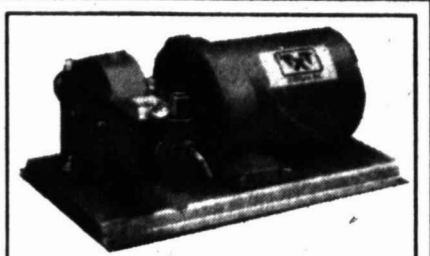




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LOTTERY

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night:
 Winning numbers drawn: 1-5-9-26-35. Bonus Ball: 27.
 Number matching five of five, plus Bonus Ball: 0.
 Number matching five of five: 2. Prize: \$16,215.
 Number matching four of five, plus Bonus Ball: 17. Prize: \$1,731.
 Estimated jackpot for Wednesday night drawing: \$10 million.

DEATHS

Deliah G. Engle, Pampa native.
 Minnie Evans, 93, services pending.
 David Dale McKnight Jr., 37, business professional.
 E.H. Patton, 78, services pending.
 Bernice Watson, 91, homemaker.

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Special prosecutor explains actions

By DAVID BOWSER
 STAFF WRITER

Special Prosecutor David Scott said the settlement requiring the resignation of the Gray County Attorney was Scott's and Scott's alone.

Apparently, during a closed-door session of the Gray County Commissioner's Court last week, questions were raised about the settlement.

"I have received some questions about the settlement with Mr. Alvey," Scott said. "I welcome any questions."

Scott, an attorney in private practice in Perryton, was named Special Prosecutor by 31st District Attorney Rick Roach following complaints of problems in the county attorney's office. Earlier this year, Texas Ranger Gary Henderson, now retired, completed an investigation into reports of missing money from a hot check fund and bookkeeping irregularities in the

David Scott takes responsibility for settlement requiring Alvey's resignation

county attorney's office.

Scott said that with regard to alleged problems in the county attorney's office, the options were to pursue criminal prosecution, a civil suit to remove Gray County Attorney Todd Alvey from office or to drop the matter altogether.

"I have no evidence showing who took the money missing from Mr. Alvey's office," Scott said. "Every effort was made by the Texas Ranger to uncover evidence of theft. Mr. Alvey and his staff are not suspects in the theft of money."

Scott said Alvey appears to have engaged in illegal bookkeeping to keep the public from finding out about the missing funds, but the missing money was replaced by Alvey and the hot check assistant.

"Mr. Alvey did this because he thought that the missing money would hurt his future political ambitions," Scott said.

If charges were pressed against Alvey, Scott said, Alvey would be entitled to a full and fair process like anyone else accused of a crime, including a jury trial.

"Prosecution would have cost Gray County tens of thousands of dollars," Scott said. "I did not believe it was worth the cost to the county to prosecute a bookkeeping allegation that carried no financial loss to the county."

Alvey was also accused of writing hot checks.

"We interviewed the staff and

Alvey said Scott sent memo saying he wouldn't discuss matter with press.

checked the office records," Scott said. "The Ranger interviewed merchants. Alvey paid all hot checks that came to our attention. I will not prosecute on hot checks that have been paid off."

In addition to the bookkeeping allegations, Scott said Alvey wrongfully fired an assistant for non-work related reasons.

"The firing resulted in a loss of \$2,000 to the county," Scott said.

The woman lost her job, and Scott said he decided that Alvey should lose his job and pay the \$2,000 that his fir-

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Deputy: Lefors teen's injury not result of 'criminal act'

By MARILYN POWERS
 STAFF WRITER

A 15-year-old Lefors boy was airlifted Friday evening to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo after he was found unresponsive at the Lefors baseball field with a cut on his head.

Gray County Sheriff's Department Chief Deputy Kelly Rushing said the cause of the boy's injury was unknown at this time, but "at this point, we are pretty satisfied that any injury was not caused by a criminal act."

A call concerning the youth was received by Lefors Volunteer Ambulance Service around 8:15 p.m. Friday, said Linda Stanton, an ambulance service volunteer who was on call that evening.

Gray County Sheriff's Department was also called concerning the injured youth, but Rushing said he did not know who made the call. Deputy Bruce Burrell was the first officer on the scene, Stanton said.

The boy was transported by ambulance to Pampa, and then to White Deer, where the ambulance was met by a LifeStar helicopter and the youth was then airlifted to the Amarillo hospital.

