

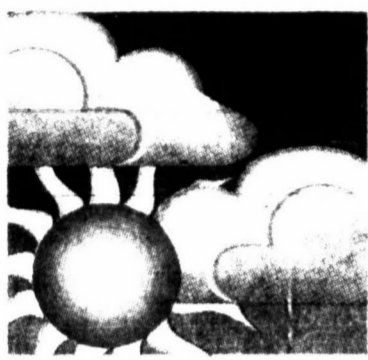
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PAMPA — Wednesday, Jan. 13, is the deadline to apply for the \$1,000 scholarships being awarded by Pampa Center Foundation to students taking a minimum of 12 hours of course work this spring semester at Clarendon College-Pampa Center.

Students must be in good standing and have at least a 2.5 or 85 grade average for their last period of study. The application requires three character recommendations, the completion of an essay, and the latest high school/college transcript.

The scholarship funds are available through a grant from the Amarillo Area Foundation and recipients will be determined by the Pampa Center Foundation scholarship committee.

Applications are available at the college office, 900 N. Frost. Call 665-8801 for additional information.

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the Lotto Texas game.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 4-19-21-26-27-45.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$7 million.

- **Herta Meyer Albers, 92**, former teacher.
- **Cecil James "C.J." Bryan, 90**, retired Mobil Oil employee.
- **Roger Scott Sr., 84**, retired police officer.
- **Annie Keeton Thomas, 75**, self-employed seamstress.
- **Alice McKinley Grow Watson, 98**, homemaker.

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Pretty cool shirts...



(Special Photo)
Fifth-grade students from Woodrow Wilson Elementary School had a T-shirt drawing contest. The top five winners' drawings were combined and placed on the shirt to represent the school theme. Back row from left are, Ashley Shaw, Daniel Waldrop, Russell Kelly. Front row from left, Sarah Platt and Christina DeLeon.

Some free, some jailed after probation hearings

A Pampa man is free today on probation, a woman is in Gray County jail awaiting release on probation next week and another man is in Gray County jail today awaiting transfer to a substance abuse facility following probation hearings Wednesday.

Onesimo Leal, 20, is free today after having his probation continued in 223rd District Court. Authorities said there were no new offenses against Leal, who had been convicted in 1996 of credit card abuse. The probation violations were technical, official said. Leal had failed to check in with his probation officer and was behind on his payment of fines and fees. He has been in Gray County jail since being arrested for probation violation on Nov. 21.

On the recommendation of his probation officer, probation for Leal was continued so he could return to his job at a meat packing plant and pay his fines and fees.

Probation was extended for Charlotte Christine Phillips, 32, who was convicted in December, 1995, on a forgery charge. Originally, she had been sentenced to three years probation.

Judge Lee Waters extended her probation one year and sentenced her to 60 days in Gray County jail with credit for 52 days already served. Judge Waters also ordered Phillips to report to her probation officers weekly and to attend weekly anger counseling sessions.

Johnathan Paul Munn, 34, was ordered to a Substance Abuse Felony Punishment Facility (SAFFP), by Judge Waters. He is to serve not less than 90 days nor more than one year before being released to a half way house.

Munn was initially convicted in February, 1997, for aggravated assault. He is on deferred adjudication for six years.

Old jail has new uses now

What does someone do with an old jail area after a new jail is put to use?

The City of Pampa found an answer using it to make police and emergency communications safer, more organized and efficient.

The city jail went out of use when Pampa contracted with Gray County for the housing of municipal prisoners.

The city has taken the old jail area in the basement of city hall, next to the police department, and remodeled it to move the 911 and emergency dispatch from the second floor. The area will also house the office of Emergency Coordinator Ken Hall. Additionally it will contain a conference room that will serve as a daily briefing room for the police department and a gathering spot for emergency person-

(See OLD JAIL, Page 2)

Officials keep \$16,000 after speeding stop

By JEFF WEST
Staff Writer

What began as a routine traffic stop ended up with a seizure of \$16,000 in cash and the brief arrest of two Oklahoma females.

The incident started Tuesday afternoon when DPS Trooper John Nelson observed a 1990 Dodge traveling west on I-40 at 97 miles an hour.

Nelson said he made the stop and found one woman and a female minor in the car. The driver had no drivers license or insurance. Neither person had any form of identification, according to Nelson. He said both females gave him false names and birth dates at first.

He asked the driver to step back to the DPS unit and while checking for identification Nelson said he noticed a bulge in the seat of the woman's pants. Nelson said he asked her if she had a weapon and she said no, she was carrying cash.

It turned out she had \$16,000

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in plastic bags tied with rubber bands hidden in the seat of her pants. She turned the money over to Nelson. The woman also had approximately \$1,100 in her pocket but that money was not confiscated. Nelson said the \$1,100 could not be tied with the larger amount because it was not wrapped and concealed. Nelson said it is illegal to carry that much concealed cash if its origins can not be explained.

(See SPEEDING, Page 2)

Elusive school odor source proves baffling

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY
Managing Editor

A recurring odor at Lamar Elementary is still being investigated about six months after it was first reported to district officials as a problem.

The odor, described by Principal Pat Farmer as a sewer type smell, doesn't smell like natural gas, she said. Though the smell is still in the building at times, according to Farmer, the odor has decreased significantly after months of trouble shooting by the district's facility management department.

"We're monitoring it everyday. This is an enigma. It doesn't stay in one place," said Denver Bruner, director of Pampa ISD's facility management.

For example, while Farmer said she hasn't smelled it for the last two days, she did smell something in a hallway by an old bathroom on Monday morning.

Lamar Elementary was remodeled over the

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summer break in 1997. Although there were reports of the smell in the summer, the odor was not considered a real problem until the start of school this year, after the construction was complete.

"It started out as an everyday thing. But they have consistently worked on it, and the smell now occurs only every once in a while ... here and there," said Farmer Wednesday morning.

Bruner told school board members at a meeting last month that the problem continues.

(See ODOR, Page 2)



(Pampa News photo by Jeff West)
Morning Pampa Police Department briefing at 7 a.m. with patrol officers Don Rowell (left rear), Keith Morris, Heather Kemp, Neal Sandlin (middle row), Mike Lundgren, Andy Alanez (front row), Anthony Wooley, Corey Powell and Corporal Donny Brown.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

ALBERS, Herta Meyer — 10 a.m., St. Paul Lutheran Church, Canyon.
SCOTT, Roger Sr. — 2 p.m., St. John Baptist Church, Pampa.
SMITH, JoAnn Marie — Graveside services, 2 p.m., Warren County Memorial Park Cemetery, Monmouth, Ill.
TEEL, Rev. Willard E. — 10 a.m., Corner Stone Church of God, Perryton.
THOMAS, Annie Keeton — 2 p.m., First Christian Church, Pampa.

Obituaries

HERTA MEYER ALBERS
CANYON — Herta Meyers Albers, 92, died Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1999. Services will be at 10 a.m. Friday in St. Paul Lutheran Church with the Rev. Wayne Park officiating. Burial will be in St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery under the direction of Brooks Funeral Directors of Canyon.
 Mrs. Albers was born at Ritterhude, Germany. She married Emil Albers in 1946 at Lubbock; he died in 1975. She was a school teacher for 36 years and taught at Friona, Skellytown and Amarillo. She was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Palo Duro Hospital Auxiliary, Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Garden Club and Good Samaritan Children's Lutheran Home.
 Survivors include a stepson, Bruce Albers of Mesa, Ariz.; a stepdaughter, Phyllis Kroeger of Seward, Neb.; a sister, Anna Meyer Gaertner of Dallas; and numerous grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Good Samaritan Campus, P.O. Box 729, Cypress TX 77410-0729, or to St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2600 4th Ave., Canyon TX 79015.
CECIL JAMES 'C.J.' BRYAN
CANYON — Cecil James "C.J." Bryan, 90, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1999. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Hobart Baptist Church with the Rev. Jim Fox, pastor of Hillcrest Baptist Church of Amarillo, and the Rev. Harold Hook, pastor of Hobart Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Bryan was born Jan. 10, 1908, at Tyler. He had been a Pampa resident since 1943, moving from Electra. He married Ethel Jones on Aug. 14, 1926, at Wichita Falls; she died in 1985. He retired from Mobil Oil in 1970 after 46 years of service. He was a member and deacon at Hobart Baptist Church.
 Survivors include a daughter, Bobbye Petty of Pampa; two sons, Gary Bryan of Nocona and Dean Bryan of Sunray; two sisters, Georgia Faye Bingham of Haskell and Mary Lee Holt of Magalia, Calif.; 10 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, P.O. Box 2234, Pampa TX 79066-2234, or to Hobart Baptist Church Benevolence Fund.
ROGER SCOTT SR.
PAMPA — Roger Scott Sr., 84, of Pampa, died Monday, Jan. 4, 1999. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in St. John Baptist Church with the Rev. Grover Neal and the Rev. L.L. Patrick officiating. Burial will be in Llano Cemetery under the direction of Warford-Walker Mortuary Inc., of Amarillo.

Mr. Scott was born in Upshire County and graduated from Lake Providence Colored School. He attended Texas College in Tyler prior to moving to Amarillo. He became the first African-American police officer in Amarillo in 1948. Over the course of his 42-year career, he was named Officer of the Year and retired as sergeant in 1980 from the Pampa Police Department.
 He was active in the National Black Police Officer Association of Texas, the ERS, NAACP, Macedonia Baptist Church of Pampa and other community organizations.
 Survivors include a daughter, Willie E. Atkins of Amarillo; six sons, Sammy Scott, Roger Scott Jr., Bruce Scott and Calvin Scott, all of Amarillo, Gene Scott of Denver, Colo., and Alphonso Owens of Dallas; 16 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 604 Arnold Place.
ANNIE KEETON THOMAS
PAMPA — Annie Keeton Thomas, 75, of Pampa, died Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1999. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in First Christian Church with the Rev. Darrell W. Evans and the Rev. Barry A. Loving, associate pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Mobeetie Cemetery at Mobeetie under the direction of Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Thomas was born Feb. 21, 1923, at Pearl. She married Jerrold Thomas on Feb. 23, 1946, at Canadian. She lived in Sunray for 16 years, moving to Spearman in 1966 and to Pampa in 1976. She was a self-employed seamstress, was an artist and attended First Christian Church.
 Survivors include her husband, Jerrold, of the home; a daughter and son-in-law, Dianne and Ken Goode of Rio Rancho, N.M.; a son and daughter-in-law, Delbert and Jane Thomas of Wheeler; two brothers, O.G. Keeton of Plainview and J.P. Keeton of Canadian; five grandchildren, Drew Thomas and Dwight Thomas, both of Wheeler; Abbey Jones, Alex Jones and Kate Goode, all of Rio Rancho; and a great-granddaughter, Kylie Thomas of Wheeler.

The family requests memorials be to Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association, P.O. Box 2234, Pampa TX 79066-2234, or to American Kidney Fund, Memorial Gift Program, 6110 Executive Blvd., Suite 1010, Rockville, MD 20852.
ALICE MCKINLEY GROW WATSON
BROWNWOOD — Alice McKinley Grow Watson, 98, died Sunday, Jan. 3, 1999, at Brownwood Regional Medical Center. Memorial services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church at Lake Brownwood. Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery at South Hadley, Mass., at a later time.

Mrs. Watson was born Oct. 18, 1900, at Orchard Park, N.Y., to Wilkes and Anna Grow. She was the foster daughter of Winnie and Willard Lovell of South Hadley. She was a member of Second Congregational Church at Holyoke, Mass.
 She married Henry B. Watson of South Hadley on Aug. 23, 1921; he died in 1984. She moved to Texas to live with her son Willard "Bill" Watson formerly of Pampa.
 She was preceded in death by two brothers, Homer Grow of Roseburg, Ore., and Simeon Grow of Orchard Park; and a foster brother, Lyman Lovell of Hartford, Conn.

Survivors include three sons, Willard of Lake Brownwood and Henry "Hank" of Canaan, N.H.; David of Springfield, Mass.; 12 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to Pioneer Cemetery in care of Cross Plains Citizen Bank; Heart of Texas Baptist Encampment, Lake Brownwood; Second Congregational Church Memorial Fund of Holyoke or to a favorite charity.

Police report
 The Pampa Police Department reported the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
Wednesday, January 6
 William Curtis Marshall, 36, 534 N. Davis, was arrested on charges of failure to appear and no insurance.
 Michael Todd Hickerson, 18, 929 Mary Ellen, was arrested on warrants.

Accidents
 The Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
Wednesday, January 6
 Geoffrey William Sisk, 34, 809 N. Somerville, was cited for backing without safety and no proof of liability insurance when he backed his 1997 Ford out of a private drive and struck the 1997 Ford Taurus driven by Ruby A. Caviness, 64, 725 E. Frederic, in the 800 block of N. Somerville. No injuries were reported.
 Maria Luisa Rosales, 28, Canadian, was cited for an improper turn when her 1986 Ford pickup made a left turn from the inside lane at Hobart and Harvester and struck the 1992 Lesabre driven by Calvin Dwain Urbanczyk, 56, Hcr 3 Box 34, who was in the outside lane. No injuries were reported.

Ambulance
 The Rural/Metro reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
Wednesday, January 6
 10:33 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.
 11:59 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of W. Francis and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.
 1:01 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Columbia Medical Center and transported one to a local nursing facility.

Fires
 The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
Wednesday, January 6
 4:15 p.m. — Two units and three personnel responded to the 1200 block of Darby on a controlled burn.

