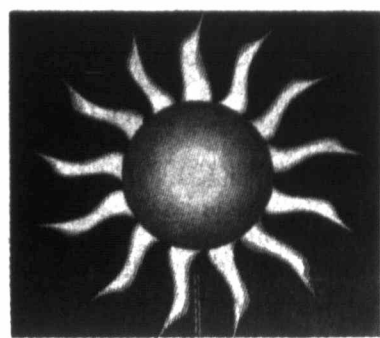


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weather details.

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — A last-minute computer failure delayed NASA's launch early today of a Mars spacecraft carrying the first-ever interplanetary rover.

Unlike the day before when rain and strong wind forced a scrub, the weather was near-perfect this morning for the liftoff of Mars Pathfinder. But a computer on the ground failed with just a little over a minute remaining in the countdown. A backup computer also would not work, leading officials to suspect a software problem.

The launch was rescheduled for early Wednesday.

Pathfinder will be the second spacecraft to be sent to Mars this year by NASA. The Global Surveyor, launched in early November, is en route to the Red Planet.

Pathfinder should beat the slower Global Surveyor to Mars by two months, landing on July 4, 1997.

PIKEVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Eighth-grader Karla Chapman tried to return to school today wearing black lipstick and was turned away.

Karla, 13, was suspended Nov. 13 from Runyon Elementary School, which has grades through eight, under a rule prohibiting students from wearing anything considered a distraction.

The girl had tried to return once before wearing the lipstick, but was turned away. The family vowed to try every school day.

Principal Rosa Wolfe contends Karla is no longer suspended and can return as soon as she removes the lipstick. The girl's father, Michael Chapman, said she was illegally suspended and that he plans to file a civil rights suit against the Pike County school board.

MOSCOW (AP) — Two Russian cosmonauts on the Mir space station completed a six-hour space walk today and laid a cable to connect a solar battery to the spacecraft's power system.

Valery Korzun and Alexander Kaleri successfully maneuvered the 75-foot cable outside the Mir, linking the battery to the craft's main power supply, the ITAR-Tass news agency said, citing Russia's Mission Control Center near Moscow.

American astronaut John Blaha remained inside the Mir while the two Russians worked outside.

The cosmonauts returned to the spacecraft about 1 a.m. Moscow time today, ITAR-Tass reported.

Another space walk is scheduled for Monday.

The Mir crew is expected to remain in space until a new team arrives at the end of January.

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County OKs request for overtime pay

By SHERRY CROMARTIE
Staff Writer

Gray County will pay up to \$50,000 in backlogged overtime pay to sheriff's department employees after a split vote by commissioners Monday.

Sheriff Randy Stubblefield asked that the county close its books on the 1996 sheriff's departmental budget "to pay my employees by zeroing out the deficit on employee comp time and clean the books by Jan. 1 for the new sheriff."

Stubblefield said the sheriff's department estimates the deficit at about \$48,000.

County Treasurer Scott Hahn said he did not have the exact figures for the court to review, but he agreed on the estimated amount.

"I don't have the figures ... but Randy is correct in his guess. The employee overtime pay is treated the same as extra salary ...," Hahn said, explaining the current overtime value is less, if paid before Dec. 31, based on hourly wages per dollar value at \$5 or minimum wage per hour.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Jim Greene, who voted against paying the overtime, said the court should not set a precedent in authorizing so much to be paid at once just because a new sheriff is taking office in January.

"The county's policy has always been that we don't pay overtime," Hahn said. "That is the reason this has gotten so far behind. The sheriff's scheduling of work is such that (overtime) hours are accumulated by the week."

The money will come from the sheriff department's budget, which has extra funds because of short-staffing in the department. Precinct 4 Commissioner James Hefley asked if anything could be done to cut down or manage the comp time.

"There's no way we can give time off for an employee who earns comp-time. There's no way

I can just shut down my department just to give some of the employees time off to make up a difference in earned overtime pay," Stubblefield answered.

Stubblefield and Chief Deputy James McDonald both stated there was insufficient staffing in the department, and often they were short-staffed during certain shifts.

Stubblefield said the office provides non-stop service, making it difficult to foresee what may happen for those on the job. He explained a recent situation with one of his employees whose spouse experienced sudden, serious illness, resulting in two others being called back on the job after just completing their assigned duties.

He also reminded the commissioners of the upcoming state jail inspection, warning them that Gray County may be requested to add more deputies because of the increase in prisoner count.

Overtime in the sheriff's department has been accumulating for sheriff's deputies and office dispatchers since former Sheriff Jimmy Free's administration, but the June 1995 tornado and the recent snow and ice storm helped increase the backlogged hours.

Commissioners also approved advertising for bids for cars for use by the sheriff's office. McDonald listed the vehicles the department will advertise for sale, and the income received from them will be used toward replacements.

McDonald discussed the phone system replacement for the sheriff's department, including data equipment beneficial for maintaining proper criminal records provided by Southwestern Bell Telephone and its software. Southwestern Bell was the only phone company offering a bid for the county's service. McDonald will give detailed options in the Dec. 16 court session.

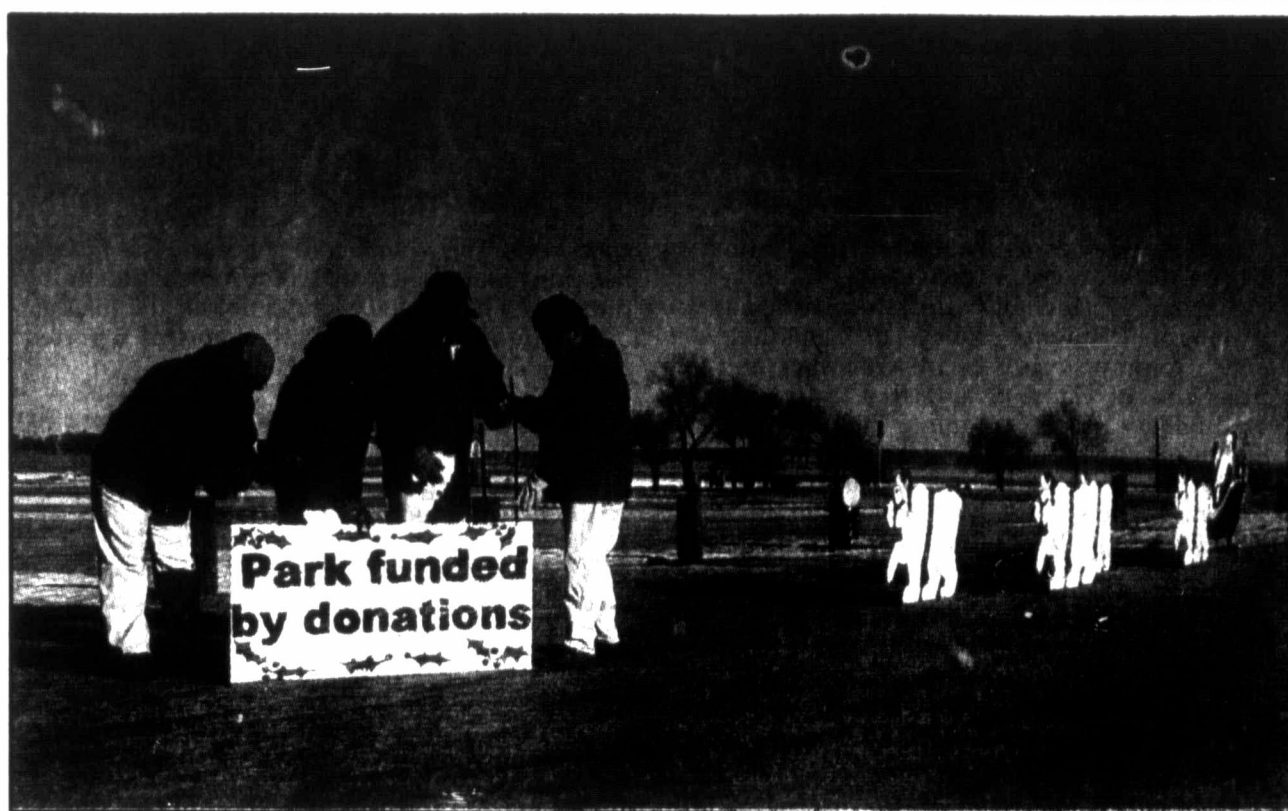
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The Nutcracker



(Special photo)

Maegan Wheeler of White Deer, left, as Clara and Pampa Civic Ballet member Glennette Goode as Herr Drosselmeyer will be among approximately 80 people performing in Saturday's Pampa Civic Ballet production of *The Nutcracker*. The performance will be at 7:30 p.m. at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium. Tickets may be purchased in advance at Beaux Arts Dance Studio, Kids Stuff or from any of the dancers in the Civic Ballet. Tickets also will be available at the door.



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Jordan Unit inmates Richard Diaz, Thomas Flores, Melvin Coleman and Victor Lopez are busy today putting up more than 200 lighted holiday displays at Recreation Park in preparation for the Celebration of Lights. The men have been working on the project under the supervision of correctional officer Albert Stevens as a community service project.

Celebration of Lights ready to light up Pampa for Christmas holiday season

By CHIP CHANDLER
News Editor

Celebration of Lights organizers have again rescheduled the opening ceremony for their month-long lighting display, this time to avoid a conflict with another local Christmas tradition.

The ceremony will be held at 6 p.m. Friday, not 6:30 p.m. as reported Monday.

The time change will prevent an overlap with Hospice of the Panhandle's "Tree of Love" lighting at 6:30 p.m. at its Pampa office, 800 N. Sumner.

Over 200 lighted holiday displays are being erected at Recreation Park for the drive-through tour of "Winter Wonderland." The featured attraction is "The Twelve Days of Christmas," in which a new display will be illuminated nightly.

To ensure traffic safety on the tour, Pampa Police Lt. Charlie Love said Monday that traffic will be routed through the east entrance of Recreation Park. That entrance is located off Loop 171 and will be used to discourage cars crossing the highway at the south entrance to the park on US 60.

"We're asking all participating citizens to drive cautiously," Love said.

The tour is set up in a circular pattern, so tourists will exit at the east entrance as well.

Love said the police will set up a close patrol of all the lights and displays with assistance from Citizens on Patrol.

The lighted decorations are provided by Midwest Display of Marion, Ind. Midwest has developed lighting extravaganzas for cities including Branson, Mo., and Beverly Hills, Calif.

The city of Pampa's Community Service Division has installed permanent electrical improvements which may be used for other civic displays besides Celebration of Lights.

This is the second year for Celebration of Lights. It began in 1995 aiming to instill community pride, a spirit of neighborliness and economic development. About 50 wooden displays were placed around Pampa in its first year. City of Pampa, Gray County and the Rufe Jordan Unit donated labor to the project.

This year, another 50 to 75 painted displays of Big Bird, snowmen and other holiday motifs will join those created last year for display around the town and in Recreation Park.

Displays are located on Somerville Street and in Petroleum Park, Coronado Park and McCarley Park.

Bullock: Property tax relief needs study

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's school funding system could collapse like a house of cards if Gov. George W. Bush's proposal to replace school property taxes isn't carefully handled, says Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock.

Bullock, who met with Bush early Monday, said he's waiting for the Republican governor to present a clear plan for replacing local school property taxes, which make up the majority of public school funding.

"We're going to have to take a good, long look at the legislation," Bullock said.

Bush spokeswoman Karen Hughes said the governor does not have a deadline for presenting his specific plan.

She said Bush is working with state lawmakers to come up with a proposal that can be offered when lawmakers convene in January.

"This is an ongoing, evolving

process," Ms. Hughes said.

She added that Bush already has presented a starting point with his proposal to give Texans \$1 billion in property tax relief, paid for by lower state spending and higher-than-expected state government income.

"We can build from there," she said.

For more than a year, Bush has pushed the idea of replacing local property taxes as the main funding source for Texas schools. Those taxes now total about \$10 billion a year.

A commission Bush appointed to study the issue has reported that Texans want property tax relief but aren't sold on a particular replacement.

Bush has said he's considering an increased sales tax, various business taxes or a combination of those. A state income tax isn't

being considered.

Bullock said it would be very difficult to reform property taxes without dealing with the state's school funding formula.

The funding system, which forces property-rich school districts to share their income with property-poor districts, survived a legal challenge from both poorer and richer schools last year after three previous funding systems were ruled unconstitutional.

"You're going to see when all this comes out how it all fits together," Bullock said of the tax and school funding systems.

"It's like a house built out of cards. You move one card and the whole house may fall down. Let's see what (Bush) proposes to replace and how high is it going to be replaced and what effect does it have on the present school financing system."

ADM officials indicted on price fixing charges

WASHINGTON (AP) — Three former top Archer Daniels Midland Co. executives and a Japanese businessman were indicted today on federal charges of conspiring to fix prices in the worldwide market for the feed additive lysine.

A Korean company also agreed to plead guilty to separate charges and pay a \$1.25 million fine for its role in the conspiracy, the Justice Department announced.

