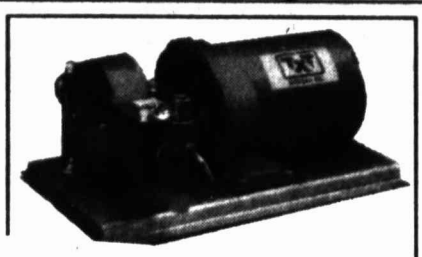


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Pantex pays \$60,000 in whistleblower case

AMARILLO (AP) — A former Pantex employee was awarded \$60,000 in damages and attorney fees in a whistleblower case that ensued after he reported nuclear safety concerns at the nuclear weapons facility.

The U.S. Department of Energy recently ordered contractor BWXT Pantex and former Pantex contractor Mason & Hanger Corp. to pay restitution to Robert Burd. The federal agency found that the companies violated federal regulations that bar contractors from retaliating against whistleblowers who report nuclear safety problems.

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Johnnie Davis Smith, 87, secretary.

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Nation basking in military coup

By JIM KRANE
ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Saddam Hussein's capture is reaping dividends for the U.S. military, providing intelligence that led to the arrest of several top regime figures in Baghdad, a U.S. general said Monday. Suicide bombers attacked police stations in the capital, killing eight people as the insurgency showed no sign of letting up.

A member of the Iraqi Governing Council said Saddam could be put on trial in the next few weeks and face execution if convicted, though another member said it could take four to six months to begin the trial before a war crimes tribunal set up last week.

"My name is Saddam Hussein," the fallen Iraqi leader told U.S. troops in English as they pulled him out of a dank hole Saturday night where he hid in the village of Adwar, north of Baghdad. "I am the president of Iraq and I want to negotiate."

A U.S. Special Forces soldier replied: "Regards from President Bush," according to Maj. Bryan Reed, operations officer for the 1st Brigade, 4th Infantry Division.

American officials said interrogations of Saddam.

whose current location was unknown, will focus first on getting intelligence on the the insurgency that has taken the lives of nearly 200 American soldiers.

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said Saddam was not helping. "He has not been cooperative in terms of talking or anything like that," Rumsfeld told CBS' "60 Minutes" on Sunday.

U.S. Army Brig. Gen. Mark Hertling of the 1st Armored Division told The Associated Press in Baghdad that the first round of Saddam's questioning and documents in a briefcase found with him was "connecting the dots" in intelligence on the insurgency.

Since Saddam's capture, U.S. Army teams from the 1st Armored Division have captured one high-ranking former regime figure and that prisoner has given up a few others, Hertling said. All the men are currently being interrogated and more raids are expected, Hertling said.

"We've already gleaned intelligence value from his capture," Hertling said. "We've already been able to capture a couple of key individuals here in Baghdad. We've completely confirmed one of the cells. It's putting the pieces together and it's connecting

the dots. It has already helped us significantly in Baghdad."

Hertling said: "I'm sure he was giving some guidance to some key figures in this insurgency."

With Saddam's capture, 13 figures remained at large from the U.S. military's list of 55 most-wanted regime officials. The highest ranking is Izzat Ibrahim al-Douri, a close Saddam aide who U.S. officials say may be directly organizing resistance.

On Monday, car bombings at police stations in Baghdad left eight policemen dead and at least 17 wounded, police officials said. The deadliest attack was a suicide attack at a station house in northern Baghdad where the eight officers were killed. Two other car bombings at a west-side station caused seven injuries and additional explosions rocked the city hours later.

President Bush had warned attacks would not stop even with Saddam in custody.

Hertling said he hoped Saddam will eventually clear up allegations that he had chemical and biological weapons and a nuclear weapons program.

"I certainly think some of that will come out," Hertling said. "I think we'll get some significant intelligence over the next couple of days."

Fire marshal looking into fire

By DAVID BOWSER
STAFF WRITER

Fire investigators were sifting through the blackened remains of a Pampa home today, looking for the cause of a blaze that destroyed the home at Williston and Randy Matson.

Pampa Fire Marshal Gary Stevens was looking through

the remains of the home late this morning. No cause has yet been determined for the fire, he said.

The heaviest damage to the home appears to have been in a room connected to the car port.

Fire officials termed the frame structure a total loss.

Firefighters were called to the home shortly before 9:30 p.m. Saturday.



(Pampa News photo)

A double-wide mobile home six miles south of Pampa at the intersection of County Roads K and 8 was destroyed by fire late Friday afternoon.

Blaze destroys home

By DAVID BOWSER
STAFF WRITER

Heat tape to keep water lines from freezing is thought to be the cause of a fire that destroyed a trailer home south of Pampa Friday.

A double-wide mobile home six miles south of Pampa at the intersection of County Roads K and 8 was destroyed by fire late Friday afternoon. No one was home at the time of the fire.

The Pampa Fire Department and firefighters from the Hoover Volunteer

Fire Department responded to the blaze between 4 and 4:30 p.m. Friday after neighbors reported smelling smoke.

Pampa fire officials said today that flames could be seen coming from beneath the mobile home when they arrived.

Fire officials reported that when the skirting on the structure was peeled away, flames extended from one end of the mobile home to the other.

The home was a total loss, authorities said. A nearby barn appeared untouched

by flames. Fire officials said the mobile home hindered firefighting efforts.

The Pampa Fire Department dispatched 10 people in three units, a spokesman for the fire department said today.

Fire Chief Joe Millican of the Hoover Volunteer Fire Department said the Pampa firefighters initially called for one of Hoover's tank trucks, then almost immediately called for a second tank truck.

Six firefighters from the Hoover firefighting department joined Pampa firefighters in battling the blaze.

Millican said firefighters could see flames at the mobile home from several miles away as they approached the blaze.

Heidi Phelps, disaster coordinator for the Red Cross in Pampa, said the home belonged to Roy and Carol Hermanski. Phelps said donations could be made in their name to the Red Cross, but no fund has been set up in their name.

Commissioners deliberate on county attorney position

By MARILYN POWERS
STAFF WRITER

Gray County commissioners were still in executive session as of press time today to consider the appointment of Josh Seabourn as interim county attorney.

The executive session was held during commissioners' regular meeting which began at 9 a.m. in the county courtroom on the second floor of Gray County Courthouse, 205 N. Russell.

An interim county attorney is sought by commissioners to take office Jan. 1, 2004, to replace Todd Alvey, who resigned effective Dec. 31. Alvey's term of office runs through Dec. 31, 2004.

Seabourn, a Pampa native, has been assistant district attorney for the 31st District since April 1. He also works part-time in the law office of Pampa attorney John Warner, where he has been employed

since receiving his law degree in May 2001.

Seabourn was the only applicant for the position of county attorney. The 28-year-old graduate of Pampa High School and Oklahoma University lives in Pampa with his wife, Heather.

In regular session, commissioners approved a resolution supporting District Attorney Rick Roach's grant application for the 31st District Domestic Violence Initiative. The grant application, which will be sent to the Texas governor's office, would result in \$60,000 provided by the state for a special prosecutor who would handle crimes concerning domestic violence, protective orders, crimes against children, and other crimes concerned with families.

Terms of the grant require that the local governing body receiving the funds provide an additional \$20,000. This

amount would be taken from the forfeiture fund held by Roach's office, and would not result in any cost incurred by the county, he said.

The special prosecutor would be housed in the office of the assistant district attorney, on the third floor of the courthouse. All costs associated with the position, including salary, insurance, support staff work and equipment, would be included in the \$80,000 total provided by the grant and forfeiture funds, Roach told commissioners.

"What we've noticed since I've been in office is that we seem to have an inordinate amount of crimes which fall in the domestic violence category. This area of the law requires a tremendous amount of front-end work, and it's a highly specialized area.

"Often, law enforcement may not thoroughly investigate and may not be suffi-

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OBITUARIES

SERVICES TOMORROW

KOTARA, Maynard — Funeral mass, 10 a.m., Sacred Heart Catholic Church, White Deer.
McCONNELL, B. Aileen Cook — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Fairview Cemetery, Pampa.

B. AILEEN COOK McCONNELL
1915-2003

B. Aileen Cook McConnell, 88, of Pampa, Texas, died Sunday, Dec. 14, 2003, at Lubbock, Texas. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2003, at Fairview Cemetery with Dr. Edwin Cooley, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. McConnell was born Nov. 28, 1915, in Frederick, Okla. She moved to Graham, Texas, in 1920, and then to Pampa in 1930. She married C. Russell McConnell on April 13, 1933. They lived in Fort Worth for three years, where she graduated from high school.