Stocks
 The following grain quotations are provided by Antebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	2.76	Hard Red	3.15
Milo	3.35	Soft Red	3.65
Corn	3.65	Yellow	3.85
Soybeans	4.85	Yellow	5.15

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

Occidental	17 5/16	dn 1/4
Magellan	124.86	dn 1/16
Puritan	20.39	dn 1/16

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

Amoco	NA	dn 3/4
Arcor	65 5/8	dn 3/4
Cabot	29 7/16	dn 1/8
Cabot O&G	15 3/8	dn 1/4
Chevron	82 1/2	dn 3/4

Calendar of events
PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL
 Pampa Area Literacy Council office will be open from 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.
THEE PLACE
 Thee Place for Singles is open 7-10:30 p.m. Saturdays at 520 W. Kingsmill.
ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP
 If interested in the ADHD/ADD Sport Group call Connie at 669-9364.
EMMAUS REUNION
 Emmaus Reunion Group meets the second Thursday of each month. For more information, call 669-3426 or 669-9226.
RUSHING WIND EMMAUS
 The Rushing Wind Emmaus community will meet Saturday, Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 407 Haney, Spearman. An agape will be served in the Fellowship Hall at 7 p.m. followed by a praise and worship service in the sanctuary. The board of directors will meet at 6 p.m. at the church. Family, friends, and members of all the area wide churches are invited to attend.
 Applications are being received for three women's walks during the year. Anyone interested may contact your local church, someone who has attended an Emmaus walk, or a board mem-

Weather focus
LOCAL FORECAST
 Partly sunny this afternoon with a high of 53 and northeast winds at 5-15 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy with a low in the low 30s and south winds at 10-15 mph. Tomorrow, mostly cloudy with less than a 20 percent chance of rain. The high is expected to be 47 before temperatures begin dropping in the afternoon. Yesterday's high was 64; the overnight low 20.
REGIONAL FORECAST
WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Tonight, partly cloudy with a low around 30. Southwest wind 10-15 mph, shifting to the north late. Friday, mostly cloudy with a less than 20 percent chance of rain. Rain changing to snow late. An early high in the middle 40s, with temperatures falling during the day. North wind 10-15 mph. Extreme Southern Panhandle/Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, fair. Low 30-35. Friday, increasing cloudiness. Not as warm with a high in the 50s. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Tonight, fair. Low in the 30s. Friday, partly cloudy. High in the 60s. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight, partly cloudy. Low

around 40. Friday, partly cloudy. High in the upper 60s. Far West Texas — Tonight, partly cloudy and mild. Low 35-40. Friday, partly cloudy. High in the mid 60s. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Tonight, fair. Lows 25-40. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs 60s mountains to upper 70s along the rio grande.
NORTH TEXAS — Tonight, partly cloudy west. Mostly cloudy central and east with fog and drizzle. A slight chance of rain or thunderstorms east. Lows 46 north to 58 southeast. Friday, continued mostly cloudy with a chance of rain or thunderstorms, mainly central and east. Turning colder during the day. Highs mid 50s north to lower 70s southeast.
SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, mostly cloudy. Patchy drizzle and fog possible south central. Lows in the 50s, mid 40s Hill Country. Friday, mostly cloudy. Patchy morning drizzle and fog south central. Highs in the upper 60s to mid 70s. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Tonight, mostly cloudy with patchy fog. A slight chance of showers or thunderstorms near the coast. Lows in the 60s. Friday, patchy morning

around 40. Friday, partly cloudy with a chance of showers or thunderstorms. High in the lower 70s. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Tonight, partly cloudy with areas of fog. Lows in the mid to upper 50s. Friday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid to upper 70s.
BORDER STATES
NEW MEXICO — Tonight, fair to partly cloudy skies. Lows 10 to 25 mountains and north-west, upper 20s to near 40 elsewhere. Friday, partly cloudy and cooler. A slight chance of showers and mountain snow showers northwest. Highs 30s and 40s mountains and north, 50s and 60s south.
OKLAHOMA — Tonight, areas of dense fog continuing near the Red River. Otherwise remaining cloudy with a chance of freezing drizzle. Lows 10 to 15 northern Oklahoma to between 35 and 40 in western portions of north Texas. Friday, cloudy with a chance of freezing drizzle across northern Oklahoma, possibly mixing with a few flurries before ending. A slight chance of light rain near the Red River. Highs middle 20s northern Oklahoma to the lower 40s near the Red River.

Auto sales increase
DETROIT (AP) — Americans snapped up more cars and light trucks in 1998 than they had in 12 years, capping a surprisingly strong year for U.S. automakers.
 Americans bought 15.6 million cars and light trucks last year, the second-highest total ever and a 3 percent improvement over 1997. Figures released Wednesday also show December sales were up 7 percent compared with the year-ago period.
 Among the last major automakers who reported their results, No. 1 General Motors Corp., which is still dealing with the effect of last summer's strikes, managed a 3 percent improvement last month. Toyota Motor Corp. and Honda Motor Co. both posted double-digit gains.
 For the year, foreign automakers made the biggest gains. Asian companies were up 4 percent while the Europeans, which have the smallest share of the U.S. market, improved 29 percent thanks to a wide array of new models. GM, Ford Motor Co. and the American products of DaimlerChrysler AG combined for just a 1 percent increase.
 Demand for light trucks, the classification that includes sport utility vehicles, pickups and minivans, surged at the expense of cars. For the year, truck sales were up 8 percent while car sales fell 2 percent.

City briefs
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SPEEDING

Gray County Constable Chris Lockridge arrived and assisted in a search and inventory of the vehicle. No drugs or weapons were found.
 The driver turned out to be Christina Maria Romero, 23, of Oklahoma City. Nelson said Romero had several arrests in Oklahoma on drug charges. The juvenile was identified as her sister. Romero was arrested on charges of no valid drivers license, no seat belt, no liability insurance and failure to identify. The juvenile was charged with not wearing a seat belt and taken to the sheriff's office and turned over to juvenile authorities. The juvenile's mother was contacted to get the girl but apparently refused to do so.
 Nelson contacted DEA officials who said they would take control of the money as an administrative forfeiture. If Romero can not explain the source of the money it will be confiscated by the federal agency.
 Justice of the Peace Bob Muns came to the jail and Romero paid fines for all of the traffic charges except speeding for which she pled not guilty. She was then released after signing the speeding ticket and the juvenile was released into her custody. The two then left the area.

ODOR

"Is it the plumbing?" Board President John Curry asked.
 "No, no back-ups," responded Bruner.
 "Is it something with the heating duct?" member Joe Martinez asked.
 "No. That's the first thing we checked," Bruner said. "It could be a lot of little things."
 Late Wednesday afternoon he said that the odor problem remains a mystery.
 Each time the smell occurs, Farmer reports to Bruner regarding where it is coming from and how strong the odor is.
 "There is no danger level to it," Farmer said. "Of course, there are some who are more susceptible to the smell than others," Farmer added.
 Bruner confirmed the same thing at the school board meeting.
 He said he and PISD Superintendent Dr. Dawson

probably not take place until February or later due to the multitude of computer, phone and radio equipment that must be moved.
 "It's a safer, useful and more efficient use of space," said Police Chief Charlie Morris. "We can also use the area for training."
 The city commission had approved a budget of \$45,000 for the conversion but final figures are not yet available.

OLD JAIL

nel during a crisis.
 After months of planning and building the area is ready for move in. The Police Department is already using the conference room. Hall has much of his office moved in and is waiting for his phones to be moved.
 Moving the 911 and dispatch operation will

Landlord guilty in hit case

NEW YORK (AP) — Talk about your heartless landlords.
 Alvin Weiss pleaded guilty Wednesday to hiring a hit man to kill two of his tenants who had complained about conditions in their apartments. Weiss also admitted planning to set fire to one of their apartments.
 In two other separate cases, Weiss also pleaded guilty Wednesday to forging a will that made him the beneficiary of his insurance broker's \$400,000 estate and to tax fraud.
 Weiss' tenants were not harmed after the hit man revealed the plot to police.
 Prosecutors portrayed Weiss, 46, as the ultimate slumlord, living in a \$2 million home in Brooklyn while denying basic services to tenants living in the nearly 30 buildings he owns on Manhattan's Lower East Side. Some of Weiss' tenants, however, defended him after his arrest.
 Weiss faces up to 14 years in prison when he is sentenced Feb. 18 on the murder plot charges. He admitted bailing Eduardo Almestica out of jail in the summer of 1997 and paying him \$4,000 to kill Brigitte Marx and Burnell Crawford, who lived in

two of his rent-controlled apartments, by giving them fatal doses of heroin.
 When a tenant leaves a rent controlled apartment, the landlord is allowed by law to raise the rent charged to the next tenant.
 The murder plots went awry when Almestica was nailed by police with the heroin. He revealed the plot and agreed to record a damning conversation with Weiss after police faked Ms. Marx's death.
 When Weiss was arrested, police found passports, bank books, securities statements, tax returns, driver's licenses and credit cards with different aliases. They also found several guns, boxes of ammunition and some \$14,000 in cash.
 In a second, separate case before another judge, Weiss admitted he perjured himself in order to cover up a bogus will scam.
 Weiss said he and two others were witnesses to the 1994 signing of the will of Abraham Thau, his insurance broker. Thau actually died in 1995 without leaving a will, prosecutors said, and the three men created one and filed it after his death.
 Weiss will be sentenced to up to one year in that case.

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Orn called Celanese experts even after a visit from the health department concluding the smell as non-toxic and not dangerous to students and staff.
 Bruner said he called Celanese because he wanted to satisfy his own desire to do everything possible to eliminate the problem.
 Sam Coffee, an industrial hygienist at Celanese, has since been working with Bruner to pinpoint where the smell is coming from.
 "He's licensed to say if something's a nuisance ... he has equipment to sniff odors out," Bruner added.
 Since Coffee's arrival, Bruner said they have narrowed down the search and are concentrating on certain areas of the building, but the smell is still just as random in its timing as it's been for the last couple of months.
 "We're not going to give up. It's just a building and it has got to have a solution ... we just haven't found it yet," Bruner said.

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Pampa felt like home

There is a saying that one cannot go home again. I know this is true. The home where I experienced my first date, kiss and heartbreak, made way

As I walked around, Pampa was no longer another place for research, it began to feel like home. After all, I was probably walking on the very same streets my father and his parents walked on.

for a freeway so people could get from point A to point B faster. However, I honestly think that Pampa just might be the exception.

I first visited Pampa four years ago. My plan was to

arrive at sunset, but the airline gremlins were at work, and it was very late at night as I drove through the Texas landscape. I couldn't see much, but

Gray County Memories

Marie Bartholomew



as I drove along, the scent of oil stirred my imagination of what the next day would offer.

The next morning I was up early. I drove downtown and started to walk up and down the streets. As I walked around, Pampa was no longer another place for research, it began to feel like home. After all, I

was probably walking on the very same streets my father and his parents walked on. I know my grandmother would have felt as if she had never left; that Pampa may have experienced growth, but that the hometown spirit was untouched.

I know this to be true. I found this spirit in many of the places I visited. It was in the Pampa library and courthouse where my endless stream of questions and requests were answered. It was alive in the people who went out of their way to help my quest for the past. Phone calls were made to friends to try and answer my questions. Doors of homes were opened to me, a total stranger, when I explained my reason for knocking. The hometown spirit was alive in the little restaurant that still allowed accounts and people were greeted by their first names. It is alive with those who played Santa Claus for the family this last Christmas.

I can't wait until summer when I once again will visit. Pampa has a way of refreshing my soul. If by chance you see me walking up and down the streets or in the courthouse and library, please feel free to say hi. Then again, don't be surprised if I approach you with a smile on my face and a friendly hello. Pampa seems to encourage people to be friendly.

(Marie Bartholomew is available at the following e-mail address: mbarth@glendale.cc.ca.us. You may also write: Marie Bartholomew, 16625 Valerio St., Van Nuys, CA 91406.)

Rep. Warren Chisum



(Pampa News photo by David Bowers)

State Representative Warren Chisum visits with Lefors High School freshman Dee J. Preston Tuesday following a town hall meeting with students in the Lefors school auditorium. Chisum will hold town hall meetings in Miami, Canadian, Higgins, Darrouzett, Booker, Perryton, Spearman and Gruver. This is the second of his four day, 29 city tour before the legislature meets Jan. 12, to begin their 140 day session in Austin.

January is School Board Recognition Month throughout Lone Star state

AUSTIN — Gov. George W. Bush has proclaimed January 1999 as School Board Recognition Month and districts across the state will use this opportunity to bolster understanding of the crucial role elected boards of education play in their communities and schools.

"Education is our number one priority in Texas. It is the most important thing we will ever do as a state, and we must get it right. Helping to achieve this goal are the dedicated and hard-working members of more than 1,000 local school boards across the Lone Star State," he said.

"These men and women represent the largest group of publicly elected officials in Texas. They make policy, set budgets, and oversee local schools in accordance with the will of the people. School boards work to ensure academic excellence and accountability for students, teachers, and administrators. They also confront challenges and problems that would have been unimaginable a generation ago. These include providing children with appropriate numbers of up-to-date computers as well as guaranteeing their security and well-being," Bush continued.

"The Texas Association of School Boards, created in 1949, represents and serves local school boards across the Lone

Star State. TASB has designated January 1999 as School Board Recognition Month to increase public awareness of the vital role these boards play, in close cooperation with parents and teachers, in ensuring a quality education for the young people of Texas," he said.

"I encourage all Texans to recognize with appreciation the dedication and diligence of school board members and to work together with teachers and local school boards to help our children achieve their highest potential," Bush said.

"School board members serve as advocates for our children first and foremost, protecting each child's opportunity to maximize his or her potential. They offer vision, knowledge, leadership, and dedication, and work purely for the common good. It is important to recognize the many contributions made by our locally elected school board members and support them as they tackle the demanding and rewarding task of educating our children," said James B. Crow, TASB executive director.

"Local trustees work with community leaders, families, and educators to develop sound educational policies in their districts. They help us to set high standards in the education system and encourage us to strive to reach those goals. The results of this cooperative effort are reflected in a generation of Texas children who are more prepared to be our nation's leaders," he said.

