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EU may target Texas citrus fruit industry

DALLAS (AP) — Texas' citrus industry stands to become one of the biggest losers of a trade conflict brewing between the United States and the European Union.

Texas red grapefruit could be one casualty if the EU raises tariffs in mid-December on \$2.2 billion of U.S. exports to the 15-nation trading bloc, officials say.

"The higher tariffs would have a big impact on the citrus industry in Texas," said Ray Prewett, president of Texas Citrus Mutual, an industry trade organization. "It would really put us at a big competitive disadvantage."

The EU is threatening the tariff increases if the U.S. doesn't repeal duties on steel imported into the United States.

Half of the grapefruit juice that Texas growers produce gets shipped to Europe.

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Co. Attorney Alvey resigns

Says resignation not related to Texas Ranger investigation of County Attorney's office

By DAVID BOWSER
STAFF WRITER

The Gray County Attorney announced today that he is resigning.

"This is my 10th year and it's time for me to go on to bigger and better things," County Attorney Todd Alvey said this morning.

Alvey said today that his resignation had nothing to do with an investigation into the operation of his office earlier this year by Texas Rangers.

His resignation is effective Dec. 31, Alvey said.

"I did get his letter of resignation late yesterday," Gray County Judge Richard Peet said. "Talking with him this morning, he indicated to me that he had been here for 10 years and that he would like to move and do more full time private practice. He thought now is the time to do that."

Judge Peet said the Gray County Commission would begin the process of appointing an interim county attorney.

"We'll be taking applications," Peet said.

The resignation comes following an investigation by state law enforcement officers into the operation of the County Attorney's office.

"A matter was referred to me by a Texas Ranger," 31st District Attorney Rick Roach said today, "involving some activities that were taking place in his office there."

Texas Ranger Gary Henderson investigated reports of questionable activities in the County Attorney's office earlier this year. Henderson concluded his investigation last summer before retiring, Roach said.

"There were a couple of matters which had not been

concluded," Roach said. Roach removed himself from the case, he said, because of having worked as a prosecutor with Alvey.

"I didn't think it was appropriate for me because of our relationship as prosecutors in the same county for me to handle that," Roach said today. "I appointed David Scott as a special prosecutor."

Scott, a lawyer in private practice in Perryton, had worked before with the District Attorney's office in the past on other cases.

"David was given full authority to completely investigate those matters," Roach said, "and take whatever action he deemed necessary, whether it be to close the file or present it to a grand jury or any other type of disposition that he felt like was warranted under the circumstances given the facts of the case."

Roach said he received a fax from Scott over the weekend saying that a resolution had been reached in the case.

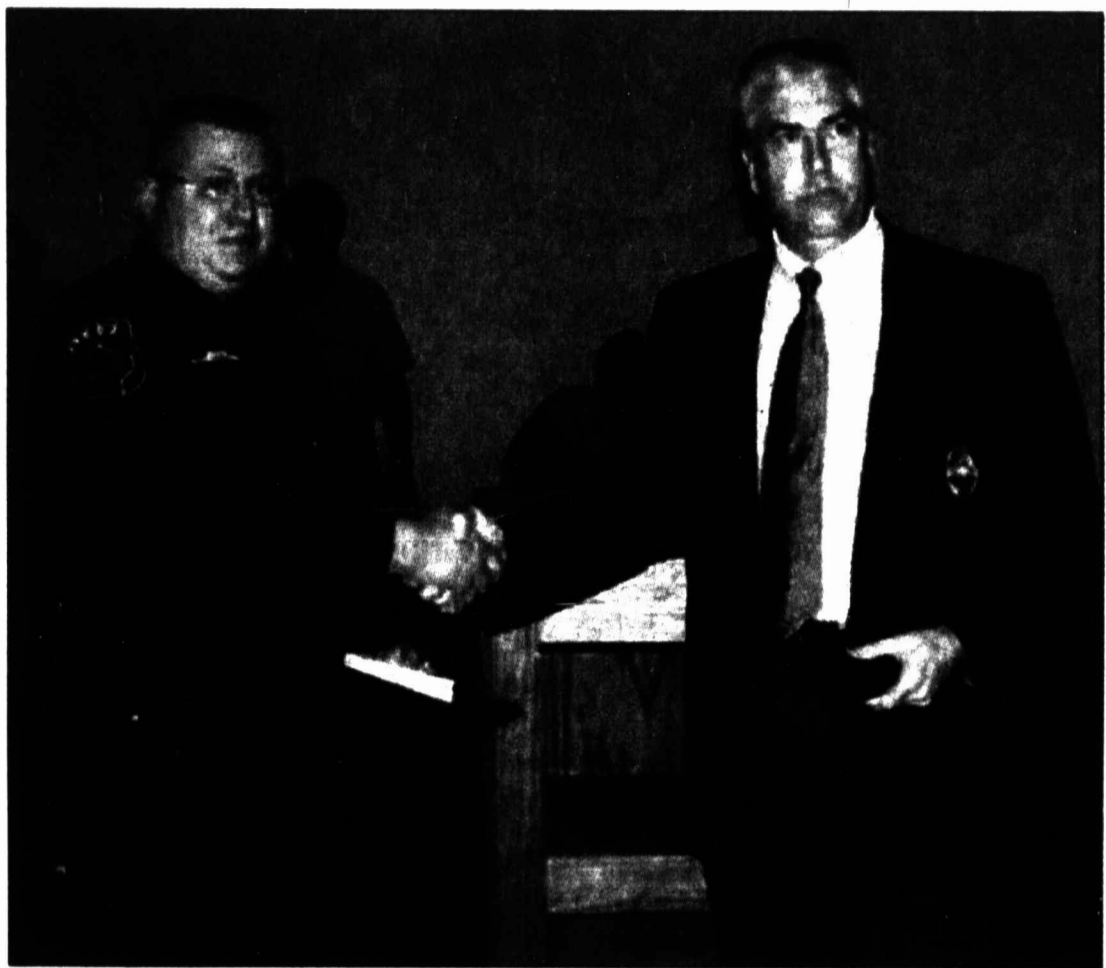
Roach referred all other inquiries to Scott.

"I want to tell you that the resolution to the matter was in no way shape, form or fashion had anything to do with my office," Roach said. "It was done specifically by David. I had given him authority to handle it and resolve the issue. My understanding is that a resolution has been reached, but that's all I know."

Roach said the victims involved had approved the resolution to the case.

The investigation apparently centered around book-keeping operations in the County Attorney's office.

Scott was in court this morning and could not be reached for comment.



(Pampa News photo by Marilyn Powers)

Pampa Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner, right, congratulates Officer Aaron McWilliams after awarding him the department's Lifesaving Ribbon and a certificate, along with a pen and pencil set from Burlington Northern & Santa Fe Railroad. McWilliams was honored last night at the city commission meeting in City Hall for saving a woman's life Oct. 10 at the Starkweather railroad crossing.

Policeman honored for rescuing woman

By MARILYN POWERS
STAFF WRITER

Pampa Police Officer Aaron McWilliams was honored at the city commission meeting last night for saving a woman's life Oct. 10 at the Starkweather Street railroad crossing.

Police Chief Trevlyn Pitner presented McWilliams with a certificate and the department's Lifesaving Ribbon. Senior Agent Gary Lane of Burlington Northern & Santa Fe Railroad also recognized McWilliams' actions by presenting him with a pen and pencil set.

"We are here to honor an officer who's gone above and beyond the regular duties we perform each day," Pitner said.

Videotape taken from cameras in the patrol cars of McWilliams and Officer Cade Logue, who also responded to the dispatcher's call, began with the call on the radio stating that a woman was reportedly lying on the tracks at the Starkweather Street railroad crossing, and a train was coming.

McWilliams arrived first at the scene, on the south side of the tracks. The crossbars were down and warning lights and bells on, signaling the approach of a train. No other vehicles

were waiting on the south side of the crossing.

