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Good Evening!

AREA

McLEAN — A Revere, Pa. man is in Gray County jail in lieu of \$100,000 bond charged with aggravated possession of marijuana valued at \$96,000. John Wayne Bonetsky, 40, was arrested about 8 a.m. Wednesday after a speeding stop one mile east of McLean on Interstate 40, said Department of Public Safety Trooper Ron Shank. His bond was set by McLean's Precinct 4 Justice of the Peace Mary Ann Carpenter about 9:30 a.m. Shank said he wrote Bonetsky a warning ticket, then asked for permission to search the 1989 Buick Century. Bonetsky agreed to the search, which netted eight plastic and duct tape wrapped bundles of marijuana weighing about 120 pounds, the trooper said. The car, valued at \$3,500, and \$208 cash have been seized, according to DPS officials. District Attorney John Mann said today he expects to file a complaint against the car's owner, a Ramona, Calif., man, accusing him of acting to aid, encourage or assist the possession of marijuana. The drug is being tested and stored at the DPS lab in Amarillo. Local DPS officials value a pound of marijuana at \$800, Shank said.

PAMPA — A one-vehicle rollover late Wednesday night west of Pampa sent two men and a boy to the hospital, according to Department of Public Safety officials. Taken to Coronado Hospital about midnight by American Medical Transport were Danny Ray White Sr., 34, and Danny Ray White Jr., 3, both of Pampa, and Robert Fick, 31, of Shamrock. Fick was transferred to Northwest Texas Hospital in stable condition. He is listed today in serious condition by Northwest officials. Mr. White was treated and released from Coronado Hospital and his son was kept overnight for observation and released midmorning today, according to hospital spokesman Terry Barnes.

The trio were eastbound on US 60 in a 1983 Toyota 4x4 pickup which flipped over one mile west of Price Road. The truck ran off the road and rolled one time after Mr. White fell asleep, according to DPS officials.

STATE

AUSTIN (AP) — State Rep. Steve Ogden has introduced legislation to cut down on state testing of students, make exams available to the public after they're given and to give them only in English. "We're in Texas, not Mexico," he said Wednesday of the English-only proposal. The Texas Assessment of Academic Skills currently is given in grades three through eight and before high school graduation. The bill also would make the tests available to the public after students take them. Texas Education Agency officials have said that would be costly because they would have to change the test each time.

By The Associated Press

No tickets bought correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$4 million. The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 1, 2, 16, 27, 35 and 41. Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be \$11 million.

Republicans take over Education Board

By PEGGY FIKAC
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — Newly elected members of the State Board of Education were sworn in today, giving the panel its first Republican majority. Jack Christie of Houston, who has served on the board since 1991 and was named chairman earlier this week by Republican Gov. elect George W. Bush, said he anticipates an "ideological change" with the power shift. "I see a shift a little bit more to those old-time values," he said. "But on the other hand, I don't see any extremist decisions." Christie will take over the board's leadership spot from Carolyn Crawford of Beaumont, a Democrat who remains a board member, when Bush takes office next week. Of six contested seats on the 15-member board in November, three were won by

Republicans. The new members will be sworn in Thursday, tipping the panel 8-7 in favor of the GOP. It will mark the first time the GOP has a majority on the board that helps shape state education policy and decides which textbooks can be purchased with state money by school districts. The change comes after a gubernatorial campaign in which Bush promised to promote more local control of schools. The incoming governor also will replace Education Commissioner Lionel "Skip" Meno, who was named by outgoing Democratic Gov. Ann Richards. The board will recommend a candidate to succeed Meno. Christie said he anticipates a board focus "on how to improve classroom instruction for children, which thus improves their test scores, which thus allows them to compete in a global economy."

But the membership change has caused concern in some quarters, following recent controversies over sex education and a battle in the 1980s over coverage of evolution in textbooks. "Right-wing political organizations worked actively to elect three sympathetic members in six contested races," said a Wednesday statement from People for the American Way Action Fund, a group that has fought for such issues as teaching evolution. "It is widely anticipated that these victories will give these political groups effective control on so-called culture war issues affecting the Goals 2000 program, sexuality education and textbook selection," said the Washington-based group, which has re-opened a Texas office to monitor and lobby the board. Goals 2000 is a federal program that supporters say will help boost academic achievement but opponents have predicted will lead to

a federal takeover of the Texas school system and such services as birth control in public schools. One new Republican board member, Donna Ballard of The Woodlands, opposes the Goals 2000 program, doesn't believe health textbooks should mention homosexuality and says sex education should focus on a "lifetime monogamous relationship" as "the optimum goal." But when asked to cite her priorities, Ms. Ballard cites first a basic concern ensuring that youngsters can read. She said it's difficult to counter general statements, such as People for the American Way's description of new board members as "allies of the religious right." "I think I would want to know what they mean by that. Are we going to hold church services during the board meetings? No," Ms. Ballard said.

Hitchin' a ride



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Genna Captain, 11, takes Misty Moman, 11, on a bicycle ride along Tuke Street on a nice, mild winter evening. The two Baker Elementary fifth graders were with another friend, 10-year-old Keisha Phillips Tuesday evening. All three were enjoying the unseasonably warm weather Pampa has been having since the Panhandle experienced snowfall last week.

