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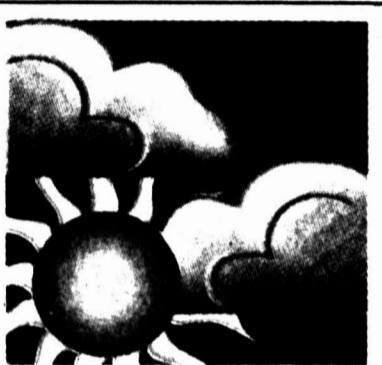
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PAMPA -- Gray County Courthouse offices will be closed Friday, Dec. 24, and Monday, Dec. 27, for Christmas holidays.

The offices will also be closed Dec. 31 for the New Years observance. Offices will resume regular schedules Jan. 3.

LEFORS -- The Lefors Volunteer Fire Department has a new set of wheels.

The fire department took possession of a new fire truck during ceremonies in Lefors at noon today.

AUSTIN -- One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas, according to state lottery officials.

The ticket was worth an estimated \$4 million.

The winning ticket was sold in Austin.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 8-13-26-37-39-49

If sales continue as expected, Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$4 million.

BOYD (AP) -- Two men, one from Saudi Arabia and the other from Yemen, were killed when the small flight-school plane they were flying crashed in a pasture northwest of Fort Worth.

- Willie "Bill" Freudenrich, 87, retired Pampa businessman.
- Geneva Viola Hensley, 86, Wheeler beauty operator.
- Kermit G. Howard, 89, a former Shamrock resident.
- Hazel Shaw, 87, a longtime Pampa resident.
- Sharon Ann Staggs Kelley, 51, a Shamrock native.

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Commissioners retain Lovett Building; may not use it

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Gray County Commissioners decided Thursday morning to retain ownership of the Lovett Building.

By doing so, the architects with Ameritexas who have been hired by the commission to prepare a Master Plan to seek funding for courthouse renovation may list the building as a possible location to move county facilities if needed during renovation.

The priority item of the four county commissioners is, however, to replace the wiring in the courthouse building.

County Commissioners Joe Wheeley, Jim Greene, Gerald Wright and James Hefley were unanimous in their concerns for the replacement of the wiring at

the Gray County courthouse.

Architects have recently suggested that the county offices vacate the building while the procedure is completed. The commissioners feel the offices may remain in the building while the replacement takes place.

"I talked with a local electrical contractor who said we can do it on a floor-by-floor basis," said Wright. "Whether we get the grant from the state or not, the wiring has to be done. I just don't think it would be necessary to evacuate the courthouse."

Commissioner Hefley expressed concern about the cost to renovate the Lovett Building for county offices, whether temporary or not.

"The money it would cost would eat up our matching

funds for courthouse renovation very quickly," said Hefley.

Commissioner Greene said it would be a big item just to wire the building for the needed computers.

"This county is losing population, and we'll have less money coming in, Greene said. "I don't think we can afford to spend money on the Lovett building."

"We hired these architects for their recommendations, but we don't have to do this big courthouse renovation," said Commissioner Wheeley. "The electrical wiring is the priority. Future commissioner courts will have these reports, too, to refer back to know the weaknesses of the building."

The architects are to have the Master Plan submitted to the state by Feb. 1.

"I suggest we retain the Lovett Building until the Master Plan is complete to see what it encompasses," Wheeley said.

The commission will not be bound to use the Lovett Building, if needed, however. Other buildings such as the Hughes Building and the vacant Baker School were also suggested.

No action was taken on whether or not to purchase runout insurance to be paid to West Texas Rural Counties Association regarding county employees' health insurance. The commissioner deferred a decision until their Dec. 30 meeting.

Insurance Management Services will become the insurance carrier Jan. 1.

Commissioners decided to

change the county policy regarding vacation policy to employee's anniversary date. Changes are being worked on in the computer system to accommodate the employees' accrued vacation days on the paycheck stubs.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Wheeley was authorized by the commission to purchase a belly dump for his precinct at a cost of \$13,000. He said the dump bed on his precinct's truck has not been utilized, and he will take bids on it. He valued it at \$3,500-\$4,000.

County Treasurer Scott Hahn was authorized to open a new bank account, Gray County Health Benefit Account. This account will only be used to pay health claims by IMS.

All I want for Christmas...



Four-year-old Jazmyn Hair tells Santa Claus her last minute requests, and promises him milk and cookies when he visits her home Christmas Eve. The young lady, along with all children throughout Pampa, is excitedly anticipating Saturday's Christmas Day morning to see what Santa has left for her.

Pampa district attorney named special prosecutor in Lubbock case

By KEITH ANDERSON
Staff Writer

Pampa District Attorney John Mann has been appointed as special prosecutor to prosecute two Lubbock County jailers.

Texas 99th District Judge Mackey Hancock appointed Mann special prosecutor in a case of two deputies accused of tampering with physical evidence, Mann said.

The deputies allegedly beat Ollie Johnson, a black inmate, then altered county records to say that the inmate threatened and assaulted them, Mann said.

There have been a number of similar accusations against the Lubbock County jail administration under the former sheriff in recent years.

"There have been more than 500 lawsuits filed under the previous sheriff's [Sony Keesee's] administration," Mann said. Former Lubbock Sheriff Sony Keesee died of a heart attack while in office, and has since

been replaced by Sheriff David Gutierrez. The deputies were indicted separately, Mann said.

Mann, district attorney for the 31st and 223rd Judicial Districts in the eastern and northern Texas Panhandle, has already acted as special prosecutor in the case of former Lubbock County Deputy Rusty Hendrick.

"This [the case against Deputy Hendrick] was the weakest case in my opinion," Mann said.

A jury of 11 whites and 1 hispanic found Hendrick not guilty earlier this month.

"I don't think there was a jury anywhere in that [Lubbock] county that was going to brand a jailer a felon on the word of a felon," Mann said.

The abuse case actually involves six men. All six men involved in the abuse case have left the Lubbock County Sheriff's Department. Cpl. Jerrold Welborn and Deputy Tommy Ray resigned July 22, 1999; Sgt. Thomas R. "Rusty" Hendrick and

Deputy Russell C. Lilley resigned in May; Deputy Richard Lewis resigned in June; Assistant Jail Administrator Jack Mitchell retired June 11.

According to Lubbock County Sheriff's Office crime reports, as reported by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal, Johnson scuffled with deputies inside the jail April 30, 1998, after refusing to follow orders. Johnson struck Ray in the mouth and threatened to kill Welborn, the deputies' reports said. Johnson was charged the next day with assault on a public servant and retaliation.

The Lubbock County Commissioners Court agreed to a \$100,000 settlement with Ollie Johnson in April.

Deputy Tommy Ray pled guilty to misdemeanor records tampering in exchange for testimony.

No charges were brought against Lewis and Mitchell.

Cpl. Jerrold Welborn still faces trial.

DPS cautions holiday drivers

The Texas Department of Transportation estimates that 30 people will be killed in car accidents Dec. 24-Dec. 26. DPS says the biggest factor in last year's deaths was seatbelt use: "61 percent of the Christmas fatalities weren't wearing seatbelts," according to a DPS news release.

So buckle up, or become a statistic.

"Texans need to buckle up, slow down and designate a driver," DPS Director Col. Dudley M. Thomas said. "We repeat the same words every year, and every year people neglect to take their own safety into account and pay a terrible price."

And if you end up stranded (and somehow have access to a phone) call the Texas stranded and disabled motorist hotline at 1-800-525-5555.

For additional information call the Texas DPS Public Information Office at 1-512-424-2080.

City officials warn about storing fuel in connection with Y2K concerns

Anyone storing extra fuel out of Y2K concerns should take the necessary safety precautions, according to Pampa's Fire Marshal.

Fire Marshal Gary Stevens said citizens should observe general fire safety rules if they are planning to take any specific precautions for the upcoming millennium such as storing gasoline or other fuel products.

"Only use approved fuel containers, and never store gasoline inside the house or near a possible ignition source, such as a natural gas-fired water heater or other open flame," Stevens cautioned.

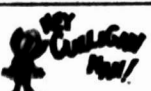
Pampa Community Services Director Bill Hildebrandt and Stevens said they are confident the local governmental agencies, public utilities and private service providers have done everything possible to be ready for any Y2K-related situations and do not anticipate any utility interruptions. They recommend citizens who want a greater comfort level to prepare only to the extent for which they might prepare for a severe storm. This includes having flashlights, a battery-powered radio, blankets, first aid supplies and some food and water available.

Hildebrandt said citizens wanting to store drinking water to collect that water prior to New Year's Eve, when water demand is expected to be high.

On New Year's Eve, he asked 911 be called only in the case of a real fire or police or medical emergencies, and to call the after-hours phone number for City Hall, 669-5700, for non-emergency matters.

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Services tomorrow

FREUDENRICH, Willie "Bill" — 1 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

SHAW, Hazel — 11 a.m., Trinity Fellowship Church, Pampa.

Obituaries

WILLIE 'BILL' FREUDENRICH
Willie "Bill" Freudenrich, 87, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Dec. 22, 1999. Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Darrell W. Evans, pastor of First Christian Church of Miami, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Freudenrich was born Sept. 8, 1912, at Hastings, Okla. He married Donnie Oglesby in 1930 at Sayre, Okla.; she died in 1987. He later married Mavis Dedmon in 1988 at Pampa; she died in 1997. He had been a longtime Shamrock resident, moving to Pampa in 1942.

He was a large engine mechanic at Frank Dial Service Station in Pampa for 14 years and established his own business in 1968, retiring in 1977.

He belonged to First Christian Church. He was preceded in death by a grandson, Daniel Moore, in 1981.

Survivors include a daughter, Wilma Moore of Pampa; a son, J.L. "Jim" Freudenrich of Pampa; a sister, Merle Scobey of Amarillo; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice, 2795, Pampa, TX 79066-2795.

GENEVA VIOLA HENSLEY
WHEELER — Geneva Viola Hensley, 86, died Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1999. Graveside services were to be at 11 a.m. today in Llano Cemetery at Amarillo with the Rev. Phil Mercado, of Trinity Fellowship Church of Amarillo, officiating. Burial was to be under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mrs. Hensley was born Sept. 29, 1913, at Comanche, Okla., to James Albert and Viola Bailey Reynolds. She had been an Amarillo resident from 1954 until moving to Wheeler in 1993. She worked as a beauty operator all her life and belonged to Texas Association of Cosmetology.

She was a member of First Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by a son, Jim Hensley, on June 19, 1995.

Survivors include a brother, J.O. Reynolds of Corpus Christi; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

KERMIT G. HOWARD
SHAMROCK — Kermit G. Howard, 89, died Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1999. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in First Baptist Church with Mark Howard, grandson of Mead, Wash., officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Wright Funeral Directors of Shamrock.

Mr. Howard was born Feb. 28, 1910, at Branch, Ark., to William Riley Howard and Martha Oneal. He lived at Shamrock from 1928 until moving to the Ozark, Ark., area in 1951 where he operated a dairy farm. He had been a Haslet, Texas, resident for the past 10 years and was a member of the Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Bonnie. The couple married Nov. 30, 1953, at Booneville, Ark.

He was also preceded in death by a son, Dean Howard, in 1984.

Survivors include three daughters, Billie Hollingsworth of El Paso, Joanna Young of Haslet and Louanna King of Hurst; a sister, Wanda Matthews of Arkansas; and a brother, Raymond Howard of Arkansas.

SHARON ANN STAGGS KELLEY
ST. GABRIEL, La. — Sharon Ann Staggs Kelley, 51, died Monday, Dec. 20, 1999. Memorial services will be scheduled later in Denver, Colo. Cremation and arrangements were under the direction of Rabenhorst Funeral Home of Baton Rouge, La.

Ms. Kelley was born at Shamrock. She resided in Denver prior to moving to St. Gabriel a few months ago.

Survivors include two sons, Joey Kelley of Denver and Michael Kelley of St. Gabriel; two sisters, Karen Reece of Phoenix, Ariz., and Stacy Staggs of Beaumont; three brothers, Tommy Staggs of Shamrock and John Staggs and Kiff Staggs, both of Beaumont; and three grandchildren.

The family will be at 1005 Bayou Paul Road in St. Gabriel.

HAZEL SHAW
Hazel Shaw, 87, died Wednesday, Dec. 22, 1999. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Trinity Fellowship Church with the Rev. Fred Palmer,

pastor of The Carpenter's Church, and the Rev. Jim Sinyard, associate pastor of The Carpenter's Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Shaw was born Jan. 11, 1912, at Thayer, Mo. She married Lonzo Shaw on Feb. 8, 1930, at Drumright, Okla.; he died May 18, 1983. She had been a Pampa resident since 1942. She was a homemaker and a member of The Carpenter's Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; three brothers; a sister; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Survivors include five daughters, Lillian Chesher and Mary Louise Denham, both of Pampa, Geneva Thompson of Boerne, Virginia Kay Ridgway of Mobeetie, and Darleen Asencio of White Deer; four sons, Lee Roy Shaw, Vinson Lee Shaw and Jackie Dean Shaw, all of Pampa, and William Edward Shaw of Marana, Ariz.; three sisters, Mabel Adams and Artie Harrington, both of Pampa, and Irene Rogers of Wheeler; a brother, C.H. Switzer of Hobbs, N.M.; 20 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 641 N. Christy and requests memorials be to The Carpenter's Church, 639 S. Barnes, Pampa, TX 79065.



