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PAMPA -- The board of directors of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation will meet at 4 p.m. Thursday at their office.

Items on the agenda scheduled to be discussed include hiring an auditor, a prospect request and personnel matters. Board members include Bill Waters, president; Victor Raymond, vice president; Wayne Stribling, secretary; Benny Kirksey, treasurer; and Jim Morris, assistant secretary and assistant treasurer.

PAMPA -- Gray County Young Democrats have a public meeting scheduled for 6 p.m. Monday at Lovett Library Auditorium. Young Democrats, ages 13 to 35, plan to elect officers and hear speaker Casey Griffin. Griffin is a member of Young Democrats in Borger.

NEW YORK (AP) — Stocks snapped a lull and surged higher, propelling the Dow Jones industrial average above the 3,700 level for the first time as investors bet Congress would approve the North American Free Trade Agreement.

The Dow finished Tuesday at 3,710.77, up 33.25, shattering the previous record of 3,697.64 set Nov. 2. Other market barometers also finished higher.

NEW YORK (AP) — The stock market has voted "yes" on NAFTA. Will Congress go along tonight?

If recent history is any indicator, the answer is also yes.

Investors try to make money by predicting events that shape the economy. They anticipate the future and bet on the expected outcome.

But such bets often influence the events themselves by allowing political decisionmakers to see in advance the possible effects of their actions.

On Tuesday, the Dow Jones industrial average rallied to an all-time high of 3,710.77. The key factor was news that President Clinton's lobbying for the North American Free Trade Agreement was winning over House members and, for the first time, more representatives favored NAFTA than opposed it.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The overwhelming vote in the Senate to make blockades of abortion clinics a federal crime should improve the bill's chances of winning House approval without major changes, supporters say. The House is scheduled to debate a similar bill Thursday. Supporters are confident of passage but are worried about amendments by anti-abortion lawmakers that could weaken the measure.

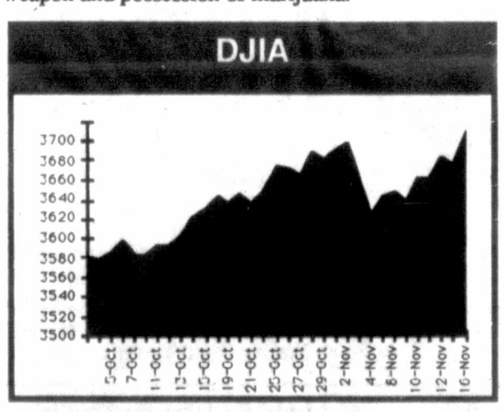
LOS ANGELES (AP) — Frightened children are being offered refuge in neighbors' houses and police are increasing patrols, seeking a molester who has attacked 22 people, mainly youngsters, over the past nine months. All of the assaults have taken place in the San Fernando Valley, west of downtown. The first occurred in February. The victims range from a 5-year-old boy to a 21-year-old woman who police say looked younger than her years.

The molester usually walks up and says something or questions the children, sometimes asking for the time, police said. Usually, he grabs the child's crotch and then runs away to what is believed to be a pickup truck. Detectives believe the man stalks students, picking those who walk alone and memorizing their route to school.

DALLAS (AP) — Police Chief Ben Click says he's instructed his staff to find out why a man charged in the Nov. 9 slaying of a Dallas police officer had been given early release following an earlier arrest on a weapons charge.

Markus Wicks should never have been released, Click said Tuesday. Wicks and another tee-ager were charged last week with capital murder in the shotgun slaying of Senior Cpl. Richard Lawrence.

In September, Wicks was arrested and accused of firing a semi-automatic pistol near Dallas police officers. He was charged with unlawfully carrying a weapon and possession of marijuana.



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Sarpalius says he'll support NAFTA

WASHINGTON — Congressman Bill Sarpalius said he will support the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) when it comes to the House floor for a vote today.

"I have studied this agreement carefully and I truly feel it is in the best interest of this country that we pass NAFTA," Sarpalius said in a prepared statement. "I have to stand up for what I believe in, and I believe trade and the economy will suffer devastating effects if NAFTA fails.

"I have held out for so long in an effort to come to an agreement with the administration on current trade practices involving wheat, peanuts and sugar," Sarpalius said. "The sugar problem was resolved about two weeks ago, and my office spent the entire weekend working with Agricrulture Secretary Mike Espy and Trade Ambassador Mickey Kantor on the issues of wheat and peanuts. Late Monday, the administration agreed to addresss the problems with Canada's unfair trade practices in regards to wheat. Canada has been undercutting U.S. wheat prices, therefore increasing imports of durum wheat to the U.S. and hurting the domestic market of U.S. durum. The administration has agreed to take action against Canada if it doesn't remedy the negative effects of it's durum wheat subsidy practices."

In a message to Sarpalius Monday from the White House, President Clinton said that he had instructed the Secretary of Agriculture to begin discussions with the Canadian government concerning their subsidy practices, including transportation subsidies and Canadian Wheat Board pricing practices.

Bill Nelson of the Texas Wheat Producers Association said today that his group had been working with Sarpalius to remedy problems that had grown out of earlier trade accords with Canada.

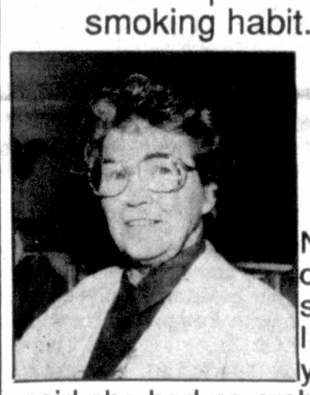
"The 13th District has some real winners with NAFTA," Sarpalius said. "We worked hard to find solutions to problems that sugar producers, wheat producers, peanut producers, and flat glass companies had with the agreement. Now, the majority of their concerns have been alleviated."

"When I looked at NAFTA from the business perspective, I found again that there was great support for the agreement from the 13th District," Sarpalius said. "It has received the support of such businesses as Hoechst Celanese in Pampa, IRI International Corp. in Pampa, Excel Corporation in Plainview, American Maize Products Company in Dimmitt, Power Steel in Wichita Falls, ASARCO in Amarillo, and Western Merchandisers."

One that will quit smoking



Peggy Smith, right, said she will take the American Cancer Association up on their Great American Smoke Out Thursday. She said that she would quit her smoking habit.



One that did

Nellie Graves, left, smoked for 45 years. She quit five years ago. Her husband, who had smoke and chewed all his life, she said, died two years after she quit. She said she had no problem quitting although she admits to still wanting a cigarette occasionally.



One that might

Maria Angelica Gutierrez, right, smoked for eight years. She said she might quit for a day.

Growing crime fear may pass anti-crime bill

By LARRY MARGASAK
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — With many voters ranking crime the nation's top problem, the Senate is set to approve a ban on 19 types of military-style assault weapons as it inches toward final passage of a $22 billion anti-crime bill.

The Senate resumes work on the measure just two days after a Washington Post-ABC News poll focused on the fear of crime — with 21 percent of respondents identifying it as the most important problem, well ahead of unemployment and health care.

The assault gun amendment of Sen. Dianne Feinstein is tough, but not a blanket ban. While prohibiting 19 specified semiautomatic weapons, it would protect 650 named guns used by hunters and sportsmen.

The former San Francisco mayor's proposal won a crucial test vote last week when the Senate voted 51-49 against a motion to kill it.

In an emotional debate, the California Democrat solemnly reminded colleagues that she became mayor after her predecessor, George Moscone, was assassinated.

The senator recalled that she learned how to shoot because of terrorist threats and the firebombing of her home.

The entire crime bill could receive a final vote today and head for a conference with the House — which has approved a scaled-down version.

The Senate measure's key component would authorize $8.9 billion to hire 100,000 new police officers over five-years. New prisons would be built. Financing would come from reductions in federal employment during 1994-98.

The bill would expand the death penalty to cover nearly 50 offenses including murder of a law enforcement officer, drive-by shootings and carjackings in which a victim is killed.

To address crime by young people, the measure would prohibit the sale or transfer of a gun to a juvenile. Possession of a gun by a juvenile would be barred.

It would also provide $3 billion for construction of state and local prisons and boot camps for nonviolent offenders, and another $3 billion would go for construction and operation of regional prisons for federal and state inmates. To qualify for funds, states would have to have to make violent offenders serve at least 85 percent of their sentences.

Applicant is asked to bring his family

By RANDAL K. McGAVOCK
Staff Writer

One of the three finalists for Pampa's city manager position was invited back, along with his family, for another interview with the Pampa City Commission during Tuesday's executive session meeting.

Gary D. Greer, the city manager of Kearney, Neb., will meet with the mayor and commission in another special executive session at 5 p.m. on Friday.

Although he was the only one of the three candidates asked to return, Mayor Richard Peet declined to confirm that Greer was the leading candidate.

Peet said if Greer was not satisfactory, they could ask the search firm for more applicants.

Peet said he though it was important for the family to see where they might be moving if Greer was hired.

"I think it's important that ... if he takes the job of managing the city, his family has a feel of what the community is like," Peet said.

Pampa's city manager's position became available in July when City Manager Glen Hackler resigned and accepted the assistant city manager's position in Midland.

Smokers urged to quit tobacco on Thursday

By JOHN McMILLAN
Staff Writer

Smokers are more kissable than non-smokers.

That, it seems, is one of the messages from Thursday's celebration in town of the Great American Smokeout, an anti-smoking campaign sponsored by the American Cancer Society.

Chris Kirkpatrick, health services coordinator for Pampa Independent School District, who is distributing Smokeout-related items for the ACS, noted that "Kiss Me, I Don't Smoke" will be one of the two messages on about 2,000 stickers being distributed to PISD elementary school children and faculty.

The other sticker message being distributed for the Great American Smokeout depicts a teddy bear that urges, "Be Beary Healthy, Don't Smoke."

The Great American Smokeout will be celebrated around the nation on Thursday, according to the ACS.

Members of the nursing staff of PISD this week will be wearing T-shirts promoting the Smokeout, and there will also be smokeless matches on display at Pampa Middle School and Pampa High School this week, Kirkpatrick said.

Kirkpatrick described the Great American Smokeout as "a good-natured attempt to draw attention to the dangers of smoking and smokeless tobacco" such as chewing tobacco and snuff.

Pampa school district prohibits students from possession or consumption of tobacco products on school grounds.

In Panhandle and White Deer, Peggy Dennis, a teacher at White Deer Elementary School, is expected this week to distribute Great American Smokeout posters and pamphlets around the two downtowns, a spokesman for the American Cancer Society in Amarillo said.

For the general public, Great American Smokeout encourages smokers to give up smoking for at least 24 hours, according to a press statement from the American Cancer Society.

"Nonsmokers can take part by supporting smoking friends and relatives in their attempt to quit using tobacco," the ACS statement advises.

An estimated 418,000 Americans die from smoking each year. Smoking is responsible for 30 percent of all cancers and 87 percent of all lung cancers, two of the country's leading causes of death, ACS reported. One of every four American adults smokes, according to the ACS.

Drugs, soured relationship uncovered in double murder

By PAULINE ARRILLAGA
Associated Press Writer

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The slayings of two seemingly wholesome and hard-working college students exposed a dark side of the young women's lives that included drug-dealing, debt and the bitter end of a lesbian love affair.

Channing Freelove, 19, and Melanie Golchert, 18, were mourned as outgoing, athletic teens studying on scholarships. But police said that they also had been dealing drugs and that Freelove was in debt to her supplier for $6,000.

The bodies of the two were found face-down next to Freelove's car early Saturday in a vacant lot. Golchert had been shot in the back of the head, Freelove in the neck.

Two other young women were in custody today, charged with solicitation of murder for allegedly hiring two gunmen to kill Freelove. Police believe Golchert was killed because she happened to be with Freelove.

Sherrie Sikes, 24, and Brandi Cirelli, 20, identified by police as former lovers of Freelove, were jailed on $50,000 bail each. Police said Sikes and Cirelli also sold drugs.

Police were led to Sikes and Cirelli by two men who told detectives that the women had asked them to "take care of Channing." After the men said no, Sikes and Cirelli said they would find someone else to kill Freelove, police said.

Elvis' cousin elected sheriff

TUPELO, Miss. (AP) — The jailhouse could be rockin' in Mississippi's Lee County, now that Elvis Presley's cousin has been elected sheriff.

Harold Ray Presley won a runoff Tuesday to fill the remaining two years in Sheriff Jack Shirley's term. Shirley died of cancer a year ago.

Presley had 5,834 votes, or 56 percent, to Chief Deputy Robert Armstrong's 4,614 votes, or 44 percent, according to unofficial returns.

"It will be a new jailhouse rock in Lee County, Miss.," said supporter David Turner.

Presley, 45, said he received calls from Elvis fans who wanted to buy his campaign signs.

"God has blessed the Presley family," said Presley, who had been the department's chief narcotics investigator. He was to be sworn in today for the $50,800-a-year job.

Elvis Presley was born in Tupelo in northeast Mississippi. The late rock 'n' roller's grandfather was the brother of the new sheriff's father.

Look for a Pot of Gold and win $100

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

RAGSDALE, Grace Elizabeth — 10 a.m., Chapel of the Resthaven Funeral Home, Shawnee, Okla.

SMITH, Juanita O. — 2 p.m., Coulter Road Baptist Church, Amarillo.

Obituaries

SHERRY GAYLE BRADSHAW

FORT WORTH — Sherry Gayle Bradshaw, 48, a native of Wheeler and sister of a Mobeetie resident, died Wednesday, Nov. 10, 1993. Services were held Friday in the Greenwood Chapel, with Dr. Barry Bailey, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Graveside services were at 2 p.m. Saturday in Wheeler Cemetery in Wheeler.

Mrs. Bradshaw was born in Wheeler and lived in Fort Worth for 30 years. She was an employee of Ellis Apparel for seven years.

Survivors include three daughters, Stephanie Bowman of Fort Worth and Sherry D. Bradshaw and Kimbra Bradshaw, both of Arlington; parents, K.D. and Lou Dean Douthit of Briscoe; three sisters, Peg North of Taylor, Billie Stuckey of Boerne and Debra Kinnaman of Mobeetie; and a grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to the American Cancer Society for breast research, Box 9652, Fort Worth, Texas 76147.

DARRELL L. DANNER SR.

Darrell L. Danner Sr., 59, died Wednesday, Nov. 17, 1993. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the First Baptist Church, with the Rev. M.B. Smith, Baptist minister, and the Rev. Don Turner, associate pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Danner was born on Dec. 30, 1933, in Pampa and was a lifelong resident of Pampa. He married Helen Keeton on Sept. 27, 1952, in Clovis, N.M. He worked for Cabot Machinery Division for 11 years and for Pantex in Amarillo for 25 years, retiring in 1991. He was a member of the First Baptist Church. He was a member of the Top O' Texas Masonic Lodge #1381 AF&AM. He was a veteran of the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict. He was a former member and coach at the Pampa Optimist Club. He was preceded in death by a son, Terry Danner, in 1979.

Survivors include his wife, Helen, of the home; two sons, Darrell Danner Jr. of Pampa and Monty Danner of Amarillo; a daughter, Tammy Hill of Pampa; four brothers, Jerry Thompson of Skellytown, Reggie Thompson of Seattle, Wash., and Charlie Thompson and Tommy Thompson, both of Oklahoma; seven grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

The family will be at 1117 Terrace in Pampa.

JUANITA O. SMITH

AMARILLO — Juanita O. Smith, 68, sister of a Groom resident, died Tuesday, Nov. 16, 1993. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Coulter Road Baptist Church, with Dr. Larry Payne, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Llano Cemetery by N.S. Griggs Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Smith was born in Lakeview and had been an Amarillo resident since 1946. She graduated from Lakeview schools and attended West Texas State University. She married Jess Smith in 1947 in Memphis. She was a homemaker and member of Coulter Road Baptist Church. She had been a longtime member of San Jacinto Baptist Church. She was a volunteer for High Plains Baptist Hospital Auxiliary for 19 years.

Survivors include her husband; two daughters, Jane Utterback and Jennifer Pickard, both of Amarillo; a sister, Ruby Melton of Groom; and two granddaughters.

The family will be at 6009 Jameson and requests memorials be to the American Cancer Society, 3915 Bell St., Amarillo, Texas 79109.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL

Admissions

Pampa

John David Ball
Juanita Bell
Lisa Gay Farmer
Adeline Berry Marks
Terrell Rucker

Groom

Sidney Lee Mansel (extended care)

Lefors

Joeldine Elliott

Perryton

Shawn Stacy Campbell

Skellytown

Caleb Houghton

Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Farmer of Pampa, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Campbell of Perryton, a girl.

Dismissals

Pampa

Tonya Michelle Dearman and baby boy
Roy Lee Dudley
Marianna H. Felix
Sonia Danielle Lee and baby boy
James A. Alexander (extended care)

Groom

Sidney Lee Mansel

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

Admissions

Shamrock

Beatrice Huffman
Louise Reeves
Charles Lackey

McLean

Harris D'Spain

Dismissals

Shamrock

Pam Barker Knox

Clarification

Because of a mistake in the story and a subsequent press rerun, a clarification needs to be made concerning a Nov. 11 accident eight miles east of Skellytown. Patsy Jean Newsome, 42, 427 Carr, was driving a 1989 Oldsmobile in which Traci Ann Reynolds, 25, 2609 Rosewood, was a passenger. Janna Gayle Hogan, 31, 1214 N. Russell, was driving a 1977 Ford LTD.

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported no calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Police report

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

TUESDAY, Nov. 16

Taylor Food Mart #25, 600 E. Frederic, reported a theft of under $20.

The city of Pampa reported someone filing a false report to a peace officer.

Brian Daniel Ishliman, 209 1/2 Starkweather, reported an injured prisoner.

