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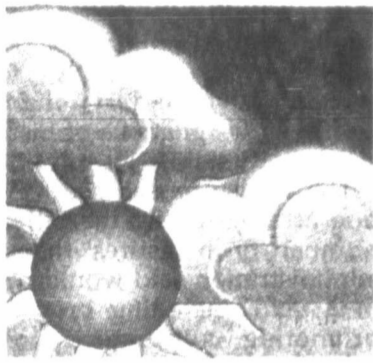
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**PAMPA** — A local man turned himself over to authorities Monday afternoon after being sought for alleged oilfield theft.

Thomas B. Hughes III was arrested after investigators from the Pampa Police Department, the Texas Rangers and the District Attorney's Office obtained evidence of an alleged ongoing scheme orchestrated by Hughes.

Hughes, who works for a local machine shop, allegedly would collect various items of oilfield equipment at well sites in the tri-state area, then bring some of them to his employer's shop for repair while diverting some of the equipment and selling it in Oklahoma City, pocketing the cash.

The value of the items stolen already approaches over \$13,000, and D.A. John Mann said he expects the total of stolen equipment to exceed \$20,000 by the time the investigation concludes.

Hughes was released on \$4,000 bond.

**PAMPA** — Hospice of the Panhandle is sponsoring a free grief seminar, "Putting the Pieces Back Together," on four consecutive Thursday evenings, Oct. 3 through Oct. 24.

Seminar sessions are scheduled for 7-8:30 p.m. at the Hospice of the Panhandle conference room, 800 N. Sumner, in Pampa, on Oct. 3, 10, 17 and 24.

Presentations, videos and handouts will be used in the discussions.

The seminar is free and open to the public. For more information or to sign up for the seminar, call Hospice at (806) 665-6677. Participants may also enroll at the first session.

**PAMPA** — Tots-n-Training distribution begins Wednesday, coordinator Sue Thornton said.

Parents of preschool children can pick up free materials to help their child get ready for school, she explained.

Materials and a copy of the service's newsletter will be available at Frank's Thriftway #1, 300 E. Brown, from 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Frank's Thriftway #2, 1420 N. Hobart, from 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Albertsons', 1233 N. Hobart, from 10-11 a.m. and 3:30-5:30 p.m.; and Pampa Community Day Care, 1100 Gwendolen, from 4:30-6 p.m.

For more information, contact Thornton at 669-4700.

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## Supreme Court to hear case on assisted suicide

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today agreed to decide whether states may ban doctor-assisted suicides, setting the stage for a momentous ruling in the national debate over the "right to die."

The justices said they will review federal appeals court rulings that let doctors in New York and Washington state prescribe life-ending drugs for mentally competent patients who are terminally ill and no longer want to live.

A decision by the nation's highest court is expected sometime by July.

In other action, the court: — Agreed to use a Georgia case to decide whether requiring political candidates to pass a drug test violates their constitutional rights.

— Agreed to decide whether Mississippi may continue using the dual voter-registration system it adopted when the federal Motor Voter law took effect last year.

— Said it will decide whether an Indian tribal court can preside over a lawsuit stemming from an on-reservation traffic accident involving two non-Indians.

— In a case involving a Nigerian man living in Georgia, agreed to decide whether federal judges may bypass immigration procedures and order the deportation of criminal defendants who are citizens of foreign countries.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in March struck down a Washington state law that barred doctor-assisted suicide, ruling that the law violates due process rights.

By an 8-3 vote, the appeals court said the ban is unconstitutional "insofar as (it) prohibits physicians from prescribing life-ending medication for use by terminally ill, competent adults who wish to hasten their own deaths."

In the New York case, the 2nd

U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in April struck down two laws that barred doctor-assisted suicide, ruling that they unconstitutionally failed to treat people equally.

It is discriminatory, the appeals court said, to refuse to let terminally ill patients end their lives with medication while allowing other dying patients to end their lives by granting their requests that life-support systems be disconnected.

Both states appealed. The Supreme Court in 1990 first recognized the constitutional right to die. Assuming that such a right exists, the justices said then that a terminally ill person may refuse life-sustaining medical treatment.

Just last year, however, the justices rejected a challenge by Dr. Jack Kevorkian to Michigan's ban on assisted suicide. Most states impose similar bans.

Kevorkian attorney Geoffrey Fieger said the court may have agreed to decide the two cases to reverse the lower courts and "make us suffer. They took the two cases that supported Kevorkian's view so they could overturn them. There are judges on the court who want to get Kevorkian."

Lawyers for Kevorkian had no immediate comment but called a midday news conference where they were expected to be asked the high court action.

Wayne County Prosecutor John O'Hair, who unsuccessfully tried Kevorkian in 1994, said, "I'm pleased the court is going to resolve this issue ... of profound importance to American society."

In the Washington case, the 9th Circuit court said it was ruling on "the most basic of human concerns — the mortality of self and loved ones" and that its decision was an attempt "to balance the interest in preserving human life against the desire to die peacefully and with dignity."

## Franklin receives Merit in Historical Preservation

Larry Franklin of Pampa received the Texas Historical Commission's award of Merit in Historic Preservation for his contributions to the White Deer Land Museum and for preservation of history in Gray County.

The award was bestowed upon Franklin Sunday during the official dedication ceremony of the Texas historic marker at First United Methodist Church.

Franklin served as president of the newly organized White Deer Land Museum Board for three years, preparing by-laws, officer handbooks and board operation procedures. He conducted a WDL Museum survey, applied for grants, oversaw the remodeling of the museum's Holland Wing — even carrying out some of the construction himself to help meet deadline.

He created the initial exhibit for the gallery, "Cantonment, 1875: The Army Comes to Stay," comprising 40 items, including 25 pictures enlarged and mounted to illustrate a documentary about an encampment of soldiers on Cantonment Creek, part of present day Franklin Ranch. He also photographed re-enactments of the U.S. 4th Cavalry (Memorial) of Amarillo to help illustrate research for the exhibit and donated a computerized labeling machine for museum use in preparing the gallery.

The former camp area in eastern Gray County is of historic importance because the creek is named for the cantonment or company that camped there and because it was the first established camp protecting buffalo



Larry Franklin

hunters and settlers coming into the Panhandle area. The soldiers arrived in the area in February and moved in June of 1875 to Sweetwater Creek, that camp became Fort Elliott, the Panhandle's only fort.

Franklin is a graduate of Pampa High School and Southern Methodist University. He holds degrees in English and history. He first pursued a degree in law, but upon completing graduate work in Michigan and the University of Texas decided to ranch instead. He is administrator and part-owner of Gateway Telephone Company in Dallas.

Franklin has been an active member and leader on several Pampa boards and is currently a member of the FUMC Administrative Board.



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

'These Boots Are Made for Walking' could be their theme song. Mark and Kelley Youmans left Florence, Ore., on April 15, 1995, and had walked more than 1,900 miles on entering the city limits of Pampa Monday. Their final destination is West Palm Beach, Fla., by March 1997.

## Young married couple passes through Pampa on walking trip on way to Florida

By SHERRY CROMARTIE  
Staff Writer

They decided to do something special together, and agreed it was a good idea to get started before setting up housekeeping, starting their careers or planning for their children. The newlyweds are taking a trans-American stroll.

Mark and Kelley Youmans started their walk April 15, 1996, from Florence, Ore. By Sunday, Sept. 29, when they stopped in Skellytown, they had traveled over 1,900 miles of highway distances.

"The townspeople really proved what Texas hospitality is all about when we stopped in that little town. The mayor allowed us to use the community center for overnight, and he and others took care of us for lunch and dinner yesterday [Sunday] and then fed us breakfast this morning. We are overwhelmed by the kindness and friendliness of the people of the Panhandle of Texas," Kelley said.

The couple try to walk from 15 to 25 miles a day, spending the nights in community or public camping sites. They sold all their household belongings to purchase the necessary camping gear for the trip. Each carries a share of their clothes and equipment on baby strollers modified with small bicycle wheels, which makes pushing and walking along the highway easier.

Their immediate destination from the Texas Panhandle is Elk City, Okla., and then into Lawton to the home of Mark's grandparents, Dee and Lottie Slatten, on or before Oct. 16.

"We first discussed this idea strictly for the personal challenge and adventure, but then we realized that each of us have certain

causes that we wish to recognize. With our walking and seeing new people face to face, we can express our beliefs, personally promoting goodwill across the country," said Mark, who has served several years as a volunteer helping children and families in domestic difficulties.

"Working with children whose homes are actually public shelters to protect them from domestic violence has helped me know the needs of those children to learn that all men are not bad. I want to encourage male volunteers across the states to help and assist these children so they will know that not all men are going to hit them or hurt them. Through direct intervention with the kids, society can slow down domestic violence," he said.

Because what they do brings attention, they are given the opportunity to talk to many people. Over the six months and the many miles the couple traveled, they say they have lost count of the hundreds of people who have approached them, or who have provided personal hospitality and care. They have a mailing list of over 100 to communicate with each week.

Kelley's cause is to help people learn to understand the needs of the elderly, and she recommends "adopting grandmothers and grandfathers, to learn to help them and each other, and to share their love and friendship."

She developed this idea after her own mother's death, and although she has a large family, there is no grandmother.

"We want people to learn to get others to become more active in their community by doing volunteer work all year-round ... don't just wait for Christmas to do a good deed," she said.

The two met in 1990 in Wilmington, N.C., when Kelley was finishing up her bachelor's degree in communications, with a minor in Spanish, and Mark had just finished serving his stint with the U.S. military.

They discovered many things they liked doing together. Mark was entering the University of North Carolina to work on his degree in environmental science, so Kelley enrolled again, to start a new degree. Both received environmental science degrees in December 1995.

In October 1995, the couple were married. "We married our best friends," said Mark, "and we are still best friends, even after all these months of being together every day."

The couple plan to end their journey at West Palm Beach, Fla., by March 1997. There they will enjoy a honeymoon vacation, before proceeding with their future plans, which includes being science or biology school teachers.

"Walking gets to be something we look forward to, and when we stop too long, we get anxious ... we're ready to move on ... ready to hit the road, literally," Mark said.

"The trip has really been worthwhile, offering us many unexpected and kind benefits. Our experiences have really changed our outlook on life," he said.

"In today's world, we did not expect this kind of people response. The Texas people have expressed so much interest and so much kindness. We've actually been put on paths at just the right time, and matched up with just the right people for the right reasons. We know we've got guardian angels with us," Kelley said.

## Pretrial hearing continues on death of baby

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS  
News Editor

Testimony was expected to continue today in 223rd District Court on defense motions to consider admissibility of expert testimony and admissibility of extraneous offenses in the case of a woman accused of murder in the death of her three-year-old daughter in 1991.

Tracy Lynn Aiken Morris, 24, was indicted Oct. 2, 1995, accused of suffocating Rashawndra Aiken in McLean. Morris is free on \$25,000 bond.

District Judge Lee Waters heard five hours of testimony from forensic pediatrician Dr. Donna Rosenberg of Avon, Colo., who told him in her opinion, after study of the toddler's med-

ical records, Rashawndra had been suffocated by her mother, who acted out Munchausen's syndrome by proxy.

Rosenberg testified the rare syndrome is most frequently characterized by a mother who repeatedly presents the child for medical care with real or fabricated illnesses which the mother has created.

In her work with a child death review team in Colorado, Rosenberg said she suspected five children with two caretakers as being syndrome victims since 1990. Those were gleaned from the 750 cases examined yearly by the team, she said.

Rosenberg said she also examined the medical records of Rashawndra's deceased sister, Miranda Aiken, who died at five months old, a living brother

Cody Dyllan Morris, 3, and Morris. She said the peculiar family history lent itself to the context of Munchausen's syndrome by proxy.

The physician said she was first contacted by a North Carolina insurance carrier in 1993 and put in touch with a Lubbock attorney and subsequently reviewed 2,163 pages of records and depositions.

Based on the autopsy report, Rosenberg said she concluded the case was homicide.

"My conclusion was that the manner of death was non-accidental and method was asphyxiation," Rosenberg said.

During the testimony, Morris listened quietly at the defense table. She is represented by David Holt of Pampa.

# Daily Record

## Obituaries

### NORMA LEE CHAPMAN

**HORSESHOE BAY** — Norma Lee Chapman, 66, a former Pampa resident, died Monday, Sept. 30, 1996. Services were to be at 11 a.m. today in Edgar Funeral Home in Marble Falls under the direction of Edgar Funeral Home. Graveside services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday in Fairview Cemetery at Pampa with the Rev. Jake Clemmens, rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, officiating. Local arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Chapman was born Oct. 11, 1929, at Pueblo, Colo., to Kelly and Georgia Huffman. She moved to Vernon in 1933 and was raised east of the community by an uncle and aunt, Ernest and Hazel Baker. She attended public schools at Vernon, graduating from Vernon High School in 1947. She married Gene Hollar of Vernon in 1950. The couple moved to Pampa in 1955. She was a medical secretary for nearly 20 years and worked at Highland General Hospital and for a variety of doctors in Pampa. She was divorced and later married William H. Chapman of Pampa in 1972. The couple moved to Vernon in 1976 and retired to Horseshoe Bay on Lake Lyndon B. Johnson in 1991.

Mrs. Chapman was active in various civic activities on Horseshoe Bay and was involved in local and state chapters of the Jaycee-Ettes, having held statewide offices in the organization in the early 1960s. She sang and played the piano and enjoyed entertaining on an amateur basis for most of her adult life.

Survivors include her husband, William H. Chapman, of the home; two sons, John Hollar of Arlington, Va., and Price Chapman of Potosi; and four grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Hospice of Highland Lakes, P.O. Box 840, Burnett, TX 78611.

## Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### MONDAY, Sept. 30

12:10 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 400 block of North Wells on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

12:44 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of West Harvester on a trauma and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

2:10 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to nine miles east of Pampa on Texas 152 on a motor vehicle accident and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

3:42 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of North Wells on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

3:46 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transport to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo.

8:30 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transport to High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo.

### TUESDAY, Oct. 1

12:45 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of North Wells on a fire assist.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Antebury Grain of Pampa

Wheat	4.22	
Milo	4.67	
Corn	5.39	

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation

Occidental	23.08	NC
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The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation

Magellan	76.05	SLB
Puritan	16.48	SLB

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa

Ammo	70 1/2	NC
Arco	127 1/8	dn 1/8
Cabot	28 1/8	up 1/4
Cabot OAG	14 1/2	dn 1/4

## Emergency numbers

Energas	665-5777
SPS	669-7432
Water	669-5830

## Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrest in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

### MONDAY, Sept. 30

Theft of an Emerson video cassette recorder valued at \$190 was reported stolen from an unknown location on May 11.

Burglary of a 1985 Volkswagen was reported in the 400 block of East 17th between Sept. 23 and 26. Stereo equipment valued at \$750 was taken.

Theft of a \$150 female pit bull was reported stolen in the 800 block of Dwight.

A hit and run of a 1988 Ford Taurus was reported at 1233 block of North Hobart which occurred Sept. 12.

Spray painted "BDK" was reported on the bridge at Central Park. Damage is \$25.

A 26-year-old woman reported assault - domestic violence in the 1900 block of Hamilton which occurred between midnight and 3 a.m. Monday. She suffered bruises on her wrists and a twisted shoulder.

Burglary of a 1992 Pontiac van was reported in the 1100 block of Prairie Drive. A \$200 cellular phone was taken.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 400 block of Starkweather. Damage totaled \$350. The back door and screen plus another screen were damaged. Nothing was taken.

### Arrest

### SUNDAY, Sept. 29

Larry Leroy Vandenberg was arrested at 1300 W. Alcock on a charge of public intoxication, disorderly conduct and failure to identify. He was released on bond.

## Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident and arrests in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

### MONDAY, Sept. 30

Agency assistance was rendered Randall and Potter counties at 18th and Christine.

### Arrest

### MONDAY, Sept. 30

Thomas B. Hughes, 37, 510 N. Zimmers, was arrested on a charge of theft \$1,500 to \$20,000. He was released on \$4,000 bond.

Jose Manuel Moreno Jr., 20, 619 Carr, was arrested on a bond surrender. Bond had not yet been set.

Jennifer Przybyla Myers, 24, 709 E. 14th, was arrested on a charge of theft by check from Randall and Potter counties. A \$1,000 surety was set on the first charge, with \$500 bond set on the second.

Dorman Bryant Sells, 27, 415 Buckler, was arrested on a charge of violation of probation and bond surrender. Bond had not yet been set.

### Department of Public Safety

Charles Mathis Ashley, 48, 707 Frederic, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated - open container. He was released on \$1,500 bond.

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### MONDAY, Sept. 30

8:30 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to the intersection of Cuyler and Brown on a motor vehicle accident.

12:11 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 421 N. Wells on a good intent call.

2:08 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to nine and a half miles east of Pampa on Texas 152 on a motor vehicle accident.

3:43 p.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to 1200 N. Wells on a medical assist.

### TUESDAY, Oct. 1

12:45 a.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to 1200 N. Wells on a dumpster fire.

## Calendar of events

### LAS PAMPAS CHAPTER, DAR

The Las Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at noon Thursday, Oct. 3, at the home of Mrs. Dean Burger, south of Pampa, for a luncheon. Mrs. William Leroy Stegall, state regent from San Antonio, will be honored guest and speaker. Representatives from DAR chapters in Division I are to be guests of the Las Pampas Chapter.

