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Need rises during holidays

Today's weather OUTLOOK

Mostly cloudy skies

Tonight: Mostly cloudy early becoming partly cloudy, low 20 to 25, north wind 5 to 15 mph.

Saturday: Partly sunny and becoming breezy in the afternoon, high near 60, southwest wind 15 to 25 mph and gusty.



Extended forecast

Sunday: Mostly cloudy and breezy, chance of snow, low 20 to 25, high 40 to 45.

Monday: Mostly cloudy and cold, low 15 to 20, high in the mid-30s.

Tuesday: Mostly clear, low around 15, high 45 to 50.

Hereford weather

Thursday's high, 50; low, 29; no precipitation, according to KPAN Radio.

Charitable groups feeling pinch as more people use services

By Dianna F. Dandridge

Hereford Brand Staff Writer

The spirit of giving comes alive at Christmas, more so than any other time of the year. Unfortunately, need continues to outdistance the giving every year.

Churches, food pantries and help centers all feel the holiday pinch as more people feel the need to feed their families and provide clothing and a few little extras.

As field work and manual labor slows down during the cold winter months, more residents find themselves without work and turn to the social service agencies.

Directors of the various centers attribute the increased need to numerous problems, ranging from lack of an ability to properly manage funds to lack of work and a shuffling off of responsibilities by parents.

"We seem to have about the same flow, but we continue to see the same people month after month," said Eloise McDougal, director of the Good Shepherd clothes and food ministry.

The local food pantry reported 65 clients in September; 68 clients in October; and 88 clients in November.

"We're seeing more and more new clients. Ones who have never been in before," said Sally Walker, director of the Food Pantry. "Right now our shelves are well stocked, but we don't know for how long."

McDougal says many of the clients don't know how to manage the funds available to them; others simply don't have the necessary resources to meet their needs.

McDougal and other directors say it is unfortunate that many parents choose the holidays to walk away from their families, and this adds to the stress and need of families already in tight spots.

"Word of mouth brings people to the churches," said Lani Long, secretary of



Charitable organizations, such as the Good Shepherd Clothes Closet, are feeling the pinch during the holiday season as the need for their services increases.

Church of Nazarene. "They find out that a church has a clothes closet or a food pantry and they'll come use it."

"The people in this town are real givers. It seems like every year the community adds something else for them to give to and residents al-

ways give, but some people need to understand they have to get to the point where they can stand on their own two feet, and not always rely on the generosity of others," McDougal said.

The need goes beyond more than just clothes. Many clients seek out the various services in hopes of finding a means of paying bills or even finding shelter.

"I've told these men providing food, shelter, and clothes is their responsibility. Little extras don't really matter if love is the basic part of it all," McDougal said. "I know it's sometimes hard for them to stay employed, but when they spend their money on

alcohol and cigarettes, it leaves a bare cupboard."

Directors of food pantries and clothes closets often have to overcome personal feelings when they see the generosity of others being abused by individuals who seem to expect others to provide both the necessities and extras that add so much to life.

"We're here to help," said Judy Baker, director of Deaf Smith County Social Services. "We want to help when there is a real need, but we all have our regulars that come in every month. We help them, too, when we can."

"The ones who really need the help are the ones who don't come in and ask for it. They are the ones we have to hunt out and find and ask if we can help them," said McDougal.

This time of the year most social service agencies focus on providing for Christmas, but the needs are present all year long.

"We don't want to let the children down, especially at

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White House to be jumping on New Year's Eve

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tapping his long list of famous friends, President Clinton is throwing a millennium celebration so glitzy and large that it might be easier to guess who's NOT coming to dinner.

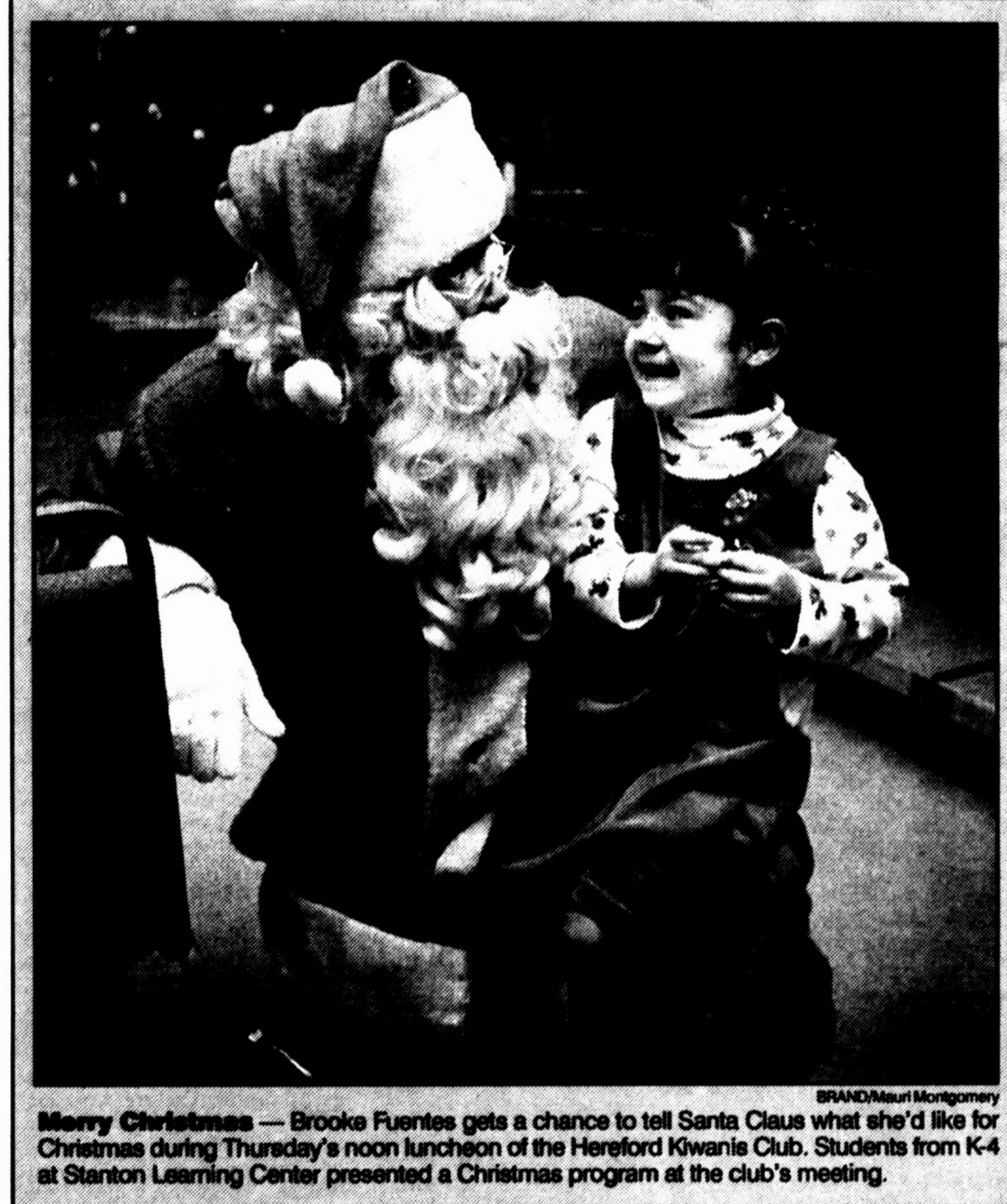
Roughly 1,000 people will descend upon the White House on New Year's Eve. The guests are not hangers-on either — they range from Muhammad Ali to Elizabeth Taylor.

"It's meant to reflect all that's best about America," said Marsha Berry, the first lady's spokeswoman. "These people have been invited because they achieved greatness."

The nation's capital will begin turn-of-the-millennium festivities on Dec. 31 with opening ceremonies on Constitution Avenue near the White House, featuring the Marine Corps band and the 100-member New Millennium Choir, a young people's choir created especially for the occasion.

The president and first lady will unveil a time capsule that will be filled with "artifacts, ideas or accomplishments" from the end of the 20th century.

That night, 500 people were invited as the president's guests to attend the splashy America's Millennium Gala at the Lincoln Memorial, where actor-rapper Will Smith will serve as host.



Merry Christmas — Brooke Fuentes gets a chance to tell Santa Claus what she'd like for Christmas during Thursday's noon luncheon of the Hereford Kwanis Club. Students from K-4 at Stanton Learning Center presented a Christmas program at the club's meeting.

Wheat farmers welcome snow

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Dreams of a white Christmas came true early for wheat producers in the Panhandle who welcomed much-needed moisture in the form of snow, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reports.

District extension director Dr. Bob Robinson of Amarillo said two cold fronts last week brought relief and 20 inches of snow to drought-stressed wheat in parts of the Texas Panhandle.

"The greatest amounts of snow were in the southern portions of the district," he said. "But even the mere traces of snow in the northern areas were beneficial."

Robinson said the moisture helped with the growth of the wheat, and the low temperatures helped to lessen greenbug infestations.

"We've been running very high populations of greenbugs," he said. "And an extended period of cold tempera-

tures is helpful in slowing their development."

Robinson said the snow provided great relief to the wheat, but more moisture is needed.

"For the wheat crop and the overall moisture situation, the snow was a blessing," he said. "It certainly helped us but did not fix the problem."

Robinson said the cold fronts were accompanied by strong winds, which were not so helpful.

"The snow would have been much more beneficial had high winds that came with the fronts not drifted the snow out of the wheat fields," he said.

Dennis Newton, county extension agent in Deaf Smith County, said even though most of the 9 inches of snow in his county were blown off the wheat fields, the crop received 1½ to 2 inches of moisture from the cold fronts.

He said the snow was beneficial to wheat in the county,

but it did take a negative toll on cotton.

"We still had about 18,000 acres of cotton to be harvested," Newton said. "These acres were completely covered with snow and will probably be lost."

Newton said if there is no more moisture, producers will have to wait at least one week to finish harvesting the cotton that does survive.

"It will certainly have an effect on quality and grades," he said.

Robinson added that the winter pastures were also snow-covered, leaving limited forage for cattle.

"Anytime there is snow cover on the forage, supplemental feeding is required," he said. "The cattle are naturally stressed from the cold weather and snow, but it is not anything severe."

In the South Plains, district extension director Jett Major said the district was blanketed

by 2 to 6 inches of wet snowfall early in the week.

"With cotton harvest 90 percent complete, the snow halted all harvest operations," he said.

Major said the snowfall did provide much-needed moisture for the wheat.

"However, more is needed to complete the soil profile," he said.

Major said the grain sorghum harvest is nearing completion with average to good yields.

In West Central Texas, district extension director Scott Durham said a cold front brought scattered showers but no relief to the ongoing drought.

"With the front also came high winds that continue to dry out the soil moisture," he said.

Durham said oats are making good stands but still need moisture.

New housing starts decline

WASHINGTON (AP) — Construction of new homes and apartments fell by 2.3 percent in November to the lowest level in seven months as mortgage rates continued to climb.

The Commerce Department said today that builders started new homes at a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1.60 million units last month, the lowest level since 1.58 million units were started in April.

November's performance was worse than many analysts had expected. They were forecasting a 1.2 percent increase in housing starts given the better-than-normal weather last month.

On Wall Street, stocks rose today in early trading. The blue-chip Dow Jones average gained 68 points while the technology-heavy Nasdaq index was up 40 points. Bond prices were higher and yields dropped; the 30-year Treasury bond yield fell to 6.39 percent from 6.40 percent late Thursday.

In October, housing starts were flat, slightly weaker than the 0.1 percent gain the government previously estimated.

New construction on single-family homes fell by 3.6 percent to an annual rate of 1.29 million units in November, following a 3.5 percent increase the month before.

Starts on condos and apartment buildings rose by 3.7 percent last month to an annual rate of 308,000 units, following a 13.2 percent decline in October.

After a record housing boom last year fueled by exceptionally low mortgage costs, inter-

est rates have been on an upward climb this year. The average interest rate on a 30-year fixed rate mortgage edged up to 7.86 percent last week, from 7.84 percent last week, according to Freddie Mac, the mortgage company. Other mortgage rates were on the rise this week as well.