Shaw

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following offense reports for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Dec. 22
Theft of between \$50-\$500 was reported at the 1200 block of East Foster.

Attempted burglary of a vehicle was reported at the 400 block of Hill.

Theft of between \$1,500-\$20,000 was reported at the 700 block of West Brown.

Criminal trespassing was reported at the Coronado Shopping Center.

Burglary of a vehicle was reported at the 1700 block of Hamilton.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Department reported the following arrests for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Wednesday, Dec. 22
Bradley VanBushkirk, 31, 1808 N. Wells, was arrested on the charge of issuance of a bad check from Potter county.

Detria McIntosh, 22, Canadian, was arrested on the charge of driving while intoxicated.

Salvador Delgado, 21, Woodward, Okla., was arrested on the charge of failure to identify himself / fugitive from justice and a warrant from El Paso county.

Ambulance

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

Wednesday, Dec. 22
9:52 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1800 block of North Nelson and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

4:47 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1100 block of Terrace; no one transported.

6:13 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of 25th and transported one to PRMC.

7:45 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of West Foster; no one transported.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Antebary Grain of Pampa:

Wheat.....	2.03	
Milo.....	2.65	
Corn.....	3.10	
Soybeans.....	3.90	

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

Occidental.....	21 1/16	up 3/8
Fidelity Magell.....	133.58	
Puritan.....	18.72	

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

Amoco.....	59 11/16	dn 5/16
Arco.....	85 3/8	up 5/16
Cabot.....	19 11/16	up 1/16
Cabot O&G.....	14 9/16	dn 1/16
Chevron.....	85 1/16	up 5/16

Coca-Cola.....	59 7/8	up 1/8
Columbia/HCA.....	28 1/4	up 1/8
Enron.....	40	dn 1/4
Halliburton.....	38 9/16	up 1/4
IRI.....	3 1/4	NC
KMI.....	20 9/16	dn 1/16
Kerr-McGee.....	59 3/8	up 3/16
Limited.....	41 7/8	up 3/8
McDonald's.....	40 1/4	dn 13/16
Mobil.....	104 5/16	up 13/16
New Atmos.....	20 15/16	dn 1/4
NCE.....	30 15/16	up 1/16
Penney's.....	18 13/16	up 11/16
Phillips.....	45 11/16	up 3/16
Pioneer Nat.....	7 15/16	dn 1/16
SLB.....	57 1/16	up 1/2
Tenneco.....	8 9/16	up 1/8
Texaco.....	53 5/8	up 7/8
Ultrapar.....	22 3/16	up 1/16
Wal-Mart.....	67 3/8	up 11/16
Williams.....	29 11/16	up 1/8
New York Gold.....	287.05	
Silver.....	5.23	
West Texas Crude.....	25.63	

Jury says Koch verdict may be near

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — After seven days of deliberations, a federal jury deciding civil allegations against Koch Industries indicates it may be close to a verdict.

The jury planned to return behind closed doors this morning

after ending a half-day of deliberations Wednesday with a note indicating it could reach a verdict today.

The jury is trying to decide if Koch, the country's second-largest privately held company, underreported the amount and quality of

oil it purchased from federal and Indian leases from 1985 to 1989.

Chief U.S. District Judge Terry Kern had agreed to release the jury at midday Wednesday. Jurors had asked for the time to wrap up their holiday shopping.

Woman yells 'Drop the Chihuahua' after hawk snatches dog

NICEVILLE, Fla. (AP) — Forget the chalupa, just "Drop the Chihuahua."

That's what Sandy Parks shrieked when an injured red-tailed hawk dug its talons into Bandita, a 6-pound spitting image of the Taco Bell commercials' talking Chihuahua.

The hawk burst from a neighbor's bushes Monday and grabbed little Bandita, only to find itself in a tug-of-war with Ms. Parks, who was hanging onto the other end of a 5-foot leash.

"Here I am, yelling 'Drop the Chihuahua!' Drop the Chihuahua!" said Ms. Parks, 61.

"I am surprised I didn't scare the hawk away. I had no idea they had that much tenacity. I've been hungry before, but I've never held on to food that much."

Ms. Parks said she yanked on the leash and slammed the 2.6-pound bird into a wall. The hawk dropped, but kept its talons in Bandita, so Ms. Parks said she stomped on the bird, then slammed a door on its legs before it let go.

She left the hawk and rushed Bandita to the Niceville Animal Clinic where the dog's puncture wounds were treated.

Audubon Society members later brought in the hawk.

A veterinarian said the hawk suffered a broken feather in its battle with Ms. Parks, but it also had a previously broken wing that was still healing. The hawk weighed about half of what a bird with a 5-foot wingspan should, and its injury was probably why it attacked a pet.

The hawk will remain at the clinic for about six weeks while it recuperates, Ms. Lassiter said.

As for Bandita, she was sent home, but not before her owner was given a lecture about the illegality of battering birds protected by federal migratory bird laws.

Donation made to Good Sam's



Executive Director John Norris (left) of Good Sam's and Albertson's Store Director Maxwell Carey. Albertson's and HomeL made the donation jointly. Mike Flynt hams it up on the right.

Prosecutors say woman arrested at Canadian border has terrorist ties

By WILSON RING
Associated Press Writer

BURLINGTON, Vt. (AP) — A woman arrested at the Vermont-Canadian border has ties to an international group that is believed to have sponsored terrorist activities in Europe and Algeria, federal prosecutors said today.

The disclosure came as prosecutors argued successfully in federal court to keep Lucia Garofalo and Bouabide Chamchi in jail. Both were arrested Sunday at a remote border crossing in north-eastern Vermont.

Their arrests, combined with the arrest of an Algerian man in Washington state last week on bomb-related charges, have stirred fears of terrorist attacks. At the same time, the State Department has warned that U.S. citizens abroad should be cautious over the holiday weekend because of possible terrorism.

In court documents, prosecutors said they have linked Ms. Garofalo's cell phone and the car she was driving to Brahim Mahdi, a member of the Algerian Islamic League, whose leader is said to be connected to "organizations sponsoring a number of terrorist acts in Europe and Algeria."

That information came from American intelligence sources, which the prosecutors did not identify.

Ms. Garofalo's cell phone account was opened by Mahdi, and the car she was driving when stopped at the border Sunday night was registered in his name, they said.

Prosecutors also said U.S. and Canadian authorities were investigating a land line telephone account connected to Ms. Garofalo. There were calls from that account to another Montreal number, the court papers said.

"This latter telephone number was reportedly associated with a person under investigation for the theft and sale of dynamite stolen in Ontario," said a docu-

ment submitted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Tristram Coffin.

Neither Ms. Garofalo nor Chamchi had an opportunity to speak during the proceeding.

The court documents, citing intelligence sources, said the Algerian Islamic League was founded and directed by Mourad Dhina.

"Dhina has been identified from other sources of information as an Algerian international arms dealer who resides in Switzerland and is connected to organizations sponsoring a number of terrorist acts in Europe and Algeria. Dhina is reported to be actively involved in the shipment of arms to terrorist organizations," the documents said.

Prosecutors said final tests by the FBI found no evidence of

explosives or materials used to make them from samples taken from Ms. Garofalo's car in Beecher Falls. Two dogs trained to detect explosives had indicated the possibility of explosives in the right rear fender.

Chamchi was ordered held without bail pending trial because the court found he posed a substantial risk of flight. Ms. Garofalo will be in court again Dec. 30 to continue the detention hearing begun today.

"There are a number of connections with other organizations that we have concerns about," said U.S. Attorney Charles Tetzlaff. He did not identify the other organizations, referring to the information in the documents.

City Briefs

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Hopes for a White Christmas are fading fast as the weatherman calls for temperatures in the upper 60s over the weekend.

Skies today should be mostly sunny with a forecast high in the lower 50s and a northwest wind from five to 15 mph.

The low tonight under mostly cloudy skies will be in the upper 20s. The wind will be out of the southwest from five to 10 mph, switching to the northwest after midnight.

Friday should be mostly sunny with a high in the upper 50 degree range. The wind will be out of the northwest from five to 15 mph.

Christmas Day should be partly cloudy with a high near 60 degrees.

Sunday and Monday should bring temperatures in the upper 60s.

The high Wednesday as 42 degrees. The overnight low was 24 degrees.

STATEWIDE — Last-minute holiday shoppers didn't have much to fear from the weather today as skies were mostly clear and temperatures cool over much of the state.

Skies were cloudier over parts of West Texas, with some light freezing rain over the Guadalupe Mountains. The Lower Rio Grande Valley also saw some light rain.

Only a few high clouds streaked across the North Texas skies.

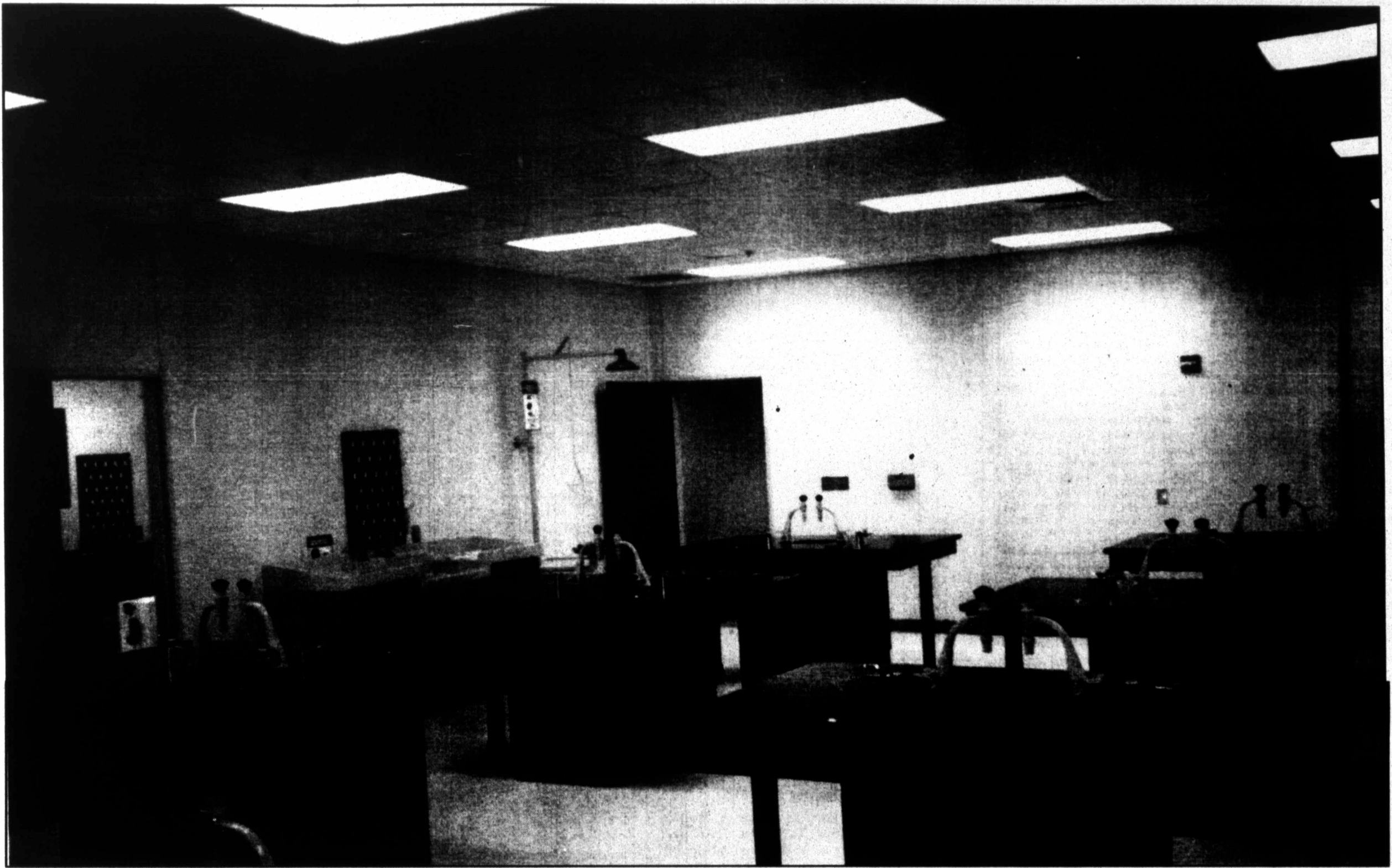
Nighttime lows fell into the 20s and 30s, while afternoon highs were expected to reach the 50s over most of the state.

The North Texas forecast called for clear nights and sunny days. Lows tonight will fall into the 20s and 30s again, with afternoon highs Christmas Eve in the 50s.

West Texas and the Panhandle expected clear to partly cloudy skies through Christmas Eve, with some cloudy skies possible in the Big Bend and Trans-Pecos. There will be a chance of rain in the mountains, possibly mixed with snow. Lows will be in the 20s and 30s, with highs in the 40s and 50s, except for some upper 30s in the mountains.

The South Texas outlook called for cloudy and breezy weather with a chance of light rain over the western and central portions of South Texas. Lows will be in the 30s and 40s, with highs in the 60s.

Clarendon College-Pampa Center



(Special photos)

The view above is of the science lab at the new \$2.1 million M.K. Brown Academic Center which is set to open for classes Jan. 18 at the Clarendon College-Pampa Center campus, 1601 W. Kentucky. The building was designed by

BGR Architects-Engineers, Inc., of Lubbock and was constructed by West Texas Contractors, Inc., of Amarillo with approximately \$900,000 of subcontract work going to local Pampa firms.

