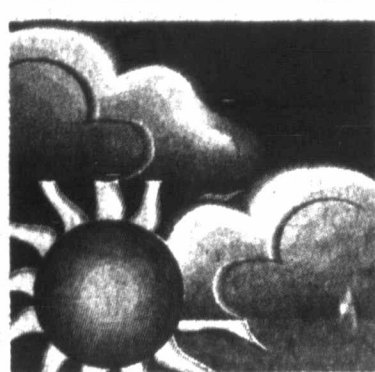


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Low tonight in upper 40s, high tomorrow in low 60s. See Page 2 for weather details.

PAMPA — The Pampa United Way 1996 fund-raising drive reached its goal of \$315,000 today, Jack Reeve, drive chairman, reported this morning.

"We are able yet to publish our total because we are still expecting a number of known commitments," Reeve said.

Reeve said follow-up contact of those not yet heard from is still underway, "and we anticipate several commitments there, too."

"We thank all of our volunteers and all of the wonderful people of Pampa for what they have done so far," he said.

PAMPA — According to a Pampa Police Department report, a citation alleging "failure to give half of roadway" has been filed against a man involved in a car accident just before 8 p.m. Sunday.

The citation was issued to Kyle Lynn Derrick, 19, Canadian, who was the driver of a 1995 Chevrolet pickup which collided with a 1989 Dodge driven by Jeremy C. Hill, 16, Pampa. The accident occurred near the east city limits of Pampa in the 2400 block of East Frederic.

Hill is in stable condition in the intensive care unit at Columbia Medical Center, according to a hospital spokesman.

Derrick's passenger, Heather Dawn Etheridge, 20, Canadian, is in stable condition at Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo, a spokeswoman said.

PAMPA — The Parks and Recreation Department Advisory Board will meet in regular session Monday at 5 p.m. in city commission chambers at City Hall.

Items on the agenda include a potential grant from the Pampa Area Foundation for Outdoor Art, and discussion of the hike-n-bike trail and the board's community survey.

Monday's meeting is a departure from the board's regular meetings generally held on Thursday.

Meetings are open to the public.

By The Associated Press

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 2, 10, 16, 19, 27 and 45.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$20 million.

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Purchase of truck creates Lefors City Council battle

By CHIP CHANDLER
Staff Writer

A battle is brewing in Lefors over the correct procedure to buy a dump truck.

Mayor Bob Jones says the city council is misinterpreting his actions, but council members say Jones is ignoring proper legal procedures.

Jones purchased a truck about two months ago for \$2,500, insisting he bought the truck intending to sell it to the city. City council members take issue with the purchase, saying he should have sought their approval.

The mayor was ill and missed the October council meeting, but at Monday's meeting he asked if the council would pay him back.

"I own it, do y'all want it?" Jones asked.

The council voted 4-1 to reimburse Jones for the truck in four installments, but they expressed their disapproval with his methods.

"We are a government set up to do certain procedures, and when you don't follow those procedures, you cause us trouble," council member Benny Watson said at the meeting.

Jones, though, contends he did get their permission individually.

In a written statement to the council and provided to *The Pampa News*, Jones claims he spoke to four of the five council members about the truck.

Jones said he spoke to council member Velda Chadwick twice about the purchase, as well as Watson. The mayor also states that councilman Kenneth Purvis accompanied him to inspect the truck, and that he couldn't find councilman Danny Gilbert.

Jones also said he spoke by phone to council member Beth Miller, who voted Monday against reimbursing the mayor. Jones claims Miller "wasn't sure about it but would go along if others did."

Miller denies Jones' interpretation of the conversation.

"I told him ... if he found a vehicle we needed to have a meeting where we could discuss it, because it was not proper to discuss this outside of a meeting setting. He kept continuing, saying he was afraid he might not get the truck, that we needed it, we needed to haul sludge from our sewer plant. I told him if it is an emergency ... that we could

have an emergency meeting with just a few hours notice," she said this morning.

Jones said he didn't feel an emergency meeting was necessary, Miller said, so she recommended calling a special meeting after giving the 72-hour notice required by law.

"I continued to tell him ... I don't think you should go spend your own money because that is not proper procedure. ... I never, ever told him that I would approve that. That is why I voted against it because I feel like Bob wants to have his way. He wants to go and buy what he wants and then he wants the council to rubber stamp it. That is not the way that city government should work," Miller said.

Watson agreed, saying, "Yes, we did talk and yes, I said it was a good idea. But I also said he needed to put it before the council so we could vote on it."

Watson said he feared that Jones might have violated the Open Meetings Act by using the discussions with the council as permission to purchase the truck.

None of the other council members could be reached for comment this morning.

NATO official sees more troops in Bosnia

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States likely will provide at least 5,000 troops for a new NATO peacekeeping force in Bosnia next year, NATO's Secretary General Javier Solana said today.

Thirty countries could send as many 30,000 troops, including up to 10,000 Americans, Solana told reporters. Clinton administration officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the U.S. contribution would be between 5,000 to 10,000 troops.

The troops will replace the present 60,000-member force that is scheduled to pull out by the end of the year.

Vice President Al Gore signaled the administration's readiness to participate in the new force in a meeting Wednesday with Solana, administration officials said.

U.S. troops would be part of a larger force that would stay perhaps through the end of next year to help assure that the shaky Dayton peace agreement takes root in the former Yugoslav republic.

In Paris, Secretary of State Warren Christopher said an international police force now in Bosnia must be strengthened as well.

"Everything we are doing has a straightforward purpose," he said. "It is to implement the Dayton Agreement in letter and in spirit. That is the only option we can consider, the only goal we can support, the only way to achieve lasting peace in Bosnia."

Some 200 Americans are serving in the police force. Christopher did not say whether others would be added.

White House press secretary Mike McCurry said today Clinton was meeting tonight with his foreign policy team to review the plans. And he said Gore gave Solana "a sense of our thinking," but a final decision was pending.

"That's what the purpose of the meeting is today," McCurry said in an interview.

McCurry said Clinton was likely to address the use of U.S. forces for Bosnia and Zaire

before he leaves Friday for a Hawaiian vacation and a trip to Asia.

"I suspect sometime before departing he may want to speak publicly on both of these issues," McCurry told reporters Wednesday.

A NATO meeting is set for Monday in Brussels to discuss in depth a Bosnian force after the current U.S.-commanded mission expires on Dec. 20.

Around 12,000 U.S. soldiers remain in the NATO peacekeeping mission, which now numbers about 43,000. The U.S. soldiers were joined last month by about 3,400 other Americans whose main function is to assist in the withdrawal of the current U.S. contingent by March 1997.

The Senate last December passed by 69-30 a resolution supporting U.S. action in Bosnia but limiting its duration to about one year. On the same day in the House, there was a 287-141 vote opposing U.S. participation in the NATO force but expressing support for American forces there.

Foggy tracks



Crewmen from Santa Fe Railway work on replacing rail on a yard track west of Pampa this morning in the foggy weather that covered the area this morning. Pampa residents heading to work this morning drove with headlights on as the fog dropped visibility below a quarter of a mile. The fog and light drizzle, which arrived last night, provided 0.02 inch of moisture through 6 a.m. today.

Festival tree



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Terry Blodgett, left, associate of Albertson's, presents a tree to Karen Smith, project chairperson for Clean Pampa Inc., to be used for the Festival of Christmas Trees and Gift Boutique, scheduled Dec. 6-8. Smith has involved the Boy Scout Bear Troop, Pack 414, to make the decorations for the tree from recycled Christmas cards. Smith said the Festival of Trees is needing more trees donated to be decorated by non-profit or service agencies. These decorated trees will be given to needy families after the festival so they may enjoy the holidays. "If you can donate a tree, please call Peggy Cloyd at 665-4186," Smith said.

Clinton's chief civil rights enforcer says he's leaving

WASHINGTON (AP) — Assistant Attorney General Deval L. Patrick, who played a major role in President Clinton's refusal to renounce affirmative action, said today he is resigning as the administration's chief civil rights enforcer.

"My family's in Boston, and I've been commuting all told for about two years," Patrick said in a brief interview. "This was a hard decision because I love this job. But I miss my kids and I love my wife, and I need to be home."

Attorney General Janet Reno, joined by Patrick at her weekly news conference today, called him "one of the finest public servants I have ever known."

"Deval's job has been to be the voice of so many people in America who feel that they do not have a voice," Reno said. "And you have given them that voice."

She and Patrick announced

that the civil rights division that Patrick heads obtained a record government settlement in a major housing bias case.

The owners and former managers of 10 South Florida apartment complexes that allegedly refused to rent to African-Americans and families with children agreed to pay a combined total of \$1,345,000 in four separate settlement agreements.

In one agreement, Kendall House Ltd. in Kendall, Fla., will pay \$1 million to discrimination victims, the largest settlement in the Justice Department's national housing bias testing program.

After the Supreme Court tightened the standards for affirmative action programs to remedy past discrimination, Patrick helped an administration task force design modifications that Clinton said would "mend, not end" affirmative action.

GCAD directors OK purchase of new office computer system

Gray County Appraisal District directors agreed this morning to purchase a new office computer system, rescinding a September motion to buy a more expensive setup.

The board agreed to spend \$3,238.50 for a system that will provide four Microsoft Windows-compatible hard drives from Computer Sales and Technology. The new system will cost \$1,000 less than a system the board agreed to buy Sept. 10, Chief Appraiser Pat Bagley said.

Directors also agreed to buy a used microfilm reader/printer for \$2,800 and a new telephone system for \$3,749 at today's meeting.

In other action, the board approved on a 3-2 vote to reword the district's personnel policy pertaining to sick leave.

The change in wording makes it clear that employees in good standing could be eligible to col-

lect accrued unused sick leave when they terminate employment with the district, with the recommendation of the chief appraiser and approval of the board, Bagley said.

Board member Lewis Meers voted against the change, explaining he "has a problem with paying people for their sick leave after they retire or terminate their employment."

"It's a fringe benefit they have while they work there ... but it ceases when they leave," Meers said.

Also voting against the proposal was Jim Greene.

The board unanimously approved other changes to the policy, as well as a wording change in the sexual harassment policy.

In further action, the board approved district employee participation in a PEBSCO investment plan.

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Services tomorrow

BRATCHER, Guendoliene — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Decula
HARNLEY, Ida Lee — 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Pampa.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Attebury Grain of Pampa.			
Wheat	4.12	Chevron	.65 1/8
Milo	4.20	Coca-Cola	.52 1/4
Corn	4.93	Columbia/HCA	.38
The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:			
Occidental	24	Diamond Sham	29 1/8
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:			
Magellan	80.12	Enron	.44
Puritan	17.24	Halliburton	.60 1/4
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.			
Amoco	75 3/4	Ingersoll Rand	.43 5/8
Arco	131	KNE	.37 5/8
Cabot	26	Kerr McGee	.65
Cabot O&G	16 3/8	Limited	.17 5/8
		Mapco	.32 3/8
		McDonald's	.47 1/2
		Mobil	.118 3/8
		New Atmos	.22 7/8
		Parker & Parsley	.27 5/8
		Penney's	.50 5/8
		Phillips	.41
		SLB	.99 3/4
		SPS	.35 5/8
		Tenneco	.50
		Texaco	.97 7/8
		Wal-Mart	24 5/8
		New York Gold	382.90
		Silver	4.87
		West Texas Crude	23.97

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents and arrests in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 13
 Burglary was reported west of Price Road on Kentucky.

Arrests
WEDNESDAY, Nov. 13
 Marvin Earlon Smith, 57, 120 S. Russell, was arrested on a charge of theft \$500 to \$1,500. He was released on bond.
 Betty Lee Weatherwax, 37, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication. Her bond is unset.

Calendar of events

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK
 A blood pressure check and blood sugar tests offered from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Friday in the Red Cross office, 108 N. Russell. A donation is accepted to cover expenses.
PAMPA SHRINE CLUB
THANKSGIVING MEETING
 The Pampa Shrine Club will have its Thanksgiving meeting at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 15. The program will be presented by The North Fork Bank. For more information, call President James H. Lewis at 669-8056.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accident in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.
WEDNESDAY, Nov. 13
 1:01 p.m. - A 1990 Dodge van driven by Patricia Malina Parks, 32, 1255 S. Wilcox, was in collision with a 1988 Oldsmobile driven by Mary Matthew Carver, 54, 917 Malone, at the intersection of East Brown and South Cuyler. Parks was cited for failure to control speed.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrest in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 13
 A 1996 Chevrolet pickup was reported "keyed" in the 100 block of Randy Matson Avenue on Tuesday. Damage is \$500.
 Officer Fred Courtney reported disorderly conduct by fighting at Pampa Middle School, 2401 Charles, at 9:15 a.m. Wednesday. Two boys were involved. Disorderly conduct was also reported at Pampa High School, 111 E. Harvester at 10 a.m. Wednesday.
 The driver's side window was reported broken out of a Chevrolet pickup in the 500 block of Powell. It occurred between 6 p.m. Tuesday and 10:30 a.m. Wednesday. Damage is \$100.
 Criminal mischief was reported to a 1984 Chevrolet in the 400 block of Hill. Damage is \$100 to the passenger side window. It occurred between 3 p.m. Monday and 10:30 a.m. Wednesday.
 A 16-year-old girl reported assault in the 900 block of South wells. She suffered scratches to the left side of her face and ear. It occurred at 3:40 p.m. Wednesday.
 Criminal mischief totaling \$1,440 was reported in the 500 block of North Wells at 4:29 p.m. Wednesday. Windows were broken out on a 1964 Nova, 1966 Renault and 1959 Chevrolet van. Windows were reported broken out in the house also.
 Flood lights were reported shot out in the 400 block of East Kingsmill between Oct. 15 and Nov. 13. A BB gun was used.