## Local briefs

**PAMPA** — The first check-in for volunteers in the 1996 Pampa United Way fund-raising drive will be at 11:45 a.m. Thursday in the M.K. Brown Meeting Room at the Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard.

Agency sponsors for the luncheon will be Genesis House, Pampa Community Day Care Center, Pastoral Counseling and The Bridge.

Volunteers are encouraged to bring in cards and pledges that have already been worked. Brochures, pledge cards and other supplies will be available for volunteers to pick up.

A Christmas program with seasonal carols is planned, he said.

**PAMPA** — Pampa's first worship service sponsored by Pampa Area United Ministerial Alliance drew about 250 people on Sunday evening, according to Dr. Edwin Cooley, alliance president.

Worshippers met in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Auditorium and extra chairs had to be brought in to accommodate the crowd, he said.

The next service is planned for Sunday, Dec. 29, with the location undetermined, he said.

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## New minimum wage salary rises to \$4.75 today

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The minimum wage rose to \$4.75 today, a 50-cent-an-hour pay raise the government estimates will lift thousands of Americans out of poverty.

"The minimum wage is not going to cure poverty in one fell swoop," Labor Secretary Robert Reich said in an interview Monday. "But clearly this is a major step forward for hard-

working people at the bottom rung of our economy."

At a news conference today, Reich and Democratic senators displayed baskets of food that could be bought with the pay increase by typical low-income families.

"This is not just an economic issue but a moral issue," Reich said. "This happened not because of special-interest politics ... but because a huge majority of

Americans ... said it is fair, it is decent, it is about time."

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## Action on labor dispute over FAA bill keeps U.S. senators from going home

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Senators with home on their minds were instead looking at a longer stay as stubborn resistance over a labor issue forced them to defer action on a Federal Aviation Administration funding bill.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, claiming that failure to pass the bill jeopardized airline security, vowed to move the bill "one way or another."

Sen. Ted Kennedy, D-Mass., decried a last-minute amendment — offered by a fellow Democrat — that he said would help Federal Express stop workers from organizing and retaliating with delaying tactics including forcing most of the 122-page bill to be read aloud by the Senate clerk. The recital took three hours.

Late Monday, the two sides agreed to a Thursday vote on whether to cut off debate and move the bill toward final passage.

Kennedy said the delay "gives us time to shine the spotlight" of public opinion on this unacceptable anti-labor rider.

The dispute turned what was looking like a fairly smooth ending for the fractious 104th Congress into another bitter standoff.

Earlier Monday evening, the Senate completed its last major legislative duty, passing 84-15 and sending to President Clinton a \$389 billion spending bill that ensures that all government offices would be funded for fiscal year 1997, which began today.

Clinton signed the omnibus spending bill late Monday, called it "good for America."

The House passed the bill on Saturday, and House members immediately flocked back to their

home districts to concentrate on the fall election.

The House also passed, by a narrow 218-198 margin, the FAA bill authorizing \$19 billion over two years for aviation operations, maintenance and security programs.

Current authorization ended with the close of fiscal 1996 at midnight Monday.

While lack of a new bill will have no immediate effect on airport operations, it would stop FAA from making grants for new security or airport building projects. It would hold up implementation of new security measures such as a requirement that airlines check the backgrounds of baggage handlers.

"You are putting in jeopardy the lives of our citizens who fly on our airlines today," an angry Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., told Sen. Paul Simon, D-Ill., after Simon objected to the bill with the Federal Express clause.

Kennedy retorted that the issue was "a good example of why the sun is setting on the Republican majority in Congress." He called it "special interest legislation of the worst kind."

Democrat Ernest Hollings of South Carolina offered the amendment as a "technical correction," asserting that it merely restored a dropped federal statute that made Federal Express workers subject to the Railway Labor Act, which covers aviation workers.

However, Kennedy and others insisted that the real aim was to help Federal Express prevent its truck drivers in Pennsylvania from joining a union. They said truck drivers have always been subject to the National Labor Relations Act, which allows local groups to unionize.

Under the railway act, workers must belong to nationwide unions, making it harder to join.

Shirlee Clark, spokeswoman for Federal Express, said her company was an airline and it was appropriate that employees be treated as aviation workers. She denied an attempt to shut out organized labor, saying that 70 percent of those under the railway act are represented by a union.

The Senate was also still struggling to reach agreement with the administration on a major parks bill that sets forth land exchanges, boundary changes and new designations of historic sights in 41 states.

The House passed the legislation after stripping the bill of a number of measures that the administration said would result in a veto, including provisions promoting corporate sponsorships of parks.

Still dissatisfied, Senate negotiators were trying to restore some non-controversial projects that had been removed, a step that would require unanimous approval in the House, which will have no more roll call votes this year.

The catchall spending bill passed by the Senate was a victory for the administration, which demanded and got an extra \$6.5 billion for education, drug-fighting and other programs, pushing overall spending nearly as high as it was before Republicans captured Congress two years ago.

The measure also contained legislation to tighten immigration laws but dropped GOP-written provisions that the White House had argued were too severe.

## City employees honored at retirement party

Officials and employees of the City of Pampa bid farewell and good wishes to Donald Malone and Betty Orr, their long-term co-workers, in a retirement reception given them Friday afternoon at the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Each was presented with a time-piece plaque, giving special recognition for their loyal service.

Orr has worked in customer service in the utilities department continuously for the past 18 years, but actually has been a city employee 28 years of her career. Orr said she first went to work for the city in 1956, after she graduated from Draughan's Business College in Amarillo, and from 1966 to 1978 she worked another job. She returned to resume her position in 1978 until her retirement Friday.

"My favorite hobbies are sewing and cooking, and I expect to be doing a lot of that. I will also share a lot of time for my church, and maybe travel with my sister and brother, to see our other sister in Oregon," she said.

Malone has taken care of building maintenance for the M.K. Brown Auditorium since it was approximately one year old. He first started working in the Parks Department, but soon was transferred over to the auditorium building.

"When Morgan Edwards was

here, we had some good times ...

When one couldn't do a job, or wouldn't do the job, then the other would take over. It was a sharing job with just two of us overseeing the building. He was the first director of the building. He died several years ago," said Malone, of his one-time boss and good friend.

Malone likes to work with woods and refinish furniture in his spare time. He and his wife, Ellen, are parents of two daughters, who are students at colleges in Las Cruces, N.M., and Nacogdoches.

"We expect to be traveling often to check on the girls," he said.



(Pampa News photo by Sherry Cromartie)

**Donald Malone and Betty Orr celebrated retirement from the City of Pampa at a party given by officials and co-workers Friday afternoon at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. They were presented with engraved plaques by City Manager Bob Eskridge.**

## Weather focus

### LOCAL FORECAST

Clear tonight with a low near 55 and south winds to 10 mph. Wednesday, variable cloudiness with a breezy change to cooler weather; a high near 72 with northeast winds to 20 mph. Thursday, partly sunny and cooler with a high in the 60s and a low in the 40s. Monday's high was 77; the overnight low was 52.

### REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, mostly clear. Breezy this evening all but southeastern sections. Lows from 45 to near 50 west. 50 to 55 east. Tuesday, mostly sunny. Breezy all but

southeast section. Highs in mid 80s. South Plains: Tonight, fair. Lows in upper 50s. Wednesday, mostly sunny and cooler. Highs in upper 70s.

North Texas — Tonight, mostly clear. Lows 55 east to 60 west. Wednesday, mostly sunny and warmer. Highs 85 to 90.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows near 60, low 50s Hill Country. Wednesday, partly cloudy and warm. Highs in the 80s. Upper Coast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the 60s. Wednesday, partly cloudy and warm. Highs in the 80s. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the 70s. Wednesday, partly

cloudy and warm. Highs in the 80s.

### BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Tonight, partly cloudy northwest and fair east and south. Lows mid 30s to mid 40s mountains, mid 40s and 50s lower elevations. Wednesday, mostly cloudy west and north with a few showers or thunder-showers, partly cloudy southeast with isolated showers by Wednesday night. Turning cooler central and north with highs 60s and 70s mountains and north with mostly 80s lower elevations south.

Oklahoma — Tonight, clear with lows in the 50s. Wednesday, mostly sunny with highs near 80 north to near 90 south.

## City briefs

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**STOKES BARN Jubilee** - North Fork Band, Saturday 5th, meal 7 p.m., band 8 p.m. Hwy. 60 East, across from Schwan's. 665-0190, 665-7896 leave message. Adv.

**COMPUTER CLASS** Windows 3.1, 8 hours. Thursdays, 3, 10, 17, 24. 7-9 p.m. Instructor - Suzie Jameson \$40. 669-4900. Adv.

**CLASSICAL JAZZ** Concert by Amarillo native, Mark Little, 7:30 p.m. Saturday 5th, M.K. Brown Auditorium for Pampa Community Concert Assoc. Attendance is by association membership. Adv.

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## Congress pulls plug on helium reserve, votes to limit, dismantle most operations

WASHINGTON (AP) — Just a few days more, and the federal helium reserve would have dodged the congressional budget-cutting axe for yet another year.

But in Congress' rush to adjourn, foes of the oft-criticized Texas Panhandle-based program managed to squeeze their legislation into the final crush of business, sending it to President Clinton's desk.

By voice vote Saturday, the Senate endorsed legislation that would result in the dismantling of most operations at the reserve, located near Amarillo, and the eventual sale of its 32 billion cubic feet of helium.

Workers at the reserve, which has been a favorite target of budget cutters, went about their business Monday.

"It's not any great big surprise," said Jimmy Muncy, manager of the Amarillo Helium Plant. "We will just cross the next bridge when we get to it."

The reserve's administrative officer, Tim Spisak, said that with Congress nearing adjournment, it appeared likely that the issue would be pushed off until next year. But that belief was shaken when the House last week again debated the bill by Rep. Christopher Cox, R-Calif., that

eventually would put the government out of the helium business.

Then came the Senate's endorsement Saturday.

Of the reserve's 180 employees, Spisak said: "I think you're going to have a mixed reaction. Some are kind of surprised, some expected it, some are surprised it took this long."

Clinton, who has singled out the helium program as an outmoded, unnecessary government program, is expected to sign Cox's bill.

The measure would shut off the reserve's operations after 18 months. The government-owned helium, stored in an underground storage dome, would be liquidated over an 18-year period. The stockpile, which could supply the world for ten years and the federal government for 80, would be sold slowly so as not to destabilize the private helium market.

Roughly 140 of the reserve's employees would find themselves out of a job after the 18-month period.

The federal government first began stockpiling helium, a derivative of natural gas, in 1960 amid concerns that supplies might run out.

The Bureau of Mines bought

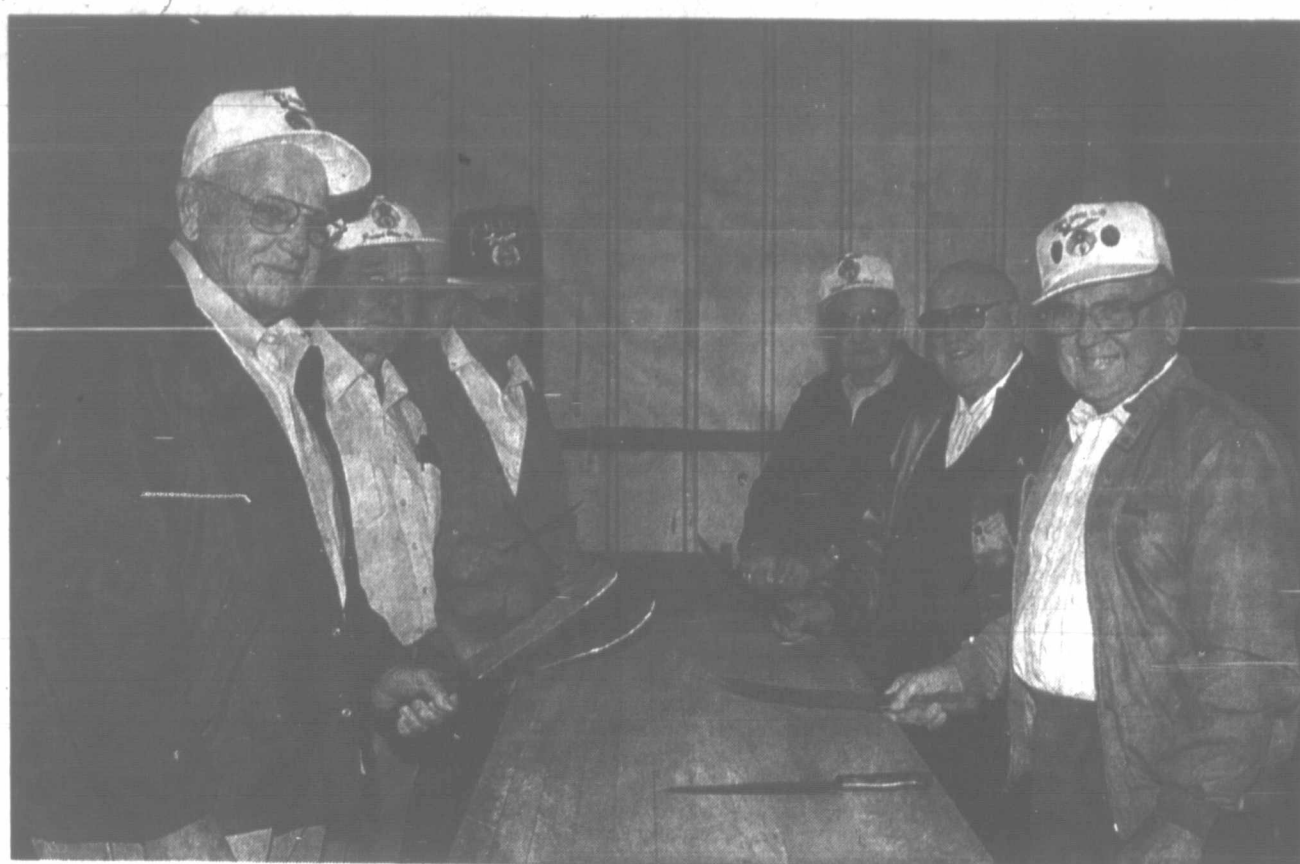
the helium in the 1960s for \$252 million. It borrowed the money from the U.S. Treasury and has never paid it back. Over the years, interest ballooned the debt to \$1.4 billion. Although reserve defenders said the ever-rising debt was a paper liability owed one federal agency by another, it provided a juicy target for critics.

The program also was tarred by a reputation as a dinosaur, dating back to the government's World War I interest in helium for blimps. Today the biggest federal demand comes from NASA, which uses an estimated 70 million cubic feet a year for the space shuttle and other purposes.

"Privatization of the helium program will eliminate wasteful — and harmful — duplication of private-sector helium production, which already supplies 90 percent of the domestic helium market, as well as save taxpayers \$20 million in annual operating costs," Cox said.

Rep. Mac Thornberry, the Clarendon Republican whose district includes Amarillo, saw things differently.

"Even if one believes that the federal government ought to get out of the helium business, this is the wrong way to do it," he said on the House floor last week.



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Pampa Shrine Club members get their knives out to be sharpened as they prepare to cut the beef in anticipation of Sunday's eighth annual Fall Bar-B-Que. From left are Al Soukup, J.B. Fife, Blake Laramore, R.C. Grider, Ralph Jackson and Ford Herring.

## Pampa Shriners preparing for their eighth annual Fall Bar-B-Que event

The Pampa Shrine Club will host its eighth Annual Fall Bar-B-Que from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 6, at the Top O' Texas Sportsman's Club on South Barnes Street.

Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children five to 12. Children under five are free.

Proceeds from the annual event are used for transportation expenses for children traveling to and from Shrine hospitals for treatment, said James Lewis, president.

Lewis said that since 1922 Shriners' hospitals have served children in North America from infancy to age 18, regardless of race, religion or relationship to a Shriner.

"These hospitals provide outstanding care to children who have orthopaedic problems or who have been severely burned. Both inpatient and outpatient care are given to these children, from birth to their 18th birthday," he said.

"There is no charge for any care or services provided by the Shrine Hospital."

To date, no tax money or federal assistance has been given to the Shriners hospitals.

Admission to a Shriners' hospital is based on the medical and financial need of the child's

family. All services are paid for by the Shriners.

The Shriners have an endowment fund to provide operating funds for the hospitals, supported by gifts and bequests of Shriners throughout the United States, their families and the general public. Additional revenues come from Shrine fundraising events and from an annual hospital assessment paid by each Shriner along with their annual dues.

Contributions can be made at any time to the Shriners hospitals for the endowment fund. All donations and bequests, not restricted by the donor, become part of the endowment fund, with only the income from the fund being used to operate Shrine hospitals.

Of the 22 hospitals in the United States, Canada and Mexico, 19 are orthopaedic units. The first Shrine hospital opened in Shreveport, LA in 1922.

The orthopaedic units offer the finest possible care for children afflicted with deformities, disease and injuries involving their bones, joints and muscles. These hospitals also treat patients with "healed" burns, including loss of function of any part of the body, Lewis said. The average length of stay in an either orthopaedic hospital or burn

unit is about ten days.

"The Shriners Burns Institute operates on a three-fold purpose, including treatment to save children's lives and restore their bodies to the highest level of usefulness; research in burn therapy; and teaching to inform and train physicians about the care and treatment of burn injuries," Lewis explained.

