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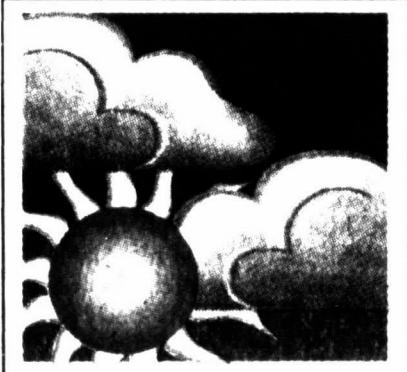
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No winner; jackpot grows
 No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

A six-number match would have been worth \$6 million. The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 54 were: 6, 21, 27, 34, 45 and 49.
 Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated \$10 million.

Foudation surprises teachers with \$25,000
 BAYTOWN, Texas (AP) — A California foundation is spending the week surprising Texas schoolteachers across the state with \$25,000 awards, a reward for their exemplary classroom work.
 In Baytown, just east of Houston, Alamo Elementary School teacher Jennifer Bishop had no idea Wednesday morning that an assembly she was attending was actually for her behalf until Milken Family Foundation chairman Lowell Milken presented her with the award.

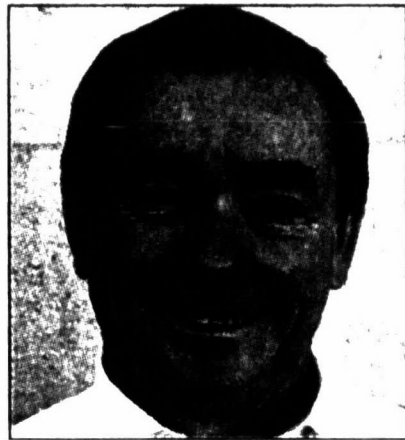
"I'm totally overwhelmed and feel so undeserving," Bishop told The Baytown Sun for its Thursday editions. "I think everyone in this building is so deserving."
 Goose Creek Supt Jerry Roy lauded Bishop's rapport with students, their high test scores and her work as a part-time parent educator, in which she shows parents how to enhance their kids' education.

- Oscar 'Oz' Engel, 77, former furnace operator for Cabot Corporation.
- Lee Heaton, 82, retired manager for Fisher and Wheeler Grain.

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Chisum says no to hate crime bill

"I don't understand when everyone is included in the current Hate Crimes Act why we would need one that specifies who would be included. I don't understand why we need a laundry list. Someone would surely be left out."
 — Rep. Warren Chisum



Lawmaker plans to re-file anti same-sex marriage bill

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
 Staff Writer

AUSTIN — State Rep. Warren Chisum of Pampa said Tuesday he won't support a hate crimes bill pre-filed this week and that he plans to re-file a bill he authored last year regarding the state's recognition of same-sex

marriages in Texas.

The legislative session starts Jan. 9, 2001.

Chisum said he will not support Sen. Rodney Ellis (D-Houston)'s legislation on hate crimes, which was pre-filed Monday.

"Texas already has a Hate Crimes Act which defines a

criminal act committed because of vice or prejudice as a hate crime," he explained. "It doesn't discriminate against anyone."

State Sen. Rodney Ellis, D-Houston, on Monday reintroduced the James Byrd Hate Crimes Act, which he says would strengthen the state's hate crimes law. The bill is essentially the same one that died in the Texas Senate in the 1999 legislative session.

It is named after James Byrd, a black man who was dragged to (See CHISUM, Page 2)

Kessie seeking DA vote recount

Files in all but Gray County

By NANCY YOUNG
 Managing Editor

It's not over until its over — and the 31st District Attorney's race is not over. The saga continues.

With only 227 votes separating Democrat Charles Kessie and Richard J. Roach in the November election, Kessie told *The Pampa News* this morning he is requesting a recount of votes in four counties in the 31st Judicial District from the Nov. 7 election.

He said he is asking the Secretary of State's office to approve his petition asking for a vote recount in Hemphill, Lipscomb, Roberts and Wheeler counties.

Roach received 6,847 votes and Kessie 6,620 in the five-county race in the General Election.

Gray County is not included in the petition recount, said Kessie. He said the reason is because Gray County has vote-counting machines. He said he feels the returns from the machines are more accurate than the paper ballots used in the other four counties because of human error. He lost to Richard J. Roach in Gray County. Roach received 4,395 votes to Kessie's 3,660 votes in Gray County.

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Man fined \$4,000 for hunting offense

By NANCY YOUNG
 Managing Editor

If you are a hunter, this time of year is your ecstasy.

Hunting season is getting in full swing this weekend. Quail, turkey, White Tail Deer, Sandhill Crane and water fowl are all currently in season, according to State Game Warden Mark McQueary. He said on Saturday Mule Deer season opens to hunters.

McQueary also said penalties for violations of hunting laws increased during the last legislative session.

Hunting on someone else's property without permission can be quite costly if cited. McQueary said the trespassing charge is now a Class A misdemeanor. It gets much more serious if a hunter shoots a White Tail Deer, Mule Deer or a Prong Horn Antelope while hunting on property without the landowner's consent, he said, as it becomes a felony.

McQueary said the fine for the offense is now a minimum of \$1,500 with a maximum of \$10,000. Jail time of a 180 day minimum and two year maximum can also be assessed.

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(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)
 Leland Milburn, surrounded by his family, hugs his mother following a not guilty verdict in a Potter County courtroom today. Milburn had been accused of murder in the beating death of his girl friend's 2-year-old baby.

Milburn not guilty of murder in tot case

By DAVID BOWSER
 Staff Writer

AMARILLO — A Potter County jury found a Canadian man not guilty today of the beating death of his girl friend's 2-year-old baby.

Leland Ray Milburn, 24, of Canadian, was accused of killing Brendan Tyler Brown, the son of Caryn Brown, 19, also of Canadian, in the early morning hours of May 25, 1999.

The trial was moved to Potter County from Hemphill County on change of venue due to the sensational nature of the case.

Court bailiff Wayne Carter entered the Potter County courtroom at 10:11 a.m. today to inform Judge Steven R. Emmert that the four-woman, eight-man jury had reached a verdict in the case. The jury had begun their deliberations shortly after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

The blonde-haired Milburn, dressed in blue plaid shirt and blue slacks, sat at the defense table this morning, his hands gripping each other in his lap as he awaited the verdict of the jury which had been selected two-and-a-half weeks ago.