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Ambulance

Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
WEDNESDAY, Nov. 13
 9:08 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.
 11:32 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Columbia Medical Center for a patient transfer to a local nursing facility.
THURSDAY, Nov. 14
 3:47 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 1200 block of North Russell on a medical assist and transported one patient to Columbia Medical Center.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	669-2222
Energas	665-5777
Fire	911
Police (emergency)	911
Police (non-emergency)	669-5700
SPS	669-7432
Water	669-5830

Judge refuses to dismiss education lawsuit

AUSTIN (AP) — A state judge has refused to dismiss a lawsuit by school districts that says the State Board of Education is sitting on an estimated \$89 million that should be spent on computers and other technology in the classroom.
 Judge F. Scott McCown asked lawyers for the school districts, however, to see if their clients are willing to delay the case against the board until the Legislature can act on the matter. Lawmakers meet in regular session in January.
 "I think it's appropriate for the Legislature to have an opportunity to address this problem," McCown said Wednesday.
 More than 80 school districts have sued, saying that under the 1995 education reform law, they should be getting \$55 per student for technology this school year. Instead, the board has OK'd only \$30 per student, the districts said.
 The \$89 million is the amount that has been estimated as the difference statewide by Austin lawyer Buck Wood, who represents the school districts.
 Lawyers for the board say there's a discrepancy between the education law's provision for increased technology funding and the state budget, which doesn't provide for the increase.
 Assistant Attorney General Toni Hunter, representing the state board, said because of the discrepancy, the board doesn't believe it has authority to distribute the extra money.
 But she said the problem "can certainly be fixed by the Legislature."
 Ms. Hunter asked McCown to dismiss the lawsuit, saying the school districts need legislative permission to sue the state. McCown would not.
 Failing that, Ms. Hunter asked him to delay the lawsuit, noting the pending legislative session.
 McCown said if school districts agree to voluntarily delay the lawsuit, a trial could be set in middle or late February. If they do not agree, and McCown decides not to require a delay, he said a trial in the case would begin Dec. 19.
 Wood said school districts, in deciding whether to agree to a delay, must weigh the likelihood of the Legislature giving them the money for technology rather than deciding to spend it elsewhere.
 "It's just so uncertain. That's the dangerous part about this," he said.
 "There's been some reaction (from lawmakers) that, 'Gosh, if you just had come and talked to us about this, you wouldn't have had to file a lawsuit,'" he said.
 "Then we've got people saying, 'Where, we have some extra money.'"

Eight students recognized for academic achievements

Eight Pampa elementary school students were recognized for outstanding achievements during the academic spotlight portion of the Pampa school board meeting Tuesday.
 Seven of the students were given certificates commemorating the perfect scores they scored on last year's Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test.
 Scoring perfect 100 percents were then-third graders Ruth Schlewitz of Travis Elementary, Mateo Campos of Baker Elementary, Judd Miller of Horace Mann Elementary and Royce O'Neal of Austin Elementary.
 Last year's fifth graders with perfect scores were Karissa Intemann of Travis and Lauren Walters and Luke Burton of Austin.
 Also honored Tuesday was Mollie Baker as high-point winner in Travis' Accelerated Reader program for two years straight. Baker received a congratulatory letter from the program's creator as well as having her name engraved on a plaque to be displayed at her school.

Lefors sets new guidelines for valedictorians, salutatorians

LEFORS — Future valedictorians and salutatorians here will have to meet new guidelines in order to receive the honor after school board action Tuesday.
 The top two students now must have attended high school for four years, attended LHS for two years, maintain an overall 90 or above average and receive no lower grade than 70. In addition, a weighting system will be incorporated for advanced courses "to reward the kids that go out on a limb," said Superintendent Norman Baxter.
 Essentially the same requirements will be used in deciding middle school valedictorians and salutatorians, Baxter said.
 In other business, Baxter informed the board that the school's seven-year-old Jostens Learning Lab has "worn out" and will be mothballed. The district will examine future technological avenues.

Rioting breaks out in St. Petersburg after white officer cleared in shooting

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Fires smoldered today but things were largely quiet after a night of rioting, rock throwing and shooting by rioters angry that a white officer was cleared in the fatal shooting of an 18-year-old black man.

Mobs roamed the streets of predominantly black south St. Petersburg Wednesday evening, the same area where violence erupted after the Oct. 24 shooting. They set about a dozen fires, attacked passers-by with bottles and chunks of concrete, and shot at a police helicopter, wounding the co-pilot.

Another officer was shot in the calf and at least seven other people were injured.

More than 200 police officers took to the streets. They closed off streets and fired canisters of tear gas, and the National Guard was placed on standby.

Firefighters hustled through the night, tracking up to 90 reports of fires but finding no more than 12, according to District Chief Roger Lane of the St. Petersburg Fire Department. The officers were either multiple reports of the same fire or false alarms.

But midmorning, single fire units remained at one house and a warehouse to guard against smoldering embers reigniting.

Several people were arrested, Police Chief Darrel Stephens said early today. Other details on the arrests were not immediately available.

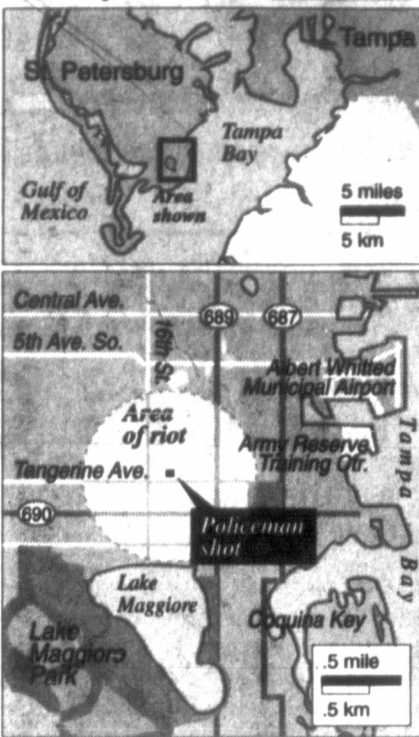
Earlier Wednesday, a grand jury found that Officer Jim Knight was justified in shooting TyRon Lewis during a traffic stop. Lewis had been speeding in a stolen car, police said.

Knight was standing in front of the car trying to look in the heavily tinted windows when Lewis refused orders to surrender and lurched forward, police said. The car bumped the officer four times before he fired through the windshield, killing Lewis.

The panel explained its decision in a nine-page statement appealing for calm and saying the shooting had not been racially motivated. Despite the deci-

Race riot

Rioting occurred again in the same area as the Oct. 24 riot in southern St. Petersburg.



sion, Stephens suspended Knight for 60 days without pay for putting himself in a position of danger.

A federal civil rights investigation into the Lewis shooting was continuing. In Washington, Assistant Attorney General Deval L. Patrick said today that the Justice Department's civil rights division has been investigating since the Lewis shooting occurred. Patrick said the federal investigation is operating independently from the local grand jury that cleared officer Knight.

"I spent most of last night on the telephone with St. Petersburg officials and with Joseph Lowery," president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Patrick said.

"While I understand the reaction of the community, I do not condone the violent reaction and join in those calls for calm," Patrick said.

Stephens blamed a small black separatist group, the National People's Democratic Uhuru Movement, for instigating trouble.

"A good part of the activity that is taking place on the streets tonight was planned," he said. "I don't believe that this was a spontaneous event."

Around 4 p.m., hours after the ruling was released, Uhuru supporters were gathered in front of a house, handing out fliers calling for a community meeting.

"KILLER COP GOES FREE," the fliers read. "We will not be shot down in the streets like dogs. Neither will we be pushed into jails for defending our community... GET ORGANIZED!"

Police came to arrest three Uhuru members on outstanding warrants. About two hours later, they got a call reporting gunfire near the house.

Police who responded to the call were pelted with debris, and Officer Keith Glasgow was shot through the left calf. He was treated at Bayfront Medical Center and released.

Iris Brinkley said she was in the house when police in riot gear forced their way in and sprayed tear gas.

"How do they justify what they did? They sure have no respect for the black community. All we were doing was having a meeting," she said.

David Schauer, a lawyer who lives in the neighborhood, said: "Everyone I talked to who was white didn't think that there would be trouble, but they also didn't think that police would be stupid enough to serve warrants today on the Uhuru members."

Around 8:30 p.m., Joe Lassen, co-pilot of a sheriff's helicopter, was grazed by a bullet. The helicopter was able to land safely.

A hospital spokesman said others injured included a white man, who appeared to be the victim of a drive-by shooting; a black man struck in the face by a bottle; and a white man beaten up in a laundromat.

Kim Freeman was driving with her 11-year-old son and two others through the area after leaving a friend's wake. The left rear window of her car was shot out.

"This is a terrible thing. We need to find peace in our community," she said, her voice shaking.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Variable cloudiness with fog tonight with a low near 48 and south winds 10-20 mph. Friday, variable cloudiness and mild with a high in the 60s and a chance of evening thunderstorms. Saturday, windy and cooler with a high near 52. Wednesday's high was 62; the overnight low was 41. Pampa received 0.02 inch of moisture in the 24-hour period ending at 6 a.m. today.

REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, mostly cloudy with chance of showers. Lows in mid to upper 40s. Friday, windy with a continuing chance of showers. Caution advised on area lakes. Highs in the 60s. South Plains: Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy. Lows in the 50s. Friday, mostly cloudy and breezy. A slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in the 60s.

North Texas — Tonight, increasing cloudiness. Lows 54 to 65. Friday, considerable cloudiness. Windy west and central. A slight chance of thunderstorms west. Highs 70 to 77.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, mostly clear in the evening, patchy dense fog developing after midnight. Lows in low 60s, upper 50s Hill Country. Friday, patchy early morning fog, otherwise mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms. Highs in upper 70s, low 70s Hill Country. Upper Coast: Tonight, mostly clear in the evening, patchy dense fog developing after midnight. Lows in upper 50s inland to mid 60s coast. Friday, patchy early morning fog, otherwise partly cloudy. Highs near 80 inland to mid 70s coast. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, mostly clear in the evening. Increasing cloudiness after midnight. Lows in low 60s. Friday, some morning

cloudiness, then partly cloudy with isolated showers. Highs near 80 coast to low 80s inland.

BORDER STATES
 New Mexico — Tonight, mostly cloudy north, chance of rain and mountain snow showers north central and northwest. Partly cloudy south. Lows 20s and 30s mountains and northwest with mostly 40s east and south. Friday, mostly cloudy north with chance of rain and snow showers. Partly cloudy south. Moderately windy and cooler Friday with highs 40s and 50s mountains and north, 60s and 70s elsewhere.

Oklahoma — Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Evening lows in upper 40s to mid 50s in northern and central regions with steady or slowly rising temperatures overnight. Lows in mid to upper 50s in southern regions. Friday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the 60s to low 70s.

City briefs

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HICKORY HUT 716 W. Brown, 665-0562. Let us do your Holiday cooking! Custom cooking and smoking for turkeys and hams. Catering available. Adv.

CUYLER CLOTHING Co. 25% off selected Fall merchandise. 113 N. Cuyler, 665-8698. Adv.

KNIGHTS OF Columbus Deep Fried and Smoked turkeys for the upcoming Holidays. To order call Neal Hoeltling, 669-9514. Adv.

IMAGES - DOWNTOWN, Howard Wolf Dress Trunk Show, November 14, 15, 16th, 10-5:30 p.m. MasterCard, Visa, Discover, 123 N. Cuyler, 669-1091. Adv.

THE DOLLAR Store in Coronado Center will be having a weekly shipment through Christmas. Everything in store \$1. Adv.

PAMPA BARGAIN Barn, 614 S. Cuyler. Antique church bench, disc-player-JVC, baby bed, doll babies for nice Christmas gifts. Adv.

"GRAND OPENING" Sunset Bar & Grill. Kracker Jacks playing. November 22 and 23. Come help us Celebrate. Adv.

PRIORITIES, 301 W. Foster. 1/2 off on all clothing, Friday only, 9:30-5:30. Adv.

PACK-N-MAIL 1506 N. Hobart, now accepting telephone payments for SW Bell and AT&T. Adv.

QUILT SALE Baby-king, 1979 Pontiac Grand Prix - best offer. 669-6558, 420 Crest st., 1/2 block off east Browning, 9-6 Saturday, 1-6 Sunday. Adv.

SUNTROL 3M Auto Tint. Call for discount fall/winter prices. Gift certificates now available. Also auto glass replacement, rock chip repair. 703 W. Brown, Hwy. 60. 665-0615. Adv.

HARVEST MOON Ball Update: Dinner Service will begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 8:45 p.m., Saturday, November 16th at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Pre-dinner social hour starts at 6:30 p.m. as scheduled. Adv.

LADIES NIGHT, Thursday night! The Landmark Club, open 4 p.m.-12. Pat Darling DJ. Come check out the specials! 618 W. Foster, 665-4404. Adv.

THE COTTAGE Collection, 922 W. 23rd. More booths, more fun, crafts, antiques, gifts. Adv.