James Jeffery Huddleston, 702 N. Frost, reported disorderly conduct.

Albertson's, 1233 N. Hobart, reported a theft of over $20.

Pampa Middle School, 2401 Charles, reported disorderly conduct.

Gerald Lee Rosco, 1619 Christine, reported a theft.

Arrests

TUESDAY, Nov. 16

Deborah Villareal, 35, address unknown, was arrested on a charge of theft.

Brian Daniel Ishliman, 17, 209 1/2 N. Starkweather, was arrested on two outstanding warrants.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 17

Billy Willingham, 32, 1913 N. Zimmers, was arrested on South Price Road on two outstanding warrants. He was later released after he paid the fine.

Court report

COUNTY COURT

Criminal

Derrick Wayne Blackman pleaded no contest to theft over $200. He was assessed one year probation, court costs of $165 and a fine of $100.

Gordon Jack Addington pleaded guilty to driving while license suspended. He was assessed a $150 fine, $157 court costs and six months probation.

Ervin Dale Craddock pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. He was assessed a $300 fine, two years probation and court costs of $210.

Timothy Allen Benson pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. He was assessed a $300 fine, two years probation and $210 court costs.

An order was entered to issue a warrant and set a hearing concerning the revocation of probation of Travis Lawton Marcum because the defendant failed to report to his probation officer for eight months, is delinquent on probation fees for seven months, owes $197 in court costs, owes a $500 fine and did not attend driving while intoxicated school.

Marriage licenses issued

Joel Martinez Arguello and Leesa Deean Green
Jeffrey Don Tidwell and Diana Zamudio
Scott Wayne Cooper and Maria Cruz Hernandez
Jim Aaron Sealy and Lisa Louise Darden

DISTRICT COURT

Criminal

An order was entered to dismiss a motion to revoke the probation of David Kyle Williams because the defendant was convicted in another case.

Civil

Elmer Holder and wife, Myra Holder vs. West Texas Ford Lincoln Mercury Inc., deceptive trade practice

Ella Owen et ux, Bennie Owen vs. Jesse Whitson, Betty Whitson and Alan Whitson d/b/a Harvey Mart #2. Workers' compensation

State of Texas vs. 1990 Ford and .25 caliber gun, seizure and forfeit

State of Texas vs. $649.30, seizure and forfeit

State of Texas vs. $455.79, seizure and forfeit

Accidents

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

TUESDAY, Nov. 16

12:05 p.m. – A 1989 Ford driven by Shanoa Elaine Ervin, 17, 965 Cinderella, collided with a 1988 Ford pickup driven by Rodnie Winborne, 36, 2304 Comanche, at the intersection of West 23rd Avenue and North Russell. No injuries were reported. Ervin was cited for failure to yield right of way at a stop sign.

Stocks

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

Wheat	3.51
Milo	4.67
Corn	5.10

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

Serfco	4 1/2	NC
Occidental	18	NC

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

Magellan	74.82
Puritan	16.15

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

Amoco	53 1/2	NC
Arco	108 1/4	up 5/8
Cabot	56 5/8	dn 1/4
Cabot O&G	21 1/2	NC
Chevron	89 3/4	dn 1/4
Coca-Cola	42 3/8	dn 1/2
Diamond Sham	25 1/8	NC
Enron	31 5/8	up 3/8
Halliburton	33 7/8	dn 3/8
HealthTrust Inc.	24 1/2	up 1/4
Ingersoll Rand	37 7/8	NC
KNE	28 1/8	up 3/8
Kerr McGee	48 1/2	dn 1/8
Limited	22 1/2	dn 5/8
Mapco	59 1/2	up 1/4
Maxus	6 1/4	dn 1/8
McDonald's	57 1/8	up 1/8
Mobil	75 3/8	up 5/8
New Atmos	28	dn 1/8
Parker & Parsley	24 3/4	dn 5/8
Penney's	54 1/4	up 3/8
Phillips	29 1/4	dn 3/8
SLB	60 3/8	dn 5/8
SPS	30 5/8	NC
Tenneco	49 7/8	up 1/8
Texaco	64 3/4	dn 3/8
Wal-Mart	29 5/8	dn 3/8
New York Gold		371.50
Silver		4.51
West Texas Crude		16.77

Calendar of events

VFW DOMINO DAY

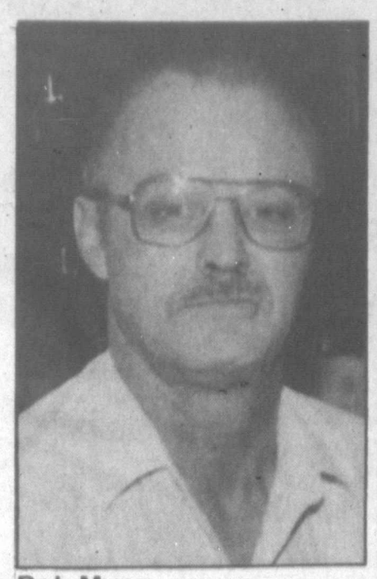
VFW Domino Day is set for 1-5 p.m. Thursday at the Post Home, Borger Highway. Free coffee, bring your own dominos. No alcohol permitted.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported no incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

JPs announce candidacies for re-election

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor



Bob Muns



Margie Prestidge

Two Gray County officerholders have made it official – they will run for re-election in 1994.

Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Bob Muns, a Republican, and Justice of the Peace Precinct 2 Margie Prestidge, a Democrat, have announced that they will seek re-election to their posts.

They are getting a head start on filing which opens Dec. 3 in the office of County Clerk Wanda Carter. Filing continues through Jan. 3, 1994.

According to Carter, a candidate must file a designation of campaign treasurer in her office before taking positive action toward seeking office.

Local offices up for election in 1994 include the county judge, the unexpired term of the county attorney, district clerk, county clerk, county treasurer, county surveyor, county commissioners Precincts 2 and 4, and justices of the peace.

Primary elections are set for March 8. Early voting in person is planned for Feb. 16-March 4. Primary runoffs are set for April 12.

Statewide offices up for election are for U.S. senator, a position now held by Kay Bailey Hutchison; all 30 members to the U.S. House of Representatives, the governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, comptroller of public accounts, state treasurer, commissioner of the general land office, commissioner of agriculture, railroad commissioner-six year term, railroad commissioner-two year unexpired term, three members of the Texas Supreme Court, three members of the Court of Criminal Appeals, 31 state senators, 150 state representatives, seven members of the state board of education, chief justice of the courts of appeals, justices for courts of appeal, various district judges, criminal district judges and family district judges.

Mobeetie couple sentenced in bank case

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

A Mobeetie couple was sentenced in U.S. District Court Tuesday on charges of making false entries in the books and records of the First State Bank of Mobeetie.

Husband and wife Melvin Wesley May, 60, and Helen Marie May, 58, were sentenced by U.S. District Judge Mary Lou Robinson following agreements in which the Mays pleaded guilty to violations of banking law.

Mr. May was assessed three years imprisonment and a $5,000 fine, with no restitution ordered. Mrs. May was sentenced to two years imprisonment and a $5,000 fine with no restitution ordered. The maximum punishment the Mays could have received is five years imprisonment and a $250,000 fine.

At the time of the offenses, Mr. May was chairman of the board and president of First State Bank of Mobeetie. Mrs. May was the executive vice president of the First State Bank of Mobeetie, and a member of the board of directors. They were both directors and shareholders in Fort Elliott Bancshares Inc., the holding company of and for the bank.

The Mays set up a "slush fund," according to the U.S. Attorney's Office, which contained funds collected as insufficient fund charges on returned checks.

The NSF charges were not entered as income on the books of the bank, but the Mays took cash out of a tellers cash drawer equal to the amount of NSF charges collected in a given day, secreted the cash, altered the books to reflect a lower amount of teller's cash. The books balanced because the amount of cash taken was equal to the amount of NSF charges which should have been posted to the bank's income account.

More than $90,000 was taken from the teller's cash and secreted over a six-year period. Although the Mays were not charged with embezzling the monies, a substantial portion of the slush fund, over $50,000, is unaccounted for because no records were kept of legitimate business expenses paid for from the slush fund, an U.S. attorney said.

The sentencing is the result of a two-year FBI investigation conducted by agents from the Amarillo office. William B. Mateja, assistant U.S. attorney from Lubbock, handled the prosecution.

PEDC board of directors to meet Thursday afternoon

The board of directors of the Pampa Economic Development Corporation will meet at 4 p.m. Thursday in their offices at 301 N. Ballard, next to the Southwest Public Service office.

Items on the agenda scheduled to be discussed include the treasurer's report and approval of expenditures; the hiring of a certified public accountant for an audit of the corporation's books; a prospect request, and an executive session in which the directors will discuss personnel matters.

The PEDC is a non-profit organization chartered by the city last year to help promote economic growth and bring industry to Pampa.

The board of directors are members of the business community and include Bill Waters, president; Victor Raymond, vice president; Wayne Stribling, secretary; Benny Kirksey, treasurer; and Jim Morris, assistant secretary and assistant treasurer.

Pampa school board to discuss broadcast renewal

The Pampa school board on Thursday is expected to consider approval of a three-year broadcast renewal agreement with Pampa radio station KGRO-KOMX.

Also, the board is expected to consider appointment of Dr. Keith Teague, a former member of the Pampa school board, and reappointment of Wallace Birkes to the Gray County Appraisal District board of directors. Each of the new two-year terms on the board for which the two men are being recommended will begin Jan. 1, 1994.

The meeting is scheduled for 6 p.m. Thursday in the board conference room of Carver Center central administration building, 321 W. Albert.

Also, the trustees are expected to:

• Consider the sale of delinquent tax property.

• Consider approval of bids for cafeteria equipment, lockers, and band instruments.

• Consider a proposed budget amendment.

• Hear a report from Superintendent Dawson Orr concerning the fund balance, community use of PISD facilities, and Parent University.

• Consider possible action on the career salary-supplement ladder placement for personnel.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR, Harley Knutson, 665-4237. Adv.

MOTOROLA CELLULAR Phone Sale! "Tote" bag phone $39.95. Model 2600 bag phone $79.95. Hand held "Flip Phone" $199.95. Activation required. Borger Radio Shack only. 274-7077. Free Pampa delivery on all products (toys, computers, etc.) Owned and operated by Art and Donetta Owen, evenings 665-6779. Adv.

CONSTRUCTION SALE continues featuring Jog Suits at 1/2 price this week only at Bette's 708 N. Hobart, rear entry from Texas St. Adv.

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Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, partly cloudy, low in the mid 30s, northwest winds switching to the south 5 to 15 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy, high near 60, southwest winds 15 to 20 mph and gusty. The high on Tuesday was 48; the overnight low was 29.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas – Panhandle: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in low to mid 30s. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in low 60s. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows in low to mid 30s. South Plains: Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in mid 30s. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs in upper 60s. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows mostly in the 40s.

North Texas – Tonight and Thursday, partly cloudy. Lows 38 to 42. Highs 62 to 68. Thursday night, increasing cloudiness. Lows 46 to 50.

South Texas – Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, mostly clear. Lows from 30s Hill Country to 40s south central. Thursday, increasing clouds. Highs in the 60s to near 70. Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Lows in the 40s Hill Country, 50s south central. Coastal Bend: Tonight, fair skies. Lows from near 50 inland to 50s coast. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs from 70s inland to near 70 coast. Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Lows from 50s inland to 60s coast. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, fair skies. Lows from 50s inland to 60s coast. Thursday, partly cloudy. Highs from near 80 inland to 70s coast. Thursday night, partly cloudy. Lows from near 50s inland to 60s coast.

BORDER STATES

Oklahoma – Tonight, fair. Lows in mid 30s to low 40s. Thursday, mostly sunny. Highs from upper 50s to low 60s.

New Mexico – Tonight, partly cloudy central and west. Fair skies east. Few snow flurries northern border. Thursday, partly cloudy. Lows tonight in the teens to mid 20s mountains with 20s and 30s lower elevations. Highs Thursday in the 40s to mid 50s mountains with mid 50s to 60s elsewhere.

City commissioner feels lucky to escape burning van

BROWNSVILLE (AP) – A city councilman accidentally discharged a hunting rifle inside his Chevy Suburban, hitting an aerosol can of hairspray that exploded and destroyed the interior of the vehicle.

"I'm alive and I feel great and that's what matters," Pete Benavides said Tuesday.

The commissioner said the accident occurred Monday morning near his campsite on rural property in the Rio Grande Valley.

He had just shot at but missed a buck, and he placed the loaded rifle in the back seat in case the deer reappeared. He later reached back to unload the weapon.

"I don't know how I grabbed it or whatever, but it just went off," Benavides said.

A explosion blew through the inside of the 1991 Suburban, singeing his hair and eyebrows, catching his shirt on fire, and injuring his forearms with first- and second-degree burns.

"It was like a torch," he said.

"I think what saved my life was that I had the door open and one foot outside," he said. "Because I think that if I had had the door closed it would have been a different story."

Border Patrol says Mexican blockade will be permanent

AUSTIN (AP) – The controversial 400-agent blockade along a 20-mile stretch of the Mexican border will become a permanent fixture, the El Paso Border Patrol chief told the *Austin American-Statesman*.

"Operation Hold the Line," began about two months ago, but Chief Silvestre Reye hadn't confirmed its permanence until a Monday night interview with the *Statesman*.

Reyes has posted about 130 officers on each eight-hour shift along the U.S.-Mexico border from the El Paso suburb of Fabens to Sunland Park, N.M., forming a dragnet to keep illegal immigrants out.

In the past, the agents spent much of their time chasing illegal immigrants after they had crossed the border, then returning them to Mexico.

Most of the agents are stationed in vehicles, some as close as 50 yards apart in downtown El Paso.

Arrests of illegal immigrants are down by 85 percent from last year in some areas, he said. Petty crimes and car thefts also have been reduced drastically.

"It's pretty hard to argue with success," Reyes said. He said the blockade has the backing of Attorney General Janet Reno and Doris Meissner, the incoming Immigration and Naturalization Commissioner.

But immigrant rights groups say the blockade is hurting relations with Mexico. They also say it's fostering racism and that many impoverished Mexicans who cross over usually take menial jobs most Americans don't want.

Hundreds of immigrants used to work every day as low-paid laborers in El Paso, but most have been kept out by the blockade. And many well-to-do Mexicans who cross the Rio Grande with short-term visas have complained about increased scrutiny and unfriendly treatment by immigration authorities.

Martin Sanchez, a human rights worker and critic of the blockade, said making the operation permanent is a mistake.

"It sends a message to a lot of people beyond the El Paso region that we have a situation here that is militarized, and we're building walls and telling the world that we don't want you to come here."

But Reyes says the rationale for the blockade is simple: Undocumented immigrants are breaking U.S. laws, and his officers are just doing their jobs.

The El Paso sector of the U.S. Border Patrol received about $250,000 in special funding for the first two weeks of the operation, Reyes said. It helped cover overtime and other costs. He said no additional funds are needed to continue the operation.

A formal review of the operation will be conducted Thursday, which is the end of the second month of the blockade, Reyes said.

NAFTA would be crown for Mexico's economic miracle-maker

By BILL CORMIER
Associated Press Writer

MEXICO CITY (AP) – President Carlos Salinas de Gortari, the free-market visionary who engineered Mexico's economic miracle, awaits a U.S. verdict today on a trade agreement that would be his crowning achievement.

Salinas, who has led Mexico out of the economic ruins of the 1980s, and 85 million compatriots will know by this evening if the U.S. Congress has ratified the North American Free Trade Agreement.

That vote could determine the continued success of the bold reforms Salinas consolidated after taking office in 1988, privatizing hundreds of inefficient state enterprises while throwing a once-protectionist economy wide open.

"We have had the Mexican revolution, and this could now be the dawn of a trade revolution. This is a decisive moment in our history," said Mexican political commentator and novelist Homero Aridjis.

"If the North American Free Trade Agreement is signed, Mexico will fully enter into the 21st century in 1994."

The mood here was upbeat in the hours leading up to the vote. Most were certain the accord would be approved.

"Salinas' reforms have been very good and they will continue under the free trade agreement," said 20-year-old Gerardo Villagran, who sells electrical appliances at an open-air market in downtown Mexico City.

"The market is going up this week because everyone's sure the treaty will be approved," said university student Miguel Rivera.

At stake is the world's largest trade zone – 362 million consumers across Canada, Mexico and the United States, scheduled to go into effect Jan. 1.

With a combined output of $6 trillion in goods and services, the North American free trade zone would best the $4.2 trillion Gross Domestic Product of the 12 European Community nations and pose a formidable challenge to Asia.

That would be a victory for Salinas, the Harvard-trained economist pivotal in transforming an inward-looking nation into an open, flexible trading partner that boasts the world's 13th largest economy.

"One is struck by how much has been done," said Stephen Potter of the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development, the Paris grouping of 24 wealthy nations now considering Mexico as its first Latin American member.

Salinas is credited with boldly advancing reforms begun in 1986, when Mexico joined the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, or GATT. Tariffs of up to 100 percent were slashed to about 11 percent on average.

NAFTA would erase most remaining barriers to trade among the three North American neighbors over 15 years.

Under Salinas' reforms, the technocrat slashed red tape, overhauled investment laws to raise nearly $36 billion in foreign capital investment and tamped 51 percent annual inflation to 11.9 percent last year.

After years of negative growth, he got the Mexican economy growing again at a rate of 3 percent a year, a rate forecast again for next year after a lull blamed on a worldwide slowdown.

But Salinas, who cannot succeed himself when his six-year term ends in December 1994, is not pegging all his hopes on NAFTA.

He said that whether it passes or not, he will push ahead with reforms that have seen the state telephone monopoly, banks and airlines sold, and real wages increase 14 percent since 1988.

