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PEDC concentrates on agriculture

By NANCY YOUNG
Managing Editor

Pampa Economic Development Board members voted Monday evening to participate in several trade shows across the country to interest business firms in locating businesses in Pampa.

Interested in strengthening

and expanding the local economy, the board will be concentrating on recruiting firms to the area which are involved in agriculture, food technology and food processing.

PEDC Manager Susan Tripplehorn recommended to board members the local group attend the Tulare Farm Show in California in February, the

International Food Technological Show in Dallas and the Telecommunication show in Atlanta in June, the National Association Corporation of Real Estate Executives in September and the International Exposition for food processors Show in November in Chicago.

Tripplehorn told the group that she felt the California show

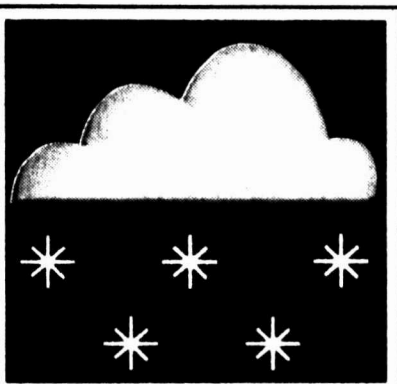
would be very worthwhile as 200 dairies have been annexed in the Bakersfield area. She also said the farm show would be extraordinarily large.

She told the group she felt the local economic development group would benefit by concentrating on the trade shows which provided numerous leads in the three areas the Pampa economic

group would be seeking to relocate in the local area.

Representatives of the Sears group of a Methodist retirement home group recently conducted a study in Pampa regarding the advisability of building a small retirement complex locally.

Tripplehorn said the representatives told her a large number of (See PEDC, Page 2)



High today, 40 degrees.
Low tonight, 20 degrees.
For weather details, see Page 2.

PAMPA -- Clean Pampa will have their annual Chipping of the Greens Saturday, Jan. 15, at the Warner-Horton Parking lot, 900 Duncan.

Used Christmas trees will be run through a chipper and turned into mulch.

PANHANDLE -- Pantex Plant, the nation's nuclear weapons assembly plant in Carson County, will be closed from Dec. 24, through Jan. 2.

Officials said today that their Y2K project team, however, will be at the plant New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

PAMPA -- The Pampa landfill will be closed Dec. 24 and 25 for the Christmas holidays.

Trash collection routes will not be run on Thursday or Friday.

Trash collection will return to its normal schedule beginning Monday.

PAMPA -- The Zion Lutheran Church will have a Christmas Eve candlelight service at 7 p.m. Friday and worship service at 9 a.m. Saturday, Christmas Day.

PAMPA -- The Calvary Baptist Church will have a candlelight and Advent service at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.

PAMPA -- The Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ will have a free Christmas dinner from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Christmas Day.

- Gladys Andrews, 91, former Canadian resident.
- Thomas Richard Holman, 73, long time McLean resident.

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Enjoy a safe and happy holiday season

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A White Christmas may just be a dream



Four-year-old Caitlin Pounds, visiting her grandparents Gerald and Janice Strate of Pampa, was one of the few to brave the 20-degree weather this morning to enjoy the overnight snowfall. Despite her best efforts, however, she had difficulty finding enough of the cold white moisture to make a decent snowball, let alone a snowman. The forecast calls for more light snow tonight with clearing and warming conditions precluding a White Christmas this year.

Pampa prison officials tighten down in wake of South Texas jail break

Rufe Jordan Unit is tightening security after a prison riot at in Beeville, near San Antonio.

Glen Castlebury of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice said 83 inmates were involved in the McConnell riot. The inmates manipulated their cell doors and got out about 3 a.m. Monday. Riot teams moved in about 5

a.m. Monday with tear gas and batons, Castlebury said.

"By 7 a.m. we were advised we had total control of the cell block," Larry Todd, spokesman for the Texas Department of Corrections, said. "The unit is now under lock down, and we are assessing the cause and amount of damage."

Two officers were treated for minor injuries.

"It could certainly happen here," Ray Castro, warden of Pampa's Rufe Jordan Unit, said. "It could happen at any of our units. Whenever we have a problem at a unit, we all look at our own units."

"We're looking at what we're

doing here. We're checking all of our security."

Castro said that inmate disturbances are most likely to happen at times of mass movement, like the 3 a.m. breakfast feeding, or the 3 p.m. supper feeding.

"We're having our officers look for trouble signs like (See PRISON, Page 2)

Gray County treasurer honored by association

Gray County Treasurer Scott B. Hahn was recently honored for five years' continuing certification as a County Investment Officer. Hahn is one of 15 other CIO's from the Class of 1994 of 1994 who were honored at a special awards dinner sponsored by the Texas Association of Counties.

The CIO designation is a professional credential earned by county officials who complete a course of concentrated study and pass a thorough examination of investment skills. The program's aim is to train county financial officers, including treasurers, auditors, CPA's, and others, in the most modern techniques to maintain and invest public accounts. CIO's work in compliance with government accounting standards and the Public Funds Investment Act.

"Certified CIO's are a distinguished group of county officials, and these 15 who have maintained their credentials over the past five years have demonstrated a true commitment to taxpayers

Chisum named to rural House committee

State Representative Warren Chisum has been appointed to a newly created committee in the legislature, the Select Committee on Rural Development.

Speaker of the House Pete Laney, D-Hale Center, said although the next session of the legislature is more than a year away, much of the work will go into the committee now.

Effects of urban sprawl on rural areas whose primary economy is agriculture is one issue facing the rural areas as well as declining population in the areas due to economic conditions.

The declining value in oil and gas properties in rural areas is also facing rural Texans.

Chisum is a Pampa resident.

Quite frankly... Are you ready for Christmas?



"Not quite. I'm just waiting for my older sister and dad to get here for Christmas."
—Donnie Wilson



"Almost. I'm waiting on my dad to get here so we can open our presents."
—Robbie Wilson



"Yes. I've got all my shopping done and just need to wrap a few presents."
—Sherry Davis



"Yes. I am now. I just finished my shopping today."
—Renee Alexander Tyler



"Yes. We're just waiting for Christmas to get here."
—Irma Silva

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Services tomorrow

ANDREWS, Gladys Andrews — 2 p.m., First Christian Church, Canadian.
HOLMAN, Thomas Richard — Graveside services, 1 p.m., Citizens Cemetery, Clarendon.

Obituaries

GLADYS ANDREWS
CANADIAN — Gladys Andrews, 91, died Friday, Dec. 17, 1999, at Long Beach, Calif. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in First Christian Church with Roger Smelser, senior minister, officiating. Burial will be in Edith Ford Memorial Cemetery under the direction of Stickley-Hill Funeral Directors of Canadian.

Mrs. Andrews was born in Strickler County, Ark. She married William Brice Andrews in 1926 at Strickler; he died in 1970. She resided at Gem City after her marriage, returning to Strickler in 1937 and relocating to Hemphill County in 1941.

For 35 years, she worked as a finisher for Canadian Laundry. She belonged to First Christian Church, Rebekah's Lodge and 50-Plus Club. She moved to Indiana in 1997 and was active in Riverview Day Care Center in Elkhart.

She attended Nazarene church. She was preceded in death by two daughters, Mary Alice and Velma.

Survivors include five daughters, Faye Lindsey of Griffith, Ind., Frances Carpenter of Munster, Ind., Carolyn Hall of Seal Beach, Calif., Glenda Hilton of Middlebury, Ind., and Betty Kleinschmidt of San Antonio; a sister, Vera Carter of Prairie Grove, Ark.; a brother, Clayton Pierson of Tulsa; 10 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

LARRY ORVILLE HEISKELL

Larry Orville Heiskell, 58, of Pampa, died Sunday, Dec. 19, 1999. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Miami Cemetery at Miami with the Rev. Paul Nachtigall, pastor of Highland Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Carmichael-Whitely Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Heiskell was born July 30, 1941, at Pampa and had been a lifelong Pampa resident. He married Sherri Lambert on Nov. 9, 1985, in Dallas. He worked in construction and belonged to Highland Baptist Church.

He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving in Germany during peacetime.

Survivors include his wife, Sherri, of the home; a daughter, Ashley Dawn Heiskell of Pampa; four sons, Kevin Lynn Heiskell of Canyon, Keith Heiskell of Pringle, Michael Matthew Heiskell of Pampa and Wesley Heiskell of Germany; his parents, Harmon and Elizabeth Heiskell; a sister, Vicki Ruth Heiskell of Arlington; a brother, Teddy Lynn Heiskell of Pampa; and three grandchildren. The family will be at 1717 Duncan and requests memorials be to American Diabetes Association, P.O. Box 50433, Amarillo, TX 79159.

THOMAS RICHARD HOLMAN

McLEAN — Thomas Richard Holman, 73, died Sunday, Dec. 19, 1999. Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Citizens Cemetery at Clarendon with the Rev. Thacker Haynes, pastor of First United Methodist Church of McLean, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors, Inc., of Clarendon.

Mr. Holman was born Feb. 16, 1926, at Kellerville and had been a McLean resident most of his life. He married Lillie Mae Taylor Pavlicek on Dec. 23, 1963, at Fresno, Calif. He was a locksmith, truck driver and pipeline technician for much of his life, retiring in 1993.

He was a Methodist and belonged to Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was also a Ham Radio Operator, KB5QIE.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Lillie Mae, of McLean; a daughter, Colleen Wooldridge of McLean; three sisters, Barbara Gates of Cassville, Mo., and Linda White and Norma Ashley, both of Rogers, Ark.; a brother, Charles Holman of Fresno; two grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

Police report

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

Monday, Dec. 20

A burglary was reported at the 1700 block of Dogwood Lane.

