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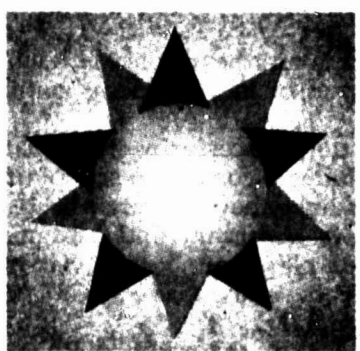
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AUSTIN (AP) — No physical evidence links two suspects to the 1991 slaying of four teen-age girls at a yogurt shop, investigators say.

In testimony Thursday, Austin police detective Ron Lara said Forrest Welborn, 23, of Lockhart, and Maurice Pierce, 24, of Lewisville, are connected to the crime only by the confessions of two additional suspects.

Lara said items were being analyzed by the Department of Public Safety, but the results had not come back yet.

Welborn and Pierce were arrested Oct. 6 along with Michael James Scott, 25, of Buda, and Robert Burns Springsteen, Jr., 24, of Charleston, W.Va.

The four men have been charged with capital murder in connection to the murders.

ODESSA (AP) — A jury has ordered a cardiologist, a drugstore and a pharmacist to pay \$450,000 to relatives of a man who died of a heart attack after the druggist misread the doctor's handwritten prescription.

Half of the verdict was to be paid by Dr. Ramachandra Kolluru, and the other half by an Albertson's pharmacy in Odessa and pharmacist Thomas Updyke. The verdict was issued on Oct. 14.

"The doctor is disappointed, because he very strongly felt in his mind that he had written a legible prescription," said Kolluru's attorney, Max Wright.

The attorney also said he believes strong evidence was presented that the man's heart disease killed him, not the medicine.

• Elmer Wolfington, 82, former railroad employee, pastor.

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46% of PHS pupils admit binge drinking

■ Twenty-seven percent of PISD ninth-through-twelfth graders said they had driven a car after having "a good bit to drink."

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Pampa High students report their parents are more disapproving of marijuana use than alcohol use, according to the results of a Texas School Survey of Drug and Alcohol use which were presented to Pampa ISD Board of Trustees last night.

The students also concur with their parents' views. The survey results revealed the students consider marijuana much more dangerous than alcohol, but that alcohol was a bigger problem among the local students.

Leslie Gershmel, who is a Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor at

Pampa High, told the board there is definitely an "alcohol problem" with students in the local school district.

According to the information released by Gershmel, 92 percent of the PHS students surveyed reported their parents disapproved of marijuana use while the statewide disapproval rate by parents was 87 percent.

The students' disapproval rate isn't nearly as high, as 67 percent of the

local students believe that marijuana is very dangerous compared to 58 percent statewide.

However, 82 percent of local students report that their parents disapprove of students drinking beer while the statewide disapproval rate among parents is only 79 percent.

Less than half of PISD students (44 percent) feel that use of alcohol is "very dangerous." The statewide perception by students equaled PISD students' response.

Alcohol is the most widely used substance among students statewide and in the Pampa ISD. Experimental use was approved by 76 percent of PISD students.

Higher use was reported in 1999 than those reported by their peers. This greater use of alcohol use is primarily reflected in the levels in which PISD students, especially those in grades 9 through 12, are binge drinking, operating motor vehicles while under the influence, and attending

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Wheeler traffic death nets man 14 years in prison

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

A Shamrock man has been sentenced to 14 years in prison after being found guilty of intoxicated manslaughter Thursday.

Richard Joseph Johnson, 37, had been accused of killing Frankie Mae Angton, 38, of Shamrock, in an automobile accident in October 1998. Blood tests indicated that Johnson was legally intoxicated at the time.

When emergency personnel came to the scene about 6 a.m. Oct. 10, Johnson told them he had been alone in the pickup. It was not until sometime later when a wrecker righted the vehicle that the body of Angton was discovered under the truck.

Prosecutor Matt Martindale presented two bartenders who testified they had seen Johnson at the American Legion and The Blarney Stone drinking earlier in the day. DPS Supervising Criminologist Jim Thomas testified that Johnson's blood alcohol level tested as 0.15, the legal limit in 1998 was 0.10. Now it is 0.08.

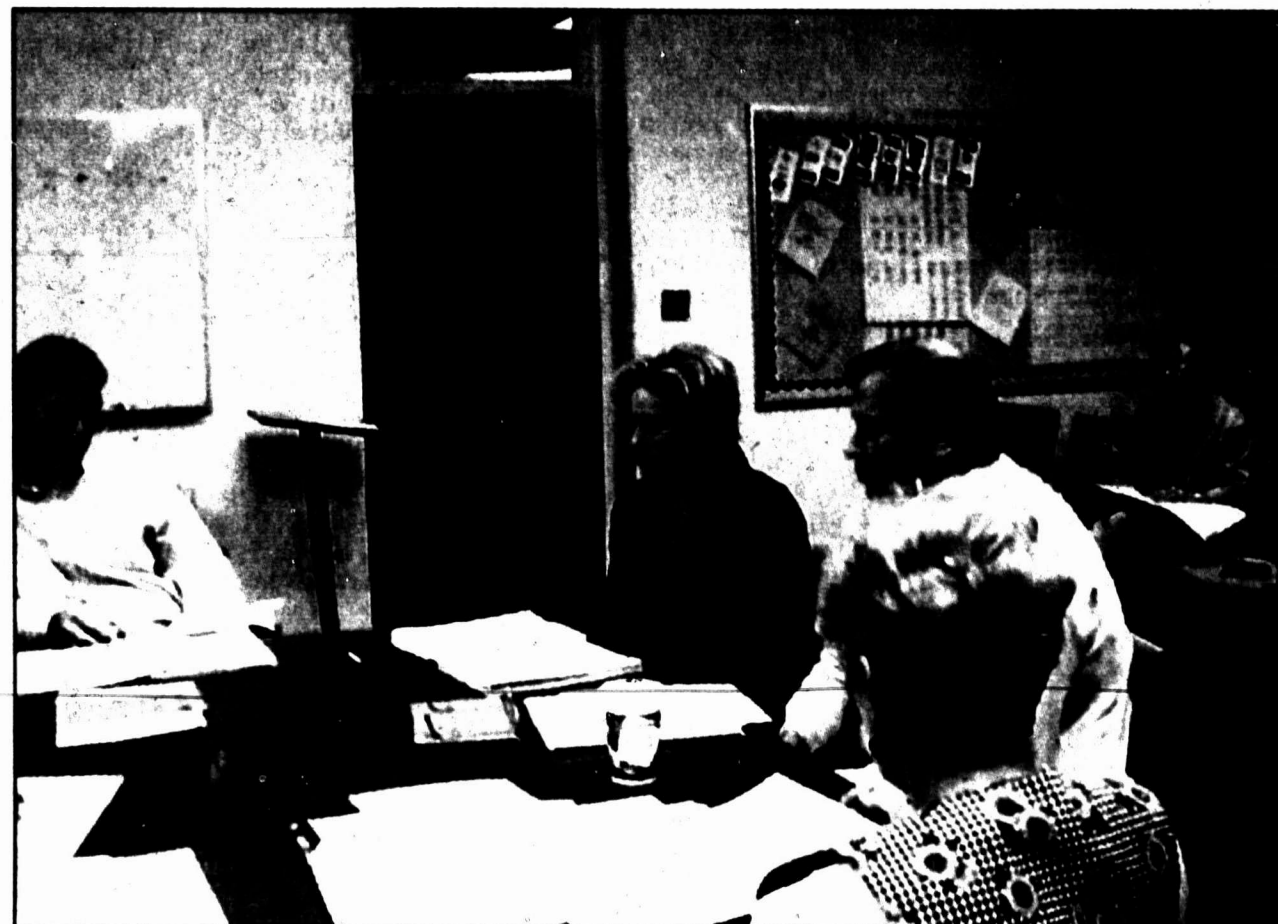
The defense asked Thomas if

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blood alcohol levels could sometimes read higher than they actually were due to food and absorption rates. Thomas said it is possible but unlikely and that Johnson's blood alcohol level was probably higher at the time of the accident than when the blood was drawn at the hospital.

Prosecutors had subpoenaed 31 people to testify and 20-25 actually were called to the stand, according to the District Attorney's Office. Among those who testified were ambulance drivers who testified Johnson had told them he thought he was driving and thought he was alone.

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Lesley Gershmel, left, Pampa High counselor, and John Kendall, PHS principal, presented the results of the 1999 Pampa ISD Texas School Survey of Drug and Alcohol Use to the Pampa ISD Board of Trustees at Thursday night's meeting. Alcohol use among local teens is identified above the statewide average.

Sales tax returns drop

By KATE B. DICKSON
Associate Publisher

The first sales tax report of the city's new fiscal year shows receipts below expectations but it may be that August's state-mandated back-to-school tax-free weekend is the reason.

So says City Finance Director John Horst after reviewing the report for August sales which show the city will get \$142,485 in sales tax returns. That's 8.31 percent less than the budgeted amount of \$155,394 and 8.38 percent less than was collected during the same time period last.

During a three-day period in August, sales taxes were not charged on many items the legislature had deemed exempt in an effort to give Texans a financial break geared toward back-to-school expenses.

"Part of the August shortfall, if not all of it, can

be attributed to the three-day tax holiday," Horst said. "A lot of people took advantage of that."

The finance director said when September results are received next month he'll have a better idea about how the budget numbers are matching up with actual receipts.

While he hasn't talked with many retail business representatives, Horst said he has spoken recently with two people in the restaurant business.

"Both of them tell me their sales are down," he said. "It makes me wonder if people are cutting down on eating out they may be cutting back on other things, too."

Horst said the amount being budgeted monthly for sales tax receipts is "conservative," based upon normal budgeting procedures and the past fiscal year's drop in sales tax returns.

That drop resulted in mid-year cuts in city spending to make up for the revenue shortfall.

Odessa ride available

Pampa band supporters may travel to the Area marching contest Saturday in Odessa via chartered busses, according to Pampa High School Band Director Bruce Collins.

The bus will leave Pampa at 8 a.m. Saturday morning carrying local residents traveling to the contest to support the Pampa High Band.

Band members earned a Division I rating at the UI Region contest in Amarillo this past Saturday, and were named one of two high school bands to represent this area at the Area competition in Odessa Saturday.

The 114-member band will be competing against 13 other bands representing the Odessa, El Paso and Lubbock regions. The top bands will advance to the state competition to be held in Waco on Nov. 1.

The bus carrying The Pride of Pampa supporters will return to Pampa between 4 and 5 a.m. Sunday.

To reserve a seat on the charter, contact Collins at Pampa High 669-4800 or at 669-7144 tonight. Cost will be \$40 per person.

Band hosting signing parties

Damascus Road, a local Christian Teen Band, will be holding two CD signing parties in Pampa on Saturday on their first music video, "Take This Pain."

The band is composed of three local young men. Chris Crow, 16; Tyler Hudson, 16; and C.J. Frazier, 17, who have written over 50 songs together in the past year.

The group has toured Christian camps, revivals, and

coffee houses from Amarillo to Nashville during their short time together.

The group will be at The Gift Box from 9-11 a.m. tomorrow. On Saturday afternoon the young men will be at Hastings from 2-4 p.m. for a signing party.

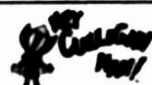
Damascus Road has plans to compete in a regional gospel music competition in December and the Gospel Music Association's national competition in the spring.



Pampa High Band students will compete at the Area marching contest in Odessa at 6:15 p.m. Saturday. The band qualified for the contest last weekend in Amarillo. Trumpet players Chuck Patrick, Lauren Cortez and Jonathan Brockington are practicing for the event. The Pride of Pampa band wants to earn a berth at the state competition Nov. 1 in Waco.

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WOLFINGTON, Elmer — 2 p.m., Gage School Auditorium, Gage, Okla.

Obituaries

ELMER WOLFINGTON

GAGE, Okla. — Elmer Wolfington, 82, a former Canadian resident, died Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1999. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Gage School Auditorium with the Rev. Larry Henderson, the Rev. Jerry Horton and the Rev. Beckie Horton officiating. Burial will be in Gage Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Good Samaritan Funeral Service of Shattuck, Okla.

Mr. Wolfington was born at Minden Mines, Mo. He grew up at Liberal, Mo., where he graduated from high school in 1935. He worked his way up from brakeman to conductor with for Santa Fe Railroad and was transferred to Shattuck in 1939 and to Canadian in 1942.

He married Kathleen Baxter in 1941 at Gage. He moved from Canadian to Gage in 1948 and operated Baxter's Green Front Grocery until 1952 when he began working with grocery stores in Oklahoma and Missouri while pastoring at various churches.