"Our development does not lie outside the country, but rather in our own efforts: in savings, productivity and quality," Salinas said in his annual State of the Nation address Nov. 1.

Salinas' desire to lift Mexico into the ranks of the developed world will be a daunting challenge.

About 14 million Mexicans are classified as "extremely impoverished." More than 20 million others are struggling to meet basic needs.

Still, many Mexicans place high hopes on Salinas and the trade agreement.

MetLife ads under investigation

AUSTIN (AP) – A state investigation has been launched into advertising practices in Texas by Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

The probe comes a week after MetLife officials volunteered to refund premiums to 18,000 customers, including 1,000 Texans, who may have been misled when they bought similar policies from its Tampa, Fla. office.

Insurance Commissioner J. Robert Hunter said Tuesday the investigation was prompted by consumer complaints over mailed advertising allegedly used to sell insurance policies as "retirement plans."

"The department will use all its resources to protect Texas consumers from misleading advertising campaigns," Hunter said.

MetLife officials said they would cooperate with the investigation. "Anytime we hear allegations of this type we find them very troubling and we're going to do whatever we have to get to the bottom of it," said Charlie Sahner, a spokesman for MetLife.

The advertised policies were directed at nurses and other professionals, officials said.

Andy Salmon, director of the Texas Department of Insurance's advertising unit, said the "retirement plan" material appears to be a high-interest savings plan, but in reality is more like whole life insurance.

With most whole life policies, there is little cash value for the first couple of years because the premiums go toward commissions and administrative expenses.

"None of this is disclosed in the nurses retirement plan advertising," Salmon said.

Officials said the Insurance Department's investigation focuses on agents operating in the Houston area, Dallas area, San Antonio, Austin and College Station.

Salmon said MetLife agreed to stop the advertising in 1990, but the Insurance Department continued to receive complaints.

Serena Kuvet, an attorney in charge of the Texas investigation, said officials are trying to determine the scope of the problem. She urged Texans with questions about the advertisements or policies to contact the department at 1-800-252-3439.

MetLife could face several disciplinary actions, she said. The company could be ordered to cease the advertising, be fined up to $25,000 per day, or have their operations in Texas canceled or suspended for a year. In addition, Commissioner Hunter could refer the case to the state attorney general's office for consideration of a lawsuit under the state Deceptive Trade Practices Act.

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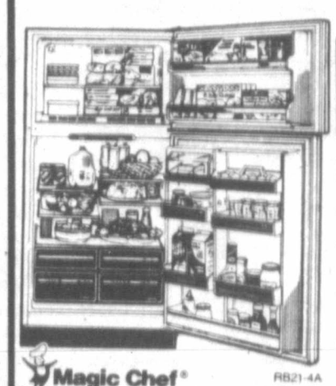
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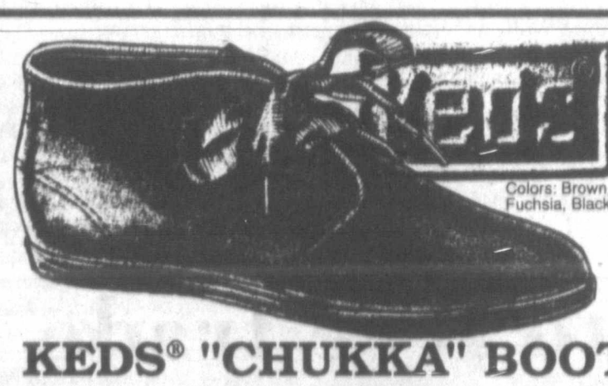
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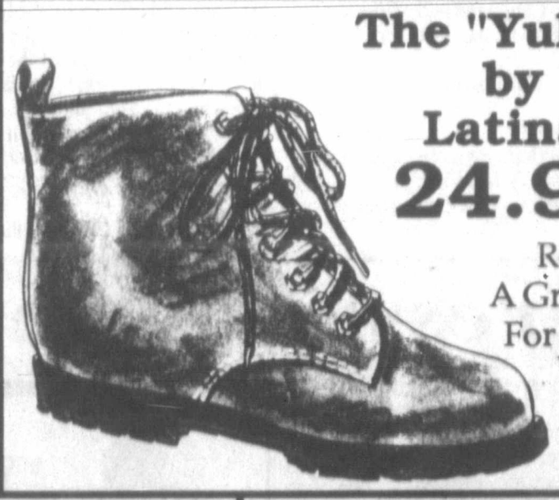


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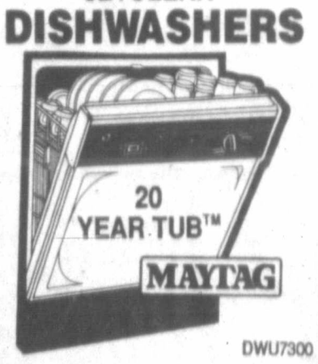
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Opinion

A vote for NAFTA is a vote for freedom

The world economy will not grind to a halt today if Congress fails to approve a free-trade agreement with Canada and Mexico. But the agreement's failure could set in motion a chain of events that would leave Americans less secure, less free and less well off than we might have been.

In what has been the brightest slice of his presidency so far, Bill Clinton has stumped vigorously in recent weeks for passage of the North American Free Trade Agreement. Clinton has made a principled case for free trade, contending that Americans must embrace the global economy, rather than run from it. A large swath of Congress and the public, unfortunately, remains unconvinced. If the agreement wins majority approval in the House and Senate, everyone agrees it will be a close vote.

To make its case, the administration sent Vice President Al Gore to debate the agreement with its most outspoken critic, Texas billionaire Ross Perot. While all the arguments are on the side of free trade, it might have been a tactical mistake for the administration to stoop to debate Perot face to face. The Texas maverick has shown a deft ability to twist numbers in a way that makes rational debate nearly impossible.

Despite what Perot and his anti-trade allies contend, NAFTA is not about special favors to big business or to the Mexican government. It is about encouraging freedom and prosperity. Free trade is good for nations and good for people. It raises the general standard of living for people in all countries by enhancing competition and encouraging productivity. It fosters peaceful relations among nations through travel and commercial contacts, encouraging countries to compete economically rather than militarily. A free-trade agreement with Mexico would benefit people on both sides of the border. Americans would benefit from the lower prices the competition would bring and by the jobs created because of increased exports. We would also benefit from a rising standard of living in Mexico, which would create greater demand for American products and reduce the incentive for Mexicans to emigrate illegally to the United States. A wealthier Mexico would also be more able to clean up its environment.

Failure to pass NAFTA would not be the end of the world as we know it. After all, American trade with Mexico has been expanding smartly in recent years without it. But its defeat would damage America's position in the global economy and encourage enemies of economic freedom at home. If NAFTA fails, protectionists everywhere, from labor unions to Pat Buchanan populists, would hail its defeat as a vindication of their cause. Failure of NAFTA would stymie efforts to complete a global trade accord though the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Defeat of GATT would encourage protectionist sentiment worldwide, potentially closing markets to American goods.

NAFTA's defeat would also damage our relations with Mexico. It could set back the free-market reforms of President Carlos Salinas, the most pro-American and pro-market president Mexico has ever had. It would be far better for the United States to have a friendly and economically vibrant Mexico as a neighbor than a country that is hostile and economically floundering.

Republicans who may be tempted to vote against NAFTA as a partisan jab at Clinton should consider this: If NAFTA fails, Perot will grow in political strength, which will only cut more deeply into Republican credibility as the opposition party.

A vote cast for NAFTA is a vote for freedom, prosperity and better relations with the world by voting to tear down barriers to trade.

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New York and the race issue



William F. Buckley Jr.

New York City is attempting to assimilate the political event of the elections. It is discouraging that so many commentators appear to rely on the race question as the key to a true understanding of the city, And in doing so, they encourage others to think in the same tender.

Sober citizens were understandably exercised when President Clinton, in town to urge the re-election of David Dinkins last month, suggested that hostility to his re-election was traceable to race prejudice. That maddened a lot of New York voters, if only because they were entitled to think: What does this Rhodes Scholar redneck, hailing from a state into which we had to send the Army of the United States to bring about integration in the schools, know about race relations in New York? After all, if white New York were consolidated against a black candidate for mayor, then how did Dinkins make it the first time around?

And then of course a quiet fury builds up in the brainpan of the discriminating voter who, having spent time and exercised conscientious judgment, ends up convinced that Rudolph Giuliani is a better bet – only to see himself classified, by the Clinton code, as a racist.

The striking aspect of the voting wasn't the split white vote, but the solid black vote. It isn't reasonable to doubt that there were white voters who went against Dinkins because he is black. But how, then, to account for the motives of black New Yorkers? They voted for Dinkins 95 percent.

It is to easy to avoid discomfort here by saying simply that, after all, Dinkins is a Democrat and, traditionally, blacks vote for Democrats. The Basic Law of Political Demography doesn't account, e.g., for 60 percent of black voters voting for former Republican Gov. Tom Kean in New Jersey, or 13 percent voting for Republican President Richard Nixon in 1972.

Add to this that Dinkins was not judged to have dealt successfully with critical episodes. His indecisiveness in the Crown Heights situation – where, it is recorded, for the first time since the death of Hitler someone was killed simply because he was Jewish – was not exemplary. And it continues to appall that he did nothing to discourage, let alone disrupt, a boycott by New York City blacks of a Korean grocer.

These two acts did a lot to undermine Dinkins' claim as the obvious choice to preside over inter-ethnic harmony in New York.

And then of course there was the problem of New York City, which has a great deal to worry about that has nothing whatever to do with race relations.

The Republicans nominated a candidate who twice remarked his ambition to live up to the standards of former Mayor John Lindsay. It is rewarding to recall what this signified to the New Yorker worried about the three principal concerns of the city, which are taxes, crime and education. Lindsay was opposed in 1965 by the Conservative candidate (me) on the grounds that the differences between his program and that of Democratic candidate Abraham Beame were illegible.

The allegation was ratified six years later when, having lost in the Republican primary vote to a conservative Republican, John Lindsay changed party affiliation and took shelter where he really belonged – with the Democrats.

The point being that Guiliani made concessions to liberal New York prejudices (e.g., rent control) while doing less than to inspire conservative enthusiasm. The third-party candidate, George Marlin, was all but ignored, and the reason for this became, finally, clear: Enough New Yorkers feared that four more years of fiscal slide under Mayor Dinkins had to be resisted at any cost, and that, pace Hamlet, New Yorkers were not better off bearing the ills they had than flying to other that they knew not of.

Giuliani made extravagant gestures, immediately on his election, to reassure black leaders and their constituents that he would continue to place a high value on race relations. Mr. G. is a competent human being, very good at training his attention on the job at hand. What his problem will be is the harnessing of the forces required in order to do something about a city in an advanced stage of decomposition.

The statistics on New York are pretty dismaying, identifying it as the great sanctuary of high taxation, bureaucratic engorgement and bad education. In order to accost these problems, let alone that of crime, Giuliani will need to do the kind of thing that affronts standard liberal priorities.

Dinkins turned out to be the first black mayor of a major city who failed to win re-election. Giuliani could face his own problem, in 1997. Maybe one day a New York mayor immobilized by the bureaucracy will simply resign, announce his intention to move to New Hampshire and tell the voters to take time away from their racial ululations, grow up and then vote in a reform government.



Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 17, the 321st day of 1993. There are 44 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 17, 1800, Congress held its first session in Washington in the partially completed Capitol building.

On this date:

In 1558, Elizabeth I ascended the English throne upon the death of Queen Mary.

In 1869, the Suez Canal opened in Egypt, linking the Mediterranean and the Red seas.

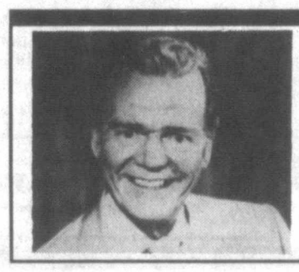
In 1889, the Union Pacific Railroad Co. began direct daily railroad service between Chicago and Portland, Ore., as well as Chicago and San Francisco.

In 1917, sculptor August Rodin died in Meudon, France.

In 1925, actor Rock Hudson was born in Winnetka, Ill.

In 1934, Lyndon Baines Johnson married Claudia Alta Taylor, better known as "Lady Bird."

Ganging up on gangsters ...



Paul Harvey

Chicagoans were chagrined, especially black Chicagoans.

They shuddered when gangs of young night crawlers – most of the "Warlords" and "Vice Lords" and "Crips" and "Devils Disciples" – converged for a meeting they tried to dignify by calling "a gang summit."

There have been 97 gang-related murders in Chicago this year.

And black Chicagoans were chagrined by the predominance of blacks among these young hoodlums.

The conference organizer, Gator Bradley, set the theme for the meeting with his invocation:

"Father, I ask of you that all those who stand in our way – that you will blind them, snap the limbs from their bodies and wipe them from the face of the earth."

Similar meetings of street gangsters are scheduled this year in Kansas City, Cleveland and Minneapolis.

Before the year ends, they intend to strut around Washington, D.C.

Unless responsible black citizens in these cities talk back.

They are beginning to.

The Rev. Louis Farrakhan says, "African Americans must help themselves. It is no longer the fault of white people. It's our own fault, and we must get our own house in order."

The Rev. Jesse Jackson says, "We (blacks) have lost more lives to the BBB than to the KKK."

Jackson notes that in New York City alone 362 blacks have been killed by blacks this year. He and entertainer Bill Cosby will be heading a new crusade against black-on-black crime.

Until this year, such admonitions from black leaders came mostly from Professor Walter Williams, who thus got himself labeled as an "Uncle Tom."

Now, his evaluation of the situation is increasingly described as "overdue" by some of the same individuals who criticized him.

There are still organizations which perpetuate themselves by blaming black problems on "denial of opportunity" and by persistently begging for handouts.

But blacks moving into the American mainstream are embarrassed by the numbers: Illegitimacy among blacks is 65 percent; in some cities 80 percent.

Girls as young as 9 are becoming mothers.

Sixty percent of black children live in female-headed households.

In some cities, the dropout rate among black school-age children exceeds 50 percent.

And often, those who manage to graduate receive fraudulent diplomas that are worthless in the marketplace.

Professor Williams notes that in many cities the economic wasteland has become so dangerous that no whites dare intrude and black children in the projects often have their meals served on the floor so as not to be hit by stray bullets.

These are not "civil rights problems," says Williams. "That fight has been won."

He notes that since 1965, $3.5 trillion has been spent in the name of eliminating poverty.

"That didn't work."

Yet last Halloween in the most violent areas of Camden. N.J., and Detroit, where thugs had established a tradition or arson, black residents unable to count on police protection patrolled their own streets, and arson was minimized.

Williams says, "We blacks do not need parasitic poverty pimps or more bureaucrats. We need local citizens on foot patrols 'ganging up on gangsters.' "

Congress: Say yes to free trade



William A. Rusher

Both Houses of Congress will shortly vote to approve or reject the North American Free Trade Agreement, and it is time for everyone interested in public affairs in this country to stand up and be counted on the issue. Let me, then, go on record as urging Congress to approve NAFTA.

One of the great central themes of modern American conservatism has been the preferability of free trade to protectionism. The basic analysis goes back to Adam Smith: Everyone is better off in the long run when markets, rather than governments, determine prices. A tariff on Italian shoes (for example) "protects" American shoe manufacturers, but results in every American paying more for shoes than would otherwise be the case. The same goes for men's shirts, automobiles, and indeed every other commodity.

Letting the international market determine prices, on the other hand, results over time in each nation concentrating on producing what it can do best and most cheaply – to the benefit of buyers everywhere.

What has happened in recent years is that, thanks to technology, the nature of what America can do best has been shifting: from basic manufacturing (at which many other countries can now compete with us successfully) to all sorts of high-tech enterprises at which we can run circles around almost everybody else. This has unquestionably resulted in a certain amount of damage to some traditional American businesses, and will, inevitably, result in a certain amount more if it is allowed to continue (as NAFTA would do).

The only alternative, however, is to rig the market to "protect" politically powerful American businesses, to the immediate detriment of consumers and the long-range detriment of the entire American economy, which would be doomed to continue outdated economic practices while the world outside rushed on to a more efficient future. If we have the courage to lower the barriers to free trade with our North American neighbors, our economy will right itself again swiftly and generate far more jobs than will be lost.

Naturally the big unions dread NAFTA – not so much because existing union jobs will be lost but because they can't be sure of unionizing the tremendous number of new jobs that will be created. So President Clinton, who is in bed with the unions on just about everything else, is totally dependent on Republican votes to pull NAFTA through both the House and the Senate.

I hope he gets them. This is not time to play politics. If the Republicans join the majority of their Democratic colleagues in shooting NAFTA down, there will, to be sure, be a certain amount of egg on President Clinton's face. But long after it has disappeared, the historians of our time will remember and say that on this major issue the congressional Republicans simply and cynically abandoned their free-trade principles.

I am well aware that some conservatives fear the so-called "side agreements" (on the environment, etc.) that Mr. Clinton has negotiated in order to placate his Democratic critics have turned an essentially good arrangement into an engine for international control of important economic decisions. But the arguments are dubious, the alleged damage is remediable, and the benefits of NAFTA vastly outweigh minor objections to it.

Repeatedly, in recent months, I have noted prominent conservative individuals and organizations opposing, on one tendentious ground or another, measures that have long been advocated by the conservative movement as a whole. Before this column can even be published, the California school voucher initiative – the most promising effort ever made to rescue American education from disaster – will have been shot down by a disgraceful coalition of the National Education Association, a handful, of "libertarian" conservatives, a Christian home-school lobby and the Republican governor of California.

Don't let it happen to NAFTA.