One of the women on the jury, the foreman, gave the jury's verdict to Carter who relayed it to Judge Emmert.

Milburn and his lawyers stood as Emmert read the verdict.

Upon hearing the not guilty verdict, Milburn turned his head to the jury and quietly mouthed, "Thank you."

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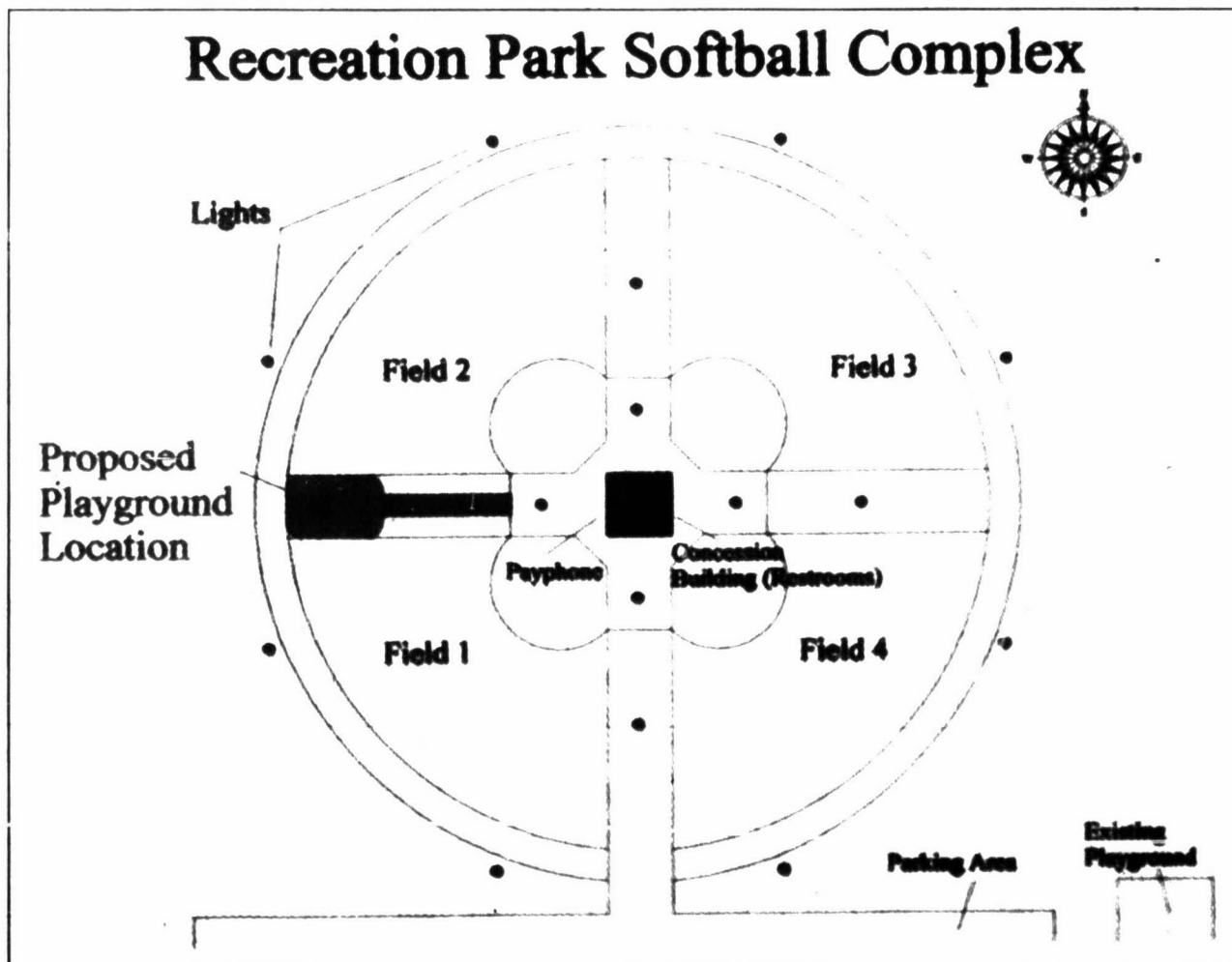
PISD hosts public hearing to give performance report

A public hearing on the AEIS Annual Performance Report will be held when the Pampa Independent School District meets at 6 p.m. Thursday in the Carver Center Board Conference Room at 321 W. Albert.

Bid proposals for band instruments and equipment will also be considered at the meeting.

Board members will also consider school district performance objectives, architectural services proposal for district masonry needs, high school extended trips 2000-2001, replacement of sewer at Lamar Elementary and district campus evaluation plan.

An administrative report will include District K-12 Math Vertical team update, district facilities repair and renovation plan and update on district priority performance goals.



New playground to open in Spring

Will be at softball complex

By KATE B. DICKSON
 Associate Publisher

Come Spring there will be a new playground at Recreation Park — something softball league players have wanted for their children for a long time, says Shane Stokes, city recreation director.

Stokes showed new plans, which change the location from one earlier proposed to one closer to the fields, to City Commissioners during their meeting Tuesday.

"This plan is one that moves the playground inside the softball complex ... it will make the parents happier," he said, because they can better watch their youngsters.

Two years ago several pieces

of new playground equipment were installed by the parks department and by Rute Jordan inmates, Stokes said. But from the perspective of a ball playing parent, equipment that is all the way across the park, beyond the main road and near the lake, is too far away.

The playground will be surrounded by a chain-link fence and will have a netting cover to prevent balls from entering, Stokes said.

When softball games are under way, the playground will be well-lighted and when there are no games, security lighting will be sufficient, Stokes said.

The \$21,274 playground is to be paid for with water donation funds and \$5,000 from the Softball Player's Association.



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Roadside cross plan to be mulled

TYLER, Texas (AP) — State highway officials Thursday will consider settling a statewide battle over state-sanctioned roadside memorials for drunk driving victims and the makeshift memorials made by the families of other kinds of automobile accidents.

The Texas Transportation Commission will meet in Austin to discuss whether the state should placate the families of non-alcohol-related accident victims, who have been told their roadside crosses must be taken down, by charging the families \$100 for uniform, state-approved markers to be placed temporarily at fatal accident sites.

