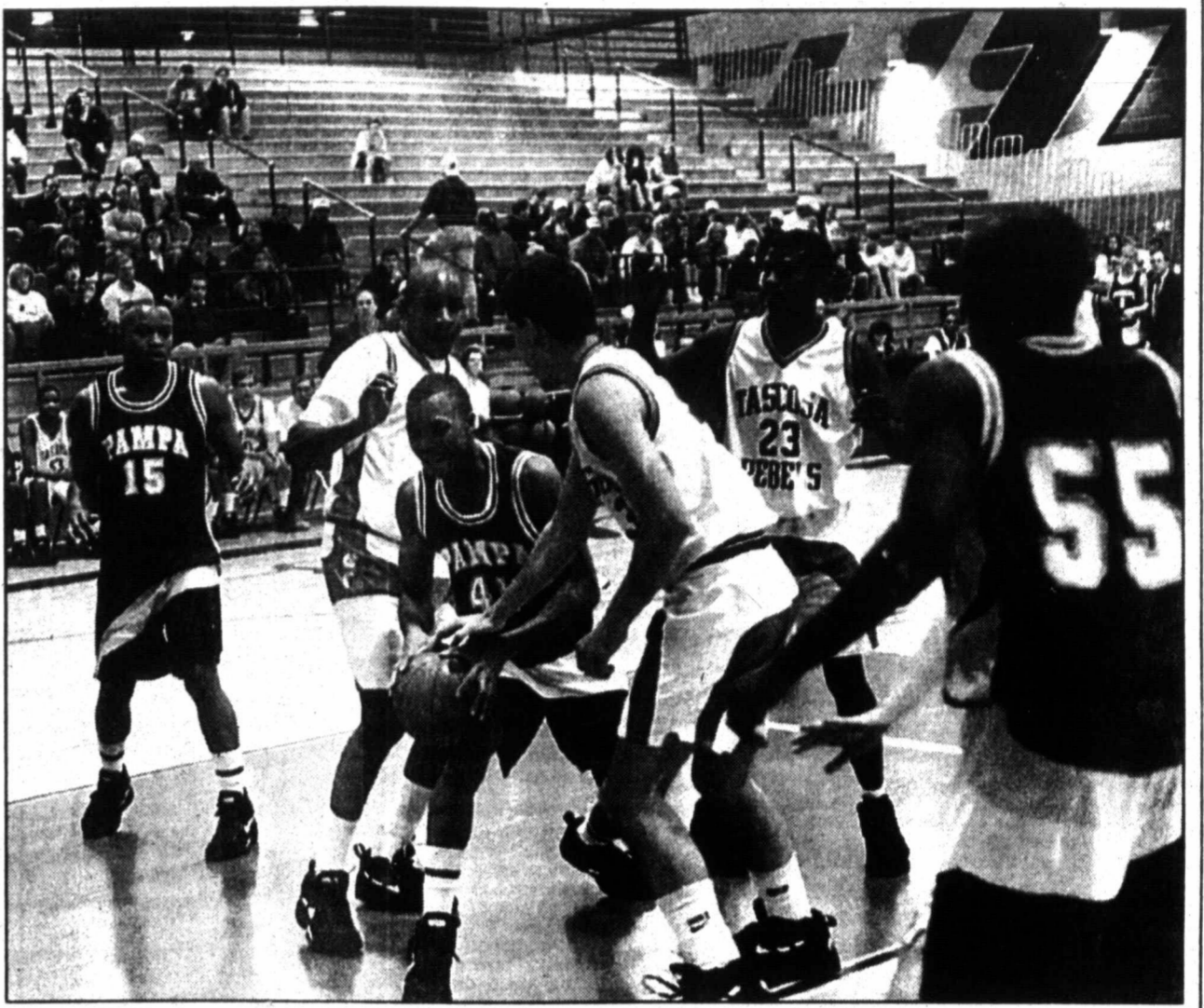
Pampa improves to 7-1 while Tascosa has an 8-5 record. The two teams meet again Dec. 12 in McNeely Fieldhouse.

