

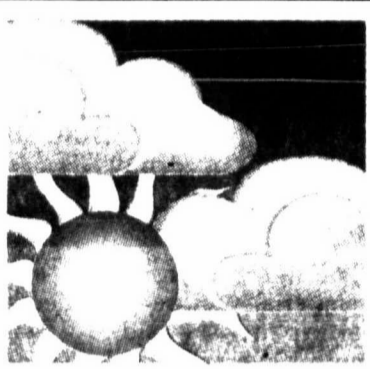
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PAMPA — The Boy Scout Santa Fe District Banquet, honoring those who have served scouting, will be held Saturday, Jan. 30 at 6:30 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 1633 Nelson. For more information or reservations, contact Bob Olson, 669-9882 or Gina Albus, 665-4774.

FORT WORTH, (AP) — A family of four that may have been experiencing financial difficulties was found dead today from apparent asphyxiation in a running car, police said.

The bodies of a father, mother and their sons — ages 5 and 7 — were discovered in the car, which had a clothes dryer hose leading from the vehicle's exhaust pipe into the passenger compartment, police said. The victims' names were not immediately released.

Officers discovered the family when they were called to the north side neighborhood at about 9 a.m.

"At the present time we're investigating as to what all was going on that might have caused this family to take this kind of desperate measure," said Fort Worth police Lt. Mark Krey. "We have had reports that they were suffering some severe financial problems, but we haven't been able to confirm any of that at his point."

- Ivy Agatha Clark, 88, nurse at Groom Memorial Hospital for many years.
- Margaret I. Creed, 59, retired Coronado Hospital nurse.
- Robert R. Diaz, 57, heavy equipment operator at E.D. Baker Construction Co.
- Lynn Turner, 43, former legal secretary, choir director.

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Mother testifies in manslaughter trial

By DAVID BOWSER
Staff Writer

"Kami! Kami! Wake up! It'll be okay," Karen Minick said she screamed at her daughter in the twisted wreckage of their car on the night of Aug. 13, 1997.

Karen Minick, 34, told jurors today in the intoxicated manslaughter case against Ronald Dean Sanders, 46, that she kept trying to reach her daughter, but couldn't and couldn't understand why.

Both of Karen Minick's legs were crushed from the impact of hitting Sanders' three-quarter ton pickup.

Kami Michelle Minick, 17, of Canadian, was killed Aug. 13, 1997, when the car in which she was riding was in collision with a truck driven by Ronald Dean

"This man was drunk when he killed that girl," District Attorney John Mann said in his opening statement Monday afternoon. Mann told the jury he would prove that Sanders was drunk, ran a stop sign and killed Kami Minick and injured her mother Karen.

Sanders, 46, of Pampa, at the intersection of U.S. 60 and Farm to Market Road 2391.

Kami Minick and her mother had been shopping for school clothes in Amarillo when their 1997 Toyota sedan slammed into the side of the 1994 Ford pickup driven by Sanders.

There was only the sound of quiet sobbing from family and friends of Kami

Minick Monday afternoon as a Pampa paramedic described the injuries to the Canadian teenager.

Sharmayne Miller testified Monday afternoon that she had been the first medic on the scene. She said Kami Minick had a pulse but labored breathing. Miller said Minick was unconscious and trapped in the car.

It took 20 to 25 minutes to pull the Canadian cheerleader from the twisted wreck, Miller said, and get her into an ambulance where she went into cardiac arrest.

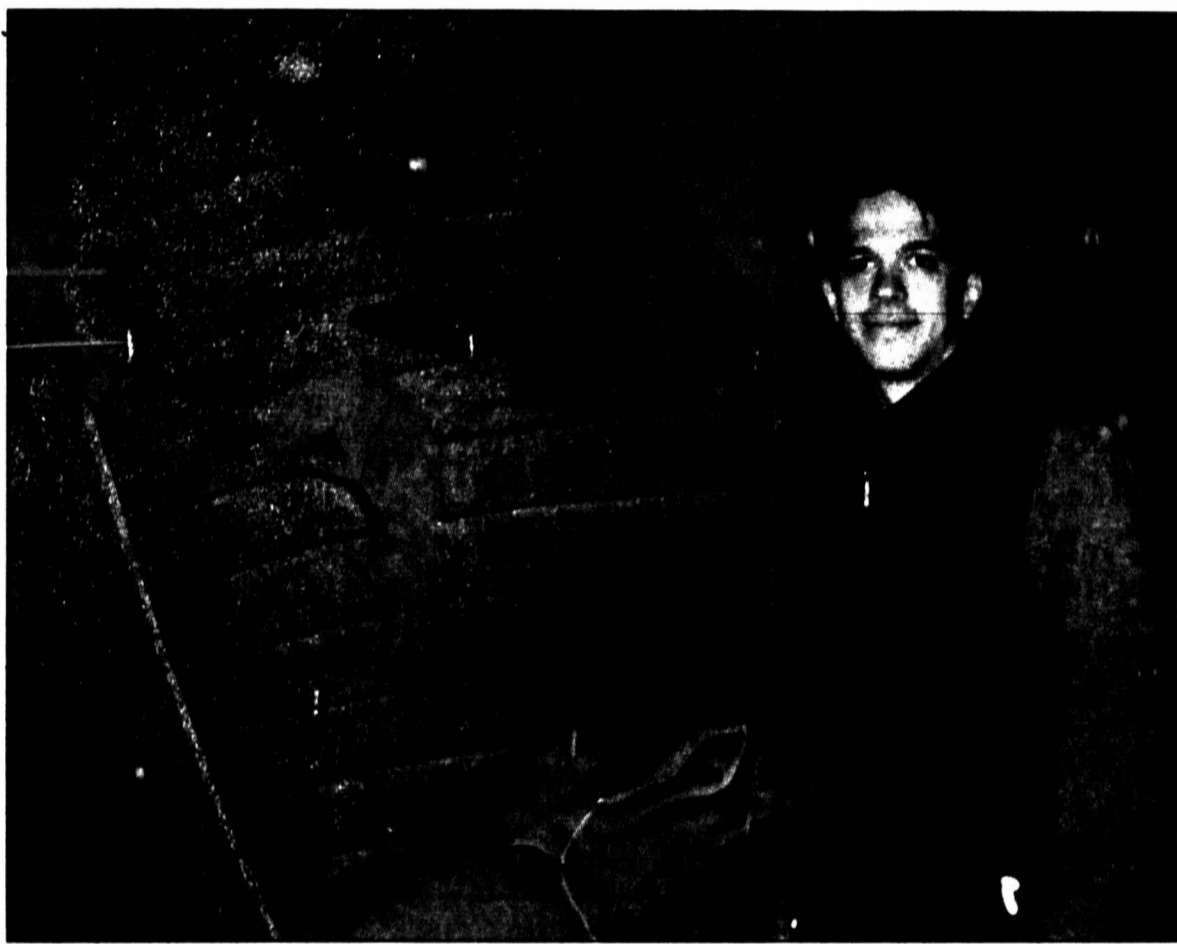
Minick's heart slowed until it stopped, Miller said. The girl never regained consciousness.

"This man was drunk when he killed that girl," District Attorney John Mann said in his opening statement Monday afternoon, pointing toward Sanders.

Mann told the five-woman, seven-man jury he would prove that Sanders was drunk, ran a stop sign and killed Kami Minick and injured her mother Karen.

Odessa truck driver Jack Lee was the first witness Monday afternoon as testimony continued.

30,000 visit light celebration



(Pampa News photo)

Celebration of Lights member Mark Bailey has just finished two birds and a half of a giraffe on what is going to be a life-like, painted, Noah's Ark display for the park. Bailey, a process control engineer at Celanese, worked in 1997 to help restore the historic Pampa nativity scene, but says the ark will keep him busier than any other art project he has encountered. He welcomes fellow artisans interested in helping with the 12x28 mural-size work.

Celebration of Lights ...the work never ends

Celebration of Lights members are completing the holiday season by getting the last of the displays dismantled and stored.

Several of the displays provided by an Indiana-based leasing company will be exchanged for new ones for the 1999 park. Many of the smaller displays are completely being returned to the company, but at least eight large displays will be added next year in addition to several that are in the planning

stages by Celebration of Lights members.

"This was a successful year for the park with an estimated 30,000 people touring, according to a survey conducted nightly," said Kathleen Chaney. "The survey indicated that a high traffic percentage was from out-of-town visitors."

Work will continue Monday nights at Warren Chisum's office to construct the new displays for next season, she said.

(See LIGHTS, Page 2)

Latest count has more locals losing their jobs

The number of those out of work in Pampa and Gray County is on the rise and the slumping oil and gas market is getting the blame.

In actual numbers, the Texas Workforce Commission said there were 486 unemployed people in Pampa, 36 more than the month before and Gray County had a total of 599 people out of work, an increase of 45.

Statewide, December unemployment across the state dropped slightly but the count of those out of work Pampa and Gray County rose.

Pampa's unemployment rose from 4.9 in November to 5.3 in December and Gray County figures rose from 5.0 to 5.5, according to figures released from the Texas Workforce Commission.

In the panhandle, unemployment figures were mixed with Dumas dropping from 3.3 to 2.6.

Steve Cross of the Texas Workforce Commission in Borger said the Dumas numbers may have to do with beef production picking up.

He said the oil slump was a major factor in the Pampa/Gray County numbers. Borger's figures dropped a tenth of a point last month but they still show the highest unemployment in the panhandle with 6.7 percent unemployed. Cross said some counties that showed a slight drop in the numbers may reflect unemployment benefits running out for some people.

New math class a prep for Algebra

By MIRANDA G. BAILEY
Managing Editor

High school math course offerings will be a little different next year because of the school board's decision to eliminate an Algebra class for a new Math 1 course which will offer students a full semester of pre-algebra review.

The previously offered Algebra I-4 course presented students with a review of arithmetic and problem solving for a few weeks before moving on into algebraic concepts.

With the new Math 1 class, scheduled to be implemented in next year's course offerings, students who are not ready for Algebra I will have the option to spend a whole semester reviewing arithmetic and problem solving skills.

High school Principal John Kendall and math department representatives speculate that approximately 100 to 130 students would qualify to be in the new class.

In other matters, high school student leaders were recognized by the Pampa ISD Board of Education at a reception in the school's library Thursday.

"The purpose for this is very simple. We want to say thank you to student who have chosen to be student leaders," said Superintendent Dr. Dawson Orr.

Quite frankly... What is the most important quality in a leader?



"Kindness."
-- Staci Clay



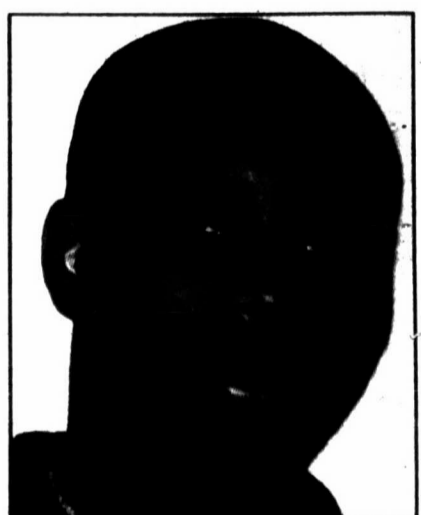
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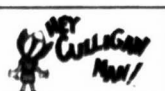
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Services tomorrow

CASH, Leonard E. — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.
CLARK, Ivy Agatha — 2 p.m., Groom Church of Christ, Groom.
DAZ, Robert R. — Vigil services, 6 p.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.
MINNICK, Dewain Daniel — Graveside services, 1 p.m., Bushie Prairie Cemetery, Clifton.

Obituaries

IVY AGOTHA CLARK
AMARILLO - Ivy Agatha Clark, 88, a former Groom resident, died Sunday, Jan. 24, 1999. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Groom Church of Christ in Groom with Gaylord Cook of Dalhart Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Groom Cemetery under the direction of Schooler Funeral Home of Amarillo.
 Mrs. Clark was born at Childress. She was a former longtime resident of Groom and was a nurse at Groom Memorial Hospital for many years. She married Roy Clark in 1932 at Claude; he died in 1981. The couple farmed and ranched.
 She was a member of Groom Church of Christ. She was preceded in death by a son, George H. Clark, in 1997.
 Survivors include a daughter, Nadine Thornton of Groom, a son, Walter Dale Clark of Amarillo, a brother, Henry Merrick of Groom, nine grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to a favorite charity.

