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Legislature reaching workman's comp agreement

Amendments

AUSTIN (AP) – The following is a brief description of the Senate amendments the House has agreed to add to the workers' compensation reform bill:

Amendment No. 1 prohibits discrimination because of race, sex, national origin or religion when calculating benefits under the impairment schedule. House sponsors said the bill already included this language, but senators said it needed to be clarified.

Amendment No. 2 adds occupational therapist to the list of services that can be compensated.

Amendment No. 3 is designed to provide that persons making under $8.50 an hour are treated the same as higher paid persons when calculating salary and job benefits. Salary is used to calculate comp benefits.

Sen. Bob Glasgow said an inadvertent error was in the House bill that would have applied different criteria to people making under $8.50 an hour.

Amendment No. 4 allows an insurance carrier to recover overpayments if a court modifies or reverses an administrative appeals panel decision.

Amendment No. 5 allows attorneys to reargue the merits of an administrative panel's award if the comp claim goes to a jury trial.

Amendment No. 6 requires that if substantial change of condition in the injured workers' health occurs, then the designated doctor in the case must verify it.

Amendment No. 7 allows the awarding of unlimited damages to an employer who is convicted of firing a person for filing a comp claim. House members said this was already in the bill, but senators contended the House had placed a cap on the amount a worker could receive for wrongful discharge.

By SCOTT ROTHSCHILD
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) – The legislative session that ended Friday in chaos over workers' compensation reform resumed today with an agreement at hand.

On Friday, the Legislature was thrown into procedural limbo after House Speaker Gib Lewis angrily adjourned his chamber for the rest of the session, which ends Wednesday.

The Senate, equally angry in rejecting the House bill, sent it back to a legislative conference committee.

But today, both chambers will return to work.

After intense weekend negotiations, key lawmakers forged an accord, which could signal the end of the yearlong legislative battle that has forced two special sessions.

Under the agreement, legislative leaders will accept seven Senate amendments to a business-backed workers' comp proposal passed by the House.

In return, the authors of those amendments, Sens. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo, Chet Brooks, D-Pasadena, and Chet Edwards, D-Duncanville, signed a pledge to support the bill.

That vote swing could reverse earlier rejections of the House bill by the Senate.

Despite the developments, critics of the reform legislation say they will continue to fight.

Sen. Carl Parker, whose workers' comp proposal is favored by labor and trial lawyers, described the amendments as cosmetic changes.

But he declined to say whether he would attempt to filibuster the bill in the closing days of the session.

"I'm going to be in the Senate a while. I may save a filibuster for a time that may be more appropriate for those three senators," said Parker, D-Port Arthur.

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby wrote a letter to senators, saying, "I would urge you to agree to them (the amendments) in hopes of getting a very good bill passed by this session of the Legislature."

Mike Toomey, Gov. Bill Clements' chief of staff, declined to say whether the governor would sign the bill into law, but added, "For passage of the bill, chances have been significantly enhanced."

House workers' comp sponsor, Richard Smith, R-Bryan, said, "I believe a resolution to this issue is within reach."

State Rep. Bruce Gibson emerged as one of the main negotiators in gaining the support of Ms. Zaffirini, Brooks and Edwards, according to Mike Millsap, Lewis' chief of staff. Gibson, D-Godley, flew to Laredo early Sunday morning and met with Ms. Zaffirini to seal the agreement.

The Legislature has been deadlocked since January over fixing the system of compensating workers injured on-the-job.

The battle has pitted business groups against labor and trial lawyers.

A slim majority in the Senate has consistently rejected plans by Hobby and the House, saying it would reduce benefits to most injured workers and place employees at a disadvantage when going to court in disputed claims.

The agreement is "probably a doable deal," said Sen. Bob Glasgow, D-Stephenville, but the amendments represent a major concession by the House and Hobby on how disputed comp cases are resolved.

Under current law, the award for an injured worker set by the Industrial Accident Board is not allowed to be considered in a jury trial.

The House and business lobbyists sought to prevent juries from considering whether the award was adequate. They wanted juries to only decide whether the administrative panel had followed the law.

Under the amendment, the administrative panel's decision could be considered by the jury, but attorneys could contest whether the award was adequate.

Glasgow said the amendment returned the jury trial provision to current law, but said he would accept it because of other provisions, including an impairment schedule which would essentially set awards for specific injuries.

"It takes the guesswork out. The objective impairment schedule is worth more than anything else in this bill," Glasgow said.

Storm prediction fizzles, spews less than an inch

From Staff and Wire Reports

Predictions Sunday of up to 6 inches of snow today in and around the Pampa area turned out to be premature as a Arctic air mass spewed less than an inch of powder across the area.

However, the front dropped temperatures into the teens and kept the possibility of snow alive throughout the coming weekend.

Overnight, the low in Pampa hit 14 degrees.

"It's a little too windy and the snow is too dry," said Clemmie Brown of the National Weather Service in Amarillo, in regard to any chances of appreciable snowfall accumulations today.

"The system kind of fizzled out. It's not as strong as the one that will move through Wednesday," Brown said.

He added that the area will be "in and out of a snow situation" all week.

"The strongest system will probably move through Friday," Brown said of upcoming chances for snow. However, he noted it was too early to predict how much snow that system could bring.

Dropping temperatures and precipitation spread across Texas today behind the cold front, which reached the southern part of the state.

Chances for freezing rain and hazardous road conditions remained strong the Dallas/Fort Worth area and throughout northcentral Texas as precipitation and cold temperatures from a Siberian Express move into that area.

This frontal system stretched from near Lufkin in the Piney Woods of East Texas to Laredo on the Rio Grande Plains. A cold ridge of high pressure was building into Texas behind this cold front.

In addition to light snow in the Panhandle, the South Plains was also getting flurries as an upper level storm system approached from the west.

Winds were blowing from the south over far west Texas and in the area south of the cold front. Northerly winds prevailed over the rest of the state. Wind speeds were generally in the 10 to 20 mph range. Gusty north winds up to 25 and 35 mph were racing across parts of North and West Texas behind the cold front.

Temperatures dropped into the teens over the Panhandle and South Plains while most of South Texas had readings in the 50s. Temperatures in the 30s and 40s were the rule over the rest of the state.

The early morning extremes ranged from 14 degrees at Pampa to 64 degrees at Corpus Christi and Brownsville.

The forecast is calling for windy and colder conditions over the state today with a chance of light snow over parts of North and West Texas. A chance of light rain mainly over southeast and extreme South Texas today with rain possibly mixed with sleet over the northern part of South Texas tonight.

Light snow is spreading into the central and eastern parts of North Texas with a possible accumulation of 1 inch or less tonight.

Skies will be clearing from the west tonight and Tuesday.

Other early morning temperatures around the state included 25 at Lubbock, 34 at El Paso, 35 at San Angelo, 30 at Wichita Falls, 34 at Dallas and Fort Worth, 38 at Waco, 41 at Austin, 45 at San Antonio, 64 at Brownsville, 56 at Corpus Christi and 54 at Houston.

Santa's mailbox



(Staff photo by Beth Miller)

Pampa Postmaster Richard Wilson announced Friday that a special box for children to deposit their letters to Santa has been set up in the lobby of the Post Office. Getting their letters off to Santa on Friday were back row, from left, Brianna Acevedo, Audrianna Acevedo and Linda Schwab. On front row, from left are Burgundy Wilson, Tanner Wilson, Aaron Acevedo and Sarah Schwab.

Soviets express interest in Allies' plan; Kohl pushes for German unification

By DEBORAH G. SEWARD
Associated Press Writer

WEST BERLIN (AP) – The Soviet Union today expressed "favorable interest" in a Western plan to boost the international role of Berlin, according to a statement from the World War II Allies after a meeting in West Berlin.

The statement was distributed at the end of a 21/2-hour conference of the ambassadors of the United States, the Soviet Union, Britain and France. It was the first such meeting here since 1971.

Earlier, West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl insisted German reunification will come one day but acknowledged such a step remains a "vision."

The meeting was held at Allied headquarters in West Berlin, 100 miles inside East German territory. At the 1971 meeting, an agreement was drawn up establishing the rights of the four countries in the city, which has been divided into four sectors since World War II.

"The Western ambassadors set out their proposals under the Berlin initiative. The Soviet ambassador expressed favorable interest," the Allies' statement said.

The initiative, outlined by then-President Reagan in 1987, calls for improving air traffic to Berlin, making the city the site of youth exchanges and international conferences. It also calls for holding the Olympic Games in the city in the future.

"During the meeting there was a common understanding of the importance of stability, and confidence was expressed that the United States, United Kingdom, France and Soviet Union could contribute to that on the basis of the quadripartite agreement of 1971," the statement said. It added that further meetings may take place.

Those attending the meeting, Vernon Walters, Christopher Mallaby and Serge Boidevaix — the U.S., British and French ambassadors to West Germany — and Vyacheslav Kochemasov, the Soviet ambassador to East Germany, made no comment to reporters.

Kohl, attending a meeting of his Christian Democratic party in West Berlin, said: "We do not know when the day will come when this vision (of reunification) will become reality, but I am convinced that it will come."

At the last Four Power conference in 1971, the Soviets agreed to allow unhindered air, rail and automobile traffic between West Germany and West Berlin. The agreement also cleared the way for closer ties between West Germany and West Berlin.

Berlin has been in a turmoil since the Communists who led East Germany for all its 40 years bowed to massive public pressure and decided Nov. 9 to allow free travel to the West.

The Berlin Wall and East Germany's other borders, closed since 1961 to end mass defections, were suddenly open.

In the month that followed, peaceful popular revolutions have ousted old Communist regimes from power in East Germany and Czechoslovakia, with free elections promised next year.

Kohl has proposed a confederation with East Germany that would lead to eventual reunification of the two Germanys. East Germany's leaders have resisted calls for unity but say they back close cooperation with Bonn.

Pampa school board sets meeting

Trustees for the Pampa Independent School District will meet in regular session Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. at the high school library, 111 E. Harvester.

Among the items scheduled for discussion or action include the impact of Freeport Exemptions on goods in transit in the Pampa schools taxing area.

In a recommendation to the school board, Dr. Harry Griffith, superintendent, noted that it would cause a detrimental economic impact on the district to waive the tax.

During November statewide voting, Texans overwhelmingly cleared the way for Freeport Exemptions in the state on a local option basis.

If trustees accept Griffith's recommendation, they will elect not to adopt the option at the local level.

Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, had previously said he felt confident that taxing entities would use the Freeport Exemption as a means of economic development by showing potential businesses they could save large amounts of potential taxes locating in an area where goods in transit are not taxed.

But, in a proposed resolution, the PISD stated that it must "preserve the quality of education throughout the district in the face of ever-increasing state mandates without adequate funding."

Opponents of the Freeport Exemption have pointed out that if taxing entities, such as the PISD, waive collection of such taxes, they will be forced to increase property taxes to make up for the loss of funds.

Other items on the agenda is a discussion of bid specifications for renovation of the heating/hot water system in McNeely Field House, reviews of the district financial audit and a superintendent's report.

City to vote on commercial trash rates

Pampa city commissioners are scheduled to vote on a proposed ordinance that would lower most commercial sanitation rates for local businesses during a regular session Tuesday, 6 p.m., at City Hall.

Commissioners will review the ordinance, which would adjust rates downward, following a major increase passed for the current budget.

During previous commission discussions, it was learned that 100 businesses were taking the brunt of the increases, which sometimes amounted to several hundred dollars.

Under the new ordinance, if passed, rates would be set on a variable scale.

Seven other items of new business will be considered. They include:

- Consideration of an agreement with the District Attorney of Gray County relative to the forfeiture of contraband.
- First reading of an ordinance relative to the continued taxation of freeport goods.
- Consideration of condemnation of a structure at 713 S. Gray.
- Proposed cancellation of a scheduled commission meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 26.
- Appointment of one person to fill the unexpired term on the Gray County Appraisal District Board.
- Appointment of one person to fill and unexpired term on the Planning and Zoning Commission.
- Electing one person to fill the unexpired term on the Canadian River Municipal Water Authority Board.

Old business will include:

- Consider on second reading an ordinance relative to the no parking provision at Austin Elementary School.
- Consider on second reading Ordinance 1150, which amends Ordinance 1148. The amendment clears up an error regarding staggered terms for the Pampa Municipal Golf Course Advisory Board.

A public hearing regarding a zoning request and abatement of an unsafe structure at 713 S. Gray will precede any action taken by commissioners.

Issues to be discussed during a 4 p.m. work session include a proposed wrecker service ordinance, the state of the Pampa Fire Department-Roberts County fire agreement, an update on potential street improvements and a lease agreement between the city and Top O' Texas Rodeo Association.

No action will be taken during the work session.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

REEVES, Floy W. — 2 p.m., graveside, Shamrock Cemetery.

Obituaries

MARIA THOMAS

SHAMROCK – Maria Thomas, 72, died Sunday. Services are pending with Richerson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Thomas was born in Marseilles, France. In 1963 she moved to Shamrock from Clearville, Utah. She married Melton Leroy Thomas in 1945 in Florida. He died in 1963. She was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

Survivors include three sons, Lee Thomas, Jimmy Thomas and Mark Thomas, all of Shamrock; and four grandchildren. The family will be at 500 S. Wall.

FLOY W. REEVES

SHAMROCK – Floy W. Reeves, 87, died Sunday in Amarillo. Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in Shamrock Cemetery with Rev. Steve Rogers, pastor, First United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Richerson Funeral Home.

Mrs. Reeves was born in Grayson County and moved to Wheeler County in 1925. She married H.H. Reeves in 1924 in Loving. He died in 1969. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, W.H. Reeves, Amarillo; and two granddaughters, Tracy Cutaia and Tracy Addington, both of Dallas.

Court report

DISTRICT COURT

Criminal

Jerry Lynn Rhoten, 34, 429 N. Russell, was sentenced to five years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice following a hearing at which his probation was revoked. Rhoten was originally sentenced on Sept. 1, 1988 to 10 years of probation and a $750 fine on a third-degree felony forgery by passing conviction.

Civil

W.T. Waggoner Estate vs. Janie Margaret Gill, individually, and independent executrix of the Randall Vern Gill Estate – damages non auto.

Atlas Oilfield Equipment Inc., a Texas corporation, vs. Diversified Production Services Inc., an Oklahoma corporation; Diversified Land and Exploration Co., a foreign corporation; Petroleum Equipment Supply, a foreign corporation – suit on contract.

Marriage licenses

Frederick Carlos Palmer and Karen Maudie Tozer
Cecil Andrew Lewis and Linda Carol Armstrong
David Robledo and Lorie Lynn Griffin
Oddie Lee Nickell and Ronda Rena Pool
Francisco Apodaca and Deborah J. Mills

GRAY COUNTY COURT

The following people were discharged from probation: Jose Angel Bravo, Sharon Sartor Beistle, Charles Douglas Alexander and Ismael Rivera Mora.

Donald Lee Shorter Jr. was fined $300 and placed on two years probation following a conviction of driving while intoxicated.

Jerry Wayne Young was fined $300 and placed on two years probation following a conviction of driving while intoxicated.

Gaye Janiece Mears Nunamaker was fined $300 and placed on two years probation following a conviction of driving while intoxicated.

Honorio G. Rodriguez was fined $300 and placed on two years probation following a conviction of driving while intoxicated.

The probation of John Webster Thomas was dismissed in two cases because he is in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Probation was revoked on David Lee Ellison, and he was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail and his driver's license was suspended for one year. Ellison failed to pay fines, court costs and probation fees, according to court records, following an Oct. 6, 1987, conviction of driving while intoxicated.