After a 3-year absence, the Harvesters return to the Texoma Roundball Classic in Lawton, Okla. Lawton High is the first-round opponent at 7 Thursday night.

Tascosa won the junior varsity contest last night, 75-51.

#### Pampa 55, Tascosa 49

Pampa summary					
	F	FT	FG	R	TP
A. Larson	1	23	1-1	1	4
C. Laury	3	28	5-11	15	12
D. Lemons	0	0-0	1-6	2	2
J. Weatherbee	0	0-0	0-1	1	0
C. Miller	0	0-0	1-1	1	2
G. Wilbon	0	2-3	1-2	2	4
L. Brown	4	0-0	1-2	1	2
R. Young	3	11-17	9-15	3	29
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>17-31</b>	<b>19-39</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>55</b>



(Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa's Gabe Wilbon (41) looks for a shot beneath the basket in the first half against Tascosa.

## Why quarterbacks should treat Heisman like hot potato

By JIM LITKE  
AP Sports Writer

There is a lull while out-of-work quarterback Gino Torretta tries to name one thing, anything, that winning the Heisman Trophy has done for him lately.

"I get an all-expenses-paid trip to New York this weekend," he said at last, "to find out who gets the trophy this time."

If that someone turns out to be a quarterback with designs on pro football - say Nebraska's Tommie Frazier or Florida's Danny Wuerffel, or even long shot Peyton Manning of Tennessee - the best advice he will get all week is this: turn down the trophy, exit the Downtown Athletic Club stage left and run down 57th like your pants are on fire. Because if history is any gauge, winning the Heisman is to a quarterback's career what Cleveland is becoming to Art Modell: cement overshoes.

Torretta, the 1992 winner from

the Miami is not the most recent victim of the Heisman quarterback curse and nowhere near the biggest bust - despite never having stuck with any team long enough to record even one pass attempt in a real NFL game. His most recent temp job was with the 49ers, who barely kept him in camp for a week.

But at least it was football work, which made Torretta recall things could have been worse. Rather than tempt fate, Florida State's Charlie Ward, who won the Heisman the year after Torretta did, skipped pro football altogether. He chose basketball and wound up in New York with the Knicks, which means he's on the hook for all expenses if he, like Torretta, drops in for the reunion.

"There's been a lot of negative publicity about Heisman guys not succeeding, but we're a pretty different bunch as far as skills and desire," Torretta said. "I don't think you can make generalizations about why things work out or don't."

Maybe not. But there have been 60 Heisman winners since University of Chicago running back Jay Berwanger was the first, and you could count on both hands the number who went on to become great pros. And the quarterback ranks are even thinner. Seventeen of those 60 winners were QBs, and they included tall ones with great arms and short ones with suspect arms (remember Doug Flutie? He owns the Canadian Football League). But for reasons no one has ever suitably explained, your thumb and index finger are all that's needed to mark the really exceptional ones: Roger Staubach (Navy, 1963) and Jim Plunkett (Stanford, 1970).

The closest voters came to predicting success for quarterbacks came with Plunkett's class. Finishing second and third in the balloting in 1970 were Joe Theismann and Archie Manning, who both became very serviceable NFL quarterbacks. But voters should have quit while they were ahead; after a 12-year

stretch of running backs only, six of the last 11 Heisman winners have been QBs, and suffice it to say that colorblind and much-maligned Vinny Testaverde has been the most successful of the lot.

"I think the Heisman means one thing to the public and another to the pros," Torretta said. "The way I tried to look at it was to mark the end of one part of my career, not create all these unreasonable expectations for the next one."

"I think that's the way the pros look at it, too," he added. "They have to approach it like a business."

And business being business, Torretta was judged to have too weak an arm for the NFL. That explains why, after a career in which he won 26 of 28 games as a starter and a national championship, and set career passing records in what used to be the most accomplished program in college football, he went undrafted until Minnesota selected him in the seventh round.

It also explains why Torretta got exactly one snap in one game before being released by the Vikings; why he didn't get even that much from the Detroit Lions; why he spent time in the World Football League; and why, after Steve Young went down, the 49ers gave him all of a week to change their opinion.