This is the third round of charges brought in the department's antitrust investigation of the food and feed additives industry. In October, Archer Daniels Midland pleaded guilty and paid \$100 million, the largest criminal antitrust fine in history, for its role in two international

conspiracies to fix prices and divide up markets for lysine and citric acid around the world.

Among those charged today by the federal grand jury in Chicago was the chief whistleblower in the case, Mark E. Whitacre of Chapel Hill, N.C., the former president of ADM's BioProducts Division.

During more than two years as an FBI informant, Whitacre made covert tape recordings of ADM meetings for prosecutors. ADM fired Whitacre in 1995, accusing him of embezzling company funds.

Also indicted was Michael D. Andreas of Decatur, Ill., who is on leave as executive vice president. He is the son of the company's politically influential chief, Dwayne D. Andreas.

Others indicted were: — Terrance S. Wilson of Decatur, who retired in October after ADM's guilty plea from his post as group vice president and president of ADM's Corn Processing Division.

— Kazutoshi Yamada of Tokyo, managing director of Ajinomoto Co. Inc., which pleaded guilty last month in the lysine case.

Cheil Jedang Ltd. of Seoul agreed to plead guilty and pay the \$1.25 million fine for its part in the lysine conspiracy. A federal court must approve that plea agreement.

Acting Assistant Attorney General Joel I. Klein, head of the antitrust division, said the government is continuing its investigation into price-fixing of lysine, citric acid and high fructose corn syrup.

Daily Record

Obituaries

THOMAS J. SCROGGINS

CANADIAN — Thomas J. Scroggins, 61, died Sunday, Dec. 1, 1996. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Church of Christ with Rex Boyles, minister, and Mike Heatwole, of Canadian, officiating. Burial will be in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mr. Scroggins was born Feb. 8, 1935, at Borger, to James and Conde Scroggins. He was a 1954 graduate of Borger High School. He married Janice Medford on Aug. 26, 1953, at Stinnett. The couple had been Canadian residents since 1971, moving from Borger.

He worked for Furr's for 13 years and for Bestway Market in Canadian from 1971-77. He had owned and operated Scroggins Meat Processing since March 1, 1977. He donated many hours of labor and meat to several local charities. He was a member of the Church of Christ.

Survivors include his wife, Janice, of Canadian; a daughter, Tammye Baileys of Canadian; two sons, Tommy Scroggins of Canadian and T.J. Scroggins of Canyon; and five grandchildren, Neil Baileys, Brian Scroggins, Tara Baileys, Scott Scroggins and Johnny Baileys.

The family requests memorials be to A.I.M. Program, Sunset International Bible Institute, 3723 34th St., Lubbock TX 79410.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents in the period since Wednesday, Nov. 26. (Reports were delayed because of the Thanksgiving holiday.)

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 26

4:32 p.m. — A 1994 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Jo Nell Parsley, 18, Pampa, was in collision with a 1993 Mercury Topaz driven by Nelda Roach Hudson, 41, 616 N. Dwight, at the intersection of Hobart and Oklahoma. Parsley was cited for following too closely.

FRIDAY, Nov. 29

3 p.m. — A 1989 Ford Aerostar driven by Tamela Rogers Ledford, 33, 2122 Hamilton, was in collision with a 1988 Mazda pickup driven by Mark Wayne Ford, 64, 612 Powell, in the 100 block of West Foster. Ledford was cited for unsafe backing, and Ford was cited for having no proof of financial responsibility.

6:15 p.m. — A 1985 Chevrolet Suburban driven by Louis William Haydon, 70, 111 E. 28th, was in collision with an unoccupied 1990 Geo Prism owned by Lee Walker of Chickasha, Okla., in the 100 block of East 28th.

10 p.m. — An unknown vehicle was in collision with a legally parked 1993 Chevrolet Cavalier owned by Thomas and Paulette Brown, 2231 N. Nelson, in a parking lot at 401 W. Francis.

SATURDAY, Nov. 30

10:26 a.m. — A 1995 Pontiac Bonneville driven by Kelly Bob Baker, 38, 2517 Evergreen, was in collision with a 1987 Ford pickup driven by Shawn Mathew Harris, 16, 2348 Duncan, at the intersection of 23rd and Evergreen. Baker was cited for failure to control speed.

Calendar of events

TOTS-N-TRAINING

Parents of preschool children can pick up free materials to help their children get ready for school through the Tots-N-Training program. Materials and a copy of the service's newsletter will be available at Frank's Thriftway #1, 300 E. Brown, from 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Frank's Thriftway #2, 1420 N. Hobart, from 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Albertsons', 1233 N. Hobart, from 10-11 a.m. and 3:30-5:30 p.m.; and Pampa Community Day Care Center, 1100 Gwendolen, from 4:30-6 p.m. For more information, call Sue Thornton at 669-4700.

SOUTHSIDE CITIZENS CENTER ANNUAL BARBECUE DINNER

The Southside Senior Citizens Center, 438 Crawford, will have its annual carry-out barbecue dinner fund-raiser from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at the center. The dinner includes barbecue brisket and ribs, beans, potato salad, cole slaw and dessert. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. Tickets are available at the center.

Police report

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

MONDAY, Dec. 2

Assault by contact was reported by Austin Elementary Principal Ron Warren that occurred Nov. 26. Two teachers were assaulted by a student; one teacher was spat at and received a bruised left shin, and the other received blows to the right bicep and calf.

Violation of a protective order was reported by a 21-year-old woman.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 2200 block of Hamilton.

A runaway was reported in the 1800 block of Williston.

A 42-year-old woman reported theft in the Walmart parking lot, 2225 N. Hobart. Stolen were a \$10 purse, \$205 cash, seven credit cards, keys and a checkbook. The woman told police she was putting her purchases in her car when someone took the purse from her basket. She did not see the suspect.

Disorderly conduct by language was reported in the 1000 block of North Hobart.

Arrest

Joe Lynn Griffin, 38, was arrested at 2216 N. Hamilton on a charge of criminal trespass. He was transferred to Gray County Sheriff's Office, where he was held on \$3,000 bond.

Stocks

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

Wheat	4.06	Chevron	66 3/4	dn 1/4
Milo	4.07	Coca-Cola	50 5/8	dn 1/4
Corn	4.83	Columbia/HCA	41 3/8	up 7/8
		Diamond Sham	33	up 5/8
		Enron	45 3/4	up 1/4
		Halliburton	60 3/4	dn 7/8
		Ingersoll Rand	47 1/4	up 7/8
		KNE	40 3/4	up 3/8
		Kerr McGee	72 5/8	up 1 5/8
		Limited	18 3/8	up 1/8
		Mapco	34 1/4	up 1/8
		McDonald's	46	dn 1/4
		Mobil	123	up 5/8
		New Atmos	24 3/8	dn 1/4
		Parker & Parsley	32 7/8	up 1/8
		Permy's	54	up 1/8
		Phillips	45 1/2	up 5/8
		SLR	103	dn 1/2
		SPS	35 3/8	up 1/4
		Teneco	52 1/4	up 1 1/8
		Texaco	99 3/8	NC
		Wal-Mart	26	up 1/2
		West Texas Gold	366.80	366.80
		West Texas Crude	24.26	24.26

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

Occidental	24	NC
Magellan	82.87	
Puritan	17.68	

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

Amoco	78 5/8	up 1/4
Arco	142 1/8	up 1/8
Cabot	26 3/8	dn 1/8
Cabot O&G	17 7/8	up 1/8

Ambulance

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

MONDAY, Dec. 2

7:30 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 800 block of North Russell on a medical assist. No patient was transported.

11:23 a.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to 26 miles east on Highway 12 on a medical emergency and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

8:12 p.m. — A mobile ICU unit responded to the 900 block of South Banks on an unknown emergency. No patient was transported.

Fires

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

MONDAY, Dec. 2

1:17 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to 21 miles south on Highway 70 to a car fire. Units were called back before arrival.

2:50 p.m. — Three units and seven personnel responded to Columbia Medical Center, One Medical Plaza, on a false alarm.

TUESDAY, Dec. 3

12:24 a.m. — One unit and two personnel responded to 1601 W. Somerville on a dumpster fire.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrest in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Dec. 2

Anthony Chris Broadus, 36, Miami, was arrested on three justice of the peace warrants for issuance of worthless checks. He will be released to pay those fines later after serving time for capias pro fine warrants totaling \$700.

TV industry near agreement on ratings

WASHINGTON (AP) — The television industry is near agreement on a ratings system similar to the one used for movies, say officials involved in the discussions.

Motion Picture Association of America President Jack Valenti, who is in charge of the TV industry group devising the ratings system, said, "Do we have a final agreement? No. But we are gaining on it. There are still a lot of people we need to get on board."

In a telephone interview Monday, Valenti was reluctant to discuss details. TV industry executives, who spoke on condition of anonymity, predicted the rating system will look a lot like the one used by the motion picture industry for 28 years.

They say it is expected to use the ratings of "C" for all ages, "PG" requiring parental guidance, "PG-13" for children under 13 but with parental consent or supervision and "NC-17" not appropriate for ages 17 and under. The television version would not have the "R" rating

widely used in motion pictures.

Rep. Edward Markey, D-Mass., sponsor of legislation calling on the TV industry to create a ratings system for sex and violence, said he will continue to pressure the industry to adopt content-based ratings and urged the public to join him.

"The 'V' seems to have wandered into an alley and been hijacked. It's time the public joined in a search for the missing 'V,'" he added, referring to a computer chip that would be installed in new TV sets. The computer chip would allow people to block programs from their TV screens.

The Washington Post reported in today's editions that the ratings will begin appearing on almost all entertainment programs starting in January. The newspaper said TV executives rejected an approach that would have rated shows according to content, such as "S" for sexually oriented material, "V" for violence and "L" for coarse language.

It has been widely known with-

in the industry and reported previously that the industry has been focusing on an age-bracket system instead of rating programs based purely on content.

The National Parent Teacher Association, children's advocacy groups and other special interest organizations prefer a system that is based on content.

The industry panel has been working on a ratings system for months. Valenti has said previously that a system will be in place before the end of the year. A formal announcement is expected Dec. 18.

The Post said a tentative agreement had been reached by the TV industry on movie-like ratings system but said the specific ratings categories still needed to be worked out.

Valenti insisted, "There is no tentative agreement."

Valenti said crucial segments of the industry including broadcast networks, movie executives, cable networks, syndicators, writers and directors have not signed off on a plan.

WTAMU to hold education course at Borger

CANYON — Traditionally, West Texas A&M University students living in the Borger area have more than a one-hour trip each way to classes that meet on the WTAMU campus.

"We are attempting to provide educational services for students in Borger through a spring semester course," said Dr. George Mann, interim head of the Division of Education. "We hope to continue the program with a wide variety of classes."

During the spring semester, Borger area residents can enroll in WTAMU's "Exceptional Children in the Mainstream of

Society." The class will meet from 7-9:40 p.m. Thursdays beginning Jan. 16 in Room 21 of the Classroom Learning Complex at Frank Phillips College in Borger.

The course will include an overview of characteristics and special needs of exceptional children who are disabled, gifted/talented and/or from culturally diverse backgrounds. Characteristics, implications and ecological elements that impact the exceptional child will be discussed. Adult participation in the education as a team member will also be discussed.

The course can be taken for undergraduate or graduate credit. Undergraduate students can register for EDE 450 or EDS 450. Graduate students should make arrangements for credit with the course instructor, Dr. Nella Bea Anderson.

For more information about registration procedures, contact the Office of the Registrar at (806) 656-2022. For more information about the course, contact Anderson at (806) 656-2906.

New students should contact the Office of Admissions at (806) 656-2020 for an application to the university.

Boys Ranch groups schedule Christmas production

CLAUDE — A special Christmas production featuring the Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Chapel Power Praise Worship Team and the Instrumental Ensemble will perform in the next Rimstone Revue in the Gem Theater in Claude Saturday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m.

The Power Praise Worship Team, directed by Rusty Hancock, assistant chaplain and music director of Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Chapel, will present excerpts from "The Gift of Christmas," some praise songs and a selection from Dennis Jernigan's "Break

My Heart, O God."

Under the direction of ranch chaplain Steve Singleterry, the Instrumental Ensemble musicians will present various Christmas carols and praise choruses.

The primary purpose of the Boys Ranch Chapel has been to equip students to be active in service to others, according to a spokesperson for the groups.

The performing groups have led worship in 14 off-campus church services since May and will do several more concerts in December. The relatively new

Instrumental Ensemble has played for the Ranch Chapel services and also performed in many of the off-campus services.

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$4 for senior citizens and \$3 for children. According to Roy M. Rutherford, director of programs for the Armstrong County Museum-Gem Theatre, proceeds are to benefit the Cal Farley's Boys Ranch Scholarship fund.

Ticket reservations must be made prior to Saturday. Information or reservations must be made by calling (806) 226-2187.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Clear tonight with a low in the mid 20s and southeast winds 5-10 mph. Wednesday, continued sunny with a high in the mid 50s and west winds 10-20 mph. Little change Thursday with sunny skies and a high in the mid 50s. Monday's high was 48; the overnight low was 20.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, mostly clear with lows in 20s. Wednesday, partly cloudy to mostly sunny, with highs in mid 40s north to mid 50s south. South Plains: Tonight, fair. Lows in upper 20s. Wednesday, mostly

sunny. Highs in mid 50s.

