GOOD EVENING
Thursday, December 19, 1996

SPORTS
Texas Rangers will have
new look in 1997, Page 9

# T-HETAMIPA NEWS 



Low tonight in mid teens, high tomorrow in
mid 40 s. See Page 2 for weather details.

## LEFORS - The Lefors PTA will meet at p . m . today PTA will meet at 6p.m. today in the Lefors High School library. prior meeting will be held prior ro the christmas music program being presented by program beeing presented by the elementary students and choir choir students at 7 p.m. today in the high school auditoriThe program will include two plays by Lefors Elementary School students. Elementary School students. This Is Christmas will be presented by grades kinder garten through third grade grades grur five and six will garten hrough eird grade Grades fort five and is will be presenting The Counterfeit

 Santa. Lefors Junior HighThe School and Lefors High
School choirs will be present. Schoor choirs will be present
ing solo and choral numbers. The public is invited to
attend the Christmas proattend
gram.
PANHANDLE - Carson County commissioners
court will hold its regular court will hold its regular
session at 9 a.m. Friday to discuss general budgeting,
review bids review bids on two county vehicles and approve bond
increase for the county tax assessor. Commissioners also will
discuss releasing safekeeping
receipt with SunBank and receipt with SunBank and
placement of "stop guard railing" in the parking are
the agriculture building. Swearing-in of elected
county officials will be held in the courrroom at 9 a.m.
Thursday, Jan. 2, Roselius
said.
PAMPA - The City of
Pampa will hosta "Come and
Co" So" reception Friday fo
Gotion
retiring city employees.
Those to be honored at the eception are Tom Adams,
averne Bradsher Dan Rose Laverne Bradsher, , Dan Rose,
Jim Flemin, Jane Skinner aim Fleming, Jian
and Charlie Smith

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& \text { The reception will be from } \\
& \text { 2 to } \text { to prime ine } \\
& \text { Lovett Library Auditorium. }
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By The Associated Press
 drawn Wednesday night for
the twice-weekly Lotto Texa
game, state lottery official game, state lottery officials
said. The numbers drawn and 49.
There were 63 tickets pur-
thased matching five of the siased mumbers, with a prize o
$\$ 2.098$ each. Matching four o
s. six numbers were 3,920 tick Saturday night's drawin
will lo worth an estimated \$ willbe
million

## Classifie <br> Comics

Editorial
Sports

## Executive director sues Lottery Commission

| AUSTIN (AP) - This morning's scheduled Lottery Com- | weeks, including: <br> - The relationship | her duties, including |
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| ssion meeting was canceled |  | resolve the various qu |
| y after the chairwoman | Corp., the lottery's primary con- | suit |
| announced that a lawsuit filed |  | cours in Trav |
| the executive director | - | ks a court ruling against |
| nication issues." | ns of | ged gag |
| Harriet Miers said the meeting | stigation fil | barring the commissioners f |
| rescheduled for | The rel | interfering with Ms. Lin |
| hough she did not explai | and | day-to-day work. |
| he delay would make a | How Linares' friend Mik | Ms. Linares, |
| nce. The commissioners | ller, now a federal prison | stit, is sayin |
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| ora Linares sued | 00 | hat she is ready to (be |
|  | ly after the company was | tioned) under oath on any |
| ay, clai | to run the lottery. <br> - What Moeller did for | all aspects on what has gone |
| y about ongoing contr | TECH during the five mont |  |
| concerning the lottery. | he worked for the company in | dence out there that can |
| An attorney for Ms. Li | 1992 and 1993. | proved that Nora Linares |
| ry Richardson, said his clie | Ms. Miers disputes Lin | done anything improper, |
| , |  | she has |
| ing ' $n$ be canceled, but was | ed | violated any commiss |
| ly prepared to go forward |  | or has in any way violated |
| ng as the commissioners a | There has never | As executiv |
| Linares simply avoided | order," Miers replied. | cu |
| itigati | Linares is free to say anythin | reports |
| t been asked | s chooses | charge of daily |
| down and will continue doin |  | She is an at-will emp |
|  | Linares' attorneys said her |  |
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## Farmers rebounding from drought

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

|  | A devastating wheat crop loss |
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| The 1996 growing season has | average was still far below nor- |
| been through just about every- | mal. The average moisture level |
| thing from the standpoin | measured up to almost normal |
| agricultural production - from | by the end of July. Rains contin- |
| bad to good - according | ued throughout the summer and |
| Danny Nusser, Gray County | into fall to finally bring the |
| agriculture Extension agent. | Panhandle counties out of the |
| Nusser said farmers and | drought. |
| ranchers have experienced | "We went from zero moisture |
| of the longest drought perio | to above average in August, and |
| from 1995 through the first half | then we could hope for above |
| of 1996, to almost too | average yields for the fall cro |
| moisture; from | I've had some producers to tell |
| extreme cold; from heavy lo | me this year they've had more |
| on wheat and cat | growth th |
| fall harvest in corn, sorghum an | many years in this county," |
| sunflowers. |  |
| Early on, from the ag-produc- | Nusser said the wheat crop's |
| 's point of view, situations | prospects for early fall |
| looked bleak in the midst of the | ing great right now beca |
| 1996 drought. It was a trying | the moisture accumu |
| time for farmers and |  |
| ners suffering the effects of no | duction will be a good year for |
| and no grain supply. |  |
| fact, they were at a very low | The recent harvest just com- |
| point, as low in agricultural pro | pleted produced one of the best |
| duction we've had for several | years for corn and grain, he said. |
| rs, Nusser said | These area farmers were cer- |
| Starting about J | tainly due a good crop for har- |
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|  | some are still harves |

## Spreading Christmas joy



Pampa Police Officers' Association member Kelly Kidwell, Secreray Fred President Connie Lockridge, along with Salvation Army volunteer Le Roy Rossiter can in Children's clothing for 20 Salvation Army angels. The clothing was bought at Wal-Mart, children's clothing for 20 Salvation Army angels. The clothing was bought at Wal-Mart,
which gave the association a discount, Lockridge said. This is the fourth year the association - made up of employees and spouses of the Pampa Police Department, Gray ation-made up of employees and spouses of the Pampa Police Department,
 Doing some Christmas shopping in Pampa's Wal-Mart on
Wednesday are Kim Mize of White Deer and Jodie Adams and son Ryan of Miami.
Local merchants find Christmas sales are going better this year By DIANNA F DANDRIDGE Staff Writer
The rush is on. With only but with the Christmas shopping shopping days before Christ-mas, late Thankssgiving, many shoppers
local merchants say they are hav-
are finding themselves pushed to ing a good year and expect this the last minute. years' totals to exceed last years'. Computers, satellite systems
According to Ron Lucero, en-
and remote control cars have $\begin{array}{cl}\text { According to Ron Lucero, gen- } & \text { and remote control cars have } \\ \text { eral manager of the Pampa Wal- } \\ \text { proven to be hot items for Radio } \\ \text { Mart,"We ve had a number of hits } & \text { Shack, according to local manager }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Mart } \\ \text { this year. The Thickle Me Elmo doll } \\ \text { goes as fast as we get them." } & \text { Shawn Boales. } \\ \text { "Our sales are a little above last }\end{array}$ goes as ast as we get them.
He said they are supposed to get . Year's, but the cold weather may
another small shipment of the another small shipment of the have slowed some of shoppers
popular dolls, but he doesn't
down for a while. I think they'll $\begin{aligned} & \text { know if they will arrive in time for } \\ & \text { Chrave it, though, to get the items } \\ & \text { Chey want," " Boales said. }\end{aligned}$ "We're having to put a limit of $\begin{gathered}\text { Linda West, manager of the } \\ \text { one doll per customer. We had } \\ \text { downtown Dollar General store, }\end{gathered}$
der $\begin{array}{ll}\text { one doll per customer. We had } & \text { downtown Dollar General sto } \\ \text { people wanting to buy all we got } & \text { said that ceramic figurines sell } \\ \text { on the last shipment. It was only } \\ \text { fast as they can put them out. }\end{array}$ six, but we have to let everyone "This is our second Christmas
have a chance at them.".
"The it looks like it will be a good
andendo 64 and the Buzz
year," she said. "We've still got "The Nintendo 64 and the Buzz
anear," she saidd "We've still got
Light Year figures are going fast,

