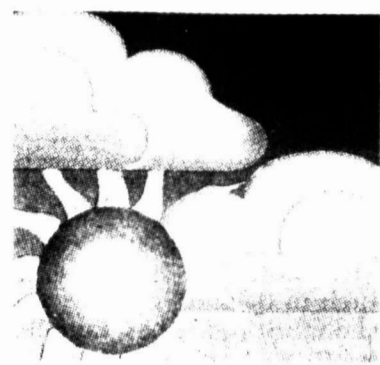


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weather details.

PAMPA — City and county offices will observe a holiday schedule for Christmas and New Year's.

Gray County Courthouse will be closed Friday, Dec. 22, and Monday, Dec. 25. The courthouse will be closed in observance of the New Year on Friday, Dec. 29, and Monday, Jan. 1.

City of Pampa offices will be closed Monday, Dec. 25, and Tuesday, Dec. 26. New Year's will be observed on Jan. 1.

PAMPA — City of Pampa landfill be will closed Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 25 and 26, in observance of the Christmas holidays.

Residential and commercial sanitation routes will not be run on these two days, said Sanitation Superintendent Rick Stone.

Landfill and sanitation routes will resume normal operations on Wednesday, Dec. 27.

AUSTIN (AP) — Money stuffed into political coffers can be spent to stuff game animal trophies, the Texas Ethics Commission has ruled.

The commission ruled that using political contributions to pay for taxidermy expenses is not an illegal expense as long as the mounting is used to decorate a political office.

"It says a lot about the Texas mentality," political consultant Bill Miller told the Austin American-Statesman. "I'd say it rather completes the process since most of the animals were killed on lobbyist-sponsored junkets."

GILMER (AP) — A new clue in a teenage girl's disappearance has prompted law officers to resume the nearly four-year-old search for her body.

As many as 10 Upshur County sheriff's officers combed through woods on 120 acres about 4 miles west of this Northeast Texas city for Kelly Wilson.

"We have a possible location" of the body, said sheriff's Capt. Nancy Betterton. "We don't know exactly what we have yet."

Sheriff Buck Cross said the 17-year-old girl's body could have been left at the location. He said the new information was reliable enough to prompt the search.

HOUSTON (AP) — The chief justice of the 1st Court of Appeals in Houston is leaving halfway through her current six-year term to return to private law practice.

Alice Oliver Parrott, 44, who was one of the youngest judges when first appointed to the state district court bench in 1986, said Monday that she will leave office next month.

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Snow pleases area farmers

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

"This is excellent," Gray County agent Danny Nusser said today as the layer of white snow began soaking into the Texas Panhandle.

He explained that the wheat crop planted last fall is dormant now, but the moisture provided by the snow will be available for the crop when it begins growing again.

"The moisture will be there when it's needed," he said.

Don King, county agent for Wheeler County, concurred, adding that the moisture will help the plants take root and the snow cover will help protect the wheat that has emerged from the cold.

"We were worried about the wheat not being rooted down in the soil, but this will help that," King said.

The moisture won't help produce much growth in the wheat.

"We got about an inch to two inches of snow across the county," said King. "It will help this wheat survive the cold weather."

"It's sure going to help it," said Jody Bradford, Carson County agent.

But one rain or one snow storm won't save the crop, he added. Area farmers and ranchers are going to need more as the season proceeds.

"We've got wheat, some dry-land wheat, that's not even up in a good stand," Bradford said, "but it got us out of our immediate problem."

The moisture will also help the pastures and rangeland, Nusser said. The entire area was dry. The moisture from the rain and snow that spread out across the Texas Panhandle Sunday and Monday will help the pasture grasses as well and crops.

Roger Davenport, who manages the Abraham Ranch near Lefors, said that the moisture should also help lessen the danger of grass fires.

The National Weather Service in Amarillo reported the last measurable rainfall was 0.06 of an inch on Nov. 10. The last measurable precipitation in Lubbock was 0.52 of an inch on Oct. 2. Officials said that weather systems moving from the Northwest have been losing their moisture by the time they get to Texas.

While the residents of the Panhandle and South Plains have been enjoying spring-like weather, winter wheat and pastures in the region have suffered.

Another problem that was beginning to develop, Nusser said, was dust. It was becoming a health problem for livestock.

Bradford said that a lot of the farmers and ranchers he's talked to have complained about dust problems with their stocker cattle. He said some of the feedlot people he visited with have also talked about the related health problems with their cattle and the dust.

"This has settled the dust," he said. "We've got some moisture in the air."

It has probably helped humans in the area, too.

"We've had a lot of kids that have gotten sick," he said, "a lot of respiratory problems."

Nusser said there was also a problem with winter kill, not just with agricultural crops but with plants and trees in town.

"When it gets cold while it's really dry, you begin to lose plants due to winter injury," Nusser said. "This ought to help that, too."

While motorists in the region complain of slick highways and streets, there were more smiles today in the country.

"Everything about the rain and snow is positive," Nusser said, "except we have to slip, slide around in it. We got some moisture."

"It's done a lot of good," Bradford said.

"We'll take more of it," King added.

Cold loosens its grip

As weather forecasters predicted partly sunny skies today, they also warned of a possibility of more snow later in the week.

Skies are expected start clearing today with temperatures in the upper 30s. The high Monday in Pampa was 29 degrees. The warming trend is expected to continue through mid-week with Wednesday's temperatures ranging into the 40s before another winter storm moves through the area Thursday.

The forecast for the weekend is for cloudy skies and temperatures ranging between the mid 30s and mid 40s.

Snow-packed and icy roads delayed school openings today for many schools across the Texas Panhandle while schools in the Oklahoma Panhandle remained closed. Rural schools in the Texas Panhandle reported buses running on pavement only, if at all, with some schools delaying opening for one hour because of delayed bus runs.

The storm that crossed the Texas Panhandle Sunday and Monday rolled into Oklahoma, dropping five inches of snow on Oklahoma City Monday night before moving off into Missouri, weather officials said today. Pampa reported four inches of snow yielding 0.68 inch of moisture from the storm. Amarillo reported the storm dropped an official 2.34 inches of snow yielding 0.54 inch of moisture.

The Department of Public Safety said they had received a steady stream of reports of minor accidents on Panhandle-area roads through early today.

At 6 a.m. today, they were reporting area roads were slick and icy. The agency reported a multi-vehicle accident between Spearman and Stinnett shortly after 8 a.m. today involving a jack-knifed truck.

DPS officials said the worst conditions were on Interstate 27 south of Amarillo and Interstate 40 between Amarillo and the New Mexico state line. Officers said many highways in the Panhandle this morning were covered with "black ice," ice on the highway which is not readily apparent to drivers.

Officials reported up to eight inches of snow across the northern Panhandle Monday. The heavy, wet snow caused power outages across the Panhandle including 1,000 homes in Pampa and 1,700 homes in Amarillo.

Roger Davenport, who lives south of Lefors, said he got about an inch of snow near his house. Back to the north, he estimated an increase to three to four inches.

"We got seven-tenths of an inch of moisture out of the rain and snow," he said.

Wayne Couch in Skellytown said the sun was trying to break through at 8 a.m. today.

Roy McKissick reported the roads were still icy and slick around Skellytown shortly after dawn today.

"The roads are awfully slick," Paulette Paul said today in White Deer. "Everything's cold and frozen like everywhere else."

"We're discouraging traffic," said Ann Bryant with the Robert County Sheriff's Office in Miami.

Winter chore



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Aaron Wagner, 14, a Pampa Academy of Christian Education student, was out shoveling snow from the drive of his family's house on Browning this morning. He and a few of his neighbors were indulging in the chore of clearing out the ice and slush from the first snow storm of the season.

Project to send cookies to U.S. troops

By MELINDA MARTINEZ
Lifestyles Editor

An S.O.S. is being sent out by The Hobby Shop of Pampa for homemade cookies which will be sent to U.S. troops in Bosnia. The S.O.S. stands for Support Our Soldiers, and The Hobby Shop is doing just that by sponsoring a cookie drive.

"My husband was in the service at the time there was trouble in Cuba and the Suez Canal," said Nelda Patton, manager of The Hobby Shop of Pampa and a former military spouse. She knows how difficult it can be for military personnel and family members to be apart during the holidays, especially in times of crisis.

She and the others at the store agreed that they needed

to do this for the service personnel.

"It's a long way from home," said Patton. "We need let them know we care."

Right now, Patton has five generic addresses to where she could send packages. She said a spokesperson for the Department of Defense in Washington, D.C., told her a specific address for Bosnia could be given to her if she called back within the next few days.

The first batch of cookies from the drive was to be shipped today. Patton hopes that once the word gets out about what The Hobby Shop is doing, more people will plan to participate.

Patton said those who participate can attach a self-addressed, stamped envelope so the service personnel can

write back and let them know the package was received. She also said Christmas cards, notes or pictures can be sent along and would also be an appreciated gesture.

The Hobby Shop can also send packages to specific soldiers if they are told about them.

"If someone has a family member that they want a package sent to, let us know of the address," said Patton.

Any kind of cookie treats will do as long as they have no fruit or are cream filled. "Candy would be good," added Patton.

Those who would like to participate in giving the U.S. troops in Bosnia a "little bit of home" can bring homemade cookies to The Hobby Shop of Pampa at 217 N. Cuyler or call (806) 669-6161.

City commissioners pass two ordinances

Pampa city commissioners during a brief meeting Monday passed on second reading two ordinances considered earlier in the month.

Agreeing unanimously, commissioners prohibited concealed weapons from city buildings, but allowed carrying a concealed weapon by a duly licensed person in a city park or on the municipal golf course.

The commission also passed a schedule of landfill fees and added a section prohibiting disposal of hazardous or biomedical waste. Fees become effective Jan. 1, 1996.

City residents may dump a car or truck load of rubbish free.

Non city residents will be assessed \$2 for a car load or \$5 for a truck load for solid waste.

Other fees include:

Contaminated sludge - \$5 per cubic yard.

Sewer sludge - \$5 per cubic yard.

Trees over one inch in diameter and over three feet in length, including root system - \$19.50 per ton.

Businesses located within corporate limits disposing of local-generated grease trap slurry,

car wash grit and septic tank contents - \$7 per hundred gallons.

Businesses located outside corporate limits disposing of grease trap slurry, car wash grit and septic tank contents - \$10 per hundred gallons.

Small animals - \$2 per animal.

Large animals - per quote

Concrete - \$5 per cubic yard.

Junk vehicles - \$25 per vehicle.

Any item which may require special handling - per quote by landfill superintendent.

Absent from voting was Jeff Andrews.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

CAMP, Rama — 2 p.m., Dodson Nazarene Church, Wellington.
OLDHAM, Carl — 2 p.m., First Christian Church, Woodward, Okla.

Obituaries

RAMA CAMP
WELLINGTON - Rama Camp, 87, died Sunday, Dec. 17, 1993. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Dodson Nazarene Church with the Rev. Harry Wales, retired Nazarene minister, and the Rev. Dale Peirce, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Memorial Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Adams Funeral Home.

Miss Camp was born in the Kelley community. She attended school in Kelley and graduated from Wellington High School. She attended Bethany Nazarene College and graduated from the University of Central Oklahoma at Edmond, Okla. She received her master's degree from West Texas State University. She taught school for over 40 years and retired in 1973. She taught at Shamrock, Childress and Samnorwood and at Midway, Ralla, Arnett and Altus, Okla. She was a member of the Dodson Nazarene Church.

Survivors include a sister, Syble Thompson of Gig Harbor, Wash.; and a brother, Walter Camp of Wellington.

The family requests memorials to be to the Dodson Nazarene Church; or to the Wellington Cemetery Association.

SAMUEL ELDEN 'HOOLEY' FERRELL

SPEARMAN - Samuel Elden "Hooley" Ferrell, 90, brother of a Pampa resident, died Monday, Dec. 18, 1993. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in the First Assembly of God Church with the Rev. David Nuckels, former pastor, and the Rev. Walter Greaser, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Higgins Cemetery at Higgins under the direction of Brothers Funeral Home Inc.

Mr. Ferrell was born near Quinlan in Indian Territory. He moved to the Spearman area from Higgins 25 years ago. He married Novie Ann George in 1925 at Woodward; she died in 1969. He married Ina Mae Hughes in 1970 at Spearman; she died in 1987. He retired in 1972 as a foreman with the Plains Division of the Santa Fe Railway. After his retirement, he built "dog houses" for Baker and Taylor Drilling Co. in Spearman. He also bought and sold stockyards after his retirement and built dog houses in his back yard for the public. He was a member of the First Assembly of God Church.

He was preceded in death by a daughter.

Survivors include three daughters, Rose R. Eason of Huntsville, Sammie A. Price of Brady and Elsie I. Russell of Midland; three stepdaughters, Carline Julian of Goodyear, Ariz., Donna Mae Gretz of Prunedale, Calif., and Cassie Olson of Amarillo; a stepson, Terry Hughes of Houston; two sisters, Goldie Headquest of Las Vegas, N.M., and Sylvia Detrixhe of Pampa; a brother, Bruce Ferrell of Higgins; 10 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

SCOTT PHILLIPS HALL JR.

TUCSON, Ariz. - Scott Phillips Hall Jr., 76, a former Lefors resident, died Friday, Dec. 15, 1993. A memorial service will be at 10 a.m. Friday in the First Christian Church at Pampa with the Rev. Darell Evans officiating.

Mr. Hall was born Feb. 13, 1919, at Garber, Okla. He graduated from Lefors High School in 1937 and was a Lefors resident until moving to Pampa in 1945. He married Lillie Mae Redman in 1940 at Pampa. He worked in the oil field for many years. He retired as a pattern maker from Panhandle Industrial in 1984 and moved to Tucson. He was a member of the Pampa Masonic Lodge and was a U.S. Army veteran, serving in World War II.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Mary Lou Winningham.