Sheriff's Office

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

Monday, Dec. 20

Debra K. Gerik, 46, 817 Locust, was arrested on the charge of improper use of a dealer tag.

Jared Douglas Pyle, 21, 640 Roberta, was arrested on the charge of driving while intoxicated.

Patrick Martinez, 21, Amarillo, was arrested on charges of public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Ambulance

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

Monday, Dec. 20

2:31 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of Christy and transported one to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

4:38 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Northwest Texas Hospital and transported one to a local nursing home.

9:20 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 100 block of South Russell; no transport.

Tuesday, Dec. 21

1:35 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of West Randy Matson and transported one to PRMC.

3:22 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to N.W.T.H.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa.		Coca-Cola.....58 15/16 dn 159/256	
Wheat.....	2.02	Columbia/HCA.....	28 1/16 up 112/56
Milo.....	2.65	Enron.....	40 1/8dn 159/256
Com.....	3.09	Halliburton.....	36 1/4 up 156/4
Soybeans.....	3.82	IRI.....	3 1/4 up 1/8
		KMI.....	20 1/8 up 3/8
		Kerr McGee.....	59 up 7/16
		Limited.....	41 3/8 dn 7/16
		McDonald's.....	41 13/16 dn 31/64
		Mobil.....	104 5/16 up 13/16
		New Atmos.....	21 NC
		NCE.....	30 3/4 NC
		Penney's.....	18 dn 1/16
		Phillips.....	45 3/4 dn 1/2
		Pioneer Nat.....	8 5/16 dn 5/16
		SLB.....	55 11/16 up 11/32
		Tenneco.....	8 1/2 up 1/8
		Texasco.....	53 13/16dn 137/256
		Ultranar.....	21 13/16 dn 1/2
		Wal-Mart.....	65 3/16 up 29/32
		Williams.....	28 5/8 dn 9/32
		New York Gold.....	284.15
		Silver.....	5.20
		West Texas Crude.....	26.43

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

Amoco.....	60 5/8	dn 1/8
Arco.....	84 7/16dn	109/256
Cabot.....	19 7/8	up 3/16
Cabot O&G.....	15 1/8	dn 1/16
Chevron.....	85 15/16	dn 13/64

Four children killed, parents injured in suburban townhouse fire near Fort Worth

BENBROOK, Texas (AP) — Four children were killed and their parents were injured when fire swept through their two-story townhouse apartment in a southwest Fort Worth suburb today.

The children were ages 6, 5, 4 and 1.

Witnesses said their mother and father had their children in their arms and prepared to jump from a second-story window when the children broke free and ran back into the burning, smoky apartment.

"Both (parents) were at the top floor window trying to get out of their apartment," neighbor Derrick Long told KXAS-TV. "When the mother jumped, the child broke loose from her arms and went back into the apartment. The same thing happened with the father. When he tried to get out of the window, the child was scared, broke from his arms and went back into the apartment."

The parents were airlifted to Parkland hospital in Dallas for treatment of respiratory problems. The father also is being

treated for severe cuts and gashes.

No identities or details of the fire were available this morning, officials said.

The fire struck about 8:30 a.m., said Fort Worth fire Lt. Kent Worley. The Fort Worth Fire Department helps Benbrook firefighters.

The father tried to rescue his children but was driven back by smoke and flames and had to leap from the second floor to safety, officials said.

"Their chance for survival was already nil," Worley said.

O'Keeffe watercolors ruled inauthentic

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A panel of art experts has concluded that a group of watercolors attributed to Georgia O'Keeffe that sold for \$5.5 million is not the work of the world-famous painter.

Experts from the National Gallery of Art in Washington deemed the collection inauthentic because the age of the paper on which the works were painted wasn't consistent with the dates attributed to the art.

The panel also concluded that the types of paper used in the vivid, abstract images known as the "Canyon Suite" were different from those normally used by O'Keeffe, who died in 1986.

The Canyon Suite exhibit at the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art featured 28 watercolors in all. Four, valued at \$500,000, were a gift to the museum from New York art dealer Gerald Peters. The other 24 had been sold by Peters to the museum's founder, R. Crosby Kemper Jr., for \$5.5 million.

Doubts about the works' authenticity have swirled since early November, when it became known that they were among 210 works omitted from a new catalog of the artist's complete works.

Kemper Museum director Dan Keegan said Monday that the museum had accepted the experts' findings.

"It's not the outcome we would have hoped for," he said, "but one we were prepared for, after having done our own research."

When Kemper bought the works from Peters, he was told that they were created by O'Keeffe from 1916 to 1918, while she was living in Canyon, Texas.

The works went missing until the late 1980s. After resurfacing, they withstood scrutiny by leading O'Keeffe scholars and were declared a "national treasure" by directors of the National Gallery.

When questions about the watercolors recently surfaced, Peters promised he would buy them back. He could not be reached for comment Monday,

the Kansas City Star reported today.

"We are expecting a full refund," Keegan said. Keegan said that the "\$5 million question" now is whether the watercolors were deliberately forged or were mistakenly attributed to the artist.

The announcement raised questions about a traveling O'Keeffe exhibit now on display at the Dallas Museum of Art. However, officials at the Dallas museum said the paintings on display there are unquestionably authentic.

"Each of the more than 50 wonderful works of art is unquestionably the authentic work of Georgia O'Keeffe," said museum director John R. Lane.

The director said the paintings come from the Phillips Collection in Washington, D.C.; various private exhibits and the Dallas museum's own collection. He also said the works were displayed previously at the Georgia O'Keeffe Museum in Taos, N.M.

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responders of the older population prefer to stay in their own homes. She said she hopes the surveyors conducting the survey during the second focus group would include more of the older population who are widows living alone and no longer are willing or able to do the needed maintenance on homes.

She said the group is considering building a 10-unit facility with plans to add an assisted living center at a later date. She said the excellent local medical facilities are an excellent drawing card for the area. The report is scheduled to be ready in February.

Board members also voted to join the Texas Economic Development Sales Tax Association. Tripplehorn said drastic changes in the allocation of sales tax are expected in the next legislative session, and she said the organization will help protect the cities. Annual dues are \$500.

PEDC will not be renewing their membership in the Texas Marketing Team organization at the recommendation of Tripplehorn. She said the organization does not benefit smaller cities such as Pampa and she did not feel the PEDC needed to spend the \$2,000 required membership.

Tripplehorn also reported on a

quarterly meeting of Highground in Plainview. She said the general consensus of the meeting was to move into the technology field.

Gene Thompson, local attorney, met with board members behind closed doors for a 30 minute executive session regarding legal and personnel issues. No action was taken.

Another executive session was held to deliberate economic development matters. Board members reported to action taken.

Local CPA Doug Ware of Brown Graham & Company gave the 1998-99 audit report. The economic development has over \$2 million in assets.

PRISON

increased defiance from the inmates, or changes in the general noise level," Castro said.

"We're also pat-searching more."

Castro said the McConnell Unit at Beeville has more dangerous inmates than Pampa.

"You got a lot of real bad characters there," he said.

Authorities are still looking into the McConnell Unit riot and have not made a determination yet, Castro said.

"We just hope we're doing all we can do," Castro said.

McCain's one-week haul: \$1 million

WASHINGTON (AP) — While continuing to trail Texas Gov. George W. Bush in the race for campaign cash, Sen. John McCain raised more than \$1 million last week, his biggest fund-raising success to date.

By the end of the year, McCain will have raised around \$13 million — almost double his fund raising during the first nine months of the year. He also has transferred \$2 million from his Senate campaign and expects more than \$5 million in federal matching funds, bringing his total amount to more than \$20 million.

McCain raised the \$1 million — his largest weekly haul to date —

through fund-raisers in Virginia and South Carolina, through direct mail, and through the Internet. More than 8,000 people gave during the week and the average contribution was \$121.70.

The Arizona Republican's fund-raising prowess mirrors his rise in opinion polls. Several recent surveys in the first primary state of New Hampshire show him even or ahead with Bush.

"Our successful fund-raising week shows that as more and more people get to know John McCain, not only do our national poll numbers rise but so does our financial support," finance chairman Herb Allison said.

Bush has raised more than \$63 million, a record haul for a presidential campaign, and leads McCain in national polls. He is not accepting federal matching funds for the primary.

But McCain is hoping to use a strong showing in New Hampshire to boost his campaign and his fund raising.

"The Internet has provided an important outlet for us," spokesman Howard Opinsky said. "Because of the speed in which you can process contributions online, it will help us to be able to turn a bounce out of New Hampshire into strong fund raising that we can use later."

Florida lawyer runs TV ad that alleges Bush had alcohol, cocaine problem

MANCHESTER, N.H. (AP) — A Florida lawyer who is running for president is airing a political advertisement on New Hampshire's biggest television news station, alleging Texas Gov. George W. Bush suffered from alcohol abuse and had a cocaine problem.

Andy Martin, a West Palm Beach lawyer and perennial candidate for various political offices, is running the ad on WMUR-TV, an ABC affiliate that has aired presidential debates.

The Bush campaign said it had not asked WMUR to stop running the ad. Spokesman Ari

Fleischer said WMUR would have to decide that on its own.

"It's part of the unfortunate nonsense that can come with political campaigns," Fleischer said. "These things are as mean-spirited as they are inaccurate."

WMUR spokeswoman Julie Campasano, who handles media inquiries about the station's advertising policies, said the station never considered withholding the ad.

"It wasn't even an issue. The law is the law," she said today.

"The FCC says clearly, a legally qualified candidate can say whatever they want to say in

their message, and we as a station have no authority, permission or right to censor or otherwise edit any of the spots."

A Federal Communications Commission official said today the station had no choice but to accept the ad.