Probation was revoked on Michael Todd Howe, and he was sentenced to 30 days in the county jail and his driver's license was suspended for one year. Howe's probation was revoked because he was arrested on Sept. 5 and charged with driving while intoxicated, according to court records. He was originally put on probation for a Jan. 10 conviction of driving while intoxicated, according to court records.

In a separate case, Michael Todd Howe was sentenced to 45 days in the county jail and his driver's license was suspended for 180 days on a conviction of driving while intoxicated (second offense).

A charge of driving while intoxicated was dismissed against Michael Todd Howe because it was used to revoke his probation in another case.

A charge of driving while license revoked was dismissed against Michael Todd Howe because it was used in determining punishment in another case.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.

Wheat	3.63
Milo	3.50
Corn	4.10

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

Ky. Cent. Life	19
Serfco	5 7/8
Occidental	29 5/8

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

Magellan	63.41
Puritan	14.28

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

Amoco	51 1/2	NC
Arco	108 3/4	up 1/2
Cabot	35 3/4	up 1/8
Chevron	67	up 1/8
Enron	58 5/8	up 1/8
Halliburton	41 1/4	NC
Ingersoll Rand	45 5/8	dn 1/4
KNE	24 1/4	up 1/4
Kerr McGee	48 7/8	up 1/8
Mapco	37 1/2	NC
Maxxus	10 3/4	dn 1/8
Mesa Ltd.	8 7/8	NC
Mobil	60 7/8	dn 1/8
New Atmos	16 3/4	dn 1/8
Penney's	70 3/8	up 1/4
Phillips	23 7/8	NC
SLB	47 1/2	dn 1/8
SPS	31	dn 1/8
Tenneco	61	dn 1/8
Texaco	52 1/2	up 1/8
New York Gold	413.50	
Silv.	5.66	

Ambulance

Rural/Metro-AMT Paramedic Service had a total of 23 calls for the period of Dec. 1-7. Of those calls, seven were emergency responses and 16 were of a non-emergency nature.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL

Admissions

Emma Cargill, Pampa
Ray Bruce Cooper, Pampa
Adele Diggs, Pampa
Jimmae Hines, Pampa
Marguerite Martin, Pampa
Fern Elaine Myers, Pampa
Lillian Whitten, Pampa
Jossie McPherson (extended care), Pampa
John Broutherton, Pampa
Darrell Gililland, White Deer
Virgil Malone, Pampa
Altus Ragsdale, Pampa
Jerry Roberts, Pampa
Fred White, Borger

Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dinges of Pampa, a girl.

Dismissals

Frank Armstrong, Perryton
Deena Luna and baby girl, Borger
Florence Bernese Quarles, Skellytown
C.W. Teeter, Lefors
Julie Maness and baby girl, Pampa
Hazel Potter, Skellytown

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

Admissions

Alice Faulk, Shamrock

Dismissals

Alice Faulk, Shamrock

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, Dec. 9

Police reported domestic violence in the 1100 block of Prairie Drive.

A minor reported an assault at McDonald's, 2201 N. Hobart.

Don Lee Shirley Jr., 1109 E. Kingsmill, reported criminal mischief at the residence.

Allsup's, 859 E. Frederic, reported a theft at the business.

Police reported public intoxication at 534 S. Cuyler.

Taylor Food Mart, 404 N. Ballard, reported a theft at the business.

SUNDAY, Dec. 10

Kenny Mayer, 1912 N. Wells, reported burglary of a motor vehicle at 2624 Fir.

Pat Stucker, 1504 N. Zimmers, reported a theft at the residence.

Pampa Learning Center, 900 N. Frost, reported a burglary at the campus.

Jim Brashears, 2328 Evergreen, reported a theft at the residence.

Harvey Mart, 304 E. 17th, reported an attempted burglary at the business.

Deidra Marie Pryor, 600 Deane, reported burglary of a motor vehicle at 622 E. Francis.

Police reported domestic violence in the 800 block of West Francis.

Police reported domestic violence in the 1100 block of Varnon Drive.

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Kevin Reece, 1031 E. Francis, reported criminal mischief at the residence.

Police reported an abandoned vehicle in the 500 block of North Somerville.

Arrests

SATURDAY, Dec. 9

Roseann Groff, 41, Ellis, Kan., was arrested at 1233 N. Hobart on a charge of shoplifting. She was released on bond.

Dianne Neihardt, Hayes, Kan., was arrested at 1233 N. Hobart on a charge of shoplifting.

Joel Lopez, 25, 345 S. Finley, was arrested at 534 S. Cuyler on a charge of public intoxication.

SUNDAY, Dec. 10

Ethan Hutchinson, 24, 1300 W. Kentucky #11, was arrested in the 600 block of North Frost on a charge of public intoxication and warrants. He was released on bond.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

SATURDAY, Dec. 9

Unknown time – An unknown red vehicle collided with a legally parked 1977 Ford owned by Scott Neil, 800 1/2 N. Gray, in the 500 block of North Yeager. Citations are pending.

11:50 a.m. – A 1982 Ford driven by April Daily, 618 N. Christy, collided with a parked 1982 Chevrolet owned by Henry Kochler, 701 Doucette, in the 700 block of Doucette. No citations were issued.

1 p.m. – An unknown vehicle hit a parked 1977 Buick owned by Helen Jones, 912 N. Gray, in the 100 block of North Cuyler.

SUNDAY, Dec. 10

12:55 p.m. – A 1990 Chevrolet driven by Garlin Tivis, 2423 Mary Ellen, collided with a 1988 Volkswagon driven by Brenda Carter, 1144 Willow, in the 2200 block of North Dwight. Tivis was cited for failure to yield right of way.

3:13 p.m. – A 1976 GMC driven by Heather Cornsilk, 613 Roberta, collided with a 1964 Chrysler driven by Jesus Velasquez, Lefors, at 715 N. Hobart. No citations were issued.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported no calls during the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Calendar of events

PAMPA SINGLES ORGANIZATION

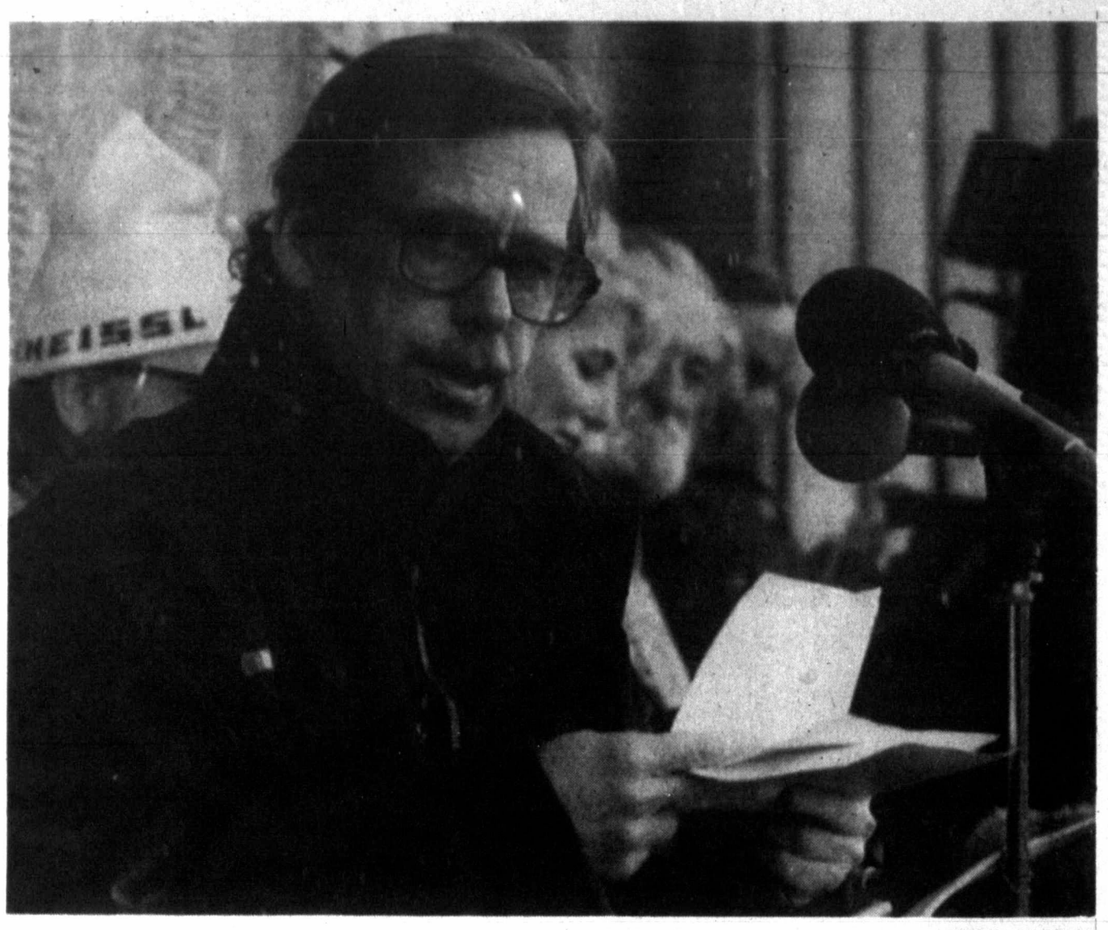
Pampa Singles will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 12 for snacks and games at 1114 S. Faulkner at 7 p.m.. For more information call 665-8872.

PETROLEUM ENGINEERS WIVES SOCIETY

Petroleum Engineers Wives Society will meet Tuesday, Dec. 12 at the home of Nelda Dickman at 11:15 a.m. The Pampa Show Choir will present the program.

ADOBE WALLS GUN CLUB

Adobe Walls Gun Club will have a special meeting for all members at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at the club, located 3 miles east of Borger on the Pampa highway, just east of Girls Town. The club will be sponsoring a Turkey Shoot, open to the public, Sunday at 1 p.m. at the club.



(AP Laserphoto)

PRAGUE – Opposition leader Vaclav Havel announces the names of cabinet ministers in the new government in Czechoslavakia during a rally in Prague's Wenceslas Square Sunday.

Czechs celebrate opposition win

By GIRARD C. STEICHEN
Associated Press Writer

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (AP) – Sirens wailed, horns honked and bells pealed at noon today in Prague and other cities to mark a dramatic opposition victory that ended the Communists' 41-year domination of the government.

Around Prague's Wenceslas Square, the site of huge pro-democracy protests the last three weeks, thousands of Christmas shoppers and workers on lunch break joined in the three-minute demonstration of support, ringing tiny bells or shaking sets of keys.

On Sunday, in his last act as president, Gustav Husak swore in a Cabinet whose members include people he had jailed or stripped of all but the most menial jobs. The new Cabinet gave the country its first government dominated by non-Communists since 1948.

Czechoslovak army units today began pulling down barbed wire fencing along a 20-mile stretch of its border with Austria. After the first stretch of the frence was cut away and rolled up, officials from both countries met on the open border near the Austrian town of Wullowitz to shake hands.

Elsewhere in Eastern Europe:

• About 5,000 people held a silent vigil outside the Communist Party headquarters in Sofia, Bulgaria, today as the policy-setting Central Committee prepared to meet to discuss the situation in the country.

• Tens of thousands of East Germans rallied Sunday in several cities in support of further democratic reforms. The country's new German Communist Party chief said he wants a clear separation of party and government functions.

• Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev warned Communist Party leaders in Moscow Sunday that their colleagues' fall from power in Eastern Europe proves they must quickly solve Soviet domestic problems or face similar "excesses."

Today's brief demonstrations in Czechoslovakia took the place of a general strike that was called off Sunday by opposition leaders after their stunning success in overturning Communist domination of the government.

In Brno, opposition leaders said the noontime action was to show support for opposition leader Vaclav Havel, who is considered a favorite to succeed Husak. Posters plastered throughout central Prague showed a smiling Havel with the caption, "Havel to the Castle," a reference to the seat of the presidency.

On Sunday, the 53-year-old playwright told a cheering crowd of 100,000 in Prague that the new government was "a great success."

"This peaceful revolution was ... against violence, dirt, mafias, privileges, persecutions," the once-banned playwright said in the nationally televised speech. "Let us preserve its purity, peacefulness, love and merry, friendly flair."

The new "government of national understanding" contains 10 Communists, two of whom enjoy opposition support, seven non-party members and two members each from the small Socialist and People's parties, which recently broke with the Communists.

It includes two men who just weeks ago were persecuted as dissidents.

In a key compromise, the Interior Ministry, which runs the nation's hated secret and uniformed police, will be run jointly by a former dissident, the new Communist premier and a Communist Party member proposed by the opposition.

City briefs

PUTMAN'S QUALITY Services Professional tree trimming, removal, hauling. 665-2547, 665-0107. Adv.

THE PERFECT Christmas Gift for the man on your list, Snap-On Tools, 665-1405. Adv.

POP'S CAFE - Coronado Center - Now Open - "Bean Country" All you can eat - includes tea - coffee - dessert. 669-1024. Adv.

DAYLIGHT DONUTS Christmas Special, Customer Appreciation Days, coffee and donut 50¢, coffee and Daylight Special 75¢. Monday thru Wednesday thru December 31st. 3 am-1 pm, 7 days a week, 1328 N. Hobart. Adv.

KICK BACK is appearing at City Limits, Wednesday night. Adv.

KRAKT WILL be at City Limits, Friday, Saturday night. Adv.

POP'S CAFE - Coronado Center - Ask for Free Elephant Ear - This week only. 669-1024. Adv.

SAND'S FABRICS Sewing Club meets 1-2:30 p.m. and 7-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, December 12. Adv.

PAMPA BOOK Club. Meeting Wednesday, 13th, 9:30 a.m. Library.

CHICKEN AND Dumplings tonight free while it lasts. City Limits. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Clear and cold tonight with a low near 5 degrees above zero. Winds diminishing late tonight. Tuesday, sunny and warmer with a high in the mid-30's and northwest winds 10-20 mph.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas – A chance of light snow this evening far west and south, otherwise decreasing clouds from the west and cold tonight. Mostly sunny and not as cold Tuesday. Lows tonight 5 above in Panhandle to near 30 along the Big Bend. Highs Tuesday in the 30s east of the mountains and lower to mid 40s far west and Big Bend Valleys.

North Texas – Light snow spreading into central and east this evening. Possible accumulations of 1 inch or less east tonight. Clearing west this evening. Lows tonight from 18 northwest to 27 southeast. Clearing remainder of area Tuesday but continued cold. Highs Tuesday 36 to 38.

South Texas – Cloudy, windy and colder tonight. A chance of rain mainly east and south with rain possibly mixed with sleet or snow northwest and northcentral tonight. Decreasing clouds from the west Tuesday with rain ending over the east. Lows tonight from the 20s hill country to 30s east and south. Highs Tuesday from the 30s east to 40s west and south.

EXTENDED FORECAST

Wednesday through Friday

West Texas – Partly cloudy Wednesday and Thursday. Mostly cloudy Friday with a chance of snow east of the mountains. Warmer Wednesday turning colder Thursday and Friday. Panhandle, highs mid 40s Wednesday cooling to mid 20s by Friday. Lows upper teens Wednesday cooling to near 12 by Friday. South plains, highs upper 40s Wednesday cooling to mid 20s by Friday. Lows near 20 Wednesday cooling to mid teens by Friday. Permian Basin, highs near 50 Wednesday cooling to lower 30s by Friday. Lows mid 20s to lower 20s. Concho Valley, highs lower 50s Wednesday cooling to mid 30s by Friday. Lows near 30 to mid 20s. Far west, highs near 50 Wednesday cooling to near 40 by Friday. Lows mid 20s. Big Bend, highs near 40 mountains to mid 50s along the Rio Grande Wednesday cooling to lower 30s mountains to mid 40s along the river by Friday. Lows mid teens to near 20 mountains with upper 20s to mid 30s lowlands.