South African negotiators move toward agreements

By JOHN DANISZEWSKI
Associated Press Writer

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) – Negotiators today voted to transform the army and abolish "independent" black homelands, hours before F.W. de Klerk and Nelson Mandela were to sign a revolutionary pact to create a color-blind South Africa.

Working through the night, leaders of 21 political parties agreed on most major points of a new interim constitution that treats blacks and whites equally for the first time since Dutch merchants arrived in 1652.

But snags emerged at closed-door meetings this morning, according to the independent SAPA news agency, quoting sources at the talks.

The disagreements between the government and ANC involved at least two key issues, including the process for enacting a permanent constitution in two years, SAPA said.

The discord meant the signing ceremony was delayed at least two hours as negotiators consulted by telephone with their respective leaders.

Talks had progressed rapidly overnight after a meeting in Pretoria between de Klerk, now likely a lame-duck president, and African National Congress leader Mandela, the black former anti-apartheid political prisoner expected to take the country's helm after the first multiracial election April 27.

With negotiators in an ebullient mood, champagne was put on ice for toasts to celebrate the historic pact.

The package involved an interim constitution and bill of rights, an electoral law, and legislation establishing independent broadcasting authorities, a 400-member national assembly, a 90-member senate, nine regions with their own legislatures and a multiparty Cabinet headed by a president and at least one vice president.

After its approval by the multiparty negotiators, it will be sent to the last session of the all-white parliament, which sits Monday, for its rubber stamp. Approval is certain.

Issues approved overnight included a plan to reform the army by integrating it with elements of black anti-apartheid forces, and setting out a two-tier police system, with police answerable to regional governors in addition to the national police.

The council also approved a resolution to reincorporate into South Africa four so-called "independent" black homelands, created in apartheid's vain attempt to permanently separate blacks and whites.

The states, whose sovereignty was recognized only by South Africa, are Venda, Ciskei, Transkei and Bophuthatswana. Two of the four – Ciskei and Bophuthatswana – have opposed the talks and threatened to reject any attempts to impose agreements on them.

"End of the beginning," *The Star* of Johannesburg trumpeted in a banner headline Wednesday.

"Today – precisely one year, 10 months and 28 days after formal talks began – South Africa's leaders are due to ratify a historic compromise pact, mapping out a path to a nonracial future," the paper said.

"A new country is being born," de Klerk said during a surprise visit Tuesday to the World Trade Center in Kempton Park, the scene of the harried talks.

The state-run South African Broadcasting Corp. planned to broadcast today's signing ceremony live, in contrast to pre-reform days when the ANC and other opposition groups were banned and it was illegal to quote their leaders or publish their photos.

Despite the signing, government sources said the final charter could still be adjusted to satisfy the Freedom Alliance, a bloc of potentially dangerous conservative whites and blacks fearful of ANC dominance.

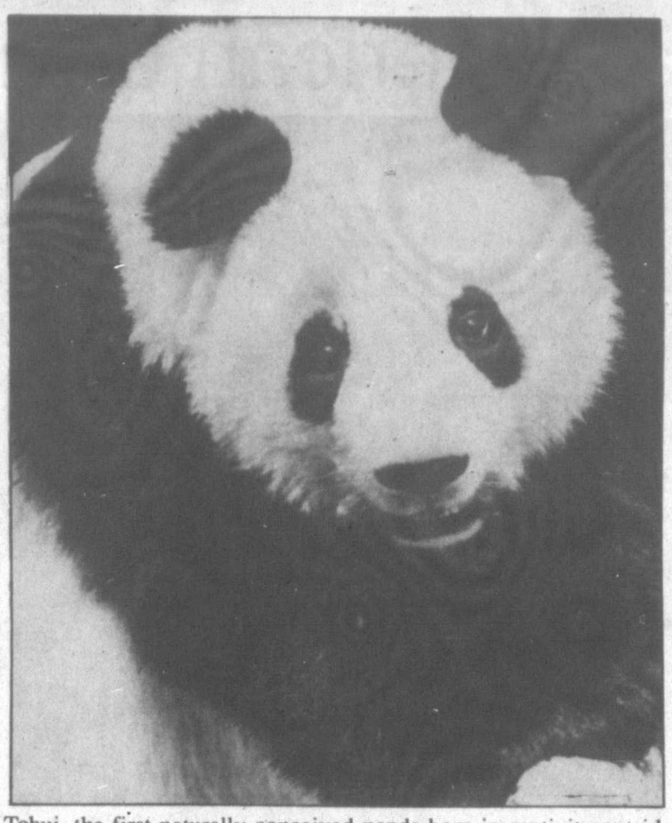
The alliance, which groups well-armed white, right-wing organizations, the powerful Zulu-based Inkatha Freedom Party and the two conservative homelands, warned the government and ANC against finalizing any constitution without its consent.

"There is reason to believe that we could make progress," said Rowan Cronje, a Bophuthatswana official and chief negotiator for the Freedom Alliance. "There's no reason why time factors should not allow for that."

De Klerk aides said negotiating doors would remain open to the alliance and the president would meet with its leaders Friday.

The election next year will choose a proportionally elected parliament that will form an interim government to rule the country until 1999. The new parliament also would write a final constitution by 1996, based on principles of the interim charter.

Panda dies



Tohui, the first naturally conceived panda born in captivity outside China, has died at the Chapultepec Zoo in Mexico City where she was born. The 12-year-old panda, who delighted thousands of Mexican schoolchildren, had been diagnosed with chronic intestinal inflammation over the summer. Tissue samples were sent to a laboratory to determine the exact cause of death. "Tohui was loved by many. This is a moment of great sadness," said zoo director Maria Elena Hoyo. Pandas, an endangered species, normally live up to 20 years in captivity, but Tohui had suffered from infections and other ailments since giving birth in 1990. She mated with a panda on loan from London. Seven days ago, the 206-pound panda stopped eating her usual daily meals of cooked rice, milk and leafy greens. She grew listless and unresponsive in the final 48 hours before her death Tuesday, Elena Hoyo said. Tohui was buried in the zoo's garden, Elena Hoyo said. The death of Tohui leaves only 113 pandas in captivity around the world, Elena Hoyo said. There are fewer than 1,000 remaining in the wild in China. Tohui means "child" in the language of Mexico's northern Tarahumara Indians. Tohui was born July 21, 1981, to two pandas donated to the Chapultepec Zoo by China in 1975. Her father Pe-Pe died of cancer in 1988 and her mother Ying-Ying died a year later. Very few pandas born in captivity survive. (AP photo)

DJ hospitalized by water balloon

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) – A disc jockey known for his zany stunts was sent to the hospital by a water balloon.

Mark Wintrow of KRYS-FM was hospitalized briefly for dizziness after the lobbed balloon hit him in the head during a fund-raiser that netted the local United Way chapter $22.

"Mark wound up getting a ding," said Scott Ward, the other half of the K-99 morning DJ team.

Wintrow, who once drove a tricycle through a car wash to simulate the effects of a hurricane, Tuesday donned a raincoat and motorcycle helmet and let people pay $1 to toss water balloons at him from the second floor of the Quality Hotel Bayfront.

United Way spokesman Michelle Herrington said one missed. The balloon bounced off the ground, so Wintrow threw it back to him.

The second time around, the man threw harder and apparently aimed truer, she said.

Clinton rides momentum to NAFTA vote

WASHINGTON (AP) – The White House confidently predicted victory in tonight's showdown vote on the North American Free Trade Agreement but treaty opponents vowed a final day's fight to reverse President Clinton's late momentum.

"It's never in the bag until the vote's in," Clinton said as he headed out for a morning jog – sporting a red, white and blue pro-NAFTA T-shirt for emphasis. "I'm working on it," he said.

In a remarkable reversal, an Associated Press survey showed Clinton and his free-trade allies on the verge of victory – momentum openly acknowledged by NAFTA opponents even as they made one last attempt to swing things back in their favor.

With the vote just hours away, The AP count showed 209 House members supporting the pact and eight others likely to do so. Declared opponents numbered 184, with 13 leaning against. That left 20 lawmakers undecided about the pact, which would eliminate tariffs and other trade barriers on everything from automobile parts to ziti ingredients between the United States, Canada and Mexico over 15 years.

The White House needs 218 votes for passage and Clinton advisers said a handful of Democrats who would prefer to vote against the deal would back Clinton if their votes were essential.

The NAFTA arguments on morning television news shows were a prelude to a daylong House debate on a trade agreement that pits Clinton against much of his party's House majority.

"They have picked up the pace a little bit and closed the gap in the vote, but I think we are going to win," House Democratic Whip David Bonior, leader of the anti-NAFTA forces, said on ABC.

"We're confident, but not overconfident," countered the White House trade representative, Mickey Kantor, speaking on a Fox television program.

As the evening vote loomed, Clinton was in the unusual position of needing overwhelming Republican support, and GOP lawmakers promised to deliver.

"Certainly, we would expect he would appreciate our efforts," Texas Republican Rep. Richard Armey said on NBC. "But we don't feel like he owes us anything."

As the NAFTA rivals assessed the race for votes, they also opened a final day of House wrangling over the substance of the trade deal.

Administration officials and other supporters said the open Mexican and Canadian markets would mean more high-paying American jobs because of demand for U.S. goods, as well as set a precedent for other global trade talks. Opponents countered by saying they were for free trade but not this deal, which they argued did too little to guarantee improvements in Mexico's wage and environmental standards.

"Mexican wages stay artificially held down, causing downward pressure on our wages, our standard of living," was House Majority Leader Richard Gephardt's gloomy prediction should NAFTA passes.

On an issue that defied party lines, Republicans were behind the pact by a nearly 3-1 margin; three Democrats in five were against.

As momentum shifted toward the agreement, droves of lawmakers flocked aboard like a crowd of commuters leaping onto a departing train. Twenty-four of them came out for NAFTA on Tuesday alone – including seven who had previously said they probably would vote to kill the compact. Among the converts were several lawmakers from Florida, who were assured by administration officials that NAFTA would not allow Mexican citrus products, tomatoes and vegetables to flood the U.S. market and batter Florida growers.

The shifts were the product of dozens of phone calls and meetings by Clinton himself and countless others by his Cabinet and chief aides. Side agreements were cut to soften the competitive blows to wheat, textiles and apparel, all aimed at securing an agreement that has gained enormous political importance for the president.

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Food

Squash, a delicious classical American dish

By The Associated Press

Along with corn, cranberries and bell peppers, squash is a truly American crop. Hard-shelled or winter varieties include Australian blue, banana, buttercup, butternut, golden acorn, Hubbard, Jack-Be-Little, spaghetti and turban. Squash can be used in a variety of dishes, including bread.

Acorn Squash Bread

1 medium acorn squash
Two 1/4-ounce packages regular or fast-rising yeast
3 tablespoons packed light brown sugar
1-3rd cup warm water (110 degrees F)
3/4 cup buttermilk
2 tablespoons margarine or butter, melted
2 medium carrots, shredded
1 tablespoon grated orange rind
2 cups all-purpose flour
1 1/2 cups whole-wheat flour
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 recipe Marmalade Spread (recipe below)

Cut squash in half; scoop out and discard seeds. Place squash, cut-sides-down, in a 13- by 9-inch baking pan; add 1/2-inch hot water. Bake, covered, in a preheated 400-degree F oven until squash is fork-tender, 30 to 40 minutes.

Scoop out cooked squash; mash or process in food processor or blender until smooth (there should be about 1 1/2 cups squash; reserve any remaining for another use).

Stir yeast and sugar into warm water; let stand 5 minutes.

Stir in buttermilk and margarine. Stir in squash puree, carrots, orange rind, all-purpose flour, 1 cup of the whole-wheat flour, spices and salt.

Mix in enough remaining whole-wheat flour to make a soft dough.

Knead dough on floured surface until smooth and elastic; about 10 minutes.

Place dough in greased bowl and let rise, loosely covered, in a warm place until doubled in size, 40 to 60 minutes. Punch dough down.

Knead dough on floured surface about 5 minutes. Shape into two loaves and place in greased loaf pans, 8 1/2- by 4 1/2-inches. Let rise, loosely covered, until double in size, 40 to 60 minutes.

Bake in a preheated 350-degree F oven until loaves are golden and sound hollow when tapped, about 40 minutes. Cool on wire racks. Slice bread, serve with Marmalade Spread. Makes two loaves, about 20 slices each.

Nutrition information per slice, without spread: 99 cal. (13 percent calories from fat), 2 g fat, 8 g saturated fat, 0 mg chol., 82 mg sodium.

Marmalade Spread

Two 3-ounce packages reduced-fat cream cheese, softened
1 cup orange marmalade
2 tablespoons grated orange rind
2 tablespoons skim milk



(AP Photo)

Slice Acorn Squash Bread and serve with homemade Marmalade Spread. The bread recipe makes two loaves. Serve one of the loaves with your holiday meal and freeze the other loaf for later.

Beat cream cheese in small bowl until fluffy; beat in marmalade, orange rind and enough milk to make a soft spreading consistency.

Spoon mixture into small bowl; serve at room temperature. Makes 24 servings (1 tablespoon each).

Nutrition information per 1-tablespoon serving: 50 cal. (21 percent calories from fat), 1 g fat, 2 g saturated fat, 3 mg chol., 42 mg sodium, 21 percent calories from fat.

Spicy soup satisfies southwest cravings

By NANCY BYAL, Food Editor
Better Homes and Gardens Magazine
For AP Special Features

Brimming with snappy flavors of America's Southwest, this soup will satisfy any craving for Mexican food in minutes. Convenient canned ingredients reduce chopping and cleanup. And if you want to reduce the sodium, you can use low-sodium beef broth and tomato paste.

Hearty Rice and Sausage Soup

1 pound turkey sausage or bulk pork sausage
1 medium onion, chopped (1/2 cup)
1/2 cup coarsely chopped green pepper
1 clove garlic, minced
14 1/2-ounce can Mexican-style stewed tomatoes
2 cups water
10 1/2-ounce can condensed beef broth
1/2 of a 6-ounce can tomato paste (1-3rd cup)
1/2 teaspoon chili powder
1-3rd cup quick-cooking rice
1 medium zucchini, halved lengthwise and sliced 1/4-inch thick
Dairy sour cream (optional)
Broken tortilla chips (optional)

In a large saucepan or Dutch oven cook sausage, onion, green pepper and garlic until onion is tender and sausage is brown. Drain off fat.

Cut up any large vegetables in stewed tomatoes. Stir undrained tomatoes, water, broth, tomato paste and chili powder into sausage mixture. Bring just to boiling; reduce heat. Add uncooked rice; cover and simmer for 5 minutes.

Add zucchini; cook, covered, about 5 minutes more or until rice and zucchini are tender. To serve, top each serving with sour cream and tortilla chips, if desired. Makes 4 main-dish servings.

Tea contributes a new element to ordinary cooking

By JOAN CIRILLO
For AP Special Features

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Come the holidays, tea master Steven Smith is likely to be basting his barbecued turkey with a mixture of strong Darjeeling tea, butter and herbs. But that's not the only way tea can be used in cooking and baking.

Tea is more than just a "cup a" for Smith, founder of the 21-year-old Portland-based Stash Tea Co., and other tea devotees. They're cooking with pungent or fragrant leaves and even matching the brew with foods in the same way fine wines complement a gourmet meal.

"Tea is an untapped source of flavorings," said cookbook author Sara Perry. "It can be an untapped resource in food and cuisines and food preparation because it has subtle flavorings that are like fine spices."

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It was Smith, Perry said, who "opened my eyes to tea." (Indeed, conversing with Smith about tea generates dozens of ideas for uses of the brew.) Sprinkling Earl Grey Tea Into Heavy Cream

Perry discovered the brew's culinary possibilities while experimenting in the kitchen for her just-published cookbook, "The Tea Book" (Chronicle Books, $12.95). She recalls sprinkling Earl Grey tea leaves into heavy cream sweetened with sugar and heating the mixture until bubbly. Strained, chilled and then whipped, the cream becomes a flavorful, delicately-scented accent for an apple crisp.

"If it tastes good in a cup, it's going to taste good in a dish," Perry said. Her recipes include traditional ones — like Moroccan mint sorbet, Chinese vendor tea eggs and tea-smoked chicken wings. The tea eggs, sold by street vendors in China, are hard-boiled. Shells are then cracked and eggs are simmered and soaked in tea and spices, resulting in a brown, weblike stain.

"Smoking with tea leaves is like smoking with any aromatic woods," Perry said, referring to the Chinese tradition of smoking chicken wings in lapsang souchong, the pine-smoked, aromatic South China tea. Experimenting with Tea

Cooks who want to experiment with tea should use it as a substitute for water or other liquids in recipes, says Perry, who imagines tea risottos and writes about rice cooked in orange-spice tea and dessert cream flavored with English breakfast or Darjeeling tea leaves and cardamom.

In fact, ice creams and sorbets are well-suited to tea flavorings, as seen in the green-tea ice creams served at Japanese restaurants or flavored granitas and sorbets. Three Basic Types of Tea

Smith says tea drinkers and chefs can choose from herbal infusions or three basic types of tea: green, black or oolong. (The teas can also be scented, flavored or spiced.) The method used to process the tea leaves is what sets these teas apart.

—Black tea is fermented. It is most familiar to Americans as orange pekoe or English breakfast tea.

—Oolong tea is semifermented.

—Green tea is unfermented. It is used in the Japanese tea ceremony.

Of matching teas with food, Smith says: "If you have a very hearty tea, the tea is going to certainly overwhelm whatever you're serving and you want to complement it ... Breakfast items require a little heartier tea. Lunch, dinner and dessert items, a little lighter tea."

Smith sees pairing a flavored black tea, such as orange spice or lemon spice or lemon tea, with fruits and dessert items; more delicate teas with fish; or a "fancy Formosa oolong with a nice pork dish." Tea — the Wine of the '90s

Such musings about tea as it complements food occupied chefs, restaurateurs and specialty food purveyours at recent tea tastings in coffee territory here and in Seattle.