"Everything points away from any act of violence. We took statements from a juvenile and from others. This was not the result of a beating or any other 'criminal act,'" Rushing said.

The injured youth's condition was not known at press time today.

Another step toward State



(Photo by Ray Boring)

Pampa's Derek Lewis (42) and Tyler Doughty (4) lead the Harvesters out of the tunnel at Odessa's Ratliff Stadium last Friday to meet El Paso-Chapin in the Area round of the football playoffs. The Harvesters won 42-21 to advance one more step toward the State title. They'll go against Aledo in Regionals at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 28, in Memorial Stadium at Wichita Falls.

Wal-Mart zoning hearing set for 4 p.m. on Tuesday

A public hearing concerning a rezoning request by Wal-Mart will be at 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Pampa City Commission chambers.

Wal-Mart wants the city to rezone about 35 acres of the Westgate Addition, between Pampa Mall and 30th Street, from Agriculture to Commercial.

In the Pampa City Commission meeting that will follow, the commission will hear the second reading of an ordinance providing for a bus loading zone at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School and the second reading of an ordinance amending the city's operat-

ing budget.

The commission will also consider appointing Ellen Malone the Lay Representative to the Texas Panhandle Library System and consider applying to the Texas Historic Commission for a Regional Texas Plains Trail office to be located in Pampa.

Commissioners will consider a sublease by McCarty-Hull on the old U.S. Bus building, 822 E. Foster, for a West Texas A&M University Incubator Program.

The city commission plans to review a list of bills for October totaling \$836,576.39.

Senate advances toward major Medicare legislation

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate voted to choke off debate Monday on a historic Medicare prescription drug bill, but die-hard opponents vowed one final effort to scuttle the legislation they attacked as a boon to pharmaceutical and insurance industries.

The vote was 70-29, 10 more than the 60 needed to end a filibuster led by Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., and joined by a pair of Democratic presidential hopefuls eager to share the spotlight.

"Today is a momentous and historic day," Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist, R-Tenn., said moments before

the test vote on legislation that has been gridlocked for years. The Tennessee Republican accused opponents of resorting to "procedural tricks to obstruct" passage of legislation making the most sweeping changes in Medicare since the program's creation in 1965.

"The Senate is on trial," thundered Kennedy, leader of the opposition. "Let us not turn our backs on our senior citizens so insurance companies and pharmaceutical companies can charge senior citizens even higher prices."

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ACTION

ing of the assistant had cost the county.

Scott said he considered a civil suit to remove Alvey from office, but a civil suit would be very expensive and could drag on for several years. The evidence did not support a temporary removal so Alvey would have remained in office during the suit.

"Mr. Alvey would be entitled to a jury trial and all of the expense discovery and depositions in a major civil case," Scott said. "I looked for an opportunity to get Mr. Alvey out of office quickly and at the least expense to the taxpayers."

The result was an agreement in which Alvey would resign effective Dec. 31, and not seek reelection.

"I believe that clearing him from office in six weeks was far better than waiting for one to two years for a jury verdict," Scott said. "Again, tens of thousands of the taxpayer's money was saved."

The special prosecutor said Alvey misled the public when he told the Pampa News that his resignation was not the result of the accusations against him.

"That is a lie," Scott said. "Had I known he would attempt to mislead the public, I would not have agreed to him holding office another day."

When asked to respond to Scott's comment, Alvey today said he was told that Scott would not talk to the news media.

"I have a document on his letterhead," Alvey said this morning, "that he was not going to talk to the press."

Later this morning, Alvey brought a copy of a fax with a header that states: "Fax from David T. Scott Attorney and Counselor at Law to Rick Harris Re: State of Texas v. Todd Alvey, FROM: DTS"

The text of the facts reads as follows: "I can not agree to the confidentiality agreement. Mr. Alvey is a public official and some records may be subject to open record's act."

"Secondly, I can not guaranty this type of conduct of other offices and personnel.

"I have no intention of contacting the press or discussing this with them.

"Thank you for your efforts."

The transmission date on the faxed memo indicated it was sent at 5:35 p.m., Nov. 7, 2003.

"I have spoken to the county auditor," Scott said. "She has begun an in depth audit of Alvey's office. Money is removed by her daily."

Scott said the county court has curtailed Alvey's duties in the interim.

"It was my decision to settle the matter by getting Alvey out of office in the quickest and most efficient way possible," Scott said. "I consulted with the appropriate county officials, the fired assistant and the investigating Texas Ranger prior to making this agreement; however, it was my decision alone, and I stand by it."