But it doesn't explain why Torretta, now 25, has put his life on hold for another shot in the NFL. His dream is the reason for that. That's why, instead of settling down, Torretta shuttles between friends' homes in Florida and his mother's home in Pinole, Cal., working out all the time, hoping for another call from another team.

He is asked whether the Heisman made that dream more vivid, perhaps unrealistically so.

"I'll put it this way: There's no downside to winning the Heisman," he said. "And whether your career goes good or bad, at least they still invite you back every year."

### Tournament champs



(Pampa News photo)

The Pampa High girls' basketball team displays the championship trophy they won last weekend at the Orange and Black Classic at Clayton, N.M. The Lady Harvesters try for another first-place trophy this weekend at the Duncan, Okla. Tournament.

## Lady Harvesters take win over White Deer

**WHITE DEER** - Pampa's Lady Harvesters lifted their record to 6-1 with a 52-36 win over White Deer Tuesday night.

Jennifer Jones led a balanced scoring attack with 16 points while Chandra Nachtigall followed with 11.

Pampa led by 11 points (23-12) at halftime.

Amanda Freeman led White Deer with 16 points while Natalie Vigil added 6.

Others scoring for Pampa were Jane Brown with 9 points, Kristi Carpenter and Tasha Wilson, 5 points each; Tina Dwight 4 and Erin Alexander 2. Jones had 7

rebounds while Carpenter and Brown had 6 each, Dwight and Candice Nachtigall, 3 each.

Another outstanding team effort was the key to victory.

"White Deer tried to do some things to stop Jennifer in the first half and that helped Chandra get open. They tried to stop both Jennifer and Chandra in the second half, and that opened up our inside people," said PHS head coach Mike Jones.

The Lady Harvesters are entered in the Duncan (Okla.) Tournament and their first game is with Lawton Eisenhower at 8:30 Thursday night.

## Knicks outlast Mavericks

**NEW YORK (AP)** - For a while there, it looked like the New York Knicks were thinking more about tonight's opponent, the Chicago Bulls, than the team they were playing.

Leading by double digits most of the second half, the Knicks relaxed down the stretch and almost let a lineup of Dallas reserves steal the game. But the Knicks woke up in time to hang on to a 92-87 victory Tuesday night, sending the Mavericks to their ninth loss in 10 games.

"We had better play better tomorrow," New York coach Don Nelson said. "We struggled offensively and fell out of our game plan, but we still played good defense."

After Dallas coach Dick Motta pulled his misfiring starters, the Mavericks crept to 88-80 with 1:03 to play and kept closing as time ran out.

Patrick Ewing finished with 22 points and 12 rebounds, keying a decisive third-quarter run as New York won its eighth in 10 games.

The Knicks opened their big lead after starting the third quarter with a 18-8 run, with Ewing scoring the last six points.

After scrambling on the baseline to save the ball after a miss, Ewing controlled the ball, laid it in and was fouled by Popeye Jones, who drew a technical for disputing the call.

Ewing made both the foul shot and the technical, putting the Knicks in front 70-53 with 4:37 left in the period.

Former Maverick Derek Harper added 16 points for New York, and Anthony Mason had 14 points and 10 rebounds in a sloppy game in which the teams combined for 38 turnovers.

"We had some beautiful shots but couldn't make them," said Motta, whose team's shooting woes continued with a 38 percent effort.

Jamal Mashburn, unable to pass out of the Knicks' double teams and misfiring when he had open jumpers, shot 8-for-23, finishing with 21 points and 13 rebounds.

## Texas Football Hall of Fame to induct eleven

**WACO (AP)** - The Southall brothers - Terry, Si and Shae - who guided Brownwood to dominance in the 1960s will join their father as inductees into the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame.

Also to be inducted March 2 are Atlanta Falcons offensive lineman David Richards and former Los Angeles Rams defensive back Dave Elmendorf.