Officials from the Texas Department of Transportation have said the families' roadside memorials aren't permitted because of a state program to highlight traffic deaths that are caused by alcohol. TxDOT only allows properly constructed memorial approved by the state. The agency has also said the makeshift memorials are traffic hazards.

Plans for the memorials, which would include both drunk driving and other fatalities, are rectangular signs with white letters on a blue background bordered by small white stars. The signs would read "In memory of" and include the person's name and date of death.

TxDOT workers would place the marker at the accident site for 2 1/2 years, then remove it and give it to the family.

Crosses are being avoided to keep separation of church and state.

Commissioners may accept the proposal or say it needs more work. If accepted, the proposal will be published and after a public comment period, the proposal would go back to the commission for final approval.

The decision follows complaints by Tyler-area residents about removal notices posted next to East Texas roadside memorials in April. The East Texans had argued that the memorials should be allowed for victims of all traffic accidents.

Tourism group works on 'Branded' program

The Pampa Chamber of Commerce Tourism Committee recently completed a half-day retreat at Rep. Warren Chisum's ranch to brainstorm and evaluate Pampa's potential in attracting travelers through and to the Pampa area.

This retreat grew out of a need to discover how to best work with the new "Branded" program, set up by Texas Department of Economic Development.

Pampa was one of three cities in Texas chosen to help launch the Branded program. Once completed, Pampa will have a special designation in the

To learn more or to volunteer, call 669-3241.

"Texas Travel and Tourism" book given to visitors to the state as well as other benefits.

The other two Texas cities are Ennis and Del Rio. A fourth city was chosen, but did not get the community support to participate.

Several specific ideas or "Action Items" came out of the retreat that can be implemented now. These items include:

- To facilitate hospitality training for employees and employers of Pampa businesses who deal directly with the

public;

- To make a reality of a Woody Guthrie Museum in the old Harris Drug Store on Cuyler Street (where he once worked) and to develop a quality archive of Guthrie memorabilia;

- To partner with Panhandle Tourism and Marketing Council on Pampa's role in presenting the story of the Red River Wars of the 1870s — there are several battlefields and campsites in Gray Co., notably in the McClellan Creek area;

- To evaluate the stories of the different eras of Pampa's history in light of attractiveness to visitors by establishing "Tourism Category Study Groups"; and

- To continue to work on the "Branded" program so Pampa can reap the full benefits of the program.

People of the Pampa community are needed to make these "Action Items" come to life. Students of all ages — especially junior high, high school and college — could be very helpful and there are jobs for people of all ages, ethnic background and interest.

EEK!

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — Opening night of "Fiddler on the Roof" had well-heeled men and women bounding to their feet and climbing on their seats — all before the close of Act 1.

It wasn't the play's debut performance at Chrysler Hall that moved folks but a rodent run amok among the rows.

It all began quietly enough, Lynda Lineberry said. Twenty minutes into the show, she bustled in her seat and her husband John asked: "What's wrong?"

"He just grabbed my leg," she said, blaming a man in the row behind them for bugging her.

She slipped out, returning from the restroom in time to join a leaping, shrieking chorus line of theatergoers.

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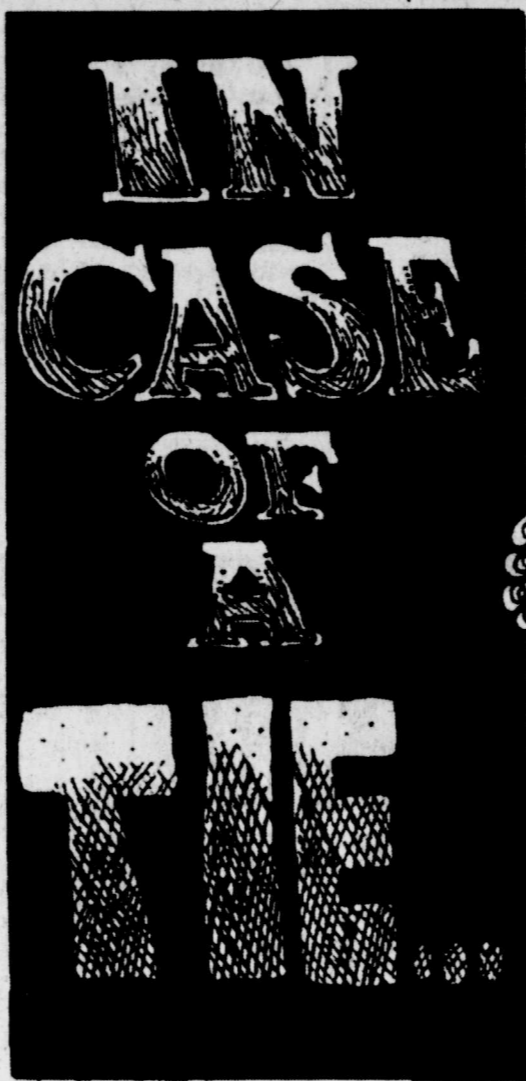
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Opinion

Government doesn't allow for flexibility

•The question of fairness often doesn't get answered. If there is a primary problem with government — at all levels — perhaps it would be that it just is not "fair." Or, to be precise, that every governmental decision winds up being fairer to some than to others.

In other words, every mandate of government inevitably winds up causing hurt or damage to some people even though others may be helped. In their minds, most Americans know this but justify the situation as the "price we pay to live in a free country."

To us, such a thought or statement is contradictory. However, today we choose not to speak of governmental unfairness, but about its lack of flexibility.

No situation illustrated this better than one from the community of Petersburg, Texas (population 1,600). Government's inflexibility killed off a tradition there with 110-year-old roots, according to an Associated Press report.

The story is that a local man gave a plot of ground sometime around 1900 to be used as a community cemetery. "My granddad gave this land ... and he had a stipulation on there that (anyone buried) couldn't be charged for their plot," 88-year-old Charlie Martin was quoted as saying.

He explained that Petersburg's early residents had a practice of gathering to dig graves by hand out of respect and love for their neighbors. This tradition evolved into a practice where the county commissioner of the precinct where the cemetery is located would use county equipment (in our minds, "taxpayer-owned" equipment) to dig and cover graves, at no charge.

No one griped. And, this had been done — personally — since about 1950 by a succession of elected county commissioners as nothing more than part of the job.

This came to a halt in August. The latest commissioner to carry on the little bit of extra governmental service for the taxes Petersburg residents paid was notified by the county attorney to cease and desist.

