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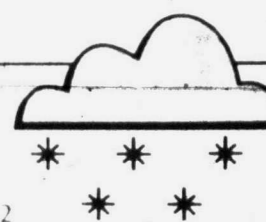
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## Good Evening!

### AREA

**McLEAN** — Nearly a dozen accidents along Interstate 40 in southern Gray County are keeping four deputies, one constable and one Department of Public Safety trooper busy checking for damages and injuries as motorists slip and slide along a stretch of ice covered roadway.

Deputy Rob Goodin of Gray County Sheriff's Office reported 11 accidents along the highway and "countless cars in the ditch" between 8 and 11:30 a.m. today.

"I don't think any of them so far have been super serious," Goodin said.

There have been three one car rollovers, two fender benders and the remainder are vehicles "mostly running off the road into poles," the deputy explained.

Emergency workers are checking drivers for injuries and assurance they can stay warm in their cars while waiting for a wrecker. Two wreckers are "going full blast," Goodin said.

Trooper Johnny Carter of DPS reports accidents, including several jack knifed trucks, are occurring only along the cement portion of the interstate which he described as a solid sheet of ice.

"It's probably not gonna evaporate any today because the high is only supposed to get up to 20 degrees," Carter said.

### NATIONAL

**INDIANAPOLIS (AP)** — Former vice president Dan Quayle, treated last month for blood clots in his lungs, is back in Indiana University Hospital for removal of an enlarged appendix.

He will undergo surgery later this week, Quayle's office said today.

He was hospitalized Monday afternoon and is expected to remain in the hospital about seven days because he is still being treated with anti-coagulant medication.

Quayle said he "just wants the thing out ... I don't need it any way," spokeswoman Anne Hathaway said.

Doctors said Quayle was in excellent spirits and is almost fully recovered from the pulmonary blood clots.

He was hospitalized through the first week of December after clots were found in both lungs. The clots originated his leg and apparently resulted from inactivity during prolonged sitting on cross-country flights, doctors said.

### WORLD

**DUSHANBE, Tajikistan (AP)** — The death toll mounted today in a poisoning case, with 15 people dead and 53 hospitalized after drinking champagne.

The fatal New Year's celebration claimed the lives of six Russian soldiers and nine civilians, including the wife of a Russian diplomat, the ITAR-Tass news agency said today.

The first victims died early Monday.

The Tajik Interior and Security Ministries launched an investigation. There were suspicions that the champagne, sold next to the Russian military base in Dushanbe, had been deliberately poisoned.

The Interfax news agency reported Monday that an initial investigation indicated the champagne had been spiked with cyanide. Two salesmen who sold champagne and suspiciously colored wine have been detained.

Entrepreneurs across the former Soviet Union produce alcoholic drinks from various lethal substances, which account for at least hundreds of deaths a year.

And Russian servicemen in Tajikistan are often targeted by assassins. At least 11 soldiers and officers were murdered there in 1994, Interfax said.

## Snow, sleet strike Panhandle area



(Pampa News photo by David Bowser)

**Pampa High School senior Anna Nail of 2610 Navajo was one of the Panhandle area residents today that awoke to a snow-covered windshield. As of noon today, Pampa had received about an eighth of an inch of snow with more forecast for tonight. Shamrock and Canadian received an inch or more of snow.**

## Government sets up funding to fight new killer infectious disease strains

By LAURAN NEERGAARD  
 Associated Press Writer

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — A new strain of meningitis quietly made its way from Norway to Spain, jumped over an ocean to cause epidemics in Cuba and Brazil — and then somehow sneaked into Oregon and began sickening Americans.

Now the government is setting up the nation's first early warning system for these emerging diseases with regional detection offices whose mission will be to discover exotic new germs, and detect the return of old ones, before they cause deadly outbreaks.

"This country is woefully unprepared to deal with new emerging pathogens," said Dr. David Fleming, Oregon's state epidemiologist. "These regional centers to keep us ahead of this evolution are something new and needed if we are going to win that war."

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is starting programs in four states: Oregon, California, Connecticut and Minnesota.

The four Emerging Infections Programs will tackle a few of the nation's underfunded health threats, everything from food-borne illnesses and super bacteria to the meningitis just uncovered in Oregon.

"It's a different approach and nobody's exactly sure how it will pan out, but ... ultimately the hope is to be able to prevent people from

getting these various illnesses," said Dr. Arthur Reingold of the University of California, Berkeley, who is helping run that state's program.

Infectious diseases are on the rise. New ones evolve from animals, mutate or migrate from other countries. Old ones, such as tuberculosis, are returning because of drug resistance, homelessness and overcrowding.

But the nation has no way to warn doctors when a disease is about to strike, so the CDC last spring planned a \$75 million to \$125 million global sentinel system — but it didn't have the money. This fall, when the CDC won \$6.7 million to fight emerging infections in fiscal 1995, it began phasing in the network, starting with the four states.

All four will track invasive bacteria such as Group A streptococcus, commonly called "flesh-eating bacteria," that made headlines around the world this year. They'll also analyze unexplained deaths in previously healthy people — something doctors seldom do but that could signal a new threat like the rodent-borne hantavirus that spread through the United States last year.

Each state has special projects: — Oregon is fighting the new bacterial meningitis, an inflammation of the membrane surrounding the brain and spinal cord. Group B meningitis is fairly rare, typically hitting only infants and toddlers. But a new B

strain, called ET5, is increasing and hitting older children and young adults. It was discovered in Norway and spread to Spain, Cuba and Brazil. Then Oregon uncovered ET5, which it blames for more than doubling its Group B meningitis cases from 22 in 1991 to 56 this year.

Oregon also is trying to more quickly identify food tainted with dangerous E. coli bacteria.

California is fighting Valley Fever, caused by a fungus that grows in the soil in parts of California, Arizona, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas and Utah. People who breathe tainted dust get anything from a mild flu-like illness to severe pneumonia — and cases have increased 10-fold since 1991, costing tens of millions in medical bills.

California also is tracking antibiotic resistance.

Connecticut is analyzing the risk factors for Ehrlichia, a bacteria that infects the blood cells and can cause anything from a mild flu to death. This infection, possibly spread by ticks, is often confused with Rocky Mountain spotted fever, Lyme disease and other febrile illnesses, but no one knows how widespread it is.

Connecticut also is searching for ways to prevent infections from cryptosporidium, the water parasite that sickened 400,000 people in Milwaukee in 1993.

Minnesota is studying food-borne illnesses and ways to prevent them.

From Associated Press  
 and Staff Reports

Portions of the Eastern Texas Panhandle woke up to heavy snow today while to the west, freezing mist made area highways hazardous.

The Department of Public Safety reported heavy snow coming down in Canadian and Shamrock at 5 a.m. today. Canadian authorities reported slick conditions in subfreezing weather while Shamrock law enforcement officers said it was wet there and had n't frozen over before dawn.

Light blowing snow was reported in White Deer in the predawn hours while Pampa reported a trace of snow overnight. A freezing mist settled over much of the rest of the Panhandle with low temperatures and blustery north winds, pushing chill factors below zero.

Pampa had a trace of snow overnight with 0.02 inches of moisture reported. The high forecast for today was 25 degrees with a 40 percent chance of snow.

Department of Public Safety troopers said there were several weather related accidents around the Panhandle. The highway patrol reported patches of ice and slick spots on area highways.

Pam Trimble with the Hemphill County Sheriff's office said today that Canadian had about an inch to an inch and a half of snow on the ground by sun up with a coating of ice beneath it.

"It's pretty darn slick," she said. Trimble said snow plows had been out in Hemphill County since 7 a.m. today.

Belinda Daniels in Shamrock reported about an inch of snow on the ground at 8 a.m. today.

"It was above freezing until about 15 minutes ago," she said. "Now it's 26 degrees."

She said the snow that had fallen across the southern portion of Wheeler County was wet and covered the ground.

"It's kind of pretty," she said. But with the drop in temperatures, she said, there had been several reports of slick spots along Interstate 40.

"They've got a couple of vehicles in the ditch around Sayre," she said.

Wheeler reported little accumulation of snow although temperatures were dropping and the snowfall was increasing as the sun tried to rise over the eastern Panhandle community.

Kathleen Frankenberry with the Wheeler County Sheriff's Department said the temperature in Wheeler had dropped from 29 degrees at 7 a.m. to 21 by 7:30 a.m. today.

"It's snowing and blowing," she said. "It's getting cold."

Frankenberry said grassy areas and lawns were covered with snow, but the streets in Wheeler remained clear. She said it started snowing in Wheeler about 1:30 a.m. today.

The Pampa Community in southwest Wheeler County also reported snow.

"It's chilly," said Sam Pagan. "We have about an inch of snow."

Shaun Crawford in McLean said they had a little snow today across southern Gray County, but it had melted off the streets and parking lots. He said Interstate 40 appeared to be clear.

"There's quite a bit of traffic out there," he said. "So I imagine they've got it beaten down a lot."

Howard Britten said it was just cold in Groom. At dawn today there was no snow.

Snow and sleet struck North Texas and parts of West Texas today, burying some areas under as much as 8 inches of snow.

Ablene reported its heaviest snowfall in 10 years Tuesday morning.

The National Weather Service recorded 5 inches of snow on the ground early Tuesday morning at its airport office. However, as much as 8 inches fell near Clyde and Baird, about 20 miles east of Abilene.

The storm was blamed on a combination of cold Canadian air and an upper air disturbance.

Winds behind the front were from the north at 15 to 25 mph and gusty over the Panhandle, lowering wind chills to below zero at both Amarillo and Dalhart.

But forecasters say worse winter weather could be ahead. Another cold front approaching from the west is expected to arrive in West Texas on Wednesday.

## New Year's baby



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

Jan. 2, 1995 is marked by the birth of Pampa's first baby of the new year. The latest resident to arrive in Pampa is Jaylan Treavohn Hair, who was born around 6 a.m. Monday morning at Coronado Community Hospital. Holding Jaylan is his mother Loretha Hair, who said he weighed 7 pounds six ounces.

## Court clears way for Texas execution

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The Supreme Court, by a 6-3 vote, has cleared the way for the execution Wednesday of a Texas man for a 1986 murder that state prosecutors said was committed by his sister.

Jesse DeWayne Jacobs, 44, confessed, but later recanted, in the 1986 shooting death of Eitta Ann Urdiales, 25, a paramedic from Conroe whose estranged husband was the boyfriend of Jacobs' sister.

Jacobs renounced his confession and said his sister, Bobbie Jean Hogan, killed the woman. He said he only helped his sister conceal the body.

Jacobs testified when his sister was tried for the killing, saying that he was outside the abandoned house where the shooting occurred.

Ms. Hogan was convicted of involuntary manslaughter and sen-

tenced to 10 years in prison for Ms. Urdiales' death.

The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in September acknowledged the apparent conflict — in which both Jacobs and Ms. Hogan were convicted of shooting Ms. Urdiales. But the appeals court said "it is not for us to say" that the jury in Jacobs' trial made a mistake.