some wrapping paper, stocking | also," he said. |
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| It's not tust toys that are on the velvet bows, but $\begin{array}{l}\text { and } \\ \text { nearly }\end{array}$ |
| $\begin{array}{l}\text { like of oferything else." }\end{array}$ | It's not just toys that are on the $\begin{gathered}\text { nearly out of everything else. } \\ \text { move though. ."We've had to pull } \\ \text { Like other managers, she doess } \\ \text { clothes from the Oklahoma City }\end{gathered}$ n'texpect to have an abundance of store this year. Last year we were

shipping them out. That's got to be $\begin{gathered}\text { Many stores already have de } \\ \text { a good sign." }\end{gathered}$
rations, tovs and other comm Lucero said the Dirt Devil items, marked down to guarantee
iter
sales before Christmas but there have been some major $\begin{aligned} & \text { Tades } \\ & \text { Thadd Patterson of the Country }\end{aligned}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { flops. } & \text { General store said the ornaments } \\ \text { "The Turbo-man, an exclusive to } \\ \text { that are left are already marked } \\ \text { Wal-Mart didn't sell too well until } & \text { down } 50 \text { percent and many toys }\end{array}$ Wal-Mart, didn't sell too well until down 50 percent and many toys
the movie was released locally, but and power tools are marked
even that moved better than the down. $\begin{aligned} & \text { even that moved better than the down. } \\ & \text { wetsuit Barbie." }\end{aligned}$ "Christmas season for us really Most store managers reported wars of January," Patterson said.
that decorations and wrappings
are moving pretty well and don't "We get a lot of afterseason expect to have major supplies left buyers which help to wrap up the
after next week.
year for us," he said.
Las Vegas postal supervisor killed
supervisor was shot to death this $\begin{aligned} & \text { Petersen said } \\ & \text { morning outside the city's main } \\ & \text { Witnesses }\end{aligned}$ told police they
 was arrested.
The shooting happened in an head and upper body and colemployee parking lot as the lapsed about 15 feet from the supervisor was arriving for employee entrance.
work around $7 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$.
The suspect, 41 -year-old The two exchanged words as Charles Jennings of Las Vegas the supervisor got out of his car approached an officer nearby

## Daily Record

## Services

Services today
HOMER, Agnes E. - Rosary services, 7 Ch.i. Immachatate Groom.
Services tomorrow
FREEMAN, Angie Lois Freeman - 2 p.m
First United Methodist Church, Canadian. RILEY, William E. "Ebb"
Central Baptist Church, Pampa.
WILLIAMS, Mae Elliott "Jackie" Pogue -
Wake services, $6-9$ p.m., New Hope Baptist Church, Pampa
 Pampa.
Obituaries
 Monday. Dec. 16, 1999, at Oklahoma City. OKla
Services will be ap 2 .. Friday in Firt United
Methodist Church with Dr. Lewis Holland, pasMethodist Church with Dr Lewis Holland, pas-
tor, officiating. Burial will be in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery under the direction
Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian. Mrs. Freeman was bom April 18, 1913, in Kerr
County, Texas, to Henry and Elizabeth Hubble. She County, Texas, to Henry and Elizabeth Hubble. She
came to Hemphill County a s a tenager, moving 6, 1929, at Cheyerne. Okla. She worked as an Avo representative for 23 years She was a member of
First United Methodist Church, an active member First United Methodist Church, an active member
of Hemp hill County Library Foundation and a forofermphimber of Hemphiuld County Home
mermonstration Club. She loved flowers and gar-
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Survivors include her husband, Ralph, 'of
Canadian a daughter, Lois Bussell of Ringwood,
 Sanderfer of Blessings. Mickie Causey and Cleo
Pyka, bouth of Bandera, and Victoria Cabinese

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Obituaries

MAE ELLIOTT 'JACKie' pogue williams HOUSTON - Mae Elliot "Jackie" Pogue lealiams, 7 , 4 , Jongtime Pampa resident and civic
lied Saturday, Dec. 14, 1996, at Houston,
 a.m. in Corinth Missionary Baptitst Church with
A. Louis Patterson ry ne astor opficiating Funeral A. Louis Patterson Jr, pastor, officiating. Funeral
services in Pampa will include a wake service serm 6-9 p.m. Friday in New Hope Baptist
fhum Church. Regular services will be at 11 a.m.
Saturday in the church with the Rev. Vurn Saturday in the church with the Rev. Vurn
Martin pastor, officiating.
The body will lie in state from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Friday at Warford-Walker Mortuary in Amarilla. Burial willorde in Memory Gard ins
Cemetery at Pampa under the direction of Goden Cemetery at Pampa under the direction of Gooden
Funeral Home of Rosenburg. Local arrangements Funeral Home or Rosenburg. Local arrangements
are by Warford-Walker Mortuary of Amarillo. Mrs Williams was born May 6,1920 , at Sulphur Springs. Texas. She was educated in Sulphur
Springs public schools. She later attended sho Springs public schools. She later attended school
in Boston, Mass, and Clarendon Junior College, in Boston, Mass,. and Clarendon Junior College,
rexeiving ertification in accounting and secretar-
ial skills. She married Theolia Williams on Aug tal skillss. She married Theoolia Williams on Aug.
21 1 1039; he died Oct. 27, 1989. She moved to
ta Pampa in 1939 . She worked in the accounting
department at Ingersoll Rand for 25 years she took an active role in relie ious activities
and was a member of NNw Hope Baptist Church and was a member of New Hope Baptist Church
and the Original West Texas Baptist Congress.
and She had served as financial clerk and past presi
dent of Women's Missionary Society and sann in been a youth directop, assistant secrin retary of the Baptist Congress.
Her civic contributions in the
ed serving on the City of Pampa includRecreation Department Advisory Board, as admin-
istrator of the Southside Senior Citizen's Center and istrator of the Southside Senior Citizen's Center and was a member and Worthy Matron of Savannah Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law
Sherye Anita and Herman Gordon of Missour City, Texas; two sons, Stanley Williams of Denver ter-in.,-law, Gloyne Williams of Houston; two sis-
ters, Synora Dixon of Stockton, Calif., and Eloise Williams of Dallas; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.
NORMA MARIE THETFORD WILLIAMS Norma Marie Thetford Willams, 1 , of Pampa
died Wednesday, Dec. 18,1996 , at Lubbock
Services will be at 10 a m . Saturday in Firs Services will be at $10 \mathrm{a.m}$. Saturday in First
Baptust Church with the Rev. Norman Rushing, ating. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m.
aturday in Doxey Cemetery at Sayre, Okla
Arrangements are under the direction of




|  te at 2 pm . Frotul on amon wet- Whathey Conomal Chapel with the Ren Rax Parevell, associate pastor of Cientral Bupest thant , vetivutung. Burial will be in Faurvew lembern under the direction Carmuctast Whation Furneal Derectors of Pampa. <br> Mrs Willenttume mas hern tpril 9, 1938. Weuton, W is the mament Mar Willingham on <br>  Pampu resident ave in vears moving from abifurrus She wis a hreemaker and attended Calvarv Bapost Ch <br> surviven untuabe ter coscimat. lax, of the home two dwughteen, Derute Vaverw of Amarillo and ton Silva of Pampa, e xe. Bill Willongtam of Pampa; her <br>  susters, Darkere Maliwan is Wellstourg, WVa. ani Mardvn Patberion of Wearton, a brother, George Wiven of Wertar. an sunt. Veima Batteas of Pampu and tive sranaditwidions klike Whorrow and Kate Whorow, buth or trorilles, and Enc Willingham |
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Fires
The Pampa Fire Department reported the ton
liowng calls in the 24 hour perive ending at


## Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the fol- Cuyler and collided with a 1993 Ford lowing acectdents in the 24 -hour period ending at 7 Cuyler and coltided with a ${ }^{\text {1993 Ford }}$
Cown Victorie, driven by Keith Lawry
Oliphant, 45 , 2224 N. Dwight Ice packed a.m. today. WEDNESDAY, Dee. 18
9.09 A 1966 Oldsmobile Delta 88, dri-
 was turning eastbound onto the 100 block of
East Foster and collided with a northbound 1985 Chevy Caprice, driven by Hattie Griggs
Williams, 66,1040 Huff Rd.. No charges were filed. 9:41 a.m. - A 1992 Acura Integra, driven by
Niamala Mata Kamnani, 39,2324 Chestnut, was traveling east in the 30 oblock of 23rd St., hit a patch forice, jumped the curb and hit a
chain link fence and a road sign. No charges were filed.
12:16 $\mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
$12: 16$
C1500 P.m. A Southbound
Pickup,
driven by Darcy Rae Harkcom, 26, Lefors, was turning into a

## Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during
the 24-hour period ending at 7 a motoday the 24 -hour period ending at 7 a.m. today
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 18 4:41 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to
Columbia Medical Center and transported one patient to Baptist-St. Anthony's West Hospital in Amarillo. $5: 29$ p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the
2200 block of north Sumner on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center $5: 53$ p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1000 block of South Christy on a medical assist and

## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the fol-
lowing incidents and arrest in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 18
Owners of the Coronado, Inn, 1101 N. Hobart, were provid or services valued at $\$ 409.47$. Ser

## Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the follow


Trevor Shane Col Arrests
Arrests
McLean, was arres ed on two charges of forgery by passing
Andrew Lane Brokenbek, 21, Amarillo, was arres ed on charges of possession of marijuana over fou

## Calendar of events

| BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK <br> A blood pressure check and blood sugar tests offered from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Friday in the Red Cross office, 108 N . Russell. A donation is accepted to cover expenses. <br> LAKE MCCLELLAN IMPROVEMENT <br> Lake McClellan Improvement Inc. will hold its monthly membership and board meeting at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ <br> today in the Gray County Courthouse, second floor courtroom. The public is invited to the meeting. For more information, call Marilyn Lewis at $669-7290$. <br> PAMPA SHRINE CLUB <br> The Pampa Shrine Club will have its Christmas dinner and meeting at 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, at the Sportsman's Club. For more information, cal President James H. Lewis at 669-8056. |  |  |
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| lOCAL FORECAST <br> Clear tonight with a low in the mid teens and southwesterly winds $5-15 \mathrm{mph}$. Friday, general high in the mid 40 s. Wednescdavs high was 22; the overnight low was 2 below zero REGIONAL FORECAST West Texas - Panhandle Tonight, mostly clear and cold Lows 10 to 15 . Friday, mostly low 40s to near 50. South Plains 10 extreme southern Panhandle to $15-20$ southern rolling plains. Friday. mostly sunny. Highs Friday, mostly sunny. Highs | east to 25 west. Friday, most sunny and warmer. Highs 4 northeast to 57 southwest. <br> South Texas - Hill Countr and South Central: Tonight, clea and very cold. Record lows west Lows near 20 east to mid 20 west. Friday, partly cloudy Highs in low 50s. Upper Coas Tonight, increasing clouds an very cold. Near record to recor lows inland. Lows in uppe teens inland to low 30s coas Friday, partly cloudy. Highs upper 40s inland to near 50 | ing clouds and cold. Highs in mid 50s. <br> BORDER STATES <br> New Mexico - Tonight, clearing and not quite as cold. Lows near 5 below zero to below zero to teens mountains and north with lands. Friday, mostly sunny and warmer. Highs upper 20s to mid 40s mountains and north with 40 s to mid 50 s southern lowlands. <br> Oklahoma - Tonight, clear and cold. Lows in the teens to around 20. Friday, mostly sunny and warmer. Highs mid 40s to low 50 . |

## City briefs

| DR. CHARLES Ashby has retired as of $11-30-96$. If you have any questions regarding medical records, please contact the Medical and Surgical Clinic 1701 N. Hobart, Pampa, Tx. or call 806-665-847. Adv. OF Columbus Deep Fried and Smoked Turkeys for the Christmas Holiduys. To urder call Jay Zimmer, $665-0750$ or Neal Hoelting, 669.9514 Adv. <br> CUYLER CLOTHING. Co. downtown open until 8 p.m Thursday nughts until Christ tras for your shopping conve nuence. Free gift wrap. $665-8648$. Adv. <br> PAMPA BARGAIN Barn. 614 Cuyler. Gan cabunet, windows ister clock. $1620 \times 4$ ft. new floor tile with gue Act. IMAGES DOWNTOWN Open until 8 p.m. Thursday rughts until Christmas for your shopping convenuence. Free gift <br> RHEAMS DLAMOND Shup Open late til \& F.m. Monday thru Friday. Adt. <br> DANCE TO the music of Jerry Sparks. Saturdav 21 st, $830-1$ A.m. Members and guests. FOR Lodyo Autv <br> Refreshments being First Bank South West in the lobby from 9 am. -3 p.m. Adv. | EARLY ADVERTISING Deadline for the Pampa News, Questions-669-2525 <br> FREEMAN'S PAMPA Store-5 bloom Poinsettia, basket with bow $\$ 14.95$ now thru December 21st. Delivery available. 410 E Foster, 669-3334. Adv <br> FOR SALE - Practically new Full Set of Drums. Bought $\$ 1500$, will take $\$ 1,000.669-1244$, after 6 p.m. 669-1216. Adv <br> DON JONAS Calligraphy, Scripture-mated and framed Buoth 820 Cottage Collection. Adv. <br> NEED AUTO Glass meplace ment or repair? Call Suntrol 3M Auto Tint insurance claims wetcome. Visa/MasterCard 703 W Brown, 666-0615. Adx <br> CREATURE COMFORTS, gift for your best friend. 2 ligs or 4115 N West Adv <br> REBECCA ANNTS - 1521 N Hobart, 40\% off - exduding hose No lay-awayss. No refiunds. No euchanges. Adv <br> LADIES NIGHT. Thursday mighte: The Landmark Club open 4 p.m. 12 Pat Darling DF. Come check out the specialst Nowr booking Christmas par ties. 618 W. Foster $665-4404$ Adv <br> CHANEYS CAFE - Thursday $5-8$ p.m. Chicken and dumplings, fried pork chops, bar steak. Adva | BIRTHSTONE CROSSES All Its Charm, 109 W. Francis Adv <br> THE CITY of Pampa will host <br> a "Come and Go" Retirement Reception for Tom Adams, Laverne Bradsher, Dan Rose, Jim Fleming, Jane Skinner and Charlie Smith, Friday December 20 , from 2 to 4 pm in the Lovett Library Autitorium Adv. <br> CHRISTMAS SPECIAL <br> Full set Acrylic nails $\$ 30$ or pamper her with a gift certifcate Erica, Benton's PH.D 660 1934 Adv. <br> reliable housekeer ING Non-smoking, With refer ences Call 666 -7481. Adx <br> ORDER NOW, the clock is ticking' Food, candy and frum baskets. We 11 deliver thru 12-23 Watson's Feed Garden Celebrations, $666-4189$ We will be closed December 24 25: 26 Merry Christmas to all our F- nitst Come bear hunbing at 3 m AUTO Tint Great ©it Intea' Call Suntroll 3M Auman Thent * Whie/MasterCand. 790 WC Brown, 666-0615 AdM. <br> Bes FLEA Market 915 W Wrilles, 806-660-4308. MondaySaturday. 10 amm pom Hobart merver, furnitures, applianowe gand collectibies AdM |
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Local Geography Bee winners are Pampa Middie School elghth graders Shawn Strate, left, first, and Kevin Schaub, first runnerup.
Eighth grader Shawn Strate wins local Geography Bee
Shawn Strate, an eighth grade the week of Dec. 2, with thou-
student at Pampa Middle School, sands of schools around the recently was named winner of United States and in the five U.S. the local Geography Bee, with a territories participating. chance to compete later for a School winners, including
$\$ 25,000$ college scholarship.
Strate, will now take a written test Named first runnerup at the in the next round. Up to 100 of the Pampa school level was Kevin top scorers in each state and terri-
Schaub, also an eighth grade stu- tory will be eligible to compete in Schaub, also an eighth grade stu- tory will be eligible to compete in
dent. The local Bee was held Dec. their state Bee on April 4 . 13 at the middle school
The school-level Bee, at which The Notiety Nill provide an allstudents answered oral questions expenses-paid trip to Washing-
on geography, was the first ton D.C., for state champions on geography, was the first ton, D.C., for state champions
round in the ninth annual and their teacher-escorts to parNational Geography Bee.
The Bee is sponsored by the tipate in the Geography Bee
national championship on May National Geographic Society and
Sylvan Learning Centers, which
27-28.
The first provide supplemental education receive a $\$ 25,000$ college scholarprovides supplemental ed students at skill ship. Alex Trabek, host of
serves
levepardy!. will moderate the levels.
Kick-off for this year's Bee was
$\begin{aligned} & \text { Jeopardy! ! will } \\ & \text { national finals. }\end{aligned}$

