

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

GRIGGS, Freida Mae — 3 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.
JORDAN, Alvin — 1 p.m., Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.
MATTHEWS, Cecil Coy — Graveside services, 3 p.m., Westlawn Memorial Park, Fritch.
SHEA, Lee Harold "Buffalo", Jr. — Memorial services, 10:30 a.m., Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Obituaries

BETTY JANE BLANDA

Betty Jane Blanda, 77, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2000. The body was cremated and consequently will not be available for viewing. Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in First Presbyterian Church with Dr. Edwin Cooley, pastor of the church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mrs. Blanda was born Feb. 24, 1923, at Merkel, Texas. She held a bachelor of business administration degree from Texas Tech University in Lubbock. She married Pete Blanda on Nov. 29, 1942, at Clovis, N.M.; he died Nov. 3, 2000.
 She was a homemaker and a member of First Presbyterian Church.
 She was preceded in death by a daughter, Betty Nan Blanda, in 1977.
 Survivors include a daughter, Paula Heybach of Irving.
 The family requests memorials be to Book of Remembrance, First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray, Pampa, TX 79065.

MILDRED E. GARRISON

GUYMON, Okla. — Mildred E. Garrison, 85, of Amarillo, formerly of Guymon, died Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2000. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Henson-Novak Funeral Home with Odie Nunley officiating. Burial will be in Elmhurst Cemetery.
 Mrs. Garrison was born at Sims, Ark., and graduated from Pampa High School, moving there in 1930. She married Lloyd L. Garrison in 1932; he died in 1990. She lived in Texhoma, Texas, from 1950 until moving to Guymon in 1961.

She had been an Amarillo resident since 1995. She managed Gunn Brothers Stamp Store in Guymon prior to retiring in the early 1980s. She belonged to First Baptist Church of Guymon and Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include a son, Darrell L. Garrison of Amarillo; a brother, Floyd Slaton of Amarillo; and two grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to BSA Hospice of Amarillo or to Children's Home of Amarillo.

TERRY LEWIS GILL

MIAMI — Terry Lewis Gill, 59, died Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2000, at Amarillo. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church with the Rev. Wes Wellborne, pastor, and the Rev. Tom Stribling, pastor of Hunt Memorial Methodist Church of Dumas, officiating. Burial will be in Miami Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mr. Gill was born July 15, 1941, on the family farm south of Miami, to Elmo and Maggie Laffin Gill. He was a lifelong resident of Miami and was a lifelong farmer and rancher. He graduated from Miami High School.
 He married Sarah Ellzey on April 5, 1962, at Miami.
 He served on the Miami IDS Board of Trustees and the Roberts County Livestock Show Board. He was a volunteer fireman for over 40 years, serving as fire chief at one time. He was a very active member of Top O' Texas Fellowship of Christian Cowboys. His greatest joy was cooking on the K Land Chuckwagon and the Honey Do Spoiler Chuckwagon, in competition and catering.
 He was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Katie Michelle Cox.
 Survivors include his wife, Sarah, of the home; two daughters and sons-in-law, Gwen and Mark Campbell of Amarillo and Mary Ann and Mike Cox of Claude; a sister, Sharle Black of Borger; a brother, J.R. Gill of Amarillo; and two granddaughters, Amber and Ann Christian Cox of Claude.
 The family requests memorials be to Fellowship of Christian Cowboys, Route 1, Box 55, Pampa, TX 79065.

CECIL COY MATTHEWS

SANFORD — Cecil Coy Matthews, 85, father of a Canadian resident, died Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2000. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Friday in Westlawn Memorial Park with Darrell Trout, pastor of Fritch Assembly of God Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Garden of Love at Westlawn Memorial Park under the direction of Minton/Chatwell Funeral Directors of Fritch.
 Mr. Matthews was born in Oklahoma and was a truck driver for Hodges Trucking.
 Survivors include five daughters, Berdie Norman, June Blevins and Helen Bowling, all of Fritch, and Barbara Martin and Loretta Rose,

both of Borger; three sons, James Matthews of Woodward, Okla., Danny Matthews of Canadian and Coy Matthews of Fritch; a sister, Joyce Hamilton of Arkansas; a brother, T.J. Matthews of Arkansas; 19 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

EVA MAE PENLAND

Eva Mae Penland, 82, of Pampa, died Thursday, Nov. 30, 2000, at Borger. Services are pending under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mrs. Penland was born Dec. 19, 1918, at Bonham, Texas. She married Johnnie Penland on Jan. 11, 1936, at Altus, Okla. She had been a Pampa resident since 1941 and was a member of Central Baptist Church. She was also a cotton bowl puller and a homemaker.

Survivors include a son, Ennis Penland of Amarillo; two sisters, Anna Lou Barnes of Corpus Christi and Vaneta Cantrell of Pampa; three grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

MARY JANE RAY

Mary Jane Ray, 68, of Pampa, died Thursday, Nov. 30, 2000. Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in First Baptist Church with Dr. Randy White, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Claude Cemetery at Claude under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.
 Mrs. Ray was born Feb. 17, 1932, in Armstrong County. She had been a Gray County resident since 1960 and worked for Gray County Title for about six years. She married James Monroe Ray on June 24, 1950, at Claude.
 She was a homemaker and a member of First Baptist Church as well as Art and Civic Club of Lefors, formerly serving as its president.

Survivors include her husband, James, of the home; a daughter, Carolyn Furr of Plano; three sons, Jerry Ray of Amarillo, Tommy Ray of Pampa and Michael Ray of Lefors; two sisters, Willie Mae Ferguson of Floydada and Audene Beck of Spearman; a brother, Travis Luttrell of Claude; and nine grandchildren.



Ambulance

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

Wednesday, Nov. 29

- 5:54 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 1700 block of Holly and transported one to PRMC.
- 6:18 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 200 block of Canadian and transported one to PRMC.
- 6:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to the 500 block of Yeager and transported one to PRMC.
- 9:37 p.m. - A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Veteran's Administration Hospital.

Fires

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

Wednesday, Nov. 29

- 7 a.m. - Two units and seven firefighters responded to a report of smoke in the 1600 block of North Hobart. Firefighters determined the smoke was actually steam from a dry cleaner.
- 9:56 a.m. - Three units and seven firefighters responded to a report of smoke at Gray County Sheriff's Office, 218 N. Russell. The smoke was apparently exhaust from an emergency generator.

Stocks

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

Wheat	2.51	KM	42 15/16	dn 1/4
Milo	3.21	Kerr McGee	42 15/16	dn 1/8
Corn	3.52	Limited	19 1/2	dn 7/8
Soybeans	4.25	McDonald's	32	dn 1/2
		Exxon Mobil	89 3/4	up 13/16
		New Atmos	25 7/16	up 1/8
		XCEL	27 7/16	up 1/2
		NOI	33 7/16	dn 3/8
		OKI	42 15/16	up 7/8
		Penny's	9 9/16	dn 1/16
		Phillips	59 1/4	dn 3/16
		Pioneer Nat.	14 9/16	up 1/8
		SLB	65 3/4	dn 5/16
		Tenneco	35 1/16	NC
		Texas	58 15/16	up 1/8
		Ultramar	27 13/16	up 1/16
		Wal-Mart	51 1/16	dn 13/16
		Williams	34 7/8	dn 1 9/16
		New York Gold	266.55	
		Silver	4.63	
		West Texas Crude	34.63	

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

Occidental	22 3/16	dn 3/16
Fidelity Magell	122.13	dn 1/8
Puritan	18.84	dn 1/8

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by BP Amoco:

BP Amoco	48 5/16	dn 3/16
Cabot	24 1/2	up 1/8
Cabot O&G	21 3/4	up 1/16
Chevron	82 3/4	up 5/8
Coca-Cola	61 7/8	dn 1/4

Emergency numbers

- Ambulance.....911
- Crime Stoppers.....669-2222
- Energas.....1-888-Energas
- Fire.....911
- Police (emergency).....911
- Police (non-emergency).....669-5700
- SPS.....1-800-750-2520
- Water.....669-5830

Stations vow not to call winners until polls close

NEW YORK (AP) — In the face of criticism from Capitol Hill, NBC became the third television network to promise not to project election-night winners in a state until all the state's polls are closed.
 NBC and Fox News Channel also said Wednesday they were questioning their participation in Voter News Service, a consortium that provides exit polling and election data to news organizations.
 It's part of the continued fallout from Election Night. Television networks twice projected winners in Florida — once for Al Gore, once for George W. Bush — only to later take those calls back.
 The first call for Gore came after polls had closed in most of Florida, but not in some western sections of the state. That has infuriated congressional Republicans, who question whether TV projections

discourage voters from going to the polls.
 NBC's previous policy was not to call a state winner until the "overwhelming majority" of polls there had closed. Now it is closing that loophole.
 ABC and Fox News Channel have also said they would no longer project winners in states until all polls are closed. NBC said it supports legislation that would institute a national poll-closing time.
 The networks are also scrutinizing VNS, a company bankrolled by ABC, CBS, CNN, Fox, NBC and The Associated Press to share election costs. The networks said they used information provided by VNS in making their blown calls. All the VNS members initially called the state for Gore; the AP was the only one of the six members not to declare Bush the winner in Florida early Nov. 8.



(Pampa News photo by Dee Dee Laramora)

Reed Echols, Pampa United Way campaign chair, draws the winner of two tickets to the Denver Broncos game against Seattle, Donna La Grange of Guymon, Okla. Witnessing the drawing are, from left, Helen Walden of Miami and Brenda Amador of Pampa, Williams Energy employees, Echols, and Katrina Bigham, executive director of the local United Way. Williams Energy matched all fund raised by ticket sales for a total United Way contribution of \$82,848.

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UNITED WAY

als who participated in the drawing for a contribution of \$82,840.
 In the drawing conducted earlier this week, Keith Stowers of Pampa won two tickets to the Dallas Cowboys game against the New York Giants in Dallas, plus \$150. Donna La Grange of Guymon, Okla., won two tickets to see the Denver Broncos play Seattle at Denver, plus \$150 in cash.
 Brenda Amador of Williams Energy in Pampa said the two drawings encompassed tickets sold to benefit United Way agencies throughout the Texas and Oklahoma panhandles, raising more than \$92,000 in Williams Energy matches.
 Pampa's United Way donates funds to 19 non-profit agencies serving a variety of social needs ranging from after-school child care to daily meals delivered to senior citizens. Many of the organizations serve citizens in the wake of disasters, while others aid children and adults in times of emergency.

"Since 99 cents of every dollar collected remains in Pampa to serve these agencies, they can be assured of the ability to continue their efforts to improve the quality of life for many people in this community," Echols said.
 "The drive comes only once each year, thus freeing the agencies from constant fund raising efforts and enabling them to concentrate on serving their clients. By pooling their efforts in a common campaign, a greater degree of assistance is provided by all," she added.
 Agencies served through the Pampa United Way include Amarillo Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, American Red Cross, Boy Scouts, The Bridge, CASA, Community Day Care Center, Genesis House, Gray County Child Protective Services, Gray County Latch Key, High Plains Epilepsy, Pampa Community Youth Services, Pampa Meals on Wheels, Pampa Sheltered Workshop, Salvation Army, Samaritan Pastoral Counseling, Southside Senior Citizens Center, Girl Scouts, Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority, and Tralee Crisis Center.

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INCREASE

The rates have stayed in effective for longer than that and Commissioners agreed during budget talks that rates should be upped to at least cover the city's cost of service.
 Horst said when the prison first opened it did not have the volume of trash/garbage that it does now, needing only 10 dumpsters then and 25 now. Also, there were no weight scales at the landfill then and cubic yardage was estimated.

The present and new rates at the prison are:
 • Water - 98 cents per 1,000 gallons to be increased to \$1.20 per 1,000 gallons.
 • Sewer - 48 cents per 1,000 gallons to be increased to 75 cents per 1,000 gallons.
 • Solid waste - \$230 per month to be increased to \$2,231 per month.
 In all, the new rates and lowered minimum fee application will bring in yearly an additional \$24,000 for water, \$21,000 for sewer and \$23,000 for solid waste, the finance director said.

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FDA ban sought on some older needles called unsafe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumer advocates petitioned the government Wednesday to ban four types of needles and other medical equipment whose sharp tips can accidentally stick health workers, possibly spreading deadly infections.
 The Food and Drug Administration has approved numerous safer alternatives to needles,

syringes and other "sharps." Yet more dangerous versions continue to be sold, the Service Employees International Union and the consumer group Public Citizen said.
 "For the FDA to leave the less safe devices on the market, endangering American workers, is extremely irresponsible," said Dr. Peter Lurie, an AIDS expert at Public Citizen.

City Briefs

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement

ALL CHRISTMAS fabric 1/2 price today 5:00-8:00 only with this ad. Sands Fabric, 225 N. Cuyler.

CHRISTMAS LIGHT Installation. Residential and Commercial. 848-2377.

ON EAGLES Wings Open House, Thurs. 2-8 p.m., door prizes and specials. 109 N. Cuyler.

\$300 REWARD for lost female Sheltie puppy who needs medication. Around Optimist Park area on Nov. 23, 00. She is white w/brown spot on her back, & brown ears, wearing red collar. 665-7867 or 898-5390.

EVERY SHOE in the store and all Adidas t-shirts 20% off. Last 3 days!! Holmes Sports Center, 304 S. Cuyler.

PARTY TRAYS avail. for Holidays at Hoagies Deli. We deliver! 665-0292.

IMAGES OPEN House, Fri. Dec. 1st. Special fur & leather showing, 10-5:30 p.m. Refreshments. 123 N. Cuyler, 669-1091.

CAROUSEL EXPRESSIONS, Open House, Thurs. 2-8 p.m., door prizes & specials. 113 N. Cuyler.

K OF C Deep Fried and Smoked Turkeys. Taking orders for the Christmas Holidays. Size 12-14 pounds Cost \$25. Call 665-1562 or 665-3786.

CREATIVE MEMORIES Open House, Thurs., Nov. 30, 5-9 p.m. at The Coffee Shop, 220 N. Cuyler-Lisa Mitchell 665-6346.

DUNLAPS SPECIAL Hours, Thurs. 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Free 5 pc. Holiday Candle set w/ only \$25 purchase!!

NEW FOR winter; beat the rising cost of fuel. Blow-In Insulation. Frank's True Value, 401 N. Ballard, 665-4995.

PRIVATE BOOTH open at Design Professionals, ask for Heather 665-1101.

"THE NUTCRACKER" Congratulate her or him with a Balloon Bouquet & Roses from Celebrations, Coronado Center, 665-3100. Free delivery.

YOU ARE invited to a Silver Jewelry Trunk Showing, Sat. Dec. 2nd, 10:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. at Twice Is Nice, 1541 N. Hobart.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Partly cloudy with a high in the mid 60s today and southwest winds at 10-20 mph. Partly cloudy tonight with a high in the low 30s with winds from the north at 5-15 mph. Cloudy tomorrow with a high near 50 and north-northeast winds at 10-20 mph. High yesterday 52; the overnight low 33.
STATEWIDE — Rain returned to the Texas forecast on Thursday in the wake of a cold front that dropped temperatures

and produced fog in parts of the Hill Country along with southern regions of the state.
 Early-morning temperatures ranged from the 20s to 60s. Extremes were 29 degrees at Lubbock and 67 at both Harlingen and Port Isabel.
 Other readings include 30 degrees at Marfa, 42 degrees at Junction and Huntsville, 43 at San Angelo and Killeen and 33 at Denton.
 Surface winds were mostly light and variable, with northeasterly breezes at 5 to 15 mph in the south.
 A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms was forecast for deep South Texas, northern sections of the state and the Coastal Bend.
 Daytime highs should range from the 60s to 70s. By Saturday, most areas should turn cooler with increasing cloudiness and highs from the 40s in the Panhandle and mountains to 60s elsewhere.
 Lows overnight were expected from the upper 20s in the north and west to 60s in the far south.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literacy Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

ADHD/ADD SUPPORT GROUP

If interested in the ADHD/ADD Sport Group call Connie at 669-9364.

OPEN DOOR ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

Open Door Alcoholics Anonymous at 910 Kentucky (across from Albertson's) meeting schedule — seven days a week — two meetings a day — noon till 1 p.m. and 8-9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday noon meetings are non-smoking. For more information, call 665-9702.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Women's Support Group for Child Management offers parenting skills to assist parents and children in dealing with anger and behavioral issues resulting from peer pressure, sibling rivalry, family violence and/or sexual abuse from 7-8 p.m. Thursdays. For more information, call Tralee Crisis Center, 669-1131.

LAS PAMPA WATER GARDEN AND KOI SOCIETY

Las Pampa Water Garden and Koi Society meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at Austin Elementary School. For more information, contact Sharron Andrew at 665-6138 or Lance DeFever.

MONTHLY GOSPEL SINGING

First Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, hosts a Gospel Singing from 2-4 p.m. every second Sunday of the month. Pastor Albert Maggard and the congregation of First Pentecostal cordially invites the public to attend. Singers and musicians from area churches participate in this informal congregational singing and enjoy various special vocal and instrumental presentations.