North Texas — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 34 to 39. Wednesday, partly sunny. Highs 57 to 63.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in low 40s. Wednesday, cloudy with a chance of rain. Highs near 60. Upper Coast: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows from mid 40s inland to mid 50s coast. Wednesday, cloudy with a chance of rain. Highs from mid 60s inland to near 60 coast. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows from upper 50s coast to low 50s

inland. Wednesday, cloudy with rain likely. Highs in low 60s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Tonight and Wednesday, becoming partly cloudy north with a slight chance of high mountain snow flurries near the Colorado border late tonight and Wednesday. Mostly fair skies lower elevations south. Not as cold. Lows 5 to 25 mountains and north with mostly 20s elsewhere. Highs 30s and 40s mountains and north with 50s to mid 60s south.

Oklahoma — Tonight, partly cloudy with lows in upper 20s to low 30s. Wednesday, partly cloudy with highs 49 to 58.

City briefs

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REBECCA ANN'S 1521 N. Hobart. All Christmas items on sale. Adv.

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CHRISTMAS PARADE, December 7th. Entry forms at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce. Adv.

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IMAGES HOLIDAY Open House, Thursday, December 5, 6-8 p.m. Let us help you with your Christmas shopping. Open late for your convenience every Thursday til Christmas. Free gift wrapping. 123 N. Cuyler. 669-1091. Adv.

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AARP TAX Aide - People Helping People. Volunteers to help elderly and disabled complete basic income tax form and answer questions. Training provided by AARP. Contact Ernest Wilkinson at 665-0356 for more information. Adv.

DON'T KNOW what to get your loved ones for Christmas? Annie has Gift Certificates for manicures, pedicures, nails. Call 665-8401. Adv.

MAJOR LEAGUE Baseball fitted hats in stock 50% off. T-Shirts & More. Adv.

ROLANDA'S SILK Flowers & Gifts inside Frank's Hobart store, just received Spray-On Potpourri oil. Adv.

CAROUSEL EXPRESSIONS has new cake candles and indoor/outdoor fountains. 665-0614, 1600 N. Hobart. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - Tuesday 5-8 p.m. Pork chops, baked chicken, chicken gizzards, chicken fried steak. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

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County

In other business, AIS Continental Branch Manager Chuck Thomas of Amarillo asked commissioners to explain why they decided to purchase a road grader \$26,000 more than the one his company proposed.

AIS bid \$95,260 for a Galion Road Grader, but commissioners agreed to purchase a Caterpillar grader from West Texas Equipment of Amarillo for \$119,806.

Thomas argued that the commissioners advertised for the

grader using wording from a Caterpillar brochure, information that no other machinery company can match exactly. He quoted a law which indicates a county is required to prepare its specs to allow equal bidding practices, against which bidders may bid comparable prices on standardized equipment.

Precinct 3 Commissioner Gerald Wright described differences between the Caterpillar and the Galion, indicating the Caterpillar was a better buy for the county.

No further action was taken.

In other action commissioners:

- Passed a motion to allow the district clerk to purchase a copy machine.

- Approved the transfer of lease from Perry Lefors Hangar #47N to David Wavra. Peet said Wavra agreed to sign a new lease agreement for the county.

- Approved request by the City of Pampa for the sale of delinquent tax property at 925 S. Sumner; and,

- Approved the county's holiday schedule for 1997, adding President's Day, designating it as a "floating holiday" only.

Revenue from the musical may reach \$1 billion with \$250 million going to Larson's estate, Thomson claims. She said the estate has offered her \$100,000, but she actually is due 16 percent of the profits.

A lawyer for Larson's estate, Jay Harris, said Thomson had a written agreement by which she was paid a fee and continues to receive a royalty.

Thomson "was never a co-author of the show," he said.

editor, not a co-author.

Thomson, who filed the lawsuit last week in U.S. District Court, said Larson told others that she would be compensated as joint creator of the musical. She said the pair worked together for nine months.

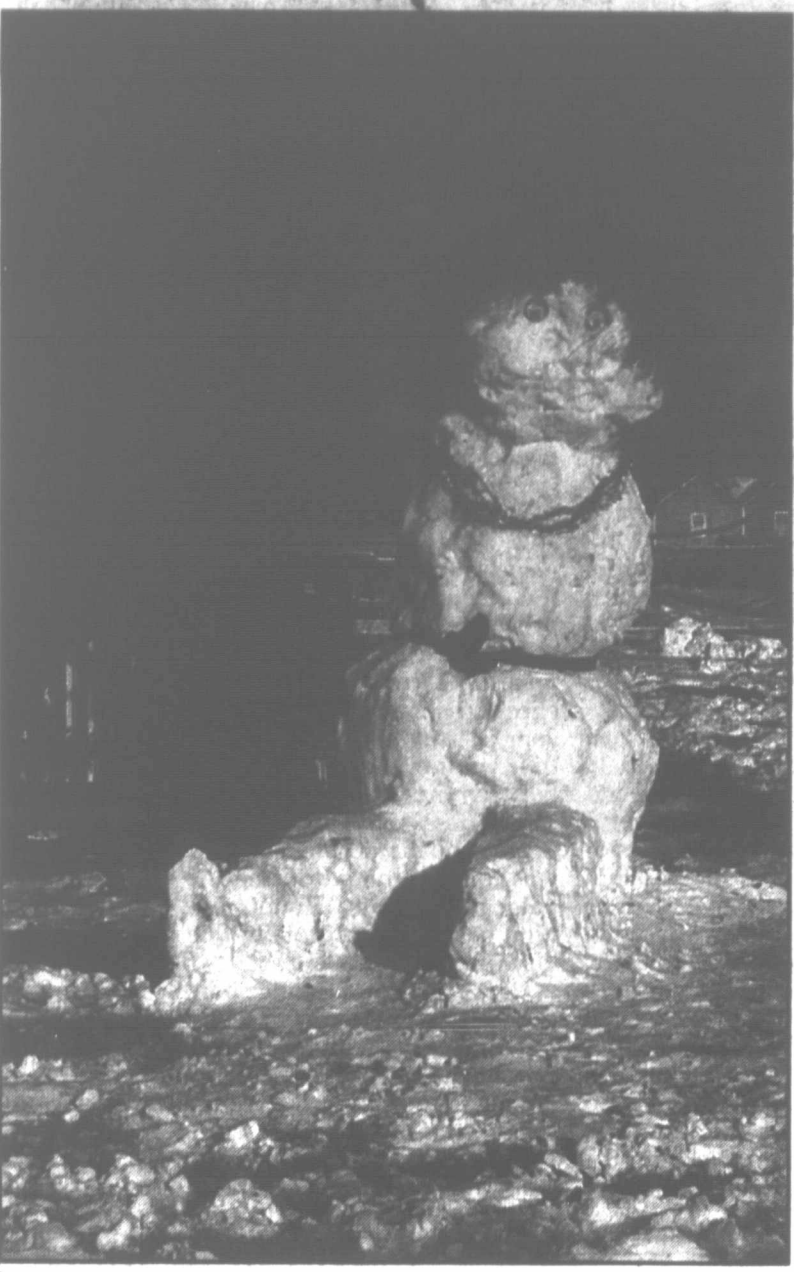
Two weeks before the play opened in February, Larson suffered an aortic aneurysm and died at age 35. He is credited as the sole author of the play's book, music and lyrics.

Professor sues for \$40 million in 'Rent' earnings

NEW YORK (AP) — A playwright has sued for \$40 million from Rent, claiming she was the "principal author" of the Broadway musical that is now a Tony- and Pulitzer-winning smash.

Lynn Thomson, a New York University drama professor, said she was given only \$2,000 despite developing the plot and themes of the late Jonathan Larson's update of the opera La Boheme. Larson's estate says Thomson functioned like an

Sign of winter



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Ah, the first snowfall of winter. And what can be done? Why, build a snowman, of course. This figure of sculpted snow was seen at the corner of Gray and Browning on Sunday afternoon after Saturday's storm deposited five inches of snow on Pampa. But with the sun bursting out, chances are the snowman didn't stick around long.

African regional association says it's time for change in United Nations candidates

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The president of Africa's regional association says the time has come for African countries to submit other candidates for the top U.N. job because of U.S. opposition to Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali.

The call by Cameroon President Paul Biya, president of the Organization of African Unity, represents a major setback to Boutros-Ghali's hopes for remaining in office after his term expires Dec. 31.

Western diplomats, speaking on condition of anonymity, said they expect the Africans to begin suggesting alternative candidates to the Security Council, possibly by the end of this week.

The issue of the secretary-general has been deadlocked since the United States vetoed Boutros-Ghali's candidacy in the Security Council on Nov. 19. But Boutros-Ghali remains in the race, and the Africans had declared they were united behind the Egyptian.

The OAU endorsed Boutros-Ghali for a second, five-year term at its July summit in Cameroon. African envoys repeatedly have told the Security Council that because of that endorsement they could not nominate other candidates.

China, Russia and France also have supported Boutros-Ghali, citing the OAU endorsement. As permanent council members, those three countries could veto any candidate opposed by the Africans.

The other permanent council member, Britain, voted for Boutros-Ghali but says the U.S.

veto means "alternative solutions" must be found. That has been interpreted to mean Britain would no longer support Boutros-Ghali in future voting.

In a letter sent to fellow African heads of state, a copy of which was obtained by The Associated Press on Monday, Biya noted that the OAU endorsement had failed to convince the United States to drop its opposition to Boutros-Ghali.

Biya said council members "appear favorable to the principle of a second mandate for Africa" in the post. In order keep an African in the top job, Biya said in the letter, which was sent Friday, that it was time for African states to submit "other candidates" along with Boutros-Ghali.

He urged African governments to move quickly since a new secretary-general must be chosen by the end of Boutros-Ghali's term on Dec. 31.

The United States, which has accused Boutros-Ghali of not being aggressive enough in pursuing reform, cast the lone negative vote against him in the 15-member council.

It was unclear when the council would meet again on the secretary-general issue. Council President Francesco Paolo Fulci of Italy conferred Monday with fellow council ambassadors on the issue.

British Ambassador John Weston said that once the Africans submit alternative candidates, he expects council members to take unofficial "straw votes" to winnow out the weaker nominees.

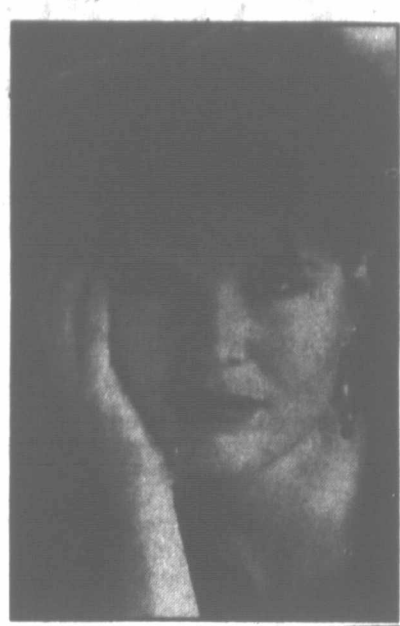
All-Star Jubilee schedules 'Country Christmas' show

The Stokes Ranch east of Pampa will be hosting the All-Star Jubilee's second annual "Country Christmas" show on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 7 p.m.

The Christmas special will be featuring Keith Roberson and The North Fork Band, storyteller Loree Cooley and special guest Andrea Gilley of Dallas. Supper is by reservation only and will be served at 6:30 p.m. Reservations may be made by calling 665-0190 or 665-7896.

Admission to the show is \$5 for adults, with children age 10 and under admitted free. The price of the show admission does not include food.

For more information or for directions to the Stokes Ranch, call 665-0190, 665-7896 or 665-2213.



Andrea Gilley

Prosecutor fired after arrest for possession of cocaine

HOUSTON (AP) — A Harris County prosecutor who had handled several high-profile cases has been fired after she was arrested on a charge of possession of cocaine, authorities say.

District Attorney John B. Holmes Jr. said Monday that Kristen Pain, 31, was fired immediately after she was arrested Saturday morning for allegedly snorting cocaine in front of an undercover FBI agent.

Ms. Pain, who had been an assistant district attorney for five years, had spent the past six months in the consumer fraud division.

Holmes said he did not have to wait until her trial to fire her, saying the arrest was enough. He noted that it was the first time he can remember that an assistant district attorney has been arrested on a drug possession charge.

Holmes said an independent prosecutor has been assigned to the case because he did not want his office to handle the case.

Pain, who is free on \$10,000 bond, will be arraigned Dec. 16.

The FBI entered the case after an informant agreed to help snare Pain. Authorities said the informant

set up a dinner at a local restaurant with the agent, Pain and a male companion.

After the meal, the group went to an apartment that had been equipped with FBI surveillance cameras. While there, Pain allegedly cut a line of cocaine and snorted it through a rolled-up dollar bill.