ST. VINCENT'S High School Youth are raffling an autographed Zach Thomas Football. \$2 tickets at All Its Charm, Harvester Lanes and Goldkraft Jewelers. Drawing December 8. Adv.

PHS BAND Fruit Cake and Cheese Cakes now on sale! Contact any Band member. Adv.

DON JONAS Calligraphy. New - Iron Christmas trees. Deer - Yard angels. You decorate. Cottage Collection Open House. November 14th, 15th, 16th. Adv.

CHRISTMAS AT Home Open House. 2429 Mary Ellen. Jewelry, Crafts, Antiques, Ornaments, Clothing, Florals, more. Door Prizes. Saturday, 10-8 and Sunday 1-5. Adv.

TEE-ROOM LOUNGE, 543 W. Brown is now open. Adv.

ROLANDA'S SILK Flowers & Gifts inside Frank's Hobart store, just received new shipment of spray-on potpourri oil. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - Thursday 5-8 p.m. Chicken and dumplings, pork chops, barbecue polish, chicken fried steak. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

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Masons honor Finney with 50-year pin



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Gordon Fore, center, district deputy of Texas Masonic District 98, presents Leland Finney with his 50-year pin for service in the Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM during a recent ceremony. Watching the ceremony is Finney's son, Robert Finney.

Bush touting \$1 billion property tax cuts for state

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush says a \$1 billion cut in school property taxes would be a good start in reducing the \$10 billion collected through the levy each year.

Bush announced Wednesday that his budget proposal for the next two fiscal years will include a recommendation that \$1 billion generated from higher-than-expected state revenues and lower-than-expected spending go to property tax relief.

"I believe taxpayers should benefit from leaner government," Bush said.

Rep. Robert Junell, D-San Angelo and chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, said he wants to see where the governor has come up with \$1 billion.

"I'm not aware of anybody in the Legislature who was consulted on this before the governor made his announcement," Junell said. "I look forward to seeing

where he and his people say (the money) is."

Ross Ramsey, an aide to Comptroller John Sharp, said official estimates of state financing haven't been completed. But he said Sharp, a Democrat, will present a list of \$1 billion in additional state spending cuts.

"We're seeing him a billion and raising him a billion," Ramsey said.

Sharp is considered a potential challenger to the Republican governor if he were to seek re-election in two years. But Ramsey said politics won't factor into Sharp's financial estimates.

"This (estimate) is one of our constitutional duties and every two years someone says it's political. It will be a clean number," he said.

Richard Lavine, a fiscal analyst for the Center for Public Policy Priorities, said any extra state revenues or lower government spending is generating one-time

funds. He said the state would have to find \$1 billion in future budgets when spending could be up and revenues could be down.

"He hasn't explained what state functions aren't going to get funding or who's going to get the tax relief," Lavine said of Bush's plan.

Bush said he hasn't worked out how the \$1 billion would be distributed or who would get it. But he said the money already is available and wouldn't have to be cut from department budgets.

"I'm going to lay out specifics of all my budget at a later time. We don't have it fully fleshed out," he said.

Bush began talking about the need for school property tax relief last year. Since then, a commission he appointed has said Texans need a cut in school property taxes.

Any cut or reduction would be replaced by some other tax.

Bush asked the commission to

White House: Clinton will fight balanced budget amendment

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton will contest Congress' expected approval of a balanced-budget constitutional amendment, despite earlier remarks that softened his long-time opposition to the plan, administration officials say.

In an unusual effort to prevent a stampede of votes for the proposal, Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin and other administration officials telephoned reporters Wednesday to say that the president never meant to voice support for the amendment. Officials were hoping to retain a slim chance of defeating the plan, or at least force its supporters to agree to revisions acceptable to the White House.

"Your first line is to actively oppose it," Rubin said in an interview. "Hopefully that would be successful. If it's not successful, you work with the proponents to construct an amendment that is the least harmful possible."

Clinton told reporters Tuesday that he believes the amendment is unnecessary, which he has said for years. But he added a condition for the first time, saying he would consider the idea if it contained an "escape hatch" for recessions, when diminished business activity usually drives up federal deficits.

"That's the only thing I would

consider. The escape hatch is good, and we'll manage it the best way we can," Clinton said then.

But Rubin said Clinton told his economic advisers afterwards that he didn't mean to change his position and intended to fight the amendment. Rubin also said Clinton has "grave doubts about whether you can create an escape hatch that is sufficiently flexible to take into account whatever may happen down the road" with the economy.

White House economic adviser Gene Sperling said officials were making their calls in part to ensure that Clinton's earlier remarks didn't leave lawmakers thinking they had a green light to support the measure. He said the White House wanted legislators to know "we do plan to speak out as to why we think it's poor economic policy."

The balanced-budget amendment passed the House in 1995 but fell one vote short of Senate approval after Clinton helped lobby against it. After passing Congress, a constitutional amendment does not require the president's signature, but needs approval by 38 states.

With last week's elections sending a batch of additional amendment supporters to the

Senate, the proposal seems likely to get the two-thirds majority Congress needs to pass it. Republicans plan to take it to the House and Senate floors early in the new Congress, perhaps in January.

Michele Davis, press secretary for House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, noted that Clinton discussed reviving efforts to balance the budget with GOP congressional leaders at the White House on Tuesday.

"It's kind of putting your money where your mouth is," she said of Clinton's support for the constitutional amendment.

The current version of the proposal would let Congress waive its budget-balancing requirements during war or recession by three-fifths majorities of the House and Senate. Rubin said requiring a simple majority would be better, but voiced doubts that even that would be sufficient.

"Why would you subject the economy of the United States to the risk of a Congress that for whatever reason is not willing to cast" enough votes, he said.

Asked whether Clinton would lobby against the amendment again, Rubin said that would be "something you decide when you get there."

Prosecutors say McDougal cooperating

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — Whitewater prosecutors have confirmed for the first time that James McDougal is cooperating with them and giving new life to the investigation of President and Hillary Rodham Clinton.

In court papers filed Wednesday, prosecutor W. Ray Jahn said McDougal had met with FBI agents and Whitewater prosecutors "numerous times, providing them with information pertinent to their on-going investigation."

The White House had no immediate comment.

McDougal was convicted of bank fraud last May, and his sentencing had already been delayed once, with no reason given.

Independent Counsel

Kenneth Starr has been reviewing the business dealings of the Clintons, McDougal and his ex-wife Susan, all partners in the Whitewater real estate venture in northern Arkansas.

For months before and during the trial, McDougal and his lawyer had disparaged Starr's investigation and said McDougal would never cooperate.

"You've got to represent your client and do what you think is in their best interest," attorney Sam Heuer conceded Wednesday.

He said he had talked to McDougal only briefly a few times since the trial.

Superintendent accused of lying about wife's insurance

SNOOK, Texas (AP) — The superintendent of a small Central Texas school district has been indicted on a charge he lied about his late wife's insurance policies, prompting a new look at her apparent suicide.

Snook Superintendent Frank Cook III told grand jurors after the Aug. 27 death of his wife, Janet, that she had one policy worth \$250,000.

But Charles Sebesta, district attorney for Burleson and Washington counties, said there were also two more policies, each worth \$1 million.

Cook was arrested and jailed Tuesday and indicted on one count of aggravated perjury, which is punishable by up to ten years in prison. He was released Wednesday after posting \$50,000 bond, said Deputy

Chief Mike Brackman of the Burleson County Sheriff's Department.

Mrs. Cook, 38, an elementary special education teacher in the Hempstead school district, was found shot to death in her locked car near Snook, a town of about 500 people about 20 miles west of Bryan. She had one shotgun wound to the chest.

The investigation was closed Oct. 23, but now the case will be reopened, said Sheriff Gene Barber.

Prosecutor Sebesta said the insurance investigation began when the policy issuers called last week to verify the cause of Mrs. Cook's death.

Diane Hagenbuch, a spokeswoman for Ohio National Life Insurance Co., said Wednesday that company policy barred her

from commenting on claims or policyholders.

But, she added: "There have been discussions between our claims department and the district attorney for Burleson County."

Officials with the John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co. would not comment on the Cook policy.

The \$1 million policies each were to set up a trust fund for the couple's 15-year-old son, Frank Cook IV, Sebesta said. The \$250,000 policy was to benefit the superintendent.

Dorothy See, president of the school board overseeing the 540-student school, told the Bryan-College Station Eagle she could not comment on what action the district might take against Cook.

Cook already is under indictment in a case in the Bullard school district, where he resigned the superintendent's position in June before coming to Snook.

A grand jury investigating possible violations of bidding laws and the Texas Open Records Act indicted Cook in August on a misdemeanor charge of violating the open records act, Smith County District Attorney Jack Skeen said Wednesday.

Masons honor Ousley with 50-year pin



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Halden Suttle, right, past master, presents Hord Ousley with his 50-year pin for service in the Pampa Masonic Lodge #966 AF&AM during a recent ceremony at the lodge. Watching the ceremony is Ousley's wife, Billie.

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Close the merit test gender gap

After years of complaints that the prestigious National Merit Scholarships short-change academically gifted girls, the College Board has agreed to change the qualifying test. Even the board's own president admits the change "may not be enough," and he may be right.

Still unresolved are a number of nagging, vexing questions about the way such tests define "merit," particularly across lines of gender. Various civil rights groups have been complaining since 1974 that the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test violates civil rights law under Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, which bans sex discrimination in institutions that receive federal funds.

To resolve the dispute, the College Board has agreed with the Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights to add a multiple-choice test on writing to the PSAT, which is taken by juniors.

Since girls tend to perform better at writing while boys tend to perform better at math, College Board President Donald M. Stewart said the body hopes the nonessay writing test will help make up the deficit. The protesting groups, FairTest, based in Cambridge, Mass., and the Women's Rights Project of the American Civil Liberties Union, expressed doubts that the change will work. They called for standardized test scores to be de-emphasized as a measure of academic achievement in favor of other measures like grade point averages and class rankings.

They have a point. Girls receive higher grades on average than boys in both high school and college. Yet, persistently they score lower than boys in the awarding of the scholarships.

Evidence suggests that standardized tests tend to "underpredict" the college performance of high school girls and "overpredict" the performance of their male counterparts.

But the gap appears to be closing. Elaine Detweiler at the Evanston-based National Merit Scholarship Corporation said the gap has been narrowing during the past ten years as more girls take advanced math courses, a trend that suggests the issue could be solving itself. Robert A. Schaeffer of FairTest agreed, but cautioned that the narrowing is so slight and so slow it will not close until sometime in the next century.

In the meantime, a more urgent problem of the academic marketplace may be pressing down on the prestigious National Merit Scholarships.

A growing number of colleges and universities — 241 by FairTest's count have stopped requiring the SAT. More may follow, turning to such other standards as grade point averages, class rankings, rigor of studies pursued and the quality of extracurricular activities to determine who shows the most academic potential, whether it shows up on standardized multiple-choice tests or not.

The question here is not quotas. It is credibility. As long as the Merit Scholarship tests fail to reflect or predict fairly the academic performance of the young women who take them, their merit as a measure of merit will remain under a cloud.

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"I LIKE violence in the workplace."

The root of political corruption

The 1996 presidential election was the most expensive ever, and all those C-notes had reformers detecting the rank smell of corruption. "This campaign has been the Wild West, as if there were no rules at all," lamented Ellen Miller of the Center for Responsive Politics. "The one sure mandate of the 1996 election is for both parties to fix the money system before we have to trust in it again," announced *Time* magazine beforehand.

President Clinton, who is not exactly guiltless in this respect, nonetheless joined in the chorus, piously vowing to make campaign finance reform a high priority in his second term. That effort may get an unwelcome impetus from the investigation of Democratic fundraising by longtime Clinton pal John Huang, who may have run afoul of the law by getting contributions from foreigners.

This year, Republicans squandered \$400 million trying to recapture the White House, and Democrats went through \$250 million in their effort to hang on to it. That is not a lot of money to disseminate the messages for the two men who aspired to lead the most powerful country on Earth for the next four years — and to preside over a \$7 trillion economy. Companies that want us to buy their soap, their cars or their beer spend a lot more to affect the decisions of the American people.

But all these political outlays require lots of contributions from individuals, political action committees, corporations and unions — most of whom are not giving in a pure spirit of altruism. The fear is that politicians are selling their votes to the highest bidder, letting public policy be warped by well-heeled special interests.

There is certainly cause for concern. But treating money as the problem is like blaming the thermometer for your fever. The politicians' habit of



Stephen
Chapman

leaning on people with a financial stake in government policy and the eagerness of such people to pony up to make their voices heard are merely symptoms of a deeper problem: a government that wields too much control over our lives and fortunes.

John Marshall, the first chief justice, said the power to tax is the power to destroy. The same is true of the power to regulate. Until World War I, the federal government's intrusion into the life of the average American was minimal. In 1913, government spending at all levels absorbed less than 6 percent of the gross national product. Today, it takes a whopping 41 percent of our total income.

Thousands of companies, their managers, their workers and their shareholders are terribly vulnerable to the decisions of the federal government, which has a much greater capacity to harm them than the fiercest competitor. So affluent individuals and big corporations particularly feel they have to make donations to ensure that when such decisions are made, their voices will at least be heard.

Politicians do not shrink from exploiting their position. Time reports that when White House aides wanted to get a group of business executives

in to meet with the president on some issue, "Clinton's political operatives would always demand to know: 'What visitors were financial supporters of the party?'"