MARGARET I. CREED
 Margaret I. Creed, 59, of Pampa, died Monday, Jan. 25, 1999. The body was cremated. Memorial services are planned at a later time. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Creed was born Sept. 3, 1939, at Pampa and had been a lifelong Pampa resident. She graduated from Berger High School in 1957 and from Baptist Memorial Nursing School in San Antonio in 1960. She married John Creed on July 24, 1981, at Pampa. She worked at Coronado Hospital prior to retiring in 1989 and was employed with Agape Home Health Care from 1991-93.



Survivors include her husband, John, of the home, a son and daughter-in-law, Leo Dean Rhoten, Jr., and Donna of Star, Idaho; four daughters and two sons-in-law, Karla R. Burns and Margaret Ann and Carl Hagemann, all of Pampa, Cindy Thomas of Amarillo, and Michelle and Richard Grumbles of Austin, a stepson and wife, John David and Alice Creed of Blackrock, Ark., her parents, Marion and Leah Carey of Carlsbad, N.M., three sisters, Mariann Kinn of McKinney, Bobbie Moore of Carlsbad and Kay Martin of Houston, three brothers, Byron Carey of Dumas, Kenneth Carey of Houston and Roy Carey of Carlsbad, 11 grandchildren, a great-grandchild, and numerous foster children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.
 The family requests memorials be to Baptist St. Anthony's Hospice of the Panhandle, Box 2795, Pampa TX 79066-2795; or to Highland Baptist Church, 1301 N. Banks, Pampa TX 79065.

ROBERT R. DIAZ
 Robert R. Diaz, 57, of Pampa, died Saturday, Jan. 23, 1999. Vigil services will be at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel. Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Thursday in St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church with the Rev. John Valdez officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mr. Diaz was born Jan. 26, 1941, at El Paso. He had been a Pampa resident since 1956. He married Concha "Connie" Ramirez on Nov. 8, 1958, at Clayton, N.M. He was a heavy equipment operator at E.D. Baker Construction Company for 10 years. He was a member of St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church.



Survivors include his wife, Connie, of the home, two sons, Ricky Diaz of Weatherford and Robert "Lenny" Diaz of Amarillo, a sister, Francisca Munoz of El Paso, three grandchildren, and two step-grandchildren.

LYNN TURNER
BRISTOW, Okla. - Lynn Turner, 43, a former Pampa resident, died Monday, Jan. 25, 1999. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in First Baptist Church in Pampa with the Rev. John Glover, associate pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mrs. Turner was born Aug. 9, 1955, at Amarillo. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1973 and attended Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene for one year. She was a longtime Pampa resident prior to moving to Bristow in March of 1998. She married David Paul Turner on July 28, 1973.

She was a legal secretary in Pampa for six years and had been secretary for First Baptist Church in Bristow for the past 10 months. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Bristow and belonged to First Baptist Church of Pampa for many years, serving as a Sunday school teacher. She was a member of the church choir and of the Ladies Vocal Ensemble. She directed the children's choir and played handbells. She was also stage manager of the Pampa Elementary Chorus musicals for several years.
 She was preceded in death by two step-fathers, R.Z. Ford and Ray Walker.

Survivors include her husband, David, of the home, two daughters, Jaclyn Gail Turner, of the home, and Carson Beth Turner of Shawnee,

Police report

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

Monday, January 25
 Theft was reported in the 500 block of N. Frost. Burglary was reported in the 2200 block of Zimmers.
 Assault was reported in the 100 block of E. Harvester.

Sheriff's Office

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

Monday, January 25
 Cecil Ray Pinder Jr., 21, Amarillo, was arrested on charges of evading arrest, bond surrender and burglary of a motor vehicle.
 Dewayne Ray McBeie, 25, 1328 Starkweather, was arrested on charges of theft by check and issuance of a worthless check.

Accidents

The Department of Public Safety reported the following accident during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Monday, January 25
 No injuries were reported when a 1995 Mack truck driven by Michael Wayne Easley, 55, Miami, slowed because of blowing lime dust while headed west on Highway 60. A 1991 Chevrolet pickup driven by Bobby Lee Hendrick, 19, Pampa, who was also west bound on Highway 60 failed to slow enough and struck the truck. A 1995 Chevrolet pickup driven by Carilan Swindle, 51, Woodward was unable to stop and struck Hendrick's pickup. Hendrick was cited for failure to control speed.

Ambulance

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

Monday, January 25
 8:20 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of Canadian and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.
 11:29 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1600 block of Buckler and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.
 11:48 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 700 block of N. Wells and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.
 12:31 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 900 block of N. Duncan and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.
 1:03 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the Columbia Medical Center and transported one to Baptist St. Anthony's in Amarillo.
 7:37 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 800 block of S. Reed and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.
 11:14 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Crest and transported one to Columbia Medical Center.

Fires

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

Monday, January 25
 11:45 a.m. — Two units and four personnel responded to the 700 block of N. Wells on a medical assist.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Aftersight Grain of Pampa

Wheat	2.63	Coca Cola	61.916	dn 1/8
Milo	2.21	Columbia/BH A	17.1516	dn 7/16
Com	1.51	Entero	63.94	dn 1/8
Soybeans	4.44	Hallaburg	29.1516	dn 9/16
		IBR	3.1516	NC
		KNF	20.708	dn 1/8
		Kerr McGee	54.1116	dn 9/16
		Limited	42.1016	up 9/16
		McDonald's	77.7116	up 1/8
		Mobil	87.7116	dn 9/16
		New Atmos	29.9116	dn 1/8
		NEC	45	dn 5/16
		Penney's	99.708	dn 1/16
		Phillips	40.508	dn 1/16
		Pioneer Nat. Res.	9	dn 1/8
		SLB	48.708	dn 1/8
		Tenneco	33.9116	up 7/16
		Texas	50.508	NC
		Ubraman	22.1516	up 1/8
		Wal-Mart	82.7116	up 7/16
		Williams	55	up 1/16
		New York Gold	281.20	
		Silver	5.12	
		West Texas Crude	1.36	

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

Amco	58.9116	du 3/8
Cater	25.94	up 1/8
Cash OAG	14.98	NC
Chescon	79.7116	dn 7/16

Court report

Clayton Durand Johnson, judgment NISI
 Mark Elliot, judgment NISI (dismissed)
 Calvin Lange, judgment NISI (dismissed)
 Joe Calvin Sims, judgment NISI
 Pamela Jean Lemons, judgment NISI
 Heather Sorrell, judgment NISI
 Sue Ellen Chavez, judgment NISI
 Roy Alexander McCalliard, discharge from successfully served probation
 Patrick Hendrick, discharge from successfully served probation
 Amy Michelle Schoonover, discharge from successfully served probation
 Bobby Ray Howard, discharge from successfully served probation
 Michael Farris Young, discharge from successfully served probation
 Mark G. Watkins, order to amend probation
 Frederick Hernandez, family violence protective order initiated
 Loyd Poland, family violence protective order initiated
 Kenneth Ray Hamon, order of restricted privileges
 Ramon Ortega, order of restricted privileges
 Michael Hicks, speeding (not guilty), driving at an unsafe speed (guilty), \$230 fine

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TRIAL

mony began. Lee told the jury he was the first person on the scene of the accident and used his cellular phone to call for help.

Lee said that after calling 911, he went back to where the driver of the car was trapped and tried to comfort her. He said the passenger, Kami Minick was moaning and her mother was crying. It was only a few minutes, Lee told the court, but it seemed like an eternity before emergency personnel arrived.

Department of Public Safety trooper Lupe DeLuna followed, describing the scene of the crash and his investigation that night.

DeLuna said he was able to determine that the Ford F250 pickup was southbound on FM 2391 while the car was headed northeast on US 60.

The driver of the pickup, DeLuna said, disregarded the stop sign.

DeLuna said he first saw Sanders leaning on the front of the pickup. DeLuna said Sanders admitted that he had been driving the pickup and had run the stop sign.

The trooper described Sanders as smelling of

alcohol. DeLuna said Sanders' eyes were glassy and blood shot and his speech was slurred.

DeLuna testified that a blood sample drawn from Sanders was sent to a Department of Public Safety lab for analysis.

DPS Chemist Jim Thomas testified Monday that the blood samples taken from Sanders two hours after the wreck showed the level of alcohol in his blood was 0.12 grams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood, above the 0.10 level set by the state as legally drunk.

James Devoll, 22, testified this morning that he and Sanders left work about 5 p.m. on Aug. 13, 1997, went to a restaurant downtown and had a beer, then drove to a convenience store at Starkweather and Foster and bought two six-packs of beer, one for Sanders and one for Devoll.

Recounting grand jury testimony, Devoll said Sanders sometimes began drinking at 1 p.m.

"Some days, he would drink," Devoll testified. "Some days he wouldn't."

Devoll indicated that he thought Sanders had drunk three or four of the beers from the six-pack by the time the accident occurred.

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LIGHTS

"Due to the return of several of the displays to the Indiana leasing company, it is the hope of Celebration of Lights to draw on community craftsmen/welders/artists to build displays for the 1999 park," Chaney said.

In addition to a change of scenes, this will allow the personal involvement and pride of providing displays from Pampa residents for all of the park-handle to see, according to Chaney.

"One of the things that makes Pampa's park unique is the personal touch evident in the painted

scenes and sparkle of lights surrounding each scene. Patterns and material will be provided to anyone wishing to participate," she said.

"There is something for everyone to do regardless of your artistic (or non-artistic) ability. There are lights to be taped on to metal frames, sawing to be done, sanding and base coating for signs and wooden displays, and if you are a welder, we definitely have lots of ideas for you," said Chaney.

Superior RV's Jack McAndrew is using his employees to help with welding displays, said Chaney, a good example of what the organization is looking for from other area businesses.

Infomercial guru, wife, sentenced to 24 years for real estate scam

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — William J. McCorkle flashed a dimpled smile, a quick wink and a wave to a gallery of supporters.

It was that same grin that helped convince thousands of people McCorkle was sincere when he promised a real estate deal with no debts, lower taxes and early retirement.

This time, the exotic dancer turned infomercial maven wasn't wooing prospective customers.

McCorkle, 32, and his wife, Chantal, each were sentenced to more than 24 years in prison for fraud and money laundering stemming from a scheme worth more than \$72 million in sales of videotapes, books and seminars promising a business partnership that would never exist.

Because of federal guidelines, their sentences were harsher than if they'd been found guilty of second-degree murder or raping a child.

The judge acknowledged that fact, but said she found no compelling reason to deviate from the guidelines established by Congress. The couple could have each received more than 31 years in prison.

"This case is troubling. The defendants are young. They have no prior record of any consequence," U.S. District Judge Patricia Fawcett said. "This is an extremely stiff sentence. It gives me great pause."

In addition to the 24-year, four-month sentences, McCorkle and Mrs. McCorkle, 30, were ordered to perform 50 hours of community service when they are released.

The boyish-looking McCorkle was a familiar face to viewers of late-night television. In 28-minute infomercials, he would talk enthusiastically about how he had gone from a poor child who was once evicted from his family's home to a real-estate millionaire.

With a near evangelistic zeal, he claimed he could help customers "Pay off your debts, lower your taxes and retire in two years or less..." Viewers saw the fruits of his wealth: yacht, luxury home, helicopter.

McCorkle's companies sold videos and pamphlets that promised to teach customers how to make money on foreclosed real estate. Federal prosecutors said McCorkle misled customers and refused to issue refunds when they were dissatisfied.

The government said it has identified 1,124 people who put their faith in McCorkle, who four times failed an exam for his real estate license. Before starting his telemarketing businesses in 1990, he worked as a busboy and exotic dancer.

Two of McCorkle's associates also were sentenced to five years each for fraud conspiracy.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Partly sunny today with a high of 60 and southwest-west winds at 25-35 mph. Tonight, partly cloudy with a low of 32 and west winds at 20 mph. Tomorrow, increasing cloudiness with a high of 60 and winds from 10-20 mph. Yesterday's high was 40; the overnight low, 29.

REGIONAL FORECAST
WEST TEXAS — Panhandle — Tonight, partly cloudy with a low around 30. West wind 10-20 mph. Wednesday, increasing clouds with a high in the mid 50s. West wind 10-20 mph. Extreme Southern Panhandle/Low Rolling Plains — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows mid 20s to mid 30s. Wednesday, becoming mostly cloudy. Highs mid 50s to mid 60s. Permian Basin/Upper Trans Pecos — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid to near 40. Wednesday, becoming mostly cloudy. Highs near 60 to near 70. Concho Valley/Edwards Plateau — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows 35 to 40. Wednesday, cloudy early, then partly cloudy. Highs near 60 to near 70. Far West Texas — Tonight, fair. Lows in the mid 30s. Wednesday, increasing cloudiness with an isolated afternoon shower possible. Highs in

the mid 50s. Guadalupe Mountains/Big Bend Area — Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows mid 20s to near 40. Wednesday, partly cloudy. Highs mid 50s mountains to near 70 along the river.

