



Freeman's Fresh Flowers 410 E. Foster • 669-3334	Free Birthday & Anniversary E-mail Reminder Service Under New Ownership Complimentary Coffee & Hot Chocolate		 West Plains Pest Control Inc. Quarterly Service Programs Available No Contract Required 806-669-2411
---	---	--	--

***** ALL FOR ADC 780
 *01 BV04227 12/31/14
 SOUTHWEST MICRO PUBLISHING
 2627 E YANDELL DR
 EL PASO TX 79903-3743

THE PAMPA NEWS

January 7, 2005 Volume 100 • No. 1152 50¢ Daily • Sunday

GREAT FLOORING... FOR A GREAT PRICE

THE FLOOR STORE

2100A Perryton Pkwy • 665-4455
 Twenty Five Plus Years Experience
 Ceramics • Laminates • Hardwood • Vinyl Carpet

Pampa native heads to disaster area

By DAVID BOWSER
 Staff Writer

Carleen Rogers doesn't need band-aids. She needs specific medical dressings, or more accurately, she needs money to buy specific medical supplies.

A 1983 graduate of Pampa High School, Raymie, now a nurse at a hospice in Decatur, northwest of Fort Worth, is going with a unit to Sri Lanka to provide medical relief for tsunami victims.

"We're trying to get a trip

planned and ready to go," Rogers said.

She said the medical team on site has already told them to bring antibiotics, anti-diarrheal medicines and first aid supplies.

"They know they're going to need those," Rogers said.

She said they can buy those in bulk, but they have

to raise the money to buy them.

"For people to send band-aids isn't going to help," Rogers said. "We need specific types of supplies. We're going to take dressings that are made to keep down infection. They're made for that area."

She said the medical team they're working with in Sri Lanka has already warned them not to bring normal dressings because

they won't stand up to the high humidity in Sri Lanka.

"There are very specific types of dressings that we're going to need," Rogers said.

Working through a mission organization called Beyond These Shores, Rogers; the medical director of the hospice where she works, Dr. Kelly Tibbels; and two other nurses, Andy Milligan and Neil Livingston, will join the mission's mobile medical unit about 30 miles from the worst damage on the island nation off the tip of India.

There will also be a respiratory therapist and three other women who will work at support staff.

"We're going to be working in conjunction with a mobile medical unit that's already there on site," Rogers said.

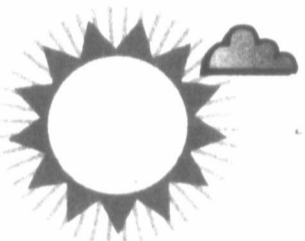
The mobile medical unit can staff up to eight medical personnel at a time. The medical team that Rogers is with will work inside the facility, while the support personnel

See DISASTER, Page 3



Rogers

Today's weather



H 48 L 29

Deaths

Margaret Berry, 76, services pending.
 Jim 'Fossil' Martindale, 70, involved in agriculture.

Texas Today

Gun, bullets to be retested in murder

HOUSTON (AP) — A judge has ordered investigators to retest a gun and three bullets from the murder case of a woman sentenced to death for the slayings of her husband and two young children.

Frances Newton came within hours of execution last month when Gov. Rick Perry granted a 120-day reprieve after questions were raised regarding the evidence used to condemn her.

State District Judge Jim Wallace on Thursday ordered the Harris County Sheriff's Office firearms lab to test the alleged murder weapon and three bullets taken from the victims.

It was not clear when the tests will be done, but defense attorney David Dow said it will happen as soon as possible.

Dow, founder of the Texas Innocence Network, also wants the skirt Newton wore the night of the shootings tested.

Conference focuses on research dollars

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The creation of an academy of top Texas scientists is helping the state become a "super powerhouse" in terms of science and technology, said National Institutes of Health director Dr. Elias A. Zerhouni.

Zerhouni spoke Thursday at the second annual meeting of The Academy of Medicine, Engineering and Science of Texas.

On Friday, the last day of the two-day conference, NASA's departing boss Sean O'Keefe is set to speak to about 280 people, mostly members of the academy, gathered for the conference aimed at helping bring more research dollars to the state.

Jury acquits Pampan in assault case

By MARILYN POWERS
 Staff Writer

Randy Dewayne Cox of Pampa was acquitted yesterday by a Potter County jury on a charge of aggravated assault against a police officer, but still faces a charge of felony evading arrest.

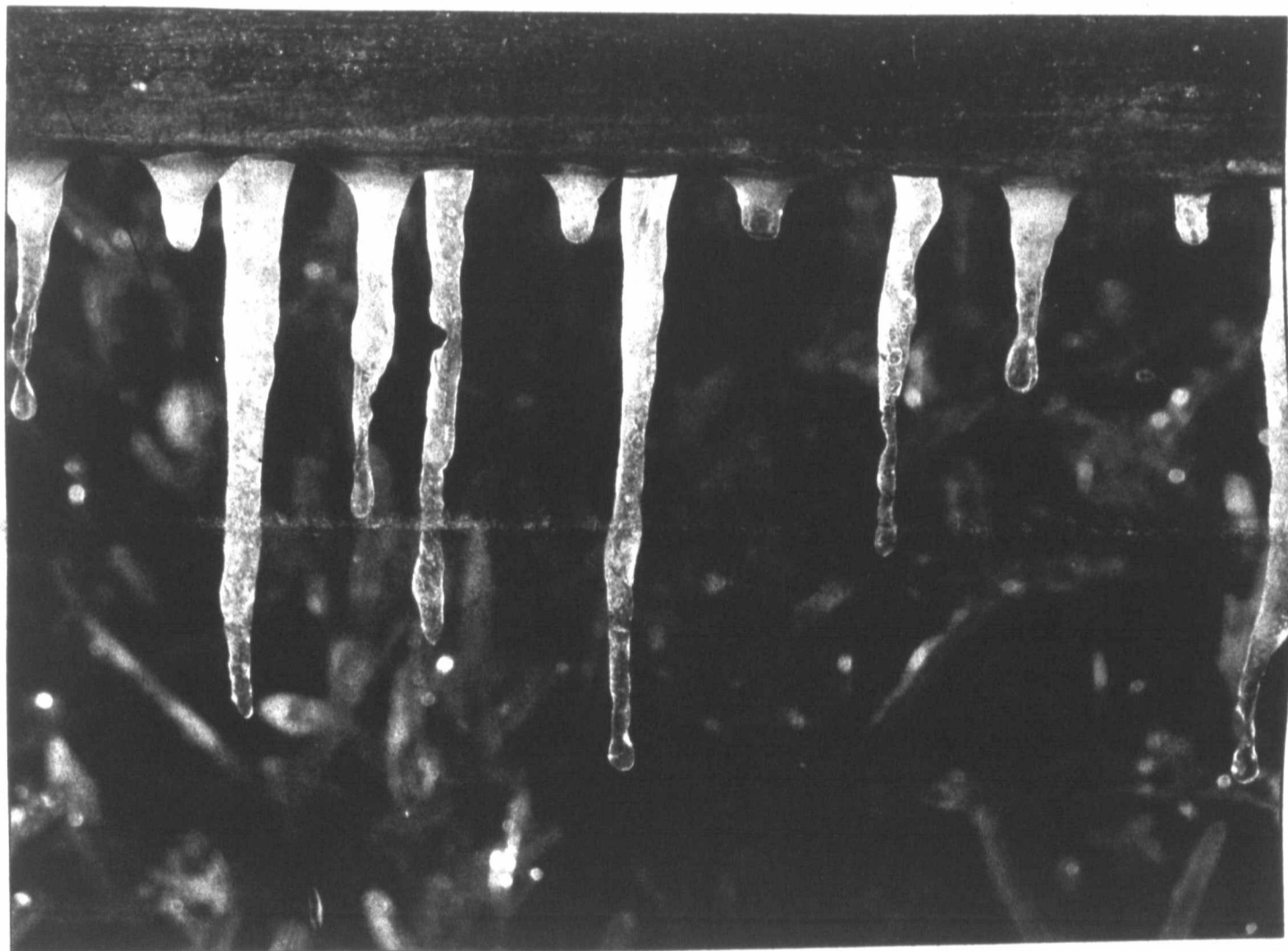
The penalty for the aggravated assault charge could have been as severe as life in prison. The penalty for the evading arrest charge is "up to two years," said Tom Lesly, Cox's court-appointed Amarillo attorney.

"In comparison to life, two years is not much," Lesly said in a telephone interview this morning.

Randall Sims, 47th District attorney who prosecuted Cox in the Amarillo trial yesterday, was not in his office or available for comment as of press time today.

The charges were filed as a result of an incident which occurred May 2, 2004 at The Shack, a club at 405 N. Hughes. Amarillo police responded to a 911 call at 3:32 a.m. that Sunday concerning a report of a large fight with weapons at that

See ASSAULT, Page 3



Pampa News photo by MARILYN POWERS

I'm melting!

Icicles on a wooden fence in the 1900 block of Holly begin to melt and drip this morning as sunshine returned to Pampa. Today's forecast high of 48, combined with the sun's rays, should melt most of the frozen precipitation around the area. Any leftovers will likely succumb to the weekend highs in the 60s which are expected for Pampa.



Getting set

Two employees of B&G Electric and sculptor David Frech, second from right, install Frech's statue of a prairie woman in the Lovett Memorial Library's Reading Garden Thursday. Two statues honoring local pioneer women will be dedicated in a special ceremony at 2 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 9, as part of the library's 50th anniversary celebration.

U.S. military official fears 'spectacular' attacks ahead

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — A top U.S. military official raised fears Friday that insurgents may try to carry out "spectacular" attacks as the Iraqi election draws near, while Sunni religious leaders called for unity but persisted in their demands that the vote be delayed.

The comments by Air Force Brig. Gen. Erv Lessel echoed a warning by Iraq's prime minister the day before that insurgent violence would only increase ahead of the Jan. 30 election for a National Assembly.

Hours after Prime Minister Ayad Allawi spoke, a roadside bomb killed seven U.S.

soldiers in northwest Baghdad on Thursday, the deadliest attack on American forces since a suicide strike in Mosul 2 1/2 weeks ago. Two Marines also were killed in western Iraq.

A state of emergency, originally

announced two months ago, also was extended Thursday for 30 days throughout the country except for the northern Kurdish-run areas. The decree includes a nighttime curfew and gives the government additional power to make arrests and launch military or police operations.

Lessel, deputy chief of staff for strategic communications, said the United States has no intelligence indicating specific plans for a major attack, but the insurgents' biggest weapon was their ability to instill fear.

"I think a worst case is where they have a series of horrific attacks that cause mass casualties in some spectacular fashion in the days leading up to the elections," Lessel told The Associated Press in an interview.

See IRAQ, Page 3

J
A
N
0
7
2
0
0
5

Indonesia finds 7,000 more bodies in remote area

BANDA ACEH, Indonesia (AP) — U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan described the devastation on tsunami-battered Sumatra island Friday as the worst he's ever seen, and authorities raised Indonesia's death toll by 7,000, bringing the overall total killed by the disaster to more than 147,000.

Twelve days after the tsunami hit, Annan and World Bank President James Wolfensohn flew over the island's west coast and later drove around the shattered coastal town of Meulaboh, where families picked through piles of rubble six feet high.

"I have never seen such utter destruction mile after mile," a shaken Annan told reporters. "You wonder where are the peo-

ple? What has happened to them?" Hardest hit was Sumatra, which was closest to the epicenter of the 9.0 magnitude quake, and where officials on Friday counted about 7,000 additional bodies raising Indonesia's toll to 101,318.

India's death toll also rose to 10,001 Friday after officials reported recovery of 301 bodies in the isolated Andaman and Nicobar islands and nine others on India's southern coast.

That raised the overall death toll from the Dec. 26 earthquake and tsunami to 147,841.

British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw, who toured the Thai holiday destination of Phuket on Friday, also said that 391 missing Britons

were likely dead. Forty-nine Britons have been confirmed dead.

He called the effort to identify thousands of bodies one of the biggest international forensic operations in history.

Indonesian military spokesman Ahmad Yani Basuki said the sharp increase was largely due to volunteers helping to recover bodies. "There was an incredible spike in the death toll," Basuki said. "A good deal of it was from Meulaboh."

With tens of thousands still missing and threatened by disease from the powerful waves that hit 11 nations, the United Nations said the death toll would keep climbing.

"I think we have to be aware that very,

very many of the victims have been swept away and many, many will not reappear," U.N. humanitarian chief Jan Egeland said in New York. "The 150,000 dead figure is a very low figure. It will be much bigger."

Security concerns for foreign aid workers emerged. The South Korean government asked its aid workers, some of them affiliated with Christian groups, not to engage in religious activities that could provoke Islamic radicals.

Also, in an apparent sign that American relief agencies want to keep a lower profile, several trucks delivering supplies from U.S. AID removed large banners marking the source of the shipments.

Correct day for flu shots

DSHS flu shot clinic in Pampa on Jan. 12

Texas Department of State Health Services will be conducting a flu shot clinic from 9:30 until 11:45 a.m. and from 1 until 4 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 12, at 736 S. Cuyler in Pampa.

Among high-risk groups are those in nursing homes and long-term care facilities, those 65 and older with or without chronic health conditions, medical care workers who provide direct patient care, children 6-months through 18 years of age, women who will be pregnant during flu season and caregivers of children under 6-months of age.

"Effective Jan. 3," a press release from

DSHS said, "people 50 and older, out-of-home caregivers for the high-risk, and household contacts of those at high risk of severe complications are also eligible for flu shots."