Ron Dusek, a spokesman for the Texas attorney general's office, said Monday he was unfamiliar with the specifics of the case but added, "Texas certainly would not pursue the execution of someone that prosecutors and law enforcement authorities have since learned is innocent."

Under so-called felony-murder laws in many states, people who did not actually take a life can be convicted and sentenced to death for their involvement in crimes

that resulted in a death.

Prosecutors said Ms. Urdiales was abducted from her Conroe apartment, shot in the head with a .38-caliber pistol and buried in a sleeping bag.

Supreme Court Justices John Paul Stevens and Ruth Ginsberg voted to spare Jacobs' life in Monday's ruling. They said prosecutors at Jacobs' trial relied heavily on his confession, then put that conviction in doubt later when they tried his sister for the same killing.

"It would be fundamentally unfair to execute a person on the basis of a factual determination that the state has formally disavowed," Stevens wrote.

Justice Stephen G. Breyer also voted to block the execution, but he did not join Stevens' dissenting opinion.

# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

**HILL, Russell P. 'Red'** — 10 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

## Obituaries

**RUSSELL P. 'RED' HILL**  
**AMARILLO** — Russell P. "Red" Hill, 81, a former Pampa resident, died Sunday, Jan. 1, 1995 in Amarillo. Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel in Pampa, with the Rev. Gene Allen, retired pastor of Briarwood Church, the Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor of First Assembly of God of Canyon, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Hill was born April 30, 1913 in Petrolia, Texas, and came to Gray County on March 4, 1920. He attended Eldridge School and Alanreed School in Gray County. He married Maggie Romines on Jan. 6, 1934 in Sayre, Okla. She died Jan. 4, 1990.

He served in the 1303rd Army Engineer Corps during World War II and saw service in both the European and Pacific theaters. In 1942 he began carpenter work and after the war he was in the construction business until 1973, when he became an independent oil and gas operator. He had lived in Pampa from 1934 until 1993. At the time of his death he was a resident of the Continental Retirement Center in Amarillo. He was a charter member of Briarwood Church, where he had served 14 years as secretary-treasurer. He was a 50-year member of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Wanda and Bob Tigrett of Amarillo; a sister, Evelyn Hext of Pampa; a brother, C.R. Hill of Fort Worth; a granddaughter and her husband, Renel and Ronnie Hadley of Pampa; and two great grandchildren, Latisha and Hunter Hill Hadley, both of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to Briarwood Church Building Fund, Box 1880, Pampa, TX 79066-1880.

The family will be at the Ron Hadley home west of Pampa.

### GENEVA MAE SCHROEDER

Geneva Mae Schroeder, 56, died Monday, Jan. 2, 1995 in Amarillo. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel, with the Rev. Darrell Evans, pastor of First Christian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Schroeder was born Dec. 31, 1938 in Floyd County. She moved to Hereford in 1955 and to Pampa in 1957. She attended school at Floydada and Hereford. She married Robert L. "Bob" Schroeder on June 12, 1956 at Hereford. She was a Baptist.

She preceded in death by three brothers, Tommy Norvell, James Norvell and Luther Norvell.

Survivors include her husband, Bob, of the home; three sons and two daughters-in-law, Robert L. Schroeder Jr. of Austin, and William D. and Verna Schroeder and James Carl and Jill Schroeder, all of Pampa; a brother, Dan Norvell of Coleman, Texas; a sister, Dorothy Howard of Sedan, N.M.; two grandsons and three granddaughters, Darrel and Andy Schroeder and Ashley, Lacy and Jamie Schroeder, all of Pampa.

The family requests memorials be to Pampa Meals on Wheels.

## Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today. No arrests were reported.

### MONDAY, Jan. 2

James Lee Smith, 405 N. Russell, reported criminal mischief \$20-\$500.

Marc Allan Tuel, Amarillo, reported criminal mischief at One Medical Plaza.

Rodney McPherson of Taylor Mart, 600 E. Frederic, reported theft.

City of Pampa employee Leonard Ray Davis reported criminal mischief to the water distribution plant in the 300 block of east Tyng.

## Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents in the 24-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today. No arrests were reported.

### MONDAY, Jan. 2

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported a juvenile runaway.

### TUESDAY, Jan. 3

Agency assistance was rendered to Wichita County, Carson County, Texas State Parole Board and Department of Public Safety in warrant service two miles east of Pampa on Texas 60.

## Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accident in the 72-hour reporting period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

### SATURDAY, Dec. 31

Unknown time - A 1975 Chevrolet pickup driven by Dennis Alva Mitford, 76, 1216 S. Dwight, struck a traffic signal pole at the intersection of Hobart and Somerville. He was cited for failure to maintain single lane.

## Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hours ending at 7 a.m. today.

### MONDAY, Jan. 2

12:25 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assistance call at 408 N. Somerville.

2:06 p.m. — One unit and three firefighters responded to a medical assistance call at 121 S. Russell.

## Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler Evans of Pampa:

Wheat	3.62	Enron	30 1/4	dn 1/4
Milo	1.79	Halliburton	33 1/4	up 1/8
Corn	4.21	HealthTrust Inc.	31 3/8	dn 3/8
		Ingersoll Rand	31 3/4	up 1/4

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

NOWSCO	10 7/8	NC	51 1/2	NC	
Occidental	19 3/8	up 1/8	Maxus	3 3/8	NC
			McDonald's	29 1/8	dn 1/8
			Mobil	84 1/2	up 1/4
			New Atmos	16 7/8	dn 1/8
			Parker & Parsley	20 1/2	NC
			Penney's	44 1/4	dn 3/8
			Phillips	32 3/4	NC
			Puritan	14 1/2	up 5/8

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

Magellan	66.80	NC	SPS	26 1/2	NC
Puritan	14.81	up 1/8	Tenneco	42 1/2	NC
			Texas	60 1/4	up 3/8
			Wal-Mart	21 1/4	NC
			New York Gold	380.50	NC
			Silver	4.78	NC
			West Texas Crude	17.76	NC

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

Amoco	58 7/8	dn 1/4	Wal-Mart	21 1/4	NC
Arco	102	up 1/4	New York Gold	380.50	NC
Cabot	28 1/4	dn 1/8	Silver	4.78	NC
Cabot O&G	14 1/2	NC	West Texas Crude	17.76	NC

## Hospital

**CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions**  
 Pampa  
 Howard Adamson Jr.  
 Barbara Chisum  
 Michael Dittberner  
 Russell Jay Douglas  
 Don Proctor  
 Karmon Stewart  
 Eleanor H. Tyre  
 James Weatherford  
 Zonie Lynn Williams  
**Dismissals**  
 Pampa  
 Tina M. Bellow

Warren Brogdin  
 Leonard Cash  
 Midge Caviness  
 Michael Dittberner  
 Wilma P. Kimbrell  
 Eula Miller  
 Bertha L. Moore  
 Christian Soukup  
**SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions**  
 Carol Everett  
**Dismissals**  
 Shamrock  
 Bernie Laster

## Calendar of events

**PAMPA ELEMENTARY CHORUS PARENTS MEETING**  
 The Pampa Elementary Chorus will have a parents meeting to organize committees for the upcoming production of Peter Pan. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 5, in the Horace Mann Elementary School cafeteria. Costumes, tryouts and dance schedules will be discussed, so parents are asked to make every effort to attend.

## Emergency numbers

Energas.....665-5777  
 SPS.....669-7432  
 Water.....669-5830

## Holiday accidents claim 32 lives on Texas roads

AUSTIN (AP) — Accidents on Texas roadways claimed the lives of 32 people — including five in one accident near Laredo, Department of Public Safety officials say today.

The count was up from 27 deaths as of Monday evening. The DPS had predicted that as many as 25 people could die during the 78-hour reporting period, which ended at midnight. "We're disappointed, of course, that the death count exceeded our estimate," said DPS spokesman Mike Cox.

"We never do those estimates to prove how accurate we are. We always view those as a worst-case scenario. We think one of the reasons

the count went over is because of three multiple-fatality accidents we had," he said.

Five people were killed in a head-on collision about 11:30 a.m. Sunday on Texas 359, nine miles west of Laredo, the DPS said.

The victims were identified as Marco Garcia, 19, and Luis Fernando Ramiro, 22, both of Bruni; and Phillip Cervantes, 19, of Laredo.

Two occupants in the second vehicle also were killed. They are Oscar Sanchez and his 13-year-old daughter, Karla Ortiz Sanchez, both of Saltillo, Mexico.

Also Sunday, three teen-agers died when a vehicle lost control at 10

p.m. on an icy road just northwest of Jayton in West Texas.

Cory Morris, 17, of Spur; Devin Galloway, 17, of Aspermont; and Sher Lynn Stanaland, 16, of Jayton, died in the accident on Farm-to-Market Road 1228.

Three teen-agers also were killed Sunday in a one-car accident in the Fort Worth suburb of Haltom City. The DPS said the three died when the car in which they were riding left the road and hit a brick mailbox and then a tree. The 16-year-old driver and another passenger also were injured.

Twenty-eight people died last New Year's weekend in traffic accidents around the state.

## Five murderers escape Florida prison through tunnel

BELLE GLADE, Fla. (AP) — Five murderers were on the loose today after escaping from prison through a 15-yard tunnel they dug under a fence.

A sixth killer who escaped with the group Monday night was caught on the grounds of the Glades Correctional Institution.

The fugitives are considered extremely dangerous, officials said. More than 60 prison guards and three canine units were combing the grounds outside the prison, and helicopters beamed searchlights into nearby residences before morning. The tunnel that began outside the

prison's chapel passed about three feet under the fence. Alarms sounded during the escape, and guards fired at the inmates after they popped up on the other side of the fence. It wasn't known if any of the men were hit.

"This has been well-planned," said Glades Assistant Superintendent John Townsend. "It's been two months in the making."

The inmates were serving life terms for first-degree murder. Except for one man sentenced in 1993, they all were about halfway through the 25 years they had to serve before being eligible for parole.

Inmates live in dormitories at Glades and are handcuffed and shackled when walking outside the dorms, Townsend said. He said the prison does not have a security designation.

He said it was not unusual for murderers who behaved well in prison to be incarcerated at Glades.

Felix Carbonell, who turns 34 today, was captured on the prison grounds near housing for state prison employees, Townsend said. Still at large were Juan Fleitas, 30; Florencio Alvarez, 39; Hector Rivas, 32; Jesus Martinez, 47; and Armando Junco, 62.

## Salvi arraignment



John C. Salvi III, right, answers a judge's questions during an arraignment hearing this morning as his court-appointed attorney, Tazewell Hubbard listens, in Norfolk General District Court in Norfolk, Va. Salvi is accused of killing two abortion clinic workers and wounding five others Friday in Brookline, Mass. See related story, Page 3.