He belonged to First Assembly of God Church in Gage and he and his wife established the Assembly of God Church in Higgins. He was also active in Gideons International.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Army with the railroad division in England and France following D-Day.

Survivors include his wife, Kathleen; two sons, David Wolfington of Meeker and Gary Wolfington of Gage; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Ambulance

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

8:15 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1900 block of Lynn and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

9:49 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Wal-Mart and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

12:48 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1000 block of Huff Road and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

1:21 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Christy and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

1:44 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1700 block of Hamilton and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

2:42 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

3:30 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Frost. No one was transported.

4:20 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

6:55 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 600 block of Kingsmill and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.

8:19 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the football field and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

11:15 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Highway 70 south and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....911
Crime Stoppers.....669-2222
Energas.....665-5777
Fire.....911

Police report

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

Thursday, Oct. 21

Jason Levi, 26, 1601 W. Somerville, #1107, was arrested on charges of failure to appear, no insurance and an expired inspection sticker.

Reynaldo Wilson, 24, 428 Pitts, was arrested on charges of assault with bodily injury.

Gregory Beard, 24, 418 N. Sumner, was arrested on charges of assault with bodily injury and a Randall County warrant for aggravated assault.

Jesus Perez Bustillos, 35, 406 S. Wilcox, was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated, carrying a prohibited weapon and forgery of a government instrument.

Brady Orval Helms, 39, Rt. 1 Box 87, was arrested on charges of theft by check.

Assault was reported in the 1200 block of North Hobart.

Sheriff's Office

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

Thursday, Oct. 21

William Miller, 47, Lefors, was arrested on charges of disorderly conduct.

Clayton D. Johnson, 35, 1104 Varnon, was arrested on charges of theft and bond surrender.

Accidents

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

Thursday, Oct. 21

Don Ray Ledesma, 28, 1601 N. Somerville #109, was cited for failure to yield right of way when the 1993 Grand Prix he was driving pulled out of a private driveway in the 1300 block of North Hobart and struck the 1985 Chevrolet pickup driven by Juan Ricardo Lopez, 19, 832 Brunow, who was cited for no valid drivers license. No injuries were reported.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.00	Chevron	93 1/8	up 7/16
Milo	2.71	Coca-Cola	55 1/16	dn 3/4
Corn	3.21	Columbia/HCA	21 9/16	up 1/8
Soybeans	4.15	Enron	38 1/16	dn 1/4
		Halliburton	38 9/16	up 1 5/16
		IRI	4 7/16	NC
		KMI	21 1/2	up 1/16
		Kerr McGee	56 3/16	up 11/16
		Limited	41 1/4	dn 1/2
		McDonald's	41 1/2	dn 13/16
		Mobil	100 1/4	up 5/8
		New Atmos	23 3/16	dn 1/8
		NCE	32	up 1/8
		Penney's	28 11/16	dn 1/4
		Phillips	48 1/4	up 1
		Pioneer Nat.	10 1/2	up 1/16
		SLB	60	up 7/8
		Tenneco	14 5/8	up 9/16
		Texaco	61 7/16	dn 1
		Ultramar	25 11/16	up 5/8
		Wal-Mart	56 1/8	up 1 1/4
		Williams	33 11/16	dn 5/16
		New York Gold	303.75	
		Silver	5.21	
		West Texas Crude	22.52	

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

Occidental	22 7/8	up 3/16
Magellan	122.30	up 1/16
Puritan	18.25	up 7/8

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

Amoco	58 1/8	up 3/4
Arco	93 1/2	up 1
Cabot	20 5/16	dn 3/8
Cabot O&G	16 9/16	dn 1/8

Fires

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

Thursday, Oct. 21

1:07 p.m. — One unit and two personnel responded five miles west of Price on 23rd on a false alarm.

5:05 p.m. — One unit and three personnel responded to the 1700 block of Hamilton on a medical assist.

After deadly year, resorts target speed on ski slopes

DENVER (AP) — Skiers and snowboarders have been told to rein in the recklessness this winter as the nation's ski resorts step up safety programs following a particularly deadly season.

With just days before the opening of some ski areas, resort managers say they're ready to strip season passes and daily lift tickets from hotdogging skiers who jet through congested areas, risking serious injury to themselves and others.

"More people will be more closely watching the slopes this year," said Paul Witt of Colorado's Vail Resorts. "If people don't feel the resort is doing something about safety, they are not going to come to the slopes."

The increased monitoring comes as part of the "Heads Up" safety awareness campaign by the National Ski Areas Association launched Thursday at Colorado's Loveland ski area west of Denver.

Last season, 39 people died on U.S. ski slopes, compared with 26 the year before and an average of 34. The worst season for ski deaths came in 1994-95, when 49 people died on the slopes.

City objects to Wal-Mart trailers

SOUTHLAKE, Texas (AP) — Wal-Mart customers who want to put Christmas toys on layaway in this city might have to do their shopping elsewhere this year.

An attorney for the retail giant says the company might eliminate layaway purchases in Southlake because the city continues to fight against the use of outside storage trailers for layaway goods. Some city officials think the trailers are unsightly.

Wal-Mart said it needs three trailers, down from eight last year, to store items in its layaway program during the holiday season.

"In some cities, we have up to 30 trucks on the

The number of overall injuries fell 50 percent last season, though serious injuries such as paralysis or other spinal cord injuries increased slightly. That was despite a 2.5 percent decline in national skier and snowboarder visits, the equivalent of one person skiing or snowboarding one day.

While insisting the slopes remain safe overall, industry officials point out that many deaths and serious injuries involve young men who ski too fast.

Twelve of last year's victims died on Colorado slopes — nearly twice the yearly average. In one, a teen-age skier slammed into a 60-year-old snowboarder, killing both.

"It's an anomaly," said John Frew of Colorado Ski Country USA. "No one in the industry can remember the last time two people died in a collision."

Melissa O'Brien of the Park City resort in Utah said officials there decided to implement a patrol program after skiers suggested it.

"They were complaining about people speeding through slow skiing zones," she said.

parking lot for layaways," said company spokeswoman Jessica Moser.

"As you know, that time of year is very tight on people's pocketbooks."

But some officials are unmoved.

"Everyone said we don't want to see (the trailers) next year. Now we're back here again," council member Rex Potter said.

City leaders, who have cited the Wal-Mart with various code violations in the past, said they will work to find a solution.

Mayor Rick Stacy said Wal-Mart is one of the town's biggest providers of sales tax revenue.

SURVEY

parties where alcohol is present.

Binge drinking is a major problem. It is the consumption of five or more beers, wine, coolers, servings of wine, or drinks with liquor at one time.

Gershmel said 46 percent of Pampa ISD students reported binge drinking beer at least once during their lifetimes. The statewide percentage is 36 percent.

She said the survey revealed that 31 percent reveal they usually drink five or more beers at a time on average when they drink while it is 17 percent statewide.

A total of 11 percent of Pampa students reported attending at least one class during the past school year while drunk. The state percentage was 10 percent. Fourteen percent of the ninth graders in PISD report going to class drunk.

Twenty-seven percent of PISD ninth through twelfth grade students said that they had driven a car after having "a good bit to drink" at least once during the past year, while the statewide average reports 25 percent.

Gershmel said the statistics don't necessarily show that the local district has more coming to school under the influence of alcohol. She said they are just being caught more this year.

"These are not real positive numbers. It's not something we're proud to exceed the state average in," said Gershmel.

PHS Principal John Kendall said the students are receiving the message that the behavior is not acceptable. More teachers are receiving additional training and sending the students to the office for determination of substance abuse.

He said there are teenage parties with alcohol every weekend locally. Kendall also pointed out two 1999 Pampa High graduates were killed in separate alcohol-related car accidents over the summer.

The principal said meetings with parents are being planned. Some parents of students are very supportive of the school's role in working with alcohol offenders, according to Kendall, while others are in denial. He told the board some parents feel the discipline is too severe when students are determined to be violating the school policy regarding alcohol and question the school's authority in the presence of the students.

Superintendent Dawson Orr said the parents and school need to work together to solve the alcohol problem among the local students.

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He reported the standardized statewide tests allow for exaggerations by some students.

A total of 1,503 students completed the questionnaire. Of that number, 72 surveys were excluded from analysis because students did not indicate their grade or age, or because they were identified as exaggerators, said Gershmel.

These questionnaires were those completed by those who claimed to have used a non-existent drug or reported overly excessive drug use. The final number of surveys included in the overall district analysis was 1,431.

The questionnaires consisted of 19 percent who are seventh graders, 18 percent who are eighth graders, 19 percent who are 9th graders, 17 percent who are 10th graders, 14 percent who are 11th graders, and 13 percent who are twelfth graders.

The survey response was a fairly even split of 54 percent male students and 46 percent female students.

Ethnic breakdown of local students completing the survey was 76 percent white, 17 percent Mexican-American, three percent African-American, one percent Asian-American, one percent Native American and two percent other.

Two-thirds of the students say they live in a two-parent home (67 percent), and 73 percent who report they have lived in the district for three or more years.

Nearly half (47 percent) indicated their parent or parents are college graduates while 22 percent indicate the qualify for free/reduced lunches at school.

Gershmel told the board the results of the survey show the comparison of local students with the rest of the state.

"These statistics don't necessarily show that we are having more students coming to school under the influence, but maybe they do demonstrate that you are being more observant and recognizing when it is in your classroom," said Gershmel. "Some of these kids have just made a bad choice — others have a real problem."

"By making this report, these kids may get the help they need," she said. She extended her appreciation to the board of trustees for their support in helping to identify students with alcohol and drug problems.

Parents are encouraged to obtain a copy of the complete report. Copies may be obtained by contacting Gershmel at Pampa High, 669-4800.

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WHEELER

After the prosecution rested on Wednesday afternoon defense attorney Harold Comer called the defendant to testify.

According to court records Johnson testified he was dazed and confused about what happened at the scene but 10 days later he remembered that he was not driving at the time of the wreck. He said Shamrock resident David Bias had been driving.

Bias testified earlier he had been drinking with Johnson but said they had parted company about

11-11:30 Sept. 9. Others had testified they had not seen Bias with Johnson after that.

The defense also presented witnesses that said Bias appeared bruised and limping days after the accident. Wheeler Chief Deputy Rick Walden told the jury, however, that he had seen Bias right after the wreck without his shirt and said the man showed no scratches or injuries.

The jury got the case at 10:07 Thursday morning and took five hours and 10 minutes to come back with the guilty verdict. Comer then asked 31st District Judge Steve Emmert to set the sentence. Emmert then assessed the 14 year term.

City Briefs

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DAMACUS ROAD, CD (Take This Pain), and Music Video (Tears) to be released Sat. Oct. 23, 9-11 a.m. at The Gift Box, 117 W. Kingsmill, and Hastings Books, Music, & Video Store, Hastings Plaza, Pampa 2-4 p.m.

DANCE MCLEAN Country Club, Sat. 23rd to "Plain Country", 8-11:30 p.m. Members & guests.

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Weather focus

PAMPA — Sunny with a high of 80 today with northwest winds at 5-15 mph. Tonight, clear with a low of 37 and northeast-east winds at 10-15 mph. Tomorrow, mostly sunny with a high of 67 and a low in the 40s. Yesterday's high was 81; the overnight low 48.

STATEWIDE — A cold front was moving toward Texas today, but forecasters did not anticipate a strong influence

upon the state's warming trend that should last through the weekend.

The front was forecast to move through North Texas this afternoon. Meanwhile, a high-pressure dome persisted in the area.

Low temperatures were in the 30s to 50s, along with winds out of the west and southwest at 5 to 15 mph.

Extremes ranged from 37 degrees at Marfa and 38 at Junction to 59 at Galveston.

Island. It was also 39 at Dalhart and 50 in Childress.

Winds should increase and turn to the north at 15 to 20 mph. Afternoon high temperatures will still reach into the 80s in the Rio Grande valley, with overnight lows dropping to near 50 degrees.

A frontal boundary should pushing across South Texas early Saturday, bringing cooler and drier air. No rain was expected throughout the period.

Second triplet dies, mother charged with abuse

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Eight-year-old brothers, two of a set of triplets, died this week and their mother admitted abusing them by denying food for days and putting their feet in scalding water, authorities said.

Gary Bass, who had been hospitalized with severe burns, died at 2:30 a.m. today, said Sgt. Floyd Mitchell, a police spokesman. This came two days after his brother Larry died, weighing less than 30

pounds.