The state health agency strongly urges individuals in these groups to participate in the upcoming clinic.

Medicare, Medicaid or a \$10 donation will be requested for each dose, but, health officials said in the release, no persons unable to pay will be turned away.

For more information, call 665-4752 in Pampa or 874-3211 in Clarendon.

Assault

Continued from Page 1

address, according to a news release from Amarillo Police Department. Another call had reported shots fired at the address.

Upon the arrival of several officers at the club, several people in the parking lot pointed out a white sport utility vehicle and said the suspects were in that vehicle and armed with a handgun, according to the news release.

Officers attempted to stop the vehicle on the parking lot, but the SUV left at a high rate of speed, according to the release, striking a parked car in the process. The SUV drove eastbound on Northwest 4th Street, and Amarillo Police Sgt. Mike Reed stepped into the roadway to try to stop it, according to the release.

The SUV continued to accelerate toward Reed, almost striking him, according to the release. Reed fired several rounds from his handgun at the SUV, striking Cox, the driver, once.

The SUV continued east on 4th Street, with several officers in pursuit, and finally stopped after hitting a retaining barrier on private property

belonging to Plains Dairy, according to the APD's release.

Several persons who were in the vehicle ran from the scene and were found hiding at various locations, including Cox, who had a gunshot wound to his left side. Cox was transported to Northwest Texas Hospital, where he was treated and released before being booked into Potter County Corrections Center, according to the release.

A search of the SUV yielded a semi automatic handgun and suspected narcotics, according to the release. Cox was initially charged with attempted capital murder and possession of marijuana in connection with the incident.

"I wouldn't be surprised" if Cox files a civil suit concerning the incident, Lesly said. He is no longer Cox's attorney as of the acquittal, he said.

Three other Pampa men were also arrested and booked into Potter County Correction Center in connection with the May 2 incident at The Shack. They are Nathan Williams,

Kevin Jernigan and Rod Lamond Darnell. Each was charged with evading arrest.

Williams was one of five charged with deadly conduct with a firearm in connection with the April 3, 2003 shooting death of Tracy Williams in the 1000 block of Huff Road.

Charges of possession of marijuana and manslaughter are currently pending against Williams in Gray County, according to 31st District Attorney Rick Roach.

Slim Young, another individual charged with manslaughter in connection with Tracy Williams' death, will go to trial Jan. 18 in Gray County in connection with the shooting, Roach said. The charge against Young is enhanced due to prior conviction(s), and is classed as a first-degree felony. He is the first of those charged in the shooting to go to trial, Roach said.

No further information on the evading arrest charge still pending against Cox was available as of press time today. No information on the evading arrest charges against Williams, Jernigan and Darnell was available.

killed since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003 to 1,350, according to an Associated Press count. At least 1,063 died as a result of hostile action.

Allawi said he expected the number of attacks would rise before the Jan. 30 vote and called the decision on prolonging the state of emergency a precaution. He blamed former members of Saddam Hussein's Sunni-dominated regime for the continuing violence.

"Saddam's followers, who have intensely shed the blood of our people and army, are still in action clandestinely, allying with a bunch of criminals, murderers and terrorists who are the enemies of our people and our progress," Allawi said Thursday during a ceremony to mark the national Army Day holiday.

The Bush administration and Allawi have insisted that the elections go forward, despite calls from some Sunni religious leaders for a boycott. Sunni Arab political parties have largely withdrawn from the race because of security fears, particularly in western Iraq.

The two Marines killed in action Thursday were members of the 1st Marine Expeditionary Force and lost their lives in Anbar province, which is home to the volatile city of Fallujah.

In the village of Naimiyah, hundreds of refugees from the destroyed nearby city of Fallujah demonstrated after Friday's prayers demanding that U.S. and Iraqi forces leave the city, open all the roads for residents to go back and pay compensation for damaged property.

The previous four days had seen a string of assassinations, suicide car bombings and other assaults that killed 90 people.

Thursday's toll was the highest for the U.S. military in Iraq since a suicide bombing at a mess tent in Mosul on Dec. 21 killed 22 people, including 14 U.S. soldiers and three American contractors.

The latest deaths brought the number of U.S. troops

'I wouldn't be surprised ...'

— Tom Lesly
Cox's court-appointed attorney on whether Cox will file a civil suit.

'Saddam's followers ... are still in action clandestinely, allying with a bunch of criminals ...'

— Ayad Allawi
Iraq's prime minister

Disaster

Continued from Page 1

will be organizing the operation and doing triage outside.

Rogers said the medical team now on site is out making a preliminary survey to determine where the biggest need is.

"We'll be going over and relieving those personnel that are there right now," Rogers said.

The trip, Rogers said, is tentatively scheduled for the end of January or first of February, depending upon the visas, paperwork and supplies that can be gathered.

"We're looking right now for the day of departure being on Jan. 25," Rogers said. "We plan to come back Feb. 4. That's what we're looking at right now."

Carlene Moyer Rogers and her husband, Raymie Rogers, who graduated from Pampa High in 1981, are both Pampa natives. They now live in Paradise, just outside of Decatur.

"We moved to the Dallas area about 18 years ago," Rogers said. "We moved out to the country from there. We like the country. We were born and raised in the country. We couldn't handle the city. I work in Decatur."

Her husband is a pipeline welder.

He may or may not go with Rodgers to Sri Lanka. The Sri Lankan embassy is readily issuing visas for medical personnel, but Rogers said she didn't know if her husband would be issued a visa in time for the trip.

"My hope is that we can build links so we can go over again and do some rebuilding," Rogers said.

At that point, her husband's talents may be much more valuable.

"The main need right now is for medical help," Rogers said.

She said that ever since the tsunami struck Indonesia, Thailand, India and Sri Lanka, she wanted to help. When the opportunity came up, she did not hesitate to volunteer.

Rogers said she called her pastor; her parents, Bob and Ann Moyer; and her brother, Jim Moyer, to tell them. She

said her brother has been very supportive.

"It's a neat way to be able to bless people," Rogers said.

Duane and Kris White, who have the mission ministry based in Decatur, are organizing the trip.

"It's called Beyond These Shores Ministry," Rogers said. "They're the ones that are coordinating the effort to get us there."

Donations can be mailed to Beyond These Shores Ministries, c/o Solaris, 2250 South FM 51, Suite 400, Decatur, Texas 76234.

401(K) ROLLOVER HEADQUARTERS



Duane Harp
1921 N. Hobart
Pampa, Tx. 79065
665-6753

Edward Jones
Serving Individual Investors Since 1871
Member SIPC

The Kwahadi Indian Dancers
present the 39th annual
Winter Night Ceremonials
January 7, 8, 14, 15, 21 & 22 at 7:30 PM
Adults: \$5⁰⁰ Students \$3⁰⁰
Kwahadi Kiva Indian Museum • 9151 I-40 East
(Exit #76, then west on the I-40 frontage road 1/2 mile)
Dinner Served beginning at 6:30PM
Southwestern Posole and Tortillas • \$5⁹⁵
For ticket information and/or dinner reservations,
call the Kiva Trading Post at 806-335-3175.

TOP 10 REASONS WHY MY 2005 NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION SHOULD BE TO ATTEND CHURCH

10. To live a more fulfilled life required change and commitment on my part.
9. To be surrounded by others that positively impact my life.
8. To teach my children the importance of God's principles for living.
7. To learn biblical truths that will help my marriage become stronger.
6. To experience the strength of corporate prayer.
5. To be a part of a larger, loving family.
4. To express my love for God.
3. To be changed, challenged and motivated by the work of God presented in a practical manner.
2. To participate in an awesome praise and worship experience.
1. Because God says so!!!
(Hebrews 10:25)

 **BRIARWOOD CHURCH**
1800 W. HARVESTER • 665-7201

Sunday Sunday School Morning Worship	9:30 A.M. 10:45 A.M.
Wednesday Adult Bible Study Re-Born Youth Service Royal Rangers Missionettes Children's Ministries	7:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M. 7:00 P.M.

J
A
N
0
7
2
0
0
5

Viewpoints

U.S. disaster aid likely won't go to victims

Closet Writer must make a retraction regarding a previous column where I (should have researched a poquito) stated that along with William Kuenstler, Ramsey Clark is dead. I was pining over the fact that if the two were still alive — they would be defending the enemy combatants down in Guantanamo. Instead, I am grieved to read where ole Ramsey is indeed still kicking the Constitution around.

Folks, Ramsey Clark was LBJ's attorney general, which should make Ramsey older than petrified wood. Much to my conservative patootie, I read where yellow dog Ramsey Clark is wanting to defend his old friend —

Saddam Hussein. Well, doesn't that just chap my Republican arse.

In the column where I wrote Ramsey was counting grub worms with Mr. Kuenstler, I was groaning over current events that mentioned a French lawyer wanted to defend Saddam and if true, how the French would once again stymie America as they did during the Vietnam War. At this writing, the French lawyer is not in the picture; but Ramsey Clark, according to the article I read, wants to be Saddam's defender. I know, this may never come to fruition and ole Ramsey Clark may succumb (finally) to Father Time. It just shows

to go you what our freedom is up against — not only the threat from outside — from within as well.

We are victims of our own device and I can't put it more succinctly. When will America wake up and smell the decay around us and notice the buzzards that are at this very moment picking the meat of freedom from our bones? Move over Pat Buchanan, here comes Closet Writer. Ramsey Clark is just one piece of the problem our freedoms are facing

— and maybe an insignificant problem in the scheme of things. Wanting to defend Saddam Hussein — to moi — makes older-than-dirt Ramsey Clark an enemy combatant as well. Ramsey should just give up his ghost and litigate himself to that big courtroom in the sky. America would be better off.

What is America facing when Louise Oliver, United States permanent ambassador and delegate to UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and

Cultural Org.) until 2007, is quoted by the press "that America is wasting an opportunity by not sending enough aid" to the earthquake and tsunami ravaged countries in South Asia — those earthquake and tsunami ravaged South Asian countries being, of course — Muslim? I guess when the earthquake caused the rotation of Earth to hesitate, so did Ms. Oliver's brain to voice function.

Hey, this may be off topic — remember, Closet Writer has ADD — but did any of you feel Earth's hesitation of rotation?

Ms. Oliver's implication was if America responded with boatloads of aid to

those Muslim countries like, you know, ASAP, that perhaps Muslim countries elsewhere in our world not affected by the tsunami would see the kinder, gentler nation that is America and like, you know, stop the terrorizing thingee.

I want the antidepressant Louise Oliver is taking. I know now that my Zoloft is not working, because I know that Osama and his ilk could give a rat's arse in a cave what happened in South Asia — that the United States is the great Satan, and will always be the great Satan — gazillions of dollars in aid or not. You see, I prefer the "or not"

See AID, Page 5

Dennis Palmitier
Columnist



Today in History

By the Associated Press

Today is Friday, Jan. 7, the seventh day of 2005. There are 358 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Jan. 7, 1789, the first U.S. presidential election was held. Americans voted for electors who, a month later, chose George Washington to be the nation's first president.

On this date:
In 1610, the astronomer Galileo Galilei sighted four of Jupiter's moons.

In 1800, the 13th president of the United States, Millard Fillmore, was born in Summerhill, N.Y.

In 1927, commercial transatlantic telephone service was inaugurated between New York and London.

In 1942, the World War II siege of Bataan began.

In 1953, President Truman announced in his State of the

Union address that the United States had developed a hydrogen bomb.

In 1955, singer Marian Anderson made her debut with the Metropolitan Opera in New York, in Verdi's "Un Ballo in Maschera."

In 1955, the opening of the Canadian Parliament in Ottawa was televised for the first time.

In 1972, Lewis F. Powell Jr. and William H. Rehnquist were sworn in as the 99th and 100th members of the U.S. Supreme Court.

In 1989, Emperor Hirohito of Japan died in Tokyo at age 87; he was succeeded by his son, Crown Prince Akihito.

In 1999, for the second time in history, an impeached American president went on trial before the Senate. President Clinton faced charges of perjury and

'I do not believe that sheer suffering teaches. If suffering alone taught, all the world would be wise. To suffering must be added mourning, understanding, patience, love, openness and the willingness to remain vulnerable.'

— Anne Morrow Lindbergh
American author

obstruction of justice; he was acquitted.

Ten years ago: Maj. Gen. Viktor Vorobyov, a senior commander leading Russian troops in their advance on the secessionist capital of Chechnya, was killed by a mortar shell.

Five years ago: U.S. Representative Dan Burton, R-Ind., subpoenaed Elian Gonzalez to testify before Congress in a bid to keep Elian in the United States for at least another month while courts decided whether the 6-year-old should be returned to Cuba. (Elian never actually testified.)



©Mike Lester/Rome News Tribune
www.CagleCartoon.com

Social Security not at all secure

Nothing gets the Democrats' partisan juices flowing faster than Republican attempts to straighten out the ailing Social Security system before the ailment becomes terminal.

Most Americans, unaware of the machinations and deceptions that attended the birth of Social Security when it was signed into law on August 14, 1935, think it's some kind of pension system where they pay premiums in the form of payroll taxes which are put aside in a trust fund from which they can draw benefits once they reach the age of 65.

The late Sen. Carl Curtis, R-Neb. elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1939, made a careful study of Social Security when it began making payments in

1940. As he told a friend of mine, he tried mightily to get the Roosevelt administration to stop calling the program an old-age insurance program and describe it for what it is: A tax on workers to pay benefits to those no longer working. Had they and his colleagues listened to him we wouldn't be facing a fiscal catastrophe down the road.