To understand why so many wealthy individuals and big corporations are prepared to fork over large sums of money to politicians and their parties, consider the practice in Russia, where organized crime is so powerful that American companies pay the local mafia up to 30% of their profits in exchange for a "roof" of protection. The money buys security and help in getting permits, scaring off competitors and cutting through government red tape — and it prevents the mobsters from undertaking to put you out of business.

American politicians can perform similar functions for a hard pressed corporation, and they usually demand far less in tribute than Russian gangsters. Wise executives see the investment as a prudent one. The people in the White House and Congress can hurt you or help you, and campaign contributions improve your chances.

Reformers would like to eliminate the influence of private money from public elections, but that's like outlawing protection payments in Russia without going after the mob. As long as Washington has such sweeping power over the economy and our lives, Americans will use their resources to affect elections — either by contributing money to politicians or, if that is forbidden, organizing advertising campaigns on behalf of candidates and causes.

The only way to remedy the problem is to treat its cause, which is to reduce the size and authority of the government. Power corrupts, and diminishing the power of politicians could only diminish corruption.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Nov. 14, the 319th day of 1996. There are 47 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 14, 1889, inspired by Jules Verne, New York "World" reporter Nellie Bly (Elizabeth Cochran) set out to travel around the world in less than 80 days. (She succeeded, making the trip in 72 days.)

On this date:

In 1832, the first streetcar — a horse-drawn vehicle called the "John Mason" — first went into operation in New York City.

In 1851, Herman Melville's novel "Moby Dick" was first published in the United States.

In 1881, Charles J. Guiteau went on trial for assassinating President James Garfield. (Guiteau was convicted and hanged the following year.)

In 1922, the British Broadcasting Corporation began its domestic radio service.

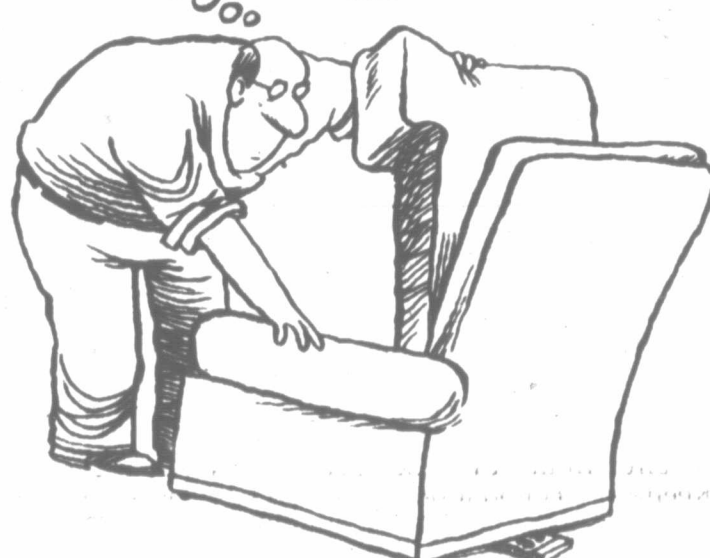
In 1935, President Franklin Roosevelt proclaimed the Philippine Islands a free commonwealth.

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A wild ride to the next millennium

I'm not shy. I told you Republicans so.

Actually, I think the Republicans' nomination of Bob Dole was just a payoff for the Democrats nominating Michael Dukakis in 1988. Dukakis was the only Democrat George Bush could beat. Dole was the one Republican Clinton could easily beat.

The problem is that most partisan Republicans are just fixated on the label and the patronage. It never seems to occur them that to beat an incumbent one needs to offer a clearly defined alternative. And, of course, it helps if the candidate can speak with some clarity.

But Dole went into the race agreeing with Clinton on all the major issues — GATT, NAFTA, the Mexican bailout, sending troops to Bosnia — and then offered as his main plank a tax cut plan of the kind he himself had frequently, vigorously and venomously opposed in the past. He chose as his running mate a man he had ridiculed in the past. That sort of strangled the trust and integrity issues in their cradles.

Dole is so hopeless a candidate it almost makes you think the whole deal was rigged from the start. That will probably be the next conspiracy theory. The mysterious "they" arranged for Dole to be nominated to ensure the re-election of their man, Clinton, who will arrive at his inauguration in a black helicopter.

Of course, anyone familiar with the history of the Republican Party knows that it needs no

Charley Reese

mysterious "they" or a conspiracy to shoot its own feet off at the knees.

There's a bewhiskered joke that if you ask Republicans to form a firing squad, they will stand in a circle.

Clinton was vulnerable, by golly, but you can't beat a youthful, articulate waffler and opportunist with an elderly, inarticulate waffler and opportunist. And if the Republican National Committee paid any campaign consultants who told them they could, they ought to file charges of fraud against these consultants and commit themselves to a workshop for the mentally handicapped.

Well, if you want to look on the bright side, you get to start with a clean slate and a pig in the poke. Clinton will not have to renege on all his campaign promises — he's already forgotten them. Clinton's promises are like empty casings flying out of an assault rifle.

So heaven only knows what Clinton will do, propose or get himself into during the next four years, assuming, of course, he isn't impeached. Unless he divorces Hillary, whatever he proposes will be to the left of socialism.

One of the British newspapers, in a typically snotty manner, said that the re-election of Clinton

indicates that American politics is sick. Well, it may be snotty, but it's also true that British politics is any healthier.

The re-election of Clinton reaffirms P.T. Barnum's belief that a sucker is born every minute. It reaffirms the faith of every con artist, scam artist, medicine man, palm reader, astrologer, bunko artist, Ponzi scheme peddler and junk-bond salesman that America is indeed a land of opportunity for those with plenty of brass and no conscience.

We need no longer worry about the dumbing down of America. That is obviously a fact. The question is, Will America go from dumb to coma?

On a more positive note, it could be that Americans are just like the driver who falls asleep at the wheel of his car. He won't wake up to his problem until the car crashes. Clinton will no doubt run the car of state into a ditch.

I expect to see trade wars, foreign policy disasters, a few rare riots, a decrease in personal liberty, higher taxes, higher inflation and, probably, economic collapse. The silver lining is, secession will probably become more feasible.

The seed corn left over by previous and more intelligent generations is down to a few kernels. Aside from his political tacticians, Clinton has surrounded himself with incompetent good people and very smart bad people.

Hang on. It's going to be wild ride to the new millennium.

A conspiracy theory is born every hour

If it wasn't for the mail I get from normal people, there are times I would think the whole world had stripped its gears.

Most of the cacophony still comes from the right. We hear warnings that Timothy McVeigh is being framed for the April 1995 Oklahoma City bombing; that members of the "world socialist elite" are about to invade the country; that American officials are conspiring with the United Nations to create a New World Order and herd their countrymen into concentration camps.

Bill Clinton's alleged crimes have created a cottage industry. A video called *The Clinton Chronicles* accuses the president of being a cocaine addict, a Casanova of epic prowess, a member of an international drug combine, a party to numerous murders. Half-a-million copies are said to have been sold.

From the left — yes, there is still a left — come the hoary tales of corporate conspiracies, of government schemes to spread deadly diseases, and now a new version of an old tale charging the CIA with creating the crack-cocaine epidemic.

The story is rooted in the CIA's activities during the Vietnam War, when the spy agency looked the other way as its field agents dealt in narcotics. In the story's current conformation, the CIA is said to have abided, if not abetted, Nicaraguan Contra benefactors in the 1980s when they introduced crack cocaine into the ghettos of Los Angeles as a way of raising money to fund the war against the Sandinistas.

During the Reagan years, this specific allegation was thoroughly investigated by several congress-



Joseph
Spear

sional committees. The worst the probers could come up with was the relative certainty that the agency was aware that some of its Contra friends were dealing in drugs, but preferred to turn its head and leave the problem to its law enforcement colleagues.

This didn't stop the *San Jose (Calif.) Mercury News* from publishing a series in August based largely on the self-serving stories of drug runners and cocaine traffickers.

The *New York Times*, the *Washington Post* and the *Los Angeles Times* conducted their own investigations and found little evidence to back the CIA-Contra drug-ring story. The *Mercury News* subsequently backed off some of its major assertions and claimed its work had been misinterpreted.

In truth, the *Mercury News* never quite did accuse the CIA of direct complicity, but it certainly advertised the series in that manner. Its Internet posting displayed the CIA's insignia and a man

smoking crack. The reporter who wrote the stories, Gary Webb, has been hitting the talk-show circuit, has been offered a movie deal, and is reportedly circulating a book proposal. He wants to "explore a theory," he told the *Los Angeles Times*, that the "Contra war was not a real war at all. It was a charade, a smoke screen ... to provide cover for a massive drug operation" by CIA agents and their friends.

Some black leaders, ever on the lookout for a conspiracy theory that can be demagogued into a passionate cause and political support, leaped on the story. Using the same standard of proof popularized by ex-FBI man and right-wing author Gary Aldrich — that rumors which can't be knocked down are facts — the leaders held rallies and demanded investigations. The Rev. Jesse Jackson called for hearings. Rep. Maxine Waters, D-Calif., vowed to "make somebody pay for what they did to our community." Comedian Dick Gregory promised to "never eat another drop of food" until the charges are thoroughly investigated.

This could be about the hundredth fast that the likable loony Gregory has launched since the reign of Richard Nixon. In the past, he has declared his belief that the 1981 Atlanta child murders were executed with government complicity in the interest of scientific research, and promoted the notion that Lyndon Johnson colluded in the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr.

Keep the letters coming. Sane folks gotta stick together.

United Way introduces its 1996 Loaned Executives

As part of its 1996 fund-raising campaign, Pampa United Way has once again implemented the Loaned Executives Program as a highly effective way to enlist local businesses and their employees in support of United Way. This year's program includes 11 executives, each of whom The Pampa News will introduce during the course of the campaign.

Pamela Moorehead is one of two loaned executives from FirstBank Southwest who have been assisting with the 1996 Pampa United Way campaign drive this fall.

Moorehead, a graduate of Cement, Okla., High School, has been employed with FirstBank Southwest for eight years.

She is married to Mike Moorehead, an employee at Hoechst Celanese Pampa Plant. They have two children, Heather Shepard, a junior at Pampa High School, and Cody Shepard, a freshman at PHS.

Moorehead is a member of Calvary Baptist Church.

"Our community is very fortunate to have 17 fine agencies which are supported by the United Way," she said. "Without the United Way, it



Pamela Moorehead

would be very difficult for these agencies to collect the needed funds which enable them to provide valuable services to our community."

The Pampa United Way drive continues. If you have not yet been contacted about making a donation, call the United Way office at 669-1001 for information, or mail your donation to: Pampa United Way, P.O. Box 2076, Pampa, TX 79066.

Doctors optimistic about war on cancer

WASHINGTON (AP) — A newly discovered five-year downswing in cancer deaths has doctors dropping their usual caution to declare a turning point in the war on cancer.

It's not a big drop — roughly three percent — but it's the first sustained decline in cancer mortality since national record-keeping began in the 1930s and possibly the first since 1900.

"One of the most intractable diseases of the 20th century is now in decline," declared Brad Rodu, who with University of Alabama, Birmingham, colleague Dr. Philip Cole uncovered the trend.

Added National Cancer Institute Director Richard Klausner: "The 1990s will be remembered as the decade when we measurably turned the tide against cancer."

The 1990-95 decline, reported in the current issue of the journal *Cancer* and validated by the government Wednesday, was fueled by a drop in fatal lung cancer that doctors have anxiously awaited for decades.

But the reports aren't all good news. The decline in mortality was greater for men, who showed a 4.3 percent drop, than for women, at 1.1 percent. Again, lung cancer was the cause. Lung cancer mortality fell 6.7 percent in men but actually rose 6.4 percent in women, who are less likely to have quit smoking than men, the NCI reported Wednesday.

And the decline in overall cancer mortality was greater among black Americans than whites, 5.6 percent vs. 1.7 percent, a finding experts attributed to recent campaigns to improve cancer care for minorities. Still, black men die of cancer at a 40 percent higher rate than white men, the NCI said.

The news comes on the eve of the 25th anniversary of the war on cancer. Frustrated patients have spent this year asking if that war was lost, and many doctors anticipate cancer will overtake heart disease to become the top killer by 2000.

There have been signals of progress for some time. As The Associated Press reported in July, NCI figures show deaths from all malignancies except lung cancer actually have dropped since 1971 — and overall mortality inched down between 1990 and 1992.

The difference now is that Cole and Rodu found a five-year trend strong enough to overcome skepticism that the drop was a statistical blip.

"Anytime there is a sustained downturn, that suggests to me it's real," said Dr. Robert Warren of Georgetown University's Lombardi Cancer Center. But he urged caution: "Whether that represents a true turn in the tide or just the fact that we're detecting some of these cancers earlier" is not proven.

Pampa United Way agency profile

This article is one in a series of profiles on the agencies and organizations supported by Pampa United Way. This information is being provided by Pampa United Way as part of its 1996 "Paint A Brighter Tomorrow" fund-raising campaign.

The Pampa Boy Scouts program is administered by the Golden Spread Council, Boy Scouts of America, which assists over 200 community organizations chartered by the BSA in 26 counties of the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles. There are some 2,000 volunteers bringing scouting to approximately 6,000 youths involved in the Boy Scout programs.



In the Santa Fe District, which includes Pampa and surrounding areas, approximately 900 boys and young men were served, as well as young women involved in the Explorers program. Last year, the district became a National Quality District for its excellence in programs, money available for its services, membership and leadership.