NORTH TEXAS — Tonight, partly cloudy with low clouds and fog developing after midnight. Windy early west and central. Lows 43 northwest to 45 southeast. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of showers or thunderstorms central and east. Highs 65 northwest to 74 south.

SOUTH TEXAS — Hill Country and South Central Texas — Tonight, cloudy. Lows in the 50s south central, 40s Hill Country. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the 70s. Southeast Texas and Upper Texas Coast — Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy with areas of fog developing. Lows in the upper 50s inland, lower 60s at the coast. Wednesday, mostly cloudy and unseasonably warm. High in the mid 70s inland, near 70 at the coast. Coastal Bend and the Rio Grande Plains — Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy with patchy fog developing. Lows in the upper 50s inland, lower 60s coast. Wednesday, early morning low clouds and fog, otherwise most-

ly cloudy and breezy. Highs in the 70s.
BORDER STATES
NEW MEXICO — Today, showers ending west in the morning and over the northeast by mid afternoon. Clouds decreasing west by midday and east during the afternoon. Colder north and west. Windy east. Highs in the 30s to mid 40s mountains with 50s and 60s elsewhere. Tonight, increasing clouds west with a chance for lowland rain or mountain snow showers northwest. Partly cloudy elsewhere. Lows 10 to low 20s mountains with 20s to low 30s elsewhere. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with snow showers likely northern mountains and chance for lowland rain or mountain snow showers south. Highs in the upper 20s and 30s mountains with 40s to near 60 at lower elevations. Lows in the single digits and teens mountains with 20s to mid 30s elsewhere.
OKLAHOMA — Today, mostly cloudy through mid morning central and south, otherwise partly cloudy and becoming windy. Highs in the 60s. Tonight, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s to upper 40s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. A 20 percent chance of showers in the afternoon. Highs mostly in the 60s.

Dewhurst seeks more money for top aides

AUSTIN (AP) — Land Commissioner David Dewhurst is seeking more money for his top executives.

After laying off 110 people earlier this month, an estimated savings of \$2.5 million, Dewhurst has asked Gov. George W. Bush for permission to pay his eight top executives \$101,000 a year.

Dewhurst spokesman Mark Sanders said former Land Commissioner Garry Mauro had a policy of not paying anyone more than the \$90,000-plus salary his elected office paid. That means Dewhurst didn't have the money in his current budget to hire qualified executives, Sanders said.

City briefs

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WHEELER (WILDCAT & WEST PARK Upper Morrow) Crescendo Resources, L.P., #1-21 J.G. O'Brien, 467' from North & East line, Sec. 21,—H&GN, PD 11300'.

Application to Plug-Back
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Douglas) K. Stewart Petroleum Corp., #1-60 Hobart Ranch, 2130' from North & 660' from West line, Sec. 60,A-1,H&GN, PD 11300'.

Application to Deepen (within casing)
OCHILTREE (ELLIS RANCH Hepler & ELLIS RANCH Cleveland) Crescendo Resources, L.P., #2 Halliburton, 1389' from North & 2133' from West line, Sec. 849,43,H&TC, PD 7654'.

Gas Well Completions
CARSON (WEST PANHANDLE) Chesapeake Operating, Inc., #G-5-H S.B. Burnett, Sec. 79,5,I&GN, elev. 3300 gr, spud 10-27-98, drlg. compl 11-19-98, tested 12-11-98, potential 7300 MCF, TVD 2858', MD 4700'. Horizontal well

GRAY (WEST PANHANDLE) Gray Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #2 Coffield, Sec. 89,23,H&GN, elev. 2860 rkb, spud 7-9-98, drlg. compl 7-12-98, tested 12-11-98, potential 280 MCF, TD 2425' —

GRAY (WEST PANHANDLE) Gray Petroleum Mgmt. Co., #2 Cousins, Sec. 1,30,H&GN, elev. 2846 rkb, spud 9-15-98, drlg. compl 9-17-98, tested 10-19-98, potential 330 MCF, TD 2448' —

HUTCHINSON (HANSFORD Lower Morrow) Crescendo Resources, L.P., #1 E.S.F. Brainard '6', Sec. 6,M-22,TCRR, elev. 2944 kb, spud 9-2-98, drlg. compl 9-15-98, tested 11-2-98, potential 47 MCF, TD 8600', PBTD 8595' —

HUTCHINSON (WEST PANHANDLE Red Cave) J.M. Huber Corp., #5RC Tarbox, Sec. 8,X-02,H&OB, elev. 3157 gl, spud 12-8-98, drlg. compl 12-18-98, tested 12-28-98, potential 2200 MCF, TF 3346', PBTD 2090' — Plug-Back

HUTCHINSON (NORTH HUTCHINSON-Krider) Jones Energy, Ltd., #1 Myrle Holt '51', Sec. 51,5-T,I&NO, elev. 3210 kb, spud 7-13-98, drlg. compl 8-17-98, tested 12-5-98, potential 347 MCF, TD 4790', PBTD 3101' — Horizontal, Sidetrack

LIPSCOMB (STABEL Lower Morrow) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #1988 McCartor, Sec. 988,43,H&TC, elev. 2730 kb, spud 8-10-98, drlg. compl 8-23-98, tested 1-5-99, potential 1900 MCF, TD 9800', PBTD 9703' — Re-Entry & Deepening

Plugged Wells
GRAY (WEST PANHANDLE) Oilwell Operators, Inc., #1 Barrett, Sec. 130,3,I&GN, spud 6-8-48, plugged 12-15-98, TD 3095' (gas) — Form 1 filed in G.B. Cree, et al

HANSFORD (NORTH MORSE Cleveland) Eagle Exploration, Inc., #1 Fort Zulu, Sec. 314,2,GH&H, spud 12-18-91, plugged 11-125-98, TD 6210' (gas) —

HEMPHILL (BRISCOE Morrow) Spring Resources, Inc., #2 Dodd '46', Sec. 46,M-1,H&GN, spud 9-10-98, plugged 10-24-98, TD 4250' (dry) —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #199 South Herring, Sec. 7,J,H&GN, spud 10-8-98, plugged 10-17-98, TD 3219' (dry) —

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #200 South Herring, J. Turner Survey, spud 10-1-98, plugged 10-6-98, TD 3219' (dry) —

LIPSCOMB (FRASS Tonkawa) Sargents Casing Pulling Service, #1110 Born, Sec. 110,10,HT&B, spud 4-22-85, plugged 5-28-98, TD 6488' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Follett Operating

OCHILTREE (NORTH FARNSWORTH Marmaton) WestStar Oil & Gas, Inc., #1A Ray L. Batman, 934' from West & West line, Sec. 26,2,J.H. Norwood, spud 9-8-67, plugged 12-29-98, TD 6728' (oil) —

OCHILTREE (NORTH FARNSWORTH Marmaton) WestStar Oil & Gas, Inc., #1027 Ray L. Batman 'A', 934' from North & West Lease line, Sec. 27,2,J.H. Norwood, spud unknown, plugged 12-18-97, TD 6738' (oil) —

ROBERTS (ALPAR LIPS Marmaton) Crescendo Resources, L.P., #1 Lips Ranch D '174', Sec. 174,C,G&M, spud 2-21-97, plugged 12-9-98, TD 8700' (gas) — Form 1 in Amoco Production

ROBERTS (HANSFORD Lower Morrow) Crescendo Resources, L.P., #2 Lips Ranch D '174', Sec. 174,C,G&M, spud 2-13-98, plugged 12-7-98, TD 8750' (gas) —

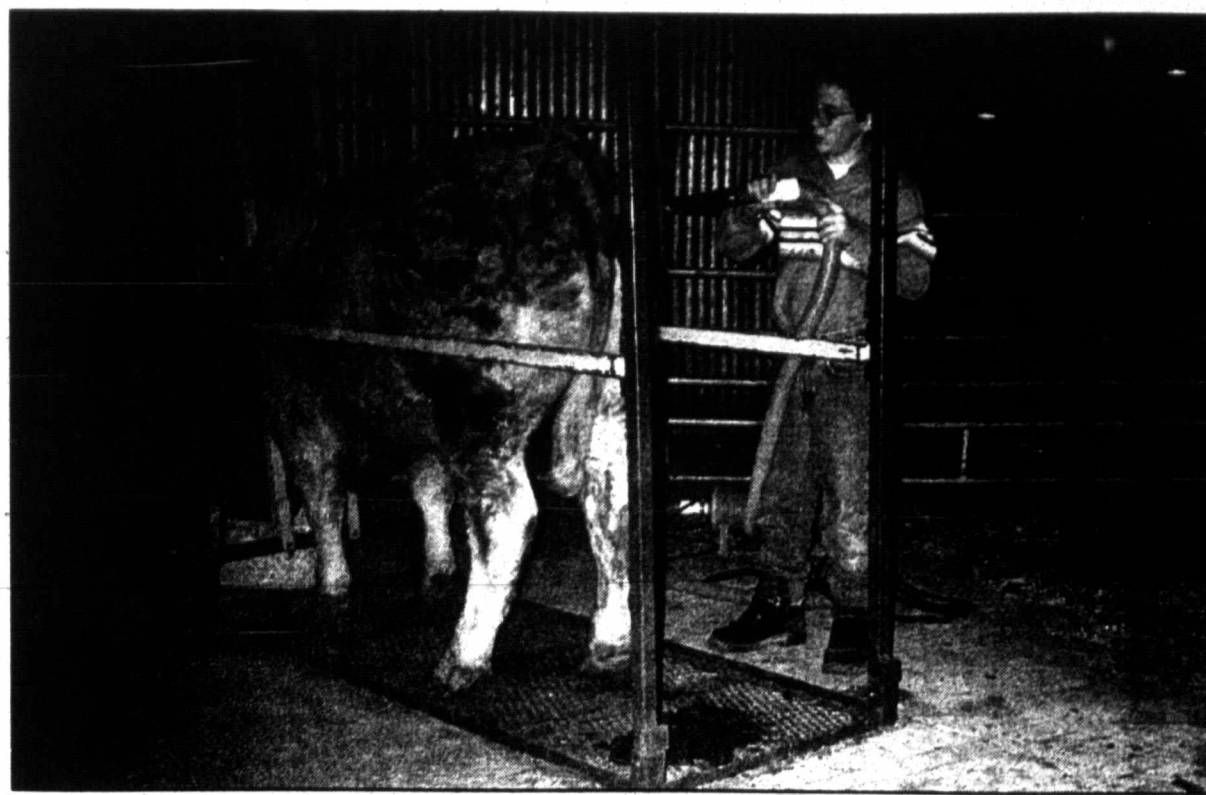
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#5, spud unknown, plugged 12-20-98, TD 4132' —

#6, spud unknown, plugged 12-18-98, TD 4115' —

WHEELER (WILDCAT) Enron Oil & Gas Co., #2 W.R. Hefley Gas Unit, Sec. 13,A-8,H&GN, spud 12-11-98, plugged 12-27-98, TD 6000' (dry) —

Gray County 4-H Livestock Show



(Community Camera photos)

Royce O'Neal, top, with Gray County 4-H, is seen here drying his steer in preparation for the Gray County 4-H Livestock Show held at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion recently. Ashley Price, bottom, of Pampa, with Gray County 4-H prepares her pig to enter the show ring.

FirstBank of the Southwest announces staff changes

FirstBank Southwest President Phil Gentry announced that Sharon Strickland has been named consumer loan officer at the Pampa bank. Strickland has been with FirstBank Southwest since 1990. The promotion to loan officer is effective immediately.



Sharon Strickland

Sharon Strickland graduated from Pampa High School and completed banking courses through Clarendon College - Pampa Center and has received her associate of arts degree through Clarendon College.

Strickland has also completed the Texas Tech School of Applied Banking. She was with the former First National Bank of Pampa from 1983-1990. In 1990, she joined Citizens Bank & Trust — later FirstBank Southwest — and has served in the commercial

loan area. Two years ago, she was

promoted to loan administrative officer.