But nobody was in the mood to listen because they recognized that the Social Security system would be the goose that laid the golden eggs — not for workers and retirees, but for Congress and the federal government who could loot

the system to their heart's content, using the money to pay for all the social welfare spending schemes they otherwise would have had to finance by raising income taxes.

Social Security was a Ponzi scheme that carried within it the seeds of an eventual collapse as long as it continued to be operated as it was created to operate. It was based on what amounts to a series of misjudgments and criminal deceptions.

• When the government established Social Security, they didn't plan for most Americans to live long enough to collect the bene-

fits. In 1940, the life expectancy was 63.6 years and the age at which benefits were paid was and is 65. And if you did live that long, you probably wouldn't have been around much longer to draw money from the system. In other words, they found a new way to collect money from you based on the fiction that that it was yours and you could start collecting it when you reach 65, which they figured most of you would not.

• The government claimed that the Social Security taxes you paid belonged to you, and were being squirreled safely away in a trust fund on which you could begin to draw at the age of 65. But instead of putting the money in a trust fund, the Treasury

Mike Reagan
Columnist



See SECURE, Page 5

Bill meant to stop political shenanigans

As expected, the opposition to a constitutional amendment that would ban gay marriage in Texas is beginning to show its cards. However, it may already be time to fold.

State Rep. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa, is spearheading the gay marriage ban amendment in the Legislature, beating the multitude of other bills piling up in Austin by filing legislation at the earliest possible chance.

Good for Chisum, who is among the majority of Texans who know now is the time to stop the political shenanigans before they start.

Amendment opponents are trotting out a unique angle — that the amendment will do nothing to address the real problems

plaguing marriage, namely no-fault divorces and domestic violence. They'll get no argument here.

Chisum's bill isn't meant to reduce the rate of divorces in Texas or prevent domestic violence, two issues that are obviously detrimental to marriage. What the amendment

will accomplish is a stronger legal definition of marriage — that is between a man and a woman — and prevent the political tomfoolery of activist judges and elected officials who seek to rewrite state law according to their own beliefs.

Identifying the many things that can have a negative impact on marriage does not take away from the specific purpose behind the amendment.

Texas Thoughts
Amarillo Globe-News

THE PAMPA NEWS
403 W. Atchison • Pampa, TX 79065
806-669-2525 • 800-687-3348
Fax: 806-669-2520
email: editor@thepampanews.com

Publisher: L.W. McCall
Editor: Dee Dee Laramore
Advertising Director: ReDonn Woods
Composing Supervisor: Brenda Cook

This newspaper (UPS 781-540) is published daily, except Saturdays, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day, by The Pampa News. Periodicals postage paid at Pampa, Texas. Postmaster: Send address changes to The Pampa News, P.O. Drawer 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

All carriers are independent contractors and The Pampa News is not responsible for advance payments of two or more months made to the carrier. Please pay directly to the Pampa News any payment that exceeds the current collection period. There are no mail subscriptions available within the city limits of Pampa. Mail subscriptions must be paid three months in advance.

© 2004 The Pampa News

Ohio Homes

CHARLESTON (AP) — Flooded Ohio River dreds of homes nesses Friday, a ing card left by storm that had b erable conditi much of the northeastern Un Schools were river towns Virginia and O historic National underwater in where the Ohio above flood stag morning. The expected to rise al 3 feet before after lunchtime.

Across the about 70 miles shopkeepers in Ohio, stacked front of their

Aid

Continued from aid to the ear tsunami-ravage countries. And, fer Louise Oli 2007, mind yo more meaning ment — say, w World?

Why am I of lous and uncar you ask? My uncaring nature eign aid to any r 35-plus years of what America d countries in h aid, in my opinio plished nothing.

America is th ket of the wor will be. Every face of the Ea and will take a our philanthropy let them. Is ther Earth that has propped up by aid? No.

So, I will tha our God that th and tsunami hap from our side and spared our

Forces of na and we certainl rieved God's v else would you quakes and tsur

Secure

Continued from spends the o roads, sex-edu grams, parks, e fund gets an I die before ro which they exp gracious enoug them by doing vivors in most big fat zero.

Things are today, excep Americans hav born enough t longer, with lif of the averag now approachi course means retire at 65 and you'll be colle for 15 years. T cant in light of there are few

Calenda

• The Won and Sybil H has announce breast cancer Shephard's C N. Crest, both receive a lov gram and a along with ind istered nurse Funding is av Department dents who c exams are b more informat 1-800-377-46

• The nex dance is so Saturday, Jan on South Bar

Ohio River floods after storm

Homes damaged, schools closed along its path

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) — Flooding on the Ohio River damaged hundreds of homes and businesses Friday, a soggy calling card left by the winter storm that had brought miserable conditions across much of the central and northeastern United States.

Schools were closed in river towns in both West Virginia and Ohio, and the historic National Road was underwater in Wheeling, where the Ohio was 6 feet above flood stage on Friday morning. The river was expected to rise an additional 3 feet before cresting after lunchtime.

Across the river and about 70 miles downstream, shopkeepers in Marietta, Ohio, stacked sandbags in front of their doors and

moved goods off the floors. "It's not a ghost town, but there are no businesses open that I'm aware of," emergency official Mike Cullums said.

Damage appeared heavy on Wheeling Island, home to 1,000 homes and businesses and a stadium, county emergency officials said. A few hundred homes also had water damage in New Cumberland, about 30 miles north, emergency officials said.

Problems were less severe than in September, when the aftermath of Hurricane Ivan spawned flooding and mudslides, the officials said.

The flooding came as temperatures warmed after a deadly storm crossed from the Plains into New England

this week. The messy roads have been blamed in at least 17 traffic deaths, including nine in Oklahoma, and at least three people died in Michigan while shoveling snow.

In Nebraska, a man's body was found Thursday as authorities searched for a young couple who had become lost in a snowstorm. Relatives of Michael Wamsley, 20, said they had been told the body was his. The search resumed Friday for his girlfriend, Janelle Hornickel, also 20.

A pair of storms were moving in on the West Coast, bringing fears of more beach-eroding high tides and dangerous mudslides. A regional winter storm warning was extended through Monday.

Aid

Continued from Page 4

aid to the earthquake and tsunami-ravaged Muslim countries. And, I would prefer Louise Oliver, before 2007, mind you, to find more meaningful employment — say, with Disney World?

Why am I of such a callous and uncaring nature, you ask? My callous and uncaring nature toward foreign aid to any nation, in my 35-plus years of being aware what America does for other countries in humanitarian aid, in my opinion has accomplished nothing.

America is the bread basket of the world — always will be. Every nation on the face of the Earth knows it and will take advantage of our philanthropy because we let them. Is there a nation on Earth that has not been propped up by America's aid? No.

So, I will thank the Lord our God that the earthquake and tsunami happened away from our side of the globe and spared our citizens.

Forces of nature happen and we certainly have experienced God's wrath. What else would you call earthquakes and tsunamis or, for

the matter, hurricanes, floods, tornados, drought, volcanos, wildfires, etc.? Name me one nation that came to our aid after Hurricane Andrew? Can't, can you? Oh, I'm sure we received the diplomatic "tough go, ole chap; but you're America, you can afford death and destruction."

As of Monday, \$350 million in American dollars has been earmarked for the South Asian recovery. We already have military personnel there; soon to follow, a secretary of state, Florida's governor, two ex-presidents and God only knows who else and how many more millions. What will all this compa\$\$ion accomplish for the United States? I can't be the only person who knows the answer, can I?

Is the American public so naive to think the \$350 million will be distributed in the form of food, water, health-care, reconstruction to the peoples of South Asia?

First, a goodly amount of the aid dollars will go to line the pockets of governmental officials in South Asia. Second, a goodly amount of the aid dollars will go to reconstruct the mosques where hatred of America is being taught so well to upcoming Muslim generations. Third, a goodly amount of the aid dollars will go to rearm terrorists in

that part of the world to carry on the fight against we infidels.

Pessimist, you say? No, I prefer — realist. Send them Ramsey Clark and Louise Oliver to ensure fair distribution of the \$350 million. And as for callous nature Closet Writer, what will I do to aid the countries devastated by earthquakes and tsunamis in South Asia? I will pray the Lord doesn't smite the United States and I will pray the next tsunami relocates the United Nations and UNESCO to Brussels.

Dennis Palmitier is a Pampa native, Pampa High School graduate and pharmaceutical sales representative.

Every nation on the face of the Earth ... will take advantage of our philanthropy because we let them.

'... starting in 2018 ... the system will owe more in benefits than it will collect in taxes.'

— Rich Tucker
Heritage Foundation

a horrendous tax bill. This is what President Bush is trying to deal with. Tragically, the Democrats like the system just as it is — they're hooked on looting the trust funds and they don't want to get off the gravy train. Keep that in mind the next time you hear one of them lying about those rascally Republicans plotting to kill Social Security.

Mike Reagan, the eldest son of the late President Ronald Reagan, is heard on more than 200 talk radio stations nationally as part of the Radio America Network.

workers paying into the system to provide Social Security benefits to more and more retirees.

Wrote the Heritage Foundation's Rich Tucker "... starting in 2018 ... the system will owe more in benefits than it will collect in taxes. Heritage Foundation Social Security expert David John estimates 'annual deficits will exceed \$100 billion within about five years, \$200 billion after about 10 years, and \$300 billion after about 15 years.'"

At that point the burden will fall on income tax payers who will get socked with

Secure

Continued from Page 4

spends the difference on roads, sex-education programs, parks, etc. The trust fund gets an I.O.U. If you die before reaching 65, which they expect you to be gracious enough to oblige them by doing, your survivors in most cases collect a big fat zero.

Things are no different today, except that we Americans have been stubborn enough to live a lot longer, with life expectancy of the average American now approaching 80. That of course means that if you retire at 65 and live to be 80, you'll be collecting benefits for 15 years. That's significant in light of the fact that there are fewer and fewer

Calendar items

• **The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center** has announced the following upcoming breast cancer screening clinics: Jan. 31, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, both in Pampa. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

• **The next Pampa Area Singles dance** is scheduled from 8-11 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15 at the Sportsman Club on South Barnes Street. Admission is \$6

per person. No smoking or alcohol allowed. Snacks welcome. For more information, call 665-7059.

• **Southwest Farm & Ranch Classic** will be staged Feb. 3-5 at Lubbock Memorial Civic Center in Lubbock. The new indoor show will feature unique events, entertainment and demonstrations along with a large exhibit area of commercial agricultural exhibits and displays. Show goers will be able to pick and choose from a full schedule of entertainers and family programs each day of the event. Local health organizations will conduct health checks and a blood drive is planned Saturday. If interested in exhibiting or attending the show or for more information, call (806) 798-7825 or e-mail swclassic@cox.net.

New Year Savings

Sale Good Jan. 7 - 10

HAAS

AVOCADOES

10 FOR \$1.00

ROMA

TOMATOES

10 FOR \$1.00

BAKING

POTATOES

10 FOR \$1.00

YELLOW ONIONS

10 FOR \$1.00

FRESH

CUCUMBERS

10 FOR \$1.00

GREEN

BELL PEPPERS

10 FOR \$1.00

HABANERO PEPPERS

10 FOR \$1.00

SNACK SIZE

ORANGES

10 FOR \$1.00

LEMONS & LIMES

10 FOR \$1.00

OWENS

SAUSAGE

2 FOR \$6.00

SALTED

PORK JOWL

99¢ LB.

MARGARITA

MASA

2 FOR \$4.00

FRANK'S THRIFTWAY

"Pampa's Homeowned Since 1967"

300 E. BROWN 665-5451

Monday-Saturday 7am-9pm • Sunday 8am-8pm
We Delivery Tuesday & Thursday ... Call For Details

J
A
N
0
7
2
0
0
5

This Devotional Directory Is Made Possible By The Following Businesses Who Encourage All Of Us To Attend Worship Service

Adventist

Faith Advent Christian Fellowship
Grant Johnson324 Rider
Adventist Seventh-day
Bill Kasper, Minister425 N. Ward

Apostolic

Pampa Chapel
Rev. Ron Noble711 E. Harvester

Assembly of God

Calvary Assembly of God
Rev. Philip Elsheimer Crawford & Love
Carpenter's Church Assemblies of God
Independent
Fred C. Palmer, Minister639 S. Barnes
First Assembly of God
Leland & Darlene Lewis500 S. Cuyler
New Life Assembly of God
Harold & Wendy Eggert1435 N. Sumner
Skellytown Assembly of God Church
Rev. Danny Trussell411 Chamberlain
First Assembly of God (McLean)
.....420 Main St.