Editor Dee Dee Laramore contributed to this report.

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MEDICARE

vote, the bill's supporters expressed concern about a second procedural vote, expected later in the day. It, too, would require them to amass 60 votes to advance the bill to final passage.

The bill would provide a prescription drug benefit for Medicare beneficiaries for the first time since the giant health care program for seniors was created in 1965, with subsidies to help lower-income seniors pay the premiums and other costs.

It also would provide subsidies to insurance companies in hopes they would offer private coverage to seniors.

The bill cleared the House in a pre-dawn, 220-215 vote Saturday. Senate passage would send it to President Bush, who is eager to sign it into law.

Nine Democrats announced plans to support the measure, as did Sen. James Jeffords, a Vermont independent. Even with the support of all 10, Republicans could afford to lose only one GOP vote to be assured of prevailing on the second test vote.

While Kennedy has led the opposition to the bill, two of the Democratic presidential hopefuls sought a share of the spotlight on Sunday.

"This bill is really about President Bush passing the buck on prescription drug coverage and passing the bucks from seniors to the pharmaceutical industry," said Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, who scrapped a series of campaign events to return to the Capitol for his speech and the votes.

Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina likewise flew to Washington, eager to join the fight. "We need to stand up to drug companies and HMOs and stand up for the American people," he said on the Senate floor.

Sen. Joseph Lieberman of Connecticut also announced his opposition to the measure, and was expected in the Senate for the day's votes.

Despite efforts led by Kennedy and

Democratic Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota to scuttle the bill, the list of Democratic supporters grew during the day, and strategists said it was likely to grow again before the final vote was called.

Sens. Dianne Feinstein of California and Ron Wyden of Oregon announced they would vote for the bill, bringing the number of announced Democratic supporters to nine. Republicans control the Senate 51-48 with one independent.

In her speech, Feinstein catalogued a series of provisions that would provide additional funding for her home state, adding: "I intend to support this bill, and not because it is perfect, but because I believe it brings substantial help to people who need that help in my state of California."

Wyden described the bill as something of a mixed blessing. On balance, he said he had decided to vote for it, but call his decision a "very, very tough call."

Republicans expect only a handful of defections.

The far-reaching bill would increase Medicare funding for doctors, hospitals and other health care providers, particularly in rural areas, where reimbursement levels are far below what is paid in other regions of the country. It also provides billions of dollars to companies to encourage them to retain the health coverage they provide their retirees.

For the first time, higher-earning seniors would be required to pay more for their Medicare Part B premiums than other beneficiaries. The measure also retains the current ban on the importation of lower-cost prescription drugs from Canada, and establishes tax-preferred health savings accounts for individuals with high-deductible insurance coverage.

The most contentious provision would take effect in 2010, when direct competition between traditional Medicare and the private plans begins in up to six metropolitan areas. Supporters argue that would help reduce the cost of Medicare in the long run, while opponents attack it as the leading edge of an effort by Republicans to privatize the system.

ON RECORD, CONT. FROM PAGE 2

POLICE

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents and arrests as of 7 a.m. today.

Tuesday, Nov. 18

Attempted theft by deception was reported in the 1800 block of Fir.

Wednesday, Nov. 19

Burglary was reported at Hoagie's Deli, 1201 N. Hobart. Method of entry was unknown. Amount of loss is undetermined at time of report.

Friday, Nov. 21

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 800 block of North Nelson. Method of entry was unknown. Taken were a stereo amp, two speakers, a speaker box and approximately 80 compact discs. Estimated amount of loss was \$2,000.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 100 block of North Wynne. Method of entry was unknown. Taken were a video game device and four games. Estimated loss was \$1,000.

Harassment was reported in the 1000 block of Ripley.

Theft was reported at Long John Silver's Seafood Restaurant, 1050 N. Hobart. A banner valued at approximately \$150 was taken.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 500 block of East Kingsmill. Approximately \$700 in damage was done to a vehicle's tires and wheel rims.

Saturday, Nov. 22

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2100 block of North Faulkner. Some type of aerosol marker was sprayed on the home. Estimated amount of damage was unknown.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2100 block of North Faulkner. An unknown substance was found on the vehicle. No damage was reported.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1000 block of North Christy. Yard ornaments were destroyed. Estimated damage was \$150.

Theft between \$100,000 and \$200,000 was reported in the 2700 block of Duncan. Police said cash box containing retirement fund information and investment certificates was reportedly taken from a private residence.

Burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1300 block of Duncan. Forced entry was made through the back door. Taken were two DVD players, a computer, a jewelry box and contents, a video game device and DVDs. Estimated value of loss was \$2,200.

Sunday, Nov. 23

Telephone harassment was reported in the 1100 block of Juniper.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1300 block of North Hamilton. A car tire was damaged. Estimated damage was \$78.

Credit card abuse was reported by Sands Fabrics, 225 N. Cuyler.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 400 block of North Faulkner. No injuries were reported.

Assault was reported in the 200 block of North West. No injuries were reported.

Theft under \$50 was reported by Family Dollar, 421 E. Frederic. A CD player was taken. Estimated loss was \$18.

Ray Madrid Soto, 39, 318 Hazel, was arrested for public intoxication.

Gonzalo Olvera, 36, 428 Hughes, was arrested on two warrants and for no driver's license.

Monday, Nov. 24

Jonathan White, 19, 636 N. Nelson, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart for robbery, resisting arrest and public intoxication.

Professor: Agent convinced him he destroyed vials

LUBBOCK (AP) — A plague researcher accused of destroying the vials. He said FBI Agent Dale Green convinced him in an interview that Butler indeed had destroyed them.

Thomas C. Butler, a renowned Texas Tech University scientist, sparked a bioterrorism scare when he reported the vials missing in January. In a statement written later, Butler said he accidentally destroyed them.

But Butler, 62, said he had no memory of destroying the vials. He said FBI Agent Dale Green convinced him in an interview that Butler indeed had destroyed them.

"He convinced me it happened, even though I didn't remember destroying them," Butler testified Monday. "He wanted the concept, 'I had made a mistake,'" Butler said.

Butler said there was an accident involving the plague samples in his lab about 10 days before his Jan. 14 report to police that they were stolen. He said Green told

him evidence pointed to Butler accidentally destroying them during that accident or subsequent cleanup.

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Soybeans	6.78

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Cabot Corp.	27.81	+0.42
Cabot Oil Gas	26.30	+0.11
Coca Cola	46.76	+0.34
VLO	42.77	+0.23
HAL	23.24	-0.09
Trad	32.25	+0.55
NOI	18.72	+0.05
KMI	54.13	+0.22
XCEL	16.57	+0.31
Kerr McGee	40.49	+0.22
Limited	17.89	+0.15
Williams	9.15	+0.06
MCD	25.54	+0.57
XOM	35.69	+0.35
Atmos	24.77	+0.42
Pioneer Nat	27.05	+0.22
JCP	24.84	+0.39
COP	56.83	+0.38
SLB	46.07	-0.19
Tenneco	5.71	+0.85
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DEAR ABBY

written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips

Pregnant Teen Is Urged To See Adult Guidance

DEAR ABBY: I was shocked when I read your reply to "Alone and Terrified," the teenage girl from Columbus, Ga. She had just discovered she was pregnant and was afraid to tell her parents because she was scared of their reaction. You advised her to go to Planned Parenthood. Were you advising her to get an abortion?

APPALLED IN FLORIDA

DEAR APPALLED: No. That's a matter of personal choice. I urged her to confide in her mother or another trusted female adult, and if she could not do that, to consult Planned Parenthood. The worst thing in the world a girl in that situation can do is nothing. I knew that Planned Parenthood would advise her about her entire range of options. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Why did you assume that the girl couldn't trust her father enough to talk with him? In your mind, any trusted female seems preferable to talking to Dad. And what about the prospective father?

DONALD C. HUBIN, PH.D., COLUMBUS, OHIO

DEAR DONALD: If the father was the parent who gave the girl her sex education, then she might feel comfortable confiding in him. However, many young women are self-conscious, and therefore reluctant, to discuss their sexuality with their fathers. Had she felt she could depend on the boy involved, she wouldn't have signed herself "Alone and Terrified."

DEAR ABBY: If that girl aborts her baby, she will most likely suffer for the rest of her life with the guilt she will eventually feel for having chosen abortion.

LISA S., NEW MILFORD, PA.

DEAR LISA: That's not always the case. Reactions can vary. Although some women experience guilt, I have read that many report feeling a combination of regret and relief.

DEAR ABBY: Here in California a girl recently died because rather than going to her parents for help, she went to Planned Parenthood. Secrets should never be encouraged.

Parents are the teen's best option.