Government ends ban on ATR flights

WASHINGTON (AP) — The popular ATR regional airliners could be back in service nationwide within a week, now that the government has dropped its ban on flying the planes in icing conditions. The restrictions, imposed after a fatal crash in Roselawn, Ind., last Oct. 31, effectively limited the planes to warmer parts of the country. Federal Aviation Administration chief David R. Hinson announced an end to the restriction Wednesday. But he said ATR pilots will need special training on handling the planes in bad weather and certain new flight procedures must be adopted. "This airplane is safe to fly in known icing when the procedures we have developed are followed,"

Hinson told a news conference. J. Randolph Babbitt, president of the Air Line Pilots Association, supported the action, saying he is "very confident" the planes can fly safely. And the French-Italian group that makes the ATRs issued a statement saying the new FAA procedures "add an additional margin of safety" to the planes. The pilot training could be done in few days and Hinson said he wouldn't be surprised to see some airlines returning the planes to northern routes within a week. The ban on use of the planes in icing conditions caused a severe disruption in schedules for several regional airlines, which had to shift other planes to cold-weather areas. Currently nine airlines operate

153 ATR-42 and ATR-72 planes, mostly in regional service feeding passengers to larger carriers and on shorter routes. The ATR-42 can carry about 50 people, while the ATR-72 holds up to 74. Restrictions were placed on the planes Dec. 9 after investigators said ice accumulations on the wing may have been a factor in the Indiana crash of an American Eagle ATR-72, which claimed 68 lives. FAA Deputy Administrator Anthony Broderick said tests performed in France and at Edwards Air Force Base in California found that ice accumulation on the wings — in very specific conditions — could cause a sudden roll of the plane to the right when certain controls are shifted.

Thornberry receives committee assignments

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry has received subcommittee assignments that he says will put him in a position to help make crucial decisions about environmental regulation, natural resources and military issues affecting Texas' 13th Congressional District. Thornberry, a Republican from Clarendon, has been named to the Resources Committee (formerly the Natural Resources Committee) and to the National Security Committee (formerly the Armed Services Committee). On the National Security Committee, Thornberry will serve of the Military Procurement Subcommittee and the Military Personnel Subcommittee. In a statement issued from his Washington office, the new congressman said, "The Procurement Subcommittee is an exciting opportunity for me because it will be crucial to help the nation achieve and maintain state-of-the-art military capabilities. The subcommittee also will look into our long-term defense needs

for plutonium, a key issue affecting the mission of Pantex." The subcommittee will take up legislation affecting military applications of nuclear energy, including the strategic use of plutonium from dismantled warheads stored at the Pantex plant in Carson City. On the Resources Committee, Thornberry will serve on the Energy and Mineral Resources Subcommittee and the Water and Power Resources Subcommittee. Among issues to be addressed by the Water and Power Resources Subcommittee will be electric power generated from federal water projects. There are several water projects in the 13th District that receive federal funding, including the Lake Meredith dealination project and the Red River chloride project. The Resources Committee and its subcommittees also will address issues such as property rights and rewriting environmental legislation, including the Endangered Species Act.

Jurors assess eight years in prison for sex assault crime

By CHERYL BERZANSKI
News Editor

An Amarillo man convicted Tuesday on a charge of sexually assaulting his granddaughter is in Gray County jail today awaiting transport to prison after a 223rd District Court jury assessed eight years in prison for the crime. The jury took three and three quarter hours to decide punishment for Ramon Valdez, 63, of Amarillo on the second degree felony charge. The range of punishment for the offense is two to 20 years in prison and/or \$10,000 fine. When the punishment was read by District Judge Lee Waters at 1:20 p.m. Wednesday, Valdez again denied harming Jane Doe, his 17-year-old granddaughter. Speaking through his interpreter he said, "I didn't do anything bad. The only bad thing was I ran." Running refers to a 14-month period of time Valdez spent in Mexico after his Sept. 11, 1991 indictment. He was arrested Nov. 10, 1992 in south Texas and returned to Pampa.

Doe testified Monday her grandfather sodomized her three or four times until she was 13 years old. The abuse began with episodes of fondling at about age 8, she said. Testimony showed Doe lived in Pampa with her grandparents, her sister and brother from the time she was three until she went to live with a relative in May 1991 after Department of Protective and Regulatory Services workers heard allegations that Mrs. Valdez was beating Doe with a bullwhip or wet belt. A sexual assault nurse examiner Monday told jurors Doe suffered vaginal and rectal injuries consistent with oral allegations of sexual abuse. "This is all a lie. Those girls (Jane Doe and sister Jo Doe) stated to me they'd do anything to get out of that house because they couldn't do whatever they wanted to do," said family friend Anjelica Gutierrez, who testified Wednesday for the defense. Valdez's family will appeal the verdict, she said.