The Federal Reserve have raised interest rates three times this year to cool the red-hot economy and keep inflation under control. The Fed will meet next week to discuss interest rate policy and many analysts believe the central bank will leave rates unchanged, citing concerns about problems that may arise from the Y2K computer changeover.

Giving strong continuing growth, it is likely the Fed will raise rates again early next year, analysts said.

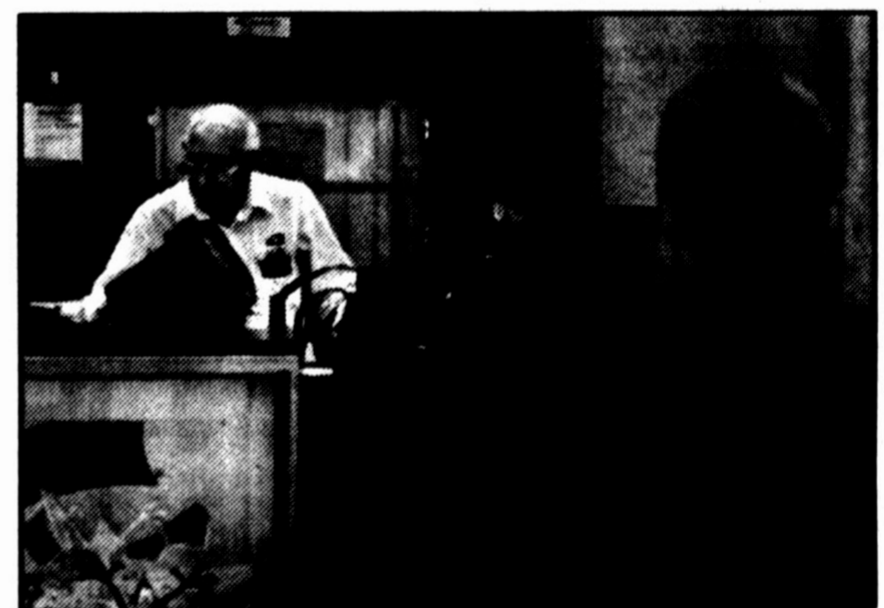
Home builders say they remain relatively confident about their prospects for sales over the next six months.

Builders continue to report shortages of skilled workers and available lots for development, factors that can disrupt construction schedules.

The South took the biggest hit with housing starts falling by 9.9 percent last month to an annual rate of 680,000 units. Housing starts dropped by 6.8 percent in the Midwest to an annual rate of 356,000 units.

Starts were up by 14.9 percent in the West to an annual rate of 417,000 units and rose by 7.3 percent in the Northeast to a rate of 147,000 units.

New building permits rose by 1.3 percent in November.



Christmas crunch — Postal clerk James Gamez and fellow workers at the Hereford Post Office will be busy Saturday as the postal service struggles to cope with the holiday mailing. The post office will be open all day Saturday to handle Christmas packages.

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Local roundup

Christmas for children toy drive

Deaf Smith County Social services is taking donations of new toys or money to purchase new toys for the Christmas for Children Toy Drive.

Toys or donations can be dropped off at First National Bank, FirstBank Southwest, Hereford Texas Federal Credit Union, or Stevens Chevrolet. Donations can be dropped off any time before the close of business today.

Deaf Smith County Social Services staff will distribute the toys between Dec. 20-22.

Parade of Champions

A "Parade of Champions" will be held Tuesday Dec. 21, to honor the Whiteface volleyball, football and girls cross-country players and coaches.

The parade will begin at 4:45 at Hereford High School, then west on Grand to 25 Mile Avenue, then North to Moreman, then to Whiteface Stadium. The Mighty Maroon marching Band will lead the parade. Spectators are encouraged to line the parade route, then move to the stadium after the parade has passed by.

A brief program will be held at the stadium about 5:10, with introduction of each varsity player and coach. Special presentations will also be made to each head coach, and plans for a "Season of the Century" project will be revealed by the Whiteface Booster Club.

All Herd friends, families, and fans are invited to attend the event, which is sponsored by the Whiteface Booster Club and HISD.

Fund at FirstBank Southwest

A memorial fund for Jimmy Villa has been set up at FirstBank Southwest to help the family pay for funeral services. Mr. Villa died unexpectedly Wednesday at his home.

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News digest

Grand jurors consider carnivals

AUSTIN (AP) — Indictments returned after a teen-age girl died on a carnival ride show the need for more stringent oversight, grand jurors and a prosecutor say.

A Travis County grand jury handed up indictments Thursday against two companies and the owners and operators of a carnival ride.

"Each carnival ride is transported, set up, and torn down by unskilled and poorly trained employees for each of these events," grand jurors wrote to state District Judge Wilford Flowers. "Testimony has indicated that our state has little or no control of this industry."

"As a result of our investigation, we have learned a great deal about the carnival industry that operates in large part in the shadows with transient workers," Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle said Thursday.

"It is a terrible thing for her and her family and if we can use that as a basis for taking action to prevent future tragedies it will have been time and effort well spent," Earle said.

A year and a half after 15-year-old Leslie Lane was thrown from a spinning ride called the Himalaya, the grand jury accused Yuma, Ariz.-based B&B Amusement Company Inc., and Florida-based inspection company Bob Gill and Associates Inc., of recklessly causing her death. Employees of both companies also are named in the indictment.

Sheriff received honorable discharge

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A North Texas sheriff who has used his military police experience in a law-and-order campaign has received an honorable discharge from the Army even though he was labeled absent without leave in the 1970s, records show.

David Williams, who was running for his third term as chief Tarrant County law enforcement officer, was expected to issue a statement today regarding questions about his service record, reported in The Dallas Morning News, that showed he was demoted shortly before leaving the military.

His spokesman, Capt. Herb Chambers, did not return a call today from The Associated Press.

"He has a very honest explanation," Chambers told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in today's editions. "That which has been implicated is incorrect, totally incorrect."

He said the 45-year-old sheriff's reasons for leaving were "personal" and concerned his divorce from his first wife, Rhonda Strom.

"It was one thing in his ... file," Chambers said. "It's a nothing. But if you're trying to make waves, oh, boy, that's a biggie."

The records show Williams was listed as AWOL on April 2, 1976, and was "dropped from rolls (desertion)" on May 6, 1976. His rank apparently changed from "senior military policeman" to "military policeman" in the weeks following the incident.

Williams, who was with the 546th Military Police Company at Fort Sill, Okla., left the service on July 13 of that year.

Records released Thursday from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards, which certifies peace officers, show he was honorably discharged from the Army.

Defendant wants trial moved

HOUSTON (AP) — A drifter who was the subject of a high-profile manhunt wants his Feb. 14 capital murder trial moved to Waco, where he says the Branch Davidian siege played a key role in his life.

In a motion filed Thursday with state District Judge Bill Harmon, Angel Maturino Resendiz asks that his trial in the Dec. 17, 1998, bludgeoning death of West University Place physician Claudia Benton be conducted in Waco, El Paso or Austin.

It was unclear whether Harmon had seen the motion on Thursday, but prosecutor Devon Anderson said she would oppose any change away from Houston.



Kiwanis student of the month — Tori Walker was recently honored as the Kiwanis student of the month. She had been scheduled to receive the honor earlier in the month, but was away at a basketball tournament. Tori is a Hereford High School senior, who is highly involved in school, church and sports activities. She has been a member of the National Honor Society since 1998; is listed in the top 5 percent of her class and has received H-Awards in English, geography, and dual-credit biology. Tori has been listed with Who's Who Among High School Students and received the High School Xtra Sonic Athlete of the Week Scholarship in October. She is active in band, volleyball, basketball and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She participates actively in the First Baptist Youth Group, Tom Simons Youth Group, Community Church and the Catholic church activities. Pictured with her are her parents Jerry and Cindy Walker, and Kiwanis member Lucy Chavez.

Group urges humane treatment of juveniles

By JENNIFER LOVEN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Juvenile offenders are less likely to commit future crimes if they are put in rehabilitation programs and held accountable for their behavior than if they are punished severely, a congressional advisory group said today.

In an annual report, the Coalition for Juvenile Justice said it is a mistake to lock up juveniles at earlier ages for a wider variety of offenses with inadequate therapy, drug treatment and other rehabilitation.

"When centers that confine juveniles are safe, humane and rehabilitative, it's a win-win — both the public and children benefit," said David Doi, executive director of the coalition. "Youthful offenders are not super-predators to be locked away and forgotten."

Policy-makers who are pushing to increase punishment of youthful offenders ignore evidence that juvenile crime is steadily decreasing, the report said. Violent juvenile crime hit its lowest level in a decade in 1998, and had dropped 30 percent since 1994, according to the Justice Department.

However, though there is disagreement over why juvenile arrests are falling, some say the trend is due in part to stiffer sentences for repeat violent offenders.

The group is a coalition of state juvenile justice advisory groups that were created by Congress to help states reduce youth violence and comply with federal requirements. The coalition has issued yearly reports to Congress since 1986.

The new report, called "Ain't No Place Anybody Would Want to Be," looked at youth confinement in America by highlighting the conditions at four facilities:

—The nation's first, and one of its largest, the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center in Chicago. The facility has made progress recently in screening out juveniles who don't need to be there, the report said.

—The District of Columbia jail, an adult facility with few services for the youth housed there.

—The Ferris School in Wilmington, Del., for which the state built a new facility

and improved educational opportunities as resolution for a lawsuit by the American Civil Liberties Union.

—The Giddings State Home and School in Texas, a well-equipped facility that has seen low recidivism as a result of rigorous rehabilitation programs, the report said.

Overall, about 120,000 juveniles are being held in custody each day, nearly 10 percent in adult facilities, the report said. That number has soared 73 percent over the past decade, meaning that almost three-fourths of youths are in overcrowded facilities.

The average stay in detention is two weeks, while the average stay in a long-term facility is about five months. And even though less than one-third are incarcerated for violent crimes, most of those who have committed serious offenses are released within a few years, the report said.

"Without an education, without health care, without practical skills, without transition steps back into their communities, without programs that have turned their antisocial activity into meaningful life lessons, what chance do they have of becoming productive, law-abiding citizens?" the report said. "What chance does society have of being safe?"

In its recommendations, the group urged Congress to encourage a focus on prevention and to alleviate overcrowding by funding more facilities as well as supporting incarceration alternatives. It also asked the administration to enforce minimum federal standards for juvenile facilities.

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Obituaries

VELMA H. BIRCHFIELD
Dec. 15, 1999

DIMMITT — Services for Velma Birchfield, 93, of Dimmitt, will be 2 p.m. Saturday at the Fourth and Bedford Church of Christ in Dimmitt with Mr. Dean Wiseman officiating. Burial will be in Westlawn Memorial Park in Dimmitt under the direction of Foskey-Lilley-McGill Funeral Home.

Mrs. Birchfield died Wednesday.

She was born Jan. 13, 1906, in Summerville County and has lived in Castro County since 1940 and was a member of the Church of Christ. She married Jess Birchfield in 1925 in Donley County.

Survivors include one son, Leon Birchfield of Phoenix, Ariz.; one brother, L.C. Gatewood of Lansing, Kan.; two sisters, Altha Owens of Fort Worth and Wilodyne Brooks of Hereford; three grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by one son and her husband.

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GENE L. ELLIS
Dec. 15, 1999

AMARILLO — Services for

Gene L. Ellis, 59, of Amarillo will be 11 a.m. Saturday in N.S. Griggs & Sons Funeral Directors Pioneer Chapel, with Kenneth Tidmore officiating. Burial will be at 3 p.m. in Amistad Cemetery in Amistad, N.M.

Mr. Ellis died Wednesday.

He was born and raised in Amistad where he graduated from high school in 1958. He worked as a feedmill and ranch hand. He was a member of the Hayden Roping Club and the Amistad Methodist Church.

He married Ethel Reid in 1961 at Tucumcari, N.M.