The McConnell's returned to the Texas panhandle in 1934, living on a farm in Carson County for 61 years. She returned to Pampa in 1971. She was a member of the Pampa Country Club for 50 years. She helped organize the Daughters of the Pioneers in Carson County, and she was a 50-year member. She was a member and elder of the First Presbyterian Church of Pampa.

She was preceded in death by her husband in 1993; a grandson; two sisters, Susie Folmer and Lorene Wilson; and a brother, Leon Cook.

Survivors include two daughters, Julia McConnell of Duncanville and Nancy Paronto

of Pampa; a son, Calvin McConnell and wife Sharon of Lubbock; grandchildren, Pam and Greg Dannemiller and their children, Allisha Dannemiller and Heather Dannemiller, all of The Colony, Junan and Mark Boldrey and daughter Steffany Boldrey, all of Waxahachie, Rusty and Sherri McCabe and their children Rusty McCabe, Jr., and Catelyn McCabe, and their grandson (Rusty's son) Casey McCabe, all of Euless, Brian and Carrie Kotara and their children Champe Kotara and Grace Kotara, all of Hailey, Idaho, Kim and Mark Sommer and their son Derek Sommer, all of Lewisville, Steve and Ellen Kotara and their son Peter Kotara of Fort Worth, Ruston and Linda McConnell of Tokyo, Japan, and Stacy and Troy Klemke and their daughter Kaitlyn Klemke, all of Lubbock.



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JOHNNIE DAVIS SMITH
1915-2003

Johnnie Davis Smith, 87, of Pampa, died Saturday, Dec. 13, 2003, at Canadian. Services are pending.

Mrs. Smith was born Jan. 1, 1915, at Hood, Texas. She lived in Pampa from 1917 until 1945, graduating from Pampa High School in 1933, and from 1986 to the present. She married Raymond Peter Smith on Feb. 28, 1947, at Pampa; he died April 4, 1981.

She was society editor for The Pampa News for 5 1/2 years, was secretary with Cabot

Research and Development and secretary with United Carbon/Ashland Oil Company in Borger, Houston and Columbus, Ohio, retiring in 1977 after 31 years of service.

She was a member of Pampa Community Concert Association.

Mrs. Smith has no known survivors. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a favorite charity.

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LINDA REAMES
1947-2003

Linda Reames, 56, of Pampa, died Sunday, Dec. 14, 2003. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Reames was born May 5, 1947, at Fresno, Calif. She had been a resident of Pampa for approximately 20 years.

She was a Baptist. Survivors include a son, George Thomas

Reames, Jr., of Pampa; a daughter, Tammie Young of Pampa; four sisters, Marie Mansell of Duncan, Okla., Rosie Toe of Claremore, Okla., Laura Starr of Ringwood, Okla., and Mona Marie of Comanche, Okla.; a brother, Danny Marie of Marlow, Okla.; and four grandchildren.

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FIRE

Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
Saturday, Dec. 13

12:03 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a motor vehicle accident with injuries at the intersection of Highway 273 and 749.

1:05 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and a call for medical assistance.

1:34 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to the 1600 block of North Faulkner and a call for lifting assistance.

9:25 p.m. — Four units and 12 firefighters responded to a structure fire in the 1400 block of Williston.



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SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff office today reported the following arrests.

Saturday, Dec. 13

Reynaldo Wilson, 28, 1117 Starkweather, was arrested by Pampa police on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Nisha Hollingshead, 37, 1020 Twiford, was arrested by Pampa police on municipal warrants charging her with possession of drug paraphernalia, driving with an expired motor vehicle inspection sticker and failure to appear.

Douglas Hollingshead, 42, 1020 Twiford, was arrested by Pampa police on municipal warrants charging him with running a stop sign, driving with an expired motor vehicle inspection sticker and failure to appear.

Johnny Ray Doan, 36, Skellytown, was arrested by Pampa police on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Leslie D. Word, 52, 612 N. Dwight, was arrested by Pampa police on charges of public intoxication.

Sunday, Dec. 14

Glenn Edward Black, 45, 425 Brunow, was arrested by GCSO for driving while intoxicated - third offense or more, and on a municipal warrant for speeding.

Marko P. Markov, 44, Honolulu, Hawaii, was arrested by Department of Public Safety for unlawful use of a criminal instrument and for forgery.

Nikoloy Nikolov, 36, Chicago, Ill., was arrested by DPS for unlawful use of a criminal instrument and for forgery.

David Junior Silva, 20, 511 N. Nelson, was arrested for speeding, no seat belt and for capias pro fines for animal not restrained and no rabies vaccination.

Eulebio Garcia, 27, Tepathán, Mexico, was arrested by Pampa police and is being held for the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Carrera Cordova, 19, Tepathán, was arrested by Pampa police and is being held for the INS.

Rojas Blanco Margarito, 23, Tepathán, was arrested by Pampa police and is being held for the INS.

Sanchez E. Garcia, 28, Tepathán, was arrested by Pampa police and is being held for the INS.

Joel B. Valiente, 32, Tulimacco, Mexico, was arrested by Pampa police and is being held for the INS.

Pablo Amayo, 21, Tepathán, was arrested by Pampa police and is being held for the INS.

Vickie Broadstreet, 43, 1205 E. Foster, was arrested by GCSO for theft by check more than \$20 and less than \$500.

Carlos B. Regalado, 57, 1029 S. Wells, was arrested by GCSO for DWI.

Christina Louise Ragan, 24, 404 Magnolia, was arrested for three instanter warrants for defective equipment - headlights, expired motor vehicle inspection and driving while license suspended - safety responsibility suspension.

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents.

Thursday, Dec. 11

A telephone harassment complaint was made in the 2200 block of North Hamilton.

Friday, Dec. 12

Statutory rape charges were filed against a 17-year-old boy in connection with reported incidents involving a juvenile girl.

A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's in the 1000 block of West Wilks.

Charges were filed against a Pampa resident in connection with a telephone harassment complaint by an Amarillo man.

Mitchell Carroll, 17, 1905 N. Wells, was arrested in the 100 block of East Harvester and taken to municipal court on charges of disorderly conduct, language, before being released.

Two female juveniles were arrested for fighting in the 100 block of East Harvester and released to the parents.

Terry Washington, 49, 1611 Christine, was arrested for interfering with an emergency call at 800 North Dean.

Saturday, Dec. 13

An assault causing minor injuries was reported in the 1800 block of Hamilton.

Ricky Marsh, 43, 126 S. Houston, and Melissa Vanover, 31, 126 S. Houston, were arrested on charges of violating a protective order. Additional charges of possession of a controlled substance were filed against the couple.

The back window of a vehicle was broken out by vandals in the 1600 block of West Somerville.

A gas drive-off was reported at Allsup's in the 1000 block of West Wilks.

An assault by threat was reported in the 400 block of North Starkweather.

Sunday, Dec. 14

Seven people were detained for the Immigration and Naturalization Service after being stopped in a van in the 800 block of South Hobart.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 1100 block of Starkweather.

The driver's door and mirror were reported damaged by vandals in the 1500 block of Williston.

Monday, Dec. 15

A door was damaged in the 1800 block of Coffee in an apparent burglary attempt.

AMBULANCE

Rural/Metro Ambulance reported the following calls.

Saturday, Dec. 13

2:21 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of Barnes and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

11:27 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Love and transported a patient to PRMC.

2:35 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo.

4:55 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Yeager and transported a patient to PRMC.

8:48 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of South Dwight on a call for lifting assistance.

9:25 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to County Road 9 1/2 and transported a patient to PRMC.

Sunday, Dec. 14

12:02 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Highway 273 and Loop 171 and transported a patient to NWTX.

1:05 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of North Wells and transported a patient to PRMC.

1:30 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1600 block of North Faulkner and transported a patient to PRMC.

9:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of Williston and transported a patient to PRMC.

9:50 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of Williston. No patient.

CLARIFICATION

Under an item in the "Fire" report which ran under Daily Record on Sunday, Pampa Fire Department responded to a structure fire which occurred at approximately 4:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12, at 8004 County Road 8. Hoover Volunteer Fire Department also responded to the fire.