The mother, Mary Bass, faces multiple assault and abuse charges. More charges could be filed if the medical examiner rules the deaths as homicide.

The 31-year-old mother admitted punishing Larry and Gary by putting their feet in scalding water, locking them in a room and depriving them of food except bread and water for up to two weeks, police said.

D-fy-it Red Ribbon Week



(Pampa News photo by Nancy Young)

Pinning red ribbons in anticipation of Red Ribbon Week to be held Oct. 23-31 are Pampa High students Lucas Oliva, Katie McEwen, Michael Cornelieson, Lee Carmichael, Windy Wagner and Kerry Turner. A Red Ribbon Week kick-off rally will be held Oct. 23 on the north steps of Pampa City Hall.

Number of traffic accidents involving injuries increases in August

Recently compiled traffic statistics showed August was a dangerous month on Pampa streets. The number of traffic accidents involving injuries increased almost 300 percent over the number of accidents during July.

There were 11 traffic accidents involving injuries reported on Pampa streets in August, up from three in July and three in June. The previous high for the year was in February with seven accidents.

Of the 11 traffic accidents in August, 10 involved colliding vehicles. One involved a vehicle and a fixed object.

Fortunately, none of the injuries in the accidents were serious enough to be incapacitating, according to Lt. John Goes of the Pampa Police Department.

There were 20 non-injury accidents reported in August in Pampa. Nine of these were between moving vehicles. One involved a vehicle and a fixed object. Ten involved a moving vehicle and a parked vehicle.

Department statistics show that of the 11 injury accidents reported on city streets in August, three were in the north part of Pampa, four were in mid-Pampa and four were in the southern part of the city.

Of the 20 non-injury accidents in August, eight were in southern Pampa, seven were in mid-town and three were in northern Pampa.

Most of the injury accidents happened between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Five of the accidents were reported during this time period. Three were reported between noon and 4 p.m. Only one occurred between 8 p.m. and midnight.

Most of the non-injury accidents occurred between noon and 4 p.m. Eight were reported in the afternoon hours. Four were reported between 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Three were reported between 8 p.m. and midnight. One was reported between midnight and 4 a.m. Three were listed as unknown times.

Goes said there was no one location for injury causing accidents in August.

The 1200 block of North Hobart Street was the most frequent location for non-injury accidents for the third straight month.

Fridays and Saturdays during August were the days of the week with the most injury accidents with three each. Tuesdays and Wednesdays were next with two accidents reported on each of the weekdays. There was one accident involving an injury reported on a Wednesday.

Monday was the most common day of the week for non-injury accidents in Pampa during August, Goes said.

Four non-injury accidents were reported on Mondays. Three each

were reported on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Two were reported on Sundays and two on Wednesdays. Three were listed as unknown.

The most frequent factor in the traffic accidents, according to Goes, was driver inattention.

Alcohol played a part in three of the accidents.

Goes said nine violations were charged in mid and southern Pampa during August. Three violations were cited in the northern part of the city.

The most frequent violation charged in August accidents in Pampa was failure to yield right of way, Goes said. There were a total of 226 traffic charges filed in August, down from 347 in July.

United Way holds check-in luncheon

The local United Way received 69 percent of its goal — a total \$238,055 — during its check-in meeting last week. The check-in was sponsored by Genesis House, Texas Plains Girl Scout Council and Golden Spread Council Boy Scouts.

John Curry, campaign chair, brought attendees up-to-date on the current status of the campaign.

Williams Energy Services is offering \$2 tickets for a chance to win tickets to the Denver Broncos versus Kansas City Chief game or to the Dallas Cowboy versus Green Bay Packers game. The package will also include one night's lodging and a \$50 gift certificate. WES will match dollar for dollar the money raised from the drawing. To purchase tickets, call Brenda Amador at 848-2602 or Katrina Bigham at the UW office, 669-1001.

The next check-in luncheon will be at 12 noon Thursday, Oct. 21 in the large meeting room of Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. The sponsoring agencies will be Pampa Sheltered Workshop, South Side Senior Citizens and Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority.

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AREA SINGLES DANCE

The next Pampa Area Singles dance and potluck dinner will be from 7-11 p.m. Oct. 23 at M.K. Brown Auditorium with Indian Summer. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m. and the dance will begin at 8

p.m. Cost will be \$5 per person. For more information, call 665-7059.

THE ROAD TO COLLEGE

The program, "A Road to College," will be held at 7 p.m., Oct. 25, 27 and 28 at the Pampa High School Library. Parents and students are encouraged to attend on one of the three nights. The program will explore college admission, testing and financial aid. Child care will be available at Mary Ellen and Harvest Church of Christ across from the high school. Enter through the back entrance of the church. Parking will be behind the church, on

Harvester and Christine.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS SOCIETY

Aimee Bramlet, program director for the Panhandle Chapter of National MSS, will be in Pampa at 12 noon Monday, Oct. 25 in the back room of The Coffee Shop downtown for an informal answer/get acquainted luncheon. Those who prefer not to eat may wish to come after 12:35 p.m. Bramlet joined the Amarillo offices in August, replacing Freddie Gens. She holds degrees in psychology and exercise physiology. To reserve a space or for more information, call Kayla Pursley, 665-8848.

Lecture on Belarus to be held at library

At 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 24 at Lovett Memorial Library, Lee Cornelison will bring his experience with the life and culture of Belarus to Pampa. He will put in perspective what is happening in Belarus today by discussing the country's economy, politics and religion.

He says, "You don't know where Belarus is today or who Alexander Lukasenko is but you will soon. What is happening is the country now will soon be have international significance." As part of the program, he is displaying many artworks, woodcarvings, furniture, artifacts, carpets, stacking dolls and house wares he has been given or purchased. Cornelison has been going to Belarus every year since 1992 as part of the Commonwealth of Independent States Foundation, a group that provides medical, humanitarian,

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The program is free. For more information please call the library at 669-5780.

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RELIGION

Minister's musing

Matthew Chapter 19 tells the story of the Pharisees confronting Jesus concerning the issue of divorce.

Not only were the Pharisees promoting easy divorce, but they also represented a system that was completely male-dominated. Therefore, a man could divorce his wife for literally any cause and send her away without property, support or children. This was how far they had fallen from God's original plan, but they were convinced that they were justified in their brutal practice that disposed of women easily and left children insecure and emotionally scarred.

In response to the Pharisee's attempt to get Him to sign off on their convenient divorce philosophy, Jesus refuted their position and restated God's original plan for marriage in Genesis 2:24. Not only did He oppose them with the Word of God, but He also dropped on them the bombshell that God doesn't recognize a divorce unless there is sexual immorality involved. Jesus told the Pharisees that their practice of giving certificates of divorce for "just any reason" was a human act without divine approval. In other words, what they thought was legal divorce and remarriage, God saw as rebellion and adultery.

Also, Jesus reminded the Pharisees that marriage in its essence is not a legal union; it is a spiritual bond that is created by God. Therefore, marriage is sacred and anyone who works to separate a marriage, except for immorality (also, in 1 Corinthians 7:15, Paul includes abandonment) is interfering with the work of God and is sinning. I realize that many of you who are reading this article may be taken back by this text in Matthew 19. We live in a culture of convenient divorce and disposable relationships, much like in the days of Jesus. Because of this, many people think man has the legal right to change marriage to his liking with the stroke of a legislative pen. Anything that is legal is acceptable — right? Wrong!

Most of us have grown accustomed to the normality and legal ease of divorce. We are no longer shocked when people divorce, and we even have many support systems to help people recover from it. Even though I realize there are victims of divorce who didn't want it and need love and care to help them heal, there is also in every divorce at least one person who is sinning against God by violating a holy union. The people don't need divorce recovery; they need divorce repentance. They have selfishly separated a sacred covenant. They have denied a fellow human being the same blessings of forgiveness, love and loyalty that have been freely and faithfully granted to them by God.

Even though God isn't a God of condemnation, He is a God of absolute truth and eternal standards. The reason He holds so tightly to His standards isn't because He is a cold, legalistic taskmaster. It is because He is a wise father who loves His children and



By Pastor
Lonny Robbins

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reveals His Word to them to help them succeed. Trusting God and accepting His Word brings success. Mistrusting Him and rebelling against His Word bring failure — in the case of marriage, divorce. Malachi 2:16 tells us that God hates divorce. We must not make the mistake of thinking that He hates people who have been divorced. He loves people who have been divorced. He simply hates the act of divorce because of the damage it does to the people He loves so deeply.

The Pharisees were giving in to easy divorce because they thought the Biblical plan of marriage no longer worked. Jesus told them that their hard hearts were the reason it didn't work for them, and He stood His ground to defend God's original and only plan for marriage. America, like the Pharisees of Jesus' day, is denying that marriage works anymore. We openly mock it and mistrust it, and the statistics prove it. Fewer adults are married in America than ever before. The marriage rate has dropped 44 percent in the past four decades, and if the trend continues, we are quickly approaching a day when the majority of Americans will be unmarried.

I don't know if you've noticed, but even though people throw rocks at marriage, the options to marriage don't work. Being single for a lifetime is the pits for most people because only a small minority of people can accept a celibate lifestyle. If you are sexually active and single, you live a life of insecurity, fear of disease and lack of intimacy. Also, research proves that the rage of the 90s, cohabitation (living together outside of marriage), compounds every problem of marriage. Cohabitation increases the likelihood of abuse, infidelity, break-up (before and after marriage) and virtually every problem people try to avoid by living together instead of marriage or before marriage.

So then, we are back to marriage. Okay, let's say we buy into the fact that marriage is the right thing to do. But what if things go wrong? We've got to have a back door opened so we can get out if we have to — right? You know, once we get married, we have to at least entertain the possibility of divorce in case things go badly — to keep us and the children from suffering. Even though we don't intend to go through a divorce, after all, it isn't the end of the world. Sure, it means a tough year or two, but after that everyone's better off — right?

Wrong!

According to a book called "Second Chances" by Sandra Blakeslee and Judith Wallerstein, everyone in a family affected by divorce is still suffering 10 years later — especially the children. In their book, which chronicles years of extensive research into the long-term effects of divorce, they astutely observe that even though no-fault divorce may be a legal truth, it is an emotional lie. Also, they recognize that divorce is the only area of life in which we use children as bullets against each other. Their secular research reveals the sinister nature of divorce and the fallacy of the belief that divorce is less painful than a difficult marriage. Unless a marriage contains sexual immorality of a serious nature or significant abuse, divorce is a more painful solution than the problems it tries to solve.

Marriage isn't perfect, but it works if you enter it with an awareness of its spiritual nature. It is a blessing if you pray and prepare yourself for it. Marriage works if you submit yourself to the authority of God and make His Word the foundation for your marriage and family. It gets better every year, and the pleasure, friendship and intimacy grow when you make marriage a priority and keep it surrendered to God. Sure, there are problems, but because of your faith in God and commitment to the marriage, you can work through your problems, which makes your relationship even richer and your marriage stronger. The best marriages I've ever seen aren't the storybook, "happily ever after" type — because those don't exist. The best marriages in the world are made up of two very different people who commit to God and each other and weather the storms of life together with their hearts anchored in their common faith.

If you've been divorced and you were an unwilling victim, I pray God's healing grace for you, and I hope your future is full of joy. If you are a child from a divorced family, you understand better than I do how painful divorce is. I pray God will heal you and give you the grace to succeed in marriage and to see it through His eyes, not the eyes of your past. If you are divorced and realize you were a willing party to it and were wrong, you need to repent to God and change your attitude about marriage. If you do, God will forgive you. Divorce isn't the unforgivable sin. He will forgive your mistakes if you sincerely repent — which means being willing to submit to Him and change your ways.

Let me summarize. Marriage is still God's best plan, and it still works when we honor His word. Divorce is hell. God loves us enough to tell us the truth and to not agree with us when we are deceived. The devil hates us and tells us lies to get us to reject the truth and self-destruct. Divorce is one of his lies. It is time for us to see divorce for what it is and to reject it from our vocabulary as we embrace God's plan for marriage.

Religion briefs...

Church breakfast Saturday

Open Door Church of God in Christ, 402 Oklahoma Street, will hold a monthly breakfast from 8-11:30 a.m. every fourth Saturday beginning Oct. 23. Donations will be accepted. Eggs, pancakes, sausage or bacon, and juice or coffee will be served.



(Special photo)

First Baptist Church, 203 N. West, will observe Family Day on Sunday, Oct. 31. The "First Family" invites all members and guests to meet the White family as new pastor, Randy White, begins his ministry in Pampa. White and family — wife Shelley, daughter Hannah and son Nathan — come to Pampa from Kaufman where Rev. White served as pastor of First Baptist Church in Kaufman. Sunday school will begin at 9:45 a.m. followed by worship at 11 a.m. Evening activities for the entire family will begin at 5 p.m. followed by worship service at 6:30 p.m. The church extends a warm welcome to the community to attend services.