## House speaker's counsel quits during ethics defense

WASHINGTON (AP) - House Speaker course taught by Gingrich and the accuracy The subcommittee appears to be near the
Newt Gingrich's lawyer is dropping hisclient of the speaker's statements to investigators. end of its preliminary inquiry of Gingrich just as a lengthy ethics investigation of the The committee expanded its investigation the Georgia Republican who expects to be reclimax. "We advised Mr. Gingrich on Saturday, mation to the committee. Baran told the AP whether there is "reason to believe" that Dec. 14 that we could no longer represent that any statements he submitted to the panel Gingrich committed ethics violations or Jan befran told The Associated Press on "I wish to make clear that my firm did not missed. Wednesday. Congressional sources, speaking only on committee without Mr. Gingrich's prior subcommittee may already have made a
candition of annonymity, said Gingrich has review and approval," Baran said in an inter- decision. There was no indication its memhired legal malpractice attorney Randy Evans view. "I strongly believe that is the commit- bers planned to return to Washington this time political supporter of Gingrich. Ast Aster representing Gingrich for two years year, and the panel already announced it Baran ended his representation of Gingrich in the case, Baran would only say of his long-
one day after the House ethics committee's time client: "We wish him well." one day after the House ethics committee's time client: "We wish him well.
investigative subcommittee ended an inten- Gingrich spokesman Tony Blankley the investigative panel finds reason to sive week of closed-door meetings. The panel $\begin{gathered}\text { Gingrich spokesman Tony Blankley believe violations occurred, the six remaining } \\ \text { ded }\end{gathered}$ of two Republicans and two Democrats is Evans, the new attorney, did not return a tele- charges have been proved by "clear and con-
investigating tax implications of a college phone message left at his office.
vincing" evidence.
Man's sexual assault conviction overturned after accuser recants AUSTIN (AP) - Convicted of overturned his conviction be-
sexually assaulting his 10 -year- cause Elizondo's accuser now years ago, Joe Rene Elizondo $\begin{gathered}\text { The Texas Court of Criminal } \\ \text { spent } 11 \text { years in prison. }\end{gathered}$ During that time, his toddler Appeals said Wednesday
conviction of Joe Elizondo, now 62, daughter was taken away and was based totally on the testimony
adopted by another family. His of Robert Bienvenue, who said in a son got married and three grand- 1995 statement that he was coerced

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## The Pampa News



## Agency assessing damage

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 camgen now tut one of tit own since 199. The Rusaras veteran agents has become the allegedly paid Nicholson more third U.S. official charged in less than $\$ 180,000$. than three years with selling secrets to the Rustans.
Earl E. Pits, 43 , an FBI supervisor and former counterintelligencee
offioer, was charged Wednesday ofice, was charged Wednesday
with selling secrets to the Soviet
Union and Russia during Union and Russia during 1987 for more than $\$ 224,000$. He could face life in prison.
Pitts' arrest followed a 16 month undercover investigation triggered by a former Russian
official at the United Nations who joined FBI agents in posing as phoney Russian spies trying to get Pitts to do more spying. cost more than $\$ 1$ million, hit serious, temporary snag, on its
third day - unwittingly by the honesty and plty caused Pitts' wife, Mary, who turned in her own husband.
damage ${ }^{\text {we }}$ assessment," ... a
abI Director Louis Freeh told a news conference. But so far, Freeh compare certainly would not Ames in any degree." Aldrich pleaded guilty to spying that has been blamed for the deaths of ten Western agents. He was

Moscow.
No deaths are blamed on Pitts - only the compromise of data about FBI counterspy efforts Nor are any deaths blamed on Normer CIA station chief Harold

## Great Ideas For The Holidays!

MEAT \& CHEESE, VEGETABLE, FRUIT OR SANDWICH TRAYS


THE PAMPA NEWS - Thursday, December 19, 1998-3
Hostages in Peru keep level heads LIMA, Peru (AP) - Split up in ing as waiters during a birthday with guns and grenades, a dozen Akihito, are demanding the ambassadors and hundreds of release of 300 comrades in jail, other VIPs spent a second night economic reforms, money and in uneasy captivity in the home, safe passage to the
of Japan's ambassador.
jungle in eastern Peru A doctor who was allowed "lt's very tranquil" inside, Red inside the compound today in an Cross doctor Mar Cortal said upscale Lima suburb said the early today following a 30 hostages appeared calm and healthy despite the Tupac Amaru He helped deliver water, medirebels' threat Wednesday to cine and sandwiches to the resibegin executing, them one by dence; a block-long compound one. A Japanese envoy was to arrive more than 400 hostages into
this morning from Tokyo to help groups and guarded them in septhis morning from Tokyo to help groups and guarded them in sep-
assess the hostage crisis. The U.S. arate rooms. Embassy has set up a special cri- Early today, Canadian sis center, manned by FBI agents, Ambassador Anthony Vincent, and Britain and Germany also who was released from captivity
sent in trouble-shooting experts. Wednesday afternoon, also resent in trouble-shooting experts. Wednesday afternoon, also recompound Tuesday night by pos- Peruvian diplomat.

## Playhouse winner



Eight-year-old Daniel Gatlin is presented the key to his new playhouse by Erin Buck, 4 -year-old student at St . Finney, right, built and generously donated the playhouse to the St. Matthew's Support Group. Daniel bought his ratfle ticket at Chautauqua last Sept.