North Texas – Partly cloudy and cold Wednesday and Thursday. Turning quite a bit colder Friday with a chance of snow. West lows in the lower 30s Wednesday cooling to the lower 20s by Friday. Highs in the upper 40s Wednesday cooling to the lower 30s by Friday. Central lows in the mid to upper 30s Wednesday cooling to the lower 20s by Friday. Highs in the upper 40s Wednesday cooling to the lower 30s by Friday. East lows in the lower 30s Wednesday cooling to the mid 20s by Friday. Highs in the upper 40s Wednesday cooling to the upper 30s Friday.

South Texas – Hill country and south central Texas, mostly cloudy and cold Wednesday and Thursday. Turning colder Friday with a chance of rain, possibly mixed with sleet or snow. Lows in the 20s Hill Country to near 30 south central Wednesday and Thursday. Lows Friday in the 20s. Highs Wednesday and Thursday in the 40s. Highs Friday in the 30s. Texas Coastal Bend, mostly cloudy and cold Wednesday and Thursday. Turning colder with a chance of rain Friday. Lows in the 30s. Highs Wednesday and Thursday in the 40s: Highs Friday near 40. Lower Texas Rio Grande Valley and plains, mostly cloudy and cold with a chance of rain Thursday and Friday. Lows Wednesday in the 30s. Lows Thursday and Friday in the 40s. Highs Wednesday in the 40s. Highs on Thursday and Friday near 50. Southeast Texas and the upper Texas coast, mostly cloudy and cold Wednesday and Thursday. Turning colder Friday with a chance of rain, possibly mixed with sleet. Lows near 30. Highs in the 40s Wednesday and Thursday. Highs Friday in the 30s.

BORDER STATES

Oklahoma – Tonight, chance of light snow or flurries southeast with little or no accumulation, otherwise fair and very cold. Lows near 5 Panhandle to mid 20s extreme southeast. Tuesday, fair and warmer most sections. Highs 30 to 37.

New Mexico – Snow advisory southcentral mountains this afternoon and evening. Snow flurries with highs in the teens northeast to 40s southwest. Snow showers ending northeast early evening and southeast later tonight. Partly cloudy west. Lows from 5 below to near 10 mountains and north to teens lower elevations south. Fair to partly cloudy Tuesday with highs upper 20s and 30s north and east with 40s southwest.

Liver transplant patient undergoes surgery for bleeding again Sunday

CHICAGO (AP) – The infant who received the nation's first living-donor liver transplant underwent an operation to stop bleeding on the surface of the liver, a condition doctors called common and controllable.

Alyssa Smith was in critical but stable condition today at the University of Chicago Medical Center, after the second operation in two days to stop bleeding on the surface of her new organ, which she received two weeks ago.

"The surgeon said the liver looked fine," said John Easton, a spokesman for the medical center.

Alyssa, 22 months, was in surgery for about four hours Sunday.

The bleeding was controlled, said Dr. Christoph Broelsch, who led the transplant and the later operations.

Doctors first detected the bleeding Saturday afternoon when they noticed the child's abdomen had swelled, said hospital spokeswoman Mary Fetsch.

She called the problem a minor setback.

"It's a common problem" that happens in 30 percent of all liver-transplant patients, Ms. Fetsch said. "You just never know when it's going to happen, but it's something that's controllable and something you can manage."

The problem is the same one that prompted doctors to operate on Alyssa within 12 hours after she received part of her mother's liver on Nov. 27.

The girl is the daughter of John L. and Teresa Smith of Schertz, Texas, near San Antonio.

The 29-year-old mother was released from the hospital Thursday, and has been back to visit several times, Ms. Fetsch said.

Meanwhile, doctors were optimistic that 15-month-old Sarina Jones, the nation's second living-donor liver transplant recipient, would recover from her 71/2-hour surgery performed Friday.

"She's doing better than expected," Ms. Fetsch said. "Her liver functions look good so far and she's very alert."

Sarina was expected to remain in critical but stable condition for the next few days as doctors watch for signs of rejection of the new organ or the bacterial infection that delayed the surgery, doctors said. Her condition was unchanged this morning.

Robert Jones, 20, from the Memphis, Tenn., area, donated the left lobe of his liver to his daughter. He was moved out of the intensive care unit Sunday morning and was listed in serious but stable condition, Ms. Fetsch said.

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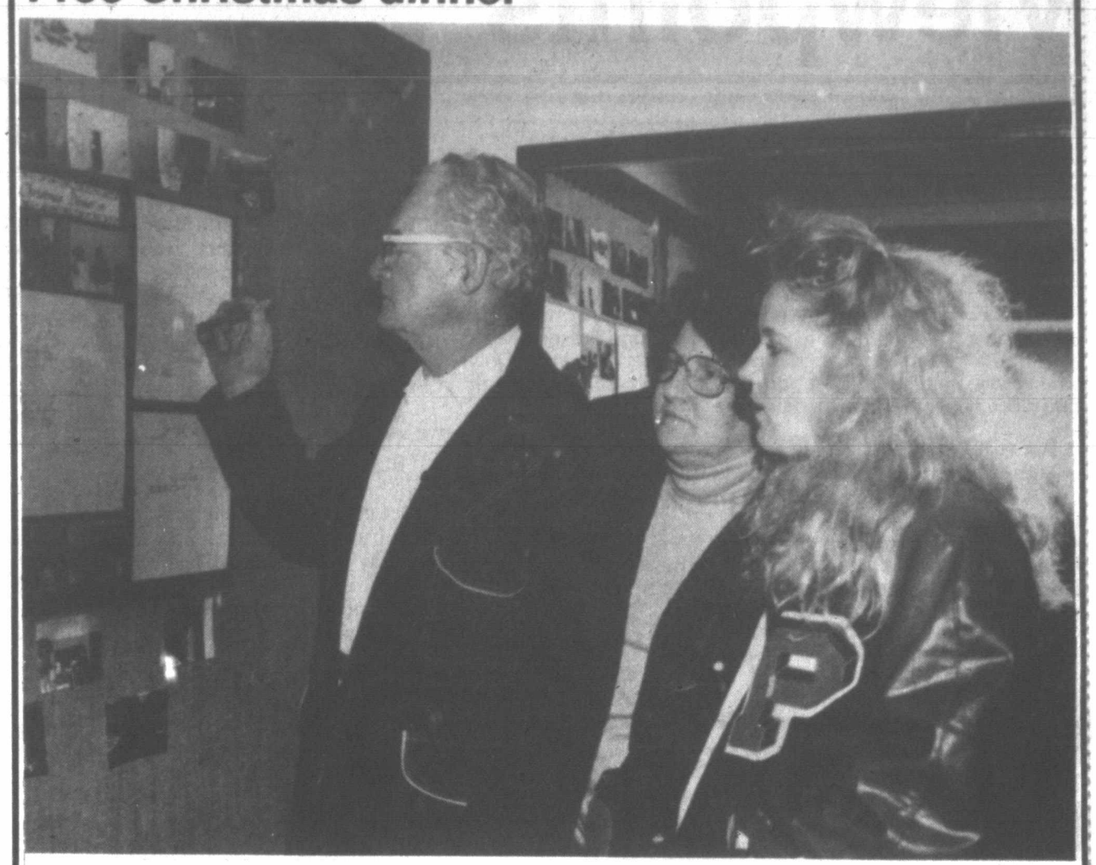
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Alyssa's father, John L. Smith of Schertz, Texas, near San Antonio, spent the evening with the child after she returned from 31/2 hours of surgery at 10 p.m. CST Saturday, Ms. Fetsch said.

Alyssa's mother, Teresa, 29, remained at the nearby Ronald McDonald House – a facility for families of children hospitalized away from home. She was released from the hospital Thursday, but has been back to visit several times, Ms. Fetsch said.

Free Christmas dinner



(Staff photo by Beth Miller)

Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ will sponsor a free Christmas dinner on Christmas Day from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. Checking out the sign-up sheet at the church for dinner preparations are from left, Russell Abbott, Bonnie Brazil and Tina Beck.

Controllers' slips invite air disaster

HOUSTON (AP) – Two jets carrying hundreds of passengers came within 480 feet of each other near Intercontinental Airport in March because of mistakes by a pilot and traffic controller.

The mistake is one of 42 operating incidents through Nov. 15 at the Houston Air Route Traffic Control Center, the Houston Chronicle reported Sunday.

That total, nearly twice the number of the Fort Worth center, accounts for about one-third of the 129 mistakes at Federal Aviation Administration traffic centers this year.

The planes missed colliding after both pilots made evasive turns. The controller was handling 14 planes when the incident occurred.

Three weeks later, mistakes by Houston controllers brought two planes dangerously close together in stormy skies over San Antonio.

The National Transportation Safety Board, which normally focuses on crashes, considered both incidents serious enough to investigate.

Last year, Houston Intercontinental controllers made 10 errors, the largest number reported to the FAA by a terminal facility. San Antonio airport controllers, in mid-November, were leading the nation's terminal facilities with 10 errors this year.

An operational error is defined as one that allows planes to get closer than five miles horizontally or 1,000 feet vertically. A three-mile separation is required around most airports.

The FAA has found no underlying deficiency linking the Texas controllers' mistakes.

But controllers, government critics and even some FAA managers say traffic control operations in Texas and across the country are troubled by inconsistent performance, potentially dangerous staffing problems and flawed top-level direction.

"The system could be safer, that's for sure," said Rich Phillips, a 29-year-old controller at the Houston center. "It's safe because the controllers themselves make up for the inadequacies of the system. But it's not an ultimate safety net because there are too many factors that could sway the equation one way or another."

Critics say the FAA has been ineffectual in rebuilding the system since President Reagan fired 11,400 striking controllers in 1981. They say the federal agency hasn't provided sufficient manpower and modernized equipment to properly cope with the exploding growth that deregulation has brought to air traffic.

"Most governmental bodies have a reactive, crisis style of management," said Norm Scroggins, who manages the FAA's air traffic control facility at Dallas-Fort Worth Airport.

Scroggins, who will retire shortly after 37 years in government air traffic control, said, "It's not a slap at anybody. It's just a recognition that what we're doing isn't working."

Man cleared in March 14 slaying fears he'll be accused of murder once again

DALLAS (AP) – Two grand juries have declined to indict an Austin man in the murder of an Addison man, but Addison police say their investigation wasn't faulty.

"Our investigation was as thorough as you can get with what we had go to on," said Addison police Capt. Tommie Buchanan. "It wasn't like we just picked someone out of the phone book ... although we didn't have any real hard evidence."

But Rodney Root told The Dallas Morning News that being a police-picked suspect in the slaying of businessman Daniel Earnest III has cost him $35,000 money in legal fees, bail money and other costs.

And Root, a 46-year-old stagehand, said he fears being accused of the March 14 bludgeoning death of Earnest again.

Root's attorney, Renie McClellan of Dallas, said Addison police botched the investigation.

The only witness to the crime was Hannah Herrington, Earnest's girlfriend, who called police. She said she was sleeping downstairs on his sofa when she went to check on strange noises and walked in on the attack.

Ms. Herrington said she was struck and escaped to a neighbor's home, where she called police and got a glimpse of the attacker as he fled by car.

Addison police traced Earnest's final days and came upon Root, who had sold a motorcycle to Earnest three days before the killing.

On April 18, police went to Austin to question Root, who mentioned that a $2,000 check used to pay for the motorcycle had bounced. Police questioned him and took his photograph, which Ms. Herrington picked out from a lineup.

While in Austin, Addison police learned that Root owned a silver Mustang, matching Ms. Herrington's description of the getaway car.

But, Ms. McClellan said there are many inconsistencies in the evidence, including bank records, which showed that the check didn't bounce until after Earnest was killed. In addition, the engine had been removed from Root's Mustang months before the slaying and the car still is not operational.

A technical flaw in the original indictment of Root led one Dallas County grand jury to drop the charges.

The original indictment said Earnest had been killed with a firearm instead of a blunt object.

On Sept. 25, five months after his arrest, a second grand jury declined to indict Root and the charge again was dropped.

Ms. McClellan said Root should never have been a suspect.

"They had no one else, so they pinned it on him," she said.

Ms. McClellan said the killer's trail is now cold because so much time was spent pinning the crime on Root.

To pay legal debts, Root sold one of his two houses. Other real estate he owns in Austin also is on the market. Root also said he believes colleagues secretly don't trust him and are reluctant to work with him.

Bob Muns to seek re-election as Precinct 1 justice of peace

Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace Bob Muns, a Republican, has filed for re-election after serving his first term as a justice of the peace.

Muns, before taking office, was in sales for 16 years. Prior to that he served 10 1/2 years in the U.S. Parks Police in Washington D.C., a federal police agency.

He served 7 1/2 years in the detective branch and three years on the street before retiring on disability. He was a detective sergeant at the time of his retirement..

He specialized in narcotics investigations and trained police officers in narcotics, fingerprinting, crime scene search and collection and preservation of evidence.

Muns also worked for two years with the Federal Bureau of Investigation as a fingerprint technician. He has 108 hours of justice of the peace training.

He is on the board of directors of the Tralee Crisis Center. He is a member of First Baptist Church, where he is active in the choir and teaches a Sunday school class.

He and his wife, Jean, have three children – Greg, 27, of Oklahoma; Cindy, 23, of Amarillo; and Michele, 21, of Pampa. He was born in Oklahoma and graduated from high school in Kansas before joining the FBI in 1957.



Bob Muns

"It's (justice of the peace position) an opportunity to serve the judicial system and the citizens of Gray County," Muns said. "I'd like to serve another term. I like to serve people and I like my job."

District Clerk Vickie Walls files for re-election to post

District Clerk Vickie Walls, a Pampa native, has filed for re-election.

Before her election as district clerk, Walls performed secretarial work in the county judge's office and the county extension service office.

She was raised in Pampa and graduated from Pampa High School. She has an associate degree in computer science.

Walls, a Republican, has been state certified for the last three years, with 66 hours, by the Texas County and District Clerk Association.

Associations Walls belongs to include the National Association of Court Management, Texas County and District Clerk Association, Top of Texas Republican Women and Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce.

She is a member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church.

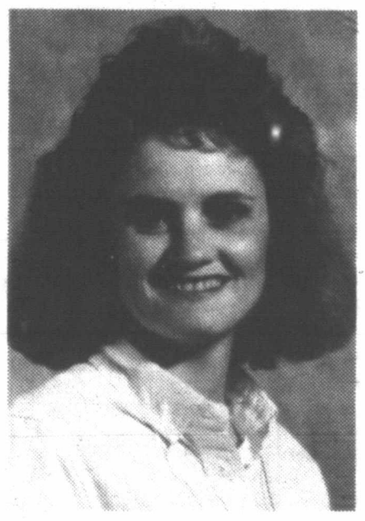
Walls said she has enjoyed the work as district clerk and looks forward to serving another four years.



Vickie Walls

"It has turned into a progressive office," Walls said.

Walls is married to G.M. Walls Jr. and they have one son, Trae, 15.



Stephanie Hebert

Stephanie Hebert files for Hemphill County treasurer

CANADIAN – Stephanie Scroggins Hebert has filed for Hemphill County treasurer for the Democratic primary on March 13. She has worked in the county treasurer's office since June 1983 as secretary and deputy treasurer.

Hebert is a 1980 graduate of Canadian High School. She was a member of the National Honor Society, was active in UIL and band, and was manager for the girls basketball team.

She attended Girls State in 1979. She attended Cisco Junior College, where she was a member of Phi Theta Kappa (junior college honor society), Cisco Junior College Wrangler Belles and class representative on the Student Council.

She is a member of First Baptist Church, where she is active as a leader in the middle school department. She is a Canadian Lioness and a past officer. She is currently pledging Alpha Sigma Theta.