Survivors include his wife, Lillie, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Jan and Donald Maul of Pampa; a son and daughter-in-law, Scott Phillip and Cathy Hall III, of Phoenix, Ariz.; a brother, Carl C. Hall of Lefors; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials to be to the Hospice of the Panhandle or to a favorite charity.

Calendar of events

TOTS-N-TRAINING
 The Tots-N-Training program for preschool children ages 3-5 in Baker, Lamar, Mann and Wilson school districts is continuing. Readiness materials may be picked up Wednesdays at the following locations: Albertsons, 10-11 a.m. and 3:30-4:30 p.m.; Frank's (Brown Street), 10-11 a.m. and 3-4 p.m.; Frank's (Hobart), 3-4 p.m.; and Community Day Care Center, 5-6 p.m. Registration sites are Outreach Health Services, 10 a.m.-noon, and Texas Department of Health, 10-11 a.m. and 2-3 p.m. Questions about Tots-N-Training may be directed to Sue Thornton at 669-4700.

AARP TAX VOLUNTEERS

American Association of Retired Persons is seeking volunteers to learn tax preparation. AARP will provide training Jan. 8 through 12 for volunteers willing to prepare taxes for low and middle income seniors over age 60. The deadline to volunteer is Dec. 30. No experience is necessary. For more information call Ernest Wilkinson, 665-0356.

Fires

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

MONDAY, Dec. 18
 12:38 p.m. - One unit and three personnel responded to a transformer fire at 1133 Willow.
 4:12 p.m. - Three units and seven personnel responded to a structure fire at 815 N. Frost.
 11:11 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to a structure fire at 401 N. Davis. The oven in a fifth wheel travel trailer ignited, causing extensive damage to the oven as well as heat and smoke damage throughout the trailer.

Obituaries

CARL OLDHAM
WOODWARD, Okla. - Carl Oldham, 78, a former Canadian, Texas, resident, died Sunday, Dec. 17, 1993. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in First Christian Church at Woodward with the Rev. George Bennett, Dr. C. William Bryan and the Rev. Sondra Tinsley officiating. Burial will be in Elmwood Cemetery under the direction of Billings Funeral Home.

Mr. Oldham was born at Claude, Texas. He moved at age 13 to Hereford, Texas, where he graduated from high school at age 16. He farmed until he went to work as a clerk at The Popular Store in Hereford, where he remained five years. He then was employed in the Santa Fe Railway signal department from 1943 to 1982, when he retired. He received an outstanding safety award for 39 years of accident-free work with Santa Fe. He married Betty Jo Cockrell in 1939. The couple lived in Hereford until moving to Canadian in 1945. In 1948, he was promoted to Signal Inspector at Woodward, which he made his permanent home.

Mr. Oldham was baptized at age ten and was active in the First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) throughout his life. He served three terms as chairman of the local church board and attended national and regional assemblies as a voting delegate in seven states. He also was an elder, served as chairman of various committees, was a church trustee and served as president of the Church Builders class. He and his wife had served jointly as president of the parents' organization at Phillips University. He also volunteered with the American Red Cross and was a member of the Woodward Senior Center.

He was preceded in death by a son, Don Ray Oldham.

Survivors include his wife, Betty; a daughter, Conna Ann Jones of Boulder, Colo.; two sons, Randy Oldham of Katy, Texas, and Bob Oldham of Stillwater; a brother, Clyde Oldham of Reedsport, Or.; and nine grandchildren.

The family requests memorials to be to the First Christian Church Building Fund, c/o Billings Funeral Home.

The family will receive friends before services Wednesday in the church's Fellowship Hall.

BEN D. WARD

OKLAHOMA CITY - Ben D. Ward, 90, a former Pampa, Texas, resident, died Saturday, Dec. 16, 1993. Graveside services were to be at 10 a.m. today in Sunny Lane Cemetery with the Rev. Alvin Garrison officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Vondel L. Smith and Son Mortuary.

Mr. Ward was born at Carthage, Tenn. He worked for Gulf Oil Company 40 years and had been a Pampa resident.

He was preceded in death by a son, James E. Ward.

Survivors include his wife, Esther Ward; a daughter, Gloria Baird of Oklahoma City; and two grandchildren.

Police report

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

MONDAY, Dec. 18

Taylor Mart, 410 N. Ballard, reported theft which occurred between 10 and 10:30 a.m. Monday.

Domestic violence - assault was reported in the 1900 block of Hamilton at 4:05 p.m. Monday. The 29-year-old man reported a welt to the left jaw.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1300 block of Duncan at 3 p.m. Monday. A window was broken out.

Burglary of a 1992 GMC pickup was reported to have occurred at 1:30 a.m. Sunday in the 2100 block of Lea. Stereo equipment valued at \$1,599 was stolen.

Taylor Mart, 600 E. Frederic, reported theft at 11:25 a.m. Monday.

A color television valued at \$125 was reported stolen from a 1994 Chevrolet Suburban in the 2100 block. The theft occurred between 5:30 p.m. Saturday and 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

Domestic violence - intimidation was reported in the 600 block of Carr at 7:30 p.m. Monday.

Belco, 2101 N. Hobart, reported theft at 8:25 p.m. Monday.

Arrest

MONDAY, Dec. 18

Jessie Douglas Calfy, 32, 1305 E. Kingsmill, was arrested at 1101 S. Christy on three capias pro fine warrants. Fines total \$605.

TUESDAY, Dec. 19

David Allan Yarbrough, 18, Canadian, was arrested at 1025 W. Wilks on a warrant alleging no liability insurance.

Stocks

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

Wheat	4.81	NC
Milo	5.67	NC
Corn	6.19	NC

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

Nowaco	12	NC
Occidental	20 1/4	NC

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

Magellan	83.45	NC
Puritan	16.70	NC

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

Amoco	69 3/4	NC
Arco	109	up 1/4
Cabot	48 5/8	up 3/8

Emergency numbers

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

Ambulance

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

MONDAY, Dec. 18

4:54 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Coronado Hospital for a patient transfer to St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

6:00 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Coronado Hospital for a patient transfer to St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo.

7:21 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to a local nursing home on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

TUESDAY, Dec. 19

5:45 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 400 block of North Banks on a medical assist and transported one patient to Coronado Hospital.

Crime of the week

Pampa Gray County Crime Stoppers needs help solving a railroad theft which occurred Nov. 17.

An end of train monitor valued at \$2,000 was stolen from a Santa Fe train while it was parked between the Dansinger and Starkweather crossings.

The device is described as a silver one-foot by one-foot square with a six-inch strobe light in the middle.

Crime Stoppers wants any information which might lead to the arrest and indictment of the person or persons responsible for this crime or any other, including narcotics trafficking.

Tipsters remain anonymous and are eligible to collect up to a \$1,000 cash reward by calling 669-2222.

Hantavirus reported

AUSTIN (AP) - State health officials are investigating the fourth case of hantavirus to be confirmed in Texas since the deadly illness was identified in the United States two years ago.

The patient, who survived the illness after aggressive treatment, was a previously healthy 23-year-old man in Jefferson County who became ill in late October, the Texas Department of Health said today.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Cloudy tonight with a low near 20 and light and variable winds. Wednesday, partly sunny with a high near 42. South winds 5-15 mph. Pampa received a total of four inches of snow, yielding 0.68 inch of moisture. Monday's high was 29; the overnight low was 27.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle: Tonight, mostly clear with lows from 10 to 20. Wednesday, partly sunny with highs 35 to 45. South Plains: Tonight, fair. Lows in the teens to near 20. Wednesday, mostly sunny. Highs in the 40s.

North Texas - Tonight, clearing area wide. Lows 24 to 29. Wednesday, increasing high cloudiness. Highs Wednesday 47 to 52.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, clear and cold. Lows in low to mid 30s, mid 20s Hill Country. Wednesday, partly cloudy and cool. Highs in the 50s. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, clear and colder. Lows in mid to upper 30s inland to low 40s coast. Wednesday, partly cloudy and cool. Highs around 60. Upper Coast: Tonight, partly cloudy and cold. Lows from low 30s inland to upper 30s coast. Wednesday, mostly sunny. Highs in low to mid 50s.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight, mostly cloudy west with increasing cloudiness east. A few snow showers mountains and north-west. Lows zero to 20 mountains and north, upper teens and 20s south. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with scattered snow showers mountains and north with rain and snow showers lower elevations south. Highs 30s and 40s mountains and north, mid 40s to mid 50s lower elevations south.

Oklahoma - Tonight, decreasing cloudiness. Lows from the teens northwest to mid 20s south. Wednesday, mostly sunny. Highs in the 40s.

Briarwood Church to host former Pampan in concert

Briarwood Church is to host Heidi Allen Roush in concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday. The church is located at 1800 W. Harvester and a nursery will be provided during the concert.

Mrs. Roush resides with her husband, Randy Roush, and their son Tate, in Brussels, Belgium, where Mr. Roush is senior international marketing director for GTE Corp.

She is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Gene Allen.

Mrs. Roush is a 1981 graduate of Pampa High School and graduated from Texas Tech in 1985. While growing up in Pampa, she sang for civic clubs, churches and schools. She was named "Miss Top O' Texas" in 1982 and Miss Irish Rose in 1981.

She represented the Lions Club of Pampa as district queen in Houston in 1981. She was voted most beautiful at Texas Tech in 1984 and was a contestant for homecoming

queen while at Tech. Mrs. Roush is active in her church in Belgium and has sung in London and other European cities.



Heidi Allen Roush

GCAD board of directors OK routine business items

Members of the Gray County Appraisal District board of directors met Monday for routine business.

The board:

- Tabled proposals for health, dental and life insurance for district employees.

The board members instructed Chief Appraiser Pat Bagley to prepare summaries of the five proposals for board members to study.

- Unanimously selected First Bank Southwest as the depository institution for the district.

- Unanimously reappointed Curt Beck, Darville Orr and Tony Smitherman to the appraisal review board.

- Amended district personnel policy to clarify accrual of sick leave, add funeral leave, set a 28 cents mileage rate and to provide for yearly review of the chief appraiser.

- Adopted two state promulgated records control schedules

for the district. Adopted were the "general records" policy, which deals with financial, administrative, personnel, payroll and electronic data processing records, and "local schedule Texas," which deals with property tax records.

• Took no action following an executive session to review and evaluate Bagley's job performance.

Bagley said delinquent collections of school taxes may exceed each prior year's collections. Delinquent city taxes are progressing well also, he said.

Current collections, taxes levied during the last year, are being collected at a normal rate, Bagley said. The next two weeks will be very busy, Bagley said, then will slow down during the first week in January. Following that slump, collections will quicken as taxpayers try to beat the Jan. 31, 1996 deadline, he explained.

City briefs

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PLEASE RETURN Reggie, a Border Collie strayed from 2100 block N. Christy Sunday. If found call 669-2527 or 669-6278. Adv.

SANTA CLAUS for rent, \$25 hour. 669-2448. Adv.

PINEAPPLES, NEW crop, \$1.75 buy one, buy 100, we got them. Grapefruit, oranges, and pecans, also new crop. 208 W. Tuke, Pampa, Tx. Adv.

CRACKED PECANS, \$3.50 lb. 665-9131. 665-6764. Adv.

FARBERWARE MILLENNIUM - All sets and open stock at special prices. Pampa Hardware, 120 N. Cuyler. Adv.

SAVE \$100 - Dearborn Crest model 40,000 BTU heater. Pampa Hardware, 120 N. Cuyler. Adv.

NIKE A&M Starter Jacket, new, men's small. Hunter green, plush carpet, 12x12. 665-9339. Adv.

MELODY IN Motion - See new items, all special priced. Pampa Hardware, 120 N. Cuyler. Adv.

ONEIDA FLATWARE 50% discount. Pampa Hardware, 120 N. Cuyler. Adv.

NOW OPEN Sweet Repeats Childrens Consignment clothing, 10-5 p.m. 115 N. Cuyler (formerly Footprints). Adv.

REBECCA ANN'S Plus Sizes, 1521 N. Hobart. 40% off Christmas Merchandise. 25% off other merchandise excluding intimate apparel. Adv.

RHEAMS DIAMOND Shop and Brown Shoe Fit open til 8 p.m. for your shopping convenience. Check out our Store Specials. Adv.

LOST 2 Red Poodles - 1 small, 1 larger. 669-0939.

ADVERTISERS - REMEMBER there will be early deadlines for the Holidays!! Call for details, The Pampa News. Adv.

ORDER YOUR gourmet food gift baskets by Friday. Call Celebrations 665-3100. We deliver. Adv.

MAGNALITE ROASTER - Save \$22, \$30, \$33. Pampa Hardware, 120 N. Cuyler. Adv.

CHRISTMAS BUFFET: Enjoy a traditional Christmas Lunch on Christmas Day at the Coronado Inn Coffee Shop, included will be turkey and ham with all the trimmings and special desserts. \$7.95 adult, \$6.95 seniors, \$4.95 children. Reservations appreciated, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. 669-2506. Adv.

HOLIDAY NAIL Special \$25 full set with ad. Call Snips, 669-6004. Adv.

REMEMBER WHEN your Pampa news carrier collects, does the carrier have his/her cards and hole punch? If not, don't pay. Thanks, Circulation department. Adv.

"GRAY COUNTY Adventure" Video - unique, lasting gifts at Gift Box and Hastings, \$19.95. Adv.

WELCOME TO Karrie's Nail Expressions! Specializing in Diamond Dip Acrylic and Nail Art. For Holiday Specials call 669-7131, come by 319 W. Foster. Adv.

TOP O Texas Quick Lube and Wash - the telephone number in 1996 directory was incorrect. The correct number is 665-0959, located at 1805 Alcock. Adv.

CHANEY'S CAFE - Tuesday 5 p.m.-8 p.m. Grilled Pork Chops, Baked Chicken, Chicken Gizzards, Chicken Fried Steak. 716 W. Foster. Adv.