Survivors include his wife; three sons, Rodney Eynn Ellis of Dalhart, Jeffrey Eugene Ellis of Roswell, N.M., and Trenton Todd Ellis of Dumas; a daughter, Stanlyn Dawn Wooten of Tucumcari; three sisters, Emma Lee Medlock of Lorenzo, Doris McAfee of Clarendon and Vera Dawn Perschbacher of Durant, Okla.; three brothers, Richard Ellis of Hereford, Dale Ellis of Amistad and Doug Ellis of San Jon, N.M. and nine grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to Cal Farley's Boys Ranch.

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Antibiotics cause problems for newborns

ATLANTA (AP) — In a report that shocked pediatricians, the government said a common antibiotic used to treat whooping cough in newborns caused serious stomach problems in babies at a Tennessee hospital.

Doctors said the report from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is the first time that erythromycin has been strongly linked to pyloric stenosis, an illness among newborns that blocks digestion and causes projectile vomiting. The illness must be treated with surgery.

"Wow!" said Dr. William Kanto, director of the children's hospital at the Medical College of Georgia in Augusta. "I think it's going to make everybody pause whenever they decide to give erythromycin to a newborn."

"If I have to use it and don't have an alternative, I'm going to caution the parents."

The CDC said doctors and parents need to be aware of the potentially serious side effect of the antibiotic. But the agency said that doesn't mean doctors should stop prescribing it for whooping cough, which puts most infected babies in the hospital and can be fatal.

A 1994-96 study found an average of about 1,900 cases of whooping cough a year among infants in the United States.

"CDC is still recommending for a newborn who has a known exposure to whooping cough that erythromycin be given as treatment of choice," said Dr. Margaret Honein, the CDC epidemiologist who wrote the report.

A hospital in Knoxville, Tenn., prescribed erythromycin to 200 babies born there in February after they were exposed to whooping cough by a hospital worker, the CDC said.

Seven of the newborns became ill with pyloric stenosis, in which a muscle at the bottom of the stomach enlarges, blocking food from passing to the small intestine. All of the babies recovered.

It is rare for a large number of infants to be prescribed erythromycin at the same place and time, but that's what enabled the CDC to make the connection between the antibiotic and pyloric stenosis. The side effect is apparently too rare for doctors to see the link in isolated cases.

Erythromycin can give older children and adults an upset stomach.

Need

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Christmas, but these families need food and clothing all year long. We would like to see the spirit of Christmas be a 365-day thing. Not just something that comes about during the holidays," said McDougal. "We try to let our clients know these gifts are a result of the greatest gift ever given. The birth of the child in a manager."

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Emergency services

Activities reported by emergency services personnel for Dec. 16, 1999, include the following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT Incidents

— A Christmas ornament was stolen from the 100 block of Quince.

— Graffiti was reported in the 900 block of Lee. Damage is estimated at \$75.

— Domestic assault was reported in the 400 block of Knight. Suspect was arrested.

SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT Arrests

— A 42-year-old man was arrested and charged with driving while license was suspended.

— A 22 year-old man was brought in on a bench warrant.

Incidents

— A sexual assault of a child was reported.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

— 11:09 p.m. Firefighters responded to several vehicles hitting loose cattle one mile west on Highway 60.

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Texas lottery

Cash Five
The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery:
11-21-23-28-30

Pick 3
The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
4-5-7

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Ribbon cutting — Hereford Hustlers welcome another new business in Hereford to the Deaf Smith County Chamber of Commerce with a ribbon cutting. Ron's Tack Shack, 128 E. Fifth, is operated by Ron Shirley, center. Assisting with the ribbon cutting is his wife, Carla, left of center, members of the Hustlers and other well-wishers.

What's for Lunch

School Menus

HEREFORD I.S.D.
Breakfast
MONDAY-Waffles with syrup; or cereal, buttered toast, mixed fruit, milk choice.
TUESDAY-Breakfast pizza; or cereal, buttered toast, pineapple juice, milk choice.
WEDNESDAY-Little smokies, biscuit and jelly; or cereal, buttered toast, diced peaches, milk choice.
THURSDAY-No school. Christmas Holidays.
FRIDAY-No school. Christmas Holidays.

Lunch
MONDAY-Pepperoni pizza, garden salad with dressing, seasoned corn, hot peach cobbler, milk choice.
TUESDAY-Chicken fried steak patty with gravy, whipped potatoes, black-eyed peas, whole wheat roll, strawberry apple dessert, milk choice.
WEDNESDAY-Chili dog with mustard, border beans, French fries with catsup, fruit, Rice Krispie treat, milk choice.
THURSDAY-No school. Christmas Holidays.

FRIDAY-No school. Christmas Holidays.

ST. ANTHONY'S SCHOOL
MONDAY-Spaghetti with meat sauce, black-eyed peas, corn, toast, peanut butter cake, milk.
TUESDAY-Sloppyjoes, french fries, vegetarian beans, apple crisp, milk.
WEDNESDAY-No lunch served. Dismissal at 12 noon.
THURSDAY-No school. Christmas Holidays.
FRIDAY-No school. Christmas Holidays.

Today in History

By The Associated Press
 Today is Friday, Dec. 17, the 351st day of 1999. There are 14 days left in the year.
Today's Highlight in History
 On Dec. 17, 1903, Orville and Wilbur Wright went on the first successful manned powered-airplane flights, near Kitty Hawk, N.C.
On this date:
 In 1939, the German pocket battleship "Graf Spee" was scuttled by its crew, ending the World War II Battle of the River Plate off Uruguay.
 In 1944, the U.S. Army announced it was ending its policy of excluding Japanese-Americans from the West Coast.
 In 1957, the United States successfully test-fired the "Atlas" intercontinental ballistic missile for the first time.
 In 1969, the U.S. Air Force

closed its Project "Blue Book" by concluding there was no evidence of extraterrestrial spacecrafts behind thousands of UFO sightings.
 In 1969, an estimated 50 million TV viewers watched singer Tiny Tim marry his fiancée, Miss Vicki, on NBC's "Tonight Show."
 In 1975, Lynette Fromme was sentenced in federal court in Sacramento, Calif., to life in prison for her attempt on the life of President Ford.
 In 1979, in a case that aggravated racial tensions, Arthur McDuffie, a black insurance executive, was fatally beaten after a police chase in Miami. Four white police officers were later acquitted of charges stemming from McDuffie's death.
Ten years ago: More than 100,000 Soviet citizens turned out to honor the late human

rights advocate Andrei D. Sakharov, a day before he was buried in Moscow.
Five years ago: North Korea shot down a U.S. Army helicopter which had strayed north of the demilitarized zone — the co-pilot, Chief Warrant Officer David Hilemon, was killed; the pilot, Chief Warrant Officer Bobby Hall, was captured and held for nearly two weeks. Six shots were fired at the White House by an unidentified gunman.
One year ago: The United States hit Iraq with a second wave of punishing airstrikes. Republicans advanced the impeachment case against President Clinton to the House floor for a debate the following day. House Speaker-designate Bob Livingston shocked fellow Republicans by admitting he'd had extramarital affairs.

'How we met' letters continue

Dear Ann Landers: I know you swore off "how we met" letters for a while, but I hope the moratorium is over, because here's mine:

We lived only 3 miles apart. She lived in the Austin area of Chicago, and I lived in Oak Park, a suburb. We met 3,000 miles away.

After seven months of combat in Europe and two months of occupation duty, my unit, the 81st Field Artillery, was shipped to Marseilles, France, in July 1945, en route to the invasion of Japan. Our equipment went on a slow freighter. We were waiting for faster troop transport when the Japanese surrendered and, of course, that changed everything. Troops with five years' service were sent home, while we short-timers were transferred to other units. I ended up in a combat engineer unit servicing Army facilities in the Marseilles area.

In mid-December, I ran into a fellow who invited me to be a fourth for bridge with his Red Cross heartthrob and an Army nurse-anesthetist whom he had double-dated back in Chicago. I met that Army nurse on Dec. 21, and fell for her like a ton of bricks. Unfortunately, she was very popular, and I couldn't get a date with her until Christmas night.

After that first date, it became a steady romance. Ten days later, she received orders to return to the States, and I was devastated. With my fingers crossed, I asked her to marry me. She surprised me by saying, "Yes," but said I would have to ask her parents for permission. I thought this was very old-fashioned, but I admired her for it. She also told me she wanted to have five children (she was one of five), and would I agree to that? I thought that was an awful lot of children, but I did agree, thinking I could review the bidding later. I returned to the States in June, got her



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parents' blessing, and we were married in July.

Ten years later, we had the five children she wanted — three girls and two boys. Our wonderful family now includes several sons- and daughters-in-law and 10 grandchildren. We feel blessed, and could not be happier. — C.E.P. in Cranford, N.J.

Dear C.E.P.: What a beautiful love story. Talk about good fortune! You've had a ton of it. I hope Lady Luck continues to smile on you. You sound like a wonderful guy, and she sounds like the perfect choice.

And now, dear readers, here's one more. This one, I LOVED:

Dear Ann Landers: This is not a "how we met" letter, this is a "how THEY met" letter. It was at my house over dinner. My daughter had asked me to invite two of her friends who didn't know each other. No matchmaking, just a nice dinner.

Conversation during the first course was animated and amicable. By the time the main course came around, the conversation had taken a sharp turn. I realized I had two politically polarized individuals,

one conservative, and the other liberal. By dessert, they came very near to pelting each other with Key Lime pie.

After dinner, they went their separate ways, and I said to myself, "That was certainly a disaster. Those two hated each other."

Three weeks later, my daughter phoned to say, "Well, they're engaged." I thought to myself, "That marriage is going to be a catastrophe. Those two are like fire and water." Well, Ann, they have been married 27 years, and are the most loving couple I've ever seen. Whoever said opposites attract certainly knew what he or she was talking about. — Coral Gables, Fla.

Dear Coral Gables: I learned long ago never to try and second-guess Cupid. You'll get tripped up every time.

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FELLOWSHIP OF BELIEVERS

In the FOB hymnal there are 43 hymns for Advent and Christmas. But there are only four Sundays in Advent, plus Christmas Eve and then two Sundays that make up the traditional 12 days of Christmas. That's six hymns per week for seven expressions of worship. Remove one ice-Sunday (12/5) and the fact that FOB will not meet for gathered worship on Dec. 26. Do the math. Suddenly a whole bunch of hymns won't get sung.

FOB is fixing that problem by asking the congregants on this, the Fourth Sunday of Advent, to choose their favorite Christmas hymns. Call it a choose-your-own-song-sing-a-long. That way everybody gets to sing his or her favorite carols.

This is how it is at FOB: adapt, adopt, change, alter, adjust. As an independent congregation there are no denominational obligations, no hierarchy to answer to, and no sacred traditions to uphold. This is why FOB can choose not to gather for worship on Dec. 26. Christmas Eve services on Friday will serve as the worship of the week. Very Jewish!

Christmas Eve worship on Friday, Dec. 24 begins at 5:30 p.m. and concludes no later than 8:15. Dr. Seuss will read about the Grinch. Carols will be sung and candles will be lit. And -- our own Dorina Guerrero will sing "Silent Night" as the church moves quietly into Christmas Eve and Day.

This Sunday (12/19) the church will be graced with a solo by one of her young people, Jennifer Brock. She will sing, "Joy to the World." The pastor's sermon is entitled, "When Talking Will Not Do" (Luke 1:26-46).

FOB is located at 245 N. Kingwood (at Moreman), next door to Hereford Care Center.

A supervised nursery is available at all services.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

First Church extends a warm Christmas greeting and invitation to Sunday morning's worship service, beginning at 10:45, with Dr. Tom Fuller bringing the message on "The Gift to the Magi" from Matthew 2:1-12. Special music will be offered by a guest brass ensemble of Jerry Harmon, Flint Dollar, Jay Crawford and Darren Sliney.

An advent program for all ages, "Christmas as a Child," will feature music from the Sanctuary, Youth, Carol and Sunshine Choirs at 5 p.m. Sunday. The musical/drama will focus on the meaning of Christmas and how to personally experience the excitement of Christ's birth with the enthusiasm of a child. All are welcome to attend.