"Even if the stations being given this ad know for a certainty this information is false, because of the 'no censorship' provision in the equal time law, they have no choice but to run it," said Bobby Baker, the commission's chief of political programming.

City Briefs

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

BABY'S 1ST Christmas, see the little angels in the Pampa News on Christmas Eve!!

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CHRISTMAS CLEARANCE Sale, all artificial trees, wreaths, garland, ornaments & decorations, all 1/2 price, excludes poisonous ornaments, starts Wed. 10 a.m. at Celebrations & Watson's Garden Center.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Area fog and low clouds today will give way to a 20 percent chance of light snow early tonight from cloudy skies.

The high today under mostly cloudy skies should be about 40 degrees with southerly winds from five to 15 mph.

It will be cloudy tonight with a low of 20 degrees.

The high Wednesday should be in the lower 30s as winds shift from the south to the north.

The low Wednesday night will be between 15 and 20 degrees. Warmer weather returns Thursday with partly sunny skies and a high of 50 degrees.

Friday, Christmas Eve, could see a high of 60 degrees. Christmas Day, Saturday,

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should bring a high of about 55 degrees.

The high Monday was 30 degrees. The overnight low was 16.

STATEWIDE — An arctic blast brought cold temperatures, some snow and cloudy skies to the state this morning.

Sleet mixed with snow was falling over North Texas around 4 a.m., but no accumulation was reported. Temperatures ranged from the upper 20s west to upper 30s east.

Highs across North Texas will be in the 40s with mostly cloudy skies.

Temperatures across West Texas ranged from 18 degrees at Amarillo to 37 at Dryden.

Up to 1 inch of snow accumulated around the Amarillo area extending south to Lubbock. A

dense fog advisory is in effect until mid-morning for the western half of the South Plains.

Lows tonight will fall in the teens over the Panhandle and mountains and will remain in the 20s and 30s elsewhere.

In south and southeast Texas temperatures were mostly in the 30s and 40s. But gusty northerly winds added to the chill.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from 47 degrees at Galveston to 33 degrees at Junction.

Drizzle and showers will end as the day wears on, but the winds will continue. Daytime highs will be mostly in the 40s this afternoon except for some 50s over the deep south. Overnight lows will range mostly from the 20s and 30s inland to the 40s near the coast.

Tree of Kindness



(Special photo)

The students and staff of Travis Elementary School organized several acts of kindness this holiday season as part of its Keystone Curriculum. Above: (front row) Danielle Wall, Shawna Salazar, Chelsie Miller, Kelli Martin, Adam Anguiano, (back row) Tyler Alexander and Mikala Furgason. The students are standing with the Tree of Kindness in the background.

Drilling Intentions

Intentions to Drill
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & S.W. CANADIAN Upper Morrow) Crescendo Resources, L.P., #16 Charles E. Brown, et al 'D' 221, 660' from North & West line, Sec. 221, C.G.&MMB&A, PD 12300'.
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Douglas) Bracken Operating L.L.C., #1-49 Donaldson 850' from South & 2100' from East line, Sec. 49, A-1, H&GN, PD 8300'.
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & HEMPHILL Douglas) Courson Oil & Gas, Inc., #1-14 Flowers, 1410' from South & 825' from West line, Sec. 14, H&TC, PD 8200'.
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., Herring 'A' (3011.5 ac) E. Almaguie Survey, 4 mi west from Stinnett, PD 3500' (7120 I-40 West, Suite 200, Amarillo, TX 79106, sgd. Leonard Taylor 806 353-9837) for the following wells:
 #126, 4563' from South & 6270' from East Survey line.
 #127, 3903' from South & 5610' from East Survey line.
 #128, 6950' from North & 6561' from West Survey line.
 #129, 6947' from North & 6270' from East Survey line.

from East Survey line.
 #130, 6543' from South & 5610' from East Survey line.
 #131, 4563' from South & 4825' from East Survey line.
 #132, 4563' from South & 3630' from East Survey line.
 #133, 3903' from South & 2970' from East Survey line.
 #134, 2583' from South & 2970' from East Survey line.
 #135, 3243' from South & 2035' from East Survey line.
ROBERTS (WILDCAT & McMORDIE RANCH 9700') Mustang Fuel Corp., #2-9 McMordie, 467' from South & 517' from West line, Sec. 9, A-2, EL&RR, PD 9900'.
Applications to Plug Back
WHEELER (WILDCAT & MILLS RANCH Granite Wash K.C.) Chevron USA, Inc., #3 J.W. Young, 1326' from North & 1627' from East line, Sec. 20, L.J.M. Lindsay, PD 10150'.
Gas Well Completions
HEMPHILL (GEM-DANDY Douglas) Bracken Operating, L.L.C., #2048 Abraham, 467' from North & 2173' from East line, Sec. 48, H&TC, elev. 2595 kb, spud 10-10-99, drlg. compl 10-24-99, tested 11-17-99, potential 3200 MCF, rock pressure 1944, pay 7946-7964, TD 8100', PBD 8022', tops: Br. Dolo 4264, Penn Shale 5872, Penn Lime 6610, B/Heebner 7720, Up. Douglas Sand 7814, Lo. Douglas Sand 7947, 8 5/8" csg. 1481' (465 sx) 4 1/2" csg. 8100' (270 sx) 2 3/8" tbg. - depth set 7855', pkr set 7855' — API# 42 211 32372 - Form 1 in Questar Exploration & Production
HEMPHILL (GEM-DANDY Douglas) Crescendo Resources, L.P., #3047 Ada Whitener, 2350' from North & 467' from West line, Sec. 47, H&TC, elev. 2567 gr. spud 8-16-99, drlg. compl 8-26-99, tested 10-1-99, potential 1700 MCF, rock pressure 1867, pay 7804-7866, TD 8100' 2 3/8" tbg. - depth set 7944' — API# 42 211 32347
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 (See, DRILLING, Page 6)

Student of the Month

Jan Clark
 Clarendon College-Pampa Center Student of the Month: Jan Clark, December.
 Student's outstanding qualities: "Jan ... has returned to college with a serious attitude and an excellent work ethic. She's been the top student in my sociology class this semester and should do well throughout her college career. Such students are a pleasure to work with in the college classroom," faculty member Ken Wilson.
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Texas Editorials

Houston Chronicle on hope admission rule will spur K-12 improvement:

Texas' new law ensuring that every student who graduates in the top 10 percent of his or her class gets a place at the state college or university of their choice is apparently helping maintain a level of ethnic diversity on this state's flagship campuses. According to news reports, the mix of white and minority students is roughly equivalent to ratios on Texas college campuses before Hopwood, the court decision that made it illegal to consider race in student recruitment and retention efforts.

That is good news. What's more, because students whose grades and course work put them in the top 10th of the graduating class is automatically admitted to the Texas college of their choice, a good many more rural white students than before are able to go to the best state schools.

And because schools are no longer allowed to offer scholarships based on race, administrators have focused on providing monies to students from high schools "underrepresented" on their campuses. Those tend to be schools attended predominantly by black, Hispanic or poor white students, increasing access to financial aid to those students.

Unfortunately, there are plenty of Texas high schools in which students can work diligently for four years making perfect grades and still score poorly on the standardized tests typically relied on for college admission. That is why, in addition to the diversity that the state's top-10-percent rule confers on Texas college and university campuses, the best consequence of the rule would be a strengthening of the quality of education in some of Texas' weaker schools, from kindergarten through 12th grade.

Some complain that that the top-10 rule will dumb down Texas college standards. In fact, regardless of how a student is admitted, he or she must satisfactorily perform all tasks assigned or fail. So far, college professors are reporting that some top-10 students are struggling, but most are used to working hard and are determined to succeed. Besides, a percentage of students admitted through more traditional methods flunk out each semester, too.

Texas legislators are to be commended for finding a simple way to ensure that all this state's brightest students continue to have access to the best higher education Texas has to offer. The ongoing challenge in education is to make sure that a quality of an education does not depend on where a hardworking student attends school.

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Cars are a menace to society?

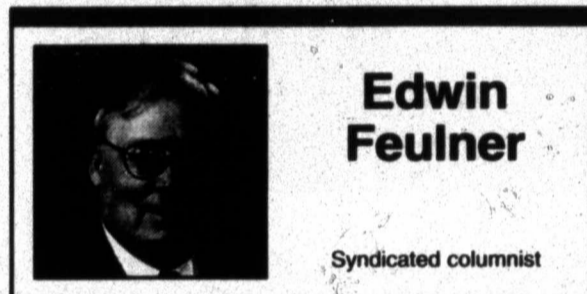
Suppose you give your neighbor \$1,000 and the next day he dumps his trash on your lawn. The day after that, he drops by and asks for more money. Would you give it to him?

Probably not. But the U.S. government is not so easily offended. Countries that regularly trash the United States at the United Nations receive billions in U.S. foreign aid. Year after year.

In a recent study, my Heritage Foundation colleague Brett Schaefer found that 75 percent of the countries that received U.S. aid in 1998 voted against the United States a majority of the time at the United Nations. Of the 10 largest recipients of U.S. aid (combined take: \$379 million), six voted against the United States more than half the time. Indeed, countries that receive no U.S. aid vote with the United States more often than those that aggressively rattle the tin cup.

All of which contradicts President Clinton's claim, echoing the foreign-policy establishment, that the United States needs to dispense large sums of money to succeed at foreign policy. How large? Well, in October the president vetoed a \$12.7 billion foreign-aid bill because it was \$2 billion short of what he wanted.