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Almos	24.67	+0.09
Pioneer Nat	29.98	-0.35
JCP	24.03	-0.02
COP	60.69	-0.29
SLB	50.65	-0.20
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CVX	79.78	-0.47
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Celanese	35.65	+0.25
Cabot Corp	32.42	+0.07
Cabot Oil Gas	29.22	-0.18
Coca Cola	49.62	+0.25
VLO	44.91	-0.20
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Tnad	33.30	+0.25
NOI	21.26	0.16
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Dear Chamber Members

Only a couple of weeks left in the year and we are coming off of an incredibly successful Country Fair and Christmas Parade. It is a great way to end a great year.

Speaking of the parade, last year we had 50 participants and this year we had 92 participants in addition to large numbers of kids and adults lining the parade route. We want to thank everyone who took the time to prepare and take part in this year's parade as well as to all those who enjoyed watching the parade. Our "Shop Pampa and Win" promotion was also very successful with 34 Chamber members participating and thousands of tickets given out over a little more than a week.

As we move into 2004, I would like to take this opportunity to thank 2003 Chamber Chairman Doug Ware for his total support, invaluable advice and solid leadership throughout the year. It has been a pleasure for me and our Chamber staff to work with Doug during his year as Chairman. We also welcome and look forward to working with Chairman-elect Gladys Vanderpool. Gladys has served for a number of years as a Chamber director. This experience and familiarity with the Chamber will serve her well as Chairman. Gladys brings a positive "can-do" attitude, strong leadership skills and a progressive agenda.

It looks as though 2004 will be a very interesting year in Pampa. We are looking forward to strong growth in the Chamber as well as in the community. New businesses are planning to open in Pampa during the upcoming year, the business incubator is still in the works and there seems to be an exciting sense of anticipation throughout our area. In addition, our Chamber Retail and Tourism Committees will continue their efforts to enhance the prosperity of our surrounding area. As always, we invite everyone to take part in the work that we are doing.

We want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who worked on this year's hugely successful Christmas Parade and "Shop Pampa and Win" including:

Gladys Vanderpool	Jack Reeve	Richard Morris
Duane Harp	Shyla Brown	Roy Morriss
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Paula Goff	Mary McDaniel	Bob Marx
Kathy Cota	Mitch Grant	Chuck White
Trevlyn Pitner	Shelly Cook	Travis Golding
JamieLou Garren	Kevin Coleman	Gary Montgomery

And again, thank you to all of our parade participants and everybody who lined the streets to view this great festivity. A very special thanks to Peggy Coleman and the crew of Rural Metro Ambulance for once again expertly lining up our parade participants.

Sincerely,



Clay Rice
Executive Director
Pampa Chamber of Commerce

Chamber Goldcoats



(Courtesy photo)

#2 - Goldcoating at Adi's Treasures/Cellular Innovations (l to r): Bob Marx, Darville Orr, Roy Morriss, Jack Reeve, Stacey Hinkle, Owner, Brian Sullivan, Outside Sales Representative, Richard Morris, Dick Stowers and Charles Henry.

Parade winner



(Courtesy photo)

Pampa Pool and Spa was the first place winner in the Commercial Category in the parade.

Parade grand marshals



(Courtesy photo)

Christmas Parade Grand Marshals, Thelma Bray & Mike Porter, 2002 Citizens of the Year. With them are Pvt. Ken Curtis and Lt. Sergio Tristan of the Army National Guard.

SHOP PAMPA AND WIN

Congratulations to the winners of the "Shop Pampa and Win" promotion. The lucky winners of \$500 each in Pampa Bucks were Robert Dixon and Beth Rice. Also, thanks to Santa Claus for taking time out of his busy schedule to draw the winning tickets. He had to draw seven times to get the two winners!

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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Girl Complains That Boys Can't See Beyond Her Bust

DEAR ABBY: I am 12, and people say I am cute. My problem is, I want boys to like me for who I am, not because I have a big bust. I hate it. How can I make boys realize that I am much more than that?
DARLENE IN DALLAS

DEAR DARLENE: It may not be easy, because in our society it is normal for boys your age—and older—to fixate on a woman's "physical assets." However, one way to accomplish it is by dressing to make your bust size less noticeable. Another way is to impress them with attributes you want them to notice—your intelligence, your personality, or some other talent or special quality.

Please consider this: Your bust size may seem like a curse now, but it can also be an advantage because it will be obvious which men care only about that, and it will help you to weed out the undesirable...

DEAR ABBY: I am a part-time server at a nice restaurant. Recently a woman came in to have lunch with "Vic," the owner. Vic paid for the woman's lunch and tipped me before he left. The woman stayed longer and talked to me for a while. When she left, she handed me a small tip. I hesitated but felt she'd be offended if I refused.

Two weeks later, this woman saw me at my other job and said Vic told her he had tipped me. She then demanded her money back. I was horrified. I didn't have cash on me so I told her to stop by the restaurant later in the week. I said I would apologize to Vic, but she said she didn't want him to know.

I feel awful about taking her tip. I mentioned it to another employee, and she said I shouldn't feel bad because what this woman did was appalling. Was I wrong in taking the tip?

SHOCKED SERVER IN AMERICA

DEAR SHOCKED: When the woman offered you the tip, you should have told her Vic had already taken care of it. However, for her to demand the

money back was rude. Return the money and steer clear of her in the future.

DEAR ABBY: I have been dating "Curtis" for 10 years. His wife recently found out about us and blocked my number from his telephone. (As though that's going to stop us from talking!) I see Curtis every day. Everyone knows, and some people think we're married. Curtis has been part of my life and my family for so long I can't imagine life without him.

I love Curtis and he loves me. It just seems like he doesn't want anything to change. I have tried to end the relationship, but Curtis keeps coming back. He says he is not in love with his wife and that he will leave if she runs him off. I'm so confused.

I love Curtis. I don't want to be without him. But I don't want to spend the rest of my life as the "other woman" either. If Curtis' wife is willing to put up with knowing the truth about us, should I stay with him?

SECOND PLACE IN TENNESSEE

DEAR SECOND PLACE: Why should Curtis change anything? He has a wife who tolerates his straying and a honey on the side who believes anything he tells her. Do you really want someone who will be with you only by default?

You have already thrown away 10 years of your life on this addiction. Regardless of what his wife does, you should quit cold turkey.