Baptist

Alanreed Baptist Church
Jim Bible3rd Street
Bible Baptist Church
Bob Hudson, Pastor500 E. Kingsmill
Calvary Baptist Church
Rev. Richard Bartel900 E. 23rd St.
Central Baptist Church
C. W. Parker, Pastor Starkweather & Browning
CornerStone Baptist Church
J.C. Burt, Asst. Pastor1304 N. Banks
Fellowship Baptist Church
Charles Lowry, Pastor217 N. Warren
First Baptist Church
Rev. Johnny Funderburg203 N. West
First Baptist Church (Mobeetie)
Rev. Harvey Patterson Mobeetie Tx.
First Baptist Church (Lefors)
Chris Webb, Pastor315 E. 4th
First Baptist Church (Skellytown)
Fines Marchman306 Roosevelt
First Baptist Church (Groom)
David Kelly407 E. 1st.
First Baptist Church (Wheeler)
.....601 S. Main
First Baptist Church (White Deer)
Alan Wilson411 Omohundro St.
First Baptist Church (McLean)
Pastor Kelly Raymond206 E. 1st St.
First Free Will Baptist
Brother Raymond Stowers731 Sloan St.
Grace Baptist Church
Bro. Kyle Ohsfeldt824 S. Barnes
Hobart Baptist Church
Paul Nachtigall, Pastor1301 N. Banks
Hobart Baptist Church
Rev. Jim Powell1100 W. Crawford
Iglesia Bautista Emmanuel
Bilingual1021 S. Barnes
Macedonia Baptist Church
Rev. I.L. Patrick441 Elm St.

New Hope Baptist Church
Rev. Thomas J. Patterson912 S. Gray
Primera Idlesia Bautista Mexicana
Rev. Heliodoro Silva1541 Hamilton
Progressive Baptist Church
Rev. Bob Davis836 S. Gray

Catholic

Sacred Heart (White Deer)
Rev. Mitch Przepiora500 N. Main
St. Mary's (Groom)
Rev. Jose Palathara, CMI400 Ware
St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
Rev. Francisco Perez &
Rev. Mitch Przepiora810 W. 23rd

Christian

Church of the Brethren
.....600 N. Frost
First Christian Church (Disciples Of Christ)
Senior Pastor Barry Loving1633 N. Nelson
Hi-Land Christian Church
Mike Sublett, Minister1615 N. Banks

Church of Christ

Central Church of Christ
Bryan Loughmiller, Minister500 N. Somerville
Church of Christ (Lefors)
Gene Gee215 E. 3rd.
Church of Christ
Rodney Tedford, Minister
.....Mary Ellen & Harvester
Church of Christ (Groom)
Deltan McGuire101 Newcome
Church of Christ (McLean)
Jim Reyna4th and Clarendon St.
Church of Christ (White Deer)
Don Stone501 Doucette
Southside Church of Christ of Pampa
Frankie L. Lemons, Minister738 McCullough
Skellytown Church of Christ
Kenneth Burkett, Preacher108 5th
Wells Street Church of Christ
.....400 N. Wells
Westside Church of Christ
Dan Miles, Evangelist1612 W. Kentucky

Church of God

Priest Park Church of God
Eric Horton, Preacher1123 Gwendolen

Cowboy Church

The Gathering - Red River Cowboy Ministries
Ronnie Ferguson
.....McLean High School Auditorium

Episcopal

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church
Deacons the Rev. Ernie & Suzie Wilkinson
.....727 W. Browning

Interdenominational

Trinity Church (McLean)
Pastor: Larry Perkins603 Commerce St.

Jehovah's Witness

.....1701 Coffee

Lutheran

Zion Lutheran Church
Rev. Michael Erickson1200 Duncan

Methodist

First United Methodist Church
Rev. Scott Penrod201 E. Foster
First United Methodist Church (Mobeetie)
Dick Irvine Wheeler & 3rd
First United Methodist Church (McLean)
Rev. Thacker Haynes219 N. Gray
First United Methodist Church (White Deer)
Pam Lehman101 W. 8th
Groom United Methodist Church
Rev. Tom Moore303 E. 2nd
Lefors United Methodist Church
Rev. John M. Westman311 E. 5th. Lefors
St. Marks Christian Methodist Episcopal Church
Rev. Raymond McKeever406 Elm
St. Paul United Methodist Church
Rev. John Westman511 N. Hobart

Mormon

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
Bishop Steven Smith29th & Aspen

Nazarene

Church of The Nazarene
Rev. Lowell Schmidt500 N. West

Non-Denominational

Bible Church of Pampa
Bob Banks300 W. Browning
Body of Christ at Pampa
.....210 N. Ward
Iglesia Casa Del Alfarero
Pastor Agustin Vasquez500 N. Duncan
Iglesia Nueva Vida - New Life Church - Bilingual
Pastor Pedro Hernandez801 E. Campbell
Redeeming Grace Mission
Liz Sculthrop, Mission Pastor422 West St.
Salvation Army
Sgts. Gary & Patricia Steward. S. Cuyler at Thut
Trinity Fellowship Church
Lonny Robbins, Pastor1200 S. Sumner
Briarwood Full Gospel Church
Rev. Lynn Hancock1800 W. Harvester

Pentecostal

Faith Tabernacle
Rev. Ben Corbitt, Pastor610 Naida
First Pentecostal Holiness Church
Rev. Albert Maggard1700 Alcock
Lighthouse Covenant Fellowship
Nathan Hopson, Pastor1733 N. Banks
Open Door Church of God in Christ
Elder H. Kelley402 Oklahoma St.

Presbyterian

First Presbyterian Church
Dr. Edwin M. Cooley525 N. Gray

Southwest Collision
2525 W. Hwy. 152 • Pampa
669-9997

PAMPA NURSING CENTER
1321 W. Kentucky 669-2551
Medicare
Medicaid
Special Alzheimer's Care

Culligan
314 STARKWEATHER 665-5729

PARSLEY'S
SHEET METAL & ROOFING
214 E. Tyng
669-6461
Pampa, Texas

DIAMOND SHOP
"May God Be With You During The Week"
Ken & Stephanie Rhema

669-7171
Borger Hwy. - Pampa
JERRY E. CARLSON, Pres.

Titan
11785 Hwy. 152
Pampa, Texas
665-3781
SPECIALTIES, LTD.

LARRY BAKER
PLUMBING HEATING & AIR
2711 ALCOCK TACLA003191 665-4392

PAMPA OFFICE SUPPLY CO.
215 N. Cuyler 669-3353

TEXAS PRINTING COMPANY
PHONE (806) 669-7941
310 N. BALLARD PAMPA, TEXAS

JOHN T. KING & SONS
918 S. Barnes 669-3711

Century 21 PAMPA REALTY INC.
312 N. Gray • 669-0007

Apartment Living For Seniors
PAM APARTMENTS
1200 N. Wells • 669-3353

Sammichael Whatley
FUNERAL DIRECTORS

CURT B. BECK, P.E.
CONSULTING ENGINEER - POLLUTION AND ENERGY
"When You Need To Know The Facts"
HUGHES BLDG. SUITE 173A PAMPA, TEXAS 665-9281

CLIFTON SUPPLY COMPANY
734 S. Cuyler 665-0089
"We Now Handle Welding Supplies"

H PAMPA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
One Medical Plaza
Pampa, Texas
806-665-3721

KEYES PHARMACY
"Your Key To Better Health"
928 N. Hobart - Pampa, Texas
669-1202 - Emergency 669-3559
Merlin Rose R. Ph. - Owner - Pharmacist

2201 Perryton Pkwy.
Jay Gist Pampa, Texas Royce Jordan
Chutekon 669-CHIC (2442)

FORD FAMILY CHIROPRACTIC
Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr.
103 E. 28th Ave. Pampa, 806-665-7261

SCHNEIDER HOUSE APARTMENTS FOR SENIORS
120 S. RUSSELL • 665-0415

NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE
an office of First National Bank, Waupaca, WI
Member FDIC
1224 N. Hobart Pampa, Tx 806-665-0022
501 Commerce St. Address, Tx 940-937-2514
305 N. Main Shamrock, Tx. 806-256-2181

DEAN'S PHARMACY
2217 Perryton Pkwy. 669-6896
Jim Pepper Pampa

Gulberson - Stowers, Inc.
SINCE 1927
805 N. Hobart • (806) 665-1665
rstowers@pan-tex.net

ENGINE PARTS & SUPPLY
416 W. Foster 669-3305
Local Company Serving Local Needs

WAYNE'S WESTERN WEAR
1504 N. Hobart 665-2925

"Rock Bottom Prices"
1233 N. Hobart 665-0896
Pampa, Tx.
Albertsons Maxwell Carey - Store Director

AMERICAN REVOLUTION
GMC
The Panhandle's PREMIER GM DEALER.

DORMAN TIRE & SERVICE CO., INC.
Herman Law 1800 N. Hobart Pampa, TX 665-5302

Pampa Concrete Co., Inc.
220 W. Tyng Ave. • 669-3111

The Panhandle's PREMIER GM DEALER.
805 N. Hobart • Pampa, TX
(806) 665-1665

JESUS CHRIST, THE SAME YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND FOREVER HEBREWS 13:8



MercyMe, a scheduled t



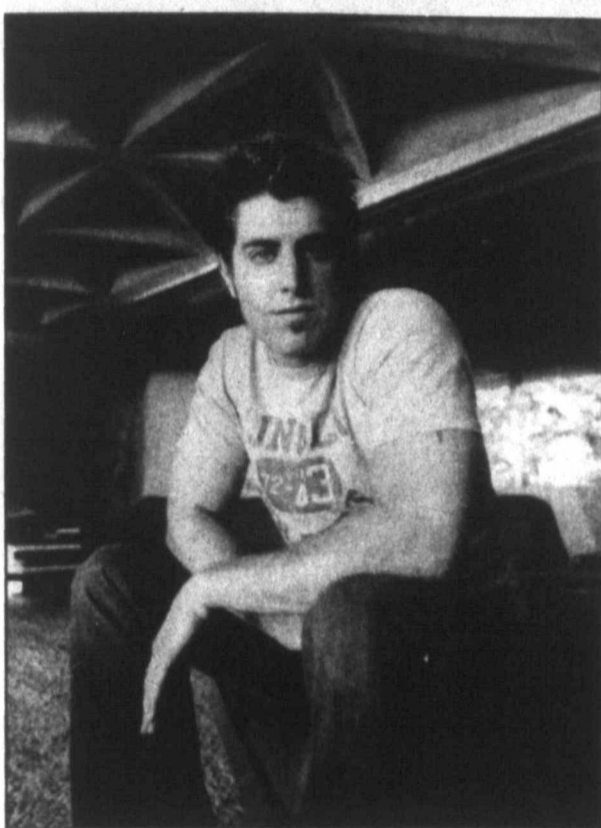
Way

Recently I
Rev. Billy Gray
"Seventy per
people are n
heaven."
I ask mys
done to cha
age for the b
We must
gates opene
to the sheepl
church leader
they do not s
has set for th
An evang
church with
boost membe
agreed and
church too
cards throug
nity to non-
them to join
A number
moved to th
ly neighbor
how he car
church. He
ship commi
door but he
the member
When
returned a s
man explain
joining the
"You must
say that I
Christ is the
card was p
table and th
card.
The mir
was they w
chance to
after they
hearing the
work that
never belie
God's son.
Our chur
people not
Easy relig
taken the p
ments of J
bring forth
repentance
John the
called of G
let him dr
drinks. (I
denominat
members t
of exampl

Religion



MercyMe, award-winning Christian band, above, and Dove Award winner, Jeremy Camp, below left, are scheduled to appear in concert in Amarillo on Feb. 24.



Top Christian artists coming to Amarillo

MercyMe, an award-winning Christian band, and Gospel Music Association's Male Vocalist and New Artist of the Year Jeremy Camp are to appear in Amarillo on Thursday, Feb. 24.

They are appearing with newcomers "The Afters" and "Monk & Neagle" as part of MercyMe's Spring 2005 "Undone" tour, according to a release from CMA Media Promotion.

The concert is set for 7 p.m., Feb. 24, at Cal Farley Coliseum, 401 S. Buchanan, in Amarillo. Tickets are available by calling 806-378-3096 with special prices for groups.

MercyMe, having recently one an American Music Award, spent the summer and early fall co-headlining with Michael W. Smith on the One Nation Tour, selling out several key venues including New York's famed Radio City Music Hall.

Jeremy Camp, GMA's Dove Award winner for Male Vocalist and New Artist of the Year, recently released his latest record, "Restored." In late November, he completed a near-sellout headline tour that spread over the summer and fall. He also celebrated the birth of his first child, Isabella Rose.

Religion News in Brief

Egyptian authorities release detained Christians

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Authorities said 10 Coptic Christians, detained during violent demonstrations in Cairo, have been released because of their young ages.

Thousands of Copts waged protests at their cathedral last month over a supposed kidnapping of a priest's wife to force her to convert to Islam.

Church officials say Wafaa Constantine considered converting after the church refused to let her divorce her husband, a Coptic priest she had accused of abuse. False rumors spread that she had been kidnapped by Muslims and forced to abandon Christianity.

The freed Copts were among 34 protesters detained for illegal rioting, resisting and attacking security officials and damaging property. Thirteen others were released earlier.

In the southern Egyptian town of Damshwai Hashim, claims about a new church fomented Muslim-Christian clashes in which police mistakenly killed one Muslim, and 23 Muslims and Christians were arrested.

The Interior Ministry said the violence resulted from rumors that two Coptic brothers had turned their house into a church and urged others to pray there. Some 200 Muslims marched on the house, hurling stones.

Authorities had rejected Copts' demand to build a local church so they wouldn't need to travel to worship in another village.

Copts, around 10 percent of the 70 million Egyptians, form the largest Christian minority remaining in the Mideast. They generally live in peace but complain of job discrimination and restrictions on building churches.

Fireworks sales help Texas church groups

HOUSTON (AP) — Local churches and other nonprofit groups operate 20 of the biggest fireworks stores in the Houston area and use the profits to help pay for new churches and other projects.

Groups that man the stores before New Year's and Fourth of July can make \$10,000 or more in a 10-day season, the Houston Chronicle reported.