White House spokesman Joe Lockhart explained the veto this way: "The president believes strongly in the benefits of engaging



around the world, of the U.S. demonstrating its leadership." But giving money to countries is not leadership. At best, it's charity. At worst, it's bribery. In reality, it's stupidity. America's generosity certainly doesn't buy us friends around the world. It doesn't even buy us respect. Consider:

Egypt was the glad recipient of \$2.1 billion in U.S. foreign assistance last year, second only to Israel. Yet Egypt voted against the United States 68 percent of the time.

India pocketed \$144 million from the United States and voted against us more than any other country — 81 percent of the time. You could get more gratitude than that from a mugger.

Pakistan took nearly \$7 million and voted against us 75 percent of the time. This is the country, mind you, where a military strong-

man just ousted the democratically elected president in a coup. And for the record, U.S. aid did nothing to prevent Pakistan and India from exploding nuclear bombs last year.

Haiti grabbed \$102 million and voted against us 62 percent of the time. American soldiers risked their lives to restore democracy to that beleaguered island nation, and this is the thanks we get. Haiti also remains one of the most destitute nations on earth, proving that international welfare does little to lift the poor out of poverty.

And Mexico, our not-so-helpful neighbor to the south, received \$15 million in 1998 and voted against us 67 percent of the time. The United States has granted Mexico unfettered access to U.S. markets under the States has granted Mexico unfettered access to U.S. markets under the North American Free Trade Agreement, led an international bailout of Mexico's economy in 1994, and opened its borders to millions of Mexican citizens. Yet Mexico's chief aim at the United Nations seems to be thwarting American foreign policy goals.

checkbook diplomacy doesn't work. We say "yes" with our money, and aid recipients say "no" with their votes. Countries on the U.S. dole aren't just biting the hand that feeds them — they're taking the whole arm.

Today in history

- By The Associated Press**
- Today is Tuesday, Dec. 21, the 355th day of 1999. There are 10 days left in the year.
- Today's Highlight in History:**
 On Dec. 21, 1620, Pilgrims aboard the Mayflower went ashore for the first time at present-day Plymouth, Mass.
- On this date:
 In 1898, scientists Pierre and Marie Curie discovered the radioactive element radium.
 In 1913, the first crossword puzzle was published, in the New York World.
 In 1945, Gen. George S. Patton died in Heidelberg, Germany, of injuries from a car crash.
 In 1948, the state of Eire, formerly the Irish Free State, declared its independence.

- In 1958, Charles de Gaulle was elected to a seven-year term as the first president of the Fifth Republic of France.
 In 1968, Apollo VIII was launched on a mission to orbit the moon.
 In 1971, the U.N. Security Council chose Kurt Waldheim to succeed U Thant as secretary-general.
 In 1991, all but one of the 12 former Soviet republics proclaimed the birth of the Commonwealth of Independent States.
 In 1995, the city of Bethlehem passed from Israeli to Palestinian control.
 In 1988, a bomb exploded, killing 270 people aboard a Pam

- Am Boeing 747 over Lockerbie, Scotland.
 Ten years ago: Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu delivered what turned out to be his final public speech. The hard-line Communist ruler was visibly stunned as his listeners began booing. Ceausescu fled from power and was executed four days later.
 Five years ago: A firebomb on a crowded New York City subway train injured 48 people; unemployed computer programmer Edward Leary was later convicted of attempted murder.
 One year ago: Israel's parliament voted overwhelmingly for early elections, signaling the demise of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's ailing hard-line gov-

- ernment. A Chinese court sentenced two dissidents, Xu Wenli and Wang Youcai, to long prison terms for trying to organize an opposition party.
Today's Birthdays: Former Austrian president and former U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim is 81. Ventriloquist Paul Winchell is 77. Country singer Freddie Hart is 73. Actor Ed Nelson is 71. Talk show host Phil Donahue is 64. Actress Jane Fonda is 62. Singer Carla Thomas is 57. Musician Albert Lee is 56. Conductor Michael Tilson Thomas is 55. Actor Samuel L. Jackson is 51. Singer Betty Wright is 46. Tennis star Chris Evert is 45. Actress Jane Kaczmarek is 44. Country singer Lee Roy Parnell is 43.

Religion crucial part of U.S. history

Listen to George Washington, the United States' first president: "Whereas it is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits and humbly to implore His protection and favor; and whereas both Houses of Congress have, by their joint committee, requested me to recommend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favors of Almighty God ..."

That's from the text of the very first Thanksgiving proclamation given on Oct. 3, 1789.

Now a question: Would a Congress that wrote the First Amendment call for a national day of prayer but forbid high school students from praying at their graduation ceremonies or at their football games?

Not hardly. The present hostility toward religion led by the federal judiciary is an aberration, and it is totally inconsistent with the Constitution and the founding of this country.

Even the 97th Congress passed a resolution requesting the president "to designate 1983 as a national Year of the Bible in recognition of both the formative influence the Bible has been for our Nation, and our national need to study and apply the teachings of the Holy Scriptures."



The assault by federal judges against religious expression is a 20th Century phenomenon instigated by anti-Christian factions under the false banner that claims the First Amendment decrees a secular government. How indeed could that conclusion have arisen given the history of the country and the fact that Congress authorized chaplains for its use? The First Amendment says what it means and means simply what it says, that Congress shall not establish a religion or prohibit the free exercise thereof. At that time of the writing, the word "establish" meant making a state or national institution of a church. That's what the writers were forbidding. There was to be no Church of the United States as there was, and still is, a Church of England.

But to construe the First Amendment to mean that all references to religion and all religious expressions should be banned from all public places is absolute and utter nonsense. I think it is less a matter of lack of intelligence

on the part of the offending jurists as it is a lack of integrity.

To teach a secular history of the United States is to teach a false history of the United States. Religion has played a powerful role in America from its very beginning, and the historical record is perfectly clear.

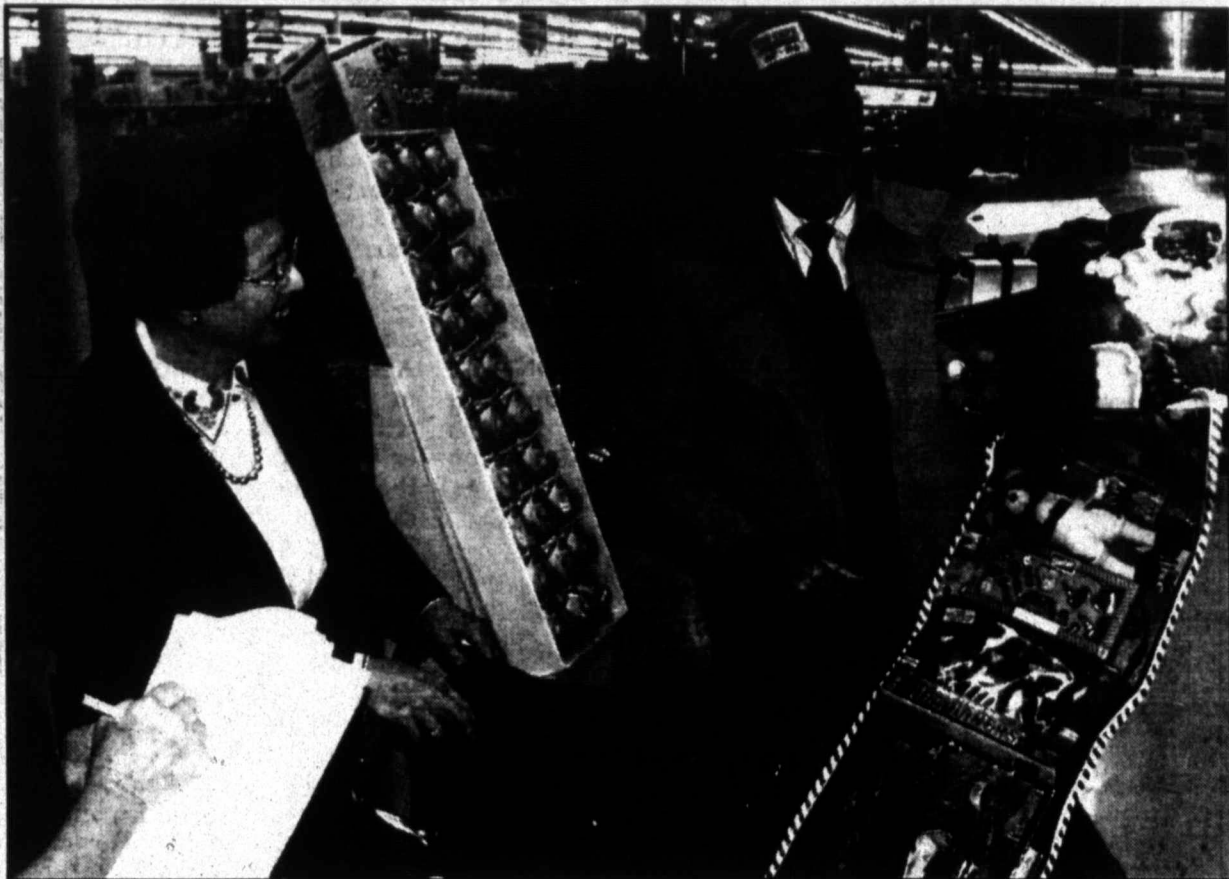
Washington, himself a traditional Christian, recognized the importance of religion in his famous argument that a republican government could not stand without a virtuous public, and no public would be virtuous without religion.

"Whatever may be conceded to the influence of refined education on minds of peculiar structure," Washington remarked, "reason and experience both forbid us to expect that national morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principles."

Abraham Lincoln voiced similar sentiments in proclaiming a day of national humiliation, fasting and prayer: "[I]t is the duty of nations as well as of men to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God, to confess their sins and transgressions, in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord."

Tell your children it is their right to pray when and where they choose.