"Today's schools face great challenges and great opportunities, making the school board's role more critical than ever before. We hope every community will acknowledge the thousands of trustees, and particularly their local school board members, who make the time to care about Texas chil-

dren and their futures," Crow said.

Information concerning School Board Recognition Month is posted on TASB website at www.tasb.org.

TASB is a nonprofit association established nearly 50 years ago to serve local Texas school districts.

It includes 1,047 school districts and county school boards, 44 junior colleges, 51 tax appraisal districts, 159 cooperatives and 20 education service centers. School board members are the largest group of publicly elected officials in the state.

The districts they represent have a combined annual budget of \$20 billion and employ more than 475,000 people.

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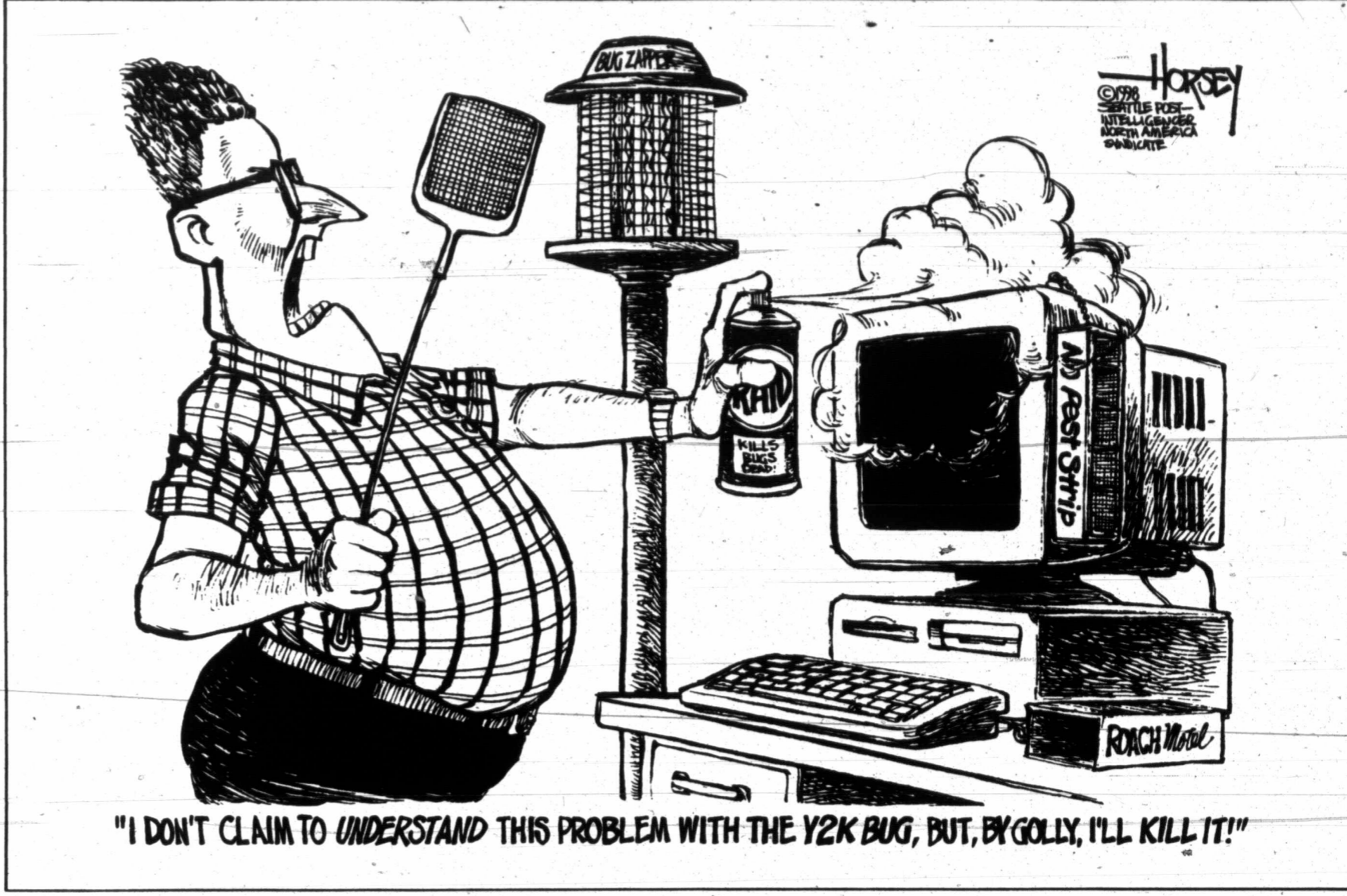
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"I DON'T CLAIM TO UNDERSTAND THIS PROBLEM WITH THE Y2K BUG, BUT, BY GOLLY, I'LL KILL IT!"



Inside the Beltway
 with
 Sen. Hutchison

Texans on troops in the Balkans ...

In a questionnaire I distributed recently, I asked constituents if they think the U.S. troops in Bosnia should remain there indefinitely, as the President has proposed.

By a resounding margin, Texans indicated that they believe American troops should return home from Bosnia as soon as possible; 87 percent of those who answered the questionnaire said, "Bring 'em home."

Here at much work remains to be done, question.

From Brookshire: "We should not have been there in the first place."

From Flower Mound: "The European Union countries are snickering at us. We are picking up the lion's share of the costs of the 'Yugo-mess.' There is no reason for our 10,000 troops on the ground there, plus Air Force and a naval unit. We've dumped more than a billion dollars there of late. Get us out."

From Lumberton: "In my judgment, as a retired Navy officer, we had no interest there to start with and even less reason to be there now. The argument that it is America's responsibility to protect the peace doesn't wash. Soon, with this administration, we will have only bows and arrows to arm our military forces."

From Commerce: "The U.S. is wrong to think it can send troops into trouble spots with no plan of action other than merely being a presence. Guidelines should have been established at the outset; the military commonly sets objectives and completion dates. It's high time we brought our troops home and let the Europeans take over."

From Romayor: "Bosnia is a rip-off of the American taxpayers."

From Corsicana: "I just returned from there after six months. After surviving the riots in Brcko, I must say that we have no business in Bosnia. It was clear to me we are not welcome there. I was forced to hide in my attic as angry mobs destroyed U.S. vehicles outside ... They do not comply with the Dayton peace accords, so why do we continue?"

From Comfort: "We should get out of Bosnia, and out of the United Nations while we're at it."

From Brownwood: "Let their close neighbors take care of this."

From Center: "We need out of Bosnia, Haiti, Somalia and elsewhere."

From Brownsville: "Bring those troops home and use them to patrol the U.S. border."

From Livingston: "I am reluctant to see this go on any longer. I think we are already bogged down."

From Texarkana: "Let them fight their own battles."

From Amarillo: "The President himself wouldn't serve in the military, as the whole nation knows. Why should anyone else?"

From Hondo: "We can't play watch dog for all nations." But not everyone was in favor of ending the Bosnia deployment.

From Ladonia: "This question relates to the Constitution. Laws have been passed that give the authority to place troops where they are needed with Congress' approval. If you want to move troops out of a country, move them out of Germany, where they've been since 1946, or England (1941), Japan (1946) and Korea (1955). If it prevents war, conflict or saves lives, leave them there."

From Dallas: "Yugoslavian Christians and Muslims lived together for many centuries. The U.S. has helped no one by creating a fundamentalist Muslim state in Europe. Now we have no choice but to maintain the peace."

From Marvel: "We always pull our troops out before the job is complete and just once I'd like to see us clean up the job we were sent to do."

Your answers to this question were thought-provoking. My position is that maintaining an open-ended troop commitment in Bosnia will continue to undermine our ability to defend U.S. national security interests elsewhere — in places where no other power can or will act.

It's not the critic who counts

At the last Skellytown City Council meeting I went to, one of the city commissioners discussed some anonymous complaints against the fire chief. When the commissioner wouldn't disclose the names of those complaining, the fireman said in response, "Then there weren't any complaints, were there?"

Good point. I am 100 percent against anonymous complaints. Of course, it's not to say that anonymity, at times, can't be a wonderful thing.

Anonymous donations.
 Anonymous gifts.
 Anonymous sources.
 Anonymous admirers ...

But an anonymous, unsigned letter that rattles on with whiny words about such-in-such, and what so-in-so did, or what I didn't do, or shouldn't have done or could've done given if I was a better, more decent person, blah, blah, blah.

What's up with that?
 You got a complaint? You have a bone to pick? ... SIGN YOUR NAME.

I'm sick and tired of reading unsigned letters, getting to the end, only to find the writer had no guts. Which means I wasted my time reading it in the first place. Which also means the comments made never existed in my book.

I never said you had to check out my book.

But the way I see it, if you can't stand behind your remarks, then they should not have been made in the first place. Maybe the "Thumper

Random Revelations
Miranda G. Bailey
 Pampa News staff writer

rule," should be used before you sit down to voice your opinion without signing your name: IF YOU DON'T SAY SOMETHING NICE, DON'T SAY ANYTHING AT ALL.

It is possible to say something critical in a nice way. Come on. We do that to the people we love all the time.

"Maybe you shouldn't wear that to the party, honey..."

"You did a good job here, why don't you work a little bit more on this part and see what you can do here ..."

"I love this dinner. Next time, could you make some cornbread to go with it?"

I do, however, think it my duty to offer you my word of ...

Warning: Criticism, even if it's constructive, is going to get on most people's nerves. It's the nature of the beast.

But anonymous criticism? Yuck. My face is wrinkling up as I think of it.

Why does it bother me so? Some may be wondering.

Well, just because a letter of unkind words is unsigned doesn't mean that it doesn't hurt the reader. (I think that's the real reason behind such letters.)

And fellow Freedom of Speechers, DON'T GET ME WRONG! You have the right to send unsigned letters, just like I have the right to complain about them.

(Deep sigh.) I just can't stand to get them. Which reminds me of a wonderful little word of goodness my dad e-mailed me. Take it for what it's worth:

"It is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles of where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errs and comes short again and again because there is no effort without error and shortcomings, who knows the great devotion, who spends himself in a worthy cause, who at his best knows in the end the high achievement of triumph and who at worst, if he fails while daring greatly, knows his place shall never be with those timid cold souls who know neither victory nor defeat."

— Theodore Roosevelt.
 It's worth a lot ... whatever your name is.

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Jan. 7, the seventh day of 1999. There are 358 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
 On Jan. 7, 1789, the first U.S. presidential election was held. Americans voted for electors who, a month later, chose George Washington to be the nation's first president.

On this date:
 In 1610, the astronomer Galileo Galilei sighted four of Jupiter's moons.
 In 1800, the 13th president of the United States, Millard Fillmore, was born in Summerhill, N.Y.
 In 1894, one of the earliest motion picture experiments took place at the Thomas Edison studio

in West Orange, N.J., as comedian Fred Ott was filmed sneezing.
 In 1927, commercial transatlantic telephone service was inaugurated between New York and London.
 In 1942, the World War II siege of Bataan began.
 In 1953, President Truman announced in his State of the Union address that the United States had developed a hydrogen bomb.
 In 1955, singer Marian Anderson made her debut with the Metropolitan Opera in New York, in Verdi's "Un Ballo in Maschera."
 In 1959, the United States recognized Fidel Castro's new government in Cuba.
 In 1972, Lewis F. Powell Jr. and William H. Rehnquist were sworn

in as the 99th and 100th members of the U.S. Supreme Court.
 In 1979, Vietnamese forces captured the Cambodian capital of Phnom Penh, overthrowing the Khmer Rouge government.
 Ten years ago: Emperor Hirohito of Japan died in Tokyo at age 87; he was succeeded by his son, Crown Prince Akihito.
 Five years ago: The government reported the unemployment rate fell to a three-year low of 6.4 percent in December 1993. Nancy Kerrigan withdrew from the U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Detroit, a day after her right leg was severely bruised in an attack after a practice session.
 One year ago: Convicted Oklahoma City bombing conspira-

tor Terry Nichols escaped the death penalty when a jury deadlocked over his punishment. Canada apologized for past acts of oppression against the country's native peoples.
Today's Birthdays: Author William Peter Blatty is 71. Country singer Jack Greene is 69. Pop musician Paul Revere is 57. Magazine publisher Jann Wenner is 53. Singer Kenny Loggins is 51. Singer-songwriter Marshall Chapman is 50. Actor Sammo Hung ("Martial Law") is 47. "Today" show co-host Katie Couric is 42. Country singer David Lee Murphy is 40. Rock musician Kathy Valentine (The Go-Go's) is 40. Actor David Marciano is 39. Actor Nicolas Cage is 35.

Ten resolutions that can be kept

Well, I've at last come up with a series of New Year's resolutions that I can keep.

1. I will never climb Mount Everest or direct another film in which Val Kilmer has a part. I stole that one from a director who had directed a film with Val Kilmer, but it's such a great line, I'd like to share it with you.
2. I will not visit the Congo, Northeast Brazil, Indonesia, the North Pole, the South Pole, the moon, or New York City. Crowds, crime, civil wars, decayed infrastructure, bad weather and no oxygen are the criteria which knock places off my holiday dream list.
3. I will not buy a ticket to any film in which Alec Baldwin appears. Baldwin is the jerk who said on national television that people should kill Rep. Henry Hyde and his family. Granted, many actors have the emotional maturity of 5-year-old brats, but that's beyond tolerance.
4. I won't watch (this one's real easy) Conan O'Brien's show because he should have thrown Baldwin off the show instead of giggling.
5. I will not read the complete works of Henry James. I hear you laughing. Well, I actually owned the complete works of Henry James at one time but I gave the set to the public library. Except for "Turn of the Screw," I couldn't stay awake long enough to read more than five pages. If you can't sleep but are afraid to take drugs, try reading "The Bostonians." It'll

Charley Reese
 Syndicated columnist

give you some Z's with no hangovers.