Ways to prepare for heaven

Recently I heard that the Rev. Billy Graham once said, "Seventy percent of church people are not prepared for heaven."

I ask myself, "What can be done to change that percentage for the better?"

We must have left some gates opened that did not lead to the sheepfold. Why would church leaders do that? Maybe they do not see the trap Satan has set for them.

An evangelist went to a church with a great plan to boost membership. The pastor agreed and members of the church took membership cards throughout the community to non-Christians asking them to join their church.

A number of years later I moved to that town. An elderly neighbor of mine told me how he came to join that church. He said a membership committee came to his door but he refused to sign the membership card.

When the committee returned a second time, the man explained his terms for joining the church. He said, "You must not require me to say that I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." A card was pushed across the table and the man signed the card.

The minister's reasoning was they would have a better chance to get people saved after they are in the church hearing the gospel. It did not work that way. That man never believed that Jesus is God's son.

Our churches are filled with people not ready for heaven. Easy religion these days has taken the place of the requirements of John the Baptist to bring forth fruits, meet for repentance. (Matthew 3:8)

John the Baptist was a man called of God. God refused to let him drink wine or strong drinks. (Luke 1:15) Some denominations require their members to be that same kind of example. My denomination

holds to that and other Christian standards, hoping to bring members into a readiness for heaven. People cheat themselves and insult Christ when they settle for a casual profession of Christ.

St. Paul said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." (Acts 16:31) St. Paul also said, "For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation, for the scripture saith, 'Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.'" (Romans 10:10-11)

Why did Paul add, "Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed?" He knew that anyone confessing Jesus to be the Christ would be put out of the synagogue. (John 9:22)

Archie Cooper
Pentecostal Holiness



Have we forgotten that to follow Jesus we must love him more than the precious members of our family? Have we forgotten that we must bare the Cross of Jesus to be worthy of Him?

"He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not his cross, and follow me is not worthy of me." (Matthew 10:37-38)

A number of reports have come to me of a boy accepting Christ and then learning his parents are conducting a funeral and counting him dead to the family — all because he accepted Jesus.

"If the world hate you, you know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own; but because ye are

not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you." (John 15: 18-19)

Are we consoling ourselves today to think that Satan does not hate Jesus and his saints as much as he used to? No one can prepare for heaven and help others prepare for heaven without making the Devil mad. Are we ready for the battle?

Satan is prepared for the long haul and when a person puts on the white robe of righteousness, Satan will throw a whole world of pleasures out there for the one who is a babe in Christ. The Devil never quits. If he can't trap a person with one temptation, he will use another.

St. Paul said, "... brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armor of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." (Ephesians 6:10-12)

Considering how deceptive the powers of darkness to the Laodicean church was, not knowing that she was in the displeasure of God, is it not an alarm to awaken us today? That church was so completely satisfied that she did not know she was in need.

Jesus said, "You know not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind and naked." (Revelations 3: 17) Jesus offered spiritual wealth in Christ if they would, through repentance, only accept it.

Friend, if a whole church goes under, you do not have to. Christ died for you. Repentance and obedience is the key. You can know you are ready for heaven when the spirit bears witness with your spirit. (Romans 8:16)

Mc's Car Wash

OPEN 24 HOURS

Self Service 1811 N. Hobart

1.00 For 5 Minutes

Automatic 1901 N. Hobart

Brushless With Spot Free Water For Final Rinse

Wash Levels... \$5 Regular • \$6 Deluxe • \$7.50

FOCUS ON PAMPA

With A
COMMUNITY CAMERA

From
THE PAMPA NEWS

We want to share with our readers events throughout the community ...so come by to borrow a camera for Church Socials, Family Reunions, School Activities or Any Other Ideas You Have!

THE PAMPA NEWS

403 W. ATCHISON • 669-2525

J
A
N
0
7
2
0
0
5

THE PAMPA NEWS COMICS

Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a 10-year-old girl who has been playing after school on a Web site for pet lovers. I like to talk to kids older than me -- 14- or 15-year-olds. A lot of the boys I've talked to have asked for my picture, so I went to Google and found a picture of a pretty blond girl around 15 years old. I have been sending this picture to all the people who have asked me for one.

My mom looked into my e-mail and saw what I had done. Now she won't allow me on that site or to send pictures, either my own or a stranger's, to anyone.

Was she right to look at my e-mail? Is it really dangerous to do what I did? -- GROUNDED IN ORINDA, CALIF.

DEAR GROUNDED: Yes, and yes! When someone asks for your picture, that person is interested in more than just talking about pets. Although you are intelligent, at age 10 you are not experienced enough to be in a relationship with boys who are 14 and 15. And on some level, I think you are already aware of it, or you would not have sent out pictures of a pretty blond teenage girl who is older. You are lucky to have a mother who is vigilant and protective of your safety. She may have helped you dodge a bullet.

DEAR ABBY: After reading the responses to "All Tipped Out's" letter, I was reminded of a question that I have.

I frequent a certain nightclub, and in the ladies' room there is an array of toiletries and breath mints. There is also a tip jar and an attendant. I visit the club almost every week, and sometimes I leave a tip and sometimes I don't.

One night I was merely looking at a bottle of cologne and the attendant screamed at me that I could use it only if I left a tip. Another time, I saw a girl eat

one of the mints, and the woman demanded money for it. Was this appropriate? I was under the impression that, because I pay a cover charge to get into the club, I was not obligated to put money in the tip jar -- even if I used the cologne. Besides, doesn't the club pay for the cologne and candy? -- WOULD LIKE TO KNOW

DEAR WOULD: The club may pay minimum wage to the attendant, but the supplies she brings -- the makeup, perfume, gum, candy, etc., are paid for by the attendant. They are her "concession," and her chance to make extra money. The cover charge you pay to get into the club does not include those "extras," so if you use them, you should give the person who provides them a gratuity.

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend and I have been invited to a wedding -- sort of. The bride and groom planned this wedding before the groom's divorce was final. It still isn't final, but the couple has decided to go ahead with the affair, minus the ceremony.

My boyfriend is in the "bridal party" and has to rent a tuxedo. I have already spent a lot of money on a beautiful dress.

Must we also buy this couple a wedding gift? They are not actually being married at this time. My thought is to hold off until they actually tie the knot. What do you think? -- DOESN'T WANT TO BE CHEAP IN NYC

DEAR DOESN'T: What you have described is not a wedding -- it's a costume party. Give them a token gift, and if the marriage ever happens, send them something when it's official.

COPYRIGHT 2005 UNIVERSAL PRESS SYNDICATE

For Better Or Worse



Zits



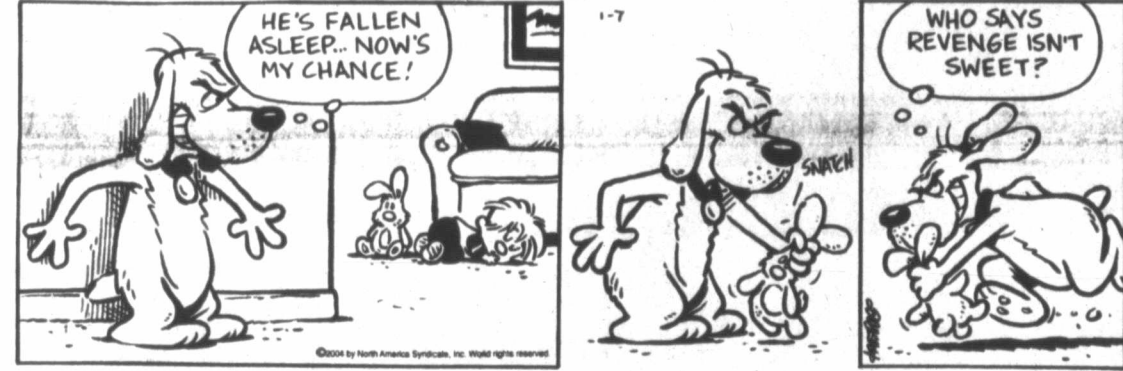
Garfield



Beetle Bailey



Marvin



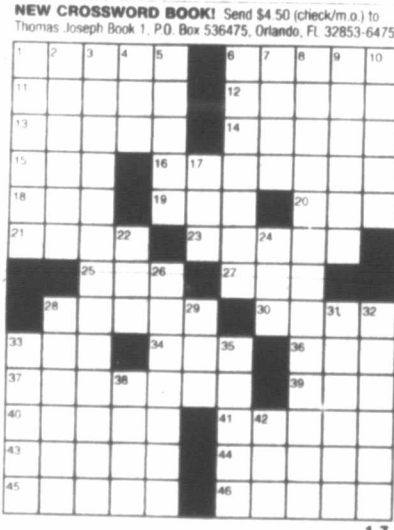
Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD
By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 43 Dorian Gray's creator
 - 44 Like a hermit
 - 45 Foot parts
 - 46 Some turns
- DOWN**
- 1 Tyrant
 - 2 Corrida critter
 - 3 Goes bonkers
 - 4 Suffer setting
 - 5 Chops down
 - 6 Neatnik's bane
 - 7 Brood tenders
 - 8 Is boisterous
 - 9 Concentrated
 - 10 Horse
 - 17 Long fish
 - 22 School kin
 - 24 Bond rating
 - 26 White weasels
 - 28 "Gangsta's Paradise" rapper
 - 29 Barker and Kettle
 - 31 Quantity
 - 32 Mesas'
 - 33 Imperfections
 - 35 Fit for a king
 - 38 Take the bus
 - 42 Flamenco call

SLAT SCRAP
HILO SHELTA
ELMO PALMER
DIAL TONE
BACARBONE
SHRANK PIN
PEARS POUND
ARM TENSES
NOSE CONE
CORN PONE
BEDLAM IBEX
AVIATE NOTI
GENTS TEST

Yesterday's answer



Marmaduke



The Family Circus



B.C.



Hagar The Horrible



Peanuts



Blondie



Flo & Friends



Lac
4A
Pal
By
The La
4A comp
host the L
vict
Pampa
week's C
They wen
night, but
canceled.
Pampa
the break
for his tea
ing tonigh
have been
the time th
"I was

Pampa bi
players w
Pampa de
Har
By
A big g
when Pam
set for a 7
The Bu
will be re
Plainview
(12-6). Th
with Pam
Plainview
and highl
"We're
coach, Jef

Sports Day

Lady Harvesters begin District 4A competition at home against Palo Duro's Lady Dons tonight

By **MICHAEL J. STEVENS**
Sports Editor

The Lady Harvesters (8-12) open District 4A competition at home tonight when they host the Lady Dons of Palo Duro.

because I feel the girls are very tired and needed a short break." Fry added he didn't believe the loss of a game this week will have any affect on his team.
A win at home tonight against the Lady Dons would big for Fry's team.

'An opening district win would be a great motivational victory for us knowing that we are at home and that we have the upper hand on the rest of the district.'

— Troy Fry
Head Coach, PHS Lady Harvester Basketball

Pampa has not played a game since last week's Caprock Tournament in Lubbock. They were to have faced Claude Tuesday night, but weather forced that game to be canceled.

Pampa Head Coach, Troy Fry, believes the break has been something of a blessing for his team. "I am very excited about playing tonight," said Fry. "It seems like we have been playing for so long and now is the time that every game counts."

"I was somewhat relieved Tuesday

"An opening district win would be a great motivational victory for us knowing that we are at home and that we have the upper hand on the rest of the district."

Missing in Action: "Autumn (Darden) is out right now with a possible stress fracture in her lower shin area. She went to the doctor on Thursday and hopefully she will be released to start playing again," said Fry.

Game time is 7:30 p.m.

On-Air: KRGO-AM 1230

On-line: www.centramedia.com



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Head Coach Troy Fry gathers his Lady Harvesters during a recent time out. Pampa opens district competition in The Pit tonight against the visiting Lady Dons of Palo Duro.



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Pampa big man, Jarett Kotara, is sandwiched between a couple of Plainview players while fighting for a rebound during the two teams' Dec. 20 meeting. Pampa defeated the Bulldogs, 65-62 that night.

Harvesters headed for Dog Pound

By **MICHAEL J. STEVENS**
Sports Editor

A big game on tap tonight in Plainview when Pampa comes calling. That game is set for a 7:30 p.m. start.

The Bulldogs, sporting a 17-3 record, will be ready for the Harvesters. One of Plainview's three losses belongs to Pampa (12-6). The two teams hooked up Dec. 20, with Pampa edging the Dogs, 65-62. Plainview came into that with just one loss and highly ranked.

"We're ready to go," said Pampa head coach, Jeff Reed this morning. "I wish we

could get on the bus now and not wait to later this afternoon." His concern stems from the length of the trip. Not in miles necessarily, but in time. It takes 2.5 to 3.0 hours to make the drive to Plainview by bus. And not having played since last Wednesday adds to that concern.

Pampa has all but owned Plainview in recent games. And with the Bulldogs' struggle at home against Randall Tuesday night, a team similar in style to Pampa, it may be fair to believe Plainview will either be fired up and ready tonight. Or wondering what they need to do to beat the Harvesters.

7th, 8th grade teams take one of four from Westover

The Pampa Junior High School boys' basketball teams traveled to Amarillo last night to take on the Westover Warriors. Here are the results from those games:

A-Team

The 7th A team started things off well with a win over the Warriors in the 5 p.m. game. The A team, led by Alex Clendenning and Ryan Jimenez, maintained a comfortable lead most of the game until the Warriors made a run in the 4th period cutting the Pampa lead to six points.

