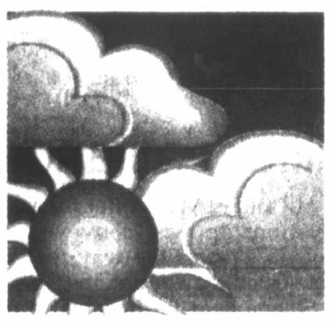
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PAMPA — The annual trout stocking of Recreation Park Lake in Pampa will take place Thursday, Dec. 12, and again on March 5, 1997, according to Eric R. Altena, district biologist for the Canyon office of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Inland Fisheries Division.

Each time, Fisheries Division staff will introduce 1,000 catchable size rainbow trout into the lake. The first 1,000 fish are provided by the state, funded by trout anglers with the purchase of a trout stamp to legally fish and keep trout. The second 1,000 fish are purchased by the city of Pampa at a cost of 75 cents per fish.

The daily bag limit is five fish, with a possession limit of 10 fish.

The stockings generally take place in the early afternoon, but the exact time is dependent on weather conditions, driving conditions and the time required to load the stocking trailer.

For more information on trout stocking, call the TWPD headquarters at 1-800-792-1112, or the district office in Canyon at (806) 655-4341.

PAMPA — The Pampa High School Choral Department will present its annual Christmas concert at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, at First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson.

The Mixed Choir will perform a handbell number in addition to their sung selections. The Women's Choir will perform three pieces, one of which will feature signing of the lyrics.

The Show Choir will perform several of its popular Christmas numbers, and the Concert Choir will climax the concert with "Gloria" by Antonio Vivaldi.

The choirs are under the direction of Fred Mays and Susie Wilson.

PAMPA — Want to do some shopping this weekend but dread taking the kids along?

Pampa Middle School Teen Leadership students think they have the answer.

Eighth grade students will provide child care services with a variety of activities and refreshments for children ages 3 to 10 Saturday afternoon.

Babysitting services will run from 1-5 p.m. in the PMS library. Parents are asked to accompany their children to the library for registration.

PAMPA — A fund has been established in a local bank to aid a young Amarillo child striken with cancer.

Money can be donated at FirstBank Southwest to help Seth Guest, 2 1/2. Guest has relatives in town, according to a family friend.

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Two firefighters injured battling grass fire

By CHIP CHANDLER
News Editor

Firefighters from 16 area departments spent almost seven hours Tuesday battling a large grass fire in Wheeler County in which two Shamrock firefighters were injured.

Lynn Mills is listed in serious but stable condition today at University Medical Center in Lubbock, while Barry Sanders is in stable condition at Parkview Hospital in Wheeler. The two suffered burns when their truck was overtaken by the fire around 2:30 p.m.

"They were in the process of turning around when the fire rolled over the truck," said Shamrock Fire Department Chief Randy Tallant.

Tallant said Mills suffered second- and third-degree burns to his face and hands.

The fire consumed about 2,700 acres before firefighters brought it under control around 8:30 p.m., Wheeler County Fire Marshal Ken Daughtry said today. It cut a swath about three miles long and two miles wide in pasture land between Kellerville and Magic City, about 40 miles southeast of Pampa on Farm-to-Market Road 2473.

At least one hay barn was burned. Daughtry said the blaze came "pretty close" to two homes and one trailer home, but no damage was reported.

About 75 firefighters responded from departments including Wheeler, Pampa, Shamrock, Briscoe, Mobeetie, Allison, Sweetwater, Okla., McLean, Erick, Okla., Lefors, Hoover, Miami, Sayre, Okla., Texola, Okla., and Reydon, Okla.

Firefighters at the scene said difficult terrain and high winds made battling the blaze a challenge.

"The biggest problem is the wind. Most of this grass is high ... tall and dry, and in this wind it just goes great," Daughtry said from the incident command site Tuesday.

Daughtry spoke from a vehicle at the intersection of FM 2473 and Farm Road 453 while high winds battered the area with dirt, cinders and smoke. The fire had swept through the area just over an hour before Daughtry spoke.

Winds reached 48 miles per hour in the region, according to the National Weather Service.

Area fire departments also responded to a grass fire about 20 miles northeast of Canadian in Hemphill County.

According to a Hemphill County Sheriff's deputy, the fire burned for about 11 miles along the highway and was about one mile wide at its widest point.

The deputy reported one wooden barn was destroyed in the fire, but was unsure of the total acreage burned, the cause of the blaze or if any livestock was lost.

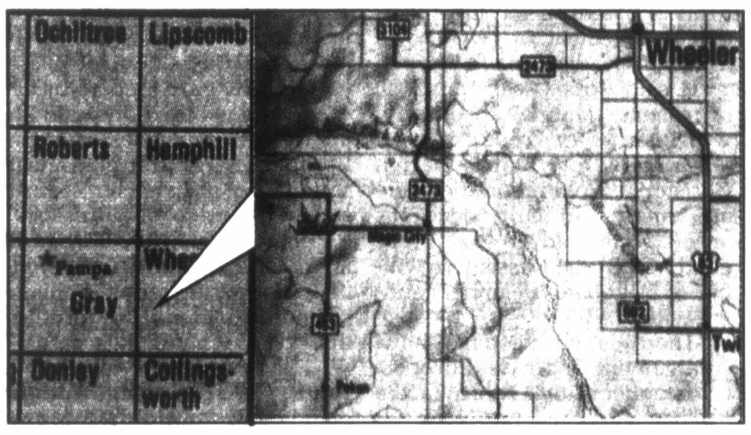
Fire departments from Gem City, Higgins, Shattuck, Okla., Arnett, Okla., and Follett joined Hemphill County in controlling the fire.

Staff writer Dianna Dandridge contributed to this report.



(Pampa News photo by Chip Chandler)

Wheeler County Fire Marshal Ken Daughtry and junior firefighter Rusty Archer run the command center of a massive grass fire Tuesday afternoon between Kellerville and Magic City 40 miles southeast of Pampa.



(Pampa News graphic by Marijane Kent)

Two Shamrock firefighters were burned in a grass fire near Magic City and Kellerville in Wheeler County Tuesday afternoon. The fire began about 10 miles west of Shamrock and 10 miles north of Interstate 40 off the Pakan Road exit.

PISD reviewing staff changes for elementary schools

By CHIP CHANDLER
News Editor

Pampa elementary school teachers and professional staffers will let administrators know by Thursday which school and grade level they prefer to work in after grade schools are consolidated beginning next year.

Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr told school board members Tuesday that those staffers were given surveys Friday and told to list their top three choices of location and grade level.

After Thursday, administrators will begin the process of matching the staffers to their preferences when possible. Cuts in staff will occur, Orr said, but he reiterated the district's commitment to accomplish those through attrition or not filling positions when workers retire.

A preliminary consolidation plan shows that staff will also be placed based on instructional needs at the four remaining elementary schools. Orr said teacher assignments should be set in January after student population boundaries are set.

Teachers have expressed some anxiety about their futures, Orr added, saying "it is important to try to wrap it up as soon as possible."

What could be potentially more difficult, Orr indicated, was assigning paraprofessionals in the four schools. Paraprofessionals – including campus secretaries and teacher aides – are more likely to be specifically trained for their positions, unlike elementary teachers who can generally teach at any level in their schools, Orr said.

Also complicating the situation is the fact that many paraprofessionals are required at the campuses in compliance with federal and state programs. It's still undecided where all the special programs will be housed, Orr said.

The district's goal is to operate from a "common base" at the four campuses and then decide where special programs are housed.

The district is also in the process of setting clear minimum and maximum student population figures for the four schools. That would prevent, as in a recent worse-case scenario, a near 450-student difference between the most and least populated schools, officials hope.

In other business, board members spent about an hour looking over preliminary architectural plans for Austin, Lamar and Travis. Construction is planned to be completed on those schools by August 1997. Reconstruction of Wilson will follow.

The board also officially approved a bid from Griffin, Kubik, Stephens and Thompson of Chicago to issue the $8.1 million in tax bonds that will finance the project. Financial adviser Vince Viaille said the district received six bids to issue the bonds, and their highest bid was lower than the lowest bid received by Amarillo Independent School District, where voters approved a bond issuance a week after Pampa.

In other action, the board:

- Accepted the district financial audit from Brown, Graham and Company, who termed the district's internal auditing habits as "excellent"; and,
- Approved a $98,000 bid from Asbestos Maintenance Services Inc. of Borger to remove asbestos from ceilings and floors in Austin.

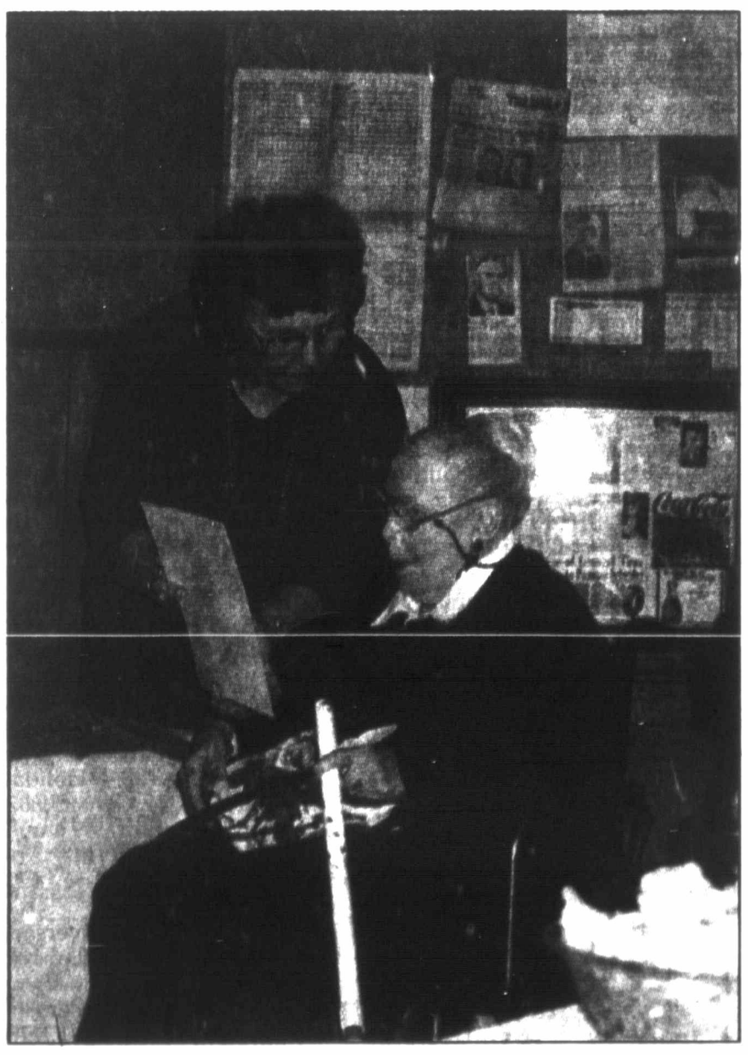
Volcano erupts again in Alaska

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — A volcano at the tip of the Alaska Peninsula has erupted into a "code red" alert, hurling gritty volcanic ash high into the atmosphere.

Pavlof Volcano, 590 miles southwest of Anchorage in the Aleutian volcanic arc, began shooting ash above 15,000 feet on Tuesday and possibly to 25,000.

The increase in activity prompted the Alaska Volcano Observatory to increase its concern level to red, the top of its scale.

Pavlof lies along the air route for flights to Asia and its eruptions can throw ash into the path of passing airliners. No flight operations had been affected Tuesday, the Federal Aviation Administration said.



(Pampa News photo by Sherry Cromartie)

Ola Gregory Covey, right, shares memories of her career in the Gray County Courthouse with her friend, Zetha Daugherty, at a birthday reception for Covey.

Covey shares her courthouse memories

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

Ola Gregory Covey was surprised by several close friends and long-time professional friends on her 90th birthday Tuesday at Lovett Memorial Library auditorium.

Members of the Gray County Democratic Committee hosted a birthday reception for her from 7-9 p.m. Covey started the celebration by first blowing out the candles on her birthday cake, saying it would be unlucky for her if she failed to do that.

She has been politically active in Gray County since 1928, when she first was employed as a deputy county clerk for Charlie Thut, the elected county clerk at that time. Her first office, in February 1928, was located in the original county courthouse located in Lefors, before it was officially moved to Pampa in April of that year.

"I think I am the only living person in Gray County who worked in the Lefors courthouse location," she said.

Covey explained there was an election going on to move the county seat at the time she came to Gray County from Indian Territory, Okla. At the time, it seemed the best idea to relocate the county seat because Pampa was an oil boom town and many businesses were coming into the area. Lefors and McLean people voted against the idea, but the Pampa people carried the vote.

"On the day of the official move, I remember people coming into Lefors with trucks and moving equipment. They drove around the town, whooping it up with lots of joyous noise ... except for the locals, who were saddened," she said.

The county records and office furniture was placed temporarily in the old First Baptist Church, and the basement was used for office space, while the sanctuary was used for court sessions during the week. Soon bonds were voted in and approval was given by the county to build the new courthouse, which still stands, she added.

Covey said the people like to tell the story that "Pampa stole the county seat, but actually, the voters couldn't throw out enough negative votes to stop it."

She won the election for county treasurer in 1946 and retained that position until her retirement Jan. 1, 1970.

Covey has collected newspaper clippings and memorabilia throughout her years of working and living in Gray County, concerning politics, her local interests and civic involvements. Many of those reminders were on display for her, and her friends were pleased to read them for her.

Covey is partially blind and unable to read; however, her ability to remember facts is keen, and she kept the room full of visitors entertained with many stories of her life.

She said she was only a child when she decided to be dedicated to the Democratic Party because of their concern for the people and "their way of showing human caring for the poor people."

Covey is still a member of the local party committee, and she talked of her concern about present day campaigning methods and how often dirty politics is evident.