PHS SCHOLARSHIPS

Pampa High School is seeking clubs, organizations, individuals or groups interested in establishing scholarships for high school seniors. The scholarships can be for any amount. The high school will make the scholarships available to senior students at the end of February. For more information, contact Starla Kinkle or Billie Lowrey at 669-4800.

SANTA HELPERS

In an effort to raise funds for its Summer Educational Student Exchange trip to Germany, the German Club at Pampa High is organizing a volunteer program during the Christmas season. The volunteers are calling themselves "Santa's Little Helpers" and are available to help wrap presents, decorate homes (indoors and outdoors), remove decorations and much more. For more information or to schedule "Santa's Little Helpers," contact Jamie Greene, PHS German Club sponsor, at 669-4800 (PHS) or at 665-8850 (home). Donations are accepted.

ARC OPEN HOUSE

Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross will host an open house from 1-4 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 7 at the chapter office at 108 N. Russell. The event is free and open to the public.

FPC CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Frank Phillips College Music Department and Director of Community Choir will hold their annual Christmas Concert at 3 p.m., Dec. 3 and at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4 in the Fine Arts Building Auditorium on the FPC campus in Borger. Both performances are free and open to the public.

RED CROSS CLASSES

Gray County Chapter of the American Red Cross will offer the following courses this month: First Aid, 3-7 p.m., Dec. 5, ARC office, 108 N. Russell; CPR class, 5-9 p.m., Dec. 12 at the ARC office. To register or for more information, call 669-7121.

COUNTRY CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

Donley County Extension Office in Clarendon has announced the annual Country Christmas Extravaganza will be from 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, in First United Methodist Church, 420 S. Jefferson, in Clarendon. The event will include: barnwood birdhouses, quilts, topiaries, computer generated notes and prints, candles, sterling jewelry, ornaments, nativity scenes, baked goods, clothing and much more.

For more information, contact the Extension office in Clarendon at (806) 874-2141.

WINTER PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

A Winter Photography Workshop is in the offing at 1 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 16 at Caprock Canyons State Park in Quitaque. Participants will need their own camera, film, note pad and snacks. The workshop will be conducted both inside and outside and will not be canceled due to inclement weather. Cost is \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors/TCP members and \$10 for children 12 and under. Reservations are required. For more information, call (806) 455-1492.

CANYON NATURE HIKES

The following nature hikes are scheduled from 2-5 p.m. at Palo Duro Canyon State Park: Nov. 18 and 25, Givens, Spicer and Lowry Running Trail, 2.5-mile hike, moderately difficult. Participants should bring water and good walking shoes. The walks will include discussions on geology, history, wildlife and plants. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

PDCSP PROGRAMS

Palo Duro Canyon State Park will host a series of evening programs throughout the month at Lone Star Interpretative Theater near Hackberry campground. Topics and dates are as follows: "Canyon Critters," 7-8 p.m., Nov. 25. For more information, call (806) 488-2227, ext. 49.

AYUSA

Academic Year in the U.S.A. International, a non-profit student exchange program, invites high school students to apply for the Congress-Bundestag scholarship, a full scholarship for one year to study in Germany. Deadline for application is Dec. 1. For more information, call 1-800-727-4540, ext. 567 or visit www.ayusa.org/usagermanyscholarship on the World Wide Web.

MS. TEXAS SENIOR PAGEANT

Ms. Texas Senior Pageant officials are currently seeking participants and corporate sponsorships for the 14th annual Ms. Texas Senior pageant scheduled March 23-24 at the Ramada Market Center in Dallas. For more information, contact Nell Coleman, state director, at (972) 239-3342, or Red Walker, executive director, (972) 270-5944.

HEIFER PROJECT INTERNATIONAL

First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Gray, is currently accepting aluminum cans for recycling. Proceeds will benefit Heifer Project International, an Arkansas-based service organization which provides livestock (chickens, pigs, sheep, cattle) along with training and support services to families and communities worldwide. For a limited time, donations will be matched 3-1 by a private foundation. HPI is a non-denominational not-for-profit agency. For more information, call the church office at 665-1031. Office hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-12 noon, Friday and before 10:45 a.m. Sunday. For more information about HPI, call 1-800-422-0474 or visit <http://www.heifer.org>, on the Internet.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). Flu vaccines will also be offered at designated clinics. The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 9 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4:30 p.m., Nov. 15, Pampa Family Clinic, 700 W. Kentucky; 12-4 p.m., Nov. 27, City Hall, Canadian; 9:30 a.m.-12 noon, 1-3 p.m., Nov. 6, Groom School, Groom; 9:30 a.m.-12 noon, Nov. 7, Methodist Church, White Deer; (flu) 1:30-3:30 p.m., Nov. 7, Skellytown School, Skellytown; 1-3 p.m., Nov. 9, Illinois St., Shamrock; 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Nov. 13, Wheeler School, Wheeler.

FPC EXTENDED EDUCATION CLASSES

Frank Phillips College in Borger will offer the following extended education classes: American Red Cross Infant/Child CPR,

Community First Aid (Nov. 4); "Retirement, Life Insurance and Disability Planning Money Management Seminar (Nov. 7-21); photography (Nov. 7-Dec. 12); Improving Equipment Maintenance and Reliability (January). FPC is also offering FCC License Testing Nov. 9. For more information, (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 777.

LIFE AFTER LOSS

American Cancer Society and Crown of Texas Hospice will sponsor a four-week "Life After Loss" seminar for those who have recently suffered the loss of a loved one from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Aug. 7, 14, 21 and 28 at Crown of Texas Hospice, 10000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo. To register or for more information, call (806) 353-4306.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: Dec. 6 and 27, Hemphill County Hospital, Canadian; Dec. 15, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, Pampa; Dec. 26, Family Care Center, 1010 S. Main, Shamrock and Parkview Hospital, 901 S. Sweetwater, Wheeler. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

Ten free trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during September 2000. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign. The 10 trees are the American Redbud, White Pine, Sugar Maple, White Flowering Dogwood, Pin Oak, Red Maple, Birch, Silver Maple, Red Oak and Colorado Blue Spruce. The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between Oct. 15 and Dec. 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bimonthly publication, "Arbor Day" and "The Tree Book" with information about tree planting and care. To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by Sept. 30, 2000.

BOY SCOUTS

The Golden Spread Council of Boy Scouts of America is open to boys between the ages of 6 and 18 and includes a 27-county area in the Texas Panhandle. The BSA program includes Club Scouts, Boy Scouts and Venturing, a new program for 14- to 20-year-old boys and girls. For more information, call (806) 358-6500.

CASE

Cultural Academic Student Exchange is seeking families of all types — retired couples, couples with children, single parent families and childless couples — to host a high school exchange student. For more information, call 877-846-5848.

PRESCRIPTION DRUG BOOKLET

The Cost Containment Research Institute in Washington, D.C., recently published a 32-page booklet, "Free & Low Cost Prescription Drugs." The revised third edition provides information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs. Consumers can obtain a copy by sending \$5 to cover printing, postage and handling to: Institute Fulfillment Center, Prescription Drug Booklet # PDF-370, P.O. Box 462, Elmira, NY 14902-0462. The information is also available at www.institute-dc.org.

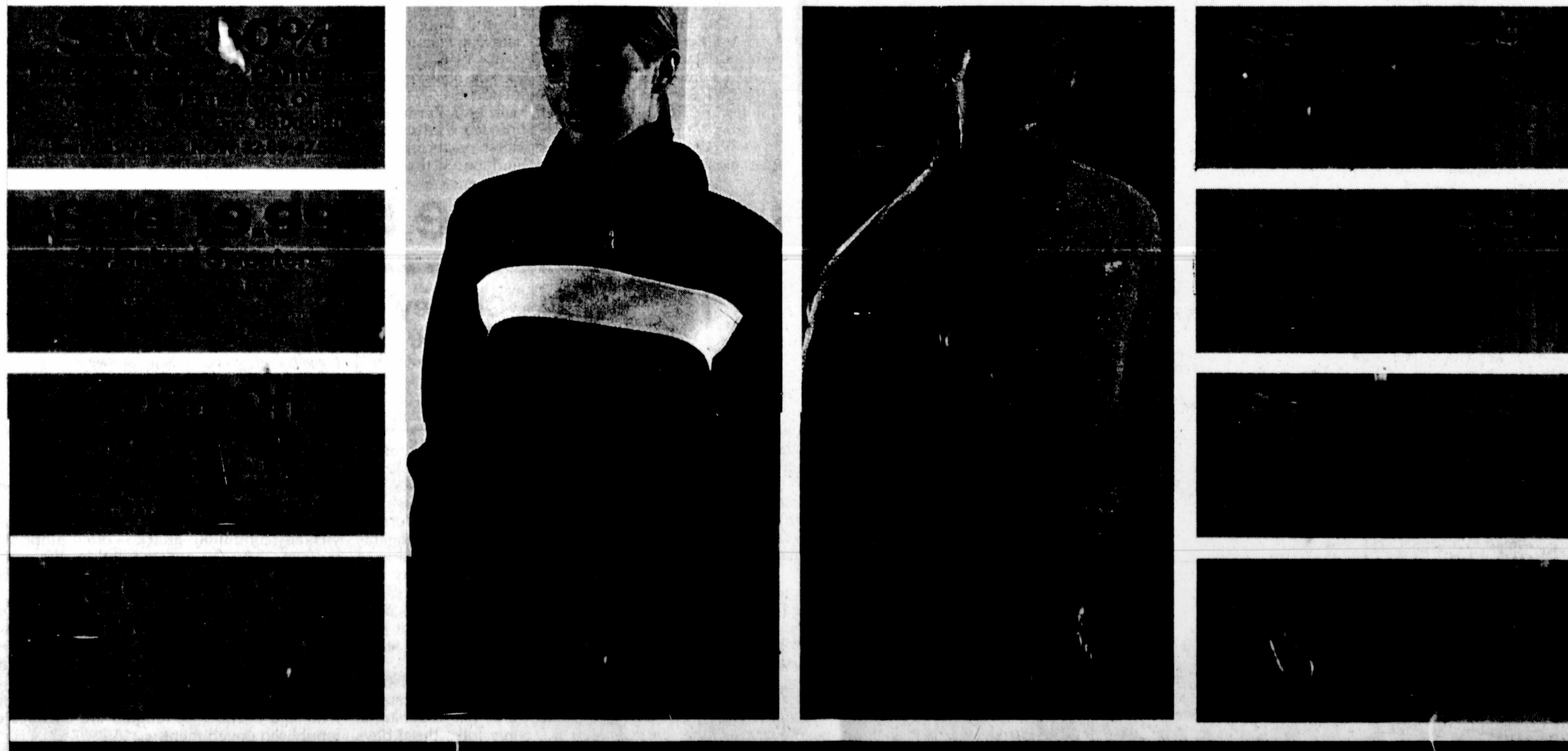
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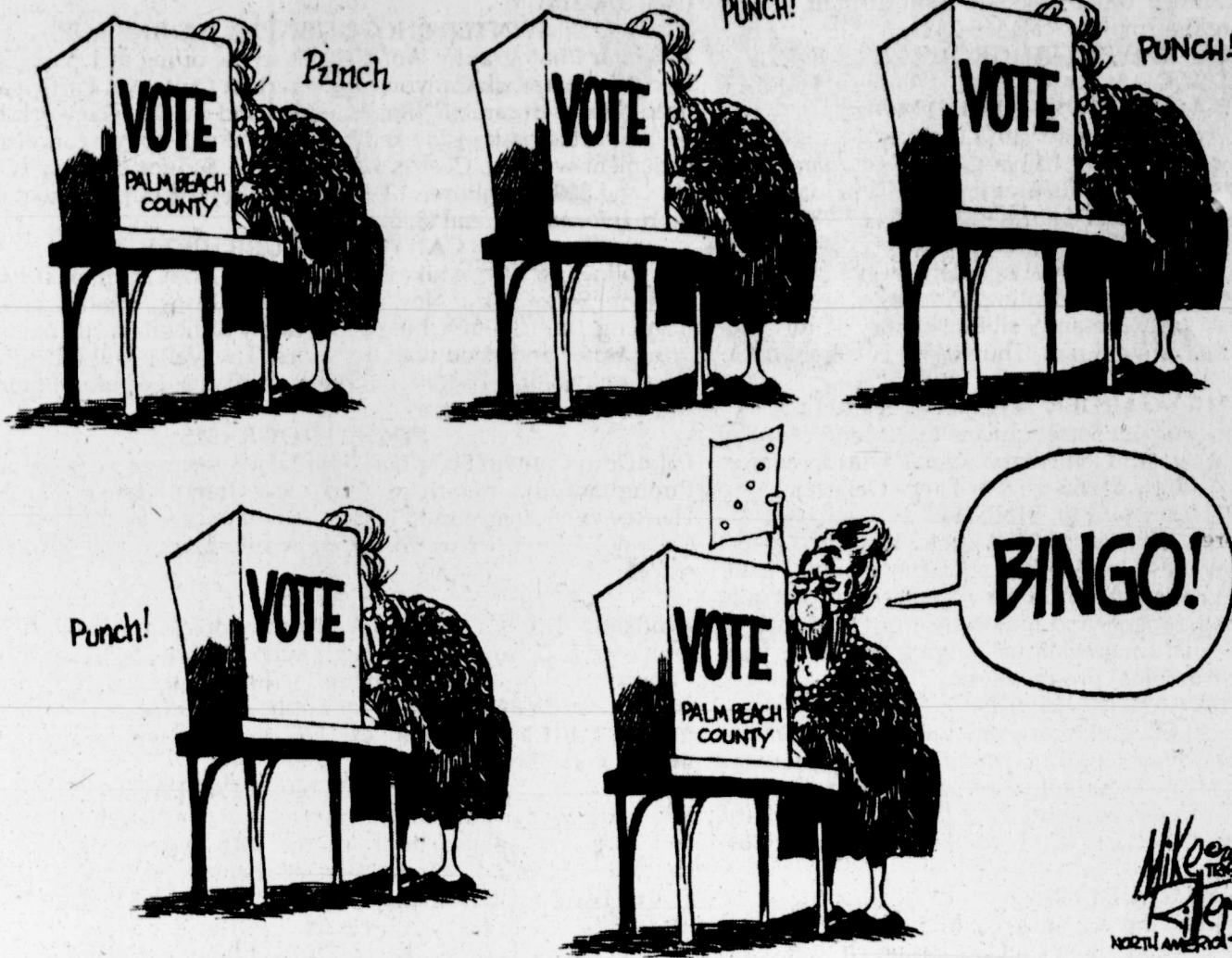
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Opinion

Government readies whole new assault

■ One-size-fits-all regulations don't work as well as private-sector initiatives.

Workplaces should brace themselves for a new Occupational Safety and Health Administration ergonomic rule touted to protect workers against repetitive-stress injuries.

The rule requires employers to inform workers of the potential for musculoskeletal injuries and, if needed, to change work areas to mitigate problems. The measure would cover more than 100 million employees and is set to take effect early next year.

According to OSHA estimates, the impending rule will cost business \$4.5 billion a year but will save \$9 billion by lowering the impact of injuries. However, a think tank study by industry groups estimates the new regulations will cost upward of \$90 billion per year. The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is going to court to block the new rule from taking effect. It believes OSHA doesn't have a scientific basis for its claims and that the rule is too vague.

Labor organizations support the new rule. According to labor officials, the new standards do not require employers to take measures to remedy hazardous conditions. The rules do require employers to determine if a reported injury is work-related. Once that determination is made, the level of risk must be examined. If the level is high enough, the hazard must be reduced.

But business groups point out that the new rules are unnecessary as employers across the country are addressing the problem themselves. OSHA says those programs can remain in place so long as they at least conform to its plan. For the estimated 60 million workers not covered by an existing program, OSHA notes the new ergonomic rule will prevent repetitive-stress injuries and save lost production time.

But even if that's so, do all 60 million workers need the same degree of protection? Doesn't each employer know better how to protect its own workers?

Employers often cannot afford government's ham-handed approach to problem solving. They're forced to implement programs that have little or no relevance to their businesses.

Even Charles Jeffress, head of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, has acknowledged, "Employers already have begun putting ergonomic programs in place."

Protecting workers is a laudable goal, but the government doesn't need to be in the middle of education efforts. Employers already teach employees proper techniques for lifting, carrying, reaching, sitting, typing and a host of other duties.

Self-interest is probably the most effective regulatory machine around. Businesses are paying the money to upgrade work stations because they want their employees to produce, not be out sick. A non-producing employee means no profit for the company. Businesses understand that; maybe it's time the government comes around and realizes it's not needed to solve the problems of business. Business is well-suited to do that itself.

—Odessa American

Elections will never be the same ...

"Something good always comes from something bad." Maybe not always, but let's hope that something good comes from the bizarre 2000 post-election.

As we are bombarded with the election mess in this country, I've been attempting to concentrate on what I can in an effort to learn something from the debacle which is ongoing in Florida and the country.

I've learned that I don't ever want it to happen again!