In related staff changes at the bank, Daisy Bennett, mortgage loan officer, has moved to Austin in a corporate transfer for her husband. Kim Hill, assistant vice president, will be responsible for real estate and mortgage loans for FirstBank Southwest, along with installment loans and personal banking. As consumer loan officer, Strickland will work closely with Hill. Donna Crawford and new loan assistant Lisa Hamlin will assist the commercial loan area.

Gentry commented, "Our bank is pleased to have an excellent staff of very experienced employees. Sharon Strickland brings sixteen years' banking experiences into the new position as Consumer Loan Officer."

Fred Garbo Co. to perform for PCCA

Balloons filled with hilarious comedy, dance and fantastic imagery will be brought to Pampa Community Concert Association by the Fred Garbo Inflatable Theater Company at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 29, in the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

Gigantic inflatable props in the world of pneumatic wizard Fred Garbo and Brazilian ballerina Daelma Santos, a world of imaginative imagery and artistic foolishness, balloons roll, glide, bounce in synch with the music.

Attendance is by concert tickets — \$25 adults, \$10 students, \$60 family or by membership in Pampa Community Concert Association and, by reciprocal agreement, membership in Borger, Hereford and Plainview associations.

The concert begins when a 10-foot cylinder slithers on the stage and implodes. The big blow-up shapes shimmer, balloon, deflate and bounce in a rainbow of colors. Soon the audi-

ence is playing catch with inflatable props.

The lovely ballerina, Miss Santos, dances a can-can, but her skirt grows longer and becomes a ball gown. Then a balloon engulfs her and spirits her away. The concert presents fantastic pneumatic suits, dexterous juggling, dance and visual comedy.

Garbo was the acrobat inside Barkley, the dog, on Sesame Street, chief juggler in the musical, "Barnum," and toured Europe and Australia with the Obie Award winning Foolsize. Miss Santos was principal ballerina with Opera Paulista II Dance Company. Her performances span the Americas and Europe as choreographer and performer.

Fred Garbo Inflatable Theater Company has played in festivals, theaters and television across the United States, Scotland, Spain, Hong Kong, Japan, Taiwan, Singapore and Ireland.

Meals on Wheels to hold ninth annual garage sale fund-raiser

Meals on Wheels of Pampa will hold its ninth annual Garage Sale beginning Monday, Feb. 1 in the old IOOF Building at 800 E. Foster. The sale will open Monday afternoons from 2-5:30 p.m. Merchandise consists of a wide variety of items including clothing, shoes, books and furniture. Donated items will be gratefully accepted every Monday afternoon.

The annual sale will also feature a silent auction of six handmade quilts along with several handmade items and collectibles.

The proceeds will benefit the local Meals on Wheels program which currently serves an average of 165 meals to homebound elderly citizens unable to prepare a nutritious hot meal for themselves.

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The cheese mentality ...

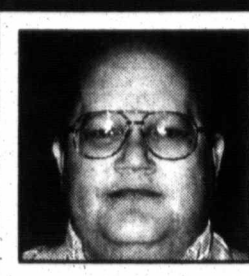
I'm not sure we've known each other long enough but I have a confession to make, I'm not quite normal.

I had my first inkling that things were not well when I found I couldn't even stand the smell of pizza. In high school many things will be overlooked but not an intolerance for cheese. My dislike continues to this day, and everyday it seems I am further out of the norm. When McDonald's first opened a restaurant in Amarillo there were two kinds of quarter-pounders on the menu — with or without cheese.

If you look on the menu at Micky D's now you'll find only quarter-pounders with cheese. Apparently that's the way real Americans want them. In fact, there is almost nothing to buy that doesn't have cheese on it. Breakfast? Cheese McMuffins. Lunch? The aforementioned quarter-pounders or a Big Mac with twice as much cheese. Note, they don't even mention cheese on the Big Mac. Why bother, of course it has cheese, they don't mention bread do they?

At other burger joints you could order a hamburger or a cheeseburger. Not anymore though. Try it. Even if on the menu and it says Hamburger \$1.25; Cheeseburger \$1.50.

"I'd like a hamburger, please," I'd say sweetly.



Jeff West

Pampa News staff

"You want cheese on that?" they'd quiz. "That would be a cheeseburger then," I'd reply smugly.

But they never seem to realize the difference. Now, I don't mind if you eat cheese on everything. That's your right. Some people eat ketchup on eggs. Some people eat fish eggs (little black fish pellets, they tell you they're eggs), some people eat cats, it's O.K. by me, as long as it's an optional item. But this obsession of cheese three meals a day on or in everything but soda pop (no caffeine, no sugar but we added some yummy Swiss to every bottle), is getting tiresome.

I know what you're saying (especially you in the back, watch the language). You're saying just order every food in the world without cheese. Of course, I could tell you to order everything you want without chef spit, and see

how you like it, but in truth I do make a point to always order all my food without cheese. No cheese on the quarter-pounder, the fries or the drink please. I have been doing this for a while now, I've gotten good at it.

The trouble is the cheese mentality doesn't permit that option in some people's mind. There are those who are stunned and try to persuade me like a TV evangelist. "No cheese, really? You know it's the same price, are you sure?"

Then there are those who just don't realize what you said.

"No cheese, yes sir."
 Of course, when I get home there's cheese on everything. I've thought double checking with the person handing me my food would help. Silly me.

"No cheese, right?"
 "No sir," they'd say smugly.
 There's cheese. Now I double check. I open the bag and unwrap whichever burger is in there. Then I hand it back, sometimes they even apologize, more often they act peevish that I questioned them.

So when you're waiting in line behind me wondering what that guy in front is doing just remember, it's the cheese czar's fault.

Be good to one another and be good to yourselves.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 26, the 26th day of 1999. There are 339 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
 On Jan. 26, 1788, the first European settlers in Australia, led by Capt. Arthur Phillip, landed in present-day Sydney.

On this date:
 In 1784, in a letter to his daughter, Benjamin Franklin expressed unhappiness over the choice of the eagle as the symbol of America, and expressed his own preference: the turkey.

In 1802, Congress passed an act calling for a library to be established within the U.S. Capitol.

In 1837, Michigan became the 26th state.

In 1841, Britain formally occupied Hong Kong, which the Chinese had ceded to the British.

In 1861, Louisiana seceded from the Union.

In 1870, Virginia rejoined the Union.

In 1911, the Richard Strauss opera "Der Rosenkavalier" premiered in Dresden, Germany.

In 1942, the first American expeditionary force to go to Europe during World War II went ashore in Northern Ireland.

In 1950, India officially proclaimed itself a republic as Rajendra Prasad took the oath of office as president.

In 1962, the United States launched Ranger III to land scientific instruments on the moon, but

the probe missed its target by some 22,000 miles.

In 1979, former Vice President Nelson A. Rockefeller died in New York at age 70.

Ten years ago: L. Douglas Wilder, the lieutenant governor of Virginia, launched his successful campaign to become the first elected black governor of a U.S. state.

Five years ago: Russian President Boris Yeltsin accepted the resignation of Finance Minister Boris Fyodorov, who warned of economic collapse and social unrest. A scare occurred during a visit to Sydney, Australia, by Britain's Prince Charles as a young man lunged at the prince, firing two blank shots from a starter's pistol.

One year ago: President Clinton forcefully denied having an affair with a White House intern, telling reporters, "I did not have sexual relations with that woman, Miss Lewinsky." Clinton also said he "never told anybody to lie." Stung by a drop in profits, AT&T said it would cut at least 15,000 jobs, freeze executive salaries and shake up management to reduce costs.

Today's Birthdays: Actress Anne Jeffreys is 76. Actor Paul Newman is 74. Movie director Roger Vadim is 71. Cartoonist Jules Feiffer is 70. Sports-caster-actor Bob Uecker is 64. Actor Scott Glenn is 57-Singer Jean Knight is 56. Activist Angela Davis is 55. Movie critic Gene Siskel is 53. Actor David Strathairn is 50. Singer Lucinda Williams is 46.

Opinion

Spying on Saddam weakens U.S. case

■ Using international forces for espionage has given some credence to complaints by Iraq's leader.

The pretext of America's latest missile attacks on Iraq, to stop Saddam Hussein from defying United Nations weapons inspections, has been weakened with the admission by U.S. officials that the United States used the inspection unit, called UNSCOM, to spy on Iraq.

Undetermined also is the credibility of any future U.N. Security Council effort to monitor weapons development in rogue nations. What nation will comply with international inspections now that clear proof has been offered that inspectors have been used for espionage?

In the president's Dec. 16 public statement, explaining why he chose to initiate air strikes against Baghdad, Bill Clinton described UNSCOM inspectors as "highly professional experts from dozens of countries. Their job is to oversee the elimination of Iraq's capability to retain, create and use weapons of mass destruction ..."

In response, the Iraqi dictator said UNSCOM was filled with American spies, and that its Australian leader, Richard Butler, was a tool of U.S. interests. It was easy to dismiss such charges as propagandistic rantings by the leader of a Third World police state. But The Boston Globe and The Washington Post, based on leaks from top United Nations officials, reported recently that inspection teams installed eavesdropping equipment in Iraq possibly with the purpose of gathering information to help destabilize Saddam's government.

Administration supporters remind critics that UNSCOM is an intelligence-gathering agency that had the legitimate need to gather secret information about Saddam's weapons-development programs. But it's one thing for UNSCOM to follow its charge, and gather information about weapons development for the Security Council. It's quite another to spy on behalf of particular member states to help them pursue broader goals.

We agree with the Cato Institute's director of defense policy studies, Ivan Eland, who characterized the U.S. monitoring effort as "worthless" because there is no way to stop the development of these easy-to-conceal weapons. But "if you have an international effort, it should be free of contaminating influences — that is to say countries using it for their own purposes."

That should go without saying. Not only has the administration undermined its own inspection policy, but it has come across as duplicitous, and allowed the thuggish Iraqi leader to claim the moral high ground—An additional result is a more dangerous policy, Eland said, in which the United States will be forced to rely solely on "military containment" because weapons inspectors probably will not be allowed to return.

The United States should admit the obvious: A never-ending regimen of needle-in-the-haystack searches for Iraqi weapons has strengthened Saddam's hand and has not made the world any safer. An honest reappraisal of American policy in Iraq is long overdue.

—Odessa American

Backlash picks up speed

They are young, attractive and intellectual. They write with style and piquancy, and their impassioned attacks on feminism and the sexual revolution will give the establishment a bad case of heartburn.

Wendy Shalit, a recent graduate of Williams College, has found the courage to question pretty much everything that comes under the label "gains of the women's movement." She trains her guns particularly on the sexual revolution — or rather what has become the sexual status quo — and argues with considerable learning and terrific passion that women have been sold down the river.

Her book, "A Return to Modesty," begins modestly enough, by putting the dating and sexual etiquette of her generation, under a microscope. Analyzing "hooking up," she wonders how this casual, no-strings-attached sex is supposed to benefit or satisfy women. In the clinical, unromantic world of the sexual revolution has created, women have been trained to be as promiscuous and blasé about sex as men, demanding nothing and expecting nothing (except perhaps a phone call) from the men who have known them in the biblical sense.

Shalit sees through the cant and pretension of this arrangement. She notes that a man does not sit by the phone pining for a call from a woman just because he has been sexually intimate with her. Men are not vulnerable in this way.

With that and many other examples, Shalit plants her flag with those who dare to notice that men and women are profoundly different sexual creatures. She then embarks on the really dangerous part of the argument. From taking a



Mona Charen

Syndicated columnist

dubious stance on promiscuity (which nearly everyone on every side of the culture wars at least pays lip service to), she moves on to argue that traditional modesty in women, and respect for that modesty among men, lies at the heart of loving relations between the sexes. She conjures the image of her nervous grandmother as a blushing girl who rushed off to the ladies' room at the movies several times during a date with her soon-to-be-husband. Whether it was the romantic plot of the film or merely the close physical presence of the man to whom she was attracted, Shalit's grandmother was embarrassed and self-conscious.

Far from despising such innocence, Shalit clearly longs for it and makes the strenuous case that when we threw over innocence in favor of carnality and sexual "freedom," we all, but especially women, lost a great treasure.

Danielle Crittenden's "What Our Mothers Didn't Tell Us: Why Happiness Eludes the Modern Woman" picks up the story line where Shalit leaves off (though they didn't plan it this way). Crittenden, a happily married mother of two, also makes short work of the sexual revo-

lution, insisting that most women have discovered, to their sorrow, that they now have the "right to make love to a man and never see him again; the right to be insulted and demeaned if (they) refuse a man's advances ... and the right to catch a sexually transmitted disease that might, as a bonus, leave (them) infertile ..."