"I'm concerned about dirty campaigning, not particularly in Gray County, but on the national level. I hope the rank and file of all working men and women are well represented, and I don't believe there's a need for a third party," she said.

She told a story about going with her mother into a village of ill and starved families. She said she was still young enough to have to hold her mother's hand at the time, but the sadness and the seriousness of the circumstances are still very strong in her mind. It was at that time she decided the Democrats were more likely to help the people.

Her grandfather and stepfather were believers also, who became involved in the Democratic Party to help save the Union after Abraham Lincoln freed the slaves.

"My grandfather believed the same as Lincoln, and they were concerned if that action was not done, it would have destroyed the nation – to split the Union," she said.

"I decided to be a Democrat then, and I'm still a Democrat!" she said.

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Services tomorrow

DUNN, Bonnie Gamage — Private memorial services, 2 p.m., First Christian Church Parlor, Pampa.

HINTON, Clint Harrison — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Rowe Cemetery, Hedley.

MORGAN, W.A. — Graveside services, 10 a.m., Llano Cemetery, Amarillo.

Obituaries

CLINT HARRISON HINTON

HEDLEY – Clint Harrison Hinton, 17, died Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1996. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Rowe Cemetery with the Rev. Bruce Howard, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors Inc. of Clarendon.

Mr. Hinton was born at Pampa. He had been a resident at Lubbock State School for the past several years.

Survivors include his mother, Wanda Hinton of Hedley; his father, Richard Hinton of Claude; a sister, Renee Lindsey of Vega; two brothers, Tony Hinton and Jody Hinton, both of Claude; and grandparents, James and Edith White of Hedley.

FLORA NOLAND

PLAINVIEW – Flora Noland, 88, mother of a Pampa resident, died Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1996. Graveside services were to be a 11 a.m. today in Parklawn Memorial Gardens with the Rev. Joe P. Weldon, pastor of Parkview Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Lemons Funeral Home.

Mrs. Noland was born at Ardmore, Okla., and attended Ardmore schools. She married Haskell Truman Noland in 1925 at Ardmore; he died in 1968. She had been a Plainview resident since 1937, moving from Ardmore. She worked at Lusters Laundry for 12 years and at Care Inn, Cloverlake Dairy and Holiday Inn.

Survivors include five daughters, Leta McAnally, Trulene Reed, Tommie Shannon and Jackie Harrell, all of Plainview, and Mary Hughes of Pampa; a son, Glen Noland of Roanoke; a brother, Guy Stiewig of Plainview; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Calendar of events

TRALEE CRISIS GROUP COUNSELING

Tralee Crisis Center, 119 N. Frost, is to offer group counseling for battered and abused women 11 a.m. to noon Mondays. Facilitator is Priscilla Kleinpeter, LMFT. For more information, call Ann Hamilton at 669-1131. Space is limited. Call ahead.

VFW FOOD DRIVE

The Pampa Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #1657 is now collecting canned food items for its yearly Christmas baskets for the needy. The food items can be dropped off at the VFW Post building, 105 S. Cuyler, or at the Veterans Service Office, 123 W. Foster. If anyone knows of a needy veteran family, please let the post have that information as well.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be having an immunization clinic offering vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases, including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps and HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) in Pampa at Columbia Family Health Care Center, 600 W. Kentucky, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12. The TDH is charging money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay.

Clarification

The Tammy Knight listed in the Court Record report in the Nov. 20 edition of *The Pampa News* as being ordered to enter a halfway house in Amarillo is not the Tammy Kay Knight who lives in Lefors.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Dec. 10

Theft over $50 and under $500 was reported at 200 N. Ballard that occurred between 6:20 p.m. Monday and 10 a.m. Tuesday. Stolen was $400 cash.

A city Recreation Department employee reported finding two boys mountain bikes in the M.K. Brown draw in the 600 block of East Kentucky.

Violation of a protective order was reported at the intersection of Banks and Kentucky.

Burglary that occurred Nov. 28 was reported at 822 Wall. Stolen was $100 worth of dishes, household utensils and miscellaneous items.

Officer Anthony Wooley reported evading arrest or detention in the 700 block of Brown.

Allsup's, 1025 W. Wilks, reported theft of $5.02 of gasoline.

Arrests

John Charles Reeves, 40, 1924 N. Dwight, was arrested at 700 Brown on charges of no valid driver's license, obscured license tag and invalid motor vehicle insurance sticker. He was released to pay later.

Clarence Reed Jr., 20, 1144 Huff Rd., was arrested in the 600 block of West Wilks on a charge of evading arrest or detention and warrants alleging expired driver's license, no Texas driver's license and failure to appear. He remained in custody.

Ambulance

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

TUESDAY, Dec. 10

7:08 a.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to a quarter mile east of Recreation Park on Highway 60 on a motor vehicle accident and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

12:10 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 500 block of South Gillespie on a trauma and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

2:08 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1100 block of North Starkweather on a trauma and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

6:08 p.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1300 block of East Francis on a trauma and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 11

3:27 a.m. – A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2400 block of Navajo on a medical emergency and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	4.05
Milo	4.03
Corn	4.80

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

Occidental	22 5/8	dn 3/8

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

Magellan	82.08
Puritan	17.53

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

Amoco	76 7/8	dn 3/8
Arco	137 1/4	dn 1 1/2
Cabot	25 3/4	dn 1/8
Cabot O&G	17 5/8	dn 1/8
Chevron	63 5/8	NC
Coca-Cola	49 3/8	dn 1/4
Columbia/HCA	40	dn 3/8
Enron	44 3/4	dn 3/8
Halliburton	58 1/8	dn 3/8
Ingersoll Rand	46 3/8	dn 1/4
KNE	40 3/8	dn 1/4
Kerr McGee	69 1/4	dn 1/4
Limited	18 3/4	dn 1/8
Mapco	33 1/8	dn 3/8
McDonald's	46 3/4	dn 3/4
Mobil	120	dn 5/8
New Atmos	23	dn 1/8
Parker & Parsley	33 5/8	dn 1 1/8
Penney's	51 1/4	dn 1/4
Phillips	42 7/8	dn 3/8
SLB	99 3/8	dn 1 1/2
SPS	35 1/2	dn 1/8
Tenneco	51 3/8	dn 1/8
Texaco	98 7/8	dn 5/8
Ultramar		NA
Wal-Mart	24 3/4	up 1/8
New York Gold		369.60
Silver		4.79
West Texas Crude		24.42

Fires

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

TUESDAY, Dec. 10

1:40 p.m. – Three units and six personnel responded to a grass fire 40 miles southeast of Pampa on FM 2473 in Wheeler County.

Louise Bailey retiring from Boatmen's

Louise Bailey has announced her retirement from Boatmen's First National Bank as of Dec. 31, 1996.

Mrs. Bailey has been with Boatmen's, formerly First National Bank, in Pampa for over 40 years.

She began her banking career Feb. 1, 1956, in the bookkeeping department and retires as a vice president of the Boatmen's Pampa Center. She served with three bank presidents and saw the bank grow from under $20 million in assets to over $200 million. She also participated in six physical expansions of bank facilities.

"The loyalty of an employee like Louise is really uncommon, and the contribution she has made to our bank and the city of Pampa is immeasurable," said Don Babcock, bank president.



Louise Bailey

Mrs. Bailey's community activities have included Altrusa International since 1976 and additionally as president from 1985 through 1987. She served on the boards of The Salvation Army, as treasurer, and the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, where she served on the Country Fair Committee.

The Pampa United Way benefited from her service on the allocations committee and as a worker each year. She now serves as president of the Tralee Crisis Center.

The bank will hold a public reception in the bank lobby on Monday, Dec. 30, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

Russia accepts NATO bid on military alliance

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) – Russia today accepted a NATO overture to negotiate ties with the military alliance but denounced its plans to expand eastward as likely to divide Europe again.

"We continue to be against NATO enlargement," Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov said at a joint news conference with NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana. "This is based on the firm belief that enlargement of NATO will lead to a new division of Europe."

He said Russia seeks a NATO document dealing specifically with his country's concerns.

Secretary of State Warren Christopher told reporters "there are many difficult decisions ahead." He said it was "very good news" that Russia was willing to negotiate an understanding with NATO.

"There is no need to have enlargement redivide Europe," Christopher said. "Over time, the Russian fears can be resolved."

Solana will conduct the negotiations, supported by the United States holding parallel talks with Russia. "We take this as a positive development," State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said.

"We are not surprised to hear Primakov speak against NATO enlargement," he said, reiterating NATO would expand whatever Russia thinks about the proposition.

"Neither NATO nor Russia wants to see new dividing lines in Europe," he said, but NATO must consider its own interests.

Primakov stressed Russia's concern was based on maintaining its security in a fast-changing Europe. "We think security should be indivisible; security should extend to all of Europe."

Primakov said Russia was willing to hold talks with NATO on a new relationship with the alliance provided the result is a document that "deals with our concerns."

He did not appear to be mollified by NATO's pledge Tuesday not to deploy nuclear weapons in Central and Eastern Europe when former Soviet allies are accepted as members.

He said NATO's offer for a new relationship, as conveyed by Solana, "paves the way for very constructive negotiations."

Solana said he had reaffirmed to the Russian minister NATO's intention of building "a good partnership with our Russian friends."

Solana said NATO would like to have the relationship worked out by this summer's planned summit meeting when potential new members are invited to begin bargaining for membership. The summit is set for Madrid July 8-9.

In a meeting Tuesday night with Christopher, the Russian foreign minister did not shrink from criticizing NATO's plan. "We treat this negatively," he told Christopher in an 80-minute meeting at NATO headquarters.

Under the NATO charter the United States and the 15 other current members "will enjoy the protection that comes with NATO membership," including nuclear weapons, Burns said later.

Carson County OKs salary hikes, insurance bids

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

PANHANDLE – Annual salaries for two Carson County positions were increased Monday, Dec. 9, and a bid for county vehicle liability insurance was also accepted in commissioners' court.

Commissioners approved an annual increase of $166.92 for the Administrative Assistant II position in the clerk's office and an annual increase of $1,370.52 for the combination position of county secretary/emergency management clerk in the county judge's office.

According to Wanda Hood, county secretary and assistant to Judge Jay Roselius, the increases in salaries were approved to meet recommended base salaries set by Texas Association of Counties.

Carson commissioners accepted and approved a bid for Carson County's automobile liability insurance coverage, at an annual premium of $8,070, from A. J. Wieser and Company of Panhandle.

In other business, Roselius presented for the court's approval the Carson County Child Abuse Protection Plan, prior to filing it with the State of Texas. In accordance of the law it is required by Texas that all counties are to have a plan on file, Roselius told the commissioners.

The next commissioners court is scheduled at 9 a.m. Dec. 20, and the county's annual Christmas Party begins at 10 a.m., following court adjournment, in the commissioners' courtroom.

Carson County courthouse offices will be closed for holidays on Dec. 24 and 25, and Jan. 1.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Clear tonight with a low near 38 and northwest winds 5-15 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy with a high in the mid 60s and northwest winds 10-20 mph. For the weekend, continued dry conditions with highs near 60 and lows near 30. Tuesday's high was 72; the overnight low was 40.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas – Panhandle: Tonight, mostly clear with lows in low 30s to upper 30s. Thursday, partly cloudy with highs around 60 to mid 60s. South Plains: Tonight, fair. Lows 35-40. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs 65-70.

North Texas – Tonight, fair and cooler. Lows 44 north to 50 southeast. Thursday, brief morning low clouds southeast, otherwise fair. Highs 67 north to 75 southeast.

South Texas – Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, becoming cloudy toward morning with patchy dense fog developing. Lows in low 50s, near 40 Hill Country. Thursday, cloudy nights with patchy dense fog and partly cloudy days. Highs in mid 70s, near 70 Hill Country. Upper Coast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in mid 50s inland to low 60s coast. Thursday, sunny days and clear nights. Highs in mid 70s inland to near 70 coast. Lows in mid 40s inland to upper 50s coast. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows near 60. Thursday, sunny days, clear nights. Highs in mid 70s coast to near 80 inland.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico – Tonight, fair to partly cloudy. A slight chance of showers northwest. Lows upper teens to low 30s mountains and north with 30s to mid 40s elsewhere. Thursday, fair skies. Highs 40s to mid 50s mountains and northwest with upper 50s to low 70s elsewhere.

Oklahoma – Tonight, mostly clear. Lows mid 30s to mid 40s. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs mid and upper 60s.

Report blames crew in ValuJet hard landing

WASHINGTON (AP) – Federal investigators today said the crew was largely to blame for the hard landing of a ValuJet airliner in Nashville that damaged the plane and injured five people.

The "improper procedures and actions" of the crew were the probable cause of the Jan. 7 accident involving a DC-9 with 88 passengers and five crew members aboard, the National Transportation Safety Board said.

The board said contributing factors were the airline's failure to follow recommended cold weather servicing procedures for the aircraft's landing gear and inadequate reference manuals for the crew.

The accident was one of a series of mishaps involving ValuJet under investigation when one of the company's planes crashed into the Florida Everglades May 11, killing 110 people. The airline was grounded in June but has since resumed limited operations.

Investigators probing the Nashville incident blamed the pilot and copilot for failing to follow proper procedures or to radio for advice when mechanical problems developed on their flight from Atlanta.

When the landing gear failed to retract, the crew overrode the system and got the gear up. Then the plane failed to properly increase its cabin pressure. The crew pulled a pair of circuit breakers which resulted in pressurization, the board said.

They continued on assuming they had solved the mechanical problems.

On landing, instead of manually reducing the cabin pressure, the crew restored the circuit breakers that they had switched off earlier – although the airplane's operation manual says not to do this while in flight.

When those breakers were restored, a set of wing panels called the ground spoilers deployed. These are devices that reduce the wings ability to lift the plane and are intended for use only after the plane has landed.