LOST BLACK female dog. White chest with black dots. Blue collar. Reward. 665-4214. Adv.

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Government shutdown dims hopes for holiday federal interest-rate cuts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal Reserve policy-makers confront a confusing economic and political outlook as they decide whether to bestow a holiday interest-rate cut. The central bank's Federal Open Market Committee was meeting today as the latest partial government shutdown entered its fourth day, induced by the impasse between President Clinton and Congress over the budget. Wall Street may have added a note of urgency to the Fed's deliberations, analysts said, as the high-flying financial markets plunged Monday. It was the worst dive in four years, with the Dow Jones industrial average plummeting more than 100 points. "The markets had been counting on a Christmas present in the form of a balanced budget deal

and they got the opposite," said economist David Jones of Aubrey G. Lanston & Co., a Wall Street government securities dealer. The political deadlock was interpreted by investors as grounds for Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan and his colleagues to delay any reduction in interest rates. "Cutting interest rates during a budget negotiation is not wise if it looks like the central bank is taking sides," said Sung Won Sohn of Norwest Corp., a Minneapolis bank. Analysts said the Fed may prefer to wait and see if a plan to balance the budget will mean reduced federal spending that could justify the economic stimulus lower interest rates would provide. "It's a coin, toss," said Allen Sinai of Lehman Brothers.

"Probably the Fed will wait until the Jan. 31 meeting." Any cut in rates by the Fed translates into lower lending costs for millions of American consumers and small businesses. Bank prime rates have closely tracked movements by the central bank. After engineering seven interest-rate increases over a one-year stretch, the Fed did an about-face in July and trimmed the federal funds rate, the interest that banks charge one another on overnight loans, by a quarter point to 5.75 percent. The reduction was the first in nearly three years. The Fed took no further action in three subsequent meetings leading up to today's final session of the year. The prime lending rate, the benchmark for many consumer and business loans, stands at 8.75 percent.

Indian Santa lights up reservations with toys

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (AP) — To thousands of American Indian children, Lewis Trujillo is the real Santa Claus. For the last decade, he has tried to make life better on reservations across the West by delivering tons of food, clothing and school books. His goal this Christmas is to provide one toy and a package of candy each for 20,000 tribal children. It's an ironic calling for the 65-year-old part-Ute Indian who in the early 1970s was forced to retire from his job as a refrigerator repairman because of a disability. Doctors told him he had a bad heart. A television documentary on Indian children who spent winters without coats inspired him to buy up surplus clothing from the

Salvation Army and donate it to reservations. His work evolved in 1986 into Night Walker Enterprises, an organization with a Ute name dedicated to providing reservations with "everything that makes a home." Since then, he and hundreds of volunteers have distributed 4 1/2 million pounds of clothing, a half million pounds of school books and tons of food to 25 reservations in Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, New Mexico, Arizona, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska and the Dakotas.

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State briefs

De la Garza announces he won't seek re-election

MISSION (AP) — Saying he would rather work to balance the budget than campaign, U.S. Rep. Kika de la Garza has announced he will not seek re-election next year to the congressional seat he's held since 1965. In announcing his plans Monday, de la Garza said he will focus his last year in office on the debate over balancing the budget in the next seven years. The conservative Democrat, whose South Texas district includes much of the Rio Grande Valley, said he would work to streamline such services as Medicaid, health, education and programs for the poor and the elderly, and "continue to make government more responsive to the people and the business community." De la Garza, 68, has long been interested in balancing the federal budget. The first bill he introduced upon arriving in Washington was a balanced-budget amendment. On the first day of every legislative session since then, he has introduced similar legislation.

Plan links students with Mexico and Japan

AUSTIN (AP) — Offering quality courses to otherwise difficult-to-reach students is the goal of a new video-technology project linking the University of Texas to classes in Mexico and Japan. Robert Sullivan, director of the IC2 Institute, a research group tied to the university, says a course next fall will link UT students and students in Tokyo and Mexico City by interactive video. All three locations will be able to hear, see and talk to each other, Sullivan said. The students will make stock exchange decisions together while linked to the live system, he added. "We can immerse people in Japan while they are still in Texas. We can immerse people in Mexico while they're still here," he said.

White House in hot water over newest development

WASHINGTON (AP) — While the White House takes new steps to stave off a politically risky court battle over Whitewater, Senate investigators are questioning whether billing records detailing Hillary Rodham Clinton's Arkansas legal work may have disappeared. Senate Whitewater Committee Republicans say the 1992 notes of one of Mrs. Clinton's closest friends suggest that in the 1980s the first lady may have done more work than she has acknowledged as a private lawyer for the Madison Guaranty S&L in Arkansas that is at the center of the Whitewater controversy. And the notes by New York lawyer Susan Thomases raise the possibility that the billing records that could shed light on the matter existed three years ago at the Rose Law Firm in Little Rock, Ark. — but can't be found by Senate investigators now. "We have looked high and low ... and we don't have any time sheets for Mrs. Clinton, so they seem to have disappeared," Michael Chertoff, the committee's Republican counsel, disclosed Monday. David Kendall, the Clintons' personal attorney, said he believed Thomases' notes were "perfectly consistent" with the

first lady's account of her work, saying Mrs. Clinton could have billed the hours as the senior partner responsible for the work without actually doing the work. As for the possibility that records disappeared, Kendall added: "Any records detailing the work would have been kept by Rose or Madison and not Mrs. Clinton." The revelation came as the White House began negotiating on another front with Whitewater prosecutors to see if it could find a way to turn over to the Senate committee disputed notes taken by a former presidential aide. The last-ditch effort came as the Senate prepares Wednesday to vote on a request from the committee to authorize a federal court challenge to President Clinton's refusal to turn over the notes. Clinton claims the notes taken by former White House aide William Kennedy during a Nov. 5, 1993, meeting on Whitewater between the president's private lawyers and White House aides are protected by attorney-client privilege. The Senate panel believes it is entitled to the notes as part of its probe into whether presidential aides tried to derail two Whitewater-related criminal investigations in 1993.

Rabin assassin's trial gets underway

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Smiling and waving at his parents in a packed courtroom, the Jewish nationalist, who stunned the world by assassinating Yitzhak Rabin, went on trial for murder today. Tel Aviv District Court Judge Edmond Levy read out the murder and conspiracy charges against 25-year-old law student Yigal Amir. Asked whether he understood the accusations, Amir nodded but did not speak. Levy ordered a recess until Jan. 23, the day Amir will be asked to enter a plea in one of the most dramatic cases in modern Israeli history. If convicted, Amir's mandatory sentence is life in prison. The death penalty in Israel is reserved for Nazi war criminals and offenders who endanger state security, such as spies.

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Opinion

Ahhh, to install democracy!

For a while, those who celebrate the idea of using U.S. troops to install democracies - followed by large-scale infusions of foreign aid to keep the installed democracies relatively stable - could point to Haiti as a success story. But listen to the denials these days: "I think the situation in Haiti is ambiguous, but I do not consider in any sense that it is unraveling," said Defense Secretary William Perry on one of the Beltway chat shows.

That's usually a dead giveaway that the situation in Haiti is unraveling pretty badly.

Not everybody admired Haitian President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the Marxist ideologue and defrocked priest, but he had been elected, and those behind the military coup that ousted him were notably repressive and violent. So when a U.S.-led military force returned him to power in October 1994, many had reservations but few protested vigorously. And things in Haiti had been less violent than in the years before - at least until recently.

Haiti's constitution forbids a president from serving back-to-back terms, and Aristide promised to leave power in February 1996, when his term was over. But Aristide has a powerful political machine and a certain amount of popularity. Delegates at a government-sponsored conference last month called for the president to stay in power an extra three years, to compensate for the ruling time he missed between the coup and his return.

Aristide told the conference he agreed with the resolution, but left some doubt as to whether he might actually try to stay in power past February. That led to riots in which several people were killed by police and many were injured. This violence came on top of sparsely-reported political assassinations - perhaps as many as 20 in the last few months. But then, Aristide seemed to say that, well, he probably would leave when his time was up.

All this dithering, with Aristide at center stage, has made campaigning for the election, scheduled for Dec. 17, almost impossible. If the election is held, it will be after a period of turmoil in which none of the 14 declared candidates has had much of a chance to define himself in public - not exactly a model of deliberative, well-informed democracy.

Underpinning the political confusion is the fact that Haiti's economy is still a basket case. In part that's because of the lingering effects of the U.S. embargo (which like most embargoes hurt the poorest of the poor a lot more noticeably than the rulers). But it's also due in part to Aristide's ideological resistance to the kind of free-market economic policies that would have a chance to stimulate economic growth and attract foreign investment.

American agencies, which were supposed to be pushing Aristide toward free-market reforms, have been of little or no help.

What passes for market-oriented capitalism among people at the State Department and the Agency for International Development is a mixed economy with plenty of regulations and an all-encompassing welfare state built first - with little or no concern for the fact that a desperately poor country can't afford a full-service welfare state before it has a healthy economy.

American officials are fretting and scurrying around behind the scenes, hoping Aristide (for whose power and performance they feel somewhat responsible) won't embarrass them by going the military-dictator route himself.

The best-case scenario? Aristide will leave power in February, democracy will stumble along, and Haiti will be no worse off - maybe even marginally better in the violence department - than it was when U.S. power installed him. The worst case? After violence and repression, the U.S.-backed ruler will install himself as dictator-for-life, becoming more ruthless the longer he stays in power.

Does all this inspire confidence in the nation-building capabilities of U.S. diplomats? Or does it argue that people in other countries might be better off left to their own devices. They'll often make a hash of it, but experience suggests that wise and worthy American advisers will do so at least as often as the home-grown bullies will.

It's often been said that Americans are unable to learn from the past, but that's too generous: When it comes to military intervention abroad, Americans can't even learn from the present. U.S. forces are preparing to leave Haiti just as they are preparing to enter Bosnia, and it doesn't seem to have occurred to the administration or the public that the former might have lessons for the latter.

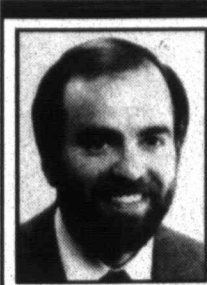
Haiti was the perfect undertaking for a super-power wary of messy Vietnam-like entanglements. There was no real fighting required (the bad guys capitulated before we arrived); there has been minimal bloodshed (one American killed in action); the financial cost was low (\$1.5 billion so far); and we were assured of an early departure (committing ourselves to leave by February 1996, come hell or high water). Just zip in, restore democracy, earn the thanks of a grateful people and be home in time for March Madness: What's not to like?

Alas, it may all turn out to be a waste. Fifteen months after we went in, the Haiti invasion looks increasingly like a failure.

The problems are several. One is that President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the Marxist former priest whom we restored to office last year on the assumption that he had given up his radical ways, has been acting like the old Aristide.

Opposition figures have been murdered by gunmen believed to be connected to the government, and Aristide has been no help in the investigation. Mob violence and vigilante killings occurred last month after he gave a fiery speech urging followers to help the police disarm his enemies.

He told another audience that he might not step down from power in February, as promised, but



Stephen Chapman

hang around for another three years to make up for the time he was in exile. International lending organizations have suspended aid to Haiti because the government has found all sorts of excuses not to carry out the free-market reforms needed to restore a pulse to the lifeless economy. One consequence is that the flow of boat people fleeing to the United States, which the U.S. intervention was meant to stop, has resumed.

At the moment, it is not by any means certain that the election scheduled for Dec. 17 to choose his successor will be held. If so, it is not likely to be a shining ornament for Haitian democracy: Most of the opposition parties are boycotting the vote because of suspicions about the honesty and competence of the government's electoral commission.

The doubts are well-founded. Last summer's parliamentary elections were a logistical debacle, with widespread snafus involving voter registration, distribution of ballots and counting of votes. While the organization Human Rights Watch/Americas says it found no clear evidence of fraud, the experience did not inspire great confidence in Aristide's political opponents.