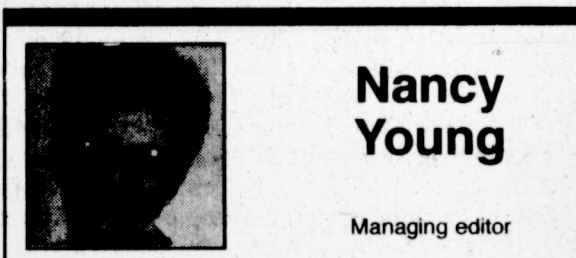
If this matter is ever settled, I hope it never happens again. The term "pregnant chad" is one I am already sick of hearing. I hear that an entrepreneur is capitalizing on the chad situation and has for sale a sack of "chads" as a gift for the favorite political junkie on your Christmas list. The promotion said the gift recipient could keep it and use it for the New Year's Eve Party. Now, I thought it was called confetti! There will probably be some buyers though.

Changes in this situation seem to occur on an hourly basis. Who knows who will sue whom today, or ask for votes to be counted. Gore asked for 14,000 votes to be recounted, Bush asked for 1.1 million statewide to be recounted.

This situation has so many attorneys and courtrooms that I don't know how they know where they are supposed to be. They probably don't either.

As I was commenting to a young attorney friend the other day about the situation, he said, "But Nancy, this is really interesting from the legal point of view." As I thought about it later, I'm sure that is true. It's not playing out real well with the average citizen though.

Friends and relatives I have talked with the past few days are tiring of it very quickly, and



Nancy Young

Managing editor

most of them are very politically astute. They've seen many elections and been involved in politics for many years. If they are tired of the back-biting and political clawing, it's getting pretty bad.

As the caravan of vehicles moves towards Tallahassee with the ballots in question today (being carried in a Ryder truck, no less) there seems to be more court action coming.

What I would like to know is where are the military ballots which were thrown out? I read that several hundred members of the military have requested late voting privileges or exemption from federal income taxes during the next four years, and a class action suit is being filed.

Seems to me the problem of whether to count those ballots should be addressed on a priority. We send those young people to the most troubled spots in this world and then question whether they can vote or not based on the envelope not having a postmark.

Now, I'm told that a reason these envelopes didn't have a postmark is that the envelope had the "no postage necessary" in the right hand corner. Also, the military has a book which includes the election codes for all 50 states.

Military members are encouraged to check the requirements each time they vote by mail to ensure the proper procedure has been followed.

Words like "mandate" and "required" seem to change the meaning with individual voting locations, too.

I read the other day the National Secretaries of State Association is getting together in Arkansas on Dec. 11 to try to work on resolving some of the problems which have occurred in this election. Representatives from several states are scheduled to attend and brainstorm about solutions. Hopefully, this meeting will bring some remedies to the situation. I am definitely not for federally controlled elections in the states, but some uniformity among the states might be helpful.

Reports of college students voting in their home states and again in the state where they attend college have disturbed me. I've wondered just how many people are registered in more than one state. Or even how many voters are registered in more than one county in their state. This situation needs to be addressed.

How this situation is going to end, no one knows. Our elections will never be the same though. Let's hope we've learned from it and correct some of the causes of the problem. One of those problems, I believe, is illiteracy. Apparently, people who had never voted before were arriving at the polls in Florida. When they arrived they apparently didn't know the correct procedures.

However, the main problem is human beings. It is just absolutely amazing the behavior we have seen by some of these characters who are in human form.

My selection for the next president is Sen. Strom Thurmond. I'll bet if we got a campaign up to put him in office these politicians would get this settled in a New York minute.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Nov. 30, the 335th day of 2000. There are 31 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 30, 1900, Irish writer Oscar Wilde died in Paris at age 46.

On this date:

In 1782, the United States and Britain signed preliminary peace articles in Paris, ending the Revolutionary War.

In 1804, Supreme Court Justice Samuel Chase went on trial,

accused of political bias. (He was acquitted by the Senate.)

In 1835, Samuel Langhorne Clemens, better known as Mark Twain, was born in Florida, Mo.

In 1874, British statesman Winston Churchill was born at Blenheim Palace.

In 1936, London's Crystal Palace, constructed for the International Exhibition of 1851, was destroyed in a fire.

In 1939, the Russo-Finnish War began as Soviet troops invaded

Finland.

In 1949, Chinese Communists captured Chungking.

In 1962, U Thant of Burma was elected Secretary-General of the United Nations, succeeding the late Dag Hammarskjold.

In 1966, the former British colony of Barbados became independent.

In 1993, President Clinton signed into law the Brady gun control bill.

Ten years ago, President Bush announced that Secretary of State

James Baker III would go to Iraq in a last-ditch diplomatic peace effort. President Bush named outgoing Florida Gov. Bob Martinez to head the nation's war on drugs. Author Norman Cousins died in Los Angeles at age 75.

Five years ago, President Clinton became the first U.S. chief executive to visit Northern Ireland, where he implored Roman Catholics and Protestants alike not to surrender to the impulses of "old habits and hard grudges."

Christmas is about the birth of Christ

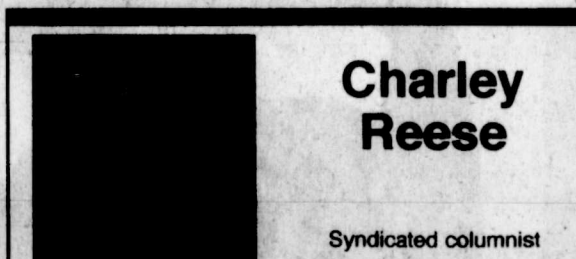
It is not too early for Christians to think about reclaiming Christmas from the merchants. These merchants have turned Christmas into a debt-fueled commercial orgy devoid not only of religious meaning but even of common sense.

The exchange of gifts, as expressions of love and affection, are a part of the season but only apart — not the be-all and end-all. Let the secularists worry about whether this year's sales exceed or fall below last year's, or which toys are the most marketable. Christians have more important things to think about.

Of course, people who aren't Christians can share the holiday or ignore it. All of the religions have their holidays, and as for the atheists and agnostics, well, there are plenty of secular holidays for them.

Christianity, however, is an inextricable part of Western civilization. The ire of the Hate the Dead White Males Club notwithstanding, it is literally impossible to understand Western civilization without understanding Christianity and how it shaped our culture and even our political traditions. The United States is an extension of European civilization, and Europe was not so long ago known as Christendom.

Of course, Christianity these days is riddled with heresies. There are a lot of what I call "Cafeteria Christians" who pick and choose



Charley Reese

Syndicated columnist

which parts of the religion they will follow and which parts they will discard. They discard those parts that they deem to be too inconvenient or, heavens to Betsy, not fashionable or, horror of horrors, politically incorrect.

The idea that religion has to be fashionable is laughable. The eternal does not conform to the temporary. God, even more than my first sergeant, will do what he pleases, as he pleases, when he pleases, without so much as a by-your-leave from any of us. He does not give mankind instructions with a note that states "Edit these to suit yourself."

There is a Buddhist saying that Christians ought to ponder. It says: "If you understand, the world is as it is. If you do not understand, the world is as it is." Some folks these days confuse the world they've created inside their nogginns with the world outside. In the real world, unlike their imaginary one, they are insignificant and helpless.

We are temporary mites on a small cinder, spinning around a so-so star in a universe so vast that it remains both incomprehensible and immeasurable. It seems a foolish thing to me for people to dismiss religion when it is certain that science has no answers.

Religion, of course, is a matter of faith, and it is certainly not my job to preach. Believe what you like. Is there a God? A heaven? A hell? Reality will answer those questions for us individually when we die.

My real point is just to remind people of religious faith that they live now in a secular society as hostile to their faith and to them as the Roman Empire once was. Their faith is under virtually continuous attack — often subtle and indirect — by the government, by the entertainment industry, by academia and by the news media.

The state-as-god is jealous. It aspires to have nothing higher than itself. It positively views with great alarm those individuals whose first loyalty is to something above and beyond the state.

Personally, I hold with George Washington, who said enemies of religion are enemies of republican government.

Christmas is about Christ and the message he brought. It is not about snow or jingle bells or half-off sales. It should be celebrated at home and in church, not in the malls.

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BALLOTS

"There is no reason to delay counting ballots even one day," they said in court papers filed in early morning. If there is not enough time to finish the counting before Dec. 12, the day states must choose their electors, the brief said, "the resulting controversy about the legitimacy of the presidency would be destructive for our country."

At the same time, the vice president filed papers with the U.S. Supreme Court in Washington in a bid to blunt a Bush-backed effort by the Florida Legislature to appoint its own electors.

Federal law gives state legislatures the power to intervene whenever a state has "failed to make a choice" of electors on the day prescribed by law, presumably Election Day, Nov. 7. In their legal papers, Gore's lawyers argued the state did, in fact, select electors on Nov. 7, "although by a vote so close and under a counting process so flawed that the state's courts are still attempting to ascertain ... what the choice was."

The legal wheels turned while a committee of the Republican-controlled Legislature moved closer to a special session to name a slate of electors. Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, George W.'s brother, has recused himself from the recounting controversy, but has spoken favorably in recent days of the possibility of a special legislative session.

"The real issue here is the Bush brother brazen power plan designed to circumvent the counting of the votes in our court system," charged Chris Lehane, Gore's spokesman. Apparently Jeb Bush's recusal is only a fudgy recusal and he and George W. are working behind the scenes to make sure the will of the people of Florida is defeated.

Texas Gov. Bush was at his ranch in West Texas, behaving for all the world like a president-elect.

He invited running mate Dick Cheney and retired Gen. Powell to join him for the day, a gesture that served as a reminder that Powell was his apparent choice for secretary of state. Reports surfaced of other potential appointments in a Bush administration.

Sen. John Breau, D-La., said he had been approached by Bush supporters about the possibility of serving in the Republican's administration, perhaps as secretary of energy. The story was first reported by the New Orleans Times-Picayune.

Breaux wouldn't rule out taking such a job, but said in an interview he was "not really" interested.

"I'm happy being in the Senate," Breau said. "I think I'd be more involved in the Senate with a 50-50 tie, no matter who is president."

Breaux's remarks underscored the dilemma facing the next president — whoever he is — when it comes time to fill out an administration.

With the Senate likely tied at 50-50, and Republicans holding a slender majority in the House, Republican and Democratic congressional leaders alike are likely to frown on any departures, particularly by lawmakers whose seats could switch parties.

Breaux is a Democrat, but his state's governor is a Republican who could appoint a GOP replacement if the Senate seat became vacant. Also, several GOP House members whose names have surfaced for a Bush administration are from districts that Democrats would have a chance of winning if they were vacant.

Gore, too, spent part of his day working on a transition, although his chances of winning the White House hinged on his lawyers' ability to win first in court. The vice president's aides fretted about public patience running out in an election unlike any other, and Gore himself said on Wednesday it was possible the controversy could linger until the Electoral College meets on Dec. 18.

The outcome of Gore's legal challenge likely will settle the race for the White House, since the winner of Florida will be assured of an electoral college majority. Republican Secretary of State Katherine Harris certified Bush the winner on Sunday night, on the basis of a 537-vote lead statewide.

Gore's lawsuit, filed Monday, seeks to overturn that result and declare him the victor.

At the heart of the vice president's legal claim are thousands of questionable ballots in Palm Beach and Miami-Dade counties that Democrats say have not yet been counted, and were not included in the manual recount totals submitted to Harris last weekend.

Republicans counter the votes have been counted, but the counting machines didn't find they contained a valid for president.

In a round of evening news interviews on Wednesday, Gore pressed his claim over and over.

"They haven't been counted. It's just like the supermarket checkout line, where that scanner misses some of the items and the clerk has to go back and write it in by hand," he said. "They look at it, see what it says and write it in. We trust the people to make up for the mistakes in the machines."

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DARBY

Darby's family and friends became enthusiastic about the work he was turning out. Gradually, he realized that he might have some real talent. "I surprised myself," Darby says, with the shy humor that distinguishes his personality.

A workshop with noted Panhandle pastelist, Amy Winton, sponsored by the Pampa Fine Arts Association, further encouraged Darby. His progress drew praise from Winton — and to continue increasing his skills, he began studying with some of the Southwest's finest artist-teachers including Richard Alan Nichols, Don Ward, Ed Sandoval, Ray Vinella and Chris Morel in Taos; Albert Handell in Santa Fe, and Ray Roberts in Scottsdale.

His favorite subjects are the crumbling adobe structures and the soaring landscapes of the Southwest — sometimes solitary, at other times featuring Native Americans and animals. His images are simple and strong — and presented in the vivid earthy colors of the high desert country.

Recently, Darby's work has branched out to include a wider variety of subjects, including still-lives of flowers. At home, he works for about four hours early each morning, attempting to get the picture he has in his mind's eye on to the canvas. Now, he is working on the refinements — striving to make each work a complete one.

"The hardest part of painting for me," Darby says, "is knowing when to end a particular work — knowing when to put the brush down and say it's finished."

Darby is currently showing his work at Nichols Fine Art Studio & Gallery and at Casa Encantada in Taos; Casas de Suenos in Albuquerque and Frame Wonders and Art Emporium in Pampa. He has participated in the Pampa Arts and Crafts Show, the Canadian Festival of Leaves and the Lubbock Art Festival. Darby is married to the former Marcia Monahan, also a Pampa native, with whom he has three daughters: Mary Niccum of Pampa, Dona Cambren of Dumas and Ashlie Henderson of Hereford.

Neiman Marcus chairman, CEO plans to quit

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — The chairman and chief executive of Neiman Marcus Stores is planning to quit his post at the luxury department store chain following a company report of lower sales expectations.

H.W. "Hugh" Mullins said Wednesday that he will resign after less than one year on the job in order to explore other career options, likely outside of the traditional retail field.

Mullins, 49, plans to step down Jan. 1 from the positions that he assumed in February, ending his 10-year career with the Dallas-based retailer.

"He was a great part of the Neiman Marcus Group, a terrific merchandiser, a great manager," Stacy Turnof, an analyst with Merrill Lynch Global

Securities in New York, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in Thursday's editions. "It's a loss for the company."

The newspaper said Burton Tansky, president and chief operating officer of the Neiman Marcus Group — the parent of Dallas-based Neiman Marcus Stores — will assume responsibility for the store division while the company searches for a replacement.

Tansky, 60, was chairman and chief executive of Neiman Marcus Stores from 1994 to 2000.

Mullins joined Neiman in 1991 as a vice president after working at Macy's. He started his career in Houston with Foley's department stores.

Eric Beder, an analyst with Ladenburg Thalmann

Pampa Nursing Center raffle



(Special photo)

Pampa Nursing Center will raffle a quilt Dec. 6 in an effort to raise funds for a Christmas party for center residents. Tickets are \$1 per chance. For more information, call Charlotte Willett or Kristie Fuller. Above: (left-right) Misty Murrack, Janice Parker, Maria Sirles and Hope Quinones.

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Japan homeless count up

TOKYO (AP) — Acknowledging a sharp rise in homelessness, Japan's government plans to open shelters for the swelling ranks of street people generated by the country's stubborn economic slowdown.

"We have programs to help poor people, but the number of homeless is increasing and the current system cannot cope ...," said Hiroshi Nanba, an official at the Health and Welfare Ministry.

The ministry is requesting \$1.8 million in the 2001 budget to build temporary housing around the country.

The plan is to provide sleeping room for up to 2,000 people in shelters for use at night and for bathing. The national government will shoulder half the cost, with municipalities covering the rest. The location and size of the shelters will depend on what local governments request, Nanba said.

The latest estimate from the ministry, in December 1999, put the number of Japan's homeless at 20,451. That's up significantly from the figure given a year earlier, 16,247.

The estimate in the United States, with a population double Japan's, is about 700,000.

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First steps taken in water rate case

By NATALIE GOTT
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — A state agency on Wednesday took the first step in a lengthy process to determine whether a large water and sewer company can implement a statewide rate for its customers.

Some water companies across the state have set uniform rates, but their systems have been located in the same regions. Houston-based AquaSource has customers across the state, varying greatly from area to area.

About 80 people attended a preliminary hearing conducted by the State Office of Administrative Hearings on whether AquaSource can raise rates. Many were customers protesting the rate change.

"People are having to choose between feeding their kids and using water," said Elaine Scott of Hockley.

AquaSource, which has 35,000 customers in 45 Texas counties, implemented the rate change in July, increasing the monthly water and sewer bill for people who use about 7,000 gallons to \$73.61 — an increase of about 29 percent, although some customers have seen their bills increase 200 percent.

Another planned rate increase in July 2001 would raise average monthly bills to about \$81.47.

Gene Yeargin, who is representing about 300 residents in the Redwood Estates neighborhoods of Houston, said people near him have seen their water and sewer rates go from a minimum of about \$35 a month to between \$72 and \$125.

"That's a huge jump," Yeargin said. "I have senior citizens in my neighborhood who have no running water right now."

AquaSource did not immediately return telephone calls to The Associated Press on Wednesday.

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, which will make the ultimate decision on whether the rate increase will stand, allows water companies to disconnect services for customers who have

not paid their bills. There are no exceptions for people on fixed incomes. If the TNRCC blocks AquaSource from charging the new rate, AquaSource will refund its customers, since they already are paying the higher rate.

"This is one of those troubling instances of a few private interests being able to control our water issues," said Doug Cavazos, president of the Coalition of Concerned Citizens of Kerr County Inc. "What they are asking for is not a simple rate change. They are going to set a precedent."