Small plane crashes near office building, sets it afire

AUGUSTA, Ga. (AP) — A small plane attempting an emergency landing crashed near the airport today and set a small business afire, killing all four people on board and critically injuring two people in the building. Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Arlene Salac in Atlanta said the plane, a twin-engine Cessna 414, had taken off from Swainsboro this morning, en route to Columbia, S.C. It crashed shortly after 9 a.m. in front of the Southland Timber Co. office, about 1 1/2 miles from Augusta's Bush Field airport, she said. Witnesses said the front of the building was charred by flames from the plane wreckage. Air traffic controllers said the pilot had reported trouble with an engine about 12 miles from the airport and was attempting to land there, Ms. Salac said. When he was four miles away, he reported he had

lost power in his second engine. Killed on the plane were Richard L. Brown, president of Advanced Metal Components in Swainsboro, and Don Braswell, a project engineer for the company, said Wesley Hendley, the sheet metal fabricating company's engineering manager. The other two occupants were the pilot and a Swainsboro attorney, he said. He did not have their names. Beth Frits, spokeswoman for Augusta Regional Medical Center, said two people from the Southland Timber office were in critical condition in the hospital's burn unit. One of the two, a 36-year-old woman, had burns over 100 percent of her body, Frits said. The plane was registered to David H. Willis Leasing Inc. of Manchester, Mass. A man by that name in Manchester has an unpublished telephone number, and there was no separate listing for a leasing company.

Prison guard foils escape attempt

BRAZORIA (AP) — Two convicted killers faced additional charges of felony escape Thursday after an unsuccessful attempt to slip away from the Clemens Unit through a temporary gate. Richard Lee Henry Jr. and David Todd McNeal, both 23, were in a recreation yard about 10 p.m. Wednesday and took advantage of some construction work near the

security fences, prison spokesman David Nunnelee said. "There was a temporary gate," Nunnelee said. "They were able to push that gate back where they were able to squeeze through the center." A guard posted in an outer security tower spotted the pair and fired two warning shots into the air. Henry and McNeal immediately dropped to the ground and surrendered.

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Nine-year-old sole survivor of Colombia airplane crash

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — A 9-year-old girl may be the only person who can tell investigators about the explosion that tore apart a DC-9 in mid-air. The other 51 people aboard were all believed killed.

Civil Aviation Director Alvaro Raad Gomez said it would be "premature and irresponsible" to speculate on whether a bomb caused the Intercontinental Aviation plane to crash Wednesday evening as it approached the Caribbean resort city of Cartagena.

However, he said the pilot of another plane saw an explosion rip through the plane as it flew at an altitude of about 14,000 feet.

"The girl seems to be the only survivor," said Raad Gomez. "She said she fell out of the plane when it broke up and fell into a swamp."

Police, soldiers, civil defense crews and local farmers recovered 41 bodies by this morning, finding some by floodlights before dawn and the rest after the sun rose over the field. The bodies were loaded onto trucks and taken to a makeshift morgue at a sports arena in Cartagena, 10 miles from the crash site, media reports said.

"The scene at the disaster site is terrible," one of the farmers helping recover bodies told RCN radio. The farmer described a site strewn with

decapitated and mutilated bodies.

A witness on the ground said the explosion nearly broke the plane in two. The pilot appeared to be attempting a crash landing in a nearby swamp, but the craft plunged into a field and swamp, Argemiro Vergara told RCN radio.

An intense fire started and the girl, Erika Delgado, was thrown about 30 feet clear, Vergara said.

Erika was hospitalized with a broken arm and was reported in good condition today. Her parents and younger brother apparently died in the crash, but that information was kept from her temporarily to avoid shock.

The flight originated in Bogota, 380 miles south of Cartagena. Everyone aboard was Colombian, Raad Gomez said.

The aviation director said 52 people were aboard, but Intercontinental said Flight HK3839 carried 53 people. The differing reports could not immediately be reconciled.

The plane had been cleared to descend to 8,000 feet to prepare for landing when air-traffic controllers lost contact at 7:36 p.m., said Alfonso Ramirez, the airline's president.

In a conversation with the tower minutes before the crash, the pilot gave no indication of an emergency, Ramirez said.

Lawmakers seek endangered species moratorium

By MICHELLE MITTELSTADT Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress should impose a freeze on any new government action under the Endangered Species Act pending a rewrite of the sweeping 1973 legislation, two Texas Republican lawmakers contend.

Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison and Rep. Lamar Smith on Wednesday introduced legislation to enact the moratorium. Their measure also would place a freeze on any new critical habitat designations and lift other government agencies' need to consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service regarding endangered species.

"Amendments are needed to restore the constitutional protection of private property rights that for too long has been ignored by Congress and Washington rulemakers," Mrs. Hutchison said.

Advocates of a pared-down Endangered Species Act are seeking to rewrite the legislation to limit the number of new listings, beef up protections for private

property owners and guarantee them compensation if they lose value or use of their land as a result of government action.

Environmentalists argue the proposals would gut the act, reduce protections for vulnerable species, and cost the government untold dollars to compensate affected landowners.

The freeze proposal, predictably, wasn't applauded in the environmental community.

"It's interesting they don't want to put a moratorium on the things that cause a species to go extinct," said Kevin Kirchner of the Sierra Club's Legal Defense Fund.

"As much as folks like Sen. Hutchison and others like to use it as a whipping boy, the Endangered Species Act is one of the most popular environmental statutes in the United States," he added. "People have a pretty fundamental sense that we ought not do things that cause other species to go extinct."

The Clinton administration, which currently has 109 proposals pending to declare plant or animal species threatened or endangered, contends the act is flexible enough.