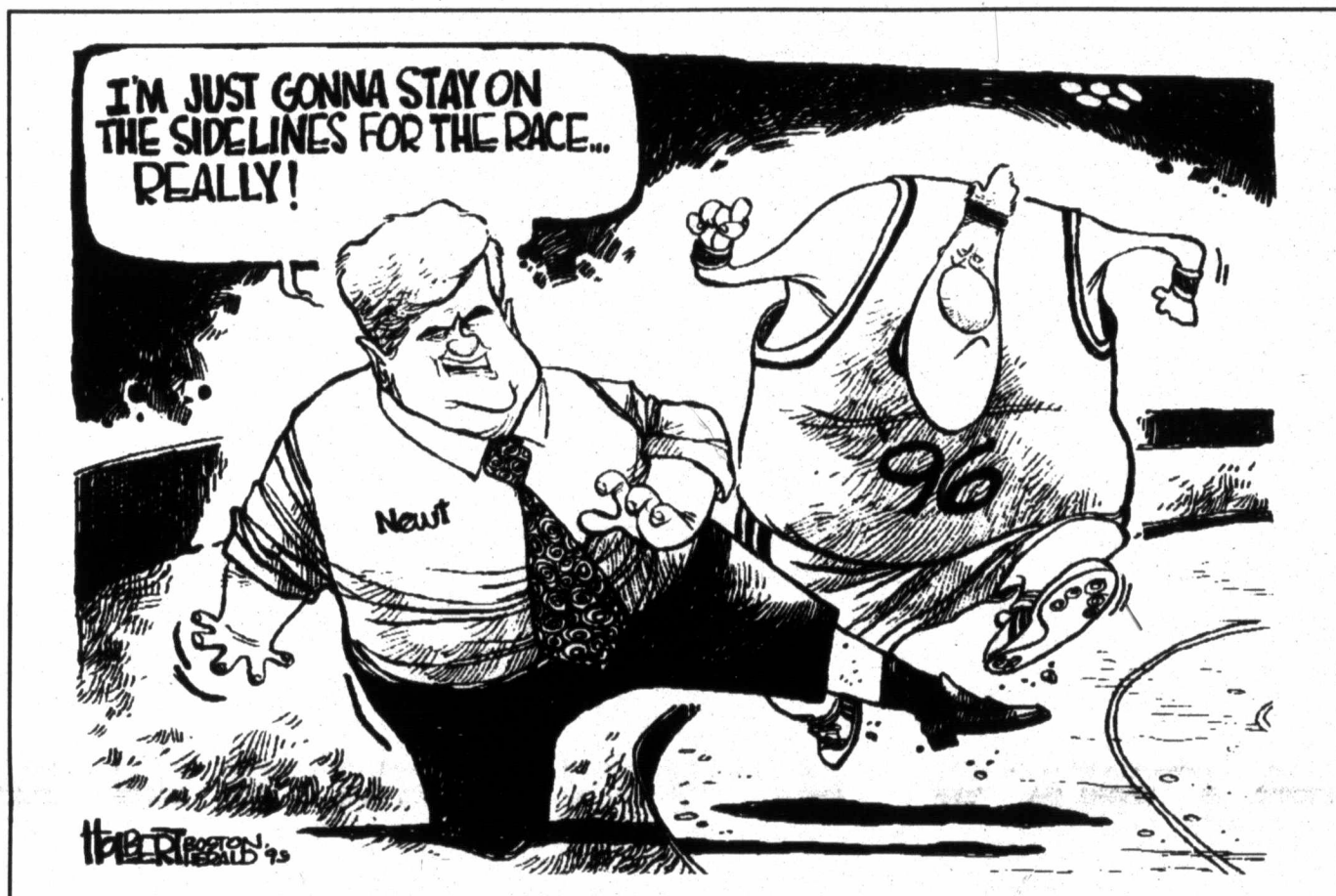
Assuming the election takes place, the probable

winner is the candidate of Aristide's party, former Prime Minister Rene Preval, who in his more militant moments has been known to make Aristide look like Little Bo Peep. He will operate with a freer hand than Aristide, since the U.S. troops are planning to make their exit as soon as the transfer of power takes place in February. So Haiti shows every prospect of falling victim to economic chaos, political violence and repressive government.

That should come as no surprise: Haiti has long been famous for such social evils. The surprise is that anyone thought we could cure them in a year and a half with a few thousand soldiers. That delusion was encouraged by President Clinton, who was not willing to stay out of Haiti but was also not willing to do anything that would actually make a real difference in Haiti.

Clinton chose to maximize American glory while minimizing American investment. His preoccupation, once the old dictatorship was removed and Aristide was restored, was to avoid U.S. casualties and get the United States out promptly. The problem, says Ted Galen Carpenter, director of foreign policy studies at the Cato Institute in Washington, is that those plans "conflict with Clinton's other goal of having a lasting, beneficial effect on Haiti. Once we leave, Haiti will look much as it has looked for most of its history."

In Bosnia, as in Haiti, the president wants to make a great difference with minimal risk and commitment, trying to pacify the Balkans on a 12-month timetable. But in Bosnia, we will have more soldiers, caught in a more dangerous environment, with more difficult objectives. We may have achieved nothing lasting in Haiti, but the price was low. Achieving nothing in Bosnia may not be so cheap.



Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Tuesday, Dec. 19, the 353rd day of 1995. There are 12 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Dec. 19, 1843, Charles Dickens' classic Yuletide tale, *A Christmas Carol*, was first published in England.

On this date:
In 1732, Benjamin Franklin began publishing Poor Richard's Almanac in Philadelphia.

In 1776, Thomas Paine published his first "American Crisis" essay, in which he wrote, "These are the times that try men's souls."

In 1777, Gen. George Washington led his army of about 11,000 men to Valley Forge, Pa., to camp for the winter.

In 1907, 239 workers died in a coal mine explosion in Jacobs Creek, Penn.

In 1932, the British Broadcasting Corp. began transmitting overseas with its Empire Service to Australia.

In 1946, war broke out in Indochina as troops under Ho Chi Minh launched widespread attacks against the French.

Stop the secularization of Christmas

Charley Reese

Christmas, believe it or not, is a Christian holiday, celebrating the birth of Christ. It is not a department store sale or merchandising promotion. It did not originate with a chamber of commerce or a mall merchants association.

Santa Claus is the name the English in New York gave to St. Nicholas, the patron saint of children and sailors, of Greece, Sicily and Russia, and of many other places and people. Traditionally he is identified with a fourth-century bishop of Myra, so says my Concise Columbia Encyclopedia.

While the above should be obvious, for some reason in the United States there has been a ruthless effort to secularize the religious holidays of Christians. Such an effort at secularization has not been directed at the religious holidays of other religions.

Nevertheless, Christmas is not a winter holiday shopping spree, and Easter is not an occasion for getting drunk on the beach or sporting a new hat. Christians ought to be more assertive in reclaiming their holidays and not passively accept their secularization.

If someone is not a Christian he is not required to celebrate these holidays, though he is certainly welcome to join in. But no one has a right to prevent Christians from celebrating their holidays or to hijack these holidays and use them for venal purposes. The forgotten part of the First

Amendment says that the government shall not prohibit the free exercise of religion.

In recent years we have seen people stand up and proclaim that they are offended by the sight of others practicing their religion and that the government should make them stop.

It is time to put this in perspective. Anyone who is offended by the sight of a fellow human being practicing his religion is a malevolent, egocentric horse's behind.

It's time to stop this practice of letting cranks, eccentrics and village idiots use the government to bully the majority. Practicing one's religion does not in the least infringe on the rights of non-believers.

While the majority must respect the rights of the minority, the minority must likewise respect the rights of the majority. No one has a right to be free from the sight of people they don't like or to be protected from the sounds of songs they don't like.

George Washington made an important observation that we would do well to remember. He said that a republican form of government requires a virtuous people. He said that no better way than religion has ever been found to instill

virtue in a population. Therefore, Washington concluded, an enemy of religion is an enemy of republican government.

At a time when the secularists are running around like decapitated chickens decrying the moral disintegration of society - drugs, crime, single mothers, venereal diseases, suicide, etc. - it is insane to try drive religion out of public view.

Even secularists ought to appreciate the contributions of Christianity to Western civilization. In the pagan world, there was no concept of respect for human life, per se, much less any concept of love and charity toward people simply because they were people.

In the pre-Christian world, morality such as it was extended no further than the tribe. No Roman thought himself cruel when he cut the throat of someone he deemed annoying, inconvenient or a threat. No Roman had a second thought about stepping over the bodies of people dying of starvation. They were of no concern to him.

Christianity introduced to the Western world the concepts of love and compassion for all people. Even the secular welfare state owes its origins to Christianity.

People who turn their backs on their traditions and their own culture are like sick animals eating and tearing their own flesh.

Let us restore Christmas to its proper status. It's about religion, not Visa and Mastercard.

I almost made it big, but I picked purple

I feel like I just won the lotto.

What I did, see, is dream up a lawsuit that's sure to bring in some big bucks. I calculated that since the "science" of public-opinion polling was invented about 60 years ago, at least a billion Americans have been polled, surveyed, focus grouped and market researched - but I have not. Not once.

This has severely lowered my self-esteem and made me feel like a nonparticipant in the democratic process. In an age when a cup of spilled coffee is the equivalent of hitting the Powerball, that's worth something, it seems to me.

Can you imagine how alienated I feel when friends and family talk about their involvement in the measurement of national attitudes? I have been extremely discommoded by this experience, and it is getting worse at the rate of, oh I would say, about \$10,000 for every day that I continue to be ignored.

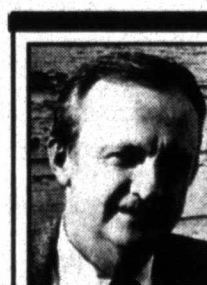
The list of public soundings from which I have been excluded is endless.

You were asked about your least favorite food. You chose liver. I would've said rice cakes, but nobody cared to ask.

You've been asked to rate Kato Kaelin's charm. You said he was kind of cute. I would've said kumquats are cute, too, and they've got the added advantage of being smarter.

You've been asked how often you have sex. You said about once a week. I would've said it's none of your damn business.

Worst of all - you cannot imagine how awful it makes a body feel to be left out of this one - you have



Joseph Spear

been asked 54.4 million times whether America has gone off on the wrong track. About two-thirds of you always say yes. I would've said track this, buddy, but that has nothing to do with the merits of my lawsuit, which is about the disgrace of being ostracized.

You have no doubt noticed that I would have disagreed with just about everything my fellow Americans said and thereby skewed the findings a bit. But that is also utterly beside the point: I have been neglected, and I want recompense.

The pain is especially acute now that we are in the political season and Gallup, Harris, Roper, the *New York Times*, CBS, the *Washington Post*, ABC, the *Wall Street Journal*, NBC, AP, the *Los Angeles Times*, CNN, and that daily compendium of pie charts, *USA Today*, are pummeling anything that moves with questions.

Of course, 99% of the results are meaningless. We all know how Gallup picked Dewey and Truman won. We all know how Coke thought we wanted New and we really wanted Classic. On Nov. 20, *Time*

magazine published a five-page poll story showing Clinton winning over Robert Dole. Two weeks later, *Time* pointed out that only once since 1971 has a major poll conducted the fall before the election correctly predicted a race between an incumbent and his most prominent opponent at the time.

I have to digress at this point and say that I am not terribly impressed with the general public's knowledge of things political. A cable television channel recently asked you to name two presidential candidates other than Bill Clinton, and almost three-quarters of you couldn't do it. My own survey also reveals that many of you think N.L. Gingrich is an automobile tire, but that's neither here nor there either.

So what if polls are stupid, misleading and a waste of time. So what if pollsters are a tad dense. I repeat: These points are not germane to my case, which has to do with ...

Wait a minute. My wife just reminded me that I was in a shopping mall a few months ago and somebody rushed up with a bowl of blue, purple and pink m&ms and said one of them would replace the old tan m&ms and asked which one did I like.

I tried several handfuls - merely in the interest of getting a valid sample, you understand - and made my selection.

Bummer. There goes my lawsuit. Double bummer. I can't even console myself with the chocolate drop of my choice, because most people voted for blue.

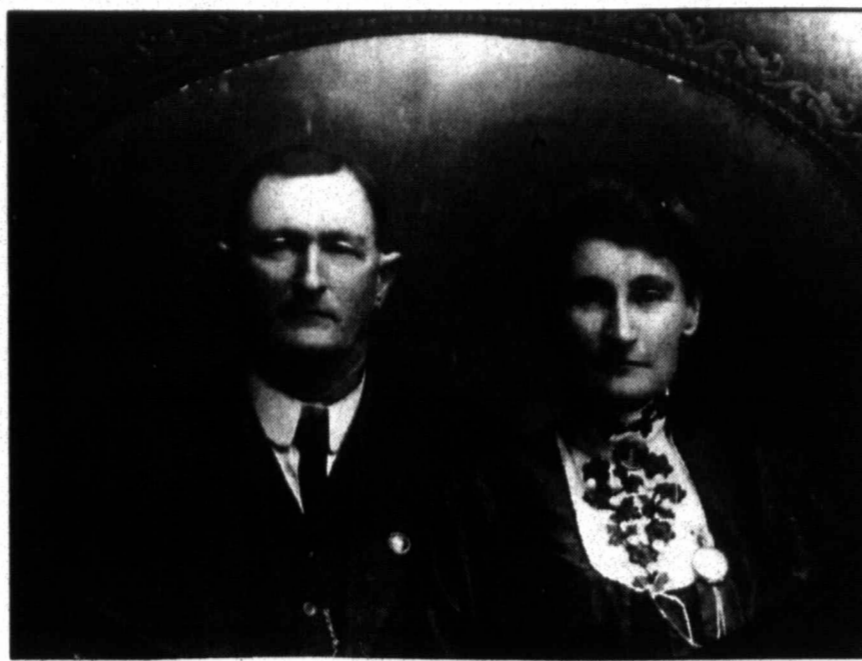
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Lovett family: Early pioneers in Gray County

Henry Bell Lovett, son of Eli and Mary E. Bell Lovett, was born near Dallas Sept. 21, 1858. In 1876, he came to the Panhandle to hunt buffalo. Since most of the buffalo had been slaughtered, he spent the winter cutting cordwood for the soldiers at Fort Elliott. In the spring, he went to his family in Weatherford to try to persuade them to come to the Panhandle. His family was not interested, so he left by way of Fort Griffin for his last buffalo hunt, advancing from skinner to shooter.



Featured in top left photo is Mattabel Lovett; top right photo: Henry and Fannie Lovett; bottom photo: Fannie Lovett, Bill Brooks, Mattabel Lovett and Henry Lovett posing in front of the house on Grapevine Creek. Photos courtesy of White Deer Land Museum.

The hides were taken on wagons drawn by ox teams to market at Fort Griffin. Henry was left alone for 21 days to guard the hides while his boss was away marketing the hides.

Henry came again to the Panhandle and worked for several ranches: the JA, Franklyn Land and Cattle Company, the Long O and the LX. He made an early venture into ranching for himself starting with 33 head of cattle which he later lost during a hard winter. In 1883, he registered the brand S in Wheeler County.

In 1885, Henry returned once more to Weatherford where he married Mrs. Fannie Long on Sept. 2, 1885. Fannie, born Feb. 8, 1865, was the youngest of twelve children of James Alvin and Elizabeth Hall Hopkins. At the age of thirteen, she had married attorney Sam Long who died three years after their marriage.