Church youth are invited to a White Elephant Christmas Party Sunday at 6:30 p.m. at Cory's house. Bring a friend and a gift.

There is still time to order a poinsettia at the cost of \$8 for the church sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one. Call the church office.

Adults will have the opportunity to join The Great Adventure, a small group devotional program that combines daily private study with weekly group discussion and prayer. This devotional is designed to meet spiritual and social needs of the participants.

The Jubilate Ringers Holiday Concert will precede the Christmas Eve communion service at 8:45.

There will not be an 8:30 a.m. Sunday service until Jan. 2.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Immanuel and Pastor Erik Stadler invite you to come worship with us Sunday at 10:30 a.m. We are located at the corner of Avenue B and Park.

This Sunday we will have our Children's Christmas Pageant as the feature for our service.

Immanuel will celebrate Christmas Eve with a special service at 7 p.m. on Dec. 24. Christmas Day service will be at 10:30 a.m.

We hope to have you join us at any one of our services or activities at Immanuel. If you have questions, contact Immanuel Lutheran Church at 364-1668.

HEREFORD CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Pastor Ted Taylor and the Nazarene congregation invite you to join us at 10:30 a.m. Sunday for our family worship service. We will have a special children's presentation of "Down in Bethlehem" that promises to touch your heart. Pastor Ted's message will be "Peace on Earth Begins in Your Heart."

We would also love to have you come at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday School and we promise to have a class that just fits your needs.

Come after the Christmas program and support the kids going to summer camp at the bake sale fundraiser in the fireside room. Frozen breakfast casseroles and other baked goods will be waiting for you.

Join us at 6 p.m. Sunday around the piano with the adult choir for an "Intimate Look at Christmas." Afterwards we will have dessert and coffee in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday evening at 7 everyone is invited to a caroling party followed by SWORD serving chili to the carolers in the fireside room.

There will be no Word Rangers until Jan. 5 and no Heavenbound Choir this Sunday or Dec. 26.

There will be no Sunday evening teen meetings or Club Paradise until the new year and there will be no Monday night football at Tim and Kelly's on Dec. 20. The combined junior and senior high Christmas Project and Dinner is at 2 p.m. Saturday.

Nazarene Kid's Korner Day Care is open on Wednesday and Friday from 7:20 a.m.-5:50 p.m. We will be closed Dec. 22, Dec. 24 and Dec. 31, but will be open Dec. 29. For more information, call NKK at 364-8161 and talk to Monica Holcombe.

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

This is the Fourth Sunday of Advent and the readings are 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-

12, 14 and 16; Romans 16:25-27 and Luke 1:26-38. The great messenger, Gabriel, makes his appearance in this Gospel. All are welcome to worship with us at St. Anthony's liturgies at 8 p.m. Saturday and 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Sunday. Christmas Eve liturgies are 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. Christmas Day liturgy is 10 a.m. only.

St. Nicholas' photos with the children will be displayed on both front church entryway bulletin boards beginning this weekend.

If you would like to donate to a Christmas gift fund for Monsignor Blum, please bring your monetary gift by the parish office and sign a card, between 9 a.m.-noon and 1-5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

High school and junior high youth will have choir practice at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the church.

"Hanging of the Greens" will take place at 10 a.m. Thursday. Everyone is invited to take time from busy schedules to make the church look extra special for this wonderful season.

All are invited to spend a festive New Year's Eve beginning with liturgy at 11 p.m. followed by food and fun. Bring bells from home to ring in the new year, new century and new millennium.

An Epiphany brunch will be held at 10 a.m. Jan. 5 in the Antonian Room. The food will follow prayer and a brief study time.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The friendly folks of First Presbyterian Church welcome you to our fellowship and service of worship. At our 10:30 a.m. service this Sunday, the choir will present a Christmas program titled "His Name is Jesus."

Soloists will be Nathan Abernethy, Lynn Kriegshauser and Elisabeth Abernethy, Gene Streun, and Jo Witter.

We have a variety of Sunday morning classes for all ages and for people with special challenges as well as mid-week Bible studies and a men's book study. Come and take part in the opportunity to grow in faith and increase in love.

Everyone is welcome to join us for our time of Sunday morning fellowship and a cup of coffee in the Large Fellowship Hall of the back parking lot. We start at 10:10 a.m. and wrap up before worship.

Junior and Senior High youth groups will not meet this week.

Prayer Group gathers in praise and intercession at 6 p.m. Monday.

Check out our new Playgroup for Moms and their young children. They meet from 10-11:30 a.m. Wednesday. Call Amy at 363-8967 for more information.

Youth and children's Wednesday night program, LOGOS, will not meet this week.

The Sanctuary Choir meets at 8 p.m. Wednesday for practice.

Come see what's happening at First Presbyterian Church. We'd love to welcome you as one of the family. Contact us at frstpres@wtrt.net or 364-2471. We're located at 610 N. Lee St.

TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Everyone is invited to join the congregation of Temple Baptist Church for worship Sunday. Sunday school classes for all ages begin at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship is at 11.

We are observing Advent in our morning services in December.

Remember that the combined choirs from Temple and Avenue Baptist churches will present the Christmas Cantata, "Season's Greetings," at 6 p.m. at Avenue Baptist on Sunday.

Each church will host a fellowship following the performance at their respective churches. The public is invited to attend this special musical presentation.

Wednesday at 7 p.m. we meet for prayer meeting. Everyone is invited to join us in intercessory prayer and then study passages of the Bible.

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

All are invited to come and worship and pray with us as we celebrate the Second Sunday of Advent. Our liturgies are Saturday at 6 p.m. (Spanish) and Sunday 9 a.m. (Spanish) and 11:30 a.m. (English).

TYM (Total Youth Ministry) will gather Wednesday at 7 p.m. Cursillistas will have their weekly Ultreya immediately after the 7 p.m. Mass on Wednesday. Cursillistas and non-Cursillistas are invited.

The San Jose Prayer Group will hold its meeting after the 7 p.m. Mass on Thursday. All are invited.

WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Pastor Tammy Passmore and the members of Wesley invite you to visit our services each Sunday.

Sunday school is at 10 a.m. and the worship service is at 11 a.m. Sunday evening worship service begins at 6.

The first Sunday of each month is Communion Sunday.

TEMPLO EL CALVARIO ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Rev. Jesus D. Garza, pastor, and Ben Gonzalez, minister of youth, invite you to the bilingual services at Templo El Calvario.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. with worship at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Monday youth services are at 7 p.m. Wednesday evening service is at 7.

There is a children's service during the Sunday and Wednesday evening services.

A nursery is provided for all services.

For more information, call 364-5886.

SUMMERFIELD BAPTIST CHURCH

Brother Ellis Parson and the congregation of Summerfield Baptist Church extend a warm welcome to come and worship with us. We are located 6 miles west of Hereford on Hwy. 60.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. and Sunday worship service is at 10:45

a.m. Sunday evening worship service is at 6 p.m. Wednesday service begins at 7 p.m. The study is on Proverbs.

Acteen, youth and R.A. will meet at 7 p.m. through Sept. 2000.

We have a nursery, and transportation is only a phone call away.

For more information, call 357-2535 or 364-5657.

BARN CHURCH

Pastor Randy Bird invites everyone to attend the Barn Church services every Thursday evening at 7 p.m. Bring your friends and come for fellowship and a wonderful time of celebrating the abundant blessings God has given us.

Barn Church is located 6 miles west on Harrison Hwy. And then 2 1/2 miles north on Hwy. 1057.

Check the schedule of events in this month's newsletter to find out about December activities at Barn Church.

Everyone is welcome to attend any and all of our services for the Christmas season. The entire month of December we are celebrating Advent in our 10:50 a.m. Sunday services.

This Sunday at 10:50 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. the Adult Choir will present "A Christmas To Remember," a musical celebrating the birth of the Christ child and the work of our Savior.

So you see, there is something for everyone and all are welcome.

AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Jim Bulin and the congregation of Avenue Baptist Church, 130 North 25 Mile Avenue, invite you to worship with them.

Sunday morning worship is at 11. Rev. Bulin's sermon title will be "The Best Tidings" from Luke 2:1-14.

Sunday evening at Avenue Baptist Church will be the presentation of the Christmas Cantata, "Season's Greetings," at 6 p.m. by the combined choirs of Temple Baptist and Avenue Baptist churches. Avenue Baptist will host a fellowship following the performance.

Avenue Baptist is bringing a Bible study to the residents of Hereford Care Center at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays. Feel free to join us as we study and sing in ministry to these good people.

All Wednesday night activities have been canceled. There will be a church-wide caroling at 6 p.m. Wednesday night.

International Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering will be emphasized during December at Avenue Baptist Church. The goal is \$1,800 for the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

The church offices will be closed Dec. 23 and Dec. 24.

Avenue Baptist Church wishes a safe and meaningful Christmas holiday to everyone.

ST. THOMAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Our church shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples.

On the Fourth Sunday of Advent, our rector, The Rev. Dr. Lamuel G. Salik, will be the celebrant for Sunday services at St. Thomas.

Children's Sunday school and adult Bible study are at 9:30 a.m. The Holy Eucharist service is at 11 a.m.

We extend a cordial welcome to our visitors and newcomers. All baptized persons are invited to receive communion at the Lord's Table. Please stay for coffee and refreshments after the service.

On Wednesday at 7 p.m. there will be the celebration of Holy Communion along with a Healing Service including the Laying on of Hands. At 7:45 p.m. there will be a short Bible study. Please come join us.

Heavenly Treasures Day Care meets at St. Thomas' on Monday through Friday. For information on enrollment, please call Sylvia Martinez at 363-6468.

In case of emergency call Jerro Clark at 364-0943.

Anyone in need of pastoral service including counseling or visiting or any questions, please call Father Salik at St. Thomas 364-0146, home 364-57008 or cellular 346-3485.

If you need a ride to church, call 364-0146 and leave a message.

GENESIS CHURCH

Pastor Jesse Rincones and the congregation of Genesis Church invite you and your family to join in worship and praise this Sunday. Our Spanish speaking service begins at 9 a.m. followed by Bible study classes for all ages at 10 a.m. Our English speaking service begins at 11 a.m. You are invited to make plans and bring the entire family to worship together with us.

Membership class, Genesis 101, is at 6 p.m. Sunday for all who would like to be part of this church family, current and new members. Come and discover God's love and purpose for you. You will be comforted and challenged by the word of God, spoken through Pastor Jesse. God has something special prepared for you.

The church is located just outside the city limits on N. Hwy. 395. Please accept this as a personal invitation for you and your family from Pastor Rincones. For more information call 364-2034 or 364-5765.

GOOD NEWS CHURCH

Superfund Mall Pastor David Alvarado and the Good News congregation invite you to come and worship the Lord Jesus Christ with us in the spirit of love.

Sunday services are at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Weeknight services are at 7 p.m.

If you have any questions or you need prayer, please call Pastor David Alvarado at 364-5236. God bless you.

NEW HOPE CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

The members of New Hope Church of the Nazarene and their pastor Tony de Aquino invite you to worship with them.

Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship is at 10:30. Evening worship is at 6 on Sunday and 7 on Wednesday.

The youth meet Friday at 7 p.m. There are monthly meetings for men and women.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Travis Curry and the members of Bible Baptist Church would like to wish each and every one who might read this a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

You are also invited to worship with us each Sunday morning at 10 for Sunday School and at 11 for the worship service. We also meet at 6 p.m. on Sunday and 7 p.m. on Wednesday.

We would like to be a blessing to you and to your entire family.

We are located at 1204 Moreman, on the corner of Greenwood and Moreman. If you need more information or transportation, please call 364-3102 or 364-5157.

WESTWAY BAPTIST CHURCH This season of rejoicing and praise we urge each of you to join with us as we worship. Each week we are blessed by joining together in prayer, praise and worship.

Come and be encouraged as Pastor Mark Purifoy preaches Christ and Him crucified, arisen and alive.

The Christmas program, "A Candle for Christmas," has been prepared by four-year-olds through youth and will be presented this Sunday at 11 a.m.