## Palestinians hold angry funeral procession for three policemen

GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP) — Some 2,000 Palestinians vented rage against Israel and the United States today during an emotional funeral procession for three Palestinian policemen fatally shot by Israeli soldiers.

The clash in northern Gaza on Monday night was the bloodiest between Israeli and Palestinian security personnel since Palestinian self-rule began in Gaza last May. It came amid a deterioration in Israeli-Palestinian relations, fueled by a land dispute with Jewish settlers near the occupied West Bank town of Bethlehem.

And it threatened to further set back Israel-PLO talks on extending autonomy. Negotiations resumed today in Cairo, Egypt, where Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres met with chief PLO negotiator Nabil Shaath.

The Israeli army said the soldiers fired after they were shot at from a field, and then later from a Palestinian police station in Beit Hanoun.

It said the soldiers "called several times to the Palestinian police to stop the shooting and surrender," and that only one did, while another went on shooting.

Amid the gunfire, troops also heard shouts of "Allahu Akhbar," an

Arabic phrase for "God is Great," the army said.

Palestinian police insisted they didn't start the confrontation. "The Palestinians did not fire any shots at the Israelis," said Gen. Abdul Razek Majayda, a Palestinian officer at Beit Hanoun.

"The Israeli side bears full responsibility for what happened. There was no justification for such action," echoed Nabil Abu Irdeineh, spokesman for Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasser Arafat. Senior commanders on both sides launched an investigation.

Palestinians identified the three killed as Tareq el Masri, 22, Sgt. Mohammed Sharif, 22, and Abdul Salam Ayeed, 24. All had been stationed in Libya before returning eight months ago to work with the Palestinian police.

Palestinian police initially reported four killed and dug four graves in the downtown cemetery. But later, Justice Minister Frieih Abu Medein said only three policemen died.

Abu Medein blamed the Israeli army and claimed the shooting was unprovoked.

"On the military level they still do not believe in the peace talks," he said.

An angry funeral was held for the

policemen today at Al-Qatiba Mosque in Gaza City. About 2,000 Palestinians from Fatah and the Islamic militant Islamic Resistance Movement, or Hamas, attended.

Arafat addressed the crowd briefly, saying the policemen should be counted among the martyrs fallen on the road to restore Jerusalem as the capital of a Palestinian state.

"Let no one think that they can scare us with their stronger weapons, for we have a mightier weapon, the weapon of faith, the weapon of martyrdom, the weapon of Jihad (Holy War)," he said.

Outside, many shouted anti-Israeli and anti-American slogans, such as "Death to Israel and America," and "Muslims will not be humiliated."

Student activists from Arafat's Fatah movement threatened retaliation against Israel in a leaflet published at Al-Azhar University.

Palestinian policemen have attacked Israelis in previous cases. The most recent was Christmas Day, when PLO officer Ayman Radi blew himself up in Jerusalem, injuring 12 people.

The last bloody encounter between Israelis and Palestinian police was at a riot at the Erez crossing point in July in which two Palestinians and an Israeli were killed.

## Weather focus

**LOCAL FORECAST**  
 Cloudy and cold tonight, with a low of 10 degrees and a 20 percent chance of continuing snow. Cloudy and cold Wednesday with a high of 25 and a 30 percent chance of more snow. East winds 10 to 20 mph. Pampa recorded a trace of snow and 0.02 inches of moisture overnight. Monday's high was 45; the overnight low was 20.

**REGIONAL FORECAST**  
 West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, cloudy and cold with a slight chance of snow. Lows 10-15, except 15-20 southeast. Wednesday, cloudy with a chance of snow. Highs 20-25. South Plains: Tonight, cloudy with a slight chance of snow. Lows 15-25. Wednesday, cloudy and cold with a chance of snow. Highs 25-30. North Texas — Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold. Lows in mid 20s west to low 30s southeast.

Wednesday, mostly cloudy and cold with a chance of snow, west. Highs in mid 30s west to mid 40s south-east.

South Texas — Hill Country and South Central: Tonight, mostly cloudy and turning windy and cold. Lows in low 30s Hill Country to upper 30s south central. Wednesday, mostly cloudy and cold with widely scattered showers possibly mixed with sleet or snow, no accumulations expected. Highs in low to mid 40s. Coastal Bend: Tonight, mostly cloudy and turning windy and colder. Lows in upper 30s inland to low 40s coast. Wednesday, mostly cloudy and cold with scattered showers. Highs in mid to upper 40s. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, cloudy with scattered rain. Lows in mid to upper 40s. Wednesday, cloudy with scattered showers. Highs in mid 50s.

**BORDER STATES**  
 New Mexico — Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold east with a chance for light snow or freezing drizzle. Considerable cloudiness central and west with a chance for lowland rain and mountain snow showers. Lows 5 to 25 mountains and north with mid 20s to mid 30s elsewhere. Wednesday, cloudy and cold east with a chance for snow, possibly mixed with freezing rain southeast. Mostly cloudy and cooler west with a chance for snow showers mountains and northwest, rain and snow showers southwest. Highs mid 20s and 30s mountains, north and east with mostly 40s southwest.

Oklahoma — Tonight, partly to mostly cloudy. Cold with lows around 10 above in north central and northwest Oklahoma to near 20 in the Red River Valley. Wednesday, mostly cloudy western Oklahoma, partly cloudy central and southeast Oklahoma. Highs in low to mid 30s.

## City briefs

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**ALL ITS** Charm New Year's Sale January 3-7. 109 W. Francis. Adv.

**MOM N Me** wishes you a Happy '95 and thanks you for a great '94. We'll be closed for a couple of weeks for a break. Regular hours will resume January 11. Adv.

**SPS AND Richard Peet** suspend constitution in Pampa and Gray County? Ray Velasquez. Adv.

**MONDAY NIGHT** Swingers Dance Wednesday, January 7, from 7-9:30. Adv.

## Bomer gets insurance post

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov.-elect George W. Bush will name a Democratic state legislator to serve as the next state insurance commissioner, a spokeswoman for Bush said today.

Bush will name Rep. Elton Bomer of Montalba to replace interim commissioner Rebecca Lightsey, whose term ends Feb. 1.

Karen Hughes, the governor-elect's press secretary, said Bomer will be "a good, balanced commissioner between consumers and the insurance industry."

Reports of Bomer's possible appointment last week brought cheers from the insurance industry. Consumer advocates said he didn't have a pro-consumer voting record. Bomer served in the Texas House from 1981 to 1985. He then left the Legislature and lobbied on behalf of several businesses. He re-entered politics and

won election again in 1990. Aside from his legislative position, Bomer serves as executive vice president of East Texas National Bank in Palestine.

Bomer said the fact that he and Bush, a Republican, are from different political parties wasn't a problem. He said he agreed with Bush's philosophy.

In 1994, the position of insurance commissioner gained more authority after the Legislature dismantled a three-member state insurance board.

The commissioner leads an 850-employee agency that regulates the \$37 billion Texas insurance industry. J. Robert Hunter was the first commissioner appointed under the current system. He was chosen by Gov. Ann Richards, a Democrat. Hunter resigned last month for family reasons. Richards then appointed Ms. Lightsey, a consumer activist, to fill the remaining weeks of the term.

# Suspect in clinic shootings arraigned

By JOE TAYLOR  
Associated Press Writer

NORFOLK, Va. (AP) — A student hairdresser accused of opening fire on abortion clinics in two states, killing two people, was ordered held without bond today.

John C. Salvi III, clad in navy blue jail overalls, was ringed by sheriff's deputies as he stood impassively with his court-appointed lawyer, Tazewell Hubbard.

Salvi, 22, is charged with killing two abortion clinic receptionists in Brookline, Mass., on Friday and wounding five other people, and then spraying more than 20 shots the next day into a Norfolk clinic. No one was injured in Norfolk. The arraignment today before Judge Reid M. Spencer was on Virginia charges of firing into an occupied building.

Salvi, of Hampton, N.H., has been held without bond since he was arrested Saturday moments after the shooting in Norfolk. Spencer continued the no-bond condition today.

The judge also ordered a Jan. 24 preliminary hearing, but Commonwealth's Attorney Chuck Griffith said he may request a hearing, possibly as early as Thursday, on a Massachusetts extradition request. No such request was filed as of this morning but one was expected.

At a brief conference before his arraignment, Spencer granted Salvi's request for a court-appointed attorney. When Spencer asked Salvi if he objected to having cameras in the courtroom,

during his arraignment, Salvi shook his head, indicating he did not.

Salvi has declined to meet with visitors but met with the jail chaplain Monday and talked by telephone with his parents. *The Boston Globe* said Salvi was under a suicide watch, but George Schaefer, Norfolk city jail spokesman, denied that.

Neither Brookline clinic was open for business today. Susan Newsome, vice president of Planned Parenthood of Massachusetts, said the group's clinic would reopen Wednesday morning, with increased security. Officials at Preterm Health Services have indicated they would reopen later this week.

Local, state and federal authorities met this morning at Brookline police headquarters to discuss what security precautions to take when the clinics reopen.

President Clinton ordered federal prosecutors Monday to mobilize task forces to make abortion clinics more secure.

"I recognize and respect the range of deeply felt beliefs Americans hold on abortion," Clinton said in a statement from Little Rock, Ark., where he is vacationing. "A continued vigorous debate over abortion is proper. Violence against those who hold differing opinions is not."

*The Boston Globe* reported today that Salvi attended an anti-abortion demonstration and prayer meeting May 14 outside the Planned Parenthood clinic in Brookline that was attacked.

"These are open to anyone who wishes to

attend," said Robert Dellery, who organized the demonstration. "He must have just drifted in. It's horrifying to think he was there and then did this. It really hurts the movement."

*The Globe* said Salvi had several conversations with Madeline McCormish and Frances X. Hogan, president and vice president, respectively, of Massachusetts Citizens for Life. They said he attended a meeting of the group last year but was not an active member.

"You just knew there was something wrong with this guy," Hogan said. "No one ever heard him talk about violence."

The Rev. Edmund Sviokla, pastor of the Immaculate Conception Roman Catholic Church in Everett, where Salvi lived for a time in 1993, said Salvi complained that the Catholic Church was "not doing enough" in the fight against abortion.

Sviokla told *The Globe* that he rebuffed Salvi's suggestion to distribute pictures of aborted fetuses, but Salvi later did it himself in front of the church.

For years, people on both sides of the abortion battle have watched their foes across clinic barricades, shooting videos, clipping newsletters and building files. But Salvi has no known connections to the organized anti-abortion movement in New Hampshire or in his native Boston.

"He's not somebody that we had already had collected information on, as far as I know," said Kim Gandy, executive vice president of the National Organization for Women.



(AP photo)

Some of 200 Russians, most members of human rights groups, gather in Moscow Monday to protest Russian military intervention in Chechnya.

## Chechen defenders giving Russian troops tough battle

GROZNY, Russia (AP) — Iron-willed Chechen defenders kept their grip on the heart of Grozny today after driving Russian troops out of the center of the secessionist capital.