The TNRCC has received more than 4,000 protests stemming from the rate increase. An attorney for AquaSource told Judge William Newchurch of the State Office of Administrative Hearings that of the 16 cities that AquaSource requested a rate increase in, four have said they will appeal. Austin approved the rate, and AquaSource has not heard from the others.

Newchurch told the people at the meeting Wednesday that he wanted to combine the groups of people protesting the rate change into about 10 parties in the case.

Then, those groups and AquaSource will present their cause using evidence and witnesses, much like a trial, if no settlement is reached. The State Office of Administrative Hearings will oversee the trial and make a recommendation to the three commissioners at the TNRCC, which will have the final say on whether or not the rate will be implemented.

AquaSource was established as a subsidiary of Pennsylvania-based DQE in 1997 to purchase water and wastewater utilities and companies.

On the Net:
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DOE: Classified info sent to unauthorized addresses from labs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Already shaken by security lapses, the Energy Department is now acknowledging that 15 percent of classified documents mailed from three government nuclear laboratories last year went to addresses not approved to receive such material.

Department officials insist the errant mailings, disclosed in a new report from the agency's inspector general, did not compromise security and that the problem has been fixed.

But that assessment was challenged Wednesday by the Senate Intelligence Committee chairman. "They don't know that," said Sen. Richard Shelby, R-Ala. "You can rationalize, justify just about anything, but at the end of the day, you don't know what might have been lost. You have to fear the worst in a situation like that."

The Energy Department keeps a computer database of addresses that are eligible to receive classified data. Anyone mailing classified data is supposed to check this list to ensure the address is approved.

The report said the mailings to unauthorized addresses were discovered in May, shortly after two computer disks containing nuclear secrets disappeared from the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico. The disks reappeared three months later behind a copying machine at the lab.

Department security officials alerted by the agency's inspector general acknowledged that the mailings violated department policy but concluded that no classified information was compromised. They blamed contractors who did not have access to the list of approved addresses.

But Inspector General Gregory H. Friedman disagreed. In his report to Energy Secretary Bill Richardson, he blamed a "breakdown in the execution of internal controls designed to prevent transmittal of classified documents to inappropriate recipients."

Richardson's spokesman said agencies involved have recom-

mended ways to correct the shortcomings. "I'm confident that General Gordon ... will work to ensure the fixes are made so the problems and errors are not repeated," spokesman Stu Nagurka said. Air Force Gen. John Gordon heads the National Nuclear Security Administration, created by Congress last year to oversee the labs.

In a Nov. 14 memo to Friedman, Deputy Energy Secretary T.J. Glauthier said the department is developing new rules under which contractors could lose some contract payments and be fined up to \$100,000 if they fail to protect classified information. He said the new rules will be announced by May 31.

The investigation examined 177 mailings of classified documents last year from the Los Alamos Nuclear Weapons Laboratory, the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory in Livermore, Calif., and the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Richland, Wash.

Investigators found that 27 of the mailings, or about 15 percent of those reviewed, were sent to other federal agencies or federal contractors that were not in the database of approved addresses.

Shelby has been an outspoken critic of security lapses at Energy Department labs. Last year, Los Alamos fired scientist Wen Ho Lee, who was later indicted on 59 federal felonies for improperly transferring nuclear secrets to portable computer tapes.

Lee pleaded guilty to one count in September and was set free after he agreed to cooperate with investigators searching for missing computer tapes with nuclear weapons data. FBI agents searched for the tapes this week in a landfill near the Los Alamos lab.

The case against Lee stemmed from an investigation of possible Chinese espionage at Los Alamos, but the Taiwan-born Lee denied spying and was never charged with espionage. While Lee was imprisoned, the two computer disks disappeared and then reappeared at the lab.

Mexico president-elect projects pro-American image

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vicente Fox has projected a pro-American image at times but, as he prepares to be sworn in as Mexico's president on Friday, he won't be a pushover for Washington.

Fox has criticized the "walls" that keep would-be Mexicans migrants away from U.S. soil and he has no use for the annual State Department evaluation of Mexico's counternarcotics performance.

And, even though he heads a right-of-center party, he has appointed a left-of-center foreign minister, Jorge Castaneda.

On the plus side for U.S. officials, Fox is expected to push for increased Mexican-American integration, envisioning a time when the border will be no more than a line on a map.

"By building up walls, by putting up armies, by dedicating billions of dollars like every border state is doing to avoid migration, is not the way to go," Fox has said.

He also is given high marks

here for his promise to root out corruption and to improve public services in Mexico.

Fox is widely admired here for having toppled the political establishment that has run Mexico since 1929, becoming the first opposition challenger ever to win Mexico's presidency.

The former top Coca-Cola official in Mexico met this summer with both Vice President Al Gore and Republican George W. Bush after winning election. He had planned a trip to Washington last week to meet with the U.S. president-elect, but canceled the visit since there was none.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, who will attend Fox's inauguration, expects to meet on Friday with both Fox and Castaneda. She also hopes to confer with the presidents of Argentina, Brazil and Chile while in Mexico, but she will not meet Cuban President Fidel Castro nor his closest ally in the hemisphere, Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez.

'Tis the season ...



Hot apple cider and cookies plus lots of good deals were to be had during open house at Dunlap's department store recently.

Garland man sentenced for falsely representing oil company

DALLAS (AP) — A Garland man was sentenced Wednesday to 46 months in prison and ordered to pay more than \$2 million in restitution for securities fraud and mail fraud stemming from a scheme to induce people to invest in oil and gas projects.

David Kevin Lewis, 40, pleaded guilty to the federal charges earlier this year.

Lewis represented Spartan Oil, which he owned, as an established oil exploration company. He acknowledged in court papers that Spartan was a shell company with no assets or operating equipment.

Lewis said he falsely represented that invested funds would be used to re-drill, develop and complete wells in Parker and

Tom Green counties in Texas and Montgomery County in Kansas, according to a news release from U.S. Attorney Paul Coggins of Dallas.

Some of the funds invested in Spartan were used to repay investors in projects of Centurion Group — a company gone bankrupt under Lewis' ownership.

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SPORTS

Miami's Davis turns down Houston Texans' job

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BASKETBALL

SUNRAY — White Deer opened the basketball season with a 73-62 win over Sunray in boys' action Tuesday night.

Jerry Evans led White Deer scorers with 16 points while teammates Dan Kotara and Nick Ball added 12 each.

Kyron Trussell led Sunray with 16.

The Bucks pulled away in the final period after holding a two-point lead (51-49) after three quarters.

Sunray won the girls' game by a score of 70-59.

Leading scorer for Sunray was Corey Moore with 16 points, followed by Laura Rodriguez 15.

Suni Jo Petty netted 22 points for the Does. Samantha Parks added 13.

PAMPA — Pampa was defeated by Tascosa 63-33 in a junior varsity boys' basketball game Tuesday night.

A. Gilbreath had 20 points for Tascosa.

Clay Trimble and Ryan Zemanek had 7 points apiece to lead Pampa JVs.

BOWLING

AMARILLO — The Muscular Dystrophy Association is getting ready for its annual bowling event Dec. 9 from 12 noon until 4 p.m. at Western Bowl in Amarillo.

This year's theme is Beach Bowl 2000.

A \$75 sponsorship fee is requested for each team member and teams are comprised of 4 to 5 bowlers. The entry fee includes three games of bowling, lunch, refreshments, t-shirt, beach ball, and chances for door prizes and trophies.

For more information, please call Emily Kleine at 359-3141.

BASEBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Pitcher Mike Mussina and the New York Yankees agreed Thursday to an \$88.5 million, six-year contract, The Associated Press learned.

Mussina's agent, Arn Tellem, traveled from Los Angeles and arrived in New York early Thursday, intending to complete the deal.

"Things look promising," Tellem said upon his arrival in New York, without commenting on the substance of the talks.

The sides then continued negotiations, agreeing on the final terms, a source with knowledge of the talks said on condition of anonymity.

The Yankees called a news conference for 2 p.m. EST but did not announce its subject.

Mussina was traveling Thursday from his home in Montoursville, Pa., to New York for the announcement, the source said.

Mussina, 32 on Dec. 8, would join a staff on the three-time defending World Series champions that already includes Roger Clemens, Orlando Hernandez and Andy Pettitte.

With a \$14.75 million average annual value, the deal makes Mussina the second- or third-highest-paid pitcher in baseball, depending on how Clemens' new contract is evaluated.

While Clemens and his agents consider his \$30.9 million extension a two-year deal that averages \$15.45 million, the Yankees consider it a three-year contract that averages \$10.3 million.

Mussina also trails Kevin Brown of Los Angeles, who averages \$15 million under a \$105 million, seven-year contract.

The only position players with higher average salaries are Toronto outfielder Carlos Delgado (\$17 million) and Atlanta third baseman Chipper Jones (\$15 million).

Yankees owner George Steinbrenner and director of baseball operations Mark Newman monitored the talks by conference call from the Yankees' minor league facility in Tampa, Fla.

CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — Offensive tackle Joaquin Gonzalez never doubted that coach Butch Davis would stay at Miami.

"He hasn't gotten the job done that he wanted to yet. We haven't won the national championship here," Gonzalez said.

Even if the No. 2 Hurricanes (10-1) win the national title, Davis plans to remain in Miami.

He ruled out taking any other college or pro coaching position Wednesday and continued negotiations that could keep him at Miami for several more years.

"I'm not going to any other job," said Davis, who is 50-20 in six seasons with the

Hurricanes. "I took this job with the idea that this would be the last coaching job that I would take and nothing has changed today, in the last 48 hours or the last six years."

Just days after leading Miami to its ninth consecutive win and first Big East title in four years, Davis met with Houston Texans owner Bob McNair and talked to Alabama athletic director Mal Moore about their respective coaching vacancies.

But Davis said neither job would lure him away from Miami, which has offered him a new five-year contract worth about \$1.3 million annually. Davis, 49, is in his fourth year of a seven-year deal that pays him about \$900,000 annually.

"I hope to get something

done with Miami in the very near immediate future," Davis said. "This isn't going to be a deal for one year and then jump ship. Ten years from now, maybe, I don't know. Maybe if I get tired from college coaching. Who knows?"

Davis, selected the Big East coach of the year Wednesday, turned around Miami's program after it was hit with numerous NCAA violations that resulted in 31 lost scholarships during a three-year period.

His success provided him with several coaching opportunities in recent years, including LSU, South Carolina, Oklahoma and Arkansas. He also had been mentioned as a candidate for several NFL jobs,

including New Orleans, Green Bay and most recently with the Texans.

"We're very grateful that he's going to be here," quarterback Ken Dorsey said. "He's one of the best coaches in the country, which is very apparent in everyone wanting him."

Davis denied any possibility that he would stay in Miami for another season and then join the Texans, an NFL expansion team that begins play in 2002. Houston has no firm deadline for selecting a coach.

"The Houston job is somewhat intriguing from the standpoint that it's a fresh start, there's no negatives," Davis said. "But I put six years and an enormous amount of effort and energy into Miami. We have an

outstanding football team currently, we've got a terrific football team coming back next year and we're having a great recruiting class."

Davis showed less interest in Alabama. The Tide are looking to replace ousted coach Mike DuBose following their worst season since 1957. They finished 3-8 after being ranked as high as No. 3 in preseason polls. The program also is in the midst of an NCAA investigation.

"I listened to what he had to say and then I politely told him Mr. Moore I'm flattered, Alabama has a rich tradition and I'm sure it's a good job but I'm not interested in interviewing," Davis said.

Tech ladies are on a roll

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Blame it on jet lag.

After playing in the Paradise Jam tournament in the Virgin Islands over Thanksgiving weekend, the 10th-ranked Texas Tech Lady Raiders, coaching staff and school officials needed more than a dozen different flights to get everybody back home. Some arrived as late as midnight Monday.

That, coupled with finals, led to a 72-30 victory over Southwest Texas State on Wednesday night, a performance coach Marsha Sharp called flat.

Texas Tech was far from displaying the uptempo style it used against No. 8 Penn State and No. 16 Southwest Missouri in winning the Thanksgiving tournament.

"It was a different type of ball game with Southwest Missouri and Penn State," Tech guard Katrisa O'Neal said. "They were looking to push it and that's our game. That's our tempo."

"When you play Southwest Texas, they try to slow the ball game down and walk the ball up the court to get us out of our rhythm."

The Bobcats felt like they succeeded by holding Tech under 85 points.

"I wish we had executed a little cleaner," Bobcats coach Suzanne Fox said. "Overall for us, it was a good stepping stone. It gave us a good barometer of where we're at."

The Lady Raiders were led by Jia Perkins' 19 points, while Dionne Brown added 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Bowling

Harvester Lanes

Casino League

Ladies high scratch game: Belinda Nolte 238

Ladies high scratch series: Peggy Smith 619

Men's high scratch game: Steve Nolte Sr. 289

Men's high scratch series: Steve Nolte Sr. 731

Harvester Women's League

Ladies high scratch game: Peggy Smith 277

Ladies high scratch series: Belinda Nolte 600

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Peggy Smith, who carries a 194 average, bowled a 277 game to win an WIBC award (75 pins & over average)

Hazel Weeks, who carries a 107 average, bowled a 401 series to win an WIBC award (400 plus high series)

Clarendon College League

Ladies high scratch game: Kiona Thompson 148

Ladies high scratch series: Kiona Thompson 392

Men's high scratch game: Jon Shepard 197

Men's high scratch series: Jon Shepard 465

Mutt & Jeff League

Ladies high scratch game: Debbie Richards 167

Ladies high scratch series: Judy Morris 366

Men's high scratch game: Ralph West 237

Men's high scratch series: Ralph West 635

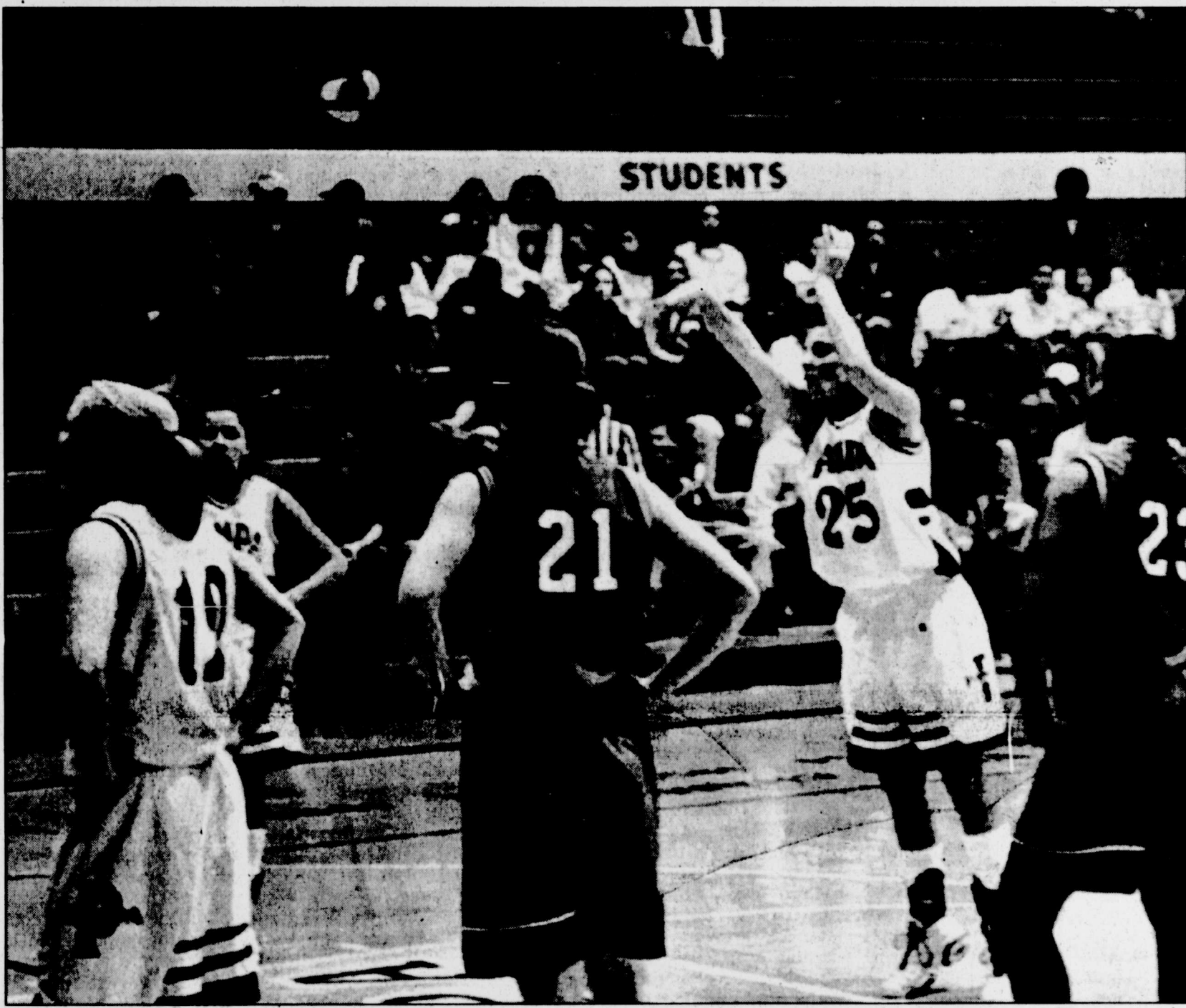
Boy's high scratch game: Zach Parr 224

Boy's high scratch series: Zach Parr 604

Girl's high scratch game: Ashleigh Burns 203

Girl's high scratch series: Ashleigh Burns 568

Free throw



(Photo by Grover Black)

Pampa's Randa Morris puts up a free throw in Tuesday night's game against Tascosa. Morris and the Lady Harvesters are in action tonight in the Lake Meredith Tournament, going against Canadian at 7:45.