The feminist prescription for happiness is precisely wrong at every stage of life, Crittenden contends. The modern combination of sexual libertinism and late marriage conspires, she argues, to deny women what they most want and need — a stable marriage to a faithful husband who will not abandon them or their children. If young women withheld sex, young men would be far more inclined to marry in their 20s, Crittenden observes, an age at which women are at the peak of their allure and their fertility. These days, millions of women waste their 20s in a series of fruitless "relationships" with men who decline to "commit." After turning the corner of 30 or 35, when beauty and fertility are declining, desperation often sets in. Panic is only exacerbated, Crittenden reminds us, by the presence of a new crop of 20-somethings providing free sex.

Crittenden's highly quotable book offers comparable wisdom about marriage (egalitarian is out), children (day care is out), careers (flexible) and aging (don't do it alone).

Shalit and Crittenden together undermine the entire foundation of relations between the sexes today, which are based on the fiction of equality and sameness. By taking women as they are, instead of the way the ideologues would prefer, they steer a common course toward happiness.

College sports are being corrupted

Want to try an easy test of your state legislator's backbone?

Just ask your legislators to pass a law which says simply: "No athletic scholarship shall be given by any state university to any academically unqualified student."

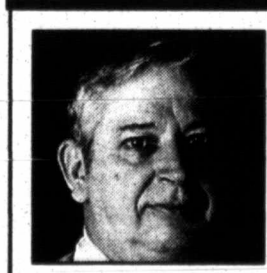
At the present time, the National Football League and the National Basketball Association, both big, cold-hearted businesses, are using America's colleges and universities as a free minor league in which to develop talent for their businesses. If they want minor leagues, let them pay for it.

College athletes ought to be college students first and college athletes second. It's embarrassing to hear alleged college student athletes barely able to talk. Nor does it speak well of the present state of college athletics that stories of college athletes being arrested for various thug-type crimes have become all too common.

Nothing, it seems, can escape the corrupting influence of money and greed. Universities want winning teams in order to attract TV coverage and big TV fees. Many alumni, it seems, care nothing about sports except winning.

Not all colleges and universities hand out scholarships to the academically unqualified, but far too many do. It's time to put a stop to a practice that causes injuries to two groups of student athletes.

One group injured by this sordid practice is



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

those academically qualified student athletes who are not quite as fast of foot or as strong as the unqualified player who gets waived on his academic incompetence.

The second group injured is those very athletes who are given scholarships despite being academically unqualified.

Listen, it's a rule of human nature that humans will do what they have to do to get what they want — but no more. By rewarding academically unqualified athletes, colleges are sending the wrong message to high school students: "Hey, if you are good enough on the field, we'll find a way to get around the academic stuff."

The right message that should be sent to high school athletes is: "If you want to play college sports, you're going to have to hit the books as hard as you hit the tackle dummy."

That's a hard sell to youngsters who see functional illiterates become millionaires by

playing hoops or football. Nevertheless, even if a kid has the potential to make millions, he still needs an education.

There are three reasons. One, the number of positions in pro sports is very limited compared with the population of wannabes. Most college varsity athletes are not picked up by the pros. They just aren't good enough, fast enough or big enough.

Two, every athlete, amateur or pro, is always in constant risk of an aborted career because of a disabling injury.

Three, unless a kid is smart even if he can make millions — the probability is that agents and other hangers-on will end up with most of his money. Many a great professional athlete has died broke.

The saddest example is Joe Louis, in my book the greatest heavyweight fighter of all time. Despite his long reign as world champion and all the money he made, Louis — who was a simple and decent man — ended up hopelessly in debt and penniless. It made you want to cry to see the great champion doing menial jobs like being a doorman and a bouncer. I doubt Louis ever knew what happened to all his money.

College sports are great, but it is up to us to see that the greed for money and obsession with winning at all costs does not corrupt what can be one of the better things in American culture.

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Job bank scouting for conservatives

AUSTIN (AP) — A conservative, San Antonio-based think tank has established a job bank to help conservatives find work in state government now that Republicans have taken over all the statewide elected offices.

The Texas Public Policy Foundation promises to "recruit and help place conservative job seekers in suitable positions" at no charge. It offers advice on everything from cover letters to interview attire.

"Staff is policy," as the old saying goes, the foundation says in an introduction to the job bank section of its Internet Web site. "The challenge for our new conservative leaders is to replace the liberal and patronage employees of their predecessors with qualified, dedicated and loyal conservatives."

The job bank is being criticized by the Texas Freedom Network, which called a news conference Tuesday to charge that the job bank is "aimed at replacing state employees with their own handpicked applicants, who pass their far right ideological litmus test."

The foundation's Web site asks applicants to circle their political ideology, from Libertarian to liberal, and

includes a lengthy questionnaire probing their feelings on everything from gays in the military to labor unions. Jeff Judson, the foundation's president, said 10 people had filled out the questionnaires since the job bank went into operation about two weeks ago.

The foundation will send completed applications to interested state agencies, he said, but it will not recommend any particular applicant. No agencies have requested the information or pledged to use the job bank, he added.

The idea, Judson said, is to encourage conservatives to interrupt their private sector careers for a "tour of duty" in state government.

"I've been concerned about building the kind of infrastructure in Texas that the left has had for 100 years," he said.

The Texas Freedom Network was founded by Cecile Richards, daughter of former Gov. Ann Richards, to counter the influence of religious conservatives in state government. It has been following the political activities of Dr. James Leininger, who has emerged as one of the top contributors to Texas conservative causes.



(Special photo)

Top O' Texan Goldcoats Jim Davidson and Scott Hahn, welcome Jodie Carr and Millie Plemons, owners of Sage Brush Motel as new members of The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce.

Divided over end game, GOP considers witnesses at impeachment trial

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the Senate prepared to debate whether to call witnesses in the impeachment trial of President Clinton, a Republican senator said today the case is not airtight "and there are not 67 votes to convict."

"If it were an airtight case ... you'd probably have about 70, 75 senators lining up to convict," said Sen. Richard Shelby of Alabama. "You don't see that." Shelby said on NBC's "Today" that he is willing to listen to House prosecutors' arguments for witnesses even though they "are hoping to find something rather than perhaps having something." But unless it can be shown that witnesses will change the dynamic of the trial, "I say let's dispense with the witnesses and go on and vote the issue up or down after we have arguments," he said.

One of the prosecutors, Rep. Asa Hutchinson, R-Ark., said he and his colleagues are sharply limiting the number of witnesses they want to call and believe a few witnesses would be helpful. The chief witness, former White House employee Monica Lewinsky, "could offer a limited amount of new information," Hutchinson said on NBC.

Republican leaders are considering another option: Find Clinton guilty of perjury and obstruction of justice in connection with his affair with Ms. Lewinsky but not remove him from office.

That option by Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, Republican officials said, is predicated on the widely held assumption that the 67 votes needed to convict and remove Clinton would never materialize. This way, Clinton would emerge from the trial acquitted but irrevocably tarnished — and senators would be afforded cover with constituents who believe Clinton should be ousted.

"It's an idea that is not meeting a great deal of opposition in the Republican caucus," Lott spokesman John Czwartacki told reporters Monday.

Democrats questioned whether the proposal was constitutional.

House prosecutors were pressing their case for new testimony with a shortened list of witnesses today, saying the Senate shouldn't be forced into a quick exit strategy by polls showing the majority of the public continues to believe Clinton shouldn't be kicked out of office.

"A trial is a search for the truth and it should not be trumped by an exit strategy," Hyde told the Senate Monday during final arguments on a motion by Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., to dismiss the case without a verdict.

House Republicans were expected to produce a formal proposal for witnesses today, to be voted on after the Democratic attempt to dismiss the charges. Votes are expected by Wednesday.

Before senators went into a rare closed session Monday to debate Byrd's motion, the White House argued that the case was over.

"The case cannot be made. It is time to end it," said attorney Nicole Seligman, one of Clinton's defense team.

Several GOP senators were sticking to their belief that the president should be removed. They insisted that witnesses be called to substantiate charges of perjury and obstruction of justice in his relationship with Ms. Lewinsky. "All of us are weary of this thing," said Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., who wants to see witnesses called to address discrepancies in testimony. "All of us would like to see it terminate before too long, but we want to do it correctly."

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To steady the wavering Republican support, House prosecutors trimmed their witness list Monday to three people: Ms. Lewinsky, presidential secretary Betty Currie and a third person yet to be determined, according to a knowledgeable Republican who demanded anonymity. This official said the third person was likely to be Vernon Jordan, White House Chief of Staff John Podesta or Clinton confidante Bruce Lindsey.

In other developments Monday: —The White House, confident of Clinton's ability to win acquittal, announced it would ignore a written list of questions submitted by Lott and other Republicans.

—An attempt by two Democrats to open the debate to the public was rejected, 57-43. A two-thirds majority was needed to pass.

—Democrats expressed confidence they could produce enough votes to make it clear that Clinton will be acquitted on the impeachment charges. It takes a majority vote to dismiss the charges, but two-thirds to convict the president.

Senators in both parties have begun to call in increasing numbers for an end to the trial, which has consumed virtually all the Senate's time since it convened Jan. 3.

Democratic support for Clinton has hardened over that period, virtually assuring his acquittal when the final vote is called.

Consumer confidence edges up in January

NEW YORK (AP) — Consumers' confidence in the economy edged up slightly in January to its highest level since August as a growing number of Americans believed there are more jobs available.

The survey of consumers released today by the Conference Board found that while Americans feel better about their current financial situation than they did a month ago, they are slightly less confident about the outlook for the next six months.

The Conference Board reported its index of consumer confidence rose 0.9 point to 127.6 from a revised 126.7 in December. The index dropped sharply in October and has since been making a steady recovery.

"Favorable employment conditions continue to lift consumer confidence levels," said Lynn Franco, associate director of the Conference Board, a business-

financed private research group. "While consumer expectations have softened over the last several months, this vital sector of the economy continues to be optimistic," she said. "Consumers' appraisal of the current state of our economy is running at decade-high levels, signaling further growth in the months ahead."

Forty-five percent of con-

sumers responding to the survey said jobs currently are plentiful, compared with 42.5 percent who said so a month ago. Fewer people said they expect better economic conditions in the coming months, and the number who said they expect their incomes to increase over that time, dropped 5.3 percentage points, from 28.7 percent to 23.4 percent.

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SOCCER

PAMPA — Pampa soccer teams open the District 3-4A season Saturday at Randall.

Pampa boys finished the regular season with a 2-5 record after a 6-2 loss to San Angelo Central last weekend. Jeremy Hall scored a goal for Pampa. Central netted one of the Pampa goals by accident.

Randall boys have a 3-0 record.

Pampa is 2-4 and Randall 2-5 in the girls' non-district matches.

Pampa's district opener at home is Feb. 2 against Caprock.

BASKETBALL

PAMPA — Pampa played Hereford in middle school girls' basketball action last week.

Hereford won over Pampa, 34-22, in the 7th grade division.

Scoring for Pampa were Abbi Covalt with 7 points, Tara Jordan 6, Stacey Johnson 4, Stacey Johnson 4, Amber Freeman 2 and Ashley Swanson 2.

Hereford defeated Pampa, 40-38 in overtime in the B team game.

Nerissa Perry was high scorer for Pampa with 16 points. Stephanie Nelson had 6 points, Amber Asher 4, K'lee Ratzlaff 4, April Amador, Briana Hartman, Keisha Childress and Michelle Cox 2 each.

Hereford won by a score of 69-35 in the 8th grade division. Sarah Porter led Pampa in scoring with 10 points and she also had 4 rebounds.

Angie Williams had 7 points, Teryn Stowers and Valerie Velez 5. Velez had 6 rebounds, Sara Blankenship 5 and Williams 4.

Pampa defeated Hereford, 31-26, in the B team game.

Christina Rodriguez had 13 points and 6 rebounds for Pampa. Hollie Gattis had 7 points, Kayla Peevey 4, Amber Driggers, Jessica Knipp and Danielle Green 2 points each. Gattis had 8 rebounds, Green and Knipp 4 apiece.

The 8th grade district tournament will be held Jan. 28-30 at Valleyview.

AMES, Iowa — Junior guard Rayford Young was high scorer with 13 points in Texas Tech's 70-62 loss to Iowa State in a Big 12 Conference game last weekend in Ames, Iowa.