Having these spoilers extended caused the plane to suddenly lose altitude and strike the ground as they were attempting to land, damaging the craft and causing the injuries.

JFK mistress claims she aborted his child

NEW YORK (AP) – Judith Campbell Exner, a reputed mistress of President John F. Kennedy, says in January's issue of *Vanity Fair* that she aborted his child 10 months before he was assassinated.

Ms. Exner, 62, was interviewed by syndicated columnist Liz Smith for the magazine due on newsstands in New York today. Excerpts appeared in New York newspapers today.

Ms. Exner says she ended her two-year affair with Kennedy in 1963 because she hated being "the other woman." Ms. Exner said she then went to Chicago and discovered she was carrying his child.

Kennedy asked Ms. Exner if she wanted to have the baby, and then urged her to have Chicago mob boss Sam Giancana arrange for an illegal abortion.

Ms. Exner has receipts for the January 1963 procedure performed at Grand Hospital, the magazine reported.

"I was 26 and in love," Ms. Exner says in the article. "Was I supposed to have better sense and more judgment than the president of the United States?"

Kennedy was assassinated Nov. 22, 1963, in Dallas.

Ms. Exner, who is living in Orange County, Calif., with advanced bone and breast cancer, said she disclosed her abortion because she wanted to "demystify" the Kennedy legend.

City briefs

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Live Nativity Scene



(Pampa News photo)

The First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson, will be presenting a Live Nativity Scene in the front yard of the church from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15. The scene will include live animals gathered at the stable. The public is invited to drop by and view the scene Sunday night. In addition, the church will take its senior citizens on a tour of the holiday lights around the city that night.

GOP state Senate victory a triumph of far-reaching, historic significance

AUSTIN (AP) – After decades of defeats, after years when they could win only the occasional race, Texas Republicans are on a roll of historic proportions.

Today, for the first time in more than a century, the GOP controls a chamber in the Texas Legislature.

Robert Duncan's victory over Democrat David Langston in West Texas on Tuesday night gave the GOP 16 of the Senate's 31 seats.

In the chamber where Republicans held three seats 20 years ago – and only six seats just ten years ago – they are in charge now.

"This marks the beginning of a new era for Republican leadership in Texas," said Mark Sanders, a Republican political consultant in Austin.

"If Republican elected officials do what they have been mandated to do by voters, you should see a Republican-led agenda for the first time in 125 years," Sanders said.

With Duncan elected to replace Democratic Sen. John Montford, Republicans tightened their grasp on the strings of state political power.

A Republican occupies the Governor's Mansion. A Republican is agriculture commissioner. Republicans have control of the Texas Supreme Court and last month claimed a majority of the Court of Criminal Appeals. All three Railroad Commission seats are Republican. Republicans hold a majority of seats on the State Board of Education. The GOP holds a record 68 seats in the 150-member state House.

The last time Texas Republicans enjoyed such strength was in the early 1870s, before Reconstruction-era Republican Gov. E.J. Davis was tossed out in 1874. No Republican returned to that office until 1979, when Bill Clements first was elected.

George W. Bush, only the second Republican governor since Reconstruction, said his party has achieved a milestone in the Senate. But he said he hopes to continue working closely with all legislators, regardless of party affiliation.

"After years of hard work at the grassroots level ... it's a proud moment for people who have toiled a long time in the vineyards," Bush said of the Senate takeover.

"We've shown we can campaign effectively. Now we've got to govern effectively. And the best way to do that is to focus on a 'principles agenda' not a political agenda. I had a great relationship with the state Senate last session, and I anticipate the same thing this next session," Bush said.

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, the Democrat who has presided over the Senate since 1991, also talked of bipartisanship.

"The most important thing now is to focus on the state's business in the upcoming session without regard to political party labels or party agendas," Bullock said. "That's my goal, and it's one shared by the members of the Senate."

Perhaps. But not all Republicans define bipartisanship the same way.

"It's a terrific moment. We've ended one-man rule by Bob Bullock," said state GOP Chairman Tom Pauken.

"I think it's fine to have a bipartisan working relationship," Pauken said. "But up to now, that's been whatever Bob Bullock wants, Bob Bullock gets. If Republican (senators) can hold together, they're going to exercise much more influence."

Under rules approved by the Democratic-run Senate, Bullock and his predecessor, Bill Hobby, were given the power to appoint committees, name their powerful chairmen and control the flow of legislation.

Now that Republicans have the majority, those rules could be changed. But several GOP senators have said they doubt such an effort would be made immediately. And Bullock has been careful to appoint Republicans as key committee chairmen.

Church auction



(Pampa News photo by Danny Cowan)

Penny Glaesman, center, auctions off some handmade craft items, with the assistance of Kaye McCormack, right, during the annual auction at Calvary Baptist Church on Sunday evening, Dec. 8. All proceeds from the auction go to the Lottie Moon Christmas Memorial Missionary Fund.

Report: Lobbyist for lottery vendor resigns amid questions about ties to director Linares

DALLAS (AP) – Lena Guerrero has resigned as a lobbyist for a company that does business with the Texas Lottery Commission amid questions about her ties with lottery director Nora Linares, according to a published report.

The Dallas Morning News reported in today's editions that Guerrero stepped down from Dittler Brothers, which provides scratch-off lottery tickets, shortly after her name came up in the lottery commission's recent questioning of Linares.

Teresa Harris, a spokeswoman for Dittler Brothers, said Guerrero believed her resignation would be in the company's best interest in light of "all the publicity."

The newspaper said Guerrero did not return repeated telephone calls to her home and office over ten days. She could not be reached late Tuesday night by The Associated Press.

Guerrero had worked since September 1994 as a Dittler Brothers lobbyist. In a report filed with the Texas Ethics Commission, she listed her fee at between $25,000 and $50,000.

She once was a rising figure in the administration of former Gov. Ann Richards but lost her seat on the Texas Railroad Commission in 1992 after admitting she lied about having graduated from the University of Texas.

Her name came up recently as the lottery commission looked into how Mike Moeller, a close friend of Linares, was awarded a $30,000 consulting contract with GTECH Holdings Corp., the company that runs the lottery.

For five months beginning in October 1992, GTECH paid Moeller $6,000 a month for consulting work in New Mexico. Moeller listed an address belonging to a cousin of Linares on the GTECH contract.

And Moeller last year took a trip with Linares to Santa Fe. They were joined there by Guerrero, her husband and two high-ranking lottery employees.

In an apparent vote of no confidence, the lottery commission last month rejected the recommendation of Linares and the staff that Dittler's contract to provide scratch-off tickets be extended for another year.

The commission voted unanimously to seek new bids.

Dittler, based in Atlanta, is the Texas lottery's third highest-paid vendor with payments of nearly $43 million from the state. Its contract expires on March 5.

State briefs

Whistleblower ordered by jury to pay consultant

DALLAS (AP) — Whistleblower George Green, who struggled for years to collect a multimillion-dollar jury award against the state, has been told by a jury to pay a consultant who worked to get him the money.

A Travis County civil jury on Monday found that Green committed fraud by not paying consultant Jon Starnes. It voted 10-2 to award Starnes more than $600,000 in actual and punitive damages.

"I'd have to say, as Mr. Green used to say, justice has been served," Starnes said after the verdict, *The Dallas Morning News* reported.

Green's lawyer, Aaron Jackson, said he was disappointed and plans to appeal.

The case stems from a 1991 lawsuit Green filed against the Texas Department of Human Services, where he had worked as an architect.

Corporate fight could nix Super Bowl coverage

AUSTIN (AP) — Austin cable subscribers might have to dig out their "rabbit-ear" antennae for next year's Super Bowl if Time Warner and the Fox Network can't settle a contract disagreement.

Time Warner, the parent company of Austin CableVision, on Tuesday said the network is threatening to block some of its cable systems, including Austin CableVision, from carrying local Fox stations. Time Warner claims the move is in retaliation for its decision against carrying Fox's new, all-news station.

If the alleged threat is carried out, some television viewers around Austin and other U.S. cities could miss NFL football playoffs, the Super Bowl and popular Fox shows like *The X-Files* and the *Simpsons*.

"They're holding our viewers in Austin and other cities hostage," said Michael Luftman, a Time Warner spokesman.

Other cities that could be blacked out, according to Time Warner, include Tampa, Fla., Milwaukee, Kansas City, Mo., and Greensboro, N.C..

Ex-guard sentenced to life in slaying of woman

HOUSTON (AP) — A 53-year-old former prison guard has been sentenced to life in prison after admitting she killed the pregnant girlfriend of her former lover.

After Kathryn Duncan Williams pleaded guilty to the 1995 slaying, the jury gave her the maximum sentence.

Evelyn Crosby, 44, was killed outside a parole office in Houston. Her baby was delivered and survived, although it has serious medical problems. She had married Tommy Lee Williams earlier in the day.

Williams said she shot and killed Crosby in a sudden burst of passion.

She had met Tommy Lee Williams while she was a guard and he was serving a 40-year sentence for a string of robberies.

She said after he got out of prison, they lived together for four years.

But then he met Crosby, and she became pregnant. Williams was in jail for five months, but when he got out they got married although she was seven months pregnant by that time.

Department of Agriculture to review discrimination complaints

WASHINGTON (AP) – Agriculture Department investigators will seek a way to resolve more than a decade's worth of discrimination complaints by black and other minority farmers in farm loan and other programs.

The announcement Tuesday by Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman comes as a federal judge prepares to rule on whether a discrimination lawsuit by six black and Hispanic farmers should be expanded to include hundreds of possible victims.

A hearing is scheduled Friday in U.S. District Court on the suit, which claims the department should award damages and take other actions, such as stemming foreclosures. In some cases, the department has acknowledged discrimination.

A newly formed group of black farmers, organized with the help of the lawyer in the case, also planned a demonstration Thursday in front of the White House. The group claims the administration has done little to address the complaints, most of which originated before the Clinton administration took over.

The announcement was also prompted by an outside consultant's report that found low participation by blacks, Hispanics, Indians, other minorities and women in farm programs and smaller loans to those groups. The report, obtained by The Associated Press under the Freedom of Information Act, could not document overt discrimination, however, and suggested the reasons for differences were complex and difficult to trace, if not impossible.

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We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not a political grant from government, and that men have the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property for themselves and others.

Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment.

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Opinion

Dornan lost touch with constituency

As he moves into the ranks of former members of Congress, the most telling question about Bob Dornan might not be why he lost the 46th Congressional District seat this year, but how he managed to hang onto it for so long. The 46th, with a majority Democratic registration, had sent Democrat Jerry Patterson to Congress in previous years. A few years ago Dornan fought a losing battle to represent the much more GOP-friendly 45th district held by Dana Rohrabacher.

How could an outspoken – sometimes to the point of being embarrassing – conservative often identified with the religious right and outrageous comments have won this seat – usually by handy margins for more than a decade?

The mechanistic answer is that prior to his presidential candidacy, Bob Dornan pretty much followed the lessons taught every newly elected member of Congress in orientation sessions that might be deemed "Saving Incumbency 101:"

Pay close attention to constituent service and help local citizens locked in frustrating tussles with the bureaucracy. Visit home often and keep your visibility high. Make plenty of "non-political" appearances at schools, service clubs, Eagle Scout ceremonies and the like. Demonstrate familiarity with local issues and concerns, even if they have nothing to do with congressional legislation or great ideological divides. Raise lots of money.

Bob Dornan, like most incumbent politicians, did many of these things prior to 1996. But lately, perhaps carried away by his ultimately desultory run for the GOP presidential nomination and feeling overconfident, he neglected them.

Beyond the mechanics, however, the volcanic aspect of Bob Dornan's personality and character that turned so many against him (whether in anger or chagrin) probably had something to do with his electoral success in the early years.

He railed against the Evil Empire – and the intensity of his voice seemed to match the perceived threat of expanding communism. As fears real and imagined pushed voters to support a Star Wars defense system, Dornan stood with them, John Wayne in a business suit. His statements obviously came from the heart – from someone who deeply believed in certain political principles and demonstrated them with a flamboyant personality all his own.

Whether you agreed or disagreed with Bob Dornan – and we did both, on different issues, over the years – you couldn't accuse Bob Dornan of dissembling or waffling on issues. He knew how to do practical politics, but he didn't consult pollsters before taking positions. Even people who disagreed with or were embarrassed by him often had a grudging admiration for his firmness of conviction – or were entertained by his free-association tirades.

But then the world, and its prospects for peace, changed. In recent years, the shrieking decibel level of Bob Dornan began to seem overloud, overharsh, even overboard compared to the debated issues of the day.

Shouting abuse over the Evil Empire is one thing, while shouting abuse over pork barrel politics quite another, voters seemed to say.

In the end, Dornan's political flight was damaged by the whole combination: His distance from his constituency, his attention to a failed presidential campaign, his high pitch.

If Dornan does come back – and he's one to never count out – he would do well to consider carefully what went wrong for him in 1996.

Thought for today

"Great blunders are often made, like large ropes, of a multitude of fibres."

Victor Hugo, *Les Misérables*

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NHTSA: Hot air about air bags



Mona Charen

There they stood at a recent press conference, the sheepish representatives of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, acknowledging that air bags can kill. It was a telling moment and deserved more comment than it got.

Air bags were sold as the great technological fix to a human behavior problem. In 1977, when air bags were mandated (on a phased-in basis) for all passenger cars, fewer than 50% of Americans wore seat belts. Everyone knew that seat belts saved lives. The Naderites and other "public interest" types pressured the government to force automakers to install "passive restraints." The reasoning: We'll save them with or without their participation. Indeed, the NHTSA actually circulated pamphlets suggesting that air bags would make seat belts unnecessary.

When the NHTSA mandated air bags, it required that they restrain a typical driver – a 5-foot-9-inch, 165-pound, unbelted male. Today, the average driver is just as likely to be female, and 67% wear seat belts.