6. I promise to turn down all the invitations from the president for cozy lunches or formal dinners in the White House.
7. I will eat at least one piece of lemon icebox pie every single month of the new year.
8. I will catch one fish sometime, somewhere, somehow during 1999. If I have not accomplished this by next December, I'll buy a goldfish and catch it.
9. I will learn to play "Dixie" on my second-hand upright.
10. I will extend to 33 years my record of having never attended another opera. Actually, I like a lot of operatic music but I don't care for the connective songs like, "Open the door," and "Where's my cloak?"

Ah, that's enough. If you have to make too many changes for the coming year, you're not

living right in the present and, as the Buddhists say, that's all anybody's got.

It's tempting to wish we could make national resolutions, such as being more civil. Unfortunately, all nations are merely collections of individuals within political boundaries, and the only jurisdiction any individual has is over himself.

I can resolve to be more civil. You can resolve to be more civil. But as for the other 260 million or so Americans, who knows what they will decide to do? You should keep in mind always, though, that Americans and everybody else are not as bad as they are depicted in the media. The media present a distorted mirror which by definition focuses on the commercial, the melodramatic, the corrupt and the tragic.

Millions of good lives are lived and millions of good deeds are done that are completely invisible to the news media which, to be honest, have not the slightest interest in any of them.

I still advocate occasional media fasts for mental health. For a few days, eliminate all commercial entertainment and news (TV, newspapers, magazines, radio, movies). You'll be surprised how quickly the world will begin to seem not only normal but pretty darned pleasant.

I wish you all joy.

Thought for today
 "A wink is as good as a nod to the wise."
 — Edward Robert Bulwer Lytton

Late buying lifts sales after slow holiday start

NEW YORK (AP) — Deep discounts right before and after Christmas finally inspired shoppers to spend enthusiastically, and that burst of buying lifted December retail sales from disappointing to respectable levels.

Discounters fared the best during the holiday season, and specialty stores also reported healthy sales gains, especially home furnishing and clothing chains.

The nation's largest retailers announced their monthly sales figures today. The weakest numbers came from department stores, including moderately priced chains like J.C. Penney Co. and Sears, Roebuck and Co.

"After a tough start, things really shaped up at the end of the month, and for many retailers, the results were even better than expected," said Joseph Ronning, a retail industry analyst at Brown Brothers Harriman.

Expectations had run high for Christmas, with many analysts predicting that sharp gains on Wall Street and a strong U.S. economy inspiring shoppers to spend freely.

Merchants started worrying shortly after Thanksgiving. Weather was their biggest obstacle, as a warm spell in the first weeks of December dampened sales of winter merchandise, from snow shovels to cashmere sweaters.

It was also clear that consumers were only going to buy when they thought the price was right.

Right before Christmas, retailers began marking merchandise down heavily and shoppers finally began packing the stores. That surge in buying continued the week after Christmas, when there were even steeper price cuts.

"There is no doubt that this season was made at

the end," said Jeffrey Feiner, managing director at Lehman Brothers Inc.

December's sales gains came with a price. A number of merchants put their profits in jeopardy by taking unplanned markdowns on winter merchandise to clear out their inventories.

J.C. Penney warned today that its fourth-quarter earnings will be lower than Wall Street analysts' estimates.

Discounter Wal-Mart, the nation's largest retailer, reported sales from stores open at least a year rose 9.4 percent from a year earlier, while total sales were up 15.8 percent. Sales from stores open at least a year, known as same-store sales, are considered the most accurate measure of a retailer's strength.

Other retailers' reports:

—Sears: Same-store sales down 0.3 percent, total sales down 1.8 percent.

—Kmart: Same-store sales up 4.2 percent, total sales up 6.2 percent.

—J.C. Penney: Same-store department store sales fell 7.6 percent, same-store sales at Eckerd drugstores up 8.3 percent, total sales fell 4.3 percent. J.C. Penney's 1998 figures do not include the results of Thanksgiving weekend. A year ago, that weekend was tallied in the December results.

—Dayton Hudson: Same-store sales up 6.5 percent, total sales up 11.7 percent.

—Federated: Same-store sales rose 5.7 percent, total sales up 4.4 percent.

—May Department Stores: Same-store sales up 4.4 percent, total sales up 8.9 percent.

—Limited: Same-store sales up 4 percent, total sales fell 2 percent.

—Gap: Same-store sales up 19 percent, total sales up 41 percent.

Texas roundup...

By The Associated Press

Weatherford woman eager for confession in deaths of daughter, grandson

WEATHERFORD, Texas (AP) — Melba Harrison gave up hope long ago that the killer of her daughter and grandson would ever be punished.

Now, she thinks she might see justice in the 1983 deaths of 21-year-old Tracy Powers and 4-month-old Justin.

Authorities say Danny Paul Bible of Cleveland, Texas — the brother-in-law of Ms. Powers' husband — confessed to killing her and her son after he was jailed recently in Louisiana on a rape charge.

Texas authorities are questioning Bible, who reportedly has confessed to four murders and nine more rapes in Texas. The rapes occurred in San Jacinto County, said Randy Walker, a sheriff's detective in West Baton Rouge, La.

Bible was sent to prison in 1984 after pleading guilty to killing Ms. Powers' roommate, Pamela Huggins. He never was charged in the deaths of Ms. Powers or Justin.

UT uses Hopwood ruling to scuttle minority faculty hiring plan

AUSTIN (AP) — Without fanfare, the University of Texas has dismantled a minority-hiring program that helped attract a record number of black and Hispanic professors to the campus between 1988 and 1997.

Several UT System regents learned of the action only Wednesday, during a meeting to discuss progress in hiring women and minorities, the Austin American-Statesman reported today.

This is the first school year in a decade in which UT hired faculty without the benefit of its Target of Opportunity program, which officials said fell victim to anti-affirmative action climate, including the 1996 federal court ruling known as Hopwood.

The ruling effectively ended affirmative action in all student programs, admissions, scholarships, recruitment and retention, or tutoring, across Texas.

Regents said they didn't know UT was applying the Hopwood ruling to faculty hiring of minorities.

Both A&M officials in alleged phone abuse incident now are gone

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — A second Texas A&M University System official implicated in an alleged telephone abuse incident has resigned.

Melissa Ricard, counsel and administrative director of the South Texas Regional Service, Center in Corpus Christi, has resigned effective Jan. 13, according to a copy of her resignation letter obtained through a request under the Texas Open Records law.

The Bryan-College Station Eagle reported today that with the resignation, the Texas A&M system has ended its investigation into calls between Ms. Ricard and Richard Lindsey, the system's deputy chancellor for finance and operations, who resigned in October.

According to a Sept. 24, 1998, audit report, investigators determined that the system incurred \$7,182 in costs for calls between the two from January 1996 to May 1998.

Dr Pepper sues school district over soft drink rights

CONROE, Texas (AP) — Dr Pepper is suing officials in the Conroe school system for granting exclusive vending rights to Coca-Cola after Dr Pepper helped finance a new marquee and three new scoreboards.

Dr Pepper says the school district's \$7.8 million arrangement with Coca-Cola in September and an order that Dr Pepper remove all its vending machines amount to a breach of contract.

The lawsuit, initially filed in Harris County, has been transferred to the district courts here at the request of attorneys for the Conroe Independent

School District, the Courier of Conroe reported today in a copyright story.

Dr Pepper claims that in return for its being allowed to place its machines in Conroe High School's athletic area, it paid the school \$13,230 toward the cost of two new scoreboards.

As part of a contract allowing Dr Pepper half the soft drink volume at Oak Ridge High School, the bottler paid half the cost of a new \$24,000 marquee. And in return for exclusive vending rights at Knox Junior High, the company says it paid \$5,695 for a new scoreboard.

Texas lawmakers take on new roles in 106th Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — Watching from the House gallery as her son joined the ranks of the 106th Congress, Bertha Gonzalez was happy to witness the passing of the torch from her husband to the younger generation.

"I'm glad it's over with for us," said Mrs. Gonzalez, whose husband, 82-year-old Henry B., had represented San Antonio's 20th District in Congress since 1961. "Let Charlie suffer," she laughed.

Henry B. Gonzalez, who decided to retire only after a brush with serious illness, took advantage of his privilege as a former member to be on the House floor as the 106th Congress was gavelled into session.

"It was a happy feeling that I was there at this point, but it's a new era and a new Congress," he said later, attending a reception in his son's honor.

Charlie Gonzalez, who is the only newcomer in Texas' 32-member congressional delegation, is philosophical about following in his famous father's footsteps.

Condemned killer vows to resist execution

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Condemned inmate Gary Graham promises no quiet walk to the death chamber if he's executed next week.

"I intend to fight like hell," Graham, 35, said Wednesday in what could be his last interviews with reporters if the lethal injection set for Monday evening takes place. "My conscience won't allow me to do anything less."

Graham, who has changed his name to Shaka Sankofa to reflect his African heritage, urged his supporters to express their outrage over what he said would be a lynching. He wants them to show up in Huntsville armed "with picket signs, with rifles, with shotguns, with AK-47s and whatever else is necessary and required to defend our rights."

"My death must be and will be avenged," Graham said angrily. "There will be retribution by my brothers and sisters around the world."

"We're not advocating violence," he added. "We're advocating self-defense."

Elsewhere:

INAUGURAL BALL: A barbecue, parade and four evening balls will surround the swearing-in ceremonies on Jan. 18-19 for Gov. George W. Bush and Lt. Gov.-elect Rick Perry. About 20,000 people are expected to attend the Bush-Perry swearing-in ceremony. ... EXECUTION PROTEST: Condemned inmate Gary Graham says he'll fight if prison guards try to take him to the Texas death chamber. He's urging people to come armed to Huntsville to protest his Monday execution date for a 1981 murder in Houston. ... CHILD ABUSE: The executive director of the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services says there's more child abuse and neglect than his agency can keep up with. Jim Hine said more caseworkers are needed. ... Texas cities, counties and hospital districts will split \$300 million that the state comptroller has sent out to finance health care for poor patients with tobacco-related illnesses. It's part of the state's \$17.3 billion settlement of Texas' lawsuit against the tobacco industry.



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Protest Against Co-Habitation Falls on Daughter's Deaf Ears

DEAR ABBY: My daughter is contemplating moving in with her boyfriend next spring. She is 21, he is 22. They have been dating for nearly two years. They have both completed two years of college, but have not made plans to continue their education.

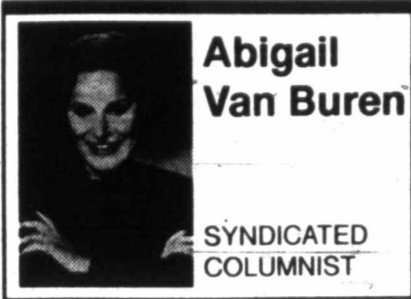
Both have been employed in good summer jobs, but they have no prospects for steady employment. She lives with us and he lives with his parents.

Her father and I don't want to see them live together for all the reasons that seem obvious to us. It seems like we have no good arguments against this plan. Could you give us any help?

CONCERNED MOM
IN WASHINGTON STATE

DEAR CONCERNED MOM: The old adage "two can live as cheaply as one" is baloney. Ask them how they plan to pay the rent, utilities, license fees, car insurance, doctor bills, buy groceries and clothing, and build a nest egg for retirement.

DEAR ABBY: Your response to "Furious," whose in-laws expect her and her family to stick to the in-laws' schedule when they come to visit, was understanding and appropriate. "Furious" is making a mountain out of a molehill. If her in-laws lived in Hawaii and she was in New York, or vice versa, the time difference would be as much as six hours, and then it would be worth getting



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

upset about. However, since only one hour is involved, "Furious" should just grin and bear it. If this is the most serious in-law problem she has, she should count her blessings.

R.W. IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR R.W.: Thank you for the supportive letter. However, quite a few seniors chastised me for my reply. They told me people in their 60s are not too set in their routines to adapt, and old dogs can learn new tricks.

DEAR ABBY: I'm writing about "Furious," whose husband threatened to divorce her if she didn't keep quiet about his parents sticking to their own time schedules when they were visiting. What kind of husband would divorce his wife of 27 years for voicing her opinion and standing up for her rights — something he obviously can't do?

I've had a few run-ins with my in-laws, so I know where she's com-

ing from. They started throwing insults my way, but I stood up for myself. They didn't speak to me for months. When my husband made excuses for them, I sat him down and helped him understand how upset and hurt I felt. He finally realized that our marriage was his No. 1 priority, and insisted his parents apologize to me.

Abby, his parents were stunned at first, but now they show me some respect.

A simple solution would be for "Furious" and her family to push up their schedule by half an hour, and for his parents to push theirs back by half an hour. This way everyone compromises and they all win. Sign me ...

WIVES SHOULD COME FIRST,
LONG ISLAND, N.Y.

DEAR WIVES: Compromise. That's a very good idea. A little give-and-take would make the in-laws' visit much more palatable.

Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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For Better or For Worse



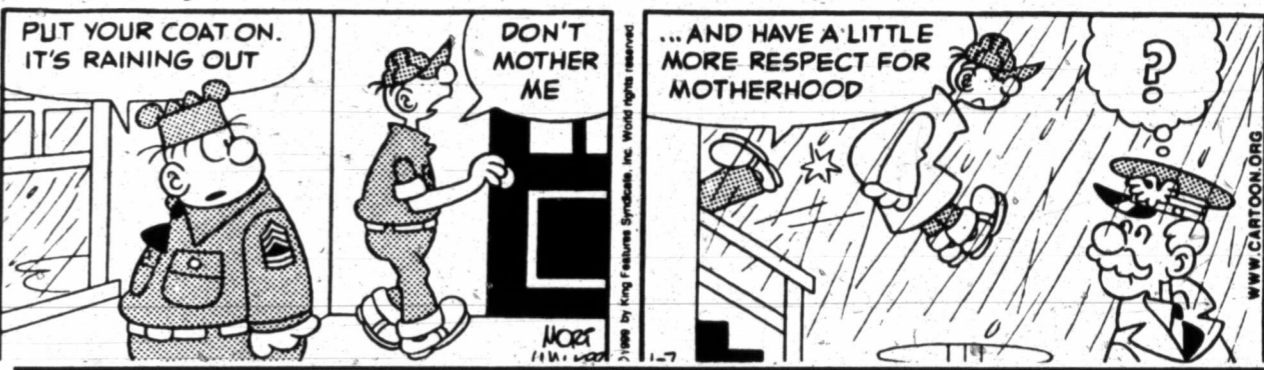
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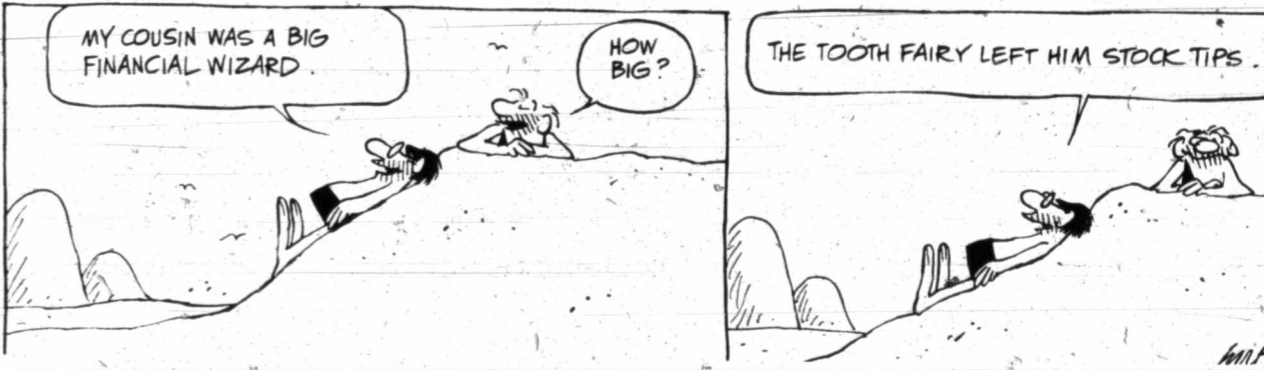
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Horoscope

FRIDAY, JAN. 8, 1999

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

***** You set a happier pace at work as you give others the benefit of the doubt. You're anxious to hear their ideas. Discuss finer points. Differences could be important. Work with new information. An important cause or meeting commands your attention. Tonight: Spring out the door.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** You might feel like everyone left town and dumped their work on you! You are certainly carrying a heavier load. Take time to have an important discussion with an associate or supervisor. You need more information, and get it. Take an overview of what is happening. Tonight: Escape quickly.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** Let your ingenuity come out. Make a new approach. News from a distance puts a spring in your step. Think through decisions. Someone tries to make up for recent difficulties. Be open to another opportunity. A new beginning is here. Tonight: So naughty and so nice!

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** You build on strong founda-

tions. A partner is happy to go along with you. Capitalize on the moment. Charge your energy into completing key work projects. Surprises mark an important association. Laugh, lighten up and go with the flow. Tonight: Home warms your heart.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Make contacts, have discussions and seek information. Humor, laughter and creativity mix. A partner does the unexpected, though you are delighted by him. Learn to blend in with others. Be light and easy. Examine your long-term interests. Tonight: Join friends.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Be an impartial observer rather than an active participant. You are capable of a strong reaction. Family and home take high priority, creating a scheduling problem. Be creative, to complete your work. Listen to co-workers. Go along with a fun suggestion. Tonight: It could cost!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** Your smile and sparkling personality draw others. Approach a touchy subject in a different manner, to assure that your message will be clearly received. A child or loved one is simply unpredictable. You can't change that! Go with the flow. Tonight: Whip up a little fun!

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** Listen to feedback and take in new information. Slow down and try to understand a family member. You might not be able to stabilize a personal situation. Don't try to handle it; let it go. Revamp your budget. Your instincts are excellent. Tonight:

Head home for some downtime.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Friends surround you, urging you to join them. You might change your point of view as a result of information you receive. Unexpected news comes forward that encourages a change of plans. Know what you want, then proceed. Tonight: Where your friends are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

***** Emphasize achievement. Follow through on what is important to your work, but you could get distracted. On some level, you are processing a personal problem. No one is harder on you than you are! A raise or bonus becomes a distinct possibility. Tonight: Out and about.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

***** Take a complete view of work-related issues. Think through a decision involving a friendship. Unexpected actions bring you into the limelight. Be sure of what you want. Because of your ability to see another side and empathize, others trust you. Tonight: Take off.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

***** Relate closely to others. Listen carefully to their interpretations. A boss is difficult, but you could see a change in the work arena. Be willing to act on an unexpected insight. You could be a bit hard on yourself or feel overly tender. Tonight: Be with your best friend.

BORN TODAY

Singer Shirley Bassey (1937), musician David Bowie (1947), actress Yvette Mimieux (1941)

Crossword Puzzle

by THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS
- 1 European capital
- 5 Up
- 11 Court star
- Lendl
- 12 Canal setting
- 13 Sassy
- 14 Refuse to go to bed
- 15 Train worker
- 17 High card
- 18 Bit of gossip
- 22 Suffering ennui
- 24 Vampire killer
- 25 Actress MacGraw
- 26 Cleanse
- 27 Paul's wife
- 30 Play
- 32 Places for padding
- 33 Greek letter
- 34 Mysterious
- 38 Al's wife
- 41 Verdi opera
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- 43 Flight part
- 44 Mortgage payment
- 45 Sunup site
- DOWN
- 1 Fit for picking
- 2 Range
- 3 Bread spread
- 4 Lure
- 5 Church part
- 6 Insurance workers
- 7 Needing change
- 8 Utter
- 9 Cassowary's kin
- 10 Carpet feature
- 16 Actor Beatty
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- 20 Tom Joad, for one
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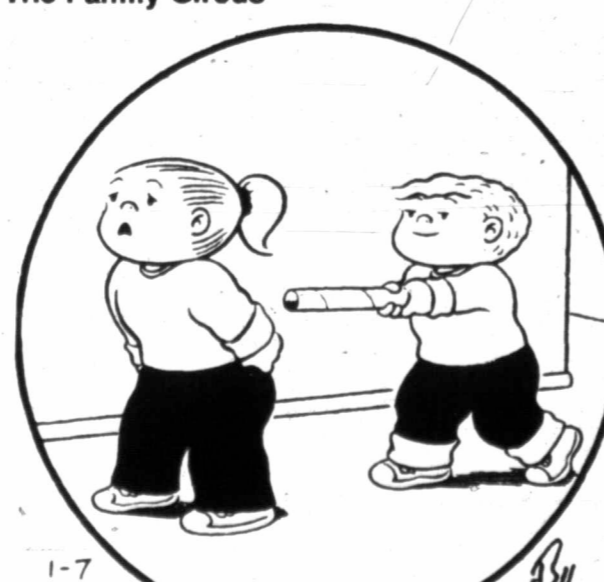
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Marmaduke



"If you're walking too slow for Marmaduke, he'll let you know."

The Family Circus



"Mommy! Jeffy's pointing the empty paper towel roll at me again!"

STUMPED?

For answers to today's crossword, call 1-900-454-7377! 99¢ per minute, touch-tone/rotary phones. (18+ only.) A King Features service, NYC.

SPORTS

Notebook BASKETBALL

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Desmond Mason scored 24 points, including 8 of Oklahoma State's last 11, and grabbed 10 rebounds to lead the No. 23 Cowboys past Texas A&M 64-59 on Wednesday night.

The Cowboys (10-3, 2-0 Big 12) won with quickness, as the Aggies had trouble keeping up with Mason and teammates Adrian Peterson and Joe Adkins. Peterson had 14 points and Adkins 12.

Oklahoma State led virtually all the way but never were able to break away from the Aggies.

Texas A&M (7-5, 0-2) trailed 29-26 at halftime but opened the second half by hitting four consecutive 3-pointers — three by Clifton Cook — to take a 35-33 lead with 18:26 to go.

The Cowboys responded with an 8-3 run that gave them the lead for good at the 14:15 mark. Texas A&M never trailed by more than 6 points down the stretch but never again pulled even.

Cook led all scorers with 25 points and had 8 rebounds for the Aggies, while Shanne Jones added 11 points.

DALLAS (AP) — Willie Davis scored 26 points, leading Southern Methodist to a 108-77 victory Wednesday night over Hardin-Simmons.

Davis hit 9-of-13 from the field and 8-of-10 free throws for the Mustangs (6-7) and also had a game-high 10 rebounds. Matt Robertson led HSU (4-4) with 19 points.

Chad Elsey led four other SMU players in double figures with 19 points. Jeryl Sasser had 15 points, Stephen Woods 14 points and Damon Hancock 10 points.

SMU led 61-32 at the half after a 21-of-33 effort from the field. The Cowboys made only 8-of-25 field goal attempts the first half.

SMU turned Hardin-Simmons' 21 turnovers into 29 points. HSU turned SMU's 14 turnovers into 11 points.

Bradley Waters hit 4-of-8 3-pointers and finished with 12 points for Hardin-Simmons.

HOCKEY

DALLAS (AP) — Guy Carbonneau's timing was perfect Wednesday, and the Dallas Stars' streak lives on.

Carbonneau scored his first goal this season with 6:49 left, and the Stars rallied from a two-goal first-period deficit to extend their franchise-record unbeaten streak to 15 games with a 6-4 victory over the Vancouver Canucks.

"I know I'm not going to score 20 or 30 goals a game like I used to," the 38-year-old center said after his first goal in 44 games. "But when you go that long without scoring, you rush your shot and squeeze the stick too tight. Tonight I had a good chance, took my time and scored on it."

Carbonneau lifted a rebound over fallen Canucks goalie Garth Snow for his first goal since March 29, 1998, giving the Stars a 5-4 lead.

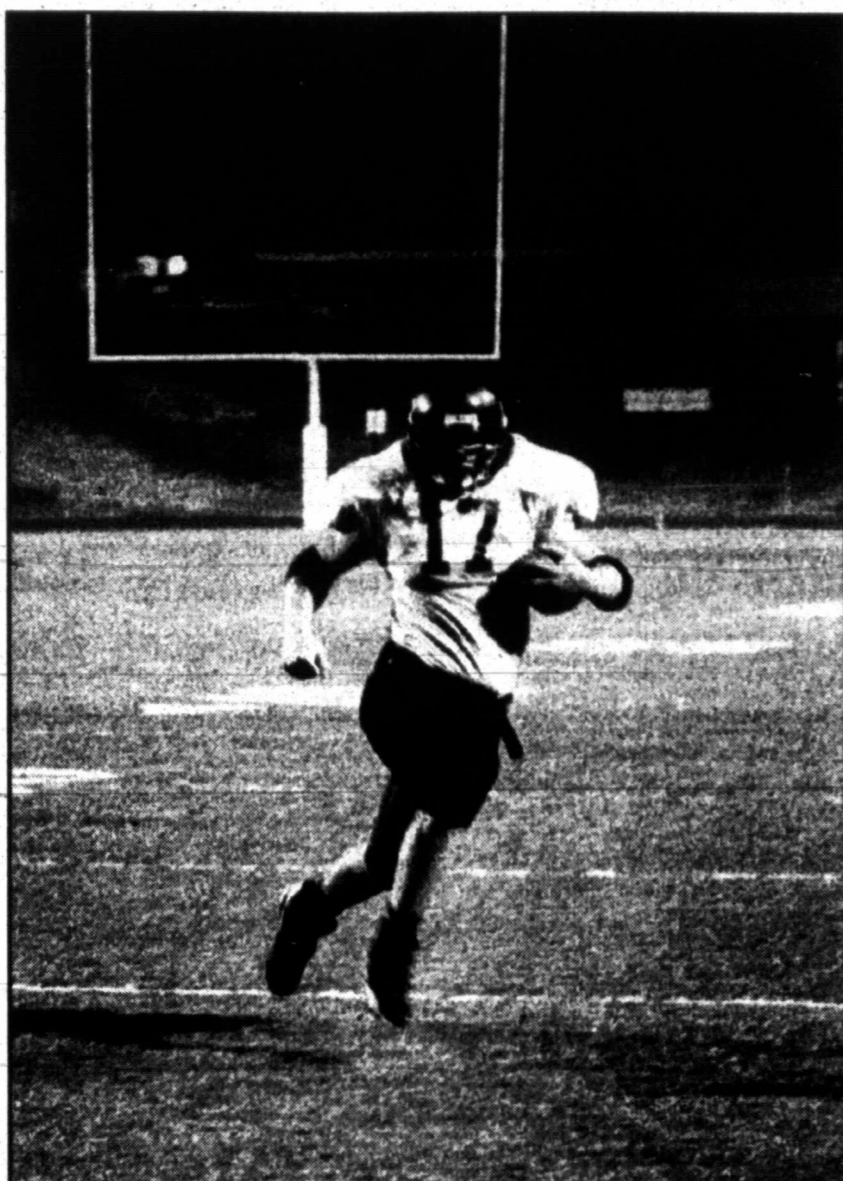
"As excited as the players are about the win, they're even more excited about Carbo's goal," Stars coach Ken Hitchcock said. "It's timing. Carbo scores his first and it wins a game for us. If I were a betting man, I wouldn't have bet that he'd score his first tonight, but different people are stepping up every night for us."

The Stars are 12-0-3 during their run, the league's longest active streak.

Vancouver, which got two goals and an assist from Marcus Naslund, lost its seventh straight game.

Canucks coach Mike Keenan blamed his players' lack of discipline for the Stars' six power-play chances. Dallas scored three times on the power play.