Six foot stocking winners



(Pampa News photo by Keith Anderson)
N.C. Walker and his wife Leoma plan to donate the six foot stocking they won to a children's charity.

Alco stocking winner



(Pampa News photo by Keith Anderson)
Beth Adams can't believe she won a giant Christmas stocking from Alco.

Local physician participates in Texas Statewide Preceptorship Program

AUSTIN — Texas Academy of Family Physicians had announced Robert Julian, MD, of Pampa, recently served as a volunteer in the Texas Statewide Preceptorship Program. Julian served as a preceptor to Troy Avendano, a student currently attending UT-Houston. TSPP is designed to promote medical student interest in the specialized field of family medicine.

Much credit of the successful program has been attributed to its involvement with the Texas Academy of Family Physicians. This association, with more than 5,500 members, has provided volunteer family physicians who serve as preceptors to Texas medical students in conjunction departments of family practice.

Since its inception, TSPP has enabled 3,248 clinical and 2,226 pre-clinical Texas medical students work in the offices of experienced Texas family physicians, usually for a month at a time. This exposure allows medical students to observe first-hand the challenges and the satisfactions of practicing primary care and to examine family practice as a serious personal career option. A number of national studies have shown medical students are more likely to select a particular specialty

based on the amount of exposure and quality of role models they encounter.

In 1999, Texas continues to seek ways to find more primary care physicians in both rural and urban areas. For the past 22 years, the Texas Family Residency Program has trained family doctors to meet this need. Currently, there are 31 community-based Family Practice Residency Programs throughout the state. Medical

students are recognizing the need for and value of becoming family physicians as more students are choosing family practice with Texas filling its highest number of family practice residency slots than ever before. As a result and in order to meet this demand, the 75th Texas Legislature increased the amount of state support for these medical education efforts by more than \$5 million for the next biennium.

Pampa firm adds new associate

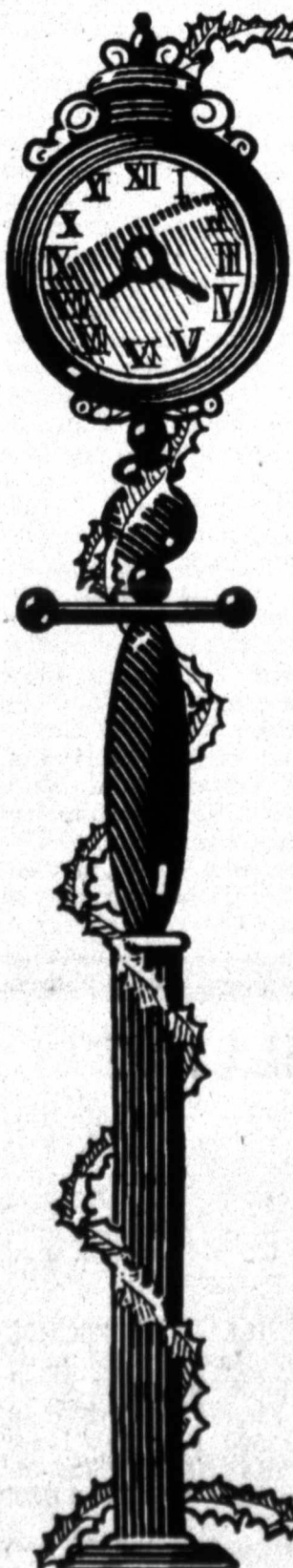
Bobby Ketchersid, CPA, recently announced the association of Becky Holmes to his firm, Ketchersid & Co., CPA's.

Holmes holds a degree from Eastern Illinois University and has over 20 years experience in accounting. She is active in the community, serving on the board of Worth the Wait, Pampa Community Concert Association and David D. and Nona S. Payne Foundation. Holmes and family belong to First Baptist Church.

Ketchersid says he feels very fortunate to add someone with Holmes' experience and credentials and involvement in the community to his staff.



Becky Holmes



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PANHANDLE ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL
A support group for the men-

tally ill and family members meet the second Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at 218 N. Russell. There is no charge. For more information or if you need a ride call Sharon King, 665-2818.

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star, has changed their meeting nights from the first and third Tuesdays to the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. at 420 West Kingsmill.

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. no smoking, and Tuesday and Thursday 8-9 p.m. call 665-9702 for information.

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WHITE DEER LAND MUSEUM
The White Deer Land Museum (112-116 S. Cuyler) visiting hours are Tuesday-Sunday, 1 p.m.- 4 p.m. There will be history of the White Deer Land Co., and the early area settlers and outstanding arrowhead collection and art gallery. Elevator.

EMMAUS REUNION
Emmaus Reunion Group meets the second Thursday of each month. For more information call 669-3426 or 669-9226.

CLARENDON COLLEGE
Clarendon College-Pampa Center will offer GED testing on the fourth Monday and Tuesday of each month. Registration will be at 9 a.m. each day. Cost will be \$45 including a \$20 deposit. For more information, call 665-8801.

HIGH PLAINS EPILEPSY ASSOCIATION
High Plains Epilepsy Association of Amarillo, funded in part by Pampa United Way, will have a licensed social worker in Pampa from 9:30-12 noon the second Tuesday of each month at Pampa Community Building, 200 N. Ballard. The program assists people with epilepsy and their families. To make an appointment, contact the Amarillo office at 1-800-806-7236.

HARVESTER BOOSTER CLUB
Harvester Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday of each week in the Ready Room located in the Athletic Building at Pampa High School. For more information, call 665-7149.

JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM
First United Methodist Church of White Deer, 101 W. 8th, is presenting "Journey to Bethlehem," a drive-thru live nativity scene, from 6-8 p.m. nightly including two Sundays, Dec. 5 and 12. Admission is free. The nativity includes live animals, costumed Bible characters and 14 viewing stations.

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PPHM receives three grants

CANYON — Because of its pioneering research, preservation and publication in the field of Texas art history, Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum has received three grants totaling some \$12,000 to create public school programming on Texas art for schools. Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, New Centuries Foundation and Texas Education Agency have granted the museum funds to create photographic slide-based and Internet website-based programs to augment the teaching of Texas history through Texas art to seventh graders.

Amarillo Chamber grant funds the slide-based program in Region XVI while the New Centuries and TEA grants will target all Texas school districts. The TEA grant specifically charges the museum to work with Texas A&M University System to create a computer-based pilot program for Region VI which will focus on a unit on art in Texas history for seventh grade. PPHM's art, computer and education departments will partner to create programs to better teach Texas history and to establish a foothold for Texas art in public schools, according to museum Curator Michael R. Grauer.

William E. Reaves, TAMUS assistant vice chancellor for Public Education, has been an advocate for making students more aware of Texas art history and was instrumental in paving the way with TEA for their interest in incorporating the topic into the curriculum.

The grants come on the heels of PPHM's "Dictionary of Texas Artists, 1800-1945," a biographical listing of Texas artists who exhibited in Texas prior to 1945, released by Texas A&M University Press in September 1999.

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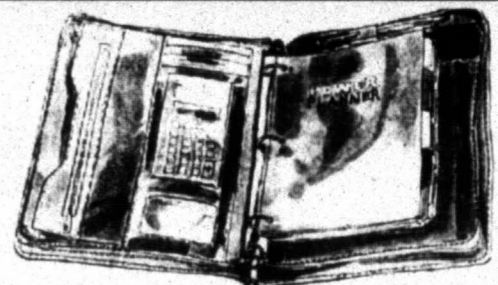
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Brother's Death From Sniffing Should Be Warning for Teens

DEAR ABBY: After reading the letter from "Concerned Counselor in Virginia Beach," who wrote about the problem he was having with teen-agers who saw no harm in "huffing" (sniffing glue from a spray can) to get high, I had to write. He asked you for names of celebrities who have died from drug overdoses, which you provided for him in abundance because, sadly, some celebrities, like some teen-agers, think nothing will ever happen to them.

Let me tell you a story about a regular person who happened to be my 16-year-old brother. Twenty-nine years ago (yes, I still keep count) my brother, unbeknownst to me, was experimenting with ways to get high. He tried huffing. I was in college at the time. On March 16, four days before my 20th birthday, I got a phone call at 3 a.m. telling me that my only brother had died. I was devastated. It was the worst time in my life. I still think about it every March 16.

I grew up real quick that week. Not only did I help my dad arrange the funeral because Mom was totally unable, but a few weeks later, I came home for spring break. I opened the door of his bedroom where he had died to find that it had not been cleaned since his death. It was not a pretty sight. I called my dearest friend, who lived five hours away at the time, and told her. She was there the next morning. We dealt with cleaning up the blood he had coughed up while his lungs were hemorrhaging and



Abigail Van Buren

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no one could do anything to help. To this day, she is my dearest friend, even though we have not lived in the same city for 31 years.

I deeply regret that my brother never got to grow up, live his life, get married and have children of his own to love. I have always regretted that my children never had the chance to meet and know their wonderful Uncle Mark.

If today's teen-agers feel the need to get high, please let them know this is not the way to do it. Huffing kills!

DEBBY BENSON, WILMETTE, ILL.

DEAR DEBBY: I offer my deepest sympathy for the loss of your beloved younger brother. I join you in the fervent hope that the story of his tragic, senseless death will serve as a warning to teens who mistakenly believe that "huffing" is a harmless pastime. Thank you for writing.

DEAR ABBY: I had to giggle when I read the letter from the reader complaining about the Christmas gifts they had received in years past. It reminded me of a feminist joke. If you like it, feel free to print it.