Stories began to surface in the 1980s of small children being killed by air bags that inflated in crashes under ten miles per hour. Joan Claybrook, who headed the NHTSA at the time air bags were mandated, dismissed such reports as an industry attempt to "undermine public confidence in air bags." As late as 1991, the NHTSA itself examined the deaths of six children in low-speed crashes but hushed up the role of air bags. "The potential for bad press in these few cases," a NHTSA report concluded, "could cause a lot of harm to the public's positive perception ... of air bags."

Well, the NHTSA decided what was good for us, and it withheld information that might confuse us – until it could be suppressed no longer. At least 51 people, 31 of them children under twelve, have been killed by air bags in the past decade. Air bag advocates claim that 1,100 lives have been saved over the same period. Perhaps they have, but that does not answer the question. Why did we need a one-size-fits-all approach to a complex matter?

There are a number of different issues at stake here beyond safety. Because the government decided I had to have an air bag, I cannot put any of my three children in the front seat. That can be a hardship. What amount of extra safety am I purchasing for this loss of convenience? According to Sam Kazman, general counsel of the Competitive Enterprise Institute, the marginal safety advantage of an air bag for a belted driver is nine percent. The added safety factor for all drivers is 13%.

That's not much. I can purchase the same added safety margin by buying a car that is 200 pounds heavier. And it hardly lives up to the claims made by the NHTSA in the 1970s that air bags would increase safety by a margin of 50%.

Moreover, the larger car carries no extra risk, whereas the air bag clearly does. And not just to kids. Small adults and those with hearing problems face added dangers from airbag inflation. Those over 70 derive no benefit and may face increased risk.

Air bags cost between $300 and $500 apiece, and more if they inflate. That is a cost consumers have no choice but to pay. If air bags were optional, consumers might apply that money to buying a bigger, safer car.

Of course, if consumers do want bigger cars, they run afoul of another government mandate: the fuel economy standards, which have increased the price of larger cars. According to a peer-reviewed study by John Graham of Harvard and Robert Crandall of Brookings, fuel economy standards, by decreasing the average weight of a new car by 500 pounds, have increased the number of highway fatalities by 2,000 to 4,000 per year! The very same people who insisted upon air bags for everybody also mandated that cars be smaller and lighter and thus less crash worthy.

Now the NHTSA is talking about "smart bags" that will inflate at differing speeds depending upon the weight of each passenger. That sounds expensive. Is it worth it? That's a question that each person ought to be able to decide independently – without incompetent "help" from the government.



Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Dec., 11, the 346th day of 1996. There are 20 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Fifty years ago, on Dec. 11, 1946, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) was established.

On this date:

In 1719, the first recorded sighting of the Aurora Borealis took place in New England.

In 1872, America's first black governor took office as Pinckney Benton Stewart Pinchback became acting governor of Louisiana.

In 1928, police in Buenos Aires, Argentina, thwarted an attempt on the life of President-elect Herbert Hoover.

In 1936, 60 years ago, Britain's King Edward VIII abdicated the throne in order to marry American divorcee Wallis Warfield Simpson.

In 1937, Italy withdrew from the League of Nations.

In 1941, Germany and Italy declared war on the United States; which responded in kind.

Divorce leaves many vulnerable



Sara Eckel

Since my column on women and divorce, I have received many letters from readers who have experienced this painful life change.

A reader from the San Francisco Bay area, who asked not to be identified, had a typical case. During her 7 1/2 year marriage, the reader says she quit her well-paying job in the insurance industry, raised her step-son and worked without pay as the office manager in her husband's law firm. She also managed the couple's rental property and helped renovate their home.

She had been looking forward to a comfortable retirement with her husband, but all of that changed the day he said he wanted to start dating again. Now, at age 50 and with serious health problems, she faces the prospect of trying to support herself without dipping into her retirement savings. That is, she's trying to find an employer who will hire someone who is 15 years away from retirement and who will surely make heavy use of the company health plan. In other words, it doesn't look good.

But she'll have to find something, since it's unlikely that her husband will be required to pay alimony for very long, even though he earns more than $100,000 a year. In most cases, California courts consider any marriage under ten years to be short-term, and alimony is generally awarded for half the length of the marriage. Los Angeles divorce attorney Ron Anteau says that factors such as the age and health of the spouse seeking support may be taken into consideration. However, he says, "the mere fact that it is considered doesn't put dollars into her pocket."

Meanwhile, the reader is devastated. "I gave up my job and my future to build OUR future, but now I'm no longer entitled to that," she says.

How can other women (and men) who choose to forgo an individual paycheck in order care for their families prevent such a scenario? "There aren't many ways to protect yourself," says Deborah Chalfie of the American Association of Retired Persons' Women's Initiative. "By taking time out of the workforce you are basically adding zeros to your earnings, and that drags down your benefits." Nevertheless, the divorce experts I spoke to offered a few precautions.

First, keep track of the money. "More often than not women do not make it their business to know where the money is," says Shirley Kirsten, president of the Fresno (Calif.) Alliance for Divorce Reform. And that, says Kirsten, is their biggest mistake. Women should keep track of all assets – mutual funds, IRAs, profit-sharing plans and accounts held in trust for the children – and monitor their growth. Kirsten also recommends putting half of the accounts in your own name exclusively, so that your spouse cannot transfer joint funds into his name prior to a separation or divorce.

If you are assisting your husband in his business – as the reader above was – be sure that you are on the payroll. This will ensure that you are at least accruing a pension and Social Security benefits.

Work done inside the home is harder to quantify. However, one can stipulate before a marriage that nonpaid work done for the family – cleaning, cooking, raising children – will be compensated in the event of a divorce. The problem, of course, is even allowing yourself to think of such a thing.

"When people get married, the last thing on their minds is divorce," says Karen Winner, former investigative writer for the New York City Department of Consumer Affairs and author of *Divorced From Justice*.

Most people, myself included, view prenuptial agreements with suspicion. It seems cynical and cold to even consider that a marriage could end before it starts. However, in a country where half of all marriages end in divorce, it's something to consider if you plan to take time off to raise children.

The point is not to say that all men will leave their wives, or that they will be irresponsible at the time of divorce. As a reader from Las Vegas pointed out, "There are husbands and fathers who are not taking advantage of their spouse, who are not leaving them destitute and definitely not abandoning their children."Rather, it is to say that there aren't many safeguards for women who give up their careers in the interest of their families. And that those who choose do to so, must keep their eyes open.

Upholding the right to free speech



William Murchison

When overcome by the itch to watch society being remade, take your eye off the presidents and Supreme Court justices. Check out the instructors of sociology, the writers for esoteric journals, the assistant secretaries for this-that-and-the-other – those, in other words, from whom the politicians take their ideas. Social transformation, at this dark but critical level, can evade detection.

Unless, from inside the timbers and rafters that nourish the social termites, there escapes a noise – someone exclaiming in pain and incredulity. For instance, John D. Jeffrey.

Last month, the Texas State Board of Examiners and Psychologists dropped the complaint it was pursuing against Dr. Jeffrey, a Baylor University trained psychologist with a practice in south Dallas County. He was creating a stink. Stinks get in the way of social transformation, causing ordinary folk to ask, "Hey, what's going on here?"

That's the central question in the Jeffrey case – what *is* going on when we find state government using its muscle to legitimate "gay rights"?

In March 1995, the board of psychologist examiners informed the baffled Jeffrey that he had committed 34 ethics violations. How, please? With testimony in a court case centering on the child visitation rights claimed by a divorced homosexual.

Having evaluated the man's daughters, aged eleven and seven, Jeffrey testified to the superiority of the heterosexual family as an environment for child-rearing: not least for health reasons. The angry father complained to the state board concerning Jeffrey's "bias against homosexuals."

A labyrinthine inquiry commenced – without the board's specifying for Jeffrey's benefit either the nature or source of the complaint. At labyrinth's end, the unnamed investigators, and the paid staff, came down on Jeffrey like a ton of bricks. His testimony on the effects of homosexuality had contained "multiple instances of inappropriate and unethical bias against homosexuals based on inaccurate and outmoded information ... " He was invited to meet for a "settlement conference" in Austin. All he had to do to get back in professional good graces was prostrate himself before the board, weeping and repenting.

Would he do it? He wouldn't. He couldn't. "The board," Jeffrey protested in a 16-page response, "is attempting to intimidate one side of the debate into silence in an apparent attempt to assist a homosexual individual and a homosexual civil rights group with their political agenda."

To represent him, Jeffrey engaged Roger Evans, a hardnosed Dallas attorney with a demonstrated scorn for political correctness in high places. Evans charged the board with waging "a punitive campaign designed to advance 'its' extra-judicial and extra-professional agenda using the third-party accusations against Dr. Jeffrey as predicate." Strike his colors? Dr. John Jeffrey hadn't yet begun to fight.

A fair guess is that the board had expected nothing like this; probably it had imagined that the investigation target, with imploring hands folded before him, would collapse in a heap of self-reproach. This was to underestimate a devotee of free thought and free speech.

On through 1996, the fight continued, with Jeffrey and his bulldog attorney calling the board to task for every infraction of the client's constitutional rights. The struggle ended just after Halloween, with the board's surrender. The complaint was dismissed.

A victory for truth? Somewhat. The Jeffrey debacle stuns without stopping those who, having decided to set homosexuality on the same moral plane as heterosexuality, are working to enforce that view. The word goes out to publishers, politicians, psychologists: Conform or take the consequences.

How can such a thing happen in Texas, where the practice of homosexuality isn't even legal? Same way it happens elsewhere – quietly, discreetly, mostly out of view. Except for when a John Jeffrey steps forward, claiming his God-given right to call things as he sees them. The old republic isn't washed up yet.

Community Calendar

Note: Civic clubs, organizations, church groups and others wanting their special meetings and activities listed on the community calendar should contact the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce office, 200 N. Ballard, or call 669-3241, at least two weeks before the scheduled event.

December

AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. For more information, call 669-0407.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-0407 or 669-3988.

VFW POST #1657, 105 S. Cuyler. Charity Bingo every Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open at 12 noon. Public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9.

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS of the Texas Panhandle Inc. has an office open in Pampa. For information as a volunteer, or if you have a child who would qualify for the program, call 665-1211.

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE CHARITY BINGO every Monday at 7 p.m. at the Moose Lodge, 403 E. Brown. Doors open at 6 p.m. Public welcome. License #1-751616469-0.

MEN OF THE MOOSE CHARITY BINGO every Friday at 7:30 p.m. at the Moose Lodge, 403 E. Brown. Doors open at 6 p.m. Public welcome. License #1-75-0769811-0.

DOWNTOWN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION presents "CHRISTMAS PAST" during the month of December. For more information, contact Ronnie Holmes at 665-2631.

6-30 – CHRISTMAS IN LIGHTS – Drive-Through Christmas Lighting Tour. Recreation Park and other locations, 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. For more information, contact Seleta Chance at 669-5790.

8-13 – "TOGETHER IN LOVE" MARRIAGE SEMINAR with Ray Mossholder, 7 p.m. nightly, First Assembly of God, 500 S. Cuyler. No registration fee, but an offering will be received. For more information, call 665-5941 or 665-6060.

12 – CHRISTMAS DANCE AND GYMNASTICS RECITAL by Madeline Graves, 7 p.m., M.K. Brown Auditorium, free admission.

12 – CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT, Pampa High School and Pampa Middle School choirs, 7 p.m., First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson.

13 – COMMUNITY SING-ALONG of Handel's *Messiah*. Calvary Baptist Church, 7:30 p.m. , with special soloists from the area. Sponsored by the Pampa Fine Arts Association.

13 – JUNIOR SERVICE LEAGUE annual Christmas party, 7 p.m., Pampa Country Club. Please call Jonna Smith at 669-1754 for more information.

14 – SANTA PET PICTURES will be taken at Country General from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. as a fund-raiser for Gray County CASA. $5 per picture, frame included. For more information, call Janet Watts at 669-7638.

14 – BREAKFAST WITH SANTA, sponsored by the St. Matthew's Support Group, at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. Two sessions, 8:30-10 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Advance reservations required, due by Dec. 9, at the Day School office, 727 W. Browning, (806) 665-0703. Tickets are $7.50 per child. Includes breakfast, picture with Santa and a goody bag. An adult must be in attendance. For more information, contact Brenda Zedlitz at 665-3389.

14-15 – PAMPA GARDEN CLUB presents "The Spirit and Beauty of Christmas." Exhibit of decorated trees, nativities and other religious art. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday, 2-4 p.m. For more information, call Thelma Bray at 665-1180 or Ruth Barrett at 665-5050.

14-15 – "CANDY LANE" performed by children of the Bible Church of Pampa, 300 W. Browning, at 6 p.m. each day.

15 – CAROLS AND CANDLES, 6 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Foster and Ballard.

15 – LIVE NATIVITY, 7 p.m., First Christian Church, 1633 N. Nelson.

16 – PAMPA RETIRED TEACHERS Christmas Party will be held at 2 p.m. at Lovett Memorial Library. For more information, contact Darlene Birkes at 665-2913.

17 – TOASTMASTER INTERNATIONAL CLUB regular meeting, 5:30 p.m., Coronado Inn dining room. For more information, contact Daniel Silva at 669-6351 or Gary Casebier at 665-4214.

17 – NONA S. PAYNE BAND CHRISTMAS CONCERT, Pampa High School and Pampa Middle School bands, 7 p.m., M.K. Brown Auditorium.

19 – PAMPA CANCER AREA SUPPORT GROUP regular meeting, 7-8 p.m., Columbia Medical Center's Medical Building (NOT in the hospital). For more information, contact Kathy Gist at 665-4742 or Emily Washington at 669-7619.

21 – COWBOY CHRISTMAS JUBILEE at the Stokes Barn. Music starts at 7 p.m. For more information, contact Carolyn or John Stokes, 665-0190 or 665-7896.