Police found 9.8 grams of cocaine, roughly the equivalent of ten packets of artificial sweetener when she and her companion were arrested.

Steve Young, general counsel for the State Bar of Texas, said Pain risks being disbarred if she is convicted.

Pain was the first prosecutor involved in the well-known case of a man accused of impregnating his granddaughter, Jackie Earl Merchant was found not to be the father of the baby but was sentenced to ten years probation for having sex with the girl. She was not the prosecutor on the case when Merchant was convicted.

Pain also prosecuted a former Harris County sheriff's deputy who was convicted of raping a woman he met in a Humble nightclub in 1993.

Justices hear arguments on enforcement of Brady gun law

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court is hearing a states' rights challenge by two county sheriffs who say the federal government cannot make them help enforce the Brady gun-control law.

Congress cannot require local police to conduct background checks on prospective gun-buyers, say lawyers for Sheriff Jay Printz of Ravalli County, Mont., and Sheriff Richard Mack of Graham County, Ariz.

"Sheriff's departments are not field offices of the (Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms), nor may they be conscripted for a federal crusade," Printz's lawyers said in court papers.

However, government lawyers say local police can be required to make "simple record checks" as part of a federal effort to curb a "national epidemic of handgun violence."

After hearing arguments in the case today, the justices are expected to decide by July whether the background-check requirement is lawful.

On Monday, President Clinton told reporters he believed the law complied with the Constitution. "Tens of thousands of people with criminal backgrounds and other serious problems couldn't get handguns because of the Brady law," he said. "People are alive today because of it."

The government estimates the law prevented firearm sales to more than 60,000 criminals in two years.

The Brady law was enacted by Congress in 1993 over bitter opposition from gun-control opponents, including the National Rifle Association. The measure is named after James Brady, who was seriously wounded in the 1981 assassination attempt on President Reagan.

The measure requires a five-day waiting period before the sale of a handgun. During that time, local authorities must try to find out if the buyer has a felony record, a history of mental illness or drug use, or some other problem that would make the sale illegal.

By late 1998, the federal government is to

create a national system to provide instant criminal background checks.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the background-check requirement in 1995, saying it was a minor burden similar to state officials' duty to report missing children or traffic fatalities to the federal government.

Lawyers for Mack, who lost his re-election bid and leaves office in January, said in court papers the law forced him to divert deputies from crime-fighting duties.

In some recent decisions, the justices have signaled a shift in the balance of power between states and the federal government. Last year they struck down a federal law that banned gun possession within 1,000 feet of schools, saying the states — not Congress — had the authority to enact such criminal laws.

Federal officials argue that even if the high court rules Congress cannot require local officials to conduct background checks, the Brady law's five-day waiting period can remain in force.

Study: Cervical cancer rates high among Hispanic females along border

HARLINGEN, Texas (AP) — Hispanic women living along the Texas border are diagnosed with cervical cancer at twice the rate of whites and are twice as likely to die from the disease, according to a new study.

Although the exact cause is unknown, the higher rates are in part because of cultural and financial barriers that keep Hispanic women from receiving regular checkups, health officials said Monday.

"The results do suggest that early intervention steps such as Pap tests may not be reaching Hispanic females along the bor-

der," said Nancy Weiss, director of the Texas Department of Health's cancer registry division, which conducted the study.

The division examined about 13,000 cancer cases diagnosed from 1990 to 1992 in 18 border counties from Cameron County to El Paso County. It also looked at cancer deaths in the same counties from 1990 through 1993.

Overall, Hispanics had lower rates than Anglos for most types of cancer, but cervical cancer rates were much higher, the study found.

Hispanic women were diagnosed with cervical cancer at a

rate of 18.8 per 100,000 women each year, compared with a rate of 9.4 for Anglo women.

Mortality rates also were higher among Hispanic women, who died from cervical cancer at a rate of 5.74 per 100,000 women annually, compared with 2.93 Anglo women.

Although high, the number of cervical cancer cases among Hispanic women was similar to the number of cases reported in California, a state with a comparable population of Hispanics and Anglos.

However, the mortality rate for Hispanic females in Texas was 33 percent higher than in California.

In Texas, Hispanic women most likely to be diagnosed with cervical cancer were 60 and older, the study found.

Some older women think they no longer need cervical exams because they are past their reproductive years, said Stephen Wright, spokesman for the Health Department's Breast and Cervical Cancer Control Program.

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Opinion

Economic ideals transcend ideology

William Vickrey of Columbia University and James Mirrlees of Cambridge University might not be especially well known outside the field of economics.

But their choice to be co-recipients of the Nobel Prize in economics this year just might serve as a signal, as economist and economic historian David Henderson noted in the *Wall Street Journal*, that economics is edging closer to the promise of the formal title of the prize.

The prize citation says it is given in "economic science." If economics is really becoming more like a scientific discipline rather than a handy academic framework for justifying predetermined opinions, that's a small sign of hope.

Vickrey and Mirrlees were cited for their work in how decisions are made when those making them have only partial or limited information, and how those decisions can be improved. But both economists have done other work as well, and much of their work reflects a commendable proclivity to follow their analyses even when the results don't gibe with their ideological predispositions.

For example, Mirrlees has been an adviser to the British Labor Party, hardly a haven for low tax rate advocates. But in 1971, operating from the premise that it is a good thing for government to take from the rich and help the poor, he set about calculating the best tax rate to come close to accomplishing this. His conclusion? The top marginal tax rate (the percentage paid on the next dollar earned) should be about 20%, and that marginal rate should be the same for everyone.

In other words, the best way to accomplish left-wing purposes is what we now call the "flat tax," which less analytical commentators still claim is the province only of crazed supply-siders.

People who have known Vickrey doubt if he has ever voted for a Republican. But throughout his career, he has been fascinated with the idea of efficient pricing systems, prices that give all players in a transaction their best shot (given incomplete information) at getting their needs and values fulfilled.

This led him to advocate, back in the 1960s, that a price should be charged for using urban streets, with differential pricing to reflect shifting demand at different times.

Privatization is the next logical step. He also noted, long before Arthur Laffer became famous, that high income-tax rates "make individuals choose leisure in preference to gainful work to an uneconomical degree."

Even if they hadn't done important work, which they have, the willingness of these two economists to reach conclusions based on responsible analysis, even when the conclusions seem to contradict their ideology, would qualify them for recognition and praise.

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Clinton's deceitful foreign policy

While Bill Clinton is reshuffling his Cabinet and his White House staff, he should look for someone to fill the role of Big Daddy in *Cat on a Hot Tin Roof*. He would sit in on policy-making sessions, and whenever the president showed the urge to dissemble, he would stand up and bellow, like Burl Ives: "What's that smell in this room? Didn't you notice it, Brick? Didn't you notice a powerful and obnoxious odor of mendacity in this room?"

Big Daddy's nostrils would have been curling when Clinton made a speech explaining his latest Bosnia policy. A year ago, he sent 20,000 troops to Bosnia to help implement the Dayton peace accords. He assured a skeptical American public that the soldiers would be home within a year. Now, the president says a substantial American force will have to remain in Bosnia for another 18 months.

Clinton's original commitment could hardly have been more emphatic. One high-ranking official after another swore on a stack of Bibles that one year was the absolute limit of our stay.

"The missions are, according to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, very clearly achievable within one year," said national security adviser Anthony Lake. Clinton himself insisted that the mission was "precisely defined, with clear, realistic goals that can be achieved in a definite period of time."

Even last spring, the administration scoffed at any talk of an extension. "The president has given a very clear commitment on the 12 months," declared Richard Holbrooke, the architect of the peace agreement, shortly after resigning his post. "That is our policy. That will remain our policy." A Pentagon spokesman in Tuzla said, "We're giving the Bosnians the best shot they're going to get. Let's hope they don't blow it, because on Day 365, we're outta here."

As the year neared its end, the president and his



Stephen
Chapman

aides continued the fraud, pretending they had given no thought to the possibility of keeping American troops in the Balkans beyond the deadline. Only after the election was safely behind him did Clinton admit the truth. As Richard Nixon's press secretary Ron Ziegler once said of some of his boss' statements that had suddenly become obsolete, Clinton's promises on Bosnia are now inoperative.

This really comes as no surprise. Back when Clinton made the commitment, he was widely criticized for an unrealistic timetable. A stable and secure Bosnia was not going to be built in twelve short months. But he knew he would face considerable resistance from Congress and the public if he proposed sending U.S. troops for two or three years. One year was all he could get away with. But he also knew that once the troops were there, it wouldn't be hard to extend their mission.

And he's right. The amazing thing is not that the American people were cynically deceived but that they don't seem to mind that they fell for such a crude bait-and-switch tactic. Only one American soldier has been killed in action in Bosnia, and as long as the mission remains crushingly dull, the public is probably in danger of forgetting that we are even in Bosnia.

Besides, we have gotten accustomed to being sandbagged by our leaders on military commitments. In the 1940 campaign, Franklin Roosevelt vowed to stay out of the European conflict even as he was looking for an excuse to enter the fight against the Axis powers — something Pearl Harbor provided. Lyndon Johnson pledged in 1964 that he wouldn't ship American boys off to Vietnam, only to dispatch 165,000 the following year. George Bush waited until two days after the 1990 congressional elections to reveal that he was sending to Saudi Arabia a force big enough to evict Iraq from Kuwait.

The presidential impulse may be understandable, but it shows something less than a deep respect for public opinion and it neatly hobbles the accountability that democracy is supposed to provide. No power wielded by the president is more grave than the authority to put American forces in harm's way. But none is subject to fewer checks. The president can't spend a nickel without congressional authorization. But he can send thousands of men and women to their deaths on a petty whim.

Congress didn't like the decision to intervene in Bosnia, but it declined to overrule it. The issue was totally ignored during the presidential campaign. In practice, Clinton, like presidents before him, has an almost totally free hand to use military force.

He is still not being honest about Bosnia. Creating an environment that would allow NATO forces to leave without precipitating the resumption of the Balkan war will almost certainly take longer than another 18 months. If you want to know how much longer, take a look at Cyprus. United Nations forces went there to keep the peace between Greece and Turkey. Thirty-two years later, they're still doing it.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 3, the 338th day of 1996. There are 28 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Dec. 3, 1967, a team of surgeons in Cape Town, South Africa, headed by Dr. Christiaan Barnard, performed the first human heart transplant on Louis Washkansky, who lived 18 days with the new heart.

On this date:

In 1818, Illinois was admitted as the 21st state.

In 1828, Andrew Jackson was elected president of the United States.

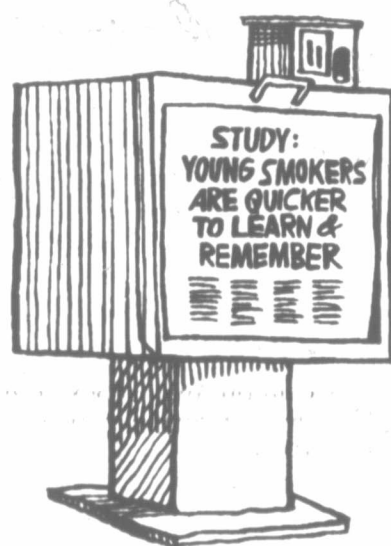
In 1833, Oberlin College in Ohio — the first truly coeducational school of higher learning in the United States — opened its doors.

In 1894, author Robert Louis Stevenson died in Samoa.

In 1925, *Concerto in F*, by George Gershwin, had its world premiere at New York City's Carnegie Hall, with Gershwin himself at the piano.

In 1947, the Tennessee Williams play *A Streetcar Named Desire* opened on Broadway.

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LLEs' view of the political world

Finding your way in the Orwellian world of left-liberal-elite propaganda requires an intellectual road map. Let me sketch one out for you.

First of all, in the left-liberal-elite world, there are, amazingly enough, no liberals. There are only moderates and extremists, which are everybody else but the LLEs.

I bet you didn't know you were an extremist. You probably think an extremist is a skinhead or a member of the Ku Klux Klan who runs around in camouflage sheets trying to rid the world of conspirators.

Well, you just don't understand how the LLEs view the world. You are an extremist if you believe in a balanced budget amendment, that English should be the official language of the United States, that it would be a good idea to dump the National Endowment for the Arts and Pomo and the Department of Bad Education.

You are an extremist if you are a conservative Republican or Christian. You are an extremist if you are opposed to foreign aid, government imposed racial quotas, overly generous immigration laws and a welfare system that encourages and subsidizes illegitimacy.

You are an extremist if you think kids and their coaches ought to be able to pray at a football game, that it wouldn't hurt to hang a copy of the Ten Commandments in a classroom and that Christmas programs should include Christmas

Charley Reese

music.

You are an extremist if you believe in controlling the country's borders, eliminating race-, sex- or ethnic-based preferences and shutting down the country's abortion mills.

You are an extremist if you want to cut taxes and repair Medicare before it goes bankrupt, which, left alone, soon will.

If you believe that the Constitution says what it means and means what it says, including the right to keep and bear arms, then you are an extreme extremist.