Sunday school is at 10 a.m., morning worship is at 11 and Sunday evening Bible study is at 6.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD Pastor Mike Sullivan and the church family of Hereford First Assembly of God would like to invite you to worship with us this Sunday in our morning worship service at 10:45.

Our evening worship service at 6.

Sunday School starts at 9:45 a.m., with coffee and doughnuts served prior for all those that come early to solve the world's problems. Preparational prayer begins 30 minutes before the services.

During the week, our Ladies Burning Bush group meets for prayer and study on Tuesdays at 10 a.m., and our Royal Rangers and Missionettes programs meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday is Family Night, with Team Trinity Youth, our Children's Service, and our mid-week prayer and Bible study for adults in the sanctuary. All that starts at 7 p.m. A nursery is provided for all services.

If you have a home church, be faithful to it. If not, come with us or any of the great churches here in Hereford. You and your family need to be impacted by the love of Jesus Christ. If you need a ride, prayer, or general information, please call 364-0305. At First Assembly, you come in to worship, but go out to serve.

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH There has been a flood of perversity and evil released upon the earth today and we see the results in the violence, anarchy and willful disobedience of people. But there has also been a flood of righteousness released upon the earth and this is indeed the finest hour of the church. Join Pastor Brady Boyd this Sunday for a message entitled, "The Coming Flood." Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. at 401 W. Park Ave. and professional childcare is available.

Trinity Fellowship believes in a passionate expression of worship that glorifies God, a commitment to prayer and service and a devotion to developing a lifelong intimacy with Christ.

Sunday school starts at 9:30 a.m. and is designed for children and adults of all ages. We have one adult class that focuses on the Holy Spirit and another that focuses on the marriage relationship.

Son Seekers children's church and Sunday school is a true worship experience designed just for children.

Each Sunday night, our youth meet weekly for ministry and worship at 6 p.m. This is a special time of praise and worship, teaching and fellowship that will encourage your teens to radically serve Jesus.

Join our church family on Christmas Eve at 6 p.m. for a special candlelight service celebrating the birth of Jesus. On New Year's Eve, help us usher in a new millennium with prayer and worship starting at 10 p.m. We will have a full breakfast for everyone following the service.

The next citywide worship service will be Jan. 16 at Trinity Fellowship Church and will feature Roger Hodges and his worship band. The service will also be a time to pray for the sanctity of life and healing for those who have suffered from the pain of abortion.

Youth Breakthrough 2000 is scheduled for Jan. 22-24 and Jan. 26 at four different local churches. These youth services will feature worship, prayer and a message from Dave Boyd of Trinity Fellowship Church in Amarillo.

COMMUNITY CHURCH Pastor Dorman Duggan and the congregation of Community Church invite you to come and worship and praise with them Sunday morning.

Sunday school for all ages begins at 9:30 a.m. and the morning worship service starts at 10:30. A nursery is provided.

The necessary Prayer Group meets Monday 8-9 p.m.

Tuesday morning at 9:30 the Ladies Prayer Group meets.

On Wednesday we have our Children's Church and Youth Group meet at 7 p.m. Also, we have our Home Groups for anyone over 18-years-of-age. Call 364-5865 for information on plans and times for Home Groups.

For more information or if you need prayer, call 364-5865 or 364-2423.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Pastor Ed Warren and the church congregation invite the public to all services at the church located on E. Hwy. 395 and Columbia St.

For additional information, call 364-3487.

COUNTRY ROAD CHURCH OF GOD

401 Country Club Drive Pastor Woody Wiggins and the church congregation invite the public to attend all services and activities at the church.

The following is the regular schedule of services.

Sunday school begins at 10 a.m. and the Sunday worship services are held at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Services are conducted at 6 p.m. each Wednesday.

Thursday evening prayer service is at 6 p.m.

Gospel singing will be held the last Sunday of each month starting at 5 p.m.

A nursery is provided during all services.

Pastor Wiggins says, "Come and experience what God is doing here - a church where the Spirit is alive and God is moving by His power, a church full of love where you are somebody and Jesus is Lord."

Our 24 hour prayer line is 364-5390.

FRIO BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Larry Perkins and the congregation of Frio Baptist Church welcome all to worship with them. The church is located 5 miles south of Hereford on Hwy. 1055.

For more information call 276-5380 or 276-5616.

CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY

Christian Assembly is a non-denominational church. We have Sunday services at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday nights at 7 there is prayer meeting at the church, and the "in home" youth group, RU4 HIM. There is also a women's prayer group that meets at 2 p.m. Thursdays.

We don't look alike. We don't act alike. We don't dress alike. We aren't all the same color. We are all alike in wanting to welcome new people and love them, so please feel free to join us in worshipping and seeking the Lord. You can also call 364-0974, 364-2284 or 364-7342 for more information.

CENTRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST

Come worship with us each and every Sunday at 10:35 a.m. and 6 p.m. Bible Classes are held Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m. for all ages.

We are located at the corner of Sunset and Plains.

We would like to invite everyone to hear, "In Search of the Lord's Way," by Mack Lyon each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. on Channel 4, Amarillo.

We would love to have you come and study God's word with us. Our minister is Tom Bailey.

NEW BEGINNINGS ASSEMBLY OF GOD BILINGUAL CHURCH

The congregation of New Beginnings along with Pastor Armando Pinales and his wife, Nilda, would cordially like to invite you to join us this Sunday morning at 9:45 for an incredible study. There are classes for all ages, so bring your kids.

Sunday evening praise and worship is at 6.

Wednesday night Bible study is at 7.

Youth service is at 7 p.m. Friday. The ladies meet for prayer and Bible study on Thursdays at 7 p.m. If you need prayer call 363-0104. God bless you. See you in church. We are located at 503 E. 13th St.

FIRST UNITED PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

Pastor Warren McKibben is pleased to announce the opening of an Acts 2:38 Bible believing church. We welcome all for a truly down to earth praise and worship experience with our Lord.

If you are seeking answers, come and let's worship together in the name of Jesus. If you are looking for a blessing and still believe in miracles, then this is the place to come. We are one big happy family of God.

We invite all to attend our services at 2 p.m. Sunday.

For further information, call 1-800-454-8051.

DAWN BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor Charles Ellingburg invites you to come and worship with the Dawn Baptist Church.

Sunday School classes for anyone from Nursery through Adult III begin at 10 a.m. Adult III will still be studying Jonah. Everyone is welcome for Sunday school.

Sunday morning service is at 11. Evening service starts at 6 with singing of favorite hymns.

Wednesday night at 7 is Bible study with a fellowship dinner.

We are still praying for the growth of our church and 10 new members.

If you need a church to worship and hear the Word, then Dawn Baptist Church is the place for you. If you have further questions, you may call Pastor Ellingburg at 259-7330.

FAITH MISSION CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Come and worship with us at Faith Mission Church of God in Christ, 307-309 Brevard.

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. We teach it like it is.

Morning worship is at 11 a.m. We preach it like it is.

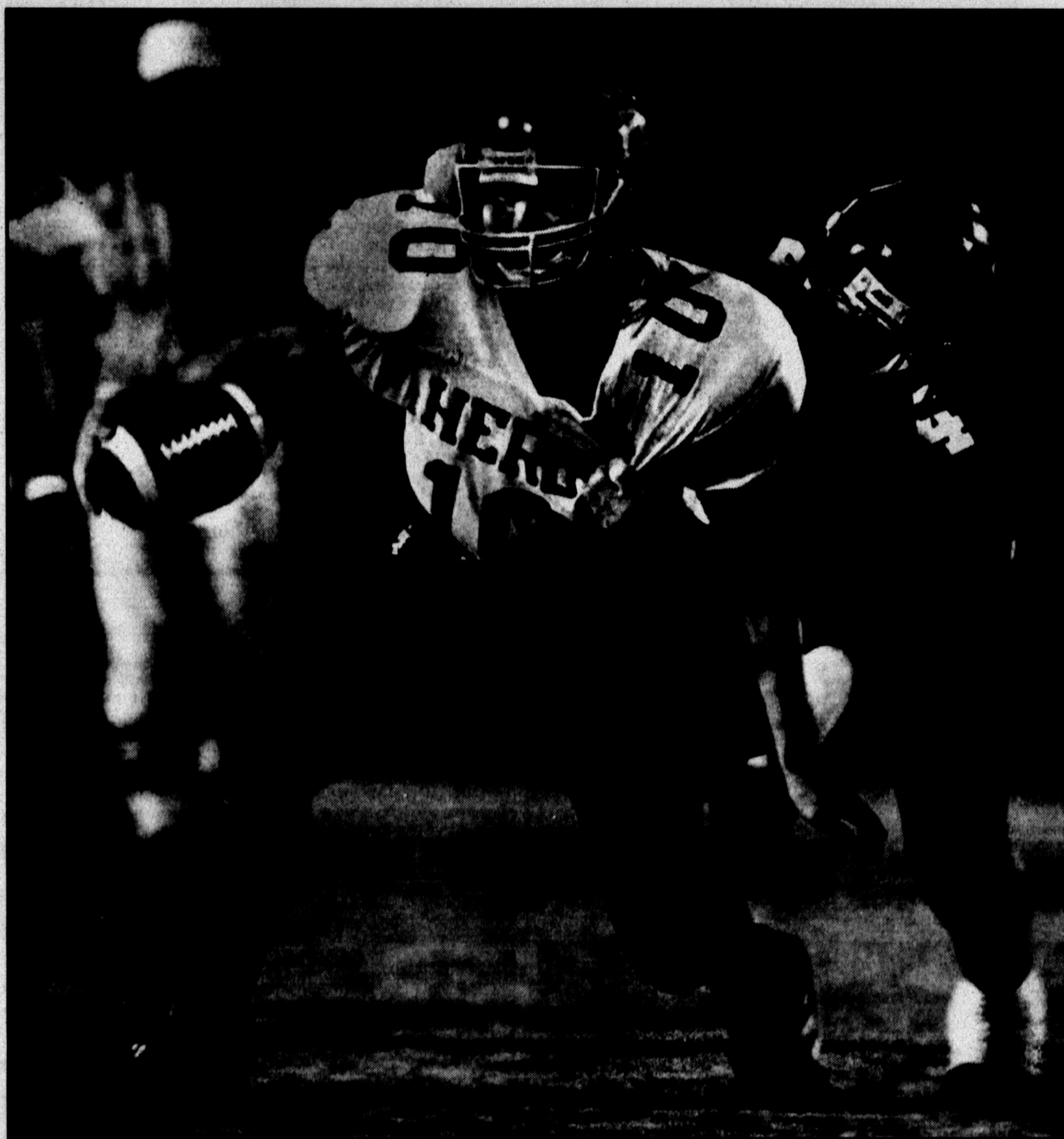
Richard Collins, pastor, said, "We neither take from, nor add to, what's written in The Book."

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All-State Scrambler



Cody Hodges, shown above scrambling against Dumas, is the only Hereford Whiteface player selected in the Class 4A Associated Press All-State team. Hodges was mentioned on the honorable mention list. View list on Page 6.

Knicks thump Mavericks, 100-93

DALLAS (AP) — Allan Houston's confidence soars with the ball in his hands and the game on the line.

The Knicks guard scored 10 of his season-high 31 points in the fourth quarter to help New York to its fifth straight victory, 100-93 over the Dallas Mavericks on Thursday night.

"I want the ball at that point in time," said Houston, who went 5-for-8 from the field in the final 12 minutes. "I want us to win. I was getting my legs into my shots, getting good balance. When I'm doing that, I've got a good chance to make shots. I felt good about it."

Marcus Camby added 17 points and 12 rebounds, and Latrell Sprewell had 15 points for New York, which has won seven of its last eight.

Patrick Ewing added 14 points and seven rebounds in 24 minutes for the Knicks in his fourth game back from an Achilles injury that sidelined him for the first 20 games.

"Pat is our good luck charm," Camby said. "We haven't lost since he's been back."

Dirk Nowitzki scored 24 points and Michael Finley added 20 to lead the Mavericks, who have lost five of six.