Santa Letters

**To: Santa Clause
North Pole 85921**

Dear Santa,
How are your reindeer?
We love you very much. This is what we would like for Christmas. I am Sydney and I am 6-years-old. I would like you to bring me a chariot, an easy bake oven, a Parent Trap video, a portable CD player and a finger nail kit.

Santa, I am Madison and I am 3-years-old. I would like some new clothes, Barbie roller skates, a computer, and candy. What kind of cookies do you like? We will leave some for you.
—Sydney and Madison Minchin

The following letters are from Angi Woelfle's first grade class at Wilson Elementary School:

Dear Santa,
Ples beg me a toy frum Jeses
—Jesse Cruz

Dear Santa,
I whant a babby and clouse and shouse and may be a cat if u can.
And a horse in the countrey name Jordan and a house.
—Chelsee' Whinery



Dear Santa,
I what a babbfish. I what a big hug from Mom. I what a big cis from dad.
I what a bisshik.
—Trey William

Dear Santa,
I wish a lots of preset and crasshop.
—Cody Davis

Dear Santa,
Skatboard, toys, clothes, ray Deeou, BeneBaby, Barbe clows, Barbewish, Shana.
—Britney Martin

Dear Santa,
Sant I wish four a plaustacne.
—Tyler Caldwell

Dear Santa,
I whant a bike four Chrsm.

I whant puppy, J 2 four Chrsm.
—Isabella Mercado

Dear Santa,
I have a sabr.
—Jeremiah Marcum

Dear Santa,
I like a bike for Kaismm.
—Layce Smith

Dear Santa,
I wish four a toy doll I osso wish four my dad.
—Natasha Hayes

Dear Santa,
I what a play stastoin. I whant a toy cat. I whant sEdas. I whant ol seasos.
—Andrew Moon
(See, SANTA, Page 9)

Lamar Elementary honor roll

Lamar Elementary recently announced its second six weeks honor roll for the 1999-00 school year.

**SECOND GRADE
A Honor Roll**
Kristie Davis, Marticka Jackson, Jessica Ramirez, Lorena Sieber, Tracy Torres, Christopher Wood, Stormy Free, Cristian Ortega, Delissa Salazar, Fabiola Soria and Tessa-Walker.

A-B Honor Roll
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A Honor Roll**
Codi Guthrie, Tyler Jones,

Heath Skinner, Andrew Hatcher, Tristin Reeves and Paul Watson.

A-B Honor Roll
Heather Bryan, Danielle Frazier, Tyler Jones, Callie Preston, Kayla Richerson, Kelsie Serrato, Paul Soria, Tom Williams, Amber Chavarria, Chelste Gonzales, Richelle Olson, Oscar Retana, Kayla Richerson, Hayden Skinner and Richard Terry.

**FOURTH GRADE
A Honor Roll**
April Newsom
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Inside the Beltway
 with
 Sen. Hutchison

Tax-relief priorities at top of agenda

"I always like to go to Washington. It gives me a chance to visit my money." —Bob Hope

Last summer, Congress passed what I thought was a fair and balanced tax relief bill, a definite improvement for America's hard-working taxpayers.

It included some elements I view as critical. The first and most important of those was elimination of the marriage tax penalty.

Other significant tax-reduction provisions of the bill included:

—Phasing out the death tax which is critical to maintaining our family farms, ranches and small businesses.

—Allowing those over age 50 to make catch-up payments to pension plans such as 401(k)s and Individual Retirement Accounts. This would benefit, in particular, women who return to the workforce after raising children.

—Increasing the maximum allowable contribution to IRAs to \$5,000 from \$2,000.

—Providing additional personal exemptions to those giving long-term care to elderly family members.

These tax cuts were possible because the federal budget is expected to show a \$3 trillion surplus over the next 10 years. Congress had devoted 75 cents of each surplus dollar to protect Social Security and Medicare, pay down the national debt and fund national defense and education priorities. The remaining 25 cents of each surplus dollar would be returned to the taxpayers who sent it to Washington.

Sadly, the President vetoed this bill and insisted on maintaining the status quo. This means that next year we will resume the fight to do away with the tax on marriage and other counterproductive taxes, once again.

In fact, lowering taxes will be the focus of even more strenuous efforts in 2000. And eliminating the marriage tax penalty will still be at the top of my tax-relief agenda. Abolishing this tax alone would save Texans an estimated \$1 billion over the next three years.

I also believe it is important for Congress to provide broad-based tax relief for all taxpayers, so next on the agenda would come a 10 percent, across-the-board tax cut to ease the burden on all Americans.

Two other areas of tax relief priorities, as well: reducing the inheritance and capital gains taxes. The bill President Clinton vetoed would have phased out and finally repealed the inheritance or death tax. While it generates only 1 percent of all federal tax receipts, that revenue is offset by administrative costs and receipts lost from payroll and other taxes that disappear when small businesses are destroyed by the tax and jobs are lost after a death in the family.

The capital gains tax is a bad idea as well: Americans pay taxes on their salaries or incomes. If they have anything left to save and invest, they are taxed at a rate as high as 20 percent on what their savings have earned. Capital gains taxes discourage the creation of new businesses and get in the way of the growth of existing enterprises. They are a drain on America's economic vitality.

This has been a brief overview of my tax cut priorities. I would like to know what Texans think should be changed or eliminated. Please write my office with your comments and suggestions. Our address is: Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, 284 Russell Senate Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20510, ATTN: Tax cuts.

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The Gum Drop Tree: A family tradition

Christmas memories — those wonderful memories of days gone by.

My childhood memories of Christmases past are filled with the family-gathering, church programs, Christmas caroling, the Christmas decorations, the opening of presents and the aroma of holiday cooking permeating the air on Christmas Day.

Even though I am now a mother and grandmother, I still have my memories of the days when I was a child during the holidays.

On Christmas Eve, we would go to my paternal grandmother's home which was always filled with children of varying ages. As my father was one of 10 children born to his parents, my grandmother's home was always overflowing with the descendants.

A traditional holiday meal consisting of turkey, ham, vegetables, salads and my mother's angel food cake was always enjoyed by the relatives.

Even though the traditional Christmas tree was always brightly decorated as it stood in front of the windows in the living room as we arrived, sitting at the center of the dining room table each year was a special tree — a Gum Drop tree.

It was a simple, inexpensive plastic tree with pointed ends at the end of each branch, but it was special to me. Colorful gumdrops of varying shades had been attached to each end making it a very attractive and tasty decoration.



Nancy Young
 Managing editor

Year after year as soon as we arrived at the home of my grandmother, whom we all called "Mama," my eyes darted to the dining room table checking out the Gum Drop tree.

What made it so special to me, I don't know. I just know that it was always there — maybe it was partly the continuity year after year, but I think it was largely because I loved gum drops. My aunts kept a watchful eye and replenished those branches as my cousins and I devoured them.

After I married and began establishing holiday traditions of my own, I located and purchased one of those inexpensive plastic trees because of the warm memories it invoked in me.

Year after year during the Christmas season the plastic tree was always placed atop my table, always decorated with gum drops. My four children seemed to eat more gum drops than I could keep in stock.

After the children began to leave home, I

began to decorate my home less. The Gumdrop Tree was one of the decorations which just seemed to need children around, and didn't get out of the decorations box much the past few years.

A few days ago while I was searching through a box of outdoor lights (which haven't been put on the house in several years), my 5-year-old granddaughter reached into the box, retrieving the plastic tree.

She waved it in the air, as she erratically jumped around. Her mother grabbed the tree and exclaimed, "This is a special tree. Be careful!" As my youngest daughter began telling her daughter how special this decoration was to her, I stood back thinking how this family tradition was established many years ago.

The Gumdrop Tree has again claimed its spot on the family dinner table in the dining room. One of my sons commented about its reappearance when he dropped by a few days ago. The grandchildren learned very quickly about the candy.

Each family has their own Christmas traditions and memories. The Gumdrop Tree is one of those traditions in our household which has lasted through several generations, and who knows how many more generations.

All we can leave our children are memories — let's leave them the good ones. Merry Christmas to everyone. Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Dec. 23, the 357th day of 1999. There are eight days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 23, 1893, the Engelbert Humperdinck opera "Haensel und Gretel" was first performed, in Weimar, Germany.

On this date:

In 1783, George Washington resigned as commander in chief of the Army and retired to his home at Mount Vernon, Va.

In 1823, the poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" by Clement C. Moore was published in the Troy (N.Y.) Sentinel.

In 1928, the National Broadcasting Co. set up a permanent, coast-to-coast network.

In 1941, during World War II, American forces on Wake Island surrendered to the Japanese.

In 1948, former Japanese premier Hideki Tojo and six other Japanese war leaders were executed in Tokyo.

In 1968, 82 crew members of the U.S. intelligence ship Pueblo were

released by North Korea, 11 months after their capture.

In 1980, a state funeral was held in Moscow for former Premier Alexei N. Kosygin, who had died Dec. 18 at age 76.

In 1986, the experimental airplane Voyager, piloted by Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager, completed the first nonstop, round-the-world flight without refueling as it landed safely at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

In 1995, a fire in Dabwali, India,

killed 540 people, including 170 children, during a year-end party near the children's school.

In 1997, a jury in Denver convicted Terry Nichols of involuntary manslaughter and conspiracy for his role in the Oklahoma City bombing, declining to find him guilty of murder.

Ten years ago: Ousted Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife, Elena, were captured as they were attempting to flee their country.

Agencies spell hope for abused children

The boy sat at the end of a table at the Mount Dora (Fla.) Children's Home. He was a sturdy African-American lad of 12, obviously uncomfortable about being interviewed, but he would occasionally smile or laugh as the talk centered around Christmas.

The best Christmas he could remember came on a one-time visit to relatives in Alabama. They had given him a helmet and bicycle and new clothes, and he remembered falling on the bicycle and getting mud on his new pants. He couldn't remember, though, where they had lived. It had been a long time ago.

But when I asked if he cared to recall the saddest Christmas, he said simply, "This one. My pop died." Then he lapsed into a sad silence. He struggled to control his emotions, but a tear trickled down his cheek. And the pall of sadness never left him. Nothing any of us could say could cheer him. He didn't say another word, lost in his memories of a man he loves.

Pop, I thought, must have been one great man to leave such a huge hole in this boy's heart. I didn't know then that the boy is one great kid with a big heart of his own.

The boy lived in West Palm Beach, Fla., and like most of the kids at the children's home saw virtually nothing of his father and was neglected by his mother, who had her own problems.

Some years ago, he showed up at a Sunday school, dropped off by his older brothers. After he continued to show up, the teacher, who also worked for the welfare department, decided to visit his home and learn more about him. There she discovered something quite remarkable.

The boy was living with his grandparents, both elderly and both with serious illnesses,



Charley Reese
 Syndicated columnist

and this young boy was actually taking care of them, cleaning the house, washing their clothes, often cooking. There was a bond of love between this boy and his grandparents that was something to see.

His Sunday school teacher — who is white, by the way — helped arrange for some assistance for the grandparents, and so this went on for some time, the boy and his beloved grandparents taking care of each other. The grandparents knew, however, that a day was coming when they'd both be bed-ridden, so they agreed, reluctantly, that he should come to Mount Dora, where he now lives in a group home and attends the Christian Bible School.

Not long ago, his pop went to the courthouse at West Palm Beach seeking to gain custody of the boy's little sister. He suffered a heart attack and died. I'm glad I wasn't the one who had to tell him that his pop had died. It hurt bad enough to remind him of it. I think his grandfather would be happy to know that, as long as this boy lives, his grandfather's memory will live with him.

Three other children, girls whose names we won't use, all have stories that would curdle

your heart. Of course, kids like these don't open up to visiting journalists. They put on a front. Cheerful. Pretty. Charming. Two want to be counselors when they grow up. Another isn't quite sure yet. Oh, by far, their best Christmas has been there at the home. They are quite elusive when asked about their pasts.

It's from the adults that you learn about the horrors in their lives. One girl's sister is comatose from the trauma of sexual abuse. The sister at the home has been shuffled from one foster home to the next. Behind her frail beauty, there is in her eyes the look of a survivor. Staff members are confident that she will do just that. She is very bright and very determined.

Perhaps the most shocking to me was a statement by James Moore, the director:

"You know, if they had a choice, 90 percent of these kids would choose to go home — to the beatings and the sexual abuse. It's the only home they know. It's what they were taught is love."

We live in a country of hell and hope, though much of it is invisible to those of us who are lucky. The hellish fires of abuse and neglect are consuming children every day. Most of us don't see them. We don't hear the screams.

The hope lies with people like the staff at the Mount Dora Children's Home, at the House of Hope, at Covenant House and Boys Town and all the other agencies, including the government, that fight every day to save a child. The hope also lies with those generous people who support their efforts. And with people like the boy's grandparents. They are all God's fire-fighters, and if they fail, we will all be consumed.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

THEE PLACE

Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP

If interested in the ADHD/ADD Sport Group call Connie at 669-9364.

EMMAUS REUNION

Emmaus Reunion Group meets the second Thursday of each month. For more information, call 669-3426 or 669-9226.

OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule — seven days a week — two meetings a day — noon till 1 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday noon meetings are non-smoking. For more information, call 665-9702.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Womens Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rival-

ry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

First United Methodist Church of White Deer, 101 W. 8th, is presenting "Journey to Bethlehem," a drive-thru live nativity scene, from 6-8 p.m. nightly including two Sundays, Dec. 5 and 12. Admission is free. The nativity includes live animals, costumed Bible characters and 14 viewing stations.