22 – "HOME FOR CHRISTMAS," a Christmas celebration, 10:30 a.m., First Assembly of God, 500 S. Cuyler. Members of the congregation share their musical and drama talents, and Pastor Mike Moss shares the story of Christmas. For more information, call 665-5941 or 665-6060.

24 – TOASTMASTER INTERNATIONAL CLUB regular meeting, 5:30 p.m., Coronado Inn dining room. For more information, contact Daniel Silva at 669-6351 or Gary Casebier at 665-4214.

25 – MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

28 – FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS Potluck Supper, 6 p.m., Clyde Carruth Pavilion in Recreation Park east of Pampa. For more information, contact Carolyn or John Stokes, 665-0190 or 665-7896.

Analysts anticipate lower pump prices

DALLAS (AP) – It should be a few months before consumers see a drop in prices at the gas pump even though Iraq's re-entry into the export market had an immediate impact on the cost of crude oil.

Crude oil prices plunged 3 1/2 percent Tuesday when sanctions were lifted against Iraq after Saddam Hussein turned on a pipeline to carry oil to Turkey's Mediterranean coast. The price for January delivery of light, sweet crude oil dropped 88 cents to close at $24.42 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Falling crude prices eventually will be reflected at gas stations, said Mark Mahoney, associate editor of Oil Price Information Service.

"Crude definitely rules the rest of the market, if it goes down the rest goes down with it," he said.

But, he added, "You really won't see any short-term effect at the pump. ... Heating oil will probably not change much either because the commodities are bought early. Until they get rid of that supply, they can't get rid of the prices."

Iraq's oil has been off the world market for six years since its soldiers invaded Kuwait in August 1990, triggering the Gulf War. On Monday, U.N. Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali authorized Iraq to sell $2 billion worth of oil to buy food and medicine for its people.

U.S. analysts say world demand is probably strong enough to support the extra 580,000 or so barrels that Iraq would ship per day without a collapse in oil prices. The amount is a small fraction of the 72 million barrels the world uses daily or the 17.5 million barrels that U.S. consumers demand.

Gasoline prices have been high and unchanged in recent months.

A recent Lundberg Survey of 10,000 stations nationwide found the average price at self-serve pumps, which account for most gas sales, was just below $1.25 a gallon for regular, nearly $1.35 for midgrade and about $1.43 for premium.

Disney remake of animated classic still most popular with moviegoers, 'Daylight' second

By LYNN ELBER
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) – *101 Dalmatians* was No. 1 at the box office for a second straight week, earning $13.9 million and topping the debut of the Sylvester Stallone thriller *Daylight*.

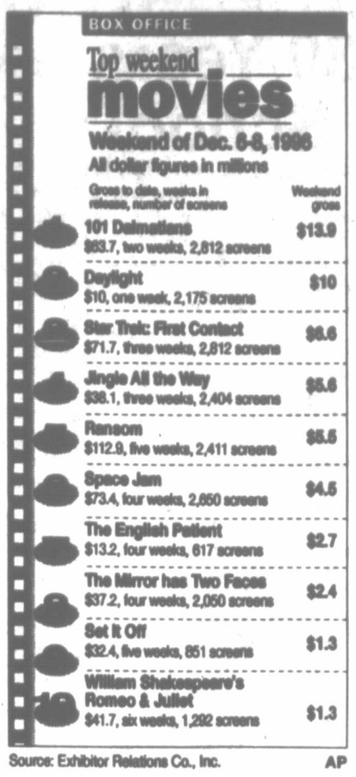
The earnings for *101 Dalmatians*, however, dropped sharply from the $45 million it made over the five-day Thanksgiving weekend.

The Disney film and *Daylight*, which earned $10 million, apparently suffered from a traditional drop in movie attendance that follows the Thanksgiving weekend.

Star Trek: First Contact finished third with $6.6 million. *Jingle All the Way* ($5.6 million) and *Ransom* ($5.5 million) rounded out the top five.

Two films performed well in limited-release debuts. *Everyone Says I Love You*, Woody Allen's revival of the movie musical, made $131,600 on three screens. *The Substance of Fire*, based on Jon Robin Baitz's play about a patriarch vs. his family, took in $15,500 on two screens.

The top 20 movies at North American theaters Friday through Sunday, followed by studio, gross, number of theater locations, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc.:



1. *101 Dalmatians*, Buena Vista, $13.9 million, 2,812 locations, $4,959 average, $63.7 million, two weeks.

2. *Daylight*, Universal, $10 million, 2,175 locations, $4,605 average, $10 million, one week.

3. *Star Trek: First Contact*, Paramount, $6.6 million, 2,812 locations, $2,351 average, $71.1 million, three weeks.

4. *Jingle All the Way*, Fox, $5.6 million, 2,404 locations, $2,327 average, $38.1 million, three weeks.

5. *Ransom*, Buena Vista, $5.5 million, 2,411 locations, $2,279 average, $112.9 million, five weeks.

6. *Space Jam*, Warner Bros., $4.5 million, 2,650 locations, $1,713 average, $73.4 million, four weeks.

7. *The English Patient*, Miramax, $2.7 million, 617 locations, $4,388 average, $13.2 million, four weeks.

8. *The Mirror has Two Faces*, Sony, $2.4 million, 2,050 locations, $1,162 average, $37.2 million, four weeks.

9. *Set It Off*, New Line, $1.3 million, 851 locations, $1,546 average, $32.4 million, five weeks.

10. *William Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet*, Fox, $1.3 million, 1,292 locations, $1,017 average, $41.7 million, six weeks.

11. *Sleepers*, Warner Bros., $327,200, 447 locations, $732 average, $51.5 million, eight weeks.

12. *Swingers*, Miramax, $300,400, 160 locations, $1,878 average, $3.1 million, eight weeks.

13. *Big Night*, Orion, $201,300, 168 locations, $1,198 average, $10.5 million, 12 weeks.

14. *That Thing You Do!* Fox, $192,400, 395 locations, $487 average, $24.98 million, 10 weeks.

15. *First Kid*, Buena Vista, $190,900, 508 locations, $376 average, $25.7 million, 15 weeks.

16. *The First Wives Club*, Paramount, $184,500, 460 locations, $401 average, $101.5 million, 12 weeks.

17. *Secrets and Lies*, October, $175,700, 111 locations, $1,583 average, $4.8 million, 11 weeks.

18. *Shine*, New Line, $168,800, 10 locations, $16,888 average, $728,000, three weeks.

19. *Ridicule*, Miramax, $143,800, 16 locations, $8,991 average, $223,600, two weeks.

20. *Jack*, Buena Vista, $140,800, 351 locations, $401 average, $58.2 million, 18 weeks.

Study finds no overall safety benefits from anti-lock brakes

WASHINGTON (AP) – Occupants of cars with anti-lock brakes are more likely to be in crashes that kill them than occupants of cars without anti-lock brakes, according to an insurance institute study.

Cars with anti-lock brakes are especially more likely to be in crashes where no other car is involved but a passenger is killed – such as when the car runs off the road, according to the study, released Tuesday by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

The risk of fatality also increases slightly for people in a car with anti-lock brakes that is involved in a crash with other vehicles.

"These findings add to evidence that anti-lock brakes aren't producing overall safety benefits," said Brian O'Neill, president of the Arlington, Va.-based institute, which is backed by insurance companies.

The study found a passenger had a 45 percent greater chance of dying in a single-vehicle car crash in a car with anti-lock brakes than in the same car with old-style brakes.

The increase in risk of death for any passenger in a car with anti-lock brakes during a multiple-vehicle accident is six percent, the study said.

The institute based its results on nearly 1,000 fatal crashes from 1986 to 1995 in the government's Fatal Accident Reporting System, which accumulates data on all crashes reported in the United States.

The study involved 41 vehicle models with anti-lock brake systems compared with the same model without anti-lock brakes and no other major design changes in the previous year.

Anti-lock brake systems are designed to prevent a vehicle's wheels from locking to give drivers better control during emergency braking on slippery roads.

When the anti-lock brakes engage, the brake pedal sometimes vibrates as the system works by pumping the brakes faster than is humanly possible. Drivers often grew up learning to pump the brakes themselves, an action that works against the firm step on the pedal required to engage the anti-lock system.

ST. NICK OF TIME by Jimmy Johnson



Under China's watchful eye, shipping tycoon selected as Hong Kong's post-colonial leader

HONG KONG (AP) – A refugee from China's 1949 Communist revolution who became a shipping tycoon and pillar of the colonial order won a crushing victory today to become Hong Kong's first post-colonial leader.

Tung Chee-hwa, tipped from the outset as Beijing's favorite, took 80 percent of the votes of a China-organized committee of 400 Hong Kong notables.

Tung will become chief executive of Hong Kong's semi-autonomous government when it returns to Chinese sovereignty on July 1 and Chris Patten, the last British governor, goes home.

Hong Kong people, who had no vote in the Beijing-controlled selection process, seemed to take the result with resignation, although 29 protesters – including two leading democratic legislators – were arrested after lying down on the sidewalk outside the voting hall.

Although the demonstrators said the system was undemocratic, it nonetheless marked the first time that Hong Kong people – even in limited numbers – have had a say in picking their leader.

The committee, dominated by pro-China business and professional leaders, gave Tung 320 votes. Retired chief justice Yang Ti Liang got 42 and businessman Peter Woo got 36. Two ballots were spoiled.

Tung's triumph is likely to please Hong Kong's powerful business community, which had rooted for a tycoon to take charge of this economic titan of Asia.

But those concerned with civil liberties worry about Tung's advocacy of "Chinese values," and his criticism of Hong Kong's popular and combative Democratic Party. They fear he is too comfortable with China's authoritarian style.

"His ideology is very conservative," said legislator Lee Wing-tat of the Democratic Party. "He believes in Confucius. That means he wants everybody to respect the people in power."

Several dozen demonstrators chanted slogans, scuffled with police and burned a makeshift coffin symbolizing democracy – actions many fear will be outlawed under Chinese rule.

Setting of Washington Irving novel to change name

NORTH TARRYTOWN, N.Y. (AP) – Lanky, wrinkled, white-bearded William Lent, looking like someone who might have known Ichabod Crane, got up from his seat at Village Hall after hearing that North Tarrytown had voted to rename itself Sleepy Hollow.

He made his way a few blocks to the 1685 Old Dutch Church, where he is the sexton. He climbed the stairs to the belfry, took hold of the rope and set the bell pealing, enchanting a steadily growing knot of celebrating villagers.

"This is so exciting," said Jeanine Galgano, a longtime supporter of the name change. "Sleepy Hollow is our heritage. It's our identity. It distinguishes us from anyone else."

The village of 8,000, setting for Washington Irving's *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, voted 1,304 to 710 on Tuesday to change its name.

Some simply wanted to differentiate their hometown from Tarrytown, the larger village to the south. But many hoped that pushing the area's association with American history and literature would help bring tourists and revenue to a village that just lost a General Motors assembly plant.

The name change is to become effective after a meeting today of the village trustees.

Some opponents, who beat back a similar proposal eight years ago, did not take defeat well.

"I'm boycotting it," Edna Belanich said. "I'm not writing Sleepy Hollow on my return address."

Oil heiress dies of pneumonia at Newport mansion

NEWPORT, R.I. (AP) – Oil heiress Carolyn Skelly, who played hostess at lavish parties at her Newport mansion, died there Tuesday after a long bout with pneumonia, her granddaughter said.

She was in her 90s, said granddaughter Dollie Briggs, who lived with her.

Ms. Skelly inherited her wealth from her father, oil baron William G. Skelly.

Ms. Skelly, a major contributor to the Republican Party, hosted fundraisers for former President George Bush and the late Texas Gov. John Connally.

A resident of Dallas, Ms. Skelly moved to Newport in 1978 when she bought Bois Dore, a 36-room mansion in the French chateau style.

Her abundant jewels and their disappearances kept her in the headlines.

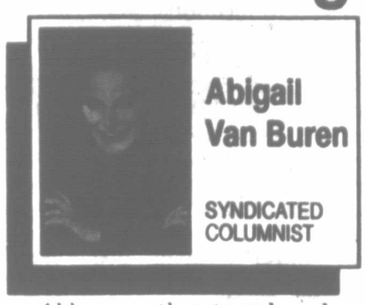
She was abducted at LaGuardia Airport in New York and robbed of $1 million in jewelry in 1982. Two years later, two women including her former maid were charged with stealing more than $2 million in jewels from her Newport estate.

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Woman Haunted For 30 Years By Love Lost In High School



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: When I was in the eighth grade I didn't "like boys." Building forts was much more interesting. But when my first love walked into our classroom, I knew I loved him the second I saw him.

We liked each other all during high school, although my parents told me I was too young to like boys. When he gave me gifts, I had to give them back. When he offered me his class ring I wasn't allowed to take it. It silently broke my heart. In all those years, I didn't ever tell him I loved him — or how much.

He was the valedictorian of our class, and after high school he went on to Stanford University. I went to nurse's training. His life prospered; mine disintegrated.

At age 30, I married a man to please my father. That marriage ended in divorce eight years and two children later. After being a single parent for seven years, I longed for a husband and family. I married a man who had my first love's name. This marriage ended a year later after a lot of trauma to me and my children.

Two years ago, I realized that my true love was "missing in action" in my heart and that I hadn't been able to go on with my life. I located him through the Stanford Alumni register and after 30 years, talked with him — for 42 minutes. He's happily married with four children.

After that phone call, I grieved for two days and then reconciled my love for him in my heart.

Abby, no other true love has come into my life. Perhaps one never will. Please encourage parents to take their children seriously. The heart is never too young to love deeply and eternally.

Thank you. I cannot sign this letter since I don't wish to expose my parents to the heartache they caused me so young in life, and the profound impact that forcing me to deny my love has had on me throughout the years.