Just as McWilliams stopped his car at the crossbar, a train moved over the rails crossing the street. This train was on the second of four sets of rails, counting from the south side of the crossing. McWilliams ran toward the rails and saw the woman lying on the crossties about six to eight inches from the rails of the southernmost track.

"Trains extend three or more feet from either side of the rails. If you're on the crossties, you'd be hit by a train," Pitner explained.

McWilliams pulled the woman away from the rails and picked her up. He ran away from the tracks, carrying her to his patrol car. As he reached his car, a train crossed over the street on the southernmost set of rails, where the woman had been lying.

The woman was intoxicated, Pitner said, but was able to respond to McWilliams' questions. She was not lying on the crossties to purposely injure herself, Pitner said.

McWilliams has been a Pampa police officer since Feb. 17. Before coming to Pampa, he was a Hutchinson County sheriff's deputy for four and one-half years.

City considers \$25,000 budget transfer

By MARILYN POWERS
STAFF WRITER

The first reading of an ordinance amending Pampa's 2003-2004 operating budget by \$25,000 passed in a regular session of city commissioners at 6 p.m. yesterday in commission chambers on the third floor of City Hall, 201 W. Kingsmill.

The \$25,000 could be transferred from the water fund to the general fund if Ordinance No. 1411 is passed on its second reading. The purpose of the transfer is to pay for a full-time employee for the court and cash collections area, said Mitch Grant, city manager.

City employee Donna Darling had been dividing her time between central collections, or cash collection and court, and the second-floor permitting office, which includes code enforcement and the Action Center.

Grant pointed out that court revenue

The transfer will pay for a full-time employee for the court and cash collections, city officials say.

for the city increased about \$95,000 last fiscal year, which ended Oct. 1, and shows no sign of slowing down since that date. He stated that the increase in court revenue could help offset the \$25,000 increase in spending, as could reconnect fees and customer service inspection fees collected by the water department.

An ordinance creating new bus loading zones on Browning and Hazel streets for Woodrow Wilson Elementary School was passed on first reading. If the proposed ordinance passes on its second reading, the new loading zones will be created.

"I was approached by representatives of Pampa Independent School District requesting bus loading on the west side

of the school to accommodate handicapped children attending there," said Kim Linceycomb, street department supervisor.

A resolution authorizing the city's participation in the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission's regional hazard mitigation project passed unanimously. The project involves funding provided by the Department of Public Safety's Division of Emergency Management to address incidents involving natural and man-made hazards which may cause significant harm to property and persons in the city. Pampa will have to provide \$6,002 in matching resources as its pro-rata share of the costs of the regional planning project.

Commissioners also approved sec-

ond and final readings of ordinances which eliminate city commission work sessions and which change the time of city commission meetings from 6 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Notes cast in the Nov. 4 special election were canvassed and results declared. Faustina Curry, Ward 4 commissioner, said of the election, "Obviously we have some problems in the fire department that we need to address or it will rear its ugly head again. They need to feel free to talk to us and open lines of communication, because it's not going to go away. Also, we need some public meetings to talk about costs and are they willing to pay the costs."

A staff report by Donny Hooper, engineering technician with the city's Public Works department, was heard concerning the proposed Wal-Mart Supercenter.

Commissioner Jeff Andrews of Ward 2 was absent from the meeting.

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OBITUARIES

FLORENCE 'FLO' GILREATH 1913-2003

Florence "Flo" Gilreath, 89, of Pampa, Texas, died Monday, Nov. 10, 2003, at Pampa. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m., Friday, Nov. 14, 2003, at Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Charles Lowry, pastor of the Fellowship Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Gilreath was born Dec. 12, 1913, in Marion County, Ala. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1941. She married Luther Milburn Gilreath on Oct. 8, 1933, in Lakeview, Texas. He preceded her in death on May 1, 1986.

She worked as a sales clerk at M.E. Moses for over 30 years.

She was a member of the Fellowship Baptist Church.

Survivors include a daughter, Susan E. Ramey of Ponca City, Okla.; a son, Billy W. Gilreath of Pampa; five grandchildren, Billy

Gilreath, Jr., David Gilreath, Anthony Gilreath, Mark Ramey and Tommy Ramey; five great-grandchildren; a great-great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a sister and three brothers.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to BSA Hospice, 800 N. Sumner, Pampa, TX 79065.

The family will be at 1040 S. Wells and 128 N. Sumner in Pampa.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.



ELLA JANE BRADLEY TROUT 1920-2003

MOBEETIE, Texas — Ella Jane Bradley Trout, 83, died Monday, Nov. 10, 2003, at Wheeler, Texas. Services will be at 2 p.m., Friday, Nov. 14, 2003, at the First Baptist church of Mobeetie with the Rev. Ray OQuin, a Baptist minister, and the Rev. Lewis Ellis, a retired Baptist minister, officiating. Burial will be in Mobeetie Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Trout was born Oct. 25, 1920, in Mobeetie where she had been a lifelong resident. She married Albert Trout on July 22, 1939, in Pampa. He preceded her in death on April 8, 1991. She farmed and ranched with her husband for many years.

She worked at the Mobeetie Grocery Store for 22 years and worked in the Mobeetie School Cafeteria for nine years. She was affec-

tionately known as "Gran Gran." She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Mobeetie.

Survivors include three daughters, Carol McGee and Judy Watts and husband Richie, all of De Leon, and Marolyn OQuin and husband Ray of Pampa; two sons, Dewayne Trout and wife Anita of Amarillo and Lonnie Trout and wife Sandra of Miami; three sisters, Frances Slusky of South Charlestown, N.H., Dortha Beck of Lefors and Jimmie McBain of Columbia, Mo.; 12 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, John Bradley Trout on Aug. 22, 1965.

The family requests memorials be to Crown of Texas Hospice, 1000 S. Jefferson, Amarillo, TX 79101, or a favorite charity.

—Sign the on-line register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Officers shot in stand-off

DALLAS (AP) — A man with a shotgun held a little girl hostage after wounding three police officers, releasing six children and a woman, and shooting possibly at least one other man in a standoff at an apartment early Wednesday.

Police were called to Meadow Parc Apartments in southwest Dallas about 3:40 a.m. following reports of gunfire. After the apartments were evacuated, officers surrounded the scene and began negotiations with the man, whose name was not released.

Authorities entered the apartment and found four children unhurt. Police said the children told them that the gunman was inside a bedroom. Sgt. Gil Cerda said.

The gunman shot and wounded the officers as they entered the bedroom. Cerda said.

The officers were taken to Methodist Hospital where they were listed in good condition, nursing administrator Tom Hall said. Their names were not released.

The man's relationship to the hostages was unclear, but he could be the father of some of the children. Cerda said.

"At this time, a motive is still being established," Senior Cpl. Chris Gilliam said. "We're getting some questions answered by the young lady we have downtown. But the ultimate questions are going to have to be answered by the individual inside."

Two other children who were being held hostage were escorted out of the apartment by police about four hours after the standoff began, leaving one child with the gunman. The woman was released sometime before the children, but police were unsure how she got out of the apartment.

Gilliam said police saw the body of a man in the apartment. He backed away from earlier police statements that at least two other men were either wounded or dead inside apartment.

STOCKS

The following grain quotations are provided by Anheuser-Busch of Pampa. Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.

Wheat	3.40
Milo	3.88
Corn	4.37
Soybeans	7.00

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward Jones & Co. of Pampa.	
OXY	35.65 -0.05
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New York Gold 387.85
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West Texas Crude 31.15

ON RECORD

POLICE

Pampa Police Department today reported the following incidents and arrests.

Tuesday, Nov. 11

Burglary of a building was reported at Amber's Restaurant, 2014 N. Hobart. Entry was through a back door. Taken were several cases of beer and meat. Estimated loss was \$790.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 400 block of Davis. Means of entry is

unknown. Taken were a microwave and two end tables. No estimate of loss was reported.