The Knicks took a 10-point lead early in the fourth quarter, but the Mavericks closed to 86-82 with 4:10 left on Hubert Davis' two free throws.

Houston connected on jumpers on consecutive possessions

to boost New York's advantage to 90-82 with three minutes left.

The Mavericks made one more charge, cutting the deficit to 90-89 on a 7-0 run capped by Nowitzki's 3-pointer and Finley's layup with 1:35 left.

But Houston hit two more jumpers on back-to-back possessions for a 94-89 lead, then Ewing converted two free throws with 35.6 seconds remaining to push the advantage to 96-89.

Dallas closed to 75-74 early in the fourth quarter on baskets by Cedric Ceballos and Nowitzki.

But New York took an 84-74 lead with a 9-0 run capped by Sprewell's desperation 3-pointer with 6:35 left and the shot clock about to expire.

Houston's big shots and the Knicks team defense did in the Mavericks.

Larry Johnson's layup with 2.6 seconds left in the third quarter gave the Knicks a 75-70 lead that they took into the fourth quarter.

Dallas got off to an 11-2 start, and the Mavericks were in front 31-20 early in the second quarter. But New York recovered with a 21-4 second-quarter run fueled by Camby's 11 points to send the Knicks to a 41-35 edge.

Dallas finished the second quarter with an 8-2 run and at halftime the score was tied at 43.

Carruth returned to Charlotte to face murder charges

By Woody Baird
The Associated Press

JACKSON, Tenn. (AP) — Rae Carruth is awaiting a trip back to Charlotte, N.C., to face charges he masterminded a plot to kill his pregnant girlfriend.

Arrested Wednesday night after he was found hiding in a car trunk in a nearby town, the suspended NFL player waived extradition at a federal court hearing Thursday.

He could be transported the 500 miles to Charlotte as soon as today, but federal authorities wouldn't say when they planned to take him there.

Carruth was waived by the Carolina Panthers on Thursday and suspended indefinitely by the NFL. Prosecutors said they would seek the death penalty against him and three other defendants.

"We anticipate that aggravated circumstances would exist" to warrant the death penalty, Assistant District Attorney Gentry Caudill told Superior Court Judge Robert Johnston in Charlotte at a hearing for one of Carruth's co-defendants.

The four are charged with the drive-by shooting of Cherica Adams, 24, on Nov. 16. She was shot four times in her car and died Tuesday at a Charlotte hospital. Her child, Chancellor, was born by emergency delivery 10 weeks premature, but is steadily improving.

At his first hearing before U.S. District Judge James Todd, Carruth was required only to acknowledge his identity and agree not to fight his return to North Carolina. He faces a federal charge of fleeing across state lines to avoid prosecution.

Wearing handcuffs and leg irons, the former wide receiver — sidelined by a sprained ankle since the Oct. 17 49ers game — responded only with "yes, sir" when asked at several points if he understood his legal rights.

Asked if he intended to oppose a return to North Carolina, he said, "I'm going to voluntarily go back." Carruth's family has steadfastly maintained his innocence, but the player and his attorneys have not said what plea they will enter.

Todd ordered Carruth held without bail and turned him over to U.S. marshals. He was captured Wednesday by the FBI in a motel parking lot in Wildersville, in west Tennessee.

An affidavit filed with his federal arrest warrant said the FBI learned of his whereabouts from someone associated with the bond company responsible for his \$3 million bail in North Carolina.

Ronnie DeLapp, who posted Carruth's bond, said Carruth's mother, Theodry Carruth, supplied the tip that led to the player. The Charlotte Observer reported Thursday night on its Internet site.

DeLapp said Theodry Carruth notified him Wednesday afternoon that he should expect a call from a woman named Wendy, who later contacted him and said she was with Carruth.

Published reports identified the woman with Carruth as Wendy Cole of Charlotte, a hairstylist who befriended him and his family when they moved to Charlotte. She owned the Toyota Camry in which Carruth was hiding, The Herald of Rock Hill, S.C., reported today. No charges have

been filed against her.

At a bond hearing Thursday in Charlotte, co-defendant, William Edward Watkins, 44, the alleged triggerman, expressed regret at Adams' death to District Judge Phil Howerton.

"Your honor, I want to tell the court how sorry I am for the death of Cherica Adams and the baby she brought into this world," Watkins said.

Howerton revoked bail for Watkins, Michael Eugene Kennedy, 24, and Stanley Drew "Boss" Abraham, 19. All are charged with first-degree murder.

Adams was shot four times in the neck and chest from a passing vehicle as she sat in her car in a Charlotte suburb.

Carruth was in a car near the shooting, and the three other men were in a separate vehicle talking with him by cell phone, according to prosecutors.

Authorities have not mentioned a motive for the shooting. But Adams' mother, Sandra Adams, said Carruth had spoken with her daughter about an abortion early in the pregnancy. Mrs. Adams said Carruth later seemed excited about the baby, but then appeared "more pressured" after he was injured in October.

Caudill said because of Adams' death, authorities probably will drop previous charges of attempted murder and assault with a deadly weapon with intent to inflict serious injury.

That would leave charges of first-degree murder, conspiracy to commit first-degree murder and shooting into an occupied vehicle against the four.

Carruth was in the third year of a four-year, \$3.7 mil-

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Correction

Wednesday's issue of the *Hereford Brand* listed the District 3-4A football team recipients. The *Brand* failed to list Kyle Artho as a second team All-District running back.

We Regret the error.

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The Class 4A All-State Team

DALLAS (AP) — The Class 4A All-State high school football team, released Thursday, as voted on by The Associated Press Sports Editors based on regular-season performance:

CLASS 4A FIRST TEAM OFFENSE LINEMEN

Claude Terrell, La Marque, 6-6, 315, Sr. — Three-year varsity player, two-year starter.
 Clennon Miles, Greenville, 6-0, 295, Sr. — 56 pancakes and no holding calls for offense averaged 329 yards and 32 points.
 Aaron Collier, Stephenville, 6-0, 305, Sr. — Two-year starter at guard; state and national powerlifting champion.
 Matt Jeffers, Plainview, 6-2, 272, Sr. — Graded out at 95 percent. Best lineman on offense that averaged 398.8 ypg.
 Scott Mayhew, Nederland, 6-6, 275, Sr. — Moved over from defense during the season to become team's leading offensive lineman. Consistently graded 85 or higher throughout of position.

OFFENSIVE ENDS

J.T. Thompson, Kilgore, 5-11, 170, Sr. — 49 catches, 925 yards, 11 TDs
 J Fields, Amarillo Caprock, 6-3, 180, Jr. — 56-1,174, 12 TDs. Led state in receiving yardage.

QUARTERBACK

Kendal Briles, Stephenville, 6-0, 180, Jr. — completed 138 of 235 for 2,243 yards with 22 TDs and six interceptions. Also rushed for 844 yards and nine TDs on 99 carries.

RUNNING BACKS

Dawon Gentry, Denison, 6-2, 190, Sr. — Led 4A rushing with 1,830 yards on 237 carries, 19 TDs on a 5-6 team.
 Rod Ansley, Plainview, 6-4, 210, Sr. — 194-1,615 21 TDs. 1,790 yards of total offense.

KICKER

Mike Swansey, Brazosport, 6-2, 230 Sr. — 40 of 42 extra points, 11 of 15 field goals with long of 49 yards once, 48 twice, 44 once, 42 once. Led Greater Houston Area in scoring by kicker with 73 points.

4A OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF YEAR

Kendal Briles, Stephenville.

4A DEFENSE DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

Brandon Kennedy, Terrell, 6-3, 270, Sr. — Maya.
 Adell Duckett, Mineral Wells, 6-4, 235, Sr. — 117 tackles, 13 for loss, 8 QB sacks, 14 break ups, 9 forced fumbles, 8 fumble recoveries
 Alton Wright, Houston Jones, 6-5, 235, Sr. — Named to Texas Football's Super Team.

Marcel Moses, Texas City, 6-4, 305, Sr. — 29 assisted tackles, 1 solo, 11 for losses, 2 fumble recoveries, 6 pass hurries and 2 pass breakups. Named to Texas Football Super Team.

LINEBACKERS

Cal Jillson, Stephenville, 6-4, 210, Sr. — 121 tackles (49 solo), four fumble recoveries, 2 interceptions, 3 knockdowns, 3 caused fumbles
 Chad Evans, Brownwood, 6-2, 220, Sr. — 4.6 speed, 121 tackles, 67 solo, 4 forced fumbles, 1 blocked field goal, 9 tackles for losses, 5 sacks, 1 interception
 Pat Howard, La Marque, 6-0, 230, Sr. — 88 tackles, 18 solo tackles, 10 quarterback pressures, three caused fumbles, two interceptions and one sack.

DEFENSIVE BACKS

Nathan Vasher, Texarkana Texas, 6-0, 175, Sr. — 6 ints (1 for TD). Led Texas High to first district title since 1984, returned kick and punt for TDs. Also 42 catches as receiver.

Ira Phea, Sherman, 5-11, 175, Sr. — 6 ints, 2 blocked kicks.
 Corey Crawford, Brownwood, 6-0, 175, Sr. — 4.4 speed, 37 tackles, 30 solo, 13 pass breakups, 4 interceptions
 Tony Salazar, Dripping Springs, 5-10, 185, Sr. — 110 tackles, 5 INTs returned for 82 yards, ave. 14 yards on punt returns.

PUNTER

Royce Wolfe, Houston Waltrip, 5-11, 185 Sr. — Averaged 45.2 yards per punt.

4A DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF YEAR

(Tie) Cal Jillson, Stephenville and Marcel Moses, Texas City.

4A SECOND TEAM OFFENSE

OL — Jay Doty, Stephenville, 6-4, 265, Sr.
 OL — Cody Campbell, Canyon, 6-2, 280, Sr.
 OL — Steven Fahner, Amarillo Caprock, 6-6, 270, Sr.

OL — Darryl Rodgers, Fort Worth Dunbar, 6-4, 345, Sr.
 OL — Kelvin Wallace, Beaumont Ozen, 6-3, 285, Sr.
 E — Kenny Brunette, New Braunfels Canyon, 6-2, 170, Sr.
 E — Deiron Forbes, Crowley, 6-0, 180, Sr.
 QB — Hunter Wall, Coppell, 6-4, 225, Sr.
 RB — Mathus Gill, Brenham, 5-11, 235, Sr.
 RB — Mark Piorca, Weatherford, 6-2, 197, Jr.
 RB — Ross Labova, Nederland, 5-9, 175, Sr.
 K — Mike McFadden, Coppell, 6-0, 180, Sr.

DEFENSE

DL — Jason Shorter, El Campo, 5-11, 280, Sr.
 DL — Clayton Harmon, Stephenville, 6-6, 275, Jr.
 DL — Jeremy Millam, Wolforth Frenship, 6-2, 260, Sr.
 DL — Robert Lopez, Brownwood, 5-11, 250, Jr.
 LB — Cory Mannin, Plainview, 6-1, 205, Sr.
 LB — Gayron Allen, West Orange-Stark, 6-0, 190, Sr.
 LB — Chase West, Fort Stockton, 6-3, 220, Sr.
 DB — Jarvis Bennett, Brenham, 5-10, 175, Sr.
 DB — Brandon Brown, Fort Worth Dunbar, 6-1, 190, Sr.
 DB — Daniel Manning, Corsicana, 6-1, 186, Jr.
 DB — Derek Turner, Canyon, 6-2, 170, Sr.
 P — Russell Buckalew, West Columbia, 6-1, 200, Sr.

HONORABLE MENTION

Offensive Linemen: Andre Willie, Alice; Will Monroe, Brownwood; Ray Gilmore, Fort Worth Dunbar; John Sellers, Canyon; Chris Levier, Dayton; Nick Lecky, Grapevine; Stephen Stokes, Big Spring; Joseph Ruiz, Austin Travis; Josh Lively, Silsbee; Blake Williams, Brownwood; Tisco Ramirez, Texas City; Byron Bell, Beaumont Ozen; Cody Stewart, Everman; John Blake Peel, Smithson Valley; Josh Morgan, Nederland; Juan Galvan, Mercedes; John Floyd, PSJA Memorial; Jami Hightower, Jacksonville; Daryl Johnson, Port Arthur Lincoln.