Texas Tech is now 10-9 for the season and 2-4 in conference play. Iowa State is 12-7 and 3-3.

Young, a Pampa native, led the Harvesters to the Class 4A state title in 1996. He finished his high school career as the school's all-time leading scorer with 2,295 points.

FOOTBALL

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — Phillip Fulmer and national champion Tennessee finally lost one — a recruit that is.

Chris Simms, son of former New York Giants quarterback Phil Simms, changed his mind and decided to attend Texas instead of Tennessee.

"There are no ifs, ands, or buts about it, I'm going to Texas," Simms said in today's editions of *The Record of Hackensack*, confirming what his high school coach said on Monday.

The surprise switch came more than a month after a mid-December announcement that Simms would join the Volunteers.

"He had some time over the last few weeks to reflect and think about it before he made it final, and he weighed it out in his mind and he just felt Texas was a better fit for him," said Mike Miello, Simms' coach at Ramapo (N.J.) High School.

Texas and Penn State were the other finalists in the recruiting battle for the left-handed quarterback considered among the top prep players in the country.

Simms' choice will not become official until he signs a national letter of intent on Feb. 3, the first day high school players are permitted to sign with a school.

Losses motivated both Falcons, Broncos

MIAMI (AP) — In losing, the Denver Broncos and Atlanta Falcons found the inspiration to become winners.

For the Broncos, the humiliating defeat to Jacksonville in the 1996 playoffs still serves as motivation.

"I will never forget that game," league MVP Terrell Davis said. "Never."

For the Falcons, a more recent loss, at San Francisco in the third week of this season, spurred the turnaround from perennial losers — eight winning seasons in 33 years — to NFC champions.

"That was when the character-building on this team began, the second half of that San Francisco game," Travis Hall said of a 31-20 loss that was 31-7 at halftime. "The guys just decided they weren't going to quit."

So don't expect either side to

surrender on Sunday when the defending champion Broncos and the upstart Falcons meet in the Super Bowl. Their memories are too sharp to let that happen.

"That loss came up at various times last year and this," Steve Atwater said of the 30-27 defeat by the Jaguars, the last time Denver lost at Mile High Stadium. "Now, we know that is something we had to go through to get where we are now."

"It still hurts to think about it." Just look in the eyes of Broncos players and you'll see the fire building.

"That was the most painful loss we could've experienced," Ray Crockett said. "We could've been 15-1 or 14-2 that year, we had the home field, we were on our way. We let something very valuable go that could've been our only chance. We didn't know."

"It was painful. We definitely

Super Bowl

should've been in the Super Bowl that year. But it might be a big reason we've been in the Super Bowl the last two years."

Indeed, the Broncos learned a valuable lesson with that defeat. Despite owning the best record in the AFC and clinching the West by the end of November, they were well into their offseason when the NFL championship was being decided between Green Bay and New England.

Ever since, they are 19-0 at Mile High Stadium and have won six straight postseason games, including last January's Super Bowl over the Packers. A victory on Sunday will give them the look of a dynasty.

"It takes a lot of work and dedication and heartache by a lot of people to get there," Bill

Romanowski said. "After you've been the best, it might be natural for a letdown. But we have enough veterans and enough guys who remember (the Jacksonville loss) and who won't let it happen again. We have too many guys who enjoyed the experience and won't let winning not happen again."

What the Falcons generally have experienced for three decades is losing. Their biggest tormentor has been San Francisco.

But when they made things close at 3Com Park, then won five of their next six before meeting the 49ers again, they felt validated. And when they beat the Niners 31-19 at home, they felt ready to contend for, well, just about anything.

Including the Super Bowl, which they reached for the first time with their scintillating

comeback victory at Minnesota for the NFC championship.

"Right now, man, we've got guys out here who truly believe not only in the coaches, but the scheme and each other," said Jesse Tuggle, whose dozen years in Atlanta make him the senior Falcon. "When the game is on the line, someone needs to step up and make a play, I don't worry about, 'Hey, who's going to make the play?' I know my teammates will come through for me like I come through for them."

The Falcons have come through every week since Nov. 1. But it was that Sept. 27 defeat they tend to point toward as the turning point of their special year, the game they built on.

"The 49ers ruled our division," Ray Buchanan said. "When we showed we wouldn't back down against them, things began changing."

Kansas is no shoo-in

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Maybe Kansas will win its third Big 12 championship.

But Missouri sure opened the door for anybody who might like to step in.

"I think that should give added incentive to everyone in the conference," Kansas State coach Tom Asbury said Monday following the weekend loss by the Jayhawks to Missouri.

"If they really get on a hot streak, win something on the road, it's an opportunity to really make a dent. I don't think this comes as a surprise to anybody. I think everybody thought this would be a race. There's so much (time) left, but maybe nobody is going to run away and hide."

Kansas has won the only two Big 12 regular season titles and was the dominant team in the Big Eight before that. But the 71-63 loss to Missouri Sunday — in Allen Fieldhouse, no less — proves the Jayhawks are mortal.

"A lot of opponents are sensing Kansas is wounded," said Jayhawks guard Ryan Robertson. "I think they're trying to take advantage of that, considering that we've been beaten up on them in the past couple of years."

Kansas by this time was starting to think about wrapping things up and looking ahead to March.

"To put a loss on Kansas allowed everybody else to look and say this thing is still pretty wide open," Oklahoma State coach Eddie Sutton said during the league's weekly conference call. "Coaches are probably telling their teams, 'Hey, we've got a chance to win this.'"

Oklahoma coach Kelvin Sampson said he believes the eventual league champion will have at least three losses.

"There are teams that a week ago were in the driver's seat that are in the passenger's seat," Sampson said. "There are teams that were in the passenger's seat that are in the driver's seat. There are so many teams that are tightly bunched and they're getting better. A lot of teams are getting better."

Texas was the surprise leader at 7-1 in the conference (and 11-9 for the season) after Monday night's 64-60 victory over Oklahoma. Kansas was 5-1 with Oklahoma State at 5-2. Sitting at 4-2 were Missouri and Nebraska. Oklahoma was 4-3, Iowa State 3-3 and Kansas State 3-4.

Key matchups Wednesday have Kansas State at Missouri and Kansas on the road against Nebraska, which is on a four-game winning streak.

Huskies coach Danny Nee may have been the only one to hope that Kansas would beat Missouri, but that was just because he has to play the Jayhawks next.

"I was hoping that Kansas would win because now they're going to come in here mad," Nee said. "Kansas losing is really psychological, a good morale booster. It gives everybody hope."

Fort Elliott boys have 25-0 mark



(Pampa News photo)

Miami's Holly Barton scored 8 points against Allison.

TCU almost wins without star player

TULSA, Okla. (AP) — No. 24 Texas Christian was weak under the basket without suspended center Lee Nailon.

But TCU coach Billy Tubbs still liked how his Horned Frogs played without their star during Monday night's 72-62 loss to Tulsa.

Nailon, the Western Athletic Conference's leading scorer at 22.7 points per game, was penalized for one game for fighting in an overtime loss Saturday to UNLV.

Tubbs said he did not learn of Nailon's suspension until late in the afternoon.

"I'm proud of our team," Tubbs said. "We came in here and put up a good fight against a good Tulsa team. I've never had things transpire like has happened over the last several hours. ... It was tough to get focused."

Tulsa relied on the 3-point shooting of Marcus Hill and Tony Heard and Eric Coley's acrobatic drives in snapping a three-game losing streak.

"We didn't change our philosophy that much knowing that Nailon would not be playing," Tulsa coach Bill Self said. "But Billy surprised me tonight and really played conservatively. He packed it in there."

Marquise Gainous, the 6-9 junior forward who averages 19.9 points and poured in 41 points against UNLV, was no factor with a season-low five points for TCU. He was guarded by Michael Ruffin, generally regarded as the WAC's top post defender.

Tulsa responded by making 6 of 10 3-pointers in the second half. The Golden Hurricane had made just 15 of 59 3-pointers in its pre-

vious three games, two of those losses.

"We've been having trouble with the 3s falling, but we shot with confidence and they finally started to go in," Heard said.

Brandon Kurtz led Tulsa (16-5, 4-2) with 17 points and 12 rebounds. Heard and Hill, who each hit four 3-pointers, finished

with 15 points each.

TCU (15-5, 3-3) was held to its lowest point total since a 57-54 victory over Tulsa on Feb. 26, 1998.

Shannon Long matched a season-high with 20 points and 11 rebounds and Ryan Carroll scored 15 as TCU stayed close until the final five minutes.

Zach is attacked

MIAMI (AP) — Miami Dolphins linebacker Zach Thomas came back from a New York trip sporting stitches, saying he was mugged while in a city for a charity appearance.

"The New York Jets beat us twice. I got beat again when I was on the road a couple of days ago," said Thomas, who got five stitches in his upper lip and various bruises during the attack.

Thomas, an ex-Pampa High all-stater and Texas Tech all-american, was in good spirits as he recalled the attack, even joking that he knew he was little chance anybody would step in and assist him.

"They didn't help me out mainly because I guess because I'm down here from Miami," he said. "I play for the Dolphins. They're big-time Jets fans over there."

The All-Pro linebacker was in New York to appear at a Hunter's Hope fundraiser last Wednesday, sponsored by former Buffalo quarterback Jim Kelly.

Hunter's Hope raises money for research to find a cure for Krabbe's Disease. Kelly's son, Hunter, was diagnosed with the disease in September, 1997.

"If they would have asked...just ask me next time," Thomas said. "I'll give you my wallet. It doesn't mean anything to me."

Thomas, a 1992 PHS graduate, just completed his third season as a starter at middle linebacker for the Dolphins. He finished the '98 season with 86 solo tackles, 51 assisted tackles, 1.5 sacks, 2 forced fumbles and 3 pass interceptions.

Pampan's grandson excels in athletics, academics in college

Wrestling

PAMPA — Dumas native Mason Thornburg, grandson of Jean Carter of Pampa, is a member of the wrestling team at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga.

Thornburg started on the team a year ago, but has not competed this season because of injuries. Thornburg broke his ankle and then one week

after having the cast removed, he broke his little finger.

Last season, Thornburg posted a 21-9 record and placed third in the 149-weight class.

Mason, a junior, also excels in the classroom where carries a 3.4 grade point average. His major is business management.

Mason is one of the best wrestlers Dumas has ever had. While he was at Dumas High, he competed at the 125-pound class. He is a four-time all-state wrestler, a two-time all-state academic wrestler, the DHS outstanding wrestler for 1994-95, the outstanding wrestler at the Tucumcari (N.M.) Tournament, Amarillo Chamber of Commerce

wrestler of the month for Dec. 1996 and regional champion

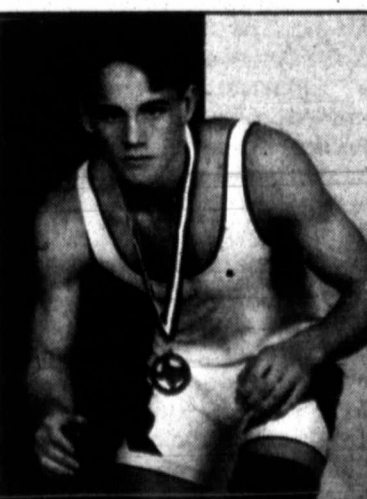
for that same year. He won the 1996 individual state wrestling championship. He was a member of the National Honor Society and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Thornburg also competed on the cross-country team at Dumas.

Mason is the son of Ellis and Lavonna Thornburg of Dumas.

Corey Alfonsi has helped guide Fort Hays State of Kansas to a No. 13 national ranking in the NCAA Division II Wrestling Poll.

Alfonsi, a senior from Pampa, has compiled a 10-5 record so far in the 184-pound classification. Alfonsi's record ranks him third in his weight class in the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference.

Pittsburg-Johnstown is the No. 1 ranked Division II team.



Mason Thornburg

Barkley joins Rockets practice

HOUSTON (AP) — Although he doesn't like two-a-day workouts, Charles Barkley gets better compliments about his basketball game than his golf game.

Barkley put away his golf clubs Monday and joined new teammate Scottie Pippen and the rest of the Houston Rockets to prepare for tonight's exhibition opener against the San Antonio Spurs in Compaq Center.

Barkley missed the Rockets' first four practices while playing in the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic in California. But he was back at work Monday, catching bars from teammates about his unorthodox golf swing.

"I had a chance to play golf with Michael Jordan in Palm Springs or go to two-a-days," Barkley said. "That's a no-brainer. Some guy said 'You're not a very good golfer,' and I told him imagine how good I'll be in two-a-days."