"You want to sip tea like wine," explained Bill Rosenzweig, a founder of The Republic of Tea company, which organized the tastings. "You don't want it to be too hot. You want it get cool enough to flow over the back of your tongue because the back of your tongue has a lot of taste buds."

In his effort to get the public thinking of teas "as the wine of the '90s," Rosenzweig drew comparisons. "All tea comes from one bush, like all wine comes from one vine ... As there are varieties of wine, there are many varieties of tea."

Rosenzweig's "The Republic of Tea Book of Tea and Herbs" (The Cole Group, $12), describes herbal infusions and types of tea, their history and uses. Discover, Experiment, Enjoy

Discussing tea with food, Rosensweig said he finds Jasmine tea, known for its digestive properties, a refreshing counterbalance after a garlicky Italian meal. While some food experts said they favored drinking a tea with the same flavors as the food, such as ginger or fruit, others preferred pairing teas with contrasting tastes.

Chefs in the San Francisco Bay area have developed recipes using tea, according to Monica Amoroso, who works with restaurants and hotels for the San Rafael-based Republic of Tea. These include a cardamom-cinnamon ice cream, salmon that is smoked or marinated with lapsang souchong tea, tea-flavored rices and — Amoroso's favorite — a Jasmine tiramisu that substitutes tea for coffee in the traditional Italian dessert.

Helpful hints make baking fun

Rena Coyle, an expert on baking with children and author of "My First Baking Book," shares these tips with parents to help make the holiday baking experience both memorable and enjoyable.

• Read the recipe carefully before you begin. Make sure all necessary ingredients and utensils are on hand. Older children can help with this step.

• When working with young children, measure all of the ingredients and have all utensils ready for them. Young children require constant supervision and may not want to do every step themselves.

• Have children wash their wands — and dry them — before beginning. Wet hands can be slippery. Tie hair back if it is long; roll up long sleeves. Have kids wear washable clothes.

• Stress that knives and electrical appliances should be used only with adult supervision.

• Teach children to turn the mixer off before scraping the side of the bowl or adding ingredients. Unplug the mixer before removing beaters.

• Explain microwave safety; the dish and the food can become extremely hot.

• Remind children to turn handles of saucepans on the stove top towards the center of the stove so they will not catch on anything or tip over.

• Emphasize the importance of using thick dry mitts or pot holders when putting something in or taking it out of the oven.

• Teach proper measuring techniques. Use dry measuring cups (nested cups) for ingredients like flour or sugar; clear cups with a spout for milk and other liquid ingredients; measuring spoons for small amounts of liquid or dry ingredients. Use the markings provided on the butter wrapper for easy measuring.

• Teach taste by using the best quality ingredients. Ingredients such as pure, natural butter, fresh spices and seasonings and high-quality chocolate ensure that the results will taste good. It's never too early to teach that baked goods are only as good as the ingredients form which they're made.

• Read butter is a must for baking. Its fresh wholesome flavor is unmistakable, and it contributes to a tender texture. Baked goods made with butter have better keeping qualities and stay fresh longer.

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Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: Every year, you have been kind enough to devote a column encouraging our nation's smokers to participate in the American Cancer Society's Great American Smokeout. Your support has helped millions of men and women across the country make the effort to quit smoking — at least for the day.

Last year, a number of your readers let us know that they were abut to "kick the habit" — for good!

Would you please alert your readers again this year? Thank you for all your help in the fight against cancer.

STEPHEN F. SENER, M.D.,
PRESIDENT, AMERICAN
CANCER SOCIETY

DEAR DR. SENER: I'll do it gladly.

DEAR READERS: Tomorrow, Nov. 18, 1993, will mark the 17th Annual Great American Smokeout, a one-day campaign to encourage smokers to quit smoking for 24 hours, just to prove they can do it.

Last year, 14 million smokers tried to quit for the day. This represents 28 percent of the nation's 50 million smokers.

Breast cancer used to be the biggest killer for women. But the No. 1 cause f cancer death among women and men today is lung cancer. In fac,t women are not quitting at the same rate as men. Therefore, lung cancer is on the decline in men, but on the increase in women. And it is estimated that early in the next century, more women will die of lung cancer than men. Tobacco claims one life every 13 seconds. An estimated 149,000 will die of lung cancer in 1993.

And now a word about smoking-related diseases — emphysema, chronic bronchitis and heart disease: This year, an estimated 424,000 will die from one of these. This total exceeds that number of U.S. battle deaths in World War II, eight times as many as died in the Vietnam War, and nine times as many people who die in automobile accidents every year.

According to a congressional study, health costs form the adverse effects of smoking have reached a new high of $100 billion a year in increased medical bills and lost productivity. The loss in death and disability cannot be measured.

What about secondhand smoke? Is it damaging to non-smokers to be in the presence of those who are smoking? Oh, yes! A 1993 report on the secondhand smoke issued by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency categorizes secondhand smoke as a class A carcinogen on a par with asbestos and radon. One non-smoker dies of secondhand smoke for every eight smokers. And studies reveal that the children of smokers are more prone to lung problems and allergies than are children of non-smokers.

For years I have begged my young readers, "If you smoke, quit now. If you don't smoke, don't start!" Yet an estimated 3,000 to 5,000 kids light up for the first time every day. Cigarette companies sell $1 billion of cigarettes to children every year.

Quitting "cold turkey" is the hardest way to quit, but my readers tell me it's the most effective, and in the long run, the easiest. Those who need help to break their habit: Call your local chapter of the American Cancer Society, or call (8090) 277-2345 for information.

If you're hooked and have been telling yourself, "One of these days I'm going to quit," why not start tomorrow? It won't be easy, but it will be the best Thanksgiving present your can give yourself — and those who love you.

LOVE, ABBY

Remembrances of fishermen and fishers of men

By DAVID BRIGGS
Associated Press Writer

Simon Peter, the rock upon which Jesus would build his church, was a fisherman, as were other of Jesus' first disciples.

Jesus sailed in the boats of fishermen to preach in towns and villages, and some of his first miracles reported in the Bible related to fishing.

But what was also remarkable, given the more profound theological intent of the Gospel writings, is how accurately they reflected the lives of fishermen on the Sea of Galilee 2,000 years ago, says Mendel Nun, a fisherman and historian who has spent more than half a century on its shores.

"I am continually surprised at how accurately the New Testament writers reflect natural phenomena on the lake," Nun says in the November-December issue of Biblical Archaeology Review.

Nun, whose name means "fish" in Aramaic, emigrated from Latvia to Palestine in 1939 before the modern state of Israel was born. In 1941, he joined Kibbutz Ein Gev, on the eastern shore of the Sea of Galilee.

"It was to us a dream to be a fisherman like our ancestors," he said.

In the early days, when boats were propelled by oars and sails instead of engines, and fishermen cast their nets without the aid of electronic fish detectors, fishing was done the way it had been for more than 5,000 years along the famous sea.

The name "Sea of Galilee" appears for the first time in the New Testament, Nun says, but the lake is called by an older name — Sea of Kinneret —in earlier books of the Bible.

In the account in the fifth chapter of Luke, one can see the author's knowledge of the lives of fishermen.

Jesus sees two empty boats on the shore of Tabgha, and goes into Simon Peter's boat to preach while fishermen nearby were washing their nets. When he later told Simon to cast his nets back into the water, the fisherman replied it would be of no use because they had fished all night and caught nothing. (Fishing was done at night because the fish could see the nets during the day.)

So it was with astonishment that the fishermen lowered their nets and came up with enough fish to fill two boats.

"And Jesus said unto Simon, 'Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men.' And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him," according to the account in Luke.

Some historical inaccuracies have developed from the Gospel accounts, Nun reports.

For example, St. Peter's fish — so-called because of the Gospel account in Matthew of Jesus telling Peter to go to the sea and take a shekel from the first fish he catches to pay the tax collectors at Capernaum — was most likely a barbel, and not a musht.

Still, the discrepancies are relatively minor and it is no coincidence that Jesus — who spent much of his ministry with the poor — chose fishermen to be among his disciples, according to Nun.

"The fishermen were poor people. This was the best audience for Jesus," Nun said. "They needed to hear some hope, some promise."

Pilgrims still flock to the Sea of Galilee, but the commercial fishing industry today is different from the traditional methods in place until the middle of this century.

Invisible synthetic fibers make it possible to fish during the day, and the efficiency of modern fishing has reduced the musht population to the point where it would be no longer conceivable to catch extraordinary numbers of fish in one shot, according to Nun.

But one can still delve into biblical texts to learn about the lives of those who made their living from the sea and later became among the most famous fishers of men.

"This is the world of Jewish fishermen, living and working on the lake during the crucial period toward the end of the time of the Second Temple," writes Nun.

"The picture that emerges is rich in its simplicity, and is centered on a search for answers to life's basic questions."

Clubs

Altrusa International

Altrusa International Inc. of Pampa met at noon, Nov. 8, in the Starlight Room of the Coronado Inn. President Judy Warner called the meeting to order.

The accent was presented by Sandy McCoy. Sandy reminded members with the holiday season coming up not to forget what Altrusa is all about; people involved with people.

Martha Boyd announced that the Christmas Shopping Spree at the nursing homes will be hald Saturday, Dec. 4. Members need to bring a gift to the next meeting.

Judy Martin reminded members the next meeting is the auction and to bring itmes to be auctioned and all the money we have been saving. Judy Warner encouraged members to attend the T-shurt presentation for our Baker Star Reader Project on Nov. 15th at Baker School.

The club voted to rename our Adult Vocational Award the Geraldine Rampy Award in honor of Geraldine Rampy who died in 1992. Geraldine was a member of the club and had been a vocational counselor at Pampa High School.

Charlene Morriss reported on strategic planning ideas for District Nine. Charlene outlined our strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats.

Judy presented Perfect Attendance Awards to Rena Belle Anderson and Georgia Johnson. Judy also presented Georgia with a plaque for her 25 years of service in Altrusa. In addition to the plaque Judy presented Georgia with a Life Preserver Award for keeping out attendance records and being sure everyone signs in.

Glydene Shelton passed the brag jar. The next meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Nov. 22, in the Starlight Room of the Coronado Inn.

Highland Hobby Club

The Highland Hobby Club held their regular meeting Nov. 9 in the home of Elsie Nail. The business meeting was conducted by Ferline Calvert, president. Minutes of the last meeting and treasurer's report were given by Marilyn Kirkwood, secretary and treasurer. Old business is the Wash Cloth given to each new member. New business included the the discussion of an Angel to pick for Christmas and a gift exchange for the club.

Eight members were present with Ferline Calvert winning the door prize. The next meeting will be a salad luncheon and gift exchange in December with Gloria Norris.

Civic Culture Club

Civic Culture Club met Nov. 8, at Furr's Cafeteria, for lunch. Afterwards, Helen Hogan opened the meeting with a prayer.

Leny Howard was wlecomed as a new member, and Pauline Dorman, as a guest. The treasurer's report was given by Florence Rife. Marilyn Butler read the Club Collet. Geneva Dalton gave the program on Stephen F. Austin.

The next meeting will be Dec. 14, in the home of Geneva Dalton. Helene Hogan is in charge of the program. Members are to bring a Christmas treat to share, an exchange gift (not to exceed $5), and items for the Tralee kits.

Las Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution

Las Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met in the home of Mrs. Jack White. The Regent, Mrs. Tom Cantrell assisted by Mrs. Otis Nace led members in the DAR Ritual.

The President-General's Message to all members was read by Mrs. Art Gross urging us to rededicate ourselves to become more of an active partner in preserving and promoting those principles of freedom and liberty which were so importnat in casting America's destiny.

Minutes of the lst meeting were read and approved and the treasurer's report was accepted.

The American History Chairman Mrs. Otto Mangold announced an essay contest for sixth, seventh and eighth grade students on the subject "Coming to America in Colonial Days — 1687-1776." Twenty dollars will be awarded to the student with the winning essay. Second, third and fourth places will receive ribbons. All entries must be submitted by Dec. 15.

Mrs. Dean Burger was welcomed to the chapter as a new member. Mrs. P.R. Britton read the Resolutions passed by the DAR Continental Congress in April in Washington, D.C. She also discussed the subject of multiculturalism in the schools and colleges.

National Association of Retired Federal Employees

The National Association of Retired Federal Employees, Chapter 1648, met Nov. 2.

New officers for the 1994 year were elected. They are Brunetta Stewart, president; Shirley Nickolson, vice-president; Charles George, secretary-treasurer; and Harley Madison, service officer. Plans were made to have a dinner meeting on Dec. 9 at the Sirloin Stockade for a formal installation of officers.

Magic Plains Chapter of American Business Women's Association

The Magic Plains Chapter of American Business Women's Association met Nov. 8, at the Sirloin Stockade.

Evelyn Boyd, president, called the meeting to order after which Janice Watts, director of Tralee Crisis Center gave a presentation on the organization. The chapter made plans to present a basket at Christmas time to the Tralee Center.

Rene Jamerson was inducted into the chapter by Evelyn Boyd. Other new members are Sandy Strickland and Mary McBee, a former member that has been reinstated.

A drawing was held for a handmade Christmas tree skirt donated by La Nella Hinsley. Evelyn Boyd won it. Pecan sales were discussed along with plans for a Christmas party. There were 12 members present and one guest, Phyllis Kitchens.

Next meeting will be in the banquet room of the Sirloin Stockade on Dec 13.

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Mary Weatherly, left, Joe Weatherly, Bethel Robinson with the Texas Cattle Women and Rodney Weatherly with the plaque presented to Heritage Cattle Feeders by the Texas Cattle Women.

Heritage Cattle Company honored

Heritage Beef Cattle Company of Wheeler has won the Texas Cattlewomen's Environmental Stewardship Award for 1993.

The cattle feeding company won this year's award based on its 25 year record for introducing environmental innovations into its operation, according to Bethel Robinson with the Texas Cattle Women.

Among the ecological programs pioneered by the company, she said, have been eliminating the use of chemicals, recycling all waste products that are generated by finishing beef cattle and introducing parasitic wasps for fly control. The 30,000 head capacity feedyard is owned by Joe R. Weatherly of Wheeler and Heinz Prechter of Detroit, Mich.

"We started this feedyard back when environmentalism wasn't talked about," Weatherly said. "But when we started it, we were determined not to pollute anyone's land and to make the soil better than it was when we started. It was our way of doing business, and we found it profitable to do it that way."



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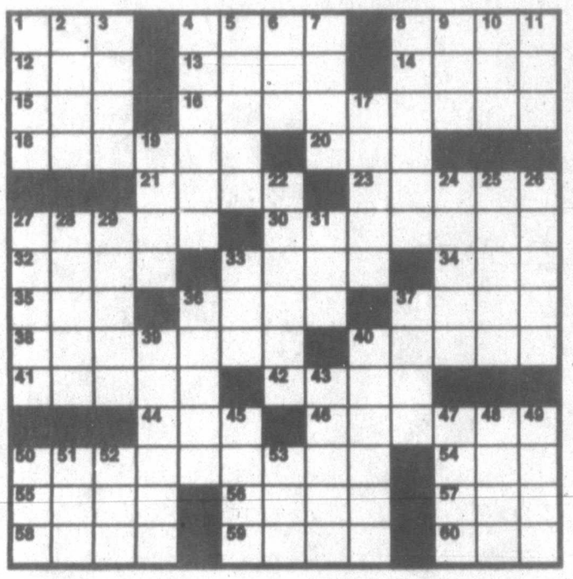
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29 Consumer advocate Ralph —
31 Dance step
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WALNUT COVE — By Mark Cullum



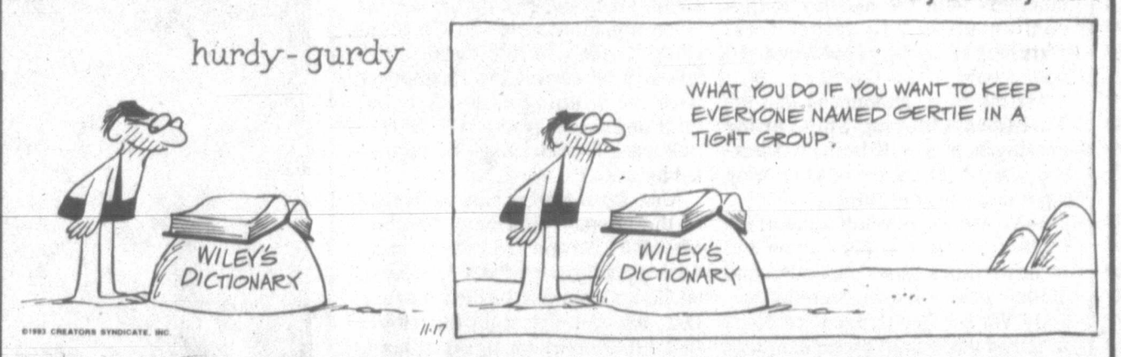
ARLO & JANIS — By Jimmy Johnson



EEK & MEEK — By Howie Schneider



B.C. — By Johnny Hart



SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If circumstances are running smoothly today, do not make any changes merely for change sake. If you mess around with things, it could prove self-defeating. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You're likely to be extremely clever and imaginative today with but one major flaw, and that is a tendency to treat matters that are still in the early stages as if they're already accomplished.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You'll have good earning surges today, but also strong inclinations to be extravagant. If you're imprudent, your frivolous tendencies could neutralize your good ones.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your probabilities for success today look good and you're likely to be an achiever. Unfortunately, however, you might be an ungracious winner or a poor loser.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today if you're successful it could be due in large part to your allies and supporters. Yet, strangely, you might feel those who assisted you didn't do quite enough.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Involvements with friends for purely social purposes should live up to your expectations today. However, arrangements with pals of a business nature may not give you much to cheer about.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Results should be favorable in situations where you have the latitude to call your own shots today. In arrangements where partners are functional, your progress might be impeded.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If it is your lot to disseminate important information today, it might be wise to have some type of printed or written handout instead of leaving things up to memory or a verbal presentation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Someone who has no legitimate claim to an endeavor you're developing with another might be looking for participation today. Don't be afraid to say no.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) This can be a productive day for you, provided you are competent at scheduling. Be sure priority matters are put at the top of your list.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Associates could lose respect for you today if you do not have the courage of your convictions. If you take a position in which you believe, defend it against all comers.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Financial trends continue to look strong, provided you don't take any foolish risks or gambles. Be cautious in the management of your material affairs.