The numbers of children who have been helped through services provided from all of the Shriners hospitals exceeds 500,000. These children have completed their treatment and have been permanently discharged from the hospitals.

Pampa Shriners have sponsored over 500 children who qualified for the services at one or the other of the Shrine hospitals, and the local club has been home for many activities for the youth over the years, with proceeds going to the hospitals which help the crippled child (or children) and the parents when needed, Lewis said.

The 1996 Shrine officers include Lewis as president, Max Louvier, first vice president; Ford Herring, second vice president; and Don Harrison, secretary-treasurer.

For more information, call Lewis at 669-8056 or 669-7290.

## Report: Clinton orders stop to covert spying in Cuba

MIAMI (AP) — The Clinton administration ordered U.S. spies to end covert operations in Cuba after a series of bungles and in hopes of improving relations with the communist island, *The Miami Herald* reported today.

Beginning in December 1994, recruitment of new agents and efforts to destabilize the Cuban government were prohibited, according to the *Herald*. The CIA also was forced to close a clandestine radio station broadcasting into Cuba, current and former U.S. officials told the newspaper.

Last February, when Cuban fighters shot down two U.S. civilian planes, President Clinton ordered increased information gathering through electronic eavesdropping and other passive means, but retained the ban on covert operations.

A White House spokesman declined to answer questions about the policy Monday. "It's White House policy not to comment on intelligence matters," Jim Fetig said.

Since the 1959 revolution, the CIA has failed repeatedly in Cuba. It tried unsuccessfully to assassinate Fidel Castro in the 1960s and to sabotage the island's economy in the 1970s. In 1987, an eight-part documentary aired on Cuban television

showed U.S. agents with their sources in Cuba.

It identified four of 13 permanent employees in the U.S. Interests Section and three of their wives as CIA agents, and revealed that ten Cuban intelligence officials that the United States believed were informants were actually double agents.

"It caused a massive re-evaluation of our intelligence process," said one former U.S. official. "We had taken these guys as bona fide agents, only to find out that every bit of information that they fed us was cooked up by the Cubans."

The fiasco led to the forced departure of several U.S. spies and long prison sentences for their non-government Cuban contacts.

Also today, the *Herald* reported that the Clinton administration considered launching a cruise missile at a Cuban base in retaliation for the February downing of two planes from the exile group Brothers to the Rescue. Four people were killed in the attack.

The missile would have struck the base used by the Cuban fighters that shot down the planes.

"There were some wild ideas," one official said. "Some people were just smoking mad."

## El Paso workers blame NAFTA for job layoffs

AUSTIN (AP) — Maria Fernandez doesn't understand why she needs a piece of paper to get a job like the one she had.

Fernandez, 50, lost her job last year at Farah Factory Stores in El Paso because of employee layoffs.

Dozens of factories in El Paso have closed and many have downsized because they can open businesses in Mexico and pay lower wages under the North American Free Trade Agreement, according to a group of mostly El Paso women who protested state job retraining programs Monday.

Fernandez is now taking English classes through the NAFTA Trade Adjustment Assistance program. The program requires her to get a General Education Development certificate before getting job training.

"We're ready to get other training, but why do I need a GED?" says Fernandez, the mother of three. "I have the ability to work. I want to feel productive. I don't

want to be on welfare, getting the government to pay my rent. I don't want to feel useless."

Under the TAA program, workers receive cash assistance for up to 19 months as long as they are enrolled in an approved training program, said David Beshear, a spokesman with the Texas Workforce Commission, which oversees the program.

Recipients also receive assistance to pay for books, tuition and fees.

"The program's goal is to help these people find a job that pays at least 80 percent of what they were making," Beshear said, adding that many of the laid-off workers made up to \$16 an hour. "Low-skill, low-wage jobs are moving out of El Paso. The jobs being created right now in El Paso require people to know English and to have a high school education."

About 15 members of La Mujer Obrera, or The Working Woman, stood outside the Governor's

mansion Monday to protest what they call discrimination against Hispanic workers in the TAA program.

Guillermo Glenn, coordinator for La Mujer Obrera in El Paso, said the workers are being pushed into English classes instead of job training.

"They were promised retraining, they were promised assistance," he added. "Now they have to get their GED. They have to speak English. What about the last 30 years?"

Members of the group said the government needs to establish a program that incorporates job training with English classes.

But at a meeting Monday with members of the Texas Workforce Commission, Glenn said the group was told "that's just the way it is."

Beshear says local workforce boards are being created to provide employment training, job placement and other services.

In the meantime, displaced workers are being "warehoused" for 18 months," says Cindy Arnold, development coordinator for La Mujer Obrera.

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**Opinion**

**Big government is alive and well**

President Clinton's aides billed his acceptance speech as "State of the Union II," a statesmanlike look at the problems of building a bridge — or is that 3,000 bridges? — to the 21st Century.

In his State of the Union speech in January, Clinton declared that the era of Big Government was over.

In this speech he gave us an insight into his vision of what will succeed this era.

An Era of Bigger Government. Or perhaps the Era of Great Big Government.

Capable politician that he is, Bill Clinton made that obligatory obeisance to a balanced budget and to the idea that government can't do everything, that the private sector will have to provide most of the jobs he sometimes seems to think can be called into existence by the sheer power of words.

But the balance of the speech consisted of new government initiatives, new government programs, new government mandates, new government spending, new government power over the lives of all Americans.

Consider the criticism of the Dole tax cut proposal, a 15% across-the-board tax-rate cut for every American. Too risky, says the president. "We should not bet the farm and we certainly shouldn't bet the country."

What kind of mind-set does it take to see grave risk to the country itself in the prospect of American workers being allowed to keep more of the money they have earned themselves and decide for themselves how to spend it?

Clinton won't permit such anarchic self-determination. All his proposed tax cuts are "targeted" and therefore "responsible." People who decide to spend money in government approved ways — on college training, on buying a first home, on giving jobs to former welfare recipients — will get some of their money back from the government. Those whose priorities are different will lose out.

This effort to manipulate choices through carrots and sticks in the tax code reflects a profound paternalism, a conviction that government must guide, manipulate and shape the people for the country to be great.

"We must give Americans the tools they need..." Tools for what? For just about everything. The poor, pitiful people seem to need the government "to help parents raise their children, to help young people and adults get the education they need, to make citizens feel safer on our streets, to help Americans succeed at home and at work, to break the cycle of poverty and dependence, to protect our environment for generations to come and to maintain our world leadership."

Whew! A government with an agenda that ambitious certainly isn't likely to get any smaller in the next few years.

And sure enough, the president vowed to make sure such a dread eveluality never occurs. "I will never allow cuts that devastate education for our children, pollute our environment, end the guarantee of health care under Medicaid or violate our duty to our parents under Medicare. Never."

Government schools that have received an ever-increasing share of taxpayers' spending will be supplemented by a new literacy program. The vaunted Superfund program, which spent more money on lawyers than on environmental clean-ups, will get another infusion of money.

In government, as Bill Clinton sees it, nothing succeeds like failure.

A government program that fails to accomplish a given task obviously needs more money, and if it fails again next year and the year after that, the obvious solution is more of the taxpayers' money.

What's the difference between an economy rooted in government programs and government regulations and one with fewer entanglements?

From the end of World War II until 1989, the economy grew at an average annual rate of 3.3%, with growth rates of 4% to 4.5% during recoveries from recessions.

Since 1990, growth has been about 2.5%. Clinton wants to celebrate that kind of growth as optimal, and government economists get nervous when the threat of faster growth looms on the horizon.

What that means is that we have forgone about \$2.6 trillion in wealth, about \$625 billion in economic growth in 1995 alone. That's about \$5,000 for each American household. Clinton is not solely to blame. But with his tax increases and regulatory initiatives, he has presided over a "growth deficit" of about \$2,500 for every American household.

When he was first elected, Clinton called on Americans to have the courage to change.

Now he wants us to muster the courage to be content with the status quo, to cheer for a president devoted to protecting every piece of spending from the past and laying on a lot more of the same.

**An issue to be reckoned with ...**

Abortion-rights advocates have some basis for regarding "partial-birth" abortions as a phony issue. If abortions are legal, and if late-term abortions are legal, why on earth should anyone care about the type of abortion? To them, it seems silly to care whether the fetus is destroyed while it is entirely in the womb or partly out. The fate of the fetus, after all, is the same either way.

But if this looks to some like a phony issue, it is also a potent one. Of 230 Republicans, 215 voted to override President Clinton's veto of a bill to outlaw the procedure. In recent years, Republicans have not had much success running against abortion, which is one reason longtime pro-lifer Bob Dole rarely talks about it. He does, however, talk about partial-birth abortion. So do other Republican candidates. They think they have a winning issue.

Democrats apparently agree: You won't see many of them airing TV ads publicizing their votes in favor of this procedure. In fact, no fewer than 70 House Democrats — 37% of those voting — defected to the Republican side. Even Bill Clinton, the darling of pro-choicers, felt obliged to soften his April veto by saying that this abortion technique has "troubled me deeply" and should not be permitted on an "elective basis." He would allow it, he insisted, only to protect the life or health of the mother.

The reason the issue invigorates pro-lifers and frightens pro-choicers is not that it would prevent many abortions: The number, though hard to fix precisely, is a tiny percentage of the 1.5 million performed each year in this country. The political reason is simple, it allows pro-lifers to attract the support of all the Americans who find themselves in the middle on the abortion debate — accepting it, uneasily, under certain conditions but rejecting



**Stephen Chapman**

it in others. And it dramatizes the refusal of pro-choicers to condemn any abortion, no matter how late or how gruesome.

More important, though, are the underlying messages of the vote. First, it creates a crucial precedent: establishing that the welfare of the fetus may not always be subordinated to the preferences of the mother. Second, it humanizes the fetus by treating it as a living entity with legitimate interests of its own.

Once these novel propositions are established, there is no telling how expansively they may be applied. Anyone who reaches the conclusion that the law should protect a viable fetus from being aborted in an especially grisly manner may next conclude that the law should protect it from being aborted at all.

From there, it is not such a big step to deciding that fetuses should be protected sometime before viability — say, once they have measurable brain waves. Or upon implantation. Or at conception. Once the focus of the debate shifts from the woman's "choice" to the fetus' life, abortion-rights advocates find themselves on the defensive.

That is why they've had trouble making an honest case for allowing this type of abortion. Clinton,

feigning a heavy heart, said he would have signed the bill if it had only made allowances for the health of pregnant women. What he didn't explain was that under the Supreme Court's 1973 Roe vs. Wade decision, "health" is defined to include "all factors — physical, emotional, psychological, familial and the woman's age — relevant to the well-being of the patient." Forbidding partial-birth abortion except when some doctor thinks it is in the patient's "emotional" or "familial" interest means forbidding nothing.

Plenty of physicians have come forward to ridicule the notion that these abortions are ever necessary to protect women's health. "You really can't defend it," said Dr. Warren Hern, author of the standard textbook on abortion procedures. "I would dispute any statement that this is the safest procedure to use." Former Surgeon General C. Everett Koop lamented that the president "was misled by his medical advisers on what is fact and what is fiction in reference to late-term abortions."

But pro-choice zealots like Sen. Barbara Boxer, the California Democrat, have denounced the proposed ban as "madness." Why are she and her allies so vehement in defending a procedure that they claim is extremely rare anyway? Because they know that a consensus against any particular abortion could one day grow into a consensus against abortion in general.

They would like Americans to ponder abortion without ever acknowledging the elephant in the living room — the life, humanity and rights of the unborn child. Pro-choice activists don't like it when they hear Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, the usually pro-choice New York Democrat, describe partial-birth abortion as "close to infanticide." A resemblance between abortion and infanticide? It's a dangerous thought.

**Today in history**

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 1, the 275th day of 1996. There are 91 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

One-hundred years ago, on Oct. 1, 1896, the U.S. Post Office established Rural Free Delivery, with the first routes in West Virginia.

On this date:

In 1800, Spain ceded Louisiana to France in a secret treaty.

In 1885, special delivery mail service began in the United States.

In 1890, Congress passed the McKinley Tariff Act, which raised tariffs to a record level.

In 1908, Henry Ford introduced the Model T automobile to the market; each car cost \$825.

In 1936, General Francisco Franco

was proclaimed the head of an insurgent Spanish state.

In 1943, Allied forces captured Naples during World War II.

In 1949, Communist Party Chairman Mao Tse-tung raised the first flag of the People's Republic of China during a ceremony in Beijing.

In 1961, Roger Maris of the New York Yankees hit his 61st home run during a 162-game season, compared to Babe Ruth's 60 home runs during a 154-game season.

In 1962, Johnny Carson succeeded Jack Paar as regular host of NBC's "Tonight" show.

In 1964, the Free Speech Movement was launched at the University of California at Berkeley.

In 1968, the cult horror movie *Night of the Living Dead* had its world

premiere in Pittsburgh.

In 1971, 25 years ago, Walt Disney World opened in Orlando, Fla.

In 1987, eight people were killed when an earthquake measuring a magnitude of 5.9 and an aftershock measuring 5.3 struck the Los Angeles area.

Ten years ago: Former President Jimmy Carter's presidential library and museum were dedicated in Atlanta with help from President Reagan, who said he and his predecessor had come together in "mutual respect."

Five years ago: President Bush strongly condemned the military coup in Haiti, suspending U.S. economic and military aid and demanding the immediate return to power of President Jean-Bertrand Aristide.

One year ago: Sheikh Omar Abdel-Rahman and nine other defendants were convicted in New York of conspiring to attack the United States through bombings, assassinations and kidnappings. An earthquake in southwestern Turkey killed about 90 people.

Today's Birthdays: Former Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin is 82. Actor Walter Matthau is 76. Actor James Whitmore is 75. Former President Jimmy Carter is 72. William Rehnquist, chief justice of the United States, is 72. Actor Tom Bosley is 69. Actor Richard Harris is 63. Actress-singer Julie Andrews is 61. Actress Stella Stevens is 60. Baseball Hall-of-Famer Rod Carew is 51. Actor Stephen Collins is 49. Actor Randy Quaid is 46.

**Greatness lies in American people**

Old Emperor Nero had his Seneca, and young Emperor Bill had his Dick Morris. Looks like the quality of emperors and advisers has gone to the devil's house by Federal Express.

Seneca was a Roman philosopher and writer, the tutor and adviser to Nero, who, in 65 A.D., ordered Seneca to commit suicide. Seneca is generally acknowledged to have tried mightily to teach young Nero virtue. He remains an example of one of the greatest failures in education in human history.

Morris, a political gun for hire, is an opportunist hired by an opportunist to bamboozle the public. It is hardly fair to Seneca, and even Nero, to mention the contemporary pair on the same page. Morris did himself — or at least his career — in with this big mouth and poor choice of whores. A political adviser to emperors should never hire a whore who knows how to read and write and has sense enough to recognize a saleable story when she sees it. Morris will be quickly forgotten.

Seneca can still be read with profit, and Nero etched himself a place in history with the magnitude of his villainy. Morris is not worth talking to much less reading. Emperor Bill's villainy, if that's the right word, runs more to the mild and mediocre villainy of the cheap con artist and the ingratiating gigolo.

If the Potomac camp followers were not so sterile of soul and mind, they wouldn't make much

**Charley Reese**

ado about either Clinton or Morris. Clinton is just a bad spoke in the wheel of history.

Rumor has reached me down here in the lower latitudes of Florida that some Americans are depressed by the present state of affairs. Don't be. As they say, this, too, will pass. Democratic elections have turned out to provide the same uneven results as royal births: Sometimes they produce good leaders, and sometimes they don't.

America is not about government. It is about people. Politicians come and go, some good and some bad. There is a cycle in politics, with the pendulum swinging from corruption to reform, from reform to corruption.

At the present time, the media is fixated on the two similar fields of industrialized entertainment and government, but just because journalists choose to be cultural protologists, there is no reason for normal folks to take it up. There is, after all, a much better view of America.

If you look at the history of America, its giftedness has been in the private sector, where gifted men and women have done great things that moved mankind forward.

It wasn't the government that invented the tele-

phone, the telegraph, the motion picture camera, the electric light or the airplane.

Nor was it the government that perfected the techniques of mass production or wrote great novels and plays and poetry, created fine sculptures and beautiful pictures.

It was not the government that did the pioneer work in social reform and welfare or made the great discoveries in science and medicine.

Turn away from professional politicians and the industrialized entertainment industry, and you will see that America is still producing people who are capable of great achievements. Bill Gates might not be our choice for a dinner companion, but he has performed brilliantly in his field, as have many other American entrepreneurs. If you're the richest man in the world and need surgery, you'll fly to America, but you won't go to a government hospital.

All across this great land there are good and decent people performing heroic acts, attacking real problems, coming up with real solutions and living their lives with integrity, intelligence and compassion.

If we in journalism ever get tired of giving recital exams to professional politicians, entertainers, social misfits and criminals (pardon the redundancy), we may discover the other 98% of the American people who still get my vote as among the finest people on the face of the earth.

**Will Dole perform well as a mudder?**

Each quadrennium the buzz focuses on the horse race. Is the Clinton horse way ahead? Is the Clinton horse a lock? Will the Democratic horses recapture the Congress? What do the polls show at the eight furlong mark?