Hebert is married to Mark Hebert and they have two sons, Dustin, 8, and Hunter, 3. She is the daughter of Sam and Bette Scroggins.

"I have worked in the county treasurer's office since June 1983 as secretary and deputy treasurer. I helped convert the office to computer in September 1987," Hebert said. "Having worked 6 1/2 years, I know how the office runs, the day-to-day and month-to-month operation."

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INSIGHT INTO EYESIGHT

Dr. Diane Simmons
OPTOMETRIST

SMOKING LINKED TO CATARACTS

Scientists at Johns Hopkins University reported that quitting smoking may cut in half the risk of prematurely developing cataracts.

The study is the first to find that something other than aging may contribute to cataracts. The findings suggest that the growth of cataracts, previously thought to be untreatable short of surgery, may be reversible and modified by behavioral changes, such as quitting smoking of tobacco.

The nuclear cataract, long associated with the effects of aging, may be caused by the substance inhaled from cigarette smoke carried internally to the eyes, researchers theorize.

The study found that among 838 Maryland fisherman 30 to 94 years old, those who smoked were twice as likely to develop nuclear cataracts before reaching the age of 70 as those who had quit more than 10 years previously.

Among the fishermen, the risk of early development of cataracts increased with the number of cigarettes smoked, but decreased in men who had stopped smoking, even if they had once been heavy smokers.

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

Louise Fletcher
Publisher

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Managing Editor

Opinion

He'll leave behind rubble and blood

History takes unusual twists. First President Nixon and then President Carter thought that Romania was blessed with the Communist regime most willing to open up the West. Dictator Nicolae Ceausescu was hailed as a "maverick," even feted at the White House.

But since then Ceausescu has become the worst Communist dictator ever to haunt Central Europe. His hardline Leninst regime continues to resist even a hint of the reforms sweeping neighboring lands. And earlier this month he gave a five-hour harangue at a major Communist Party congress.

"Some socialist countries," he lamented, "have adopted measures with a view to increasing the wealth of some people and increasing the number of poor. This focus is not socialist, and we cannot admit it in any way." Such a statement is now met with derision almost everywhere in the world outside the faculty lounges of U.S. universities.

Romania's socialist system is even worse off than its hard-pressed neighbors. Ceausescu's policies have been "increasing the number of poor people" beyond measure, even though Romania enjoys rich oil fields, decent farmland and hard-working people. The country's unofficial currency is in bootlegged American cigarettes.

In recent years, Ceausescu has tried erasing the Romanian people's heritage. He has razed thousands of historic buildings and churches in Bucharest and other big cities, and demolished hundreds of historic bombed-out European cities of the postwar era; Ceausescu truly has conducted a war against his people.

He also has driven out the country's major minorities, Jews, Hungarians, and Germans (the Transylvanian Saxons), even though they had lived there for hundreds of years. He recently sealed Romania's borders with Hungary, Yugoslavia and even the Soviet Union, to prevent the winds of freedom from rushing in upon him.

Ceausescu has become a pariah even among his former Communist friends. No major foreign diplomats attended ceremonies for the party congress. The only well-known figure to attend was PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, whose presence hardly solidified his new persona as a moderate who wants to brings peace and prosperity to the Middle East.

Fortunately, Ceausescu's days of absolute power are apparently numbered. The party hacks cheered him this month at the party congress. But as in the other countries of Central Europe, the party hacks will be ready to turn on him given the chance.

Ceausescu is 71 and in poor health. If he even gets sick for a short period, he could well be ousted. This happened last month to East Germany's longtime boss, Erich Honecker. And Moscow, whose KGB still maintains a strong presence in Romania, may take action.

Ceausescu has tried to force his personality cult upon Romania, carving a place for himself in history. He has succeeded – but his place will be like Hitler's in Germany or Stalin's in Russia, a tyrant who left behind only a mixture of rubble and blood.

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But after the kissing stops ...



James J. Kilpatrick

There is a maxim, freely translated from the Greek, to this effect: Beware of euphoria; it is almost always overblown.

So we should be reminded in the wake of the recent lovefest in Malta. From both East and West, the word is that the Cold War is over, the doves are flying, the prospect of Soviet-American friendship is as rosy as a desert dawn. The Soviet Union will never wage "hot war" against the United States. That is what President Gorbachev said to President Bush.

At the risk of raining on the presidents' parade, let me raise a curmudgeonly voice. Certain political truths of the past 70 years cannot be washed away in a weekend. The differences between Western freedom and Eastern communism are not matters of degree. They are matters of kind. They are fundamental differences. We will forget this at our peril.

What are we to make of the meeting between Gorbachev and Pope John Paul II? What of the cataclysmic reforms that are sweeping Eastern Europe? What of the demolition of the Berlin Wall?

These are wonderfull events, which is to say, these are events to be wondered at. Let us wonder how long the communist hard-liners will acquiesce in Gorbachev's destruction of their empire.

Facts are a terrible nuisance. They get in the way of fantasy. The fact is that the Soviet Union retains an awesome arsenal of both nuclear and conventional weapons.

In times past – very recent times past – the Soviets have blocked every effort toward significant reduction in these arms. The fact is that Gorbachev has made no effective more toward controlling such dependent states as Nicaragua and Cuba. They continue to supply Soviet weapons, including ground-to-air missiles, to communist rebels in El Salvador.

Let us take a text from Jeremiah: Can the Ethiopian change his skin or the leopard change his spots? Those who are "accustomed to do evil" are not easily converted to doing good.

Events have tumbled across Eastern Europe with such bewildering speed that they cannot be immediately understood: Walls collapse, borders open, leaders fall. The changes are dramatic. Are they real? Do they honestly reflect a fundamental change in communist doctrine and strategy?

Yes, history is mostly biography, and one of the troubling aspects of current history is that we lack other biographies. The student revolution in China failed for two reasons: the brutality of the communist masters, and the absence of leadership within the revolutionary ranks.

We see the same critical absence in Hungary, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia and East Germany. People who hunger for freedom must have leaders. Thus far the reforms lack definition; they lack charismatic spokesmen. The spectacle is beautiful, but will it last when the fireworks expire?

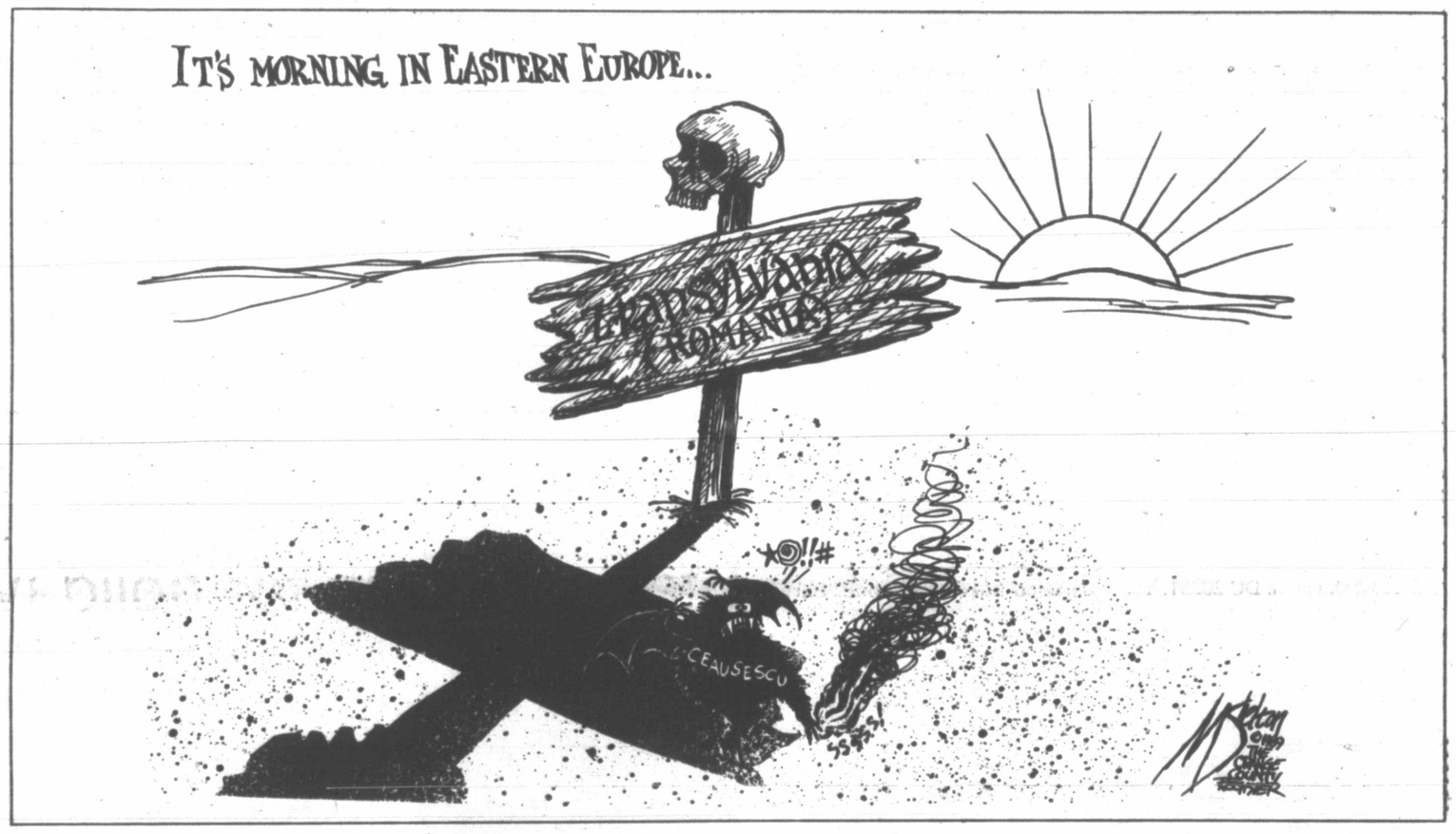
It is difficult to believe – difficult for me to believe – that the engrained doctrines and aspirations of half a century can be dissolved in a handshake at the Vatican or a meeting with the press in Malta. Europe has experienced a political earthquake measuring 7.2 on a Richter scale. Now come the aftershocks.

Gorbachev will have to be a master at damage control. His people have no experience with an uncontrolled economy. They are drinking the intoxicating wine of a free press and free religion. Before long they will sober up, and the milk will be as sour, the consumer goods as shoddy as they were before.

An exiled East German folk singer, Wolf Bierman, returned to East Berlin recently. He appeared in concert in Leipzig on Dec. 1. This was a song about the Soviet president: "It used to be there were guns instead of butter. Now there's freedom instead of butter. But Gorby, I have to tell you, the people have to eat."

Exactly. And history teaches us that leaders tend to control insurrection at home by creating diversions abroad. In arms negotiations that now are to be "accelerated," let us be extremely cautious.

And for a text on this attitude, we might recall Spenser's intrepid lady of "The Faerie Queene." Entering the enchanted castle she found a door with a legend, "Be bold! Be bold! Be bold!." Then she came to an iron door with further advice: "Be not too bold." Let us pray.



Savoring fruits of our resolve



Paul Harvey

Right is might.

Sometimes it doesn't seem like it. Sometimes it seems inevitable that bad people will prevail.

But they don't.

Our United States of America during several painful wars and intervening respites has continued to steer by a single star ...

As God gave us the light to see what was right – we would do right.

Many unresolved issues survived World War II – issues involving borders, nationalities and diverse interests ...

But we persisted in "doing unto others" as Scripture prescribes.

And for 45 years we endured threats from left and right and we shouldered enormous economic burdens to deny to dictators their vow to bury us.

On battlefield and in diplomatic forums Americans demanded individual liberty, self-government, competitive capitalism, social democracy and international security.

What if we had given up this tedious and expensive struggle after 10 years – or 20 – or 30?

But we did not give up. And though it took most of half a century, today the world is going our way.

South Africa is moderating and South America is voting. Eastern Europe is tearing down its walls and the Soviet Union is lifting its curtain of iron.

One recent snowy afternoon I sat with a friend, Neil Weiner, and we were lamenting the fact that evolution, at its most accelerated pace, is agonizing gradual.

That sometimes it takes generations to resolve tough disputes. And some do not live long enough to see what their efforts accomplished.

But we – you and I – now can savor the sweet fruits of our firm resolve.

There's a little country in the Middle East – smaller than Vermont.

In 1948 it was unrecognized by anybody, surrounded by enemies – warred against by all its neighbors –

Yet in that tiny country we Americans championed the right of Israelis to live and to govern themselves in Israel.

We were not deterred by difficulty or cost, by international pressure or political fashion.

Forty-five years is a long time to keep on keeping on with encouragement and assurance and support. But it's not too long to work and wait for that which we believe.

Work and wait for that in which we believe.

In today's world where minute-by-minute changes are transpiring at warp speed, nothing symbolizes that change more than what's just happened in the Hadassah Medical Center in Jerusalem. Where doctors removed the heart of an Israeli soldier who'd been killed in an Arab guerilla attack – and transplanted that healthy Israeli heart into a Palestinian Arab – that he might live.

Let Gorbachev cool it off in Nicaragua

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

One thing Americans are entitled to expect out of the Malta mini-summit is some effective pressure by our pal Gorbachev on his singularity uncooperative fellow communists in Central America.

I realize there are limits to what Gorbachev can reasonably be expected to do about the Sandinista regime in Nicaragua or the FMLN terrorists in El Salvador. The former supply and encourage the latter, and are in turn supplied and encouraged by Fidel Castro, who publicly disapproves of perestroika and Gorbachev's policies in general. It isn't as simple as insisting that Gorbachev get on the phone to Castro and tell him to cut it out.

On the other hand, the Soviet Union remains such mainstay as the communist world enterprise has these days, both financially and militarily, and neither Castro nor Ortega could afford to disregard a blunt request from Mikhail Gorbachev to stop making his life impossible.

Here he is, doing his best to persuade President Bush to cooperate in a mutual diplomatic and military stand-down that will effectively end the Cold War and (just maybe) enable Gorbachev to rescue the Soviet economy, and these two clowns are fomenting disorder and terror all along the spine of Central America.

Just a few weeks ago, the Salvadoran guerrillas launched a massive attack on the country's capital city, in an obvious effort to destroy governmental credibility and civilian morale. The effort was failing visibly when somebody ruthlessly murdered six liberal Catholic priests – the equivalent of mouth-to-mouth resuscitation for the FMLN, since the atrocity was quickly blamed on "right-wing death squads."

(How do we know they were right-wing? Why, they were all wearing Salvadoran military uniforms, that's how. I'm surprised they weren't also wearing big signs reading – in English – "I am a member of a right-wing death squad.")

But that episode, whoever was actually responsible for it, barely had time to register on American public opinion before a plane loaded with Soviet surface-to-air missiles took off from a Nicaraguan airstrip and then unhappily crashed in El Salvador en route to its destination: the FMLN guerrillas.

Salvadoran President Cristiani broke off diplomatic relations with Nicaragua when the plane's cargo was discovered. But there was no comparably dramatic gesture to make when a defector's tip led Salvadoran police to dig up the premises of a well-known American "peace-worker" (!) named Jennifer Jean Casolo, formerly of Connecticut.

This young lady, who has been escorting American congressman on tours of San Salvador as a representative of an "ecumenical group" called Christian Education Seminars, has the problem of explaining to the authorities what several thousand rounds of ammunition, two dozen 60 blocks of plastic explosives, and a bunch of electric timers were doing buried in her garden.

Granted, she is at or near the end of a long chain stretching back through her FMLN contacts, the Sandinistas, and Fidel Castro to some flunky of Gorbachev's in Moscow, who was simply carrying out orders received from Gorbachev (or his predecessors) long ago. But don't tell me there is nothing Gorbachev can do about it now. He can at least ask, can't he?