'TEXAS' ANNIVERSARY TICKETS

Tickets for the 35th anniversary season of the outdoor musical drama "TEXAS" (June 7-Aug. 19, 2000) are now available for purchase on-line at www.texas-musicaldrama.com. For more information, call (806) 655-2181.

U.S.N. ARMED GUARD VETERANS

U.S.N. Armed Guard World War II veterans are seeking former gun crew members. The guards were a special branch of the WWII Naval Service who manned guns and communications on Liberty Ships, tankers, troopships and other small crafts. Contact: U.S.N. Armed Guard WWII Veterans, Charles A. Lloyd Chairman, 115 Wall Creek Drive, Rolesville, N.C. 27571 919-570-0909. Ex-guards should include a list of ships served aboard along with dates on and off for computer data file to help locate other shipmates. The U.S.N. Armed Guard 19th National Reunion will be May 21-24, 2000, at Drawbridge Estate Hotel in Fort Mitchell, Ky., 1-800-354-9793-9866.

AMERICA'S HOMECOMING QUEEN

America's Homecoming Queen, Inc., a non-profit organization promoting education, educational travel and non-violence in schools will celebrate its 20th anniversary in 2000 for 1981-00 high school homecoming queens. For more information, call, e-mail or write: (901) 794-8680; Telee@pacbell.net; 6135 Mt. Moriah, Suite 111, Memphis TN, 38115.

TOASTMASTERS

The Toastmasters will meet every Wednesday night from 5:45 to 6:45 p.m. at the Furr's Cafeteria.

PAMPA PRISON MINISTRY

The Pampa Prison Ministry meets the first Tuesday of every month at Central Baptist Church located at Francis and Starkweather at 7 p.m. sharp. For further information call Bob Andersen 665-4252 or J.B Walker at 669-2266.

PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL

A support group for the mentally ill and family members meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star, has changed their meeting nights from the first and third Tuesdays to the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 420 West Kingsmill.

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ST. JUDE'S RANCH FOR CHILDREN

St. Jude's Ranch for Children, a home for abused children, is accepting Christmas cards for recycling. The facility turns old cards into new cards to resell. Proceeds go toward the operation of the ranch. To buy new Christmas cards or to donate old

ones, call St. Jude's at 1-800-492-3562.

ST. MARK CME CHURCH
St. Mark will host a monthly breakfast the first Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Donations will be accepted.

MACEDONIA CHURCH
Macedonia Church will host a monthly breakfast the third Saturday of every month from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at 441 Elm Street with the Rev. I.L. Patrick. Donations will be accepted and the public is invited.

THE FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS
The Fellowship of Christian Cowboys potluck will meet on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Clyde Carruth Pavillion. For more information, contact Keven Romines at 665-8547 or Jim Greene at 665-8067.

TASP TEST
Clarendon College-Pampa Center will conduct the TASP test at 8:30 a.m. Dec. 3 at CCPC, 900 N. Frost. Cost of the exam will be \$29. All participants must bring a photo ID. For more information, call 665-8801.

NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY
New Life Assembly of God Church, located at the corner of Randy Matson and Sumner, is accepting donations of new and used coats and toys from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday for Christmas. Please make sure the used coats and toys are clean. For more information or to arrange a

time to drop off items, call 665-0804.

MUSEUM OF THE PLAINS
Museum of the Plains, 1200 N. Main in Perryton, is exhibiting the works of Dr. Marvin Moon and his son Gregory Moon through Jan. 31 in the museum's Brillhart Room. A reception will be held from 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11.

ECSF SCHOLARSHIPS
Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation has announced its deadline for scholarship applications is Dec. 16. High school students with a grade point average of 'B' or better and college students with a GPA of 'B+' or better are eligible for a \$1,000 college scholarship (U.S. citizens only). All requests for applications must include: student's name, permanent home address, city, state, zip code, name of current high school or college, approximate GPA, and year in school during the 1999-00 academic year. To receive an application, e-mail scholar@ecsf.org, or paper mail Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation, P.O. Box 5012, Lake Forest, IL 60045-5012. Applications will be fulfilled by mail only on or about Jan. 6, 2000. Two-hundred-and-fifty winners will be selected on the basis of academic performance, involvement in extracurricular activities and financial need. A total of \$250,000 will be awarded.

Christmas Angels



(Community Camera photo by Pat Johnson)

Altrusa members recently wrapped approximately 380 gifts for Salvation Army Christmas Angels. Above: Judy Warner, Darla McAndrew and Mattie Norton.

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Shane Davis, Kambra Jimenez, Sonia Martinez, Ashley Meyer, William Rivera, David Soto and Elizabeth Wade.

FIFTH GRADE A Honor Roll

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Lions Club Sweetheart



(Special photo)

Bonnie Boring, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boring, was named Pampa Lions Club November Sweetheart of the Month. Her activities, honors and accomplishments include: Who's Who Among American High School Students, Red Cross Volunteer, church volunteer and Mexico and South Africa church mission volunteer. She is currently employed at Dunlap's. Her future plans include pursuing a degree in elementary education at Hardin-Simmons University.

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Woman's Search for Insight Yields Man of Her Dreams

DEAR ABBY: I would like to share something special with you. What began as a simple little experiment to give me insight into the people around me ended up giving me more than just the warm fuzzies.

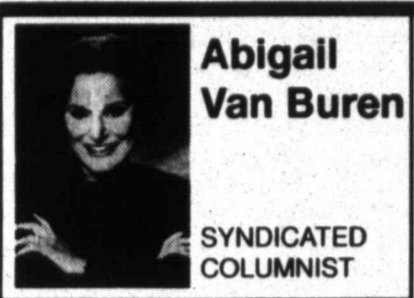
I asked some of those I work with and some close friends to answer the following question with the first thing that came to mind. I asked it exactly as stated with no emphasis on any one particular word: "If you could do any one thing in the world, what would it be?" Some of the answers were amusing. My co-workers answered: "Turn invisible." "Lose 50 pounds." "Educate the world." "I'd rule the world."

My friends answered: "Feel better about myself." "Feed the world." "Become a millionaire." I asked my boyfriend of five months at the time the same question. Without hesitation, he answered, "I would give you a working pancreas." My jaw dropped, my heart melted and my eyes filled with tears. You see, Abby, I have had type II diabetes for nearly 10 years. Thankfully, I am very well controlled and healthy, yet he knows that the daily rituals that control my life will never go away.

I think I have finally met a man with my best interest at heart. How could I not love someone with such unselfish kindness? Maybe there is hope for the world after all!

LANA A., ATLANTA

DEAR LANA A.: You picked



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

yourself a Georgia peach, honey. Hang onto him — he's a keeper.

DEAR ABBY: Yet one more letter about tolerance. Can we not be great Americans and still hold onto ethnic traditions? Why do we have to be a melting pot? Why do we need to shed our backgrounds in order to be true Americans?

There are so many wonderful, beautiful and enriching traditions, and if we open ourselves to learning about them, we can only grow in our acceptance and appreciation of all people. Tolerance means the acceptance of individuals as they are, not as we necessarily want them to be.

I choose to believe that our founding fathers wanted America to be a place where all are welcome, not just those who are like us. Good citizenship does not require the shedding of our backgrounds. Good citizenship means accepting each other and working together for the betterment of us all.

ANDELA IN LOVELAND, OHIO

DEAR ANDELA: Of course we can be great Americans and still hold onto our ethnic traditions. However, this country was founded by immigrants who became proficient in the English language. And while our various cultural traditions are important in defining who we are, I think it is important to define ourselves as Americans first, rather than calling ourselves "hyphen-Americans," which separates us rather than unites us as a nation. It's a matter of priorities.

DEAR ABBY: I have a neighbor who tells visitors to remove their shoes before entering because she has a light-colored carpet. I, for one, don't like it. What should I do in this situation?

WONDERING IN COLORADO

DEAR WONDERING: Either walk on your hands or stay home!

For an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person, order "How to Be Popular." Send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61064-0447. (Postage is included.)

Horoscope

FRIDAY, DEC. 24, 1999

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Overindulgence marks your day and mood. Your creativity comes out when you're around children. Another touches you on a deep level. Make time for friends and a holiday celebration. You could go to extremes, but you are clearly cared for. Tonight: There are many types of Christmas presents!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

You are anchored and direct, and you make a big difference to those in your immediate circle. You know how to make another feel pampered by caring. Do it. Plans could change, but remember how important another is to you. Tonight: Getting into the role of Santa.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

You have the ability to shake another out of the doldrums. Create greater connection and caring. Make time for a last-minute get-together. You could be racing in many different directions. You play a big role in making this Christmas work for others. Tonight: Touching those you care for.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You might have some residual errands or work to do. Clear the decks as quickly as possible. You could get your-

self upset and frantic. Don't. A partner might not come through like you think he should. Tonight: Let it all begin!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Beam in what you want, and give others more of what they want. If any Christmas has a special tone, it is this one. Your magnetic ways bring joy to those around you. Take time, even with a passing face in your life. Good news comes from a distance. Tonight: Happy as a cat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Reach out for others. Don't get yourself upset about what isn't right; rather, look at what is working. A partner goes overboard for you and is willing to pitch in where you can't. You are exhausted by your hectic pace. Tonight: Mellow out.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Sort through invitations. A lot of people want your time and well-wishes this Christmas. A loved one goes overboard for you. Don't kid yourself about this person and what he means to you. Deal with others from the heart. Tonight: A Christmas to remember.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You are in the limelight, drawing others to you. Be prepared to take over some responsibilities, as a relative or friend might not feel up to snuff. Fortunately, you have the energy to skip over any problem that arises. Tonight: The Christmas star!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Join family and friends as soon as you can this Christmas Eve. You might need to travel or make an important phone call. Caring arounds. Share the spiritual values of the holiday with

children. Surround yourself with music. Tonight: Confirm plans.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Build a better relationship by taking time with that special partner. A lot of people, especially family, need and want your attention. Take care of details as fast as you can, so you can relax with the special person in your life. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Others surround you and want to celebrate the holiday. Worry less about what is going on with a partner. Don't confuse the issue. Count on your bonding. Calls, presents and friends all clamor at your door. Enjoy the moment. Tonight: Make this remarkable.

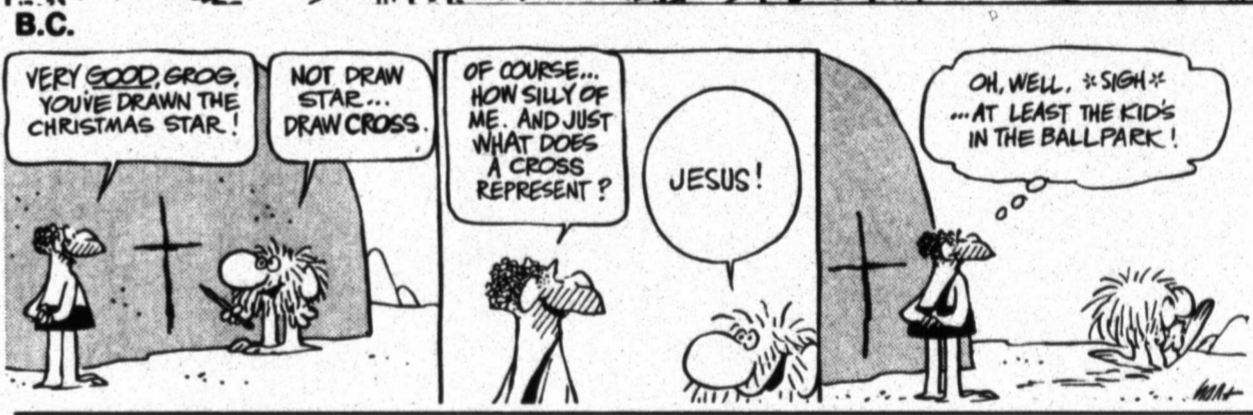
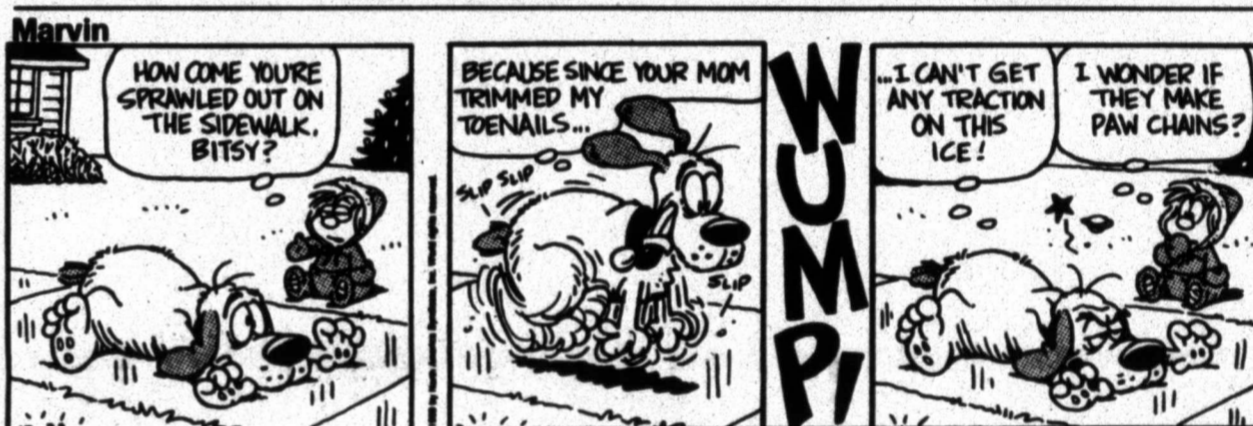
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You have a lot to do, and your pace is unusually hectic. Last-minute spending goes overboard. You, however, will delight others. Remember, your actions count as much as your words. Your instincts could be off with someone close to you. Tonight: Easy does it.