"Everybody in God's green earth, but me, knew this had been going on," County Attorney Chris Prentice said.

"Nobody has really complained ... I just told them to stop because it is an unlawful use of county assets."

In response, Commissioner Mario Martinez, said, "When you get small communities like this and you are talking about a death in the family, it seems like the entire community pulls together. It saddens me because it seems like we're not being able to help our fellow man like we used to. It's taking away a part of our history. What we've always done, suddenly, we are not going to be able to do anymore."

In other words, the governing of Petersburg no longer has any flexibility; tradition cannot be "grandfathered-in." If you live and die in that rural, cotton-farming community, from now on it will cost your family about \$400 to have your grave opened and closed.

What's truly surprising is that some bureaucrat hasn't taken action to send bills for backhoe wear and tear to the surviving families of those who have been buried illegally in Petersburg's cemetery for the past 50 years.

Bottom line: It would have been better, of course, if government never had entered this picture. But, since that can't be changed, it should be noted that "legality" alone does not determine what's right ... and, in this case and many others like it, government is NOT fair, is NOT flexible and is NOT exactly what the Founding Fathers had in mind.

—Odessa American

Election 2000 hard on a political junkie

It was election night — Nov. 7, 2000. Being a political junkie, I had two radios going to obtain election returns: one on Pampa's KGRO to get the results from the bitterly sought District Attorney's race and the other on a Borger station to keep up with the returns from the hotly contested four candidate Sheriff's race in Hutchinson County. Also I had the television going to watch the presidential returns from what was supposed to be a close race between Bush and Gore.

All of this at one time may seem an impossible feat to some people, but to me on election night it is normal. The phone rang as returns were coming in from both local races. Seeing the phone number of my daughter who lives in California on the Caller ID, I grabbed the phone and yelled, "I don't have time to talk to you right now." She wasn't offended, apparently, because she called back about an hour later. Again, I explained I couldn't talk.

After the final tallies came in from the DAs and sheriff's races, I began to watch the television returns. The phone rang again. Again, it was my daughter. "What do you think?", she asked. I told her I didn't know because I hadn't been able to watch long enough to know what was going on. (Reflecting back, I wouldn't have known what to think if I had been watching the presidential returns all evening.) It was around 11 p.m.

Just then I heard television anchor Dan Rather say words to the effect that if the children have gone to bed, go get them up. That history is being made. I tell my daughter to hush — she didn't hear me. She was still talking, so I yelled, "Shut up." That phrase was taboo in our household when the children were growing up. My children received pepper in their mouths when they said those words. I'm surprised she didn't remind me.



Nancy Young
 Managing editor

I was trying to sort out what was taking place. I couldn't believe what I was hearing. The election hadn't been decided. My memory flashed back to the 1972 presidential election coverage which predicted Nixon as the winner before Texas polls had closed and before I even left home to go to the courthouse to obtain the local returns.

After Rather finished talking, I asked her what was going on. She began to explain. During the conversation she told me she thought it would be very appropriate timing for her to write a report on the electoral college for a college government class she is taking. She asked my opinion on resources, saying she had looked on the Internet and couldn't get much. I had begun to get the drift of what was occurring and I responded, "There will be plenty of resources tomorrow." I did give her several suggestions which she tried and obtained ample information.

Finally, around midnight I told her I had to get some sleep because I had to go to work early. As I laid on the couch to watch a little more television coverage, I quickly fell asleep. I awakened to the phone ringing at 1:30 a.m. It was her again. She loudly proclaimed Bush had won! Back to sleep I went.

Around 3 a.m. I awakened to Dan Rather's voice discussing a possible recount! In my sleepy state, my mind immediately went to

Pampa and all I could think of was poor Susan Winborne. I then wondered how the 31st District Attorney's race made it to national television. Thank heavens, my first thought was wrong.

Like many other Americans I slept little the rest of the night, constantly checking the ongoing election coverage. I seriously considered calling my daughter at 5:30 a.m. Texas time thinking I would pay her back by waking her at 3:30 a.m. California time. I didn't.

We still don't know who the next president will be. I did take comfort from seeing Cokie Roberts appear on a late night show last as she explained the process of selecting a president if this isn't settled by the time of the inauguration. She is confident the matter will be resolved by that time.

She said if we had no president by that date, we also wouldn't have a vice president since they run together. She explained the next in line to assume the chief executive position would be Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert, saying if he had the position for a certain length of time he couldn't return to Speaker of the House and he wouldn't give up that position. Next in line, she said, is Senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina. She indicated she felt the politicians would resolve the matter rather quickly before allowing the 98-year-old veteran politician assume the position.

And my daughter. I was concerned about waking her as I knew she'd be going to work. Well, she was on vacation last week, so loss of sleep wasn't any big deal to her. She has become quite addicted to the hoopla surrounding the electoral college and the selection, or lack of, of the president. I'm glad though. Young people need to be interested in the political process and the workings of the government. And I'm tired. She also has to pay her phone bill.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Nov. 16, the 321st day of 2000. There are 45 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 16, 1864, Union Gen. William T. Sherman and his troops began their "March to the Sea" during the Civil War.

On this date:

In 1776, British troops captured Fort

Washington during the American Revolution.

In 1885, Canadian rebel Louis Riel was executed for high treason.

In 1907, Oklahoma became the 46th state of the union.

In 1933, the United States and the Soviet Union established diplomatic relations.

In 1959, the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "The Sound of

Music" opened on Broadway.

In 1961, House Speaker Samuel Rayburn died in Bonham, Texas, having served as speaker since 1940 except for two terms.

In 1966, Dr. Samuel Sheppard was acquitted in his second trial of charges he'd murdered his pregnant wife, Marilyn, in 1954.

In 1973, Skylab Three, carrying a crew of three astronauts, was launched

from Cape Canaveral, Fla., on an 84-day mission.

Ten years ago: Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev told an angry Soviet legislature he would fire government and military officials blocking his reform plans. Four of the so-called "Keating Five" went before the Senate Ethics Committee to deny any wrongdoing in helping failed savings-and-loan owner Charles Keating, Jr.

Nation is embracing fatal sins of empires

Americans are in danger of succumbing to the fatal sins of empires — arrogance and ignorance.

We should not be cocky. We should not overestimate ourselves or underestimate those who might become our enemies.