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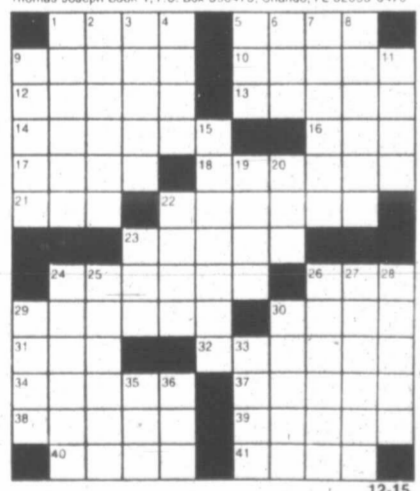
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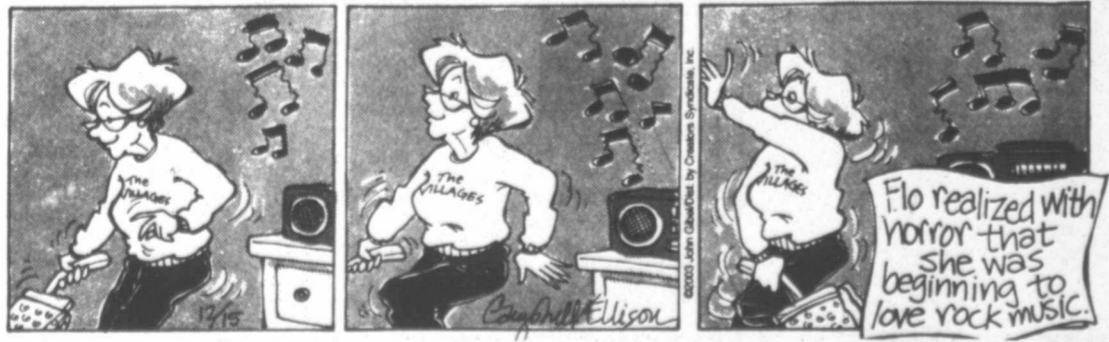
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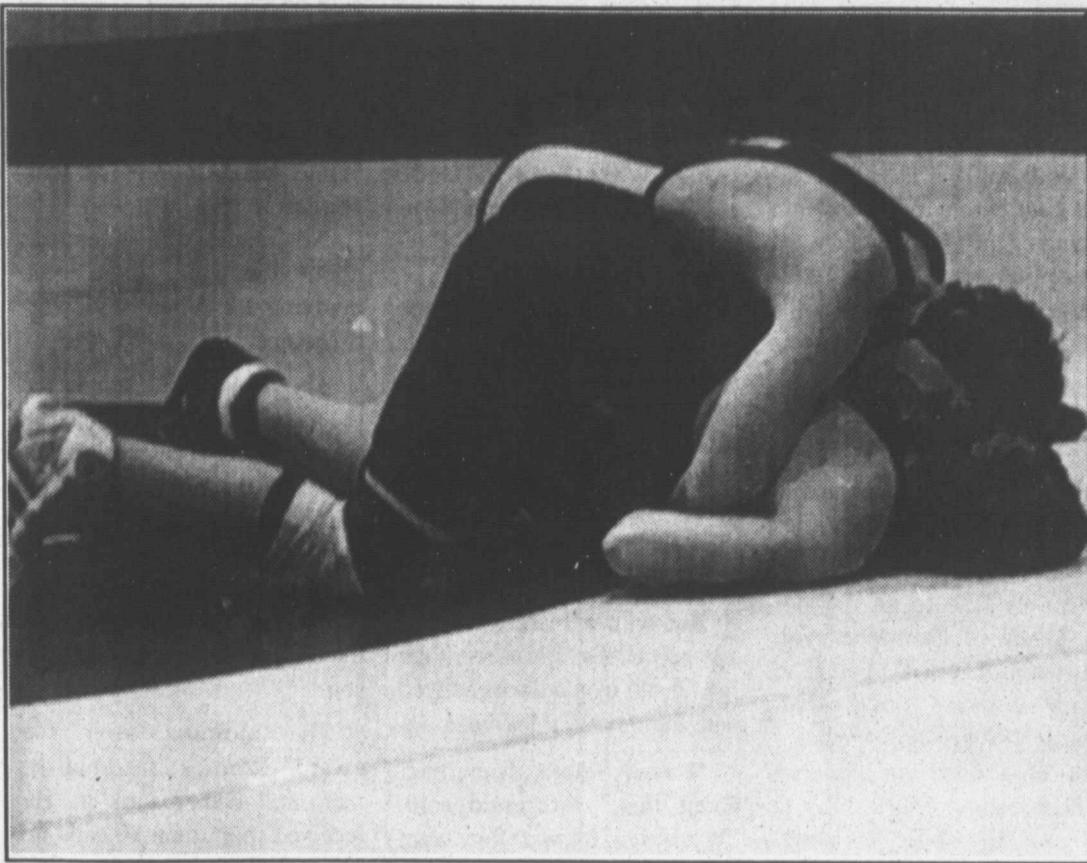
SPORTS

Pampa loses close dual to River Road

PAMPA — Pampa was defeated by River Road 48-36 in a dual wrestling match last week in McNeely Fieldhouse. "If we had won just one more match, things could have gone either way," said Pampa coach Josh Cadenhead. "We won two exhibition matches and I wish we could have counted those because we would have beaten River Road in the dual."

River Road 48, Pampa 36
103: Calvin King (R) def. Kasey Urquhart, pin, second period, 1:35.
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125: Colby Hall (R) def. Michael Moore, pin, 0:22.
130: Blair Christian (R), won by forfeit.

135: Ross Andreen (P), won by forfeit.
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145: Chance Henley (P), won by forfeit.
152: Abe Avila (P) def. Chris Rust, pin, first period.
160: Dustin Langley (P), won by forfeit.
171: Joel Palmateer (P), def. Shane Shaw, 3-1.
180: Colby Anderson (R), won by forfeit.
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Exhibition: Dusty Langley (P) def. Colby Anderson, pin, second period; Ross Andreen (P) def. Blair Christian, 11-3.



(Pampa News photo by Ben Briscoe)

Joel Palmateer of Pampa is on his way to a 3-1 win over Shane Shaw of River Road in the 171-pound class.

Cowboys shut out Redskins for first time in 32 years

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — After an especially tough dose of Bill Parcells, the entire Dallas Cowboys defense went out for a Friday night steak dinner and relieved some in-house tension.

Two days later, the Cowboys shut out the Washington Redskins for the first time in 32 years.

Rookie Terence Newman tied a team record with three interceptions, Pete Hunter had two fumble recoveries and an interception, and Troy Hambrick ran for a career-high 189 yards Sunday to power the Cowboys to a 27-0 victory.

"It was just a night out, a

good break after two weeks of getting slammed the way we have defensively," safety Darren Woodson, reflecting on the two-hour outing called by linebacker Al Singleton.

"I'm not saying we've been going at each other, but I think there's been some tension amongst ourselves because we haven't been playing that well. There was a lot of pressure on us. Al just wanted us to get way and relax, because it has been pressure-filled at practice."

In the mud and driving rain, the Cowboys held Washington quarterback to Tim Hasselbeck to a rock-bottom 0.0 quarterback rating and allowed just 161 total

yards, including 37 in the second half.

Not bad for a team that had lost two straight by a combined 45 points. Parcells rode his team hard after last week's 36-10 loss at Philadelphia, but he still has the Cowboys (9-5) in solid position for a wild card berth in his first season with the team.

"I kind of put their backs against the wall a little bit," Parcells said. "And they responded well."

But even a Parcells serving of misery can't match the feeling in the Redskins' locker room. The loss eliminated Washington (5-9) from

playoff contention and guaranteed a second straight losing season. They have lost 12 of 13 against the Cowboys.

"It isn't about quitting, it's about getting embarrassed. We got embarrassed," cornerback Fred Smoot said. "We stunk it up out there. I apologize to all the Redskins fans — every one of them."

The Redskins hadn't been shut out at home in 10 years. Coach Steve Spurrier was held scoreless in a regular season game for the first time since he was with Duke in 1987, and he opened his news conference with tongue-in-cheek references to his punter and kicker.

"Bryan Barker punted

well. John Hall didn't get a chance to do too much. I don't know what else to say," Spurrier said. "They kicked our tails pretty good."

Hasselbeck was 6-for-26 for 56 yards, four interceptions and numerous batted balls at the line of scrimmage in his third NFL start. Dat

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NOTEBOOK

SWIMMING

AMARILLO — The annual Sink Or Swim Challenge will be held Jan. 24 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Amarillo Town Club Pool.

The event is under the direction of Pampa native Jennifer Hinkle, a coach for a United States Masters Swim Team.

A participant must be at least 19 years of age unless there are spots available after all the entries are in.

For more information, Hinkle can be contacted at 806-359-7428.

BASKETBALL

LEFORS — Lefors downed Borger junior varsity 41-33 in basketball action last weekend.

Katie Barnes led the Lady Pirates in scoring with 17 points. Savannah Smith followed with 8.

Elrod led Borger JV with 10 points.

The Lady Pirates improved their record to 6-4.

PAMPA — Tuesday's basketball games between Pampa and Clovis, N.M. has been changed from Tuesday to Saturday because of final exams.

The girls' game tips off at 6 p.m., followed by the boys' game at 7:30 p.m. in McNeely Fieldhouse.

SOCCER

PAMPA — There will be a Harvester Soccer Booster Club meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Ready Room in the Pampa High athletic building.

All club members are urged to attend.

FOOTBALL

PAMPA — Pampa head coach Heath Parker will be the featured speaker at the Pampa Optimist Football Banquet Tuesday night.

All players need to RSVP to your coaches or to Leah Pearson at 665-7836 after 6 p.m. or by e-mail to leah-p@nts-online.

The banquet starts at 7 p.m. at the Optimist Club.

HOCKEY

CHICAGO (AP) — Dallas Stars coach Dave Tippett is tired of his team waiting for a goal scorer to emerge.

The Stars extended their streak of not scoring more than a goal in a game to seven, tying the Chicago Blackhawks 1-1 Sunday night.

Marty Turco stopped 29 shots for the Stars, who are 1-5-1 in their last seven, scoring just five goals during that span.

Chicago's Michael Leighton made 31 saves, and Steve Sullivan opened the scoring for the Blackhawks in the first period.

Dallas' Sergei Zubov tied it in the second with a short-handed goal.