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Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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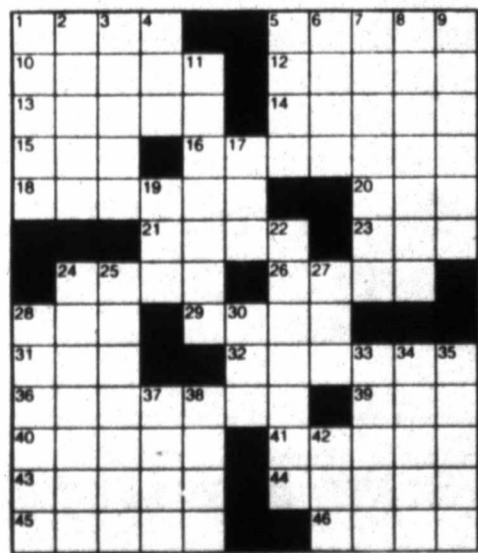
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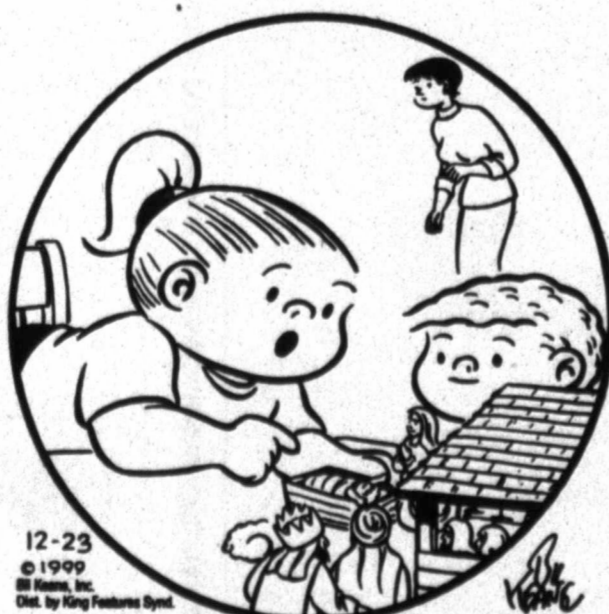
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"Another Santa Claus told him to 'beat it'"

The Family Circus



"Shouldn't the swaddling clothes be blue for a boy?"

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SPORTS

Notebook

BASKETBALL

EDINBURG, Texas (AP) — Brian Merriweather scored 22 points to lead Texas-Pan American to a 68-56 victory over Pacific on Wednesday. Two other Broncos, John Braxton and Kyle Sanders, also reached double figures, scoring 12 points and 11 points, respectively. Despite the loss, the Tigers (3-6) also had three players score in the double digits. Mike Preston scored 13 points, Clay McKnight had 11 and Mike Hahn scored nine.

Brian Merriweather scored the winning points for Texas-Pan American (3-5) with two free throws with 11:42 on the clock in the second half.

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Applications are now being evaluated for the Ten Star All-Star Basketball Camp.

Boys and girls ages 7-19 can apply. Players are selected by invitation only.

Several NBA players, including Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Tom Gugliotta and Antawn Jamison, have competed in past camps.

One of the nation-wide camps will be held in Commerce, Tex. Another camp is planned for Atchison, Kan.

College basketball scholarships are possible for the most advanced players. For an evaluation form, call 704-372-8610 any time.

FOOTBALL

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys, America's Team, the team that won six division titles and three Super Bowls, is limping along at 7-7 this year, beset with injuries and strife, the offense sputtering, the fans muttering, the owner grim. What could be worse?

How about a loss to the 2-12 New Orleans Saints on Christmas Eve?

Before the chuckles begin, remember the Saints were not much better last year and they whipped the Cowboys 22-3.

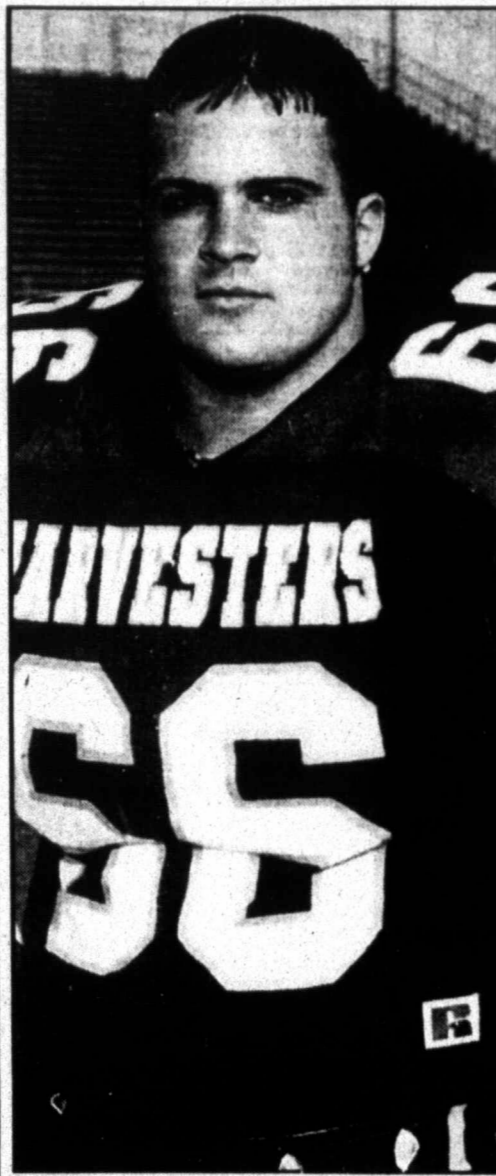
"That does not have to be reminded to anybody," quarterback Troy Aikman said. "Those who were on the football team last year know what happened when we went there and how disappointing that was for us. Right now, we know what's in front of us. If we win the next two ball-games we're in the playoffs. That's really our focus."

The Cowboys bring a six-game losing streak on the road to New Orleans and are coming off their first home loss of the season. The New York Jets' 22-21 victory killed Dallas' chance to take over first place in the NFC East.

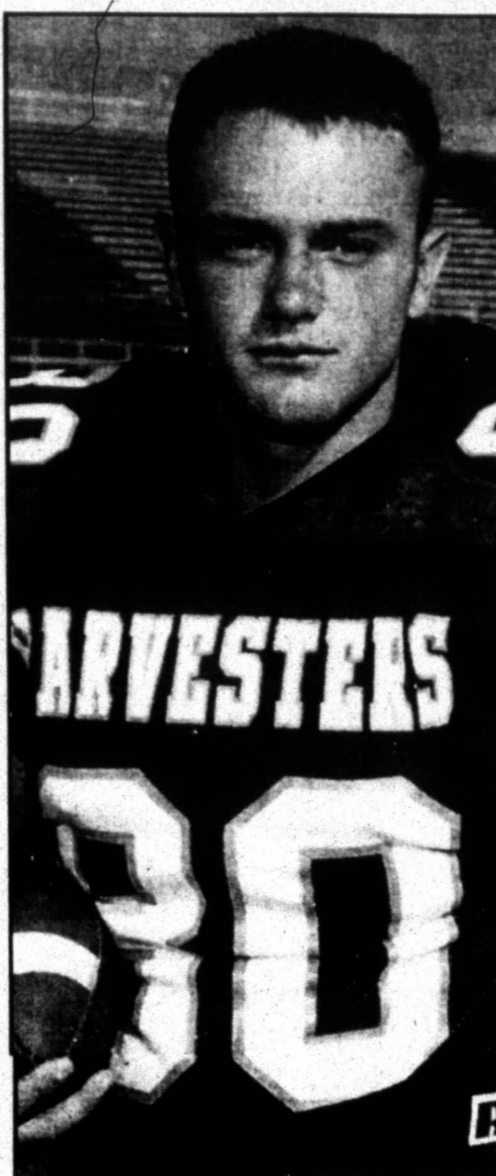
Dallas would be guaranteed at least a wild card berth with a 9-7 finish.

The game means a lot to the Cowboys, Saints coach Mike Ditka acknowledged, but it also means a lot to his long-suffering players.

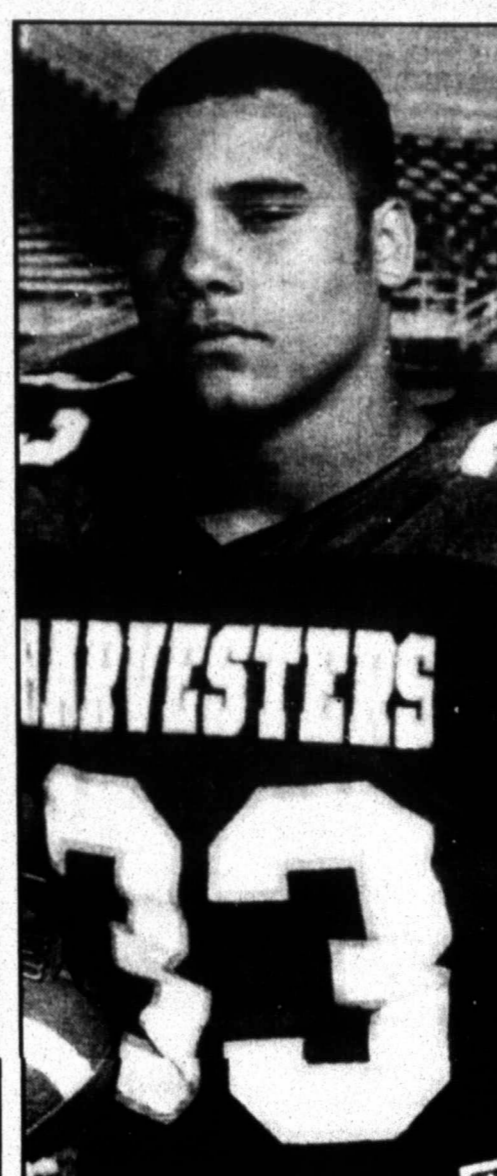
"They're playing for something, we're not," Ditka said. "We're playing for pride, but you're playing on national television. You got a chance to rectify a lot of wrongs by playing some good football out there."