Hundreds of Chechen rebel fighters were packed inside the presidential palace in this besieged city 1,000 miles south of Moscow. On the streets outside were bodies and burned Russian tanks.

In the basement of the tall, concrete presidential building, a single doctor cared for the wounded, Chechen and Russian alike.

Chechen forces seeking independence for their oil-rich republic appeared to hold most of the southern part of Grozny today, but there was heavy fighting north of the city center.

Russian forces have been trying to take Grozny since Moscow ordered troops into the mostly Muslim republic on Dec. 11.

But today, Russian forces were pushed out of the city center by outnumbered, lightly armed Chechens who have fought them every agonizing step of the way.

The Russian government said late Monday its troops were "regrouping" and reinforcements to the estimated 40,000 forces in Chechnya were on the way.

A Russian convoy of at least 20 trucks loaded with weapons and ammunition headed into the city from the south today.

Russian jets trying to knock out a bridge about 7 miles from Grozny hit civilian vehicles, killing at least 10 people in their cars as an Associated Press Television crew was filming the airstrike.

They were the latest deaths in a war that has claimed high civilian casualties and nearly destroyed the Chechen capital.

The Chechens have fought the

Russians street by street, hanging on to the presidential palace despite a pounding by Russian tanks.

Four days after it began, the Russian assault on the capital was in trouble. Artillery and small arms fire echoed throughout the night.

The Russian government press center called things "very tense" and said Russian commanders had made "corrections in tactics."

The ITAR-Tass news agency said more than a dozen children were pulled from the basement of a bombed-out building in Grozny. The children were flown to the city of Mordok for medical treatment.

Mozdok, about 80 miles away, is headquarters for the Russian invasion of Chechnya. The dispatch did not elaborate further on injuries or details.

Charred tanks littered central Freedom Square today near the palace, along with the bodies of Russian soldiers.

A group of anti-war Russian lawmakers returned from Grozny and pronounced the Russian offensive a failure. They said the Chechens had destroyed more than 100 Russian armored vehicles.

The Russian government insisted its troops had the upper hand, but acknowledged "several dozen" Russian armored vehicles were lost in the offensive.

The Russians said the city's defenders were putting up stiff resistance at "more than 50 points."

"They'll never take Grozny!" shouted one Chechen, Leche Ibragimov, as he fired down a street near the presidential palace.

The whereabouts of Chechen President Dzhokhar Dudayev, who had been holed up in the palace basement, remained unclear. The Russian government claimed he was in a bunker on the outskirts of the besieged city.

By ALAN FRAM  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — As Republicans prepare to take control of Congress for the first time since the Eisenhower administration, one of their leaders is warning Democrats not to become the party that just says "no."

"We'll make mistakes," predicted Rep. Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., certain to be elected House speaker when the 104th Congress convenes Wednesday. "But the key question is what is it the Democrats would do for America, not just how well can they attack Newt Gingrich."

The fiery Gingrich, who has spent much of his 16-year congressional career relentlessly criticizing Democrats, made his remarks in a taped interview broadcast Monday by C-Span, the cable television industry's public-affairs channel.

Emboldened by November elections in which not one of their congressional incumbents was defeated, Republicans are out to reverse the direction in which Democrats have

steered the government for decades. They want to eliminate entire programs and agencies, slash spending for others and transfer power from Washington to state and local governments.

They also find themselves facing a thoroughly weakened Democratic Party. President Clinton is still feeling his way into an era in which Congress will usually be an adversary, not an ally, thanks to GOP majorities of 53-47 in the Senate and 230-204 in the House.

Democrats were bracing for a difficult transition to the unfamiliar status of congressional minority. Some of them seemed eager for political battle.

Asked if he believed Republicans would try to railroad legislation through Congress, House Democratic Whip David Bonior of Michigan replied, "We'll blow up the tracks if they do it too often."

Gingrich warned that the voters would not respond to such tactics.

"What the Democrats need to think about is what is their better answer. ... I mean, how would they

replace the welfare state? How would they make America competitive? ... This last election was a signal to them that just being negative won't cut it," he said.

Gingrich and the mostly conservative Republicans who will control the House for the first time since 1954 set their near-term agenda in the "Contract With America," their campaign compendium of promises.

As promised in their contract, they will spend Wednesday pushing eight procedural changes through the House. They include cutting committee staffs by one-third, requiring three-fifths majorities to boost income taxes and applying all the laws that private citizens and businesses must obey to Congress itself.

Democrats planned to meet today to discuss how to respond to the GOP proposals. In private, they conceded that the Republican items were likely to attract substantial Democratic support.

Beyond Wednesday's activities, the GOP contract promised House votes on 10 measures within the first 100 days, including anti-crime legis-

lation; tax cuts for families, property owners and businesses; and a constitutional amendment requiring a balanced federal budget.

To achieve that, committees are already planning busy schedules. The House Ways and Means Committee, which oversees taxes and welfare, will hear testimony by Gingrich on Thursday about the importance of the GOP contract, and plans hearings on tax, welfare and other legislation every working day this month beginning Jan. 9.

As usual, things are likely to be a bit slower in the Senate, which prides itself on its "deliberative" pace.

On Wednesday, incoming Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, R-Kan., and new Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., each expect to introduce their top five legislative priorities for the year. And debate could begin on legislation applying all laws to Congress, though that may not happen until later.

"This body is simply not going to be rolled over by what appears to be unrestrained enthusiasm of the House," said Sen. John Warner, R-Va.

## Gingrich to Democrats: Don't just say 'no'

## Texas flying dinosaur may have had English ancestors

DALLAS (AP) — New research shows that a 100 million-year-old flying dinosaur whose remains were found in Texas may have had English ancestors.

Yuong-Nam Lee, a Southern Methodist graduate student and paleontologist, has studied North Texas as it was 95 million to 119 million years ago.

His findings are in the latest issue of *Paleontology*, a British science journal.

Amateur paleontologist Chris Wadleigh two years ago found the broken pterosaur snout, with inch-

long teeth, in Fort Worth. The pterosaur evolved 70 million years before the first bird.

The fossil discovered in Texas has teeth and a definite crest, believed to have helped stabilize the animal's head.

"This pterosaur is totally new in North America because this pterosaur has teeth," Lee said.

Previously discovered pterosaur fossil did not have intact teeth. Paleontologists did find tooth fragments and sockets for teeth in the snout.

There are two toothed-pterosaur

fossils with crests like the one of the Tarrant County specimen. One is from England, while the other is from Brazil.

An analysis has indicated the Fort Worth pterosaur looks like a species that lived in England about 140 million years ago.

"Maybe our specimen came from England, because the English (fossil) is older," said Lee.

The pterosaur discovered in Fort Worth had a wingspan of about 5 feet and a distinctive crest on its snout. The crest acted as a keel, stabilizing the pterosaur's head as it plunged

underwater to find food.

The fossil discovered in Texas is believed to be between 97 million and 100 million years old.

"That's a real terra incognita for paleontology," said SMU geology professor Louis Jacobs.

Around that time, the types of dinosaurs that occupied North America changed drastically.

The giant plant-eating dinosaurs disappeared and were replaced with other creatures, according to experts.

The pterosaur could have been one of those new arrivals, Jacobs said.

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Wayland Thomas  
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Opinion

FDA overreaches but underachieves

Like the class bully who snaps to attention when the teacher enters the room, the federal Food and Drug Administration certainly seems to have taken notice of the regime ushered in Nov. 8. Wary of newly empowered critics in Congress, the FDA — notorious for politicizing private vices like smoking while dragging its feet in approving medications that would serve the public good — has been making noises about mending its ways.

Of late, the agency has attempted to mollify critics with incremental policy shifts, like announcing last month it will allow pharmaceutical companies to market some proven adult prescription drugs for use on children without having to do fresh laboratory trials. In another less-than-breath-taking development, the FDA last month pronounced a new variety of squash (genetically engineered to resist disease) as being safe for human consumption.

Yet such halfhearted reforms offer little real hope of relief against the backdrop of the FDA's overall intrusive, highhanded and generally counterproductive policies. In the past few years alone, when the agency hasn't been dictating to vitamin makers just how little they can say on their labels, FDA Commissioner David Kessler has been crusading to regulate tobacco use and production in the name of protecting adults from their own bad choices.

At the same time, the agency hasn't done nearly its part in making available bona fide breakthroughs in medical science. House Speaker-elect Newt Gingrich, a vocal critic of the agency, touts innovations like a new heart pump that he says is used in other countries to resuscitate heart-attack victims — but is hamstrung in the United States pending FDA approval. And recently an advisory FDA committee recommended against the sale of a French company's new cancer-fighting drug, saying it needs more testing amid dangerous side effects. Since the drug is for patients with advanced, terminal breast and lung cancer, shouldn't patients and their physicians be able to weigh the risk for themselves?

Indeed, the FDA in many ways epitomizes our overreaching, yet underachieving government: In the name of public health, it meddles in myriad matters even as it hinders the free market from developing the very kinds of advances in public health that the agency purports to stand for. Much of the net effect has been to narrow choices for consumers. Whether cracking down on supposedly "unsubstantiated" claims on labels of dietary supplements or withholding the latest breakthroughs in medical science pending ever-further study, the federal nanny-state pre-empts consumers.

Fundamental restructuring is in order for this bureaucratic behemoth, and the incoming House and Senate could be just the crew for the job. Led by the likes of Gingrich, as well as Utah Sen. Orrin Hatch, who also has clashed with the agency before, the Capitol Hill debate is shifting toward options like privatization. One plan advanced by the approval process for drugs and other advances to an organizations like the private, nonprofit Underwriters Laboratories: Under that scenario, makers of drugs and devices might even be able to opt out of the approval process and hit the market, providing they label their products to reflect that fact.

There are in fact many competing plans by assorted Washington think tanks proposing to modify or even radically revamp the FDA. *The Wall Street Journal* reports. All are probably worth a look by Congress as it wields its power of the purse and its ability to rewrite regulatory law in attempting to rein in this agency. (Ultimately, the feds never should have assumed such power to begin with, much as they shouldn't have such a regulatory choke hold on so much of the economy.)

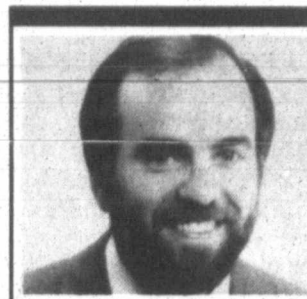
There always will be those, of course, who will fear any attempt to reduce red tape and increase consumer options. To them (the usual advocacy groups like Public Citizen, a big supporter of Kessler's FDA), any regulatory roll back is a surrender to greedy profiteers, etc.

But put another way, these supporters of the regulatory labyrinth believe people, even when consulting with medical professionals, can never be responsible enough to make their own decisions. By that standard, it follows, we need a federal bully to make our decisions for us.