No. 6 Longhorns cruise to easy win

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas' last trip to New York City and Madison Square Garden was a disaster. The Longhorns figure to make their return trip much better.

Brian Boddicker scored 16 points and grabbed 12 rebounds as Texas recovered from a loss to No. 9 Arizona with an 89-55 win Sunday night over New Orleans. The Longhorns (5-1) needed the tuneup before Saturday's return trip to the Garden to face No. 4 Duke.

Boddicker, who had no rebounds in the loss to Arizona, had his second career double-double against the Privateers after getting a weeklong lecture from coach Rick Barnes about rebounding.

"He was on me all week," Boddicker said. "It worked pretty good."

"I thought he really responded," Barnes said of his senior forward. "We talked to him about getting involved in the game other than shooting the basketball."

Known more for his 3-point shooting than his rebounding, the 6-foot-8 Boddicker went inside for most of his points Sunday night. He also went 6-of-6 from the foul line.

"Brian is the type of player who can play inside and out," said teammate Brandon Mouton. "That's what we need from him every night."

P.J. Tucker had 17 points and Mouton scored 15 for Texas (5-1), which extended its home winning streak to 20 games.

Bo McCalebb led New Orleans (3-1) with 15

points.

The Longhorns came in averaging 98.2 points, but it was defense and Boddicker's all-around play that made this one look easy.

Texas held New Orleans to 29 percent shooting and Brad Buckman had five blocks. The Privateers were just 7-of-24 from beyond the 3-point line and 18-of-62 overall.

"Their best feature besides their physical ability is their depth," said New Orleans coach Monte Towe. "They just keep coming at you. We had a couple of guys out there for the first time and I think it showed."

Texas led 22-20 midway through the first half before a 19-4 run opened things up.

James Thomas' dunk off a crosscourt bounce pass from Royal Ivey made it 30-23, and Mouton swatted away a 3-point attempt by Kyle Buggs before taking it in for an easy layup.

Boddicker's 3-pointer from the left corner gave the Longhorns a 15-point lead.

Texas opened the second period with an 11-4 run that stretched the lead to 52-31. Kenny Taylor hit a 3-pointer, Boddicker put back a miss for a layup and Mouton added four more points in the run that all but put the game away.

The Longhorns outscored New Orleans in the paint 44-18 and won the rebounding battle 58-32.

"After the loss to Arizona, we've learned we need to get our post guys involved," Mouton said. "There's a huge difference from this week to last."

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Big 12 slipup couldn't derail White's Heisman bid

NEW YORK (AP) — When Jason White walked off the field after losing the Big 12 championship, his concern was whether Oklahoma lost a shot at the national title, not his place in the Heisman Trophy race.

Both turned out fine. With half the Heisman ballots cast before White's rough outing against Kansas State, he was able to beat Larry Fitzgerald for college football's most prestigious award.

And with 12 dominating wins overshadowing one bad loss, the computers helped push the third-ranked Sooners into the Bowl Championship Series title game against No. 2 LSU at the Sugar Bowl.

"I knew what happened with the team. I wasn't going to worry about individual awards," White said. "We had a shot at a clear-cut national championship. That's what I was worried about all along. After the loss I wondered would we get a shot at the national championship or even a BCS game. It was nerve-racking because we didn't take care of business."

This year's Heisman results are sure to renew debate —

What else is new in college football? — about the timing of votes for the award. Ballots were mailed out Nov. 12, and voters had until Dec. 10.

According to the accounting firm Deloitte & Touche, 50 percent of the votes were cast before White went 27-for-50 for 298 yards, no touchdowns and two interceptions in a 35-7 loss to Kansas State.

Those who voted after the game favored Fitzgerald, while those who voted before gave the edge to White. Of course, those who voted early for White might have been so convinced he was deserving that they might not have switched anyway.

But with a margin of only 128 points, it's hard to tell if the final result would have changed with the timing of the votes.

"I really don't even think about that," Fitzgerald said. "Voters vote for who they want to vote for."

Fitzgerald was hurt by his three-catch performance against Miami in his final regular season game, costing Pittsburgh a share of the Big East title. Despite Fitzgerald's 22 touchdown catches, the Panthers lost

four games — more than all but two Heisman winners.

The newest Heisman voter said he would wait to cast his ballot until after all games are played.

"I think every game counts, not just one or two games," said White, who as a Heisman winner gets to vote. "I'll wait."

No matter the questions about the vote, there's no doubting that White was a worthy winner.

The 23-year-old senior led the nation in passing efficiency, completing 64 percent of his passes for 3,744 yards, 40 touchdowns and only eight interceptions.

His comeback from two serious knee injuries was one of the feel-good stories of the season.

The morning after the award, White's accomplishment still hadn't sunk in. He received more than 80 calls on his cell phone Saturday night from friends, family, teammates and coaches.

"I think it will take awhile," he said. "Somebody asked me last night if my name sounded right with the past Heisman Trophy winners. I don't think it

does."

White celebrated in New York with fellow Heisman finalist Chris Perry, the Michigan running back who can help give the Sooners an undisputed national title by beating No. 1 Southern California in the Rose Bowl.

"I hung out with Chris Perry more than I have hung out with our running backs," White said. And with good reason.

If the Wolverines beat the Trojans, the winner of the Sugar Bowl will be the undisputed national champion. USC

could win The Associated Press' title with a win; the No. 1 team has never dropped in the AP poll after winning its bowl game. The coaches are obligated to make the Sugar Bowl winner their champion.

None of that will matter if White and the Sooners can't bounce back from the loss to Kansas State and beat LSU in the Sugar Bowl.

White is hoping to become the third quarterback to win the Heisman and the national title in the same season, joining Florida State's Charlie Ward

(1993) and Florida's Danny Wuerffel (1996).

Recent Heisman-winning quarterbacks haven't fared as well, with Florida State's Chris Weinke (2000) and Nebraska's Eric Crouch (2001) both following up their Heisman wins with subpar title-game performances.

"I think there will be a lot of pressure on us to perform a lot better than we did in the Big 12 championship," White said. "A lot of people are creating those expectations but the biggest expectations are from us."

Knight disappointed with Tech crowd

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Bob Knight's Texas Tech players are used to his occasional outbursts.

After only about 6,100 people attended Saturday's 78-68 win over San Diego State, the fans, the school and the greater Lubbock area also got a dose.

"If that's all we're going to get, then Texas Tech should think about giving up basketball," Knight said. "If we can't have better attendance from a community this size and from a university with 30,000 students, I think we're spending too much money on basketball."

It was the worst attendance of the year. For six home games, average attendance at United Spirit Arena is 6,956. Last year it was 9,962. In Knight's first season, two years ago, the average was 13,743. The arena holds 15,098.

Knight wasn't upset with everyone. He especially had praise for freshman Darryl Dora, who gave Tech a boost by scoring nine of his 14 points during a five-minute span late in the game.

"He made big baskets and big plays for us," Knight said. "He's capable of hitting the three, better

almost than anyone else we've got."

Tech (8-2) led by eight points early in the second half, but San Diego State used a 6-0 run to cut the margin to 52-51 on a drive by Brandon Heath. The Aztecs (5-3) never really threatened after that.

"They always play hard and they play physical and they wind up shooting about 100 more field goals than their opponents," San Diego State coach Steve Fisher said. "They will win a lot of games this year. We won't be the last team they beat in here."

Mortensen ties Tibbs with sixth saddle bronc title

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Dan Mortensen matched Casey Tibbs' 44-year-old record of six world saddle bronc titles Sunday, finishing the 10-round National Finals Rodeo with \$219,999.

"Casey Tibbs did a lot for the sport of rodeo," said Mortensen, from Billings, Mont. "The marks that he set and the records that he achieved will never be taken away from him. He's done so much for the sport. His legacy will live on forever."

"I'm happy with the week I had down here. I felt like I rode well. It's been a long time (1998) since I won the world, so to do it again is pretty special."

Canada's Glen O'Neill was second with \$215,574.

In the 10th round, Cody Wright of Milford, Utah, won with a 91.5-point ride on Burch Rodeo's Mullin Hill. Canada's Rod Hay was second at 89, and Mortensen tied for fifth with an 83.5.

Cody Ohl of Stephenville, Texas, set a world rodeo record by winning the final round of tie-down roping in 6.5 seconds. He won his fourth world title, finishing the season with \$212,366.