The moratorium is just one of several proposals by the new congressional GOP majority to slow government rule-making or repeal some of it outright. House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, Hutchison and others have proposed a six-month freeze on any new regulations government-wide.

With the Endangered Species Act proposal, Hutchison is fingering a topic that has been highly controversial in Texas. The Fish and Wildlife Service last year backed off an attempt to designate a critical habitat for the endangered golden-cheeked warbler in Central Texas after running into a buzzsaw of opposition.

Hutchison took aim Wednesday at the Fish and Wildlife Service's latest dealings regarding the warbler and the proposed Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan.

The service is offering what it terms a streamlined conservation proposal for landowners in Travis County and nearby areas that are home to the warbler and other endangered or threatened species.

Instead of the current method

requiring landowners to prepare intricate environmental impact and mitigation plans in advance of receiving permission to build, the service now is proposing a \$1,500 permit fee.

While freeing the landowner from often-costly surveys and having to limit harm to the protected species on his or her property, the fee would be used by the government to buy land elsewhere to protect the species, said service spokeswoman Jana Grote.

"It has been an expensive and lengthy process and we do recognize that was a problem and wanted to help (landowners) out," Ms. Grote said.

That wasn't the way Hutchison read the proposal, calling it a "discouraging example of the kinds of arrogant treatment people are getting at the hands of their federal government in the name of endangered species."

She faulted the government for not consulting more closely with Travis County officials, who under the proposal would have to put up \$10 million to buy refuge land.

Pregnant woman falls from bridge

MIAMI (AP) — A bridge tender mistakenly raised a drawbridge while a pregnant woman was walking across, and sat in his soundproof booth unaware of her screams as she dangled 50 feet above the sidewalk.

The 25-year-old woman, whose identity wasn't released, tumbled to the ground when her strength gave out. She lost her six-month-old fetus after the fall Tuesday and remained in critical condition today.

"She panicked up there and froze, instead of trying to run back down," police spokesman Angel Calzadilla.

Triangle Maintenance, the company that operates the bridge for the

state, suspended bridge tender Willie Burnes without pay Wednesday.

Burnes told police he didn't see the woman when he raised the bridge over the Miami River to test the span.

"I always look both ways," Burnes said. "I don't miss nobody walking on the bridge."

Kimberly Coleman, a spokeswoman for the state Transportation Department, called the accident a "horrible, horrible tragedy."

"We can't really explain what happened," she said. "We're investigating to the fullest extent to find out why it happened."

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Lifestyles

Area Newsmakers

Angie Dawn Thompson, an education major at Abilene Christian University, was named to the 1994 dean's honor roll. Thompson is the daughter of Marvin and Carolyn Allison of Pampa.

Henry Lamont Ford, a senior at Pampa High School, has joined the U.S. Army Reserve. Ford has been assigned to the 974th Quartermaster Company, Field Service at Amarillo where he will serve six years in the active reserve, according to Sgt. 1st Class Dwight Howe of the Army's Recruiting Station in Amarillo. Ford is scheduled to report May 31 to Fort Jackson, S.C. where he will begin basic training. Ford will then proceed to Fort Lee, Va., for advanced individual training as an automated logistical specialist. He is the son of Henry Jr., and Linda Kay Ford of Pampa.

Piano students of **Myrna Orr** were presented in recital recently at Tarpley's Recital Hall.

Some of the selections in the 2:00 recital were "Memory" by **Linda Schwab**; "Ode to Joy" by **Megan Coutts**; "Clair De Lune" and "Christmas Fantasy" by **Jennifer Fischer**; "One Man's Dream" by **Leanne Dyson**; "Evening Star" by **Janelle Powers**; "Arab Dance" by **Lee Carmichael**; "Jingle Bells" by **Ashley Orr**; "Sonatina" by **Jessica Leos**; and "March Militaire" by **Stacie Carter**.

Other performing included: **Tara Coffee**, **Meredith Coutts**, **Carolyn Morse**, **Kristi Carter**, **Mindy Randall**, **Carrie Caswell**, **K'Lee Ratzlaff**, **Jennifer Rushing**, **Blake Howell**, **Cathy Morse**, **Julie Rushing**, **Lindsay Cree** and **Lacy Plunk**.

Some of the piano duets played in the first recital were: "Arrival of Santa Claus" by **Jennifer Fischer**, **Julie Rushing**, **Leanne Dyson**, **Jennifer Rushing**, **Mindy Randall**, **Kristi Carter** and piano teacher **Myrna Orr**. "Greensleeves" also known as "What Child is This?" was played by **Kristi Carter**, **Julie Rushing**, **Lindsay Cree**, **Mindy Randall**, **Jennifer Rushing**, **Lacy Plunk**, **Leanne Dyson** and **Alison Piersall**.

Selections during the 3:15 recital were "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" by **Ryan Black**; "The Gift to be Simple" by **Eric Scroggins**; "A Whole New World" by **Ashley Knipp**; "Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer" by **Teryn Stowers**; "William Tell Overture" by **Abbey Parker**; "Spinning Song" by **Andrea Abbe**; "Deck the Halls" by **Zachary Windhorst** and "Bells Caroling" by **Alison Piersall**.