Serving the community, the Boy Scouts teach and develop values instilled by the Boy Scout Oath and Law, making educated, enlightened and responsible citizens.

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to serve others and to help instill values that will prepare young people to make ethical choices throughout their lifetime, thus allowing them to achieve their fullest potential.

The program begins in the first grade when a boy and his adult partner may join Tiger Cubs. Beginning with the second grade, boys become Cub Scouts in a home-centered, family-oriented program. At age 11, the youth becomes a Boy Scout with a program based on outdoor skills and leadership training.

The high school age program is co-ed, with emphasis on careers and special interests as young adults prepare themselves for responsibilities in the world of work and adult life.

The Golden Spread Council maintains a Scout service center in Amarillo, with the administrative office and Scout supply shop providing a variety of scouting services for the organizations in the area. There are a full-time professional staff, clerical employees and a camp-

ranger who are employed to train, guide and provide program assistance and many other support services for the scouting volunteer organization.

The Council owns and maintains two camps — Camp Don Harrington, 12 miles south of Amarillo, and Camp M.K. Brown, located near Wheeler. These facilities provide scouting outdoor program opportunities year round, with as many as 1,500 Cub Scouts, Webelos and Boy Scouts participating in the various summer camping operations.

The Golden Spread Council is a member agency of 10 United Ways (including the Pampa United Way) which provide finances for nearly 30 percent of scouting support service needs. Currently, scouting is serving approximately 16 percent of the youth of scouting age in Pampa.

With the success of the current year's campaign, the Pampa United Way will provide funds to help continued support of scouting in the Pampa area.

When contacted by your United Way representatives, please give generously so the scouting programs may continue to serve the youth in the community.

Panhandle-Plains Museum displaying its art collection

CANYON — An exhibition titled "The Panhandle's Gallery: 75 Years of Collecting Art" will be featured at the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum in Canyon beginning Saturday, Nov. 16.

The exhibition, which will appear in the main art galleries, will include selections from major collections and other acquisitions collected by the Panhandle-Plains Historical Society over the past 75 years.

The museum's art collection may be even older than 75 years, according to Michael R. Grauer, curator of art. When the main building at West Texas Normal College burned in 1912, the fire consumed several works of art along with the rest of the building.

Since its founding in 1921, the Society has collected works of art, making it the oldest public art collection in the Texas Panhandle. Today, the art collection includes some 4,000 decorative and fine art objects from all over the world.

The Society's art collection has increased since the museum opened in 1933 through acquisitions of both single objects, relatively small groups of works and major collections. However, the large collections of three major donors, James D. Hamlin of Farwell in the 1940s, Johnnie Griffin of Wichita Falls in 1962

and Lucille Nance Jones of Canyon in 1972, comprise the foundation of the Society's art collection.

Later major donors include Harold D. Bugbee of Clarendon, Bill and Mary Cheek of Dallas, Levi W. and Margaret T. Cole of Canyon, A.C. Cook of Fort Worth, Forrest Fenn of Santa Fe, N.M., Mrs. Donald D. Harrington of Amarillo, the Frank Reaugh Estate in Dallas and Karen Schmidt of Santa Fe.

Perhaps the most celebrated acquisition in recent years was the gift from the Georgia O'Keeffe Foundation of O'Keeffe's *Red Landscape* (1918) in 1994. Painted during her tenure at West Texas Normal College, *Red Landscape* filled perfectly a major gap in the collection and remains on permanent exhibit.

Today the Society's historic New Mexico and Texas art collections are well-known throughout the region and the rest of the United States. Furthermore, the European and Oriental collections are unique in the Panhandle.

The exhibition will complement the permanent art galleries at the museum and emphasize that the museum is the public art gallery for the entire Texas Panhandle.

The exhibition runs through Jan. 26, 1977.

Skeleton aboard La Salle ship amazes researchers

ABOARD THE BELLE, Gulf of Mexico (AP) — His final resting place was in a coil of 3-inch-thick ship anchor rope. And although he had a small keg of wine or brandy next to him, he may have died of thirst.

That was 310 years ago. Archaeologists excavating a ship belonging to the famed French explorer La Salle Wednesday were finishing retrieval of that skeleton Wednesday. The bones were found in the bow hold of the vessel, which ran aground and sank in a storm off the Texas coast in January 1686.

The discovery of the skeleton, two weeks ago on Halloween, clearly is the most exciting find so far in the yearlong, \$4 million excavation of The Belle, a 50-foot vessel that served as a supply ship for the ill-fated expedition of La Salle, who was trying to establish a French colony along the Gulf Coast.

Although they are believed not to be the remains of Rene-Robert Cavalier Sieur de la Salle, who was killed inland in East Texas later by his own men, some local folks in nearby Palacios, the closest port,

already have dubbed the skeleton "Dead Bob."

"That's terrible," laughed Toni Carrell, the project's assistant director. "You know, when dealing with human remains, everyone here takes a very serious attitude."

To get to the wreckage in the Gulf of Mexico about 125 south-west of Houston, archaeologists built a \$1 million structure known as a cofferdam. Made of steel and gravel, construction of the twin-walled oval dam allowed workers to literally pump out a hole in the water and expose the sea floor for research.

They had outlined the hull of the ship, recovered timbers, guns, swords, ammunition, rat skeletons, cockroach eggs and thousands of beads intended to be used for trade when the skeleton was detected, face-down, in almost a fetal position. A bronze ring lay next to one of his fingers, but it's not certain if the ring was his.

"You never think you're going to find one (a skeleton) that together," Layne Hedrick of Austin, an archaeologist with the Texas Historical Commission, said Wednesday.

World briefs

Washington aiding Estonian military

TALLINN, Estonia (AP) — The United States has provided the fledgling Estonian military with training and equipment worth more than \$2 million this year, the Baltic News Service reported. The assistance includes sending 13 Estonian personnel on military training courses in the United States, BNS reported Wednesday.

Washington has donated uniforms, hospital equipment, vehicles and other items. Some equipment also was given to Estonia to assist educational and environmental protection agencies.

Slain American eulogized as brave, stubborn

MOSCOW (AP) — Friends and colleagues eulogized American businessman Paul Tatum at a memorial service Wednesday, calling him a stubborn idealist who died standing up to danger.

"We've joined the Russians, whose lives have been terrorized by these forces," said friend Thomas DeShazo, an American whose company sells computers in Russia. "It is no longer their problem. It is now our problem."

Tatum, 41, of Edmond, Okla., died gangland-style in a hail of submachine-gun fire on Nov. 3 at the subway station near the Radisson-Slavyanskaya, the hotel project he began in 1990.

The FBI is helping Russian authorities investigate the mur-

der, which sent a chill through foreign business circles.

The owner of an office-leasing company called Americom Business Centers, Tatum had waged a highly publicized struggle in recent years to hang on to his share of the hotel joint venture.

He alleged that organized crime was trying to muscle him out of the hotel venture. He always traveled with bodyguards and had said his life was in danger.

While mob hits against Russian businessmen are common, and few are solved, the contract killing of an American is unusual.

Explosion at fireworks factory kills 13 children

HONG KONG (AP) — An explosion at an illegal fireworks factory in China killed 13 children and injured 16 others, a Chinese news agency reported today.

The children, from age 7 to 14, were in a locked courtyard in Tanpeng village in Anhui province. They were working during their vacation as a cost-cutting measure, the official China News Service said.

Instead of rescuing the children, co-owner Liu Ya salvaged his property and fled but was arrested four days later, the report said.

The government paid each victim's family \$120 compensation, the news agency said. It did not explain what caused the Oct. 20

explosion or why the news did not emerge sooner.

Fourteen of the injured were back at school Sunday, according to the agency, which did not give the conditions of the other two.

Prosecutors target show hosts for ad shakedowns

ROME (AP) — The glamorous host of a glitzy TV variety show was promoting women's stockings during a live sponsor break. She could have looked at least a little cheerful.

But Mara Venier appeared downright irritable — and prosecutors say her long face was no accident. They say she did a bad job on purpose because the stocking company had refused her demand for extra pay under the table.

Italy's splashy variety programs, something of a cross between *Oprah* and *The Ed Sullivan Show*, are watched by millions. Companies sponsor the shows because they want the big-name hosts to hawk their products, from pasta and candy to down quilts and cosmetics.

But prosecutors say the hosts were shaking down the advertisers, demanding money or goods in exchange for being extra enthusiastic about the product — giving the cheese an extra nibble, letting the camera linger on the item. If the advertisers didn't play ball, prosecutors said the TV stars paid back with a less-than-glowing endorsement.

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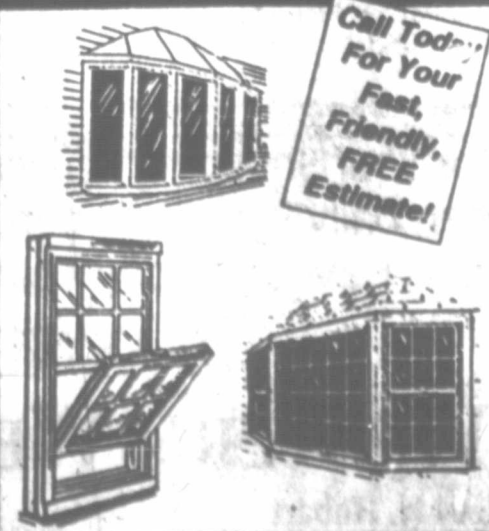
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President gives verbal seal of approval to sending U.S. troops into Zaire next week

WASHINGTON (AP) — Up to 4,000 U.S. troops could begin moving into Central Africa next week as part of a Canadian-led force trying to help a million malnourished refugees languishing in Zaire.

President Clinton agreed in principle on Wednesday to dispatch a force, spearheaded by 1,000 U.S. Army paratroopers from their base in Vincenza, Italy. About a dozen other countries are expected to participate.

A call-up of U.S. reservists is also possible, a senior Pentagon official told reporters in a briefing. Clinton placed several conditions on U.S. participation, including that the American troops, numbering 3,000 to 4,000, stay no longer than four months and that local combatants allow them to arrive peacefully.

"We're not planning on fighting our way in," the Pentagon official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

To minimize the possibility of U.S. casualties, U.S. forces would not disarm militants or assist in returning refugees to their homeland, the official said.

A 43-member U.S. survey team, led by U.S. Army Maj. Gen. Edwin P. Smith, arrived in Rwanda early today to begin assessing what kind of security would be necessary for U.S. troops.

National security adviser Anthony Lake and Defense Undersecretary Walter Slocombe were to meet with Canadian officials and other potential participants today at the United Nations to flesh out the plan.

White House spokesman Mike McCurry said the U.S. paratroopers would secure an airfield in the eastern Zaire city of Goma, a principal delivery point for humanitarian supplies. Zairean rebels control the airport.

The American troops, bolstered with Apache attack helicopters,

also would provide security along a three-mile corridor from Goma to the Rwandan border.

If an agreement among participants is reached, U.S. forces "could begin falling into place some time next week," the Pentagon official said.

"The mission is to stabilize a deteriorating situation and enable the aid to start coming in," the official said. "We want to jump-start the flow of aid."

McCurry said the United States wants assurances that troops from other participating nations will be properly trained and equipped. Also required is the cooperation of the countries in the region, most importantly Zaire and Rwanda.

The administration also wants participation by some African states in the multinational forces. The costs of the overall mission, McCurry said, should be borne by the participating states.

U.S. Air Force planes would funnel supplies and troops from other countries to the region, while other American forces would manage the airfield or work on cargo and logistics at other bases in nearby countries.

The force will be headed by Lt. Gen. Maurice Baril, the commander of Canada's land forces, and he will have a U.S. officer, yet to be chosen, as second in command, the Pentagon official said.

For months, the administration had ruled out use of ground troops in Central Africa but gradually dropped its opposition as the humanitarian crisis in the region worsened, with predictions that tens of thousands could perish.

Clinton came under heavy international pressure in recent days to commit U.S. forces.

Pentagon officials, wary of a repeat of the mission to Somalia, have insisted that the mission be clear and include an exit point to avert another loss of American lives.

Nation briefs

Cardinal Bernardin dead at 68 of cancer

CHICAGO (AP) — Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, one of the Roman Catholic Church's strongest voices for social justice and a conciliator who built bridges to Catholic dissenters, died early today of cancer. He was 68.

Bernardin died at his home, where friends and family had gathered, Bishop Raymond Goedert said. President Clinton and Pope John Paul II called the home and spoke to Bernardin as he lay on his death bed Wednesday.

The senior Roman Catholic prelate in the United States and leader of Chicago's 2.3 million Catholics underwent surgery for pancreatic cancer in June 1995, and announced Aug. 30 that the cancer had spread and was inoperable. He gave up his day-to-day duties Oct. 31.

In more than 14 years as archbishop of Chicago, the soft-spoken Bernardin helped steer the American church toward an anti-nuclear stance and staked out positions on AIDS and capital punishment.

Shakur murder witness found shot to death

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A member of Tupac Shakur's entourage who saw the shooting that left the rapper mortally wounded has been killed, further complicating an investigation already hindered by uncooperative witnesses.

"It's another dead end for us," Metro homicide Sgt. Kevin Manning said Wednesday of the Shakur investigation.

Yafeu Fula, 19, was shot once in the head and slumped in a third-floor hallway of a housing project about 3:48 a.m. Sunday in Orange, N.J., Orange Police Capt. Richard Conte said.