Six-time champ Fred Whitfield of Hockley, Texas, finished second with \$200,656. Since 1995, either Ohl or Whitfield have claimed the world titles.

"I have been put down three or four times and I have bounced back every time,"

said Ohl, who won \$102,158 in the NFR after missing most of the 2002 season due to injury. "This year has been unbelievable, though. I can't express what it means to me to come back this year after what I went through."

"This one is so special. This was like coming back from a handicap. It took a lot of work, physical and mental. This one probably means the most to me."

Terry Don West of Henryetta, Okla., won his second bull riding world championship with \$211,879, including \$61,503 in the NFR. Greg Potter of Whitt, Texas, finished first in the aggregate with 502.5 points for six rides. Myron Duarte of Auburn, Wash., won the final round with a 92.5.

Will Lowe of Canyon, Texas, took his first bareback riding title, finishing with \$188,246.

"Everyone goes out to win every time they get on," Lowe said. "I would have liked to have won the average here, but things don't always work out the way you would like them to. At least the master plan of winning a world title worked out. The average was just one little battle that I lost, but I won the war."

Cody Jessee of Prineville, Ore., tied an aggregate championship score record with 839 points for 10 rides.

James Boudreaux of Cuero, Texas, won the final

round with an 88.

In steer wrestling, Teddy Johnson of Checotah, Okla., won his first world championship, finishing with \$149,498. Birch Negaard of Buffalo, S.D., was a close second with \$145,558.

"My goal was to come here and get within \$20,000 of paying off my house note," Johnson said. "I surpassed that. I won the world and paid off my place. I'm loving it."

Todd Suhm of Brighton, Colo., won the final round in 3.7.

Speed Williams and Rich Skelton of Llano, Texas, tied for the lead in career titles by claiming their seventh straight team roping championship. Williams, the header, and Skelton, the heeler, each earned a single-season record \$180,305.

David Key of Caldwell, Texas, and Clay O'Brien Cooper of Glen Rose, Texas, split first in the final round in 4.4 with Chad Masters of Adams, Tenn., and Michael Jones of Stephenville, Texas, and Wade Wheatley of Hughson, Calif., and Britt Bockius of Claremore, Okla.

Janae Ward of Addington, Okla., won her first barrel racing championship with \$155,792. She entered the NFR in 14th place in season winnings but claimed the world title by winning \$111,908 at the NFR. Jackie Dube of Giddings, Texas, won the final round with a 13.68-second run.

Buccaneers defeat Texans, 16-3

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Tampa Bay's John Lynch was only half-joking about the Buccaneers' slim playoff hopes.

"I budget for that every year — the playoff money," the five-time Pro Bowl safety said Sunday after a 16-3 victory over the Houston Texans kept the Super Bowl champions in contention for an NFC wild-card berth. "It's just something you expect, and now all of the sudden we're in a position where we're fighting. Not only are we fighting, we need a lot of help. It's not enjoyable."

The Bucs (7-7) are the only team in the NFL to qualify for the postseason the past four seasons. That streak is in jeopardy, but Lynch and his teammates aren't ready to concede the race.

Beating Houston (5-9) gave Tampa Bay its first two-game

winning streak and lifted the defending champs to .500 for the first time in six weeks. To earn a postseason berth, the Bucs probably will have to win remaining games against Atlanta and Tennessee and get considerable outside help.

"We could have mailed it in a long time ago. ... It will be a testament to this team to finish 9-7," receiver Keenan McCardell said.

Thomas Jones ran for 134 yards and a touchdown for the Bucs, who have won three of four since ending a three-game skid that left them in danger of missing the postseason for the first time since 1998.

Jones, trying to jump-start his career after three disappointing seasons in Arizona, scored on an 18-yard run in the first quarter. Martin Gramatica added field goals of 36, 23 and 26 yards.

Tampa Bay's defense played without All-Pro tackle Warren Sapp, but Houston wasn't able to take advantage and gained just 107 yards.

The Texans avoided being shut out for the second straight game with Kris Brown's 38-yard field goal in the third quarter.

"The difference in the game was that we had a number of opportunities early in the game to make plays and we didn't make them," Houston coach Dom Capers said.

Houston played for the second straight week without injured quarterback David Carr and is still looking for its first touchdown with rookie Dave Ragone running the offense. The Texans were held to 124 yards in a 27-0 loss at Jacksonville.

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N.Y. Jets	6	8	0	.429	246	255			
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x-Indianapolis	11	3	0	.786	410	288			
Tennessee	10	4	0	.714	375	287			
Houston	5	9	0	.357	214	333			
Jacksonville	4	10	0	.286	242	291			
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Cincinnati	8	6	0	.571	322	335			
Baltimore	8	6	0	.571	343	271			
Pittsburgh	5	9	0	.357	250	290			
Cleveland	4	10	0	.286	232	273			
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N.Y. Giants	4	10	0	.286	216	331			
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Green Bay	8	6	0	.571	370	297			
Minnesota	8	6	0	.571	354	315			
Chicago	6	8	0	.429	253	291			
Detroit	4	10	0	.286	226	339			
West									
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA			
y-St. Louis	11	3	0	.786	400	288			
Seattle	8	6	0	.571	352	300			
San Francisco	6	8	0	.429	336	285			
Arizona	3	11	0	.214	197	407			
x-clinched playoff spot									
y-clinched division									
Sunday's Games									
Tennessee 28, Buffalo 26									
Chicago 13, Minnesota 10									
Indianapolis 38, Atlanta 7									
St. Louis 27, Seattle 22									
N.Y. Jets 6, Pittsburgh 0									
Kansas City 45, Detroit 17									
Tampa Bay 16, Houston 3									
Cincinnati 41, San Francisco 38									
New England 27, Jacksonville 13									
Denver 23, Cleveland 20, OT									
Oakland 20, Baltimore 12									
Dallas 27, Washington 0									
Carolina 20, Arizona 17									
Green Bay 38, San Diego 21									
New Orleans 45, N.Y. Giants 7									
Monday's Game									
Philadelphia at Miami, 9 p.m.									
Saturday's Games									
Atlanta at Tampa Bay, 1:30 p.m.									
Kansas City at Minnesota, 5 p.m.									
New England at N.Y. Jets, 8:30 p.m.									
Sunday, Dec. 21									
Miami at Buffalo, 1 p.m.									
N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 1 p.m.									
Detroit at Carolina, 1 p.m.									
Washington at Chicago, 1 p.m.									
Tennessee at Houston, 1 p.m.									
Cincinnati at St. Louis, 1 p.m.									
Baltimore at Cleveland, 1 p.m.									
New Orleans at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.									
San Diego at Pittsburgh, 4:05 p.m.									
Arizona at Seattle, 4:15 p.m.									
San Francisco at Philadelphia, 4:15 p.m.									
Denver at Indianapolis, 8:30 p.m.									
Monday, Dec. 22									
Green Bay at Oakland, 9 p.m.									
NATIONAL BASKETBALL									
Top 25 Fared									
By The Associated Press									
Sunday									
1. Florida (5-2) did not play. Next: vs. West Virginia, Saturday.									
2. Connecticut (7-1) did not play. Next: vs. Iowa, Saturday.									
3. Missouri (3-1) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina-Greensboro, Sunday.									
4. Duke (6-1) beat Portland 84-43. Next: vs. Princeton, Saturday.									
Wednesday									
5. Kansas (5-1) did not play. Next: vs. UC Santa Barbara, Saturday.									
6. Texas (5-1) beat New Orleans 89-55. Next: vs. Duke, Saturday.									
7. North Carolina (6-0) beat Akron 64-53. Next: vs. Wake Forest, Saturday.									
8. Kentucky (5-0) did not play. Next: vs. Indiana, Saturday.									
9. Arizona (4-1) did not play. Next: vs. St. Mary's, Calif., Wednesday.									
10. Georgia Tech (8-0) did not play. Next: vs. Alabama A&M, Wednesday.									
11. Oklahoma (7-0) did not play. Next: vs. Jackson State, Saturday.									
12. Saint Joseph's (7-0) beat Drexel 92-70. Next: vs. California, Saturday.									
13. Stanford (5-0) did not play. Next: vs. Florida International, Monday.									
14. Illinois (6-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 3 Missouri, Tuesday, Dec. 23.									
15. Wake Forest (5-0) did not play. Next: at Southern Methodist, Monday.									
16. Purdue (7-1) did not play. Next: vs. Indiana-Purdue-Fort Wayne, Saturday.									
17. Gonzaga (7-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 13 Stanford, Saturday.									
18. Cincinnati (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. Clemson, Wednesday.									
19. Syracuse (3-1) did not play. Next: vs. Manhattan, Wednesday.									
20. Pittsburgh (7-0) did not play. Next: vs. Georgetown, Ky., Monday.									
21. Michigan State (3-4) did not play. Next: vs. South Florida, Tuesday.									
22. Marquette (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. Canisius, Monday.									
23. Wisconsin (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. Marquette, Saturday.									
24. Iowa (6-1) did not play. Next: at Texas Tech, Monday, Dec. 22.									
25. Dayton (8-0) did not play. Next: vs. Prairie View, Saturday.									
National Basketball Association									
At A Glance									
By The Associated Press									
All Times EST									
EASTERN CONFERENCE									
Atlantic Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB					
Boston	12	12	.500	—					
Philadelphia	12	12	.500	—					
New Jersey	11	12	.478	1/2					
New York	9	16	.360	3 1/2					
Miami	8	15	.348	4 1/2					
Washington	7	16	.304	4 1/2					
Orlando	4	20	.167	8					
Central Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB					
Indiana	18	6	.750	—					
New Orleans	17	7	.708	1					
Detroit	14	10	.583	4					
Toronto	13	10	.565	4 1/2					
Milwaukee	11	13	.458	7					
Atlanta	7	18	.280	11 1/2					
Chicago	6	16	.273	11					
Cleveland	6	17	.261	11 1/2					
WESTERN CONFERENCE									
Midwest Division									
	W	L	Pct	GB					
Dallas	14	8	.636	—					
Denver	14	9							