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## Opinion

## Feds shouldn't browbeat public

Reasonable people ceratiany can differ in the debate over duve
 What isn
What isn't so reasonable is the heavy handed and almost hys-
terical response of the federal government to the decisions of the
voters in those two states. As news reports have n As news reports have noted recently, the usual podium pound-
ing and oneupmanship of Washington on the drug war has urmed into a foot-stomping fury among some policy warkers, both in Congress and the Clinton administration. They are reeling
with indignation at the seeming audacity of ordinary Americans with indignation at the seeming audacity of ordinary Americans
who exercised their right to make policy at the ballot box. The reawho exercised their right to make policy at the ballot box. The rea-
soning in out nation's capital is that these good citizens must have Just what d
Just what did the two states do that has the feds in such a dither? Culifornians voted 56 percent to 44 percent to legalize marijuana
cultivation, possession and use for medical purposes. Arizonans oted by a whopping 65 percent to 35 percent to allow doctors to cally ill patients if there is a scientific basis for their use. d ited efforts to alleviate the agony of those suffering from the To opponents, the measures are disinganuous stages.
dvance the to roviding aid to terminally ill.
But set aside that diff
But set aside that difference of opinion for the moment; set
aside as well the tug of war over drugs in general. The most aside as well the tug of war over drugs in general. The most
pressing problem with Washington's latest outburst in the war on
drugs is that it has become a war on the states. drugs is that it has become a war on the states.
Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Orin who commendably has led the fight to rein in federal meddling in, ealth foods and vitamin supplements, quite ironically is leading e called for increased enforcement of federal drug laws to offset the relaxation of the two states' laws. Federal law enforcers,
meanwhile are pledging to pursue violators in those states irre-
spective of what the new state laws say. The federal flak came even
atives of the states involved.
"I am extraordinarily embarrassed," said Arizona Republican
Sen. John Kyl. Essentially apologizing for his constituents, he cast them as having been "deceived, and deliberately sooby sponsors" people who helped elect him to office.
Much of this chest thumping, by the way, occurred in orchestrated congressional hearings where the stage was set to guaranteee any
supporters of the states measures wouldn't have much of a voice.
A the very least, Washington's fusillade is aternalistic. Worse still, it's another thinly veiled attempt by this nation's central government to crack the whip
dares dissent from federal policy.
In this case, that dissent isn't all that bold, either. By and large, In this case, that dissent isn't all that bold, either. By and large,
all California and Arizona voters sought to do is provide more
ways to ease the pain of some sick people So modest a proposal ways to ease the pain of some sick people. So modest a proposal
hardly amounts to firing across the bow of the federal ship of state. Granted, both measures are undoubtly fraught with the poten-
tial for loopholes; no ballot measure is ever flawless. Particularly
Califonia's new law could well open the door to abuse of its actuCalifornia's new law could well opent the door to obususe of its a cutucription for medical marijuana.
hen decided it was worth the risk anyway? Even if theses measures do nudge their respective states toward more broad-based drug legalization, isn't it possible that voters foresaw that
tial as well and didn't have much of a problem with it?
We've said in the past that were indinel drug war from top
However peopple feel at this point in the drug debate, though,
the feds shouldn't be browbeating the rest of us. Surely there's ome latitude for states to experiment with alternatives to a fed

| Your representatives <br> State Rep. Warren Chisum Pampa Address: 100 N. Price Road, Pampa TX 79065 <br> Pampa Phone: 665-3552 Austin Address: P.O. Box 2910, Austin, TX 78768-2910 State Sen. Teel Bivin <br> Amarillo Address: P.O. Box 9155, Amarillo, TX 79105 <br> Austin Address: P.O. Box 12068, Austin, TX 78711 <br> U.S. <br> Amarillo Address: 724 S. Polk, Suite 400, Amarillo, TX 7910 <br> Amarillo Phone: (806) 371-8844 Washington Address: 1535 Longworth House Office <br> Wilding, Washington, D.C., 20515 Washington Phone: (202) 225-3706 <br> U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison Washington Address: 283 Russell Senate Office Building <br> Washington Phone: (202) 224-5922 <br> Washington Address: 370 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 2051() <br> Washington Phone: (202) 224-293 <br> PO. Box 12428, Austin, TX 78711. Constituent Hotline: 1-800-843-5789 |  |
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## Mario Savio's dream deferred



nomic status. Low-income people face significan
obstacles due to the very fact that they ane poor." In an editorial the day after the theft and
destruction of the newsipars, the Califormian reminded the righteous, censors that The Free Speech Movement 30 years ago affirmed ples must also apply to the Daily Californian."' Meanwhile, a witness came forward to report
that he had seen people loading copies of the Daily Califormian seen people loading copies of the Daily And an anonymous caller phoned Mike And an anonymous caller phoned Mike really consider what stances you take. Don't even
try bringing that white-boy network around here." try bringing that white-boy network around here."
On Nov. 6, Mario Savio died. Much of the writ ing in the obituaries, of course, was about his role as an influential advocate of free speech. At a
memorial on campus, candles were lit. Also aflame was a copy of the Daily Californian containing the editorial opposing governmental preferences. Savio was against Proposition 209, but the
stealing and burning of the newspapers were in stealing and burning of
contempt of his legacy.

Today in history By The Associated Press
Today is Thursday, Dec. 19, the 354th day of 1996. There are 12 days
left in the year. left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 19, 1843, Charles
Dickens' classic Yuletide tale, $A$
Christmas Caron Christmas Carol, was first published in England.
On this date: In 1732, Benjamin Franklin began publishing "Poor Richard's
Almanac" in Philadelphia Almanac in Philadelphia.
In 1776 , Thomas Paine pub-
lished his first "Ammerican Crisis" essay, in which he wrote, "These In 1777 Gen George Washington led his army of about 11,1000 men to
Valley Forge, Pa., to camp for the winIn 1932, the British Broadcasting Corporation began transmit-
ting overseas with its "Empire Service" to Austratfa.
In in In, 50 years ago, war broke out in Indochina as troops under
Ho Chi Minh launched wide-
spread attacks against the French.

## Armed forces social experiment

If the rich are getting richer and the poor, poor-
er, it's not because of the free enterprise system.
One example, uneearthed by Eric Peters in the
current issue of The Free Market, newewstetter of the Charley Reese

## Lovable cranks: Germond and Mueller

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|  | for the Baltimore Sun and contribute a weekly arti- cle to the National Journal. Two recent events qualify Germond for special notice |  |
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State briefs

Study: So far, NAFTA has created few U.S. jobs
NEW YORK(AP) - The pact with Mexico and Canada has not stolen many jobs from Americans, but it hasn't created
too many
news ones either, The North American Free Trade Agreement's impact on
U.S. jabs has been "near-zero" or slightly positive, not generating
the new employment its fans had promised, according to the U.S. government funded study. of California at Los Angeles provided the most comprehensive analysis yet of the 1994 NAFTA 'The impact of NAFTA and of main factor in creating U.S. export jobs is sustaining economic growth in Mexico - and we haven't solved that problem
yet," said Raul Hinojosa, research director at UCLA's Development Center NAFTA, whichloosen ions on tracue among Mexico Canada and the United States, has reated about 49,000 jobs through exports to Mexico. But at the same aken away more than 38,000 jobs, researchers found.
Salamanders' deaths blamed on cleanup of swimming hole outine draining and cleaning of Barton Springs pool that led to the deaths earlier this month of twelve salamanders, city officials say. der - found only in Austin - long has represented the flashpoin etween the city's environmenta and development interests. salanamander population in dioining Springs Pool and two up twelve corpses on Dec. 6, a full Did they digation was launched. Did they die from toxic spill? pesticides? None of the above, the city's mayor on Wednesday.

Court overturns conviction in murder case
BROWNSVILLE (AP) - For Mowbray worked from inside women's prison to prove she her husband.
On the outside, her 25 -year-old pored over legal documents and trial testimony, formulating an appeal he hoped would per-
suade a court to free his mother On Wednesday, their prayers were answered. The Texas Court Mrs. Mowbray's conviction out he death of Bill Mowbray for he death of Bill Mowbray, who Ms. Mowbray now faces the

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Judge finds export encryption restrictions unconstitutional
allows users to scramble mes-
sages that move across computer sages that move across computer
networks. The messages can then be read only by using his decryption program, Unsnuffle. He wrote it while a graduate student
at the University of California at at the University of Cailifornia at
Berkeley.
The State Department decided The State Department decided
in 1993 that the programs in 1993 that the programs required licenses to communicate
them on the Internet, prompting the lawsuit. Patel called the departments
licensing system" "an unconstitulicensing system "an unconstitutional prior restraint in violation of the First Amendment." She noted the office that makes the
licensing decisions has no dead-
lines, no lines, no standards for denying a
license and offers no way to license and offers no way to
appeal a denial. appeal a denial. Cohn, Bernstein's lawyer, said the decision will allow American scientists and engineers to freely collaborate
with peers around the world. with peers around the world. a new generation of tools for proacting the ppivacy and security of communications," she said.
The ruling also was praised by The ruling also was praised by
the president and chief executive the president and chief executive
of RSA Data Security Inc., the world's largest producer of worcryption technology. 'I have stood by and watched as foreign competitors have filled
the market demand in a market we created," said Jim Bizdos, whose Redwood City, Calif., the Netscape Navigator and the Netscape Navigator and
Microsoft's Internet Explorer.
Caroling at the bank

(Pampa Nowe photo by Dartone Holmoes)
The Pampa Middle School Eighth Grade Choir gathers in front of the Christmas tree in with some Christmas carols. Various school choirs have been caroling in local bank lobbies in observance of the holiday season.