Vikings can clinch playoff spot tonight

By JOHN AKERS
AP Sports Writer

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. (AP) — Matt Birk got into real estate soon after joining the Minnesota Vikings.

The Harvard graduate wasn't dabbling in mansions or high rises, however.

The Vikings center bought a duplex in St. Paul, Minn., his hometown, and rented the upstairs apartment to friends. Birk moved into the basement and never got around to furnishing it.

"I don't even have a refrigerator," he said. "It's just the one room with a couch, bed and TV. And that's about it."

Birk says the Spartan lifestyle helps him stay focused on anchoring the offensive line for a Minnesota Vikings team that will try to clinch a playoff spot Thursday night against the Detroit Lions (8-4). Minnesota (10-2) could clinch the NFC Central Division title Sunday if Tampa Bay loses to Dallas. If Detroit wins, however, that would cut Minnesota's lead in the division to one game.

"I can't appreciate a nice house or nice stuff at this point in my life," said Birk, 24, who can go to his parents' house about two miles away for a good meal.

Getting a win won't be easy. The Lions are 3-0 since Gary Moeller took over following Bobby Ross' retirement Nov. 6. Detroit leads the NFL with 34 takeaways, and Desmond

Howard is among the leaders in both punt and kickoff returns.

While the Lions will rely on turnovers and field position, the Vikings hope to keep their explosive offense in high gear behind Birk, quarterback Daunte Culpepper and Co.

Mike Tice, the Vikings offensive line coach, thinks Birk is playing at a Pro Bowl-level in his first full season as a starter.

"I think it's legitimate," Tice said. "I don't think he has to wait a year to establish himself because I think he's established himself already."

Tice ranks Birk among the NFL's top three centers, behind only Kevin Mawae of the New York Jets and Tampa Bay's Jeff Christy, the former Vikings center whom Birk replaced.

Few believed Birk and Corbin Lacina, were adequate replacements for Christy, who played in the past two Pro Bowls with the Vikings, and Randall McDaniel, an 11-time Pro Bowl player.

Birk, Lacina and the rest of the Vikings' offensive line have been more than adequate. They are on pace to allow fewer sacks than last season, and they are major reasons why Minnesota leads the NFL in rushing.

"When you're No. 1 in rushing in the National Football League," said coach Dennis Green, "you're creating some holes."

Green was the first to consider switching Birk, who began his career as a guard and tackle, to center. Birk was clearly intel-

ligent enough to handle calls along the offensive line, and he weighed 304 pounds.

"Matt puts a lot of guys on the ground," Tice said. "A lot of centers don't do that."

Lacina and Birk go back about 10 years, when Birk was a teen-ager working out at the same gym as a college-aged Lacina. They began working out together about six years ago and currently are co-owners of an athletic-training business.

"It's remarkable, really, the way things turned out," said Lacina, who is in his second season with the Vikings. "When he was drafted by the Vikings, I was a little jealous. My wife and I always wondered what it would be like. I'd spent six

months of my career U-hauling back and forth between Minnesota and Buffalo."

A part of Lacina is even jealous of Birk's lifestyle.

"If I was single, I'd be doing the same thing," Lacina said. "It keeps it simple. There's nothing else to worry about."

Birk tried living in an apartment in suburban Edina, Minn., during his rookie season in 1998, but that lasted only seven months and with Birk declaring that he's a "St. Paul guy." He eventually found that a barren basement that suits his lifestyle.

"I'm the kind of guy who needs my solitude sometimes," Birk said. "It's a bachelor's pad. I just chill out there with my dog. It's nice."

Groza 'The Toe' dead at 76

CLEVELAND (AP) — He was known simply as "The Toe."

But Lou Groza, who died Wednesday night, was more than just a kicker to generations of Cleveland Browns fans. To them, he symbolized a bygone era when Cleveland dominated pro football, and when athletes played for the love of the game.

The Hall of Fame kicker and lineman died of an apparent heart attack at age 76 — fittingly, the number he wore during most of his playing days that has been retired by the team.

In failing health in recent years with Parkinson's disease, Groza was brought to Southwest General Health Center in Middleburg

Heights after collapsing following dinner with his wife, Jackie, at a country club.

Groza, one of the most beloved players in Browns history, played 21 years in Cleveland from 1946-67. He retired as the franchise's career scoring leader — a distinction he still holds.

In his 21 seasons, Groza signed 21 one-year contracts. The last in 1967 was for \$50,000.

Groza was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1974.

Groza was an All-Pro tackle six times, and was selected the NFL's Player of the Year in 1954. A nine-time Pro Bowl selection, Groza finished his career with 1,349 points.

Colorado courts Rodriguez

By AARON J. LOPEZ
AP Sports Writer

DENVER (AP) - With altitude on their side, the Colorado Rockies courted free agent Alex Rodriguez on Wednesday in hopes of luring the All-Star shortstop to baseball's most hitter-friendly park.

General manager Dan O'Dowd and Colorado's ownership team met with Rodriguez and agent Scott Boras for several hours at Coors Field, which has been home to an NL batting champion or home run leader in each of its six seasons.

The Rockies would like to add Rodriguez to the list, but his minimum asking price of \$20 million annually for 10 years could be too steep. Colorado is seeking a salary in the range of \$15 million per year. Boras remained confident that the market would bear Rodriguez's request.

"It's a funny thing. Every city says it's not going to happen. It's going to happen to one city," Boras said. "I don't know which one."

Rodriguez, 25, arrived at Coors Field before noon but did not speak with reporters after the meeting. Repeated telephone messages left for O'Dowd by The Associated Press were not returned.

The courtship began in earnest Tuesday night when the Rockies treated Rodriguez to an upscale dinner with John Elway and Colorado State football coach Sonny Lubick, who knew Rodriguez when the two lived in Miami.

Rockies owners Jerry McMorris, Dick Monfort and Charlie Monfort also joined the group.

The visit was the third stop for Rodriguez, a three-time All-Star, as he tries to decide whether to re-sign with the Seattle Mariners or leave the Pacific Northwest. He also met with the Atlanta Braves and Texas Rangers, who are believed to be on a short list of about seven teams.

"We came here for a reason, and that was information and a personal understanding of Alex's goals and the team's goals," Boras said. "I don't know what

Alex Rodriguez is going to do, but I do know that he was here and he was here for a reason. I think the Rockies did a very good job."

Rodriguez, who has 189 career home runs in five full seasons, would provide Colorado with a power-hitting right-handed hitter to complement lefties Larry Walker and Todd Helton.

Though he is the most coveted, Rodriguez is just one of several free agents Colorado is recruiting this winter. The Rockies met with left-hander Mike Hampton in Houston on Tuesday and planned meetings with left-hander Denny Neagle and right-hander Darren Dreifort.

Acquiring a topflight pitcher could prove difficult. While Coors Field is a hitter's haven, it has been a pitcher's nemesis. Those who have flourished in a Colorado uniform include Andy Ashby, Bret Saberhagen, Bill Swift and, most recently, Darryl Kile.

Kile, who won 21 games in two seasons with the Rockies, won 20 games in 2000 after being traded to the St. Louis Cardinals.

Shutout streak ends for Stars' Belfour

DALLAS (AP) - Coming off an embarrassing loss, even by their standards, the Calgary Flames knew they had to go all out from the start to have a chance against the Dallas Stars.

The Stars, meanwhile, didn't think they'd need to work that hard. At least, that's how coach Ken Hitchcock thought they treated Wednesday night's game, a 4-3 loss.

"I thought our attitude toward playing tonight was not right," Hitchcock said. "Too many people were on the outside looking in."

After a fierce first period, the Flames got a second-period goal from Jason Wiemer to end Dallas goaltender Ed Belfour's long shutout streak. Then Cory Stillman

scored three times early in the third period to end Calgary's eight-game winless streak.

That rut included a 6-1 loss in Nashville the previous night. The last-place team in the Northwest Division also had yet to make a third-period comeback this season, carrying an 0-12-3-3 record when tied or behind after two periods. Dallas had won five straight, was unbeaten in six in a row and was riding the NHL's hottest goalie.

"We battled and competed," Calgary coach Don Hay said. "Last night, we were sitting back too much."

Belfour's bid to become the first goalie in 51 years to have four straight shutouts ended on Wiemer's goal. His shutout streak lasted a career-best 219 minutes, 9

seconds. He also went 232:30 without allowing a goal at home.

After it went in, Belfour skated away to his left, as he often does after a goal, then circled back to the right. On his return, fans gave him a standing ovation and chanted "Ed-die! Ed-die!" Belfour did not acknowledge the cheers, but said he heard them.

"It's nice to see that the fans appreciate hard work and shutouts, and that they give you support," Belfour said.

They still stuck behind him after he allowed three goals in the third period. Stillman's second career hat trick came in a span of 5:06.

"Ed's been playing very well, but we did not want to be the team that got into the record books," Stillman said.

Heat, Knicks still have intense rivalry, despite no Mourning, Ewing

By The Associated Press

The absence of Patrick Ewing and Alonzo Mourning didn't lessen the intensity of the NBA's fiercest rivalry.

Brian Grant had 24 points and nine rebounds, and Anthony Mason added 19 points and 18 rebounds as the Miami Heat exploited their size advantage over the New York Knicks in an 84-81 victory Wednesday night.

"Because of Patrick and Zo, it didn't feel like a typical Knicks-Heat," Miami's Tim Hardaway said. "I've been through them all, so I should know. If we get back in the playoffs against each other again, of course it'll go back to being the way it was."

Ewing was traded by the Knicks to Seattle in September and Mourning is out for the season, giving the matchup a different look than the one that has become a staple during the NBA playoffs.

Grant, one of Miami's offseason additions, jumped right into the fray in his first taste of the rivalry.

"It was cool. Both teams were really playing to win," Grant said. "It wasn't as vicious as what I usually see on TV, but I can see where it's going to get

like that later."

In other games, it was San Antonio 82, Sacramento 79; Utah 88, Orlando 86; Charlotte 103, Toronto 79; Philadelphia 93, Washington 87; Detroit 97, New Jersey 76; Denver 107, Minnesota 100; the Clippers 106, Golden State 83; and Vancouver 109, Phoenix 106.

Grant missed a pair of free throws that would have clinched it with 9.6 seconds left, but Chris Childs came up short on a 3-pointer with 2 seconds left to end New York's only chance of the final minute.

The Heat snapped a four-game losing streak and won for just the sixth time in 15 games.

Latrell Sprewell was practically a one-man offense for the Knicks down the stretch, scoring 12 of his 22 points in the final quarter.

Spurs 82, Kings 79.

Tim Duncan had 22 points and 13 rebounds and made two key plays in the final minute for host San Antonio.

With the Spurs leading 76-75, Duncan made an 18-footer from the top of the key over Chris Webber with 46.7 seconds left. Duncan then came up with a loose ball after Webber had it knocked away by David Robinson on Sacramento's

ensuing possession.

Webber led the Kings with 25 points and 17 rebounds.

Hornets 103, Raptors 79.

David Wesley scored 32 points and Jamal Mashburn added 18 to lead host Charlotte to its sixth straight victory.

The Raptors were without star Vince Carter for the second straight game, both losses. Carter, the NBA's second-leading scorer at 27.5 points per game, is out with a strained left quadriceps.

Jazz 88, Malone 86.

Karl Malone had 27 points and 11 rebounds as visiting Utah held off Orlando to win its fifth straight game.

Orlando's John Amaechi hit a pair of free throws with 32.5 seconds remaining to cut Utah's lead to 88-86. The Magic then rebounded a missed layup by Utah's Bryon Russell but Tracy McGrady was swarmed as he tried to get a final shot off.

McGrady, playing with a heavily bandaged left hand that is infected, had 28 points, seven rebounds, four assists and eight turnovers.

76ers 93, Wizards 87.

Allen Iverson scored 29 points and Theo Ratliff had 18 points and tied his career high with nine blocks as

PRO BASKETBALL

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

Philadelphia	12	2	.857	—
New York	9	7	.563	4
Boston	7	7	.500	5
Miami	6	9	.400	6 1/2
New Jersey	6	9	.400	6 1/2
Orlando	5	11	.313	8
Washington	4	12	.250	9

Central Division

Cleveland	9	5	.643	—
Charlotte	10	6	.625	—
Toronto	8	7	.533	1 1/2
Indiana	6	7	.462	2 1/2
Detroit	6	9	.400	3 1/2
Milwaukee	5	9	.357	4
Atlanta	3	12	.200	6 1/2
Chicago	1	13	.071	8

West Division

Utah	12	3	.800	—
San Antonio	10	4	.714	1 1/2
Dallas	10	5	.667	2
Denver	8	7	.533	4
Houston	8	7	.533	4
Minnesota	8	7	.533	4
Vancouver	6	9	.400	6

Pacific Division

L.A. Lakers	11	4	.733	—
Phoenix	10	4	.714	1 1/2
Portland	10	4	.714	1 1/2
Seattle	10	6	.625	1/2
San Jose	7	9	.438	4 1/2
L.A. Clippers	5	11	.313	6 1/2
Golden State	4	11	.267	7

Tuesday's Games

Atlanta 102, Washington 75
Boston 87, Cleveland 72
Milwaukee 102, Miami 101
Utah 98, New Jersey 92
Dallas 107, Toronto 93
Sacramento 88, Houston 81
Minnesota 95, Chicago 76
Seattle 105, Portland 93
L.A. Lakers 124, Indiana 107
Wednesday's Games
Philadelphia 93, Washington 87
Utah 88, Orlando 86
Charlotte 103, Toronto 79
Detroit 97, New Jersey 76
Miami 84, New York 81
Denver 107, Minnesota 100
San Antonio 82, Sacramento 79
L.A. Clippers 106, Golden State 83
Vancouver 109, Phoenix 106, 2OT
Thursday's Games
Chicago at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m.
Boston at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Houston at Denver, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Portland, 10 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Indiana at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Friday's Games
Chicago at Atlanta, 8:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Utah at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Detroit, 8 p.m.
New York at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Indiana at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Phoenix at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

New Jersey	12	8	3	0	27	82	82
N.Y. Rangers	13	12	0	0	26	85	82
Pittsburgh	11	8	3	1	26	65	61
Philadelphia	11	9	4	0	28	61	64
N.Y. Islanders	7	11	2	2	18	52	54

Northwest Division

Ottawa	13	7	4	0	30	77	58
Toronto	12	7	3	2	29	70	53
Buffalo	12	7	2	1	27	60	53
Boston	8	11	3	2	21	59	85
Montreal	8	15	2	0	18	64	78

Southwest Division

Carolina	9	10	3	1	22	57	67
Washington	7	10	6	1	21	57	67
Tampa Bay	8	11	2	2	20	68	85
Florida	5	9	4	4	18	46	58
Atlanta	5	10	6	1	17	56	72

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Central Division

St. Louis	16	4	3	0	35	77	44
Detroit	15	8	1	2	33	83	71
Nashville	9	7	5	1	24	56	61
Chicago	8	12	2	2	20	62	74
Columbus	7	16	1	1	16	49	81

Northwest Division

Colorado	17	4	3	0	37	75	49
Edmonton	14	3	0	3	31	78	70
Vancouver	13	7	3	3	31	85	69
Calgary	6	12	5	4	21	57	78
Minnesota	7	13	4	1	19	52	66

Pacific Division

San Jose	14	5	2	0	30	62	44
Dallas	13	6	3	1	30	63	46
Phoenix	12	7	6	0	30	68	58
Los Angeles	11	8	6	0	28	88	75
Anaheim	8	12	4	2	22	66	86

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Tuesday's Games
Ottawa 3, Buffalo 1
Boston 3, Pittsburgh 1
N.Y. Rangers 7, Los Angeles 6
Nashville 6, Calgary 1
Vancouver 4, Anaheim 1
San Jose 4, Minnesota 1
Wednesday's Games
Washington 4, Tampa Bay 1
Philadelphia 4, Columbus 3
Detroit 6, Atlanta 4
St. Louis 6, Toronto 5, OT
Carolina 2, Florida 1, OT
New Jersey 5, N.Y. Rangers 2
Calgary 4, Dallas 3
Colorado 2, Phoenix 1
Montreal 3, Edmonton 2
Thursday's Games
Philadelphia at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Islanders, 7:30 p.m.
Nashville at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Montreal at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Anaheim at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Friday's Games
Boston at Washington, 7 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Florida, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Colorado, 9 p.m.