DANA S., ESCONDIDO, CALIF.

DEAR DANA: All medical procedures, and that includes abortion, carry some risk. According to reports I have read, the girl died of septic shock after taking RU-486. However, abortions are far safer today than they were 10 years ago — and certainly safer than when the procedure was illegal and performed in back alleys.

My heart goes out to that girl's parents, and I agree that parents should be the best option. However, not all families are the kind we saw on "Leave It to Beaver," and many girls are afraid to confide in their parents.

DEAR ABBY: You should read "Grand Illusions," George Grant's expose of the racist roots of Planned Parenthood. Not to have advised that girl to visit her local Crisis Pregnancy Center was misleading.

LENORE IN MANHATTAN, MONT.

DEAR LENORE: Margaret Sanger, who founded the tiny birth control clinic that was to become the Planned Parenthood Federation of America, became a family planning crusader because she felt it was vital for poor women (and that included women of color) to control their fertility and not be forced to have large families they couldn't take care of. A woman who is not in charge of her reproductive life is not in charge of her life. According to the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, the average woman, without birth control, would have between 12 and 15 pregnancies in her lifetime.

Planned Parenthood's mission is to help women make the right choice for them. For some, that means carrying a pregnancy to term. For others, it means using birth control. And for still others it can mean having an abortion. It is a matter of personal freedom and deeply personal choice.

P.S. I would advise women to go to Crisis Pregnancy Centers if I were convinced they wouldn't be forced to watch color videos of aborted fetuses.

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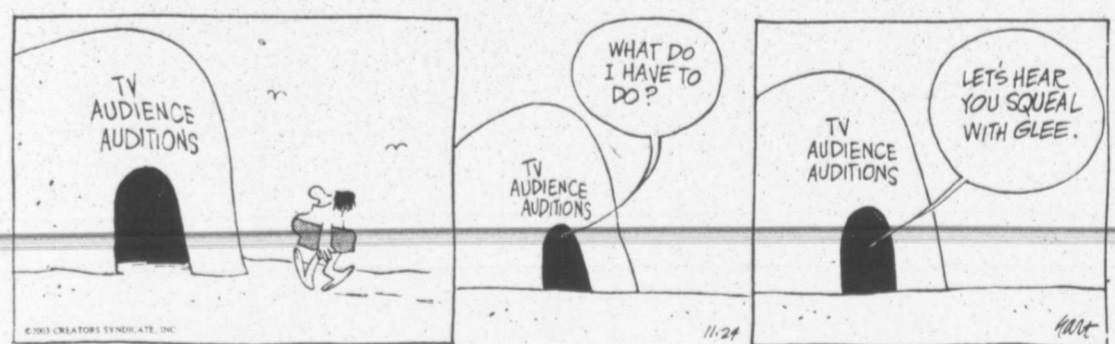
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Hagar The Horrible



Peanuts



Blondie



Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Prices
 - 6 Prison
 - 10 Eye-related
 - 11 Net receipts?
 - 13 Scent
 - 14 Winesap
 - 15 Carpenter tool
 - 16 Vegas
 - 18 XING
 - 19 Rob Lowe series
 - 22 They're made up of minis
 - 23 Amely
 - 24 Uses one's
 - 27
 - 28 Lot unit
 - 29 Garden plot
 - 30 Rob Lowe series
 - 35 Scot's cap
 - 36 Have debts
 - 37 Chopping tool
 - 38 Waned
 - 40 Surfboard carrier
 - 42 "Affliction" star
 - 43 Wide awake
- DOWN**
- 1 Port setting
 - 2 Big name in TV talk
 - 3 "Uncle Tom's Cabin"
 - 4 Singer
 - 5 McGraw
 - 6 Animal
 - 7 Band
 - 8 booster
 - 9 Singing like 50 Cent
 - 10 Hush
 - 12 Account book
 - 17 Farm animal
 - 20 Car part
 - 21 Forest
 - 24 Fasten the
 - 25 "Sleepy Hollow" character
 - 26 Quake
 - 27 Magazine extension
 - 29 Violinist's need
 - 31 Alpine sound
 - 32 Barry and Garro-way
 - 33 Wield
 - 34 Bird homes
 - 39 Greek vowel
 - 41 Boxing legend

Answers:

ACROSS: 1. PRICES, 6. PRISON, 10. EYE-RELATED, 11. NET RECEIPTS?, 13. SCENT, 14. WINESAP, 15. CARPENTER TOOL, 16. VEGAS, 18. XING, 19. ROB LOWE SERIES, 22. THEY'RE MADE UP OF MINIS, 23. AMELY, 24. USES ONE'S, 27. , 28. LOT UNIT, 29. GARDEN PLOT, 30. ROB LOWE SERIES, 35. SCOT'S CAP, 36. HAVE DEBTS, 37. CHOPPING TOOL, 38. WANED, 40. SURFBOARD CARRIER, 42. "AFFLICTION" STAR, 43. WIDE AWAKE.