There is a limit to how sophisticated and above-it-all our leaders can afford to be about this sort of thing. We are being set up to regard Gorbachev as something altogether new and different in the Soviet firmament, and I'm prepared to agree that he may be all of that. But if he seriously wants to cool communist initiatives in Central America, he can find ways of cooling them.

I serve notice, here and now, that my willingness to go along with the proposition that Gorbachev really wants to reform is going to be pretty tightly tied to developments in Central America. Let reform start there.

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Berry's World



"Please — level with me! Do you love ME, or my Miata?"

Lifestyles

Lalique glass vases from Paris

Rene Lalique was a glassmaker in Paris, France, from the 1890s until his death in 1945. The company he founded is still working and many of his original designs are still being made. Lalique glass was molded, pressed or engraved with designs in the Art Nouveau or Art Deco styles.

Lalique made about 200 different vases between 1920 and 1932. One, with four curled glass handles at each side, was pictured in the 1932 catalog. It was called "Amiens" and was made in clear or colored glass. The popular style remained in production. Pieces made before 1945 are marked "R. Lalique." Pieces made after 1945 are just marked "Lalique."

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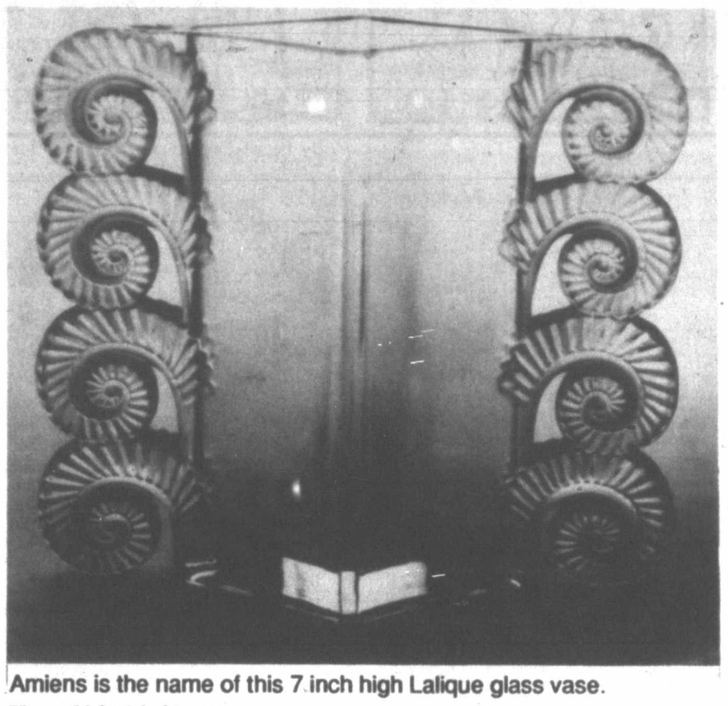
Q. I collect robots and other space toys. The collector publications mention the "gang of four" without explaining which robots they are. Can you help?

A. The "gang of four" are among the most prized robot toys. Radicon, Lavender or Nonstop Robot, Target or Shooting Game robot, and Train or Sonic robot were the four. They were made by the Japanese firm of Masudaya. An ad in a 1958 issue of Popular mechanics offered Radicon, "the first radio remote control robot." Target was made about 1960-1965. All four robots were rectangular. They had small "feet" but no legs and the heads were rectangular boxes with rounded ears. The design on the front of the bodies of all four was similar with rectangular and triangular vents, a round dial and other lights and mechanism showing. Collectors will pay $4,000 and more for one of these robots in good condition.

Q. I have a strange iron device with a wooden handle that I think is a wine bottle opener. It clamps to a table. The iron is marked "Pat. Sept. 7, 1897."

A. Your opener was patented by M. Redlinger of Freeport, Ill.: It could hold the bottle and take out the cork in one movement. If you find an old object with a patent number, you can write to the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. You can even get a photocopy of the patent.

Q. I have a small sewing table with a bag that hangs under the drawers to hold yarn or fabric. How old is this idea?



Amiens is the name of this 7 inch high Lalique glass vase.

A. The sewing table or work table was introduced about 1750. Some had drawers for thread and sewing utensils and a fabric bag on a pullout slide for the needlework. Some had special tops with gallery edges to hold yarn balls on top without the danger of the yarn falling to the floor. Some had lift tops with adjustable easels that could be used for reading or writing. The idea remained popular until the 1930s. Few if any are being made today.

Q. My plate has two marks on the bottom. One is a fish-shaped sign "The Gallant Fishers," the other the Royal Doulton mark. When was it made?

A. Izaak Walton wrote "The Compleat Angler" in 1653. It became popular again in the 20th century. Royal Doulton made three different series of dishes based on the Walton book. "Gallant Fishers" with your mark was made from 1913 to 1936. An earlier version was made in 1901; a similar series was made from 1906 to the 1930s with the backstamp "Isaac Walton."

TIP: Decorate with the neighborhood burglar in mind. Large windows can be made less attractive to intruders if you put plants on shelves across the window. Decorative shelves and grills are made for this. of course, be sure you can open the windows in case of fire.

CURRENT PRICES

Current prices are recorded from antiques shows, sales, flea markets and auctions throughout the United States. Prices vary in different locations because of local economic conditions.

Depression glass relish, Waterford, crystal, 5-part: $11.

Cardboard bucket, Hershey's Sweet Milk Chocolate Kisses 25 lbs., paper label, 12 1/2 in.h.: $33.

Stroller, Taylor Tot, 1940s: $45.

Dr. Doolittle lunch box, thermos: $65.

Rocking chair, country ladder back, turned detail on front posts, shaped arms, replaced blue woven tape seat: $200.

Bronze picture frame, Tiffany, Zodiac, 12x14 in.: $275.

Webb Burmese fairy lamp, acid finish, dome shade, square folded-over base, Clarke insert and candle cup, 6 1/8 in.: $550.

Pickard tankard, Leon, apple, gold decoration, c. 1895, 13 in.: $895.

The Book Report

by

Janette Quarles & Ellen Malone
Lovett Library Staff



Staff Picks for December

The Captive
by Victoria Hôlt

When Rosetta Cranleigh, a young English woman, is shipwrecked off the coast of Africa, her adventures are only beginning. Rescued by pirates who sell her into a Turkish Pasha's harem, Rosetta plots a daring escape that will take her home. But once in England, Rosetta finds herself a captive of another sort, involved in a dangerous web of intrigue, murder, and love...

In The Captive, Holt offers a delightful blend of mystery, romance, and exotic locales that makes for her most satisfying novel yet.

The Glitter and The Gold
by Fred Mustang Stewart

When present-day Claudia Collingwood is being threatened by Asian "businessmen" who want to take over and develop the family ranch, she stalls, telling them she must fly to California to consult with her father.

On the plane she wonders how the family matriarch, beautiful Emma De Meyer, whose brains and spirit made her reject playing a woman's role ina world of weath and power run by men, would have handled the problem.

In 1849 Emma and her father leave Frankfurt, where they are persecuted as Jews, to make a new life in Californiz. Emma marries the captain of the ship that takes them to California where he and her father open a store.

It is this store that is the beginning of the family fortune. When her husband dies, Emma, defying scandal, takes over and expands the business. Later she marries Archer Collingwood, a U.S. Senator and a dynasty is born.

Good Intentions
by Joy Fielding

Contemporary women coping with marriages under stress are the stuff of Fielding's novels and here she serves up a twofer. Social worker Lynn Schuster meets Marc Cameron after their spouses run off with each other. There is a mutual attraction beyond curiosity and the desire for revenge.

Shaken, Lynn turns to divorce lawyer Renee Bower for advice. And Renee, who's eating herself into obesity because of her philandering, manipulative psychiatrist husband, scheming stepdaughter and suicidal sister, seeks Lynn during a crisis. The pace is brisk and the appeal and underlying strength of Lynn and Renee prevails. Another Fielding popular favorite.

Outlaw
by Warren Keifer

Lee Garland is the stuff of which legends are made, and Kiefer boldly weaves fact with fiction in the creation of this larger-than-life character. From the death of his parents at the hands of renegade Apaches to his own death at the age of 89 in a stand-off with U.S. Marshalls over an eviction notice, Garland remains a law unto himself. Twice accused of murder, he avoids jail by his own wits and the help of friends.

He serves with the rough riders in Cuba during the Spanish-American War, fights Pancho Villa on the Texas border, and sees action in France during WWI. He makes several fortunes. Romance with a woman, also larger than life, runs throughout the whole book. Keifer presents a fast paced panorama of American life from 1890 to 1970, as seen by one of the last legendary (fictional) heroes of the Old West.

Close Friends
by Peter Jenkins

A touching and often comic tribute to pets by the best selling author of A Walk Across America. Jenkins recalls favorite animals he met during his world travels, including UFO, the otherworldly red brahman bull; Cooper, Jenkin's half-malamute companion on the first leg of his trans-American trip; Shocker, a black stallion that travelled from Tennessee to Mongolia, and an Alaskan husky named Grr.

Observe humankind's relationshjip with the animal kingdom with the same homespun wit and discerning vision that grace his accounts of treks across the United States and China.

The Frugal Gourmet Cooks Three Ancient Cuisines: China, Greece and Rome
by Jeff Smith

Smith, public television's popular "Frugal Gournet", proclaims that a cook cannot produce a dish that is "new" without having savoured "the basic and wonderful flavors of the past." Smith then offers a passionate defense of the Chinese as the innovators of most of modern cooking and dining styles, heaping equal praise on the traditions of Greece and Rome.

There are approximately 300 recipes, appetizers to desserts, ranging from the recognizable to the eccentric. Some are authenic, while many have been modernized to accomodate current ingredients, tastes, and methods. Elsewhere, Smith lists and describes essential cookware, culinary techniques, and terminology. This volume is the tie-in to a current PBS series.

Honor Roll

Travis Elementary
Second Six Weeks

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Staying home for holidays cures travel blues



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: This is a belated thank-you. Several years ago, I wrote to you as the mother of three small children. My problem was that because of our parents' divorces and remarriages, my husband and I were on the road keeping everybody happy (except ourselves) from Thanksgiving through Easter. Christmas was horrible! One year, we were in three different states and drove 1,500 miles in eight days.

You told me that children need traditions and my husband and I should start our own — in our own home. That's exactly what we did. Thank you!

We still spend Thanksgiving with either his parents or mine, but Christmas is ours. The old train is under the tree, we open presents in our pajamas and enjoy each other and our children.

My husband travels much of the year, so being home and having few demands is doubly special. Keep up the great work!

KRIS PAIGE, YARDLEY, PA.

DEAR KRIS: Thank you for the thank-you. Several others wrote to say that they had decided to break the tradition of going to Grandma's for Thanksgiving and Christmas and celebrate the holidays at home. Were their parents disappointed or hurt? One Wisconsin grandmother wrote: "Thank God my daughter is having Dad and me at her house for the holidays this year. Now I can relax!"

DEAR ABBY: For almost 25 years of marriage, my husband has sulked off and on. Sometimes he's sulked for just a few hours, but there have been times when he would sulk for days and even weeks! When I'd ask him what was wrong, he usually didn't answer me, and when he did, I never got a civil answer.

Many times I've apologized without even knowing what he was mad at. I've even tried sulking myself to give him a taste of his own medicine. That didn't work either.

I told him he needed counseling, but he said I was the one who needed it, so I went. My therapist was very supportive, but stated that my husband needed counseling.

The only reason I've stayed in this marriage for so long is that between his sulking episodes, he's a wonderful, caring person.

I doubt if you can solve this problem, but maybe if he sees it in print, he will realize how much hurt he has caused me, not to mention the loss of happiness for both of us.

Our friends think I'm the luckiest woman in the world, but they have never seen this side of him.

SULKER'S WIFE

DEAR WIFE: Before you fault him, make sure there's no physical reason for your husband's periodic sulking episodes. If he hasn't shared this with his physician, he should. His periodic silent depressions may be caused by a chemical imbalance. It's worth exploring.

If there's no physical reason for his sulking, tell this "wonderful, caring" man that for your 25th wedding anniversary gift, you'd like him to see a counselor. (Sulking is a subtle form of abuse. He may be punishing you for something he's angry at himself about.)

Life is too short to waste precious time in long, unexplained silences. Please, take my advice and let me know what happens. I care.

CONFIDENTIAL TO S.S. IN INDIANAPOLIS: When a woman loves a man, she doesn't try to make him jealous. She tries to make him happy. Change strategies, or you're likely to make him disappear.

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(Problems? Write to Abby. For a personal, unpublished reply, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069. All correspondence is confidential.)

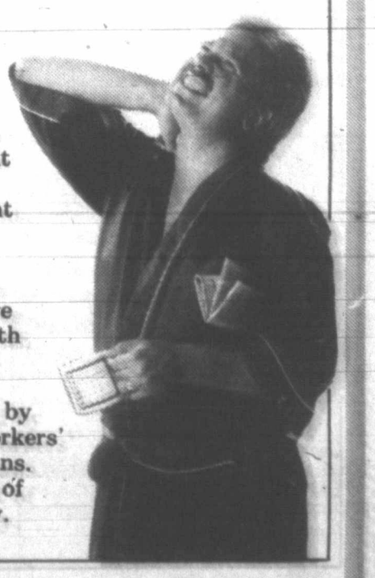
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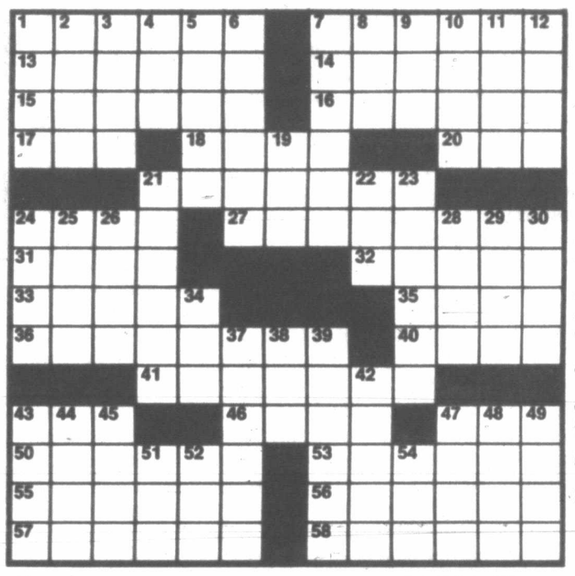
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18 City in Nevada
20 Popeye's friend Olive —
21 Ivy, e.g.
24 Pre-adult insect
27 Routine
31 Future attys.' exam
32 Raccoonlike mammal
33 Ghostly
35 Snare
36 Confound
40 Feminine suffix
41 Worse
43 Entertainer — Sumac
46 In case
47 Type of cross
50 Prince Rainier's realm
53 Wood deities
55 Sailcloth
56 Epic poem
57 Put oil on
58 Unseat (a monarch)

DOWN

1 Plain —
2 Done with
3 Safecracker (sl.)
4 Firearm owners' gp.
5 Compound
6 Staggered
7 Rickety car
8 Egg (comb. form)
9 Still
10 Upon
11 Repulsive
12 Close falcon eyes
19 New Zealand parrot
21 Positive particle
22 And so on (abbr.)
23 Baseball fan
24 Prayer
25 Puts to work
26 Piece
28 Move swiftly
29 Rat- — · —
30 Cry of pain
34 Last queen of Spain
37 He who hesitates — —
38 Sault — Marie
39 Showed disapproval
42 Day's march
43 Non-profit org.
44 Lament
45 — Domini
47 Steno's blunder
48 Surface measures
49 Plaintiff
51 Bird (comb. form)
52 Metal container
54 Spinning toy

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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Astro-Graph

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In the year ahead you are likely to do better in ventures where you can express your individualism than you will do in arrangements you share with partners. Try to be your own person.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) What you don't have in your head you'd better be prepared to have in your feet today, because steps may have to be retraced in any bum decisions you make. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You're not apt to work too well under pressure today, so don't let things pile up on you. Begin with the toughest jobs first and get them out of the way one at a time.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today you are likely to be judged by the company you keep, so be extremely selective regarding your companions. A poor choice will make you look bad.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Guard against inclinations today to take things out on innocent bystanders. If someone gives you a bad time, focus on this person instead of looking for scapegoats.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Ease up if you find your ideas conflict with those of your associates today. You may be inclined to lock in on insignificant details and this could cause complications.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If possible, try to avoid debit spending today, especially if it carries a high price tag and long terms. You might be asking for a prolonged annoyance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you and your mate have a major disagreement today, try not to bring in innocent bystanders. Involvements of this type could make things really serious.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Do not promise to do things for others today where you'll know going in your might not be able to fulfill your commitment. It's better to be honest.