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East

Miami	9	3	0	.750	237	160
N.Y. Jets	8	4	0	.667	247	229
Buffalo	7	5	0	.583	237	237
Indianapolis	7	5	0	.583	217	256
New England	3	9	0	.250	192	253

Central

Tennessee	9	3	0	.750	241	176
Baltimore	9	4	0	.692	282	135
Pittsburgh	6	6	0	.500	232	181
Jacksonville	5	7	0	.417	236	272
Cleveland	3	10	0	.231	137	312
Cincinnati	2	10	0	.167	134	281

West

Oakland	10	2	0	.833	352	235
Denver	8	4	0	.667	371	293
Kansas City	5	7	0	.417	283	274
Seattle	4	8	0	.333	216	298
San Diego	1	11	0	.083	208	307

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

Philadelphia	9	4	0	.692	287	199
N.Y. Giants	8	4	0	.667	244	181
Washington	7	5	0	.583	238	201
Dallas	4	8	0	.333	242	273
Arizona	3	9	0	.250	177	342

Central

Minnesota	10	2	0	.833	306	250
Detroit	8	4	0	.667	247	227
Tampa Bay	7	5	0	.583	239	197
Green Bay	5	7	0	.417	249	282
Chicago	3	9	0	.250	163	273

West

New Orleans	8	4	0	.667	256	207
St. Louis	8	4	0	.667	436	367
Carolina	5	7	0	.417	241	218
San Francisco	4	8	0	.333	290	336
Atlanta	3	10	0	.231	206	347

Thursday's Games
Detroit 34, New England 9
Minnesota 27, Dallas 15
Sunday's Games
N.Y. Jets 17, Chicago 10
New Orleans 31, St. Louis 24
Baltimore 44, Cleveland 7
Philadelphia 23, Washington 20
Tampa Bay 31, Buffalo 17
Pittsburgh 48, Cincinnati 28
Oakland 41, Atlanta 14
Denver 38, Seattle 31
Miami 17, Indianapolis 14
San Diego 17, Kansas City 16
Jacksonville 16, Tennessee 13
N.Y. Giants 31, Arizona 7
Open: San Francisco
Monday's Game
Carolina 31, Green Bay 14
Thursday, Nov. 30
Detroit at Minnesota, 8:35 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 3
Seattle at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Miami at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
St. Louis at Carolina, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Washington, 1 p.m.

Advance Auto Parts to open store in Pampa

Advance Auto Parts will join the Pampa business community this Friday, opening a store at 708 Hobart, next to the Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Home.

"We can't wait to get the doors open," said Advance regional vice president, Larry Balle. "We belong in a place like Pampa, where we can offer brand name products, low prices and the kind of quality service people really appreciate."

The new store, employing about 10 people, will have hundreds of thousands of parts and accessories available and will be open seven days a week, 363 days a year. Hard-to-find parts and accessories are delivered in 24 hours by Advance Auto Parts PDQ® (Parts Delivered Quickly) Service. The customer-friendly store atmosphere will provide easy-to-shop, handicap-accessible aisles and shelves as well as a high-tech computer system that provides information for every vehicle on the market, regardless of age. In addition to its in-store technology, Advance has partnered with PartsAmerica.com to offer affordable auto parts to consumers on the World Wide Web.

Customers will also have access to free electrical testing and battery installation, along with free used oil and battery recycling. Since 1991, Advance Auto Parts has recycled more than 5 million gallons of used oil

as part of the company's environmental commitment.

Paul Carruth will manage the new store. Carruth has more than 18 years of experience in the automotive aftermarket industry ranging from management to outside sales. He is excited about serving the community of Pampa.

"If your car doesn't run, you can't get to work or take your kids to school," said Carruth. "Our low prices, PDQ service and experienced employees can get you back on the road again in a hurry."

Advance employees offer exceptional service as a result of an extensive in-house training program. In any given month, Advance Auto Parts offers an average of 48 workshops and

training sessions for employees. Advance Auto Parts is one of the first companies in the automotive aftermarket industry to offer the Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) certification program for employees. ASE certification has become the standard for knowledge in the automotive industry and shows the commitment Advance makes to its customers.

The Advance commitment to service extends beyond the stores' front doors. On a local level, Advance Auto Parts is involved in various community activities, service projects and sponsorships.

Nationally, Advance is a strong supporter of the Made-A-Wish Foundation, the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation and the United Way. In 1999,

Advance Auto Parts raised \$2.1 million for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. Advance encourages its employees to take an active role in non-profit activities within their communities.

"We want to be more than just a store," Carruth said. "We're going to be neighbors, and you can always count on your neighbors in Pampa."

Advance Auto Parts has taken customer service one step further with its newly launched Advance Auto Parts Television Network. While in the store, customers will be entertained and informed by customized features from CNN, NASCAR, ESPN and TNN broadcast on television screens throughout the store.

Advance Auto Parts is the primary name for Advance Stores Co. Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Advance Holding Corp. Established in 1932 with three stores in Virginia — two in Roanoke and one in Lynchburg — Advance now has more than 1,700 stores in 38 states, primarily located in the eastern and midwestern regions of the United States, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. The company is based in Roanoke and is the second largest auto parts chain in the nation. Additional information about the company, employment opportunities and services can be found on the company website at www.advanceautoparts.com.

Square House receives THC award

PANHANDLE — Carson County Square House Museum in Panhandle received an Honorable Mention Award from the Texas Historical Commission for its 1999 exhibit "The Creation of the Earth" by Robert McKenzie.

Mogie McCray, chairman of Carson County Historical Commission, presented the award to Square House Museum Board Chairman Dixie Surratt during the annual

Museum Day Pioneer Program at Conway Community Church at the museum complex.

McKenzie, a Panhandle native who now resides in Cincinnati, Ohio, painted his version of the seven days of Creation (Genesis version) on over-sized banners of linen and cotton. The exhibit was on display during September and October 1999 at the museum. Many people viewed the exhibit, including school classes.

Crews trying to contain oil spill in Mississippi River

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Cleanup crews are working to contain a half-million gallons of crude oil that spilled from a tanker into shellfish beds and bird sanctuaries along the lower Mississippi River.

"We've observed some impact to some birds, such as white pelicans," said Roland Guidry, a state oil spill coordinator.

The Coast Guard closed shipping lanes on a 26-mile stretch of the river below New Orleans after the 800-foot Westchester lost power and ran aground Tuesday night.

Traffic upriver resumed late Wednesday.

The Westchester ran aground at Port Sulphur, about 42 miles southeast of New Orleans and 60 miles down the winding river.

The ship lost power when part of the engine exploded. No one was injured. It was en route from Sabine Pass, Texas, to St. James, about 50 miles east of New Orleans.

The vessel's single-hull cargo tank holding about 53,000 barrels of Nigerian crude oil — more than 2.2 million gallons — lost about 13,500 barrels, said Virginia Miller, spokeswoman for the ship's owner and operator.

The river bottom apparently plugged the hole and kept the rest from escaping, Miller said.

The 567,000-gallon spill is the largest in U.S. waters since the Exxon Valdez dumped more than 10 million gallons of oil in Prince William Sound, Alaska, in March 1989.

On the Net: <http://southeastlouisiana.fws.gov/delta.html>

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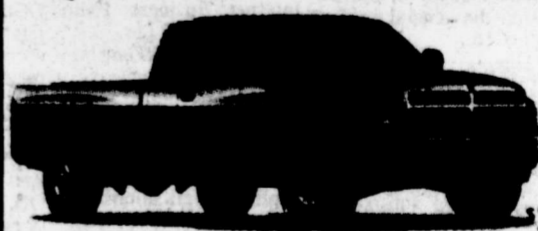
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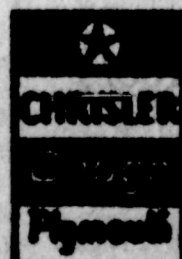
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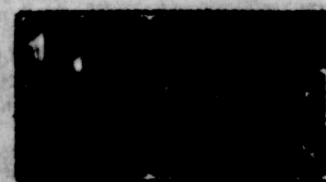
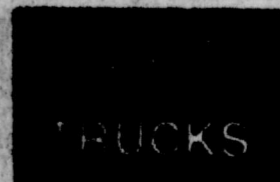


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John Hiatt takes a tip from BoxCar Willie

By JIM PATTERSON
Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — When John Hiatt brings up bluesman Mississippi John Hurt and Elvis Costello as influences, it makes sense.

Hiatt's superb new album, "Crossing Muddy Waters," is drenched in the blues, and the wordplay on his 1980s albums earned him critical respect as an American answer to Costello.

Family films led by 'Grinch' help set holiday record

By TOM HARRIGAN
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Plots for tots became Hollywood's golden rule over the Thanksgiving weekend.

Family fare grabbed three of the top four positions for the five-day holiday period. The Grinch led the way to a record \$244.4 million for all films in current release during an extended weekend at movie box offices in North America.

"Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas," with \$73.5 million in its second weekend, approached the \$80.1 million opening for "Toy Story II" a year ago. That 1999 Thanksgiving period had set the previous record of \$225.5 million for all films in release, said Paul Dergarabedian, president of Exhibitor Relations Co., which tracks movie industry revenues.

The long weekend's opening of Disney's dark fantasy "Unbreakable" finished second with \$46 million to dent the domination of child-oriented films. Disney's "102 Dalmatians" opened with earnings of \$26.2 million in third place. "Rugrats in Paris: The Movie" was fourth with \$22.5 million in its second weekend.

The top 20 movies at North American theaters Wednesday through Sunday, followed by distribution studio, gross, number of theater locations, average receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled Monday by Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc.

1. "Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas," Universal, \$73.5 million, 3,134 locations, \$23,460 average, \$137.1 million, two weeks.
2. "Unbreakable," Disney, \$46 million, 2,708 locations, \$16,991 average, \$46 million, one week.
3. "102 Dalmatians," Disney, \$26.2 million, 2,704 locations, \$9,703 average, \$26.2 million, one week.
4. "Rugrats in Paris: The Movie," Paramount, \$22.5 million, 2,937 locations, \$7,767 average, \$47.6 million, two weeks.
5. "Charlie's Angels," Sony, \$13.5 million, 2,838 locations, \$4,761 average, \$108.7 million, four weeks.
6. "Bounce," Miramax, \$10.7 million, 2,014 locations, \$5,295 average, \$24.2 million, two weeks.
7. "The 6th Day," Sony, \$10 million, 2,516 locations, \$3,977 average, \$25 million, two weeks.
8. "Men of Honor," Fox, \$9.1 million, 2,126 locations, \$4,282 average, \$35.4 million, three weeks.
9. "Meet the Parents," Universal, \$8.8 million, 2,087 locations, \$4,234 average, \$148.4 million, eight weeks.
10. "Little Nicky," New Line, \$6.3 million, 2,776 locations, \$2,287 average, \$33.8 million, three weeks.
11. "Remember the Titans," Disney, \$2.8 million, 1,194 locations, \$2,349 average, \$110.3 million, nine weeks.
12. "The Legend of Bagger Vance," DreamWorks, \$2.60 million, 1,877 locations, \$1,385 average, \$28.3 million, four weeks.
13. "Billy Elliot," Universal, \$2.57 million, 497 locations, \$5,175 average, \$11.3 million, seven weeks.
14. "Red Planet," Warner Bros., \$1.6 million, 2,054 locations, \$772 average, \$15.6 million, three weeks.
15. "Best in Show," Warner Bros., \$1.1 million, 350 locations, \$3,007 average, \$15.1 million, nine weeks.
16. "Pay It Forward," Warner Bros., \$721,491, 602 locations, \$1,198 average, \$32.1 million, six weeks.
17. "You Can Count On Me," Paramount, \$619,299, 53 locations, \$11,685 average, \$1.1 million, three weeks.
18. "Bedazzled," Fox, \$354,044, 417 locations, \$849 average, \$36.4 million, six weeks.
19. "Quills," Fox Searchlight, \$324,456, nine locations, \$36,051 average, \$324,456, one week.
20. "Requiem for a Dream," Artisan, \$273,118 (Friday-Sunday only), 78 locations, \$3,502 average, \$1.7 million, eight weeks.

Then he starts talking about the late BoxCar Willie, the guy who dressed like a hobo and imitated a train whistle on "Orange Blossom Special."

That merits an explanation. It turns out BoxCar Willie's influence is more about business than music.

"I remember a comment BoxCar Willie made years ago," Hiatt said. "He was selling like a million records on television. A Columbia Records guy said, 'We want to sign you.'"

"And BoxCar goes, 'Well, why would I want to do that?'"

Hiatt, 48, isn't trying to sell his new album on cheesy late-night TV ads. After building a loyal following over 25 years, he figures he doesn't need help from a major record label, or the attendant artistic interference.

So he has left Capitol Records because the label's executives didn't like a rock music album he was recording earlier this year. When Internet music distributor EMusic.com (<http://www.EMusic.com>) asked for a song or two to sell, Hiatt and manager Ken Levitan offered an entire album. Blues-folk record label Vanguard licensed the right to distribute the album to record stores.

"Crossing Muddy Waters" is driving acoustic blues, featuring Hiatt, bass player Davey Faragher and David Immergluck on mandolin and guitar. No drums are used. Faragher provided percussion on tambourine, stomping his feet and beating a metal folding chair.

"We paid for it ourselves, made it in four days," Hiatt said. "The acoustic sound I did for I don't know what reason. It's a combination of getting older, living this rural sort of lifestyle. I've been living out in the woods for the last eight years or so. The songs just started coming out in this way."

The reviews have been positive.

"It's ... easily his best since 1987's 'Bring the Family,'" said the Toast magazine Web site (<http://www.toastmag.com>). "The songs are deceptively simple and unassuming, yet full of insight and nuance — he's rarely written better."

Hiatt said the acoustic blues format pushed him to write less self-consciously.

"I'm as guilty as the next guy of writing the kind of song that's like, 'I know something you don't and I know a clever way of saying it that you don't know. Here it is. Aren't you impressed?' I've done that," he said.

"I've just kind of lost interest in that kind of song over the years. I'm kind of writing simpler as I get older, I guess."

Hiatt, already renowned as a lyricist, has gotten even better. His cast of characters on "Crossing Muddy Waters" includes several men struggling to go on after calamities in life and love.

"Gimme back my steel/gimme back my nerve," he moans in "What Do We Do Now."

"Gimme back my youth/for the dead man's curve/for that icy feel when you start to swerve/give us back the love we don't deserve."

Born in Indianapolis, Hiatt moved to Nashville in 1971. Inspired by "a folk-singing hippie" named Bob Frank, he talked a music publishing company into the same deal Frank had: \$25 a week to write songs.

He recorded two unsuccessful albums for Epic Records, then moved to the West Coast in the late 1970s.

When punk and new-wave rock became popular, Hiatt found a style he could fit into. "First I heard the Ramones, and then I heard the whole Stiff Records (Costello's English record label) thing and I just flipped."

Hiatt recorded two albums for MCA that earned him notice as an "American Elvis Costello." But the albums didn't sell. Three albums followed on Geffen before Hiatt was derailed by alcoholism and his wife's suicide in 1985.

"I had a year-old daughter," Hiatt said. "I just figured I couldn't raise her up in L.A. I wouldn't have a chance. I don't know why I thought that, but I just thought of Nashville as like home. So I came back here in 1985, met my wife, and I've been here for 14 years."

His "Bring the Family" album featured a rougher sound, with songs inspired by his newfound sobriety and family life. "Crossing Muddy Waters" continues that artistic direction.

Hiatt is working on that rock record Capitol didn't like. "Vanguard would like to put the rock record out," he said. "So we're in a position of seeing how they do with this one first."

"I've never been in that position before. It's kind of like the commercial where you're interviewing the bank lenders for who gets to loan you money."

On the Net:
John Hiatt: <http://www.johnhiatt.com>
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'Nutcracker'



(Special photo)

Pampa Civic Ballet will present "The Nutcracker" at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 2, at M.K. Brown Auditorium. The annual production will be under the direction of Jeanne Willingham. The guest artists for this year are Cornel Crabtree and Dana Lewis and the soloist is Deanna McGill. Above: (front row) Ginger Cookies Jessica Tabor, Emilie Troxell, Ashley Wheeler, Rachel Houston, Danielle Wall, Macy Woodside; (second row) Kayla Taylor, Teri-Beth Dunham, Jessica Baggerman, Samantha Sutterfield, Nicole Heersema and Dustin Neef.

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MAGIC PLAINS CHAPTER of the American Business Women's Association will meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Monday of each month at Furr's Cafeteria. Working business women are invited to attend. For more information, call Pat Winkleblack at 669-7828 or Estelle Malone at 669-9614.

FREEDOM MUSEUM, USA, 600 N. Hobart is open from 12-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Revolutionary War to Kosovo. All branches of service are represented. For more information, call 669-6066.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN COWBOYS meet the fourth Saturday of each month at the Clyde Carruth Livestock Pavilion, 6:30 p.m. Pot luck supper. For more information contact Kevin Romines, 665-8547 or Jim Greene, 665-8067.

RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION meets at 2 p.m. the third Monday of every month at the Senior Citizens Center. For more information, contact Willie Mae Mangold, 669-7259.