4 Not Respon.
AS of this date Dec. 10, 2003, I, Tiffany M. Voss, will no longer be responsible for any debts other than those incurred by me. Signed, Tiffany M. Voss.

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Horoscope BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2003:
You have high energy this year, especially when the issue is creative or financial. You will tend to be more amorous than you have been in years, which will delight your partner, whether single or attached. If you are an artist, you will most likely increase your productivity. You will find that many are drawn to you and perhaps to a special gift you might have. You will bloom professionally and see the results in a way that makes a difference to you, be it a pay raise or a promotion. If you are single, you might go through several relationships before you meet the person who feels right. Be careful if attached, you might be so amorous that a new addition could be a possibility. LIBRA is always a pal.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have:
5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
***** With Mars moving into your sign, you become a powerhouse. But be careful, in the next few weeks, you could be a bit too blunt or difficult for those around you. Be willing to pitch in where others seem to slow down. Tonight: Work only as late as you need to, then play.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
*** Use caution with your temper. What you want to learn to do is to express your feelings in a way that others can hear and respond to. Don't let your temper build, because it is not only bad for you but also for others. Tonight: Think carefully before taking on another project.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
***** You will have a strong drive

to make what you want happen in the near future. Others might be stunned by your one-sidedness and your need to head for what you want and come out a winner. Tonight: Bring extra work home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
***** You're extremely verbal and direct about what you want. A boss, as well, could be unusually demanding and difficult in the next few weeks. Choose carefully the time to present your view, especially if you want it accepted! Tonight: Get together with a pal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
***** Spending could definitely get out of whack. Try something different. Do your research, and you'll come up with unusually special ideas. Know that anything is possible with your newfound creativity. Tonight: Finish up some spending.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
***** You have your winning ways, which you are going to need in order to deal with a fiery associate who often has you tossing your hands in the air. Use your creativity and charm, if necessary, to make your point. Lie back more. Tonight: What you want.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
*** Try not to take everyone too seriously. You could find that someone close to you becomes most contentious in the next few weeks. Kick back and play it cool. You have the support of your family and loved ones. Just don't trigger. Tonight: Nap and then out.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
***** Groups and meetings prove to be most successful. Others seem to be able to get behind what you feel and want. Together, though you certainly are the cheerleader, you make what you want happen. Tonight: Make it early.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** A boss sits back and carefully thinks about what he or she expects. You will come up with ways of making more money with active brainstorming. You might be unusually active. Don't start a problem with this high energy. Tonight: Join your friends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
***** Use your softer nature, and you'll get what you want. What you see as others respond could be quite rewarding. Someone at a distance might be highly responsive. Look to changes on the home front. Perhaps you might want to initiate them. Tonight: A must appearance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***** You might want to think before you leap on someone else's idea. You might ask questions, but the tone in which you ask them could make a big difference. In the next few weeks, you could come off a lot harsher than you realize. Tonight: Love the one you're with.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
***** Others seek you out, but you might not be sure of what you want or where you're heading. Investigate and ask questions while others seem so open. Avoid getting involved in a situation that might cause you to spend your money. Tonight: As you like it.

BORN TODAY
Composer Ludwig van Beethoven (1770), author Arthur C. Clarke (1917), actor Ben Cross (1947)

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12-15 CRYPTOQUOTE
N I Q M W Q H O Z W Q D E B Q L O H Q F D
C L F J H I W B O E H , M Q Z W J F E H
O J W L Q P O D E , Q M Q S W C F L H I W

CTHTLW — L F D O M R L W O V O D
Saturday's Cryptoquote: WORK JOYFULLY AND PEACEFULLY, KNOWING THAT RIGHT THOUGHTS AND RIGHT EFFORTS WILL INEVITABLY BRING ABOUT RIGHT RESULTS. — JAMES L. ALLEN

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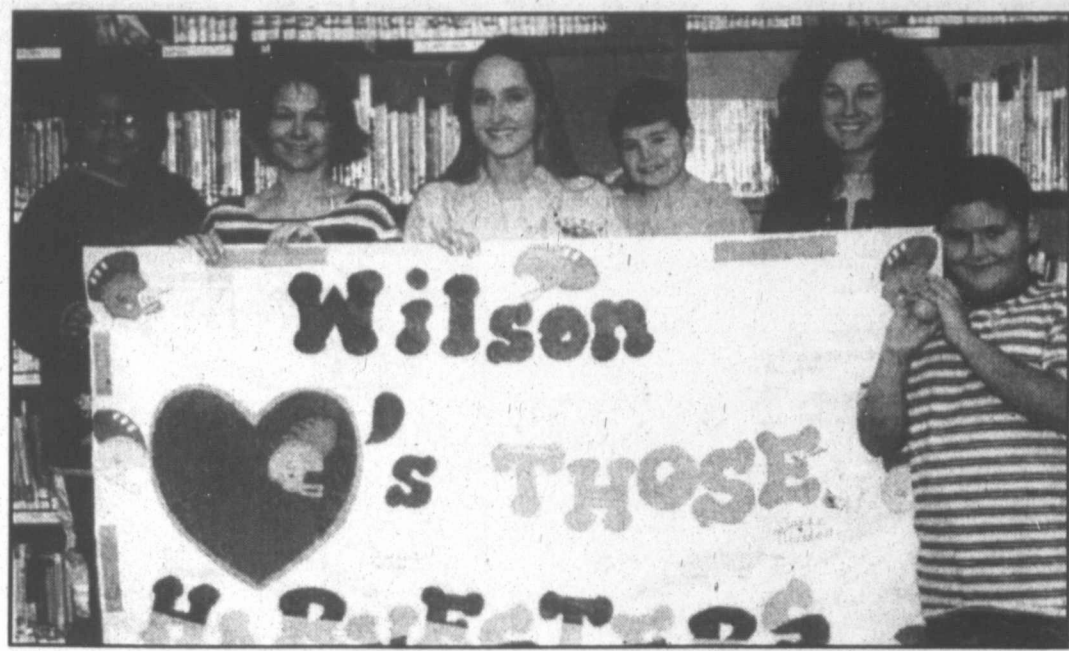
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Wilson Elementary students show their support of the PHS Harvesters with this lively banner. Above, left-right: Reena Patel, Debbie Moore, Julie Knutson, Michael Steadman, Keely Topper and Miguel Blanco.

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ciently schooled to develop these cases to a successful prosecution of them. We have had some cases in the district where, if we had had somebody on the front end, we might have made a case against the perpetrator," Roach said.

"Would you be stepping on law enforcement's toes?" asked Precinct 1 Commissioner Joe Wheeley.