DOWN: 1. PORT SETTING, 2. BIG NAME IN TV TALK, 3. "UNCLE TOM'S CABIN", 4. SINGER, 5. MCGRAW, 6. ANIMAL, 7. BAND, 8. BOOSTER, 9. SINGING LIKE 50 CENT, 10. HUSH, 12. ACCOUNT BOOK, 17. FARM ANIMAL, 20. CAR PART, 21. FOREST, 24. FASTEN THE, 25. "SLEEPY HOLLOW" CHARACTER, 26. QUAKE, 27. MAGAZINE EXTENSION, 29. VIOLINIST'S NEED, 31. ALPINE SOUND, 32. BARRY AND GARRO-WAY, 33. WIELD, 34. BIRD HOMES, 39. GREEK VOWEL, 41. BOXING LEGEND.

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The Family Circus



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NOTES

FOOTBALL

PAMPA — Harvesters met Bearcats at night in the re of the playoff Falls Memorial Pampa has and Aledo is 9

BASKETBALL

CANYON — to Lubbock E 35 last weeker Event Center. Louis Roge scorer for Es 17 points. Andy Ro Pampa with 10 lowed by Coll Both the E and girls t Berger Tuesd McNeely Field

HOCKEY

ST. LOUIS — After serving a suspension, Ke was back on h the St. Louis B Tkachuk is team-leading 1 the second missed on a per seconds later in ry over the Da Saturday night. "I felt like I my best hockey suspended," Tk "It's tough, but got to take sh and just play ha things will happ

Tkachuk wa for a cross-ch neck of Sharks Rob Davison. No. 1 line o Pavol Demitra Mellanby play for only the se this season. Demitra got winner with career goal through the thir Bill Guerin 12th goal, and road, for the St 1-6-2 in its last the lone vict Friday night Kings.

VOLLEYBALL

SAN MARCO (AP) — Heat had 15 kills Stephenville t Class 4A-voll title with a 2 and 25-19 vi Dallas Highla Saturday. Mary Irvine kills as Stephe overcame a 2 one deficit to trailed 11-2 in before rallying -Tournament m player Adrian 25 assists, five seven digs. B had 10 digs. Stephenville state title in its volleyball's fina Emily Zi Highland Park 13 assists and while Julia F seven more kill

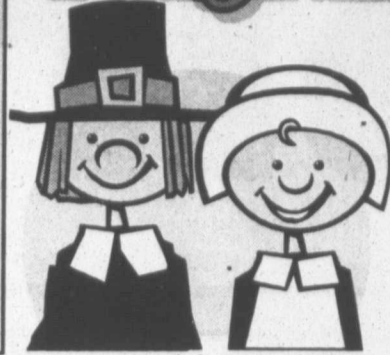
A Newspaper Activity Page for Young People



This Week: Thanksgiving

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Pilgrims Tell All!



Kid Scoop winds the time machine dial back to the year 1621 to ask two Pilgrim children, **Percival** and **Priscilla**, to talk about their lives and the first Thanksgiving!

How many children were on the Mayflower?

Thirty-four of the passengers on the ship *Mayflower* were children. Here is a game to help you remember this curious fact!

1. Take turns placing a marker, such as a button or a pebble, on the numbers on the grid.
2. Add the numbers as they are covered. For example, if the first player covered a 4, the second a 3, and then you covered a 2, your score would be 4 + 3 + 2 or 9.
3. Continue covering numbers until one player can make the numbers add up to exactly 34. If the sum is more than 34, a player is out.
4. To play again, change the game by changing your target number!

5	5	5	5	5
4	4	4	4	4
3	3	3	3	3
2	2	2	2	2
1	1	1	1	1

And baby makes 35!

We started out with 34 children on the *Mayflower*, but before we reached America, a new baby passenger was on board!

To find out what his parents named him, write the letter of the alphabet that goes with each number: A=1, B=2, and so on.