Special praise service set Oct. 24 at First Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church, 525 Gray, will host a special Praise Worship service at 6 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 24. Lynn Hancock and Briarwood Church Orchestra and Praise Teams will lead the two congregations in Praise Worship in the Reformed Tradition. Dr. Edwin Cooley, pastor of First Presbyterian, will share the pulpit with Pastor Hancock as they preach on the theology of worship.

Dr. Cooley and Pastor Hancock have been planning this worship service for the past several months. Dr. Cooley states that traditionally Presbyterian Churches used hymns and sung psalms as the primary music within church services. However, with the advent of praise worship so prevalent in churches today, many of the younger members of the congregation have been asking, "What would a Presbyterian Praise Worship look like?" The upcoming service in the Reformed Tradition will use all of the elements of traditional worship combined with the joy and excitement of praise music.

The people of Pampa are cordially invited to come and worship with these two congregations as they share together the worship of God.

One of the highlights of the worship service will be two choir presentations to be led and accompanied by Pat Murry. The choir will sing a hymn entitled "I Don't Feel No Ways Tired" featuring Annie Johnson as soloist. The program will conclude with "He's an 'On-Time' God" featuring Murry on the keyboard and as soloist.

Appeals court overrules limit on displays

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — A local law that would have stopped a Christian activist from displaying a creche outside the government center at Christmas time was overturned by a divided federal appeals court.

The 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled 9-3 that Fairfax County had no right to ban non-residents from using an area designated for "civic, cultural, educational, religious, recreational and similar activities."

Rita Warren, who lives outside Fairfax County, had claimed that her due-process and free-speech rights were violated when the county refused to grant her a permit for the creche display.

City orders removal of Virgin Mary shrine

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — The city has removed a shrine built in Colt Park after a faith healer claimed to see a vision of the Virgin Mary in a tree.

The locust tree began attracting crowds in August when Roman Gordils said he saw Mary in the spaces between the branches of the tree. Since then, others have said they saw the vision.

Gordils built a shack at the site, which has been filled with candles, photos and statues.

The city originally said it would allow the shrine to remain if Gordils made improvements, including the installation of smoke detectors.

Pampa's churches welcome you!

Let's Talk Real Estate



by Jim Davidson
Realtor

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Interest rates at relatively low levels, solid job growth, and high consumer confidence have all prompted would-be homebuyers to fulfill their goals of finding their dream homes. As the prosperity of the 1990's shows no signs of abating, 6.6 million families are expected to purchase homes this year. As a result, homeowners find themselves in the enviable position of having a very desirable commodity — a home to sell. Home sellers who have seen fit to take advantage of this seller's market in the last three years have netted an average \$35,000 in profits nationwide. If you are a homeowner who is curious about what the value of your home is in the current market, call for a market analysis.

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Name your children well ...

There's power in a name.

Remember the story of Jacob's life, how it divides into two installments, shorthanded by his name. His birth name, and the name we most commonly call him, reflects Jacob's natal effort to seize his older twin Esau's spiritual birthright and claim for himself the right to act as the family spiritual leader. The second installment of Jacob's spiritual life occurred after he wrestled and prevailed with the Angel of the Lord. For his effort Jacob was rewarded with his new and princely name, Israel. His names tell a story of striving and victory.

Names may be historic as in Jacob/Israel's case, honorific, hopeful or unfortunately, comedic and poorly chosen. Our mother's choosing may lay the ground work for how we begin to be but ultimately we invest our names with ourselves. Our name is a one word definition for who we are, what we've done and what we might become.

That is why it is important to name a child well. We know children who bear Biblical names — John, Elizabeth, Mary and Joseph from the New Testament, and Benjamin, Miriam, Adam from the Old Testament —

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Pew...

By Cheryl Berzanskis



because their parents want them to wear their name like a phylactery. The name acts as the earliest step in the child's spiritual training. Some Biblical names have found blessedly little favor — when is the last time Ehud was found on the rolls of a first grade classroom? — while others have faded.

I don't know a single living Lemmings.

I have also seen children so ignorantly named the result predicted doom for that child's future. Once perusing court records, I came upon a file about a man named Demon. His mother probably called him Da'mon, but nonetheless his name was

spelled demon. How old do you suppose he was when he realized his moniker was the same as the embodiment of evil? We should not be surprised he had legal troubles.

Children should be given proud names with connotations of heroism, beauty of spirit, achievement and poetry. A well chosen name should not be hard to spell nor modified for cuteness sake and thus perpetually misspelled.

A little girl bearing a man's name will inevitably be assigned to a boys' physical education class and advised to register for the draft. (Notice how quick we are to give a girl a man's name, yet how we'd shudder at naming a boy Susan. What does that say about sexual equality?)

I've often wondered if we don't name our children the names we want for ourselves or which bear the attributes which we'd like for ourselves and therefore we hope the child will grow into. A son of mine is named for a famous scientist. How much smarter and more accomplished can you be than Niels Bohr?

If a child's name begins with hope and ends with fulfillment, then it's power is a thing to be guarded. Name them well.

U.S. Catholic bishops offer election 2000 guide

The nation's Roman Catholic bishops want parishioners to know that voting is not just a civic responsibility, but a moral one.

To that end, they are issuing a voting pamphlet for America's 60 million Catholics, encouraging them to ponder where their candidate stands on everything from foreign aid to abortion.

"This is not a voting guide," said Cardinal Roger Mahony of Los Angeles. "There are no lists of candidates." The document, he said, is intended to help Catholics "look at issues through the lens

that reflects our belief in God's revelation."

The guide, "Faithful Citizenship: Civic Responsibility for a New Millennium," is due next month in parishes throughout the country, and includes 10 questions to help Catholics assess candidates.

They include "How will we protect ... innocent, unborn children?" and "How will we address the 35,000 children dying every day of the consequences of hunger, debt and lack of development around the world?"

The U.S. bishops have issued such guides during every presidential election year since the mid-1970s. The guides summarize Catholic teachings on public life and various moral issues.

The main topics include abortion, euthanasia and capital punishment. This guide is the first to focus on such contemporary issues as debt reduction, school violence and land mines.

Deal Hudson, editor of the conservative Catholic magazine Crisis, called the approach even-handed, noting "a very conscious

attempt on the bishops' part that this document should not be politicized in a partisan way."

Tom Roberts, editor of the liberal Catholic weekly, National Catholic Reporter, agreed: "It's an extremely valuable rundown on what American Catholics should be concerned about."

The bishops also address affordable health care, religious liberty, foreign aid, a more liberal immigration and refugee policy, and resolving regional conflicts from the Balkans to East Timor. They call for ratification of the nuclear test ban treaty and for government aid to parents who cannot afford private and religious schools.

'Wandering Jews' no more

DURANGO, Colo. (AP) — Members of the San Juan Hebrew Congregation make light of their plight, calling themselves "wandering Jews in the desert." But St. Mark's Episcopal Church has helped them shake a littlesand from their shoes.

For about three years, the church has allowed the 100-member Jewish congregation to share its space

rent-free. In return, Jews donate to St. Mark's charities and are available to baby-sit during Christmas Eve services.

The Rev. Andrew Cooley said his parishioners "are feeling a tremendous sense of pride, satisfaction and honor to be able to do this. I believe we are doing what Christ calls us to do."

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Making Love, Not War, Is Secret to Long Marriage

DEAR ABBY: May I give you an "upper" for the day and offer some advice for newlyweds? Make love every day!

We're in our 60s, married nearly 50 years, and we still make love every day. Our children can attest to it.

What is making love? It's a smile across a room, a hug, a kiss, a pat on the behind, a "special look." Oh, yes, it's also having sex — but it's so much more. As you get older, the sex and passion may diminish, but the rest won't as long as you remember what your love is all about.

True, we've had arguments and serious disagreements through the years. Who hasn't? I even asked — no, I told him once in a fit of anger that I wanted a divorce. Know what he did? He gave me "that look," didn't say a word. All I needed was "that look" that says it all. "We're in this for better or for worse, for a lifetime, and most of all," it says, "I love you."

So, young people, if you make love every day and welcome God into your marriage, it will last.

STILL LOVING AND ENJOYING IT, HOT SPRINGS, ARK.

DEAR STILL LOVING: After nearly 50 years of happy marriage, I'd say you were quite an expert. I have been married for more than 60 years, and I adhere to your philosophy. Your letter is a day-brightener, and I thank you for sending it.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: I have many friends and relatives in their 40s and older who find themselves alone and still wanting to enjoy dining out. They sit alone in crowded restaurants and feel out of place.

What would it take for the restaurant to have a table for six with "one, please" dining together? It would make it a lot more fun and increase business.

This evening, I saw a dear friend feel uncomfortable entering a restaurant alone. She has lived in this town 12 years and her husband died recently. I also saw this happen 30 years ago when my uncle passed away and my aunt tried to keep up their weekly routine. Dining alone took all the fun out of the adventure.

Abby, please ask restaurants to consider this. It will make these people feel special again.

KATHLEEN IN SEDONA, ARIZ.

DEAR KATHLEEN: That's a great idea; however, it's not a

new one. I'm told it's traditional in Germany, Austria and northern Italy. It provides a gathering place for people who prefer to meet and converse in some place other than a bar. The owners of Rockenwagner, a restaurant in Santa Monica, Calif., have found their "community table" (a Tuesday night event with a special menu) so successful they're replicating it in their second location. More restaurants should follow suit.

DEAR ABBY: I would like to offer another solution to the woman whose neighbor uses her hose and water to water his lawn and shrubs.

Install a turn-off valve on the water line inside the house. She can then shut off the outside water unless she wants to use it. It's a good idea, anyway, to shut off this water in extremely cold weather.

DONNA F., WEST CHESTER, OHIO

DEAR DONNA F.: I heard from several readers who told me that inside shut-off valves are usually located in the basement, and that turning it off is a simple procedure. However, I live in California and do not have a basement — so I called my plumber. He informed me that this is not usually inside a house, so it may be necessary to have one installed. I'm sure it would pay for itself over time in the form of reduced water bills.

Horoscope

SUNDAY, OCT. 24, 1999

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Count on that magic wand to work for a good part of the day. Don't hesitate to go after what you want. A full moon brings a money matter to the forefront. Know what you are willing to spend, even though another has different ideas. Remember, it is your wallet! Tonight: Treat another to dinner.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Your personality shines through. You feel good, and it is quite apparent to others. An older relative might be confused; take time to deal with his issues. Today's full moon thrusts you to the forefront. Your tender nature comes out. Tonight: It is your call.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Aim for what you want, and you'll be surprised what you can lasso in. Indulge in some quiet time with a special friend. Plans change, news from others confuses plans. Do your own thing; you might need some extra R and R. Instincts help you with someone close to your heart. Tonight: A little mystery goes a long way.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Others look to you for ideas and to help make plans. Bring loved ones

and friends together for a fall get-together and perhaps some hot cider. You might be surprised at how much a loved one could clash with your friends. Balancing the two proves to be a challenge. Tonight: Loving the moment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Make important calls to family in the earlier part of the day. Communication inspires you. Some of you will be planning trips in the near future to visit with loved ones. You juggle requests and could become frazzled. Such is the cost of popularity! Tonight: All eyes turn to you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

A partner indulges you; you decide that this is more like it! Good feelings spill over into your other relationships. Take off this afternoon; plan on an escape. Getting away might be hard, yet it is worthwhile. You recycle when you're away from the main drag. Tonight: Don't head home until you have to!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

Another is most benevolent and is really on your side. Listen to his ideas. Being defensive isn't necessary at all. Make plans with a partner this afternoon. Price a new item for the house. You might have very different opinions on this subject, however! Tonight: Add spice to your life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

You have more energy than you know what to do with. Be careful; your high enthusiasm could cause you trouble! The full moon puts the cards in another's hand, though you can have a lot of fun socializing. Tonight: Communicate and express yourself —

don't hold back!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Use the morning hours to indulge a child or loved one. Pressure builds under the full moon. Don't respond to another's demands. Stay clear about what you want. Get into a project; clear out work. Someone you care about needs a helping hand. Tonight: Do your own thing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Handle family needs. You get through some "musts" far more quickly than you anticipated. Another lets you know how special you are to him. Good will flows; a child or loved one is gleeful. Don't get slap-happy with funds, but don't be demanding, either. Tonight: Be a kid again.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Reach out for others; have an important conversation. You might not be sure about which way to go with a friend or loved one. Confusion results in nonaction. Demands from a family member keep you preoccupied. Tonight: Stay close to home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Remind yourself of how much you offer. Remember what your needs are. Communication is highlighted, but you might not be sure about which way to go with plans. Juggling others takes effort, but this is the result of your popularity. Tonight: Hang out.