BURLESON, TEXAS, READER

DEAR READER: It's cute, and I'm sure many people will enjoy it. Read on:

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your caring. Use your imagination when creating gifts, not your wallet. Tonight: Don't let another push you. **CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ***** Others are acting in a cantankerous manner. Don't react, if you can help it. Instead, steer a steady course. Dote on a family member who needs your time and attention. Juggle different concerns. Understand a loved one's tension. Tonight: Go with another's plans. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ***** Lie low, and you will be a lot happier. Emphasis is on work. Get your desk cleared, and be willing to absorb another's responsibilities as well. You are cared for. A conversation is very important. You can make another understand. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise. **PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) ***** You are tugged in many different directions. Listen to friends as well as a loved one. You might need to shell out more than you had wanted to. Understand what another feels. Be indulgent. Romance will survive. Tonight: Under the mistletoe.

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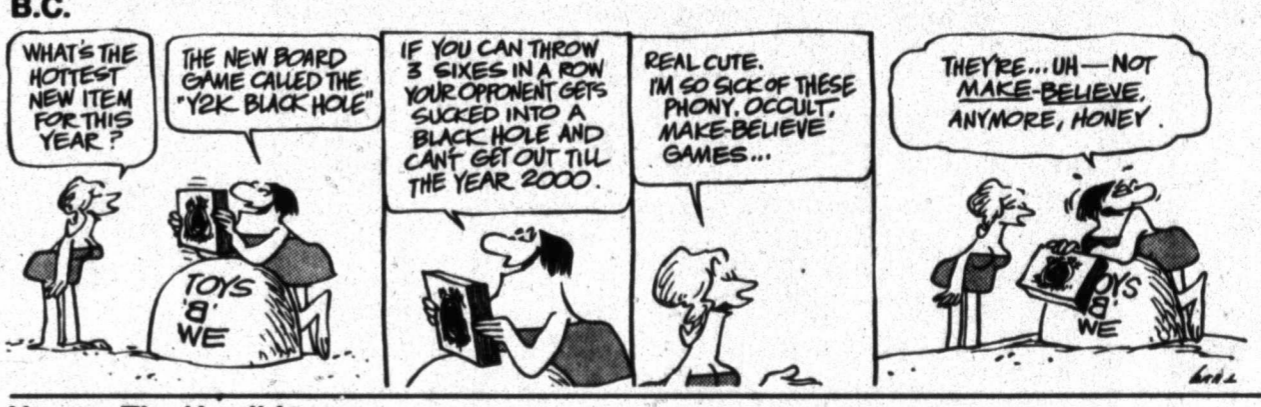
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Horoscope

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 22, 1999

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

***** Your optimism comes through, even if you are a bit crazed today! You land on your feet because of your high-voltage energy and strength. You might not be sure how to handle the demands of work and home. Think less. Just get it all done! Tonight: Homeward bound.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

***** Reach out for others, even if you want to pull back and do some thinking. Not everyone understands how much you come from a gut level. Calls flood your desk; friends seek you out. You might feel like you are glued to your cellular phone! Tonight: Handle last-minute details.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

***** An unexpected get-together with friends could put additional pressure on your checkbook. Center on the feelings of Christmas and do what is necessary to make others feel comfortable. Indulge others, but remember that gifts don't have to be material purchases. Tonight: Go to extremes.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

***** Your ebullient personality melts others and draws much activity. However, a boss might find it difficult to

get any work done. Remain on top of responsibilities and quickly clear them out. It's time for some fun and enjoyment. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

***** Take a back seat. Let others express their thoughts and caring. You might not be sure what to do with a visitor or special friend from a distance. You are clearly overwhelmed. Take time to slow down and shoot the breeze. Tonight: Make it easy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

***** Knowing what you want helps when a partner takes the cap off of what is possible. Fun and frolic mark your interactions. Express your caring in ways others can hear. Use words to express your affection for the apple of your eye. Tonight: Get into the spirit of the moment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

***** You're in the pressure cooker. As you try to deal with different situations, you could easily feel frayed at the edges. Others really mean well, but they could be coming on too strong. Stay centered and do your best. Tonight: Vanish as early as you can.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

***** Reach out for others. Pitch in where others can't. In many ways, you are the mainstay, as you attempt to deal with different situations. Don't get caught up in trivia. Look at the big picture. Your caring warms hearts. Tonight: Beam in what you want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

***** Taking a risk could backfire, especially if it involves your finances. Get past the moment and honor a change. Don't cause yourself a problem. Express

Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS DOWN

- 1 Cargoes
- 6 Indian social system
- 11 Inuit home
- 12 Crooked
- 13 Casino fixture
- 15 Favorite plant
- 16 Sank one's teeth into
- 17 Ave. crossers
- 18 Storytelling uncle
- 20 The Yokum boy
- 23 Mubarak's predecessor
- 27 Early computer game
- 28 Marching band instrument
- 29 Fine-tune
- 31 Chess piece
- 32 Illuminated
- 34 Health resort
- 37 Vast expanse
- 38 Bomb that fails
- 41 Future-visiting need
- 44 Animated
- 45 Actor Kline
- 46 Plague
- 47 Hits



Yesterday's answer

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- 22 Compass pt.
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- 25 Honest
- 26 Work leather
- 30 Fate
- 31 Bad doctors
- 33 Brewed drink
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- 36 Writer Martin
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- 40 Lairs
- 42 Night before
- 43 Cut down

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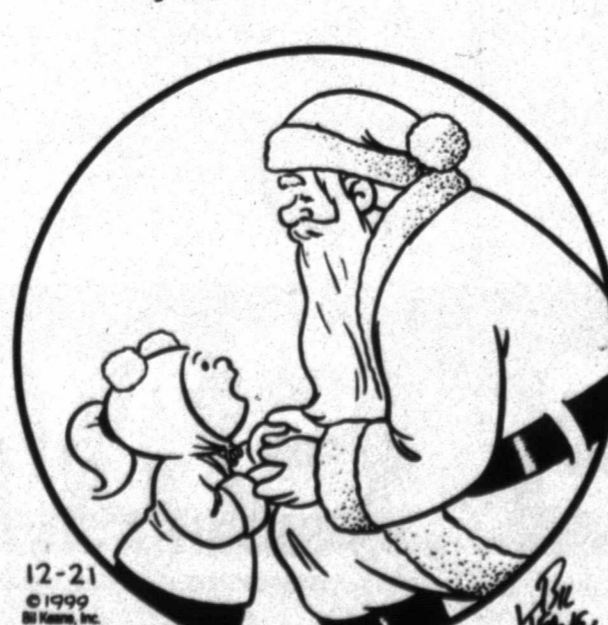
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SPORTS

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BASKETBALL

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Applications are now being evaluated for the Ten Star All-Star Basketball Camp.

Boys and girls ages 7-19 can apply. Players are selected by invitation only.

Several NBA players, including Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Tom Gugliotta and Antawn Jamison, have competed in past camps.

One of the nation-wide camps will be held in Commerce, Tex. Another camp is planned for Atchison, Kan.

College basketball scholarships are possible for the most advanced players. For an evaluation form, call 704-372-8610 any time.

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The New Orleans Saints have taken coach Mike Ditka to new lows — and vice versa. With two games remaining, the Saints are mired in losses and the hope for rebuilding is dimmed by the lack of draft picks this spring.

About the only question left for Ditka is, "What now?"

"I can't answer that right now," Ditka said Monday. "If you look at it realistically, you can look at a few positions and say, this has to be changed, this has to be addressed and this has to be addressed."

But with the Saints 2-12 and off to their second-worst record ever, going back to a 1-15 season in 1980, it remains to be seen if Ditka will be the one to address them.

Rumors swirl that Ditka will not be around next season. Team owner Tom Benson issued a statement earlier vowing changes after the season, but was not specific on what they would be.

After guaranteeing New Orleans a Super Bowl trip by year three of his tenure, Ditka has seen the Saints crumble this season. The Saints have lost 22 of their last 27 games and 32 of 46 under Ditka.

They have lost five straight by an average of 22 points a game and for the first time in franchise history, the Saints have had four straight seasons with 10 or more losses.

The 12 losses are the most for Ditka in his 14 years as a head coach. Ditka's final Chicago Bears team went 5-11 in 1992.

"You try to address the problems in the most intelligent way," Ditka said. "Free agency and the draft's the only way you can address them. You gotta go into the free agency market in some areas and you gotta go into the draft where you can in the second and fourth rounds and hope you can come up with something that will help your football team."

The Saints first-round pick, which could well be the No. 1 pick in the 2000 draft, and its third-round selection were traded to the Washington Redskins as part of the deal for Ricky Williams. They will have picks in the second, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh rounds.

For the first time, Ditka said Monday that a high priority for the Saints next year would have to be a veteran quarterback.

Billy Joe Hobert, who was placed on injured reserve after the first game of the 1998 season, completed only the first two games this season, sidelined by a variety of injuries. That has left Billy Joe Tolliver and Danny Wuerffel to run the offense, which ranks 20th overall in the NFL.

"That has to become a priority," Ditka said — and that means searching the free agent lists after the season. "I don't know that there's much other way to go on that. We're not in the first round, so we're not going to get one of the top guys."

Ditka, 60, has three years remaining on a contract that reportedly pays him \$2 million a year. He has said repeatedly that he will not resign. He said he and Benson have not discussed his future.

Despite loss, Dallas still aims for division title

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys' list of goals for the season is filled with scratchouts. The latest black line goes through the plan to win their final four games for a guaranteed spot in the playoffs.

A 22-21 loss to the New York Jets on Sunday forced the Cowboys (7-7) to come up with a new objective once again.

Dallas' latest war cry is to win its final two games and hope Washington loses at least once. That scenario would enable the Cowboys to emerge from a crazy season with a second straight NFC East title.