Fula was taken to University Hospital in Newark, where he died Sunday afternoon, Conte said.

Fula was a member of Shakur's

backup group, the Outlaws Immortalz, who toured with Shakur. He was sitting with bodyguards in the car behind Shakur's when the rapper was shot Sept. 7 in Las Vegas.

Shakur, one of rap's most successful and notorious singers, was shot near the Las Vegas Strip following the Mike Tyson-Bruce Seldon boxing match.

Police have received little cooperation from Shakur's entourage, which included Fula.

Scientists present heart of case against Simpson

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — In a one-two punch against O.J. Simpson, scientists testified that blood matching his and fibers matching his Bronco's carpet were found near the bodies of his ex-wife and her friend.

The testimony by a DNA expert and a hair-and-fiber expert in the wrongful death trial Wednesday essentially mirrored that of the criminal trial, but this time the witnesses appeared back-to-back, earlier in the witness order and before a fresher jury.

Jurors scribbled notes and often leaned forward to get a good look at the scientific findings on evidence boards. All of them turned their chairs toward the witness stand when DNA scientist Robin Cotton spoke.

Cotton, head of Cellmark Diagnostics in Maryland, returns today to complete her testimony about genetic evidence. Another DNA scientist was to follow her.

Cotton presented the heart of the plaintiff's DNA evidence: tests showing an extremely high likelihood that it was Simpson's blood that dripped next to bloody shoe prints near the bodies of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman.

Cotton placed the chances at between 1-in-170-million to 1-in-1.2-billion that anyone's DNA besides Simpson's could be contained in one of the blood drops on a concrete path near the bodies at Ms. Simpson's house.

Cute baby



(Special photo) Ashtyn Crawford won the cute baby contest at Alco on Nov. 4. She is the daughter of Jeremy and Jamie Crawford of Oklahoma City, granddaughter of Sue White of Pampa, and great-granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.A. Sloan of Pampa.

Perry launches all-military probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary William Perry wants the Navy and Air Force to investigate their training programs for signs of sexual harassment.

Orders for the military-wide surveys were disclosed Wednesday amid a furor over reports of rape, sexual abuse and other improper activities at several Army bases in the past week between female trainees and their male instructors or commanders.

Perry and Deputy Defense Secretary John White spoke with Navy Secretary John Dalton and Air Force Secretary Sheila Widnall in the past few days and ordered reviews of their training procedures, a Pentagon spokesman said.

Perry and White told Dalton, Widnall and Army Secretary Togo West to report on how their units "communicated resolve not to tolerate sexual harassment or unprofessional relationships at any level of command."

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Girlstown Coat and Shoe Project underway

The 27th annual Coat and Shoe Fund Project to benefit Girlstown, U.S.A., is underway throughout the Texas Panhandle. Conducted by the Lions Clubs of District 2-T1, the project was begun in 1969 to provide each deserving girl a coat and a pair of shoes.

This year, about 65 girls will be coming to Amarillo for the big shopping trip, Nov. 22 and 23. Each girl will have a credit limit within which she may purchase her coat, shoes and other much-needed clothing items. Many of the girls have never before purchased so many new articles of clothing. They will be assisted in their shopping by Lions Club members, their families and friends.

Among the youths from Girlstown, U.S.A., will be about 15 girls from Cal Farley's Family Program at Borger. This facility,

now in its third year of operation, provides homes and opportunities to children of elementary school age. The Lions Club has included these girls in its annual fund raising effort.

The chairman of the Coat and Shoe Fund is Keith Christie of Dumas, who is serving his 11th year in that position. Along with promoting the fund drive with area Lions Clubs, Christie coordinates the shopping trip and the amount of funds each girl may spend. Every penny the Lions receive for the Coat and Shoe Fund is used to purchase the girls' clothing.

Since 1987, Girlstown, located near Whiteface, has been affiliated with Cal Farley's Boys Ranch. Youths often come from broken homes or dysfunctional family situations, in need of firm guidance,

educations and social development. According to Christie, "The Coat and Shoe Fund is conducted by people who care a great deal about helping young people. The Lions are very much involved in the lives of these kids, and we are fortunate to have friends who contribute and make possible this happiness each November."

As with the Christmas Suit Fund for all of the Ranch's boys, the clothes for Girlstown's youth serve as a year-round reminder of the generosity of others.

Contributions to the Girlstown Coat and Shoe Fund may be mailed to: Keith Christie, HC 2, Box 4, Dumas, TX 79029-9606; to Lions District Gov. Earl Long, 6119 Yale Street, Amarillo, TX 79109; or to Girlstown, U.S.A., P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, TX 79174-0001.



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Federal Reserve decides against raising short-term interest rates

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal Reserve policy-makers, after reviewing data suggesting the economy is moderating and inflation is not a threat, decided Wednesday against raising short-term interest rates.

The Fed offered no explanation for its decision. It merely said its meeting had ended, adding there would be no further announcement.

The decision came as no surprise in the financial markets. Stock prices edged slightly higher after the announcement, while bonds trimmed a bit off small mid-afternoon losses.

Most analysts had predicted the monetary policy-setting Federal Open Market Committee would leave rates unchanged since the economy appeared to be slowing and prices remained restrained.

Any rate change would have affected millions of Americans, from home buyers to credit card users to business people seeking investment funds.

Recent economic statistics have assured investors the central bank would be able to hold rates steady and sent financial markets soaring to record highs.

The Labor Department reported Wednesday that while whole-

sale prices rose 0.4 percent in October, the advance was due mainly to spikes in volatile food and energy costs.

Excluding food and energy, the Producer Price Index was down 0.3 percent, the biggest drop since a 0.4 percent decline in October 1984.

There also appeared to be little price pressure in the pipeline. The cost of raw materials was down 0.6 percent and prices for intermediate goods were unchanged from September.

The FOMC surprised many observers when it voted in September to hold short-term rates steady, rather than raise them as an economic brake to prevent inflation from accelerating.

Since then, economic data

repeatedly have pointed to a moderating economy. The gross domestic product slowed from a sizzling 4.7 percent annual rate of growth in the April-June quarter to just 2.2 percent in the July-September period.

Inflation has remained subdued, although signs of wage pressures are raising concerns in some areas, particularly among businesses needing skilled workers.

"I think the Federal Reserve policy-makers feel that they have been vindicated by recent economic developments and the so-called hawks on the FOMC will really have a tough time putting together a case for tighter monetary policy," said economist Sung Won Sohn of the Norwest Corp. in Minneapolis.

The FOMC has not changed rates since January, when it cut by a quarter-point, to 5.25 percent, the rate banks charge each other for overnight loans. It was the third in a series of changes to stimulate an economy that then seemed to be stalling.

Although many analysts said the FOMC also is likely to hold

rates unchanged at its final 1986 meeting on Dec. 17, some say the Fed eventually will have to raise borrowing costs slightly as a guarantee against inflation.

The Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development on Monday urged the Fed to take out "some insurance." The Paris-based organiza-

tion said an error in caution would not jeopardize the economic expansion.

"Chairman (Alan) Greenspan is pretty stingy and probably doesn't want to pay the premium right now," Sohn explained. "I think quite possibly they will stand pat for many months to come, actually."

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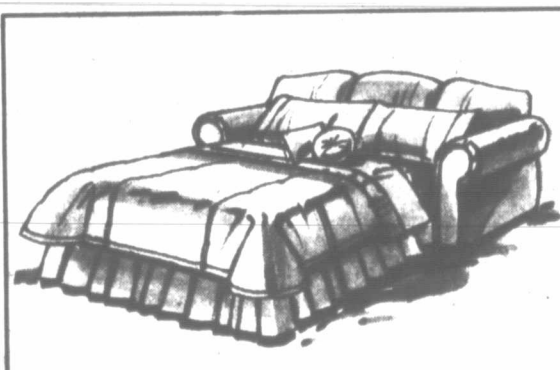
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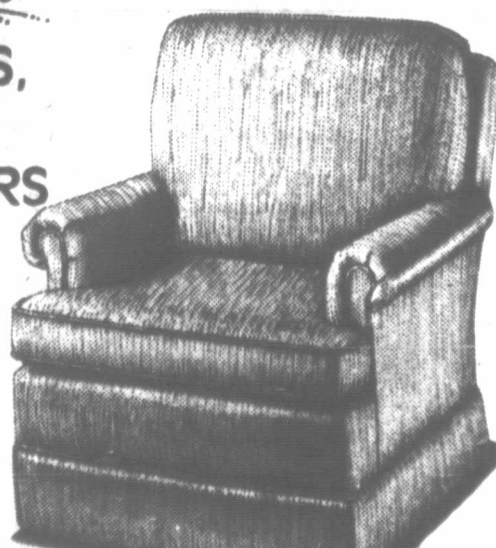
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BASKETBALL

GROOM — Groom fell to Memphis, 57-51, in a girls' basketball opener Tuesday night.

Sharia Odhams led Memphis in scoring with 28 points. Amy Odhams added 10.

Angie Conrad had 16 points and Jessica Friemel 11 to lead Groom in scoring.

Groom won the junior varsity game, 33-20.

VOLLEYBALL

PADUCAH — The Fort Elliott volleyball team has advanced to the Region 1-1A semifinals.

The Lady Cougars downed Benjamin, 15-4, 14-16, 15-9, in the regional quarterfinals Tuesday night.

Amanda Shields and April Purcell sparked Fort Elliott with eight kills each. Becky Richmond and Stacey Dukes added 3 kills each.

Fort Elliott (14-10) plays Friday night in the semifinals at Lubbock Coronado High School. The opponent will be Grandfalls-Royalty.

Fort Elliott opened the playoffs with a 15-9, 15-3 win over Harrold in bi-district.

Two District 1-4A teams, Hereford and Dumas, are still alive in the playoffs. Dumas defeated Springtown, 15-5, 15-7, and Hereford won over Sherman, 15-3, 15-4, in the regional semifinals Tuesday night.

SOCCER

PAMPA — The Pampa Soccer Association will hold its fall awards ceremony beginning at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 19, at the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

All team members and parents should be there by 6:45 p.m. to receive seating assignments. Drawings will be held for fundraiser sales, prizes, and trophies for all participants will be presented on stage.

FOOTBALL

PAMPA — Devin Lemons, Pampa's two-way starter at end, has made an oral commitment to play football at Texas Tech, according to the Amarillo Daily News.

The 6-3, 215-pound Lemons also was being recruited by Oklahoma, Oklahoma State and Texas A&M. He had taken two unofficial visits to Texas Tech, but had not taken an official visit to any of the other schools.

Lemons is also the starting center for the Harvesters' state championship basketball team last season. He will become the fifth PHS athlete in the 1990s to play at Texas Tech. The others include Zach Thomas, Justin Collingsworth and Chris Whitney (football) and Rayford Young (basketball).

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Dallas Cowboys defensive end Charles Haley is scheduled for back surgery this week, perhaps today, to relieve pressure caused by an accumulation of scar tissue, trainer Jim Maurer says.

The problem has caused recurring numbness and weakened the muscles in Haley's legs, leaving the 11-year veteran's career in jeopardy, Maurer said Wednesday night.

"The symptoms have been there off and on since training camp," Maurer told The Dallas Morning News. "Charles had been feeling some pain, so he wanted to re-check it."

"It's odd because some days he felt great, but every day was different. It's too bad because he really wants to play football."

It will be his third back surgery in four years.

The surgery will be performed by Dr. Robert Watkins, a Southern California-based specialist who has twice repaired disk problems in Haley's back.

Cloudy bowl picture could clear up Saturday

By RICHARD ROSENBLATT
AP Football Writer

With six games matching Top 25 teams on Saturday, the confusing bowl situation is likely to start taking shape.

First, the easy stuff. A win over Indiana gives No. 2 Ohio State (9-0) a Rose Bowl date against No. 4 Arizona State (10-0).

The win also would give the Buckeyes the luxury of playing Michigan on Nov. 23 without a trip to Pasadena on the line. Under coach John Cooper, the Buckeyes are 1-6-1 against the Wolverines.

"If we can lock up a Rose Bowl berth before Michigan," Cooper said, "I'm not going to complain about that."

There's plenty at stake for both teams in Charlottesville, Ann Arbor, Boulder, Miami and Syracuse, where losses could mean as much as a \$7 million drop in potential bowl revenues.

COLLEGE PICKS

Here's the lineup: co-No. 6 North Carolina at No. 24 Virginia, No. 11 Penn State at No. 16 Michigan, No. 9 Kansas State at co-No. 6 Colorado, No. 21 Virginia Tech at No. 18 Miami and No. 22 Army at No. 19 Syracuse. Also, No. 25 Southern Mississippi is at No. 3 Florida State.

Nine of the 12 — the Cavaliers, Cadets and Golden Eagles being the exceptions — are still positioning for places in one of the three top bowl alliance games.

Chris Keldorf (1,445 yards and 16 TD passes in his last five games) and the nation's second best defense have helped the Tar Heels become one of the season's surprise teams. The Cavaliers (6-3) were upset last week by Clemson, as Tiki Barber was held under 100 yards and without a TD for the first time this season.

Penn State (8-2) and Michigan (7-

2) meet for just the third time in Big Ten play, with the Lions winning 27-17 in '95. Both defenses excel, with the Lions leading the league at 14.2 points allowed per game and the Wolverines third at 14.3. The winner remains in contention for a Fiesta or Orange Bowl berth.