BORN TODAY

Actor Kevin Kline (1947), actor David Nelson (1936), musician Bill Wyman (1941)

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Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Rescued

6 Ran the Derby

11 Politico's concern

12 Foolish

13 Breakfast choice

14 Dance in a line

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16 Substitute

18 Broadcast

19 Audience

20 Ones with power

21 Carpentry need

23 Draw out

25 Brain chart, for short

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30 Orchestra member

33 Mermaid's home

34 Ailuro-ophile's love

36 Blunder

37 Trailer lifter

39 Carnival city

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10 College VIPs

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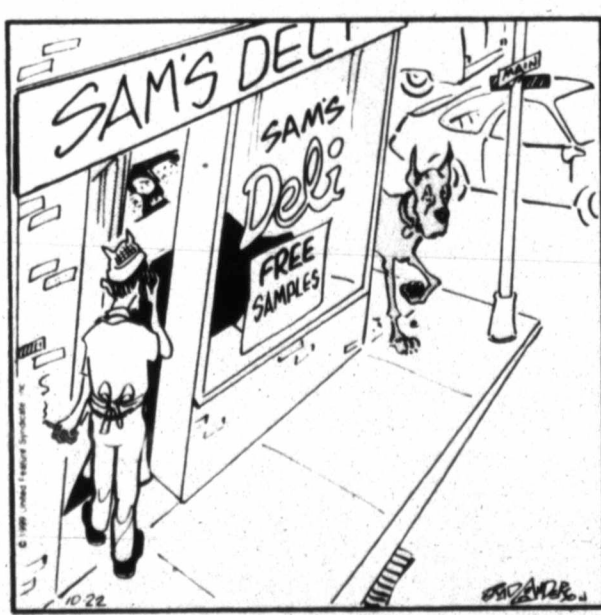
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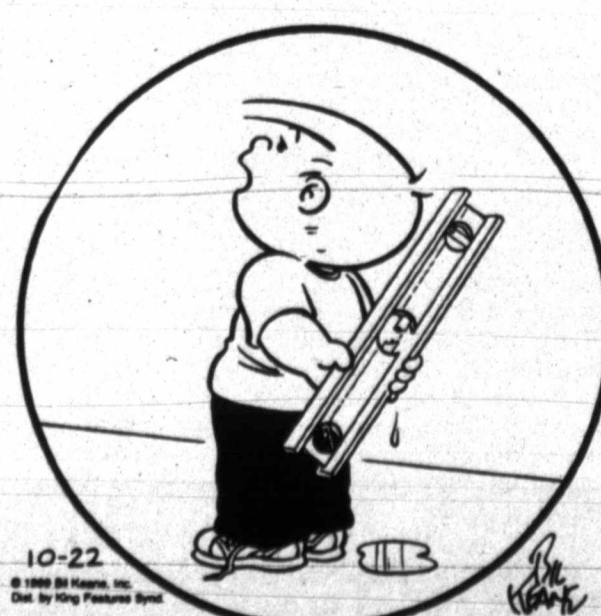
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"Quick! Take down the sign!"

The Family Circus

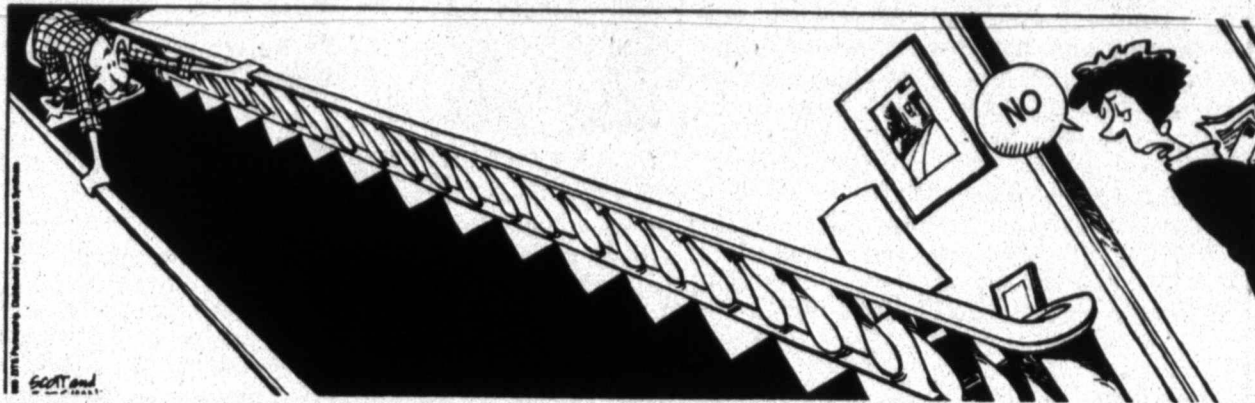


"Daddy, do you REALLY need the little bubble in your level?"

For Better or For Worse



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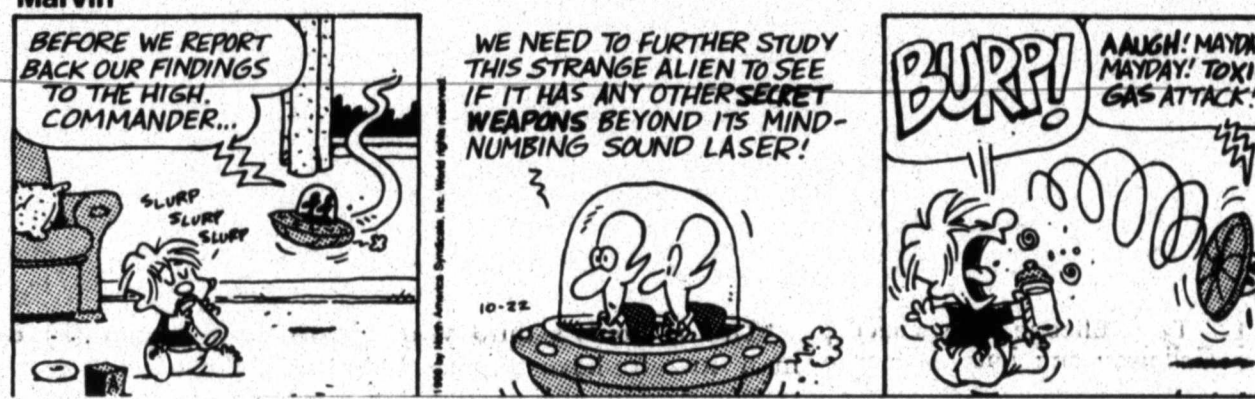
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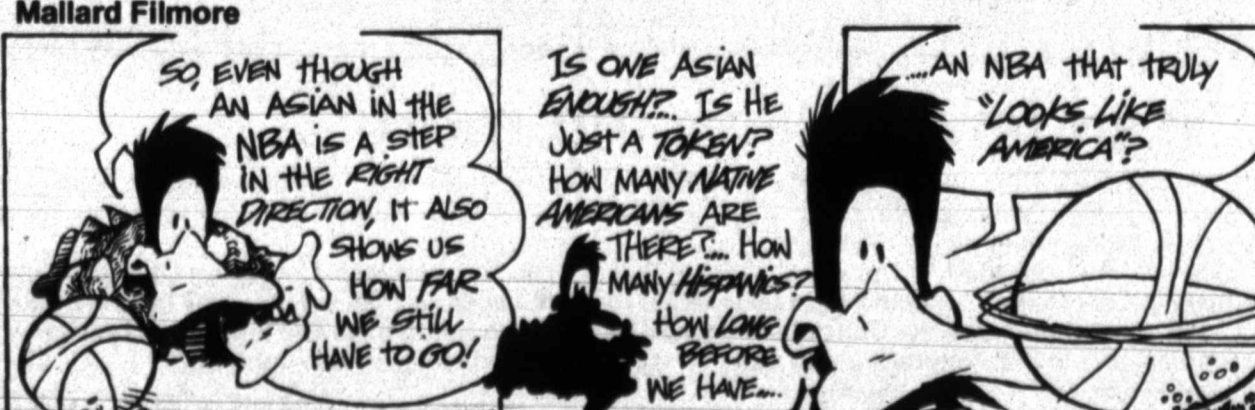
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SPORTS

Notebook

VOLLEYBALL

PAMPA — Pampa downed Canyon 15-5, 15-11 in an 8th grade volleyball match earlier this week.

Chelsey Davis had 8 service points and April Amador 6 for Pampa.

Canyon won the B team match 15-10, 15-9.

Shelby Patton had 7 service points for Pampa.

In the 7th grade division, Pampa won the B team game 15-12, 5-15, 15-10.

Canyon defeated Pampa 15-0, 15-3 in the A team game.

Pampa goes to Borger next Monday for the final matches. Starting time is 5:30.

BASKETBALL

DALLAS (AP) — Robert Pack hit a 15-foot corner jumper as time expired to lift the Dallas Mavericks to a 95-93 victory over the Toronto Raptors in an NBA exhibition game on Thursday night.

The Raptors seemed to be in control, building a 91-80 lead with 2:47 to play. But Pack scored nine of his 19 points as the Mavericks finished with a 15-2 run to improve to 2-2 in the preseason.

Pack had a three-point play with 2:17 left, then hit consecutive layups, the second with 1:08 left to pull Dallas within 93-91.

Gary Trent's 13-foot jumper with 20.1 seconds remaining tied the game, and after Toronto's Muggsy Bogues missed from 14 feet with six seconds left, Pack hit the game-winner.

FOOTBALL

PAMPA — Pampa defeated Hereford 46-39 in a junior varsity football game Thursday night.

Ty Elledge, Michael Galloway and Luiz Aguiar sparked the Pampa offense. Oscar Ortega and Heath Keeton were among the Harvesters who made some big plays on defense.

Pampa's next game is Thursday against Palo Duro, starting at 7 p.m. in Harvester Stadium.

AMARILLO — Pampa freshmen suffered their first loss of the season Thursday night as Amarillo High Black won by a score of 40-13.

Tristan Brown scored both Pampa touchdowns. The first score came on a 65-yard interception. He scored the other TD on a 1-yard run. Tim Kettenring kicked an extra point.

Receiver Joel Botello and tailback Tyson Moree were outstanding on offense for Pampa.

Luis Gonzalez made some strong good defensive plays for Pampa.

Pampa freshmen, 7-1 for the season, hosts Tascosa at 5 p.m. Thursday.

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — If recent history is any indication, then Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum can already start thinking about how it feels to be a 100-game winner.

Slocum's Aggies have dominated Oklahoma, the team they meet Saturday night. They have won the past four games by a combined score of 149-37, and the two most-recent meetings have been particularly one-sided — 29-0 and 51-7.

But Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops says history is just that. "I look at the scores and I look at the tapes, so I realize that," he said of A&M's recent maulings. "But I realize that has no bearing on what we're doing right now."

The Sooners (3-2, 1-1 Big 12) do appear to be much more capable of giving A&M a good fight. Unlike recent years, when Oklahoma's offense was among the worst in the conference, the Sooners this year have moved the ball against everyone and are averaging 38 points per game.

The players say they're also in a better frame of mind, despite two straight disappointing losses, to Notre Dame and Texas.

Westbrook, Connell are ready for Cowboys

ASHBURN, Va. (AP) — Never bashful about their talents, Michael Westbrook and Albert Connell have abandoned all modesty these days.

With the Washington Redskins on a four-game winning streak and boasting the league's top offense, not even the prospect of facing Dallas' Deion Sanders, the game's best cornerback, is reason to start getting humble.

"I don't think Deion can cover me," Connell said. "He's been in the league 10 years. He's a good corner, All-Pro, but I feel right now I'm at the stage of my game where I can just get by anybody."

That's brave talk from a third-year player with just 11 NFL starts, but Connell has enjoyed a series of breakout performances

this year. He's already had three 100-yard games, and his 26 catches for 485 yards puts him in top 10 in the NFC in both categories.

Connell's eight-catch, 110-yard game at Arizona on Sunday moved him slightly ahead of Westbrook, at least statistically. Whether Connell's bravado is up to Westbrook's level is a matter for open debate, for Westbrook was holding court in the locker room just minutes after Connell.

"I want to go to the Hall of Fame — because I know I have the ability to," Westbrook said. "But it's going to be a long road for me if every week we get a decent defensive back and we go, 'OK, we're not going to throw to Mike.'"