That, by the way, is the only point on which I agree with the left-liberal-elites because restoring the constitutional republic would, by God, provide an extreme contrast to the unconstitutional consolidated imperial government the LLEs have created.

God knows that liberty and self-government are extremely strange ideas to these elitist characters, who have twisted our republic into a rancid mess that would be recognizable by Nero but not by George Washington.

The point of this little exercise is to impress on decent, God-fearing, law-abiding Americans who

respect constitutional government that they are not in a fair fight. Their opponents are not merely mistaken, nor do they think you are merely mistaken.

They hate you. They hate your ideas. And they will employ every trick in the totalitarian's propaganda handbook to make sure you and your ideas never get a fair hearing or a fair reporting.

For example, the left-wing Interfaith Alliance, whose real job is to trash Christian conservatives, makes a big deal in its propaganda about keeping church and politics separate. Of course, the seed money to start the Interfaith Alliance came from the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, according to the Capital Research Center.

Left-wing churches played a big part in the anti-war movement of the 1960s, in opposing the anti-Communists in Nicaragua and El Salvador and in fighting against efforts to reform immigration laws. And you didn't see any editorials or television commentaries bemoaning that churches were getting involved in secular political matters.

Don't forget that in the world of the LLEs, only conservative Christians are forbidden to exercise their lights as citizens. It's mixing church and state for conservative Christians to get involved in public issues; it's providing moral leadership when the left-liberal churches get involved.

When traditional Americans are called extremist, you know the elite is in far left field.

So ... this is what they call reform?

Now that the television pundits can no longer display their prowess by predicting the outcome of the elections, they have turned their talking heads to another matter: deciphering the "message" of the elections. Since the Democrats won the White House and the Republicans will continue to control the Congress, there is plenty of material for everyone to spin. So conservatives say that the elections prove that voters want the Congress to continue their revolution. Liberals say that the elections prove that voters want Clinton to keep it at bay.

The whole thing reminds me of a Delbert cartoon in which several managers are gathered for a meeting. One manager says: "We've got to give the customers what they want." Another manager says: "The customers want better products for free." So the first manager amends: "Then let's just repack the stuff we have now and call it strategy."

What the voters WANT is what we've always wanted: better government services for free. As middle class voters we may say we want smaller government, but we don't want anyone to cut the programs that benefit us or our families, such as Medicare and Social Security. Instead, we prefer that the government cut programs for the poor, such as welfare.

The trouble is, bilking the poor is not a sound economic policy, since the poor don't have much money to begin with. The Washington polls spent



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a lot of time and energy trying to reduce the amount of money taxpayers spend on welfare. And although they did manage to cut federal spending on welfare, you'd need a microscope to see the impact it had on your paycheck. The fact is, even if the government completely leveled the welfare program — just threw everyone off — it would barely make a dent in the federal deficit. That's because we're currently only spending 1 percent of the federal budget on cash payments to the poor, and 2 percent on food stamps.

But Medicare and Social Security are completely different stories even though both liberals and conservatives lump these three entitlements together. Social Security eats up the largest chunk of the federal pie — 22 percent; Medicare consumes 11 percent. Other budget busters are

defense (18 percent), the interest on the debt (15 percent) and Medicaid (6 percent).

Of the programs listed, only Medicaid, the health insurance program for the poor, might be considered unpopular. However, as economist Paul Krugman points out in *Slate* magazine, Medicaid is increasingly becoming a program for the elderly, rather than strictly for the poor.

The point is not to pit the elderly against the poor — indeed, many people fit into both categories. It is to say that if the people really want smaller government, then they must want to cut Social Security, Medicare and defense. As appealing as it may sound to cut unpopular programs like welfare, foreign aid (1 percent), and the National Endowment for the Arts (less than 1 percent), the fact is that the only way to balance the budget — if indeed that's what the American people want — is to go after the big ticket items.

The Washington polls have started talking about balancing the budget again, and they say they want to tackle the entitlement problem. The American people must decide which they want — untouched Medicare and Social Security systems, or a balanced budget.

If they refuse to decide, then the Washington polls will do what they have always done. They'll repack the same old policies, and call it reform.

Welcome for Priorities



Pampa Chamber of Commerce Gold Coats recently welcomed Priorities, 301 W. Foster, to the Pampa business community and as a new Chamber member. From left are Gold Coat Jim Morris, Betty Hannon and Lyndia Dallas of Priorities, and Gold Coats Lyndon Field and Duane Harp. Priorities offers antiques, collectibles, jewelry, clothing and gift items as well as nails work and tanning booths.

Researchers find ice on the moon

WASHINGTON (AP) — The dream that humans someday may live on the moon has taken a giant leap forward now that scientists say they've found frozen water deep inside a lunar crater.

The Pentagon said Monday that the unmanned Clementine spacecraft located a small lake-sized mass of ice in a giant crater near the south pole of the moon, which long had been thought to be bone dry.

The discovery of water on the moon — perhaps deposited there by a comet — increases chances that humans in the future may be able to take up residence on the lunar surface.

"If you could wish for any one

thing there to make it easier to explore with, it would be water," said Anthony Cook, astronomical observer at the Griffith Observatory in Los Angeles.

Ice on the moon saves the enormous expense of having to haul heavy loads of water in spacecraft, Cook explained.

"With water there you could have enclosed areas to grow plants, grow your own food, make your own fuel, make your own air," he said. "You don't have to launch all that stuff from big rockets on the Earth."

Not only have scientists concluded there is ice on the moon, they have agreed that the ice is frozen water, not some other frozen liquid or gas.

State briefs

American to turn off giant airport signs

DALLAS (AP) — Eight giant gate information signs erected at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport by American Airlines that were the subject of a multi-million dollar lawsuit will be shut down, according to a published report.

The Dallas Morning News reported in a copyright story today that airline chairman Robert Crandall notified airport officials last week that the airline planned to turn the five-story illuminated signs off after the busy Thanksgiving Day travel rush ended on Monday.

A jury ruled last month that the airline was grossly negligent for erecting the signs.

State withholds payments to subsidiary of GTECH

AUSTIN (AP) — The state has not paid any money to a subsidiary of the company that runs the Texas Lottery because it has done a poor job of running Texas' new hunting and fishing license system, a state official says.

Lynn Lange, license section supervisor for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, said Monday that Transactive Corp. would have been paid about \$1.8

million by now if the system had not been plagued with problems. Transactive is an Austin-based subsidiary of GTECH.

"We are waiting for all the problems to be resolved," Ms. Lange said of the decision to withhold payments to Transactive. "It will certainly be an incentive to them."

State officials are investigating GTECH operations following the disclosure that Mike Moeller, a close friend of Lottery Commission Executive Director Nora Linares, had been given a \$6,000-a-month consulting contract in 1992 in New Mexico.

Police worry pepper spray gives people false security

By BRUCE DUNFORD
Associated Press Writer

Pepper spray, long used by park rangers in case of bear attacks, is now likely to be carried in a woman's purse to ward off attackers in the concrete jungle.

Politicians and citizens groups are hailing the drive to legalize the spray — which contains compressed oils from hot peppers — as a cheap, easy way for ordinary citizens to protect themselves from criminals.

But others, police among them, worry the spray is giving people a false sense of security or worse, is being bought by criminals for use against their victims.

Despite the controversy, more and more states are making self-defense sprays legal for public purchase.

"Each time a woman carries her pepper spray in her hand as she walks through some dark parking lot, she feels more secure," said Honolulu Councilman John Henry Felix, sponsor of a bill to legalize the sale of pepper spray to ordinary citizens.

The Honolulu City Council is expected this week to make permanent the legal personal use of pepper spray for self-defense.

"Every senior citizen who sits at a bus stop at night feels more secure because he has pepper spray," Felix said.

Police have used the spray for years to subdue suspects. A blast to the eyes, nose or throat causes an intense stinging that lasts for

Air Force mechanics claim racial harassment problem at Kelly AFB

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Two black aircraft mechanics at Kelly Air Force Base claim co-workers have subjected them to ongoing racial harassment and in one instance donned pillowcases that looked like Ku Klux Klan hoods.

Kevin Harris and Phil Head of the reservist 433rd Airlift Wing said Monday they filed administrative complaints with the Air Force after men wearing hoods rode past in a government van Sept. 16 and taunted them.

"You put up with sly remarks, you put up with little innuendos, but this is where I draw the line," Harris said. "I'm not going to be subjected to anything like that."

Harris said he later found the pillowcase hoods and turned them over to security police.

"I was dumbfounded over the incident," Harris said.

Harris and Head appeared in a news conference with their attorney, James Myart, who provided documents detailing their complaints and showed pictures of pillowcases cut with eye holes. The men said it was not the first time they had endured racial harassment at the San Antonio base.

In August 1995, Head said, he was given a cutout of a Ku Klux Klan figure with the statement that "He was going to go and hang some niggers." Two weeks after that, a hangman's rope was left at his work station, Head said.

"On each occasion I went to management with it and asked that something be done. No names, no one, was reprimanded, no one was counseled. The issue was subsequently dropped," Head said.

Harris said before the van incident, he was asked

by a co-worker if he knew how many knots there are in a hangman's noose. When Harris said he didn't know, he said, the colleague told him there were 13.

"I replied sarcastically, 'Where did you get that, the Klansman's guidebook?'" Harris said.

The men said since reporting the van incident their lives have been threatened.

The 433rd Airlift Wing at Kelly referred questions on the matter to a main base public affairs office, which did not return a call Monday from The Associated Press.

According to an Air Force memorandum on an investigation of the incident, the four alleged offenders in the van Sept. 16 said they intended their action as a "joke" and that they were pretending to be terrorists. The memo also mentions the other alleged racial harassments of Head and Harris.

"Although no one was found guilty of these incidents, the combination of the hoods, noose and cutouts is reason to believe that the 433 AW (Airlift Wing) has a 'racial concern' and should be looked at more closely," Air Force Maj. Robert L. Mason said in the report, provided by Myart.

Myart said other black workers have contacted him to complain of similar problems at Kelly. Myart contends there is a "hostile racial environment" at the 433rd and Kelly, and he said he disagrees with the government response he has received that the Air Force is taking appropriate actions.

Myart declined to discuss any monetary damages Head and Harris are seeking from the Air Force. Both are civilian workers with reserve status.

about three minutes and is often preferable to a nightstick or handgun.

Sale of the spray is now legal in most parts of the country. It was briefly banned in California, but it went back onto shelves at the first of this year. New York recently approved its use.

"The fact is that too many of our citizens are preyed upon by criminals," Gov. George Pataki said of a bill he signed to make sprays such as pepper spray or Mace available for sale to people 18 and older who have not been convicted of a felony.

But an anti-violence group warned the sprays may not be all they're cracked up to be.

"We strongly caution women not to rely overly on Mace to protect themselves against sexual assault," said Maud Easter, executive director of New York Coalition Against Sexual Assault. "Our network of rape crisis centers warns women that Mace may easily be used against them."

Women, gun enthusiasts and others in Honolulu spoke out strongly in support of making pepper spray legal following an 18-month pilot period.

They said people feel safer without having to carry a deadly weapon.

"It gives us a fighting chance to hold our own against aggressive and irrational behavior," Allyn Bromley said.

Police officials did not testify at the most recent hearing. But they have expressed concern in the past that pepper spray was being used to commit crimes. About 100 incidents of its use in crimes were reported during the trial period, according to a police study.

Pepper spray supporters say it is better to let criminals carry a non-lethal spray than a gun, knife or other deadly weapon.

However opponents say the spray could be lethal if the recip-

ient is using drugs or has medical problems such as asthma or a heart condition.

In North Carolina a 24-year-old man died after officers repeatedly sprayed him with pepper spray during a disturbance outside a restaurant in 1993. An autopsy determined he succumbed to bronchial spasms triggered by the spray.

Just last week, a 31-year-old man collapsed and died after being subdued with pepper spray during an arrest for domestic assault by Yuma County sheriff's deputies in Arizona. Autopsy results were pending.

And in Salem, Ore., a man sprayed while breaking into cars became so enraged he shot and killed the businessman who tried to thwart his crime.

All of which points to the need to be cautious about widespread use of self-defense sprays, say some police.

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Football Widow Concedes She Can't Crack Sports Nut

DEAR ABBY: I just read the letter from "Mateless in Milwaukee" whose husband was a football fanatic. I just ended a 21-year marriage to a sports nut.

At first I thought it was a nice pastime, but soon our lives revolved around sports events. We rarely went anywhere for a vacation for fear he'd miss a football, baseball or basketball game on TV, or it might interfere with his softball or hockey schedule.

All social events were sports-related. Whenever we were in the car, he insisted the radio be turned to a game. Conversation was allowed only during commercials. Once, when we finally went on a "family vacation," he drove us three hours out of our way to watch a hockey game. If I complained, he accused me of being a "poor sport."

When we got cable with ESPN, I knew I was a single parent. Of course, I'd been a single parent for years and couldn't admit it. He has no friends other than his football, softball, hockey or basketball teammates.