It's very important to understand what happened with the USS Cole. Two men in a small boat with a few hundred dollars' worth of explosives took out a tremendously expensive, tremendously sophisticated, high-tech warship.

Except for the heroic, almost superhuman efforts of the surviving crew members, that ship would have gone to the bottom. As it is, it is out of service, I would guess, for at least two years. Taxpayers will have to shell out a minimum of \$150 million to get her seaworthy again.

There are lots of men with powerful convictions. There are lots of small boats and second-hand trucks. The world is literally awash in cheap explosives.

The disadvantage of high-tech weapons systems is that they are designed to fight conventional wars. They can be vulnerable to a low-tech attack.

Think back to the bombing campaign against Yugoslavia. Despite the heifer dust from the administration, the campaign was militarily ineffective. Robert Fisk, a great reporter with Britain's The Independent, observed that the



Charley Reese
 Syndicated columnist

Serb forces in Kosovo came out almost intact, with nearly all of their armor and artillery. We had, in addition to civilian targets, bombed a lot of plywood tanks and bridges painted on canvas.

That's what can happen when the world's greatest superpower, attacking a nation of 10 million people, is afraid to let its pilots fly lower than 15,000 feet. The agreement Yugoslav leader Slobodan Milosevic signed was one that he would have signed before the bombing. It took the jurisdiction away from NATO and gave it to the United Nations, and it guaranteed that Kosovo would remain part of Yugoslavia.

In the meantime, the super-sophisticated and expensive Apache helicopters took a month to get from Germany to the Balkans, a trip of just a few hours. They never flew combat missions, and two were lost to accidents.

The American Revolution succeeded because the British were arrogant and contemptuous of

"colonials," whom they considered inferior.

What scares me most is that the elites who run the federal government show all the traits of the British in 1776. They are arrogant. They consider the rest of the world (including their fellow Americans) to be their inferiors. And they are grossly ignorant.

Madeleine Albright, so typical of the Clinton administration, said on television that the embargo against Saddam Hussein was worth the lives of 500,000 Iraqi children. Now that shows, of course, her own immorality and callous indifference to other people's suffering. But it is also stupid diplomacy. Her statement has been broadcast far and wide in the Arab world. It sends an unmistakable message: You people simply don't count, as far as we are concerned. That's how you make enemies, and it is not the job of a secretary of state to make enemies.

Bush is going to have his hands full, not only with fumigating the White House but with routing out the incompetents the Clinton administration brought to power, reshaping American foreign policy and rebuilding the armed forces.

Most of all, we need a change of attitude and need to recognize that our jurisdiction stops at our borders and that nobody appointed us lord and emperor of the world. Trust me: The decline of an empire is bad enough. You surely don't want to be around for the fall.

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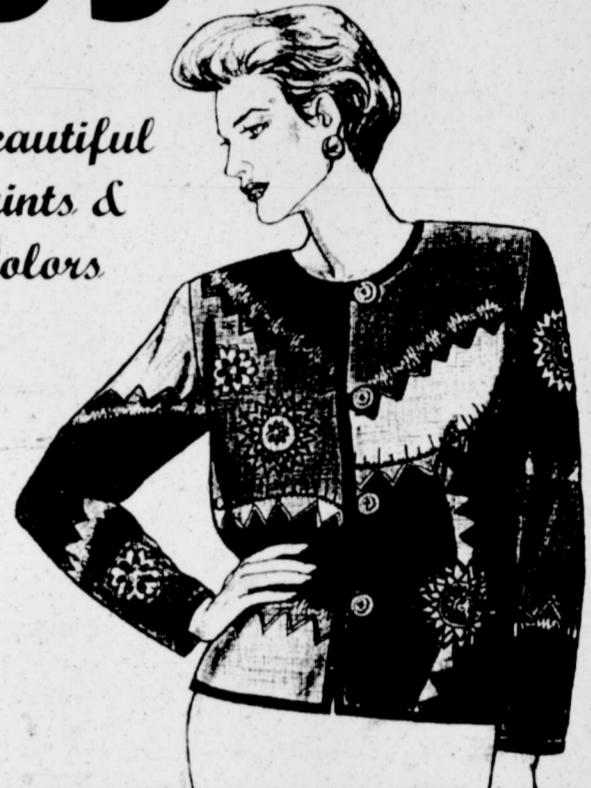
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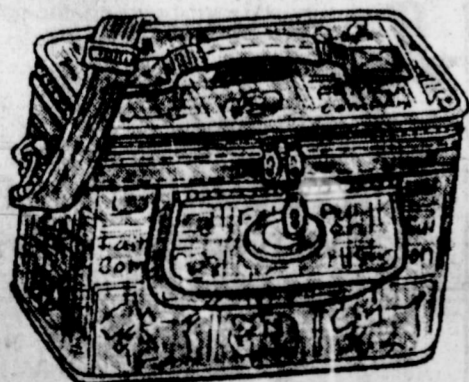
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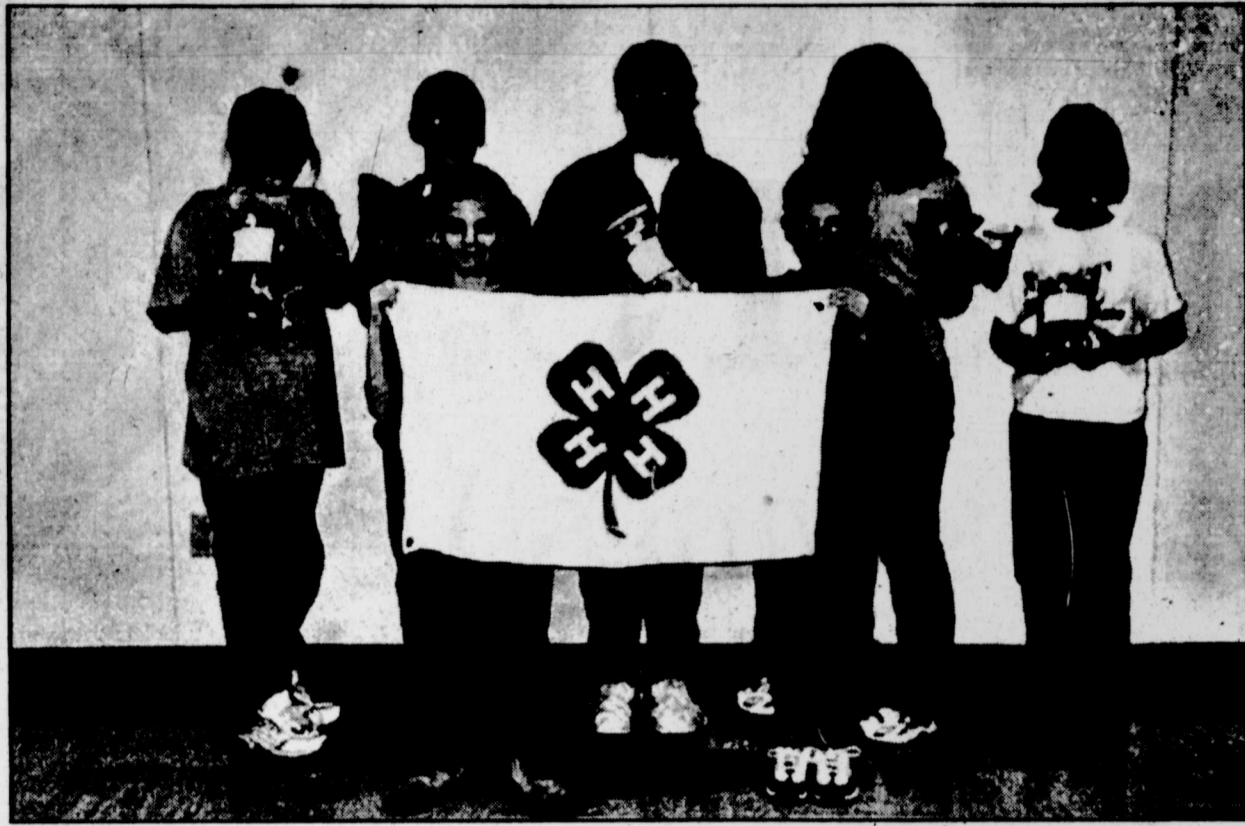
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Agents make big seizures