But smart horse players don't only consider the horses. They ask about the race track. Is the course fast or slow? Dry or wet? Some horses do particularly well in sloppy conditions and are known as "mudders."

What about the race track for the election of 1996? That was the general subject on the PBS program *Think Tank*, which I moderate. Specifically, the topic was: "Can Dole Win?"

Everett Ladd is a distinguished political scientist, author, director of the Institute for Social Inquiry at the University of Connecticut and director of the Roper Center for Public Opinion Research. He is as good as they get in survey research.

MR. LADD: "My view is that if you look at all the data that are out there and just cut out the trial heats, you would not advance the case that it's a likely Clinton victory. The composite of the data, other than the trial heats, points otherwise. Now, if you believe the trial heats, which are averaging 15 points or something of that kind, of course, the election is over. Since I don't think those numbers mean much of anything, I'm less inclined to."

"Other than the trial heats?" you may ask. Right. Except for that, Mrs. Lincoln, how did you like the play?

But Ladd has reasons for dismissing the matchups. He notes that half the voters have not yet made up their minds. He cites data to show "an enormously unanchored electorate ... the idea that this electorate is locked in is wrong."

Here is a sketch of the Dole-friendly track brought up in the program:

— By two-to-one, voters self-identify as con-



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servative over liberal (with a plurality of moderates).

— In the last seven presidential elections, 24 states went Republican at least six times — for a total of 235 electoral votes (of the 270 needed for victory.) Only one state went Democratic in the same time frame. (Guess which. atosenim spelled backward.)

— Most of the generic polls for Congress show the Democrats mildly ahead. But in surveys since 1956, Republicans averaged 8.5 points lower than the actual election results. If that holds, the GOP holds the Congress.

— There have been double-digit closures between the candidates in four of the post-war presidential elections, including a 15-point by the losing Ford-Dole ticket in 1976.

— Issue profiles of voters more closely fit Republicans than Democrats: 83% want a balanced budget, 79% favor the death penalty, 74% want term limits, 59% want public-private school choice (Gallup data.)

— Voters believe social and moral issues are more important than economic ones (53% to 42%).

— Republicans are only now beginning seri-

ously spending to match Democratic advertising.

— Clinton's "re-elect" numbers are only between 51% to 52% — with 50% regarded as a point where an incumbent is in trouble.

Moreover: A) Does a sitting governor help a presidential candidate? Today about 75% of the voters are in states with Republican governors. B) Scandals? Still around, with a majority of voters finding flaws in Clinton's "character." C) Mood? Most voters believe the country is "on the wrong track," although by lesser proportions than earlier. D) Expect the unexpected? Will Saddam end up ahead?

Of course, President Clinton has a few little things going for him. He is president. There is peace. And prosperity. He is a hell of a campaigner, particularly in Republican garb. He is one smart cookie. Those trial heats count for something. That is why three members of the *Think Tank* panel didn't give Dole much shrift: Stephen Hess of the Brookings Institution, Frank Newport, president of Gallup, and Allen Lichtman of George Washington University.

Still, as readers of this space know, I lean toward a Laddian view. But I would not go as far as he did:

MR. LADD: "The race is going to be decided in a plus or minus four range. That is, Clinton is going to win by four or lose by four. That's the range in which we're operating. And the odds obviously point to Clinton on the plus side, but if it's in that range, and I believe it is, it's up for grabs."

That's getting pretty specific, particularly putting a four point ceiling on Clinton. But Ladd's general idea makes sense.

(Late note for those seeking an interesting election season: An ABC News poll shows Clinton leading by eight points from Sept. 11 to Sept. 15, down from a 15-point spread the previous week.) Is the track getting muddy and doleful?

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# Spinal cord healing initiated on rats by X-rays, researcher says

By PAUL RECER  
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — X-rays applied at the right time and in the right dose may allow some healing of severed spinal cords — and the partial restoration of use of paralyzed limbs — according to laboratory research with rats.

Nurit Kalderon, a scientist at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York, said extensive additional research is needed before the technique could be applied to human patients. But she said it does suggest a new way of treating injuries now often considered hopeless.

Kalderon, lead author of the study, said the X-rays apparently halt the action of cells that block the regrowth of injured nerve fibers. These cells, which she called reactive astrocytes, are made by the body, for reasons unknown, after a spinal injury.

She said that the studies on rats found the technique had to be done in the third week following the injury.

A report on the study is to be published Tuesday in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

Dr. Michael Walker, director of the division of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, said "Dr. Kalderon has performed a terribly interesting series of studies."

"She is using a therapy (X-rays) normally used to kill cells to cause cells to survive," he said. "We don't know yet what the side effects would be, so I am cautious about it. I would like to see the work repeated in another lab."

Spinal cord injuries often result in total paralysis of limbs. Researchers say this occurs because nerve fibers in the central nervous system, which includes the spinal cord, do not regenerate as do most nerve tissue elsewhere in the body.

"The tissue in the area of the injury will actually decay after a certain point," said Kalderon.

Early in the recovery from a spinal cord injury, she said, the body makes an effort to regrow nerve fibers. But at some point this halts and the injury to the spinal cord is irreversible.

That point in rats, said Kalderon, is about three weeks, the time when the reactive astrocytes cells appear. X-rays, she said, prevent the formation and action of these cells, but the radiation has to be precisely timed.

"At four weeks, the radiation is not helpful," she said. "It has to be during the third week."

Kalderon tested the X-ray treatment on a series of rats whose spinal cords had been completely severed. At three weeks after the injury, some of the rats were exposed to X-rays at doses similar to that used to treat cancer. A group of control rats received no X-rays.

After four to five months, about a third of the rats who had been exposed to X-rays showed some sign of spinal cord regeneration.

Of 11 rats exposed to the X-rays in one group,

"six definitely had some recovery of function," said Kalderon. "We could see them move their back legs and to support their weight. They could plant their feet on the ground."

She said none of the rats recovered fully, however. This, said Kalderon, would require extra therapy, a treatment not practical with rats.

In other groups of animals, the regrowth of nerve fiber was tested electrically. When the brains of test rats were stimulated electrically, sensors placed near the hind legs of the test rats recorded nerve impulses, proving that nerves had grown together inside the spinal cord. In some cases, the impulse reached only a single muscle, said Kalderon, but there were no such impulses detected at all in the control rats who received no X-rays.

And in still another study, the nerve connections were tested with a dye that moves along nerve bundles from the spine. Kalderon said the dye test showed that nerve connections were restored in about a third of the rats tested.

## Honorary Class of '56 member



(Pampa News photo by Danny Cowan)

David Fatheree, center, was surprised during Friday night's Pampa High School football game to find himself being honored as an honorary member of the PHS Class of 1956. Fatheree, member of the Class of 1954, was made an honorary member of the class by the Committee for the Preservation of the Class of 1956 because he has always attended the Class of '56 reunion and keeps up with a lot of the class members. Among those present for the awarding of the honor are, from left, Duggan Smith, David Gantz, David Fatheree and grandson Taylor Fatheree, Dixie Rhodes, Jim Enloe and Anita Pickle.

## Private sector to handle shuttle operations

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA enters a new era today as it begins turning over day-to-day shuttle operations to private industry to try to cut costs, the biggest change in the history of the program.

"This is a very, very major turning point for this agency," NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin said Monday in announcing the \$7 billion, six-year contract with United Space Alliance, a joint venture of Rockwell International Corp. and Lockheed Martin Corp. Officials promise the shift will be gradual, with shuttle flight safety the No. 1 priority. In the short term, not even NASA and its contract workers will see much difference.

NASA still will give the final "go" for launch and make the important decisions during a flight, as it has for the past 15 years. It will retain ultimate responsibility for safety and hire

the astronauts, and it will still own the four shuttles.

But it will ease itself out of the routine, day-to-day work, such as preparing the shuttles, training the astronauts and operating Mission Control. Those duties will belong to United Space Alliance.

The contract, signed late last week but announced Monday, designates United Space Alliance as the single prime contractor for shuttle operations. It includes two two-year extension options that could bring the contract's total estimated value to \$12 billion over ten years.

USA was formed in August 1995 and chosen by NASA as the single prime contractor three months later.

By compressing many contracts into one — this first phase consolidates twelve previous contracts — NASA hopes to improve shuttle safety, continue

to fly shuttles seven or eight times a year, and reduce costs in the \$3 billion-a-year shuttle program.

Because Rockwell and Lockheed Martin already handled most of the shuttle work, the transition, while historic, won't make much immediate difference.

USA officials expect to save at least \$400 million in shuttle costs over the six-year life of the contract, probably much more.

Under the agreement, USA will be penalized for failing to meet safety and mission objectives. The better the company does, the more it will earn and the more taxpayers will save.

"We are telling the contractor we're going to give you 35 cents of every dollar that you save us," Goldin said. "May they get very rich because the taxpayer will get very rich, because we get back 65 cents."

## Iowa woman accused of murder, baby snatching

KEOKUK, Iowa (AP) — A woman who pretended for months that she was pregnant allegedly lured a new mother to her home, shot her twice in the head and then hid the body in her basement, passing the boy off as her own.

Prosecutors charged Kimmi Hardy with first-degree murder on Monday, saying she bought a gun a month before the slaying, wore maternity clothes for about five months, and even held a baby shower after the killing.

She told her husband she had given birth at home, and he apparently believed her, investigators said. But her plans came undone when one of her guests at the shower noticed the child was not a newborn, and called police.

Robert Hardy, 36, who prosecu-

tors plan to charge as an accessory, told police his wife shot Theresa Lund, 34, a month ago in their basement and hid the body in a crawl space, according to court papers filed Monday.

Hardy told police he wasn't home during the slaying, but later helped his wife get rid of the body and hide evidence.

On Friday, Hardy led authorities to Lund's body, which was found along railroad tracks near Alexandria, Mo., less than ten miles from the Hardy home.

The Hardys and Lund lived in Keokuk, a Mississippi River town of 13,500 in the extreme southeast corner of Iowa, and were casual acquaintances, police said.

Mrs. Hardy had bought a .38-caliber handgun on July 31, asking a

dealer if a particular gun was "capable of killing someone, and if so, at what range," court papers said.

Lund and her six-week-old son were reported missing after her car was found in a store parking lot on Aug. 28. That same day, Mrs. Hardy, 36, told friends and family that she had given birth to a son, court papers said.

Police, acting on the baby shower guest's tip, found the child at the Hardy home on Sept. 18. When confronted by officers, Mrs. Hardy said she bought the baby for \$3,000.

But footprint records showed the boy was Paul Lund, who was born July 16. Police charged her with child stealing, purchasing an individual and third-degree kidnapping — and worked the case until her husband confessed.

## Nation briefs

### Kiwi International Air Lines files Chapter 11

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — It's been a turbulent ride for Kiwi International Air Lines since its start four years ago.

Now the carrier says debt, the government's decision to ground four of its planes this summer and the effects of the ValuJet crash have forced it to cut service and file for bankruptcy protection.

Starting today, Kiwi will serve only Newark, Chicago and Atlanta, with refunds offered to travelers booked on flights to Bermuda, Las Vegas, Orlando, Tampa and West Palm Beach in Florida, spokesman Rob Kulat said.

"Kiwi has slowly bled to the point where we have to take action," Jerry Murphy, the airline's president and chief executive, said Monday.

The Newark-based discount carrier remains nearly \$40 million in debt, despite three straight profitable quarters, he said.

Kiwi will reduce its staff, but Kulat declined to specify how many jobs would be cut. However, the company expects to start expanding its flight schedule in November and some staff will be recalled then, he said.

The Federal Aviation Administration grounded four of Kiwi's jets in June because of questions about pilot training and record-keeping. The airline received permission to fly all its aircraft on August 20.

### Encephalitis cases

HOUSTON (AP) — Two cases of the potentially fatal St. Louis encephalitis virus have been reported in Houston, city health officials said Monday.

The latest case is a 7-month-old girl who lives in northwest Houston. On Friday, blood tests confirmed that a 44-year-old woman had the virus.

Both remain hospitalized, said Kathy Barton, spokeswoman for the Houston Department of Health and Human Services.

The virus is transmitted by the bite of an infected mosquito. Symptoms include fever, headache, nausea and disorientation.

Children and the elderly are more at risk. The illness can lead to a coma or even death.

### Grave tax proposed to boost small town's revenue

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The only sure way to avoid taxes isn't such a certainty in Colma these days.

That's because some folks in the tiny town a few miles south of San Francisco are considering boosting revenue by targeting those least likely to complain — the town's 1 million dead.

The plan: \$5 per grave, every year, for eternity.

While cemeteries would have to pay the tax, customers could eventually see the average cost of burials double to as much as \$6,000, according to some estimates.

"The cemeteries don't pay taxes and haven't for 100 years — they can start paying their freight," said Robert Simcox, a retired cab driver and leader behind the proposed voter initiative, which also calls for a onetime \$50 burial fee.

Simcox said Monday he was just starting to gather the roughly 100 signatures needed to put the tax on a ballot next year. The \$500 million from the tax — equal to the town's annual budget — would pay for police, fire and other town services.

### Prison sergeant denies fling with Fisher

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — A guard who used to work at a state prison where Amy Fisher was incarcerated denied Monday that they ever had a jailhouse fling, but he did admit breaking the rules for her.

Fisher, 22, is suing in hopes of getting transferred from the Albion Correctional Facility, where she

says she was repeatedly raped, abused and sexually harassed by guards. She and her mother, Roseann, also want \$20 million in damages from each of 21 state officials named as defendants.

State prison officials deny her allegations and say Fisher just wants to go to a federal prison in Connecticut because it is closer to her home.

Dubbed "the Long Island Lolita" by tabloids, she is serving a 5- to 15-year sentence for wounding the wife of her then-boyfriend, Joey Buttafuoco, in 1992. She is eligible for parole in August 1997.

### Evel Knievel knows he lucky to be alive

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Evel Knievel knows he's one lucky daredevil.

At a star-studded gala Sunday night marking the 30th anniversary of Caesars Palace Hotel-Casino, actor Dennis Hopper narrated a film of Knievel's near fatal attempt to jump Caesars' fountain on a motorcycle in 1967.

The clip shows Knievel's motorcycle lurching out of control after it lands on a ramp at the end of the jump, and slow motion of Knievel landing on his head, then flipping end-over-end.

"I know I'm lucky I'm still alive," Knievel said after walking on stage, bearing a noticeable limp. "I'm so proud to be a part of this beautiful hotel and its legends."

Other notables at the ceremony included Muhammad Ali, singer Julio Iglesias, jazz greats B.B. King and Joe Williams, and actor Tony Danza, the host of the black-tie affair.

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## Community Concert Associations announce season schedules in reciprocal agreements

The Pampa Community Concert Association sponsors its first program of the season at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5, at the M.K. Brown Auditorium. Mark Little, pianist, composer and arranger, will appear on stage to present a piano jazz concert.

The association plans a variety of musical programs in Borger, Hereford and Plainview. Attendance is by membership within those concert group associations, and by individual agreements.

Other Pampa programs scheduled at the M.K. Brown Auditorium will include the St. Lawrence Strong Quartet at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, and the Kevin Roth Trio, presenting "Broadway, Blues and Ballads" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 13.

In the Borger High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. April 14, members in Pampa and Borger join in sponsoring "Rhythm in Shoes," musicians and dancers in American, English and Irish step dances.

Borger concerts held in the Borger High School

auditorium, all starting at 7:30 p.m., include Meridian Arts Ensemble on Saturday, Oct. 26; Stephen and Carol Kechulius, baritone and piano, Thursday, Nov. 21; Max Morath, Tuesday, Feb. 25; and the April 14 "Rhythm in Shoes" co-sponsored program.

Hereford concerts, held in the Hereford High School auditorium, include "Little Eagles of Siberia" at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 20; Max Morath at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 24; and Dodge City Cowboy Band at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 24. The Hereford membership is also working on a production with the Amarillo Little Theater, to be announced.

Plainview concerts will be performed in Wayland University Harrel Auditorium and include "Little Eagles of Siberia" at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19; "Ropin' the West" at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Nov. 4; Lewis and Perry; pianists, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23; and "Cotton Patch Gospel" at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 2.