Offensive Ends: Nathan Vasher, Texas; Anthony Forrest, Fort Worth Diamond Hill-Jarvis; Luke Groth, Fort Stockton; Octavio Cantu, Roma; Toby O'Neal, Stephenville; Chris Mareden, Granbury; Mark Garza, Alice; Daniel Baker, Corpus Christi Flour Bluff; Chris McCain, Andrews; Jarrod Fuller, Jacksonville.

Quarterbacks: Taylor Logan, Cleburne; Dustin Long, Port Neches-Groves; Bradley George, New Braunfels Canyon; Brandon Crawford, Wilmer-Hutchins; Davon Vinson, Kilgore; Craig Henderson, Wichita Falls; Cody Hodges, Hereford; Deacon Burns, Brownwood; Lance Brock, Big Spring.

Running Backs: Charles Jackson, Kilgore; Jeff Kirven, Fort Worth Eastern Hills; Jeremy Woods, Andrews; Maurice Thurmond, Fort Worth Dunbar; Isaac Rincon, Mercedes; Victor Price, Corpus Christi Callallen; John Paul Barta, CC Flour Bluff; Zac Hunter, Stephenville; Shanderric Charles, Port Arthur Lincoln; Willie Amos, Sweetwater; Colby Ford, Big Spring; Anthony Doron, Hallsville.

Kickers: Eben Nelson, Stephenville; Jaime Quintero, PSJA Memorial; Derek Knapp, Little Cypress-Mauriceville; Jake Jackson, Greenville; Brady Bull, Corpus Christi Callallen; Sergio Zuniga, Plainview; Kyle Jenkins, Livingston.

DEFENSE

Defensive Linemen: Mike Funk, Corsicana; Ronald Daniels, Waco University; Sonny Davis, Austin Lanier; Brian Collier, Wichita Falls Hirsch; Brian Dunn, Mesquite Point; Allen Adams, Corpus Christi Callallen; Jason Woodruff, Big Spring; Reggie Robinson, Everman; Joseph Clay, San Angelo Lake View; Gordon Carroll, Stephenville; Jayme Jackson, Andrews; Nathan Coy, PSJA Memorial; Ben Eddings, Silsbee; Justin Swindell, Jacksonville.

Linebackers: Anthony Schlegel, Highland Park; Curt Brancheau, Greenville; Tracye Boudoin, Port Neches-Groves; Jahmal Hall, Everman; AJ Maxwell, Belton; Domingo Villarreal, FW Diamond Hill-Jarvis; Bowe Butler, Big Spring; Cory Brooks, Fort Worth Dunbar; Russell King, Borger; Justin Henry, Longview Pine Tree; Andrew Banda, Levelland; Johnny Mays, Corpus Christi Callallen; Martin Villarreal, Brazosport; Derek DeGrate, Waco University; Thomas Robertson, Wichita Falls; Tommy Johnstone, Borger.

Defensive Backs: Ricky Wilson, Port Arthur Lincoln; Frank Porras, PSJA Memorial; Marcus Anderson, Greenville; Anthony Squillante, Southlake Carroll; Chris Peoples, Fort Worth Dunbar; Ian Flores, Smithson Valley; Randal McLeaird, Smithson Valley; Jason Appel, Friendswood; Joel Moreno, Borger; Shawn Lang, Port Neches-Groves; Brady Gunn, Stephenville; Michael Ledet, West Orange-Stark; Jared Wells, West Columbia; Quarnie Sempar, Houston Waltrip; Chris McCain, Andrews; Adrian Greenwood, San Angelo Lake View; Donald Cook, Beaumont Ozen.

Punters: Brad Sullivan, Nederland; Kyle Jenkins, Livingston.

Smith, Sanders suffering through weakening injuries

IRVING (AP) — Flu-ridden Deion Sanders arrived at Dallas Cowboys headquarters Thursday in time for practice.

Emmitt Smith was there all day, but his sore groin prevented him from going through team drills.

"Emmitt went through some walk-through stuff, but he really didn't do anything in practice," coach Chan Gailey said. "We'll have to see if he can get on the field tomorrow or not."

Gailey said it's too early to tell whether Smith will play Sunday against the New York Jets.

"I'm not thinking either way right now," Gailey said. "I'll wait and start thinking one way or the other after practice tomorrow."

Gailey said Sanders would be listed as probable.

"He's still sick," the coach said. "He practiced, but you could tell he was not all there. He was struggling

through everything because he was a little weak."

Gailey hasn't decided whether he'll be able to play receiver Ernie Mills or offensive lineman Larry Allen and Mark Stepnoski. None worked out in team drills.

There was one newcomer in practice: receiver Bryan Still, who was signed Thursday to fill the roster spot opened when defensive end Greg Ellis went on injured reserve.

"He looked fast," Gailey said. "That's about all I can tell."

Still caught 81 passes for 1,167 yards over 3 1/2 seasons in San Diego. The Chargers released him earlier this year and he played briefly in Atlanta until being released there, too.

"He has a lot to learn," Gailey said. "Really, this is an opportunity for us to take a look at a guy. We, at one point, had him graded very high."

Carruth

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lion contract, and the Panthers cut him because he fled. Carruth at the time was free on \$3 million bail that required him to surrender immediately if Adams died.

"Our decision was based

on Rae's actions over the last 48 hours and is not a statement about the case," team owner Jerry Richardson said. "This has been a sad series of events that may only be better understood in time."

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INSIDE

New heart drill may help to treat angina patients

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS News digest

WASHINGTON—Imagine a drill smaller than the tip of a ball-point pen, made out of a tiny needle that spins up to 2,000 times a minute.

Dr. Fayaz Shawl threaded this miniature drill inside a Maryland man's heart and, working between heartbeats, punched 15 tiny holes in his left ventricle in a mere half-hour, just like a carpenter would bore holes in wood.

Tube-like sections of the 53-year-old patient's diseased heart tissue slid out of the drill and into a little canister.

Minutes later — still lying on the operating table — the first American to undergo the experimental drilling made a surprising statement: He already felt relief from the excruciating chest pain and breathlessness that had left him disabled.

"I feel much better, I'm breathing better," said Norman Ridgeway, who was awake and watching on a video screen at Washington Adventist Hospital on Wednesday as Shawl drilled his heart.

Is he really improved or is this a placebo effect, where simply offering treatment makes some people feel better? There's no proof yet, since Ridgeway is just the first of 15

patients the Food and Drug Administration is allowing to undergo the new needle-drilling technique in a study.

And drilling holes into diseased hearts is one of the most controversial areas in cardiology, particularly since no one understands why it would work.

Torrential rains leave scores dead in Venezuela

CARACAS, Venezuela — With heavy rains in Venezuela showing no sign of subsiding, houses crashed down hillsides and frightened residents fled for their lives amid flooding and mudslides that are feared to have killed more than 100 people.

An avalanche of mud and water, crashing down a mountain that separates Caracas from the Caribbean Sea, devastated Blandin, a hillside slum in the capital Thursday.

"It was like the end of the world," said Adriana Avendano, a 30-year-old mother of three whose home was swept away in Blandin.

With much of the country paralyzed by the torrential rains, at least 50 bodies had been recovered, and authorities said another 100 people were reported missing. More than 36,000 people were left homeless.

The death toll was probably much higher, though, since rescue workers were concentrating on evacuating survivors rather than digging out bodies. A fire department official, Capt. Jorge Molina, said he believed about 100 people

were killed in Blandin alone.

Caracas was a surreal scene with streets covered with mud and uprooted trees. Downtown avenues were turned into raging rivers. Residents carried the dead on sheets of metal or on doors torn loose by rushing mud and water.

Many programs serving poor still not Y2K ready

WASHINGTON — With barely two weeks until the new year, a handful of states are still scrambling to fix Y2K computer problems for programs that serve millions of poor Americans.

And many others have fixed their computers only very recently, putting at risk programs to write welfare checks, sign people up for government health care and hand out food stamps.

"Clearly some of them have cut it far too close," said John Koskinen, the White House Y2K coordinator.

Eight states and the District of Columbia remain at risk for Y2K computer glitches in welfare, health care and other federally funded programs, according to the federal government's final report on Y2K readiness.

State benefits programs were among the last to begin fixing their computers to handle potential problems when the date changes to the Year 2000. They've been scrambling through 1999 to reprogram computers and test them, and most have certified that their systems are in good shape.

Comics

The Wizard of Id

By Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



Marvin

By Tom Armstrong



Blondie

By Dean Young & Stan Drake



Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Barney Google and Snuffy Smith

By Fred Lasswell



FRIDAY

DECEMBER 17

6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM
NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Wash. Week	Wall St	Vicar-Doby	Wait for God	Time Goes	Keeping Up	Charlie Rose	NewsHour		
Movie: All Dogs Christmas	Movie: Richie Rich's Christmas Wish (1998)				Random	Random	700 Club			Boos?
News	Ent. Tonight	Providence	Deadline	Law & Order			News	(35) Tonight Show		
Go Weird	Movie: The Big Green Steve Guttenberg. R+1 PG			(20) Movie: Noah Tony Danza			So Weird	Jersey		Zorro
Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	(58) Movie: A Christmas Story (1983) Peter Billingsley. R+1		(20) Movie: Absolute Power (1997) Clint Eastwood. R+1						
News	Fortune	Boy-World	Odd Man	Sabrina	Hughleys	20/20	News	Seinfeld		Nightline
News	Home Imp.	Kids Say	Candice C.	Now and Again		Nash Bridges	News	(35) Late Show		
3rd Rock	Simpsons	Olive, the Other Reindeer	PJs	70s Show	Mad	M*A*S*H	Frazier	Cops		Real TV
Sportscenter of the Decade: The 1990s			Beat of Up Close		50 Greatest	50 Greatest	Sportscenter			50 Greatest
Movie: Overnight Delivery	Movie: Ronin (1998) Robert De Niro, Jean Reno. R+1				Stargate	(48) Outer Limits	Total Recall			Red Shoe
Inside the NFL	Movie: Ambushed Courtney B. Vance. R	(48) Movie: Diplomatic Siege Tom Berenger. R+1 R					Chris Rock			Dennis
Movie: Croc Dundee 2	Movie: Fresh Talia About Sex R+1 NR	Movie: Practical Magic Sandra Bullock	Atomic Tab.	Movie: Mutual Needs NR			Movie: The Locket (1946)			
Movie: Men of Boys Town	Movie: Ransom (1956) Glenn Ford, Donna Reed. R+1			Movie: Operator 13 (1934) R+1						
Motor Madness	ECW Wrestling	RollerJam	RollerJam	Motor Madness			Motor Madness			Rodeo
Wild Discovery	On the Inside	News	Discover	Storm Warning!			On the Inside			News
Law & Order	Biography	Investigative Reports	Point	Law & Order			Law & Order			Biography
Intimate Portrait	Chicago Hope	Figure Skating Cup of Russia		Once and Again			Golden Girls			
Football	Last Word	Hardcore Football	Sports	Runnin	Go!n' Deep		FOX Sports News			Sports
ER		NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Minnesota Timberwolves					Inside NBA			Movie: Vegas Vacation (1997) R+1
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JAG	Walker, Texas Ranger	Movie: Beverly Hills Cop (1984) Eddie Murphy. R+1		Movie: Sweepers (1999) Dolph Lundgren						
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Brimstone	Brimstone	Brimstone	Brimstone	Brimstone	Brimstone					Brimstone
Caroline	Caroline	Movie: All I Want for Christmas (1991) R+1		News			MacGyver			Heat