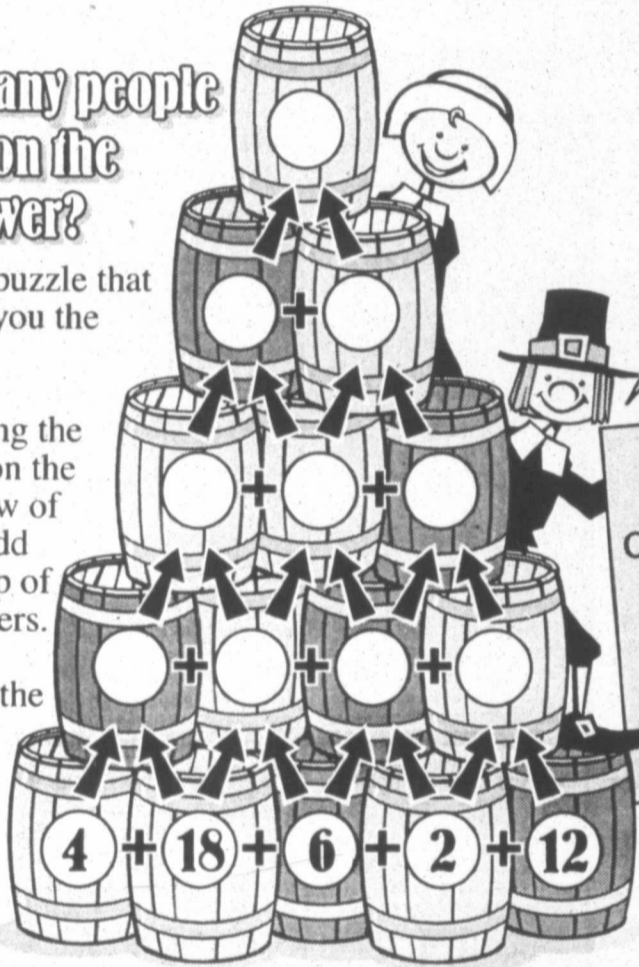


- 15
- 3
- 5
- 1
- 14
- 21
- 19

How many people sailed on the Mayflower?

Here is a puzzle that will give you the answer!

Start adding the numbers on the bottom row of barrels. Add each group of two numbers. Write the answer in the circle in the row above. Add the numbers, row by row, until you get to the top of the barrels!



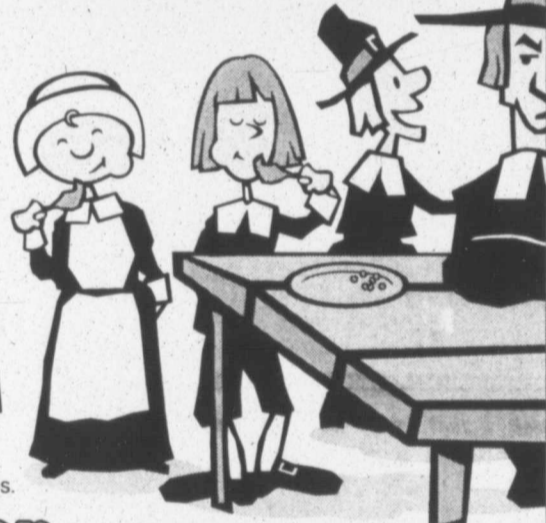
Did you have to mind your manners at the first Thanksgiving?

Of course we did!

Pilgrim Manners

- Children eat standing up.
- Keep your hat on while you eat.
- Do not talk unless an adult talks to you.
- Eat with your fingers.

Pilgrim manners were different than today's manners. Circle the child who is using good Pilgrim manners.