Implant recipients seek control of Dow
NEW YORK (AP) - Women with breast implantsand others with claims against Dow Coming Corp. are seek g control of the bankcupt company n a oint plan to reorganize it
Their blueprint will compete with Dow Corning's own reorga nization proposal, which could severely restrict the women's
ability to get damages from the company for making a produc they contend is dangerous.
The creditors' plan, which is nearly complete, will be filed in bankruptcy court soon, said peo-
ple familiar with the proposal who ple familiar with the proposal who tion of anonymity.
The proposal, however, may face longer odds as a result of a
court decision this week against court decision this


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## Community Calendar

Note: Civic clubs, organizations, church groups and others wanting
their specill meetings and activitios listed on the community calendo should contact the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commencere office, 200 N. Bal
event.

AL-ANON December
Wednesdays at 8 p .m. at 910 W . Kentucky. For more information call 669-0407. CLEAN AIR AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thuspdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call
$669-0407$ or $699-3988$. 669-040 or $669-3988$.
1:30 p.m. DosT \#1657, 105 S . Cuyler. Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1350 po.m.222-9.
BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS of the Texas Panhandle Inc. has an
office open in Pampa. For information as a volun office open in Pampa. For information as a volunteer, or if yo have a child who would qualify for the program, call $665-1211$.
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p.m. at the Moose Lodge, 403 E. Brown. Doors open at 6 p.m. Public welcome. License \#1--7-0769811-0.
DOWNTOWN BUSINES ASSOCIATION presents "CHRISTMAS PAST" during the month of December. For more information contact Ronnie Hormes at 665-2631.
Lighting Tour. Recreation Park and other locations, Christmas p.m. For more information, contact Kathleen Chaney at $665-2454$ or Susan Winborne at 669-9813.
19-PAMPA CANCER AREA SUPPORT GROUP regular meeting, 7-8 p.m., Columbia Medical Center's Medical Building (NOT 4742 or Emily Washington at 669-7619. 21 - COWBOY CHRISTMAS JUBILEE at the Stokes Barn canceled. a.m., First Assembly of God, 500 S. Cuyler. Members of the cona.m., First Assembly of God, 500 S . Cuyler. Members of the con-
gregation share their musical and drama talents, and Pastor Mike Moss shares the story of Christmas. For more information, call 665 24 - TOASTMASTER INTERNATIONAL CLUB regular meetin 5:30 p.m., Coronado Inn dining room. For more information, co tact Daniel Silva at 669-6351 or Gary Casebier at 665-4214.
25 -MERRY CHRISTMAS!
25 - MERRY CHRISTMAS!!
28 -FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS Potluck Supp 28-FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS Potluck Supper,
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For more information, contact Carolyn or John Stokes, $665-0190$ or For more
$665-7896$.

1-START THE NEW YEanuary with a bowl of lucky black-eyed peas and cornbread with the VFW Post \#1657 and the VFW Ladies
Auxiliary at 105 S . Cuyler from $11 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$. until ??? For more informa tion, contact jean Dietrick at $669-6579$.
5 - PAMPA COMMUNITY CONCRT 5 - PAMPA COMMUNITY CONCERT, St. Lawrence String
Quartet, 7:30 p.m., M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium. For more Quartet, 7:30 p.m., M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium. For more
information, contact Lilith Brainard at $665-4579$. 7 - CLEAN PAMPA will be holding its monthly general mem-
bership meeting at Mr. Gatti's. Dutch treat lunch starts at $11: 456$ bership meeting at Mr. Gatti's. Dutch treat lunch starts at 11:456
a.m.; meeting starts at 12:15 p.m. For more information, contact a.m.; meeting starts at 12:15 p.m. For more information, contact
Lora Baggerman at $665-2514$.
11-12 11-12- TOP O' TEXAS LIVESTOCK SHOW AND SALE, Pampa
Recreation Park. For more information, contact Gray County Extension Office, 669-8033.
14-31 - PAMPA MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL EXHIBIT. Selected
student Tuesday-Sunday, 1-4 p.m. or phone 669-8041 for an appointment Sponsored by the Pampa Fine Arts Association; for more informa-
Sion, all $665-0343$. tion, call 665-0343.
17-18-GRAY COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW, Pampa Recreation Park. For
$669-8033$.


Tom Cruise gives Sony a boost at the box office - By LinN ELBER

Nation briefs
TV ratings may begin appearing early next year
WASHINGTON (AP) Beginning early next year, mosi TV shows - from The Mighty
Morphin Power Rangers to Oprah Morphin Power Rangers to Oprah
Wintrey -for the first ime will - cary on-ccreen tags rating them for sexual and violent content. The result of years of federal
goverment jawboning and government jawboning, and untary system will look much
like the familiar ratings that have like the familiar ratings that have
been used on movies for 28 been used on moves
years.
And already, the aged-based TV ratings approach is under
fire from critics who want more specific information about the amount and type of sex, vio
lence and language in a given Show
Entertainment shows aired on broadcast, cable and public TV
could be rated as early as could be rated as early a
January or Pebruary, using a vol january or february using a vol-
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other critics complain that the other critics complain that the
industry's approach is too vague industry's approach is too vague
and will be of little use to parants.
Woman sues husband who turns out to be woman ALEXANDRIA, Va. (AP) - It
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one from his family came to their one from
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But she she stopped believing her husband, Tophorne Weieving her Jameson Groves, when his par-
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Four months after she got mar-
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Hunter is suing: It turns out her Hunter is suing: It turns out her
husband was really a woman. Holly Anne Groves, 26 , of
Bryan, Texas, pretended to be a Bryan, Texas, pretended to be a
man dying of AIDS to avoid sex, man dying of AIDS to avoid sex,
Ms. Hunter says in a $\$ 575,000$

## fraud lawsuit.

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and marriage, Ms. Groves
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suit said. . M .ter, 24, of Alexandria,
wants reimbursement for money wants reimbursement for money
she spent on food, transportation and telephone calls during the and telephone
relationship.

## INFORMATIONAL MEETING

The Amarillo District of the Texas Department of Transportation will be hosting an informational meeting to present the proposed project concerning the frontage roads of I.H. 40 at McLean and Alanreed. This meeting is intended to seek the input of all interested parties who wish to comment about the project.
The meeting will be Thursday, January 23, 1997 at 7:00 p.m. It will be located in the Cafeteria of the McLean Elementary School, 600 N. Main Street, McLean, Texas.
The Pampa Area office is working on the preliminary project plans. If anyone has a concern before the meeting in regard to the project, they may contact the Area Engineer, Jerry Raines at 806.665.2374
If anyone interested in attending the meeting has special communication or accommodation needs, please contact Cheryl Luther, the District Environmental Coordinator at 806.356.3249. Requests should be made no later than two days prior to the public meeting. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.
You may submit verbal or written comments regarding this project at the meeting. Written statements and other exhibits may also be submitted to the District office at 5715 Canyon Drive (P.O. Box 2708), Amarillo, Texas 79105 Comments must be received no later than ten (10) days after the meeting.