SAN JUAN, Texas (AP) — U.S. Border Patrol agents have seized 3,778 pounds of marijuana in three separate seizures South Texas, officials said.

The seizures in San Juan and Falfurrias occurred between noon Tuesday and the early hours of Wednesday and had a combined value of just more than \$3 million, The Monitor of McAllen reported in Thursday's editions.

Juan Garza, 37, of Michoacan, Mexico, was arrested after agents chased a pickup they saw speeding away from the Rio Grande. Agents found 1,153 pounds of pot, valued at about \$922,000, in the cab and bed of the truck, the patrol said.

Garza was arraigned on one count each of possession with intent to deliver a controlled substance and importation of marijuana, officials said.

The second bust occurred about 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Falfurrias checkpoint after a drug dog detected drugs in the trailer of an 18-wheeler, officials said. Agents discovered 1,571 pounds of marijuana, valued at \$1.3 million, officials said. The driver, a U.S. citizen, remained in custody on unrelated charges and drug agents continue to investigate his connection to the marijuana, officials said.

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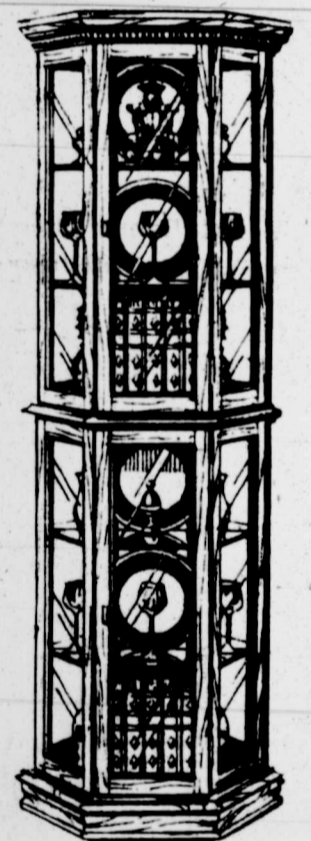
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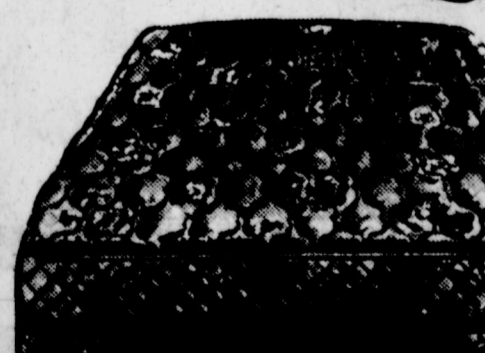
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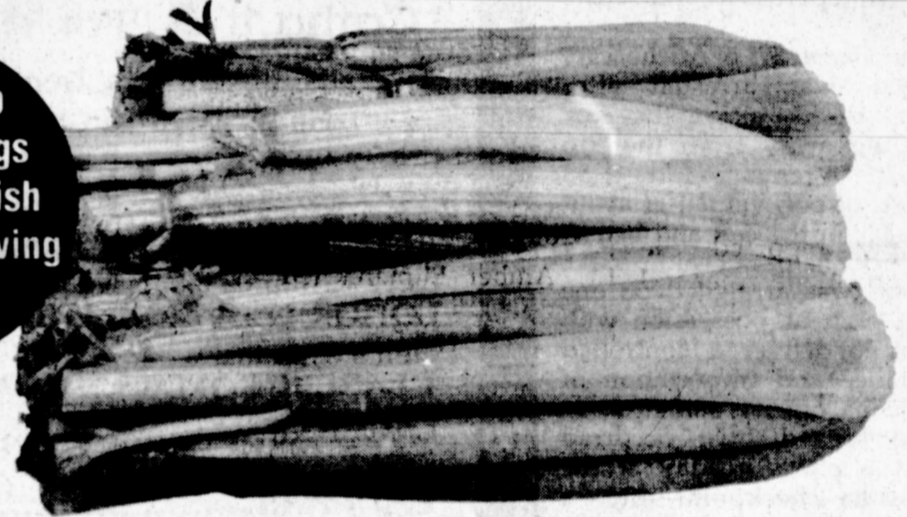


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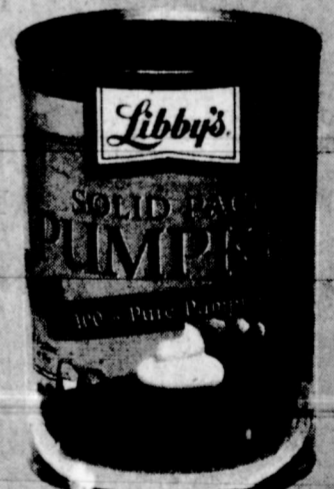
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BOWLING

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Danny Wiseman won his eighth PBA Tour title Wednesday night, beating Chris Barnes 252-232 in the championship game of the Columbia 300 Open.