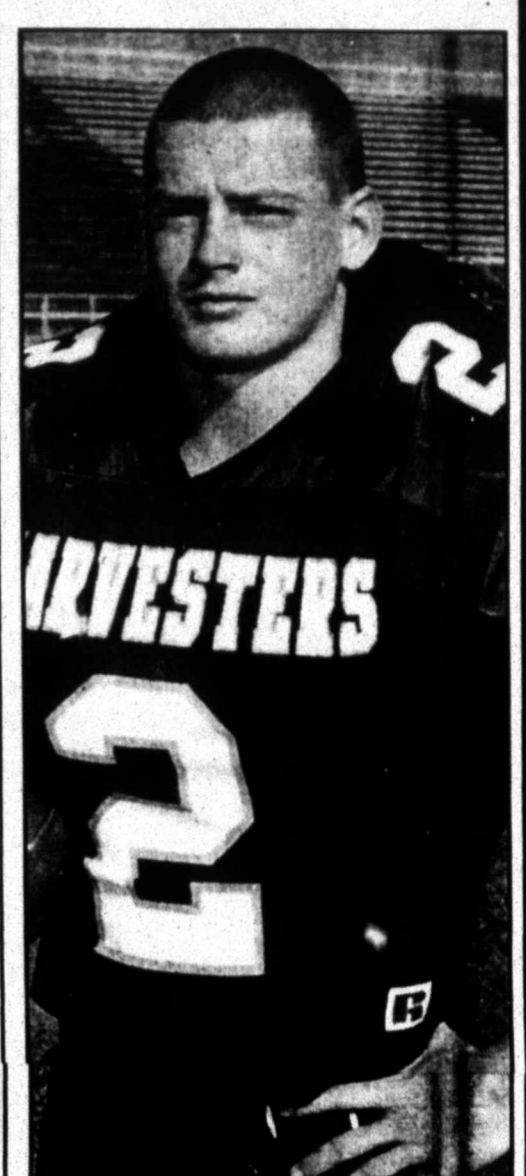
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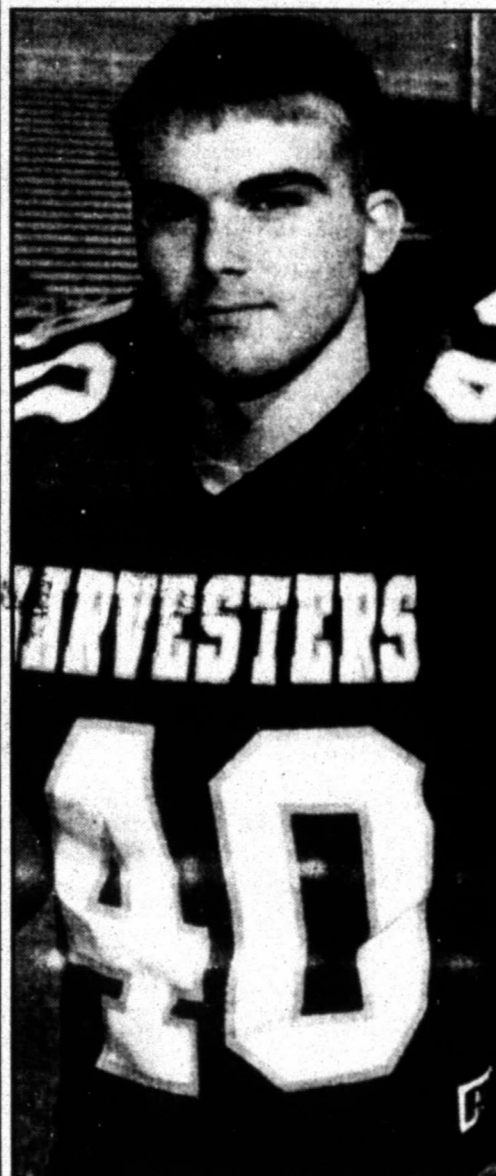
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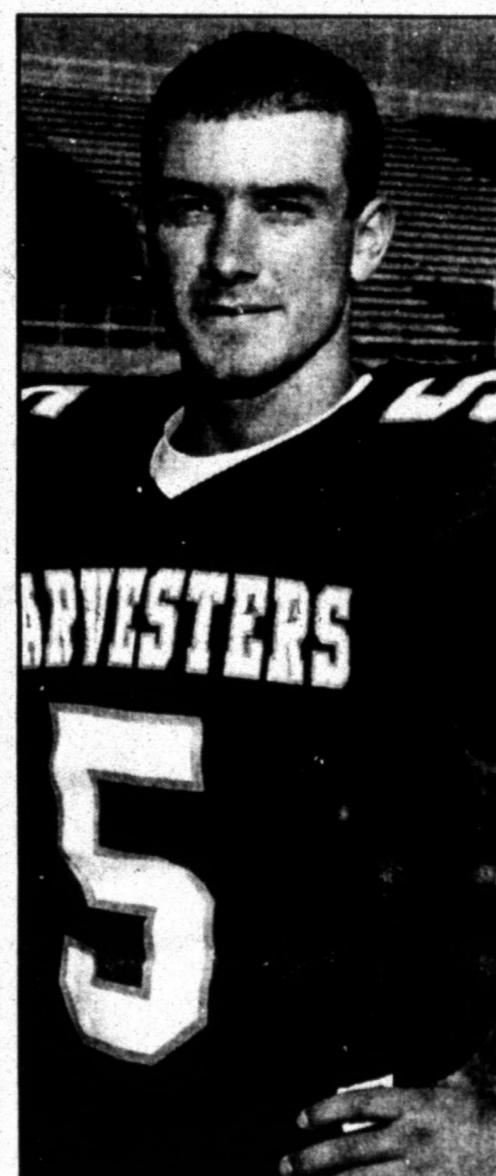
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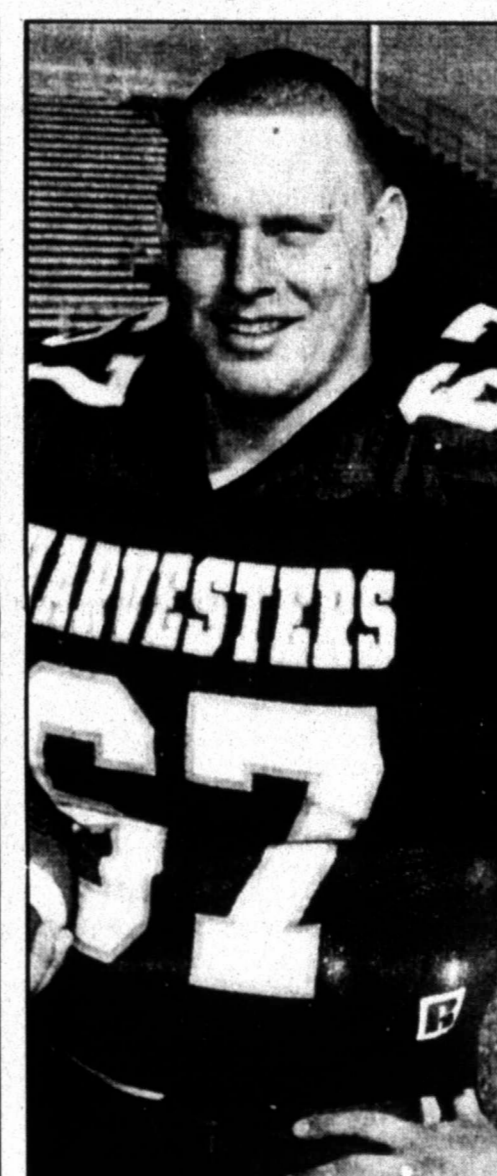
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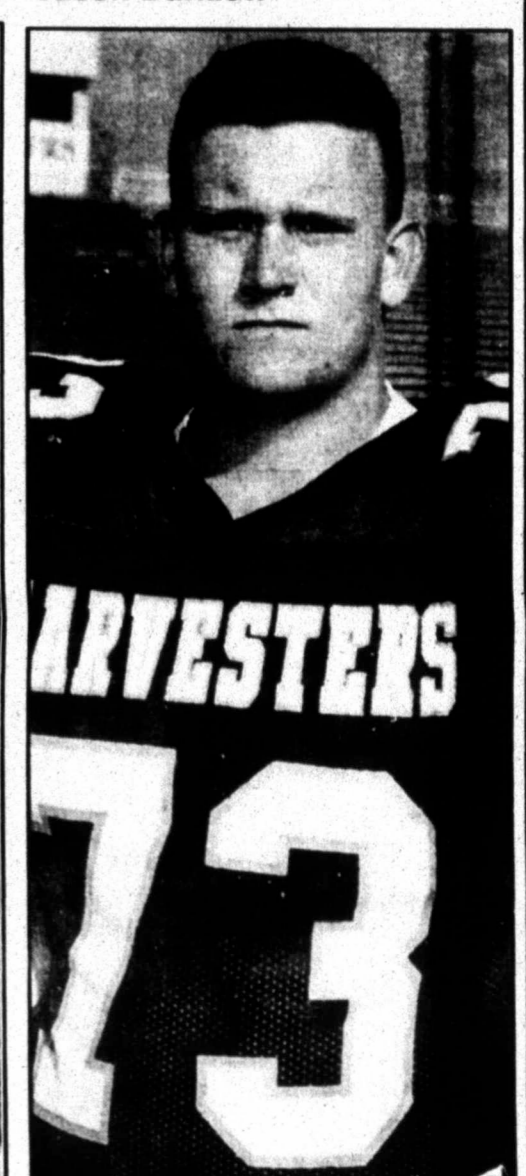
Nathan Arnn



Russell Robben



Andy Schroeder



Cody Shepard

Eight Harvesters named to all-district team

Eight Pampa Harvesters were named to the 1999 All-District 3-4A Football Team.

Fullback Thomas Long was first-team offense while lineman Tyson Curtis, linebacker Jason Burklow and kicker Justin Barnes made first-team defense.

Barnes also made the second-team offense as a tight end and punter. Lineman Cody Shepard was a second-team pick on offense.

Lineman Andy Schroeder, linebacker Nathan Arnn and cornerback

Russell Robben represented the Harvesters on second-team defense.

Long was the team's rushing leader with 784 yards and 5 touchdowns during the regular season. He was the district's third leading rusher.

Burklow led the Harvesters in tackles with 112 and was second in district.

Curtis had 67 stops, including 48 assisted tackles.

Barnes was second in kick scoring (37 points) and field goals (7) among

district kickers. He booted 14 extra points. He led the Harvesters in scoring with 47 points.

Barnes also snared 18 passes for 284 yards and 2 touchdowns from his tight end position.

He averaged 34.2 yards on 43 attempts as a punter.

Shepard combined strength with quickness to open up big holes from his tackle spot on the offensive line.

Arnn closed the district season with 80 tackles while Schroeder had 58 and Robben 43.

Barnes, Curtis, Robben, Shepard and Arnn are seniors. Schroeder, Long and Burklow are juniors.

It was the third year in a row for Curtis to make the all-district team. Barnes, Shepard and Schroeder were also all-district picks a year ago.

The Harvesters were 5-6 for the season, but finished third in the district standings to advance into the playoffs for the second straight year.

All-district players were selected in a district coaches' poll.

Aggies routed by Dayton, 81-63

DAYTON, Ohio (AP) — Mark Ashman scored 17 points to lead five Dayton players in double figures as the Flyers beat Texas A&M 81-63 on Tuesday night for their best start in 18 years.

Edwin Young had 14 for Dayton (9-1), David Morris added 13, and Brooks Hall and Tony Stanley had 12 apiece.

Bernard King led Texas A&M (3-5) with 19 points, and Larry Scott had 14.

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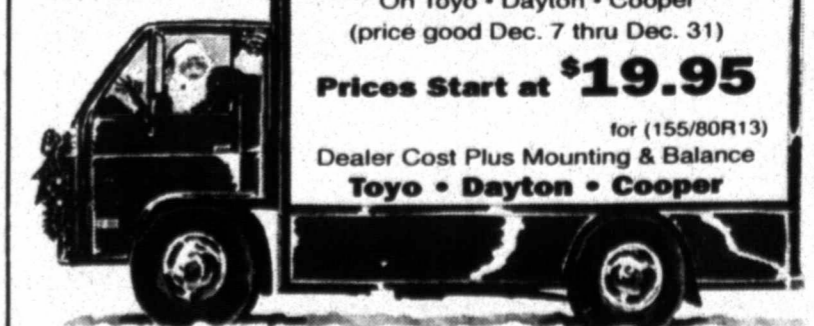
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Rams land six players on Pro Bowl team

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Having six players named Pro Bowl starters a year after the St. Louis Rams had to settle for one third alternate was almost too much to take for Dick Vermeil.

The coach choked up, as he's known to do, relaying the news Wednesday that quarterback Kurt Warner, running back Marshall Faulk, offensive tackle Orlando Pace, wide receiver Isaac Bruce, defensive end Kevin Carter and cornerback Todd Lyght would represent the NFC West champions in the Feb. 6 game.

"I was emotional," Vermeil said, struggling through the words. "It's a salute to the kids."

Their first four seasons in St. Louis, the Rams had only one Pro Bowler, Bruce in 1996. This time around, it's an embarrassment of riches, with six more Rams players selected as alternates.

"I think we might rent a Rams yacht," said Lyght, a nine-year

veteran who'll get his first free trip to Hawaii. Lyght is one of four Rams players honored for the first time.

It's another indication of the upheaval this year in the NFL, with the Rams (12-2), Colts (12-2) and Buccaneers (9-5) among the league's dominant teams. Warner, Steve Beuerlein of Carolina and Rich Gannon of Oakland made the Pro Bowl ahead of Brett Favre, Troy Aikman and Doug Flutie.

"I guess the second half of life is the greater half," said Beuerlein, 34, selected for the first time in a 13-year career.

Warner, a former Arena League and NFL Europe star, was left unprotected on the expansion list from which the Cleveland Browns assembled their roster. He became an instant success as a starter when Trent Green was lost with a knee injury in the preseason, and leads the league in passing with 36 touchdowns and a 111.1 rat-

ing.

"I dreamed about this back when I was in the third grade," Warner said. "Obviously, it's going to go to certain people that are more in the limelight, but there's a lot of guys that are deserving on this team."

Last year, Pace was the only Rams player to get a mention.

"That's the difference a year makes," Pace said.

Tampa Bay also has six players on the NFC squad, five of them starters, while Dallas, Detroit and Minnesota will send five players each.

The Buccaneers have a league-high four starters on defense: outside linebacker Derrick Brooks, inside linebacker Hardy Nickerson, tackle Warren Sapp and strong safety John Lynch. Fullback Mike Alstott will start on offense, and center Tony Mayberry is a reserve.

Jacksonville (13-1) landed seven players on the AFC team, five of them starters: wide

receiver Jimmy Smith, offensive tackle Tony Boselli, free safety Carnell Lake, defensive end Tony Brackens and outside linebacker Kevin Hardy. Quarterback Mark Brunell is a backup behind the Colts' Peyton Manning, and offensive tackle Leon Searcy also is a reserve.

The Colts lead the AFC with three offensive starters, with wide receiver Marvin Harrison, rookie running back Edgerrin James and Manning unanimous choices in voting by coaches, fans and players.

James and defensive end Jevon Kearse of the Titans were the only rookies to make the team. Kearse has a rookie record 13.5 sacks and James leads the AFC with 1,400 yards rushing and trails only Faulk in total yardage.

Five teams have no representatives, including the NFC's last three Super Bowl representatives, Atlanta and Green Bay. The other three are San Diego, Cleveland and Pittsburgh.

Scoreboard

FISHING REPORT

BAYLOR: Little activity on the lake due to poor weather conditions.

GREENBELT: Water murky; 48 degrees; White bass and walleye are fair on slabs fished in 40 to 45 feet. Very few fishermen on the lake due to cold temperatures.

MACKENZIE: Few fishermen out due to poor weather conditions.

MEREDITH: Water stained; 48-52 degrees; Black bass are good on slabs. Crappie are slow on minnows. White bass are good on slabs (fish are suspended in 48 to 58 feet of water). Smallmouth bass are slow on minnows fished by the dam. Walleye are fair on minnows fished off the bottom by the dam.

PALO DURO: Water fairly clear; 56 degrees; Black bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows fished near the bridge in shallow water. Walleye are slow. Channel and blue catfish are fair on shad fished in the channels.