MARVIN — By Tom Armstrong



MARMADUKE — By Brad Anderson



"What's wrong with this tie?"

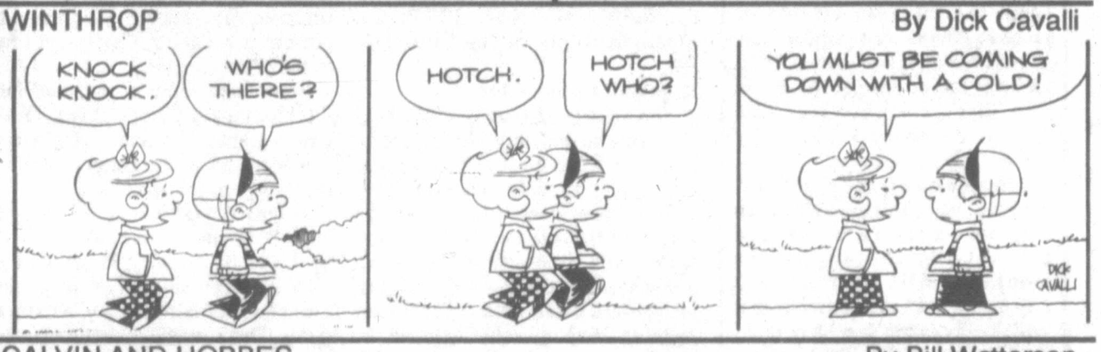
KIT N' CARLYLE — By Larry Wright



ALLEY OOP — By Dave Graue



WINTHROP — By Dick Cavalli



BEATTIE BLVD. — By Bruce Beattie



"Yeah, we can eat at your Mom's tonight."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS — By Bil Keane

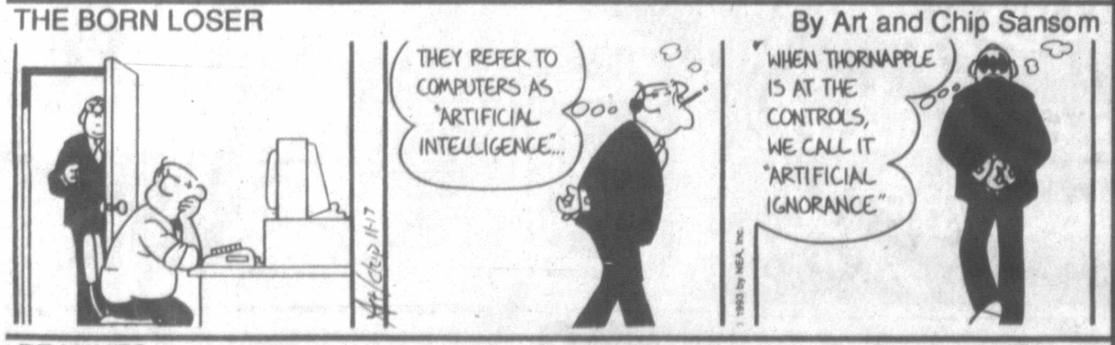


"Where did babies come from in the Pre-stork Ages?"

CALVIN AND HOBBES — By Bill Watterson



THE BORN LOSER — By Art and Chip Sansom



FRANK AND ERNEST — By Bob Thaves



PEANUTS — By Charles M. Schulz



GARFIELD — By Jim Davis



Notebook

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Four San Francisco Giants, including National League MVP Barry Bonds, won Gold Gloves Awards in voting by managers and coaches.

Bonds, selected as an outfielder for the fourth time, was joined by Giants second baseman Robby Thompson, third baseman Matt Williams and catcher Kirt Manwaring. Montreal outfielders Marquis Grissom and Larry Walker, Chicago first baseman Mark Grace, Pittsburgh shortstop Jay Bell and Atlanta pitcher Greg Maddux completed the team. The awards are sponored by Rawlings Sporting Goods.

ST. LOUIS (AP) — New York Yankees third baseman Wade Boggs and Baltimore shortstop Cal Ripken Jr. won their seventh Silver Slugger awards, tying the record set by Chicago Cubs second baseman Ryne Sandberg.

Philadelphia outfielder Len Dykstra and Los Angeles catcher Mike Piazza were among six first-time winners of the award, given to the top hitters at each position by Hillerich & Bradsby Co. in conjunction with The Sporting News.

San Francisco outfielder Barry Bonds, the NL MVP, won for the fourth straight year and Chicago White Sox first baseman Frank Thomas, the AL MVP, was another winner.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Los Angeles City Council agreed to pay more than $796,000 to settle a police brutality lawsuit brought by Hall of Fame second baseman Joe Morgan stemming from an incident 5 1/2 years ago.

The payment includes $461,427, mostly for lawyers fees and litigation expenses, as well as $335,000 to settle all further claims in the dispute.

Morgan claimed he was waiting for a flight at Los Angeles International Airport on March 15, 1988, when a Los Angeles Police Department detective accused him of being a drug courier and threw him to the floor.

NEW YORK (AP) — Jack Diller, president of the New York Knicks and New York Rangers from 1987-91, was hired by the New York Mets as their executive vice president for business affairs.

HOCKEY

TORONTO (AP) — Billy Smith, who backstopped the New York Islanders to four consecutive Stanley Cup titles in the early 1980s, was inducted into the Hall of Fame along with former Montreal stars Steve Shutt and Guy Lapointe and former New York Rangers player Edgar Laprade.

Also inducted, were linesman John D'Amico, Vancouver Canucks owner Frank Griffiths, Buffalo Sabres owner Seymour Knox, minor-hockey volunteer Fred Page, Toronto Globe and Mail writer Al Strachan and Minnesota broadcaster Al Shaver.

TORONTO (AP) — Replacement referees and linesmen worked their second round of games without incident while the league and its striking officials had yet to schedule negotiations. Talks broke off after a two-hour session Sunday night, with no progress reported and about $1.5 million separating the sides.

AVON, Conn. (AP) — Paul Holmgren, disappointed by the Hartford Whalers' 4-11-2 start, stepped aside as coach and put assistant general manager Pierre McGuire in charge of turning the team around.

Holmgren will concentrate on his duties as general manager, a role he assumed in September when Brian Burke left to become NHL commissioner Gary Bettman's top aide.

GJOVIK, Norway (AP) — Brian Savage scored two third-period goals as Canada beat the United States 5-2 in the first round of the Telehockey Cup pre-Olympic tournament. The victory was Canada's first in five games against the United States and also snapped the Americans' 14-game unbeaten streak.

NEW YORK (AP) — Mike Foligno and Brian Benning of the Florida Panthers were suspended by the NHL for incidents in Sunday's game with Quebec. The length of the suspensions will be determined after league hearings.

FOOTBALL

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Joe Montana's pulled hamstring has healed enough to make the 37-year-old quarterback a possible starter for Kansas City's game against Chicago on Sunday, Chiefs coach Marty Schottenheimer said.

Montana, who has been nursing a pulled hamstring since Oct. 3, has not played since re-injuring the hamstring against Miami on Oct. 31.

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Francis W. Murray missed his chance to own an NFL team in St. Louis or Hartford when he failed to deliver the required financing plan for the remaining expansion franchise, to be awarded Nov. 30.

Murray, trying to engineer a deal to move the New England Patriots from Foxboro, Mass., to Hartford, missed Monday's deadline for delivering a $20 million letter of credit and a $140 million financing plan.

NEW YORK (AP) — Thirty-nine years after his death, Glenn "Pop" Warner passed Amos Alonzo Stagg for second place on the major college victory list.

Based on research by the author of a book on Warner, the NCAA has credited the legendary coach with six more victories — five at Carlisle and one at Pittsburgh. That increases his career total to 319 and puts him ahead of Stagg, who won 314 games. Bear Bryant tops the list with 323.

BASKETBALL

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — Isiah Thomas, incensed at taking yet another elbow in practice from Bill Laimbeer, broke his right hand when he punched the Detroit Pistons center in the head.

Dr. Ed Burke said Thomas will be sidelined four to six weeks with a break in the third metacarpal bone of his shooting hand. Thomas sustained a broken rib when he was elbowed by Laimbeer during a preseason practice Oct. 30.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — All-Star forward Danny Manning, the Los Angeles Clippers' leading scorer with a 25.5 average, has been placed on the injured list because of a cracked left ring finger.

Manning, injured in Thursday night's game with Detroit, will be eligible to return Nov. 27. The Clippers activated forward Henry James, who started the season on the injured list with tendinitis in his left knee.

TENNIS

FRANKFURT, Germany (AP) — Seventh-seeded Michael Chang upset second-seeded Jim Courier 6-4, 6-0 in the first-round of the season-ending $2.75 million ATP Tour World Championship.

Palo Duro slips by Harvesters, 57-54

A long run came to an end Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The Pampa Harvesters had not a lost a basketball game on the homecourt since the 1988-89 season when coach Robert Hale's crew had won the first of its five consecutive district championships. That long streak came to an end last night when Palo Duro sneaked past the Harvesters, 57-54, to open the 1993-94 season.

The score was tied at 49-all at the halfway mark of the fourth quarter when Palo Duro started using the foul line to pull away. The Dons hit six straight foul shots to go up by four, 55-51, with 1:25 remaining. After Duane Nickelberry's 3-point goal made it 55-54, the Harvesters never got any closer. Pampa had two more shots at the basket in the closing seconds, but couldn't connect. Jermaine Gilbreath's defensive rebound and long pass to teammate Demetrius Smith for a fast break layup at the buzzer gave PD the 3-point win.

"Palo Duro has a lot of talent, but we had numerous chances to come away with a win and just couldn't take advantage of it. We have a young team and hopefully we learned some tough lessons tonight," said Pampa head coach Robert Hale. "I felt like the team played awfully hard and we've got the type of kids who are only going to get better as the season goes along."

The two teams battled to a 12-all tie the first quarter, but Pampa scored the last eight points of the second quarter to take a 26-20 lead. The Harvesters led by as many as 10 points in the third quarter.

Jermaine Gilbreath paced Palo Duro in scoring with 14 points while Nickelberry was high scorer for the Harvesters with 16.

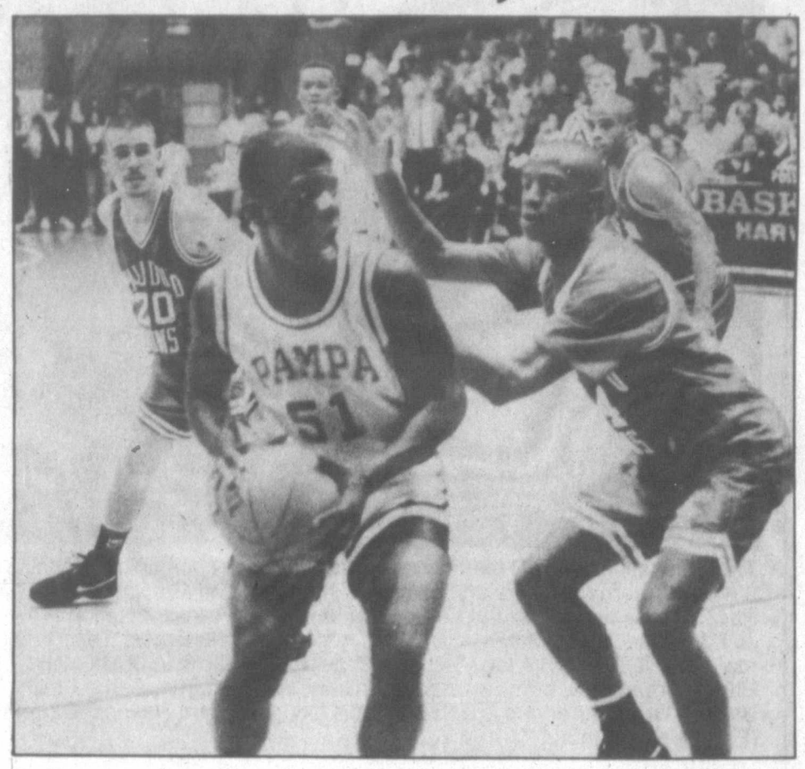
The Harvesters travel to Amarillo Friday night to play the Tascosa Rebels. Gametime is 7:30 p.m.

Palo Duro 57, Pampa 54

Individual scoring

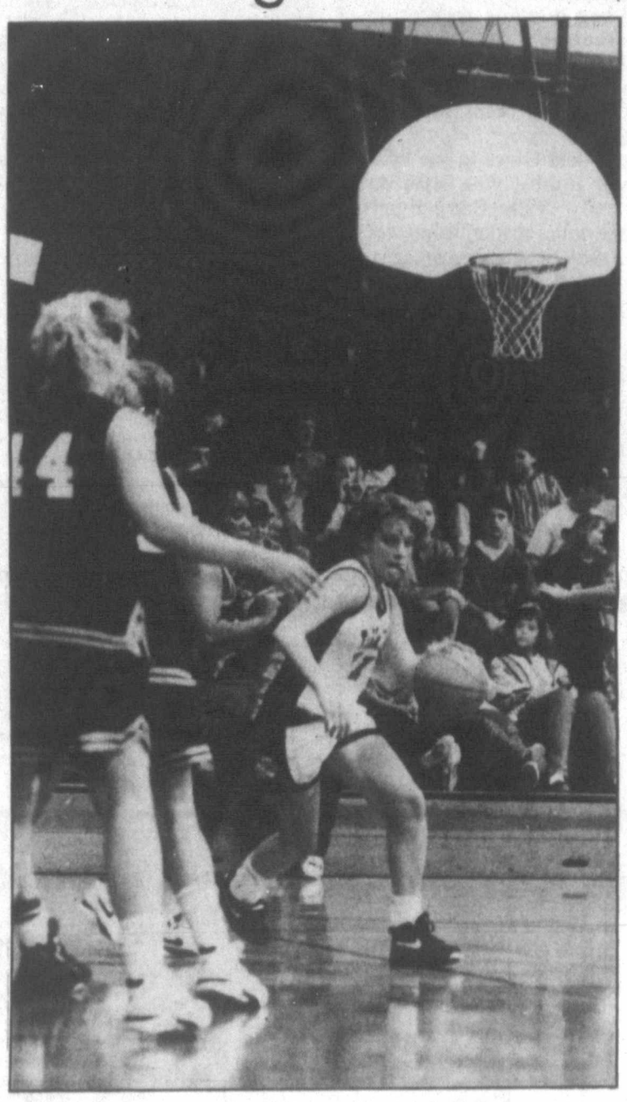
Palo Duro – Jermaine Gilbreath 14, Luvirt Wells 13, Mike Roberson 10, Wes Flowers 9, Demetrius Smith 7, Leland Wilson 4. Three-point goals: Flowers 2, Smith 1.

Pampa – Duane Nickelberry 16, Seivern Wallace 13, Coy Laury 9, Rayford Young 8, Hank Gindorf 7, James Wilbon 1. Three-point goals: Nickelberry 2, Gindorf 1.



Pampa's James Wilbon (51) looks to move inside against a Palo Duro defender in the first half Tuesday night. (Pampa News photo)

Groom girls demolish Memphis in season opener



Groom's Misty Homer, shown driving the lane against Memphis, scored 23 points. (Pampa News photo by Susan Adeletti)

By SUSAN ADELETTI
Sports Writer

Groom girls' basketball may be already on its way to another championship season. Last night's 68-35 grounding of Memphis was a virtual showcase of talent. Misty Homen racked up 23 points, Melanie Friemel notched 19 while Kay Case and Sandie Conrad registered 10 each.

"It was a pretty easy ballgame," coach Terry O'Dell admitted. "But we had a lot of the first-game jitters."

Looking at the Tigers last night, it was impossible to tell. While both teams committed 17 fouls and mistakes were turned on both ends, Groom scrapped, capitalized and rebounded constantly, even though the Tigers had a comfortable lead going the entire game.

The score was tied at four until halfway through the first quarter, when Friemel and Conrad quickly pulled Groom ahead to 12-7. As if preluding the rest of the game, Homen iced the eight-point lead with a buzzer-beating bomb from behind the three-point line.

The second quarter continued letting Groom rule. Two shots from Conrad and a three-pointer from Rebecca Conrad improved the Tigers' lead to 21-7. When Memphis finally gained a point, it was on a free throw.

The Cyclones didn't score again until the score was 30-8, and then grabbed nine more points to head for the locker-room at 32-17.

That score would be the closest the teams got in the second half, when Groom outscored Memphis at an even higher rate. The Cyclones did mangage to pull out a few turnovers, but most times, were unable to make the shot. The Tigers' 'B team' players were sent in a few times, and performed as if they were starters.

"I'm real pleased with the run-and-shoot," O'Dell said, noting that versatility may be the key to this season. With 6'1" sophomore Case and 5'11" Friemel on the court, Groom is capable of using different offenses throughout the season.

While this season's team is young - Rebecca Conrad is the only senior in the group - they are coming off a season which may carry them through this one.

Groom went to the regional tournament for the first time since 1976 and posted a 27-4 record, while remaining undefeated in the district. Homen, who averaged 18 points per game, Friemel and Rebecca Conrad are returning starters from that team.