However, the Green Team responded to the challenge and defeated the Warriors 52-46.

Leading scorers: Alex Clendenning-15, Ryan Jimenez-14, Luke Watson-10.

B-Team

The B team lost the 6:30 p.m. game, 58-23. Despite the wide margin of victory, the B team continues to make improvement in its play. Pampa led after the first period by two and only trailed by nine at the half. Costly ball handling mistakes and a cold night shooting allowed the Warriors to expand their lead.

Leading scorers : Uriel Diaz-6, Eric Lewis-6, Jessie Jimenez-5, Mitchell Killgo-4.

Next game: Jan. 10, vs. Hereford (Home)

A team - 5 p.m.

B team - 6:30 p.m.

8th Grade B-Team

The 8th grade B team continues to play well, but has had a hard time getting into a shooting groove. The B team lost to the Warriors, 25-32.

Missed free throws continue to be a worry in the Green Team's side as they missed 10 shots from the line. It was a close game the whole way in a very physical contest and the B team just couldn't quite close the gap.

Leading scorers: Heath Skinner-16, Cobron Harris-5

A-Team

The 8th Grade A team played a very hot shooting Warrior team and trailed by 19 points at the end of the first half. In the second half the GT picked up the pace and intensified their defense cooling off the Warriors.

The Green Team cut the lead to six, but ran out of time and was unable to overtake the Warriors.

Leading scorers: Matt Smith-14, Thomas Fraser-14, Hayden Skinner-8, Byron Smith-6.

Next game : Jan. 10, vs. Hereford

B team - 5 p.m.

A team - 6:30 p.m

Manning a unanimous choice

NEW YORK (AP) — Peyton Manning was a unanimous choice for The Associated Press 2004 NFL All-Pro Team. Manning received all 48 first-place votes from a nationwide panel of writers and broadcasters who cover pro football, the only player to sweep the voting this year.

Manning broke Dan Marino's 20-year-

old record for touchdown passes in a season with 49, and shattered Steve Young's passer rating mark with a 121.1. Manning also was the All-Pro quarterback in 2003, when he was the co-MVP with Steve McNair of Tennessee. The AP Most Valuable Player will be announced on Monday.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

PHS JV and freshmen competing in Perryton

By **MICHAEL J. STEVENS**
Sports Editor

Here are the latest results from the Perryton Basketball Tournament which began yesterday and will conclude tomorrow.

Pool A: Canadian, Pampa, Perryton, Spearman

Pool B: Borger, Dumas, West Texas

9th Grade

Game 1
Perryton 47, Canadian 40
Pampa 33, Spearman 19

Game 2
Borger 35, West Texas 29
Perryton 34, Pampa 26

Junior Varsity

Perryton 51, Canadian 21
Pampa 44, Spearman 42
Borger 53, West Texas 44
Perryton 55, Pampa 32

Games Scheduled Today

9th Grade and Junior Varsity
West Texas vs. Dumas
Canadian vs. Pampa
Perryton vs. Spearman
Borger vs. Dumas

J
A
N
0
7
2
0
0
5

Spurs 111, Pacers 98

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Tim Duncan scored 27 points and Tony Parker had 26, leading the San Antonio Spurs to a 111-98 victory over the Indiana Pacers on Thursday night.

Manu Ginobili added 18 points and Duncan grabbed 12 rebounds for San Antonio, which improved to 8-0 at home against Eastern Conference teams and 16-1 overall at the SBC Center. The Spurs earned their seventh double-digit victory in eight games, but it didn't come easy.

Jermaine O'Neal had 32 points and nine rebounds for Indiana, and Jamaal Tinsley finished with 18 points and eight assists.

Parker got San Antonio off to a fast start by scoring 10 points in the first quarter on a series of layups. Still, the Spurs only led 57-51 at halftime despite shooting 54 percent from the field and 50 percent from 3-point range. San Antonio also held a 10-0 advantage in second-chance points through the first two quarters and a 10-point edge in the paint.

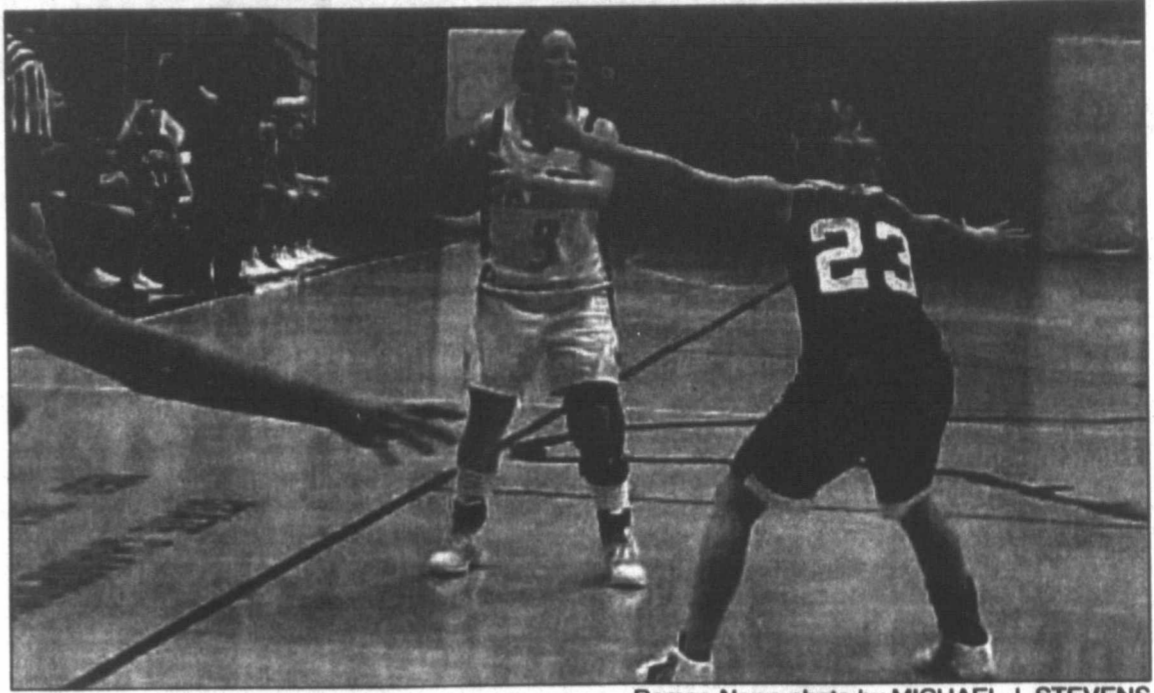
Indiana was able to remain close behind 14 points from O'Neal and 13 from Tinsley. San Antonio was finally able to gain a cushion by going on a 22-12 run to open the second half. Duncan, Parker and Bruce Bowen combined to score all the points during the run.

The Pacers' frontcourt of O'Neal, David Harrison and Jeff Foster cut the deficit back to six, but the Spurs were able to maintain their advantage with a strong defensive effort in the final quarter.

San Antonio limited Indiana to two points off turnovers in the final quarter.

Notes: The Pacers are 4-2 since O'Neal returned from his suspension. ... In their eight previous meetings, Duncan averaged 19.4 points and 11 rebounds, and O'Neal averaged 17.1 points and 8.1 rebounds. ... The Spurs have only been outscored in the paint five times this season. They are averaging 42.7 points in the lane while holding opponents to 34.5.

Little help



Pampa News photo by MICHAEL J. STEVENS

Lady Harvester Lindsey Ammons looks for an open teammate during Pampa's game against Plainview last month. The Lady Harvesters start district play at home tonight against Palo Duro. Game time is 7:30 p.m.

FASHION ICON NO LONGER

Fans shunning Kobe Bryant's jersey

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Kobe Bryant is no longer a fashion icon.

For the last month, Bryant's No. 8 Lakers jersey — previously one of the best sellers in the world — has fallen out of the top 50, according to point-of-sale data tabulated by a Florida market research firm.

Bryant's NBA jersey was still the 10th-highest selling jersey for the year, but he finished the month of December at No. 70 — and in one week plunged to No. 90, a drastic slide for the player many once saw as the sport's next marketing golden boy.

"I would never have thought it would have dropped off like this," said Neil Schwartz, director of marketing and business development for SportsScanINFO in West Palm Beach, which tracks weekly sales data from sporting goods retailers nationwide.

Bryant's marketability has likely been hurt by the flurry of bad press he's been receiving lately, analysts say. It began with his rape case and included his feud with former teammate Shaquille O'Neal, his spat with current book by former coach Phil Jackson that portrays Bryant as an aloof prima donna.

Before the season started, O'Neal was traded to the Miami Heat and Jackson retired — departures that many fans have blamed on Bryant.

"I was a big fan, but I just can't wear his jersey anymore," said Patrick Buan, 27, of Victorville, Calif., who last month put up for sale his four Bryant jerseys on eBay.

Bryant's agent, Rob Pelinka, did not return calls seeking comment. Nike Inc., Bryant's main sponsor, also declined to comment, saying only that Bryant remains under contract with the company.

Officials at AEG, which owns the Staples Center, said sales of Bryant's jersey had dipped noticeably at the store in the arena in recent weeks. They said the problem began early this summer as Bryant prepared to face criminal rape charges — which were later dropped after his accuser said she did not want to participate in the trial.

Alan Fey, vice president of mer-

chandising for AEG, said the manufacturer got skittish while the case was pending. "He's such a significant player that (they) weren't willing to make all those goods and have him go to jail," he said.

But a spokesman for Reebok Inc., which makes Bryant's jerseys, said the company doesn't speculate on a player's marketability — and doesn't have to. Greg Grauel, the company's senior vice president of apparel merchandising, said Reebok supplies inventory to retailers on demand.

'Kobe's jersey was a core part of our business — and now with the team going in the direction it has, we've ordered less and seen less of a demand.'

— Mike Batt
General Manager, Farzz

Schwartz said Bryant's legal troubles could account for a drop in sales in the summer and possibly at the beginning of the season — but not in December.

In June — when the preparations for Bryant's rape trial were going full tilt — Bryant jerseys hovered in the top five in terms of NBA jerseys sold, including time at the No. 1 spot, said Schwartz, whose company tallies numbers from a wide range of retailers.

Industry insiders say that while fans may have been willing to look the other way during the rape scandal, they seem far less willing to forgive him now for what they see as the breakup of a championship team.

"I think a lot of people were understanding of the rape trial, because

there are a lot of cases of players being entrapped," said Bob Dorfman, executive vice president of Pickett Advertising in San Francisco. "But it's all about winning — that's what tickles the cash register."

When he jeopardized that by single-handedly blowing apart the team, it was the final straw for a lot of people."

The drop in sales is being felt in a wide variety of retail venues — from small sporting good chains to the Lakers' memorabilia hub at Staples Center.

"Kobe's jersey was a core part of our business — and now with the team going in the direction it has, we've ordered less and seen less of a demand," said Mike Batt, general manager of Fanzz in Salt Lake City, a sporting goods retail chain with 32 stores.

The drop in sales is bad news for Nike Inc., based in Beaverton, Ore., which sank a reported \$40 million into a multiyear contract with Bryant.

While Nike does not make his jersey — Massachusetts-based Reebok Inc. recently bought the licensing rights to all NBA player jerseys from Nike — the decline is further evidence that they may not see a return on their investment.

While both McDonald's and Nutella have since dropped him, Nike has stood by Bryant, but has yet to use him in a single ad, even in ones touting Bryant's own shoe.

Nike spokesman Rodney Knox declined to say whether the manufacturer intends to use him in future campaigns.

"There's too much at stake for Nike to want to tarnish their brand image by using him," said Paul Swangard, managing director of the Warsaw Sports Marketing Center at the University of Oregon.

While the drop in sales is surprising, it's unlikely to make a dent in Bryant's personal fortune. In June, Forbes.com ranked him as the 10th highest-paid celebrity of 2004, earning \$26.1 million from June 2003 to June 2004 in salaries, bonuses, prize money, appearance fees — as well as his Nike endorsement.

NFL Playoff schedule

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

- All Times EST
- Wild-card Playoffs**
Saturday, Jan. 8
 St. Louis at Seattle, 4:30 p.m. (ABC)
 N.Y. Jets at San Diego, 8 p.m. (ABC)
- Sunday, Jan. 9**
 Denver at Indianapolis, 1 p.m. (CBS)
 Minnesota at Green Bay, 4:30 p.m. (FOX)
- Divisional Playoffs**
Saturday, Jan. 15
 San Diego, N.Y. Jets or Denver at Pittsburgh, 4:30 p.m. (CBS)
 Green Bay, Seattle or St. Louis at Atlanta, 8 p.m. (FOX)
- Sunday, Jan. 16**
 Seattle, St. Louis or Minnesota at Philadelphia, 1 p.m. (FOX)
 Indianapolis, N.Y. Jets or San Diego at New England, 4:30 p.m. (CBS)
- Conference Championships**
Sunday, Jan. 23
 NFC Championship Game, 3 p.m. (FOX)
 AFC Championship Game, 6:30 p.m. (CBS)
- Super Bowl**
Sunday, Feb. 6
 Jacksonville, Fla. (FOX)
 AFC vs. NFC, 6:30 p.m. (FOX)
- Pro Bowl**
Sunday, Feb. 13
 At Honolulu
 AFC vs. NFC, 7:30 p.m. (ESPN)

Goodrich's appeal denied

DALLAS (AP) — Former Dallas Cowboys defensive back Dwayne Goodrich's appeal of his conviction in a deadly hit-and-run accident two years ago was denied Thursday.