FIRST PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH hosts "Second Sunday Singing" from 2-4 p.m. the second Sunday of each month. Singers and musicians from all over perform congregational singing. The public is cordially invited to attend. For more information, call Mina Towey, 665-8529.

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM will celebrate its 30th anniversary in the Year 2000. A new exhibit, "A Season of Change, 1900-200," will go up in January to celebrate the anniversary and the millennium. The exhibit will run from January-September.

WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM will be selling leaves and rocks to go on the new bronze Heritage which is in the Holland Wing. The items may be purchased all year as memorials and tributes to families, family members and friends.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER support groups for victims of family violence — both women and children — meet every Thursday evening. For more information about adult support groups, call 669-1788, and to inquire about children's support groups, 669-1131.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER Coordinating Council meets once a month. For more information, call 669-1131.

MEALS ON WHEELS Garage Sale, 900 N. Frost, will be every Monday throughout February and April. For more information, call Cindy Gindorf, 669-1007.

PAMPA YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTER Water Aerobics class will be from 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call Frankie Hildenbrand, 669-3713, or Lee, Betty or Liz at Pampa Youth Center, 665-0748.

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL office will be open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday-Friday. PALC volunteers work with people who need basic reading/writing skills as well as English as a second language. For more information, call 665-2331.

GRAY COUNTY REPUBLICAN PARTY HEAD-QUARTERS, 500 W. Kingsmill, is open from 12-4 p.m., Monday-Friday and from 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturday through Nov. 7. For more information or to volunteer, call 669-3545.

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PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL will meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. For more information call Sharon King, 665-2818.

AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Mondays and Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky. For more information, call 669-7501.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-7501.

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VFW POST #1657, 105 S. Cuyler. Charity Bingo every Wednesday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1:30 p.m. Doors open one hour early. No one under 18 allowed. Public is welcome. License No. 1-75-6037422-9. For more information contact Edgar D. Carson, 669-0853 or 669-1264.

THE ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP will have regularly scheduled meetings the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, Inc. For more information contact Chrys Smith at 665-0356.

HIDDEN HILLS Women's Golf Association will hold its "Play Day" at 6 p.m. each Monday from May-September. For more information, call 669-0434.

GRAY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY regular meetings will be at 7:30 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month at the Sheriff's office classroom at the Francis Street entrance. For more information, call Harley Madison at 669-6294.

TEXCARE PARTNERSHIP is the New Children's Health Insurance campaign developed especially for Texas families with uninsured children, birth through age 18. The following health insurance programs are available: Children's Health Insurance Program, Medicaid and Texas Healthy Kids Corp. For more information, call 1-800-647-6558 or 1-888-892-2273.

MACEDONIA BAPTIST CHURCH, 441 Elm, will hold daily prayer services at 7:30 a.m., 12 noon and 6 p.m. for the citizens of Pampa — churches, schools, etc. The prayer services are open to everyone. For more information, call 665-4926.

PAMPA MOOSE LODGE #1385 charity bingo is at 7 p.m. every Friday at the lodge, 401 E. Brown. **PAMPA SHRINE CLUB** will meet every third Friday at the Sportsman's Club. For more information, call James Washington, 665-1488.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is taking orders for deep-fried and smoked turkeys ranging in size from 12- to 14-pounds. Cost is \$25. Deadline is Nov. 12. For more information, call 665-1562 or 665-3786.

PAMPA GARDEN CLUB is sponsoring the annual "Festival of Trees" scheduled Dec. 9-10 at Lovett Memorial Library. Entry fees are \$5 for small trees and \$10 for full size trees. The deadline is Nov. 30. For more information, call Cynthia, 665-6144.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR will hold a school instruction Jan. 8-9 in honor of Worthy Grand Matron Naomi Wolfe and Worthy Grand Patron Buddy Baker. For more information, call Bettie Craig, deputy grand matron, District II, Section I, at 665-5081.

NOVEMBER

30 - **GREATER PAMPA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** Parade will start at 6:30 p.m. at M.K. Brown Auditorium and end downtown. For more information, call the Chamber, 669-3241.

DECEMBER

1 - **GREATER PAMPA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** Style Show will be at 7 p.m. at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Tickets are \$10. For more information, call 669-3241.

1-2 - **CELEBRATIONS** Open House will be from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. at Coronado Shopping Center. For more information, call Sharon McCormick, 665-3100.

2 - **LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY** Children's Christmas Program will be from 10-11:30 a.m. The program is free and activities will include cookie decorating. To register, call 669-5780.

2-5 - **CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH** will hold a Christmas spectacular called "That Night" at 7 p.m. nightly. For more information, call 665-1631.

5 - **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** Prayer Breakfast is scheduled at 7 a.m. in M.K. Brown Room of Pampa Community Building. For reservations, call 669-3241.

5, 10 - **LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY** Computer Lab Classes will be offered from 1:30-3 p.m. and from 2-3:30 p.m., respectively. The classes are free. Registration is required. For more information, call 669-5780.

7 - **LOVETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY** "What is the Internet" classes will be offered from 1:30-3:30 p.m. The classes are free. Registration is required. For more information, call 669-5780.

10 - **20TH CENTURY COTILLION STUDY CLUB** will hold its "Holiday Tour of Homes" from 1-4 p.m. Cost of the tour is \$10 per person. For more information, call Helen Hall, 665-4047.

19 - **GREATER PAMPA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** Luncheon will be held in M.K. Brown Room of Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. For reservations, call 669-3241.

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Texas Railroad Commission announces gas production allowables for December

AUSTIN — The Railroad Commission of Texas recently set December natural production allowables for prorated fields in the state to meet demand of 35,368,897 mcf (thousand cubic feet).

For these fields, the December 2000 allowable represents an increase of 492,130 mcf when compared to actual production of 34,876,767 mcf in December of last year.

In setting the December 2000 allowable, the RRC used historical production figures from December 1999 and producer

forecasts for the December 2000 demand, and then adjusted the figures to account for such factors as well capability, new wells in a field, etc.

Gas well gas from prorated fields accounts for 10 percent of total gas well production in Texas.

Texas natural gas in storage reported the commission for the month of October 2000 compares 226,558,207 mcf to 328,504,733 mcf in October 1999. The October 2000 gas storage estimate is 224,457,193 mcf.

Preliminary statewide production reported for September 2000 is 31,388,2071 barrels of crude oil and 368,386,153 mcf of gas well gas. The RRC's estimated final production for this month can be obtained by multiplying these preliminary production totals by a production adjustment factor of 1.0329 for crude oil and 1.0782 for gas well gas. (These production totals do not include casinghead gas or condensate.)

The next statewide hearing has been scheduled Dec. 20.



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Mexicans wonder if next president can change their lives

By JULIE WATSON
Associated Press Writer

REKUSACHI, Mexico (AP) — President Lazaro Cardenas gave him his land. President Carlos Salinas de Gortari gave him his farm aid. President Ernesto Zedillo gave him bags of food.

After living through seven decades of programs by Mexico's ruling party to end poverty, all Jose Ignacio Zaragosa has to show for it is a bone-thin cow nibbling on weeds next to his mud shack.

But for the first time in the Tarahumara Indian's life, an opposition president will take office Friday

under the promise of revamping the country. Changing the life of Zaragosa and more than 40 million other Mexicans who earn less than \$2 a day could be Vicente Fox's biggest challenge, and one that leaders across Latin America have struggled for years to solve with only marginal success.

Yet Fox aims to do what almost no other president in the region has accomplished — reduce poverty by 30 percent in a single term.

Fox said Sunday that two of his top actions as president will be creating a national scholarship fund "to ensure that never again in this country a young person is denied the opportunity to attend

college"; and starting a "social bank" with micro-lending programs and credit unions to give Mexico's poor, especially women, access to loans.

Upon announcing his Cabinet appointments in charge of such a task, Fox promised to "improve the life of every Mexican man and woman, of every family, and promote the intrinsic development of the communities that form this country."

Zaragosa, 70, has heard such promises time and again. But the frail man wearing a donated, pink girl's coat, finds himself year after year scrambling to feed his family.

His 2-year-old granddaughter suffers from severe malnutrition. His wife's leg, swollen with an infection, is nearly twice the size of the other, but there is no money for medicine.

"I voted for these colors hoping that it might make a difference," said the illiterate man, tapping a plastic shopping bag with the logo of Fox's National Action Party emblazoned across it. "But we don't know really if anything will ever change."

Fox has pledged to help Mexicans pull themselves up by their own bootstraps — a sharp contrast to the paternalistic attitude of the ruling Institutional Revolutionary Party, whose programs were based on handouts and were often used by local political bosses to buy votes and benefit friends.

Fox says under his rule, Mexico's booming economy will trickle down to the poor. He has proposed channeling remittances from migrants into small-business ventures.

But key will be his "social bank," which will not only lend money but also provide consulting and training to millions of self-employed Mexicans from subway sellers to taco stand owners.

While a growing number of private-sector groups are offering small cash loans in Mexico, the federal government has until now stayed largely on the sidelines, instead channeling credit to bigger companies through such development banks as Nafin or Bancomext.

After years of frozen lending, banks are now offering some loans under conservative guidelines. But most are still cautious after the crisis sparked by the 1994 peso crash which led thousands of debtors to default on their loans.

Even in good years, none risked loaning money to people like Zaragosa, whose most valuable possession is his cow.

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In 1996, during his term as governor of Guanajuato state, Fox launched Santa Fe de Guanajuato, a micro-lending organization that has granted \$11 million in loans to more than 40,000 entrepreneurs over four years.

It remains to be seen how successful such a program would be on the national level. Santa Fe currently is losing money, but plans eventually to be self-sufficient.

Critics say a national program would require an army of collectors to keep tabs on the loans, which would be issued by not-for-profit organizations or private, micro-financing institutions.

Fox also faces finding a solution for hundreds of hard-scrabble communities that are clinging to eroded lands, and which require more than just money and job training.

"What could microcredit do here when there is no water?" asked the Rev. Ricardo Herrera, a Jesuit priest who ministers in the Tarahumara region, which has been reeling from nine years of drought that some say has claimed as many as 3,000 lives.

"There is no easy solution to these problems that date back decades," he said.

The biggest challenge lies in getting such lofty ideas down into the rugged canyons to make a difference in communities like Zaragosa's, which has been cut off for centuries.

"Fox?" said a shy Inez Moreno, Zaragosa's neighbor, when asked about the new president's plans.

She picked up her newborn swaddled in blankets on her shack's mud floor.

"I'm sorry," she said. "I've never heard of him."

'Nutcracker'



(Special photo)

Chinese Dancers Maegan Wheeler and Jaclyn Spearman will perform during the upcoming performance of Pampa Civic Ballet's "The Nutcracker" at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 2, at M.K. Brown Auditorium. The annual production is under the direction of Jeanne Willingham. The guest artists for this year are Cornel Crabtree and Dana Lewis and the soloist is Deanna McGill.

Experimental technique uses lasers to shrink uterine fibroids

CHICAGO (AP) — Experimental technology that uses lasers to heat and shrink uterine fibroids is showing promise in helping women avoid hysterectomies or other surgery, doctors reported Monday.

About three out of four women of reproductive age will develop fibroids, which are non-cancerous tumors. They are among the most common reasons for hysterectomies, or surgical removal of the uterus. But surgeons sometimes try to remove just the fibroid and leave the uterus intact.

Laser ablation, which also is being tried in treating other tumors — including cancers of the liver, kidney and lung — is among the latest treatments that preserve the uterus.

"Basically, we're using laser fibers to heat up and liquefy the fibrous tissue," said radiologist Dr. Wladyslaw M. Gedroyc of St. Mary's Hospital in London, who studied the technique in 40 women and presented the findings Monday at a meeting of the Radiological Society of North America.

The technique successfully shrank fibroids in 35 of the women. At a six-month follow-up, fibroids had shrunk an average of 37 percent. All the women reported improvement in symp-

toms, including less abdominal pain and lighter menstrual periods.

Because the treatment targets only the fibroid, Gedroyc said it does not appear to affect fertility, but research is continuing to determine if patients can go on to have children.

Fibroids are bundles of muscle fiber and connective tissue that typically grow inside the uterus or uterine wall. Tiny ones generally cause no symptoms, but fibroids can become cantaloupe-sized and may cause severe abdominal and back pain, heavy menstrual bleeding, frequent urination and infertility. The female hormone estrogen promotes their growth; fibroids tend to shrink and disappear after menopause.

Gedroyc's patients had fibroids ranging from about 4 to 8 inches in diameter.

The technique involves inserting four skinny needles into the abdomen and guiding them to the fibroid with magnetic resonance imaging, which allows the doctor to pinpoint where to apply the heat. Laser fibers are then inserted through the needles into the fibroid, where they are heated to over 140 degrees to kill fibroid cells. Shrinkage continues until about six months after treatment, said co-

researcher Dr. Penny Law.

The procedure, performed under light sedation, takes about two hours, and patients can go home four hours later, Gedroyc said.

The shrinkage Gedroyc found was less than others have reported with a technique called uterine artery embolization. That procedure, introduced in this country about three years ago, blocks off arteries feeding the uterus and has been performed in about 5,000 U.S. patients, though many insurance companies still consider it experimental and will not pay for it, said Dr. Adam Winick, a Johns Hopkins University radiologist.

Though even more experimental, the laser treatment is less painful and does not require an overnight stay, Gedroyc said.

Dr. Elizabeth Stewart, clinical director of the Center for Uterine Fibroids at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, said the technique sounds promising but needs further study.

Using MRIs to guide the laser may give it an advantage over other treatments by providing doctors with more accuracy, Stewart said.

Gedroyc plans to start another phase of the study early next year using ultrasound to see if fibroids can be zapped without even breaking the skin. Other doctors are using the ultrasound technology in experiments on cancerous and non-cancerous breast tumors, an approach that promoters say could revolutionize tumor treatment.

"It's fantastically exciting," Gedroyc said.

On the Net: National Institutes of Health: <http://nichd.nih.gov/publications/uterine.htm>

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Holiday bakeline open through December 24

ARDEN HILLS, Minn. — Butter cookies, cakes, pies and tarts are all traditional baked goods for the holidays. To help create these delicious treats when baking, the Land O'Lakes Holiday Bakeline recommends using only real butter in order to maintain a fresh taste and consistent quality among batches.

The 27 baking experts at the Land O'Lakes Holiday Bakeline, 1-800-782-9606, will be available for questions or suggestions from Nov. 1-Dec. 24. Phone lines will be open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. (CST), seven days a week.

All callers will receive a free recipe leaflet filled with five easy recipes and secrets for making delicious home-baked goods. Recipes include Raspberry Truffle Wreath, Caramel Nut Logs, Sparkling Butter Toffee Cookies, Holiday Orange Nut Bread and Double Dip Chocolate Slices. Bakers also are encouraged to visit www.landolakes.com, where recipes can be downloaded and questions can be asked via e-mail

with a response from a home economist.

Here are more suggestions the Bakeline experts would like to share for creating delicious baked goods:

■ Both salted and unsalted butter can be used interchangeably when baking. It's not necessary to add salt to the recipe when using unsalted butter.

■ Butter absorbs odors easily. To ensure that odors do not transfer from the refrigerator to butter, wrap butter in an airtight food bag and store it in a separate compartment in the refrigerator away from odorous foods like garlic.

■ For cookie baking success, butter must be softened, yet slightly firm. To soften quickly, remove from refrigerator and pound wrapped butter stick several times on each side with a rolling pin.

■ If butter becomes too soft, dough will be too soft and cookies will spread. If dough is too soft, refrigerate for about 30 minutes to 1 hour.

■ Always preheat oven 10- to 15-minutes before baking. (See, **BAKE**, Page 17)

'Nutcracker'



(Special photo)

Appearing in Pampa Civic Ballet's Christmas presentation of "The Nutcracker" will be (left-right) Danielle Wall, Jordan Dodge, Claire-Elizabeth Boyd (Clara), Emilie Troxell and Ashley Wheeler. This year's performance will begin at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 2, in M.K. Brown Auditorium and is under the direction of Jeanne Willingham.

Henson elected to Area Agency On Aging Council

Teresa Henson, director of Business Operations for Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, was recently elected to the Area Agency On Aging Advisory Council for the second time. She will serve a three-year term.

The Council convenes quarterly in Amarillo to make recommendations to the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission Board of Directors.

Henson has been with Shepard's Nursing for 12 years and is currently a member of Shepard's Advisory Board.

Formerly president of Pampa Lions Club, Henson is presently zone chairman for 2T-1. She has also served as president of Shepard's Helping Hands and volunteers with Meals on Wheels.



Teresa Henson

Federal Consumer Protection has confirmed the accuracy of the fuel saving theories in this advertisement.

Device May Increase Gas Mileage Significantly

BOSTON - After studying the Platinum Gas Saver for five years, Federal Consumer Protection concluded: "Independent testing shows greater fuel savings with the device than that claimed by the developer (National Fuelsaver Corporation of Boston)."

With a simple connection to a vacuum line, the Gas Saver adds microscopic quantities of platinum to the air-fuel mixture entering your engine.

Platinum was chosen for the Gas Saver for the same reason that it was chosen for the catalytic converter. Platinum has the unique ability to make non-burning fuel burn.