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The Christmas card blizzard



Stephen Chapman

Americans send 2.6 billion Christmas cards every year, or more than 10 for every man and woman and child in the country, according to *The Wall Street Journal*. Here, I suspect, lies the true explanation for our trouble competing in the global economy.

The Japanese presumably do not exhaust their energy and lower their productivity by devoting themselves to the task of addressing envelopes and signing cards, not to mention opening envelopes and reading cards, for three solid weeks every December. At American offices and factories, by contrast, countless employees routinely disappear this time of year, only to be discovered in January, weak and suffering from dehydration, under mountains of red envelopes.

Christmas cards are a sweet, charming tradition that has run so far out of control that it has acquired a slightly sour flavor. Sending out a dozen cards to your close friends and favorite relatives can be a pleasure. Sending out 100 cards to passing acquaintances, business contacts and third cousins whom you haven't seen since Studebaker was selling cars, however, can occasionally verge on a burden. Anything we are doing 2.6 billion times a year, we probably are not enjoying for, oh, the last 2.3 billion times or so.

On many cards, it shows. Cards with printed names or signatures somehow do not convey the feeling that a great deal of personal warmth and thought went into the missive. Have you ever gotten a birthday card that wasn't signed by the sender? When I get a Christmas card with a printed name where a signature should be, I always feel like I really should send a nice card back — to the printer. And then there is the contagion of commerce,

which was not underrepresented to begin with in the holiday festivities. A lot of the cards that go out every December, you may have noticed, serve not to renew old and dear friendships, but to get your business or keep it.

One maker of cards for orthotists and prosthetists who uses images of elves making and wrapping wooden arms and legs was surprised to find mercenary concerns dominating his business. "We thought people would send them out to family and relatives," Geza Kogler of Springfield, Ill., told *The Wall Street Journal*. "It turns out most use it for marketing." You may feel differently, but I'm hoping be one of the recipients. Someday I might need a peg leg, and I'd hate to rely on my own carpentry skills.

But getting all these cards into the mail every December — or January, for chronic procrastinators — is a big job in a season that already has an excess share of time-consuming obligations. We persist because we are afraid not to. Someone puts you on her Christmas card list, and you have to respond lest you suffer shame and ostracism.

The risk is not imaginary. I once got a card, complete with one of those form letters detailing the

sender's exploits over the past 12 months, from a former colleague. Failing to respond, I got another one the following year with a warning scribbled at the bottom, the essence of which was: Send me a Christmas card, or you'll be banished forever from my list. Believe it or not, he was true to his word.

Maybe this is why Americans are becoming less friendly. They have realized that at any moment during the course of the year, a casual conversation can mean a permanent addition to the Christmas card list, with both parties feeling obligated to continue the correspondence until one or the other has departed to the next world — where, with luck, he or she may escape this annual chore.

But I'm glad to report that I can't be blamed for any of this. I used to send out a couple of dozen cards every year. But at some point — after small, squalling people began appearing and taking up permanent residence in my household — I found myself with much more to do than I could find time for, especially in the final weeks of the year. That left me with three choices: quit my job, put my kids in foster care or stop sending Christmas cards. By a narrow family vote, the Christmas cards went.

So I have become a freeloader on the whole enterprise, sending out no cards and receiving plenty anyway. I never said I minded getting cards. Even now, I still feel that old holiday glow whenever I open a card bearing season's greetings from an old friend, a far-flung relative or a muffler-repair shop.

And to those who are miffed at not ever getting a response, I would ask that you think of me not as a Grinch and a misfit, but as a tireless soldier in the fight against our solid-waste disposal crisis. A belated Merry Christmas.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 3, the third day of 1995. There are 362 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:  
On Jan. 3, 1777, Gen. George Washington's army routed the British in the Battle of Princeton, N.J.

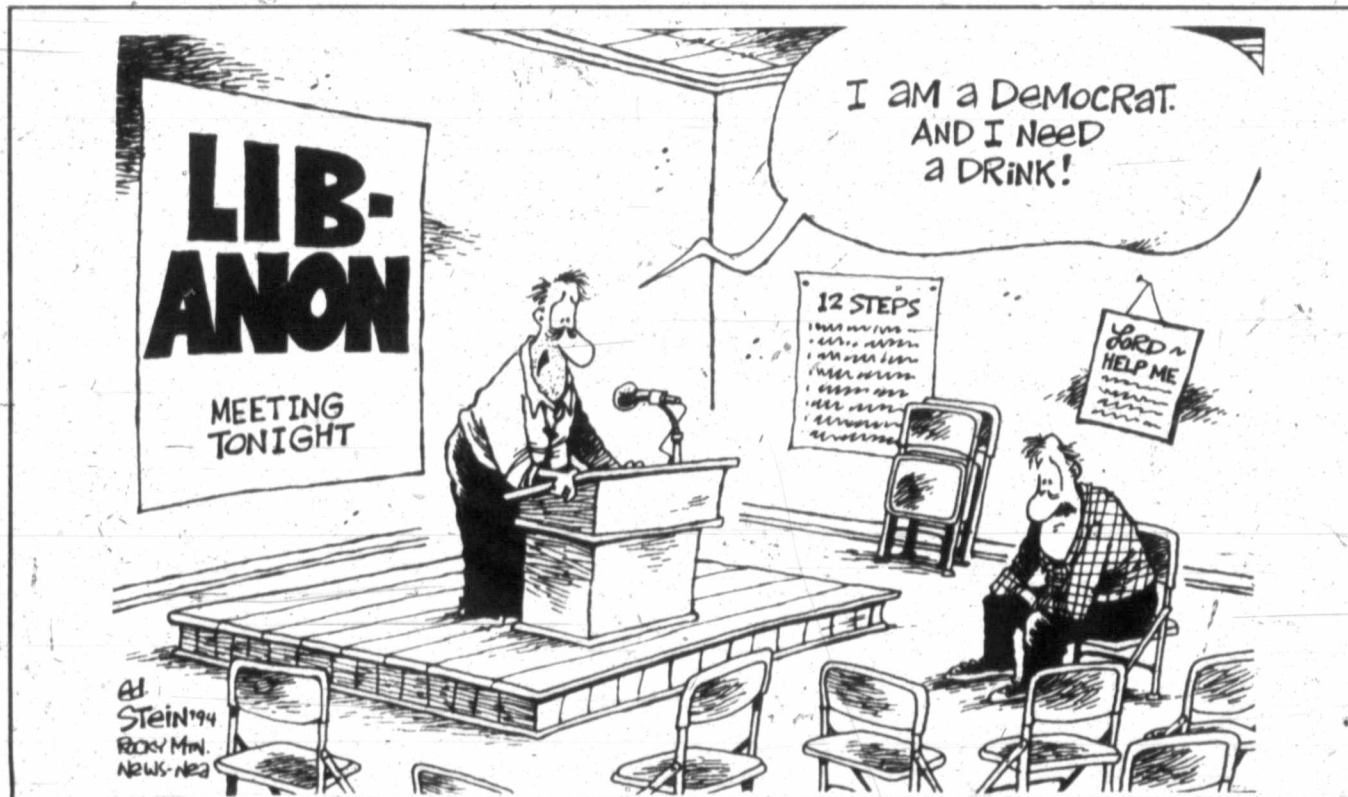
On this date:  
In 1521, Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic Church.

In 1833, Britain seized control of the Falkland Islands in the South Atlantic.

In 1868, the Meiji Restoration re-established the authority of Japan's emperor and heralded the fall of the military rulers known as "shoguns."

In 1892, J.R.R. Tolkien, author of the *Lord of the Rings* trilogy, was born in Bloemfontein, South Africa.

In 1938, the March of Dimes campaign to fight polio was organized.



The true killer in health care

Charley Reese

Medical Association, published in 1991.

Now, if then we add the 80,000 deaths that are cited in the *Harvard Medical Practices Study* — and assuming they don't overlap with the deaths caused by prescription drugs — we're talking of a health care system that is killing 200,000 Americans per year, or four times as many as were killed in 10 years of the Vietnam War.

It would seem to me that organized medicine talks one way to the peasant public and quite another way in its own professional journals. I say that because the last time I wrote about doctors in a joking manner I got many pious protestations of perfection and rectitude. To hear organized medicine propagandize the public, there is nothing wrong with health care except those dirty lawyers who are trying to deprive physicians of their Mercedes and mansions.

In fact, however, the medical profession is not any more immune to human failings than the rest of us. A good physician is like a good wife or a good teacher — invaluable. And the majority of physicians are honest and hard-working.

But there are those whose greed drives them to take

so much that mistakes become inevitable. There are those who, for one reason or another, are incompetent. Some are drug addicts or have drinking problems. In short, despite organized medicine's portrayal of physicians as God-like figures, they are just as human as anybody else.

It's past time in this country for everyone to stop trying to bull(expletive) everyone else. We can't be perfect, but we can be honest. The groupie mentality which boils down to "Speak no ill of a member of our group" and "Our group against every other group" is utter nonsense.

It is destroying the sense of community in this country. The message of the groupie, whether it's the medical association or the bar association, to the public is, "You're not a member, so go to hell." The groupie mentality says our job is to protect our own group even at the expense of everyone outside the group.

I don't believe I'm the only American who is fed up with this attitude. Organized medicine in America has a long history of a symbiotic relationship with pharmaceuticals. You got problems, docs, don't try to hide them. Solve them. If not, we should consider careless prescribing the same as careless driving and turn it over to the criminal justice system. Many doctors now seem to think they criminologists on the issue of gun control anyway.

What kills more people, guns or prescription drugs? Prescription drugs. What kills more people, high-risk sexual behavior or prescription drugs? The drugs. What kills more people, motor vehicles or prescription drugs? The answer again is prescription drugs.

Let you think I am merely carping, I shall quote the source, which is an editorial signed by Dr. Robert W. Schrier and published in the Nov. 15 issue of *Hospital Practice*:

"... we face an epidemic of adverse drug events. In the United States, such events are responsible for 10.8 percent of hospitalizations, occur in 18 to 30 percent of hospitalized patients and account for 14 percent of hospital days. They cause 60,000 to 140,000 deaths every year — far more than the toll from guns (35,000), high-risk sexual behavior (30,000) or motor vehicle accidents (25,000)."

Later in the editorial he charges that two other articles in the literature report that 70 percent of doctors who treat Medicare patients failed an examination on prescribing for the elderly, that 32,000 hip fractures each year are due to prescriptions which make the elderly sedated or dizzy and that adverse drug effects occur in 88 percent of elderly patients given three or more prescriptions upon leaving the hospital.

Let you think Dr. Schrier is carping, all of his facts are footnoted. The reference he cites for the number of deaths is an article in the *Journal of the American*

The Elders lesson on free speech

The most consistent paradox of Bill Clinton's behavior is his untiring capacity for outrageous actions that become valuable political lessons to both him and his victims. His latest victim, Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders, however, had jointly engineered her own demise.

Elders' suggestion that children should be taught masturbation in school infuriated many Americans and forced Clinton to demand her resignation.