He was convicted in August 2003 on two counts of criminally negligent homicide and sentenced to 7 1/2 years in prison.

Demont Matthews, 23, and Joby Wood, 21, both of Plano were rescuing a driver from a burning car on Interstate 35 when they were struck by Goodrich's BMW. He left the scene.

Goodrich told jurors that a sport utility vehicle blocked his view of the pre-dawn accident. He said he originally believed, or hoped, he had hit debris. Goodrich returned to the scene hours later and then turned himself into police.

Astros make final offer to Beltran

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Astros said Thursday that they've made their final offer to Carlos Beltran. They'll find out this weekend whether it was enough to keep the All-Star center fielder.

"The offer on the table is our final offer," general manager Tim Lincecum said, without indicating whether Houston made a new proposal. "We're not interested in going any higher."

Houston faces an 11 p.m. CST Saturday deadline to re-sign Beltran. After that, under baseball rules the Astros wouldn't be allowed to strike a deal with him until May 1.

Purpura said he and owner Drayton McLane spoke with Beltran's agent, Scott Boras, on Thursday. Purpura said he wasn't sure which way Beltran might be leaning.

"It's impossible to know where we stand in this kind of thing," he said. "We know that we're in the running, though."

Boras would not respond to Purpura's comments.

"Of the teams I'm negotiating with, I have received certain new proposals," he said, without going into specifics.

The New York Mets, who dispatched a delegation to Puerto Rico to meet with Beltran and Boras on Monday, also are trying to sign Beltran, and the Chicago Cubs also might be involved in the talks.

The New York Yankees told Boras they would not focus on Beltran until after finalizing negotiations for an extension with Randy Johnson, a process that was nearing completion.

Boras is seeking a deal worth more than \$100 million for the 27-year-old switch-hitter.

Purpura declined to discuss the amount of Houston's proposal.

"We feel it's a good offer," he said. "But to go any further wouldn't be prudent for the future of our organization."

Gonzaga opens with a WCC win

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Unfortunately for Gonzaga, coach Mark Few might be right.

Few has been saying for months that the West Coast Conference is going to be better than it has been in recent years.

The 11th-ranked Bulldogs opened defense of their WCC title on Thursday night with a hard-fought, 91-87 victory over Santa Clara.

"There are going to be a lot of those this season," Few said of the game that wasn't decided until the final minute. "This league is the best it's ever been."

Derek Raivio had 32 points for Gonzaga (11-2), which went 63-7, including 16-0 last season, in winning five straight WCC titles since Few took over the program.

Kyle Bailey had 26 points for the Broncos (7-9), who lost their fifth straight overall. Gonzaga has won nine in a row in the series and the last five at the Leavey Center.

"I feel like every time the win is right there and they take it away," Bailey said of playing the Zags. "I'll get it figured out. I'd hate to come back for a sixth year just to beat them."

In other games involving ranked teams on Thursday, it was: No. 9 Georgia Tech 80, Miami 69; No. 12 Washington 84, Southern California 59; No. 13 Arizona 87, California 67; No. 15 Texas 74, Memphis 67; and No. 23 Cincinnati 83, DePaul 54.

Adam Morrison added 18 points, and Erroll Knight had 11 points and eight rebounds for Gonzaga in its first game since having a seven-game winning streak snapped with a 63-61 loss to Missouri on Dec. 30.

Doron Perkins of Santa Clara, and Morrison were called for a double-technical after tangling on the floor under Gonzaga's basket with 2:52 left. Santa Clara's Travis Niesen got a technical just over a minute later after Santa Clara pulled within 80-77. Raivio made both free throws,

then J.P. Batista made the front end of a 1-and-1 for the Bulldogs.

"They did better in the clutch than we did," Santa Clara coach Dick Davey said before proving the Bulldogs are on the minds of WCC opponents. "But we've got seven weeks to try and improve that."

No. 9 Georgia Tech 80, Miami 69
 Will Bynum scored 21 points to lead the Yellow Jackets (10-2, 1-0), who bounced back from last weekend's overtime loss at No. 2 Kansas.

Guillermo Diaz had 27 points for the visiting Hurricanes (9-3), who had their eight-game winning streak snapped in their first Atlantic Coast Conference game. Miami moved from the Big East after last season.

No. 12 Washington 84, Southern California 59
 Tre Simmons scored 22 points to lead the visiting Huskies (13-1, 3-0), who are off to their best start in 29 years, to their ninth consecutive victory.

Freshman Nick Young scored 18 of his 20 points in the second half for the Trojans (7-7), who have yet to win a Pac-10 game under interim coach Jim Saia. The 0-3 mark is their worst conference start since they began 0-4 in 1991, but still made the NCAA tournament.

No. 13 Arizona 87, California 67
 Channing Frye had 20 points and eight rebounds to lead the Wildcats (12-2, 2-0 Pac-10) to their ninth straight victory in their first road game in 19 days.

Richard Midgley had 14 points for the Bears (8-5, 1-2), who have lost 11 of 12 to Arizona.

No. 15 Texas 74, Memphis 67
 P.J. Tucker scored 18 points, including four in the final 42 seconds, for the Longhorns (11-2). His fastbreak dunk after a turnover gave Texas a 71-67 lead and he added two free throws with 17 seconds to play.

Freshman guard Darius Washington had 23 points for the visiting Tigers (7-7), who have lost five of seven overall.

TH
POLICIES...
responsibl
insertion
er reserve
NOTICE...
illegal to a
handicap,
crimination
any adver
dwellings

FOR]

Public Notice

LEGAL NOTIC
In compliance with
ter 36 of the Texas
Code and the Rules,
Panhandle Groun
Conservation Distr
public hearing fo
purpose of accepti
lic comment on a
Well Drilling Appli
for the purpose of
dary Oil Recovery v
held on January 20
at the Panhandle G
water Conservation
tract office 201 W.
St., White Deer, Te
9 am. The Single
Drilling Application
Petco Petroleum,
Bank Building, 1
10th St., Ste 505, M
non, IL 62864. The
cation was receive
ember 31, 2004, a
quests approval of
tion of one 4" equi
well that was prev
operated by ER C
ing. Public commet
this application w
accepted at the I
office until Januar
2005. The cont

One letter
for the three
apostrophes,
hints. Each c
1-7

H V Q J
W M A F

Y W J V

H V Q J

B W D J I
Yesterday
FULLY SA
THING AS
QUESTION

HAPPY BIRTH
8, 2005:
Behind-the-scen
your year. Secr
life. Learn to
shouldn't; a sec
You develop a li
private and per
Share more of y
care about. A tea
type dominates.
your year. If yo
your potential s
unavailable, liti
dency to be ove
avoid immediat
attached, detach
remains key to
interactions. Sc
together. Express
ings more often.
you cold.

The Stars Show
Have: 5-Dyna
Average; 2-So-s

ARIES (March
★★★★ Head
friends or expl
the car and take
vative and creati
plans. Refuse to
Allow yourself
moment. Tonigh
TAURUS (April
★★★★ Plan o
with a special p
to look at this pe
new acquaintan
pective; he or s
ing before you
that everyone ch
colored glasses.
Tonight: Dinner
GEMINI (May

THE PAMPA NEWS CLASSIFIED

IT'S EASY ... PLACE YOUR AD BY TELEPHONE

669-2525 OR 800-687-3348

VISA AND MASTERCARD ACCEPTED

POLICIES... We ask that you check your ad after its first insertion for mistakes. THE PAMPA NEWS is not responsible for more than ONE incorrect insertion or omission on any ad ordered for more than one insertion. Requests for corrections should be made within 24 hours of the first publication. The publisher reserves the right to edit, reject or properly classify any copy.

NOTICE... All Real Estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination." State law also forbids discrimination based on these factors. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.



FOR RATES AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CALL 669-2525

JANUARY SPECIAL

Buy 2 Days Of Classified And Get The 3rd Day

FREE

PAID IN ADVANCE • VISA & MASTERCARD ACCEPTED

THE PAMPA NEWS

806-669-2525 • 800-687-3348

FAX 806-669-2520

1 Public Notice

LEGAL NOTICE
In compliance with Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code and the Rules of the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District, a public hearing for the purpose of accepting public comment on a Single Well Drilling Application for the purpose of Secondary Oil Recovery will be held on January 20, 2005 at the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District office 201 W. Third St., White Deer, Texas, at 9 a.m. The Single Well Drilling Application is for Petco Petroleum, US Bank Building, 123 S. 10th St., Ste 505, Mt Vernon, IL 62864. The application was received December 31, 2004, and requests approval of operation of one 4" equivalent well that was previously operated by ER Operating. Public comment on this application will be accepted at the District office until January 20, 2005. The contiguous

1 Public Notice

acreage associated with this permit is the South half of Section 95' Block B-2, H&GN RR Survey. Total acreage is 320 acres. Copies of this application may be obtained at the Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District office, 201 W. 3rd St., PO Box 637, White Deer, TX 79097, 806-883-2501

B-48 Jan. 07, 2005

5 Special Notices

ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News, MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

13 Bus. Opp.

BARBER / BEAUTY
Shop for sale. Great location!! Call 341-0675.

13 Bus. Opp.

LOT, building & bar equipment for sale. \$50,000. 665-7792.

14d Carpentry

NEW Const., remodeling, replacement windows. Shawn Deaver Constr. 662-2977, 665-0354.

OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR Kidwell Construction. Call 669-6347.

ADDITIONS, remodeling, roofing, cabinets, painting, all types repairs. Mike Albus, 665-4774.

14e Carpet Serv.

NU-WAY Cleaning service, carpets, upholstery, walls, ceilings. Quality doesn't cost... It pays! No steam used. Bob Marx owner-operator. 665-3541, or from out of town, 800-536-5341.

14h Gen. Serv.

COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. Call 669-7769.

14h Gen. Serv.

IS your House or Foundation Settling? Cracks in bricks or walls? Door won't close? Call Childers Brothers, Inc. Stabilizing & Foundation Leveling. 1-800-299-9563 or 806-352-9563 Amarillo.

14n Painting

INT./EXT. painting, mud tape. 35 yr. exp. References. Call Gene Calder 665-4840.

14s Plumbing/Heat

JACK'S Plumbing & Faucet Shop, 715 W. Foster, 665-7115. faucets, plumbing supplies, new const., repair, remodeling, sewer / drain cleaning, septic systems installed. Visa/MC

Larry Baker Plumbing
Heating/ Air Conditioning
Borger Hwy. 665-4392

14u Roofing

Carpentry, Roofing, Rec siding & trim Jerry Nicholas 669-9991, 662-8169

21 Help Wanted

NOTICE
Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

A NEW YEAR 2005
Get a jump start on 2005!! As this new year begins and you look at your Income, are you happy with what you see? If you really want to earn \$35,000+, you can make 2005 your best year yet! Our company has served the Pampa area for over 50 yrs. Leads, Benefits and Training provided. For a personal and confidential interview call 669-0672 (M-F 10 a.m.-4 p.m.) or fax resume 806-665-4376.

NEEDED PT Evening Dishwasher. Free meals. Must be able to work weekends. St. Ann's Nursing Home, 537-3194, ask for Linda or Phyllis. May apply in person.

RN or LVN needed for pediatric home care, 40 hrs a week, excellent pay and benefits. Call 355-1899 or apply at 3242 Hobbs in Amarillo.

WANTED: CNA 3-11, shift F-T w/ Benefits. St. Ann's Nursing Home, 537-3194.

NEW, name brand, mattress sets 1-yr-20yr. warr. All sizes. 30-60% off Retail 806-677-0400

NEW Queen bedroom Suite, Still boxed Poster bed, Dresser, Mirror, Night stand. \$849 806-677-0400

SOFA/LOVESEAT. Still in plastic \$599 806-677-0400

LITTLE Tykes RaceCar Bed with toy box, \$200. Call 665-0008.

69 Misc.

ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

21 Help Wanted

SIVALLS Inc. is looking for welder-fabricators. Welding and drug tests req. Benefits: health ins., profit sharing, 401K, 8 paid holidays and 10 days vacation per year. 806-665-7111, Pampa, Tx.

SEMCRODE has an opening for Crude Oil Transport Drivers within the Texas Panhandle area. Requires Class A CDL, with endorsement. Excellent benefits are included. Please call Joe Critchlow at 806-228-1127, or 806-934-7505 for application.

EXPERIENCED Caregivers Needed. Call Visiting Angels, 806-353-3590.

PART TIME INSERTER needed immediately. About 20 hrs. per week. Must work every Sat. Apply in person, The Pampa News. No phone calls please!

HOUSTON LUMBER
420 W. Foster
669-6881

60 Household

\$202 QN mattress set, brand new never used with warranty, QN Pillow top double sided mattress set new, still pkgd, warr. list \$550, sell \$236. Full Pillow top Double sided mattress set new, still pkgd, warr. list \$400, sell \$208. Full size mattress set new, never used \$180, \$230 King mattress set, brand new, still pkgd, warranty, \$268 King Pillow top mattress set, brand new, still pkgd, warranty, Queen Cherry sleigh bed, new, still boxed, List \$750 sell \$399, new 7 pc QN cherry wood bdrm set w/sleigh bed, still boxed, sell \$999, new 7 pc QN Pinewood bdrm set w/4 poster bed, still boxed, \$999. Call 806-517-1050.