Troy Lynn Brassfield, 24, 509 N. Cuyler, was arrested for capias pro fines on charges of no motor vehicle registration and no insurance.

Billy Jack Baldwin, 26, 329 Jean, was arrested for criminal trespass; evading arrest/detention; resisting arrest, search or transport; and possession of drug paraphernalia.

SHERIFF

Gray County Sheriff's Department today reported the following arrests.

Tuesday, Nov. 11

Ricardo Martin, 43.

Tijuana, Mexico, was arrested and held for the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Wednesday, Nov. 12

Troy Wayne Locke, 33,

Lubbock, was arrested for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Locke had a knife and was involved in a domestic violence incident.

FIRE

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

Tuesday, Nov. 11

12:21 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a grass fire in the 800 block of South Sumner. About 100 square feet of grass was burned after someone dumped out ashes in the yard.

Wednesday, Nov. 12

5:55 a.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a carbon monoxide report in the 1900 block of North Christy. Firefighters found elevated carbon monoxide levels in the residence. Officials believe that when residents changed a heater filter, carbon monoxide had drafted into the home from the exhaust.

AMBULANCE

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

Tuesday, Nov. 11

7:42 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 400 block of Jupiter and transported a patient to Pampa Regional Medical Center.

8 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 11000 block of Courty Road L and transported a patient to PRMC.

9:50 a.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 2100 block of Coffee and transported a patient to PRMC.

12:09 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transferred a patient to Veterans Administration Medical Center, Amarillo.

2:22 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Northwest Texas Hospital, Amarillo, and transferred a patient to PRMC.

WEATHER FOCUS

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Today's forecast is calling for mostly cloudy skies, highs around 60 and north winds 15 to 25 mph. Caution is advised on area lakes. Tonight should fall on cloudy skies with a 30 percent chance of rain, lows in the lower 30s and east winds 10 to 15 mph. Thursday should see a 60 percent chance of rain. Rain mixed with sleet in the morning. Cooler. Highs in the upper 30s, Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph. Thursday night, mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of rain and light sleet. Lows in the lower 30s. Southwest winds 5 to 15 mph.

Friday, partly cloudy in the morning then becoming mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 50s. Southwest winds 10 to 20 mph. Friday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the mid 30s. Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 50s. Saturday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Sunday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s. Sunday night, partly cloudy. Lows around 40. Monday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s. Monday night, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 30s. Tuesday, partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 50s.

Lynch disturbed by early reports of her ordeal

NEW YORK (AP) — Pfc. Jessica Lynch said she is disturbed that the military seemed to over-dramatize her rescue by U.S. troops and spread false stories that she went down shooting in an Iraqi ambush.

"That wasn't me. I wasn't about to take credit for something I didn't do," she told The Associated Press on Tuesday. "I'm not that person."

The 20-year-old former Army supply clerk — twig-thin and weary, one crutch close at hand — described her ordeal in a Veterans Day interview seven months after the rescue made her a national hero.

Reports circulated by the U.S. military early in the war said Lynch waged a fierce gunbattle with Iraqi fighters who ambushed her 507th Maintenance Company from Fort Bliss, Texas on March 23 at Nasiriyah. She has since said her rifle jammed, and she did not get off a shot.

And Lynch's new book points out that, despite the "tension and drama" of the military videotape showing gun-toting U.S. soldiers rushing into an Iraqi hospital to rescue her, the hospital staff never resisted, and even offered the troops a key.

"It disturbed me," Lynch said. "I knew that it wasn't the truth."

Still, the ex-prisoner of war from rural West Virginia took pains to say that she does not care why the military may have exaggerated her story, and that she considers the soldiers who rescued her April 1 to be heroes.

"No matter what it was, the point is that they got in there, they rescued me, and they took me home safe," she said.

Lynch, who has fair skin and fine blond hair that falls to her shoulders, physically recoils when she recounts her time in the hospital, a time when her hope dwindled each day that she would see home again — or even survive.

But she said that as she lay in a bed at Saddam Hussein General Hospital, her body wracked, she decided: "I wasn't going to let myself die there."

"I was determined," she said. "In my mind, I was thinking, 'I've got family to get back to, I've got a boyfriend, I've got all these things to see and do when I get home.'"

Lynch spoke with the AP as her biography, "I Am a Soldier, Too," hit bookstores nationwide. It was written by Rick Bragg, who resigned from The New York Times after a free-lancer helped him with a story without receiving credit. Bragg was present during the AP interview with Lynch.

City Briefs

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FALL FESTIVAL St. Vincent's de Paul Catholic School Fri. Nov. 14th 6:00-10:00! Food, Gifts, Games, Silent Auction and Book Fair!

FLU SHOTS, at United Pharmacy, Fri. Nov. 14th, 9:30-5 p.m., \$15 or free with Medicare B.

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GRIEF & The Holidays workshop. Call Family Medicine Center. 665-0801.

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So my precious child, know that you can depend on me, for whatever you may need.

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Sheltered Workshop contract



(Courtesy photo)

Pampa Sheltered Workshop recently contracted with Pampa Regional Medical Center to shred documents for the hospital. In celebration of their new contract, Workshop employees wear PRMC t-shirts: back row, from left, Donald Stuart, Randy Swires, Taisey Phillips, Hector Estrada; middle row, from left, Bobby Garcia, Gary Carr, Linda Pierce, Steven Counts, Janis Smith, Debbie Ellis, Amy Hammer; front row, Joan Arnold, Dicky Hendricks, Ronnie Tucker, Majaunta Slater, and Lisa Busby. For more information about Pampa Sheltered Workshop, contact Anna at 669-6322.

Truck bomb in southern Iraq kills 17 Italians, Iraqis at base

NASIRIYAH, Iraq (AP) — A suicide truck bomber attacked the headquarters of Italy's paramilitary police in this southern city on Wednesday, killing 25 people — including 17 Italians — and possibly trapping others in the debris.

It was the deadliest toll suffered by non-American coalition forces since the occupation began in April, and the first such attack in Nasiriyah, a relatively quiet Shiite Muslim city. The bombing appeared aimed at sending a message that international organizations are not safe anywhere in Iraq.

Col. Gianfranco Scalas said 17 Italians were killed: 11 Carabinieri paramilitary police, four army soldiers, an Italian civilian working at the base and an Italian documentary filmmaker. A spokesman for the U.S.-led coalition said at least eight Iraqis were also killed. About 15 people were wounded, although their nationalities were not known, Italian officials said.

"Unfortunately, it's not possible to exclude the presence of other fatalities," Defense Minister Antonio Martino told parliament.

There were fears of others trapped beneath the debris, and bulldozers worked to clear rubble. As night fell, however, soldiers said rescue efforts had ended.

Italian President Carlo Azeglio Ciampi called the bombing a "terrorist act," while Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi pledged that it wouldn't derail his country's commitment to helping Iraq.

Witnesses said the truck driver got past guards after a car ran a roadblock, distracting the sentries.

The truck rammed the gate of the Italian compound and exploded in front of the Carabinieri building, which was the former chamber of commerce building, a coalition spokesman, Andrea Angeli, said.

He said the force of the explosion blew out windows in another building across the Euphrates River. All the vehicles parked out-

side the stricken building exploded in flames.

Angeli said secondary explosions from ammunition stored in the compound rocked the area moments after the main blast.

Also Wednesday, U.S. troops in Baghdad accidentally fired on a car carrying a member of the Iraqi Governing Council. The council member, Mohammed Bahr al-Uloun, escaped injury but the driver was wounded.

And a roadblock in Fallujah, a restive city west of the capital, U.S. troops fired on a truck carrying live chickens Tuesday night, killing five civilians.

"They went to bring chickens ... and they came back at 9 or 10 at night and we were waiting for them," said Khalid Khalifa al-Jumaily, whose two nephews were killed on the truck. "The Americans fired on them."