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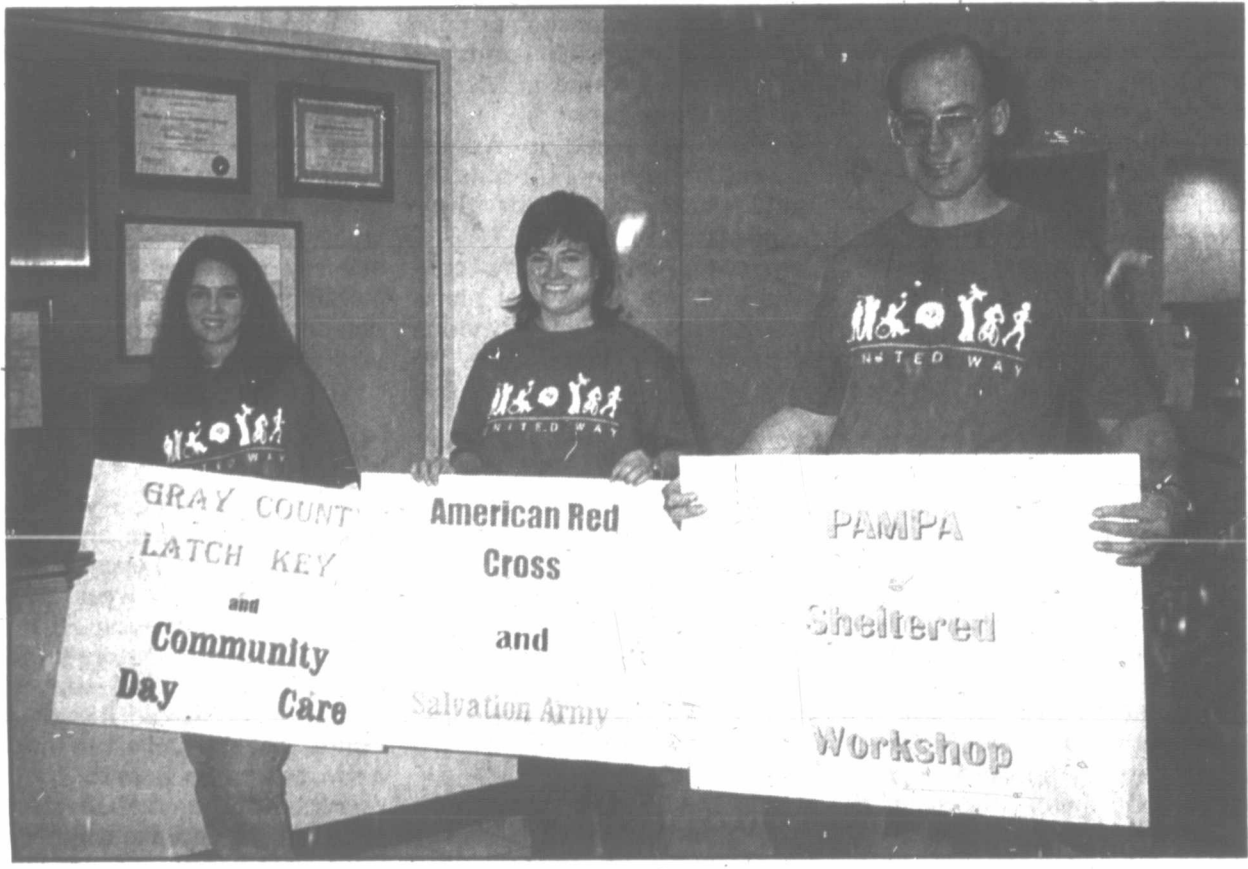
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## Hoechst Celanese begins United Way drive



(Special photos)

Hoechst Celanese's Pampa Plant has begun its employee drive for the Pampa United Way 1996 fund-raising campaign. At a rally for employees last week, plant manager Jerry Moore, left above, and plant controller Syd Ingle hold a "victory torch" in front of a dropcloth containing handprints of Pampa citizens gathered during Chautauqua, representing the theme, "Paint a Brighter Tomorrow." Below, from left, Elizabeth Hitchcock, Dawn Baylor and Darryl Hughes hold placards showing some of the 17 agencies being assisted by United Way funding in the Pampa area.



## Morales, Gramm square off over DARE program

AUSTIN (AP) — Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Victor Morales has accused incumbent Republican Phil Gramm of voicing support for the Drug Abuse Resistance Education program while repeatedly voting against it.

"Texans know Phil Gramm's reputation for saying one thing in Texas and voting another way in Washington, but this is getting ridiculous," Morales said Monday.

Morales, a Mesquite teacher, was referring to a comment made by Gramm in Sunday night's televised senatorial forum in which Gramm said he had worked with and supported the DARE program to prevent drug use among youth.

Gramm spokesman Larry Neal said Gramm three times has voted against bills that included funding for DARE due to other reasons, including one measure with an amendment "that would have busted the budget by \$3 billion."

Neal said Gramm, as chairman of an appropriations subcommittee, helped write legislation last year that fully funded DARE.

"There is hardly a town in Texas where Phil Gramm hasn't visited and stood up for the DARE program," Neal said. "If Victor Morales wants to know where Phil Gramm stands on DARE, all he has to do is get on the phone and call any DARE officer in Texas."

Morales spokesman Steve Hall said Gramm voted against bills containing funding for DARE on Feb. 7, 1990, again on Oct. 5, 1994, and on March 12 of this year.

"This is typical Grammstanding," Hall said. "He wants to take credit for a good program, but when it comes down to it, he always finds some reason to vote against it, even if he is one of a handful."

Neal said Gramm voted against the 1990 bill because it would have created a national school board "literally run by the National Education Association and American Federation of Teachers."

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## WT readies for homecoming events

CANYON — West Texas A&M University's "Paradise in the Panhandle" Homecoming 1996 is set for Friday, Oct. 4, and Saturday, Oct. 5.

"Homecoming is a great time to remember what it is like to be on campus and to share in the pride that exists at WTAMU," Misty Price, director of the Alumni Association, said. "It's an opportunity for graduates, students, community members and friends of WTAMU to celebrate."

Partakers in paradise are invited to begin the weekend with a four-person scramble golf tournament at noon Friday at Palo Duro Creek Golf Course in Canyon. First, second and third place trophies will be awarded.

Cost to play is \$36 per person. Businesses can sponsor a tee box for \$25. To enter the tournament or sponsor a tee box, contact WTAMU Career Services at (806) 656-2345.

A special reception for the Class of 1946, the honor class, will be from 5:30-7 p.m. Friday in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center, VIP Room. Admission is free to graduates from the Class of 1946 and their guests.

Evening activities will include

the traditional Pigskin Revue, a variety show, at 8 p.m. in Mary Moody Northern Recital Hall and the Bonfire/Dance.

Tickets for the revue are \$3 for general admission and \$1 for WTAMU students. Tickets can be purchased at the Jack B. Kelley Student Center Information Desk and the alumni association located in Buffalo Courts.

A procession to the Bonfire/Dance will begin at Mary Moody Northern Hall. The WTAMU Band will lead the group. Dr. Russell C. Long, university president, will light the bonfire at Spur 48 and WTAMU Drive. There is no admission charge for the procession, bonfire or dance.

Saturday's activities will begin with an Alumni Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. in the South Dining Hall and the Alumni Association Annual Business Meeting at 9:30 a.m. in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center, Room 11. Tickets for the breakfast are \$6 per person and can be purchased at the Alumni Association, Buffalo Courts. The annual Homecoming Parade will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday and travel down Fourth Avenue to 26th Street.

The Homecoming Barbecue will be served from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday on Terrill Lawn. Tickets are \$6 for general admission, \$4.50 for WTAMU students with meal cards and \$4 for children 10 years old and under. Tickets are available in the Agriculture and National Sciences Building, Room 213 and the Alumni Association.

Organizational reunions will be held from 1-5 p.m. Saturday. For more information about specific reunions, contact individual organizations.

WTAMU will face Angelo State University in the Homecoming game. The kick-off will be at 6 p.m. in Kimbrough Memorial Stadium. Tickets are \$8 for reserved chairbacks, \$7 for reserved benches, \$6 for general admission and \$3 for children. For more information, call (806) 656-2670.

A post-game dance will be held in the Jack B. Kelley Student Center Commons. The dance is free of charge and open to the public.

For more information about Homecoming activities, contact the Alumni Association at 806/656-2311.

## State briefs

### Military begins demolition of housing subdivision

EL PASO (AP) — Community organizations have not given up opposition to the military's demolition of a vacated Fort Bliss subdivision but lack the legal means to intervene, a housing advocate says.

"We don't really have much power to stop them," said Steve Juen, president of El Pasoans for Affordable Housing, a coalition that led a push to convert the duplexes in the Hayes subdivision into low-income housing.

The Army on Monday began tearing down the first of the 138 Hayes homes. Post officials plan to use the land for 130 new homes to be built during the next two years for military personnel.

Now only elected officials have the power to stop the project, Juen said.

But even though his group is urging members of Texas' congressional delegation to intervene, Juen said that doesn't seem to hold much

promise because previous pleas elicited only a "mediocre response."

### Mrs Baird's emerges from bankruptcy

FORT WORTH (AP) — Mrs Baird's Bakeries has emerged from six months in Chapter 11 bankruptcy after a federal judge approved the company's plan to pay creditors and settlements in price-fixing lawsuits.

Under the plan confirmed Monday by Federal Bankruptcy Court Judge Massie Tillman, the Fort Worth company will pay \$18 million to settle two lawsuits filed by school districts and retail grocers and \$600,000 to settle a claim by the state.

The plan also calls for full payment to all Mrs Baird's creditors.

Mrs Baird's filed for bankruptcy protection on March 28, citing the potential for more than \$100 million in liabilities from the price-fixing allegations.

The company was convicted in February on one criminal count of price fixing, for which it was

fined \$10 million. The lawsuits followed.

### Billionaire pledges \$50 million to help immigrants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Billionaire philanthropist George Soros is giving \$50 million to assist legal immigrants pinched by a "mean-spirited" welfare overhaul that denies them food stamps, SSI and other federal aid.

"There are real people out there being hurt; that is what I am responding to," the Hungarian-born financier said Monday.

Soros, who became a U.S. citizen in the early 1960s, announced creation of the Emma Lazarus Fund, named after the poet whose words — "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free..." — are inscribed on the Statue of Liberty.

The plan, he told reporters, is to finance services that help immigrants qualify for citizenship — English-language instruction, civic education, even the \$95 fee required for naturalization.

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# Afghanistan rebels claim to have trapped defeated military chief

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Victorious rebel fighters dynamited the entrance to a mountain valley in northern Afghanistan on Monday, claiming to trap the country's defeated military commander and vowing to try him and other leaders for war crimes.

In Kabul, the Taliban militia enforced its strict interpretation of Islamic law, ordering women to stay home, keeping girls' schools closed and parading a petty criminal down a street with his face painted black and money shoved in his nose, ears and mouth to humiliate him.

The fighters, who controlled two-thirds of Afghanistan before capturing the capital, moved north Monday — the direction in which President Burhanuddin Rabbani and his top aides are believed to have fled after Kabul fell Friday.

They consolidated their hold on two northern provinces and claimed to have trapped ousted military chief Ahmed Shah Masood in the Panjshir Valley after dynamiting the Hindu Kush mountains and blocking the mouth to the valley with debris.

The Taliban now controls more than two-thirds of the country.

The group has said it wants to hold war crimes trials for Masood, Rabbani, presidential aide Abdul

Rasoul Sayyaf and Prime Minister Gulbuddin Hekmatyar. The men's exact whereabouts were unknown.

"We will chase them to the Afghan border," said Bizmullah Waifa, a senior Taliban official. "They are war criminals, we will never forgive them." Punishment often means summary execution in Taliban law.

Afghans coming into Kabul from the north said they saw Taliban fighters moving up the Salang Highway — a main supply route — meeting no resistance from troops loyal to Rabbani.

Troops loyal to Rashid Dostum — a former general who has long controlled much of northern Afghanistan — were seen further along the highway. But Taliban officials said they didn't anticipate an imminent clash between the two groups.

An ethnic Uzbek, Dostum was a general under the Soviet-backed government of President Najibullah, and his defection to Islamic rebels in 1992 led to that government's swift collapse. Najibullah, who had lived under U.N. protection since his ouster, was hanged within hours of the Taliban's capture of Kabul and his body strung up in a public square.

Emboldened by its battle victories, the Taliban

even picked a dispute Monday with Pakistan, the country believed to have supported its campaign against Rabbani's government and the only one so far to have recognized the Taliban regime.

The Taliban army closed the main border crossing with Pakistan after the Pakistanis refused to yield to a demand to allow free movement across the frontier.

As it has done in other conquered areas, Taliban began showing Kabul what its version of Islamic law will mean for the country.

Rabbani's government was fundamentalist, but the Taliban group, formed two years ago by religious students, has proposed an even stricter interpretation of Islamic rule.

There were few women on the streets, most heeding clerics' calls from loudspeakers atop the capital's mosques to stay home. Those who would venture out were told to wear traditional Islamic clothing, covering themselves head-to-toe. Girls schools remained closed.

The Taliban administration said it will execute murderers and drug dealers, and will amputate the hands and feet of thieves.

On Monday, the group's fighters were whipping two women with a car radio antenna on a

Kabul street. It was not clear why the women were attacked, as both were dressed according to the new rules. No one attempted to intervene, and the fighters eventually allowed the sobbing women to run away.

A day before, a petty criminal was paraded down a Kabul street, his face painted black, and local currency bills were shoved up his nose, ear and sticking out of his mouth. Both gestures were meant to humiliate the man.

After four years of factional fighting, many in Kabul were at first relieved at the order Taliban leaders brought. Electricity was restored and the World Food Program said all main roads into the city were open for the first time in three years.

Now the capital's residents have begun to question the group's tactics and philosophy.

"You can find everything in Islam for women," said Saddiqa, an architectural engineering professor who vowed to resist the ban on working women.

Saddiqa, who like many Afghans uses one name, said she plans to resume teaching when the Polytechnic Institute of Kabul reopens.

"We will take the Koran in our hand and start our struggle," she said.

## World briefs

### Tabloid-star carrying octuplets loses three

LONDON (AP) — A woman who was trying to give live birth to the octuplets she conceived after fertility treatment has lost three of the babies, and her doctor said today there was little chance the rest will survive.

Mandy Allwood, 32, decided in August — against doctors' advice — to try to carry the eight fetuses to term after a tabloid newspaper bought her story. She gave birth prematurely Monday to three boys, each weighing less than seven ounces, said Donald Gibb, an obstetrician at King's College Hospital in London.

The five remaining fetuses need to remain in her uterus for at least another five weeks if they are to have a chance of being born alive but this was "highly unlikely" because Allwood's overstretched uterus is in premature labor, Gibb told British Broadcasting Corp. radio.

Allwood, who is believed to be 19 or 20 weeks pregnant, is taking drugs to stop her contractions, Gibb said. But the drugs likely will be effective for days at the most.

### Vatican confirms Pope to undergo surgery next week

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II will undergo previously announced surgery on his appendix next week, the Vatican confirmed Monday.

All audiences with the pope have been suspended starting

Oct. 7 because of the planned hospitalization, the Vatican said. It did not say whether he will enter the hospital that day or the night before.

Since December, the 76-year-old pontiff has been stricken three times by what the Vatican described as an intestinal ailment.

After he looked particularly weak during his visit to Hungary in early September, the Vatican said he was suffering from an inflamed appendix.

### Medieval religious book stolen from church museum

SEU-DE URGEL, Spain (AP) — Police searched Monday for two men who broke into a church museum and stole a valuable 10th-century illuminated manuscript.

Police said they suspect professional art thieves were behind the theft of the manuscript, one of 20 surviving copies of the Beatus, a series of Bible commentaries written in Latin by medieval monks.

The approximately 300-page Beatus stolen from the Diocesan Museum in Seu de Urgel, in Spain's northeastern Catalonia region, tells the story of the Apocalypse with 79 miniature illustrations.

On Sunday morning, the thieves blinded the museum's caretaker with mace, removed the manuscript from its glass case, and escaped before a security guard could react, said museum spokesman Ramon Vilardell.

### Prominent publisher dies of cancer at 73

NEW YORK (AP) — Frances Lear, the political activist and Hollywood wife who used her divorce settlement from Norman Lear to create a magazine she named after herself, died Monday at her home in Manhattan. She was 73.

The cause was breast cancer, said Dr. Jonathan LaPook, her son-in-law.

Lear brought her feisty brand of feminism to Eugene McCarthy's 1968 presidential bid and worked with the National

Organization for Women on behalf of the Equal Rights Amendment.

She was considered the model for *Maudie*, played by Bea Arthur in Norman Lear's television hit from the 1970's, and claimed that he would have achieved little of his television success without her input.

But she said she felt stifled during their 28-year marriage, writing in 1981 that a woman in Hollywood is nothing "unless she is under 21, powerful or a star."

## New clothing store



(Chamber photo)

Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce Gold Coats Lee Waters and Charlene Morris, at left, and Paulette Hinkle-Kirksey and Jack Reeve, at right, welcome Cuyler Clothing Co., 113 N. Cuyler. Joining in on the ribbon-cutting ceremony are Shannon Ryan, Linda Black, Willie Houser and Betty Johnston, manager.

## Loyal customers celebrate ValuJet's return to service

ATLANTA (AP) — Like many other passengers on ValuJet Airlines flight to Washington and back, Tom Bailey had no need to go.

Bailey, of Hilton Head Island, S.C., drove five hours just to make Monday's round-trip flight, ValuJet's first since being grounded for 15 weeks following a deadly crash in the Everglades.

"It was so much fun to see the joy on all the faces of the employees," said Bailey, a retired United

Airlines pilot whose son returns to work later this week as a ValuJet pilot. "They got a raw deal in this."

Customers were joined by a giddy group of flight attendants, a beaming ValuJet president, a couple dozen reporters and photographers, and cheering airline workers. Passengers enjoyed special \$19 one-way fares.

Cleared by federal regulators last week to resume limited operations, ValuJet's first flight since June 17 took off from Hartsfield

Atlanta International Airport at 12:57 p.m., about 30 minutes behind schedule. It landed at Dulles International Airport near Washington at 2:20 p.m.

The airline also resumed flights Monday to three Florida cities — Fort Lauderdale, Orlando and Tampa.