A duet, "Joy to the World," was played by **Ashley Parker** and **Myrna Orr**.

Some of the group numbers played in this recital were: "Here Comes Santa Claus" by **Mindy Randall**, **Ashley Knipp**, **Jennifer Fischer**, **Alison Piersall**, **Leanne Dyson**, **Andrea Abbe**, **Kristen Beesley**, and **Myrna Orr**. "March of the Toy Soldiers" was played by **Leanne Dyson**, **Jennifer Fischer**, **Ashley Knipp**, **Mindy Randall**, **Jennifer Rushing**, **Andrea Abbe** and **Myrna Orr**.

Scholarship is music to her ears



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

A smiling **Jennifer Mays** (center), a senior at Pampa High School, was recently named the recipient of the second annual **Bill Cormack Scholarship**. She will receive \$10,000 over four years toward the study of music at the college of her choice. She has also been awarded the **Presidential Scholarship** by **Baylor University** where she plans to attend in the fall. This was awarded on the basis of her SAT scores and is also in the amount of \$10,000 over four years of college. With her are her mother **Jo Mays** (left); **John Kendall**, Pampa High School principal; and her father **Fred Mays**. **Cormack** was the executive secretary of the **Texas Music Educators Association**. This scholarship was established in his honor upon retirement.

TMEA All-State Choir members



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Four Pampa High School students have been named to the **Texas Music Educators Association's All-State Choir** after competing in **Midland** for the honor. **Cullen Allen**, a junior 1st tenor; **Dana McAndrews**, senior 2nd alto; **Audra Shelton**, senior 2nd alto; and **Emily Follis**, junior 2nd alto, will travel to **San Antonio** for four days of rehearsal with a renowned conductor and will present a concert in the **San Antonio Convention Center** with 280 members of the choir. **TMEA** is celebrating their 75th anniversary this year at the convention. Also representing Pampa High School at the convention will be music educators **Fred Mays** and **Susie Wilson**. In attendance at the event will be 6,000 teachers; 1,500 exhibitors for the music industry; 900 All-State Band, Orchestra and Choir members; 2,500 students from music ensembles from throughout the state and over 1,500 parents who children will be performing.

How to deal with soil-salt damage

By **JAMES E. WALTERS**
For AP Special Features

Soil-salt damage to plants often appears much like the injury resulting from abnormally low rainfall or drought. Growth seems stunted. There can be yellowing leaves, leaf burn, leaf drop, branch die-back.

So if such symptoms appear, it's worth giving deep watering a try first.

Nearly all plants require periodic deep watering anyway to flush excess soil salts from root zones. A long, slow watering every now and then is a good practice, even in areas with adequate rainfall, to move salinity below the roots.

Soil salts are a common gardening problem in Southwest regions with less than 10 to 15 inches of annual rainfall. The salt content is high because rainfall isn't sufficient to wash it out.

Complicating the problem, salt tolerance varies in plants and the amount of salts differs in various

types of soils.

But there is one constant: soil salts are water soluble, which is why deep watering is worth a try when a plant seems in trouble.

Before deep watering, of course, be sure that the symptoms aren't caused by excess water. A simple test is to insert something like a long-blade screwdriver into the ground to check the moisture level.

Soil salts follow the direction of water movement and accumulate where repeated watering stops. The idea is to apply sufficient water to wash them below the root zone.

Otherwise, if the same amount of water is applied each time, the increasingly toxic level may concentrate in the root zone.

Early settlers in Arizona found extensive evidence of an abandoned, far-flung civilization of a people the Indians called the Hohokam, or "Those Who Came Before."

There is no evidence the Hohokam were defeated in battle.

Why they vanished remains a mystery. But many horticulturists suggest soil salts were the cause since the Hohokam economy was agriculture-based and their canal system was so well-engineered that sections of the Phoenix water supply still follow the same route.

The soil-salt theory suggests that the Hohokam failed because they did not understand that intensive irrigation was causing their agriculture to decline year after year.

Watering correctly, of course, is an art, not a science. But there are general rules. In the Phoenix area, for example, the University of Arizona calculates that 2 inches of water on the surface will penetrate moisture 1 foot into average soil and the process takes about an hour. County Extension Services should have similar estimates.

Agricultural scientists have developed equations for evapotranspiration rates (or ET) which factor in air temperatures, soil types and evaporation to calculate the amount of watering needed.

News on screen

NEW YORK (AP) — Remember newsreels? Long before there was nightly news on television, people saw current news and sporting events on the screen of their local movie theater.

Newsreels began in France with the **Pathe Journal** in 1908.

They reached their heyday in the 1930s. Movie theaters then provided a feature film, second feature, "Coming Attractions," sometimes an organ recital and, always, a newsreel.

The newsreel usually ran 10 minutes or so, covered about six news stories, features and sporting events, and was changed at least twice a week.