In the fall of 1886, Henry left Weatherford with teams and wagons to return to the Panhandle. In November, Fannie traveled by train from Fort Worth to Vernon, a tent town which was as far as the railroad was graded. Henry was waiting to meet her, but they had to wait three days for their household goods to arrive. When the goods came, they were loaded onto two covered wagons. With Henry driving one wagon and Fannie driving the other, they followed the stage route making only fifteen or twenty miles a day. They camped on the trail wherever they happened to be when night came.

Instead of following the stage route on to Clarendon, they came by the Rowe ranch to George

Owen's camp on McClellan Creek. The ground was covered with eighteen inches of snow.

After resting for a week at Owen's camp, the Lovetts continued the long, tiring three-hundred mile journey to Mobeetie, then the capital of the entire Panhandle. Henry worked as a cowhand for several months while Fannie stayed with the family of H.B. Spiller, a surveyor. The Lovetts' only child, a daughter named Mattabel, was born Feb. 18, 1887.

The Lovetts spent the summer at Eldridge, a stage stand and post office several miles north of present-day Alanreed. In November, Henry purchased a half section of land on Grapevine Creek. Using a rod bottom walking-plow, he broke out the first farm on Block B-2. He worked twenty acres and planted

Indian corn, kaffir corn and sorghum.

The Lovett's home on Grapevine Creek was a dugout, ten by twenty feet. Roofed with willow boughs covered with bear grass and two feet of dirt, the dwelling was rain-proof. Because of inadequate space inside the dugout, most of the furniture and belongings remained outside covered with a wagon "tarp."

The furnishings inside the dugout included a table, chairs, a bed and a box for dishes. The floors and walls were of dirt, though later the walls were covered with gunny sacks and papered with old newspapers.

The large open fireplace used for cooking and heating was dug back into the dirt wall. A granite coffee pot, skillet with lid and an iron pot were suspended by wires attached

to half a wagon tire bent to fit over the fireplace. There was an abundance of "prairie coal" (cow chips) to use for fuel.

The buffalo bones that lay bleaching on the prairie were an important source of income for the early settlers, usually selling for about seven dollars a ton. In 1888, the Lovetts gathered a wagon load of bones which Henry took to Panhandle to sell. To Fannie's surprise and great delight, he returned with a beautiful black cook stove.

While adding to his own herd, it was necessary for Henry to work on ranches while Fannie remained at the dugout with Mattabel. Often she put Mattabel in front of her on the saddle while she rode over the ranch to keep coyotes and lobo See MUSEUM, Page 10

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Nixon family calls movie 'character assassination'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two days before the release of Oliver Stone's film *Nixon*, the former president's family angrily criticized it as a maliciously designed "character assassination."

The statement was released Monday night by the Richard Nixon Library and Birthplace in Yorba Linda, Calif., on behalf of Nixon's daughters, Tricia Nixon Cox and Julie Nixon Eisenhower, and their husbands.

Though the family hasn't seen the movie, the objections were based on a reading of a published screenplay.

Family members accused Stone of waiting until Nixon and his wife, Pat, were dead to make his film "expressly to prevent their asserting their rights under the law."

The plan, according to government documents, was to arm residents in several Cuban cities "to provoke an armed rebellion of the people."

Police discover children living alone in squalor

CHICAGO (AP) — In a horrifying double discovery, police stumbled upon two households crammed with children living alone amid buckets of human waste and rancid trash, without food or running water.

In one apartment Monday, police found eight children, ages 10 months to 15 years, in a filthy apartment with no heat, a toilet that didn't work and grimy clothes piled high over garbage. The refrigerator was locked and they had apparently been left alone all weekend.

A few hours later and less than a mile away, police trailing a teenage drug suspect back to a burned-out abandoned building made an equally shocking find: three young children and two teenagers amid rancid trash, buckets of urine and feces and a pile of used toilet paper several feet high. Cold wind whistled through holes in the walls.

"They had jury-rigged electricity, no running water and only two kerosene space heaters," said police Lt. Fred Bosse.

Theresa Olmetti, 34, the mother of the teens, and Tasha Cross, 18, the mother of the young children, were charged with child endangerment and remained jailed today.

Three men arrested in plot to invade Cuba

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Three suspected members of a paramilitary group have been charged with plotting to invade Cuba and overthrow the regime of Fidel Castro.

The trio was arrested after an office building and a warehouse owned by one of the men turned up an invasion plan and a cache of weapons including 18 AK-47 assault rifles and 14,000 rounds of ammunition, the FBI said Monday.

Also seized were grenades, a book on mine warfare, about 40 gas masks, body armor, night vision goggles, bayonets and survival kits, the FBI said.

Attorney suspect in bank robbery

UNIVERSITY PARK, Texas (AP) — A prestigious downtown Dallas law firm will stand by one of its attorneys accused of bank robbery, one of its partners said.

Joseph Edward Chavis, 30, a labor attorney, was released on \$5,000 bond following his arrest for the Monday morning robbery of a Bank United branch in University Park.

Police said some of the cash stolen from the bank was found under a water fountain on the 48th floor of Renaissance Tower in downtown

Dallas. The firm that employs Chavis has its offices on that floor.

Witnesses say a man walked into the Bank United branch in University Park about 9:15 a.m., announced he had a weapon and demanded money. He was given an unknown amount of cash and left on foot, police said.

Authorities said they have a videotape of the robbery, captured by a security camera. The robber didn't wear a mask, police said.

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Winter Celebrations Are Meant To Last More Than One Day

DEAR ABBY: I just read a letter in your column from a young woman who wanted to please all her relatives when it came to holiday visits with her young daughter.

Abby, most people try to cram so much into Christmas Day there is not enough time or energy to do everything they might want to.

I tell my friends that Christmas is not a single one-day event. The ancient Romans had their equivalent of Christmas every December, and the festivities went on for days. For thousands of years, Jews have celebrated Hanukkah — the Festival of Lights — for eight days; and for millions of Christians, the ancient celebration was the Twelve Days of Christmas, between Dec. 25 and Jan. 6. Even Kwanzaa, the African holiday, is a multi-day event.

If you don't get everything done by Dec. 25, so what? You have 12 days at least to exchange gifts, see relatives, do charity work, have dinners, take walks on the beach or in the woods with people you love, and to rest.

Abby, please spread the word. It might save some frayed nerves; it might even save a few lives.

PATRICK PORTER, FERNDALE, CALIF.

DEAR PATRICK: Consider the word spread. Thank you for what can be a valuable holiday gift for millions of readers.

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to a letter signed "Defensive Driver



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

in International Falls, Minn." The writer said he had wanted to see if other drivers would write in about having a cigarette butt hit their windshield and doubted it had happened.

Abby, I had a new pickup truck destroyed by fire when a lit cigarette butt was thrown from a passing car and landed in the back of my truck. The truck was loaded with furniture because we were moving. The driver and passenger barely escaped before the truck was fully engulfed in flames!

Another time, a lit cigarette was thrown from the car in front of me and landed in my back seat! Luckily, I smelt it burning the upholstery and was able to stop the car and put it out before it did further damage.

I am constantly seeing careless smokers throw butts from their cars. Not only is this an extremely dangerous practice, it litters the countryside.

Cars are supplied with ashtrays,

so it is not necessary to throw butts out the window. I am not a hate monger, as "Defensive" suggested, but I am very concerned that someone could be killed by another's carelessness. I want only to alert others to this danger and perhaps save a life.

DR. CHARLES F. DOWNEN, MERRITT ISLAND, FLA.

DEAR DR. DOWNEN: Thank you for a letter that is well worth space in this column. For those who think Dr. Downen's experiences are unique, I offer one of many other letters from readers whose safety was threatened by carelessly tossed cigarettes:

DEAR ABBY: "Defensive Driver in International Falls, Minn." should have added "and paranoid"! He refuses to believe that lit cigarette butts actually hit the windshields of other cars. It has happened to me numerous times.

Once, a thoughtless smoker flung her cigarette out of her car window. It flew right into my car, landed on my leg and burned me!

Ashtrays are put in cars for a reason, and littering is against the law. It is unfortunate that so many smokers don't understand that.

I am not a "hate monger," as "Defensive" would label me. I'm just an ordinary person who is appalled at such carelessness and disregard for the safety of others. You may use my name.

KIMBERLY CARTER, MESA, ARIZ.

Horoscope



Your Birthday

Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1995
Conditions might take unexpected twists and turns in the year ahead. Several endeavors that have yielded little or nothing in the past could begin to produce profit.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You are now in a brief cycle that offers outstanding material prospects. Devote your efforts and attention to ventures that could increase your resources.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Projects of interest to you can be substantially advanced today if you use methods that worked successfully for you recently.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Instead of condemning change and fighting against it, try to go with the flow today. Even

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Luck will favor you at this time in enterprises you personally create or direct. Do not delegate assignments that you can manage better than a surrogate.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Try to remain hopeful regarding the outcome of events today because rewards may await you at the end of the rainbow.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) New projects or enterprises will have better chances for success today than some of your older ones. Associates will be more receptive to fresh ideas.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Some unexpected and advantageous shifts might develop for you today. Someone with your interests in mind may pull the appropriate lever.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your current projects may be far more significant than you realize. You will be in an excellent cycle for reaping larger than usual rewards for work well done.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) This will be a good day to conclude a matter you've been negotiating. Use strength as a bargaining tool and do not deviate from your established terms.

imposed changes could ultimately be beneficial.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Make an effort to develop stronger bonds with people who share a mutual interest today. Good things could happen if the union is secure.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Interesting things could develop for you in regard to your work or career. Larger steps than usual can now be made in advancing your self-interest.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If Cupid has ignored you lately, do not become dismayed. He might present several interesting suitors today.

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"Deck the halls with balls of jelly..."



"Have you forgotten who makes the Christmas cookies around here?"