With a severe case of foot-in-mouth disease, Elders exemplifies two facts of life defined by two titans of history.

"Where there is no pain there is no progress," wrote Frederick Douglass. Elders was an equal-opportunity pain creator. Every time she spoke — whether she was calling for the legalization of addictive drugs or condemning the Catholic Church — a major segment of Americans winced with incredulity. But her painful remarks served a value by shocking people into serious thought.

Jazz cognoscenti will appreciate the second fact of life defined by a Jimmie Lunceford hit song. "I ain't what you do, it's the way ha-chu do it." In Elders' case it wasn't how she did it, but when.

She ignored the implications of the November elections, which showed that the country's mood had shifted to the right's new meanness. If loyalty dictates prudence, Elders never understood that political axiom. In the end, she not only lost her job, she further eroded the re-election chances of the man who made her history-making appointment possible.

But she wasn't the first sub-Cabinet or Cabinet official to learn that only those at the highest levels of power can exercise freedom of speech with impunity.



Chuck Stone

Harry Truman canned his secretary of commerce, Henry A. Wallace, for criticizing his administration's policy on the Soviet Union.

Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz had to resign during Gerald Ford's 1976 election campaign after making a funny but obscene quip about black men's preferences in sex, shoes and bathroom arrangements.

Reagan's secretary of the interior, James Watt, was also pressured to resign in 1983 after joking that appointees to a federal commission were "balanced" because they included "a black ... a woman, two Jews and a cripple." George Carlin would have brought the house down with the same joke.

Proof that power brokers enjoy a higher protection of freedom of speech is Newt Gingrich's grossly irresponsible statement that 25 percent of Clinton's prospective White House appointees had a drug problem.

What's more damaging to America's reciprocal civility — Democrat Elder's medical opinion about a method of relieving adolescent sexual stress or Republican Gingrich's undocumented accusations about drug-

using, prospective White House appointees?

During the Eisenhower administration, fellow Republican Sen. Joseph McCarthy got carried away with his senatorial-immunity-protected freedom of speech and his name became an eponym for censorship.

Like America's hierarchal attitudes toward human life, freedom of speech is not an equal-opportunity value. Hypothetically, the First Amendment equates freedom of speech with freedom of the press.

The equation is a fiction. One individual's limited freedom of speech is the media's limitless privilege. The press can and does ruin individuals it deems threatening to society's tranquility.

For one of the best analyses ever written about journalism's cyclical destructive tendencies, read Adam Gopnik's "Media Culpa" in the Dec. 12 issue of the *New Yorker*. It is both brilliantly informative and worryingly shocking. Best of all, it will make you reflect on democracy's necessary protection of the media that abuse their power as often as that power is used to benefit our lives.

But private individuals who condemn the media's abuses of authority are powerless to mitigate its capacity to frame the parameters of debate.

Only a periodical reform movement can neutralize the media's unaccountable agenda-setting power. According to the exuberant congressional freshman class, 74 percent of the editorials endorsing Democratic candidates still did not prevent the Republicans from taking control of the House.

But one dedicated black woman public servant sacrificed on the altar of white male conservative bigotry is a painful reminder that the First Amendment's disparities persist.

# Museum

## Mementos Bowers put roots in Gray County



Eloise Lane  
White Deer Land Museum

Joe Benjamin Bowers, Sr., (1872-1931) came from Waco to the Panhandle about 1897 to break and drive horses for his cousins, Burl and Frank Jackson of Miami. While working on ranches around Miami, his left sleeve got caught in the cog of a windmill, causing the loss of his left arm.

While Joe was staying the home of Frank Jackson, he met Lizzie Martin (1873-1930), and they were married on Christmas Eve, 1898.

Joe was the first tax collector in Roberts, Wheeler, Gray and Hutchison counties before they were organized. Stopping at different ranches to eat and spend the night, he rode horseback and carried the tax papers in his saddle bag. Also he owned and operated a wagon yard in Miami.

Aurbra Lee Bowers and his twin were born in Miami in 1902. The twin died at birth and was buried at Miami. Aurbra married Louise Pearce (now Mrs. George Slentz), and they were the parents of Guy Monroe Bowers who has one daughter, Lisa Lynn.

Aurbra died in 1967. In 1983 Louise Slentz had an elevator installed in the White Deer Land Museum to enable those who have difficulty with steps to visit the entire museum. She dedicated the elevator to the memory of Aurbra, his parents and her parents.

When Aurbra was about two years old, Joe filed on four sections of land north of Laketon on the line of Gray and Roberts counties. There John Thomas Bowers, Sr., was born on Feb. 17, 1904. He was the father of John Thomas Bowers, Jr., ("Tommy" Bowers), who now lives on the Bowers Ranch south of Pampa. Tommy Bowers has two sons, Tommy Joe and Jon Len.

In 1906 Joe and Lizzie with Aurbra and John moved to a section of land they had bought at the head of the North Fork of the Red River, the east pasture of the present Bowers Ranch. Joe Benjamin Bowers, Jr., was born that year.

Joe, Jr., had two sons, Joe Benjamin (Joe Ben) and James Elzia. Joe Ben and his wife, Gwen, of Boulder, Colo., are the parents of Adam Benjamin and Elizabeth Ann ("Lizzie") who delighted many Pampans with a vocal recital on May 15, 1994.

In 1907 Joe and Lizzie bought Plot 55 (300 block of East Brown) from O.A. Barrett. The family lived there during the winter months while the boys attended the first school in Pampa. At that time there were only three houses on the south side of town.

In 1908 the Bowers started buying land (later Bowers City) eight miles south of Pampa. While living in a dugout, they bought from the White Deer Land Company, a section at a

time, as they could pay for it, at \$3.75 to \$5 an acre at 10 percent interest on the loan. It was easier to find land then but much harder to pay for it. Elzia was born on this land in 1909.

In 1914 the Bowers built a dwelling, half-dugout and half-house on the Bowers City land. In 1921 Elzia died there of diphtheria. On the day of Elzia's funeral, John and Joe, Jr., were also stricken, but Dr. V.E. von Brunow was able to recognize the disease and save their lives.

The Bowers family attended First Christian Church in Pampa. In the early days all of the ranchers had greyhounds, and one of their greatest sports was to get together and hunt coyotes. The families rode horses or went in buggies or wagons to dances and parties which lasted all night. Mrs. Inez Worley Carter (who helped to found the Pampa Youth and Community Center) taught John to dance.

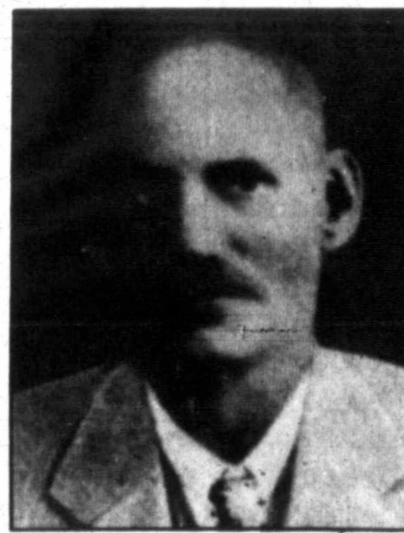
The Bowers boys often searched, with success, for Indian graves near their ranch on the North Fork. They noticed that the teeth of the Indians were perfect.

The first lease on Bowers land was to the Texas Company in 1921. The



(Pampa News photo by Melinda Martinez)

"The North Fork of the Red River," painted by Roy Lee Ward, hangs in the lobby of the M.K. Brown Auditorium. Dedicated on March 16, 1980, the painting was given in memory of John Thomas Bowers (1904-1972) by his wife, Gladys Bowers, and his son, John Thomas Bowers, Jr.



(Photos courtesy of the White Deer Land Museum)

Joe and Lizzie Bowers, pioneers in Gray County.

first oil well was drilled in 1926 by Harry McGee and Blackwell. It was a 1,000 well, but later some of the wells were about 10,000 barrel wells. One quarter section leased by the Texas Company paid \$80,000 royalty in one month.

John and Joe, Jr., were combining wheat when the first well blew in. John, who did not like to farm but liked ranching, wished that the well had been on the wheat land instead of the ranch land. Aurbra was working at the JA Ranch south of Clarendon, but Joe and Lizzie were

at the well. In 1927 the Cabot Carbon Company was created and immediately built two large plants in Gray County. The Bowers Plant, name for the Bowers Ranch lease site, was completed in 1928 with a capacity of 100,000 pounds per day, the world's largest at that time.

John Thomas Bowers, Sr., and his wife, Gladys, bought the Bowers Ranch when they married in 1935. Now their son, Tommy, and his wife, Sandra, live in a sprawling ranch home beneath towering cottonwood

trees. When Tommy recalls his boyhood, he remembers that branding was his favorite time.

With the help of a number of people, Tommy completed, in 1993, a rodeo arena at the site of the former garden, and began a four-week barrel racing series for young people. The winner receives a Billy Cook saddle and division winners are awarded silver belt buckles. At the suggestion of Sandra, the racing series was named The John and Gladys Memorial Barrel Race in honor of Tommy's parents.

## Defining "direct vent" in terms of appliances

By POPULAR MECHANICS  
For AP Special Features

**Q:** I'm confused about the term "direct vent" when applied to venting a combustion appliance. I thought all venting was "direct." Can you clarify this term?

**A:** If you are considering a new combustion appliance of some sort, such as a furnace, boiler or water heater, then you may run into the term "direct vent." This can sound confusing at first because the idea of venting anything, after all, is to vent it directly somewhere, usually outside. Well, some vents are more direct than others. In this case, some high-fuel-efficiency combustion appliances don't have to be vented up a chimney. The amount of exhaust gas that they produce is so small, and relatively cool (compared to older appliances), that they can be vented directly through an outside wall using plastic or metal pipe.

**Q:** Please settle a repeated difference of opinion. When someone's rooms need new carpets or tile, is it better to put down floor covering before or after you paint walls

and ceiling? Some floor-covering people say put down new covering and then paint. I don't agree. Who wants dirt on new floors? What do you say?

**A:** There is no definitive answer. It is purely one of opinion, and the quality of care and workmanship on the part of the painter and installer. If the painter and carpet-tile installer are meticulous workers, then it doesn't matter whether the rooms are painted first or the floors covered first. If the workers are not careful in attending to details, then in our opinion, the rooms should be painted first and then the floors covered. Our only concern is the scuffing of the baseboard when the carpet is being stretched. However, it is easier to touch up or paint a scuffed area than to remove paint spatter from a carpet.

**Q:** I am writing to find out if you have anything in your bag of tricks for fixing split exterior door panels. In our block of homes, there are about eight out of 10 that are in this condition.

**A:** If the homes on your street are relatively new, the doors

may be covered by the manufacturer's warranty. The type of door that you are referring to is a stile-and-rail design consisting of vertical and horizontal sections separated by panels.