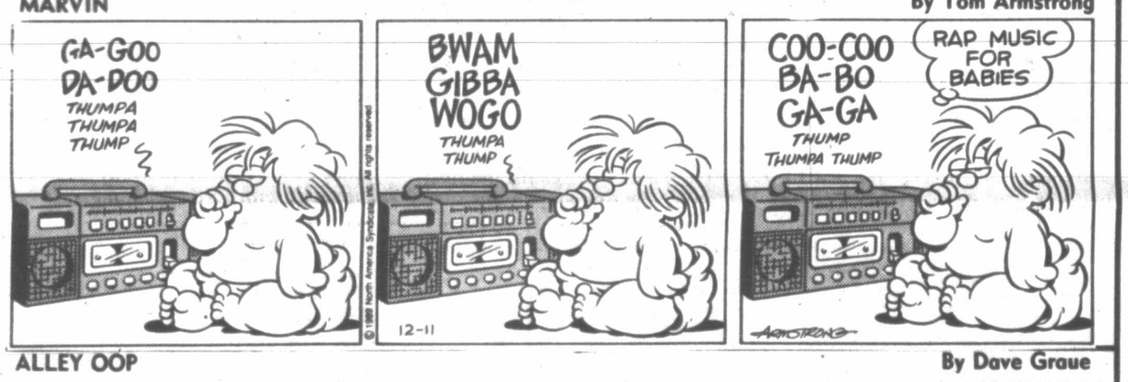
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Disappointment is a possibility if you expect someone to do for you today what you recently did. To be on the safe side, lower your expectations.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be on guard today where your career is concerned. Don't let your opposition draw you into a competitive arrangement where the odds are stacked against you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Be very careful today to think before you speak. If not, there is a chance you could put yourself in an embarrassing position due to careless comments.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Before making any financial investment at this time, be sure you have all of the facts and know exactly what you're getting into. If you're impulsive, you might regret it.

MARVIN — By Tom Armstrong



MARMADUKE — By Brad Anderson



"He has to sleep with us. His dog house is stuffed with Christmas presents!"

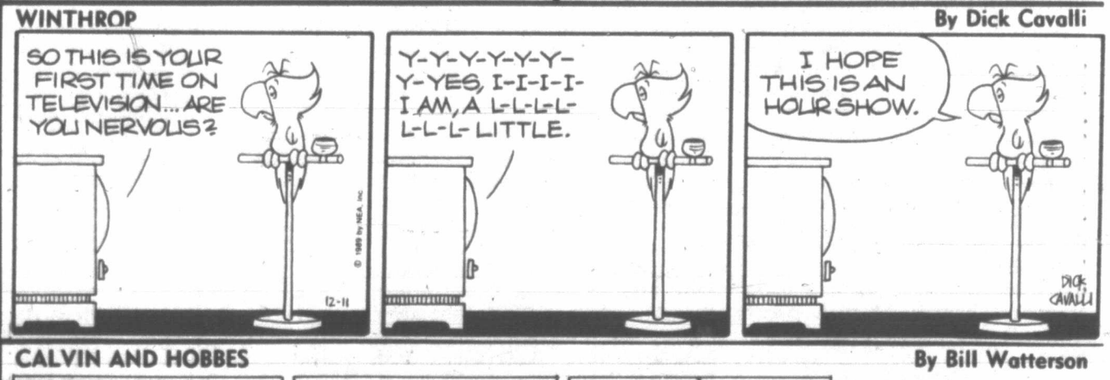
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ALLEY OOP — By Dave Graue



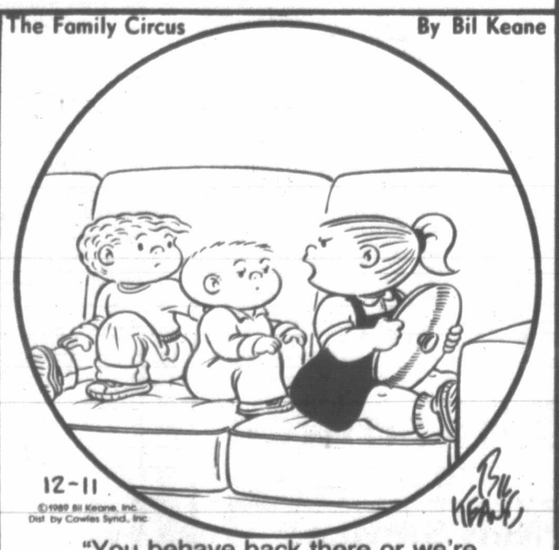
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The Family Circus — By Bil Keane



"You behave back there or we're turning this car around right now!"

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THE BORN LOSER — By Art Sansom



FRANK AND ERNEST — By Bob Thaves



PEANUTS — By Charles M. Schultz



GARFIELD — By Jim Davis



Sports

Lions end Bears title hopes; Vikings take Central lead

By The Associated Press

The big, bad Chicago Bears are no longer big — just bad.

The Bears' bid for a sixth straight NFC Central Division title ended Sunday when the Detroit Lions beat them 27-17 behind rookie Barry Sanders' 120 yards rushing and two touchdowns against the NFC's top-rated rushing defense. Chicago (6-8), which had won 10 straight from Detroit, dropped from contention with its first four-game losing streak since 1981.

"It took this to let us know that the Bears aren't invincible," Lions safety Bennie Blades said. "You just have to go out there and play their type of physical football."

Chicago coach Mike Ditka apparently has become resigned to the Bears' shortcomings.

"I take the blame for it. It was my fault, and that's it," Ditka said. "It's not the end of the world. We're going to keep trying, hustle, work, practice and try to work this thing out."

Meanwhile, the Minnesota Vikings took a one-game lead in the NFC Central by hammering Atlanta 43-17 while the Green Bay Packers lost to Kansas City 21-3. In the NFC East, Philadelphia and New York remained tied after the Eagles beat Dallas 20-10 and the Giants held off Denver 14-7.

In the AFC East, Miami climbed into a first-place tie with Buffalo by trouncing New England 31-10 while the Bills were upset by New Orleans 22-19.

In other NFL action, it was Pittsburgh 13, New York Jets 0; Houston 20, Tampa Bay 17; Seattle 24, Cincinnati 17; Washington 26, San Diego 21; Los Angeles Raiders 16, Phoenix 14; Indianapolis 23, Cleveland 17 in overtime.

San Francisco can clinch the NFC West tonight with a victory over the Los Angeles Rams, which can clinch a playoff berth with a victory. The 49ers are assured at least a wild-card spot.

Detroit's Sanders won a duel against Chicago's Neal Anderson, who entered the game as the NFC's second-leading rusher, 15 yards behind Sanders. Anderson had 42 yards on 12 carries, including a 1-yard touchdown. Sanders' 26 rushes included scoring runs of 18 and three yards and he also returned a kickoff 43 yards to set up the first of Eddie Murray's two field goals.

Vikings 43, Falcons 17

Minnesota moved within one victory or Packers' defeat of its first NFC Central title since 1980. Chris Doleman forced a pair of third-quarter fumbles and Keith Millard and Tim Newton returned them for touchdowns.

Should the Vikings and Packers tie for the title, Minnesota holds the edge with a better division record.

The Vikings led 20-10 at halftime but Chris Miller's 17-yard pass to Shawn Collins pulled the Falcons within three. The Falcons then intercepted Wade Wilson before Doleman and the Vikings' league-leading defense took over.

Chiefs 21, Packers 3

Kansas City scored all its points in the second period and kept its playoff hopes alive. Steve DeBerg passed 11 yards to Jonathan Hayes and 12 to Emile Harry for touchdowns around Christian Okoye's 3-yard TD run. Kansas City sacked Green Bay's Don Majkowski four times, intercepted him once and held Green Bay to four second-half first downs.

Eagles 20, Cowboys 10

Randall Cunningham passed for 170 yards and a touchdown.

Cris Carter scored Philadelphia's touchdowns on a 4-yard pass from Cunningham and a 13-yarder from Matt Cavanaugh on a fake field goal. There were 21 penalties for 177 yards, plus five other offsetting penalties for unnecessary roughness.

Giants 14, Broncos 7

Dave Meggett ran 57 yards through the snow with a screen pass and the Giants' defense made a 14-0 halftime lead stand up over Denver, which already had clinched the AFC West.

Meggett's run came midway through the second quarter and gave New York a 14-0 lead. Ottis Anderson scored from 3 yards out on New York's first possession. New York's defense then beat back every Denver threat but one, a 32-yard TD pass from John Elway to Michael Young.

Dolphins 31, Patriots 10

Sammie Smith scored on three short runs, tying a club record, and Dan Marino passed for 300 yards while the Dolphins' defense, third worst in the NFL against the rush, limited New England's John Stephens to 20 yards in 10 carries.

Buffalo has beaten Miami twice, the first tie-breaker. But the Dolphins moved into a front-runner's position in the race for the AFC's two wild-card berths. If they win their final two games, they're in the playoffs.

Saints 22, Bills 19

John Fourcade made his first NFL start, aside from strike games, and threw two touchdown passes for New Orleans, which was eliminated from playoff contention by Philadelphia's victory. Fourcade replaced the benched Bobby Hebert and threw for 302 yards, including TDs of 12 yards to John Tice and 54 to Dalton Hilliard, both in the first period.

Steelers 13, Jets 0

Pittsburgh's defense, led by linebacker Greg Lloyd, got its first shutout since Sept. 22, 1985. Tim Worley scored on a 35-yard run on the opening drive, then the Steelers turned to defense. Lloyd intercepted a pass and had one sack.

Oilers 20, Buccaneers 17

Warren Moon threw two touchdown passes and Houston's defense batted down two punts, intercepted a pass and recovered a fumble. Houston is 9-5 and on top of the AFC Central, 11/2 games ahead of Cleveland. The key defensive play came with 1:18 to play when safety Bubba McDowell recovered a fumble by Tampa Bay's James Wilder at the Houston 21.

Seahawks 24, Bengals 17

Dave Krieg lobbed a one-yard touchdown pass to Curt Warner with 3:51 to play for the winning touchdown. Krieg's second touchdown pass followed a disputed call. Seattle appeared to be stopped when Warner failed on third-and-goal from the 1. But the play was blown dead for illegal motion, giving Seattle another chance, even though the referee later decided there was no motion on the play.

Redskins 26, Chargers 21

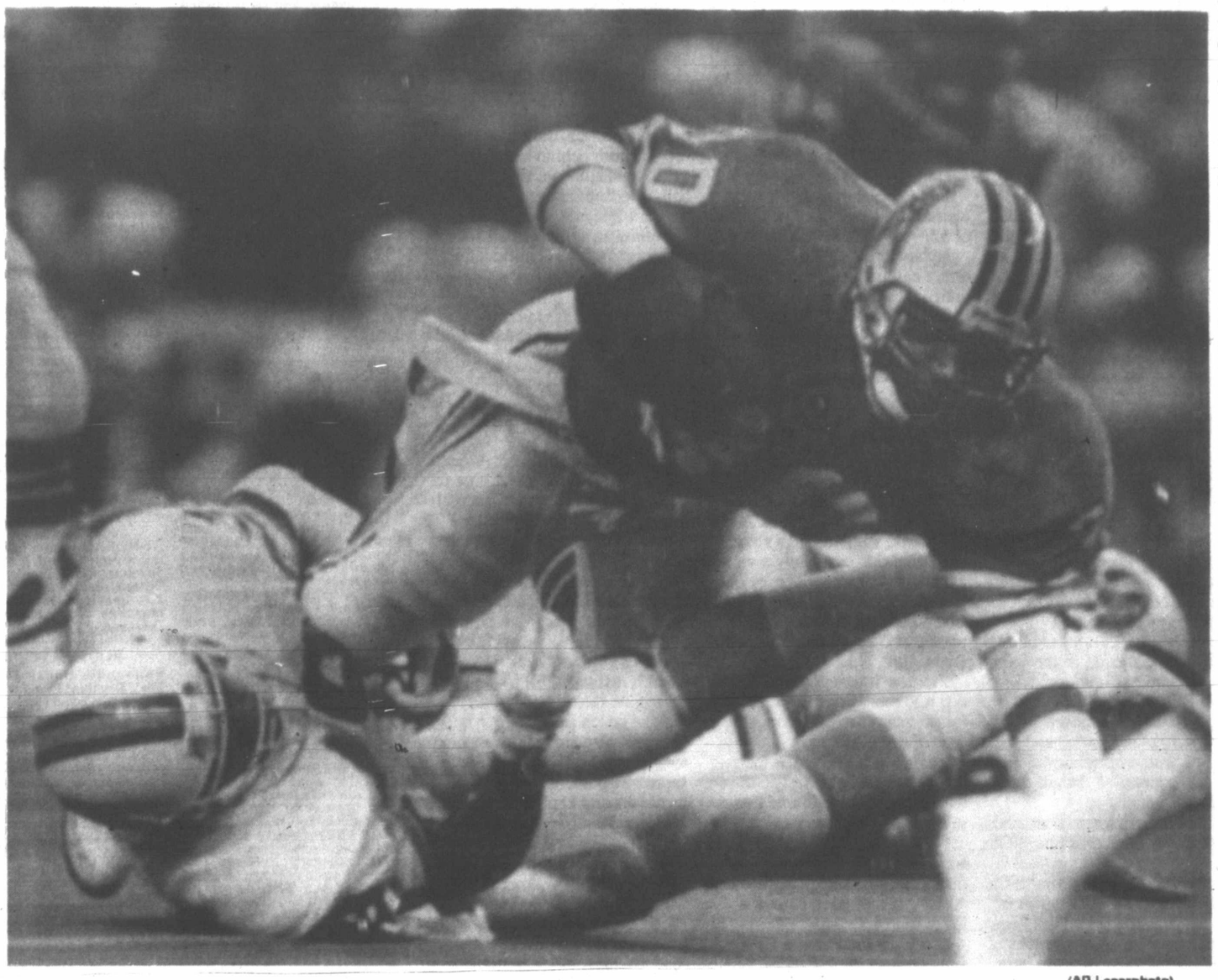
Mark Rypien threw two touchdown passes and Chip Lohmiller kicked four field goals as Washington rallied from a 14-0 deficit and gave Joe Gibbs his 100th victory as a head coach. The go-ahead score came on a fourth-and-3 play when Rypien threw a 33-yard touchdown pass to Gary Clark with 7:27 left, giving Washington a 23-21 lead.

Raiders 16, Cardinals 14

Marcus Allen scored on a 1-yard dive with 40 seconds left, keeping Los Angeles solidly entrenched in the playoff race. The Cardinals led 14-9 on a 2-yard touchdown pass from Gary Hogeboom to Jay Novacek with 5:10 remaining.