MATTRESS SETS, New in Plastic, Inner coil w/ 1 Yr. warr. T-589, F-5115, Q-5160, K-5215. 806-677-0400

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

Beautifully furn. 1 bdr. starting at \$350. We pay gas & water, you pay elec. 3 & 6 mo. leases. Pool & laundry on site. Caprock Apts. 1601 W. Somerville 665-7149 Mon.-Fri. 8:30-5:30 Sat 10-4

21 Help Wanted

FOOD Service. Must be mature, friendly, neat, clean & dependable. Exp. preferred. Apply in person HEARD-JONES, Pampa.

DRIVERS needed. Class A CDL & DOT Hazmat req. No license violations. Uniforms, & health insurance provided. Inquire: 129 S. Price Rd., Pampa, Triangle Well Service. No phone calls please!

50 Building Suppl.

White House Lumber
101 S. Ballard
669-3291

95 Furn. Apts.

GWENDOLEN Plaza Apts., 1 & 2 bdr. Gas / water pd. 3; 6 mo./1yr. lease. 800' N. Nelson, 665-1875.

LAKEVIEW Apt. 1 & 2 bdr. unfurn. apt. avail. Ref., dep. req. 669-2981 or 669-4386

98 Furn. Houses

NEW Mgmt. 1 N&L Invts., duplexes, homes & comm. prop. 665-4274.

NICE condo avail. Dec. 20th. 2 bdr., 1 3/4 ba. All kitchen appl., plus washer & dryer. Fpl., detached single car gar. w/ opener; fenced courtyard. Gas / water pd., 6 mo. lease. \$400 dep. / \$650 mo. 669-6841, Mon.-Fri. 8-5 p.m.

RENT or Sale. 3 bdr., 1 ba., cent. h/a, big backyard, garage. 1337 N. Starkweather. 355-9088.

Beautifully furn. 2 bdr. gar., fence, central heat. \$350. 1815 Hamilton. 665-8925, 665-6604.

2 bdr., 1 ba. mobile home. Refrig. & stove. Nice and clean. References. 664-2637 cell#.

NICE home, 3 bedroom, 1 bath with carport, for rent in Pampa. Call 595-0900 cell#.

99 Stor. Bldgs.
TUMBLEWEED Acres, self storage units, Various sizes. 665-0079, 665-2450.

SEALED Storage Unit for rent. Have one 10x20 & one 11x20. Call 669-6301 or 669-6273.

69 Misc.

FRED Brown Tree and Turf. Tree/yard spraying. Insect/weed control. Deep root feed. 662-3141

REAL Nice Burial Plot For Sale. ASAP! Cheap!!! Valued at \$1100 Call 669-1388.

SEASONED Oak Firewood, delivered and stacked. 779-3284.

69a Garage Sales

MISC. items. Clothes from baby to adult. Sat. 8 a.m.-12 noon. 1912 Charles.

1508 N. Christy

Sat. 9 a.m.
Sofa, recliner, dishes, clothes & misc.

80 Pets & Suppl.

FREE to a good home, a beautiful black & white Pomeranian Serious calls only. 665-4703, 662-2659

95 Furn. Apts.

GWENDOLEN Plaza Apts., 1 & 2 bdr. Gas / water pd. 3; 6 mo./1yr. lease. 800' N. Nelson, 665-1875.

LAKEVIEW Apt. 1 & 2 bdr. unfurn. apt. avail. Ref., dep. req. 669-2981 or 669-4386

98 Furn. Houses

NEW Mgmt. 1 N&L Invts., duplexes, homes & comm. prop. 665-4274.

NICE condo avail. Dec. 20th. 2 bdr., 1 3/4 ba. All kitchen appl., plus washer & dryer. Fpl., detached single car gar. w/ opener; fenced courtyard. Gas / water pd., 6 mo. lease. \$400 dep. / \$650 mo. 669-6841, Mon.-Fri. 8-5 p.m.

RENT or Sale. 3 bdr., 1 ba., cent. h/a, big backyard, garage. 1337 N. Starkweather. 355-9088.

Beautifully furn. 2 bdr. gar., fence, central heat. \$350. 1815 Hamilton. 665-8925, 665-6604.

2 bdr., 1 ba. mobile home. Refrig. & stove. Nice and clean. References. 664-2637 cell#.

NICE home, 3 bedroom, 1 bath with carport, for rent in Pampa. Call 595-0900 cell#.

99 Stor. Bldgs.
TUMBLEWEED Acres, self storage units, Various sizes. 665-0079, 665-2450.

SEALED Storage Unit for rent. Have one 10x20 & one 11x20. Call 669-6301 or 669-6273.

95 Furn. Apts.

1 bedroom, furnished, bills paid from \$200 mo. 520 N. Frost. Call 665-4842 or 662-3572.

EXTRA clean 1 bd. with appliances. Quiet neighborhood. Mature Renters Only! 665-8525

96 Unfurn. Apts.

AVAILABLE NOW! 1 bdr. unfurn. apt. Newly Remodeled. \$250-\$300 per month. 665-4274

CAPROCK APARTMENTS

1, 2, & 3 bdr. Starting at only \$310. 6 mo. lease available.
* Pool
* Laundry
* Wash/dryer hook-ups
* Club room
* On-site management
* SOFTENED WATER

M-F 8:30-5:30, Sat. 10-4
1601 W. Somerville
806-665-7149

GWENDOLEN Plaza Apts., 1 & 2 bdr. Gas / water pd. 3; 6 mo./1yr. lease. 800' N. Nelson, 665-1875.

LAKEVIEW Apt. 1 & 2 bdr. unfurn. apt. avail. Ref., dep. req. 669-2981 or 669-4386

98 Furn. Houses

NEW Mgmt. 1 N&L Invts., duplexes, homes & comm. prop. 665-4274.

NICE condo avail. Dec. 20th. 2 bdr., 1 3/4 ba. All kitchen appl., plus washer & dryer. Fpl., detached single car gar. w/ opener; fenced courtyard. Gas / water pd., 6 mo. lease. \$400 dep. / \$650 mo. 669-6841, Mon.-Fri. 8-5 p.m.

RENT or Sale. 3 bdr., 1 ba., cent. h/a, big backyard, garage. 1337 N. Starkweather. 355-9088.

Beautifully furn. 2 bdr. gar., fence, central heat. \$350. 1815 Hamilton. 665-8925, 665-6604.

2 bdr., 1 ba. mobile home. Refrig. & stove. Nice and clean. References. 664-2637 cell#.

NICE home, 3 bedroom, 1 bath with carport, for rent in Pampa. Call 595-0900 cell#.

99 Stor. Bldgs.
TUMBLEWEED Acres, self storage units, Various sizes. 665-0079, 665-2450.

SEALED Storage Unit for rent. Have one 10x20 & one 11x20. Call 669-6301 or 669-6273.

102 Bus. Rent. Prop.

OFFICE Space for rent, ask about 3 months free rent. 669-6841.

LOWEST Rents in City! Downtown locations-stores, warehouses, rec. facilities Call 665-4274!!

FOR Rent Office, warehouse, shop, overhead crane & yard space. Call 669-3279.

103 Homes For Sale

Twila Fisher
Century 21 Pampa Realty
665-3560, 663-1442
669-0007

3 br., 2 ba.-Scribner home, fpl., metal shop, overh. crane, 309 Miami. Billy 806-683-5962, 665-3954, Becky 665-9443.

BY OWNER. 3 br., 1 ba., ch/a, 2 car oversized gar. Storage behind. 1009 E. Kingsmill. Call 665-3132.

CLEAN 3/1/1, central h/a, cellar, stg bldg, \$34,000 negotiable, 2134 Summer, 669-3780. Owner will not carry.

ROD DONALDSON
AGENT 663-2800
Quentin Williams
Realtors 669-2522

PRICE REDUCED!
COUNTRY LIVING
Close to town
3 bedroom
12244 E. Hwy. 60
MLS 6570

MUST SEE!
1230 HAMILTON
3 bdr., 2886 sq. ft.
MLS 6597

LOTS FOR SALE
RABBIT LANE
2 lots
MLS 6475L

SOLD
709 DEANE Dr
MLS 6485

Your Listing
Could Be Here!!
Anyone can sell you a house, let me find you a home!!

106 Coml. Property
2222 Perryton Parkway,
Vacant Commercial Lot.
Price Reduced by 1/2. C-21 Realtor. 665-4180.

115 Trailer Parks
TUMBLEWEED Acres,
Storm Shelters, fenced,
stor. bldg. avail. 665-0079, 665-2450.

120 Autos
Doug Boyd Motor Co.
"On The Spot Financing"
821 W. Wilks 669-6062

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW
One letter stands for another.



Scouting project

Five Star Council Brownie Girl Scout Troop #221 and Daisy Troop #222 recently collected 200 stuffed animals for donation to the Pampa Police Department for distribution to children in need. Accepting the donation on behalf of the local PD was officer Donnie Brown. Above: Cecilia, Katterina, Alexis, Kathilyn, Kassie, Zoe, Cherish, Rylee, Keely, Kristen, Alyssa, Ashlee, Ashlynn, Haylei and Makenze with Officer Brown.

Challenge to electoral college vote begins year on partisan note

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Democratic effort to highlight Ohio's Election Day voting troubles did not upend President Bush's official reelection, but did spark bitter squabbling that started the new Congress on a sharply partisan tone.

In a quadrennial joint session brimming with tradition, the House and Senate on Thursday affirmed Bush's Nov. 2 victory over Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass. With Vice President Dick Cheney presiding, lawmakers tallied the electoral votes and gave Bush a 286-251 victory — plus a single vote cast by a "faithless" Minnesota elector for Kerry's running mate, former Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C.

But before the final verdict was in, some Democrats angry over the Ohio irregularities forced a challenge to the vote count for just the second time since the 19th century — a protest that prompted strong language from both sides.

"It is a crime against the dignity of American democracy," House Majority Leader Tom DeLay, R-Texas, said of the Democratic challenge, adding that it was guided by "spite, obstructionism and conspiracy theories."

Rep. Deborah Pryce, R-Ohio, lauded Kerry's Nov. 3 concession and his decision not to join Thursday's challenge. "Apparently, such admirable qualities do not apply to certain extreme elements of Senator Kerry's own party," she said.

For their part, Democrats

tried to equate their effort with American troops fighting in the Middle East.

"We have people dying in Iraq every day to bring democracy to those people. We need to have the best system we can have," said Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., who kept the formal complaint alive by providing the senator's signature that House proponents needed.

Rep. Maxine Waters, D-Calif., was among several lawmakers who mentioned allegations of electoral wrongdoing by Ohio Secretary of

'It is a crime against the dignity of American democracy.'

— Tom DeLay
House Majority Leader

State J. Kenneth Blackwell, who was co-chair of the Bush-Cheney campaign in the state. He has denied those accusations.

Waters, among several members of the Congressional Black Caucus who pressed the challenge, said Blackwell is, "I'm ashamed to say, an African-American man."

The battling came on just the third day of the 109th Congress, in which Bush seems likely to need some Democratic support to push through a Social Security overhaul and perhaps appoint a new Supreme Court justice.

Spector told police actress death 'an accident'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Rock music producer Phil Spector initially told police he mistakenly shot actress Lana Clarkson, though he has since changed his story to suggest she committed suicide, according to newly released grand jury transcripts.

Alhambra Police Officer Beatrice Rodriguez testified that Spector told officers at his home, "What's wrong with you guys? What are you doing? I

didn't mean to shoot her. It was an accident."

Spector, 64, who created rock 'n' roll's "wall of sound" recording technique, is charged with murdering Clarkson at his Alhambra mansion in early 2003. He has pleaded not guilty and is free on \$1 million bail. He suggested in a 2003 interview with Esquire magazine that Clarkson, 40, may have shot herself.

The Los Angeles Times reported Friday on the contents of the five volumes of grand jury transcripts, which include testimony from police, women who had been previously threatened by Spector, and friends of Clarkson. The documents were made available this week after media organizations including the Times and The Associated Press won a legal battle to unseal them.

Semi-Annual Intimate Sale

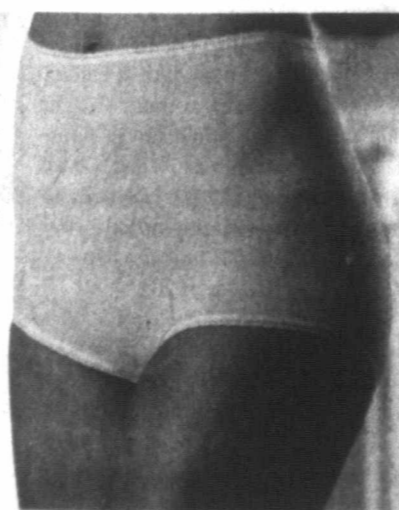
Going on Now



sale **11.99** SATIN PAJAMAS
Save 60% on short sleeve satin pajamas by Cinema Etoile and Winlar. Orig. \$24-\$28



sale **14.99**
ENTIRE STOCK OF BRAS
Save on our selection by Bali, Barely There and Vanity Fair. Orig. \$24-\$29



sale **5.99**
BALI BRIEFS
Save on our best selling Skimp Skamp and Freeform panties. Orig. \$9

Plus

Fall & Winter CLEARANCE

- Entire stock misses' and men's fall sweaters
- Entire stock misses' and men's fall coats
- Fall sportswear for her
- Select handbags and jewelry
- Select bed & table linens
- Entire stock women's boots
- Entire stock Christmas trim and accents

save
50-75%
STOREWIDE

Selections vary by store. Not all departments available in all stores.

DUNLAPS

Coronado Center • 669-7417
Mon-Sat 10-6 • Sun 12-5