ValuJet President Lewis Jordan said he hopes Monday's smooth flights will bring an end to safety questions raised after the May 11 crash in Florida that killed all 110 people aboard.

## Judge forbids Orthodox Jew to don yarmulke

HOUSTON (AP) — An orthodox Jew has filed a formal complaint against a district judge who wouldn't let him wear a yarmulke while he testified as an expert witness at a civil trial.

Attorney Gil Fried, 32, a coordinator for the University of Houston sports and fitness program, filed his grievance with the Texas Judicial Conduct Commission in Austin.

Fried said he routinely wore his skullcap in San Francisco court when he practiced there from 1992-95 and was wearing it on Sept. 4 when he was called as an expert witness for a woman who broke her leg while rollerblading.

The attorney said he was in the courtroom talking to plaintiff's attorney Gary Pritchard when visiting judge Pat Lykos invited him into her chambers to ask him to remove the yarmulke.

"She said if I didn't take it off," Fried said, "I wouldn't be allowed to testify."

He said he took the skullcap off and testified for two days without it because he feared his refusal to do so might harm the woman's case.

Fried said the judge told him that wearing the cap might give Fried religious authority in jurors' minds.

Lykos cited an appellate court ruling about a man who was practicing law while wearing garments that marked him as a Catholic priest.

The trial ended with jurors finding no fault on the part of the skate manufacturer.

Pritchard said some jurors saw Fried wearing his yarmulke before he took the stand, but he doubted that wearing it would have affected the outcome.

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## Accidental Father Discovers Joy In Becoming Involved

DEAR ABBY: I recently read the letter you received from "Joe — Not My Real Name," the 23-year-old who doesn't want the responsibility of fatherhood after a "few fun flings" with an older woman who got pregnant.

I found myself in the same situation: Someone else made a decision that would affect me for many years. I, however, made the decision to get involved. I could have just stayed away and grudgingly written child support checks. Instead, I decided to develop a relationship with my child.

The last four years have not been easy, but the difficulties have been worth it. I have my daughter about half the time. She is the most precious thing that has ever come into my life. As far as the child support goes, it's expensive, but the relationship means everything to me, and the rest just doesn't matter now.

I'd like to tell "Joe": You got into the game. You chose to play, and these are the cards you've been dealt. If you fold, you lose. If you play fair, you can win big.

Remember, your baby had no choice in this situation. It is not the baby's fault, so don't punish your child for your decision to have unprotected sex and the decision of the woman to keep the baby. You are a dad now, so do your best to be a good one. The rewards are far greater than the sacrifices.

A HAPPY DAD IN OREGON



Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR HAPPY DAD: Your letter was a dandy day-brightener. I hope "Joe" sees it and realizes that his story could also have a happy ending if he looks at his situation from a different perspective and decides to be the father his child deserves.

DEAR ABBY: Applause! Thank you for pointing out to "Knows What I'm Doing" that she is, at 21, too old to be seriously involved with a 16-year-old boy. It is the responsibility of adults to control their own behavior so that they don't put children and adolescents in harmful situations.

Too often people dismiss adult women courting teen-aged boys as something to wink at and joke about, when in fact, in some states it would be considered sexual abuse.

Regardless of the laws of the state in which they live, "Ben" is still growing, developing and learning the ins and outs of being an adult. The attention of this 21-year-old

woman can distort or interrupt his normal path to adulthood.

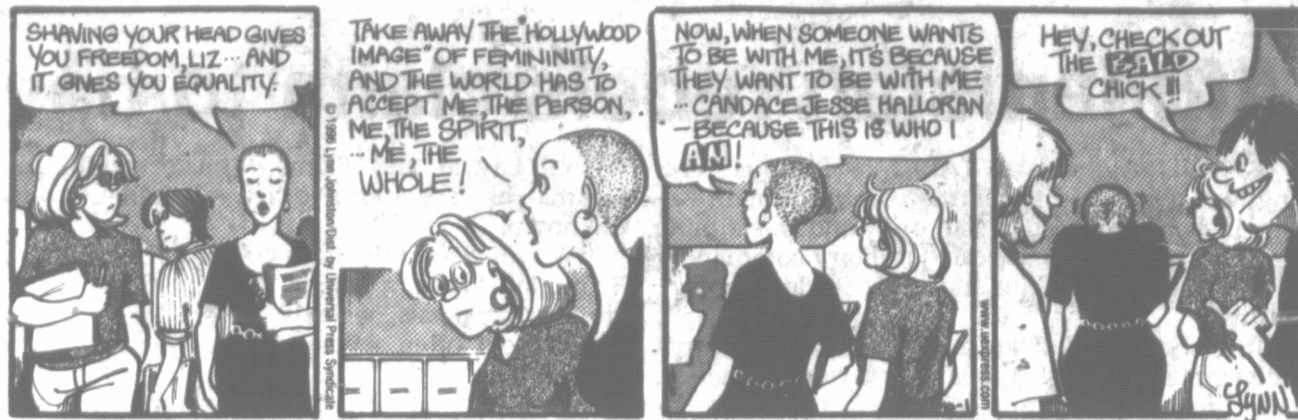
If the relationship is based on mutual interests and friendships, then she should be adult enough to allow the young man to reach full maturity before putting him in a sexual situation — such as being alone with her without supervision.

I would ask "Knows What I'm Doing" to think about herself at the age of 16 and reflect on how much she has grown since then. She should also think about the fact that 16-year-old boys (and some girls that age) still need the protection and guidance parents provide. It was immature and irresponsible for the young woman to put "Ben" in the position of challenging or breaking his parents' rules.

MARGARET CRITES, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, RAPE CRISIS CENTER OF ROBESON COUNTY, LUMBERTON, N.C.

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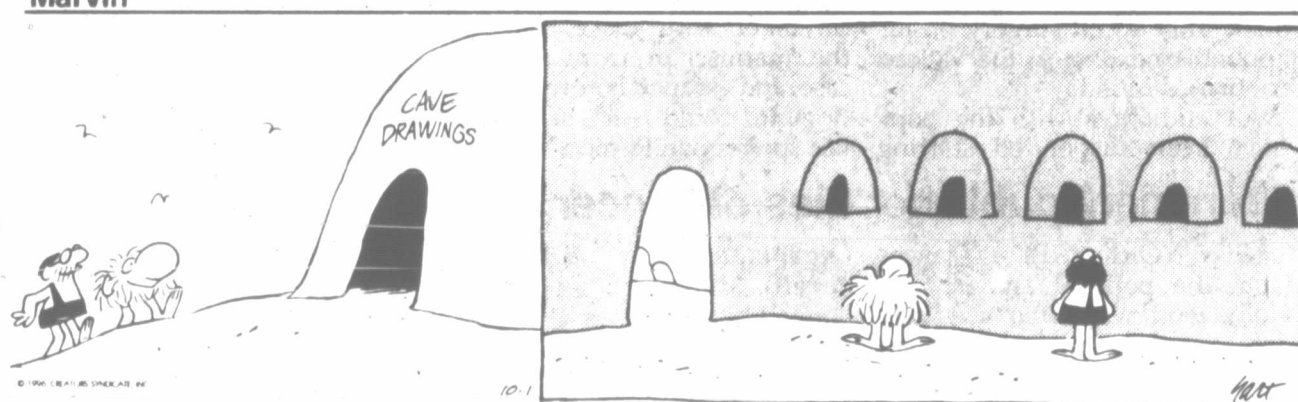
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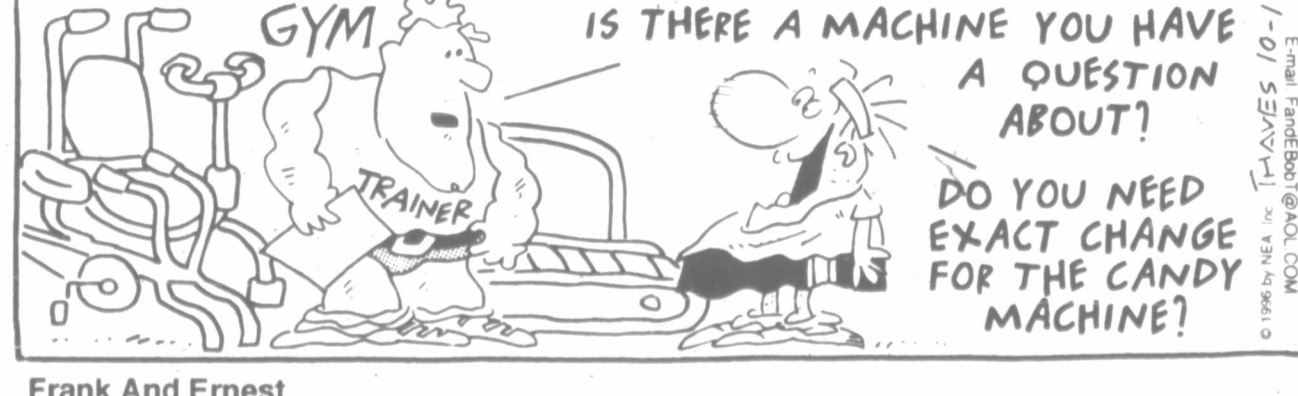
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## Horoscope



Wednesday, Oct. 2, 1996

Several important changes in your lifestyle might begin in the year ahead. These alterations could benefit you socially as well as financially.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** An acquaintance who does not have your best interest at heart might question you today regarding something you've sworn to keep secret. Libra, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure

to state your zodiac sign.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** If a friend gives you tips today, do not take them at face value. This person means well, but the information might be distorted.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Associates should not be allowed to make crucial decisions for you today. What is advantageous for them might be destructive for you.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Try to be logical rather than wishful when making conclusions today. You will not get good results if your assessments are not practical or realistic.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Even if you secretly feel superior to associates today, keep your thoughts to yourself, because your counterpart might feel the same way.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** You could be asking for trouble if you find more to criticize than to praise in your mate's behavior today. Focus on his or her qualities instead.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** If someone goes out of his or her way to help you

today, make sure to acknowledge this person properly.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Manage your money prudently when shopping today. A number of small extravagances can add up to a whopping total when the salesperson computes them.

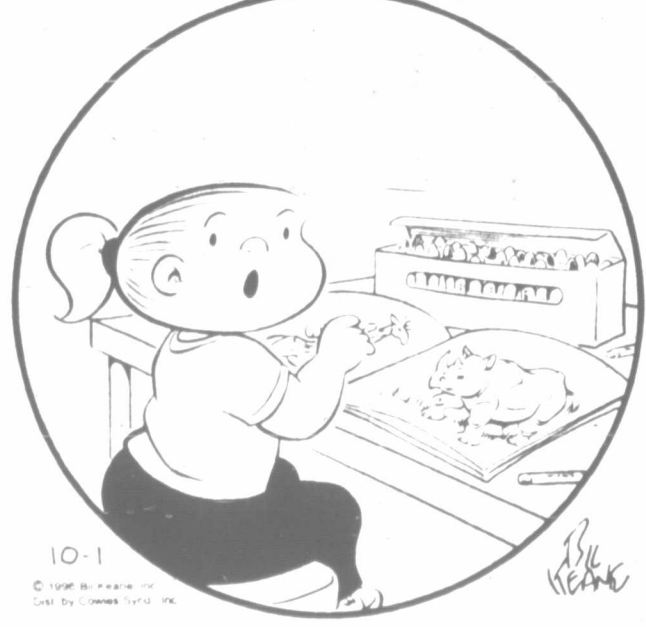
**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Your ability to pay attention to detail might be sharper than usual today. Try to use this asset constructively.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Today you might be involved with someone who made you impatient recently. Relax; you don't have to begin where you left off the last time.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Associating with friends who are penny-wise and pound-foolish could make you feel ill-at-ease today. Seek companions with compatible personalities.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Let others do the talking today if you find yourself in the presence of people who can influence your career. Thoughtless remarks could be used against you.

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"Next time buy a coloring book of flowers, Mommy. Animals don't use all the crayons."



"Let me guess who sneezed."

The Family Circus

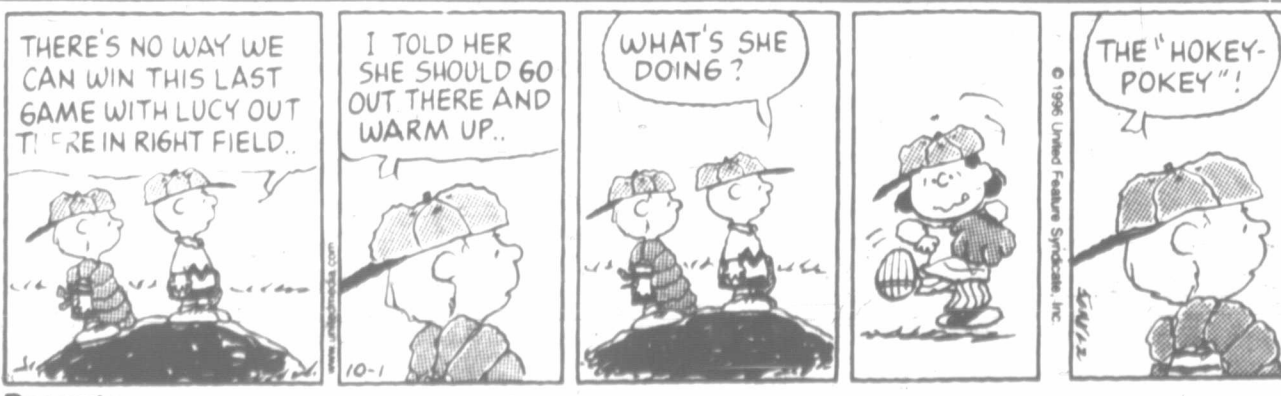
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## Sports

## Notebook

## CROSS COUNTRY

**AMARILLO** — Pampa girls placed second at the Amarillo Invitational Cross Country Meet last weekend at Thompson Park.

Placing for Pampa in Division Two were Samantha Hurst, seventh, 13:05; Jenny Fatheree, eighth, 13:14; Amanda White, 13th, 13:20; Beth Lee, 17th, 13:25 and Anna Resendiz, 21st, 13:33.

Pampa placed 13th in the boys' division.

In Division One, James Short of White Deer placed 10th (18:35) in the boys' division.

## GOLF

**PAMPA** — The Pampa girls golf team took third place last weekend at the Amarillo Invitational.

The tournament was held at Amarillo and Tascosa Country Clubs.

El Paso Hanks finished first with a two-round 758, while Midland was second (782) and Pampa third (813).

Pampa's Shelbie Allison had a two-round 192 to claim 10th place in the medalist standings. Other Pampa scores were Alison Piersall 203, Melissa Gindorf 205, Lori Walling 216 and Patti Montoya 226.

The Pampa boys team competed in a triangular and dual meet last weekend at Huber Country Club in Borger.

Pampa and Hereford both shot 326 to tie for second in a triangular with Borger. The Bulldogs had a winning score of 315.

Mike Smith paced Pampa with a 77, followed by Brian Brauchi 79, Nathan Banner 85, Grady Locknane 85, and Jordan Fruge 88.

The Pampa boys go to Plainview while the girls are at Borger this weekend.

## BASEBALL

**CHANDLER** — Pampa fourth-grader Tyler Doughty completed a two-week session at Chandler Baseball Camp this summer. CBC has operated since the late 1950's and has given extensive hands-on training to over 50,000 youngsters since its beginning. This summer, former Baltimore Orioles' great Jim Gentile was a guest instructor.

Doughty attended the fifth session.

During that time he played in 19 games and had 56 at bats. Doughty had 26 hits, 7 RBI, scored 17 runs and had a .464 batting average. He also pitched in three games with a record of 3-0.

Doughty's outstanding camp performance came against the Oklahoma City Bluejays, pitching five and two-thirds innings and winning the game, 10-9.

The Bluejays were the Oklahoma Pee-Wee State Champions.

Tyler is the son of Dennis and Renee Doughty. Dennis is the head baseball coach at Pampa High School.

**HOUSTON (AP)** — Houston Astros manager Terry Collins will return for the final year of his contract in 1997, a Houston television station reported Monday night.

KRIV-TV of Houston quoted sources as saying Collins would return although general manager Gerry Hunsicker declined to discuss Collins' future with the Astros.

Astros owner Drayton McLane sounded encouraging about Collins' return.

"I was the one who selected Terry Collins," McLane said. "I still feel very positive about Terry Collins. Terry Collins still has another year on his contract."

The Astros finished the season in second place in the National League's Central division, six games behind St. Louis at 82-80. Houston had led the division by two and a half games in early September, then went 8-17, including a nine-game losing streak.

## Cowboys get big road win against Eagles

By **BILL BARNARD**  
AP Sports Writer

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** — Instead of saying bye-bye to hopes for another Super Bowl, the Dallas Cowboys are going into their bye week fresh off a road victory against their biggest division rival.

They must be feeling pretty good about themselves after Monday's night's 23-19 victory at Philadelphia, right?

Not exactly. The playoff-tested veterans of three Super Bowl titles in four years know all too well that one regular-season victory does not make a championship.

"Last week, everyone was out to crucify us, and now we're not going to say how great we are," said Emmitt Smith, who rushed for 92 yards and a touchdown and got some able relief from backup Sherman Williams.