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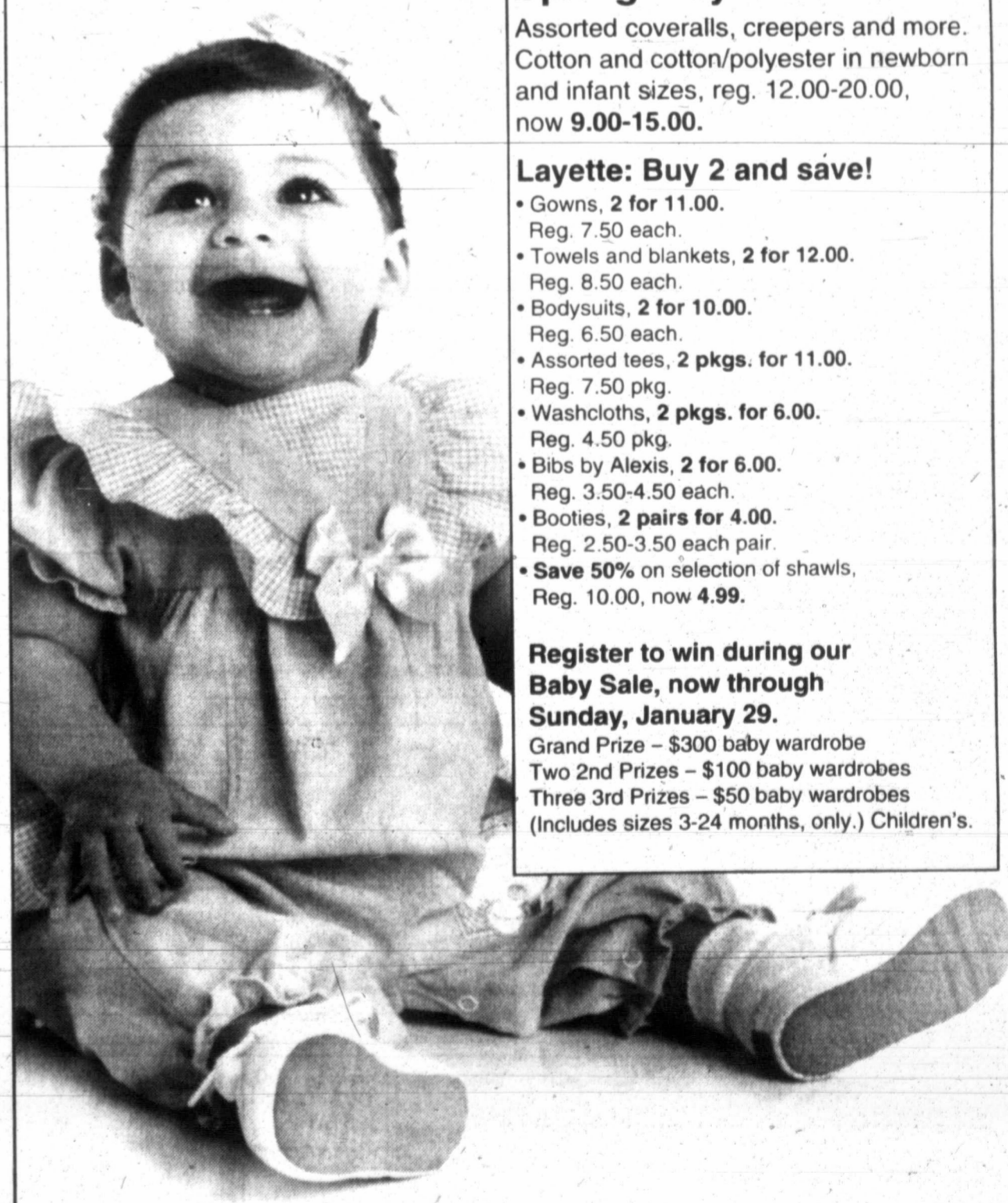
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Husband's candor is dangerous to wife who knows too much

DEAR ABBY: Please tell "Repenting in South Carolina," the man who insisted that his wife tell him all the intimate details of a previous love affair, that he was lucky she refused to tell him.

My husband was unfaithful several years ago, and when I confronted him, I, too, insisted on knowing all the intimate details. My husband unwisely obliged.

What a mistake! It provided me with mental images to keep in my mind, as if I had witnessed the whole thing.

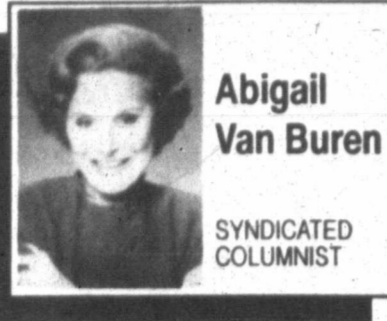
Now I realize that my recovery would have been far easier had I relied on my imagination, rather than knowing all the graphic details for which I foolishly begged.

FOOLISH

DEAR FOOLISH: Thank you for sharing a valuable lesson, for which you paid dearly. Those whose spouses have been unfaithful are often tormented by a compulsion to "know everything." However, knowing the details can be more painful than not knowing them.

DEAR ABBY: Perhaps someone will use this idea for Thanksgiving or Christmas — or any other occasion when families gather.

I am a certified sign language interpreter. Last Thanksgiving, I was hired by a family who has a sib-



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the deaf member of the family is not the only family member who benefits.

DEAR ABBY: The letter from the woman who said she had been invited to a bridal shower, but not to the wedding, reminded me of my most embarrassing moment:

I had ordered only 50 wedding invitations, as I was paying for everything myself with very limited resources. You can imagine my embarrassment when, the evening after all 50 wedding invitations were mailed, I was surprised with a lovely shower, given by five co-workers, only two of whom had been invited to the wedding. Of the other 20 guests, only three had been invited.