"We took some unnecessary penalties such as retaliation, and that speaks of a lack of composure and discipline," Keenan said. "Then we couldn't get out of our end in the last five minutes"



(Pampa News photo by Bonner Green)

Wheeler's Aaron Dunnam is District 1-1A's player of the year on both offense and defense.

PHS soccer teams open with victories

PAMPA — Both Pampa soccer teams opened the season with wins over Tascosa on Tuesday.

Pampa jumped out to an early lead enroute to a 4-0 victory in the boys' match.

Nuni Silva, Kyle Weller, Ryan Nash and Brad Gardner scored one goal each for the Harvesters.

"We had good balance in our scoring," said coach John True. "It was a very good team effort."

The Harvesters had 24 shots on goal and scored twice in each half.

The Harvesters host Amarillo High at 6 next Tuesday night.

Amarillo High lost to Canyon 2-1, in its season opener.

Pampa also won the junior varsity match, 2-0, as John Schlewitz and Shaun Davis scored one goal each.

In girls' action, Pampa edged by Tascosa, 2-1.

Pampa scored goals in the first and second half. Tascosa's lone goal came in the second half. The Lady Harvesters has 16 shots at goal.

The Lady Harvesters host Amarillo High at 12 noon Saturday. AHS opened its season with an 11-0 win over Canyon.

Lady Harvesters set to open District 3-4A play

PAMPA — The Pampa Lady Harvesters tip off the District 3-4A season Friday night against the Caprock Lady Longhorns.

Both teams will be looking to improve after falling well short of the playoffs last season. Pampa was 3-9 in district play while Caprock was 1-11 a year ago.

Both teams should have a better shot at a post-season berth since perennial powerhouses Randall and Canyon have moved to another district.

Pampa is led by junior guard Jordanna Young, the team's leading scorer from a year ago. She's averaging around 9 ppg for the 8-7 Lady Harvesters so far this season.

Caprock appears to be much improved from a year ago. The Lady Longhorns reached the finals of the Canadian

Tournament during the holiday break, losing to Canadian, 58-52, for the championship.

WHITE DEER — After a slow start, the White Deer girls' basketball team is closing in on a .500 record.

The Does defeated River Road, 51-41, Tuesday night to push their record to 9-10. Melissa Coey led a balanced scoring attack with 9 points. Cassie Salzbrenner and Kala Tice added 8 points each.

Kile and Podzemny had 8 points each to lead River Road. White Deer fell in the boys' game, 56-53.

Chancler topped River Road in scoring with 26 points.

Jeremy Crook had 13 points and Jerry Evans 8 to lead White Deer scorers.

Jordan still undecided

NEW YORK (AP) — The basketball world will have to wait to find out if Michael Jordan is returning to the NBA.

"Michael is going to analyze the deal, see what Chicago wants to do and then make an informed decision," agent David Falk said today. "I'm not certain what his time frame is."

Jordan, who led the Bulls to their sixth championship of the decade last June, had said he would wait until the end of the lockout to announce whether he will retire.

At 36, Jordan remains the game's best player. He is a free agent and can sign with any team, but the Bulls can offer him far more money than anyone else.

Under terms of the new collective bargaining agreement, a grandfather clause allows any

player to sign for 105 percent of his previous salary. That means Jordan, who made about \$33 million last year, can get about \$34.7 million from the Bulls should he choose to return.

Jordan's whereabouts were not immediately known. He has been reported to be in the Bahamas recently.

"He needs to see what the rules of the new agreement are so he can see what the big picture looks like," Falk said.

Asked what he expects Jordan to do, Falk replied: "I have no gut feeling on it."

"He has to make whatever decision makes him happy, and I'll support whatever decision he makes," Falk said.

Several other members of the Bulls are free agents, including Scottie Pippen, Dennis Rodman, Luc Longley and Steve Kerr.

Wheeler's Dunnam leads All-District 1-1A squad

WHEELER — It's a rare honor when a football player can win both offensive and defensive player of the year awards in district.

Aaron Dunnam, who plays quarterback and linebacker for Wheeler's state finalist team, was selected by District 1-1A coaches as player of the year on both offense and defense.

Booker's Ron Pinkard was named the district's coach of the year.

ALL-DISTRICT 1-1A TEAM

First-Team Offense

Quarterback: Jim Potts, sr., Gruver.

Running backs: Casey Childress, jr., Wheeler; Allen Dorsey, sr., Memphis; George Morgan, sr., Shamrock; Garrett Pool, soph., Gruver.

Tight end: Kyle Masters, jr., Wheeler.

Receivers: Craig Bass, jr., Wheeler; Jason Pool, sr., Gruver.

Linemen: Ben Britt, sr., Wheeler; Ben Dollar, jr., Wheeler; Bruce Copeland, sr., Wheeler; Luke Johnson, sr., Gruver.

Center: Bret Goad, soph., Wheeler.

Punter: Colby Hilburn, jr., Shamrock.

Second-Team Offense

Quarterback: Brad Frame, soph., Booker.

Running backs: Caleb Finsterwald, soph., Wheeler; Adrian Cordova, sr., Claude; Jason Fanelli, jr., Claude; Bray Armes, jr., Gruver.

Tight end: Brent Ferguson, sr., Claude.

Receivers: Kirk Boedeker, sr., Wheeler; Ty Owens, jr., Shamrock.

Linebackers: Will Wollard, sr., Wheeler; Brantlee Lemons, jr., Claude; Jeff McClure, jr., Gruver; Artie Martinez, jr., Memphis; Clayton Jernigan, sr., Shamrock.

Center: Kyler Barkley, jr., Gruver.

Punter: Anthony Salinas, sr., Memphis.

First-Team Defense

Linemen: Michael Montgomery, sr., Wheeler; Bob Johnson, sr., Memphis; Brantlee Lemons, jr., Claude.

Ends: Kyle Masters, jr., Wheeler; Artie Martinez, jr., Memphis.

Linebackers: Bret Goad, soph., Wheeler; Ty Knoz, jr., Claude; Bray Armes, jr., Gruver.

Secondary: Brooks Brown, jr., Wheeler; Kirt Boedeker, sr., Wheeler; B.J. Campbell, jr., Claude; Greg Slough, sr., Gruver.

Kick returner: Adrian Cordova, sr., Claude.

Kickers: Ben Dollar, jr., Wheeler; Bray Armes, jr., Gruver.

Second-Team Defense

Linemen: Ben Britt, sr., Wheeler; Don Hudgins, jr., Wheeler; George Morgan, sr., Shamrock; Luke Johnson, sr., Gruver.

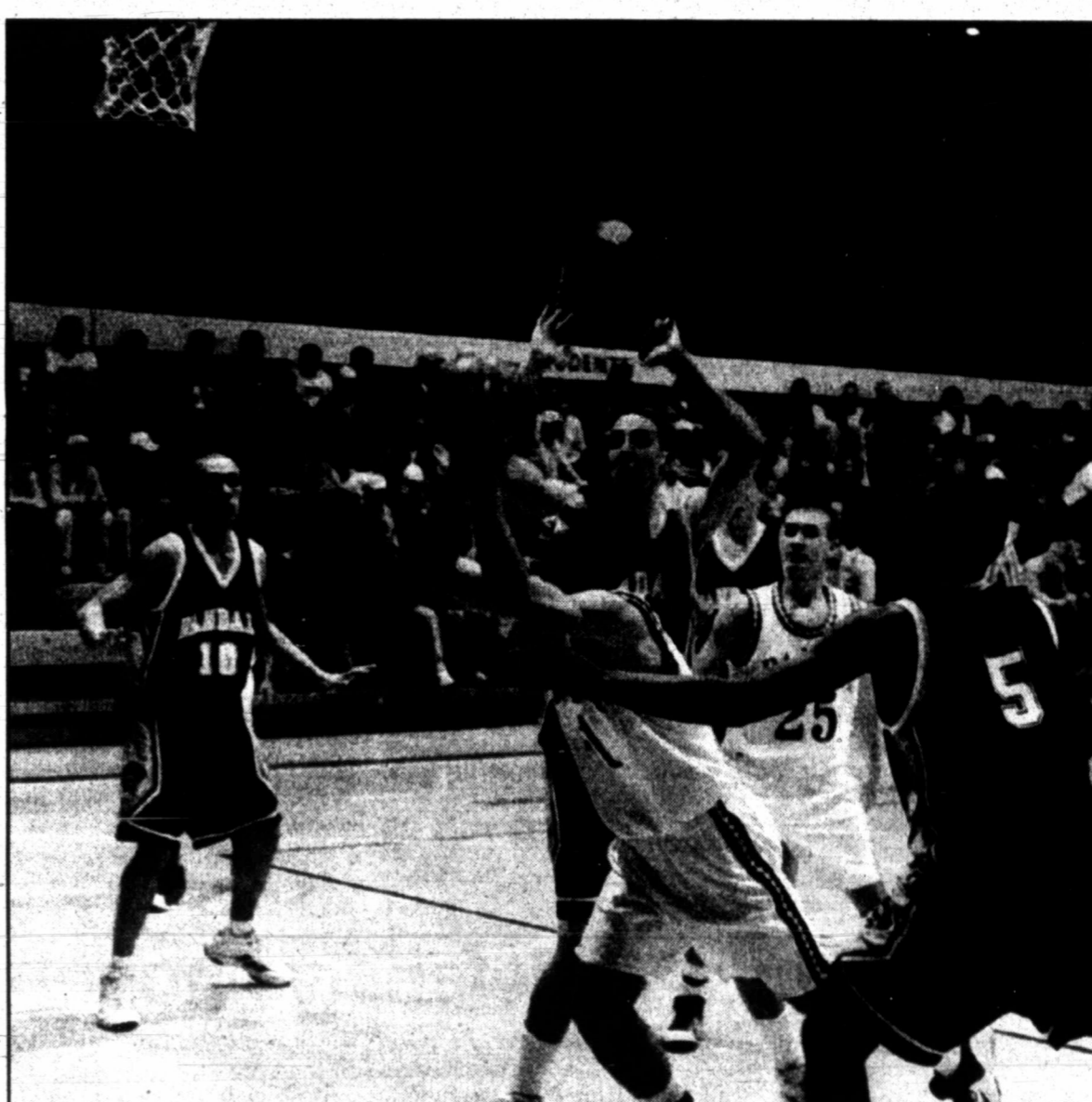
Ends: Bruce Copeland, sr., Wheeler; Rene Camacho, jr., Booker; Kyler Barkley, jr., Gruver.

Linebackers: Ben Dollar, jr., Wheeler; Josh Harrison, soph., Memphis; Jeff McClure, sr., Gruver.

Secondary: Craig Bass, jr., Wheeler; Luke Havens, sr., Booker; Derik Grotegut, jr., Gruver; Ty Owens, jr., Shamrock.

Kick returner: Josh Harrison, soph., Memphis.

Shooting for two



(Pampa News photo by L.D. Strate)

Pampa junior Kevin Osborn goes up for a shot against Randall in basketball action Tuesday night in McNeely Fieldhouse. The Harvesters host Childress at 7:30 p.m. Friday. Pampa opens District 3-4A play Tuesday night at Dumas.

Rayford Young hits 17 in Tech loss

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Kelvin Sampson uses Tim Heskett and Alex Spaulding as examples of why Oklahoma's basketball team may not always look real good, but can still win.

Heskett and Spaulding, both guards, combined for 13 points and three assists against Texas Tech on Wednesday night. But they put the clamps on sharpshooter Stan Bonewitz and in doing so helped lead the Sooners to a 78-68 victory.

"You may want to evaluate what they can't do on offense, that's fine," Sampson said. "They're winners. They know how to play within a system and how to win games."

The Sooners (11-3, 2-0 Big 12) followed a familiar pattern to snap Texas Tech's three-game winning streak in Norman. They played shakily in the first half, but came through with a much better second half.

Eduardo Najera scored 23 points and Eric Martin had all 12 of his in the second half. Najera scored seven of Oklahoma's final 10 points while playing with four fouls.

"I made a vow to myself about a month ago that I'm not going to get into evaluating our basketball team," Sampson said. "The things we're deficient at are easy to detect. Evaluate this team on wins and losses."

After shooting 36 percent in the first 20 minutes, and scoring six points in the first nine, the Sooners shot 52 percent after halftime.

Texas Tech (9-6, 1-1) hit 58 percent of its shots, including a 13-of-20 performance in the second half, but was undone by 24 turnovers and an inability to get consistent perimeter scoring.

"It was because of their defense," coach James Dickey said. "They shadowed Bonewitz all night but we didn't pass the ball very well and we didn't handle the pressure well."

Bonewitz, who averages 13 points per game and scored 19 in a victory in Norman a year ago, was held to seven this time. He only got six shots, including three from 3-point range.

Rayford Young and freshman Andy Ellis scored 17 each for the Red Raiders. It was a career high

for Ellis, who made all five of his field goals and didn't miss any of his seven free throws.

Najera and Ryan Humphrey had nine points each in the first half, when the Sooners shot poorly and were outrebounded 22-15 but led by one thanks to a 13-2 turnover edge.

A 7-0 run gave the Sooners a 48-40 lead with 13 minutes left in the game. A short time later, Martin made two 3-pointers while scoring 10 straight points to keep the Red Raiders at arm's length.

A drive through the lane by Bonewitz brought Tech to within 55-54 with 9:07 to play, but 3-pointers by Martin and Heskett padded the lead and the Red Raiders got no closer than four the rest of the way.

Martin missed all four of his shots in the first half but was 5-of-7 after that.

"At halftime I told Eric, 'Every time you get the ball, shoot it,'" Sampson said. "When Eric's open, I think every shot's going in."

Humphrey had 11 points and 11 rebounds.

Texas NBA teams face some quick rebuilding projects

By The Associated Press

The Houston Rockets have enough players for a game — as long as it's two-on-two.

The San Antonio Spurs have twin towers David Robinson and Tim Duncan but only five other veterans under contract.