Colts 23, Browns 17

Mike Prior intercepted Bernie Kosar's pass and returned it 58 yards for a touchdown at 10:54 of overtime to give Indianapolis the victory. Cleveland placekicker Matt Bahr missed a 39-yarder with 25 seconds left in regulation and a 35-yarder with 6:05 left in overtime.



(AP Laserphoto)

Oilers' runnning back Mike Rozier dives for yardage in first-quarter action Sunday against the Buccaneers.

NFL FOOTBALL

Wood makes all-tourney team

Basketball roundup

After a busy tournament weekend at the Texoma Roundball Classic in Lawton, the Harvester basketball team continues non-district action Tuesday night against the Caprock Longhorns.

Pampa, which finished sixth in Lawton with a win and two losses, enters Tuesday's contest with a 7-3 record. The Harvesters lost to MacArthur High School (62-46) in the first round, defeated Lawton (68-55) in the second, then fell to Wichita Falls Hirschi (84-68) in the consolation finals.

PHS senior Mark Wood was named to the All-Tournament team for the second consecutive weekend. He was also voted to the All-Tourney and Academic All-Tourney teams in Hays, Kan., last weekend.

Caprock, Pampa's second Class 5A opponent of the season (Amarillo High was the other), stands at 6-6 on the season after a 57-44 victory over Canyon last Friday night. The Longhorns lost to Borger a week ago.

Tuesday's game is scheduled to tip off at approximatley 8 p.m. in McNeely Fieldhouse.

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Things won't get any easier for the Pampa Lady Harvesters on Tuesday as they host Altus, Okla., a team that finished second in the girls' bracket of the Texoma Roundball Classic in Lawton Saturday.

Altus won back-to-back games before falling to Wichita Falls Hirschi in the championship finals, 52-38.

The Lady Harvesters made a strong showing against Levelland last Friday, jumping ahead at halftime and keeping the game close throughout before losing in the end, 54-41.

That setback left Pampa with a 4-4 overall record, 1-2 in District 1-4A. Presently, the Lady Harvesters are in fourth place in the league.

Tuesday's non-conference game is set to begin at 6:30 p.m. in McNeely Fieldhouse.

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Pampa Middle School's seventh-grade basketball team produced its best performance of the seaon last weekend at the Dumas Tournament.

The Pampa seventh graders defeated Borger, 38-12, in the first round, then got past Fritch, 22-14, to advance to the finals.

In the championship game, the Lady Patriots came from behind to defeat Perryton, 27-18. The score was tied 7-7 at the half, but Pampa was limited to two points in the third period and trailed, 15-9, as the fourth frame began.

The Lady Patriots poured in 18 more points and held Perryton to 3 to clinch the tournament crown.

Nicole Brown led all scorers with 12 points, followed by teammate Selena Miller with nine.

Pampa's eighth-grade girls took sixth in the same tournament. In Saturday's consolation finals, Pampa was defeated by Fritch, 37-29.

Tamara Johnson tossed in nine points to pace Pampa, and Katie Green added five.

All four girls middle school teams travel to Borger tonight.

Trevino appears in first Seniors tournament

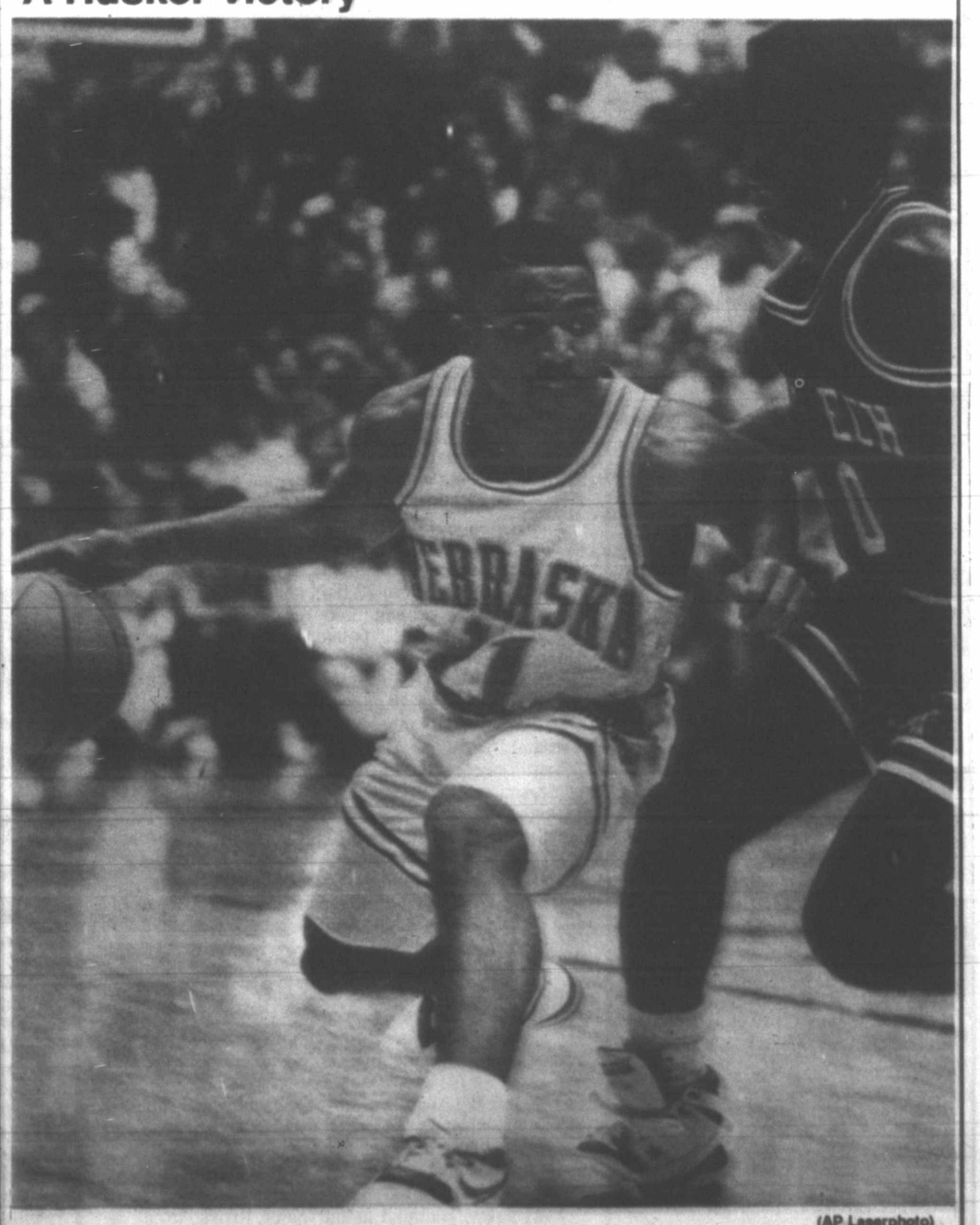
KAANAPALI, Hawaii (AP) — Bob Charles secured the money-winning title, Don Bies captured a rain-shortened victory and Lee Trevino got a start on his second career with his entry into golf's over-50 set.

"That's all it was, a start," Trevino said. "You can't tell anything about how Lee Trevino is going to do by just one tournament."

And any attempt to take a reading on Trevino's future was further hampered by the fact that his first appearance on the Seniors PGA Tour was in a tournament that was reduced to only 36 holes by a series of squalls that washed out play Saturday.

"It probably doesn't matter" that the Kaanapali Classic was cut to two rounds, Trevino said.

A Husker victory



(AP Laserphoto)

Nebraska guard Keith Moody drives around Texas Tech defender Marshall Taylor during collegiate cage action Saturday. Nebraska won, 76-69.

Harvester matmen host Sandies tonight

They say three's a charm, but the Pampa High School wrestling team is hoping that four is the magic number as they take on Amarillo High tonight in the fourth match of this inaugural season.

After a 78-3 rout at the hands of Boys Ranch in the season opener, Pampa has inched closer to victory with each passing match. The Harvesters won three weight divisions in a 59-10 loss to Caprock, then put a scare into Palo Duro last week before finally falling to the Dons, 34-33.

Last Thursday, Amarillo High dropped a nine-point decision to Caprock, 39-30. Both teams won seven matches apiece, but the Longhorns got three more pins than the Sandies to clinch the victory.

Tonight's matches are scheduled to begin at approximately 7 p.m. in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Murray wins all-around title at National Finals

LAS VEGAS (AP) — For Ty Murray and Butch Myers, rodeo is a family affair.

Murray, a 20-year-old in only his second year on the rodeo circuit, battled his veteran uncle Sunday to win the all-around title as the nation's top cowboy at the National Finals Rodeo.

He then turned around and credited the 44-year-old Myers for the win.

"He's been a great inspiration to me ever since I was little," said Murray. "He's a great cowboy."

Murray was a little better this year, however capping his sophomore season with $58,030 in NFR winnings to win the overall title with earnings of $134,806.

Myers, a steer wrestler and calf roper, finished third overall out of 114 cowboys with total winnings of $116,390.

"I'm numb," said Murray, last year's rookie of the year from Odessa, Texas.

"I've dreamed about this ever since I can remember.

Kentucky no longer a force

By JIM LITKE
AP Sports Writer

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Even the sky hung low and mournful, slate-gray over the horse farms in the rolling hills outside town. No, sir, being on the wrong end of 150-95 was the kind of thing that happened to opponents when that mean Mr. Rupp was lord and master of the place.

But the current man in charge, Rick Pitino, walks through the glass doors and toward his office this gloomy Sunday, wife Joanne and sons Christopher and Richard in tow, a New York Knicks windbreaker on his back and a slight smile playing at the corners of his mouth.

On that warm day in June, when the winningest college basketball program of all time formally annointed Pitino as the man who would lead the Wildcats out of the wilderness of a three-year NCAA probation, the New York native with considerable charm and a resume to match told the faithful to expect few close games.

On a cold Saturday in December, Pitino was right in a way that only he was prepared for. And one day removed from that, he sat back in his chair and ruminated on the Wildcats' biggest thrashing of the modern era — which in these parts stretches back only as far as 1930, when the legendary Adolph Rupp became Kentucky's coach.

"It was like Custer's last stand," Pitino said, "only there was no surprise. Kansas was beating people on the road by an average of 25 points.

"I stressed all along that if we lose one or two players in a game, we can't be competitive and the things we worked on from the start was to play intelligent. Not make mental mistakes, maximize those things that we can do well and minimize," he paused, "what happened yesterday."

Indeed.

The NCAA slapped Kentucky last May for the Chris Mills-Emery Air Freight fiasco — cash sent by a former Kentucky assistant to Mills' father spilled out of an envelope in transit and launched the investigation — and when Pitino opened practice in October, three of his best ballplayers were already on the run. Elsewhere.

Everywhere he went, Pitino employed a length-of-the-floor pressing defense and an offense that features the 3-point shot, but working from the low post out. Without a legitimate big man — Pitino had to leave Patrick Ewing back in New York — virtually all of Kentucky's offense has had to come from way out.

In beating Tennessee Tech last Wednesday, the Wildcats set an NCAA record for 3-point attempts with 41; for all the good it did them Saturday against Kansas, they put up 40 of the total of 57, yet another NCAA record.

Jayhawks coach Roy Williams didn't call in the scrubs Saturday until 3:31 remained in the game, but he insisted that Kentucky's insistence on playing a pressing and running game made the big numbers inevitable.

After issuing a terse "no comment" on the matter Saturday, Pitino endorsed that view Sunday.

"I thought about changing and a couple of my peers, friends of mine, called and suggested that, and maybe in the short run, it would have been the thing to do," he said. "Then I thought we'd be risking the players' confidence in the system.

"Some nights, that system is going to be the only way we're going to win and on others, you can't believe how bad you got clobbered because of it. I said it was going to be feast or famine."

Yet, even as he speaks in his basement office, the sun is peeking out from behind billowing clouds and students are lining the halls one floor above to buy tickets for a Dec. 19 game at Furman.

Bombs-away basketball sells, and soon, Pitino is confident, it will produce wins.

"Mr. Rupp," he said, his eyes alight, "was a fast-break man, too."

Fresno State's Barsotti proves toughness in California Bowl

By DICK BRINSTER
AP Sports Writer

Fresno State quarterback Mark Barsotti was a bulldog, with and without the capitalization.

"I couldn't move my arm up at all in the second half, and it was just painful making handoffs," said Barsotti, who on Saturday broke his own year-old record for the longest completion in California Raisin Bowl history as the Bulldogs beat Ball State 27-6.

Barsotti, proving his toughness throughout, said he hurt the shoulder on his non-throwing arm when he was hit on the play before he connected with Stephen Shelley for a 91-yard touchdown that put Fresno State ahead 10-6 late in the second quarter.

A year ago, Barsotti set the record with a 55-yarder.

The injury Saturday limited him to 61 yards passing in the last two periods after he threw for 185 in the first half.

Barsotti led the offense, and linebacker Ron Cox made his presence felt on the other side of the ball. He missed a tackle, then intercepted a pass on the same play to score a 58-yard touchdown that clinched the victory in the first game of the bowl season.

In other Division I-A games Saturday, it was Navy 19, Army 17, while No. 23 Hawaii played Air Force to a 35-35 tie.

Cox gave the Bulldogs (11-1) breathing room early in the fourth quarter. Cardinals quarterback David Riley slipped out of his grasp as Cox was blocked by a lineman, but Cox got up and caught a wobbly pass from Riley, who had scrambled toward the sideline.

"I had one person to beat, and I jumped over the top of him," Cox said.

It was Fresno State's fourth Cal Bowl victory in as many tries in the nine years the game has been played between the champions of the Big West and Mid-American conferences.

The loss dropped Ball State to 7-3-2.

Navy 19, Army 17

Frank Schenk booted a 32-yard field goal with 11 seconds left, allowing Navy to snap a three-game losing streak against Army.

Schenk, who missed a short field goal that cost Navy a victory against Delaware in its previous game, redeemed himself in the first edition of the classic ever played at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J.

"I knew it was going to come down to me," Schenk said. "That fourth quarter was the longest time of my life."

Navy coach Elliott Uzelac said the victory made up for a 3-8 record that included three losses to Division I-AA teams.

"I know we've had a lousy season and nobody's madder about it than I am," he said. "But we beat Army and that takes care of a lousy season."

Army finished 6-5.

"This was our big game," Army coach Jim Young said. "I am happy we had a winning season. It is certainly better than having a losing year, but losing was a big disappointment."

No. 23 Hawaii 35, Air Force 35

Jason Elam, who had made 20 straight field goals, missed a 47-yarder as time expired in college football's regular-season finale.

A gust of wind may have blown Elam's kick off course in Honolulu.

"It's my fault," he said. "It felt good. Everything went right. Then it just tailed off to the left."

Despite the missed kick, Hawaii coach Bob Wagner said his error-plagued team was lucky to wind up with a tie. Air Force scored 21 points off Hawaii turnovers and kept several drives going on Rainbows' penalties.

"When you lose the turnover battle against a good team, you normally lose," Wagner said.

Both Hawaii (9-2-1) and Air Force (8-3-1) are heading for bowl games. The Rainbows will play Michigan State in the Aloha Bowl on Dec. 25, while the Falcons will meet Mississippi in the Liberty Bowl on Dec. 28.

Lefors girls win Samnorwood Tournament title

SAMNORWOOD – Lefors came from behind in the second half to defeat Groom, 50-40, Saturday to win the Samnorwood Tournament.

Carrie Watson and Shellie Lake led a balanced scoring attack for Lefors with 12 points each. Danna Davis added 11.