Teammate Eddie Johnson suggested Barkley was allowed to play in the tournament as comic relief. Matt Bullard added: "I think he set the game of golf back about 500 years."

Still, his teammates were happy to see Barkley back in uniform and healthy. He had off-season elbow and hernia operations, but reported Monday saying he felt ready to play basketball.

Coach Rudy Tomjanovich didn't even complain about Barkley's late arrival. Instead, he praised Barkley for signing at the \$1 million minimum salary, freeing enough money to sign Pippen.

"I don't know how many players would do what he's done," Tomjanovich said. "His plan was to explore his options, which is his right. When he found out he was the pivotal guy in us getting Scottie, he scrapped that whole plan. He made a sacrifice for this team."

Monday's practice took on more flare than previous drills. "It's good to have him back. There's a little more noise around here," Tomjanovich said. "We had competitive workouts before, but when he is here it's stepped up. He's so competitive."

What happens on the golf course is another matter. After practice someone wrote on the locker room blackboard "Everyone join together and give the world's best amateur golfer, Sir Charles, a hand!"

"Yeah, I come in here and they've all got tired legs," Barkley said. "Me, I feel very refreshed."

With Barkley joining Pippen and Hakeem Olajuwon, the Rockets again have three players who were voted among the top

50 players in NBA history. Clyde Drexler, who retired after last season, also is on the list.

"It's great to have him here so he can get accustomed to the new players, namely myself and the other guys," Pippen said. "We have to know how Charles plays and where he likes his spacing."

Barkley, who missed 14 games with injuries last season, was done for good after tearing his right triceps after colliding with Utah's Greg Foster in a first-round playoff game.

His average of 15.2 points a game was his lowest since averaging 14 as a rookie in 1984-85.

"Last year was a nightmare with two hernias," Barkley said. "I was disappointed the way I played because I never felt good physically. Now, I've got all my physical ailments out of the way and I'm going to have a great season."

The Rockets didn't hold their first workouts until Saturday because of delays in completing Pippen's contract. Tomjanovich wished for more time to get ready for the first of two exhibition games.

"It (Tuesday's game) is like a practice and not a good practice because I can only work five guys at a time," Tomjanovich said. "I'd like those guys to come over and scrimmage for about 10 quarters."

IOC won't help Salt Lake City organizers meet its budget, according to director Payne

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — The International Olympic Committee, reeling from the Olympics' biggest corruption scandal, will not help Salt Lake City organizers meet their \$1.453 billion budget.

Reacting to comments by Gov. Mike Leavitt and Salt Lake Organizing Committee chairman Robert Garff, the IOC's marketing director said Monday the governing body was not willing to divert funds from national teams and other sports organizations to support the 2002 Winter Games.

Michael Payne, in an interview with The Salt Lake Tribune, said he remains confident Salt Lake City organizers will come up with the almost \$250 million in sponsorships needed to meet the budget, but that the SLOC should plan on cutting expenditures if the money is not raised.

Garff has said that it would be possible to scale back the games if the additional money were not raised.

In other developments: —The attorney for Tom Welch said the man who led Salt Lake City's quest for the Olympics is being unfairly blamed for the scandal.

—A former Salt Lake City Council member says the bid committee kept files on IOC members that included their sexual preferences.

—Some City Council members reportedly are less fearful the city will be left holding the bag if the 2002 Winter Games end up in the red.

Welch's attorney, Tom Schaffer, talked to reporters while advising the former president of the bid and organizing committees to keep quiet.

"He didn't do anything wrong," Schaffer said. "When you say something is wrong, to me that means there's a line over which you are not supposed to go. There was no line. There were no rules."

"If you want to gain favor with the people who are going to vote to bring world recognition to your city, you can't take them to McDonald's for lunch. That's the way it works in the corporate world, the same as it works in the international community. Why are people acting so shocked that simply because it's amateur athletics it doesn't have a corporate spin to it?"

U.S. Justice Department investigators have not yet contacted or subpoenaed Welch, Schaffer said. Welch met twice with the SLOC's ethics panel, but has not spoken to other investigators.

An IOC investigation found Salt Lake City's bid committee spent nearly \$800,000 on 14 IOC members, including travel expenses, scholarships for their

children, medical care and cash payments in the years leading up to the IOC vote giving Salt Lake the 2002 Winter Games.

On Sunday, the IOC ousted six members, warned another, and said it is investigating three others. Three implicated members resigned last week, and one died last summer.

On Jan. 8, the SLOC board took away Welch's \$500,000 pension and \$10,000-per-month consulting contract, forced senior vice president Dave Johnson to resign and put two other executives on administrative leave pending the outcome of several investigations.

Frank Joklik, former bid committee chairman and SLOC head, has resigned, but is staying on until his replacement is chosen.

Meanwhile, former city council member Tom Godfrey said he learned from Johnson's wife, Kim, about the files on IOC members' backgrounds. Godfrey said he learned about them while attending a meeting in Budapest.

"In a dinner one night ... Dave Johnson's wife told me that Dave had files on all the IOC members, even down to their sexual preferences," Godfrey told KUTV.

"I didn't think anything of it — it didn't come back until all this other stuff started to break and I thought, 'Gosh, would we have used that bit of information to try to sway votes or not?'"

Scoreboard

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

The Women's Top Twenty Five
By The Associated Press

The top 25 teams in The Associated Press' women's college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Jan. 24, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

Record	Pts	Pv
1. Tennessee(39)17-1	1,023	1
2. Purdue(1)16-1	979	3
3. LouisianaTech(1)15-2	943	4
4. Georgia18-1	893	5
5. Connecticut16-3	834	2
6. ColoradoSt.20-1	766	8
7. NotreDame15-2	743	9
8. UCLA15-4	696	10
9. Duke16-4	692	11
10. TexasTech17-2	654	6
11. VirginiaTech18-0	636	13
12. OldDominion13-3	583	12
13. Rutgers17-3	544	15
14. NorthCarolina19-4	528	7
15. Clemson16-3	470	16
16. IowaSt.13-3	349	14
17. Auburn15-3	302	20
18. Miami17-2	245	24
19. OhioSt.13-4	228	22
10. Virginia13-5	228	19
21. PennSt.13-5	219	17
22. BostonCollege15-3	134	—
23. Alabama12-6	133	18
24. Kansas14-6	99	—
25. UCSantaBarbara13-3	65	—

Others receiving votes: Fla. International 55, LSU 55, Oregon 48, Florida 46, Nebraska 42, Illinois 19, Kentucky 16, Memphis 13, Toledo 13, Colorado 11, Mississippi 8, W. Kentucky 8, St. Mary's, Cal. 7, New Mexico 2, Arizona 1, Georgia Tech 1, Marquette 1, SW Missouri St. 1, Santa Clara 1, Washington 1.

Monday's Major College Basketball Scores

By The Associated Press

EAST

Connecticut 78, Georgetown 71
Denver 63, Yale 62
Mount St. Mary's, Md. 63, Fairleigh Dickinson 62
Niagara 61, Loyola, Md. 66
Pittsburgh 65, Duquesne 60
Princeton 81, Union, N.Y. 48
Rutgers 84, Lafayette 64

SOUTH

Appalachian St. 82, UNC-Greensboro 59
Bethune-Cookman 74, Howard 59
Centenary 67, Florida Atlantic 65
Charleston Southern 80, N.C.-Asheville 71
Chattanooga 70, Furman 60
Coll. of Charleston 70, Wofford 65
Coppin St. 95, Norfolk St. 82
Davidson 76, VMI 66
E. Tennessee St. 86, The Citadel 73
Elon 91, Lenoir-Rhyne 59
Georgia St. 66, Jacksonville St. 63
Grambling St. 76, Miss. Valley St. 64
Jackson St. 70, Ark.-Pine Bluff 59
Jacksonville 71, Mercer 44
Mid-Eastern State 67, N. Carolina A&T 54
Memphis 83, Arkansas St. 66
Morgan St. 74, Hampton 61
S. Carolina St. 75, Delaware St. 65
SW Louisiana 79, Ark.-Little Rock 57
South Alabama 90, Texas-Pan American 69
Southern U. 84, Texas Col. 82
Va. Commonwealth 88, William & Mary 69
W. Carolina 61, Georgia Southern 57

MIDWEST

Butler 57, Wis.-Green Bay 50

SOUTHWEST

Alabama A&M 96, Prairie View 83
Texas 64, Oklahoma 60
Texas Southern 79, Alabama St. 73
Tulsa 72, Texas Christian 62

FAR WEST

Montana St. 89, Sacramento St. 69
Utah 87, Fresno St. 74

TRANSACTIONS

Monday's Sports Transactions
By The Associated Press

BASEBALL

American League

ANAHEIM ANGELS—Agreed to terms with INF Andy Stankiewicz, LHP Christian Michalak, RHP Stephen Mintz and OF David Butler on minor-league contracts.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS—Agreed to terms with RHP Pete Smith, OF Tony Tarasco and INF Steve Scarsone on minor-league contracts.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS—Signed OF Tim Raines to a one-year contract.

National League

ATLANTA BRAVES—Signed LHP John Rocker, LHP Micah Bowie, INF Wes Helms, INF Mark DeRosa and C Pascual Matos to one-year contracts.

HOUSTON ASTROS—Agreed to terms with RHP Xavier Hernandez on a one-year contract.

NEW YORK METS—Signed INF Ralph Milard and INF Mike Kinkade to one-year contracts.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Named Bobby Evans director of minor-league administration and Matt Nerland coordinator of scouting.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

ATLANTA HAWKS—Waived G Mitch Henderson, C Jason Lawson and G Brian Oliver.

CHICAGO BULLS—Signed G Brent Barry to a six-year contract. Renounced the rights to F Scott Burrell.

DALLAS MAVERICKS

Signed G Steve Nash to a six-year contract extension.

INDIANA PACERS—Waived G Carlos Knox.

PHOENIX SUNS—Signed G Rex Chapman to a six-year contract and F Clifford Robinson to a one-year contract. Signed F Pat Garrity and G Gerald Brown.

PORTLAND TRAIL BLAZERS—Signed G Bonzi Wells to a three-year contract. Released G James Blackwell, G Ernest Hall and G Damian Owens.

VANCOUVER GRIZZLIES—Waived G Bobby Hurley.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CAROLINA PANTHERS—Named John Marshall assistant head coach and defensive coordinator, and Jacob Burney defensive line coach.

CINCINNATI BENGALS—Named Ray Horton defensive backs coach.

CLEVELAND BROWNS—Named Bob Slowik defensive coordinator and Clarence Brooks defensive line coach.

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Signed LB Richard Rogers. Named Bruce Reed special teams coach, Mark Bark defensive assistant coach, and Paul Chryst tight ends coach.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Promoted Jim Mora from defensive backs coach to defensive coordinator.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

CALGARY FLAMES—Recalled G Tyler Moss from Saint John of the AHL.

COLORADO AVALANCHE—Signed G Patrick Roy to a two-year contract extension.

ST. LOUIS BLUES—Recalled G Rich Parent from Worcester of the AHL.

PRO BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association
By The Associated Press

All Times EST

Sunday, Jan. 24

Indiana 79, Chicago 71

Tuesday, Jan. 26

Boston at Toronto, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 27

Cleveland at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 28

Milwaukee at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Seattle at Portland, 10 p.m.
Golden State at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 29

Washington at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Boston, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
New York at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Utah, 9 p.m.
Portland at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 30

Philadelphia at Washington, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Golden State, 8 p.m.
Houston at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Milwaukee, 9 p.m.
Vancouver at Seattle, 10 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 1

Chicago at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Denver, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League
By The Associated Press

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
Montreal	17	21	8	42	106	120

Southeast Division

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
Carolina	20	18	7	47	116	112
Florida	17	16	11	45	110	115
Washington	15	23	4	36	100	113
Tampa Bay	11	30	4	26	94	156

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	
Detroit	23	20	3	49	135	122
St. Louis	16	17	4	41	111	108
Nashville	16	25	4	36	104	143
Chicago	13	25	7	33	97	138

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Team	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	27	9	7	61	127	89
Phoenix	24	11	7	55	113	87
Anaheim	17	19	9	43	113	108
San Jose	15	18	12	42	104	106
Los Angeles	16	25	4	36	106	121

Sunday's Game

North America All-Stars 8, World All-Stars 6

Monday's Games

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Phoenix at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Tampa Bay, 7:05 p.m.
Ottawa at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at NY Islanders, 7:30 p.m.
Florida at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Carolina at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Nashville, 8 p.m.
St. Louis at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Montreal at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Chicago at Edmonton, 9 p.m.