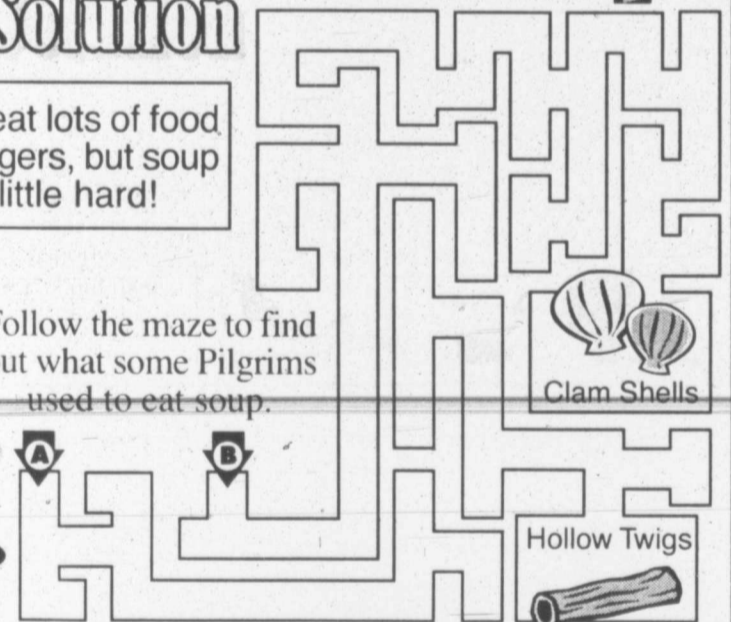


Soupy Solution

We could eat lots of food with our fingers, but soup was a little hard!



Follow the maze to find out what some Pilgrims used to eat soup.



Extra! Extra! Thanksgiving Hunt!

Look through the newspaper to find:

- the word **Thanksgiving**
- something you are thankful for
- the word **turkey** or a picture of one
- a news story to talk about at Thanksgiving dinner
- a picture of something the Pilgrims ate

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Did Pilgrim kids have to go to school?

Use the words below to complete the answer.

- cornfields
- Plymouth
- roofs
- mattresses
- stones
- read

There were no schools in _____ that first year. Everyone was too busy building a community and planting crops to worry about school. But we did learn to _____ at home.

Children helped the community with many important jobs. Some children watched the freshly planted _____ and threw _____ at any birds or other animals that tried to eat the seeds.

Other times we shelled corn and made _____ by stuffing linen bags with pine needles, corn husks, or feathers. We also gathered grasses that were used to make thatch _____ for the buildings and dug clams from the mud along the shore.

Standards Link: History: Understand how people lived in times past.

Double Double Word Search

- MAYFLOWER
- PILGRIMS
- SOUP
- PLYMOUTH
- FINGERS
- CROPS
- BABY
- PASSENGERS
- TURKEY
- STONES
- MANNERS
- CLAMS
- HUNT
- LINEN
- HUSKS

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

T	H	A	N	H	U	S	K	S	P
K	T	S	P	O	R	C	P	C	L
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N	K	G	S	G	G	B	H	M	O
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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognizing identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Weekly Writing Corner

Thank You!

Thank you Gary for everything you have done for me. One of the biggest things anyone has ever done for me was done by you. You bought me a drum set. You opened up a whole new world to me.

Brent,
6th Grade

Dear Nancy, thank you for being sweet to me. I want to thank you for being my best friend. I appreciate how you share your stuff with me.

Rosa,
5th Grade

I want to thank the Phillies for a great season and for being good people.

Ryan,
4th Grade

I want to thank my sister. Sometimes we fight but she pays me back by doing so many good things for me. When she has lots of homework she still plays with me. I really like hanging out with her. She always takes care of me when I get hurt.

Lauren,
5th Grade

I want to thank one of my teachers. She solves all my problems and really helps me when I am under stress.

Billy,
5th Grade

Somebody special to me is my mom. She's always there to help me with my homework. She lets a lot of my friends sleep over. She buys me cool stuff. But the most special thing about her is that she loves me.

Rashed,
5th Grade

Dear Natasha, the first day of middle school was very scary. When you came up to me and started talking to me, I felt like I fit in. You introduced me to all your friends and now they are becoming my friends. You never judge me. I am thrilled that you became my friend.

Karlee,
7th Grade

Dear Grandpa, I want to thank you for helping me in school and inspiring me to do well. You helped me through subjects that I was struggling with and you also gave me confidence which allowed me to do well. You always gave me a little push and told me I could do better. Thank you!

Ashley,
7th Grade

Write On!

Fortune Cookie Writer

Pretend it is your job to write the fortunes in fortune cookies. What would you write?

Deadline: Dec. 21, 2003
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Send your story to:

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Attention: Weekly Writing Corner

Please include your school and grade.

BEYOND Kid Scoop

Pilgrims Today

Find something in the newspaper that Pilgrims did not have in 1621. Write a letter to Priscilla and Percival Pilgrim giving them details about this item.

Standards Link: Writing Applications: Write expository essays with details; write informal letters.



Why do turkeys always go gobble, gobble, gobble?

ANSWER: Because they never learned good table manners.