The U.S. military said it no immediate information on the shootings.

In separate attacks, an American soldier was killed when a roadside bomb exploded near a U.S. patrol by the town of Taji northwest of Baghdad, the U.S. military said. A 1st Armored Division soldier died of wounds suffered in a roadside bombing in Baghdad on Tuesday.

Their deaths bring to 153 the number of soldiers killed by hostile fire since President Bush declared an end to active combat May 1.

The truck bomb in Nasiriyah, about 180 miles southeast of Baghdad, went off at about 10:40 a.m. in front of base of the Carabinieri's multinational specialist unit, the Italian paramilitary police said.

Italy has sent about 2,300 troops to help rebuild Iraq. About 340 Carabinieri are based in Nasiriyah, along with 110 Romanians.

Alice Moldovan, a spokeswoman for Romania's Defense Ministry, said there were no reports of Romanian victims.

Carabinieri are paramilitary police under the Defense Ministry, and frequently serve in international missions such as in Afghanistan and the Balkans.

Tensions increasing between U.S., Iraqi Governing Council

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — from Baghdad to a White House meeting Tuesday with Secretary of State Colin Powell, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice and other key officials.

Bush administration officials acknowledged concerns about the council's progress since its installation in July but said President Bush was not about to disband it.

"The notion that we are about to throw the council to the wolves is exaggerated," a senior administration official said on condition of anonymity.

"But there is a need to put some energy into the political transition. It is true they are not as together as we had hoped."

Bremer said Wednesday in Washington that "we are in a very intense period."

"I don't think it's fair to say the IGC is failing," Bremer said. "They face a very difficult situation at this time, but the Iraqis are, I think, more and more effective in their assumption of authority."

Apart from policy differences, the very composition of the council discourages quick decision-making. To reflect the diversity of Iraqi society, the council includes 13 Shiites, five Kurds, five Sunnis, one Christian and one Turkman. One of the Shiites, Aquila al-Hashimi, was assassinated in September and has not been replaced.

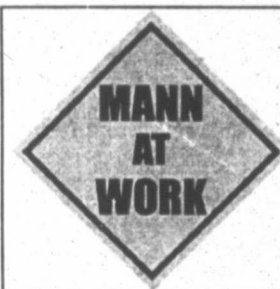
The Kurds are eager to maintain their autonomous control of the north. The Sunnis, who controlled Iraq under Saddam Hussein's ousted regime, fear domination by the majority Shiites, who believe their numbers should give them a commanding voice in the new Iraq.

Mouwafak al-Rabii, a Shiite Muslim member of the Governing Council and a longtime human rights activist, angrily rejected criticism of the council's performance, saying it is facing complex issues.

"We need to negotiate and have a dialogue to reach a decision," he told AP. "And when we do that, then we shall have to talk with our (coalition) partners, differ, negotiate and compromise with them."

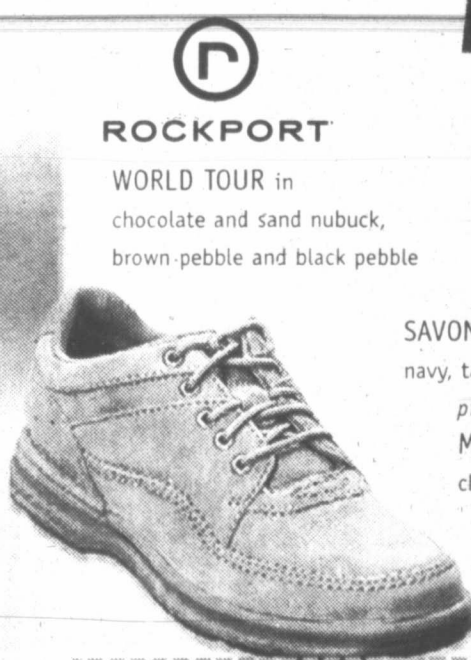
Suspicion of America's intentions in Iraq was heightened when Washington persuaded Turkey to send troops to join the coalition — despite widespread public opposition to a Turkish role. The Turks withdrew the offer after strong opposition by the Governing Council, which in turn angered Washington.

Tensions between the coalition and the Governing Council have been simmering for months. Coalition officials complained privately about the slow pace of decision-making and seeming indifference of some members to attend meetings.



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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Poison Is Dangerous Solution To Problem of Mailbox Spiders

DEAR ABBY: As a longtime postal carrier, I found the letter you printed from the carrier in Las Vegas interesting and frightening. I, too, find spiders in mailboxes. Sometimes I shoo them out; sometimes they run and hide. When they're black widows, I usually try to squish them. But I never want my customers to spray poisons into or around their mailboxes!

Once a poison has been applied to the mailbox, it will be transferred not only to the letters placed inside but also to the hands that retrieve them and the nose that inhales while the person is standing at the mailbox.

Furthermore, spiders are not easy to poison. The spray has to land on the spider to be effective. I have seen people drench their mailboxes with spray because harmless ants have used it as a temporary shelter. (The ants would have moved on in a few days.) However, the TV Guide the family will be handling the entire week is now soaked in poison.

Please warn readers to look inside their mailboxes before reaching in. It's a safer way to avoid contact with spiders, and it's simpler.

SUSAN S. NORTH HIGHLANDS, CALIF.

DEAR SUSAN: Call me an arachnophobe, but if I saw a black widow spider, my first reaction would be to call an exterminator. However, I have heard from several other mail carriers, and all echoed your sentiments. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: You don't need to use bug spray in the mailbox. A mothball in the mailbox will keep all the critters out!

JANET L. BOWLING GREEN, MO.

DEAR JANET L.: I'm passing along your remedy, but if those who decide to try it have sensitivity to mothballs, I urge them to think twice and consult their physician first. (And please remember to ask your postal carrier if he or she is allergic.)

DEAR ABBY: When I was growing up, my older sister, "Lisa," beat me up frequently. It started when I was 3 and she was 6. The beatings continued until I was 12. Then she started doing other things — like spraying hairspray in my eyes and telling our parents I did it to myself, or breaking the zipper on my backpack just as I was getting on the school bus. One time, Lisa maneuvered me into the back seat of my brother's car and whispered for him to slam on the brakes. She held on and laughed while I was thrown against the front seat and cut my head.

My parents never said a word to her, and my mother always sided with her against me. I went through years of depression but finally graduated from college and got on with my life.

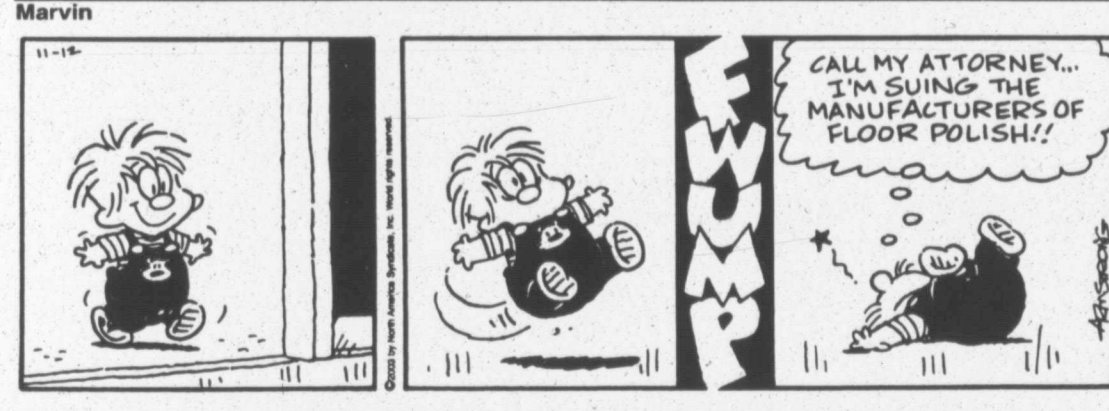
Now that we are adults, Lisa thinks we should be friends. I think now, after all she did to me, she should leave me alone and let me live in peace. What do you think?