Colored at Anaheim, 10:30 p.m.

HORSE RACING

Fair Grounds Results Monday
By The Associated Press

1st—\$27,000, mdn spt wt, 3YO F, 6f, clear.
1 (1)Welfare(R.Faul)22.807.805.60
2 (2)MadamWest(W.Martinez)4.003.80
4 (4)CharmingView(E.Martin)Jr.5.60

Off 12:37. Time 1:10.07. Fast. Also Ran—Carson Can Can, Ingenuity Joan, Madam C E O, Quarter Royalty. Exacta (1-2) paid \$75.20. Quinella (1-2) paid \$39.60. Trifecta (1-2-4) paid \$494.60.
2nd—\$9,000, cl, 4YO up F&M, 6f, clear.
6 (5)H'Noth'Heat(G.Schaefer)7.003.20
3.60
2 (7)KissPudding(R.Albarado)2.802.60
5 (4)Holyfield(Honey(D.Gullory)3.60

Off 1:08. Time 1:12.02. Fast. Scratched—Ashlee's Trick. Also Ran—Miss Snow Bird, Two Steppin Reed, Bird Bay, Royal Gamble, Trudy Did It. Exacta (6-2) paid \$20.00. Quinella (2-6) paid \$10.00. Trifecta (6-2-5) paid \$80.40. Daily Double (1-6) paid \$108.00. Daily Double (1-3) paid \$20.20.
3rd—\$15,000, cl, 4YO up F&M, 5 1/2f, clear.
4 (4)CrucialMoment(R.Faul)11.003.202.40
6 (6)LuckyBayou(R.Albarado)2.402.20
2 (2)WickedWomen(G.Melancon)3.80

Off 1:37. Time 1:05.35. Fast. Also Ran—Miss Lurbar Roll, Momoneyhoney, Tricky Quacky, Goal and Court, HandfulofMans. Exacta (4-6) paid \$23.00. Quinella (4-6) paid \$6.80. Trifecta (4-6-2) paid \$158.80.
4th—\$10,500, mdn cl, 3YO, 6f, clear.
10 (9)Mr.JWC.Lanerie)9.408.204.60
11 (10)Tyerlow(J.Krone)16.0010.00
8 (7)Kukukamaway(E.Perroni)8.20

Off 2:04. Time 1:13.10. Fast. Scratched—Golden Impact. Also Ran—A Boy Name Sue, Fuzzroyal, Pede, Spectacular Man, Zart's Pet, Encouraged to Rob, Sparking Minster, Easy Recognized. Exacta (10-11) paid \$78.60. Quinella (10-11) paid \$18.60. Trifecta (10-11-8) paid \$1,188.60.
5th—\$17,500, cl, 3YO F, 6f, clear.
5 (5)Brithadik(R.Lebian)3.602.602.60
6 (6)SpacePerfection(D.Mecher)3.803.40
1 (1)TrueElixir(D.Gullory)4.00

Off 2:32. Time 1:11.99. Fast. Also Ran—Lutlie's Devil, Precious Pye, Rondal. Exacta (5-6) paid \$11.40. Quinella (5-6) paid \$8.80. Trifecta (5-6-1) paid \$56.60.
6th—\$27,000, mdn spt wt, 4YO F, 1 1/16m, ff, clear.
6 (6)PleasantPerformer(R.Albarado)4.00
3.00
7 (7)JuneGreenBay(M.St.Julien)6.805.60
2 (2)ComeOnBerrie(W.Martinez)4.00

Off 2:59. Time 1:48.89. Good. Also Ran—Royal Bandita, Carry's Legacy, Feliciano, Pass the Silver, Glacial Lake, Cypress Groves. Exacta (6-7) paid \$37.40. Quinella (6-7) paid \$25.40. Trifecta (6-7-2) paid \$147.80.
7th—\$24,000, cl, 4YO up, 6f, clear.
3 (3)WhirlingBlade(M.St.Julien)12.404.20
2.60
6 (6)SwtAppraisal(R.Albarado)3.402.40
2 (2)GoldenPro(R.Faul)2.80

Off 3:27. Time 1:10.66. Fast. Also Ran—Cliffy Falls, He's Gone Country, Brave Miner. Exacta (3-6) paid \$36.60. Quinella (3-6) paid \$16.00. Trifecta (3-6-2) paid \$128.40.
8th—\$14,000, cl, 4YO, 6f, clear.
1 (1)Alizee(F.Melancon)30.2014.80
5.00
4 (3)Ridgey(D.Mecher)13.805.20
5 (4)StrongGlare(E.Martin)Jr.2.60

Off 3:55. Time 1:11.86. Fast. Scratched—He's a Tough Tiger. Also Ran—Ben'Smercedesbenz, Star Chamer, Mad Man, Plain Flimsy, Stormy, Exacta (1-4) paid \$224.40. Quinella (1-4) paid \$98.20. Trifecta (1-4-5) paid \$734.80. Pick 3 (6-3-1) 3 Correct Paid \$667.60. Pick 6 (4-10-5-6-3-1) 5 Correct Paid \$45.40.
9th—\$29,000, etc, 4YO up F&M, 1mi, ff, clear.
11 (11)BannerMoment(C.Bourque)23.20
11.80
6 (6)DeuxDaneuses(J.Krone)9.007.80
3 (3)AffairOfHonor(V.Smith)13.60

Off 4:22. Time 1:40.47. Good. Scratched—Likely Ballet. Also Ran—Wavering Style, Pennyliner, Cielo Vodkamartini, Cloying Camilla, Sleepless, Many Charms, Jackwood, Mail It In, Taylor's Playmate. Exacta (11-6) paid \$330.80. Quinella (6-11) paid \$149.60. Trifecta (11-6-3) paid \$6,296.00. Pick 3 (3-1-1) 3 Correct Paid \$2,007.80.
10th—\$11,000, cl, 4YO up, 1 1/16m, clear.
2 (2)Devil'SassCry(E.Martin)Jr.19.205.40
3.60
7 (7)Cannizzaro(R.Faul)17.208.20
1 (1)InPlay(G.Melancon)5.40

Off 4:50. Time 1:46.88. Fast. Also Ran—Stackem, Explosive Don, Third Rail, Best Result, Croco Agenda, Lil Unc Dandy, Redo It All, Brito Mind, Slew the Field. Exacta (2-7) paid \$212.40. Quinella (2-7) paid \$130.40. Trifecta (2-7-1) paid \$1,447.40. Daily Double (11-2) paid \$166.80. Superfecta (2-7-1-6) paid \$3,309.60. Pick 3 (1-11-2) 3 Correct Paid \$1,822.20. Attendance 1,844. OTB \$3,675,895. Handle \$232,623. Total Handle \$3,908,518.

Davenport advances to Australian Open semifinals

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Top-seeded Lindsay Davenport easily advanced to the Australian Open semifinals today, with Venus Williams losing some of her beads, a penalty point and her temper.

While Davenport served immaculately and outtrilled Williams in the 6-4, 6-0 victory, the match will be remembered for a strange twist in the second set when Williams' famous beaded hairdo cost her a game.

When some beads fell on the first point in the third game of the second set, umpire Denis Overberg ordered the point replayed. As Williams served on game point, more beads fell and Overberg gave the point to Davenport.

"You could see she was thrown off by what happened," Davenport said. "She just collapsed in the last few games. Obviously a lot of focus is going to be on the bead incident, but I was up a set and a break at that point."

Rules permit a player to drop anything worn, such as a hat, only once in a match, with the second violation costing a point.

Later, 91st-ranked Nicolas Lapentti of Ecuador advanced to the semifinals by outlasting seventh seed Karol Kucera 7-6 (7-4), 6-7 (6-8), 6-2, 0-6, 8-6, leaving only two men's seeds surviving halfway through the quarterfi-

nals. And one of those will be knocked out Wednesday in the quarterfinal with No. 10 Yevgeny Kafelnikov and No. 15 Todd Martin.

Lapentti next meets Thomas Enqvist, a 6-3, 6-4, 6-4 winner over Marc Rosset.

On videotape of Williams' argument with the umpire, she can be heard shouting, "There's no disturbance. No one is being disturbed. ... As if I was doing it on purpose. You see me pulling my hair and pulling them out?"

Overberg cited the rule and said, "I can't guess if it's disturbing the opponent."

Sweat rolled down Williams' face and her voice quavered as she demanded to talk with tournament referee Peter Bellenger, who backed the umpire.

She finally returned to the court with a shrieked "Aaaaaaargh!"

At the end of the match, she was booed for not shaking hands with the umpire.

Williams, who previously has lost beads during matches, said later, "I don't think it was a very fair call. ... I have never had such treatment before from any other umpire."

"I shouldn't have to change my hair," she said, adding that "I guess (the rule) was never written for beads," but maybe she should "fix them a little tighter." Davenport, who recalled losing

a point once when her hat fell off twice in a match, said Williams was warned after the first loss of beads.

"You can hear them and see them a little bit," Davenport said of the beads. "I'm not going to say it was a total distraction, but it is a little annoying. ... It's just things flying in the air that you're not supposed to be seeing."

It was Davenport's serve, powerful groundstrokes and newfound agility that decided the hour-long match.

"I lost because I didn't play as well and lost my focus," said Williams, 1-7 against Davenport.

"I failed to capitalize on a number of opportunities." Davenport, the U.S. Open champion, has not lost a set in a Grand Slam event since dropping her quarterfinal match at Wimbledon.

Williams dropped service in the third game on a wildly errant attempt at a drop shot. Otherwise, she played a fierce game, at one point pounding in an ace of 118 mph.

With Davenport serving at 5-4 for the first set, Williams gained four break points. Davenport held her composure, served out of trouble, and took the set when Williams hit a forehand long.

In the second set, Davenport broke in the first game with a sharply angled forehand serve return, staved off a break point in

the next game, and gained a free game from Williams' bead violation. From that point on, Williams struggled, finally going out with a forehand long.

In the semifinals, Davenport will face France's Amelie Mauresmo, a former world junior champion who also is quick, can overpower opponents, has fixed her backhand problems and is not afraid of the top players.

Mauresmo, 19, the latest in a series of impressive teen-agers in women's tennis, beat 11th-seeded Dominique Van Roost of Belgium 6-3, 7-6 (7-3).

If she wins, Mauresmo would be the first unseeded woman to capture a Grand Slam event since Australia's Chris O'Neil won the 1978 Australian Open.

Jordan's King Hussein returning to United States for medical treatment

AMMAN, Jordan (AP) — King Hussein left for the United States today for urgent medical treatment after suffering what his doctor described as a possible recurrence of cancer.

The 63-year-old king departed hours after naming his eldest son,

Abdullah, as his future successor.

Hussein returned to Jordan only seven days ago following six months of treatment for non-Hodgkin's lymphoma at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn.

Lt. Gen. Samir Farraj, Hussein's private physician, said the monarch suffered

from "low blood counts and fever and I, as well as doctors from the Mayo Clinic, thought it is best to send him back to the clinic for checkups and treatment."

Farraj spoke to The Associated Press before his departure with Hussein. He declined to provide other details.

Officials said Hussein left after a brief ceremony at the airport to swear in Abdullah as regent in his absence. Hours earlier Abdullah, 36, was sworn in as crown prince in the palace.

Former Crown Prince Hassan, the king's brother, attended the ceremony,

the officials said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Hussein was accompanied on his flight by his American-born wife, Queen Noor, and a team of physicians from the Mayo Clinic who have been supervising his care in Jordan.

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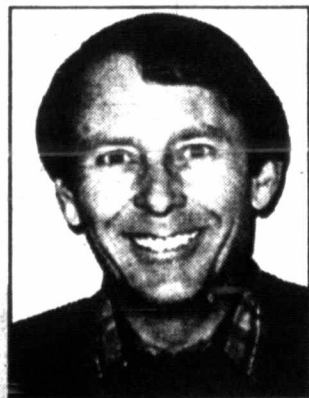
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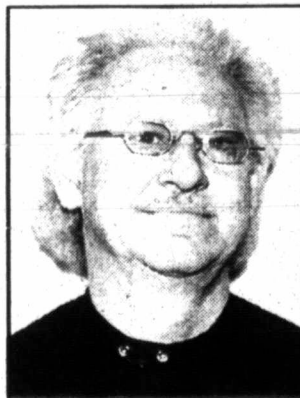
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