Shannon Fields was top scorer for Groom with 22 points.

"It was a big win for us," said Lefors coach Richard Moore. "Groom had beaten us in the Miami Tournament. We had some young players that came through and played well."

Lefors trailed by 19-16 at halftime and had three starters foul out of the game.

Lefors, 10-2, also defeated McLean, 54-37, and Briscoe, 58-16, in the tournament.

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SHAMROCK – Wheeler, led by Deedee Dorman's 36 points, downed Childress, 61-54, Saturday to win the girls' title in the Shamrock Invitational.

Julie Bruce topped Childress with 15 points.

Bobbie Kuehler added 17 points to Wheeler's attack.

Canadian got 31 points from Larry Dunnam as the Wildcats defeated Shamrock, 62-57, Saturday night night to win the boys' crown.

Ruben Garza paced Shamrock with 18 points.

Brandon Thrasher contributed 16 points for the Wildcats.

"It was a nail biter before it was over," said Canadian coach Robert Lee, whose Wildcats extended their unbeaten record to 6-0.

The Wildcats led by a whopping 27 points at halftime, but had to hold off a second-half charge by Shamrock.

"We played well the first half and they played well the second half. We were fortunate to have a big lead on them," Lee said.

Dunnam was named the tournament's most valuable player.

Menus Dec. 11-15

Pampa Meals on Wheels

Monday

Stew; cornbread; apple dessert.

Tuesday

Shepherd's pie; green beans; cottage cheese; jello.

Wednesday

Seasoned chicken; lima beans; carrots; fruit cocktail.

Thursday

Roast; sliced potatoes; zucchini with tomatoes; plums.

Friday

Barbecue weiners; macaroni and cheese; cabbage; pears.

Pampa Senior Citizens

Monday

Chicken fried steak or chicken a la king; mashed potatoes; spinach; harvard beets; pinto beans; slaw-toss or Jello salad; chocolate cake or pineapple squares; cornbread or hot rolls.

Tuesday

Beef tips over buttered noodles or oven fried chicken; mashed potatoes; turnip greens; blackeyed peas; slaw-toss or Jello salad; banana pudding or butterscotch crunch; cornbread or hot rolls.

Wednesday

Roast beef brisket with brown gravy; mashed potatoes; green beans; buttered carrots; slaw-toss or Jello salad; coconut cream cake or chocolate pudding; cornbread or hot rolls.

Thursday

Baked ham with fruit sauce or swiss steak; new potatoes; spinach; fried okra; slaw tossed or Jello salad; cherry cobbler or carrot cake; cornbread or hot rolls.

Friday

Fried cod fish with tartar sauce or baked lemon chicken breasts; french fries; buttered broccoli; corn on the cob; slaw-toss or Jello salad; lemon pie or tapioca pudding; garlic bread or hot rolls.

Lefors School

Monday

Breakfast: French toast; syrup; juice; milk.

Lunch: Beef and cheese nachos; salad; ranch style beans; orange; milk

Tuesday

Breakfast: Cereal or oats; toast; juice; milk.

Lunch: Chicken fry patty; potatoes and gravy; green beans; rolls; cobber; milk.

Wednesday

Breakfast: Pancakes; sausage; juice; milk.

Lunch: Barbecue weiners; macaroni and cheese; English peas; fruit; rolls; milk.

Thursday

Breakfast: Choice of cereal; toast; juice; milk.

Lunch: Fish; salad; mixed vegetables; jello with fruit; milk.

Friday

Breakfast: Biscuits; sausage; gravy; juice; milk.

Lunch: Western burger; lettuce; tomato; onions; tater tots; brownie; milk.

Pampa Schools

Monday

Breakfast: Toast; scrambled eggs; fruit; milk.

Lunch: Beef pattie with brown grave; whipped potatoes; mixed fruit; hot roll; milk.

Tuesday

Breakfast: Oatmeal; toast; juice; milk.

Lunch: Beef ravioli; English peas; apricots; hot rolls; peanut butter cookie; milk.

Wednesday

Breakfast: Cereal; toast; juice; milk.

Lunch: Sliced turkey; dressing; whipped potatoes; black eye peas; hot roll; milk.

Thursday

Breakfast: Rice; toast; fruit; milk

Lunch: Fish nuggest; vegetarian beans; diced pears; cornbread; milk.

Friday

Breakfast: Biscuits; jelly; peanut butter; fruit; milk.

Lunch: Hamburger; french fries; burger salad; peanut butter cookie; milk.

Orlando rally nails Lakers

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — Playoff teams don't scare the Orlando Magic. The expansion team hasn't been in the NBA long enough to know better.

The Magic, down 14 points midway through the fourth quarter, rallied to beat the Los Angeles Lakers 108-103 Sunday night with a game plan a lot of clubs wouldn't have tried, let alone expect to give them a chance to win.

Orlando wanted to run with Los Angeles, and for 31/2 quarters the strategy failed. Poor shooting eventually undermined the Lakers, though, and the Magic swept past the team with the NBA's best record (14-5) with a 23-4 spurt in the final 6:28.

"We had 42 minutes of very good basketball, and then we just totally collapsed," Los Angeles coach Pat Riley said. "It's totally unlike us to do this. This is one of the worst collapses I have ever seen. You've got to learn to close out games in this league. You have to have a killer instinct."

The victory was the fifth for Orlando against a playoff team from last year. The Lakers, who led 85-73 after three quarters and 99-85 before the Magic made its move, hit only six of 22 field goals in the last quarter and shot 39.3 percent (35 of 89) for the game.

Terry Catledge had 26 points and 12 rebounds to lead Orlando (8-11), which snapped a four-game losing streak and set an NBA record for the fastest start by a first-year team after 19 games.

In Sunday's only other NBA game, Milwaukee edged Portland 107-104.

Sam Vincent scored 11 of his 21 points during the game-ending run that saw the Magic hold the Lakers to baskets by James Worthy and Mychal Thompson, the latter giving Los Angeles a 103-97 lead with 2:46 left.

"The big thing is we were down by 14 points to a championship team and didn't let up," said Vincent, who hit a a jump shot to tie the game and sank a pair of free throws to provide the final margin of victory.

James Worthy led the Lakers with 31 points. Byron Scott added 17 points and Magic Johnson had 14, but neither scored in the fourth quarter as Orlando held Los Angeles to 18 points.

"This loss is my loss," said Johnson, who sat out part of the third quarter after taking an elbow in the left eye.

"We lost last night in almost the same way. I should have known better," added Johnson, who had eight assists and seven rebounds but made only three of 16 shots and had six turnovers.

Bucks 107, Trail Blazers 104

Milwaukee snapped a four-game losing streak as Jack Sikma scored 16 of his season-high 30 points in the fourth quarter and the Bucks got important performances from Mike Dunleavy and Frank Kornet.

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Bids may be delivered to the City Secretary's Office, City Hall, Pampa, Texas or mailed to P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, Texas 79066-2499. Sealed envelope should be plainly marked "2/WD TRACTOR/BACKHOE/FRONT END LOADER BID ENCLOSED, BID NO. 89.03" and show date and time of Bid Opening.
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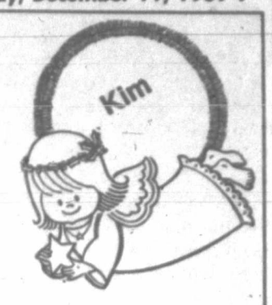
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ROCKVILLE, Md. – Kris Bryant gives one of her Vietnamese potbellied pigs a kiss recently at her business, Paradise Pigs. They come at hefty prices from $1,500 to $35,000.

Pygmy porkers make popular pets

By KIM I. MILLS
Associated Press Writer

ROCKVILLE, Md. (AP) – "Sparky" may be the trendy new house pet of the '90s.

He won't bite the mailman or howl at the moon. He's bigger than a cat but smaller than a Doberman.

He doesn't shed, smell or claw the furniture, and prefers a tidy litterbox to the living room rug. He'll walk on a leash, swim, fetch or just sit and watch TV.

And the worst thing you can say about him? Well, he's a pig. A Vietnamese potbellied pig.

These pygmy porkers have become popular pets in the last couple of years, despite hefty prices, ranging from about $1,500 for a neutered male to $35,000 for a pregnant female.

Pig owners boast their pets learn quickly and have sunny dispositions. They don't get really big – full-grown, they weigh between 20 and 150 pounds (as compared to hogs, which can weigh half a ton). But right now, just about the only way to acquire a Vietnamese potbelly is to get plugged into the nationwide breeders network.

That's where Sparky's owner, Kris Bryant, comes in.

Bryant breeds and sells Vietnamese potbellied pigs through her company, Paradise Pigs, and keeps her customers updated on pig care and feeding through a homey newsletter.

Bryant is also about to launch Pet Pig Update, which she bills as "the first magazine devoted to miniature pet pigs!" And she was recently elected to the board of the newly formed North American Potbellied Pig Association, with headquarters in Columbia, Mo.

Bryant got interested in the pint-sized pigs by accident; she had been trying to get a skunk to keep her cat company and applied for several exotic animal permits.

"Once I got all the permits, I was on mailing lists and I started getting ads for zebras and giraffes and things," she said in a recent interview. "I just was watching the pigs in those trade magazines. And I really liked the idea because, well, pigs just make really great pets but they're also a pet that anybody can have. Most of the pets that are unusual you can't have unless you have a farm. The pigs you can have in an apartment."

Bryant speaks from experience. Until recently, she had been breeding pigs in a two-bedroom condo in suburban Rockville, and at one point had 23 of them. But she and her husband, Jeb, are moving to Durango, Colo., where they will raise pigs and other exotic animals on a farm. Their breeding pigs are already there.

During a visit, 4-month-old Sparky trundled around the living room and grunted softly before hopping on the couch to snuggle up.

He weighs about 15 pounds and feels like a bristly, wiggly football with a warm, rubbery snout.

Rhodes Scholarship Trust includes 32 Americans among the recipients

By JAMES ANDERSON
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) – A women's basketball player who tutors Cambodian refugees and a woman who worked in a Brazilian orphanage were among 32 Americans to join the ranks of Rhodes Scholars.

The 18 men and 14 women selected Sunday receive two years of study at Oxford University in England.

Yale and Princeton universities led with four each, Harvard had three, and Georgetown, Kansas State University and the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., each had two.

The winners were chosen from among 102 finalists interviewed last week by the Rhodes Scholarship Trust, whose American branch is based at Pomona College in suburban Claremont.

"It was one of the most nerve-wracking experiences I've had," said Yale's Michael Warren, a history major from Blacksburg, Va., who plans to study modern liberal political philosophy.

Other winners were Bridget Clarke, a philosophy major at the University of Montana who has worked in shelters for battered women and the homeless in Missoula; and Suzanne Lee Corley, who majors in religion, Spanish and French at Presbyterian College in Clinton, S.C., and worked in the orphanage in Brazil.

Ms. Corley, 21, said her family was "incredulous" upon hearing of the honor. "I've applied for so many other scholarships and haven't gotten them," she said.

Andrew John Dechet of Vancouver, Wash., who studied flamenco guitar in Spain with Gypsies, is a Germanic language and literature major at Princeton.

"I've sort of recovered from the shock by now," he said.

Dechet said he has been to England once before – on a plane layover just long enough to get "sick on the fish and chips."

"I'm trying to contain it as much as possible," said Paul W. Muench, Jr., a 22-year-old psychology and philosophy major at Reed College in Portland, Ore. "When I found out, I was really dumbfounded and very excited about the whole thing. I'm still kind of in a state of disbelief."

Amy Deane Matthews, an English major and member of Mount Holyoke College's varsity basketball and crew teams, tutors Cambodian refugees. Rhodes officials said she has a perfect academic record.

West Point's recipients are women. Jennie Koch, of Potomac, Md., ranks fifth in her class as an international relations major, and is considering a career in public service with an emphasis on foreign policy.

Carolyn A. Ford of Pensacola, Fla., who was appointed to the academy through the enlisted ranks, is a specialist in Chinese. She also is a brigade swimming champion, a graduate of the Airborne School, and a battalion commander. She plans a career in military intelligence.

Rhodes Scholars were chosen from 17 other countries.

Winners must be unmarried and between ages 18 and 24. Recipients' school fees are paid and they receive a stipend for expenses.

Among the qualities sought are proven intellectual and academic excellence, integrity, respect for others, and the ability to lead and to use talents fully.

Athletic prowess also is sought as "an indicator of the stamina a person must have to act energetically as a leader and to work for other people," said David Alexander, American secretary of the trust and Pomona president.

Rhodes scholarships were established in 1902 by the estate of Cecil Rhodes, the British philanthropist and colonialist.

Job prospects gloomy for college grads

EAST LANSING, Mich. (AP) – College graduates this spring will make more money, but find fewer job opportunities, according to a survey of nearly 500 U.S. employers.

Hires will be down 13.3 percent compared to last year, according to the 19th annual survey by the University of Michigan's Career Development and Placement Services office.

The average starting salary for a graduate with a bachelor's degree will be $25,256, up 3.3 percent from a year ago. The expected starting salary for master's of business administration graduates will be $39,840, a 3.1 percent increase; $33,740 for master's degree graduates, up 3.3 percent; and $37,111 for graduates with doctoral degrees, a 2.4 percent increase.

As in recent years, engineering majors will get the highest starting salaries for new college graduates, with chemical engineering leading the way at $33,380. Mechanical engineering ranks second at $32,256, while electrical engineering is at $32,107; computer science $31,389, and industrial engineering $30,557.

The lowest starting salaries will be for graduates in human ecology-home economics, $18,157; journalism, $18,255; natural resources, $18,840; retailing, $18,909, and advertising, $19,662.

The survey released Sunday was based on responses from 479 employers in business, industry, government, and educational institutions.

Patrick Scheetz, who directed the study, said reasons for the drop in planned hiring included limited growth in new business; mergers and buyouts; increased global competition; and slow turnover of current employees.

Employers expected to have large hiring increases include: public utilities, up 29.4 percent; metal products, up 24.2 percent; petroleum, 22.1 percent; construction and building materials manufacturing, 19.3 percent; printing, publishing and informational services, 13.7 percent.

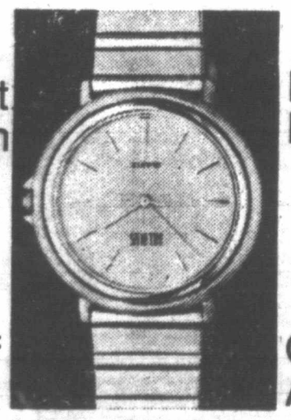
Those expected to have decreases included automotive and mechanical equipment, down 58 percent; electronics, 24.5 percent; government administration, 20.9 percent; aerospace, 20 percent; the military, 16.8 percent; and diversified conglomerates, 13.7 percent.

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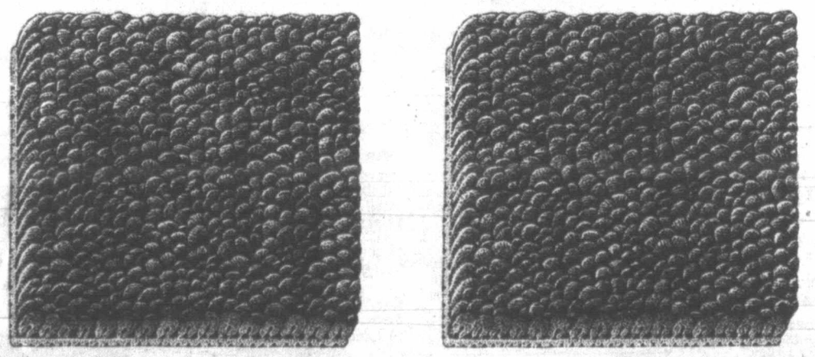
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