TIRED OF HER ABUSE IN ARIZONA

DEAR TIRED: I agree. Your sister was a malicious brat, but I fault your parents for turning a blind eye instead of stopping the abuse. I don't blame you for wanting little or nothing to do with your childhood abuser. Under the circumstances, it's a logical decision. The time for building a close and loving relationship was years ago.

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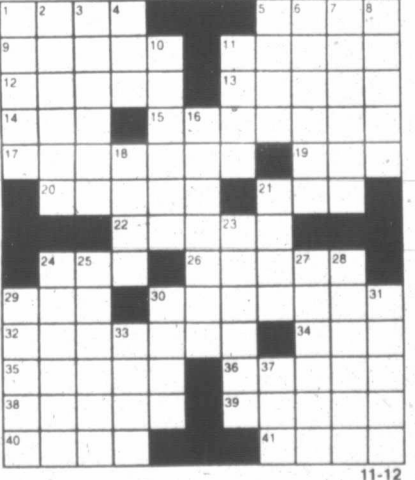
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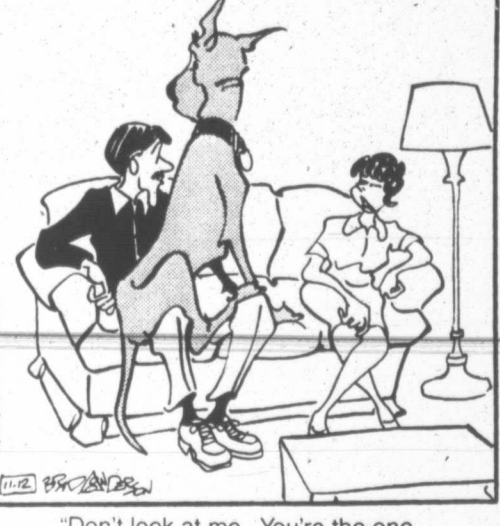
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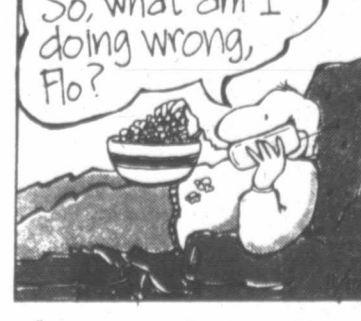
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WRESTLING

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Harvester Booster Club spaghetti supper at 7 p.m. in cafeteria.
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TENNIS

AUSTIN (Oak Ridge) Park will meet 4A team tennis winning matches Tuesday.
Conroe defeated San Heights 10-4.
Park (24-0) defeated Falls 10-2.
San An Heights ends 11-8. Wichita 23-6.
A site and finals was Wednesday.

BASKETBALL

HOUSTON
Jeff Van Gundy brother, and excuses for...
"Tonight do with inter energy, we them," the Rockets coach don't have shooting ability size and shot.
In only the brothers coach each other game, Jeff's Stan's Miami on Tuesday.
The Van Gundy Herb and L...
the only matchup bet in league.
Rockets won in a row and seventh straight the only win the league.
"You could staff of Red Holzman Jackson and matter," Jeff just a small.
After rebound several days Tuesday's game Gundy was over.
"The last time I've talked about basketball reminded about in childhood."
"I almost like why we with talent at There was a discrepancy and discrepancy, happy about going to have to continue to

Flash

1963: Sec Rickey Stewart hits and two to lead the past Borger in League game.
Jim Arthur pitching pitcher.

SPORTS

Pampa in favorite's role at bi-district clash

The Harris Ratings give Pampa the favorites role in the bi-district clash against San Angelo Lake View. The 9-1 Harvesters are favored by 13 points over a 4-6 Lake View squad at 5 p.m. Friday at Lubbock's Lowrey Field.

The Chiefs' record could be a little misleading. All of those losses have been against playoff-bound teams.

The Chiefs haven't been to the playoffs since 1996. That was the year Pampa beat them 29-7 in the Area round.

The Chiefs do have some

winning tradition in their background. They went undefeated at 10-0 during the 1982 regular season, but lost to Lubbock Dunbar in the playoffs.

Lake View's offense is led by 6-2, 210-pound senior Matt Phillips, who has thrown for 1,108 yards and 9 touchdowns. Phillips can also run with 643 yards and 11 touchdowns to his credit.

Running back Robert Payne is a rushing threat with 1,092 yards and 8 TDs. He rushed for 164 yards and scored two TDs in the

Chiefs' 34-0 win over

Lubbock Estacado to clinch a playoff spot.

Leading the receiving corp is 5-10, 170-pound senior Alex Gaither, who has snared 46 passes for 470 yards and 6 TDs.

Offensive guard Jeff Hunt, a 6-3, 300-pound senior, is a bonafide major college prospect.

The Harvesters had no problems in disposing of Caprock (37-0) last week to gain a share of the District 3-4A championship with Palo Duro and Plainview.

The Pampa offense finished the regular season

averaging 35.9 points a game and scored 30 points or better in the first five games of the season.

Johnny Moore at quarterback and Andrew Curtis at running back have been an effective 1-2 tandem for the Harvesters.

The elusive Moore uses slippery moves in rushing for 1,171 yards and 16 touchdowns. Power running by Curtis has resulted in 795 yards and 8 TDs.

Moore has also passed for 1,184 yards to go with 10 TDs. Leading in receptions is senior receiver Jesse

Tarango, who has caught 49 passes for 702 passes and six TDs.

Strong-legged junior Seth Foster has contributed five field goals to go with 34 extra point kicks.

Against winless Caprock, it was the fourth shut out for the Pampa defense, which has allowed just 9.1 points a game. Junior linebacker Q.B. Cobb led the Pampa defense with a game-high 14 tackles and turned in one of the more dazzling plays of the night when he returned an interception 76 yards for a touchdown.

NOTEBOOK

WRESTLING

PAMPA — The Harvester Wrestling Booster Club is having a spaghetti supper Thursday at 7 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Spagetti supper tickets are five dollars apiece and may be purchased from any wrestler or booster club member. For more information, call 440-1234.

TENNIS

AUSTIN (AP) — Conroe Oak Ridge and Highland Park will meet in the Class 4A team tennis finals after winning their semifinals matches Tuesday.

Conroe Oak Ridge (22-3) defeated San Antonio Alamo Heights 10-4 while Highland Park (24-0) defeated Wichita Falls 10-2.

San Antonio Alamo Heights ends the season at 11-8. Wichita Falls finishes at 23-6.

A site and time for the 4A finals was to be set Wednesday.

BASKETBALL

HOUSTON (AP) — Jeff Van Gundy beat his brother, and then made excuses for him.

"Tonight had nothing to do with intensity, effort or energy, we just outsized them," the Houston Rockets coach said. "They don't have much size or shooting ability. We have size and shooters."

In only the second time brothers coached against each other in an NBA game, Jeff's Rockets beat Stan's Miami Heat 90-70 on Tuesday night.

The Van Gundys joined Herb and Larry Brown as the only coaching matchup between brothers in league history. The Rockets won their fourth in a row and Miami lost its seventh straight to remain the only winless team in the league.

"You could assemble a staff of Red Auerbach, Red Holzman, and Phil Jackson and it wouldn't matter," Jeff said. "That's just a small, small team."

After rehashing their childhood together for several days leading up to Tuesday's game, Jeff Van Gundy was glad the game was over.

"The last three days, any time I've tried to think about basketball, I've been reminded about pingpong in childhood," Jeff said.

"I almost feel guilty. It's like why were you blessed with talent and he wasn't? There was a huge talent discrepancy and huge size discrepancy, which we're happy about, but we're going to have to play better to continue to win."