Westbrook, who finally is hav-

ing a healthy and productive season after four years of injuries and off-the-field problems, was stewing because he had only three catches for 25 yards against Arizona's Aeneas Williams. Furthermore, he was not pleased by the thought that he may draw Sanders in Sunday's NFC East first-place showdown — and thus get even fewer passes thrown his way.

"Deion is Deion, and I'm not excited any more than I am every week," said Westbrook, who has 24 catches for 467 yards and four touchdowns. "It's frustrating, because I know that I'm better than these defensive backs. But the coaches don't care. They figure if they got a weak DB on one side and a

strong DB on the other side, then let's pick on the weak DB who is more than likely not going to be covering me.

"But I'm going to play my role. We're winning, so let's go ahead and keep winning."

The assistant coach in charge of marshaling these egos is passing game coordinator Terry Robiskie, who admits that he, too, was young and cocky when he played for the Raiders and Dolphins some 20 years ago.

"I was perhaps a little like Albert Connell and Michael Westbrook," Robiskie said. "I see things in a different light when they've been reared by their grandmother. I was very, very close to my grandmother for a long time. ... Those grand-

mothers are very, very strict. They raise you with a strict upbringing and there's a lot of pressure there to live up to what your grandmother sees. That's pretty easy for me to understand."

As a result, said Robiskie: "There's a warm part in their heart somewhere — it's just a matter of being able to find it."

Westbrook, raised by both his mother and grandmother, sees where Robiskie is coming from.

"The grandmother, especially from single-parent homes, she's the backbone of the family," Westbrook said. "She's the one who made it possible for the mother to raise the son to be strong."

And pretty self-confident.

Pampa, Dumas tie for fall tennis title

PAMPA — Pampa and Dumas finished tied for the District 3-4A Fall Tennis Championship this season.

The Harvesters closed the second half of district Tuesday with a 17-2 win over Borger. Both Pampa and Dumas had 9-1 district marks.

Against Borger, the Harvesters swept the doubles matches, winning three girls doubles, three boys doubles and the mixed doubles to begin the dual with a 7-0 lead.

Players of the week are senior captain Matt Rains, who defeated Eric Jensen 6-2, 7-5.

Rains had lost to Jensen the first half of district.

Senior captain Emily Curtis is also player of the week. She completed district with a perfect singles and doubles record of 20-0.

"This is Emily's third year in a row to have a perfect record in fall district play," said Pampa coach Carolyn Quarles. "This is a phenomenal record for any player at the 4A level. Emily has a refusal to lose attitude and always seems to compete harder than her opponent."

Senior Ryan Mills was undefeated in singles and doubles at 16-0 going into the Borger match.

Pampa 17, Borger 2

Boys Singles

Nathan Milner (B) def.

Michael Cornelison 6-3, 6-4. Luke Dill (B) def. Ryan Mills 7-5, 6-0.

Matt Rains (P) def. Eric Jensen 6-2, 7-5.

Bryce Jordan (P) def. Mark Milner 6-1, 6-2.

David Phillips (P) def. Colt Braden 6-1, 6-1.

A.J. Smith def. Brad Jensen 6-0, 6-2.

Girls Singles

Emily Waters (P) def. Amy Commons 6-0, 6-0.

Emily Curtis (P) def. Abbie Fleming 6-1, 6-4.

Helen Orr (P) def. Melissa Culwell 6-1, 6-0.

Ashley Stucki (P) def. Julie Sweet 7-5, 6-2.

Michelle Lee (P) def. Suzanne Watts 6-2, 6-0.

Brittany Kindle (P) def. Lauren Jerige 6-0, 6-0.

Boys Doubles

Cornelison-Jordan (P) def. Milner-Dill 6-4, 6-4.

Rains-Smith (P) def. Milner-Braden 6-3, 6-2.

Mills-Turner (P) def. Jensen-Fernandez 6-1, 6-1.

Girls Doubles

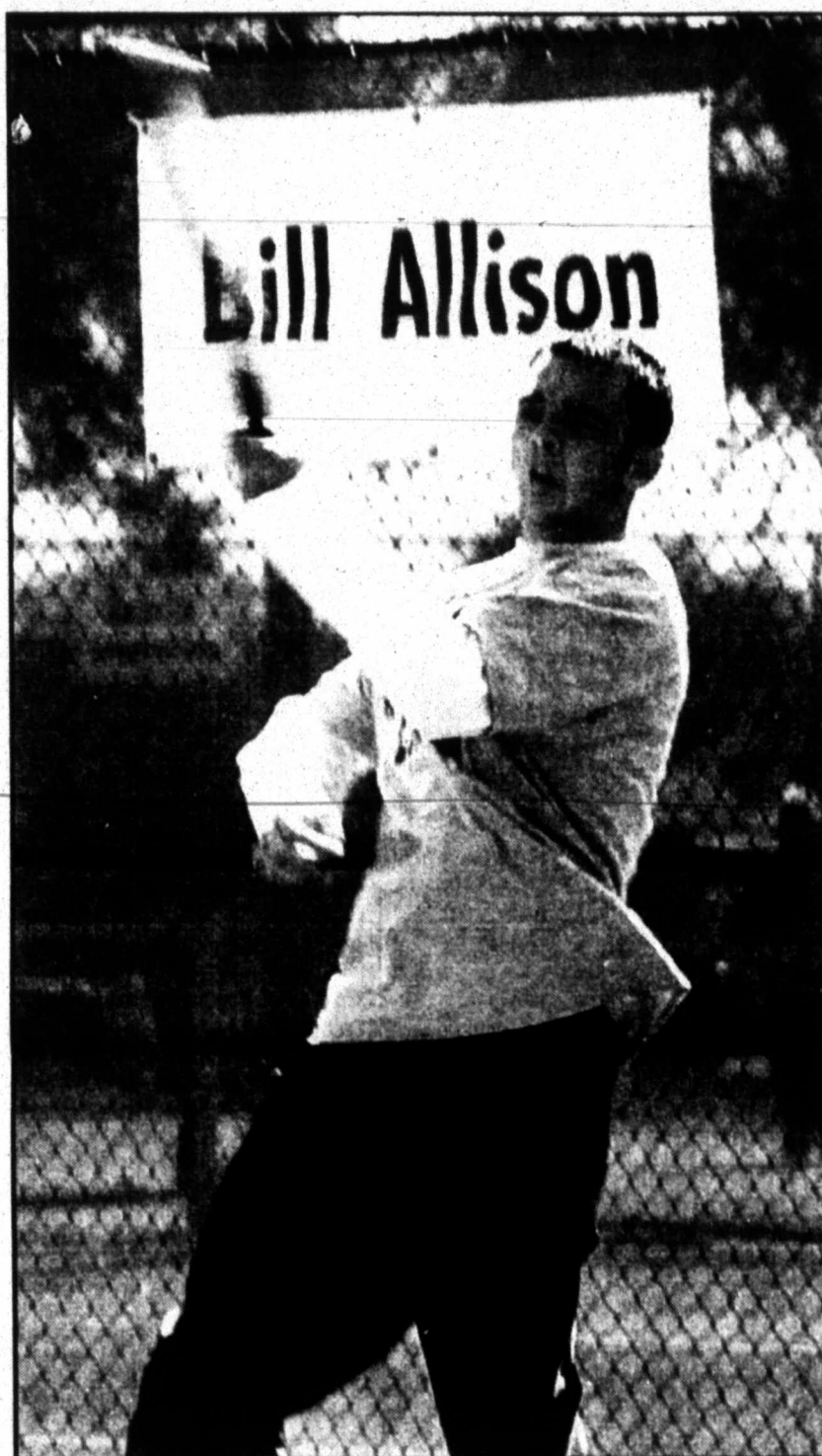
Curtis-Waters (P) def. Fleming-Sweet 6-3, 6-0.

Orr-Jordan (P) def. Commons-Watts 6-1, 6-1.

Stucki-Lee (P) def. Jerige-Lumpkin 6-0, 6-1.

Mixed Doubles

Jared Spearman-Jennifer Muns (P) def. E. Jensen-Culwell 6-2, 5-7, 6-0.



(Pampa News photo by Lacy Plunk)

PHS senior Ryan Mills was unbeaten in singles and doubles going into the season's final match against Borger.

Pampa JV team completes undefeated season

PAMPA — Pampa junior varsity defeated Borger junior varsity 14-0 to complete the fall season with a perfect 7-0 record.

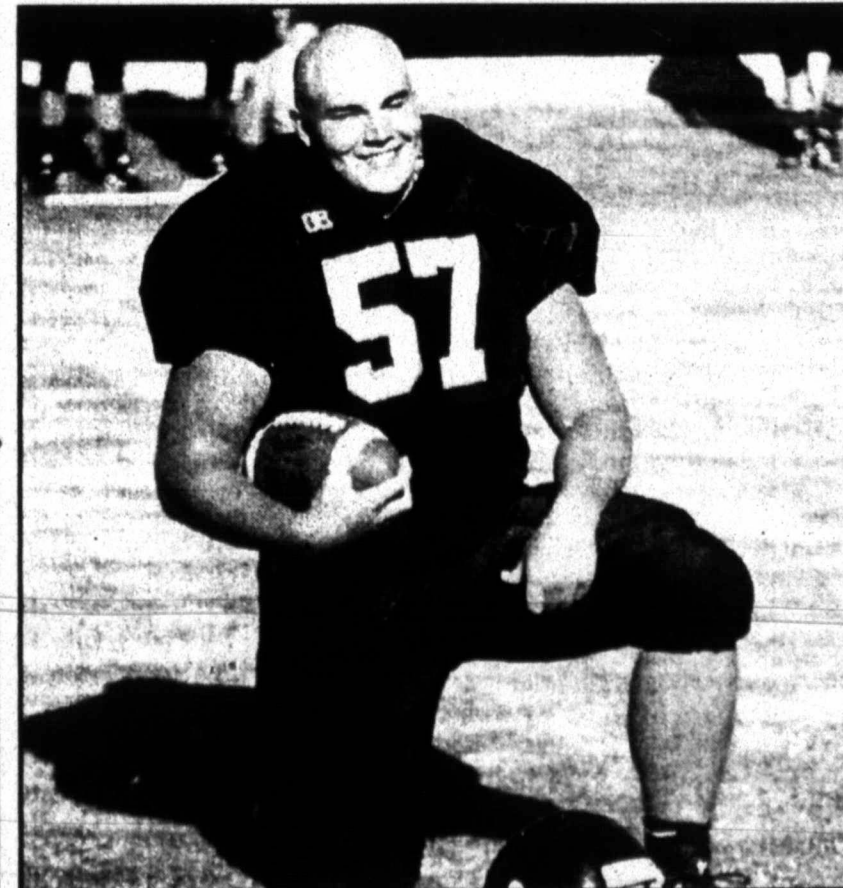
Coach Carolyn Quarles congratulated the JV players for having a great season.

Junior varsity players who went unbeaten in singles and dou-

bles this fall were Ashley Willis, Brittany Brazil, Helen Brooks, Abby Bradley, Liz West, Jay Gerber, David Thacker, Ryan Zemanek, Tyler Howard, Eric Scroggins, Matt Cook, Jeff Adkins, Nathanael Hill, Matt Robben and Jon Brooks.

Pampa 14, Borger 0

Boys Singles



Tackle Don Hudgins, who weighs in at 260, is one of the reasons the Wheeler defense has allowed only 7 points per game so far this season. The top-ranked Mustangs visit Gruver for a 7:30 game tonight. Wheeler has a 6-0 record and Gruver is 4-2.

Eric Scroggins (P) def. Jeff Fernandez 6-1, 6-0.

Matt Cook (P) def. Brandon Fees 6-1, 6-0.

Jeff Adkins (P) def. Zach Hayes 6-1, 6-2.

Nathanael Hill (P) def. John Powell 6-2, 6-1.

Jay Gerber (P) def. Jonathan Green 6-0, 6-0.

Girls Singles

Brittany Brazil (P) def. Abby Alexander 6-2, 6-2.

Ashley Willis (P) def. Reagan Lumpkin 6-1, 6-0.

Bonnie Holmes (P) def. Jordan Forrest 6-2, 6-2.

Heather Lee (P) def. Ashley Jerige 6-1, 6-0.

Liz West (P) def. Jenny Commons 6-0, 6-0.

Boys Doubles

Scroggins-Cook (P) def. Fees-Hayes 6-0, 6-0.

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Girls Doubles

Brazil-Willis (P) def. Alexander-Forrest 6-1, 6-3.

Acker-Brooks (P) def. Jerige-Commons 6-2, 6-1.