Led by the Koy Detmer-to-Rae Carruth combo, Colorado (8-1) has rolled up big numbers in winning its last six games. Detmer is 181-of-303, for 2,792 yards, and 22 TDs, while Carruth has 44 catches for 1,033 yards — 22 yards per catch — and eight TDs. Kansas State (8-1) counters with Brian Kavanagh to Kevin Lockett, who has 57 catches for 767 yards. The loser drops out of the Fiesta-Orange bowl picture.

After 12 straight losses to Miami (6-2, 4-0 Big East), Virginia Tech (7-1, 4-1) broke through with a win last season. The Big East title is still up for grabs — Syracuse is in the picture, too — and the champion goes to the Fiesta or Orange.

Army (9-0) puts its 11-game winning streak on the line against the Orangemen (6-2).

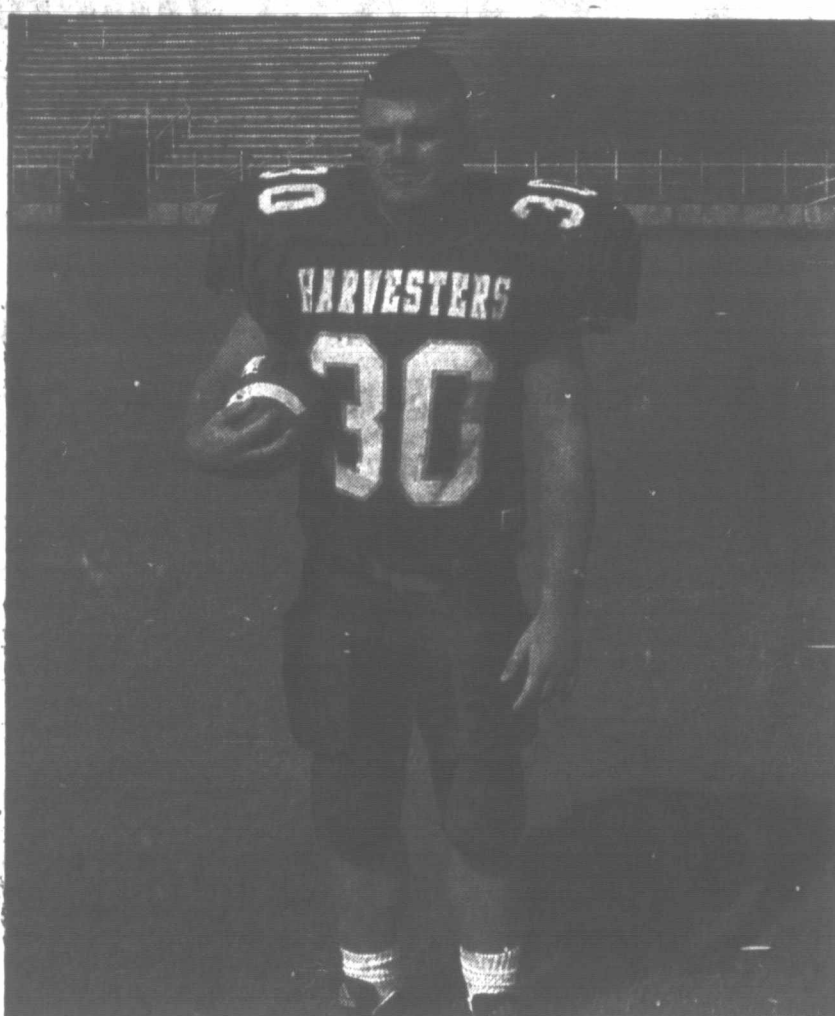
"Army is a very physical and tough team and presents lots of problems," Syracuse coach Paul Pasqualoni said.

South Carolina (plus 37) at No. 1 Florida in winning last five over Gamecocks, Gators averaged 39.8 points. ... FLORIDA 55-14, No. 2 Ohio State (minus 35) at Indiana. Buckeyes set to clinch first Rose Bowl berth since 1984 season. ... OHIO STATE 55-7, No. 25 Southern Mississippi (plus 28) at No. 3 Florida State. Thad Busby returns at quarterback as Seminoles prepare for Florida. ... FLORIDA STATE 45-21, No. 5 Nebraska (minus 40) at Iowa State. Cyclones last team to beat Huskers in a conference game — four years ago. ... NEBRASKA 59-14, No. 9 Kansas State (plus 4) at No. 6 Colorado. Under coach Bill Snyder, K-State is 0-6-1 vs. Big 12. ... COLORADO 31-21, No. 6 North Carolina (minus 3) at No. 24 Virginia. Cavs annual late-season swoon in full swing. ... NORTH CAROLINA 24-20, No. 8 Alabama (minus 12) at Mississippi State. How safe is Bulldogs' coach Jackie Sherrill's job? ... ALABAMA 30-16, No. 10 Brigham Young (minus 30) at Hawaii.

Cougars on target for 13-win regular season. ... BRIGHAM YOUNG 45-21, No. 11 Penn State (plus 1) at No. 16 Michigan. Extra week to prepare helps Nittany Lions; Wolverines down after loss to Purdue. ... PENN STATE 25-24, Arkansas (plus 24) at No. 12 Tennessee. Peyton Manning and Vols rebound, but top title to save season. ... TENNESSEE 41-10, Purdue (plus 10) at No. 13 Northwestern. Can Bollweavers make it two biggies in a row? ... NORTHWESTERN 31-10, Pittsburgh (plus 37) at No. 14 Notre Dame. Irish run away from Panthers and remain alive for Orange or Fiesta bid. ... NOTRE DAME 52-10, San Jose State (plus 37) at No. 15 Washington. Huskies' second-place finish in Pac-10 should be good for Cotton Bowl. ... WASHINGTON 44-10, No. 17 LSU (no line) at Mississippi. Both teams coming off losses, but Rebels more prepared. ... MISSISSIPPI 24-21, No. 21 Virginia Tech (plus 7) at No. 18 Miami. Both QBs — the Hokies' Jim Druckenmiller and Canes' Ryan Clement coming off big games. ... MIAMI 24-21, No. 22 Army (plus 18) at No. 19 Syracuse. Donovan McNabb spells trouble for undefeated Cadets. ... SYRACUSE 31-21, Georgia (plus 10) at No. 20 Auburn. Tigers need win to keep pace in SEC West; Bulldogs need win to avoid losing season. ... AUBURN 33-18, No. 23 Wyoming (minus 1) at Colorado State. This one's for the Bronze Boot. ... COLORADO STATE 52-45.

Last week: 15-6 (straight); 7-14 (spread). Season: 162-34 (straight); 91-96-5 (spread).

Harris rankings give Harvesters six-point edge



(Pampa News photo)

Senior linebacker Ryan Bruce led the Harvesters in tackles with 13 against Randall.

PAMPA — The Harris Rating System has given a 6-point edge to Pampa in the Class 4A bi-district showdown against Frenship Saturday afternoon in Canyon's Kimbrough Stadium.

Pampa (7-2) and Frenship (6-4) are in the Division One (large school) playoff bracket.

Headed into the final week of the regular season, Pampa was ranked No. 54 in the Harris poll. Frenship was No. 87.

Although rankings don't mean much on the playing field, Frenship head coach Bobby Davis is still very much concerned about his team's chances against the Harvesters.

"Pampa is a little bit bigger than we are, especially where it counts the most."

They're got a great player at end in Devin Lemons. The 6-3, 215-pound offensive tackle Burton Jones is a good player," Davis said.

Davis said 240-pound linemen Ryan Davis and Aaron Hayden not only have size, but talent as well.

Frenship also had a 6-4 record in 1995, but missed out of the playoffs, finishing district action at 2-3.

"Frenship is fundamentally sound in all categories. They've got good size and from what

we've seen on film they appear to have some speed," said Pampa head coach Dennis Cavalier.

Tailback Nick Pharr (165-pound senior) and fullback Dustin Peters (225-pound sophomore) lead the Tigers' attack.

"Pharr appears to be a rugged, hard runner. He broke two long runs against Estacado," Cavalier said. "Peters is a very good player. He's one of their leading pass receivers and is used both as a blocker and receiver."

Split end Duite Welch (6-3, 170-pound senior) is the lone returning starter on offense. While Pampa has gained a quarterback (Clint Curtis), Frenship has lost one (Brian Hutcheson).

"We saw Curtis play against Randall and he looked pretty good," Davis said. "Hutcheson will be out for the rest of the year."

Hutcheson sustained a leg injury and missed last week's regular-season finale against Estacado, which Frenship lost, 35-34.

Curtis, who sustained a broken leg the second week of the season, started Pampa's regular-season finale against Randall. He threw a 20-yard touchdown pass to Ray Tollerson in the first half and ran for a two-yard score the second half as Pampa held off Randall, 28-20, to clinch a tie for first in the

District 1-4A standings.

Pampa led by Marques Long's 179 rushing yards, rolled up 304 yards in total offense. Long also scored on a 12-yard run to give him a dozen touchdowns for the season. Tollerson, who opened Pampa's scoring by running back a blocked field goal attempt by Randall 70 yards for a TD, has scored four touchdowns this season.

Senior linebacker Ryan Bruce led Pampa's defense with 13 tackles, including six solo stops. Sophomore linebacker Jared White had 11 tackles, including five solo stops. Linebackers Vincent Martinez and Long each had a pass interception while Lemons had four quarterback hurries and cornerback Justin Roark had three blocked passes.

The Harvesters ended the regular season averaging 23.9 points per game. Pampa's defense allowed 12.4 points through nine games.

Pampa's offense averaged 309.2 yards per game while the defense gave up 212.6 yards. In first downs, Pampa had 143 compared to 113 for the opposition.

Pampa had the No. 2 defense, behind Dumas in the final district statistics. Pampa was No. 3 in offense behind Dumas and Borger.

Caminiti unanimous MVP pick

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Ken Caminiti has a simple philosophy about playing baseball: Until his body gives out, he'll be on the field.

Caminiti's body took a terrific beating in 1996, but his determination was stronger. And on Wednesday the San Diego Padres third baseman became the fourth unanimous winner of the NL Most Valuable Player Award, a testament to a season that went far beyond statistics.

"I got picked MVP for doing my job, basically," Caminiti said. "I did my job to the best of my ability and I got rewarded for it. I take my job seriously, and I play as hard as I can play."

He hurt his left rotator cuff in early April, an injury that required cortisone shots in May and finally major surgery in October, after the Padres were eliminated from their first playoffs in 12 seasons. He strained his right hamstring and groin and had back trouble, yet refused to sit.

"If I can get to the park, I want to play," said Caminiti, who hopes to be ready for opening day even though some in the Padres' organization thought he might be out until July.

Through it all, he learned to incorporate his lower body into his swing and set Padres records with 40 homers, 130 RBIs and a .621 slugging percentage. He led the NL during the second half in average (.360), homers (28) and RBIs (81), and won his second straight Gold Glove Award.

"In August and September we just jumped on his back and he carried us the whole way," said teammate Steve Finley, who finished 10th in the voting by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

His defining moment came Aug. 18 in the oppressive heat of Monterrey, Mexico, as the Padres prepared to face the New York Mets in the finale of the first reg-

ular-season series played outside the United States and Canada.

Battling dehydration and an upset stomach, Caminiti took two liters of intravenous fluid, then hit two home runs for four RBIs in an 8-0 victory.

"I didn't think I was going to play that day," he recalled. "I'd have to thank the training staff for getting me on the field that day. They made a bigger deal than I thought it was."

Finley recalled watching a wobbly Caminiti come down the tunnel just minutes before game time and barely being able to run one warmup sprint.

"Those are the kind of things that legends are made out of," Finley said.

The next night in San Diego, Caminiti hit a grand slam in a victory over Montreal. Two nights later, he homered from both sides of the plate for the sixth time in his career.

"I came home from that road trip and they took blood for three days after that," he said. "That was the best week I ever had in pro ball. I don't know if I was unconscious or what. That whole week I was sick and putting up numbers that I couldn't believe. I remember after that week and after that whole month, I was like, 'Somebody get my dehydrated again so I can put up better numbers.'"

Caminiti, 33, became the first Padres player to win the award in the team's 28-year history. Former Astros teammate Jeff Bagwell (1994), Mike Schmidt (1980) and Orlando Cepeda (1967) were the only other unanimous picks.

Calling the award "the moment" in his career, he said the only way he could better it is if the Padres win the World Series.

Caminiti's defense was even more spectacular than in 1995, when he won his first Gold Glove.

Pampa Pacers boost record to 4-0

PAMPA — The Pampa Academy Pacers came out on top, 76-75, over a talented, beefed-up Alamo Catholic squad at home Tuesday night.

"It was a great game for us," stated coach Terry Ferguson. "We fought hard and were determined."

Brooks Ferguson led all scorers

with 35 points, followed by Jeff Sublett with 16, Avery Taylor 15 and Andy Edmondson 10.

Taylor led the rebounding with 14, followed by Ferguson with 12. Taylor also had eight blocked shots, Ferguson three and Edmondson one.

Edmondson was the assist

leader with 5 while Ferguson led in steals with nine.

Robert Vooten for Alamo scored 26 points, including eight 3-pointers.

Pampa Academy is now 4-0. Pampa hosts Allison High School next Tuesday, starting at 6:30 p.m.

Giants trade Matt Williams to Cleveland

CLEVELAND (AP) — Now that the Cleveland Indians have Matt Williams, manager Mike Hargrove likes his lineup whether Albert Belle stays or not.