Our children have only a mild interest in sports, and the ones who aren't athletic have little to talk to their father about. After a while, I cultivated friends, interests and a life that had nothing to do with him. I quit asking him to do things with me. I had plenty of time to pursue other interests — every Sunday and Monday nights, and any other time

Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

there was a sporting event.

I thought I could change him, interest him in other things, create a more balanced time for recreation. I was wrong. You can't change anyone. I should have left years ago, but waited until the children were grown.

I am happier now than I've been for many years. My advice to that young wife in Milwaukee is: Get out now, before there are children and before you resent scheduling your life around sports. Our culture supports and encourages more dedication to sports than to marriage and family. The next relationship I have will be based on mutual interests. Sign me...

NEVER WANTS TO HEAR THE SCORE AGAIN
DEAR NEVER: It takes two people working together to make a marriage work. The letter from "Mateless in Milwaukee" struck a nerve with many readers. I received a mountain of mail from people who wanted

to comment. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: You forgot to mention one very important option to "Mateless in Milwaukee" regarding her husband's football obsession. You should have suggested that she try to share what is apparently a very important part of his life.

Learn about the game; help with the football league activity and host some game-day parties. Get creative with food ideas in which everyone can participate. Ask the guys to bring their wives/girlfriends along. This way you can socialize in another room or everyone can watch the game together.

Ask your husband to explain the game — and there are plenty of books available to help you learn the fundamentals. Maybe I'm a bit prejudiced because I've always enjoyed football, but cuddling with my husband on a Sunday afternoon while watching a game is heaven to me.

A couple who shares each other's passion will score touchdowns instead of incomplete passes.

SOARING HIGH IN EAGLES' COUNTRY
DEAR SOARING: Many couples wrote suggesting that "Mateless" join the party. Others, however, felt that more balance was needed in the relationship. Since that letter generated such a tremendous number of letters, tomorrow I'll print more of them.

Horoscope



Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1996

Even though your material gains might not be staggering in the year ahead, they should be consistent. Prosperity is indicated in the long run.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A friend whose company you normally enjoy might be temperamental and difficult to please today. Do not let his behavior affect your relationship. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship

work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You will achieve your objectives today, provided you don't make things more difficult for yourself than they need to be.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Friendship is more valuable than determining who is right or wrong in a petty argument. You will not savor the victory if you lose your friend in the process.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You will have to be more prudent and count your pennies more carefully today if you hope to make do with the resources you have at your disposal.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) One-to-one relationships could be your most difficult area today. If you fail to be cordial and tactful, you will invite problems.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The longer you let things go today, the harder it will be to catch up later. This will not be a good day to let unpleasant tasks control your agenda.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Even though

you'll be in a gregarious mood today, you might feel deflated if you attend a gathering which is full of people you don't like.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Try to keep career or other weighty problems away from the dinner table tonight. If they become topics of conversation, it could dampen the mood.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You might begin to doubt your judgment today if you discuss something you believe in strongly with a friend whose outlook is negative and dismal.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Do not put yourself in an awkward position today by requesting a favor from a person you declined to help on a previous occasion.

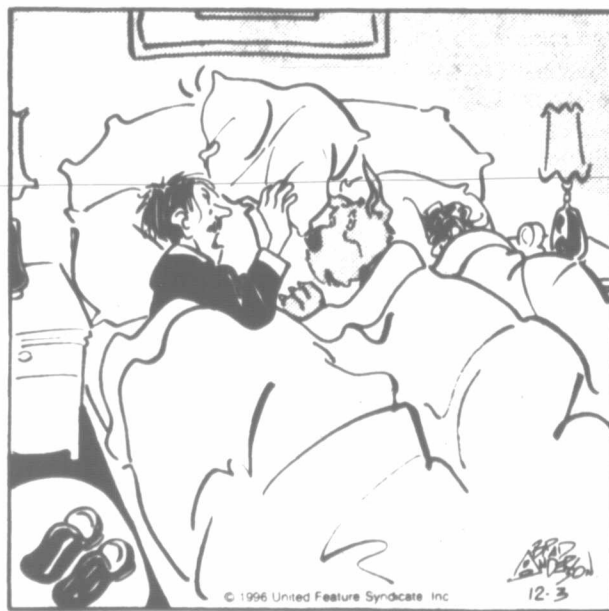
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) There is always more than one side to an issue. If you keep this in mind today, you will have the ability to appreciate your mate's point of view.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Even though you will be industrious today, you might make additional work for yourself by using the wrong tools or methods.

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"Dolly asked me to play with her, but so far I just hafta sit and watch her dance."



"You mean you woke me up just to fluff your pillow?"

The Family Circus

HEY, POP, IS THAT A LADYBUG ON YOUR ARM...?



Marmaduke

WHAT THE GAWD ARE YOU LOOKIN' AT, YOU PEEPER TOM PERVERT!?



NOPE...



Grizzwells

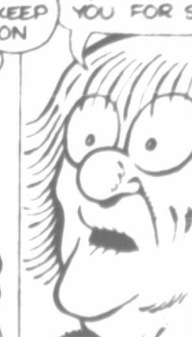
WHAT'S WRONG WITH US WORKIN' OUR WAY BACK UP RIVER?



WELL, FIRSTLY, TH' LITTLE POLLS KEEP A CLOSE EYE ON TH' RIVER.



AN' THEY'D SPOT YOU FOR SURE!



SECONDLY, WHEN THEY DO, IT'LL MAKE A LIAR OUTTA ME 'CAUSE THEY THINK I TURNED YOU INTO A LEAF-EATING DINOSAUR!



NOPE, TH' RIVER'S OUT! WE GOTTA THINK OF SOMETHIN' ELSE!



Alley Oop

"AND ELIJAH FLED INTO THE WILDERNESS AND SAT UNDER A BROOM TREE, AND SAID, 'I AM NO BETTER THAN MY FATHERS.'"



HE WAS REALLY DEPRESSED.



A WIREHAIRED FOX TERRIER COULD HAVE CHEERED HIM UP.

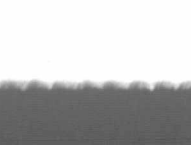


Peanuts

ELVIS? IT'S ME, BILL! GOT A MINUTE?



I KNOW YOU'RE USUALLY THE ONE ASKIN' ME QUESTIONS, BILL, BUT THERE'S SOMETHIN' I JUST GOTTA KNOW...



SURE, BIG E, FIRE AWAY!



HOW MUCH ARE YOU PAYIN' THAT LI'L PEROT FELLA TO KEEP RUNNIN' IN THESE ELECTIONS?



For Better or For Worse

COULD YOU HELP A FELLA OUT...?



SORRY, NO!



JUST A DOLLAR, SIR...



I DON'T HAVE A DOLLAR!



I MEAN, I DON'T THINK I HAVE A DOLLAR.



Arlo & Janis

REMEMBER THE GOOD OLD DAYS WHEN WE USED TO DO THIS, ODIE?



CRASH!



WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO? REMINISCING.



Garfield

But you always said part of learning how to cook is learning what substitutions you can make in recipes.



Yes, honey, but...well...



Okay, so you've learned. You can't substitute Gillette Foamy for Cool Whip.



You were out of paprika, too. Can you taste the bacon bits?



Walnut Cove

TRUST ME, MARVIN...



I SWEAR I DIDN'T PUT ANY RAISINS IN YOUR OATMEAL!



Marvin

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, QUEEN IDA.



OH, MY... A CARD FROM MY GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT.



PLEASE MARRY ME.



I AIN'T MUCH, BUT I'M A GOOD HANDYMAN.



YOU GOT IT — HOW'S A WEEK FROM FRIDAY?



B.C.

IF YOU ASK ME, THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO END CAMPAIGN FINANCE VIOLATIONS.



HOW'S THAT?



OH, YEAH...



GO BACK TO A MONARCHY.



Eek & Meek

YOUNG MAN, YOU SHOULD ALWAYS LIVE YOUR LIFE BY THE GOLDEN RULE!



HAVE YOU LEARNED WHAT THE GOLDEN RULE IS YET?



"DO ONE TO OTHERS BEFORE THEY DO ONE TO YOU!"



The Born Loser

PSYCHOLOGIST



HE'S WONDERFUL! WHEN I FIRST WENT TO HIM I WAS AFRAID TO ANSWER THE PHONE. NOW I ANSWER IT WHETHER IT RINGS OR NOT.



Frank And Ernest

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Mallard Filmore

Notebook

BASKETBALL

TORONTO (AP) — Obviously, Houston is a far different team without Hakeem Olajuwon. That didn't stop the Toronto Raptors from enjoying their win over the Rockets, however.

Damon Stoudamire had 27 points and 11 assists as Toronto stopped Houston's nine-game winning streak Monday night with a 100-89 victory over the Rockets, who played without Olajuwon.

Earlier in the day, Olajuwon left a Houston hospital after being treated for the second time in less than two weeks for an irregular heartbeat. The problem is not considered career-threatening, but his return to the Rockets has not been set.

"This is probably the second best team in the NBA right now and even though they were without their big man, we didn't let up," Stoudamire said.

FOOTBALL

LOS ANGELES (AP) — John Robinson's month in coaching purgatory came to an end with the word that he would remain at Southern California.

The announcement came two days after the Trojans' first victory over Notre Dame in 14 years, and less than 24 hours after Robinson met with university president Steven Sample and athletic director Mike Garrett.

Last May, the school extended Robinson's original four-year contract for an additional five years through 2001, at a time when the school was expected to contend for a national title. The Trojans finished 6-6.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (AP) — Ron Turner, the offensive coordinator of the Chicago Bears, was hired as the coach at Illinois.

Turner, 42, a former coach at San Jose State, signed a five-year contract. He succeeds Lou Tepper, fired last month after five seasons with a 25-31-2 record. Illinois was 2-9 overall and 1-7 in the Big Ten.

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Hal Mumme, 40-17-1 in five years at Division II Valdosta State, signed a four-year contract to coach Kentucky.

Mumme, 44, replaces Bill Curry, fired Oct. 20 when the Wildcats were 1-6. They finished 4-7 overall and 3-5 in the Southeastern Conference.

SAN DIEGO (AP) — San Diego Chargers quarterback Stan Humphries was released from the hospital following an overnight stay for his second concussion in 11 months. He is not expected to play Sunday at Pittsburgh.

Humphries was knocked cold Sunday night when he landed on the back of his head after a high hit by defensive end Mike Jones in the Chargers' 45-7 loss to New England. Jones was penalized for a late hit.

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — New Orleans Saints quarterback Jim Everett was scheduled for an MRI exam today after sustaining a concussion Sunday in a loss to St. Louis. Everett is expected to play Sunday against Atlanta.

CINCINNATI (AP) — Cincinnati Bengals linebacker Steve Tovar is expected to undergo reconstructive surgery on his left knee after tearing ligaments Sunday in a loss at Jacksonville. He was placed on injured reserve.

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — In a reversal, acting commissioner Bud Selig decided to allow general managers to attend the winter meetings this weekend in Boston. But most GMs will be staying away.

The decision was announced to the GMs in a letter sent last Wednesday by Bill Murray, executive director of baseball operations at the commissioner's office. The only teams known to be sending their general managers, however, are Baltimore, Boston, Pittsburgh and Toronto.

Super Bowl champs ready for stretch run

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys are 21-7 in games played immediately after Thanksgiving. There's a reason. It's called rest.

The defending Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys are rested and ready for their three-game run to close out a roller coaster regular season.

"I'm feeling good," said Emmitt Smith, who had his best game of the season on Thursday by gaining 155 yards and scoring three touchdowns in a 21-10 win over the Washington Redskins. "The rest over the weekend did me good. I didn't do much and the swelling in my ankle went down."

Smith watched his alma mater, Florida, lose to Florida

State, and said: "That was a tough one. But it was a great game."

The Cowboys play at Arizona Sunday, entertain New England Dec. 15, and travel to Washington for a big NFC East showdown Dec. 22 to close out the regular season. Washington, Philadelphia and Dallas are tied for the division lead with 8-5 records.

If the Cowboys win out, they would win the NFC East because of a division tie-breaker edge over the Eagles.

"We will have to stay focused for the last three games," Smith said. "There is no room for comfort. You could say we're walking on a ledge. We can't afford to lose."

Aikman, who had only 63 yards passing against the Redskins, was upbeat because of the way the Cowboys ran the

ball against Washington.

"Our running game was outstanding," Aikman said. "But now we have to pull all the offense together."

The rest of our games are going to be tough."

He said the Cowboys will treat their next three weeks like playoff games.

"This is usually the stage of the season where our team comes together," Aikman said. "There is a sense of enthusiasm and excitement now that has been missing."

The Cowboys are 21-7 in the first game played after Thanksgiving.

"It seems like the weekend of rest has always helped us," Aikman said. "All our banged-up guys get to heal and it just sets us up for the last part of the season."

George Teague, a safety who was picked up as a free agent during the off-season, said he always thought the Cowboys had an advantage in games after Thanksgiving.

"It's like coming back from an off-week," Teague said. "It's a big plus. If we lose a game now, it could be devastating. It's a three-game season."