Caught off-guard, I suffered in silence. No amount of explaining to everyone later, made me feel any better about the situation.

What should have been the most wonderful time of my life was ruined for me.

C.J. O'MALLEY

P.S. My fiancé had known about the shower plans for two months, but never thought about the repercussions. After 30 years of marriage, I have almost forgiven him.

DEAR C.J. O'MALLEY: There's a lesson to be learned here. Brides, always order plenty of extra invitations; better to have them and not need them than to need them and not have them.

ALOHA

DEAR ALOHA: Your letter is a first. What a wonderful gift for a family to give themselves —

Horoscope

Friday, Jan. 13, 1995

In the year ahead, you might find yourself at a crossroads. The route you choose could be entirely different and might have much more promise than your former paths.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It could be to your advantage to alter your social patterns a bit today. Instead of associating strictly with old faces, check out an interesting recent acquaintance. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you've been contemplating a career change, today would be a good day to make some discreet inquiries as to what's available.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Get out and mingle today. Exciting things could happen through new social contacts during this cycle. You will make an excellent first impression right now.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Concentrate on situations that could mean immediate returns, as well as security for the future. Something significant might be at your disposal.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Clothe yourself in optimism today. Solutions can be found for problems you've labeled unsolvable. Do not restrain your imagination.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) An opportunity might arise today that enables you to participate in someone else's lucrative arrangement. It could substantially add to your resources.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Things will work out well for you today in your per-

sonal encounters. You will instinctively know what to say to bring out the best in others.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) This is an excellent time to initiate programs for self-improvement and increasing your resources. Stop procrastinating.

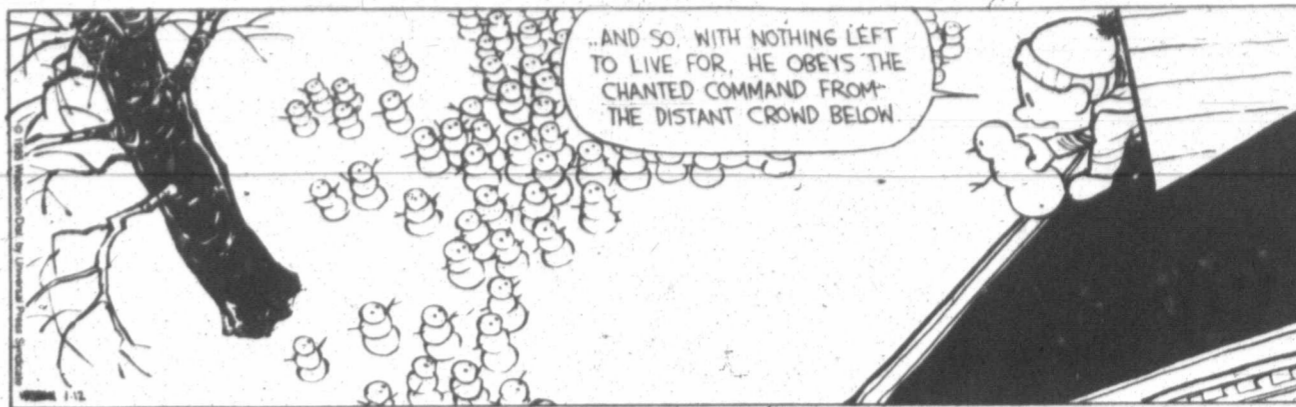
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Plan some type of social activity today, preferably to move around physically as well as mentally. It will have a strong rejuvenating effect.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Make a concerted effort to finalize financially meaningful matters today. You're presently very strong in this area.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A change of scenery is called for to renew your outlook. A short trip today might do the trick. You don't need to go far, just keep a definite destination in mind.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) The tide will turn in your favor concerning material interests. The more money-conscious you are today, the greater the probability will be for a harvest.