SATURDAY

DECEMBER 18

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
Barney	Arthur	Garden	Gardens	Many Quilts	Sewing	Quilt	Sewing	Cookin'	Prudhomme	Julia
Mary Kate	Mary Kate	Kids	Angela	Pretenders	Countdown	S Club 7	Big Wolf	Wild Oha	Kids	Angela
Couch	Critter	Science Guy	Saved-Sell	Hang Time	City Guys	One World	City Guys	Inside Stuff	College Football	
Bear	Out of Bx	PB & J Otter	Rollo Pollo	Movie: Rudolph the Red-Nosed			Duchateau	Amazing	Omba Moko.	Movie:
Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Fam. Mat.	Movie: Coogan's Bluff (1968) Clint Eastwood. R+1			Movie: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly			
Papper Ann	Doug	Doug	Recess	Papper Ann	Sabrina	Squiggle	Pooh	Mickey	Squiggle	Bugs Bunny
Saturday Early Show	News	Wild About	Anatole	Bleater	Rescue	NFL Today				NFL Football
Rangers	Monster	Digimon	Xyber 9	Monster	Digimon	Beast	Avengers	NFL	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
Walkers	Sportman	Spanish Fly	Photo Safari	Outdoors	Sportscenter			College Basketball Kansas at Illinois		
Movie: The Fifth Musestar. R+1 PG				(18) Movie: Paternity Burt Reynolds. R+1 PG				Movie: Catch Me If You Can R+1 PG		
Movie: You've Got Mail (1998) Tom Hanks, Meg Ryan				Real Sports			Inside the NFL	Reverb		
(15) Movie: Destiny Turns On the Radio R+1 R				Movie: Teenage Rebel Ginger Rogers.			(38) Movie: Still Breathing Brendan Fraser. R+1 PG-13			
Movie: Petrified Forest	Movie: They Died With Their Boots On (1941) Errol Flynn. R+1						Dear Mr. Gable			Movie: San Francisco
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Secrets	Fishing	Outdoors	Ducha	Shooter	Powertools	In-Fish	Reinington	Outdoor
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Outward	Real Kids	Hunter-Croc	Incredible Story Studio		Movie: Magic	News	Discover	Guide
Movie: The Paradise Case	Guide to Historic Homes	America's Castles	House Beautiful	New Explorers						Movie: Lady
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Designing	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Next Door		Next Door
Sports	Sports	Paid Prog.	Football	High School Extra	Cowboys	Big 12 Show	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.		HS Football
Babylon 5	Wild, Wild West	Adv. of Brisco County, Jr.	Dus South							Movie: The Huntley (1999)
Doug	Rocko's Life	Rugrats	Rugrats	WWF Live Wire	Hercules-Jrmys.	Walkers, Texas Ranger	Movie:			
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	WWF Live Wire	Hercules-Jrmys.	Walkers, Texas Ranger	Movie:			
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Farm Report	Business	Video Computer Store	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Outdoor	Soul Train				Movie: All

Comics

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By Tom Armstrong



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By Dean Young & Stan Drake



Beetle Bailey

By Mort Walker



Barney Google and Snuffy Smith

By Fred Lasswell



SUNDAY

DECEMBER 19

7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30	12 PM
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Ch of God	Grace	Marriage	In Search	Meet the Press	Baptist Church			Paid Prog.		Movie: Wash. Affair
Bear	Out of Bx	PB & J Otter	Rollo Pollo	Snowman	Teddy	Fantasia	Duchateau	Amazing	Omba Moko.	Movie: Kids
(8:30) Movie: R+1 The Devil's Brigade (1988) William Holden				Movie: Over the Top (1987) Sylvester Stallone. R+1			(35) Movie: Delta Force 2			
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Animal	Home Again	Better	Impact	This Week	Reporter		News
Real Life	Jordan Gp	Church	First Baptist Church	Sunday Morning				NFL Today		Football
Hour of Power	Fox News Sunday	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.	M*A*S*H	Rattlers Ice			FOX NFL Sunday		Football
50 Greatest	NFL	Sportscen.	Sportscen.	Reporters	Sportscen.	NFL Countdown				Golf
Movie:	Movie: Sunset Teller Bryan Brown. PG	(18) Movie: The Flamingo Kid Matt Dillon. R+1 PG-13		Movie: The Avenger Ralph Fenner. R			Movie: Another Thin Man (1939) R+1			
Movie: Wrongfully Accused R+1 PG-13	Any Given	Movie: White Hunter, Black Heart Clint Eastwood. PG		Movie: Switchback (1987) Dennis Quaid, Danny Glover.						
(8:30) Movie: R+1 Paternity (15) Movie: Crocodile Dundee Paul Hogan. PG-13		Movie: Switchback (1987) Dennis Quaid, Danny Glover.		Movie: Born to Kill (1947) Lawrence Tierney. R+1						
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Mechanics	Mechanics	Inside NASCAR	RaceDay					NASCAR
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Zooverse	Bonanza	Jazz-Claas	Number-Croc					Extreme Ride
Movie:	Holiday at Popai!			Open Book	House Beautiful					On Inside
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Designing	Designing	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Movie: White Justice Steaps (1994)		Unexplained
Sports	Sports	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	NLS Extra	Cowboys	NFL This Morning	Movie: Hunt & Fish On the Pole			
Movie: Christmas Stall.	Lola & Clark-Superman	In the Heat of the Night		Movie: Evita (1996) Madonna. R+1						
Doug	Rocko's Life	Rugrats	Rugrats	SpongeBob	Hey Arnold!	Thornberry	Beavers	Catdog	Monsters	Garfield
Saved-Sell	Saved-Sell	USA High	Galaxy	WWF Superstars						
Plaza Sesamo	Coronado de las Americas	Star	Corbis	El Sabon de Yelena	RugbyStars	DumDum				
Battle Line	Webman	Clit. at Sea	David L. Wolper Presents	History	Stack Shop	Stack Shop	Movie: Flying Saucers (1976) R+1			
Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Vis.	North Edge	Earth 2	Space: Above and Beyond	Tulight Z.	Movie: 2 Min Course			
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 • Don't use abbreviations. It's tempting to abbreviate and save money if ads are billed by the line. Brand ads are billed by the words, so spell them out so readers won't be confused trying to figure out abbreviations.
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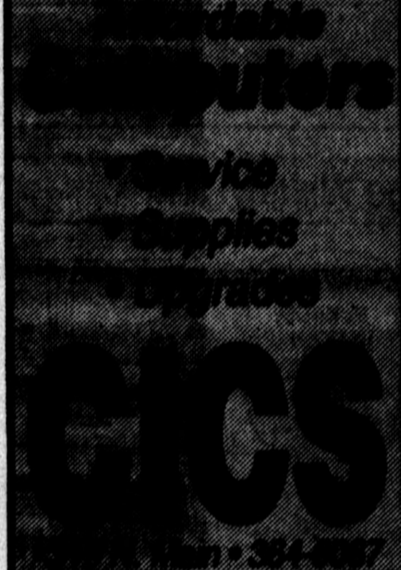
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF INTENT TO OPEN BIDS

Deaf Smith County Commissioners Court will open sealed bids for the sale of a Scotchman Iron Working machine in open court at 9:00AM, Monday, December 27, 1999. Machine is equipped with a 90 degree notcher, 2" die holder, approximately ten dies, and four punches. Detailed specifications can be obtained by contacting Greg Conn, Precinct 4 Foreman, at the percent barn or by phoning 806-287-2142. Deaf Smith County Commissioners reserve the right to refuse any and all bids.

Workplace injury, illness shows a decline in 1998

WASHINGTON (AP) — Job-related illnesses and injuries in private workplaces were at a record low last year, government figures show. The total of 5.9 million in 1998 amounts to about 6.7 workers out of every 100, the Bureau of Labor Statistics said Thursday. The rate in 1997 was 7.1, the lowest since the agency started keeping track in 1973.

Graham: Humanity unchanged

By Richard N. Ostling

The Rev. Billy Graham has lived through 81 of the 20th century's 100 years and experienced its wonders and upheavals: technological wizardry, antibiotics, transatlantic flight, war and rampant evil, Christian and Muslim advancement and serious cultural challenges to religion.

One thing hasn't changed, says America's best-known religious leader: humanity's quest for salvation. During a New York trip to address a banquet for United Nations diplomats this week, Graham reflected on religious developments during an astonishing century, and he looked ahead.

The 21st century will be

the same spiritually as the 20th because "man's heart has not changed," he asserted in an interview with The Associated Press. "Some of the things I've heard are going to happen technologically are way beyond anything I can think about. I don't think that's going to change society. Society is made up of people, and people are the same the world over."

In the early 1900s, he reflected, optimism reigned among liberal Christians. "Some forecast that this would be 'The Christian Century.' A magazine was named that. They believed things would get better and better in the world."

Then came World War II, which "exploded a lot of this. It was as devastating a war as the world had ever known, with the atomic bomb and so forth, and it had a great impact on all religions." People developed a deeper sense of sin, he suggested, and looked beyond political nostrums for answers.

He finds the social location of religion has changed dramatically.

"I grew up in the South, and church was a big thing in our lives. I suppose it was throughout the country. In the schools, ministers were brought in to preach sermons, and the Bible was read every day. We had prayer in high school classes. This helped mold my character and my thinking. I knew some things were wrong and some things were right. We've lost that."

U.S. Supreme Court rulings in the 1960s banished such



BILLY GRAHAM
Humanity's quest for salvation is unchanged in 20th century.

religious exercises from public schools, and other cultural shifts brought a greater secularization of society. And yet Graham, the still-active evangelist, finds the century ending with ever growing religious interest.

He thinks young Americans especially are "searching for something. They may not know what it is, but a great segment of youth are on this spiritual quest." He noted that high school students are forming their own prayer and Bible clubs, even though "the culture is not with them."

Simultaneously, Graham believes American youth is in serious trouble morally. For instance, he finds reports of widespread cheating among high school and college students disheartening.

The way out? "Repentance of our sin and faith in God, the same way that Mr. Clinton says he has taken." Asked what he makes of the president's efforts, Graham simply quoted Scripture: "Jesus said, 'By their fruits ye shall know them.'"

Surveying changes the century brought to America, he pointed to the end of racial segregation, which "was an accepted part of the culture" when he was a farm boy near Charlotte, N.C. The racial lines persist in churches, Graham observed, and he believes different styles of worship between black and white churches have been "a barrier to coming together."

Gingrich, wife reach settlement

SMYRNA, Ga. (AP) — Lawyers for former House Speaker Newt Gingrich and his wife Marianne announced today that they had reached a confidential settlement of the couple's divorce case.

"This matter is finally settled. The parties are re-

lieved they were able to do it by private agreement that's satisfactory to all parties," Mrs. Gingrich's lawyer, John Mayouze, told Atlanta television station WSB.

The former speaker and his wife left her lawyer's office together.

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May	84.40	84.45	84.50	Apr	192 1/4	192 1/2	192 3/4
Jun	84.45	84.50	84.55	May	193 1/4	193 1/2	193 3/4
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Strike	Call	Put	Settle	Strike	Call	Put	Settle
82.00	1.17	2.22	2.55	180	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
84.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	190	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
86.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	200	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
88.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	210	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
90.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	220	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
92.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	230	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
94.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	240	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
96.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	250	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
98.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	260	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
100.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	270	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
102.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	280	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
104.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	290	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
106.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	300	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
108.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	310	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
110.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	320	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
112.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	330	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
114.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	340	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
116.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	350	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
118.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	360	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
120.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	370	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
122.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	380	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
124.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	390	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
126.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	400	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
128.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	410	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
130.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	420	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
132.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	430	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
134.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	440	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
136.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	450	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
138.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	460	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
140.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	470	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
142.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	480	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
144.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	490	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
146.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	500	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
148.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	510	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
150.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	520	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
152.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	530	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
154.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	540	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
156.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	550	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
158.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	560	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
160.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	570	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
162.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	580	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
164.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	590	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
166.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	600	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
168.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	610	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
170.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	620	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
172.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	630	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
174.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	640	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
176.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	650	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
178.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	660	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
180.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	670	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
182.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	680	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
184.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	690	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
186.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	700	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
188.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	710	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
190.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	720	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
192.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	730	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
194.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	740	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
196.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	750	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
198.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	760	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
200.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	770	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
202.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	780	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
204.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	790	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
206.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	800	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
208.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	810	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
210.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	820	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
212.00	0.67	1.75	1.50	830	1 1/4	3 1/4	3 1/4
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