Wiseman, 8-2 in career title matches, earned \$20,000 for his first victory since 1998.

"You start to question yourself and it becomes mental more than anything else," Wiseman said. "Today, I didn't care about putting on a show. Quite simply, I was out there to win."

Barnes, a two-time winner, earned \$11,000.

In the three-man semifinal shootout match, Barnes (255) beat past Parker Bohn III (231) and Patrick Healey Jr. (193).

FOOTBALL

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Texas Tech reportedly has awarded head football coach Mike Leach a one-year extension on his five-year contract.

The Lubbock Avalanche-Journal quoted unidentified sources in its Thursday editions as saying the university will announce the extension at a 10:30 a.m. news conference on Thursday.

Leach and Tech Chancellor John Montford both declined comment on Wednesday.

Leach originally signed a five-year deal in December 1999 for \$550,000 in annual salary, including a base salary of \$250,000. The newspaper reported the new agreement reached Wednesday extended that package by one year.

Leach, who was offensive coordinator at Oklahoma last season, was hired to succeed longtime Red Raiders coach Spike Dykes.

Since then, Tech has compiled a 7-4 overall record and a 3-4 mark in Big 12 play.

The Red Raiders currently rank fourth in the Big 12 South, 3 1/2 games behind leader OU.

BASKETBALL

GROOM — Clarendon defeated Groom 49-39 in a high school girls basketball opener Tuesday night.

Kellie Lemly's 19 points paced Clarendon's scoring attack.

Janey Aduddell followed with 11.

Groom trailed by only three (22-19) at halftime, but fell behind by 13 (36-23) going into the fourth quarter.

Candace Bohr had 15 points and Amanda Conrad 10 to lead Groom.

The Tigerettes travel to Trinity on Friday night.

Amarillo wrestler finally gets his gold medal

NEW YORK (AP) — It wasn't Sydney with its opera house. It was Rockefeller Center, with a huge Christmas tree in the background, where Brandon Slay finally got his Olympic wrestling gold medal.

Instead of thousands of spectators watching from the stands, a couple hundred gathered behind barricades Wednesday, waving tiny American, South Korean and Turkish flags, many in bizarre getups designed to catch the TV camera's eye.

And, the Olympic flame had long been extinguished.

But this was historic because for the first time, a full medal presentation ceremony was held outside an Olympic venue.

"This is better than Sydney," Slay said. "More people, more Americans got to see it. It wasn't 1 o'clock in the morning, it was on at a more reasonable time."

Slay was awarded the gold in the 167 1/2-pound class by the

Brandon Slay will be in Pampa next month for clinic and banquet

International Olympic Committee, which had stripped the medal from Germany's Alexander Leipold after he tested positive for the steroid nandrolone.

"I have a feeling of relief," said the 25-year-old from Amarillo, Texas, who learned a month ago that he would get the medal. "It's a feeling of completion, of closure."

Of vindication. Slay was not pleased by what happened in Sydney, when he climbed onto the podium and received a silver medal.

He lost 4-0 to Leipold on the

final day of the Games on Oct. 1. He complained afterward that the referee had unfairly penalized him and had not allowed him to wrestle properly.

Leipold told him on the podium not to feel bad about not winning the gold because he was young and still had two more Olympics ahead of him.

"I wanted it now. I didn't want to wait four or eight years," Slay said. "But what really got to me, he didn't put his arm around me when he said it, he patted me on the head. I felt demeaned."

It was vastly different this

time in a made-for-TV ceremony that was aired on NBC's "Today."

TV weather reporter Al Roker led Slay, silver-medal winner Moon Eui-jae of South Korea and bronze-medal winner Adem Bereket of Turkey to an Olympic-type podium set up in the street outside the show's studio. Moon finished third in the competition and Bereket fourth, but they moved up when Leipold was disqualified.

IOC vice president Anita DeFrantz draped the gold medal around Slay's neck and the national anthem was played.

DeFrantz played a major role in getting the IOC to approve the ceremony. She said the organization wanted to demonstrate its intention to reward athletes who abide by the rules and do not take performance-enhancing drugs.

The IOC is very serious about making sure that athletes

compete with integrity," she said.

USA Wrestling picked up the tab, estimated at about \$15,000, for bringing the medal-winners to New York.

Steve Brunner, the organization's assistant executive director, said it was well worth it, considering the national TV exposure wrestling received.

"And, of course, the athletes got the recognition they deserve," he said.

Slay dedicated his medal to another U.S. champion who was shot to death while training for the 1996 Atlanta Games.

"This is for Dave Schultz, who sparked my Olympic dream," Slay said. "This is for him."

Schultz, a 1984 Olympic gold medalist and 1983 world champion, was shot to death on Jan. 26, 1996, by millionaire John E. du Pont on du Pont's suburban Philadelphia estate where Schultz was training.

Smith claims 400th victory

LEFORS — Fort Elliott's Curtis Smith got his 400th career win as a varsity basketball coach when the Cougars defeated Lefors 86-21 Tuesday night.

Nathan Hefley led Fort Elliott with 23 points while teammate Richard Rowe chipped in 13.

Andrew Johnson had 11 points and Rickey Vaughn 3 for Lefors.

Smith, a Childress native, is in his ninth season as head coach at Fort Elliott.

Fort Elliott girls also won their basketball opener, defeating Lefors 95-17.

Kyleigh Trimble and Ashley Estes had 23 and 22 points, respectively, to lead the Lady Cougars.

Amber Ehmann led Lefors with 9 points.

FOLLETT — McLean lost basketball openers to Follett on Tuesday night.

McLean fell in the boys game 54-33.

Ray Bowling topped Follett in scoring with 17 points. Brett Duke followed with 15.

Randy Floyd had 12 points to lead McLean. Terrell Hembree followed with 6.

Follett won the girls game by a score of 71-14.