Area basketball results

Boys

White Deer JV 66
Lefors 53
WD - Denham 24, Brown 14, Herring 14
L - Dennis Williams 21, Tommy Cox 11

McLean 50
Lakeview 70
M - M. Joiner 17, Toby Northcutt 14
L - Angel Gil 26, Luis Rodriguez 18

Kelton 64
Fort Elliott 56
K - Brain Kirkland 27, Danny Buckingham 14
FE - Jimmy Nelson 16, Justin Wesbrooks 11
JV - FE 33, K 32

Canadian 46
Follett 39
C - Eric Morris 18, Joe Koch 15
F - Glenn Robertson 15, Tye Gillespie 9

Girls

Shamrock 22
Wheeler 51
S - Angie Kincannon 6, Amanda Hilburn 5
W - Marcie Rose 12, Nissa Bowdeker 12

White Deer JV 45
Lefors 12
WD - Tackett 14, Urbancky 12
L - Amber Gilbreath 4

McLean 81
Lakeview 19
M - Magee 31, Hess 26
L - Joanna Saenz 7, Josie Salas 5

Kelton 23
Fort Elliott 57
K - J. Kirkland 8, K. Crockett 6
FE - Andrea Dukes 16, Lindsey Fillingim 15

Canadian 32
Follett 48
C - Laurel Sparks 9, V. Armendariz 6, Kami Leonard 6, Adrianne VanHooser 6
F - Ginger Hudson 17, Jerri Wingfield 10

Pampa girls drop squeaker to PD in season opener

Mike Jones didn't get a victory in his debut as the Pampa girls' basketball coach, but his Lady Harvesters still looked impressive in a 45-44 loss to Palo Duro Tuesday night at McNeely Fieldhouse.

Pampa's pressing defense held Palo Duro scoreless in the second quarter, allowing the Lady Harvesters to build a 12-point bulge at intermission. However, Palo Duro started utilizing its experience and overpowered Pampa on the boards to nibble away at the lead in the second half. A 20-7 advantage on the boards sparked Palo Duro in the second half, but the Lady Dons didn't grab the lead until Sharon Campbell hit two foul shots with 23 seconds left in the game to give PD a 45-44 edge. The Lady Harvesters put up two shots in the final 12 seconds, but neither would drop. One was a halfcourt heave by Selena Miller that bounced off the glass as the final buzzer sounded.

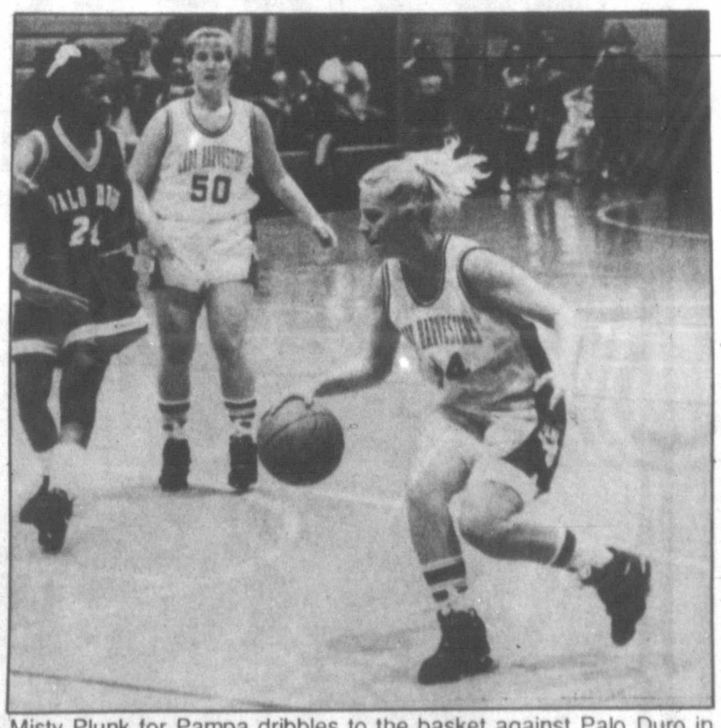
"I was real proud of the way our girls played," Jones said. "The press was working real well for us in the first half, but the girls got tired and we had to give pressing near the end. Palo Duro had better athletes, but I felt like we played harder than they did. All of the girls contributed, including the ones who came off the bench."

Palo Duro 45, Pampa 44

Individual scoring

Palo Duro – Sharon Campbell 12, Andrea Gardner 10, Ossie Barnes 8, Shonti Demerson 8, Tasha Cofer 4, Williams 3. Three-point goals: Williams 1.

Pampa – Serenity King 12, Jamye Davis 11, Elisha Calloway 7, Jennifer Jones 6, Selena Miller 3, Misty Plunk 2, Jane Brown 2, Alisha Tollerson 1. Three-point goals: Miller 1.



Misty Plunk for Pampa dribbles to the basket against Palo Duro in the season opener Tuesday night. (Pampa News photo)

Kosar could get starting nod for Cowboys against Falcons

IRVING (AP) — Bernie Kosar could be making his first start in blue and white this Sunday.

Kosar, who played in Cleveland brown until he was cut on Monday of last week, came off the bench Sunday to lead the Dallas Cowboys to a 20-15 victory over the Phoenix Cardinals.

Kosar will make his first start for the Cowboys if Troy Aikman's hamstring injury doesn't get 100 per cent well for the game against the Falcons, coach Jimmy Johnson said on Tuesday.

Kosar replaced Jason Garrett and hit 13 of 21 passes for 199 yards and a touchdown against Phoenix.

"In all probability, Bernie will start Sunday. Troy is jogging and will work this week. If he can workout without aggravating the injury, then Troy would be the starter," Johnson said.

"Bernie will get the majority of snaps in practice. It wouldn't be necessary for Troy to get as much work. We'll probably know later in the week about Troy's status."

The Cowboys listed Aikman, who pulled a left hamstring in the third quarter of a 31-9 victory over the New York Giants, as questionable.

"We want to be conservative with Troy's injury," Johnson said. "We want to make sure he is 100 per cent healthy. We don't want to aggravate the situation. I want to see him to be able to change direction when he runs."

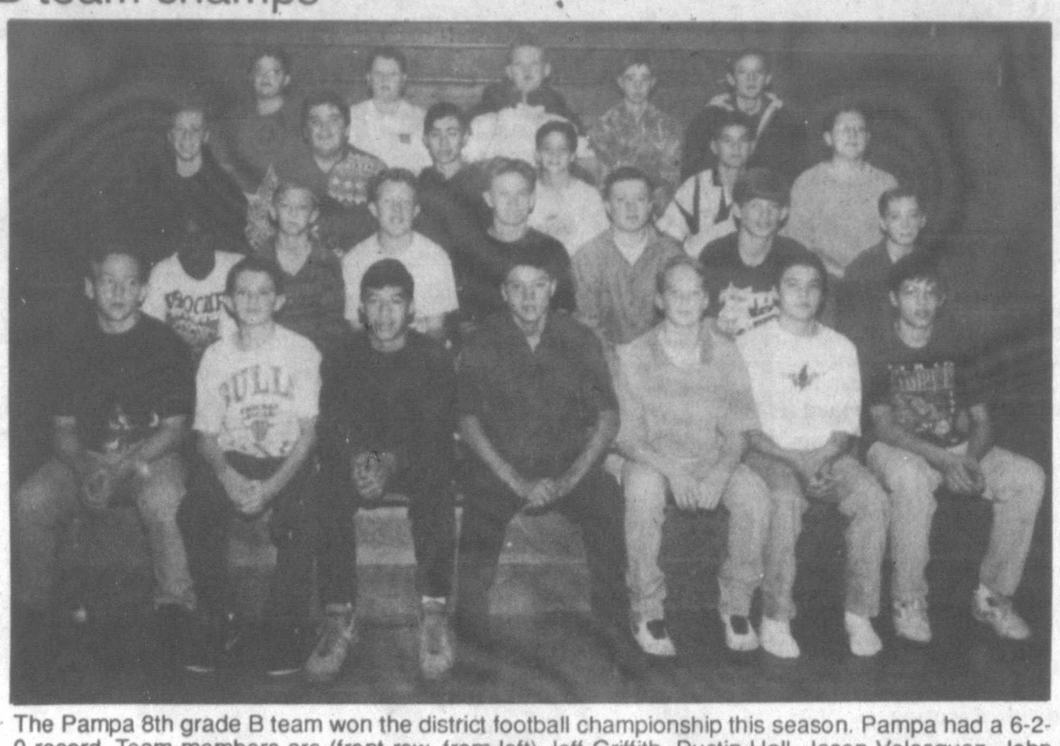
Johnson made another change at Valley Ranch on Tuesday after elevating Kosar over Garrett as Aikman's No. 1 backup.

He released seven-year veteran backup fullback Tommie Agee to make room for an undisclosed roster move.

"It was difficult to release a player I have a tremendous amount of respect and affection for," Johnson said. "Tommie was very well liked. He perhaps could be re-signed, but we had to do something to help with our injuries."

The Cowboys lost special teams star Joe Fishback with a knee injury and have a number of injuries in the defensive line, particularly Charles Haley, who has a bad back.

B team champs



The Pampa 8th grade B team won the district football championship this season. Pampa had a 6-2-0 record. Team members are (front row, from left) Jeff Griffith, Dustin Hall, Jason Velasquez, John Resendiz, James Machett, Lee Poushyk and Josh Franklin; (second row, from left) Kevin Jernigan, Jeff Jenkins, Josh Blackmon, Dustin Chase, Christian Bruce, Thad Born and Justin Nelson; (third row, from left) Aaron Allen, Stephen Price, Chris Harrison, Zack Ward, Jason Vance and Andrew Hanks; (fourth row, from left) Aaron Whitney, Jay Richards, Aaron Smith, Grayson Lewis and Jason Benton. Not pictured are coaches Dennis Doughty, Sam Haynes, Darrel Adkins and Dick Dunham (Pampa News photo)

Astros reportedly has eye on Collins

HOUSTON (AP) — Pittsburgh Pirates bullpen coach Terry Collins, who managed in the minor leagues for over a decade, will reportedly be the next manager of the Houston Astros.

Local televisions stations KRIV and KTRK, citing anonymous sources, reported Tuesday night that the Astros would give Collins the job today.

Collins, one of seven known candidates to replace fired manager Art Howe, had been reported as one of two front-runners. Bob Boone, a 19-year major league catcher and a successful minor league manager the past two seasons, interviewed three times for the job.

Collins had his second interview with owner Drayton McLane and general manager Bob Watson on Tuesday and remained in Houston overnight.

"They are looking for an aggressive guy that knows how to deal with people and get the most out of his players," Collins said. "That's one thing that's in my background with all my years spent in the minor leagues, dealing with those situations.

"I think that's what they're looking for and I just hope I'm the guy that can deliver it for them."

McLane fired Howe and general manager Bill Wood on Oct. 5, following the Astros' third-place finish in the National League West.

Also interviewed to replace Howe were Astros coach Matt Galante, former Mets manager Jeff Torborg, former Texas Rangers manager Bobby Valentine, Baltimore coach Davey Lopes and Philadelphia coach Larry Bowa.

Collins, 44, has managed 11 seasons in the minor leagues, including nine in Class AAA clubs in the Pirates and Los Angeles Dodgers organizations. He's been Pittsburgh's bullpen coach the last two seasons.

Collins was promoted to the Pirates staff after posting a 246-186 record in three 80-victory seasons at Class AAA Buffalo. His overall minor league record is 834-736.

He managed in the Dodgers system from 1981-89, including 5 1/2 seasons at Class AAA Albuquerque.

Collins was a minor league infielder from 1971-81 in the Dodgers and Pirates farm systems.

Fort Elliott, Bucks, place runners at state meet

Fort Elliott took home the third-place ribbon in Saturday's state cross country meet. In just their second year as a team, the Cougars accummulated 113 points, competing against 11 other teams.

David Helton, who won the district three meets ago, finished 18th with a time of 18:41. Other Fort Elliott runners were: Jake Swiggart, 27th (19:03); Jonathan Lester, 32nd (19:13); Steve May, 50th (20:10); Johnny Brannen, 59th (20:28); Justin Wesbrooks, 67th (20:41); John Moffett, 81st (21:35).

Next season, coach Curtis Smith expects an even better season, since no runners are graduating this year.

White Deer sent two runners to the state meet, both of whom finished in the top 20. Duane Coffey came in 15th with a time of 18:37 and Alexander Rapstein finished 20th in 18:46.

Bell breaks Ozzie's grip on NL Gold Glove

NEW YORK (AP) — For the first time since the 1970s, someone other than Ozzie Smith won the National League Gold Glove at shortstop.

Pittsburgh shortstop Jay Bell broke Smith's 13-year grip on the award Tuesday when he was named one of nine Gold Glove winners.

NL MVP Barry Bonds of San Francisco and Cy Young winner Greg Maddux of Atlanta each won their fourth straight Gold Glove.

Bonds, an outfielder, third baseman Matt Williams, second baseman Robbie Thompson and catcher Kirt Manwaring all won from the Giants. The last team to have four Gold Glove winners was Philadelphia in 1981 with Mike Schmidt, Garry Maddox, Steve Carlton and Manny Trillo. Left off this year's NL team was Giants outfielder Darren Lewis, who played 131 games without an error and set a major league record for consecutive chances without a mistake.

Montreal outfielders Larry Walker and Marquis Grissom and Chicago first baseman Mark Grace also made the NL team this season.

Not since Dave Concepcion of Cincinnati in 1979 had an NL shortstop other than Smith won the Gold Glove. Smith's 13-year streak started with San Diego and continued during his career with St. Louis.

Bell won after leading major league shortstops in fielding percentage (.986) and total chances (793). He made 11 errors to Smith's 19.

"It's something I never expected to win, but always strived for," Bell said Tuesday after a workout at Three Rivers Stadium. "Reputation means a lot and Ozzie is definitely the greatest defensive player in my era and probably of all time."

The Gold Gloves are presented by Rawlings after managers and coaches vote late in the regular season for the best fielders in their league. Rawlings began giving Gold Gloves in 1957.

Smith's 13 Gold Gloves ranked him third overall. Baltimore third baseman Brooks Robinson and pitcher Jim Kaat each won 16 straight.

Bell, who also made the All-Star team for the first time this season, cut his error total in half this year.

"Late in the season, I thought I had a chance to win," Bell said. "It was a matter of convincing the managers and coaches that I could play.

"I think I may have been a little more aggressive in the field this year, particularly on natural turf. I think I had only two errors on grass," he said.

Bell won with a glove that turned seven years old and began falling apart at the seams. Now that he's won the Gold Glove, he said plans to take the mitt "and probably have it bronzed."

"I guess it's time to break in a new glove," he said.

Bonds' fourth Gold Glove is one more than his father, Bobby, won with the Giants in the early 1970s. Barry Bonds got his first three with Pittsburgh and won this year with a .984 fielding percentage.

Williams, who led major league third baseman in double plays, won his second in a row. Manwaring, who led catcher with a .998 percentage, and Thompson, the first Giants second baseman to win the award, each were first-time winners.

Maddux had the most putouts (39) and total chances (105) among pitchers in the majors. Grace and Walker won for the second straight year and Grissom for the first time.

The AL awards were announced Monday. The winners were: New York first baseman Don Mattingly, Toronto second baseman Roberto Alomar, Seattle shortstop Omar Vizquel, Chicago third baseman Robin Ventura, Texas catcher Ivan Rodriguez, California pitcher Mark Langston and outfielders Ken Griffey Jr. of Seattle, Kenny Lofton of Cleveland and Devon White of Toronto.

Speed skating is one of newest sports

Speed skating, one of the newest of the Olympic sports, is catching on fast in Pampa.

A Pampa team, consisting of Chris Smith, Kenny Fritz, Roy Don Devoll, Jeff Twigg, Anne Gaddis, James Gaddis and Rebecca Gaddis competed against Borger last weekend in Borger.

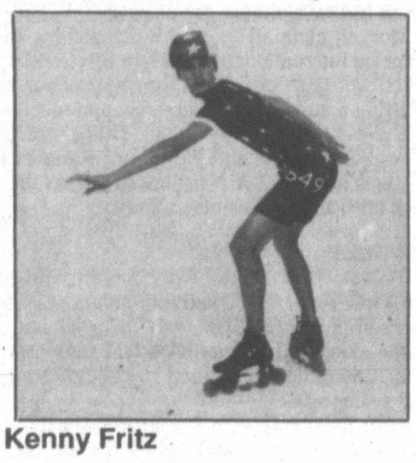
Pampa team coach Marvin Smith, said speed skaters compete against each other and as teams, trying to skate the fastest laps around the floor. Eight skaters, ranging in ages from 8 to 16, currently make up the Pampa team.

In the match at Borger, Chris Smith took second in the relay, Kenny Fritz was second medal, second in the two-man relay and first in the four-man relay, Jeff Twigg was second medal and second in the two-man relay.

Their next meet is Dec. 12 in Elk City, Okla.

"The kids practice just about every night for two hours," Smith said. "Not only are we emphasizing individual achievement, but also teamwork.. It's not that easy for kids to find time to do this in addition to school and homework, but they are dedicated to the sport and are always willing to work. It's good to know that there are kids out there willing to work for something rather than just driving up and down the drag."

However, according to speed team treasurer Bonnie Rippetoe, the team is badly in need of funds to keep going. All of their meets are out of town and many are out of state. Also, the rink where the athletes practice needs repairs. including a new finish on the floor, which is estimated at $450 alone, Rippetoe said. The parents of the skaters have been making all of the repairs and are also paying the rent and utilities for the rink. She said this financial arrangement cannot go on indefinitely.