FINALLY RECONCILED,
RICHLAND, WASH.

DEAR RECONCILED: Yours is a dramatic story. It's gratifying to know that you have finally found peace and resolved your first love.

When parents tell children that they are "too young" to be seriously in love, what they usually mean is that the children are too young to shoulder the responsibilities that accompany their turbulent emotions. I hope that the next time you find love, it brings you every happiness.

DEAR ABBY: My wife died two years ago. I know absolutely nothing about her side of the family. Although we had a wonderful trouble-free marriage of 47 years, she did not discuss her family.

Among her possessions is a photo album from 1880. All of the photos are excellent, taken in professional studios. The album is blue velvet, in mint condition. The pictures were taken in Illinois, Ohio, Missouri, Nebraska, Colorado; Los Angeles, Oakland and Pasadena, Calif.

Only one photograph is identified with a name: "Mrs. A. Hemenover, 1300 San Pablo Ave., Oakland, Calif., May 5, 1902."

Abby, I would love to return this album to any of her descendants. If anyone reading your column can help, I'm sure it will make the family very happy.

There are no strings attached and no thought of financial gain; I simply hate to see this beautiful album lost to the family. I am 77 years old and a totally responsible citizen.

Incidentally, my wife's maiden name was Jean Elenor Alameda. She was born in Oakland, Calif., and graduated from high school there. GAYEL G. CHEW

DEAR GAYEL G. CHEW: How generous of you. If a family member claims this album, I will contact you. Thank you for giving me your name, address and telephone number.

Horoscope

Your Birthday

Thursday, Dec. 12, 1996

In the year ahead, you might become involved in a new and unusual project that could change your life. Even though you'll be operating on unfamiliar turf, you'll adapt with remarkable ease.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You will have good luck today, especially in financial matters. Forget about the tennis match and focus on increasing your assets. Sagittarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Two important developments appear to be unrelated, but actually, they depend on one another. Today you should be able to spot this link.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Something that has concerned you looks as if it will be concluded to your satisfaction today. A colleague has been working hard behind the scenes.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) The social contacts you make today could help you in the future. Try to make the best-possible first impression.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Financial conditions will be much more favorable today than they were yesterday. If the terms you negotiated previously were unfavorable, try to fix it now.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Something beneficial might develop through a social contact today. You have been trying to make this connection for a long time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You will achieve the results you desire in a business deal today, provided you don't jar things loose in your eagerness to cut a deal.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) It will be your responsibility today to get things organized properly, especially in situations that bring different factions together. Assert yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do not procrastinate today. You must act quickly, because the favorable conditions you are enjoying now might be only temporary.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today, you might have an opportunity to rectify a misunderstanding with a sensitive friend. Do it while both of you are in a forgiving mood.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Try to remain alert today. You might discover an unusual opportunity to earn money. If you are tuned in, you'll appreciate its value.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You have had enough time to study an important issue in detail. Make your decision as soon as possible.

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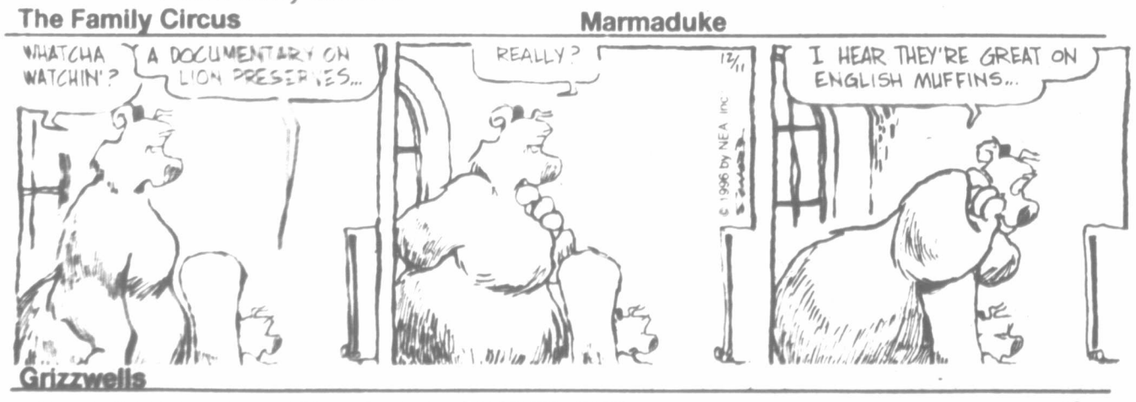
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The Family Circus



"Marmaduke believes Santa Claus should understand dog language."

Marmaduke



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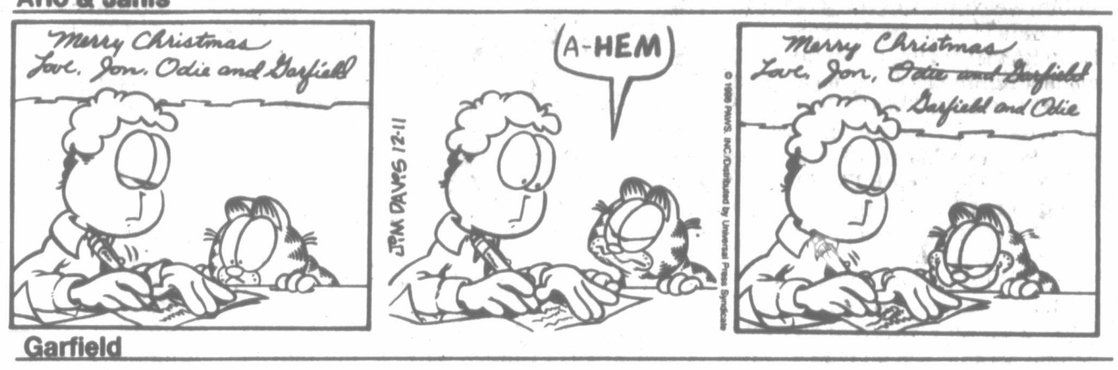
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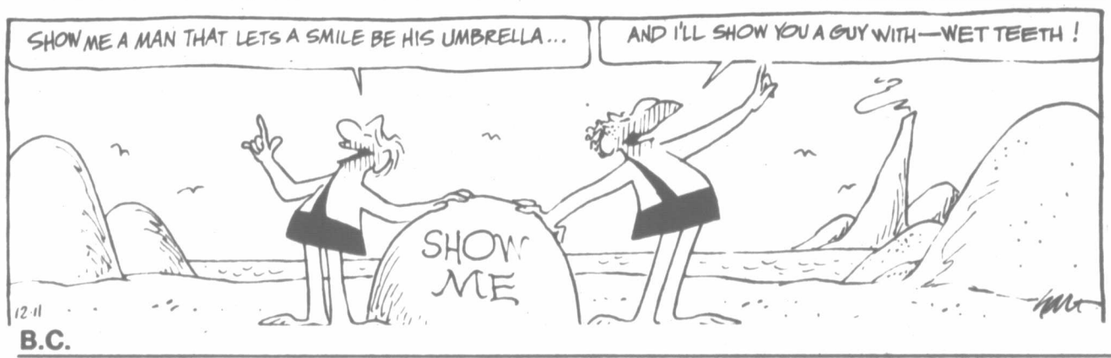
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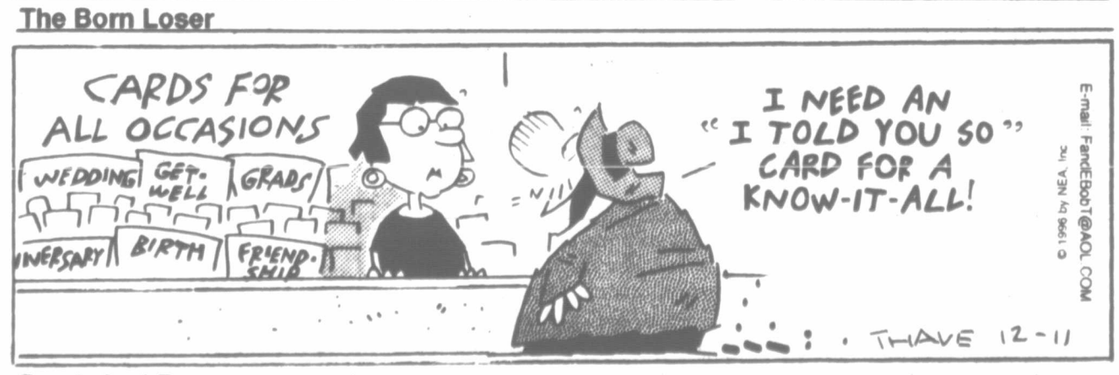
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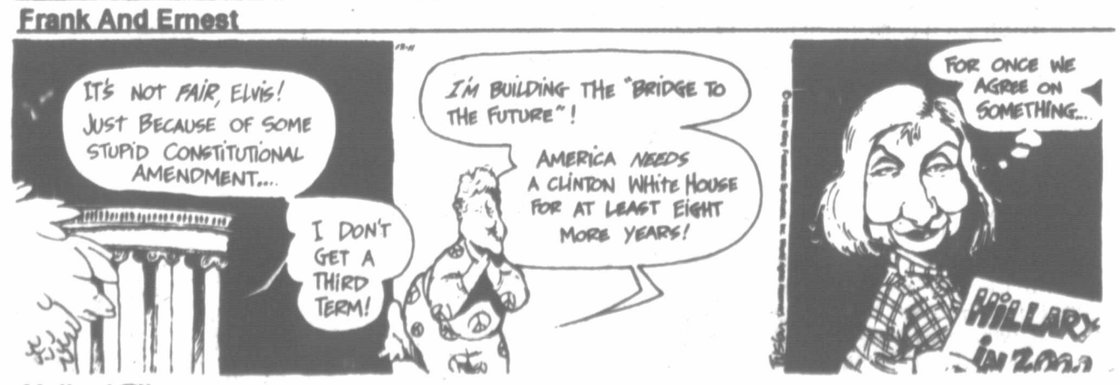
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Sports

Notebook

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Pampa won three of four games against Borger in girls' middle school basketball action Monday.

8th grade

Borger A 48, Pampa A 24

P-Charity Nachtigall 6

Pampa B 39, Borger B 36

P-Shanna Buck 21

7th grade

Pampa A 33, Borger A 30

P-Cali Covalt 14

Pampa B 32, Borger B 16

P-Kim Conner 8, Samantha Ford 8

Pampa's next games are Dec. 16 at Canyon.

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Just when he was getting All-Star David Robinson in uniform for the first time all season, San Antonio Spurs coach Bob Hill was fired.

"At this point, I thought a change in direction was necessary," said Spurs general manager Gregg Popovich, who fired Hill on Tuesday and announced he was taking over as head coach.

Hill and the team were in Phoenix to play the Suns, with Robinson in the lineup for the first time in 19 games after being sidelined with back problems.

Upon his return to San Antonio, Hill said he had been hoping for a contract extension and that the dismissal caught him by surprise. He said his meeting with Popovich lasted about 15 seconds.

FOOTBALL

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Texas Tech is offering over-the-counter tickets to its Alamo Bowl game against Iowa late this month at a reduced price beginning Wednesday morning, the school says.

The school on Tuesday offered 2,185 upper level sideline tickets for $20, or $15.50 off face value, for the Dec. 29 game at the Alamodome in San Antonio.

It also is selling $60.50 club level seats and $40.50 lower level seats at normal price.

Tech has offered the discounted tickets via telephone since Monday.

"The support from the Tech community has been great and the telephone lines in our ticket office have been ringing nonstop," interim athletic director Gerald Myers said.

Tech was required to purchase 10,830 tickets for the game. When Texas beat Nebraska 37-27 Saturday for the Big 12 championship, the Alamo Bowl chose Tech over the Honolulu-based Aloha Bowl.

Tech's toll-free number for ticket orders is 800-462-4412.

GRAMBLING, La. (AP) — After a 3-8 season, numerous injured players, an NCAA investigation and criminal charges against four players, a strained Achilles tendon is the least of Eddie Robinson's problems.

That's especially true since Grambling's president has told college football's winningest coach that his services are no longer needed,

"This wasn't our first losing season, but it was the worst losing season I ever went through," Robinson said Tuesday night as he received treatment for the tendon he injured on the sidelines during a Nov. 16 game against North Carolina A&T and then reinjured later.

"It's been tough on our fans who watched it. But I want them to know it's been a lot worse on me. I just can't end it like that."

Grambling president Raymond Hicks met with Robinson, 77, last week and asked him to resign as coach and assume the vice president's duties. Hicks said in a statement on Tuesday that he didn't ask Robinson to quit the job he's had for 56 years.

"Coach Robinson and I have met and discussed his future role at the university, but I have not issued any ultimatum. To speculate on the outcome at this time would be inappropriate," Hicks said in a statement issued by the school.

But Robinson wants another year to make amends.

"I know we've had some tough times these last couple of years, but I really believe I can change that," Robinson said.

Another week, another challenge for Dallas

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have had five challenge games this season and won every one of them.

The New England Patriots come to town Sunday as challenge game No. 6, and the Super Bowl champions see it as their biggest test to date.

"It's a crisis game as far as I'm concerned," Dallas owner Jerry Jones said Tuesday. "We've got to nail down the division at home and not take a chance on getting the job done in Washington in the last game of the season."

The Cowboys have won in Philadelphia and Miami, beaten San Francisco and Green Bay, and knocked off the Washington Redskins to seize the lead in the NFC East.

But the Patriots (10-4), who can win the AFC East by defeating Dallas, loom as the biggest roadblock.

The Cowboys (9-5) can win a record fifth consecutive NFC East title by beating the Patriots, who have already clinched at least a wild card.

"This is a big game for a lot of reasons," coach Barry Switzer said. "And we're playing probably the hottest team in the NFL."