The Family Circus



Marmaduke



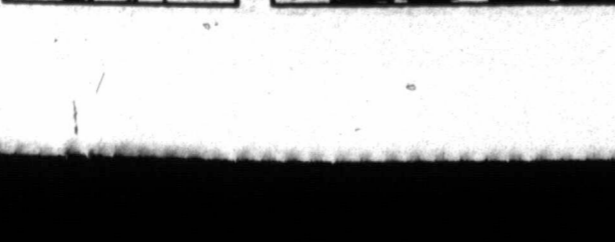
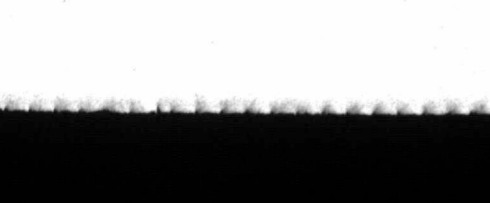
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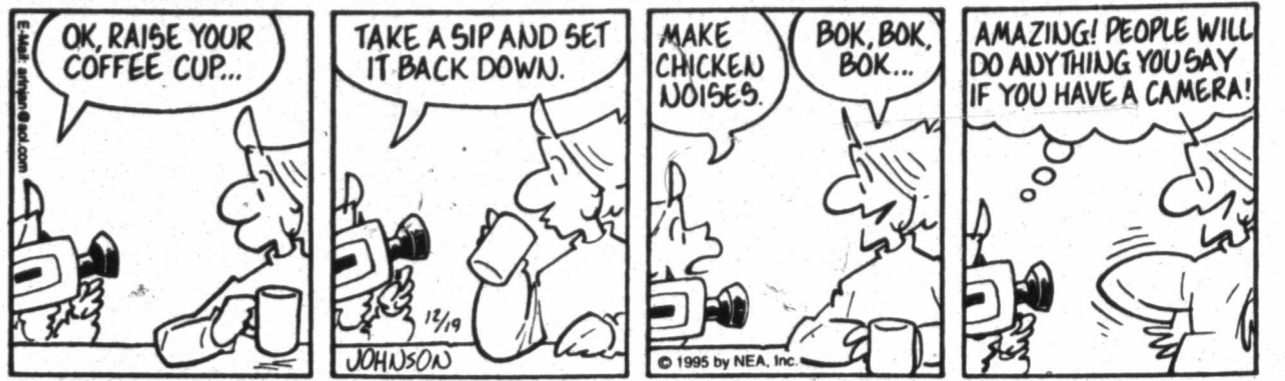
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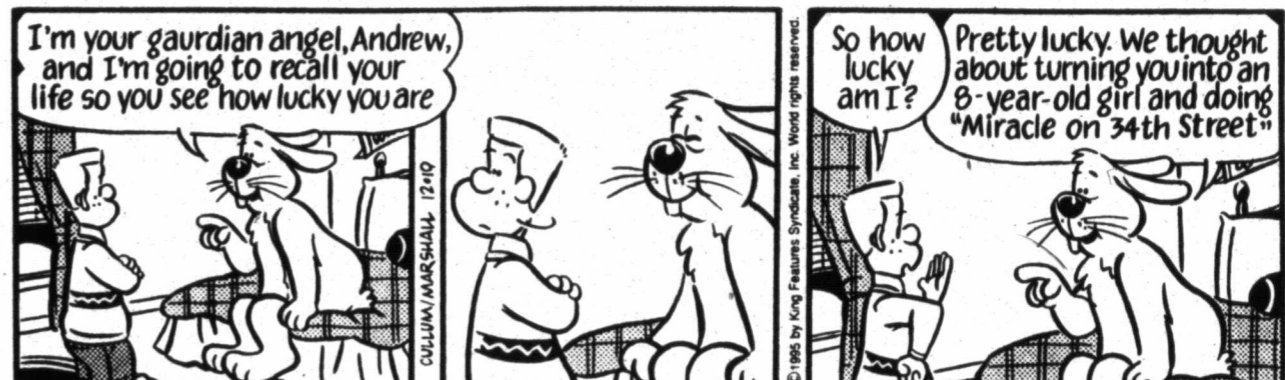
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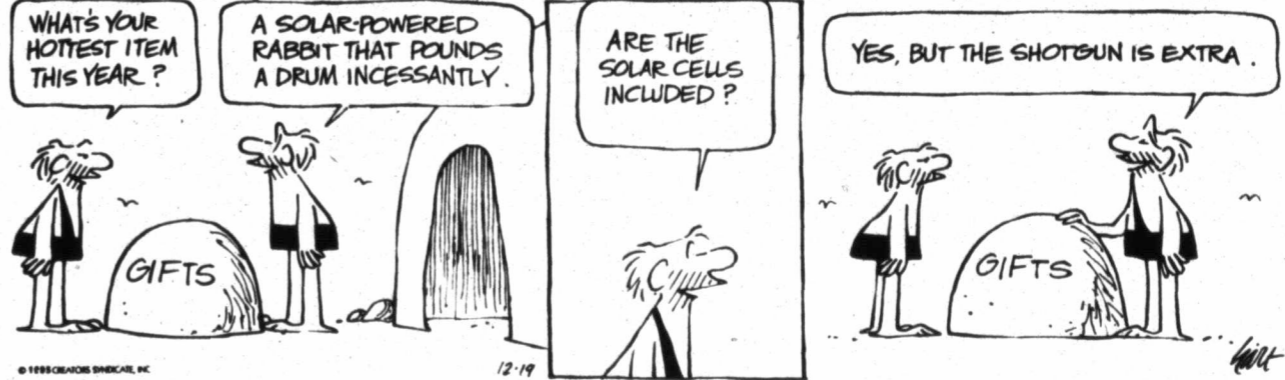
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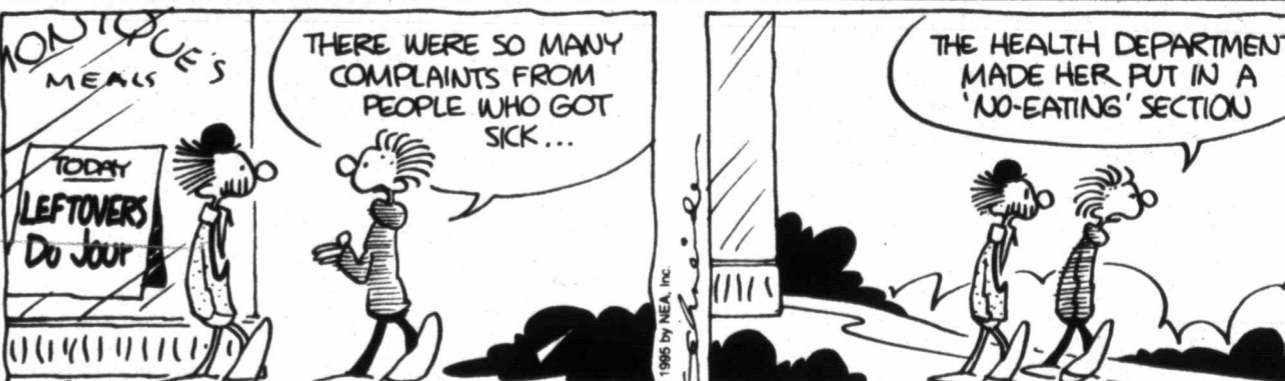
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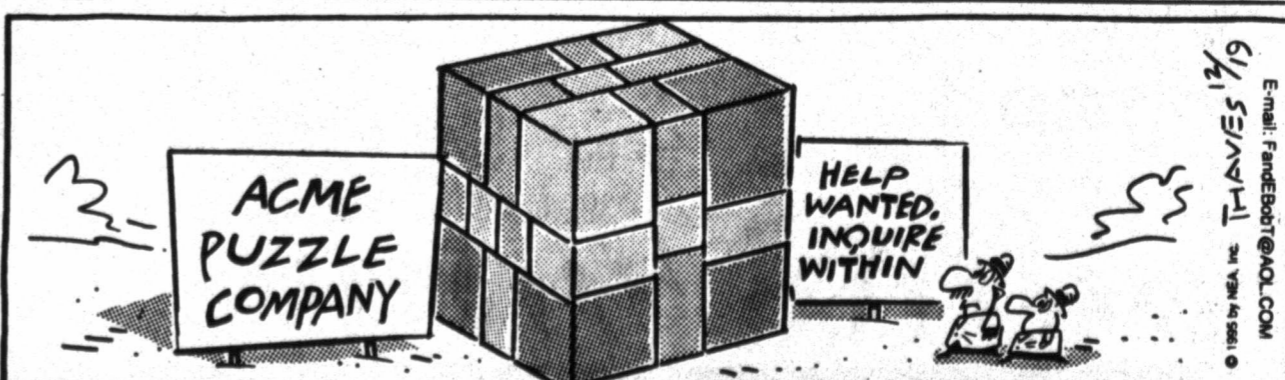
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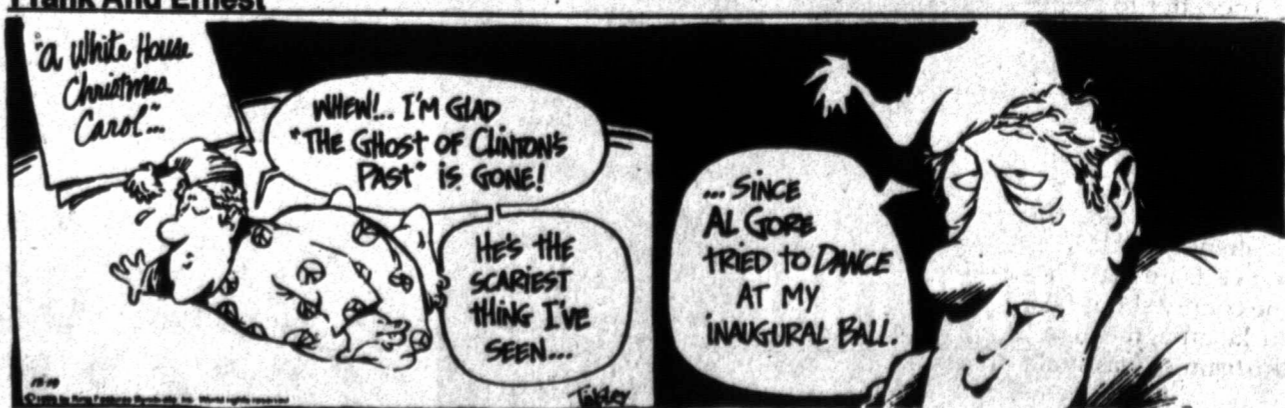
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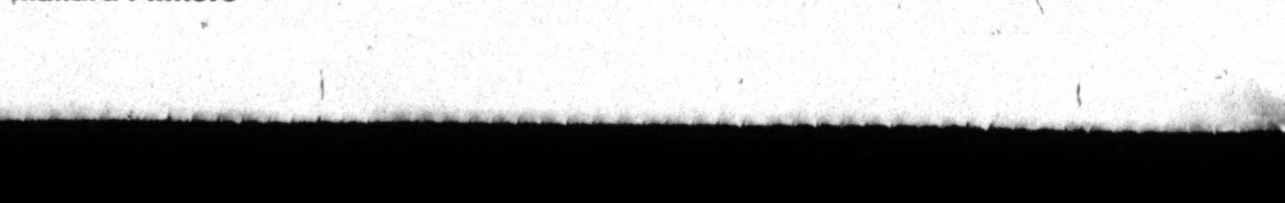
The Born Loser



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Sports

Notebook

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — West Texas A&M basketball player Cederick Wilbon of Pampa was one of 19 athletes honored by the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Sports Committee for their athletic achievements in November.

Wilbon, a senior, averaged 17.7 points, 2.5 rebounds and 3.5 assists for the Buffaloes in November.

Wilbon, an all-state player for the Harvesters, graduated from PHS in 1992.

RODEO

COLORADO SPRINGS—The Andrews Rodeo Co.'s bull Dodge Bodacious, a two-time top stock of the year award winner, made his final appearance in the rodeo arena at the National Finals Rodeo when he was officially retired.

Bodacious' owner Sammy Andrews said Scott Breeding's injury Dec. 8 led to his decision to take the bull home to his bucking bull breeding program. In the eighth round at the NFR, Breeding, who was wearing a mask similar to a baseball catcher's, was knocked cold when he butted heads with Bodacious. Despite wearing the mask, Breeding suffered a concussion and facial lacerations and decided not to compete in the 10th round.

In October, three-time world bull riding champion Tuff Hedeman under went more than six hours of facial reconstructive surgery after suffering a similar injury from Bodacious.

Hedeman drew Bodacious for the seventh round of the NFR. However, he elected to dismount the bull as it left the chute. If Hedeman would have elected not to get on the bull at all, he would have forfeited his right to compete in the eighth round as well.

"I think what it boils down to is that I believe that he is the most dangerous bull I've ever seen in rodeo," Hedeman said. "I've watched the tape (of the accident) several times and I was, in my mind, in perfect shape and he did something that bulls are not supposed to be able to do. He came straight up with his head back and crushed my face. Physically, I probably wasn't even supposed to be here in the first place."

FOOTBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — City and county officials say it appears too late to keep the Houston Oilers, but they're making peace overtures anyway.

A letter was sent Monday to Oilers owner Bud Adams, reportedly in an effort to end animosity with Adams, asking that the club negotiate before it finalizes a deal to move to Nashville, Tenn., the Houston Chronicle reported today.

Officials said they hope that developing a new dialogue with Adams will help the city get another National Football League franchise. Adams chairs the league's Finance Committee, which plays a major role in which cities get teams.

The letter to Adams' attorney came at the same time that city and county officials filed motions aimed at keeping the Oilers in Houston through 1997.

"I'm trying to strike a balance between asserting our rights on the one hand and recognizing the likelihood the Oilers will move to Nashville," Mayor Bob Lanier said.

"I want to move this off any personal problems, so we stop painting Mr. Adams as a bad person," Lanier said.

The letter to Adams' attorney says city and county officials believe that the Oilers must begin candid negotiations with them.

Under a consent decree approved by U.S. District Judge Lynn N. Hughes in September, the Oilers agreed to negotiate with the city and the county should they fail to strike an agreement to move the team to Nashville.

Schnellenberger leaving OU after one year

By OWEN CANFIELD
AP Sports Writer

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — When he introduced Howard Schnellenberger as Oklahoma's football coach, athletic director Donnie Duncan called him a "builder of programs."

Today the builder is looking for another program.

Schnellenberger announced his resignation Monday, one year and two days after being hired. He said he made the decision after recently evaluating the program with Duncan.

"I felt we made significant progress on many fronts, both on and off the field, that will serve this program for many years to come," Schnellenberger said.

"But in recent months a climate has developed toward the program, understandably in some cases and perhaps unfairly in oth-

ers, that has changed my outlook on the situation. A change could help improve that climate."

The Sooners were just 5-5-1 during Schnellenberger's only season, during which they played poorly on the field and groused off the field.

"Overall my decision is simply based on a realistic evaluation of the situation, what needs to be done at OU and what is best for our family at this point," he said.

The announcement came two days after a newspaper reported that Schnellenberger often exceeded the NCAA's time limits for practices. The coach and Duncan both said that report had nothing to do with the decision.

University president David Boren said the resignation was voluntary, and that neither he, Duncan nor the school regents made an issue of the poor season.

The handling of the announce-

ment was rather unusual. There was no news conference. Instead, the news came via a statement issued by the sports information office.

Duncan wasn't even on campus for the announcement. Schnellenberger didn't make himself available for comment, but did issue a brief, videotaped statement in which he essentially repeated everything that was on the written statement.

Duncan, reached late Monday, said a search committee would be formed soon and that he hoped to have a new coach named by the first week of January. He would not comment further on the resignation.

"It's a personnel matter and it's a resignation and the only person who can really comment on that is Howard," he said.

Schnellenberger, 61, was hired Dec. 16, 1994, signing a five-year

deal with a base salary of \$125,000. The total package, including revenue from television shows and other perks, was reported to be worth close to \$500,000 annually.

The new coach's outgoing personality was a welcome change from his predecessor, Gary Gibbs, and Schnellenberger's promise to turn things around helped revive fan interest in the team.

Interest heightened when the Sooners won their first three games and reached No. 10 in the Associated Press poll. But then they lost to Colorado by 21, starting what would be a run of disappointing showings in big games.

After having to rally to beat Iowa State, the Sooners lost by 21 at home, to Kansas and by 39 to Kansas State.

The lowest point was a 12-0 loss to Oklahoma State, the Sooners' first loss to their in-state rival since 1976. After the game, a player and

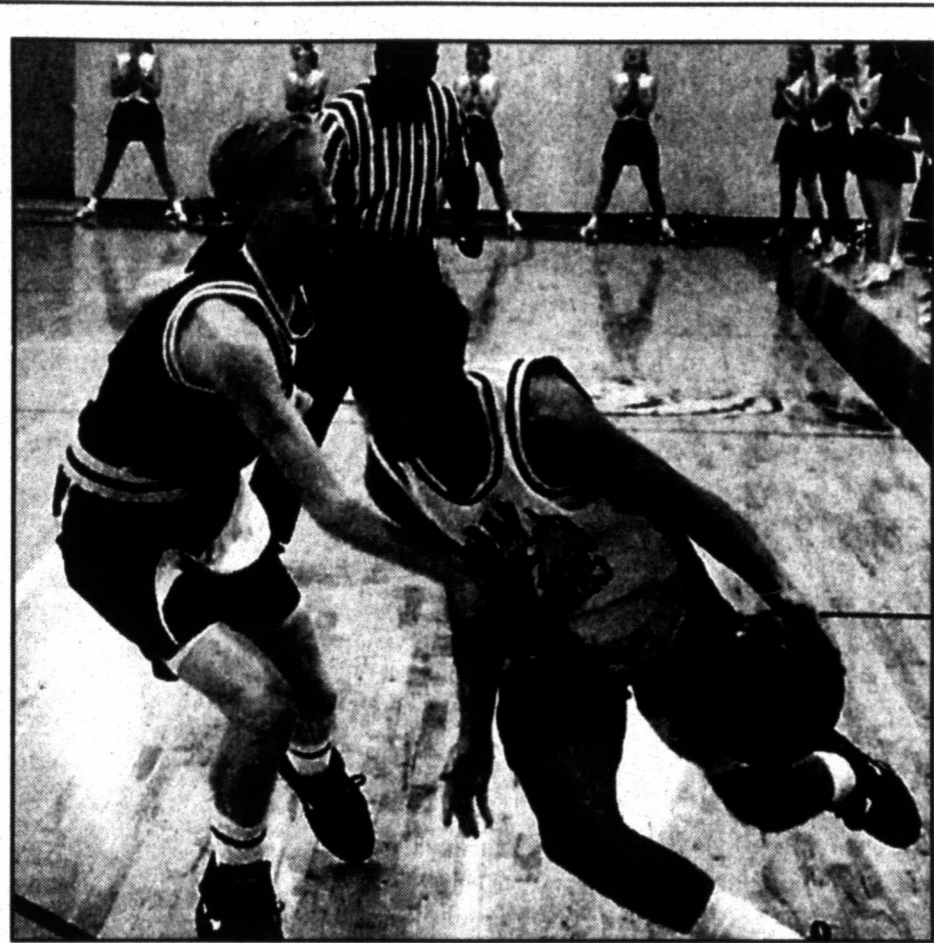
an assistant coach got into a shouting and shoving match.