"All that other stuff we were shooting for is gone now," coach Chan Gailey said Monday. "We didn't win our last four. But we can still win

our last three of four and get in the playoffs — and we may win the division. Who knows? Just go fight."

Should Dallas win in New Orleans on Friday and beat the New York Giants at Texas Stadium on Jan. 2, the Cowboys would be 9-7.

If Washington (8-6) is also 9-7, Dallas wins the division because it won both head-to-head meetings.

If the Redskins win, the Cowboys would have to try getting one of three wild-card spots.

"It is very frustrating," running back Emmitt Smith said. "Here we are again after seven losses saying what we could do and how good we could be. Eventually, that has to stop. Who are we kidding? In order

to be better, you've got to do better."

Getting to 9-7 won't be easy for Dallas.

The Cowboys haven't won two in a row since starting 3-0. To start a streak, they would have to win in New Orleans, and they've lost their last six road games.

While the Saints may be feeble at defending their home turf, they did slam the Cowboys 22-3 at the Superdome last season.

That loss is one of Dallas' 10 straight on the road against non-division foes.

Gailey, who dismisses the road woes as simply a coincidence, notes that if the Cowboys make the playoffs, they still can reach their ultimate goal of winning the Super

Bowl. "You have to have that mindset," he said. "You cannot doubt what you are capable of doing. I think our guys are strong enough not to let that doubt overtake them."

"Is there a certain little bit probably creeping around? Sure there is. But that's on every team that's out there. A little doubt helps you, keeps you on edge."

The latest loss followed the same plot lines of previous defeats. The biggest difference was that it happened at Texas Stadium, where Dallas had been 6-0.

The Cowboys blew an eight-point lead in the second half, were set back 92 yards on seven penalties and converted just three of 12 third downs — but

still kept it close. This was their fifth loss by seven points or fewer.

"We don't ever get blown out," Gailey said. "It's always a tough loss, a close loss, and those hurt because you think about one or two plays here or there."

This one was especially painful because the Cowboys went into the game knowing the Redskins and Giants had lost, meaning a victory would've greatly improved their postseason status.

"Everyone knew what was at stake," team owner Jerry Jones said. "This was a playoff-type reward if we could have gotten it done. That makes this one of the toughest losses that we've had in the time I've been here."

Vikings hold off Packers

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The last thing Robert Griffith wanted to see was Brett Favre with the ball in his hands and time running out.

"We've seen him perform miracles too many times," Griffith said after the Minnesota Vikings held on to beat the Green Bay Packers 24-20 Monday night.

Last time Griffith saw Favre working his last-second magic three months ago, Corey Bradford sneaked behind the secondary for a game-winning TD on fourth down at Lambeau Field.

In the rematch at the Metrodome on Monday night, Griffith intercepted Favre's pass in the end zone on the final play.

"With the game tight like that, he's the last guy you want to see have the ball," said Griffith, who spun the ball like a top on the turf after he saved the Vikings' victory and maybe their season.

"I was just thinking about knocking it down, not intercepting it," Griffith said.

Cris Carter extended his starting streak to 111 games, but he was nothing but a decoy for a few snaps, then spent the rest of the night on the sideline.

His services weren't needed because Randy Moss killed the Packers again, catching five passes for 131 yards and two touchdowns, including a 57-yarder.

"I like big games," Moss said. "I come out here and play good when big plays come. And with the fact that Cris went down, I give him all the credit in the world."

Jake Reed said Carter's inspiration was in his presence on the bench, not on the field.

"I had to make some catches. I knew that when we saw that Cris couldn't go," said Reed, who caught five passes for 73 yards.

Moss also atoned for his fumbled punt that led to a Green Bay touchdown by hauling in a 36-yard pass from Jeff George that set up Leroy Hoard's 1-yard run for the winning score with nine minutes left.

"Randy Moss ... made a big difference in what happened to our football team," Packers coach Ray Rhodes said.

The Vikings (8-6) snapped a two-game skid and moved within a game of NFC Central leader Tampa Bay. The Packers fell to 7-7, tied with the New York Giants, Dallas and Carolina in the wild-card logjam.

"It hurt last week, it hurts this week, it hurts all the time," said Favre, whose team's six-year playoff streak could end if they don't win at Tampa Bay next week.

The Packers had one last chance after Minnesota turned the ball over on downs at the Green Bay 22 with 45 seconds left. The Packers drove to the Minnesota 27 before Favre was intercepted by Griffith in the end zone on the final play.

George's two touchdown tosses to Moss and the longest scramble of his 10-year career staked the Vikings to a 17-13 lead after three quarters.

But rookie Basil Mitchell, who forced two fumbles that led to 10 points, jarred the ball loose from Moss on a punt return, and Green Bay recovered at the Vikings 37.

The Vikings appeared to stop the Packers at the 9, and Ryan Longwell came in for his third chip-shot field goal. But holder Matt Hasselbeck, Favre's backup, threw a touchdown pass to tight end Jeff Thomson for a 20-17 lead with 12:31 remaining.

The Packers led 13-10 at halftime on Dorsey Levens' 1-yard run and two field goals by Longwell. Levens returned to the lineup after missing two games with a cracked rib and gained 99 yards on 26 carries.



(Photo by Jerry Heasley)

Pampa's Casey Owens (51) scored on a layup against Elk City, Okla. Saturday night in the Elk City Festival. The Harvesters play Amarillo High at 7:45 tonight at AHS.

Fort Elliott boys are No. 9 in Class 1A

WACO — Fort Elliott is ranked No. 9 in Class A boys rankings in the December issue of the Texas High School Basketball Coaches Association.

The Cougars had a 4-0 record when the TABC poll was released.

Mouton is the top ranked team in Class A.

Other No. 1 ranked teams include Duncanville (5A), Austin LBJ (4A), Glen Rose (3A) and Peaster (2A).

Caprock and Palo Duro out of District 3-4A (Pampa's district)

High School Basketball

is ranked in the top 20. Caprock is No. 11 and Palo Duro 7-1. Earlier this season, Caprock defeated Palo Duro 56-50. The Dons were ranked No. 1 for much of last season by TABC.

TABC's No. 1 ranked teams in the girls' division include Copperas Cove (5A), Canyon (4A), Winnsboro (3A), Hughes Springs (2A) and Valleyview (A).

Palo Duro is ranked No. 4 in

Class 4A.

The Pampa Harvesters host Amarillo High at 7:45 tonight in the Amarillo High Activity Center. The Harvesters (5-7) ended a two-game losing streak with a 53-49 win over Elk City, Okla. in the Elk City Festival last weekend.

CANADIAN — Canadian will host the 7th annual Wildcat Invitational Tournament Monday through Wednesday.

Canadian and Wellington tip off the tournament at 2 p.m. Monday, followed by Sanford-Fritch vs. White Deer at 5 p.m.

Tuesday's action has Wellington vs. Sanford-Fritch at 2 p.m. and Canadian vs. White Deer at 5 p.m.

Wednesday, it's White Deer and Wellington at 2 p.m. and Canadian vs. Sanford-Fritch at 5 p.m.

Other teams in the tournament include Canadian Junior Varsity and Highland Park. The championship finals will be held at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Rainstorm welcomes East Carolina, Texas Christian University to the Gulf Coast

MOBILE, Ala. (AP) — It figures that No. 20 East Carolina arrived for its bowl game in a heavy rainstorm.

After all, the Pirates are no stranger to lousy weather.

Hurricane Floyd caused \$7 million worth of damage to East Carolina's campus in September and displaced at least 15 football players from their homes. The Pirates, who were in South Carolina when Floyd hit, had to stay there for a week because flooding prevented them from returning home.

So when they arrived Saturday for the inaugural Mobile Alabama Bowl, the heavy rain that greeted them wasn't that big a deal. It cut their initial practice short — they went just 30 minutes — but it was nothing the Pirates couldn't handle.

"It's good to be here, although we got off to a slow start because of the weather," linebacker Pernell Griffin said. "But after everything we've been through, we're used to that happening to us."

The weather should be better Wednesday night when East Carolina (9-2) — making its first bowl appearance since 1995 —

plays Texas Christian (7-4).

The meeting will be the first between the two schools, but not the last. The Horned Frogs, who currently play in the Western Athletic Conference, will join East Carolina in Conference USA in 2001.

"Obviously, for us to be playing a team from Conference USA is certainly a preview for what's ahead in the upcoming years," TCU coach Dennis Franchione said. "We're excited. It's a young and growing conference with great vision, much like our athletic department."

Luckily for East Carolina, it will be their only meeting with

TCU running back LaDainian Tomlinson.

Tomlinson set an NCAA Division I-A single-game record earlier this year by running for 406 yards against UTEP. He's already said he'll return for his senior season, but will be gone by the time TCU joins C-USA.

The school is already kicking around ideas for a Heisman Trophy campaign for Tomlinson next season, which doesn't surprise East Carolina coach Steve Logan.

"This kid is a great player and I know they are talking about a Heisman Trophy run for him next year," Logan said. "I think

that is an appropriate conversation for them to be having."

Logan said the key to beating TCU is stopping the run, something the Pirates have done pretty well this season — they allowed opponents 3.2 yards per rush.

But Logan also thinks he's got a special player that can counter Tomlinson's ability. Kick returner Keith Stokes comes into the game averaging 21.6 yards on kickoff returns and 5.5 yards on punts.

"If they kick to Keith, I think he is capable of putting on a little bit of a show," Logan said. "He can make some things happen."

Whitney records 500th win at Alcorn State

PRAIRIE VIEW, Texas (AP) — Coach David Whitney recorded his 500th college victory Monday night as Alcorn State defeated Prairie View A&M 91-72.

But Whitney said the victory was no more special than the others.

"I don't reflect on any of it," the 70-year-old coach said. "I've just had a good time coaching. A great time coaching. Even the bad part of coaching has been good to me."