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Bodies of Red Cross workers killed in Chechnya flown back to Geneva GENEVA, Switzerland (AP) - said, and thought the was going tional staff and 30 Chechens helpPale and weeping, the 14 survivors to be taken hostage. But then the ing the estimated 80,000 people of a hospital massacre in Chechnyai noise varished.
linked arms and stood silently on One by one they discovered their Tisplaced by the war.
The Cross already has suslinked arms and stood silently on One by one they discovered their The Red Cross already has sus. coffins of their slain colleagues. "The difference between those away republicg and evacuated 35 The bodies of the slix Red Cross who were killed and the survivors workers. Only five Red Cross workers arrived today in Geneva, where the victims' relatives and friends joined the survivors for Cross flag was draped over each Cross flag was draped over each "We all have to work so that the meaning of this tragedy will at leasi
be to ensure that the mission of the CRC and the emblem of the Red Cross are better known and understood," Cornelio Sommaruga, pres dent of the International Committee of the Red Cross, fold ed ambassadors from the coundudof the slain workers.
Sommaruga called Tuesday's predawn shooting at a field hospital south of the Chechen cap The 14 survivors said they were too upset , to speak with
reporters today. The head of the ICRC medical department, Bruce Eshaya Chauvin, told a press conference that the group had been awakened at about 4 a.m. to What sounded like gunfire.
One delegate kick against his door, Chauvin U.N. High Commissioner for ST. NICK OF TIME by Jimmy Johnson


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## BASEBALL

HOUSTON (AP) - The
Houston Astros have offered
free-agent outfielder Luis iree-agent outfielder Luis
Gonzales $\$ 1$ million to play next season for the team that
traded him two years ago, traded him two years ago,
television station KRIV ported Wednesday. did not identify as saying onzales had been offered Astros $\begin{aligned} & \text { general manal. meither } \\ & \text { manager }\end{aligned}$ Gerry Hunsicker nor
Gonzales would comment on the report.
Gonzales played for the
Astros six years until he and Astros six years until he and
catcher Scott Servais were traded to the Chicago Cubs in June 1995 for catcher Rick Wilkins. Gonzales hit .271 with 30 son. He also tied a career high with 15 home runs and drove n a career-high 79 runs.
He earned $\$ 1.4$ million with NEW YORK (AP) - Sixty of the 70 elibible players gave
owners about $\$ 500,000$ to buy owners about $\$ 500,000$ to buy
back service time from the

Under the provisions of the new labor deal, players sent
to the minors in 1994 after July 27, the day players set their Aug. 12 strike date, had service time for the remainder of the 1994 season by
returning their minor league PROVIDENCE, R.I. (AP) - Former Boston Red Sox
manager Butch Hobson was sland today indic agreement had been reached charg

Hobson, then the manager of the Scranton-Wilkes-Barre
Red Barons, was arrested May 4 after agents from the Administration found 2.6 grams of cocaine in his shav-
ing kit at a Pawtucket hotel. NEW YORK (AP) Baseball officials have told must first get approval from the sport's leadership before starting negotiations with
any potential buyers. with the slow process of gaining approval for a new ball-
park, announced Saturday that the team was for sale. FOOTBALL

SAN DIEGO (AP)
Diego

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starting defensive linemen Chris inderwent arthroscopic knee surgery. The Chargers ( $7-8$ )
were eliminated from the AFC playoff race last weekend

FIGURE SKATING
PHILADELPHIA (AP)-
World champion Michelle Kwan and former 1976 led their team to victory in the U.S. Postal Service Skating Challenge Wednesday night.
Kwan and Hamill were the Kwan and Hamill were the
last two skaters for the ""Fers" team that beat the world champion Tons
Eldredge - 440.2 to 438.8 in a Eldredge - 440.2 to 438.8 in a format that teamed up
amateur and pro skaters.

## HOCKEY

BOSTON (AP) - Right wing Steve Heinze, Boston's
leading goal scorer with 17 , is expected to miss at least six roin injuries sustained Tuesday night in the Bruins' $6-4$ victory at Pittsburgh.

## Oates thrilled by 1997 Rangers' outlook

By JAinE ARON
AP Sports Witter
DALLAS (AP) - From the tran-
quil vantage point of his Virginia
home, where he can look out a
window and see ducks flying over
a lake, Texas Ranger manager
Johnny Oates is having a lot of fun
plotting for 1997.
Oates has a lot to play with as
the Rangers are likely to change
about 40 percent of their roster
from last year's AL West champs.
The new faces will include
Damon Buford in center field,
Benii Gil at shorttsop and ann
entirely new relief corps, led by
coser John Wetteland, the World
Series MVP.
"It's almost like starting over,"
Oates said Wednesday during a
conference call.
The biggest change will be in the
bulllpen, where left-handed setup
man Ed Vosberg may be the only
player back.
In addition to Wetteland, Texas

PAMPA - Pampa wir be play-
ing basketball tonight as Palo
Duro visit Duro visits McNeely Fieldhouse in a girls-boys doubleheader. lowed by the boys game around
$7: 30$. Both Pampa teams will be looking for some revenge after falling to the PD cagers in a pair of close contests earlier this month. Palo Duro won the girls game
by a $49-44$ score. The lead changed by a $49-44$ score. The lead changed ters, but PD broke on top to stay going into the fourth period.
The Dons took a $68-65$ decisio in the boys till. Pampa overcame a in the boys tilt. Pampa overcame
12 -point deficit in the third quar-
ter to almost ter to almost pull off a win. In their most recent outings,
both Harvester teams claimed both Harvester teams claimed
District $1-4 \mathrm{~A}$ victories over Borger Tuesday night.
August Larson scored 23 points,
Shawn Young 16 and Devin Shawn Young 16 and Devin
Lemons 10 as Pampa routed Lemons 10 as Pampa routed
Borger, $66-53$, in the boys game Borger, $66-53$, in the boys game.
Jennifer Jones had 13 points, Chandra Nachtigall and Kristi Carpenter 11 each as the Lady
Harvesters held off


By STEVE BRIGMAN
The Paris News
CHICOTA, Texas - She neve thought about it as an adult that is until she heard how much fun the rest of the family was having at the deer lease.
Today, 72 -year-old Today, 72 -year-old Nonzalee the family deer lease to hunt with her two younger sisters: Dena
Erwin, 67 , and Neva Palmer, 70 . Erwin, 67, and Neva Palmer, 70 . Three years ago, we went and,
got this lease in Mills County,"
ohns said. "The man told us we got tis said "The man told us we
could have the lease as long as we want it, and we told him we would need it about 10 years." Folks around her seem sur-
prised that sisters past retirement age go hunting together, but to
Johns, it is not big deal. Johns, it is not big deal. Joerns said. "It's a great feeling."
And these Chic Jonns said. "It s a great feeling."
And these Chicota natives do it
all. There are no children or all. There are no children or
grandchildren doing work to pre grandchildren doing work to pre--
pare for the hunts. Johns and her pare for the hunts. Johns and her
sisters begin to go to the lease in September to put corn in the
feeders and to spend time with feeders and to spend time with
each other. They each have their each other. They each have their
own personal blind and take care ofn personal blind and take care
of their own deer after it has been shot.
"Everybody wonders what we do," Johns said. "We say, 'What
do you think we do?' we field LAS VEGAS (AP) - A look at
the brief history of the Las Vegas
Bowl reveals three constants,
none of which figures to change
Thursday night when Nevada
meets Ball State.
Since its inception four years
ago as a game matching the win-
ners of the Mid-American and
Big West conferences, the Las
Vegas Bowl has:
-Kicked off the major bowl
season.
-Featured two teams in high-
scoring games.

East Texas seniors enjoy the hunt

Nevada, Ball State open bowl season
HIGH SCHOOL
BASKETBALL oss to
Smith
mance.
The Lady Dons reached the
finals of the AISD Tip-Off Classi
against Amarillo High. Both Pampa teams finish 1996 Pampa boys are entered in the
Fort Worth Lions Club Tournament and the Pampa girls will be competing in the Sl
Tournament Dec. $26-28$.