Tagliabue pays visit to Houston

HOUSTON (AP) — NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue once questioned Houston's commitment to professional football. Bob McNair gave him 700 million reasons to convince him otherwise.

Tagliabue, making his first public appearance here since owners voted earlier this month to return to Houston in 2002, said he doesn't regret owners' decision to choose the nation's 11th-largest television market over No. 2 Los Angeles.

"I think we understood in March that this was going to be a great opportunity to look at two really strong areas," Tagliabue said before a luncheon with business leaders Thursday. "I don't have an ounce of reservation. I think it's great for the league, and I think the owners feel that way."

As Houston Oilers owner Bud Adams was preparing to move the team to Tennessee three years ago and disillusioned fans spurned the team, Tagliabue intimated at the time the city showed less desire for football as counterparts Cleveland and Baltimore.

On Thursday, Tagliabue praised fans, political leaders and McNair, whose \$700 million bid earlier this month — coupled with an upcoming \$310 million retractable roof

stadium — steamrolled Los Angeles' halfhearted attempts.

"Part of Bob's challenge now is to convert (the franchise victory) into a real Super Bowl victory on the field," Tagliabue said.

After working tirelessly to bring back the NFL since the Oilers, now called the Titans, moved to Tennessee after the 1996 season, McNair said he's as busy as ever laying the groundwork for an expansion club.

"Someone asked me what it's been like, and I said, 'Have you ever kicked a fire ant hill?' I think that's the best description," McNair said.

McNair, whose businesses are based atop the landmark Pennzoil Building downtown, is building an NFL information center in the lobby, complete with a sample luxury suite that should be ready in December.

McNair hopes to have 75 of the 146 planned luxury boxes sold by Jan. 15.

In the pivotal play of the series, Jim Leyritz hit a three-run homer in the eighth inning on a hanging breaking ball from Wohlers in Game 4. The long drive sailed over the glove of left fielder Andrew Jones.

"That was a mistake that he hit it," Jones said after Thursday's workout. "But I don't remember that stuff. That was 1996 and this is 1999. I'm hoping things go differently."

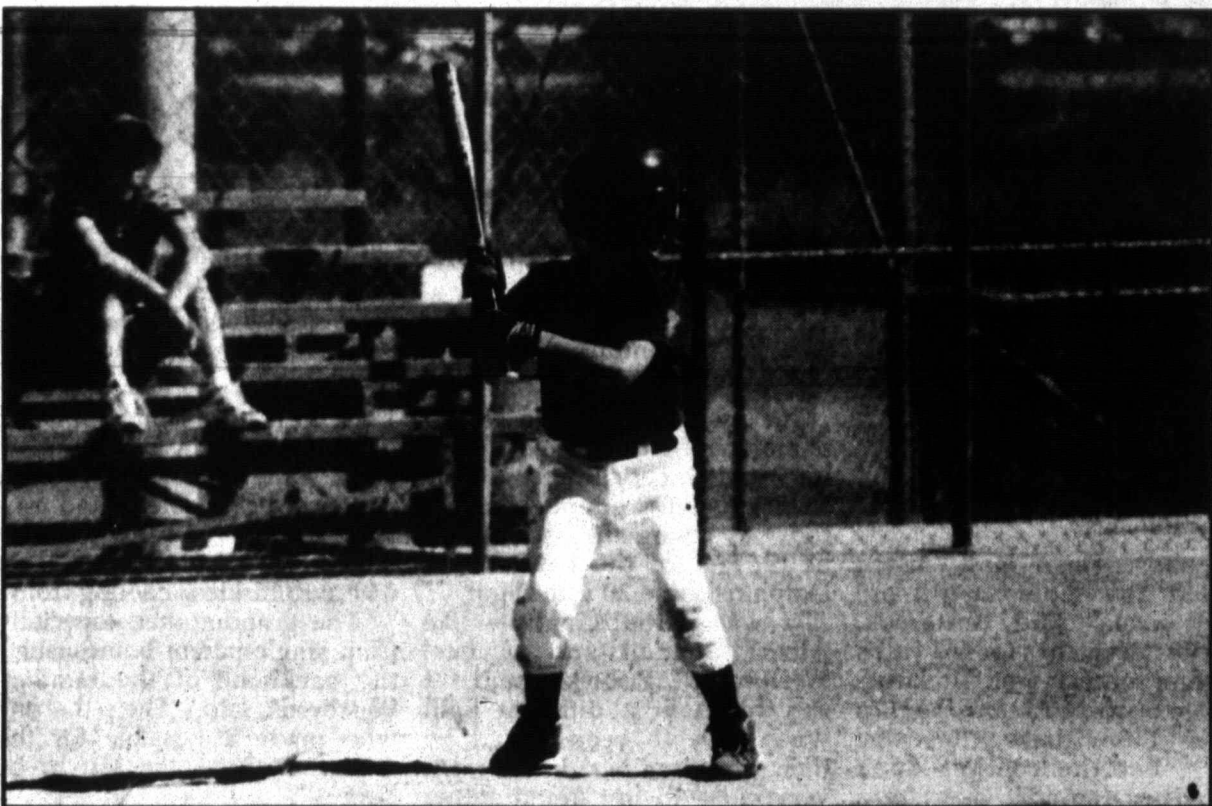
The defending champion Yankees are trying to win their third championship in four years.

Atlanta, in the postseason for the eighth straight time, is hoping to win its second title in the '90s — and avoid becoming the first team to lose four World Series in a decade since the New York Giants from 1910-19.

The Braves won two of three at Yankee Stadium in July during interleague play.

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Chiefs roll past Ravens, 35-8

BALTIMORE (AP) — The sound had become rather foreign to the Kansas City Chiefs on the road.

Booooooooooooo!

With a rare solid effort away from Arrowhead Stadium, the Chiefs turned the fans at PSINet Stadium against the Baltimore Ravens in a 35-8 rout Thursday night.

The same fans who cheered Stoney Case the past two months jeered the Ravens' quarterback, who struggled mightily before being replaced in the fourth quarter. Case went 15-of-37 with three interceptions, two of which the Chiefs turned into touchdowns.

Kansas City was 2-6 on the road last year and 0-2 this season before handing Baltimore its most lopsided loss since the franchise left Cleveland. The Ravens' lone touchdown, with 4:05 remaining, ruined the Chiefs' bid for their first road shutout since 1973.

"We won on the road. Any more questions?" Kansas City coach Gunther Cunningham said. "We got drilled so much about our road record in the '90s. It's tough to win on the road, but we made a real issue of it."

The Chiefs were 3-16-1 on the road against the AFC East and AFC Central in the 1990s, but this

performance ought to silence their critics for awhile.

"It feels good to win anywhere," said safety Reggie Tongue, who scored a touchdown after taking a lateral from Donnie Edwards. "We know we can win anywhere. We just have to go out and do it."

Kansas City (4-2) had only 80 yards in the first half and 132 through three quarters, but it didn't matter. That's because the Chiefs' defense repeatedly frustrated Case, whose 103 yards passing was less than the 108 yards Kansas City generated on its three interception returns.

James Hasty had two of the pickoffs, returning the first one 56 yards for a touchdown to make it 14-0 in the third quarter. Hasty stepped in front of Justin Armour and scooted down the left sideline without being touched.

"We knew they had some tendencies. We just banked on those tendencies and played the ball," Hasty said.

Case, who replaced starter Scott Mitchell in the second week of the season, was 1-of-10 in the first quarter and 8-of-23 at half-time. It only got worse in the second half.

"Probably the most disappointing loss of my career. I can't

remember one this bad," Case said. "Obviously I didn't play very well, didn't throw the ball very well. I threw two touchdowns to them."

After Elvis Grbac connected with tight end Tony Gonzalez for a 22-yard touchdown to make it 21-0 with 12:37 left, Edwards picked off Case's pass and lateraled to Tongue, who went the final 38 yards for a 28-0 lead.

That ended the night for Case, who now faces the prospect of losing the starting job.

"I'm not going to figure it out tonight," Ravens coach Brian Billick said. "I'm not going to talk about wholesale changes, who my quarterback is going to be, who's going to be here and who's going to be there. That would be ill-advised at this point."

The Ravens scored with 4:05 left, thanks to a 35-yard pass interference penalty. Errict Rhett carried it in from the 2, ruining the Chiefs' bid for their first road shutout since a 19-0 victory over San Diego in 1973.

"It all started with the defense," said Gonzalez, who had his first two-touchdown game. "I take my hat off to those guys."

No. 10 Alabama faces tough tough Tennessee defense

By TOM SHARP
AP Sports Writer

Despite Shaun Alexander's Heisman aspirations, Tennessee doesn't plan to try anything special to slow him down.

"We're not going to do anything different for Shaun Alexander," Volunteers linebacker Raynoch Thompson said. "We'll just get after him like we have everybody else."

Actually, neither team is expected to do anything unusual. No. 10 Alabama (5-1, 4-0 Southeastern Conference) will try to run. No. 5 Tennessee (4-1, 2-1 SEC) will rely on its defense to try and stop him.

"We're going to do what we've done the last five years and see how it unfolds," Tennessee defensive coordinator John Chavis said. "We've got a good defensive front. We're proud of our defensive front. It's a week they'll have to play at their best. We're expecting them to win some battles."

And no doubt lose a few. The Crimson Tide has run the ball successfully against every team they've played.

In this, the 56th straight year the teams have played — and the first time since 1930 the game is being played in Tuscaloosa instead of Birmingham's Legion Field. — Alabama is promoting Alexander for the Heisman Trophy. The tailback has a chance to make the case himself Saturday against the Vols, who have one of the top rushing defenses in the country.

Alabama's offensive line, led by tackle Chris Samuels, has cleared the way to the top of

the SEC rushing lead at 191 yards per game. Alexander is averaging 155 yards.

"Samuels is probably the best offensive lineman in the country," Chavis said. "He's strong, he's physical and he's nasty."

Alexander ran for 214 yards and three touchdowns last week against a Mississippi defense that went into the game giving up an average of 45 yards rushing. He's had at least 100 yards in every game this year, including 106 against a Florida defense that limited Tennessee's rushers to 95 yards.

"I describe him as a skater," Chavis said. "He can make quick cuts because his feet are always close to the ground. If there's a crease, he can accelerate through it. When you see a guy who's in the top three or four for the Heisman, he has to be talented and getting the job done."

Tennessee's defense is third in the nation against the run, giving up 64.4 yards per game. Wyoming managed 8 yards rushing, Florida 123, Memphis 62, Auburn 75 and Georgia 54.

"This is the biggest challenge we've seen this year," said Tennessee defensive end Will Overstreet, who will be opposite Samuels much of the game.

In other games Saturday, No. 1 Florida State will be at Clemson, No. 2 Penn State at No. 16 Purdue, No. 3 Nebraska at No. 18 Texas, No. 7 Kansas State at Oklahoma State, Illinois at No. 9 Michigan, No. 11 Michigan State at No. 12 Wisconsin, LSU at No. 12 Mississippi State, No. 13 Texas A&M at Oklahoma, Kentucky at No. 14 Georgia, No. 15 Marshall at Buffalo, No. 19

BYU at UNLV, Tulane at No. 20 East Carolina, Cincinnati at No. 21 Southern Mississippi, No. 22 Ohio State at No. 24 Minnesota, and No. 23 Miami at Boston College.

No. 4 Virginia Tech, No. 6 Florida, No. 8 Georgia Tech and No. 25 Mississippi are idle.

The game between Florida State (7-0) and Clemson (3-3) is intriguing because Seminoles coach Bobby Bowden will be going for career win No. 300, against his son, Clemson coach Tommy.

Tommy says the pressure will be on the Seminoles.

"If they lose, they lose a national championship," he said. "If we lose, we're 3-4."

Florida State's Peter Warrick, suspended the past two games because of legal problems, probably won't play Saturday because his court case has been postponed.

Penn State (7-0) will have to contend with Drew Brees of Purdue (5-2), who passed for more than 500 yards in last week's upset of previously unbeaten Michigan State.

Brees was 39-of-58 for 361 yards against Penn State last year, but the Nittany Lions won 31-13, with the help of six sacks and an interception.

Nebraska (6-0) has a few scores to settle with Texas (5-2).

Last year, Texas ended Nebraska's 47-game home winning streak with a 20-16 upset as Major Applewhite threw for 269 yards and two TDs and Ricky Williams ran for 150 yards. And in '96, the Longhorns upset the Cornhuskers 37-27 in the first Big 12 title game, denying Nebraska a chance for a third straight national title.

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Buffalo at Baltimore, 1 p.m.

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Jacksonville at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.