Troy Aikman, who threw a touchdown pass to Eric Bjornson and engineered a 96-yard TD drive to bring the Cowboys back from a 10-0 first-quarter deficit, also was in no mood to celebrate. But he did concede the importance of a 2-3

record as opposed to 1-4. "This was a big game, but it wasn't the Super Bowl," Aikman said. "If we lose the next game, this one won't mean much. But I have to say this was a good test of the resolve of this football team."

"We're the world champions until proven otherwise." Philadelphia (3-2) went into the game full of confidence with a crowd aching for revenge over last season's playoff blowout.

Barely 11 minutes into the game, the Eagles had 10 points, five first downs, more than 100 yards of offense and had allowed Dallas a measly 6 yards.

Gary Anderson kicked a 46-yard field goal for the first points, and Ricky Watters followed that with a 2-yard scoring run set up by full-back Kevin Turner's 41-yard dash through a screen pass.

Then Herschel Walker took the ensuing kickoff 49 yards into Philadelphia territory, and the Cowboys took advantage before the first quarter ended with Bjornson's 5-yard touchdown catch while straddling the back of the end zone.

"Herschel's return was the biggest play of the game," said Deion Sanders, who had two big plays of his own with a 39-yard catch during the 96-yard drive and a second-quarter interception that led to a Dallas field goal. "It gave us some confidence we really needed."

Michael Irvin's return from a five-game drug suspension also figures to give the Cowboys a dose of confidence. The Pro Bowl wide receiver can start practicing immediately and can play his first game Oct. 13 at home against Arizona.

"It will be a pleasure to see No. 88 on the field again," Sanders said. "He's 'The Playmaker,' and he can come out and make some plays and take some pressure off me."

"We were going south (with a 1-3 record), and now we're going north again," coach Barry Switzer said, "and now we get some help. As soon as Al Michaels signed off for ABC, we can have Michael Irvin back at practice."

A victory by the favored Eagles would have given them a 4-1 record and a tie atop the NFC East with Washington, whose lone loss

was to Philadelphia. But now, it's the Eagles who appear to be on a downslide, with another loss to the hated Cowboys and quarterback Rodney Peete out for the season with a torn tendon in his right knee.

Peete's knee buckled without being hit, and he was carted off the field after fumbling the ball away on the play. That turnover set up the second of three field goals by Chris Boniol, giving Dallas a 20-10 halftime lead and turning over the quarterback reins to Ty Detmer in the second half.

Detmer, the 1990 Heisman winner at Brigham Young, was sacked three times, was intercepted once and fumbled once. In the Eagles' best drive of the half, he threw a short pass to Turner for a 20-yard gain, but most of the yardage came on runs, and the drive ended when Leon Lett blocked a short field-goal attempt to keep Dallas' lead at 23-17.

"This is not what we expected to get done," Eagles coach Ray Rhodes said. "This is probably the toughest loss that we've gone through at home, and there's a lot

of hurt behind that. We have a lot of work to do, we have a long season ahead of us and we have a decision to make at the quarterback position, which is going to be critical for us."

Detmer was knocked dizzy on one of the sacks — by safety Darren Woodson — and Rhodes considered bringing in emergency backup Bobby Hoying.

Hoying fumbled on the last play of the game after Dallas took an intentional safety with 8 seconds left.

"If you put your third quarterback in there during the third quarter, then Ty would not be allowed to come back in the game," Rhodes said. "That was a tough decision for us."

Philadelphia cut the 20-10 halftime deficit to 20-17 early in the second half when Aikman fumbled after being hit by safety Brian Dawkins. The ball popped in the air and was intercepted by defensive tackle Rhett Hall, who ran 32 yards for a touchdown.

Despite his touchdown, Hall said, "we just didn't get the ball in the end zone enough."

## Harvesters hanging tough despite lack of scoring punch

**PAMPA** — When a team goes two games without the offense scoring a touchdown, it usually means a couple of negative developments in the win-loss column. However, that hasn't been the case with Pampa, which has managed to get past Plainview and Dumas the past two weeks without a touchdown from the offense.

Last Friday night, Pampa used a 85-yard blocked field goal return by Ray Tollerson, a 27-yard interception by Marques Long, and two field goals by Josh Blackmon to hold off Dumas, 20-14, a District 1-4A opener. The week before, Blackmon booted three field goals as Pampa edged Plainview, 9-6.

"I feel extremely lucky to have beaten Dumas," said Pampa

head coach Dennis Cavalier. "I just feel like they outplayed us on both sides of the ball."

Despite the scoring drought by the offense, Pampa is tied with Borger for the most points among district teams with 40. Instead of being 1-3, the Harvesters are 3-1 going into the second district game of the season Friday night at Hereford.

Pampa's offense still has the edge against the opposition. Led by junior quarterback Josh Blackmon, the Harvesters are averaging 247.8 yards after four games. That's compared to 239.3 for the opponents.

Blackmon — whose been doing a little bit of everything since taking over for injured starter Clint Curtis at quarterback the second game — put up some productive

numbers against Dumas despite not getting the Harvesters into the end zone. He completed 7 of 19 passes for 103 yards, including three to tight end Devin Lemons for 64 yards. Besides handling the signal-calling and all the kicking chores, Blackmon has also pulled duty in the defensive backfield.

"We're real pleased with Josh's development," Cavalier said. "He's performed quite well under some difficult circumstances."

End Devin Lemons, who played in his first game of the season after being out with a fractured jaw, and junior noseguard Aaron Hayden were Pampa's defensive standouts against Dumas. Both players were credited with 12 tackles.

## Gwynn, Ripken get another shot at Major League playoff glory

By **BEN WALKER**  
AP Baseball Writer

They were young men back then, Cal Ripken and Tony Gwynn, when October glory last came calling.

That was in the early 1980s, when Ripken still had a full head of brown hair and Gwynn was considerably less rotund. There were lots of games to be played in their budding careers, lots of awards and honors to be won.

Somehow, for all they accomplished, they never got another chance to bat when the whole world was watching, to make the play that baseball fans would talk about for years.

Their overdue absences end this week.

The Baltimore Orioles make their first postseason appearance since 1983 — Ripken was 23 when he caught the last ball of the World Series — when they take on the Cleveland Indians on Tuesday at Camden Yards.

"Being in the playoffs is an added boost of energy," Ripken said. "It's a long season anyway, but this is like a new beginning."

As part of baseball's plan to show every bit of postseason action, three games are set for the first day.

Whether the umpires will be on the field, however, is uncertain.

Umpires, upset that Roberto Alomar's five-game suspension for spitting in the face of umpire John Hirschbeck last Friday did not go into effect immediately, voted to boycott the playoffs.

"We'll see what happens," acting commissioner Bud Selig said Monday night. "We're just trying to work through this. I'm talking to all of our people."

If all goes as originally scheduled, the San Diego Padres make their first playoff appearance since 1984 — when Gwynn was 24 — when they visit St. Louis in the late afternoon. Texas will play at New York in the evening.

"We've got to keep playing the same way we played the last three games," said Gwynn, fresh off his seventh NL batting title. "St. Louis plays good defense, has good pitching, and they've given us trouble."

"If we don't keep playing like we did in this series, we may be in trouble."

On Wednesday, the World Series champion Atlanta Braves start their best-of-5 first-round series in Los Angeles against the wild-card Dodgers.

Ozzie Smith, Cecil Fielder and Terry Pendleton are among other big names who will get another taste of the postseason, although it's uncertain how much they will play.

Smith has played behind Royce Clayton as the Cardinals shortstop this season. At 41, Smith has said this is his final year, although he might be reconsidering his retirement.

"Royce has a lot of abilities he brings to the situation and Ozzie does, too," St. Louis manager Tony La Russa said. "That's part of the reason we've been a success."

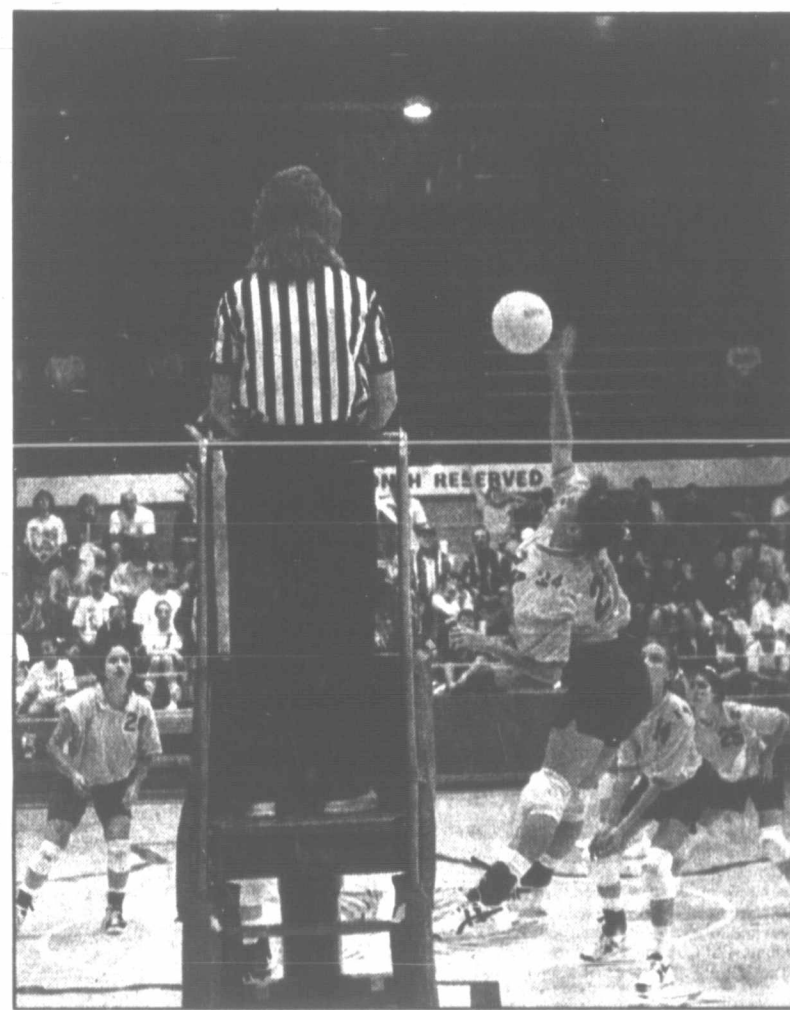
The Cardinals are playing in the postseason for the first time since 1987, when they lost to Minnesota in the World Series. St. Louis has been in three playoffs series since the leagues split in 1969, and won all of them.

Fielder, traded from Detroit to the Yankees on July 31, may be bumped out of the lineup. Tim Lincecum played well down the stretch in left field, which moved Darryl Strawberry to the DH spot.

Fielder reached the postseason only once, in 1985 as a pinch-hitter for Toronto. Yankees manager Joe Torre said he wasn't sure who would start in Game 1 when David Cone pitches against Texas' John Burkett.

"I'm trying to digest as much information as I can," Torre said. "It's a tossup for me. Darryl has good numbers against Burkett. Cecil has good numbers as our designated hitter."

## Scoring attempt



(Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa's Lisa Kirkpatrick goes high in an attempt to score a point against Dumas in volleyball action last weekend. The Lady Harvesters visit Amarillo Caprock for a District 1-4A match at 6 tonight.

## Longhorns have cloudy quarterback situation

**AUSTIN (AP)** — Texas coach John Mackovic says quarterback James Brown has reagggravated a sore throwing shoulder that plagued him all of last year, further clouding an already murky quarterback situation.

Mackovic benched Brown early in the second quarter of No. 23 Texas' 37-13 loss at Virginia on Saturday after the junior threw three early interceptions that helped the Cavaliers race to a 21-0 first-quarter lead.

Brown, who was replaced by sophomore backup Richard Walton, asked Mackovic at halftime if he would return to the game and Mackovic said no.

After the Longhorns returned to Austin, Brown told Mackovic he was experiencing soreness in his throwing shoulder.

"He says it doesn't hurt when

he throws, but he does have some pressure pain similar to what he experienced a year ago," Mackovic said Monday. "We will limit his passing this week."

When asked whether Brown or Walton would start on Saturday against Oklahoma State, Mackovic said, "I'm going to wait and see what happens this week."

"What I would love to do really, if James is beginning to tire, I would like to sit him down for a couple weeks and let him rest," Mackovic said. "I would do that not because of dissatisfaction, it would be more a matter of optimism to see if he could respond physically."

Brown, who is 15-4-1 as a starter, was receiving treatment for his shoulder Monday and wasn't immediately available to comment.

## Grapevine, Vernon ascend to top spots in high school poll

**LUBBOCK, Texas (AP)** — It's safe to say that Grapevine's drop from Class 5A to 4A during the last round of realignment had nothing to do with its ascension to No. 1 in the latest Associated Press high school poll.

The Dallas-Fort Worth area team has streaked to 4-0 against the weight of larger 5A competition as it prepares to duke it out in one of 4A's toughest districts.

"We've had a lot of publicity here in Dallas-Fort Worth, and now the bull's eye has extended from the Metroplex to all over the state," coach Mike Sneed said. "But I'd be lying if I told

you it wasn't a nice honor."

Previous No. 1 and defending 4A state champion La Marque fell to fourth after losing to 5A power Tyler John Tyler, 22-0. The defeat stopped La Marque's record 4A regular season winning streak at 50 games.

The victory propelled John Tyler past two other 5A unbeaten teams to No. 3 in the poll.

Undefeated Vernon bulldozed past Sealy, which had a 35-victory streak of its own, into top-ranked position in 3A. La Grange left Sealy tied with Stamford for the 40-year-old 3A consecutive victory streak record in a 20-12 game Friday night.

North Mesquite received 19 of 20 first-place votes to hold onto 5A's top slot, followed by Converse Judson, John Tyler, Houston Yates and Aldine.

Likewise, Alto dominated the 2A voting by appearing first on 19 of the ballots submitted by writers and broadcasters across the state. Celina received the other top vote and finished No. 2, followed by Groveton, Schulenburg and Italy.

Windthorst's 10 first-place votes helped it edge Springlake-Earth atop the 1A poll, with Celeste Munday and Granger trailing. Granger fell from second to fifth in an interconference

loss to Alto.

Oddly, no new teams entered the 3A poll as last week's top 10 simply flopped around. In 5A, Midland Lee (9) and Galena Park North Shore (10) return to the Top 10, as do Henderson (8), Port Neches-Groves and Alice (tied at 10) in 4A.

Other new 10th place teams are Mart in 2A and Kress in 1A.

Grapevine, the second-largest school in its district, likely will be headed to the new 4A Division I playoffs for the larger schools, which should offer an easier run than the tough expected Division II field.

Sneed says getting to the play-

offs will be no cakewalk, even in the expanded format.

"We were in 5A for 10 years, and we finally made that adjustment to 4A, and we've made the commitment to the kids and to ourselves that we'd keep the caliber of play at 4A," Sneed said. "But we probably have the most difficult district in the state. There's not an easy game in that group."

Grapevine begins tussling with legion of past and present powers in two weeks, including Highland Park, Coppell, Southlake Carroll and McKinney. "There's not an easy game in that group," Sneed said.

# Scoreboard

## TIGER LEAGUE FOOTBALL

### Tiger League Standings

#### 8th-9th Grade Division

North Zone		
Team	Won	Lost
Cowboys	4	0
Packers	3	1
White Deer	2	2
Raiders	0	4

South Zone		
Team	Won	Lost
Wheeler	3	1
Memphis	3	1
Clarendon	1	3
Childress	0	4

Scores: Cowboys 26, Wheeler 0, Packers 24, Clarendon 0, Memphis 12, Raiders 0, White Deer 16, Childress 0.

#### 3rd-4th Grade Division

West		
Team	Won	Lost
Clarendon	3	0
Pampa Packers	3	0
Memphis	1	2
White Deer	1	2
Childress	0	4

Scores: Pampa Packers 16, Memphis 0, White Deer 8, Childress 0.

## PRO FOOTBALL

### National Football League At A Glance

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### AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East					
Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF
Indianapolis	4	0	0	1.000	76
Buffalo	3	1	0	.750	61
Miami	3	1	0	.750	57
New England	2	2	0	.500	79
N.Y. Jets	0	5	0	.000	62

Central					
Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF
Pittsburgh	3	1	0	.750	94
Baltimore	2	2	0	.500	66
Houston	2	2	0	.500	98
Jacksonville	2	3	0	.400	103
Cincinnati	1	3	0	.250	70

West					
Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF
Denver	4	1	0	.800	116
Kansas City	4	1	0	.800	110
San Diego	4	1	0	.800	128
Oakland	1	4	0	.200	85
Seattle	1	4	0	.200	71

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### AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East					
Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF
Washington	4	1	0	.800	103
Philadelphia	3	2	0	.600	106
Arizona	2	3	0	.400	82
Dallas	2	3	0	.400	87
N.Y. Giants	2	3	0	.400	58

Central					
Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF
Green Bay	4	1	0	.800	167
Minnesota	4	1	0	.800	100
Detroit	3	2	0	.600	113
Chicago	2	3	0	.400	74
Tampa Bay	0	5	0	.000	45

West					
Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF
Carolina	3	1	0	.750	88
San Francisco	3	1	0	.750	107
St. Louis	1	3	0	.250	64
Atlanta	0	4	0	.000	58
New Orleans	0	5	0	.000	70

### Sunday's Games

Jacksonville 24, Carolina 14  
 Denver 14, Cincinnati 10  
 Detroit 27, Tampa Bay 0  
 Pittsburgh 30, Houston 16  
 New York Giants 15, Minnesota 10  
 Baltimore 17, New Orleans 10  
 Chicago 19, Oakland 17  
 San Francisco 39, Atlanta 17  
 Green Bay 31, Seattle 10  
 San Diego 22, Kansas City 19  
 Arizona 31, St. Louis 28, OT  
 Washington 31, New York Jets 16  
 Open date: Buffalo, Indianapolis, Miami, New England

### Monday's Game

Dallas 23, Philadelphia 19

### Sunday, Oct. 6

Atlanta at Detroit, 1 p.m.  
 Carolina at Minnesota, 1 p.m.  
 Green Bay at Chicago, 1 p.m.  
 New England at Baltimore, 1 p.m.  
 Oakland at New York Jets, 1 p.m.  
 Seattle at Miami, 1 p.m.  
 Indianapolis at Buffalo, 4 p.m.  
 Jacksonville at New Orleans, 4 p.m.  
 San Diego at Denver, 4 p.m.  
 San Francisco at St. Louis, 4 p.m.  
 Houston at Cincinnati, 8 p.m.  
 Open date: Arizona, Dallas, N.Y. Giants

## BASEBALL

### Philadelphia, Tampa Bay, Washington

Monday, Oct. 7  
 Pittsburgh at Kansas City, 9 p.m.