Cracked panels are typical problems for solid wood doors, as opposed to veneer-covered particle-board doors. The culprits that cause the door panels to crack are sunlight and moisture, both of which can be reduced with a long roof overhang. Wood shrinks as it dries and it swells as it absorbs moisture. Changes in moisture content cause dimensional changes, splitting cracking and glue-line failures, especially if the wooden panel is wide, thin and restrained.

It's important to reduce the amount of moisture absorbed by the exterior door to minimize the potential for panel cracking. This can be done by sealing and finishing the door, with either an exterior enamel or spar varnish. Apply the finish not only on the front, back and side edges, but also on the top and bottom. The finish must be maintained and the door periodically refinished. In order to further minimize moisture absorption, one door manufacturer mentioned that

you can seal the perimeter joints of the door panels with a small bead of silicone caulk. There is not much you can do other than use a wood filler to cover the crack and then refinish the door.

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## Marriages that should not be saved

By LADIES' HOME JOURNAL  
A Meredith Magazine  
For AP Special Features

How many times have you read an article about domestic abuse in which friends, relatives or co-workers were quoted as saying, "I knew, but I didn't know how to help"? Trying to get through to someone you know is being abused, especially when they don't want to hear what you have to say, is frustrating, often impossible. But you must try.

Ladies' Home Journal magazine spoke with domestic violence experts across the country. The experts suggest that you approach the subject gently. Make sure the person you're concerned about understands that what she says to you will go no further — and don't let it.

When she does talk, let her know that you believe her. Take her comments and fears seriously. Don't deny that they are happening or minimize their impact. Talk to her family and let them know of your fear and concern. Make sure they get involved.

Give her time to let your advice sink in. For reasons you may never know, she may not be able or ready to make any changes just yet. Don't give up. Be there.

Once she does confide in you, help her get the legal and other support she needs. With her permission, help her find community groups, women's shelters or other agencies. Go with her to see a counselor, lawyer or a shelter. Continue to remind her of her strengths; tell her that no woman, no matter what she has or hasn't done in a marriage, deserves any kind of abuse.

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## Listen to your heart is woman's lesson for life

DEAR ABBY: I remember the letter signed "Nameless" — the widow who attended the reunion of her late husband's World War II buddies. There, she met a widower who had lost his invalid wife just six weeks earlier. It was love at first sight and they wanted to marry. I'm glad you told them to go for it!

After 23 years of marriage, my husband left me for another woman. I was 44 and heartbroken — and then out of the blue, I met "Pete," a 48-year-old bachelor. The chemistry was unbelievable! We dated for four months. Seven weeks after my divorce was final, Pete and I were married. I had never known such happiness!

Only nine months after our marriage, Pete died of a massive heart attack.

I will always treasure the short time we had together. If I had listened to my friends and not gone with my heart and feelings, I would never have had those wonderful months of marriage.

You are right, Abby. Life is short, and we never know what's around the corner.

STILL GRIEVING

DEAR GRIEVING: My condolences to you, dear lady. Thank you for reaffirming that mature people should listen to their feelings, and pay less attention to what "people" might think or say.



Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

DEAR ABBY: Your advice to tell adopted children that they were "chosen" — giving them the assurance that they were "special" — was once in vogue. Today, it seems falsely sentimental. We do not "choose" a child in the way we might choose a dress from a rack, and no child is any more "special" than any other. ("Special" is often used as a euphemism for a child with disabilities.)

An adopted child today is usually told the facts surrounding his or her adoption. Ours have been told that when they were born, their birth

parents were unable to properly care for them, and while that may be sad, we are very happy to have become their parents — and cannot imagine our lives without them.

Most of us who have adopted children of another race must arm ourselves with snappy retorts.

You wouldn't believe some of the questions we get from strangers. For example: "Where did they come from?" "What happened to their real

parents?" "Do you have any of your own?" "What language will they speak when they start talking?"  
CHERI REGISTER, MINNEAPOLIS

DEAR CHERI: Thanks for writing and telling it like it is. The question, "What language will they speak when they start talking?" sets a new high (or low) for stupid questions.

DEAR ABBY: Our 21-year-old daughter still lives at home. We have a major problem. Prior to her 21st birthday, we never charged her anything for living at home. She has worked full time since she graduated from high school, and now she clears \$250 a week.

When she turned 21, my husband insisted she start paying rent. I thought she should give us \$25 a week. My husband says \$50 a week would be more like it. We are not poor; it's the principle of the thing. She needs to learn responsibility.

Abby, what do you think would be a fair amount?

MOM AND POP

DEAR MOM AND POP: Split the difference, and make it \$37.50.

## Horoscope



Your Birthday

Wednesday, Jan 4, 1995

Your probabilities for fulfillment and success look good in the coming year. If you keep your projects down to a manageable number, it can only help.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Pay strict attention to what you say today or you might find yourself on a collision course with another strongly opinionated individual. Capricorn, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Monitor your resources carefully today and try to keep your budget balanced. Clear up old obligations before assuming any new ones.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Today you might be judged by the company you keep, so select your companions carefully. Do not let someone else's bad behavior tarnish your image.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Keep track of time today and try to maintain your schedule. Leaving critical tasks until the last minute could cause the quality of your performance to suffer.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Resist the impulse to take risks today if the odds are stacked against you. It might be difficult to maintain control, but you must do it.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Your temperament will set the tone in your dealings with others today. If there's a chip on your shoulder, it won't be hard finding someone to knock it off.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Giving someone a piece of your mind today will

only momentarily appease your frustrations. The damage you incur, however, could be lasting.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Exercise caution today when handling your prized possessions. If you leave something valuable laying out in the open, someone might be tempted to take it.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Independence is an admirable quality, provided it isn't carried to extremes. Insisting on having your own way will invite a hostile response today.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** There are two conditions which could negatively affect your work today. One is watching the clock. The other is having people peer over your shoulder.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Try to avoid becoming financially involved with friends today. Money might trigger a serious misunderstanding.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** It will be up to you to end the disruptive influences in your household today. Bar the door to troublemakers.  
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"Listen, Mommy! Walkin' in this snow sounds like a giant eating celery!"



"Do we need a warrant to search a doghouse?"

### The Family Circus



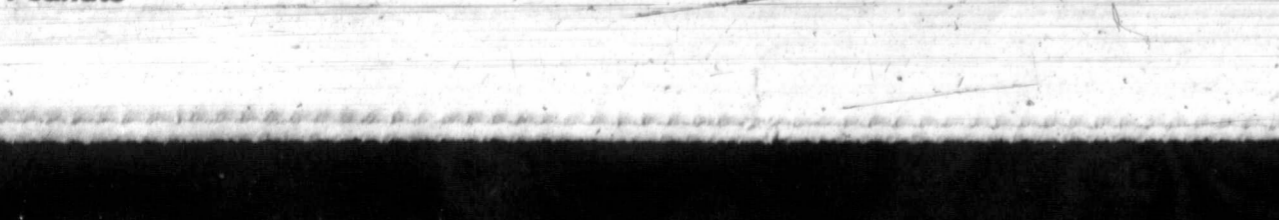
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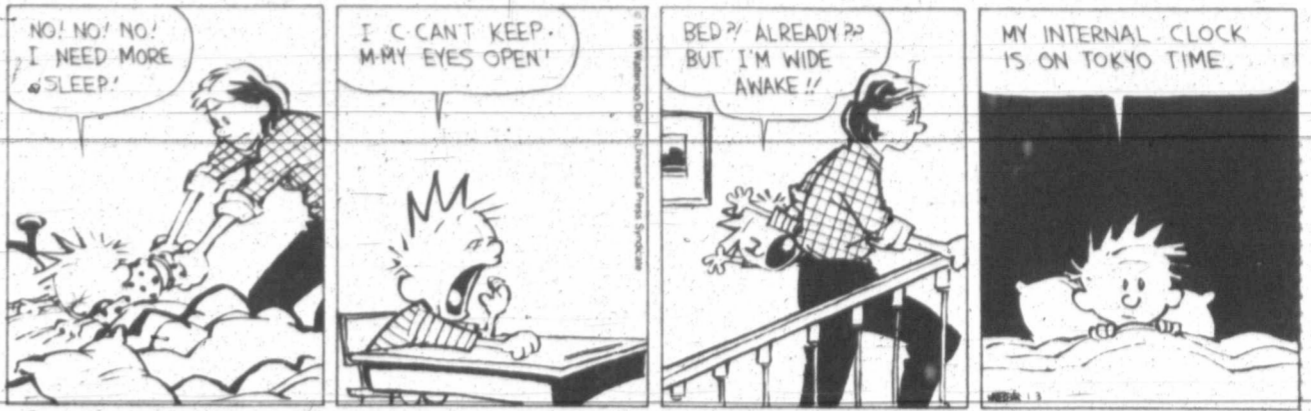
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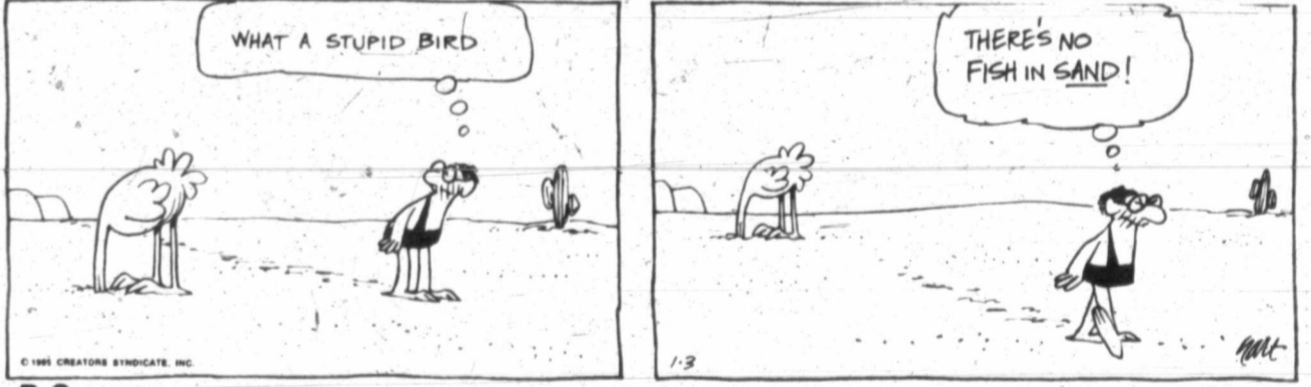
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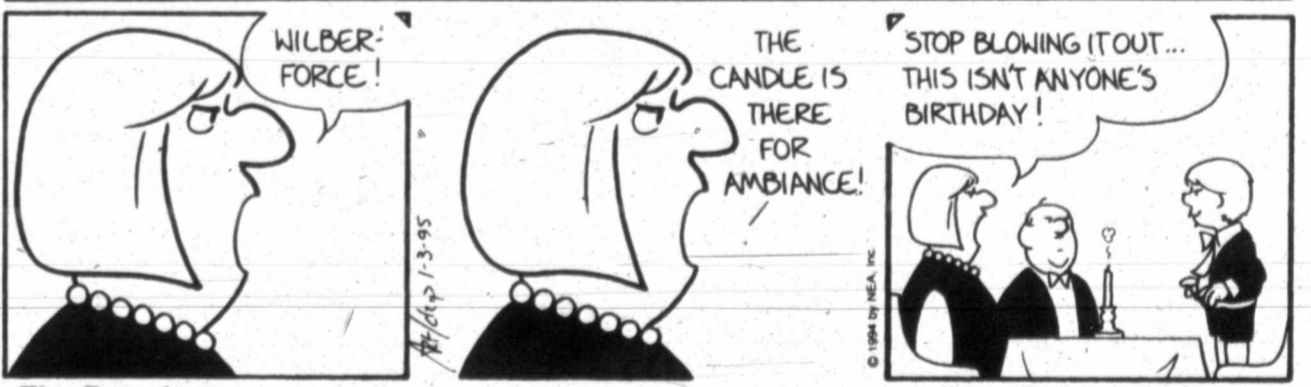
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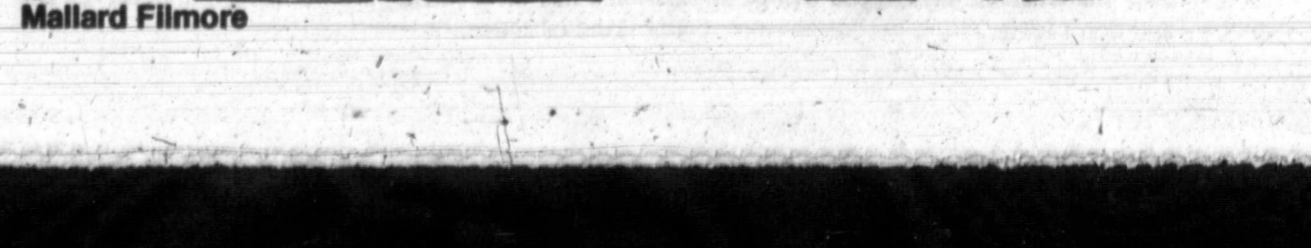
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## Sports