ALAN HENRY: Water stained; 58 degrees; Black bass are fair on jig and pork combinations fished in the creek channels. All other fishing has been slow.

ARROWHEAD: Water clear; 60 degrees; Black bass are fair on orange and white spinnerbaits. Crappie are good on minnows fished near the derrick in 18 feet. White bass are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on large shiners fished at night on the south end of the lake.

BRADY: No report available.

COLORADO CITY: Water murky; 56-58 degrees; Black bass are fair to good on chrome Flat-L-Trap fished over the rocks. Redfish are fair trolling stickbaits. Few fishermen out due to cold temperatures.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 60 degrees; Black bass are slow. Blue catfish are good on shad and shiners fished on the west side of the lake in the shallows.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water lightly stained; 61 degrees; Black bass are slow. Crappie are good on minnows and white marabou jigs fished in Sandy and Hubbar creeks in 8 to 12 feet. Channel and blue catfish are slow.

KEAMP: Water stained; 58 degrees; Black bass are slow. White bass are fair on 45 and chautauque slabs fished in 30 to 45 feet.

NASWORTHY: No report available.

NOCONA: Water clear; 58-60 degrees; Black bass are fair on chrome jugging spoons fished in 15 to 25 feet and blackjugs. Jugs fished in 10 to 18 feet. Crappie are good on jugs and jugging spoons fished in 15 to 30 feet. White bass and hybrid striper are fair on chrome jugging spoons fished in 15 to 30 feet. Channel and blue catfish are slow. Yellow catfish are slow.

OAK CREEK: Water fairly clear; 59 degrees; Black bass are fair on minnows, spinner and buzzbaits fished in 5 to 15 feet. Crappie are slow on minnows and jugs. White bass and blue catfish are slow on stinkbait and minnows fished in 10 to 20 feet.

OH. IVE: Water clear; 62 degrees; Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits fished in 2 to 4 feet. White bass are fair to good on slabs and jugging spoons fished in the creek channels in 40 feet. Catfish are slow.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear; 62 degrees; 7.5' low; Black bass are slow on jugs and crankbaits fished in 5 to 20 feet. Crappie are slow on minnows fished in 20 feet. White bass are slow on small jugs and minnows fished in 5 to 20 feet. Striped bass are fair on live shad fished in 30 to 40 feet. Channel and blue catfish are slow on cut baits fished in 30 to 45 feet. Yellow catfish are slow on live perch fished in 20 to 30 feet.

SPENCE: Water stained; 60 degrees; Black bass are good on Texas-rigged worms fished off the bank. White bass are very good on slabs and minnows fished in

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Wednesday's Major College Basketball Scores

By The Associated Press

EAST
Holy Cross 82, Northeastern 71
St. John's 98, Hofstra 86
St. Peter's 83, Monmouth, N.J. 77
Syracuse 68, La Salle 62
Temple 66, Ford 51
Villanova 77, S. Carolina St. 71

SOUTH
E. Kentucky 73, American U. 63
Florida St. 70, Vanderbilt 65
George Washington 90, Clemson 71
Georgia Tech 80, Wake Forest 70
McNeese St. 68, Jackson St. 59
Stetson 67, Belmont 57
Tulane 73, N.C. State 62
W. Illinois 73, Florida Atlantic 53
William & Mary 89, Campbell 70

MIDWEST
Bowling Green 114, Urbana 52
Butler 66, Nevada 45
Hampton 79, Chicago St. 68
Indiana St. 89, Tennessee St. 62
Kansas 82, Princeton 67
Kansas St. 68, Old Dominion 64
Loyola, Ill. 79, Canisius 65
Nebraska 80, Oral Roberts 65
Notre Dame 75, Rider 62
Ohio St. 64, Toledo 61
Purdue 92, Kent 51
SE Missouri 65, Bradley 60
St. Francis, Pa. 72, Youngstown St. 69
UMKC 70, SW Missouri St. 65
W. Michigan 101, Marist 78

SOUTHWEST
Alcorn 70, Texas Southern 67
Cincinnati 72, Oklahoma 57
Lamar 51, Rice 40
Southern U. 91, Prairie View 79
Texas-Pan American 68, Pacific 56
UTEP 93, CS Northridge 82

FAR WEST
Hawaii 73, Creighton 53
Long Beach St. 127, CS Monterey Bay 57
Oregon 91, N. Arizona 54
Portland 66, Ohio 66
San Diego St. 60, UC Santa Barbara 57
UC Irvine 89, Humboldt St. 65
Utah 79, Texas 73
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Maine 83, Florida A&M 73
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Tulsa 76, N.C. Charlotte 61
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Massachusetts 102, American U., P.R. 65

Ewing's shot returns in the Knick of time

By The Associated Press

Patrick Ewing found his shot just in the nick of time to help New York avoid a fourth-quarter collapse.

Ewing hit a turnaround 14-footer with 21.3 seconds left as the Knicks overcame Vince Carter and the Toronto Raptors 91-90 Wednesday night.

It was the biggest shot of the season for Ewing, who was playing in just his seventh game since recovering from a partially torn Achilles tendon. He finished with eight points — just the 36th single-digit scoring night of his 984-game career — and eight rebounds.

"I can't remember," Ewing responded when asked when was the last time he had made such a clutch shot. "Last year because of the (injured) wrist I missed some, so it's good to hit one."

"My shot is back," he said.

The Knicks led 84-71 with 6:12 remaining before going scoreless for more than four minutes.

The Raptors tied it at 86 on a jumper by Carter, setting up Ewing's game-winner.

"I've said it since he was hurt: We need Patrick if we're going to go all the way," Latrell Sprewell said.

In other NBA games, it was Miami 74, Utah 72; Boston 98,

Atlanta 81; Orlando 103, Cleveland 97; Minnesota 106, Chicago 86; and L.A. Clippers 103, Golden State 99.

Carter scored a crowd-pleasing 36 points, the highest total by a Knicks opponent this season, and the Raptors had a chance to win after Sprewell missed two free throws — the second intentionally — with 2.9 seconds left.

Out of timeouts, the Raptors could only get a shot off from midcourt — a heave by Doug Christie that barely missed.

It was the second straight tough home victory for the Knicks, who moved seven games above .500 and into contention with Miami, Charlotte and Indiana for the best record in the conference.

Sprewell scored 25 points, Allan Houston had 18 and John Wallace, playing against his former team for the first time, added 14.

Heat 74, Jazz 72

Alonzo Mourning had 17 points, 10 rebounds and five blocks — including one in the final seconds — to lead host Miami.

Mourning blocked Bryon Russell's drive to basket with 13 seconds remaining, and John Stockton missed a 3-pointer at the buzzer for

started the month 0-8. Garnett led five Timberwolves in double figures with 22 points. He also had 13 rebounds.

Sealy had 19 points on 8-of-10 shooting, and Brandon added 16.

Clippers 103, Warriors 99

Tyrone Nesby scored a season-high 28 points and Lamar Odum added 22 and seven blocked shots for Los Angeles.

Eric Piatkowski also scored 22 for the Clippers, who ended a six-game losing streak on the road and won for the first time this season after trailing at halftime.

John Starks scored 22 points to lead the Warriors, who have lost three of four. Vontee Cummings had a career-high 13 assists to go with 12 points as six Warriors players reached double figures.

Magic 103, Cavaliers 97

Rookie Chucky Atkins scored 22 points to lead Orlando to victory at Cleveland.

Atkins scored six points down the stretch as the Magic took advantage of an injury-depleted and turnover-plagued Cavaliers team to win their fourth straight game.

Cleveland, with only nine healthy players, committed 10 turnovers in the first 9:19 of the fourth quarter and lost its fifth in a row.

Timberwolves 106, Bulls 86

Kevin Garnett provided the muscle inside and Malik Sealy and Terrell Brandon hit just about everything outside as Minnesota routed host Chicago.

It was the third win in a row for the Timberwolves, who

for 41 homers last year, while Joyner and the switch-hitting Veras combined for just 11. Veras had career-highs with a .280 average and 95 runs scored, and his on-base percentage of .368 was 58 points higher than Boone's. Klesko's slugging percentage was .532 compared to Joyner's .350.

"We've gotten a little bit slower, but we've added more offense," Padres general manager Kevin Towers said. "We've gone from more of a speed club to probably a club that's more of a power-type club."

Irabu, 11-7 with a 4.84 ERA in 27 starts and five relief appearances this year, waived his no-trade clause, allowing the Yankees to deal him to Montreal for minor league right-hander Jake Westbrook and two players to be named. The deal lowers New York's payroll to \$66 million for 14 signed players.

The 30-year-old right-hander, called a "fat ... toad" by Yankees owner George Steinbrenner last spring, wore out the patience of Yankees officials. While pitching well in stretches, he was inconsistent and appeared in just one postseason game in the last two years, a mopup effort at Fenway Park.

"Hideki came in with a lot of fanfare," Yankees general manager Brian Cashman said. "He wanted us as badly as we wanted him. There were some good times and some tough times as well. We saw those flashes of brilliance that attracted us when he was a free agent coming out of Japan."

Irabu had one season at \$2 mil-

Braves retool again; Yankees send Hideki Irabu to Montreal

By RONALD BLUM
AP Sports Writer

Instead of focusing on free agents, teams are pulling off trades as they head into the holiday break.

Remolding their roster yet again, the Atlanta Braves dealt second baseman Bret Boone, outfielder-first baseman Ryan Klesko and minor league right-hander Jason Shiell to the Padres for first baseman Wally Joyner, second baseman Quilvio Veras and left fielder Reggie Sanders.

The World Series champion New York Yankees, who swept the Braves in October, sent pitcher Hideki Irabu to the Montreal Expos for three prospects.

Atlanta, which has won eight straight division titles, but only one World Series in the 1990s, gains both a leadoff hitter and an outfielder to make up for the loss of Gerald Williams, who signed with Tampa Bay.

Joyner becomes insurance in case first baseman Andres Galarraga isn't at full strength after an 18-month layoff during his treatment for cancer.

"We're all very hopeful Andres will come back and assume full duty at first base," Braves general manager John Schuerholz said. "That is still somewhat of an unknown set of circumstances. Wally Joyner, prior to 1999 before he suffered the shoulder injury, put up very, very good numbers offensively, and of course is regarded as one of the finest first basemen defensively around."

Klesko and Boone combined

lion left on his \$12.8 million, four-year contract.

To get him to agree to the deal, the Expos took his \$4 million option for 2001 and guaranteed it at \$2.5 million. It would rise to \$3 million if he pitches 150 innings next year, \$3.5 million if he pitches 165 innings and \$4 million if he pitches 180 innings.

"We thought Hideki could be someone special for us," said Expos owner Jeffrey Loria said. "My read on Hideki was that he was a power pitcher with a terrific arm and probably one of the nastiest split-fingered fastballs I have seen."

In a minor trade, the Padres acquired left-hander Dan Serafini from the Chicago Cubs for minor league outfielder Brandon Pernel.

Serafini, 25, was 3-2 with one save and a 6.93 ERA last season for the Cubs, who acquired him during spring training from the Minnesota Twins. He had 38 relief appearances and four starts.

In the free agent market, left-hander Jeff Fassero agreed to a one-year deal with the Boston Red Sox, and outfielder Thomas Howard returned to the St. Louis Cardinals, agreeing to a \$650,000, one-year contract. Howard hit .292 with six homers and 28 RBIs in 195 at-bats this year.

Catcher Mike Figgia agreed to a minor league contract with Tampa Bay, and pitcher Ricky Bones, released by Cincinnati, Minnesota and Baltimore in the last three years, agreed to a minor league contract with Florida.

secutive bowl games since winning three in a row from 1936-39.

The loss will probably knock East Carolina out of the Top 25, something coach Steve Logan wouldn't dwell on.

When asked if the loss ruined what otherwise would have been considered a great season, Logan just laughed.

"We're 9-3, so I guess this is just one of those 9-3 crappy old seasons," he said. Logan then ended his press conference.

Texas Christian wins Mobile Alabama Bowl

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — Texas Christian and East Carolina wanted to get the same thing out of the inaugural Mobile Alabama Bowl — a little momentum for next season.

Only TCU accomplished it, using Wednesday night's 28-14 win over the 20th-ranked Pirates to make a case for a spot in the final Top 25 poll.

"I hope it gives us some national respect and a little credibility," TCU coach Dennis

Franchione said. "We beat a Top 20 team — and I think we beat them pretty convincingly. That gives us something to bring into next year."

It was the second consecutive bowl upset for TCU (8-4), which knocked off heavily favored Southern Cal in last year's Sun Bowl.

East Carolina (9-3) was favored by six points at game time.

It was the first time the Horned Frogs have won con-

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Yuletide plants mistletoe, holly have long histories

FOUND RIDGE, N.Y. (AP) — Holly and mistletoe, long celebrated in folklore, join hands nowadays as cheerful symbols of Yuletide. As plants, they live very different lives.

Mistletoe, patron of free holiday kissing, is a parasite. The evergreen plant with small greenish flowers and white berries lives off various trees in Europe and America. There's also a leafless flowering mistletoe that's lethal to pine, spruce, fir and hemlock on which it feeds.

Holly is a shrub or a tree in its own right, sometimes reaching heights of 30 to 40 feet. Its clusters of scarlet berries amid sculptured-looking dark green leaves with spiny edging are a joy to behold in or out of the holiday season.

Mistletoe, grown commercially, is not common in a home garden. You just buy already-cut sprigs of it at nurseries to use as a decoration. But holly, slow as it is to grow, is a showpiece of many gardens. And it's nice to cut your own Yuletide boughs to put in windows and over the mantelpiece.