### Postseason Baseball At A Glance

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### AMERICAN LEAGUE

#### Texas vs. New York

Tuesday, Oct. 1  
 Texas (Burkett 5-2) at New York (Cone 7-2), 8:07 p.m. (NBC)

#### Wednesday, Oct. 2

Texas (Hill 16-10) at New York (Pettitte 21-8), 8:11 p.m. (Fox)

#### Friday, Oct. 4

New York (Key 12-11) at Texas (Oliver 14-6)

## 8:07 p.m. (NBC)

### Saturday, Oct. 5

New York at Texas, 1:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN or ESPN2)

### Sunday, Oct. 6

New York at Texas, 4:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN)

### Cleveland vs. Baltimore

Tuesday, Oct. 1  
 Cleveland (Nagy 17-5) at Baltimore (Wells-11-14), 1:07 p.m. (ESPN)

### Wednesday, Oct. 2

Cleveland (Hershiser 15-9) at Baltimore (Ericksen 13-12), 1:07 p.m. (ESPN)

### Friday, Oct. 4

Baltimore (Mussina 19-11) at Cleveland (McDowell 13-9), 4:07 p.m. (ESPN)

### Saturday, Oct. 5

Baltimore at Cleveland, 1:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN or ESPN2)

### Sunday, Oct. 6

Baltimore at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m., if necessary (Fox)

## National League

### San Diego vs. St. Louis

Tuesday, Oct. 1  
 San Diego (Hamilton 15-9) at St. Louis (Stottmyre 14-11), 4:07 p.m. (ESPN)

### Thursday, Oct. 3

San Diego (TBA) at St. Louis (Andy Benes 18-10), 4:07 p.m. (ESPN)

### Saturday, Oct. 5

St. Louis (Osborne 13-9) at San Diego (TBA), 7:37 p.m. (NBC)

### Sunday, Oct. 6

St. Louis at San Diego, 11:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN or ESPN2)

### Monday, Oct. 7

St. Louis at San Diego, 4:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN)

### Atlanta vs. Los Angeles

Wednesday, Oct. 2  
 Atlanta (Snoitz 24-8) at Los Angeles (Martinez 15-6), 4:07 p.m. (ESPN)

### Thursday, Oct. 3

Atlanta (Madux 15-11) at Los Angeles (Valdes 15-7), 8:11 p.m. (Fox)

### Saturday, Oct. 5

Los Angeles (Nomo 16-11) at Atlanta (Glavin 15-10), 4:15 p.m. (Fox)

### Sunday, Oct. 6

Los Angeles at Atlanta, 1:07 p.m., if necessary (ESPN)

### Monday, Oct. 7

Los Angeles at Atlanta, 7:11 p.m. if necessary (Fox)

## SOCCER

### Major League Soccer

#### Playoff Glance

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### Conference Semifinals (Best-of-3)

#### D.C. vs. NY-NJ

Tuesday, Sept. 24  
 NY-NJ 3, D.C. 2, SO (6-5)

#### Game 2

D.C. 1, NY-NJ 0, series tied 1-1

#### Wednesday, Oct. 2

NY-NJ at D.C., 7:30 p.m.

#### Tampa Bay vs. Columbus

Tuesday, Sept. 25  
 Tampa Bay 2, Columbus 0

#### Game 2

Saturday, Sept. 28  
 Columbus 2, Tampa Bay 1, series tied 1-1

#### Game 3

Wednesday, Oct. 2  
 Columbus at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.

#### Los Angeles vs. San Jose

Game 1  
 Thursday, Sept. 26  
 San Jose 1, Los Angeles 0

#### Game 2

Sunday, Sept. 29  
 Los Angeles 2, San Jose 0, series tied 1-1

#### Game 3

Wednesday, Oct. 2  
 San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

#### Dallas vs. Kansas City

Game 1  
 Thursday, Sept. 26  
 Kansas City 3, Dallas 2

#### Game 2

Sunday, Sept. 29  
 Dallas 2, Kansas City 1, series tied 1-1

#### Game 3

Wednesday, Oct. 2  
 Kansas City at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

## HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

### By The Associated Press

DALLAS (AP) — The Associated Press high school football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses. Total points are based on 10 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 10th-place vote, and previous weeks' ranking. Voting is by a panel of 20 sports writers and broadcasters.

### Record Pts Pvs

1. NorthMeade(19) 4-0-0 199 1

2. ConverseJudson(1) 4-0-0 156 2

## 3. TylerJohnTyler 4-0-0 143 5

4. HoustonYates 4-0-0 141 3

5. Aldine 4-0-0 134 4

6. Marshall 4-0-0 103 6

7. OdessaPermian 3-1-0 80 8

8. AustinWestlake 4-0-0 52 9

9. MidlandLee 4-0-0 27 x

10. GalenaParkN.Shore 4-0-0 21 x

### Also receiving votes:

Killeen Ellison 13, Richardson Lake Highlands 12, Duncanville 10, Langham Creek 6, SA Roosevelt 5, Flower Mound Marcus 4, The Colony 3, Edinburg North 3, Beaumont West Brook 3, Lewisville 2, Lufkin 1, Harlingen 1, Garland 1, Copperton Cove 1

### Class 4A

1. Grapevine(12) 4-0-0 186 2

2. Waxahachie(2) 4-0-0 182 3

3. CC-Caiter(2) 4-0-0 154 4

4. LaMarque(4) 3-1-0 144 1

5. Sweetwater 4-0-0 128 5

6. WacoUniversity 4-0-0 70 8

7. ClearBrook 3-1-0 45 8

8. Henderson 4-0-0 39 x

9. Jasper 3-1-0 27 7

10. PortNeches-Groves 4-0-0 24 x

11. Alice 3-0-1 24 x

### Also receiving votes:

Navasota 18, Terrell 17, Stephenville 12, Denison 12, Carthage 9, Texas City 7, Brownwood 5, Sherman 3, FW Boswell 3, Brazosport 3, Highland Park 2, Hays 2, Azle 2, Los Fresnos 1, Houston King 1

### Class 3A

1. Vernon(13) 4-0-0 185 2

2. Coldspring(1) 3-0-0 147 3

3. Crockett(2) 4-0-0 137 4

4. Atlanta(2) 3-1-0 132 6

5. Columbus 2-0-1 108 5

6. Sealy 3-1-0 80 1

7. Mexia 4-0-0 79 8

8. Rusk 3-1-0 47 9

9. Ballinger 3-1-0 45 10

10. Danglerfield(1) 3-0-1 39 7

### Also receiving votes:

Teague 19, Liberty 17, Monahans 15, Medina Valley 9, La Grange 7, Elgin 7, Lorena 4, Cameron Yoe 8, Bridgeport 4, Abilene Wylie 4, Llano 3, Jourdanston 3, Ingleside 3, Colorado City 2, Palestine Westwood 1

### Class 2A

1. Alto(19) 4-0-0 199 1

2. Celina(1) 4-0-0 166 2

3. Groveton 4-0-0 154 3

4. Schulenburg 4-0-0 132 4

5. Italy 4-0-0 122 5

6. Iraan 4-0-0 106 6

7. Rosebud-Lott 4-0-0 67 8

8. Refugio 3-1-0 64 9

9. Industrial 4-0-0 43 10

10. Mart 3-1-0 8 x

### Also receiving votes:

East Chambers 7, Kerens 6, East Bernard 5, Whiteburg 3, Moody 3, Ganado 3, Spearman 2, Elysian Fields 2, Charlotte 2, Bangs 2, Roscoe 1, lola 1, DeLeon 1

### Class A

1. Windthorst(10) 4-0-0 186 1

2. Springlake-Earth(5) 4-0-0 172 3

3. Celest(1) 4-0-0 145 4

4. Munday(1) 4-0-0 126 5

5. Granger(2) 3-1-0 121 2

6. Bartlett(1) 4-0-0 109 6

7. Burkeville 3-1-0 59 8

8. Runge 4-0-0 53 10

9. Bremond 2-2-0 47 9

10. Kress 4-0-0 33 x

### Also receiving votes:

Wortham 19, Sudan 6, Bryson 5, Muenster 4, Tenaha 3, Cross Plains 3, Overton 2, Wink 1, NulKes Canyon 1, Meridian 1, Cushing 1, Bronte 1,

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## Bush submits state welfare plan to feds

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush on Monday submitted to federal regulators the state's plans for implementing federal welfare changes.

Submitting the plan starts the process under which the state will receive federal block grants. It also starts the clock on the time under which the state must move people from welfare to work, and implement other federal welfare changes.

States have until July 1, 1997, to submit their plans. Submitting the state plan now will net Texas an additional \$72 million in federal funds for the Aid to Families with Dependent Children program, Bush said.

The state was budgeted to get \$414 million in federal AFDC funds in the current budget.

"I've always said Texans can run Texas," Bush said. "This plan allows our state to continue to move people from welfare to work."

Texas lawmakers last year approved state changes to welfare laws, including time limits on welfare and work and educa-

tion requirements. Bush and other state leaders have said they want Texas changes to take precedent over federal changes.

Mike Hailey, a spokesman for Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, said the decision came down to taking advantage of guaranteed financial benefits from submitting the plan now.

"The state was forced into a position of designing a management system for programs that have been run by the federal government for 60 years," Hailey said.

"Naturally, there are possible risks. We wanted in writing that we could amend the plan, but we have no reason to doubt the many verbal assurances that it can be amended."

Karen Hughes, a spokeswoman for Bush, said the 97-page state plan puts into place the state welfare and jobs changes; preserves the state's ability to reconsider the plan after federal officials approve it; and writes more of its own rules to implement the federal changes.

## WTAMU paying students to attend class in project

CANYON — Students are being paid to attend class at West Texas A&M University.

The students are leaders of Supplemental Instruction (SI), a new program in the Department of History and Political Science designed to enhance instruction. The paid students attend a designated class, take notes, read assignments and host three tutorial sessions for their classmates each week.

"The sessions are at varied times throughout the week so that students could hit one of the sessions," Lissa Sharp, director of educational services, said. "The sessions are a time for students to explore and clarify things discussed in class."

Dr. James Calvi, head of the Department of History and Political Science, heard about a successful SI program at another university and began looking for ways to implement it at WTAMU.

"It is great that WTAMU freshmen are able to have full professors, but it's sometimes our weakness because students are intimidated," Calvi said. "The students can relate to the SI instructor as a peer."

Calvi plans to measure the program's success by comparing grades for students who attend SI sessions and grades for students who do not attend.

Sharp and Calvi both agree the program should help students have a better experience in their classes and continue their education at WTAMU.

"I hope we will be able to expand the program to other departments," Sharp said.

The SI instructors this semester are: Lyle Haynes, a sophomore history and political science major from Canyon; Ryan Ashley, a sophomore agriculture major from Clovis, N.M.; Jennifer Paulson, a junior premedical from Pampa; and Donna Roquemore, a junior psychology major from Amarillo.

The students were recommended by faculty members, interviewed and trained.

SI began more than 20 years ago at the University of Missouri Medical School. More than 500 schools utilize SI today.

For more information about the SI program, contact Sharp at 806/656-2341 or Calvi at (806) 656-2430.

## TPMHA to hold symposium on children's mental health

AMARILLO — National Mental Health Awareness week is Oct. 6-12.

The Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority is sponsoring the third Mental Health Symposium this year on Monday, Oct. 7, to make the general public aware of Mental Health issues for children and adolescents. The symposium will be from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 4713 N.W. 4th Avenue in Amarillo.

Dr. Robin Moir will speak on "Depression in Childhood and Adolescence."

Dr. Moir was trained in New Zealand and has been a practicing child psychiatrist in America since 1972. He is a lecturer, has taught child psychiatry at several medical schools, and has been in private practice in Amarillo since 1994. He is presently the medical director for Quest Hospital and

on staff with Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority Child and Adolescent Unit.

Many of Dr. Moir's works have been published in America and New Zealand. He has medical licenses in Texas, Illinois, Ohio, Australia, and New Zealand.

Dr. Moir said, "Depression in children and adolescents can be treated and is different from the depression that adults have."

He will discuss the symptoms of childhood depression, ways parents can help their children and when parents need to seek medical advice.

Parents, grandparents, foster parents, educators and other professionals are encouraged to attend this free lecture. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call Gene Ann Grant, Family and Community Education director, at (806) 354-2191.

## Teen pageant applicants sought

PLAINVIEW — America's National Teen-Ager Scholarship Program is celebrating 26 years of helping teenage girls obtain college educations. The program is seeking teenage girls between 13 and 18 years old to enter the West Texas Scholarship Program.

The West Texas Scholarship Finals are hosted by Wayland Baptist University, Plainview.

The Finals are Saturday, March 22. Over \$400,000 in scholarships will be awarded on stage during the final program.

The Senior and Junior Division award winners each receive a \$500 cash scholarship along with college scholarships and will participate in the Texas State Finals at Baylor University on June 13-14, 1997, as part of their prize package.

The 50 state winners will meet in Nashville to compete for national prizes, which include a \$10,000 and \$5,000 cash scholarship, a trip to Hawaii and a tour of the United States. Each state award winner will also be eligible to

audition for Opryland, U.S.A.

Students are judged on their scholastic achievement, communication and leadership skills, and overall poise and personality. There is no swimsuit or physical fitness competition.

Participating colleges are Wayland Baptist University, Texas Tech University, Lubbock Christian University, Howard Payne University, Eckerd College, Liberty University, University of the Ozarks, Troy State University, University of La Verne, University of Redlands, Eastern New Mexico University and College of the Southwest.

Wayland Baptist University and Duke City Actors Workshop each award a scholarship to the talent winner.

College-bound teen girls wishing to enter should send a postcard with their name, address, telephone number, age, grade level and grade point average (GPA) to America's National Teen-Ager, 2557 Meadowlake, Abilene, TX 79606.

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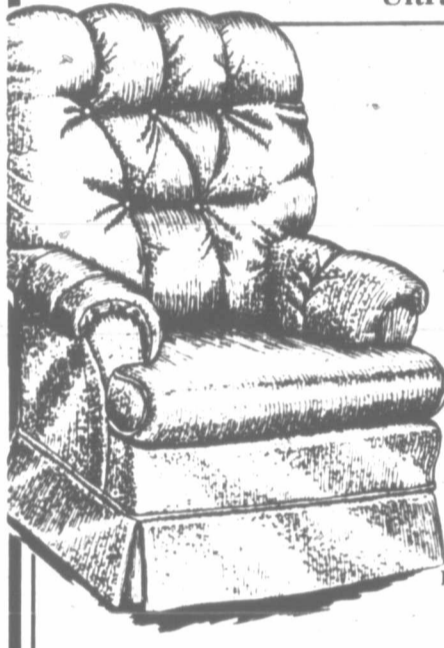
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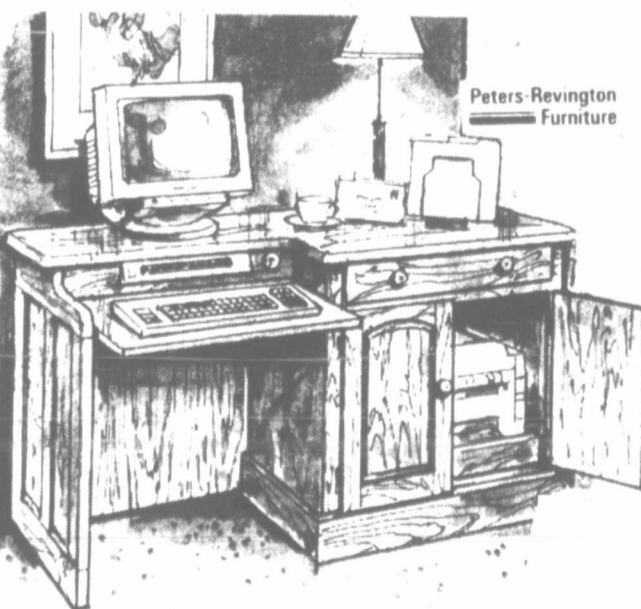
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