49ers pound Saints, 34-10

ATLANTA (AP) — The division race is tight and the home-field advantage is still within reach, so the San Francisco 49ers couldn't afford to slip up against a team like the Falcons.

They didn't.

San Francisco set up an NFC West showdown against the Carolina Panthers by rolling over Atlanta 34-10 Monday night, a game that proved once and for all that Steve Young is fully recovered from injuries that plagued him most of the season. "It sure looks like to me he's

better," said tight end Brent Jones, who watched Young throw for 254 yards and run for two touchdowns. "The big thing is he's moving with confidence. He's not so hesitant. I mean, he ran for two touchdowns. That's being all the way back in my mind."

San Francisco (10-3) plays the Panthers (9-4) next Sunday at 3Com Park — a vital game not only in terms of the division race, but the 49ers' hopes of earning home-field advantage throughout the NFC playoffs.

Changing classes boost Grapevine program

PAMPA — Moving down a classification has done wonders for the Grapevine football program this season.

Grapevine hasn't exactly been a pushover in Class 5A, advancing to the playoffs two of the last three years. However, in 4A for the first time, the Mustangs are 13-0 and ranked No. 1 in the state going into the Division 1 quarterfinals against Pampa at 7:30 Saturday night in Canyon's Kimbrough Stadium.

The Mustangs have been rolling through the playoffs. In Friday's quarterfinals, they trounced Mount Pleasant, 31-13. The week before, Grapevine routed West Mesquite, 42-13. In fact, according to the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Grapevine has never trailed in a game the entire season.

In the quarterfinals, Grapevine took advantage of five turnovers (3 fumbles, 2 interceptions) to build an early lead.

Tailback Tellis Redmon and quarterback Eric Guajardo took command of the Grapevine offense. Redmon rushed for 110 yards on 23 carries and three touchdowns while Guajardo completed 12 of 17 pass attempts for 172 yards and a touchdown. He had no interceptions. Redmon, a 170-pounder, rushed for 1,148 yards and had more than 500 yards in kick returns as a junior.

Redmon also had a team-high four catches for 35 against Mount Pleasant. Wide receiver D'Angelo Torres, a returning starter, snared three passes for 98 yards.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

HARVESTER NOTES

•Pampa's defense, especially against the rush, was at its best against a formidable foe in the quarterfinal win over Azle at Texas Stadium. Pampa's defense, led again by sophomore line-backer Jared White, held Azle to just 96 yards on the ground.

White had 11 tackles, including 4 solos and a sack, to lead the Harvesters. White has a team-high 138 tackles on the season to lead the team. Ryan Bruce and Aaron Wiseman, the senior line-backers, had 8 tackles each with Wiseman having a sack and seven quarterback hurries.

Wiseman, who has 70 tackles for the season, leads the team in quarterback sacks with 12 and hurries with 29. Senior defensive back Ray Tollerson, who has 55 total tackles, is the team leader in blocked passes with 12 and fumble recoveries with 5.

•Senior tailback Marques Long is closing in on the 2,000-yard rushing mark. With his 146 yards against Azle, the 180-pound Long has 1,906 yards for the season. He's also closing in on the school rushing record of 1,950 that Sammy Laury set in 1991.

•Senior quarterback Clint Curtis has been making up for lost time since returning to the lineup for the ninth and last game of the regular season. Curtis suffered a broken leg against Amarillo High the second

game of the season. Curtis has completed 45.1 percent of his passes for 389 yards and five touchdowns. He's thrown only one interception and was a perfect four of four in completions and one touchdown in the quarterfinals.

•Junior Josh Blackmon's career-best 49-yard field goal against Azle was his 10th field goal of the

season to go with his 34 extra point kicks. Blackmon, who was the backup quarterback when Curtis was sidelined, has scored one touchdown, giving him 70 total points. Blackmon had some impressive statistics when he was quarterbacking the club. He threw for 680 yards and four touchdowns with only two interceptions in seven games.

•After 12 games, the 10-2 Harvesters are averaging 26.8 points per game while holding the opponents to 12.3 points per game. The second quarter has been the big one this season. The Harvesters have scored 138 second-quarter points. The first quarter has been the lowest-scoring for the opposition with 31 points.



(Pampa News photo)

Pampa defensive back Ray Tollerson (21) makes the stop on an Azle running back as an official looks on in Texas Stadium. Tollerson had four tackles and two blocked passes in the quarterfinal game.

Harvesters win final game at Wichita Falls

WICHITA FALLS — Sparked by August Larson's 35 points, the Pampa Harvesters defeated Azle, 76-61, in their final game at the Fantasy of Lights Tournament.

The Harvesters outscored Azle, 20-10, in the fourth quarter to seal the win.

Pampa opened the tournament with a 69-65 loss to Red Oak in overtime. Wichita Falls Rider downed Pampa, 63-32, in the second game.

Pampa, 2-5, plays Palo Duro at 7:45 tonight in the PD Activity Center in Amarillo.

Fantasy of Lights Tournament at Wichita Falls				
Red Oak	17	40	55	61
Pampa	19	34	41	61
Pampa, box				
	FG	FT	F	TP
Larson	10	5-8	3	27
Meek	6	0-6	4	12
Wilbon	4	2-4	1	10

Young	3	0-0	2	8
Brown	1	2-4	4	4
Knipp	0	2-2	0	2
Osborne	0	0-0	1	0
Reed	0	0-0	3	0
Harp	0	0-0	0	0
WF Rider	15	34	53	63
Pampa, box	5	15	20	35
	FG	FT	F	TP
Brown	3	2-2	0	10
Larson	2	0	3	5
Osborne	2	0	2	4
Wilbon	2	0-0	1	4
Young	1	1-2	0	4
Alexander	1	0-0	1	3
Reed	0	3-3	1	3
Knipp	1	0-0	1	2
Meek	0	0-0	1	2
Harp	0	0-0	1	0
Pampa	20	36	56	76
Azle	15	35	51	61
Pampa, box				
	FG	FT	F	TP
Larson	12	5-5	1	35
Young	3	2-6	4	9
Brown	3	1-2	4	8
Meek	2	1-4	4	5
Wilbon	2	1-2	4	5
Reed	1	3-5	3	5
Osborne	1	2-2	4	4
Knipp	0	2-2	2	2
Harp	0	0-0	0	0

WTAMU lands two on all-region team

CANYON — West Texas A&M University landed two volleyball players on the NCAA Division II All-South Central Region squad, according to an American Volleyball Coaches Association release.

Leslie Brown (Sr., middle blocker, 6-3, Spring, Texas) and Amanda Sweatt (Sr., middle blocker, 6-0, Lubbock) were both tabbed to the elite, regional twelve member squad. Brown, a two time all-regional performer, ranked among the Lone Star Conference leaders in both hitting percentage (.310) and blocking averaging (1.23 blocks per game.) She tied a WTAMU record for block assists in season with 125 in 115 games. Brown earned all-LSC first team honors this past sea-

son as the Lady Buffs finished 26-6 and advanced to the regional semifinals.

"It has been exciting over the last four years to watch Leslie develop into a powerful volleyball player, the type of player who can dominate a match," WTAMU Head Coach Debbie Hendricks said. "I am really glad to see her cap off her career as an all-region pick for the second year in a row."

Sweatt, a transfer from the University of Arkansas, was among the league leaders in kills per game (3.69), blocking average (1.01 per game), digs per game (2.34), service aces (0.32 per game) and attack percentage (.229). She earned all-LSC first team honors after racking up 421 kills.

Texas confident going into Big 12 game

By CHIP BROWN
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Longhorns don't talk like underdogs against third-ranked Nebraska in Saturday's Big 12 Championship game.

The Cornhuskers (10-1, 8-0) are favored by oddsmakers to win by nearly three touchdowns in Saturday's game in St. Louis. UT quarterback James Brown agrees with the margin, but says it's Texas (7-4, 6-2) that will be the runaway victor.

"I think we're going to win by three touchdowns," said Brown, who threw for four TDs and 336 yards without an interception in a 51-15 victory over Texas A&M on Friday. "If they blitz us, and we make plays against the blitz, we'll be all right."

Brown, who thrives on big-game atmosphere, said:

"We really don't have anything to lose. But we have a lot to gain. It's going to be a good game. I can't wait until Saturday. I'm as confident about this game as I was going into the A&M game."

On paper, Brown figures to

have a long day against the nation's fourth-ranked defense, which is giving up just 77.8 yards on the ground and 232 yards total per game.

Grant Wistrom, a 6-foot-5, 250-pound end for the Huskers, leads a defense that has taken up residence in opposing backfields. Wistrom sacked Colorado quarterback Koy Detmer twice and had 15 tackles in Nebraska's 17-12 victory over the Buffaloes on Friday that clinched the Big 12 North title.

"I watched the Colorado game and they sacked Detmer every other time he dropped back to pass. To sack me, they're going to have to catch me," said Brown, an effective scrambler.

"If they bring everyone, it means they are going to be man-to-man, and I don't think they can cover our receivers the whole game man-to-man," Brown said.

Brown's other teammates weren't as outspoken. But they were equally confident.

"We know that people have been talking about the Big 12 South not being as tough as the North, but I think right now

Texas is playing as good as it's played all year," Longhorns linebacker Tyson King said. "We are going to show up and play well."

King said the key to winning will be stopping Nebraska's high-powered option attack, averaging 296.4 yards per game. "Nebraska is the one who started the option," King said. "They are the standard, and that's why they've only lost one game in three years. We haven't faced anyone who's going to be as good a running team as they are."

King said the Longhorns, currently giving up nearly 200 yards per game on the ground, must force Nebraska quarterback Scott Frost to beat them passing.

"If we can put them in some third-and-long situations, then I like our chances because I've said all year, our defensive backs are second to none," King said.

King said it doesn't bother him that no one is giving Texas a chance. "No one gave Arizona State a chance against Nebraska," he said, referring to the Huskers' only blemish this season.

Oilers' coach likes quarterback situation

HOUSTON (AP) — Jeff Fisher likes this kind of problem.

Steve McNair, the Houston Oilers' \$28 million quarterback, is finally playing well enough that Fisher must choose between him and two-year starter Chris Chandler.

"It's not a bad position for a coach," Fisher said. "I've got two quarterbacks who can play."

While Chandler sat out Sunday's game with a sprained ankle, McNair overcame bad weather and the Jets with two touchdown passes and a flash of the athleticism in a 35-10 victory.

Fisher promises a decision before the Oilers begin practice Wednesday for Sunday's game against the Jacksonville Jaguars. Tuesday is the Oilers' day off.

"We'll see how he (Chandler) is on Wednesday," Fisher said. "It's obvious this is an emotional decision, but it's not a democracy."

There have been rumblings over McNair's extended backup status. Some fans, even owner Bud Adams, expected McNair to take charge sooner and start earning his seven-year, \$28.5 million salary.

Scoreboard

FOOTBALL

Statistics on the Pampa-Azle Class 4A Division 1 quarterfinal game are as follows:

	Pampa	Azle
First Downs	15	14
Yards Rushing	244	96
Yards Passing	66	143
Total Yards	310	239
Comp.-Att.-Int.	2-35.5	11-20-0
Punts-Avg.	2-35.5	3-35.8
Fumbles-Lost	4-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	7-46	4-40

Individual statistics

Pampa

Marques Long 27-146, Ryan Bruce 9-91, Ray Tollerason 2-6, Clint Curtis 7-1.

Passing

Clint Curtis 4-40-0-66

Receiving

Devin Lemons 3-54, Ray Tollerason 1-12.

Azle

Derek Dorris 15-54, Ben Tamez 4-25, Adam Ward 9-17.

Passing

Adam Ward 11-20-0-143

Receiving

Derek Dorris 4-58, Selden Gilley 2-26, Matt Novickoff 1-25, Jeremiah Rushing 1-19, Nathan Shanon 1-10, Dustin Neighbors 1-4, Ben Tamez 1-1.