"My relationship with law enforcement is really good," Roach said. "We'd just make them aware of the fact that we have an expert available. All we're asking the court to do is authorize our application in the same manner we get funds for victims' assistance coordinator."

"We are trying to be proactive. I don't anticipate that any law enforcement will feel I'm stepping on their toes," Roach said.

"We are seeing a lot of women filing cases against these guys and then becoming somewhat uncooperative. Typically, they move back in. The woman will say she didn't mean it or was misunderstood. With this, we will be able to get depositions and other casework. Right now, we're getting only a small written statement," he added.

The grant covers one year and would need to be applied for each year, Roach said. Funds for the grant are federal funds which are channeled through the state to the applicants, he said.

Commissioners voted to increase county employees' premiums on some health insurance plans. County employees who include their spouses on their health insurance coverage will see an increase of \$30 per month on their share of payment of premiums. Employees with family coverage will also pay \$30 more, and employees with coverage for their children will pay \$2 more. No change was made concerning coverage for county employees themselves, which is not charged to the employee but is fully paid by the county.

A dental plan was approved by commissioners to be offered to county employees and their families. The plan, available through Miller Insurance Agency of Pampa, is optional and will be paid fully by the employees, with no cost incurred by the county, said Julia Wood, deputy county treasurer.

Ken Hall of Pampa's emergency management office addressed commissioners during the session. He told commissioners he had been contacted by the Texas Department of Health about designating a location for a pharmacy stockpile in the event of a disaster, such as an act of terrorism, that would require such a stockpile.

Hall said the location would require a 20 feet by 40 feet space, temperature controlled between 59 and 86 degrees, locking outside doors, lighting and electricity, a computer and printer, bathroom facilities, tables and chairs, parking, unrestricted access, location outside a floodplain and near a highway, a loading dock or other area convenient for trucks to unload, an area not in use on a daily basis, and an inner room or cabinet that can be locked.

Commissioners discussed the Gray County Annex and Clyde Carruth Pavilion at Recreation Park as possible sites, and decided to place the request on the agenda for the next regular meeting.

Jean Duncan and Nancy Coffee were re-appointed to three-year terms on the White Deer Land Museum Board. Both are currently members of the museum board.

Commissioners also approved a resolution by the Texas Association of Counties which prohibits unfunded mandates. The resolution would prohibit the state's enactment of a law, rule or

requirement of counties which would impose obligations on a county to fund such a requirement. Funding would be at the state's expense instead, explained Gray County Judge Richard Peet.

Stealth bombers buzz the heartland

KNOB NOSTER, Mo. (AP) — To motorists enjoying the peaceful, rural scenery along meandering U.S. 50 in western Missouri, a stealth bomber's sudden appearance can be startling.

Knob Noster Police Lt. Jane Logan just chuckles.

"You always know the visitors — and tourists, because they are pulled over on the highway shoulder to get a good look at it. But folks around here have gotten used to seeing that plane, and we like it," Logan said.

The plane is the B-2 Spirit, the world's most expensive aircraft at more than \$1.3 billion apiece. All 21 of the United States' batwing-shaped B-2 bombers are based next door to Knob

Noster at Whiteman Air Force Base.

On Wednesday, the town and the base will mark the 10th anniversary of the B-2's arrival at its Missouri headquarters, a mission that re-energized Whiteman, where the end of the Cold War also concluded its role as home of nuclear-tipped missiles.

The B-2 was untested in combat when the first one eased down to its new home in 1993. And there were doubts — about its cost, its versatility, even whether heralded radar-evading technology would work in rainy weather.

Then came combat missions in Kosovo, Afghanistan and, this year, Iraq, all providing endurance tests of the machine and its corps of two-person flying

teams and support personnel. In October 2001, a B-2 flew the longest nonstop combat mission in history — 44 hours — making a round-trip from Missouri to strike targets in Afghanistan.

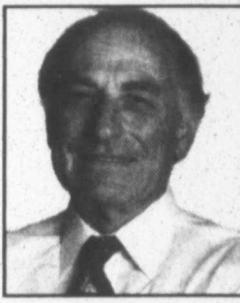
"The B-2 10th anniversary is a very exciting time because it's going to mark a maturation of the B-2. We have now sent this aircraft and its folks to war three times ... in all three of those conflicts, the B-2 has yet to be detected," said Col. Doug Raaberg, commander of the B-2s at Whiteman.

Raaberg likes to say that the B-2's main role is "kicking in the door" of targets with a combination of swiftness, stealth and precision munitions. The B-2 is now equipped to carry 80 precision-guided

bombs, including the 5,000-pound "bunker busters" that laid siege to Saddam Hussein's fortified hideouts.

In an interview at his base office, Raaberg said the B-2 "is to always be at the leading edge of somebody's plan, and as part of that, we have demonstrated a capability to deploy, employ — which means do combat operations — and then be able to redeploy. We've done that now over 10 years."

Because of that record, Raaberg said the Air Force is ready to declare the B-2 "fully operational" as a weapon, "which sends a signal to combatant commanders that they can rely on the B-2, as they have already, anytime, anywhere, to do anything."



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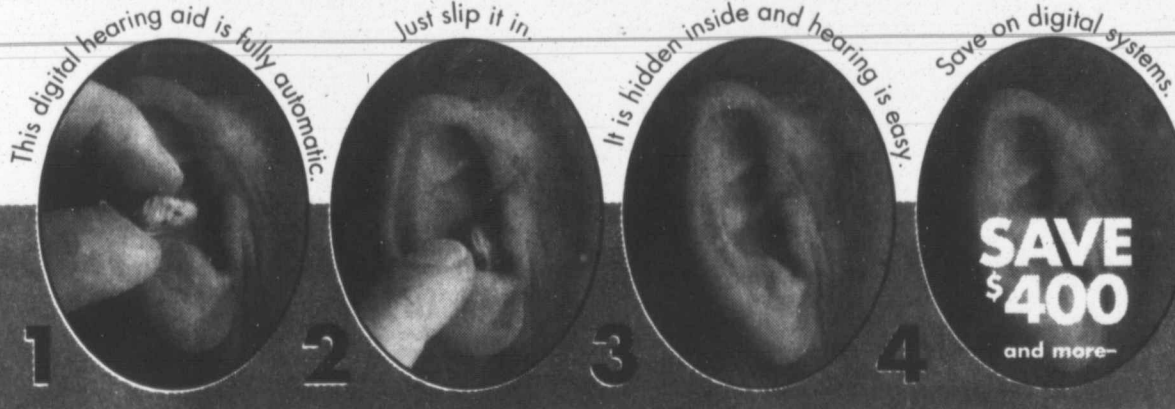
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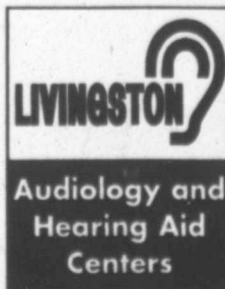


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'Mixed weekend' for U.S. businesses

BY ANNE D'INNOCENZIO
AP BUSINESS WRITER

It was a mixed weekend for businesses hoping to hear cash registers jingle, with snow hampering shoppers in the Northeast even as retailers hoped the capture of Saddam Hussein might buoy consumer confidence.

Shoppers were out in force on Saturday, according to industry observers, but business dropped on Sunday for many stores, dampening by the second major snowstorm in the Northeast in just over a week.

Still, several experts said the news of Hussein's capture, revealed early Sunday, couldn't be a better holiday gift for merchants during the season's last, critical stretch.

"Ultimately, in the long run, this is going to put people in better spirits, and we are definitely excited that this has come during the holiday season," Ellen Tolley, a spokeswoman at the Washington-based National Retail Federation, said Sunday.

C. Britt Beemer, chairman of America's Research Group, in Charleston, S.C., believes Hussein's capture will result in improved consumer confidence that will translate "into bigger sales."

However, that remains to be seen.

Shoppers like Colleen Briggs, braving swirling snow while shopping Sunday at New York's Rockefeller Center, said they were pleased with the news, but it wouldn't make them open their wallets more.

"I'm glad they got him, but it's not going to make me spend more," Briggs said. The Tampa, Fla., resident, said she'll spend about \$2,000 — the same amount as last year.

After the heavy snow Dec. 5-6 — which chilled business at many brick and mortar stores, but fueled online buying — executives were counting even more on a spending surge this past weekend to reverse lackluster sales. Last year, the second Saturday before Christmas was the third busiest day of the season.



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