Rounding out the 1996 class of 11 inductees are running backs

Jimmy Lawrence of Harlingen and Tom Pickett of Temple, linebackers Myrle Greathouse of Amarillo and Lance Taylor of El Paso Coronado, quarterback Billy Bucek of Schulenburg, the Southall brothers and former Cuero coach Buster Gilbreth.

The Southalls join father former Brownwood assistant Morris Southall in the hall. Terry passed Brownwood to back-to-back district titles in 1961-62 before a heralded career at Baylor. Si quarter-

backed in 1966 and Brownwood's 1967 championship year.

Shae guided the Tigers to a state title in 1970 and to a state runner-up finish in 1971 before playing for brother Si at Angelo State.

Richards starred at Highland Park in the early 1980s before going on to Southern Methodist and the NFL. Elmendorf played for Houston Westbury in the mid-60s before his All-American career at Texas A&M.





## Scientists await Galileo's rendezvous at Jupiter

By JANE E. ALLEN  
AP Science Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Galileo's momentous arrival at the giant planet Jupiter is finally at hand, but first it must survive a perilous passage through heavy radiation.

Scientists also have to get the spacecraft's 746-pound probe into Jupiter's atmosphere at exactly the right angle. If not, the probe could be bounced into oblivion or meet a quick, fiery demise.

Such errors on Thursday could dash hopes pinned on Galileo's six-year, 2.3 billion-mile journey.

"We have everything crossed we can cross — fingers and toes and all like that. It's certainly nervous time," said William O'Neil, Galileo project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

As the instrument-laden spaceship nears Jupiter's system, it's expected to absorb a radiation dose 35 to 40 times greater than what will kill a human.

"The greatest unknown right now is what is the ... radiation environment going to do to us?" O'Neil said.

In fact, threats come from radiation, heavily charged particles and from electrostatic discharges that can disrupt electronics, said Matt Landano, Galileo deputy mission director.

"When we were building Galileo, we put

in a lot of shielding to offset the expected effects of Jupiter's environment," Landano said. "But we won't know how well ... we did until we fly through it."

The \$1.6 billion mission hits a high point Thursday afternoon, when the cone-shaped atmospheric probe released from the orbiter in July slams into the planet's dense, gaseous atmosphere at 106,000 mph.

If it enters as planned, it will slow down and parachute through ammonia clouds to a realm never before explored. It will tell the mothership what it sees inside Jupiter's layers of lightning-pierced clouds and may even detect water rain.

The capsule will eventually melt and vaporize, but the signals it transmits to the 2 1/2-ton orbiter will give scientists their first view of the inner reaches of Jupiter, which is 316 times more massive than Earth.

That peek, in turn, promises to yield clues to the formation of the solar system.

On Thursday, anxious scientists at JPL, which manages the Galileo mission, and at NASA's Ames Research Center in Mountain View, which built the probe, will have to be satisfied with just a few delayed confirmations that the probe is sending signals and that the orbiter is on course. Radio signals take 52 minutes to travel from Jupiter to Earth.

No pictures or atmospheric data will be available until after information captured

on Galileo's tape recorder and its computer is relayed to Earth through Deep Space Network stations in California, Spain and Australia. A first look should be available late in December.

The probe could transmit up to 75 minutes of data about chemical composition, radiation, temperature, wind, and atmospheric pressure before contact is cut off and the orbiter fires its engines for 49 minutes to enter a two-year, looping orbit around Jupiter and eight of its 16 moons.

Those moons include Io, which is highly volcanic, and Ganymede, the largest moon in the solar system.

On Monday, NASA scientists sent radio signals to make some onboard software and hardware a little less responsive to disruptions to ensure Galileo carries out its maneuvers on schedule Thursday.

They also prepared for an expected disruption in communications when the sun blocks the path between Earth and Jupiter from Dec. 12 to Dec. 28, Landano said.

Galileo was launched in 1989 from space shuttle Atlantis. It has overcome several obstacles including the 1991 failure of its main antenna to open properly and a November malfunction of its tape recorder. Nevertheless, scientists predict it will be able to accomplish 70 percent of its science goals using transmissions with a slower-speed antenna.