The Patriots are 0-6 against the Cowboys during the regular season but beat them 31-7 in an exhibition game this year in which most of the Dallas players, including Emmitt Smith, took the day off.

"I was impressed with them when I saw them in the preseason," Switzer said. "Drew Bledsoe is having a good year, they have a coach (Bill Parcells) who has won Super Bowls, and they are leading the league in scoring points."

The Patriots have the sixth-ranked offense in the NFL going against the top-rated defense.

Switzer said the Cowboys' offense, ranked 22nd overall, needs to kick into a higher gear.

"To be successful we really need to do something we've not been going and that's run the football," Switzer said. "We need to control the game and keep Bledsoe off the field."

The Cowboys rank 19th in the NFL in rushing and Smith, the defending rush king, is averaging only 3.7 yards per carry.

Dallas took another step to add depth to its offensive line by signing 320-pound Derek Kennard, who earned a Super Bowl ring as the starting center last year when Ray Donaldson broke his leg.

"Derek has played in big games games and will give us the depth we need," said Jones, who didn't have to move another player because the Cowboys had an open roster spot.

Jones said the Cowboys are ready to make their stretch run and he likes what he sees.

"I think we have every bit as a good a chance to go to the Super Bowl and win a Super Bowl as we had last year," Jones said. "The offense isn't playing as well as it was at this time last year but our defense is playing at a higher level than it did last year."

Visiting Liberal slips by Harvesters, 53-51

PAMPA — Liberal, Kan., behind most of three quarters against Pampa, was able to pull out a 53-51 win Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Pampa led by as many as seven points in the first half and never trailed until Liberal's Melvin Sanders hit two foul shots to give the Redskins their first lead, 34-33, with 1:42 left in the third quarter.

The lead changed four times in the final quarter, but Liberal, which never led by more than four points, was able to grab a three-point edge, 51-48, with 1:35 left. Pampa narrowed the lead to 51-50 on an inside basket by Devin Lemons with 38 seconds to go.

The rest of the points came from the foul line and Liberal would never surrender its lead. Liberal's Aaron Williams and Pampa's Lemons exchanged free throws to keep the Redskins on top, 52-51, with eight seconds to go. With five seconds left, Brett Rorabaugh canned one of two free throws for a 53-51 Liberal lead. Pampa had one last shot, but Gabe Wilbon's long 3-point attempt bounced off the backboard as time expired.

August Larson led Pampa in scoring with 18 points while Corey Sanders had 11 points to lead Liberal.

Lemons, playing in his first game since football season ended, finished with 10 points and four rebounds.

The 6-3 Lemons was a starter on last season's state championship team.

Liberal is 3-0 while Pampa is 2-7.

Liberal, Kan. 53, Pampa 51

Liberal — Corey Sanders 11, Aaron Williams 9, Melvin Sanders 9, Chris Haltom 6, Brett Rorabaugh 6, Trace Haskell 5, Garrett Hill 4, Eric Rosel 3. Three-point goals: Haltom 2, Haskell 1, Rosel 1, M. Sanders 1.

Pampa — August Larson 18, Devin Lemons 10, Shawn Young 10, Kaleb Meek 6, Gabe Wilbon 3, Shannon Reed 2, Jared Knipp 2. Three-point goals: Young 2, Larson 1.



(Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa's Devin Lemons (23), Liberal's Garrett Hill (50) and Melvin Sanders go after a loose ball in the second half Tuesday night.

Two weeks left, and the NFL coaching casualties begin

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

Rich Kotite has been around the NFL long enough to know where he stands.

"I feel very bad that I haven't delivered what I thought I would deliver," the New York Jets coach said during a reflective session with the media Monday. "The bottom line in this game is winning, and we haven't done it."

Kotite knows he's almost sure to be gone as the Jets' coach, one of a half-dozen guys coaching out the string in the final two weeks of the season.

There will be more, but here's the A list. In most cases, the coaches should take the front offices with them.

1, Rick Venturi, New Orleans. He was a second-choice interim coach when he replaced Jim Mora when Mora resigned. At 0-6 going on 0-8, whatever chance he had to impress anyone is long gone.

2, Wayne Fontes, Detroit — Enough, already. Even his players know it's all over. It might even have been over before the season, when someone made the decision not to re-sign Chris Spielman, the soul of the defense.

3, June Jones, Atlanta. He's 3-11, although a lot of the blame should go to the front office, which prefers small defensive linemen and small defensive backs. The Jeff George situation didn't help either.

4, Rich Kotite, Jets. See above. How can you keep a guy who's 4-26 in two seasons and 4-33 going back to his last half-season in Philadelphia?

5, Dan Reeves, Giants. He had an off season last year, but he's done an excellent job with a young team, totally outcoaching Jimmy Johnson and Barry Switzer in two of the past three weeks. He could stay if he agrees to stick to coaching.

6, Rich Brooks, Rams. He might stay if he wins his eminently winnable final two games — against the Falcons and Rams.

That would give him six wins and make him champion of the NFC West underclass. Four of the six would be against Atlanta and New Orleans.

But there's an omen. John Shaw, the Rams' president, is promising "a quick decision." That usually means the coach goes.

The Reeves situation is the most interesting because he's the best coach of the six and he works for the best organization. But the same headstrong nature that led to his dismissal in Denver will lead him to leave New York, perhaps to fill one of the vacancies in Atlanta, New Orleans or Detroit, where he can get the personnel power he craves.

What's strange about all this is that Bill Parcells, Reeves' indirect predecessor in New York, learned in two seasons in New England that coaches don't always know how to draft. And George Young certainly allowed Reeves to bring in the ex-Broncos he wanted — "the New Jersey Broncos" was the derogatory term used for players like Tommy Maddox and Mike Croel, who crashed and burned in the Meadowlands.

Young made his mistakes, too.

He was too unaggressive in free agency and his first-round draft picks in the '90s have been either outright busts or guys on whom the jury is still out (Thomas Lewis, Tyrone Wheatley, Dave Brown.)

But like his friend Bobby Beathard with Washington and San Diego, Young has a nice nucleus of young players picked in late rounds or as rookie free agents. Conrad Hamilton, this year's seventh rounder, and rookie free agent Percy Ellsworth are outstanding defensive backfield prospects, and Danny Kanell, this year's fourth-round pick, already is moving up on Brown at quarterback.

The Giants, however, are the exception among the teams on the list.

"There's been a lot of speculation for a long time," Kotite says. "I know it's there. I live in the real world. This is a bottom line business.

For Kotite, the bottom line is 1-13.

Soccer champs



(Special photo)

The Bone Crushers won the Girls' 14 and under championship in the Pampa Soccer Association's fall league this year. Team members are (front, l-r) Sarah Teague, Danielle Martinez, Ashley Derington, Courtney Moreland and Jessica Burns; (back, l-r) Stephanie Clark, coach Joe Martinez, Jessica Baggett, Amy Robbins, Joanna Wheeley, Nina Velesquez, Collin Lewis, Samantha Ford and Micki Petty. Not pictured is coach Bobby Burns and player Jessica Knipp. The team was sponsored by Haydon-Ford Chiropractic.

Dumas edges Pampa girls

DUMAS — Dumas captured a 43-42 squeaker over Pampa in a District 1-4A girls' basketball opener Tuesday night.

Dumas came from behind to pull out the win after trailing, 32-28, after three quarters.

Beth Ratliff had 12 points and Lacey Beaumont 10 to lead Dumas in scoring.

Jennifer Jones was high scorer for Pampa with 15 points. Chandra Nachtigall followed with 12.

Pampa is now 6-5 for the season and 0-1 in district play. Dumas is 4-8 and 0-1.

The Lady Harvesters host Amarillo Caprock in more district action Friday night, starting at 7:30 in McNeely Fieldhouse.

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BRISCOE — Curt Smith and Donnie Barr scored 20 points apiece as Fort Elliott slipped by Hedley, 52-51, Tuesday night.

Cody Graves had 16 points to lead Hedley in scoring.

Fort Elliott improved its record to 6-4.

Fort Elliott also won the girls' game, 53-41.

April Purcell and Susie Luttrell paced Fort Elliott's scoring attack with 11 points each.

C. Woodard had 20 points for the losers.

The Lady Cougars are 6-4 for the season.

Rockets hold off Timberwolves

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — When Chris Carr stepped to the line with 0.8 seconds remaining and the Minnesota Timberwolves down by two, he received a little advice from former teammate Charles Barkley.

Don't choke.

Carr did not take Barkley's advice, missing the first of two free throws, then intentionally missing the second, and the Houston Rockets held on for a 96-94 victory Tuesday night.

Clyde Drexler scored a season-high 36 points, including a go-ahead, off-balance layup with 1.3 seconds to play, as the Rockets improved to an NBA-best 18-2.

Carr was fouled by Mario Elie on an alley-oop attempt, and the 22-year-old second year player went to the line with the game in the balance.

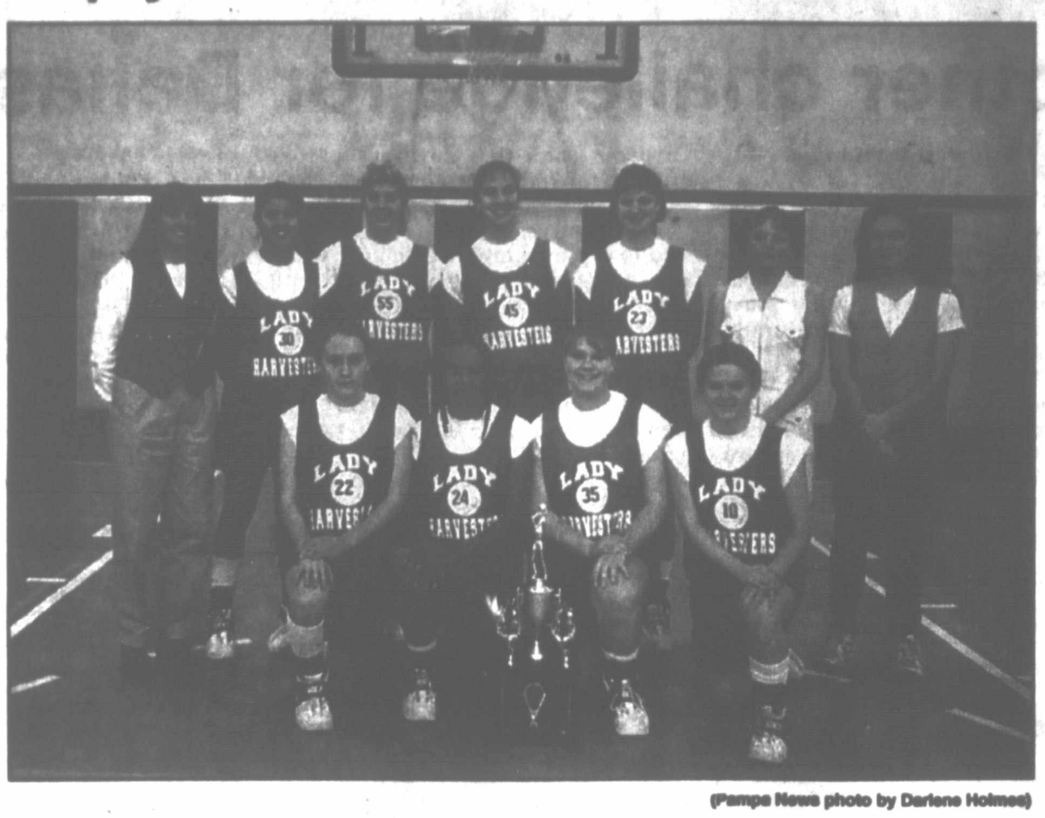
Up stepped Barkley.

"We've all been there and under the pressure," Barkley said. "Sometimes you make them and sometimes you don't."

Carr had made four 3-pointers earlier in the game to help the Wolves stay close enough to have a chance at the end.

"Charles challenged me every day in practice last year," Carr said. "He knows as well as I do that I should not have missed those shots."

Trophy winners



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

The Pampa High girls basketball team participated in the Clayton, N.M. Tournament last weekend and came away with the third-place trophy. Team members are (front row, l-r) Candice Nachtigall, Yvette Brown, Tina Dwight and Chandra Nachtigall; (back row, l-r) Amber Crosswhite, McKinley Quarles, Kristi Carpenter, Faustine Curry, Jennifer Jones, Jami Wells and Andrea Rodriguez. Jennifer Jones was named to the all-tournament team.

Mavericks rally to beat Clippers, 100-95

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Chris Gatling believes the youthful Dallas Mavericks can overcome the lapses of concentration they are prone to having.

"At times we're going to come out lackadaisical because we are a young team. But I think we can't let that bother us," Gatling said Tuesday night after sparking a second-half rally that carried Dallas to a 100-95 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers.

Gatling scored 14 of his 30 points in the third quarter for the Mavericks, who trailed by as many as 14 points early in the period.

Jason Kidd added 18 points and George McCloud had 17 for Dallas, which opened the fourth quarter with a 17-5 run to take a 91-80 lead.

"We just turned up our intensity level in the second half," Gatling said.

Gatling came in with 6:50 left in the third quarter and scored 14 of the Mavericks' 18 points to cut the Clipperss' lead to 75-74 by the end of quarter.

Loy Vaught's 12-foot jumper gave the Clippers a 67-56 lead with 7:07 left in the period.

"We were a step slow in the first half," Mavericks coach Jim Cleamons said.