Flashback

1963: Second baseman Rickey Stewart had four hits and two runs-batted-in to lead the Pampa Rebels past Borger in an American League game.

Jim Arthur was the winning pitcher.

Clock strikes midnight on Texans' D

HOUSTON (AP) — The clock read 13:42 when it struck midnight on the Texans defense.

The franchise that stayed in games last season only because of its defense now competes despite it. With benefit of hindsight, that shift officially happened shortly into the second quarter of the second game of the Texans' second year.

The Louisiana Superdome scoreboard read 13:42 when Texans nose guard Seth Payne — the tip of the spear of Houston's 3-4 defense — crumpled to the AstroTurf after helping sack Aaron Brooks for a 7-yard loss. He was out for the season with ligament damage in his left knee.

The scoreless game devolved into a 31-6 victory for the so-so Saints and the Texans, who upset Miami in the opener thanks largely to Payne's ability to hold his ground against Ricky Williams, are 2-6 since his injury.

There have been other defensive injuries, to be sure. First a left shoulder, now a right big toe has sidelined Pro Bowl end Gary Walker, and Pro Bowl cornerback Aaron Glenn missed nearly three games with a groin strain.

Then there's the nagging left ankle that has sidelined right outside linebacker Charlie Clemons, although the off-season free agent pickup had been a disappointment when he was healthy and rookie Antwan Peck is considered the future of that position anyway.

As harmful as the injury problems have been, not to mention the ineffectiveness of free safety Matt Stevens that led to his benching, Payne's still pains most.

The Texans were fond of noting for weeks afterward that the team went six games into the season before yielding a 100-yard runner, although the claim was a little specious. New Orleans' Duce McAllister had 96 yards that fateful Sept. 14, and Priest Holmes had 89 the next week without playing the fourth quarter in a Chiefs' blowout win.

The Colts' Edgerrin James finally broke through with 104 yards on Oct. 26, piling up bunches of late yards to seal the game.

Then the dam burst. Carolina's Stephen Davis ran right past the patchwork defensive line for 153 yards in a Texans win, then Rudi Johnson erupted for 182 yards last weekend in a loss at Cincinnati. Journeymen Corey Sears and Jerry Deloach, rookie free agent Terrance Martin and two guys signed after the season began — Junior Ioane and Steve Martin — provided little barrier.

The only relief in sight is that the offenses, particularly the rushing offenses, of the next three teams aren't particularly daunting. Then again, who besides Bengals fans, Auburn alums and fantasy football mavens knew anything about Johnson?

Bi-district champs



The Fort Elliott Lady Cougars will meet Water Valley in the area round of the Class 1A volleyball playoffs tonight in Knox City. Team members are (front row, l-r) Sarah Moon, Andrea Hathaway, Chrystal Selby, Sarah Zybach, Randi Barr, Tamara Hefley, and Andria Keelen; (back row, l-r) Coach Curtis Smith, Chynna Atherton, Glory Hartsfield, Gloria Reis, Laura Lohberger, Holly McCurley, Vanessa Huff, and Shealee Coulter.

Oklahoma turns focus to lowly Baylor

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Bob Stoops and the No. 1 Oklahoma Sooners say they're taking Baylor seriously. Hardly anyone else is.

Stoops was asked about two dozen questions during his 23-minute news conference Tuesday, most concerning the team's etiquette in a 77-0 rout of Texas A&M. A few were about quarterback Jason White's Heisman Trophy campaign. Others sought to prod Stoops into naming a specific weakness on his team (he couldn't).

Only two were about lowly Baylor, a 53-point underdog coming into Norman this weekend.

"We do recognize that anybody can get anybody if they're not prepared to play," Stoops said. "We definitely need to be

prepared to play, as always."

That's a scary prospect for the Bears (3-7, 1-5 Big 12), who lost 73-10 to Texas A&M earlier this season.

Here's a breakdown of what appears to be a colossal mismatch:

— Oklahoma (10-0, 6-0) has the nation's top-ranked defense, keeping both Oklahoma State and Texas A&M out of the end zone the past two games. In the Sooners' win over the Aggies, A&M had only three first downs and 54 yards of offense.

Meanwhile, Baylor ranks 113th out of 117 Division I-A schools in total offense (281 yards per game), and the Bears have only scored one offensive touchdown in the past three

games.

— The Sooners have the country's highest-scoring offense (48 points per game) and have scored more than 50 points a school-record six times this season. Baylor has the nation's 109th-ranked defense (457 yards per game) and is 113th in scoring defense (38 points per game).

— Against common opponents (North Texas, Colorado, Texas and Texas A&M) Baylor has been outscored 211-66, while Oklahoma holds a 203-36 advantage.

You get the idea. Making matters potentially worse, new Baylor coach Guy Morriss has openly mused about starting a lineup full of underclassmen, including fresh-

man quarterback Shawn Bell, against the Sooners to get some much-needed playing time.

"They are the future," Morriss said. "I think it would be a good opportunity for them to go into an environment like Norman and play against the No. 1-ranked team."

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SCOREBOARD

FOOTBALL

District 3-4A Final Standings

Team	District	All
x-Palo Duro	5-1	7-3
y1-Pampa	5-1	9-1
y2-Plainview	5-1	8-2
Randall	3-3	7-3
Hereford	2-4	4-6
Dumas	1-5	3-7
Caprock	0-6	0-10

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	7	2	0	0	.778	184	155
Miami	5	4	0	0	.556	168	141
Buffalo	4	5	0	0	.444	149	158
N.Y. Jets	3	6	0	0	.333	166	173

South		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	7	2	0	0	.778	254	171
Tennessee	7	2	0	0	.778	255	174
Houston	3	6	0	0	.333	162	244
Jacksonville	2	7	0	0	.222	172	231

North		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	5	4	0	0	.556	206	182
Cincinnati	4	5	0	0	.444	186	200
Cleveland	3	6	0	0	.333	135	171
Pittsburgh	3	6	0	0	.333	176	217

West		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	9	0	0	0	1.000	287	150
Denver	5	4	0	0	.556	210	171
Oakland	2	7	0	0	.222	162	211
San Diego	2	7	0	0	.222	174	243

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	7	2	0	0	.778	181	136
Philadelphia	6	3	0	0	.667	159	166
N.Y. Giants	4	5	0	0	.444	172	195
Washington	4	5	0	0	.444	176	212

South		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	7	2	0	0	.778	178	163
New Orleans	4	5	0	0	.444	189	205
Tampa Bay	4	5	0	0	.444	188	141
Atlanta	2	7	0	0	.222	157	250

North		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	6	3	0	0	.667	251	205
Green Bay	4	5	0	0	.444	244	210
Chicago	3	6	0	0	.333	151	211
Detroit	3	6	0	0	.333	152	207

West		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	6	3	0	0	.667	213	174
St. Louis	6	3	0	0	.667	246	181
San Francisco	4	5	0	0	.444	202	152
Arizona	3	6	0	0	.333	130	235

Sunday's Games

Detroit 12, Chicago 10
Tennessee 31, Miami 7
Atlanta 27, N.Y. Giants 7
Washington 27, Seattle 20
Pittsburgh 28, Arizona 15
Cincinnati 34, Houston 27
Carolina 27, Tampa Bay 24
Kansas City 41, Cleveland 20
Jacksonville 28, Indianapolis 23
San Diego 42, Minnesota 28
Dallas 10, Buffalo 6
N.Y. Jets 27, Oakland 24, OT
St. Louis 33, Baltimore 22

Monday's Game

Philadelphia 17, Green Bay 14
Sunday, Nov. 16
St. Louis at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Houston at Buffalo, 1 p.m.
Baltimore at Miami, 1 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 1 p.m.