## 'Holiday Barbie' all sold out

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Barbie is playing hard to get. Just try finding the special edition 1995 Happy Holidays Barbie.

Toy stores nationwide are sold out and Mattel — out of stock — will soon sell vouchers that promise delivery of the doll next year, too late for Santa.

Barbie fans large and small have been scrambling to get the wispy blonde, who's decked out in a glittery emerald gown with a white Victorian collar and appliqued holly berries.

Long lines and short tempers have led to a few stormy encounters: In Knoxville, Tenn., police were called to break up a fight when a Wal-Mart didn't have enough dolls for 200 waiting customers. In a Beverly Hills FAO Schwarz, two women argued loudly over the last doll available.

The desperate have even resorted to bidding wars in want ads and on the Internet.

Mattel Inc. says the vouchers, which go on sale Dec. 16, include a picture of the Barbie

and a promise to deliver her by April 30.

"It's not the same as getting the doll itself, but the photograph will say this is what it will look like," Mattel spokeswoman Karen Stewart said Tuesday.

The doll is the eighth in an annual series, but is the first to get a second run of production or to be sold through vouchers, she said.

With hundreds of boxed Barbies surrounding her in FAO Schwarz in Seattle, Virginia Anderson couldn't find the holiday version of the doll for her 7-year-old granddaughter.

It was her second strikeout, but she didn't let it faze her. Instead, she picked up Whitney, a juvenile version of Barbie.

"Children can't get everything they want, so I am not going to look any more," Anderson confided with a giggle.

Shoppers nationwide were searching for the doll on the Internet, posting messages offering \$35 to \$175. The doll retails in the mid-\$30 range.

## Museum plans holiday music

PANHANDLE — The Square House Museum in Panhandle will present two musical performances during this holiday season.

On Sunday, Dec. 10, there will be a program arranged by Kent Watson of Groom. Watson has performed several times at the Museum and is well known in the area for his piano virtuosity. Joining him again this year will be three colleagues, also from Groom.

Watson will perform two piano solo medleys; one will include well-known Christmas favorites, interspersed with two J.S. Bach fugues, and the second will consist of two Scott Joplin rags.

Another Joplin rag will be performed by Jerry Crowell as a trumpet solo. Leslie Crowell will join Watson for a piano duet, playing a piece by Vaughn Williams. The program will conclude with two vocal solos by Melanie Britten, including a medley of Christmas carols.

The performance will begin at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the auditorium of the Hazlewood Arts and Education Building.

On Thursday, Dec. 14, a Boys Ranch Chapel musical group will perform in the Conway Community Church. The "Boys Ranch Chancel Ensemble" is a small group representation of the Senior Chapel Choir program at the Boys Ranch Chapel.

The ensemble members are students, boys and girls, 14 years and older, who are active in the chapel music program. They represent their respective vocal sections and must be overall outstanding students in the community.

They will be singing selections from "A Christmas Gathering," a Christmas musical presentation that the combined Boys Ranch and Girlstown chapel choirs will be performing during the Christmas season in Amarillo and Levelland, along with presentations on both campuses.

This is the first time students from Boys Ranch and Girlstown have performed at the Square House Museum. This is also the first musical performance to be held in the Conway Community Church since it was moved into the Museum complex in 1991 and subsequently restored. The performance will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Refreshments will be served in the Hazlewood Arts and Education auditorium after both performances. The Hazlewood Building and the Conway Church are located side by side on Texas Highway 207, just south of Fifth Street in Panhandle.

For more information about the Museum and these two holiday musical performances, call the Museum at (806) 537-3524.

## Steel plant blast injures fourteen

MIDDLETOWN, Ohio (AP) — Three explosions ripped through a steel plant, injuring 14 workers, just as federal investigators were looking into an earlier accident.

It was the fifth major accident at AK Steel Corp in the past 20 months.

The explosions Tuesday went off near the blast furnace in an area that had been shut down for maintenance. The extent of damage has not been determined.

One employee was hospitalized in serious condition and four others were listed as fair. Nine workers suffered minor injuries and were released from the hospital, company spokesman Alan McCoy said.

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