On the country place I share with my son we have five hollies, three female and two male. The females produce the berries, but the males are necessary for it to happen. It's estimated the pollen of one male tree is effective over a quarter-mile radius.

Holly is a shrub or a tree in its own right, sometimes reaching heights of 30 to 40 feet. Its clusters of scarlet berries amid sculptured-looking dark green leaves with spiny edging are a joy to behold in or out of the holiday season.

Four of the hollies we grew from small plants. The fifth, a sturdy female shrub, we received in good size as a present. We've never had any problems with them, but the four that started small took years to reach their present heights of 6 to 20 feet. All the females give us well-berried boughs.

Holly's one requirement is plenty of water, at least every two weeks during the summer. Mulching with leafmold helps preserve moisture.

The commonest hollies grown for their colorful berries are the English (Ilex aquifolium), which has bright red fruit and markedly spiny evergreen leaves, and the American (Ilex opaca), which is duller but hardier, being able to survive temperatures of 30 below

zero Fahrenheit.

The right time to plant is early spring or early fall. It's best to buy small potted plants, but hollies may also be grown from rooted cuttings. As they age, they may be kept from growing too large by judicious pruning.

Common mistletoe (Phoradendron serotinum) grows as a parasite from New Jersey southward, generally on oaks and junipers.

If you want to grow them on your own, experts say it can be done from fresh berries, squeezing the berry until it bursts open, giving you seeds. Stick the seeds to the twigs of a tree. They're gummy and will adhere. Mistletoe leaves will appear in about a year and afterwards grow fast.

In ancient times, mistletoe figured in pre-Christian folklore and religions as a magical plant that reputedly cured sterility and was an antidote for poisons. Then it became a Christmas and New Year's decoration. Kissing under a branch of mistletoe is still a custom.

Holly has an even richer folkloric background. Christmas decorations are believed to have stemmed from a Roman custom of sending boughs together with gifts to friends during the festival of Saturnalia. The early Christian church frowned on the practice as pagan.

The custom prevailed, particularly in England, where holly is one of the most important winter plants. Old Christmas carols abound with references to holly.

The tree is called "Christ's Thorn" in northern Europe and also the "Holy Tree," supposedly deriving from a legend that holly first sprang up under the footsteps of Jesus and the thorny leaves and blood-red berries symbolized his sufferings.

Aside from legend and decoration, holly is renowned as one of the finest woods for inlaying. It also makes great walking sticks and handles for driving whips.

'A Christmas Invitation'



(Pampa News photo by Danny Cowan) Highland Christian Church recently held "A Christmas Invitation" Christmas program. Above: Julie Long, Tamra Burns, Larry Haddock, Mark Heersema, Gary Sutherland, Tim Dunham, Debbie Jones, Melba Woelfle, Mike Woelfle; (middle) Anne Zumsteg, Lee Ziegelgruber, Nancy Tanner; (front) Christine Gruszecki, Pam Green, Mitzi McClelland, Katy Hupp, Angi Woelfle and Carol Ziegelgruber.

Baby-sitters in hot demand as New Year's approaches

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — This country may not run out of cash or electricity on New Year's Eve, but it's definitely going to run out of baby sitters.

Parents looking for someone to watch the kids while they toast the Year 2000 are finding greatly inflated prices, or no baby sitters at all.

"It's a total joke. I was willing to pay \$300 for the night, but no one, I mean no one, was available," said Stacy Ontiveros, a mother of two in Alamo, Calif.

Many teen-agers and professional baby sitters are forgoing "parties of the century" for the chance to make good money — \$200 to \$300 for the evening, about 10 times the usual for a Friday night.

"I can party any night of the year, but since when can I make \$100 an hour? Of course I'm working," said Danielle Masucci, 17, of Westwood, N.J., who will be watching children with her best friend at a party.

On the other side of the country, Ginger Armstrong made the same decision.

"I'm not a party person myself, so this is a chance to make some good money," said Ms. Armstrong of Monterey, Calif.

The young woman works for an agency called Sitters-By-The-Sea, which doubled its fees to \$40 an hour for the first child, and \$10 for each additional child, with a four-hour minimum on New Year's Eve.

Recent polls — and disappointing ticket sales — suggest most Americans are deciding on a quiet New Year's Eve, avoiding the huge concerts and parties. Even so, the search for baby sitters has become desperate.

"We've got waiting lists 30 families deep," said

Tom Ward, owner of Annie's Nannies of Park City, Utah, and Telluride, Colo., which raised its rates for the night from \$16 an hour to \$65 an hour. (He initially asked \$100 an hour but backed off after he was "blasted" by families who thought he was price-gouging.)

Last week, Ward began running newspaper advertisements begging for more sitters: "Millennium schmilleum blah blah blah, celebrate the millennium in your mind and come work for Annie's Nannies."

One of the best deals going is in San Ramon, Calif., where a team of cheerleaders trying to raise money for a competition is charging \$75 per child for the entire evening through 10 a.m. on New Year's Day. The girls will care for as many as 100 children, as long as they don't need diapers.

To keep things safe, one parent will be on hand for every sitter.

One of those parents, Lori Bringman, said her husband will be enjoying the Rose Bowl on New Year's Day while she watches kids.

"Can you believe it?" she said. "He's partying at a football game and I'm doing crafts with dozens of kiddies. Still, it's a great way to raise money and a safe place for the kids."

Patricia Keener, founder of Safe Sitter, a nonprofit organization in Indianapolis that trains baby sitters, said parents who manage to find someone to watch the kids need to be "uncommonly careful" to brief the baby sitter on the possibility of Y2K trouble.

Ms. Keener said problems such as blackouts should be discussed with sitters and kids so there is no panic if anything happens.

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SANTA

Dear Santa, This is Kirby Broaddus from Pampa, Texas. For

Christmas I would like a Game Boy Color and a computer with internet and e-mail. I would also like a blue telephone called "The Fone." I also want a N64 or a Sega Dreamcast. I want some CDs (you probably know which ones) and a DUD player.

I want a bunch of things for Christmas but these are the things I want the most.

—Kirby Broaddus, age 10

Dear Santa, My name is Shelby Broaddus. I'm 5-years-old. I have tried to be really good this year. I would like to have a baby doll, Barbies, clothes, size 6, and whatever else you would like to bring to me. Please, do not forget all the other boys and girls. Merry Christmas!



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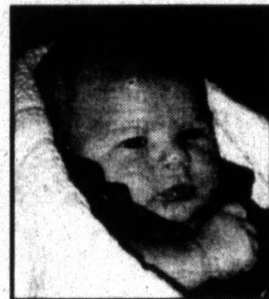
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LORENZO VICTOR VENZOR

BORN ... JANUARY 29, 1999



PARENTS...
LORENZO & PRISCILLA VENZOR

GRANDPARENTS...
VICTOR & DOLORES ARREOLA
RITA VENZOR
CONSEPCION VENZOR

AUNTS...
CELESTE, CRISTINA, ERICA, LUCY,
SILVIA, ROSA, VICTORIA, MIRIAM

UNCLES...
SERGIO, LUIS, MANUEL

MARLEE JEAN DAVID

BORN ... JULY 21, 1999

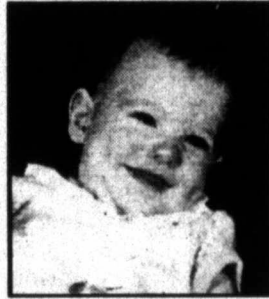


PARENTS...
DAVID & CRYSTAL DAVID

GRANDPARENTS...
MILTON & THERESA DAVID

TARA NICOLE GOLDSMITH

BORN ... JULY 2, 1999



PARENTS...
COLE AND JANNA GOLDSMITH

GRANDPARENTS...
LEON AND ANGE GOLDSMITH
LEFORS, TEXAS
LAWAYNE AND MARCELLA HOGAN
HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE, ARKANSAS

NICHOLAS MCGREGOR THOMAS

BORN ... JUNE 15, 1999



PARENTS...
MARK & MELISSA THOMAS

GRANDPARENTS...
MALLOT & KIM CHARLES

CADE CRYER

BORN ... JANUARY 13, 1999



PARENTS...
BRENT & KIM CRYER
EDMOND, OKLAHOMA

GRANDPARENTS...
DONNIE & DONNA BENNETT
GREAT-GRANDPARENTS...
JOE & CLARA ACHORD
MAXINE BENNETT

UNCLE...
KELLY BENNETT

BRENNALYNN EPPISON

BORN ... OCTOBER 20, 1999



PARENTS...
KENNY & PEREZA EPPISON

BIG SISTER...
DAKOTA

GRANDPARENTS...
DENNY & JUDY EPPISON
JERRY & MAURITA MULANAX

KAYLEA JEAN GILES

BORN ... JULY 9, 1999



PARENTS...
CHADD & LORI GILES
AMARILLO, TEXAS

BIG SISTER...
TAYLOR

GRANDPARENTS...
BOYD & CONNIE HUTCHERSON
PAMPA, TEXAS
STEVE & JANET GILES
PAMPA, TEXAS

JARROD RAY GROOMER

BORN ... FEBRUARY 17, 1999



PARENTS...
STEPHEN & JAMIE GROOMER

GRANDPARENTS...
BOYD & CONNIE HUTCHERSON
PAMPA, TEXAS

CAMRON WASHINGTON

BORN ... JANUARY 13, 1999



PARENTS...
TOMMY & TRACY WASHINGTON

GRANDPARENTS...
JOE COX
BILL & EMILY WASHINGTON

BLAKE GORDON JONES

BORN ... SEPTEMBER 22, 1999



PARENTS...
JEFF & JODIE JONES

SISTER...
KALYNN

BROTHER...
BRIAN

GRANDPARENTS...
ROBERT & DEBBIE DOUGLAS
JERRY & BARBARA JONES

JAYCEE MARIE GARTH

BORN ... MARCH 11, 1999



PARENTS...
"TOAD" & SHERYL GARTH

GRANDPARENTS...
CAROL WILLIAMSON
MIKE & MARYLYNN GARTH
DUMAS, TEXAS
GREAT-GRANDMOTHER...
MILDRED PIERCE

UNCLE...
CHANCE WILLIAMSON

KADENCE ALANA RICHARDS

BORN ... JANUARY 4, 1999



PARENTS...
ARON & KRISTY RICHARDS
ARVADA, COLORADO

GRANDPARENTS...
GENE & SHERRY STROTHER
PAMPA, TEXAS
LAWRENCE RICHARDS
GALVEZ, LOUISIANA

MAKENZIE DAWN NORTHCUTT

BORN ... NOVEMBER 2, 1999



PARENTS...
TOBY & KRISTI NORTHCUTT

GRANDPARENTS...
VICKY FLOYD
M'LEAN, TEXAS
MR. & MRS. CARLESS CONNER
MISSOURI
JEANNE CONNER
PAMPA, TEXAS

REBEKAH D'LAYNE THOMPSON

BORN ... MARCH 29, 1999



PARENTS...
CHRIS & ROBI THOMPSON
PAMPA, TEXAS

GRANDPARENTS...
JERRY & ROBYN FRANKLIN
PAMPA, TEXAS
BILL & GENEVA THOMPSON
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

UNCLE...
JOSH

CALEB JACKSON DAVIS

BORN ... OCTOBER 12, 1999



PARENTS...
JOHN & KIM DAVIS

GRANDPARENTS...
JAMES & MAY DAVIS
FLOYD & VIRGINIA GOOCH

SUMMER KAYLEE VANBUSKIRK

BORN ... OCTOBER 23, 1999



PARENTS...
MARK & LINDA VANBUSKIRK
& "LADY"

GRANDPARENTS...
RONNE AND MARY LEE VANBUSKIRK
VIRGO AND DEE NEIL
GREAT-GRANDPARENTS...
DARRELL & EDNA PEDERSEN
JANE LOWE

JORDAN SHAWN MOLONE

BORN ... DECEMBER 6, 1999



PARENTS...
MICHAEL & MARCY MOLONE

BIG SISTER...
ASHLEE MOLONE

GRANDPARENTS...
DAN & PAULA MOLONE
VERNON PRATT
KATHY PRATT

GREAT-GRANDPARENTS...
ETHEL PRATT
MARY LEE WERSONICK
GLADYS STEWART

ETHAN MICHAEL HALL

BORN ... JUNE 1, 1999



PARENTS...
KEVIN & JACKIE HALL
AUSTIN, TEXAS

GRANDPARENTS...
MAYOR BOB & SHERA NESLAGE
PAMPA, TEXAS

PAYTON ASHLEIGH-MARIE RODGERS

BORN ... MAY 17, 1999



BROTHERS...
NORMAN & AUSTIN RODGERS

GRANDPARENTS...
ROBERT & MARY HARTLEY
JACK & RAEDONNA GAMON
MICHAEL & JULIE HARGROVE

GREAT-GRANDPARENTS...
MARYOLA TRISLER
JACK & HAZEL GAMON

UNCLE...
JEREMY GAMON

JARETT TODD FREEMAN & JORDAN LEE FREEMAN

BORN ... JULY 23, 1999



PARENTS...
TODD & SUSY FREEMAN
GLEN ROSE, TEXAS

BIG SISTER...
JAMIE

GRANDPARENTS...
CHARLES & JACKIE RENNE
GROOM, TEXAS
BILL & ETTA MILLER
TOLAR, TEXAS