Let's see. Kenny Lofton leads off, followed by Julio Franco or Kevin Seitzer. Jim Thome hits third.

Hey, wait a minute. Who hits fourth? Belle or Williams?

Not a bad problem to have. In a move that protects the Indians if Belle decides to jump to another team, Cleveland acquired Williams from the San Francisco Giants on Wednesday.

The Giants got right-handed pitcher Julian Tavarez and infielders Jeff Kent and Jose Vizcaino, plus a player to be named and-or cash. The Indians also get a player to be named.

Belle got an offer from the Indians this week, but is intent on listening to other teams. He is scheduled to meet with the Florida Marlins as early as next week.

The bottom line is that Cleveland general manager John Hart could not wait for Belle to make up his mind.

"I don't know what's going to be happening between Albert and (his agent)," Hart said. "I can say this: The Indians are going to keep moving. We are not going to get left behind."

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FOOTBALL

National Football League

At A Glance

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Buffalo	7	3	0	.700	191	175
New England	7	3	0	.700	276	216
Indianapolis	5	5	0	.500	172	208
Miami	5	5	0	.500	236	205
N.Y. Jets	1	9	0	.100	172	284

Central	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	7	3	0	.700	230	180
Houston	6	4	0	.600	230	190
Cincinnati	4	6	0	.400	202	208
Jacksonville	4	6	0	.400	202	208
Baltimore	3	7	0	.300	244	280

West	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Denver	9	1	0	.900	282	167
Kansas City	7	3	0	.700	208	168
San Diego	6	4	0	.600	230	230
Seattle	5	5	0	.500	208	236
Oakland	4	6	0	.400	217	190

NATIONAL CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Philadelphia	7	3	0	.700	226	203
Washington	7	3	0	.700	230	190
Dallas	6	4	0	.600	208	165
Arizona	4	6	0	.400	164	238
N.Y. Giants	4	6	0	.400	157	189

Central	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Green Bay	8	2	0	.800	288	144
Minnesota	5	5	0	.500	199	194
Chicago	4	6	0	.400	144	192
Detroit	4	6	0	.400	208	214
Tampa Bay	2	8	0	.200	115	195

West	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
San Francisco	7	3	0	.700	234	182
Carolina	6	4	0	.600	217	148
St. Louis	3	7	0	.300	201	280
New Orleans	2	8	0	.200	152	235
Atlanta	1	9	0	.100	176	303

Sunday's Games	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
Carolina at St. Louis, 1 p.m.						

Chicago at Kansas City, 1 p.m.

Cincinnati at Buffalo, 1 p.m.

Denver at New England, 1 p.m.

Jacksonville at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.

New Orleans at Atlanta, 1 p.m.

New York Jets at Indianapolis, 1 p.m.

Seattle at Detroit, 1 p.m.

Washington at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.

Baltimore at San Francisco, 4 p.m.

Miami at Houston, 4 p.m.

New York Giants at Arizona, 4 p.m.

Tampa Bay at San Diego, 4 p.m.

Minnesota at Oakland, 8 p.m.

Monday's Games

Green Bay at Dallas, 9 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 24

Atlanta at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.

Carolina at Houston, 1 p.m.

Denver at Minnesota, 1 p.m.

Detroit at Chicago, 1 p.m.

Indianapolis at New England, 1 p.m.

Jacksonville at Baltimore, 1 p.m.

New Orleans at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.

New York Jets at Buffalo, 1 p.m.

San Diego at Kansas City, 1 p.m.

San Francisco at Washington, 1 p.m.

Dallas at New York Giants, 4 p.m.

Oakland at Seattle, 4 p.m.

Philadelphia at Arizona, 4 p.m.

Green Bay at St. Louis, 8 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 25

Pittsburgh at Miami, 9 p.m.

Preston Wiley 670, High handicap game: John

Davis 289, High handicap series: Preston

Wiley 709.

Women

High game: Rita Stadium 233, High series:

Rita Stadium 558, High handicap game: Rita

Stadium 261, High handicap series: Rita

Stadium 642.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

At A Glance

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All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Miami	5	2	.714	—
New York	5	2	.714	—
Orlando	2	1	.667	1
Philadelphia	3	4	.429	2
Washington	3	4	.429	2
Boston	2	4	.333	2 1/2
New Jersey	0	4	.000	3 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	8	0	1.000	—
Detroit	6	1	.857	1 1/2
Minnesota	5	1	.833	2
Cleveland	5	2	.714	2 1/2
Atlanta	4	4	.500	4
Charlotte	3	3	.500	4
Toronto	3	3	.500	4
Indiana	1	4	.200	5 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	6	1	.857	—
Utah	3	2	.600	2
Minnesota	3	3	.500	2 1/2
Denver	3	3	.500	2 1/2
Dallas	2	4	.333	3 1/2
San Antonio	2	5	.286	4
Vancouver	0	7	.000	6

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	8	2	.714	—
L.A. Clippers	4	2	.667	1 1/2
L.A. Lakers	4	2	.667	1 1/2
Portland	4	2	.667	1 1/2
Sacramento	2	5	.286	3
Golden State	1	5	.167	3 1/2
Phoenix	0	7	.000	6

Tuesday's Games

Philadelphia 101, New York 97

Detroit 92, Washington 79

Miami 105, Charlotte 97

Atlanta 97, Cleveland 89

Minnesota 100, Portland 97

Dallas 103, Indiana 82

L.A. Lakers 126, Houston 115, 2OT

Seattle 121, Golden State 102

L.A. Clippers 98, Vancouver 92, 2OT

Wednesday's Games

Boston 103, Atlanta 85

Toronto 110, Philadelphia 98

Washington 105, New Jersey 91

Cleveland 81, Portland 70

Detroit 85, Denver 84, OT

Chicago 103, Miami 71

San Antonio 95, L.A. Lakers 83

Utah 105, Sacramento 74

Thursday's Games

Toronto at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Charlotte at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.

Dallas at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Indiana at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

Phoenix at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Milwaukee at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Seattle at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Friday's Games

Denver at Boston, 7 p.m.

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

Cleveland at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.

Miami at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Washington at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.

Chicago at Charlotte, 8 p.m.

Indiana at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.

Vancouver at Utah, 9 p.m.

L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Milwaukee at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's College Basketball

Major Scores

By The Associated Press

EAST

No major team scores reported from the EAST.

SOUTH

No major team scores reported from the SOUTH.

MIDWEST

No major team scores reported from the MIDWEST.

SOUTHWEST

No major team scores reported from the SOUTHWEST.

FAR WEST

No major team scores reported from the FAR WEST.

EDUCATION

Bell St. 98, BC Denora Horved 75

Boston College 73, Puerto Rico National 71

Brigham Young 75, BC Bosnia 57

California 69, Converse All-Stars 82

Cleveland St. 69, Cleveland AAU 72

Fla. International 97, Alameda, Macedonia 44

Global Sports All-Stars 97, Davidson 92

Idaho St. 83, High Five America 75

Iowa 69, Adelaide, Australia 65

Iowa St. 91, World Basketball Opportunity 84

Long Island U. 70, Tunisia 69

Marshall Oil 93, Penn St. 88, OT

Melbourne 95, San Diego 74

N. Carolina St. 88, Melbourne 63

Northwestern 85, NBC Thunder 76

Notre Dame 105, Australian Junior Nations 75

Oklahoma St. 72, North Macedonia 63

Radford 76, Hungary 84

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Tulane 82, Rijeka, Croatia 80

Valparaiso 76, Sak Russia 62

Virginia 84, Court Authority 71

Wisconsin 78, Australian Select 65

Yale 77, Diamond Club 70

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

SEATTLE MARINERS—Agreed to terms

with LHP Jamie Moyer on a two-year con-

tract.

TEXAS RANGERS—Placed RHP Gil

Hendrix on irrevocable waivers for the pur-

pose of giving him his unconditional release.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms

with RHP Juan Guzman on a two-year con-

tract.

National League

CINCINNATI REDS—Named Barry Lyons

manager of Charleston, W.Va. of the South

Atlantic League and Dennis Scott minor-

league roving instructor.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Traded 3B

Mark Williams to the Cleveland Indians for INF

Jeff Kent and INF Jose Vizcaino and RHP

Julian Taveraz.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

ATLANTA HAWKS—Signed F-C Derrick

Alston. Placed C Priest Lauderdale on the

injured list.

GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS—Activated

F-C Andrew DeClercq from injured list.

Placed C Jon Koncinski on injured list.

NEW JERSEY NETS—Named Brenden

Brown video coordinator.

TORONTO RAPTORS—Signed C Brad

Lohaus. Activated F Mark Hughes from the

injured list and waived him.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL—Named John Collins vice president

of programming.

DALLAS COWBOYS—Signed TE Derek

Ware.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS—Released RB

Arnold Mickens from the practice squad.

Spurs turn back Lakers

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — For years, Dominique Wilkins played on mediocre teams in Atlanta, Los Angeles and Boston, often carrying them to victories.

Now, after a one-year hiatus from the NBA, he is doing it in San Antonio.

Wilkins helped the injury-depleted Spurs snap a three-game losing streak by scoring 28 points in a 95-83 victory Wednesday night over the Los Angeles Lakers, who also lost forward Cedric Ceballos to a knee injury.

"I take my hat off to Dominique for the way he played," Spurs guard Avery Johnson said. "He carried us."

Wilkins is in his first season in San Antonio after returning to the NBA after a season in Greece.

"It was defense, rebounding and hitting shots, basically," said Wilkins, who connected on 10 of 19 shots and added four 3-pointers. "We needed a win, we just needed a win."

The 33-year veteran leads all active players with 25,488 points, good for No. 8 on the career list.

Wilkins, who also had 11 rebounds, was one of four Spurs in double figures, as Vernon Maxwell added 22 points, Johnson 16 and Sean Elliott 14.

San Antonio, which had only nine players in uniform, came into the game as the NBA's lowest-scoring team, averaging only 78.8 points.



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69 Miscellaneous

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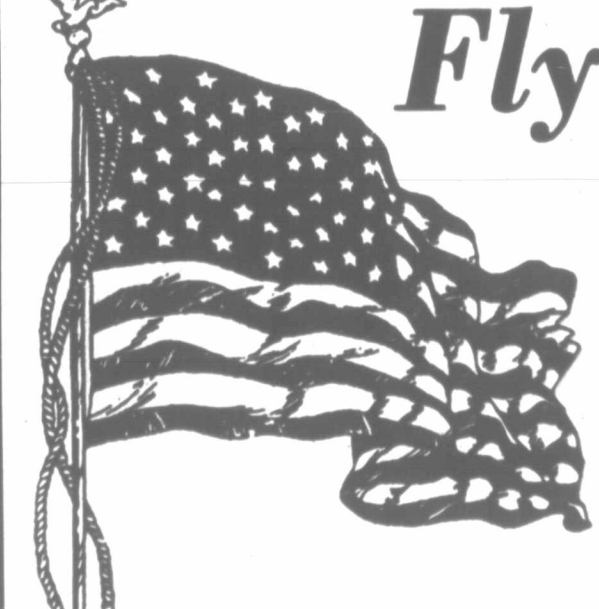
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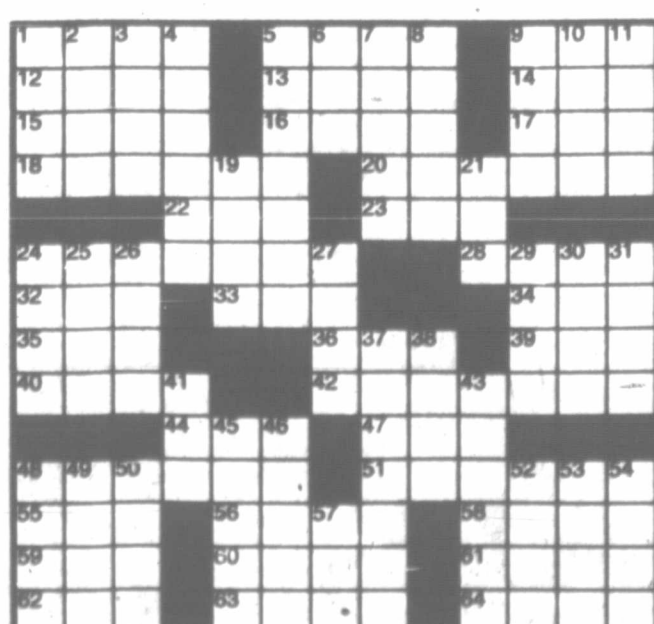
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ACROSS

- Small amount
- Debtors' markers
- Numbers pro
- Tropical fruit
- Spiritual leader
- Confederate soldier
- Alcoholic beverages
- Pen tips
- Joan of —
- Eight-armed creatures
- Poetic foot
- Soak (flax)
- Tropical cuckoo
- Aided (a criminal)
- Charged particles
- espionage org.
- Asian women's quarters
- Alley —
- Profit on bank acct.
- Actress Farrow

DOWN

- Shakespearean villain
- Of the ear
- Camper's housing
- Classifying
- French yes
- Cities
- Brooke Shields sitcom, Suddenly
- Kind of cake?
- South American country
- Basics
- Roman 1,002
- Sour
- Twining shoot
- Has dinner
- Woman of rank
- Seep
- Middy
- Tin
- Mimic
- Is in poor health
- Set of tools
- Had to have
- Once upon
- Dress material
- Screwball
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- Designer Cassini
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