National Football League

At A Glance

By The Associated Press

All Times EST

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

New England

Buffalo	9	4	0	.692	267	215
Indianapolis	7	6	0	.538	232	274
Miami	6	7	0	.462	295	299
N.Y. Jets	1	12	0	.077	221	368
Central						
Pittsburgh	9	4	0	.692	299	211
Houston	7	6	0	.538	291	254
Jacksonville	6	7	0	.462	283	289
Cincinnati	5	8	0	.385	299	318
Baltimore	4	9	0	.308	320	369
West						
x-Denver	12	1	0	.923	391	199
Kansas City	9	4	0	.692	292	230
San Diego	7	6	0	.538	277	323
Oakland	6	7	0	.462	274	234
Seattle	5	8	0	.385	250	317

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

Dallas

Philadelphia

Washington

Arizona

N.Y. Giants

Central

Green Bay

Minnesota

Chicago

Detroit

Tampa Bay

West

San Francisco

Carolina

St. Louis

Atlanta

New Orleans

x-clinched division title

Thursday's Games

Kansas City 28, Detroit 24

Dallas 21, Washington 10

Sunday's Games

Minnesota 41, Arizona 17
Indianapolis 13, Buffalo 10, OT
Green Bay 28, Chicago 17
Jacksonville 30, Cincinnati 27
Philadelphia 24, New York Giants 0
Baltimore 31, Pittsburgh 17
Carolina 24, Tampa Bay 0
Denver 34, Seattle 7
Houston 35, New York Jets 10
Oakland 17, Miami 7
St. Louis 26, New Orleans 10
New England 45, San Diego 7
Monday's Games
San Francisco 34, Atlanta 10
Thursday, Dec. 5
Philadelphia at Indianapolis, 8 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 8
Atlanta at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Denver at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Houston, 1 p.m.
New York Giants at Miami, 1 p.m.
St. Louis at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Washington at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
New York Jets at New England, 4 p.m.
Buffalo at Seattle, 4 p.m.
Carolina at San Francisco, 4 p.m.
Dallas at Arizona, 4 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 9
Kansas City at Oakland, 9 p.m.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

At A Glance

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Miami

W L T Pct. GB

12 4 .750 —

New York	9	5	.843	2
Oakland	8	6	.571	2 1/2
Philadelphia	7	8	.467	4 1/2
Washington	7	8	.467	4 1/2
Boston	4	10	.286	7
New Jersey	3	9	.250	7
Central Division				
Chicago	15	1	.938	—
Detroit	12	3	.800	2 1/2
Cleveland	9	6	.643	5
Atlanta	9	7	.563	6
Charlotte	8	7	.533	6 1/2
Milwaukee	8	7	.533	6 1/2
Indiana	5	8	.385	8 1/2
Toronto	5	10	.333	9 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

Houston

Utah

Minnesota

Dallas

Denver

San Antonio

Vancouver

Pacific Division

Seattle

L.A. Lakers

Portland

L.A. Clippers

Golden State

Sacramento

Phoenix

Sunday's Games

Golden State 96, Portland 70

Detroit 95, Sacramento 66

Utah 96, Seattle 90

L.A. Lakers 104, Denver 96

Monday's Games

Toronto 100, Houston 89

Dallas 106, Orlando 102, OT

Utah 107, Charlotte 97

Tuesday's Games
Boston at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at New York, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Indiana at Portland, 10 p.m.
Charlotte at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Seattle at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Denver at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
New York at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Utah, 8 p.m.
Boston at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Indiana at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

COLLEGE SCORES

EAST

Connecticut 66, SW Texas St. 49

Cornell 90, Haverford 39

George Washington 71, American U. 51

Georgetown 65, Seton Hall 51

Harvard 110, Babson 67

SOUTH

Alabama 95, Ark.-Pine Bluff 44

Charleston Southern 84, Centenary, N.J. 50

Davidson 59, Mississippi 66

Duke 103, Lehigh 51

East Carolina 83, Campbell 61

Florida St. 93, Florida Atlantic 56

Georgia Southern 80, Voorhees 56

Marshall 68, Jacksonville St. 54

Maryland 84, Chicago St. 44

Memphis 65, Jackson St. 58

Mercer 93, North Georgia 90

Middle Tenn. 65, Murray St. 72

N.C. Charlotte 75, Appalachian St. 63

N.C.-Asheville 64, Montreat-Anderson 45
NW Louisiana 63, Centenary 77
North Carolina 108, Tennessee St. 62
Old Dominion 95, Tennessee St. 65
Radford 81, Va. Commonwealth 77
South Carolina 64, Wofford 41
Seaton 78, Tenn. Temple 58
W. Carolina 120, Limestone 78
W. Kentucky 69, Belmont 44
William & Mary 78, Catholic U. 59
MIDWEST
Indiana 76, Notre Dame 75
Michigan 66, Bradley 64, OT

BOWLING

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Men

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Women

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Wednesday Night Mixed League

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- 5 Trim (branches)
- 8 Singer Fitzgerald
- 12 Actress Periman
- 13 Ma.
- 14 Tumbult
- 15 Chair, e.g.
- 16 Welcoming item?
- 17 Stable occupant
- 18 Type of glands
- 20 Acts out wordlessly
- 21 Wrong (pref.)
- 22 Close relative
- 23 Pertaining to form
- 26 Old Testament book
- 30 — arms
- 31 Skeleton part
- 32 Building unit
- 33 Hardware item
- 34 Cry of a lamb
- 35 Religious service
- 36 Tried
- 38 Sir's counterpart
- 39 Law (Lat.)
- 40 Tennis shot
- 41 Monastery members
- 44 Drop
- 48 Olive genus
- 49 Mauna —
- 50 How sweet
- 51 Close (a hawk's) eyes
- 52 I think, therefore —
- 53 Pack down
- 54 Fern features
- 55 Harper Valley
- 56 Carriage
- DOWN
- 1 Celestial bear
- 2 Outdoor storage area
- 3 Close by
- 4 Estate employee
- 5 Actor Lorenzo —
- 6 Elliptical

Answer to Previous Puzzle

- QUE HYPE HOTE
URD AEON ADIN
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DIAMOND EME LEO
LINA VETI
DIABLOCH DESKS
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GET LIS UNDER
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RAUL ZING BID
ESSE THREE BLO
- 7 Mrs. Nixon
8 Royal fur
9 Actor
10 Traditional knowledge
11 Tropical plant
19 Zero
20 — Lisa
22 Transmitted
23 Stubborn one
24 Work of art
25 Excavates
26 Pleased
27 Skidded
28 Small quantity
29 Goblet part
31 Furze
34 Unplayed
- tournament rounds
35 Hares
37 Acid neutralizer
38 Barryard sound
40 Andes animal
41 Flowerless plant
42 Vegetable spread
43 At no time, to a poet
44 Kid
45 Orem's state
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47 See
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Clinton mum on Carville's attacks on Kenneth Starr

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton is neither encouraging nor discouraging James Carville's campaign to discredit Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr, according to Clinton's spokesman.

Mike McCurry, the White House press secretary, told reporters Monday that Clinton "has not rendered an opinion" on Carville's efforts to undermine Starr's credibility.

Carville, who helped run Clinton's 1992 presidential campaign and maintains ties to the White House, insists that Starr's investigation of Clinton and his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton, is tainted by personal and political bias.

McCurry said Carville's approach to the Starr matter "does not represent the president's thinking." Although Clinton has chosen not to express his view on this, "he's indicated that the work of the independent counsel ought to be treated respectfully and with the proper 'no comment.'" with Clinton.

Look for brief appearances by Simpson buddies

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Plaintiffs in the O.J. Simpson wrongful-death trial hope to complete their case this week, calling witnesses close to the defendant — from Al Cowlings to golfing buddies — for brief appearances only.

The plaintiffs are mining Simpson's former — and current — inner-circles for witnesses who in ten or 15 minutes on the stand can contradict specific statements Simpson made during his two-and-a-half days of testimony.

The jury returns from its Thanksgiving break today. The jury recessed last week after hearing Simpson, under questioning by plaintiffs' lawyers, deny that he stabbed his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman.

Cowlings, Simpson's friend since boyhood and the driver during the slow-speed Bronco chase, was expected to testify as early as this morning. Others likely to take the stand this week are Simpson's ex-lawyer and now-estranged friend Robert Kardashian, business lawyer and friend Leroy "Skip" Taft, former girlfriend Paula Barbieri and several Simpson golfing partners.

Federal judge throws out Keating fraud conviction

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Charles Keating Jr., a central figure in the most notorious savings and loan debacle of the 1980s, has won a new federal trial because jurors had learned of his prior fraud conviction in state court.

U.S. District Judge Mariana Pfaelzer on Monday set aside Keating's federal conviction, calling knowledge of the state conviction prejudicial. The ruling means Keating, accused of financial sophistry that cost investors millions, is now again presumed innocent.

The ruling stunned elderly investors who lost their life savings on junk bonds purchased at Lincoln Savings and Loan and had thought he had been convicted of fraud once and for all.

"Terrible. I don't know how they can reverse the charges like they are doing," said Evangeline Ivy, 75, of Glendale, Calif., upon learning of the decision.

Teen accused in vampire slayings waives extradition

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — The lone adult suspect in the bizarre vampire cult slayings case has waived her right to an extradition hearing.

Four other teenagers accused in the killings must wait until Wednesday to learn whether they also will be extradited.

Dana Cooper, 19, agreed Monday to be returned to Lake County, Fla., to face murder charges in the beating deaths of a Florida couple whose 15-year-old daughter is one of the suspects.

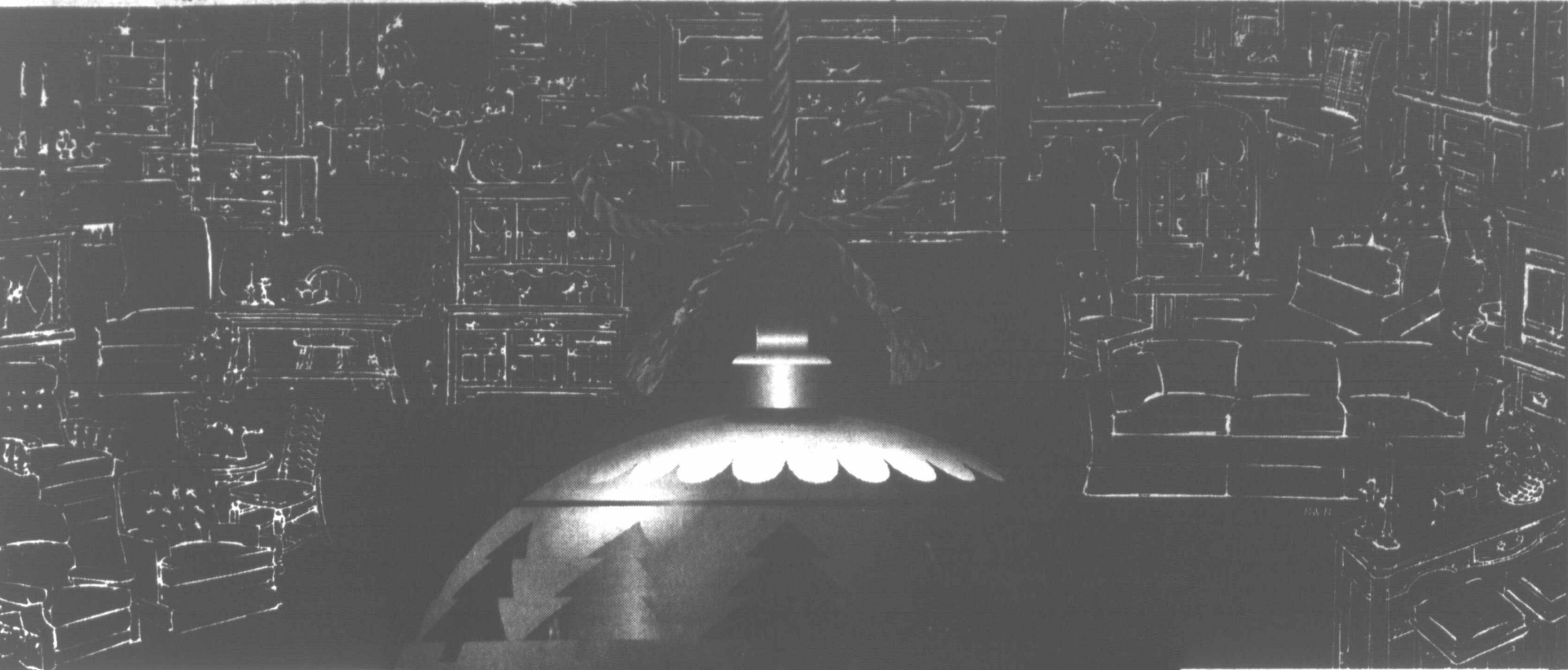
Cooper and three of the others are from Murray, a quiet college town of about 13,000 people in southwestern Kentucky. Another suspect is from nearby Mayfield, Ky.

All five were arrested Thanksgiving night at a Baton Rouge motel.

Cooper, 16-year-olds Rod Ferrell and Mayfield's Scott Anderson, and the couple's daughter, Heather Wendorf, were charged with murder in the Nov. 25 killings of Richard and Naoma Wendorf in Eustis, Fla.

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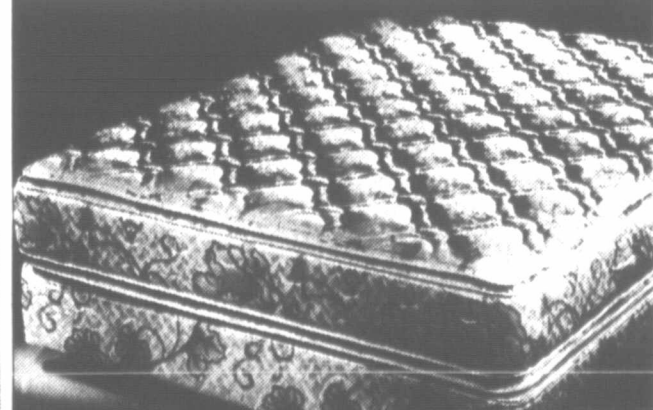
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