The Dallas Mavericks have virtually their entire roster signed, but it's mostly the same team that went 20-62 last year.

Before NBA teams can begin their shortened season next month — made possible by Wednesday's labor agreement between players and owners — they need to come up with teams. The mighty Chicago Bulls are a prime example, as nine of the 12 players on last year's playoff roster are free agents, including Michael Jordan.

Of the Texas teams, the Mavericks have the biggest head start on the season. Not only do they have nine veterans under contract, they also signed first-round draft pick Dirk Nowitzki, a 6-foot-11, 20-year-old German sensation, just before the lockout

last summer.

Dallas will feature point guard Steve Nash, obtained from Phoenix in a three-way trade, and its top returning player, forward Michael Finley.

San Antonio will look to get beyond the Western Conference semifinals this time — that's where the Spurs fell to Utah last year.

The Spurs, who improved by 36 wins last year, will again hitch their wagon to big men Robinson and Duncan, last year's rookie of the year. But they've also got five other veterans under contract: Sean Elliott, Avery Johnson, Antonio Daniels, Will Perdue and Chuck Person. Guard Vinny Del Negro is a free agent who recently joined an Italian team but has a clause allowing him to return to the NBA once the lockout ends.

The team has tried to trade for Golden State Warriors guard Latrell Sprewell, but speculation in San Antonio says that could only happen if a third team gets involved because Golden State isn't interested in the players the

Spurs are offering.

Houston doesn't even have enough players under contract for a starting lineup.

Center Hakeem Olajuwon is signed, as is guard Brent Price, returning from injury. The only other signed players are reserves Rodrick Rhodes and Roy Rogers.

Charles Barkley is a free agent, although he might re-sign with the Rockets. Barkley is recovering from a triceps injury and a hernia.

The Rockets are expected to be aggressive in the free-agent market. Star forwards Antonio McDyeess and Scottie Pippen are thought to be at the top of their wish list.

The end of the lockout could also boost prospects for a new arena in Houston. Mayor Lee Brown had openly worried that canceling the season could make voters wary of approving a publicly financed arena.

The Mavericks, Spurs and Rockets can't sign free agents until Jan. 18, but staffs are already narrowing their shopping lists.

Class of '99 heads for Cooperstown

NEW YORK (AP) — When he started his pitching career, Nolan Ryan seemed like the last guy in the world likely to wind up in the Hall of Fame.

Unlike George Brett and Robin Yount, who are accompanying him to Cooperstown, Ryan was erratic and inconsistent, a kid who could throw hard but with very little idea where those pitches would wind up.

Sounds like a young Sandy Koufax, except Koufax had only four no-hitters. Ryan wound up with seven.

Ryan was the odd man out on a Mets staff headed by Tom Seaver, Jerry Koosman and Gary Gentry, the nucleus of the team's 1969 world championship. The hard-throwing pitcher was in a high-priority military reserve unit, required to report to meetings every other weekend.

"I was pitching maybe every 10th day," he said. "I was erratic and wild. I wasn't happy my four years with the Mets. I was frustrated with the lack of success and no consistency."

The Mets were frustrated, too, and shipped Ryan and three other players to California in 1971 for Jim Fregosi.

"That trade kicked off my career," Ryan said. "I had no more military obligation. I went into a four-man rotation. Tom Morgan was the pitching coach. Jeff Forbort was my catcher. I was able to pitch over 300 innings the first year. That was what I needed."

It was the real beginning of one of the most dominating power pitching careers in baseball history.

Ryan won 324 games and struck out a record 5,714 batters to go with those seven no-hitters.

Those numbers earned him 98.79 percent of the 497 ballots cast by 10-year members of the Baseball Writers Association of America. Ryan's total was the second-highest in history, trailing only Seaver's 98.84 in 1992. Brett received 98.19 percent, trailing only Seaver, Ryan and Ty Cobb's 98.23 in 1936's first election. Yount received 77.46 percent.

Each of them had great games and great seasons.

Yount remembered hitting two home runs against Jim Palmer in the last game of the 1982 season to push Milwaukee past Baltimore into the American League playoffs.

Brett remembered celebrating the 1985 World Series championship in Kansas City after the Royals recovered from a 3-1 deficit in the playoffs and another 3-1 deficit in the Series.

And Ryan remembered pitching on that 1969 Mets staff.

"When you look back, some of the most memorable moments were things that occurred as a team," he said. "The '69 Mets, nobody expected us to win. You develop a cohesiveness and there are memories and a special feeling. It was a unique group that came together at a very early age."

Then Ryan thought about pitching on a staff with Seaver, Koosman, Gentry, Jon Matlack and Tom McGraw.

"It would have been fun to stay together for 10 or 15 years and see what we could accomplish," he said.

Off on his own, he accomplished

plenty. Brett, who won three batting titles, recalled hitting against him.

"The first time I faced Nolan, he was with California," Brett said. "I was batting seventh, behind Jim Wohlford. He hit Jim in the ribs and the ball seemed to stick there for a minute before it fell to the ground."

"Jim was trying to breathe and he couldn't. Then I came up and took three pitches, three strikes. That was good enough for me."

Ryan recalled pitching to Yount and how impressed he was with the rookie's courage.

"I remember Robin was only 18, but he choked up and stood up on the plate," Ryan said. "You couldn't intimidate him. He'd hang in there."

Yount frowned. "I wasn't intimidated?" he asked. "I must have hid it well. It took three or four years for me to catch up with that fastball. If you didn't turn it up a notch, you were in big trouble."

Brett, who had 3,154 hits and batted .305 in a 20-year career with the Kansas City Royals, went 29-for-101 lifetime against Ryan. That was better than Yount, who had 3,142 career hits but only 16 in 69 swings against Ryan.

The Ryan-Brett-Yount rookie sweep marked the first time three first-year candidates were elected to the Hall of Fame since Cobb, Babe Ruth, Walter Johnson, Honus Wagner and Christy Mathewson comprised the first class at Cooperstown.

The three will be inducted Sunday, July 25.

White claims AP defensive honors

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Reggie White played like he was a young man in 1998, capping his illustrious career as The Associated Press NFL Defensive Player of the Year.

He also won the award in 1987 while with the Philadelphia Eagles.

So, which does he consider the greater accomplishment, collecting 21 sacks in 12 games in '87 at age 25 or 16 sacks at age 36 in his farewell season?

"I think this is the highlight," White said without hesitation. "Back then I was young. This is probably a bigger year."

White, who planned to retire a year ago, came back to the Green Bay Packers for one last season and led the NFC with 16 sacks. He also served as an off-field teacher for young defensive linemen Vonnie Holliday and Keith McKenzie, who finished with eight sacks each.

"Reggie this year was phenomenal," Packers quarterback Brett Favre said. "No one expected him, first of all, to play in the off-season, then he comes back and everyone's like, 'Well, he'll give us five, six sacks and his leadership in the locker room.' But he just blew everybody away."

No player has retired after winning the defensive or offensive player of the year award, but two MVPs did — Norm Van Brocklin, co-winner in 1960, and Jim Brown in 1965.

White, the most honored defensive end in NFL history, insisted once again Wednesday that this was it, even though he said he thought he could play until he was 40.

"There's some people who don't understand how I could walk away from the game having as good a year as I did, and No. 2 how I could walk away from so much money," said White, who could have made another \$5 million next year.

White recently was voted to the All-Pro team for the seventh time. The 37-year-old defensive end is the career sacks leader with 192 1/2 and is generally recognized as the first significant free-agent signing of the 1990s, when he left the Eagles for Green Bay.

Packers general manager Ron Wolf has said White's signing convinced other players to come to Green Bay, which won the Super Bowl after the 1996 season.

"To go out on top like this is an honor and a privilege that God would allow me to come through and play the way I did," said White, an ordained minister who around football is known as the "Minister of Defense."

"I didn't play for the people who doubted me. When the Lord spoke to me about coming back, that was the only reason I came back. No. 2, all of us have team goals and individual goals; my prayer was that God would make me defensive player of the year and to get 16 sacks."

In an interview with The Associated Press during training camp when the pain from his bad back began to diminish, White predicted exactly that: "I'm not coming back to be a part-time player or have a mediocre season. I told God, 'If You're telling me to come back, let me have a great season.' My goals are 16

sacks and to be Defensive Player of the Year."

He hadn't had that many sacks in a decade.

"It's come to pass and I praise the Lord for it," White said. "It's an honor not only to go out my last year being Defensive Player of the Year and of course ... being the only Packer to ever be Defensive Player of the Year."

White easily won the award in balloting by a nationwide panel of 47 sports writers and broadcasters. He received 20 votes, far ahead of Minnesota tackle John Randle's six.

Next in the voting were Miami linebacker Zach Thomas and New England cornerback Ty Law with four, and Dallas cornerback Deion Sanders, who received three votes despite missing the final month of the season with a toe injury.

White began playing pro football in the USFL and spent 14 seasons in the NFL. He says he has no fear of retirement.

"I think that people who don't have a purpose, they end up dying twice," White said. "They don't know what they're going to do. I think that's why among athletes, the divorce rate is so high because they left the game with no purpose."

"I have a purpose, No. 1 my family, my wife and my kids. I want to spend more time with my kids. I want to go to their basketball games more, go to their band concerts more."

And in five years, he can head for Canton and the Hall of Fame.

Meantime, White will focus on sacking sin and not quarterbacks.

Scoreboard

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Top 25 Fined

By The Associated Press
How the top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll fared Wednesday:

1. Connecticut (12-0) beat Boston College 91-78. Next: at West Virginia, Saturday.
2. Duke (14-1) beat Georgia Tech 99-58. Next: vs. Virginia, Sunday.
3. Cincinnati (14-0) beat DePaul 87-64. Next: at Southern Mississippi, Saturday.
4. Stanford (12-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 22 California, Saturday.
5. Maryland (13-2) did not play. Next: at Virginia, Thursday.
6. Kentucky (13-3) did not play. Next: at Vanderbilt, Saturday.
7. UCLA (10-2) did not play. Next: at Oregon State, Thursday.
8. Arizona (9-1) did not play. Next: vs. Washington State, Thursday.
9. Purdue (13-2) beat Penn State 70-67. Next: at No. 24 Wisconsin, Sunday.
10. St. John's (12-3) lost to Miami 84-79. Next: vs. Seton Hall, Saturday.
11. North Carolina (14-3) beat Florida State 72-54. Next: vs. No. 5 Maryland, Wednesday.
12. Michigan State (11-4) lost to No. 24 Wisconsin 68-51. Next: vs. Michigan, Saturday.
13. Indiana (14-4) did not play. Next: at Ohio State, Saturday.
14. Auburn (14-0) beat No. 19 Arkansas 83-66. Next: at LSU, Saturday.
15. New Mexico (12-2) did not play. Next: vs. San Diego State, Thursday.
16. Minnesota (9-2) lost to Northwestern 58-55. Next: vs. Penn State, Saturday.
17. Iowa (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Illinois, Thursday.
18. Kansas (10-3) beat Baylor 66-62. Next: vs. Iowa State, Saturday.
19. Arkansas (11-3) lost to No. 14 Auburn 83-66. Next: vs. Mississippi, Saturday.
20. Syracuse (11-3) did not play. Next: vs. Providence, Tuesday.
21. Clemson (12-3) did not play. Next: vs. Wake Forest, Saturday.
22. Texas Christian (12-2) did not play. Next: at Southern Methodist, Monday, Jan. 11.
23. Oklahoma State (10-3) beat Texas A&M 64-59. Next: at Baylor, Saturday.
24. Wisconsin (13-1) beat No. 12 Michigan State 66-51. Next: vs. No. 9 Purdue, Sunday.
25. California (10-2) did not play. Next: at No. 4 Stanford, Saturday.

Scoreboard

AFC champion vs. NFC Champion, 8:18 p.m. (FOX)

BOWLING

HARVESTER LANES — PAMPA

Team	Won	Lost
Harvester Women's League		
O'Brien Enterprises	39	21
Davis Minit Mart	38 1/2	23 1/2
Harvester Lanes	34 1/2	25 1/2
H & H Sporting	34	26
DBR H2O Vending	33	27
Wendell's Roofing	29	31
Keyes Pharmacy	28	32
Schiffman Machine	28	32
Peggy's Place	27	33

High scratch game: DBR H2O Vending 503; High scratch series: DBR H2O Vending 1,474; High handicap game: Harvester Lanes 685; High handicap series: Harvester Lanes 1,884.

Individual

High scratch game: Sue Henderson 570; High scratch series: Billie Gowdy 537; High handicap game: Peggy Shay 248; High handicap series: Peggy Shay 678.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MIXED LEAGUE

Team	Won	Lost
Cox Enterprise	37	19
Harvester Lanes	35	21
McCarty Hull	34	22
Domino's Tire	31	25
Davis Minit Mart	28	28
Canadian Motel	25	31
Deaver Construction	24	32

Week's High Scores

High scratch game: Canadian Motel 1,883; High scratch series: Harvester Lanes 882; High handicap series: Deaver Construction 2,342; Davis Minit Mart 842.

Individual

Men — High scratch game: Ray Deaver 212; High scratch series: Jim Homer 525; High handicap game: Ray Deaver 239; High handicap series: Jim Homer 821; Women — High scratch game: Belinda Edwards 207; High scratch series: Peggy Smith 521; High handicap game: Belinda Edwards 261; High handicap series: Cindy Folk 840.

TRANSACTIONS

Wednesday's Sports Transactions By The Associated Press

BASEBALL

American League
NEW YORK YANKEES—Named Stan Hough manager of Greensboro of the South Atlantic League.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Agreed to terms with RHP Bill Taylor on a one-year contract.

TAMPA BAY DEVIL RAYS—Named Charlie Montoyo manager, Mit Hill pitching coach, and Brad Rippelmeier hitting-first base coach for Charleston of the South Atlantic League.

TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Signed OF Wayne Kirby and OF Jimmy Hurst to minor-league contracts.

National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Traded OF Pat Watkins to the Florida Marlins for RHP Pedro Minaya.

FOOTBALL
National Football League
JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS—Fired RB Tavian Banks and CB Cordell Taylor \$500 each for being late to a team meeting.

NEW YORK GIANTS—Fired John Matsko, offensive line coach.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ANAHEIM MIGHTY DUCKS—Assigned D Dan Trebil to Cincinnati of the AHL.

EDMONTON OILERS—Recalled C Jim Dowd and D Todd Reiden from Hamilton of the AHL.

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Announced

that general manager Craig Patrick has added the titles of president and chief executive officer.

COLLEGE
BAYLOR—Announced Junior G Tevis Stokes has left the men's basketball team. Named Mickey Matthews defensive coordinator and linebackers coach.

GEORGIA TECH—Named David Sollazzo defensive line coach.

OHIO STATE—Announced WR David Boston will enter the NFL draft.

UCLA—Announced OT Kris Farris will enter the NFL draft. Named Mike Linn strength and conditioning coach for all varsity sports.

WEST VIRGINIA—Announced RB Amos Zereoue will enter the NFL draft.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

At A Glance

By The Associated Press

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	22	10	5	49	112	97
Philadelphia	18	9	10	45	105	82
Pittsburgh	17	10	7	41	101	91
N.Y. Rangers	15	16	7	37	104	104
N.Y. Islanders	13	23	3	29	91	112

Northeast Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Buffalo	21	9	5	47	105	71
Toronto	22	14	2	46	122	109
Ottawa	19	13	5	43	111	87
Boston	18	13	6	42	99	82
Montreal	12	19	7	31	85	104

Southeast Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	18	14	7	43	104	95
Florida	13	14	9	36	94	100
Washington	12	20	3	27	80	91
Tampa Bay	9	25	3	21	79	128

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	19	17	2	40	116	104
St. Louis	14	12	9	37	97	89
Nashville	14	20	3	31	88	114
Chicago	11	22	5	27	82	122

Northwest Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	17	18	4	38	94	101
Edmonton	15	18	4	34	102	101
Vancouver	13	22	4	30	103	122
Calgary	12	24	3	27	100	125

Pacific Division

Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	25	5	6	56	113	71
Phoenix	21	8	5	47	97	65
Anaheim	14	16	8	36	90	88
Los Angeles	14	21	3	31	91	101
San Jose	11	17	9	31	81	90

Tuesday's Games
San Jose 3, New Jersey 3, tie

Pittsburgh 5, Calgary 1

Chicago 1, N.Y. Islanders 1, tie

Los Angeles 4, Edmonton 3, OT

Florida 2, Phoenix 2, tie

Wednesday's Games
Ottawa 2, Detroit 0

New Jersey 5, N.Y. Rangers 2

Dallas 6, Vancouver 4

Florida 2, Colorado 2, tie

Buffalo 3, Anaheim 2, OT

Thursday's Games
Toronto at Boston, 7 p.m.

Tampa Bay at Montreal, 7 p.m.

N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 7:30 p.m.

Official: Bagdad's claims confirmed by spy reports

By NICOLE WINFIELD
Associated Press Writer

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Reports that U.N. weapons inspectors helped Washington eavesdrop on Iraqi military intelligence call into question the credibility of the inspection regime and its claims that Iraq still harbors weapons of mass destruction, Baghdad's ambassador says.

If true, the newspaper reports only strengthen Iraq's argument that sanctions imposed after Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990 should be lifted, Nizar Hamdoon said Wednesday.

"If this has been established now as a fact, then the whole issue of Iraq's compliance would have to be dealt with differently," Hamdoon said, calling the reports the "nail in the coffin" for the U.N. inspections program.

Secretary-General Kofi Annan said in a statement Wednesday that he had no knowledge of the allegations in the reports and the chief U.N. weapons inspector, Richard Butler, denied them. Both brushed aside suggestions Butler resign.

Butler, interviewed by The Sydney Morning Herald in his home country of Australia, said that while he has been "very pleased" to do the job, he

is contemplating stepping down when his term ends June 30.

"I have always said I don't want to stay in this job forever," he was quoted as saying in today's edition.

The American newspapers detailed an operation in which U.N. inspection teams — in a bid to aggressively gather intelligence on Iraqi attempts to elude inspections — helped the United States eavesdrop on secret communications among Iraqi military units.

Washington used the operation beyond the limited goal of rooting out weapons to gather intelligence on the military protection surrounding Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to undermine his government, the Washington Post said.

Citing a U.S. official and another person familiar with the operation, The Wall Street Journal said today that weapons inspectors used a sophisticated device to send encrypted data from Saddam's presidential communications network via satellite to the U.S. National Security Agency.

Iraq has long accused the U.N. Special Commission — or UNSCOM — and its chief inspector Richard Butler of being spies and working for Washington to maintain 8-year-old sanc-

tions on Iraq indefinitely under the guise of weapons inspections.

The reports only bolster Baghdad's claims and should prove to embolden the Iraqi leadership as it continues to challenge international restraints imposed after the Persian Gulf War in the wake of the U.S.-British airstrikes Dec. 16-19.

"Iraq's point of view now has been strengthened — that it (UNSCOM) was politically motivated and that it was coordinating with the arch enemy of Iraq," Hamdoon said in an interview with Dow Jones Newswires.

Iraqi government officials say information gathered by the inspectors helped U.S. and British jets score direct hits during the airstrikes. They cite the sprawling General Security Directorate: Amid the maze of buildings, just two key structures were destroyed — the only two visited by the inspectors.

In Washington, State Department spokesman James P. Rubin acknowledged there was "intelligence sharing" with UNSCOM inspectors but said American monitors acted in accordance with U.N. resolutions.

"It is my understanding that at no time did the United States work with anyone at UNSCOM to

collect information for the purpose of undermining the Iraqi regime," Rubin said.

On Wednesday, Butler denied his teams spied for Washington and said information gathered with American help was used solely for the purpose of disarming Iraq.

"We have never conducted spying for anybody," Butler told reporters. "We have used the resources at our disposal for the pursuit of our mandate to see that Iraq is properly disarmed."

U.N. arms inspectors were sent to Iraq in 1991 to oversee the elimination of Iraq's weapons of mass destruction as a condition of the cease-fire that ended the 1991 Gulf War. The inspectors must declare that Iraq has destroyed its banned weapons before sanctions imposed after Iraq's 1990 invasion of Kuwait can be lifted.

Iraq banned U.N. weapons inspections after the December airstrikes.

In a statement released by spokesman Fred Eckhard, Annan said: "We not only have no convincing evidence of these allegations, we have no evidence of any kind."

"Obviously were these charges true, it would be damaging to the United Nations' disarmament work in Iraq and elsewhere," Eckhard said.



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Hustler's Flynt promising more scandal

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The very bad boy of publishing is not through.

Hustler magazine publisher Larry Flynt, the self-described "pornographer, pundit and social outcast," is promising to unleash new controversy on a scandal-weary Washington.

As the Senate prepared to put President Clinton on trial, Flynt was scheming to publicly embarrass a "big fish" Republican in the House, just as he did with Rep. Bob Livingston.

"This guy is really a gem," Flynt told The Associated Press on Tuesday. "We've got enough to go on now, but we are waiting for

an affidavit from his ex-wife."

Flynt said he will make the disclosure next week at a news conference. He described his next victim only as a GOP House member who has been a strong critic of Clinton in the Monica Lewinsky scandal.

Fearful politicians are already talking about being "Larry Flynted." The president himself has decried "the politics of personal destruction" and Livingston warned of "government-by-Larry Flynt."

"Certainly, scandal-mongering goes back to the beginning of the republic," said Gary Jacobson, a

political science professor at the University of California, San Diego. "But now it is on this huge financial scale. It's a sign of the times."

In October, Flynt ran a full-page advertisement in The Washington Post offering as much as \$1 million to anyone who "had an adulterous sexual encounter with a current member of the U.S. Congress or a high-ranking government official" and could produce documentation of it.

Livingston, a Louisiana Republican who was about to take over as House Speaker, turned down the gavel and said he would resign from Congress after confirming Flynt's discovery that he had had adulterous affairs.

Flynt also said he will name a third politician later next week, and that he is paying between \$3.5 million and \$4 million to a number of women who responded to his ad. He planned to publish details in a one-time magazine called "The Flynt Report."

Flynt's campaign to unmask what he calls hypocrisy in the Clinton investigation is shaking up more than politicians. Political analysts are recoiling at the influence now being wielded by a man whose name was once considered a dirty joke.

"It's almost as if we as a society have fallen through the looking glass," said Sherry Bebitch Jaffe, a political scientist at Claremont Graduate University. "I have never seen anything quite like it."

Jaffe said that by driving the public discourse to new lows, Flynt will deepen cynicism about the impeachment process and government in general.

"This is dangerous to democracy," said Jaffe. "It's dangerous to the First Amendment and it

only adds to the cynicism we see out there. This is sexual bounty hunting."

Flynt, 56, might seem an unlikely player in the current political maelstrom. But those who know him say it's part of his grand design.

He made his name with a hard-core sex magazine that once pictured a woman being put through a meat grinder. He once went to the Supreme Court over a magazine spoof ad suggesting the Rev. Jerry Falwell lost his virginity to his mother in an outhouse.

Flynt won the fight in the Supreme Court. He later gained legitimacy in some eyes when the 1996 movie "The People vs. Larry Flynt" portrayed him as a First Amendment hero.

He has been in a wheelchair since a man, incensed by an interracial photo spread in Hustler, shot him in 1978. That same white gunman also admitted shooting and wounding Vernon Jordan, the Washington lawyer and Clinton confidant who is a key figure in the Lewinsky investigation.

Flynt's previous forays into mainstream celebrity have included offering a \$1 million reward for new information in the assassinations of John F. Kennedy, Robert Kennedy and the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. In the 1984 trial of automaker John DeLorean, he released a government videotape of DeLorean with a suitcase full of cocaine.

"He always wanted to be a political player," said Paul Krassner, who served briefly as Hustler publisher in 1978 and runs the alternative paper The Realist in Los Angeles.

"He wanted to play a part in politics and in the culture of the country," Krassner said, "and he got what he wanted."

Sun-like stars said to have superflares powerful enough to fry whole planets

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Superflares powerful enough to fry nearby planets regularly erupt from distant stars that are just like the sun, but such death-dealing explosions are unlikely to occur in the solar system, astronomers say.

Two Yale University researchers said Wednesday that they have found nine solar-type stars that have erupted in flares up to 10 million times more powerful than anything ever recorded from the sun. There is preliminary evidence for at least seven others, they said.

If the sun were to have such an eruption, said Bradley E. Schaefer, it could possibly cause mass extinctions, plunge the Earth into brief heat wave, flood the planet with gamma and X-rays, melt electronics in orbiting satellites, cause global auroras and wipe out for up to two years all of the ozone that protects the Earth from harmful ultraviolet radiation.

"The loss of ozone could kill the food chain and probably cause mass extinctions," Schaefer said.

Even smaller bursts, he said, could burn out all of the electricity distribution systems on Earth, plunging the planet into a global power outage.

But the Yale professor said there is no evidence that such powerful "superflares" have ever erupted from the sun.

"It's not going to happen here," Schaefer said repeatedly in a presentation at the national meeting of the American Astronomical Society.

Schaefer said that an examination of astronomy

archives uncovered proof that superflares erupt about once a century from G type, main sequence stars, the stellar type that is just like the Earth's own sun. The erupting stars are up to 100 light years away and pose no threat to the Earth.

"We found that superflares do occur on disturbingly normal solar-type stars," said Schaefer. "Superflares are 100 to 10 million times more energetic than the brightest solar flares."

He said the superflares last for one hour to one week and cause the stars to brighten by to 1,000 times their normal luminosity.

Schaefer said he believes the sun will never erupt with such powerful flares because there is no evidence that it has ever happened during the 4 billion year history of the sun.

The sun has been scientifically studied for more than 150 years and the most powerful solar flares detected have been only a fraction of energy in superflares, he said.

Additionally, astronomy records going back for 2,000 years have never recorded a superflare from the sun, said Schaefer. And, furthermore, such a superflare would have melted the ice on the moons of Jupiter and left smooth frozen plains. Recent spacecraft pictures of the moons show no such evidence, he said.

Eric P. Rubenstein, another Yale astronomer, said the eruptions probably occur because the distant stars have Jupiter-sized planets in a very close orbit.

Candle popularity coincides with increase in fires

BOSTON (AP) — Once reserved for special dinners and holidays, candles are seemingly everywhere these days — in specialty stores and supermarkets that sell everything from pumpkin-scented sticks to colorful votives.

The popularity may have a price. Statistics show a significant rise in fires, damage and death caused by candles, according to the Quincy-based National Fire Protection Association, which began compiling statistics on such blazes in 1980.

"Most people think you just light them and blow them out," said Jenny Manuche, owner of the Candlewood shop in Swampscott. "People don't seem to realize they're dealing with fire."

Candles were blamed for 9,930 fires, 126 civilian deaths and \$170.6 million in property damage nationwide in 1996, the most recent year for which statistics are available, the association said.

That represents an 82 percent increase from the 5,460 candle-caused fires in 1990, when num-

bers were at their lowest. That year there were 89 deaths and \$62.5 million in damage.

There is no conclusive evidence explaining the rise in candle blazes, but fire experts and those in the candle industry say the potential for misuse has grown.

"We have candles everywhere — pillar candles, votive candles, candles in glass jars, candles to disguise bad odors. It's become part of our way of life," said Jennifer Mieth of the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services.

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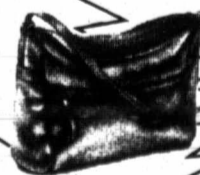


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