New York Giants at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.

St. Louis at Tennessee, 1 p.m.

San Diego at Kansas City, 1 p.m.

New England at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.

Miami at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.

Dallas at Indianapolis, 4:15 p.m.

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Saturday, Oct. 23

N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 17-9) at Atlanta

(Glavine 14-11), 8:05 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 24

N.Y. Yankees (Cone 12-9) at Atlanta

(Maddux 19-9), 8:05 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 26

Atlanta (Millwood 18-7) at N.Y. Yankees

(Petitte 14-11), 8:20 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 27

Atlanta (Smoltz 11-8) at N.Y. Yankees

(Clemens 14-10), 8:20 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 28

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Saturday, Oct. 30

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

By The Associated Press

BASEBALL

National League

PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Named John

Green coordinator of minor league person-

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BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

BOSTON CELTICS—Signed F Marty

Conlon.

MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES—Signed C

Danny Schayes. Released F Anthony Miller.

NEW JERSEY NETS—Released F Robert

Werdann.

PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS—Released G

Ira Bowman, C Jim Carruth and G Charles

O'Bannon.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL—Suspended San Francisco 49ers RB

Travis Jerney for four games for violating the

NFL's policy on anabolic steroids and related

substances. Fined Carolina Panthers LB

Mike Barrow \$7,500 for his helmet-to-helmet

hit on San Francisco QB Jeff Garcia in game

on Oct. 17.

ATLANTA FALCONS—Re-signed LB

Lamont Green to the 53-man roster. HOCK-

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National Hockey League

BUFFALO SABRES—Recalled G Martin

Biron from Rochester of the AHL.

Reassigned D Jean-Luc Grand-Pierre to

Rochester.

DETROIT RED WINGS—Assigned F Marc

Rodgers to Manitoba of the IHL.

FLORIDA PANTHERS—Assigned LW

Dwayne Hay to Louisville of the AHL.

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Acquired the

Boston Bruins rights to F Dmitri Khristich for

Boston's 2000 second-round entry draft

selection and signed him to a multiyear con-

tract. Waived F Steve Sullivan.

Chamberlain remembered with laughter for life on and off court

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A schoolyard teammate remembers asking a young — but only slightly shorter — Wilt Chamberlain to stop snatching his layouts out of the air.

A former teammate blames the basketball great for the kink in his nose — "It turns to the left a little" — because of an elbow to the face he got once in a game, "unintentional of course."

But the most tear-jerking remarks at Thursday's memorial service were by his best friend of more than 50 years, who first realized his childhood buddy reached the big time when Chamberlain signed with the Harlem Globetrotters and got a \$10,000 cash signing bonus, but was wearing his new uniform and had no pockets.

"He asked me to hold it ... a wad of money that thick and he didn't have any pockets to carry it," Vince Miller said, at times choking back tears. "How did two young men from West Philadelphia end up holding \$10,000?"

Over 500 attended the light-hearted memorial service at a church just blocks from the West Philadelphia high school where Chamberlain first achieved fame on the hardwood. Chamberlain died Oct. 12 in his Bel-Air, Calif., home at age 63.</



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Man murders wife; gets four months in jail

FORT WORTH (AP) — A man who admitted killing his wife after finding her with a lover was sentenced to four months in jail today, a day after jurors recommended a 10-year probation sentence for the murder.

District Judge Robert Gill could have sentenced Jimmy Watkins to a maximum 180 days in jail after the jury's decision but ordered a 120-day term at a hearing today.

Jurors found Watkins, 34, guilty of murder Monday.

According to testimony and a

written confession, Watkins shot his wife, Nancy, and her lover before leaving the scene and returning to shoot the woman five more times while she talked to a 911 dispatcher.

Jurors deliberated 21 hours over three days on punishment before determining that Watkins had acted with "sudden passion" when he found his wife and her lover, Keith Fontenot, at the Watkins' home near Eagle Mountain Lake last Dec. 22.

Jurors indicated Thursday that their recommendation for a pro-

bated sentence came because they didn't think Watkins could be rehabilitated in prison.

"We feel for the family, but Jimmy needs help. The prison system just won't give him help," juror Alex Davis told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Another juror, James Laurie, e-mailed the newspaper Thursday night, saying he hoped Watkins would take advantage of his second chance.

"I pray Jimmy will use the break that we gave him to turn his life back in the right direc-

tion," Laurie said. "He has a long way to go. I pray for all the family members that were affected."

Watkins bowed his head and wept as the verdict was announced. His attorneys said they had hoped for the probationary sentence.

"I'm sure it was a very difficult decision for that jury to wrestle

with, but we're pleased with their decision," said attorney Kyle Whitaker.

Prosecutors, meanwhile, said they would take Watkins to trial again for shooting Fontenot.

"This is not how we wanted the case to turn out," said prosecutor James Cook.

According to his confession, Watkins shot his wife once and

Fontenot twice. Then he chased Fontenot from the house and put a gun to the man's head. When the gun failed to fire, Watkins drove away in his truck but returned after finding that there were still bullets in his weapon.

Mrs. Watkins was calling 911 for help when her husband returned. She was shot five more times.

Texas round up ...

Cross burnings in rural East Texas worry residents

SAN AUGUSTINE, Texas (AP) — East Texas residents who have sighted burning crosses, one in front of a church, are worried about what has become a symbol of intolerance in advance of a third trial in a race-related slaying.

Less than 50 miles away from San Augustine County is Jasper, the site of a black man's dragging death. A third suspect in the slaying is scheduled to face trial Monday on capital murder charges.

The FBI and San Augustine County sheriff's deputies are investigating the two burnings, which were reported within two weeks of each other.

Sheriff's officials told The Daily Sentinel (Nacogdoches) the first cross burning — at a white woman's house — was an isolated incident likely meant to be taken as a prank. But less than two weeks later, a cross was set ablaze on the grounds of a small, predominantly black church nestled in the country near parkland.

C.J. Jones, a longtime Pisgah Baptist Church member, said members and a few visitors meet every third Wednesday night for prayer meeting and every third Sunday morning for worship.

Jones said he saw the burning cross as he drove past the church last week.

Alleged sexual abuse victim's mother testifies

JOHNSON CITY, Texas (AP) — The mother of a reported sexual abuse victim hasn't denied telling her son's teacher that she had strong feelings for the monk accused of indecency at the Christ of the Hills Monastery.

But the 47-year-old single mother on Thursday denied suggestions that she had romantic interests in Jonathan I. Hitt.

The woman's 14-year-old son testified this week that he had several sexual encounters with a monk at the monastery near Blanco in summer 1997.

The woman, describing her old feelings for Hitt, said: "I developed a very open heart for someone who was taking care of my son."

Hitt was principal of the monastery school where the woman said she sent her son in 1993 at age 8 to benefit from the structured lifestyle and male role models.

Known as Father Jeremiah, the 38-year-old Hitt and Sam A. Greene Jr., 54, are charged with indecency with a child.

No trial date has been set for Greene, who's known as Father Benedict and Father Sam.

Former president releases letters

HOUSTON (AP) — Thousands of pages of former President George Bush's letters, diaries and other personal documents have become available to journalists, scholars and other researchers.

The documents cover a 36-year period, from World War II until just prior to Bush's terms as vice president. Bush had already agreed to donate his papers to the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum at Texas A&M University in College Station a few years ago.

But more recently, he agreed to release his personal items for study — and unlike other former presidents, before his death.

"It tells us a lot about him, that he does want people to come and study his life," David Alsobrook, executive director of the Bush facility, told the Houston Chronicle.

Included in the collection are Bush's memos, as chairman of the national Republican Party, to the Republican president, Richard Nixon, in the year and a half before Nixon's resignation in August 1974.

In one of the memos, Bush said Democrat Barbara Jordan, serving then as the first black Congress member from Houston, had volunteered as a secret, unofficial political consultant for the GOP.

Bush praises Dole, won't say whether he'll join S.C. debate

AIKEN, S.C. (AP) — Flanked by two former Elizabeth Dole supporters, Texas Gov. George W. Bush has praised his former opponent for bringing

new faces into the political process.

State Rep. Charles Sharpe, R-Wagener, and state Chamber of Commerce Chairwoman Paula Harper Bethea were with Bush Thursday when he addressed a crowd of about 600 at this city's Municipal Center.

Bush said Dole's departure was a sad turn in the primary, adding that she "did a lot for our party and the process. She brought a lot of dignity and class, she energized a group of folks, some of whom were not really interested in politics until she came along."

Bush hinted that Dole had all the qualities he would look for in a running mate, but said it was too early for him to be thinking about short lists.

"It's a little premature for a person who hasn't even earned his party nomination yet," Bush said.

Bethea said she was disappointed, but not surprised, Wednesday when Dole announced her departure from the race. She said Bush then became the natural choice for her endorsement, saying she respected Bush's ideals and his experience.

Other former Dole supporters now in the Bush camp include state Reps. Becky Martin of Anderson, Annette Young-Brickell of Summerville, Becky Meacham of Lake Wylie and Shirley Hinson of Goose Creek.

Reserve pilots set to get more rest if contract goes through

HOUSTON (AP) — Reserve pilots of a Texas-based airline may be on their way to landing new contract rules that allow them to take nine-hour rest periods for every 15 hours they're on call.

Continental Express Airlines, of Houston, and their pilots said Thursday the new work rules could take effect once contract negotiations are approved by the Independent Association of Continental Pilots.

"It was a win/win situation for both sides," union spokesman Jim Moody told the Houston Chronicle after tentative agreement was reached earlier this week. "It had to do with safety, and both the company and the pilots are interested in maintaining that safety."

The announcement comes at the end of a summer travel season marked by calls for a better way to guarantee pilots don't suffer fatigue caused by long hours in the cockpit.

"This is a good example of our ability to work together with our employee groups to achieve mutually acceptable solutions to issues," said Continental Airlines spokesman David Messing.

In August, pilots, airlines and regulators agreed that rules governing work and rest periods for flight crews have not kept pace with the growth of airline travel. That assessment followed the June 1, American Airlines jet crash in Little Rock, Ark., that killed 11. Investigators have said pilot fatigue is a possible factor.

Elsewhere:

BUG FEVER: Health officials say long sleeves, long pants and insect repellent are good ways to ward off mosquitoes that could be carrying dengue fever, a disease that has killed seven people in northern Mexico. Although thousands of Mexican residents have been infected with dengue fever near the Texas-Mexico border, only 18 cases have been confirmed in Texas. ... **DOCTOR'S WRITING:** A West Texas jury has found a doctor, a drugstore and a pharmacist liable for the death of a man who took the wrong medication after the pharmacist misread the physician's handwritten prescription. The jury returned a \$450,000 judgment to the man's family. ...

INTERNET VIDEO: Blockbuster Inc. chairman John Antioco says his company will offer video rentals over the Internet next year. Analysts said the company has no choice — it must move from stores to video-on-demand or be bypassed by technology. ... **SCREWDRIIVER SLAYING:** A 14-year-old boy accused of fatally stabbing a fellow middle school student with a screwdriver will soon face murder charges, authorities said. The seventh-grade suspect, whose name was withheld, remained in custody Thursday on aggravated assault charges stemming from the Wednesday morning attack on Samuel Avila, 13.

ty involvement, visual impact and sustainability beyond the current project year. The foundation expects to see participation from various community groups in developing the project such as schools, civic organizations, senior citizens and other interested parties. Communities have been encouraged to propose projects such as community gardening day for planting, school children or other groups growing seedlings or decorating flower pots or contests for designs or public artwork. Projects may include various landscape or architectural items such as flowers, trees and shrubs, soil amendments or water ecosystems. Grant applications must be submitted to city managers and postmarked no later than 5 p.m. on Jan. 15, 2000, to the Don and Sybil Harrington Foundation, 801 S. Fillmore, Suite 700, Amarillo, TX 79101.

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Kay Crouch, a retired teacher from the Pampa Independent School District, will be conducting a one-day watercolor workshop for adults at 9 a.m. on Saturday at the Pampa Fine Arts office. She currently teaches group art lessons to students ages six to adult. Students study pastels, water-based oils, acrylics, water colors, drawing, pen and ink, multimedia projects and pottery.

Her love for art began as a child when she took lessons in pastels, oils and ceramics. As an adult, she became interested in water colors and has continued studies in this medium. She maintains an all-levels art certification. She also minored in art on both her bachelors and masters degrees.

Married to James Crouch, the couple has three children and four grandchildren.

She is a member of the Pampa Fine Arts, Pampa Art Club, Pampa Retired Teachers and Kappa Kappa Iota. She is a former teacher of English and history at Clarendon College.

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