Six players scored in double fig-

ures for the Braves (4-5). Walter Harper led the team with 12 points and 12 rebounds. Marcus Fleming and Terrance Cameron also scored 12 points apiece, while Treymene Chambers, Brian Adams and Devin Pack each added 10 points.

For the Panthers (2-6), Patrick Wilybiro led with 22 points. Gregory Burks followed with 15 points, including three 3-pointers. Ivan Coulter had a game-high 14 rebounds.

Whitney's record is now 446-235 at Alcorn State. This is his fourth season in his second stint at the university after being fired following the 1988-89 season.

In the six years Whitney was away, the Braves were 57-135 under two different coaches. Last year, Alcorn State went 23-7 and captured both the Southwestern Athletic Conference's regular season and conference tournament championships.

Brown still in hospital

BEREA, Ohio (AP) — As Orlando Brown cupped his injured right eye, the Cleveland Browns offensive tackle was overwhelmed by pain and thoughts of his father's blindness.

Brown remained hospitalized with blurred vision today. The reason he shoved a referee to the ground became much clearer.

On Monday, it was revealed that Brown might have permanent damage in the eye that was accidentally hit by referee Jeff Triplette's weighted penalty flag during Sunday's game between Cleveland and Jacksonville.

Brown, who pushed Triplette down after being struck by the flag, was being treated for impaired vision at the Cleveland Clinic.

Brown said his family's medical history is what drove him to storm onto the field and confront Triplette. Brown's father, Claude, lost his sight to glaucoma in 1993.

"His family history has him very concerned," said Browns coach Chris Palmer, who spent an hour visiting with Brown at the hospital. "He sees his dad not being able to see his children and things like that."

Triplette's 3-ounce flag — weighted with BBs — struck Brown directly in his right eye.

In a statement released by the Browns, Brown apologized to Triplette, his teammates and Cleveland fans.

"My actions yesterday were based upon an incredible amount of pain, which affected my judgment," Brown said. "This situation was very scary due to my father's blindness and having to deal with that for many years."

"My injury and those facts still do not justify pushing an official. I regret what happened a great deal. Nothing like this will ever happen again."

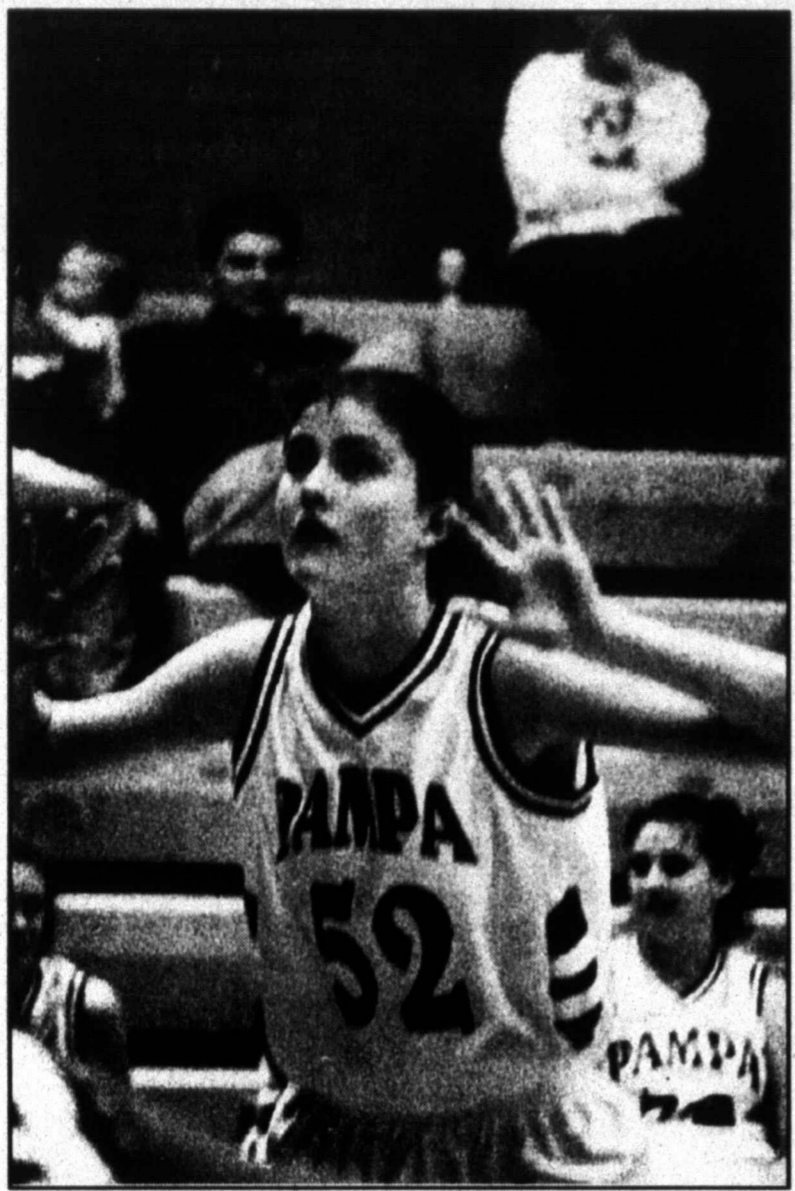
News that Brown's injury was serious changed the focus of the story from condemnation of the player's actions to concern for his future.

The NFL is considering disciplinary action, which could include a fine and suspension. The minimum fine for physical contact with an official is \$10,000.

Brown was expected to remain under a doctor's care for at least two more days.

"It's not good," Palmer said. "He is concerned about losing his eyesight."

Palmer said doctors were concerned about pressure building around the eye, which was swollen shut and covered by a metal patch. Doctors told Palmer that because Brown is predisposed to eye problems, any injury could make him more susceptible to glaucoma and other long-term damage.



(Photo by Lacy Plunk)

Pampa post player Emily Hartman scored 13 points and had 4 rebounds against Elk City, Okla. last weekend in the Elk City Festival. Hartman and her Lady Harvester teammates are entered in the Ardmore Tournament Dec. 28-29.

McGuffey headlines AP's Little All-America team

By RICHARD ROSENBLATT
AP Football Writer

Corte McGuffey, Northern Colorado's quarterback who won the Harlon Hill Award as Division II's top player, and a pair of 2,000-yard rushing backs were selected to The Associated Press' Little All-America team today.

McGuffey threw for 2,893 yards and 31 touchdowns for the Bears, who reached the quarterfinals of the playoffs, and is joined in the backfield by Kevin Gailliard of Division II American International and R.J. Bowers of Division III Grove City.

Gailliard led his division in rushing with 2,653 yards, in scoring with 206 points on 34 TDs and a 2-point conversion and in all-purpose yards with 255.3 per game. Bowers led D-III with 2,098 yards and scored 25 TDs.

Northwest Missouri State, which took the D-II national title with a 58-52, four-overtime win over Carson-Newman, had two players on the team — all-purpose star Tony Miles and kicker David Purnell. The Bearcats, who led all teams with three players on the '98 team, were

the only school with more than one player on the '99 team.

Counting playoff games, Miles finished with 2,370 all-purpose yards and 12 touchdowns. He had 1,058 yards receiving, 605 on kick returns, 521 on punt returns and 186 rushing. Purnell finished with 123 points; he was 18 of 27 on field goals and 69 of 69 on extra points.

The wide receivers are Mark DeBrito of Bentley, Kevin Ingram of West Chester and Scott Pingel of Division III Westminster.

The team, chosen from players in divisions II and III and the NAIA, consists of 21 seniors, four juniors and one sophomore. Bowers and Ingram are the only repeaters from last year's team.

The center is Robert Garza of Texas A&M-Kingsville; the other offensive linemen are Chris Gober of Nebraska-Omaha, Gary Gutierrez of Hardin-Simmons, Leader Jordan of Indiana (Pa.), and Troy Larkin of Cal-Davis.

DeBrito led D-II in catches per game with 101 receptions (9.2 per game) for 1,637 yards and 19 touchdowns.

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Miami	9	5	0	.643	285	277					
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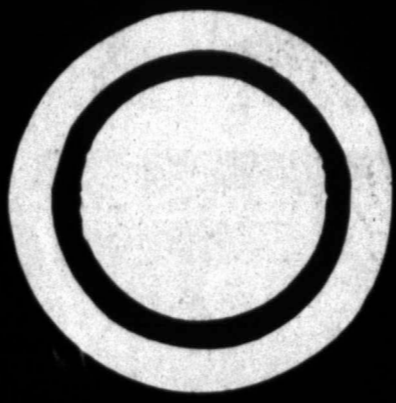
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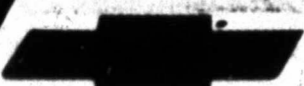
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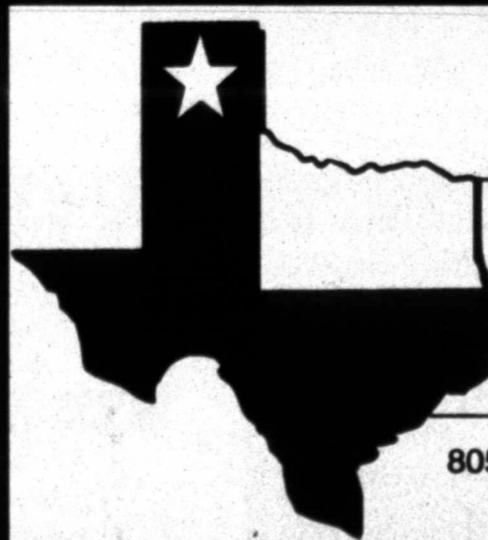
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