## PAMPA Academy Pacers The Pampa Academy Amarillo Pacers outscored Homeschooler

 Tuesday, $93-48$.The Pacers led at halftime, 58 Jeff Sublett was the leadin corer with 2 points. Brook 14, Avery Taylor 12, Steve Terry 8 Andy Edmondson 7, Tyle
Hudson 5 and Aaron Wagner 2. Taylor led in rebounding wit
13 rebounds while Terry had


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BRISCOE - Fort Elliott's bal anced scoring attack liftted the
Cougars to a $51-36$ win ove efors in area basketball action Tuesday night. actio Donniie Barr led Fort Elliott in
coring with 15 points while Clay coring with 15 points while Clay Justin Howard had 12 to lead Justin
efors.
wo sophomores and two juniors men, so we're pretty young, and kids aretty small. However ing real well," said hard and Ch Curtis Smith ort Elliott improve
dress them, take them to camp, $\begin{aligned} & \text { Despite the basic approach that } \\ & \text { dress them and put them in the Erwin and her sisters take, she }\end{aligned}$ dress them and put them in the Erwin and her sisters take, she
freezer."
It was Erwin who started hunt- husters then make men, "becter deense they ing first. She began hunting with hunters than men, "because they ""Ane patient."
a
about staying up so late the night before," Palmer added. It would be hard to dispute the
claim based on their success. This laim based on their success. This years that the group has harvestyears that the group has harvest-
ed five bucks on the opening weekend.

## retty tame. Time is passed in the

 pretty tame. Time is passed in thetrailer by reading, playing games trailer by reading, playing games goes off at $4: 30$ a.m., it is Erwin who gets up and cooks breakfast
 killed the biggest bucks in the past, Johns big eight-pointer is said there has not been a com-
petitive between the three, But as much as they like to But as much as they like to
hunt, it is secondary to spending time with each other. Erwin and Palmer live in Kaufman County,
and trips to the lease give Johns a and trips to the lease give Johns a
chance to spend time with her

## We stayed nearly two week

 this time," Johns said. "We didn'tkill anything the second week.
-Had few people bother to the attention of Las Vegans.
"I'm not quite sure what the The fifth Las Vory is, why the city of was Vegas The fifth Las Vegas Bowl is hasn't supported it a little better,"
expected to be much the same said bowl executive director Joe
 offensive team, meets run-orient- out, though, could be in for a $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{l}\text { ed Ball State at UNLV's } \\ \text { seat Sam Boyd Stadium. }\end{array} & \begin{array}{l}\text { treat in a game that has had its } \\ \text { share of scoring and exciting fin }\end{array} \\ \text { ser }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{ll}\text { seat Sam Boyd Stadium. } & \left.\begin{array}{l}\text { share of scoring and exciting fin- } \\ \text { Dishes since the inaugural Las a }\end{array}\right)\end{array}$ Despite a fairly attractive ishes since the ina
matchup, the same stadium that Vegas Bowl in 1992 .
was packed less than two weeks The first game also featured ago for the Western Athletic Nevada, the Big West champions, Conference championship game who lost $35-34$ in what has been
figures to be less than half fuil for the lowest scoring of the Las Conference championship game who lost $35-34$ in what has been
figures to beless than hall full for the lowest coring of the Las
a bowl game that has yet to grab Vegas Bowl games.

## Pampa cagers host Palo Duro



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Arington working with bating
coach Rudy laramillo. Buford it playing winter ball. Buford to produce offensively in their first full seasons as everyda players in the big leagues, Oates offensive slack. Clark had one of his worst seasons. But Oates thinks Clark will
rebound following offseaso surgery to remove two dozen bon now straighten his lef. Clark can first time in two years. I expect Will Clark to be the most-improved player on our ball
club over last year," Oates said.
Another offensive-boosting Oates is considering would be car rying just one backup infielder
recent signee Billy Ripken, to free up a spot for another left-handed
bat on the bench, likely Lee bat on the bench, likely Lee
Stevens.

IIt just remains to be ceen<br>"It just remains to be seen how it



Pampa sophomore Shawn Young scored 22 points, including six 3-point goals, in the Dec 3 game against Palo Duro. The two teams meet again at 7:30 tonight in McNeely Fieldhouse

## Thomas fits perfectly

 in Miami's future plans

After Sunday, its' RIP RFK IRVING, Texas (AP) - There
are some players on the Dallas "When she got home there were The Cowboys play the of her jacket where the fans put
Washington Redskins Washington Redskins on Sunday their butts out," Bates said. "Now, in the final game at RFK. And Bill the grass field the atmosphere the grass field, the atmosphere "It's my favorite stadium in the NFL," he said. "I played in my
very first NFL game there on very first NFL game there on
Monday night football. We won
$31-30$ and Ill never forget it" $31-30$ and I'II never forget it."
Bates won't get to play Sunday
because of a groin injury. "I think of old-time football when I think of RFK,"' he said. lot of enthusiasm. People are almost on top of you.
He said there is no place he
would rather win because "the would rather win because "the
 play but theres no greater satisfac-
tion than shutting the fans up.
They'll cuss you. They'1l do anything."
Even B
taste on Even Bates' wife, Denise, got a
taste on how tough RFK fans can taste on how tough RFK fans can
be. She made the mistake of wear-
"I told Larry Brown when he
was a rookie that he was about to experience one of the egreatest foot-
ball moments of his life when ball moments of his life when he
played at RFK." "ates said. "I told him to enjoy it. To take in every-
thing that happened and relish it." Thing that happened and relish it."
The day atter the game, Brown told him: "You were right. It was Even quarterback Troy Aikman
will think of the place fondly even
though he was knocked out of though he was knocked out of
games there twice. "There is a lot of history in that
place," Aikman said. "I think it Wail be tough going to Washington and not playing
there. I enjoyed going to the sta-
dium even though I've been hurt


## By RONALD BLUM

 AP Sports WriterNEW YORK (AP) - Following
his second stay in Battimore his second stay in Baltimore, Eddie Murray decided to give
Southern California another chance.
Eddie
Anaheim Angels on Wednesday while Greg Swindell signed with Lemke decided to stay with the
Atlanta Braves. Atlanta Braves.
Murray, who hit his 500th
career homer last Sept. 6 after career homer last Sept. 6 after
returning to Baltimore, agreed to returning to Baltimore, agreed to
a $\$ 750,000$, one-year contract that gives him the chance to earn an
additional $\$ 750,00$ in perfor-
mance bonuses.

The 40-year-old first baseman
and designated hitter batted 260 and designated hitter batted 260
with 22 homers and 79 RBls. The Angels plan to use him mostly at Angels plan to use his mosty a
DD, but say he'll see some time in
the field.
the field. 'I would like to think I'm still capable of playing over there,"
Murray said. "f'm not sure about Murray said. "Im not sure about
some of the quickness, but balls I get to, I'll come up with." Murray, native of Los
Angeles, played for the Dodgers
from 1989-91. "He helps us not only on the Angels general manager Bill a real good effect on some of our
 ances in each season, he would,
earin $\$ 1.15$ million in 97 and $\$ 23$
milion 98 .
Baltimore also signed two free
agents, switch-
tion
Swin

## Abilene Cooper: A remarkable run

## ABILENE, Texas - Cooper's The Cougars, then 3-2, fell had a good football team," he football team has won nine behind ninth-ranked Midland said. "When I came in the dress-

 games in a row inits remarkable Lee, 14-2, athaltime in the second ing room, I felt good. I told therun to Saturday's Class 5A district game of the season. team that if we correct a few run to Saturday's Class 5A district game of the season. team that if we correct a few
Division II state championship Cooper rallied in the third quarter mistakes next week we'll have game.
But it may have been one of foll begain the lead, 15-14, only to the biggest win since '79."
27-15. Cooper
And that's exactly what the the Cougars' three losses which scored to cut the deficit to $27-22$ Cougars did. will be remembered as the and was driving again late whena Cooper followed its strong sec-
defining moment of the 1996 fumble stymied its comeback ond-half showing against $\begin{array}{ll}\text { season. plans. } & \text { Midland Lee by knocking offthen }\end{array}$ Actually, Cooper head coach Although it was a loss that $\begin{gathered}\text { No. } 6 \text {-rated Odessa Permian, } \\ \text { Randy Allen believes there were } \\ \text { dropped Cooper to } \\ \text { 3-3 overall } \\ \text { 21. It was Cooper's first win over }\end{gathered}$ three key moments in the and $1-1$ in District 4-5A, Allen Mojo since 1979. the other two probably point Lee game feeling good. Midland "The Permian game was a
mental block," Allen said. "That back to the first one. "That's when we thought we freed us from that thinking."

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