The Sooners' only two victories after their 3-0 start came against Iowa State and Missouri, two of the weakest teams in the Big Eight. During the season, the Sooners had seven punts blocked or in some way botched.

The highlight of the year may have been the only game Oklahoma didn't win or lose — a 24-24 tie with Texas, when the Sooners rallied from a 21-0 first-quarter deficit.

The Sooners set a team record for penalties. The offense became less productive each week during the final two months, and the problems with the special teams were almost comical.

"I thought we would do better this year," Schnellenberger acknowledged when the record fell to 5-3-1. "I sure thought we would do better this year."



(Pampa News photo)

Pampa junior August Larson guards an Amarillo High player during last Friday night's 64-55 Harvester win. Pampa is entered in the Lions Club Tournament Dec. 28-30 in Fort Worth.

Harvesters take 11-2 record into Lions Club Tournament Dec. 28-30

PAMPA — After a solid 64-55 win over Amarillo High last Friday night, the Pampa Harvesters take an outstanding 11-2 record into the Lions Club Tournament, which starts Dec. 28 in Fort Worth.

"Our guys are starting to come together more and that shows up in our defense," said Pampa head coach Robert Hale. "Amarillo High has one of the better clubs in the Amarillo area and we played some tremendous defense against them."

Pampa jumped out to a 14-7 first-quarter lead and held AHS to only three points (a 3-point goal) in the first six minutes of the contest.

Senior guard Rayford Young led Pampa's scoring assault with 24 points.

Young has now scored 20 points or better in 11 of Pampa's 13 games. Senior center Rayford Young added 15 points and 7 rebounds.

"I thought this was one of Coy's better games this season. Defensively, Devin Lemons, Gabe Wilbon, J.J. Mathis, Jason Weatherbee, August Larson, Rayford Young and Lynn Brown all looked good," Hale said. "Our defense did a good job on their guards."

Pampa meets Granbury at 9 p.m. Dec. 28 in the first round.

Pampa finished fourth in last year's tournament, but won the championship two years in a row in 1991 and 1992.

"This is always an outstanding tournament with a lot of good teams in it," Hale said.

District 1-4A play begins when the Harvesters return from Fort Worth.

"We've got Randall and Canyon back to back and they're both big games for us," Hale said.

The Harvesters have won seven consecutive district titles and they're favored to make it eight. Winning all those district trophies, however, has never been an easy task, according to Hale.

"The teams seem to get tougher as the years go by, but you just can't hardly be in this league and not get better," he said.

Pampa's district opener is Jan. 2 at Randall. Canyon comes to Pampa for a Jan. 5 game.

Rice has key receptions as 49ers hold off Vikings, 37-30

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — There was no stopping Jerry Rice, and that means there was no stopping the San Francisco 49ers.

Rice had three touchdown catches to help the 49ers to a big early lead. Down the stretch, with the score tied, he made the several more receptions to set up go-ahead scores.

When it was over, Rice had the fifth-highest yardage total by a receiver in NFL history with a career-high 289 yards on 14 receptions, and the 49ers came away

with a 37-30 victory over the Minnesota Vikings on Monday night.

"Thank God he's on our side," San Francisco safety Tim McDonald said. "He can't be human. I would hate to be the team that has to watch the game film."

Well, he did did show some human qualities when he fumbled after making a second-quarter catch, one of four turnovers by the 49ers. But Rice more than made up for it with one important catch

after another from Steve Young, who threw for 425 yards.

"You know, when he fumbled the ball, his determination to come back impressed me," Minnesota receiver Qadry Ismail said. "Adversity hit him and he just came back. The man just came right back. The only person who can take Jerry out of the game is Jerry."

The win was the 49ers' sixth straight and gave them a first-round playoff bye. San Francisco could sew up home-field advan-

tage with a victory at Atlanta in the regular-season finale. The 49ers had a bye and home-field advantage during last year's Super Bowl run.

"The main thing is to keep our team on track for the playoffs," Rice said. "When we had the momentum and they came back, I knew I had to make some plays, and I went out and made them."

Rice increased his reception total for the year to 110, making him the first player with three 100-catch seasons.

He overtook Herman Moore of

Detroit to set an NFL record for most receiving yards in a season. Going into the last game, Rice has 1,695 yards and Moore 1,581.

"The guy's fantastic," said Minnesota coach Dennis Green, a former 49ers assistant who coached Rice. "He's had a lot of great games, and today was one of them."

"He made a lot of crucial plays down the stretch on third downs. I know his yardage was his best and that's from his ability to stay up when he gets hit"

Eight of nine champs determined in NFR's final round

PRO RODEO

and set a bareback riding season earnings record with \$156,733. The previous record of \$128,740 was set by Deb Greenough in 1993. Garrett, who also won championships in 1988, '89 and '94, bested 1991 world champion bareback rider Clint Corey by almost \$35,000.

Garrett finished the regular season leading the Crown Royal world bareback riding standings with \$94,173. But after Corey won the third NFR round and \$11,305, Garrett fell to second in the world standings. After the eighth round, Garrett was back in the lead again. He finished third in that round and in the ninth round, adding \$12,038 to his NFR earnings.

Going into the final bull riding round, at least five cowboys had a shot at claiming the gold buckle. Terry West did his best to improve on his second-place position in the standings by winning the round with an 89-point ride aboard Growney Bros. Rodeo's Dodge Ram Tough, earning \$11,035. But standings leader Jerome Davis of Archdale, N.C., scored 84 points to finish third in the round, clinching the average victory and the world title. Davis, who finished the regular season in the lead, rode nine of 10 bulls to earn \$72,732 at the NFR, just \$2,000 shy of the bull

riding NFR earnings mark. Davis finished the year with \$135,280, just \$3,000 ahead of West.

In steer wrestling, Ote Berry of Checotah, Okla., captured the title by more than \$17,000. Berry was out of competition for most of the 1994 season due to a back injury. Berry, who came back this year as strong as ever, finished the regular season ranked third in the Crown Royal world steer wrestling standings with \$59,269. He turfed his 10th round steer in 3.8 seconds, earning \$12,670. Of his 10 NFR qualifications, he has won the 10th round seven times. Berry earned \$117,987 this year - \$58,729 at the NFR and also eclipsed his own four-year-old record of \$116,674 for season earnings in steer wrestling.

After two rounds, Berry was leading the average with 10.1 seconds on two head, which moved him up to the lead on the Crown Royal world steer wrestling standings. He remained in the top two spots in the world standings throughout the NFR.

Rooster Reynolds of Twin Bridges, Mont., competing in his first NFR, not only finished third in the world with \$99,382, but also won the average with 64.3 seconds on 10 runs.

Fred Whitfield, the 1991 world champion calf roper from

Hockley, took the title again this year with \$146,760. Whitfield, who finished the regular season in the lead, won the first round, roping his calf in 7.6 seconds to earn \$12,670. He earned \$6,335 in the second round for a third place finish. Another hefty check came in the ninth round, when Whitfield tied for first with Marty Becker of Manyberries, Alberta, with his 9.4-second run. Each earned \$11,086.

Former world champion team ropers Bobby Hurley of Ceres, Calif., and Allen Bach of Toltec, Ariz., each earned \$36,467 at the NFR, capturing the header and heeler team roping championships with \$81,658 in year-end earnings. Hurley and Bach won four of 10 NFR rounds and placed third in another.

Despite Sherry Potter-Cervi's \$40,000 lead coming into the NFR, 1994 world champion barrel racer Kristie Peterson of Elbert, Colo., still managed to come within about \$8,000 of the world champion. Peterson won the barrel racing average for the second straight year, this year by more than three seconds. But Potter-Cervi of Marana, Ariz., earned \$157,172 this year to win her first world championship. Her season total surpassed 10-time world barrel racing champion Charmayne (James) Rodman's 1986 mark of \$151,969.

Scoreboard

Cowboys' defense having trouble stopping the run

FOOTBALL

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At A Glance

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Buffalo	10	5	0.667	333	307
Indianapolis	8	7	0.533	321	309
Miami	8	7	0.533	357	310
New England	6	9	0.400	287	367
N.Y. Jets	3	12	0.200	233	372

Central

x-Pittsburgh	11	4	0.733	388	303
Cincinnati	6	9	0.400	322	350
Houston	6	9	0.400	320	307
Cleveland	5	10	0.333	268	332
Jacksonville	3	12	0.200	251	383

West

x-Kansas City	12	3	0.800	332	238
Oakland	8	7	0.533	320	301
San Diego	8	7	0.533	294	306
Seattle	8	7	0.533	360	340
Denver	7	8	0.467	357	317

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Dallas	11	4	0.733	398	278
y-Philadelphia	10	5	0.667	304	318
N.Y. Giants	5	10	0.333	273	313
Washington	5	10	0.333	306	342
Arizona	4	11	0.267	262	385

Central

y-Green Bay	10	5	0.667	380	295
Detroit	9	6	0.600	399	326
Chicago	8	7	0.533	372	346
Minnesota	8	7	0.533	388	358
Tampa Bay	7	8	0.467	228	298

West

x-S.F. Francisco	11	4	0.733	430	230
Atlanta	8	7	0.533	334	322
St. Louis	7	8	0.467	287	377
Carolina	7	8	0.467	272	305
New Orleans	6	9	0.400	307	348

x-clinched division title; y-clinched playoff berth.

Saturday's Games

Pittsburgh 41, New England 27
Green Bay 34, New Orleans 23

Sunday's Games

Detroit 44, Jacksonville 0
Buffalo 23, Miami 20
Cleveland 26, Cincinnati 10
Houston 23, New York Jets 6
Carolina 21, Atlanta 17
Philadelphia 21, Arizona 20
Chicago 31, Tampa Bay 10
Washington 35, St. Louis 23
Kansas City 20, Denver 17
San Diego 27, Indianapolis 24
Dallas 21, New York Giants 20
Seattle 44, Oakland 10

Monday's Game

San Francisco 37, Minnesota 30

Saturday, Dec. 23

San Diego at New York Giants, 12:30 p.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 4 p.m.
New England at Indianapolis, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 24

Pittsburgh at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Houston at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
San Francisco at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago, 1 p.m.
New Orleans at New York Jets, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Washington, 4 p.m.
Denver at Oakland, 4 p.m.
Miami at St. Louis, 4 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 25

Dallas at Arizona, 9 p.m.
End Regular Season

Iowa St. 76, Mo.-St. Louis 63
Kansas 103, Pittsburg St. 48
Kansas St. 69, Morgan St. 60
Michigan 84, Cleveland St. 55
Missouri 81, Austin Peay 58
N. Iowa 82, Loyola, Ill. 72
N.C. Charlotte 81, S. Illinois 73
Nebraska 94, NE Louisiana 76
Santa Clara 80, Illinois St. 78
St. Louis 65, Sam Houston St. 48

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Oklahoma 77, Texas Southern 67
Oklahoma St. 68, Michigan St. 57
Texas Tech 89, Old Dominion 84
Texas-El Paso 76, Jacksonville St. 53

FAR WEST

Charleston Southern 63, UNLV 55
UCLA 109, Stephen F. Austin 88
Utah St. 98, Chaminade 52

NBA standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	18	6	7.50
New York	17	6	7.39 1/2
Miami	12	9	5.71 4 1/2
Washington	11	10	5.24 5 1/2
Boston	11	11	5.00 6
New Jersey	9	12	4.29 7 1/2
Philadelphia	4	17	1.90 12 1/2

Central Division

Chicago	20	2	9.09
Indiana	11	10	5.24 8 1/2
Cleveland	11	11	5.00 9
Atlanta	11	12	4.78 9 1/2
Charlotte	11	13	4.58 10
Detroit	9	13	4.09 11
Milwaukee	7	13	3.50 12 1/2
Toronto	8	17	3.20 13 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	17	6	7.39
Utah	16	7	6.96 1
San Antonio	13	7	6.50 2 1/2
Denver	10	12	4.55 6 1/2
Dallas	7	14	3.33 9
Minnesota	6	14	3.00 9 1/2
Vancouver	3	21	1.25 14 1/2

Pacific Division

Seattle	15	7	6.82
Sacramento	15	7	6.82
L.A. Lakers	12	12	5.00 4
Portland	11	11	5.00 4
Phoenix	9	11	4.50 5
Golden State	8	14	3.64 7
L.A. Clippers	8	15	3.48 7 1/2

Monday's Games

Chicago 123, Boston 114
Utah 110, New Jersey 103
Sacramento 92, Vancouver 85

IRVING (AP) — In four of the Dallas Cowboys' last five games, the defense has allowed an opposing rusher at least 140 yards.