Rindi Bowling had 16 points and Jessica Cates added 15 for Follett.

Leading scorers for McLean were Kendell Newton and Lacey Steel with 5 points each.

McLean hosts Fort Elliott Friday night.

District champion



Kelby Doughty, daughter of Dennis and Renee Doughty, displays her District Championship medals. Kelby is the 9-year-old District Champion on vault and she won the bronze medal in All-Around. She trains at Gymnastics of Pampa.

(Special photo)

Investing can wait, Cantrell is the new Cowboys' punter

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Barry Cantrell was supposed to start a new job next week as a broker for a Florida investment firm.

Instead, he'll make his NFL debut Sunday as a punter for the Dallas Cowboys.

"I had been looking for a job, and actually just found a job this week to start Monday," Cantrell said Wednesday at the Valley Ranch practice facility. "I'm going to ask them if they can wait a couple of weeks."

Cantrell, who has twice been in training camp with the Cowboys, signed a free agent contract this week to replace injured rookie Micah Knorr, who is out 3-6 weeks with a fracture in his lower left kicking leg.

During training camp this year, Cantrell never got to compete with Knorr for the job because of a strained hamstring that kept him off the field.

"I'm in shape and the hamstring is fine. I'm ready to go Sunday," Cantrell said. "I've been in shape for a while now. I took another couple of weeks after camp was over to let my leg heal a little more, and I've been 100 percent for several weeks

now." Cantrell had been hunting for a real-world job since right after being cut by the Cowboys in August. Still, he had held out hope for another shot at football. At 24, he wasn't ready to give up on that dream.

Another chance came after Knorr sustained a hairline fracture during the Cowboys' 23-6 win over Cincinnati last weekend. Defensive end Reinard Wilson ran into Knorr while trying to block a punt.

Cantrell, a Fordham graduate, called Cowboys kicking coach Steve Hoffman inquiring about the situation.

"I called to see how bad Micah was hurt and if he was planning on bringing guys in, if I could be one of the guys that he would bring into look at," Cantrell said.

He was the natural choice for Dallas.

Cantrell is familiar with the Cowboys, having also been to the 1998 camp. He spent the last offseason working with Hoffman, and can also handle the kickoff duties and serve as a holder for extra points and field goals like Knorr did.

Athletics' Giambi is AL MVP

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — With black leather covering his tattooed biceps and his hair slicked back, Jason Giambi's look belied his emotions as the American League's newly crowned Most Valuable Player.

The Oakland Athletics first baseman cried as he looked at his brother and teammate, Jeremy.

"This has been story book for me all year long. Having him come over, us winning the division, winning this award," he said. "It doesn't get any better than that."

Giambi got 14 of 28 first-place votes and finished with 317

points in balloting by the Baseball Writers Association of America. Giambi also got 11 seconds, two thirds and one fifth.

Chicago's Frank Thomas, a two-time winner, rebounded from his worst season to finish second with 285 points and 10 first-place votes. Seattle's Alex Rodriguez got the other four first-place votes and finished third with 218 points.

The honor indeed caps a story-book season for Giambi. He hit .333 with 43 homers, 137 RBIs and 137 walks. He led the league with a .476 on-base percentage and was third with a .647 slugging percentage.

Rickey Williams has ankle surgery

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — New Orleans running back Ricky Williams had surgery on his broken left ankle Wednesday.

Two screws and a small plate were inserted in Williams' ankle. He will need 6-to-8 weeks to recover, meaning he will likely sit out the remainder of the

season. The University of Texas Heisman Trophy-winner and the Saints' top 1999 draft pick was injured Sunday against Carolina on a run that gave him exactly 1,000 yards for the season. He also has 409 yards receiving.

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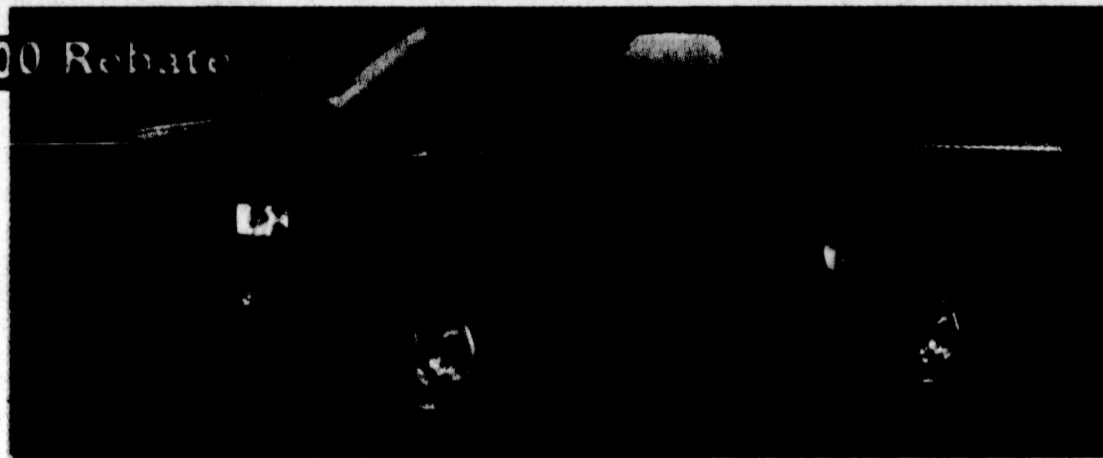
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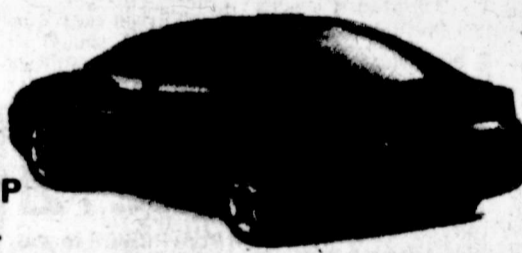


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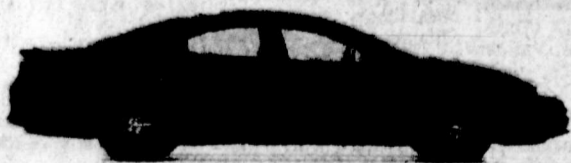


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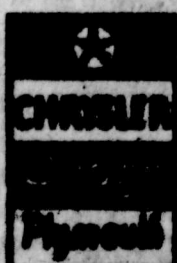


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