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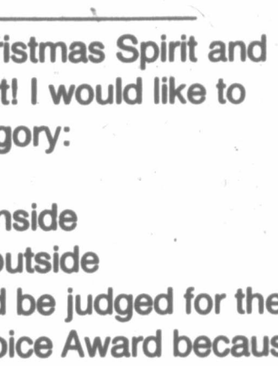
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Tuesday's Major College Basketball Scores

By The Associated Press
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Boston U. 80, Harvard 72
Brown 72, Holy Cross 66, OT
Bucknell 74, Princeton 62, OT
Columbia 64, St. Francis, NY 58
Fresno St. 102, Massachusetts 81
Georgetown 87, Delaware St. 51
Hartford 75, Siena 74
La Salle 75, American U. 59
Lafayette 86, Swarthmore 49
Rhode Island 98, Providence 79
Seton Hall 65, St. Peter's 54
Syracuse 79, Buffalo 45
Towson St. 89, Loyola, Md. 84
Villanova 89, Penn 62
SOUTH
Bethune-Cookman 128, Morris Brown 72
Coppin St. 91, Duquesne 57
Florida 85, South Florida 53
George Mason 78, Long Beach St. 70
Md.-E. Shore 106, Wilmington, Del. 60
Radford 70, VMI 66
SW Missouri St. 75, NW Louisiana 73
South Alabama 74, Ala.-Birmingham 63, OT
MIDWEST
Bradley 67, Butler 55, OT
Indiana 74, DePaul 57
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Miami, Ohio 91, E. Kentucky 40
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Arkansas 137, Troy St. 70
SW Texas St. 81, San Diego St. 77, OT
Texas A&M 83, Georgia Southern 38
Texas-San Antonio 77, Idaho St. 74, 2OT
FAR WEST
Air Force 83, Adams St. 64
Arizona St. 122, Houston Baptist 70
Brigham Young 64, Utah St. 61
Colorado 84, Wyoming 68
Montana 71, Washington St. 65
San Diego 77, Cal St.-Fullerton 53

National Basketball Association At A Glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlantic Division				
Miami	16	5	.762	—
New York	13	6	.684	2
Orlando	9	8	.529	5
Washington	7	11	.389	7 1/2
Philadelphia	7	12	.368	8
New Jersey	4	11	.267	9
Boston	4	14	.222	10 1/2
Central Division				
Chicago	17	3	.850	—
Detroit	16	3	.842	1/2
Cleveland	12	7	.632	4 1/2
Atlanta	12	8	.600	5
Charlotte	10	9	.526	6 1/2
Milwaukee	10	9	.526	6 1/2
Indiana	8	10	.444	8
Toronto	7	13	.350	10

WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Midwest Division				
Houston	18	2	.900	—
Utah	17	2	.895	1/2
Dallas	8	11	.421	9 1/2
Minnesota	7	13	.350	11
Denver	5	16	.238	13 1/2
San Antonio	3	16	.158	14 1/2
Vancouver	3	18	.143	15 1/2
Pacific Division				
Seattle	16	6	.727	—
L.A. Lakers	16	7	.696	1/2
Portland	12	9	.571	3 1/2
Golden State	8	13	.381	7 1/2
L.A. Clippers	7	14	.333	8 1/2
Sacramento	7	14	.333	8 1/2
Phoenix	5	14	.263	9 1/2

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Seattle 118, Philadelphia 94
Charlotte 107, Vancouver 91
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Golden State 101, Toronto 91
New York 85, Washington 73
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Miami 76, Cleveland 74
Houston 96, Minnesota 94
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Minnesota at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Indiana at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
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Phoenix at Utah, 9 p.m.
Vancouver at Portland, 10 p.m.
San Antonio at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
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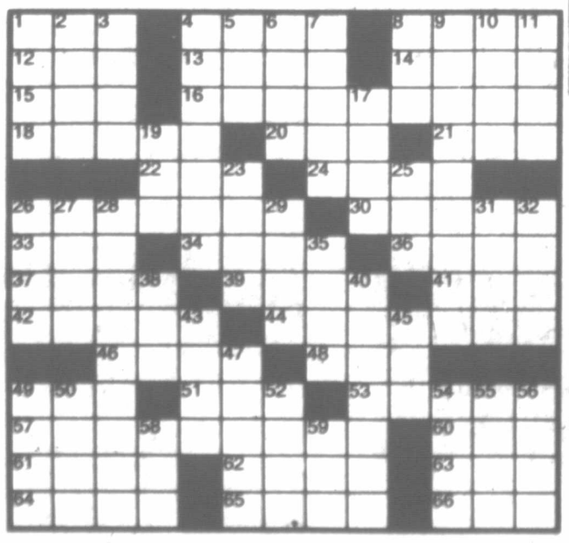
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ACROSS
1 Caustic substance
4 Author Emile —
8 Geographical division
12 Roman bronze
13 Nile bird
14 Raw minerals
15 Carpet
16 Balms
18 Dress fussily
20 Arid
21 Ibsen character
22 Women's —
24 City in Utah
26 Cutting tooth
30 Arctic inhabitant
33 Actress Myrna —
34 Water pipe
36 Actress Magnani
37 — fu
39 Animal parks
41 Spasm
42 Negative charged atom
44 — — task (criticizes)
46 Islands
48 Word to call attention
49 Hawaiian volcano, Mauna —
51 Consume
53 Pretend (2 wds.)
57 Apportionment
60 Atty.'s org.
61 Small herring
62 Vegetable spread
63 Fortune
64 Singer La — Jackson
65 Vast period of time
66 Zodiac sign

DOWN
1 Lighting device
2 1996, e.g.
3 This (Sp.)
4 Pro-Israel movement
5 Kimono sash
6 Singer Jenny —
7 Houston ballplayer
8 Actress Caldwell
9 Christmas tree decorations
10 Fishing aids
11 Abstract being
17 — Breckinridge
19 Yale student
23 Ruth's husband
25 Guido's high note
26 Actress Chase
27 Type of phrase
28 Distrustfully
29 Tumult
31 Entity
32 Mexican sandwich
35 Ark builder
38 Tibetan gazelle
40 Actor Red —
43 Russian no
45 Needle hole
47 South Pacific island group
49 Endure
50 Miscellany
52 T of TV
54 Like Michael Jordan
55 Reed instrument
56 Western defense org.
58 Harem apartment
59 Recent (pref.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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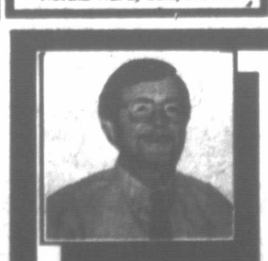
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GM defector accused of stealing trade secrets

BERLIN (AP) — A former General Motors executive who defected to Volkswagen in 1993 has been charged with stealing GM secrets, sources said today.

Sources at GM's German subsidiary, Adam Opel AG, said they have received copies of the indictment charging Jose Ignacio Lopez and three other former GM managers.

The prosecutor's office in Darmstadt in central Germany said it has scheduled a news conference Friday to announce the filing of charges against Lopez for alleged betrayal of "trade and company secrets."

General Motors accuses Lopez of taking documents with him when he left the company, including purchasing price lists and plans for a super-efficient car factory.

The prosecutors have been investigating allegations of industrial espionage for 3 1/2 years. Volkswagen and Lopez deny any wrongdoing.

Mother Teresa's heart given mild shock treatment

CALCUTTA, India (AP) — Doctors corrected Mother Teresa's irregular heartbeat with a mild shock today after determining she was strong enough for the procedure.

The 86-year-old nun was conscious during the treatment and, according to the B.M. Birla Heart Research Center, asked doctors whether it had succeeded. Told that it had, she said: "Wonderful. OK, so let us go home now."

Doctors, however, said she needed to be monitored to ensure that her heartbeat remained normal. She was in stable condition.

Mother Teresa, hospitalized Nov. 22 after a mild heart attack, repeatedly has asked to return to the Calcutta headquarters of her Missionaries of Charity, where she lives and works.

Her doctors had said she could not leave the hospital until they had corrected her irregular heartbeat, because it created the risk of a stroke. They have said she is likely to be released before Christmas.

Chinese dissident in poor health, sister says

BEIJING (AP) — China's most famous dissident, Wei Jingsheng, is in poor health in jail, his sister said today – the day Wei was to be honored with Europe's Sahkarov Prize.

Wei, who has spent most of the last 17 years behind bars, has not been allowed to write to his family for at least six months, Wei Ling said.

"His health is not too good" because of heart disease and high blood pressure, she said in an interview. Prison officials, she said, have given him medical attention and allowed his family to give him extra medicine.

The European Parliament announced in October that Wei was to be awarded this year's Sahkarov Prize – named after Soviet dissident Andrei Sakharov and worth $12,500. Another sister, Shanshan, was to collect the prize on his behalf.

China has criticized the award, saying Wei is a criminal.

Death rate for aboriginal babies more than double others

CANBERRA, Australia (AP) — The death rate among aboriginal babies is more than double that of babies in the general population, according to a new report.

The death rate for babies born to aboriginal women is 15.9 per 1,000 compared with 6.7 per thousand for the Australian community in general, said the report, issued by the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.

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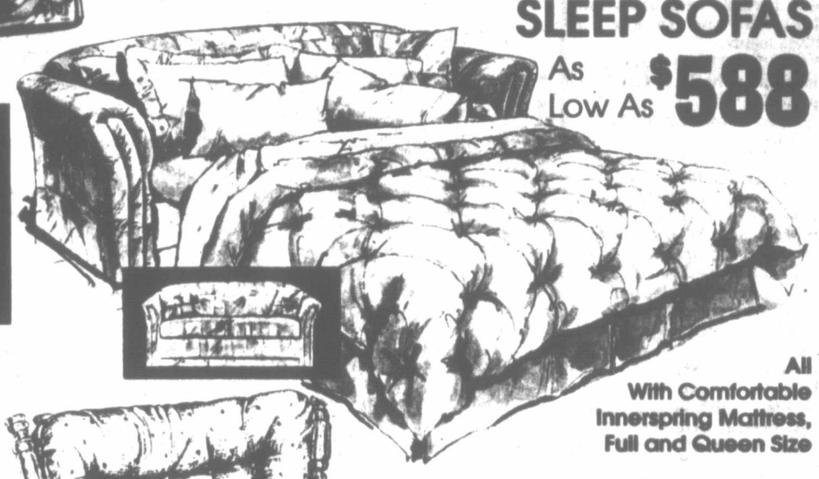
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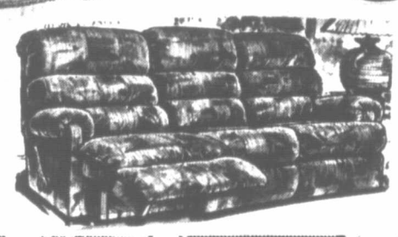
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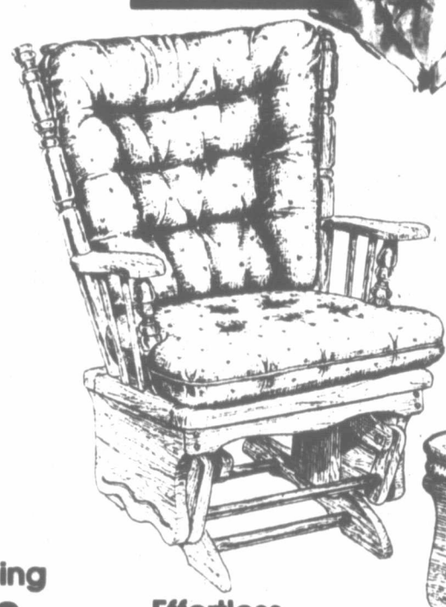




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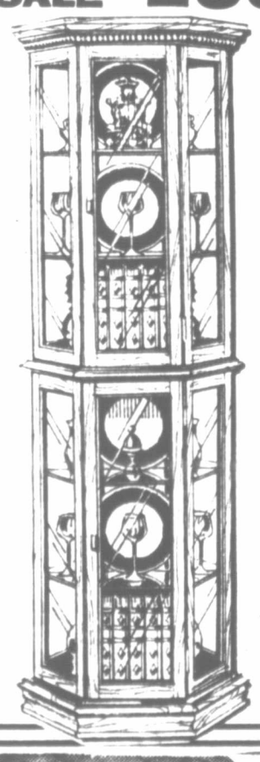
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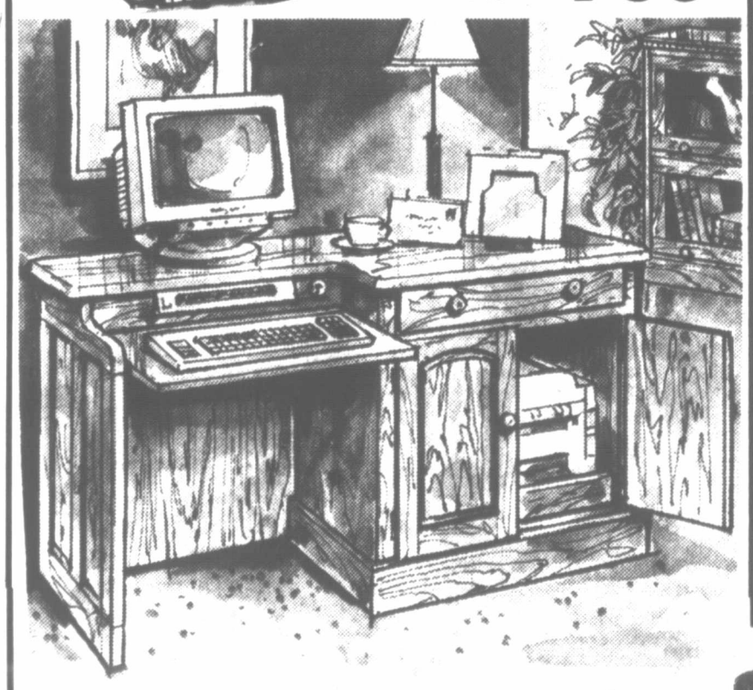
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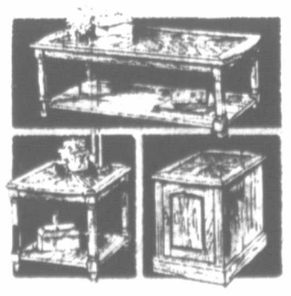
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