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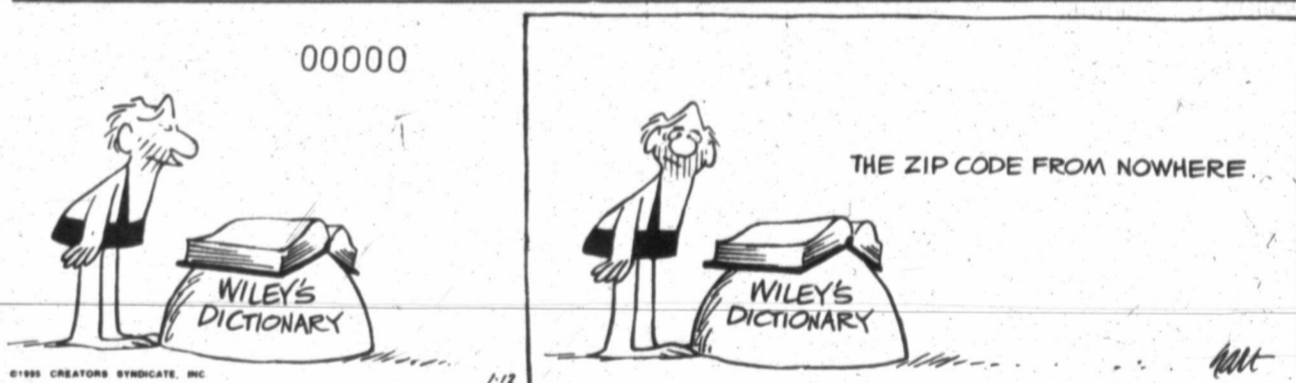
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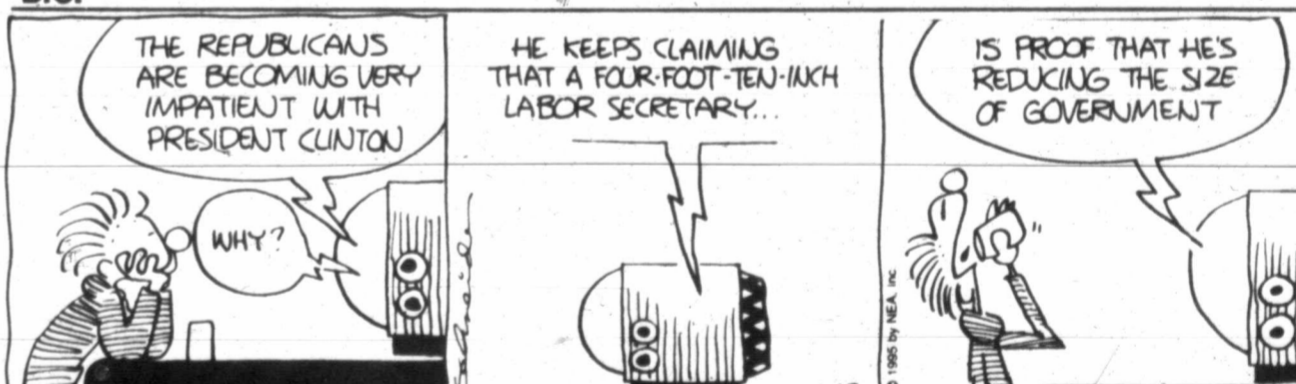
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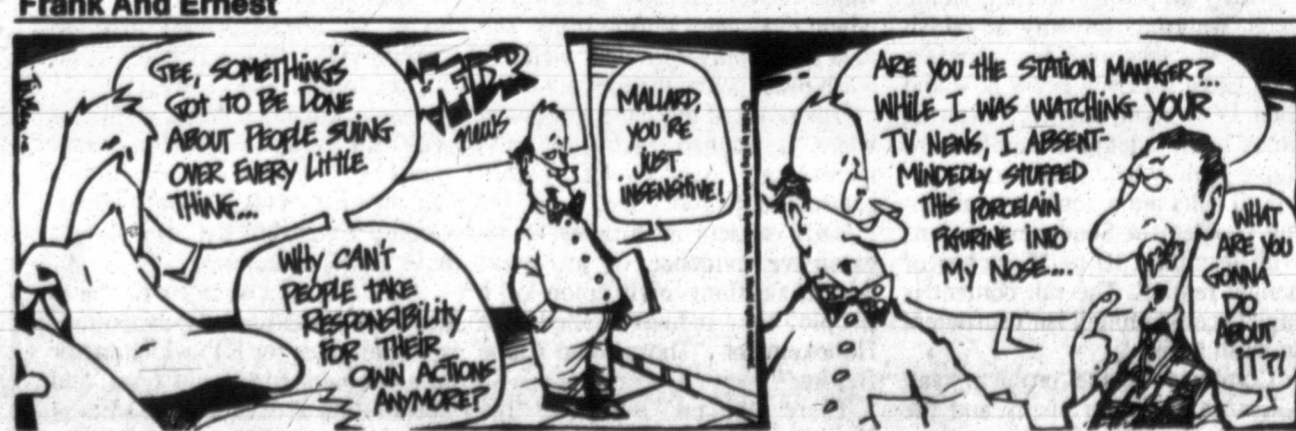
Eek & Meek



The Born Loser



Frank And Ernest



Mallard Filmore



"I think I'll do better at connectin' the dots after I learn my numbers."



"Wait till we get outside before you turn on the steam."

The Family Circus



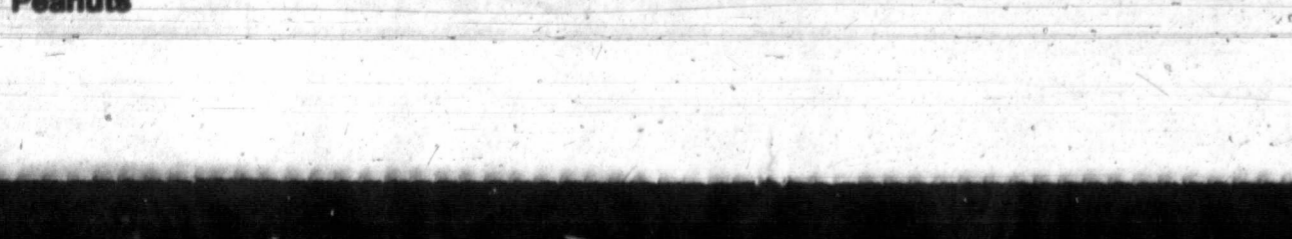
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