Jacksonville at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Kansas City at Cincinnati, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Indianapolis, 4:05 p.m.
San Diego at Denver, 4:05 p.m.
Detroit at Seattle, 4:15 p.m.
Minnesota at Oakland, 4:15 p.m.
Green Bay at Tampa Bay, 4:15 p.m.
Dallas at New England, 8:30 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 17
Pittsburgh at San Francisco, 9 p.m.

BASKETBALL

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	4	3.571	—
Philadelphia	4	4.500	1/2
New Jersey	3	4.429	1
Washington	3	4.429	1
New York	2	5.286	2
Orlando	1	6.143	3
Miami	0	7.000	4

Central Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	6	2.750	—
Detroit	5	2.714	1/2
New Orleans	5	3.625	1
Milwaukee	4	3.571	1 1/2
Toronto	4	3.571	1 1/2
Chicago	3	5.375	3
Cleveland	2	5.286	3 1/2
Atlanta	2	6.250	4

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	5	1.833	—
Dallas	5	3.625	1
Utah	4	3.571	1 1/2
Denver	4	4.500	2
Minnesota	4	4.500	2
San Antonio	4	4.500	2
Memphis	3	4.429	2 1/2

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	4	1.800	—
L.A. Lakers	5	2.714	1
Portland	4	3.571	1
Sacramento	4	3.571	1
Golden State	3	3.500	1 1/2
Phoenix	3	3.500	1 1/2
L.A. Clippers	2	2.500	1 1/2

Monday's Games

Cleveland 94, New York 80
Memphis 105, L.A. Lakers 95
San Antonio 87, Utah 78
Denver 105, Chicago 97
Phoenix 99, Golden State 96

Tuesday's Games

Boston 78, Indiana 76
Philadelphia 112, Washington 105
Seattle 89, Minnesota 87
Houston 90, Miami 70
Dallas 125, New Orleans 97
Sacramento 97, Detroit 91
Portland 83, Toronto 80
L.A. Clippers 115, Atlanta 103

Wednesday's Games

Chicago at Boston, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Orlando, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Seattle at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Detroit at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
Toronto at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Houston at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Portland, 10 p.m.

Report: Rangers would listen to trade offers for Rodriguez

NEW YORK (AP) — The Texas Rangers are willing to field trade offers for star shortstop Alex Rodriguez. The New York Times reported Wednesday.

"It would be less than honest for me to say we're not listening," Rangers manager Buck Showalter told the newspaper. "If people call you about a player, even if it's a player you love the way we love Alex, you have to at least listen."

Especially because Rodriguez costs the Rangers so much.

He has seven years and \$179 million remaining on the record \$252 million contract he signed with Texas

before the 2001 season. He also has a no-trade clause, which he would have to waive before any potential deal could be completed.

Rodriguez, 28, might agree to that for a chance to win soon. The Rangers have finished last in the AL West for four straight seasons.

At the general managers' meeting in Phoenix, Texas GM John Hart made it clear that his team is not trying to move Rodriguez and said the possibility of a deal was a long shot. The Times reported.

"He's our cornerstone player," Hart told the newspaper. "But if the phone rings in this business, you pick up the

phone and listen.

Rodriguez suggested in late July that he would be willing to accept a trade if the team doesn't improve, but later changed his tone.

"The optimism is obvious. I hope that this winter we get a few small pieces and keep going," Rodriguez said at the end of the season. "We don't need a miracle. We don't need a total facelift."

Perhaps the best all-around player in baseball, Rodriguez hit .298 with 47 home runs and 118 RBIs last season and won a Gold Glove for his defensive excellence. He's had at least 41 homers and 111 RBIs each of the past six years.

Mavericks defeat Hornets, 125-97

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks finally got their lineup of All-Stars pulling in the same direction.

Steve Nash hit all five of his 3-point shots and sparked a decisive third-quarter run in the Mavericks' 125-97 victory over the New Orleans Hornets on Tuesday night.

The Mavericks, struggling to assimilate newcomers Antoine Walker, Antawn Jamison, Danny Fortson and Tony Delk into the lineup, had their most complete effort of the season, shooting 58, finishing with 40 assists and holding a 45-30 rebounding edge.

"Coming together with the group we have, we're bound to have some explosions," Nash said. "Hopefully this was a glimpse."

The Hornets cut a 19-point deficit in the second period to 66-60 early in the third. Then Nash hit a 3 that started a 23-2 burst capped by Jamison's dunk.

Walker had 21 points, Michael Finley 20 and Dirk Nowitzki 18 for the

Mavericks. Nash finished with 17 points and 11 assists, and Fortson had nine points and 11 rebounds in Dallas' most-lopsided victory of the season.

"The most important thing was our defense," said Jamison, who had 12 points. "We controlled the boards and got the opportunity to run. This is what we're capable of doing."

Nowitzki said the key was Nash's unselfish play in the first quarter.

"He was controlling the game, getting everybody involved," Nowitzki said. "He was our MVP last season and that hasn't changed. We have so many weapons, we don't have to force shots. When we have 40 assists, that pretty much says it all."

Baron Davis had 25 points, 20 in the first half, for the Hornets.

David Wesley added 18 points for the Hornets, who handed the Los Angeles Lakers their first defeat of the season Friday night.

Dallas, which led all the way for the first time this season, got off to a fast start, shooting 17-for-25 in the

first quarter to build a 39-26 edge.

Finley's 13 points and Fortson's seven points and seven rebounds helped Dallas to its highest-scoring first quarter of the season.

The Mavericks had 15 assists on their first 17 baskets, with Nash handing out seven of them in an effort to get his teammates rolling.

"We were moving the ball, sharing the ball, not forcing bad shots," Finley said.

The Hornets were unable to recover from the Mavericks' third-quarter run.

"It was 66-60, Nash hit a 3-pointer, and it was like we couldn't come back," said P.J. Brown of the Hornets. "It seems like we were stuck on 60-62 points. It was just a bad, bad quarter ... horrible."

Notes: Don Nelson got his 250th victory with the Mavericks and is the second NBA coach with at least 250 wins with three teams. Lenny Wilkens is the other. ... Delk missed the game because of a hamstring injury.