That's after the Cowboys went 8-2 over the first 10 games allowing that to happen just once.

The line, hampered by injuries, isn't dominating the line of scrimmage as it used to — on either offense or defense.

Sunday, Rodney Hampton ran through the heart of the Dallas defense for a career-high 187 yards on 34 carries as the Cowboys needed a 35-yard field goal as time expired to beat the New York Giants, 21-20.

"We're going to get killed in the playoffs if we play like we did against the Giants," Cowboys linebacker Dixon Edwards said Monday. "We've got to stop the

middle run."

The Cowboys had lost consecutive games to Washington and Philadelphia before Sunday's game against the lowly Giants that required five Chris Boniol field goals.

The Cowboys can win the NFC East on Christmas night in Arizona by defeating Buddy Ryan's bunch. A Philadelphia loss on Sunday in Chicago would also do the trick for Dallas.

But the Giants rushed for 244 yards against a depleted defensive line and head coach Barry Switzer said he expects Arizona to do the same thing.

"It's obvious everybody will try to load up and try to run on us," he said.

Philadelphia's Ricky Watters gained 112 yards against Dallas

weekend before last.

The Cowboys had gone three years without allowing consecutive 100-yard days by a runner. Detroit's Barry Sanders gained 108 yards and the Los Angeles Rams' Cleveland Gary gained 110 in the ninth and 10th games of the 1992 season.

Cowboys defensive line coach John Blake said there's no need to change the offensive scheme.

"We've had some injuries up front, but we just have to be more physical and answer the challenge," he said.

On defense, the Cowboys are now without Pro Bowl end Charles Haley, who just underwent back surgery, and tackle Russell Maryland, who has a dislocated toe. Defensive end Tony Tolbert faces surgery on both

knees after the season, and starting middle linebacker Robert Jones has missed three of the past four games with a pulled abdominal muscle.

Switzer said the Cowboys are "going to be in a fight every game we play. We've got a lot of guys limping around out here. We're beat up."

Quarterback Troy Aikman was shaking his head over the team's lackluster offensive performance against the Giants.

The offensive line, also hurt by injuries, is no longer creating big holes to spring Emmitt Smith for gains, particularly inside the 20.

"We're just not executing. It's important that a team play well going into the playoffs. We've got to address this situation," Aikman said.

A&M's McElroy reinjures ankle

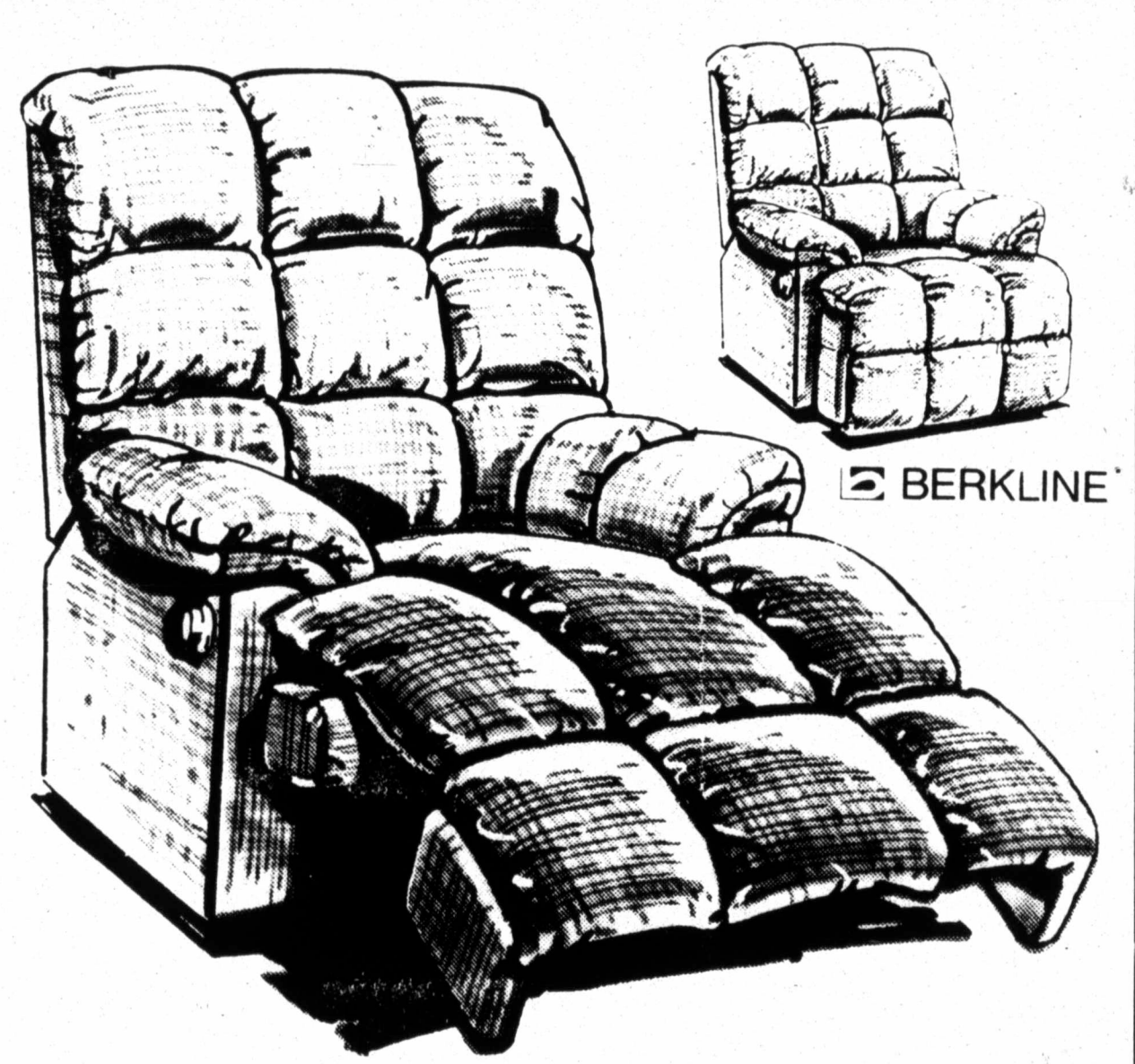
COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Texas A&M running back Leeland McElroy is questionable for the Aggies' game against Michigan in the Alamo Bowl because of an already tender left ankle that he has sprained again.

The Aggies (8-3) play Michigan (9-3) in the San Antonio bowl game on Dec. 28.

The junior All-American was injured Monday when a teammate rolled over his ankle during a workout in full pads.

McElroy sprained the same ankle in A&M's 14-7 loss to Texas Tech on Oct. 7.

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1 Sacred songs
7 Soul
13 Supreme
14 Loan shark
15 - Rico
16 Boulevard
17 Actress
18 Magnani
19 Contented sound
20 T of TV
21 Befuddled (2 wds.)
23 Place for a watch
27 Naval officer
32 Logrolling contest
33 Jet
34 Muslim's faith
35 Select group
36 More irritable
39 Actress
40 It doesn't pay!
42 TV antenna type

DOWN
46 Compass pt.
47 Slangy affirmative
51 Take cargo from
53 Metal decoration
55 Certain cosmetics
56 In good working order
57 Farthest from the surface
58 Emphasize

Answer to Previous Puzzle
USS IDOLS USA
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SHEEN KEATS
MILDEST
USO ALOP ANOA
SUN NOGO LIMB
ALOU WITPE STB
FURY DEER ITTA
POSSESS
RAYON KASHA
USE AMENITIES
STE LATIN SRA
EOS LEONE SOP

19 Light - feather
21 Kind of power
22 Current unit
23 Court order
24 Romantic flower
25 Infirmitie
26 Chair
28 Badly
29 Invasion
30 Poker stake
31 Ogle
37 - Borgnine
38 - Tin Tin

41 Food lists
42 Cosmonaut - Gagarin
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45 Villain in Othello
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50 Cultivates
52 - Moines
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Museum

wolves from attacking the baby calves.

Although the mighty herds of buffalo were gone, there was an abundance of cattle, antelope, wild turkeys and deer for food. The Lovetts enjoyed the magnificent distances, the landscapes and the luxurious grass and wildflowers. They were not entirely isolated because the Henry Thut family was within three miles and Smith Gregg lived only seven miles away on the Z-Z ranch. The Lovetts often rode 25 miles on horseback to Mobeetie where Henry enjoyed going to court to listen to lawyers including Temple Houston, J.N. Browning and Frank Willis.

Henry and Fannie worked and saved and occasionally another room was added to the dugout until seven rooms in all were built. The Lovetts planted fruit and shade trees and large patches of flowers of every hue.

More land was added to the original half section until there was a total of fourteen sections. Records show that H.B. Lovett filed on Section 28, Block B-2, H. & G. N. Survey July 3, 1889.

In 1898, the Lovetts moved to a small wooden house. Henry's half-brother, Bill Brooks, lived with them for many years until his death in 1916.

Henry was interested in politics and served as tax assessor for Roberts, Gray and Hutchinson counties when Gray and Hutchinson were attached to Roberts. He helped to organize Gray County, and in 1902 served as commissioner for three terms.

Mattabel attended boarding school in Goodnight and Clarendon College. Just before leaving to attend school at Polytechnic Institute in Fort Worth, she was stricken with typhoid fever and died Sept. 14, 1904. She was buried in the cemetery at Miami nearly six months before the first grave was dug at Pampa.

In 1906, the Lovetts bought a block of property in Pampa bounded by Foster, Houston, Kingsmill and Gillespie Streets. Eventually they built a gray stucco house at 121 N. Houston. They donated the lot at 302 E. Kingsmill for Pampa Jarrett Hospital which opened in 1926.

In 1917, the Lovetts relocated their ranch house to Turkey Creek several miles south of their earlier

home on Grapevine Creek. In 1926, the couple leased their land for oil and sold royalties and moved permanently to Pampa.

In 1929, Mattie Velma Brown, a great niece of Fannie Lovett, came to live with the Lovetts. She remained with them until she married Clyde Yoes on May 15, 1940.

In their retirement, Henry and Fannie enjoyed traveling, but were self-sufficient, staying home and playing solitaire and pitch. Henry was an elder in the First Christian Church and was often called on for advice concerning church business. Following several years of ill health, he died Jan. 25, 1940, at the Lovett Home. Fannie died Oct. 2, 1949. Both Henry and Fannie are buried beside Mattabel in the cemetery at Miami.

The bulk of the Lovett estate was placed in a trust to be dispersed for "charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes." The Lovett Memorial Library, dedicated Jan. 18, 1955, was funded through the estate of Henry and Fannie Lovett.

An interview from Fannie Lovett to Lorene O. Locke was printed in *The Pampa Daily News*, Oct. 12, 1952.

"We thought nothing of riding 25 miles to Mobeetie to a dance, and

dancing from sun-down to sun-up. Mr. and Mrs. Tom O'Loughlin, who had a hotel in Mobeetie, gave dances regularly. Mrs. O'Loughlin, who was a wonderful cook, would have great big dishes of sliced roast beef, baked ham, pots of beans and stewed fruit on a board shelf on one side of the room. Everyone just helped himself, as he wanted to, and of course there was a big wash-pot of coffee always hot on the stove."

"Then there were the ranch dances. You know, that was our only amusement. I remember our Protracted Dance. That was on the White Deer ranch, Christmas of 1889. Cowboys rode a hundred miles to attend it. We borrowed a cart to go in, as the weather was below zero. We went for Christmas and stayed to dance the New Year in."

Fannie explained that the White House, headquarters of the ranch, had just been completed, so the protracted dance was by the way of being a celebration. The Niedringhaus brothers of St. Louis had leased the ranch and as they were large graniteware manufacturers, they had sent down a carload of

graniteware dishes and cooking utensils.

Fannie continued: "We had plenty to put in them, too. That cook seemed to be in his glory. There was never a minute, day or night, that there was not plenty of good things to eat, and it all tasted very good too."

"The women had good beds in the ranch house and the men slept in the bunk houses. We danced until we got tired, slept awhile, and then danced again. Everything was nice and quiet. There were never any drunks at those dances. A drunk would have found himself out in the cold too quick to tell."

"It has been so long ago that I don't remember many of the girls who were there. I do know the White girls from Canadian were among them. Johnnie Jones rode from Clayton, New Mexico, 125 miles, to be at that dance. And I remember that Jack Guntle and Jack Ramsay were both there. We danced the square dance, the polka, the schottische and the waltz. Many of the men were good callers, especially the cowboys, and we had some good fiddlers, too. People are always talking, nowadays, about the hard times of the early settlers, but we had our fun, too."

Authorities pursue killer

SAINT JO, Texas (AP) — Authorities are still hunting for suspects in the weekend slaying of a rural Montague County woman whose body was found in a ditch north of Jacksboro and whose 2-year-old son was left strapped in his car seat.

Gina Sue Knabe Capps' body was found Saturday morning, less than an hour after the 28-year-old woman had dropped off her 7-year-old son with his father at a Jacksboro Dairy Queen.

An autopsy by the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office found that Capps was stabbed 15 times with a small knife, possibly a pocketknife, Jack County Sheriff Robert Perry said yesterday.

Capps, an avid runner who worked as a seamstress at a Bowie baseball cap plant, was returning home after taking her older son to be with her ex-husband so that the boy could spend the holidays with his father near Brownwood.

BUSINESS REVIEW

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Robert Knowles Auto Center Robert's West Texas Ford, Lincoln Mercury

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House Plants & Flowers Of Amarillo Darrell Hadley, Owner

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Sirloin Stockade Terry Carpenter, General Manager

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Joe Gonzales, Owner/Operator

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