Kenny Fritz

"The kids are trying to raise money by having a garage sale and selling raffle tickets," Rippetoe said. "We are also making plans to hold a dance for the community and to have car washes in the spring. However, between the cost of repairs on the rink and traveling out of town to meets, these activities won't even begin to play for all of these expenses. The future of this team rests on our fund-raising abilities. We are in the process of trying to contact local businesses for donations to help with the expenses."

Persons interested in making a donation can call Mrs. Rippetoe at 806-665-5568. A youngster in joining the team can call the same number for information.

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Scoreboard

NBA standings

By The Associated Press

	W	L	Pct.	GB
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
New York	7	0	1.000	—
Miami	3	1	.750	2 1/2
Boston	4	2	.667	2 1/2
Orlando	4	2	.667	2 1/2
New Jersey	3	4	.429	4
Washington	2	3	.400	4
Philadelphia	2	5	.286	5
Central Division				
Charlotte	4	2	.667	—
Chicago	3	3	.500	1
Cleveland	3	4	.429	1 1/2
Atlanta	2	4	.333	2
Detroit	2	4	.333	2
Indiana	1	5	.167	3
Milwaukee	1	6	.143	3 1/2
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Houston	7	0	1.000	—
Utah	5	2	.714	2
San Antonio	3	4	.429	4
Denver	2	4	.333	4 1/2
Dallas	1	5	.167	5 1/2
Minnesota	1	5	.167	5 1/2
Pacific Division				
Seattle	6	0	1.000	—
Phoenix	4	2	.667	2
LA Clippers	3	2	.600	2 1/2
Portland	3	3	.500	3
Sacramento	3	3	.500	3
Golden State	2	4	.333	4
LA Lakers	2	4	.333	4

Monday's Game

Houston 88, Philadelphia 84

Tuesday's Games

Late Game Not Included

Houston 90, New Jersey 84

Orlando 114, Utah 96

Atlanta 118, Sacramento 95

Charlotte 102, Indiana 93

Seattle 95, Chicago 94

New York 103, Dallas 90

Minnesota 102, Milwaukee 98

San Antonio 86, Denver 74

Phoenix 116, Golden State 104

Cleveland 101, Portland 96

LA Clippers at LA Lakers, (n)

Wednesday's Games

New Jersey at Boston, 7:30 p.m.

Atlanta at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.

Milwaukee at Washington, 7:30 p.m.

Utah at Miami, 7:30 p.m.

Sacramento at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.

Orlando at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.

New York at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m. Thursday's Games

Houston at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.

Cleveland at Denver, 9 p.m.

Dallas at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

LA Lakers at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Chicago at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

SWC Thumbnails

By The Associated Press

Here are previews for SWC football games of Nov. 20:

TEXAS A&M (8-1, 5-0 SWC) at TCU (4-6, 2-4 SWC), 12 Noon (CST), Raycom regional telecast — The series: Another traditional SWC feud finds the Aggies maintaining a 52-29-7 bulge over the Horned Frogs in all their meetings and a 35-28-6 edge on the SWC ledger since 1924. At one time, TCU had a 28-15-6 worksheet in conference competition against the Aggies before A&M initiated a current, 20-game winning streak over the Horned Frogs in 1973 when Emory Bellard was heading the A&M program with a young assistant named R.C. Slocum. The Frogs' most recent victory over the Aggies was a 13-10 verdict in 1972 at Kyle Field. TCU concluded a four-game winning streak with that victory and once went 11 straight seasons (1925-35) without losing to A&M (8-0-3 mark in that span). The Aggies emerged with a physical, 37-10 triumph at College Station in 1992...The coaches: TCU's Pat Sullivan is 6-14-1 (second year, both in Frog Country) overall, 3-9 against SWC opponents and 0-1 vs. the Aggies. Texas A&M's R.C. Slocum is 46-11-1 (fifth season, all with the Aggies) overall, 31-4-1 in SWC skirmishes and 4-0 against the Horned Frogs. Sullivan was an assistant coach and offensive coordinator for the Auburn team which tangled with A&M in the 1986 Cotton Bowl while Slocum has been a member of the Aggies' coaching staff or the head mentor in 19 of the last 20 Maroon and White wins over TCU. The Aggies' boss spent a year as defensive coordinator under John Robinson at Southern Cal in 1981...The teams: The Aggies have been a successful road squad in addition to their 49-3-1 mark at Kyle Field since 1985. Texas A&M is 20-10 in all contests away from home (neutral sites included) since 1989 and 16-3 in SWC road matches under Slocum. TCU has played giant killer in many SWC matches historically and can have an immediate impact on conference and Bowl Coaltion fortunes Saturday...Key individuals: A&M DE Sam Adams remains in the running as a finalist for the Lombardi Award with 69 stops (20.5 for losses), 9.5 QB sacks, and 11 passer pressures. CB Aaron Glenn made his second career interception return for a TD (first was a 95-yarder against Texas in 1992) with a 40-yard runback vs. Louisville. Aggies' KS Terry Venetoulias is 42-of-42 on PATs, 11-of-15 on field goals, has 60 consecutive PAT successes (third-longest streak in SWC history) and the nation's fourth-best kick-scorer with 75 points. Horned Frogs' soph TE Brian Collins leads all SWC receivers at his position with 35 catches for 428 yards. DT Royal West (78 tackles, 34 QB pressures, nine sacks) has had an All-SWC campaign while FB John Oglesby (46 grabs, 400 yards) is one of the SWC's most sure-handed backs...The broadcast: Dave South and Dave Elmendorf on the A&M Radio Network; Bill Coates and John Denton on the TCU Radio Network; Dave Barnett and Grant Teaff on Raycom.

SMU (1-7-2, 1-5-1 SWC) at NAVY (4-5) 12:30 p.m. (CST) — The series: Some classic confrations have dotted this rivalry, in which SMU has a 5-1 record against the Midshipmen. The Mustangs applied the only regular-season loss to Navy in 1963 when young Roger Staubach was at the quarterback helm for the Middies by a 32-28 count at Cotton Bowl Stadium. Navy's initial series triumph came in 26-7 fashion at Norfolk, Va., in 1960. SMU won the last meeting of the teams 21-3 in Dallas in 1966 to chalk up a pair in the series under then-Mustangs-mentor Hayden Fry. This is the teams' second standoff at Annapolis; SMU copped the first tilt there 13-6 in 1931. They also played at Baltimore in the first skirmish between these units in 1930 as SMU prevailed 20-7. The Midshipmen are 2-11 against SWC opponents and have played the Mustangs more often (six times) than any SWC school. Navy's most recent clash with the SWC was a 27-22 loss in the rain at Rice last autumn. SMU has a 86-73-5 mark against all non-SWC opposition since 1946...The coaches: SMU's Tom Rossley is 7-23-2 (third season, all with the Mustangs) overall, 3-18-1 in SWC battles and 0-0 as a head coach against the Midshipmen. Navy's George Chaump is 66-63-2 (12th year) overall, 11-31 (fourth season) at the Academy, 0-1 vs. SWC teams, and 0-0 against the Mustangs. Rossley's college experience includes stints as an assistant at Arkansas, Cincinnati, Rice, Holy Cross, and SMU before he grabbed the Mustangs' reins in 1991. Chaump was head coach at Indiana (Pa.) and Marshall prior to making his move to Annapolis...The teams: SMU has been a solid finisher in each of the past several seasons. The Mustangs downed SEC foe Arkansas 24-19 last year in Little Rock and lost a heartbreaker to Freedom Bowl-bound Tulsa in their 1991 finale. Navy has made a brisk turnaround from a 1-10 mark last autumn and has beefed up its passing attack for the run-and-shoot Mustangs...Key individuals: SMU's QB tandem of Mark Eldred and Ramon Flanigan has been 169-of-326 passing for 2,205 yards, and the SWC's second-highest yards per completion mark at 13.0. Choice receivers are Brian Berry (33 receptions, 471 yards) and Mick Rossley (39 grabs, 420 yards). Gutty DE Chad Patton (All-SWC in 1992, career-record seven blocked kicks) leads the SMU defense. Navy QB Jim Kubiak is the only Midshipman to have four career 300-plus-yard passing games. He was 21-of-39 for 251 yards as USNA battled Notre Dame before succumbing in the second half. All-purpose TB Jason Van Matre is in 10th place in Navy career rushing with 1,567 yards and had 44 catches in his first eight 1993 games. Navy LB Javier Zulanga averages 12 hits per game...The broadcast: Walter Lynn and Forrest Gregg on the SMU Radio Network.

College basketball scores

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A&M regents stand behind Margraves on finance probe

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) – Several top officials in the Texas A&M University System say Board of Regents Chairman Ross Margraves will be vindicated by a Texas Rangers investigation of accusations made against him in an anonymous letter.

For the past six weeks, the Rangers have been looking into allegations against Margraves distributed in the September letter to eight members of the A&M System's Board of Regents.

The letter accused Margraves of supporting privatization on the campus of Texas A&M University, one of the seven member schools in the 73,000-student system, to direct contracts to friends and personally profit from deals.

Margraves, a Houston attorney who was appointed a regent in 1989 by then-Gov. Bill Clements, repeatedly has denied any wrongdoing.

He said other regents told him about the letter and he reported it to Gov. Ann Richards. The governor's office in turn asked the Rangers to investigate with Margraves' cooperation.

"I want to get this cleared up like everyone else," Margraves said. "I serve on this board for one reason – the young people who go to this school."

Fellow A&M System Regent Mary Nan West said Margraves is a "man of integrity" who "has been a good leader."

"He keeps us up to date on everything he does on this board, down to the minutiae. He reports in full," Ms. West said.

Regent Billy Clayton, a former Texas House speaker, said the letter doesn't have any merit because the author hasn't come forward.

"Anyone who doesn't have the guts to come forward shouldn't be given the time of day," Clayton said.

The letter accuses Margraves of gaining personally from A&M business deals, such as the privatization of the school's bookstore.

Margraves has acknowledged that New York-based Barnes & Noble Bookstores Inc., which has a multimillion-dollar contract to operate the A&M bookstore, has paid for several trips he and A&M Vice President Robert Smith took to New York.

Margraves and the company have defended the trips as legitimate business, adding that there was no conflict of interest because Barnes & Noble had already been selected to run the bookstore when the trips began in 1990.

Smith has declined to comment.

Records show Barnes & Noble paid for trips this year for Margraves and Smith while negotiations were going on for a contract extension signed in June that could net the bookstore company $25 million in sales.

2 Museums

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ALANREED-McLean Area Historical Museum: McLean. Regular museum hours 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, Sunday 1-4.

DEVIL'S Rope Museum, McLean, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday 1-4 p.m.

HUTCHINSON County Museum: Borger. Regular hours 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. weekdays except Tuesday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

2 Museums

LAKE Meredith Aquarium and Wildlife Museum: Fritch, hours Tuesday and Sunday 2-5 p.m., 10 a.m. Wednesday thru Saturday, closed Monday.

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19 Situations

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21 Help Wanted

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Appeals court orders Navy to reinstate ousted gay midshipman

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WASHINGTON (AP) – A federal appeals court Tuesday ordered the U.S. Naval Academy to graduate a midshipman who was expelled after saying he was gay and directed the Pentagon to commission him as an officer.

The three-judge panel unanimously ordered the Navy to grant Joseph C. Steffan his diploma from the Naval Academy and to place him in the ranks of Navy officers.

Steffan was forced to resign from the academy in 1987 before he was set to graduate because Navy investigators confirmed that he had told a fellow midshipman that he was gay. Steffan sued the Navy but a lower court judge dismissed the lawsuit.

In Tuesday's decision, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit said Navy rules requiring Steffan's expulsion from the academy "solely because he admitted his homosexual orientation are not rationally related to any legitimate goal."

"America's hallmark has been to judge people by what they do, and not by who they are," Chief Judge Abner Mikva wrote for the panel. "It is fundamentally unjust to abort a most promising military career solely because of a truthful confession of a sexual preference different from that of the majority, a preference untarnished by even a scintilla of misconduct."

The court ordered the Navy to "grant Mr. Steffan his diploma from the United States Naval Academy, reinstate him to military service, and commission him as an officer."

At the Pentagon, spokeswoman Kathleen deLaski said the department "will follow the order," but that in the meantime, officials have not yet decided whether or how to appeal the decision. At the White House, Chief of Staff Mack McLarty said he had no comment until he could review the ruling.

Beatrice Dohrn, legal director of the Lamda Legal Defense and Education Fund, Inc., called the ruling "an important victory for gay and lesbian service members and for all gay and lesbian Americans because it establishes the proposition that other people's prejudice against us should not be the basis ... for government policy."

She predicted that the ruling would serve as precedent for a lawsuit by filed here in federal court that challenges President Clinton's new policy that allows the discharge of homosexual service members who declare their sexual orientation.

Steffan resigned from the academy six weeks before he was scheduled to receive his diploma and be commissioned as a Navy officer. He left after a special review panel recommended that he be discharged for "insufficient aptitude for commissioned service."

Steffan, who now lives in Sharon, Conn., was in the top 10 percent of his class at the Academy and was slated for duty aboard a nuclear submarine before he said he was gay. The following day, his military performance grade was reduced from an A-minus to an F, according to his lawyer, Marc Wolinsky.

The appeals court noted that Steffan's "superiors never asserted that Mr. Steffan had engaged in homosexual conduct, and he never admitted to any. On its face, therefore, his discharge seems unrelated to any conduct – his statement revealed nothing more than a sexual orientation."

Steffan's forced discharge occurred under Navy policies that have since been modified by the Clinton administration's "don't ask, don't tell" rule.

Under the new rules, which are being challenged in the court, gay servicemen who reveal their sexual orientation could still face discharge. But the Clinton policy forbids military officials from asking about a recruit's sexual orientation or to investigate allegations that a person is homosexual.

The decision was joined by Circuit Judges Patricia Wald and Harry Edwards. All three judges are appointees of President Carter.

The panel also found there was no rational basis for the Navy's ban on gay officers and enlisted personnel.

"The secretary's justification for the gay ban presumes that a certain class of persons will break the law or the rules solely because of their thoughts and desires. This is inherently unreasonable."

The presumption that a gay servicemen will act on his sexual orientation is unjustified, the court said.

"A conclusion as to future conduct is even less justifiable when based, not on past conduct, but on mere thoughts and desires," the court said. "By firing Mr. Steffan purely for his 'inclinations and fantasies,' the secretary seeks" to control "the minds of those in the military."

The court held that the Pentagon, and judges reviewing its decisions, cannot ignore constitutional protections.

"There is no 'military exception' to the Constitution. Indeed, even when the Supreme Court has deferred to military judgment, it has been careful to do so only within the confines of ordinary constitutional analysis."

"When the military fails to accord individuals the equal protection of the laws, it treads upon an area of expertise that has long been conceded to the courts," the panel said.

"In deciding such cases, therefore, courts should not stray from the boundaries of ordinary equal protection review."

Earlier this year, a federal judge in Los Angeles ordered the Navy to reinstate Petty Officer Keith Meinhold, declaring that the military's ban on gays was unconstitutional.

In September, the judge, Terry Hatter, broadened his injunction to apply to all gay military personnel.

The Supreme Court last month partially lifted the injunction, saying it only applied to Meinhold while Hatter's ruling was being reviewed by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals.

Senate approves making abortion clinic blockades a federal crime

WASHINGTON (AP) – The overwhelming vote in the Senate to make blockades of abortion clinics a federal crime should improve the bill's chances of winning House approval without major changes, supporters say.

"It's a tremendous message. I think they'll match us," Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., said after the Senate voted Tuesday evening, 69-30, to give the Justice Department new powers to stop abortion clinic blockades and go after violent protesters.

The House is scheduled to debate a similar bill Thursday. Supporters are confident of passage but are worried about amendments by anti-abortion lawmakers that could weaken the measure.

The House is considered more conservative on abortion issues. Still, Democrats in both chambers hope to work out any difference between the two bills and send legislation to President Clinton before Congress recesses for the year at Thanksgiving.

The bill would take effect with Clinton's signature. Supporters hope to get it in place before the holidays, typically a period of increased violence at clinics, and before the January anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, the Supreme Court ruling spelling out a constitutional right to abortion.

In the Senate, supporters picked up backing from many anti-abortion lawmakers who agreed to join the call for an end to a growing wave of clinic violence. A Florida abortion doctor was shot to death earlier this year.

The Senate repeatedly turned back efforts by some anti-abortion lawmakers to soften penalties and change the bill.

Critics said the legislation is an affront to free-speech rights and that it singles out anti-abortion demonstrators for punishment. Gay rights activists do not have any special laws aimed against them, Republicans noted.

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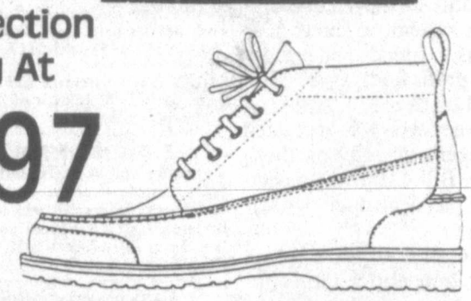
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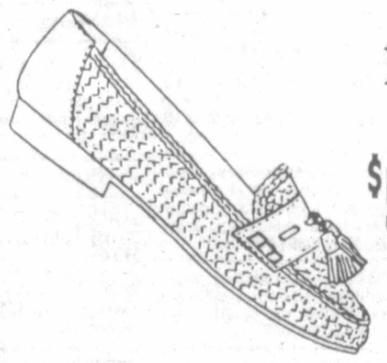
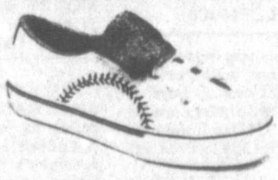
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