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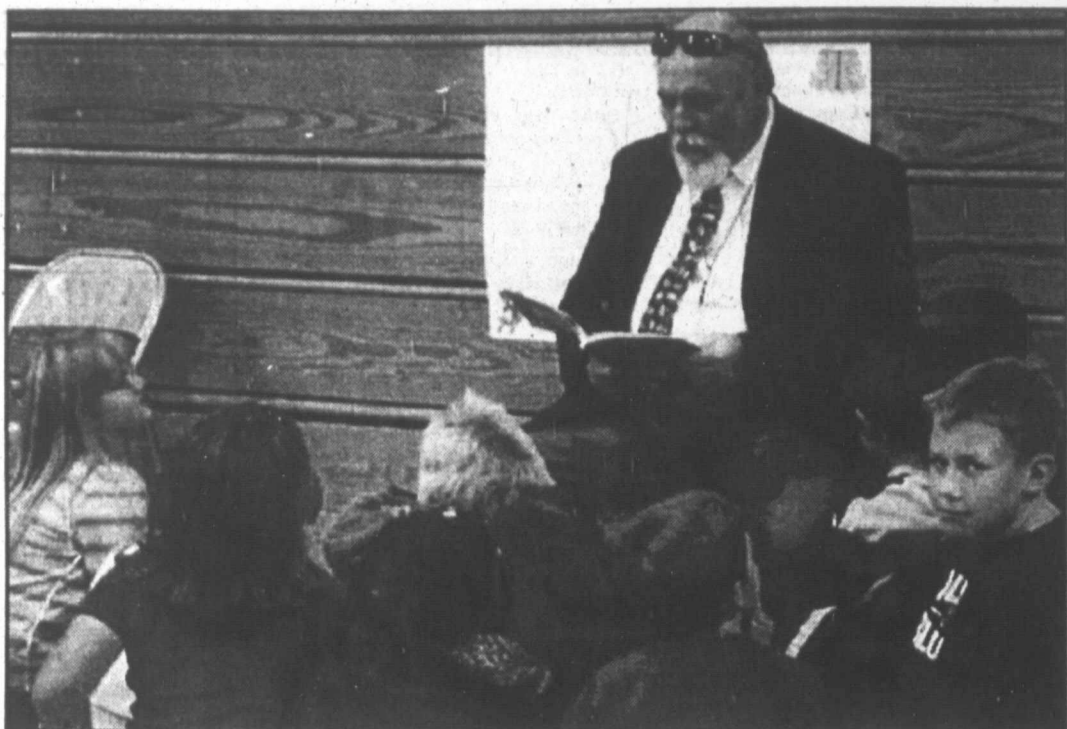
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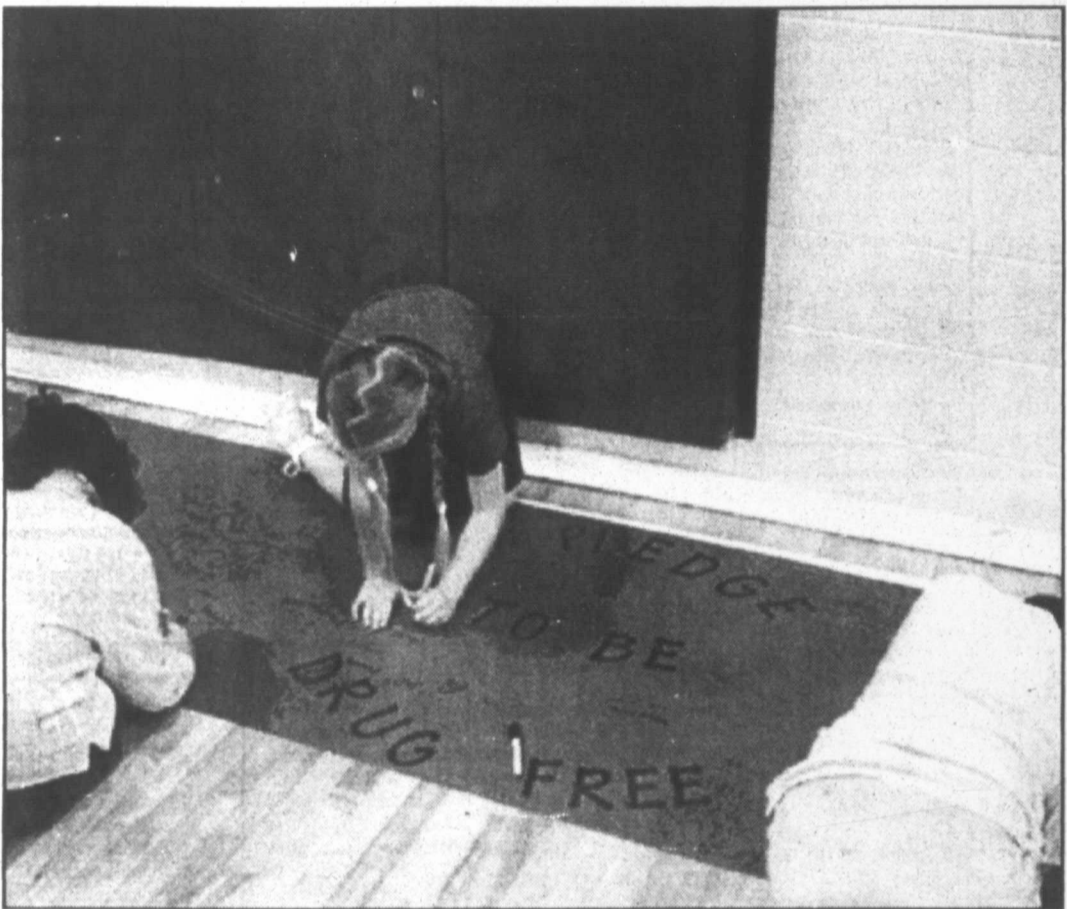
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Red Ribbon activities



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Principal Doug Rapstine reads to students during Red Ribbon Week at Travis Elementary recently.



(Courtesy photo)

Students sign the "I Pledge to be Drug Free" poster during Red Ribbon activities at Travis Elementary recently.



(Courtesy photo)

Trevlyn Pitner, chief of Pampa Police Department, and Ashley Pitner discuss tobacco use with Travis Elementary students recently during Red Ribbon Week.

Prairie Rivers show set for this Saturday

Prairie Rivers Musical, a live music show, will hold its second show of the season at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 15, at Canadian Middle School Auditorium.

"We started our fifth season with a performance in October and had a wonderful crowd," said Jay Godwin, a founder of the show. "People are coming from all over the area to support us while enjoying a real blend of classic country, western swing, honky-tonk, and gospel music."

There is no admission charge to see the show and concessions are sold.

Regular performers include Scott Campbell, Frankie McWhorter, Phil Ridgway, Hank and Venita McPherson, Mary Lynn Schafer, Lonnie Cox, Wayne Wright, Pat Popham, George Briant and Godwin.

"This is a place to bring the entire family, where you can really relax and enjoy 'toe-tapping, knee slapping' live music for an entire evening," Godwin said.

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Art Carney dead at age 85

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — With a turned-up porkpie hat and slapstick shtick, Art Carney turned "The Honeymooners" sidekick Ed Norton into one of the most memorable characters in television history.

He later took home the 1974 Oscar for best actor in "Harry and Tonto," but it was as the upstairs sewer worker neighbor to Jackie Gleason's Ralph Kramden in the 1950s that Carney will be best remembered.

Carney, who had been ill for some time, was buried during a small, private ceremony Tuesday, two days after he died in Chester. He was 85.

Kramden and his not-too-bright bowling buddy, Norton, appeared in various forms from 1951 to 1956, and the show — still in syndication on cable stations — was revived briefly in 1971.

With his unbuttoned vest over a white T-shirt, Carney's Norton with his exuberant "Hey, Ralphie boy!" became an ideal foil for Gleason's blustery, bullying Kramden. Carney won three Emmys for his role and his first taste of fame.

"The first time I saw the guy act," Gleason once said, "I knew I would have to work twice as hard for my laughs. He was funny as hell."

In one episode, Norton and Kramden learn to golf from an instruction book. Told to "address the ball," Norton gives a wave of the hand and says, "Hellooooo. ball!" In another episode, Norton inadvertently wins the award for best costume at a Raccoon Lodge party by showing up in his sewer worker's gear. Another time, the loose-limbed Norton teaches Kramden a finger-popping new dance called the Hucklebuck.

"I loved Art Carney," said actor Billy Bob Thornton. "I

was a huge fan of 'The Honeymooners' and I loved Jackie Gleason, who was a genius. But I was probably more struck by Art Carney than Gleason. You just couldn't wait for him to come through the door again."

Carney told a Saturday Evening Post interviewer in

1961 that strangers were always asking him how he liked it down in the sewer. "I have seasonal answers," he said. "In the summer: 'I like it down there because it's cool.' In the winter: 'I like it down there because it's warm.' Then I've got one that isn't seasonal: 'Go to hell.'"

Lions Club Sweetheart



(Courtesy photo)

Brianna Bailey, daughter of Nathan and Robin Bailey, was recently named Pampa Noon Lions Club's October Sweetheart of the Month.

Her honors, activities and accomplishments include the following: Cheerleader (three years); dance (14 years); PHS Concert Choir (three years); PHS Show Choir; ASTRA Club; Latin Club; cheerleading captain; UCA All Star; choir activities director; student council senior class representative; National Honor Society; and choreographer (several city chorus musicals as well as "Grease," "The Wiz" and "Once Upon a Mattress," all PHS musicals).

Brianna attends Wells Street Church of Christ.

Her future plans are to pursue either a pharmacy or a molecular pathology degree with a minor in music at Texas Tech University.

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