Since the average gasoline engine burns only 68% of each gallon that you pump into it, and since the unburnt fuel leaving an engine is pollution, the platinum of the catalytic converter burns the 32% of your fuel that did not burn in the engine.

Unfortunately, the converter's platinum burns this gasoline in the tail pipe, where the heat and energy produced from burning this fuel cannot be harnessed to drive your vehicle.

But by adding platinum to the air-fuel mixture, the Gas Saver enables most of this fuel to burn while it is still inside the engine, converting potential pollution

into more miles per gallon.

In addition to this government study, the Gas Saver has received patents for cleaning out the carbon deposits and raising octane, making premium fuel unnecessary for most vehicles. Joel Robinson, the developer, commented: "We have sold over 400,000 Gas Savers. To our surprise, as many people buy the Gas Saver because it extends engine life (by cleaning out the abrasive carbon deposits) as buy it to increase gas mileage or raise octane."

For further information call: 1-800-537-7427 or 1-617-244-1210

Government Produced Test Data

The government studied fuel saving test data on vehicles made by several auto makers using the Gas Saver. This is the data they produced from a fleet of 15 identical 5-liter vehicles.

Vehicle Number	Miles/gal. without Gas Saver	Miles/gal. with Gas Saver	Percentage Increase
1	12.0	17.8	48.3%
2	11.3	16.6	46.9%
3	14.1	20.7	46.8%
4	13.0	18.8	44.6%
5	12.2	17.1	40.2%
6	9.6	13.3	38.5%
7	13.3	17.9	34.6%
8	9.8	13.1	33.7%
9	14.3	18.4	28.7%
10	10.8	13.9	28.7%
11	14.1	17.6	24.8%
12	15.8	17.5	10.8%
13	14.4	15.9	10.4%
14	13.1	14.0	6.9%
15	12.9	11.3	-12.4%
Average	12.7	16.3	28.3%

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Friend's Boogie on the Beach Raises Couple's Suspicions

DEAR ABBY: My wife and I have just returned from a week-long vacation at an ocean resort. Another couple, "Al and Gloria," went with us. We booked separate rooms, and for the most part enjoyed each other's company. However, I observed one thing that disturbed me.

As I sat on the balcony one night waiting for my wife to dress for dinner, I saw Gloria walking on the beach. I watched as she picked up a child's boogie board that was lying at the edge of the surf.

When we were loading the trunk of the rental car to go home, she attempted to conceal the boogie board with their luggage.

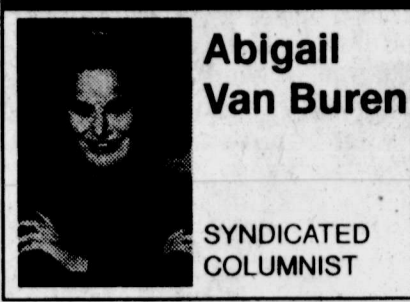
My wife and I were astonished at Gloria's behavior. We didn't know whether or not we should confront her. On the trip home, I made some jokes about surfing, but I don't think she got the hint.

Abby, should we keep quiet and preserve our friendship, or ask her why she stole a child's toy?

PERPLEXED
IN NEW CASTLE, DEL.

DEAR PERPLEXED: Much depends upon how close your friendship is with "Al and Gloria." If you feel the friendship is worth preserving, ask Gloria why she concealed the boogie board instead of turning it in to lost-and-found at the hotel. It's possible she thought the board had been abandoned.

If you're not close and do not



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

wish to risk a confrontation, perhaps the time has come to distance yourselves.

DEAR ABBY: I am writing in response to "Sherri in Cincinnati," who wrote that as a lonely teenager she was welcomed into her best friend's family. I agree with your answer, Abby — sometimes it does "take a village" to raise a child.

I left my husband when my son, "Kenny," was 2. I had to work, and Kenny was raised by a "village." My mother, grandmother, father, brother, sister and friends all took the time to play an important part in his life. When I married my current husband, my in-laws never missed a beat — they immediately became a part of my son's "village," too.

I am proud to say Kenny, now 13, is an incredible person — an honor student, athletic, musically talented and popular among his peers. I frequently receive compliments from teachers and other parents about how polite, kind, respectful and well-mannered he is. When

I hear those words, I tell them I wish I could take all the credit, but my son is a "village" child.

Some of Kenny's teen-age friends have troubled lives, and we open our door to them. They spend nights here; we do laundry, cook meals, I help with their homework and display their photos. Some have even accompanied us on family vacations. They feel free to discuss any topic that comes to mind. When our relatives visit, we do not exclude Kenny's friends — we simply expand our "village."

Abby, I would like to thank all of these wonderful souls who took an interest in my son. I never could have done it without them.

LISA IN ILLINOIS

DEAR LISA: There is nothing as important in the life of a young person as the involvement of caring adults. Your son seems to have incorporated the talents and finest qualities of everyone with whom he has had contact. Strong role models and unconditional love can heal even the most emotionally impoverished person — and that goes for adults, too.

For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61064-0447. (Postage is included.)

*** You reverse your position until you carefully think through a decision. Information blindsides you. Regroup and work with others. Work drags you down, but don't let it get to you. Remember why you work and what you want to achieve. Don't back off. Tonight: Browse through a favorite store.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Deal with your finances head-on. Your instincts lead you in another direction. Take charge at work. Recognize that you might need to depend on others for ideas, as you could be in an off cycle. When unexpected developments occur, use your instincts and you'll land on your feet. Tonight: Go over your holiday list.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) *** Your personality melts others and allows for more creativity and ingenuity. Your sense of humor emerges in a difficult situation. Let others into the window of your mind. Sharing perspectives helps. Make calls and reach out for opinions. Stay focused. Tonight: What you want happens.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) *** You might not want to spill the beans. Listen to another carefully during a discussion. You might have a difficult time hearing someone. Work on a better relationship with a partner who might be quite testy. Establish what is going on. Don't allow your mind to sabotage you. Tonight: Slow down.

BORN TODAY
Actor/director Woody Allen (1935), comedian Richard Pryor (1940), golfer Lee Trevino (1939)

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) *** Build, rather than pulling down. Another feels as if he is being squeezed out. Eye solutions and positive interactions. Use your finances to increase your security or your family's well-being. You get unexpected reactions where you least expect. Scrap a bad idea. Tonight: Order in.

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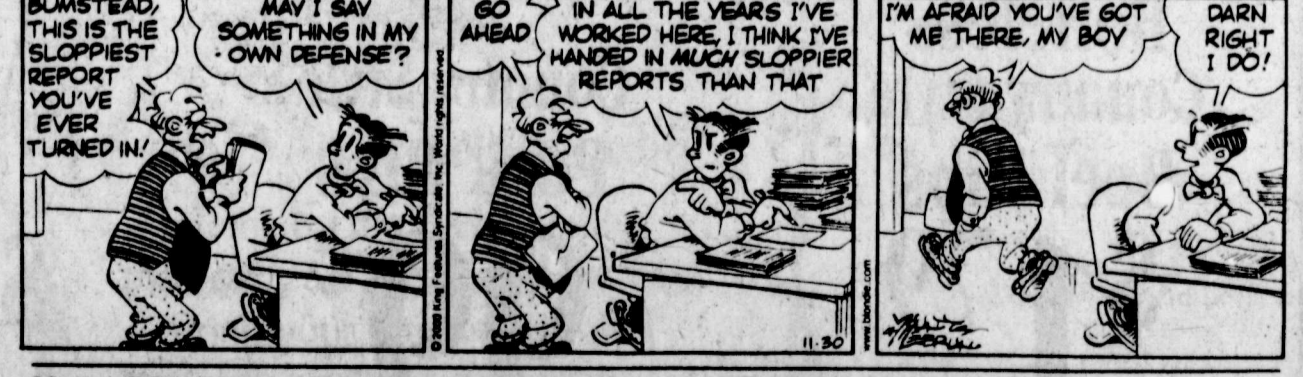
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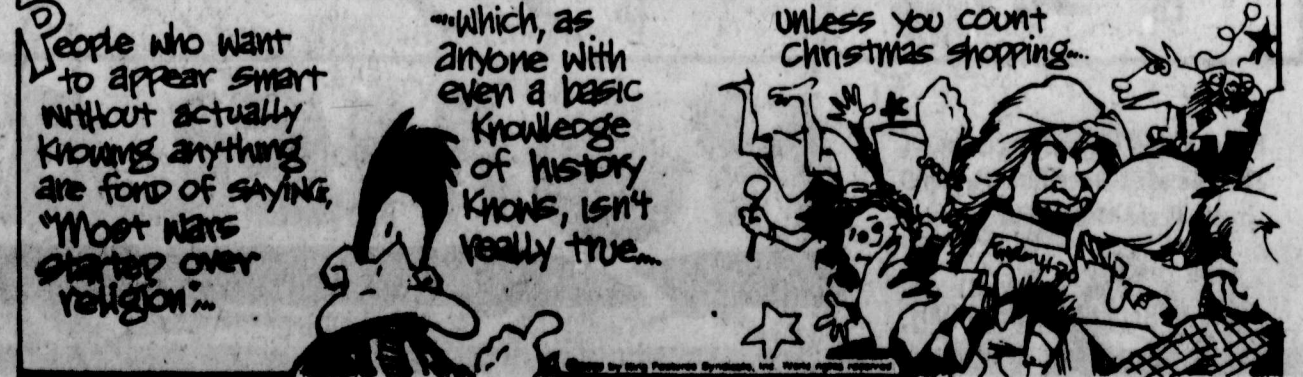
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Horoscope

FRIDAY, DEC. 1, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ***** Insecurity and upsets mark finances and dealings with others. Investigate possibilities. An associate's high energy level helps you seek answers that will bring results. Aim for what you want. Others will act unpredictably. Tonight: Where your friends are.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ***** You could be tired. Take a long lunch hour to revitalize yourself. Don't allow negativity to affect your work or relationships. Surprises pop up in the work sector. An associate teams up with you, seeking solutions. Tonight: Work late.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ***** Extend yourself. Reach out for someone at a distance who has the expertise and knowledge that you seek. Clarify and respond to another's comments rather than taking them personally. Let creativity mix with good humor. Work with surprises. Tonight: Try a new spot.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ***** Work closely with an associate. A project benefits from different points of view. You might need to spend more than you want, if you zero in on the

Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS DOWN

- 1 Protractor's measure
- 6 Grazing spot
- 11 Cook's mushroom-room
- 12 Delhi tongue
- 13 Perfect
- 14 True
- 15 Menlo Park genius
- 17 Feather on TV
- 19 Dr. Ruth topic
- 20 Gangster's gun
- 23 Choice
- 25 Prod
- 26 Site for elopers
- 28 Hamm and Farrow
- 29 Natural gift
- 30 Capp and Capone
- 31 Dickens nickname
- 32 Ultimate
- 33 Peaceful
- 35 Sister's wear
- 38 Save
- 41 On the dot
- 42 Deceive
- 43 Chipper
- 44 Town bigwig



Yesterday's answer

SPILT BEES
HANOI MALLE
ARKIN ERICA
DOWN IGETTIT
OLE ART EDS
WELLSAID
SLAT LIMP
PAD ROY TAR
ELICIT LUNA
LOGOS SERIFA
THINK IDEAST
SANE NAISTY

20 Jealous
21 Actor's rep
22 Decimal part
24 "Not Unusual"
25 Web address
27 African runner
31 Veronica's rival
33 Under the weather
34 Carpentry need
35 Like jazz cats
36 Firefighting tool
37 Saloon
39 Mineral suffix
40 Negative link

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Odds and ends ...

Man returns \$48,000 in cash to Wells Fargo

SEATTLE (AP) — It took four days, but a man who found \$48,000 cash on the freeway has returned the money to its rightful owner.

"We are very pleased with his honesty," Lee Richardson, general manager of Loomis-Wells Fargo, said.

During rush hour Wednesday, \$65,000 spilled from a Loomis-Wells Fargo truck, with cash covering three northbound lanes of Interstate 5.

Only a few hundred dollars had trickled in by Saturday, Richardson said. But Sunday, a man coughed up \$48,000 of the missing dough.

Why did it take so long? "When people have that much money in cash in their possession, they tend to like to look at it for a little while," Richardson said.

The man, whose identity was not disclosed, will get 10 percent — or \$4,800 — for beating a 7 p.m. Monday deadline to return stray cash.

Now, those holding any share of the \$17,000 still outstanding face arrest by police, who said cash scavengers — and their license plates — were captured on video tape and will be tracked.

Avacado-growing town attempts record

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Break out the tortilla chips — and lots of 'em.

In an attempt to enter the Guinness Book of Records, spoon-wielding residents of an avocado-growing town in central Michoacan on Monday whipped up 1,930 pounds of guacamole.

A record of 1,810 pounds was set last year in Australia.

Uruapan plans to send the Guinness foundation a videotape and witness testimony of the process in hopes of capturing the new title.

Their effort constituted 60 people applying five hours of muscle power to 2,840 pounds of avocado pulp, 240 pounds of onion, 250 pounds of tomato, 33 pounds of chili pepper, 33 pounds of cilantro, 13 gallons of lime juice and 15 pounds of salt.

Mayor Rafael Elvira Quesada claims his town's guacamole outranks the dip made by the reigning champs of Queensland, Australia, both in quantity and quality. The difference, he says, is that his townspeople used chile peppers, a Mexican mainstay, and better avocados.

It's better late than never...

JACKSONVILLE, Texas (AP)— It's better late than never for the offering plate at one East Texas church.

Workers at a Jacksonville trucking company, prying a jammed drawer in a filing cabinet two weeks ago, discovered a bag containing \$309 in cash and checks wedged behind another drawer. The checks had been made out to New Harmony Baptist Church in 1977.

"I was excited to find money

that was so old," said Kathy Rimmer of Wayne Hammons Trucking.

Wayne Hammons' company had used the filing cabinet daily for a dozen years since buying it at auction. Church officials don't

remember selling the cabinet and can't figure out how the money got stuck.

When workers contacted the church, they learned the money had been earmarked for New Harmony's building fund 23 years

earlier. They returned the money to the church's pastor.

"There was no question in my mind about keeping the money," Hammons said. "It is the church's money and I'm sure not going to take God's money."

'Nutcracker'



(Special photo)

Pampa Civic Ballet will present "The Nutcracker" at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 2, at M.K. Brown Auditorium. The annual production will be under the direction of Jeanne Willingham. The guest artists for this year are Cornel Crabtree and Dana Lewis and the soloist is Deanna McGill. Above: Royal Pages Carrie Angel and Jordan Dodge.



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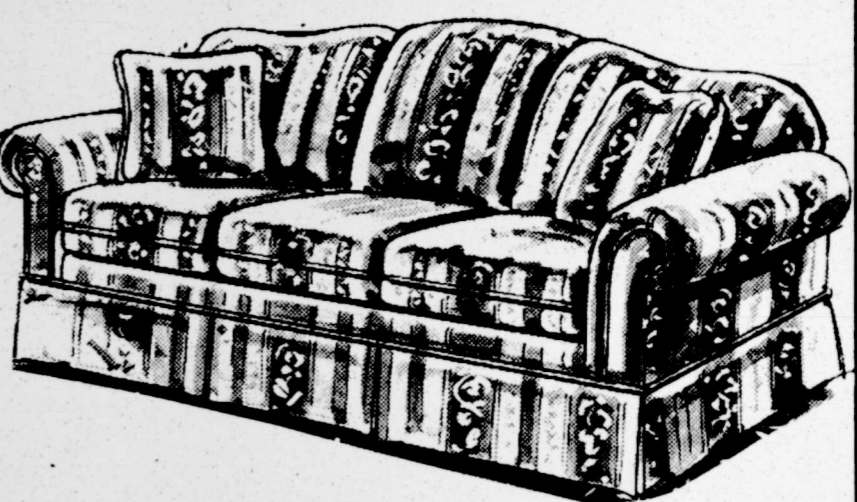
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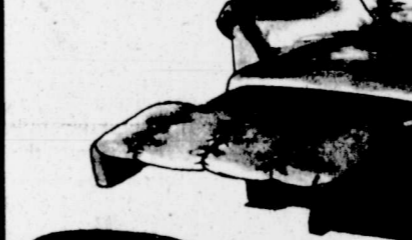
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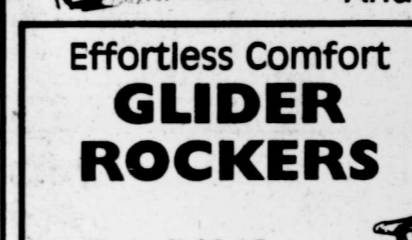


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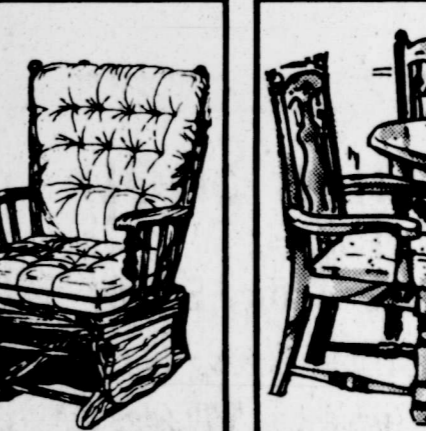


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