## Notebook

## FOOTBALL

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Although it was 25 degrees outside, Nebraska fans prepared a warm welcome to the Cornhuskers — a welcome fit for national champions.

Inside the Bob Devaney Sports Center, named for the man who coached Cornhuskers football teams to back-to-back titles in 1971 and 1972, 15,000 fans gathered to greet the undefeated Cornhuskers.

The fans had to wait 3 1/2 hours for the team to arrive — but said the wait was worth it.

"When you do this every 22 years you have to take advantage of the situation," state Sen. Don Wesely of Lincoln said Monday after arriving one hour before the doors opened.

It took about 10 minutes for 15,000 fans to stream into the sports center to celebrate the 24-17 Orange Bowl victory over Miami and the national title that followed this morning when the Cornhuskers easily outpointed No. 2 Penn State in The Associated Press media poll.

The hour in the cold netted Wesely a front-row seat in the packed arena.

"It's been a whole generation since Nebraska had a national championship team," said Joe Blahak of Lincoln, a defensive back on the 1971 title team.

Blahak waited in the stands for his son Chad, a redshirt sophomore, to return from Miami.

"I'm glad to share this experience with another generation of family," Blahak said.

Don Benning, an assistant Omaha Public School superintendent, waited for his son, running back Damon Benning.

The elder Benning knows something of the excitement of national championships. Twenty-two years ago, he coached the Nebraska-Omaha wrestling team to a national title.

"Damon called us in the middle of the night. He was excited. He said he's never felt like this before, and we share that feeling," Don Benning said.

Nearly 1,000 more fans waited in the cold outside the arena and 600 more were at the Lincoln Municipal Airport when the team arrived.

Stepping off the charter flight from Miami, Osborne credited fans for Sunday night's victory.

"The 15,000 fans down there made a lot of difference in the game," Osborne said.

Dave Kingsley of Kearney waited at the Lincoln airport after his plane returned to Lincoln from Miami.

"We were right behind the team in the stands. They said they could hear us and feel us," Kingsley said.

Outside the Devaney, Julie Turner said she drove the 50 miles from Omaha to Lincoln for the rally because "it's so emotional. This win was long overdue."

To the screaming shouts of fans, Osborne led his Huskers into the sports center as center Aaron Graham carried the Orange Bowl trophy above his head.

"This is why I didn't stay in Texas to play football," said the 6-foot-4, 280-pound junior from Denton, Texas.

Standing on a stage behind the Sears National Championship Trophy, Osborne was joined by top university officials, Gov. Ben Nelson and Lt. Gov. Kim Robak.

Nelson proclaimed Sunday night's fourth quarter as "the greatest fourth quarter in Nebraska football history."

Robak proclaimed the Huskers the No. 1 team in the United States, Nebraska the No. 1 state in the country and "the year of 1995 as the year of No. 1 Nebraska."

She noted that her father was a native of Duncan, the Platte County community that is also home to Huskers fullback Cory Schlesinger, the 6-3, 230-pound senior who scored the tying and winning touchdowns.

"All I did was run with the ball," Schlesinger said. "These guys did it all," he said as he pointed to "The Pipeline," Nebraska's offensive line.

After the long wait, the festivities were over in about 20 minutes. Fans didn't get to see quarterbacks Tommie Frazier or Brook Berringer. With classes not scheduled to resume for another week, they and many other players went home to spend time with family.

Tackles Terry Connealy of Hyannis and Rob Zatechka of Lincoln and guard Joel Wilks of Hastings joined Osborne and other players on the Devaney stage. They agreed that the team "did it for all of Nebraska," Connealy said.

## BASKETBALL

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Golden State coach Don Nelson says he has learned from his seven-game absence while recovering from viral pneumonia, and vows to avoid the mistakes he made during a fall of turmoil.

"I'm going to try not to take blame for everything that happens on the basketball court, which is something I've always done," he said. "I kick myself around too much."

Nelson returned to practice Monday evening, and plans to coach the Warriors in tonight's game against the San Antonio Spurs.

While seeking to turn the Warriors (10-17) into a playoff team, he will try to keep in mind the lessons he learned during his recovery.

Nelson, a perfectionist who drives himself as hard as he pushes his players, has been surrounded by stress for several months.

First, there were the high expectations he set for the Warriors. Then came the trade of Billy Owens to Miami for Rony Seikaly. And then there was the showdown with Chris Webber, who said he could not be happy playing for Nelson.

That battle ended in the trade of Webber to Washington for Tom Gugliotta and three draft picks. It tore apart the team Nelson hoped to build, and left the coach distressed.

And then the Warriors, who began the season 7-1, lost 14 of 15 — including 10 in a row. Near the end of that losing streak, Nelson was hospitalized with pneumonia.

Nelson was happy to be back Monday, but said he's still weak.

"I don't have very much energy," he said. "It's hard for me to stand up throughout the whole practice. I'm a lot better than I was, for sure."

## Nebraska runs away with national title

By RICK WARNER  
AP Football Writer

It wasn't even close.

Nebraska ran away with the national championship today, easily outpointing No. 2 Penn State in The Associated Press media poll.

Although both teams were undefeated, voters clearly preferred Nebraska after the Cornhuskers beat Miami 24-17 in the Orange Bowl and Penn State downed Oregon 38-20 in the Rose Bowl.

"We're honored to be the No. 1 team," Nebraska coach Tom Osborne said. "It was a privilege to work with a bunch of players committed to one goal."

The Cornhuskers (13-0) received 51 1/2 first-place votes and 1,539 1/2 points, while Penn State (12-0) got 10 1/2 firsts and 1,497 1/2 points. One voter made

them a co-No. 1.

It is the first national title for Osborne and the first championship for the Cornhuskers since they won consecutive crowns under Bob Devaney in 1970-71.

Nebraska also finished first in the USA Today-CNN coaches' poll, topping Penn State 54-8 in first-place votes.

Penn State's Joe Paterno now has the dubious distinction of coaching four undefeated teams that didn't win the national championship. It also happened in 1968, 1969 and 1973.

"I think Joe Paterno and I both have been in this business long enough to realize life isn't always fair," Osborne said. "There have been times when we didn't make it. I certainly have sympathy and understanding for where they are today."

Like Paterno, Osborne would like to see a playoff determine the

national champion instead of the polls.

"I just wish the people in college football would come up with a system where if we do have two undefeated teams, they could put them together," Osborne said.

Nebraska and Penn State were ranked 1-2 going into the bowls and remained that way following their postseason victories, with the Cornhuskers increasing their lead over the Lions by 13 1/2 first-place votes and 13 1/2 points.

Penn State's win over 17-point underdog Oregon apparently didn't impress voters as much as Nebraska's victory at the Orange Bowl, where Miami had won 62 of its previous 63 games.

After the Rose Bowl, Paterno said his team deserved a share of the title.

"I don't want to take anything

from Tom Osborne, who's a good friend of mine," he said. "The way they played, I certainly don't think that I would say, 'Hey, we're national champions' and they're not. Because we deserve it as much as they do."

Although Osborne has the best winning percentage of any active coach, the national championship eluded him for his first 21 seasons. He twice brought undefeated teams to the Orange Bowl and lost, to Miami in 1984 and Florida State last year.

"The thing that stood out about this team was its resolve," Osborne said. "There was a lot of commitment in the offseason and during the season to get back down to Miami and win it. I don't think I've ever been around a team so dedicated to that proposition."

Colorado (11-1) finished third in the AP poll after beating Notre

Dame 41-24 in the Fiesta Bowl.

Florida State (10-1-1), which won the national title last year, was fourth after defeating Florida 23-17 in the Sugar Bowl. It is the eighth straight season that the Seminoles have finished in the top 4.

Alabama (12-1) was fifth, followed by Miami (10-2), Florida (10-2-1), Texas A&M (10-0-1), Auburn (9-1-1) and Utah (10-2).

Alabama beat Ohio State 24-17 in the Citrus Bowl, and Utah defeated Arizona 16-13 in the Freedom Bowl. Texas A&M and Auburn were barred from postseason play by NCAA probation.

Oregon was 11th, followed by Michigan, Southern Cal, Ohio State, Virginia, Colorado State, North Carolina State, Brigham Young, Kansas State, Arizona, Washington State, Tennessee, Boston College, Mississippi State and Texas.

## Frustration



Texas Tech middle linebacker Zach Thomas shows his frustration after a turnover in the first quarter of the Cotton Bowl against Southern California Monday in Dallas. Thomas is a junior from Pampa. The Red Raiders lost, 55-14.

## Packers ready for Cowboys

By ARNIE STAPLETON  
AP Sports Writer

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — Face your fears enough and they'll begin to fade.

That's how the Green Bay Packers' awe of the Dallas Cowboys was whittled to polite admiration.

So, when the Cowboys take the next step Sunday on the road to an unprecedented third straight Super Bowl title, they won't find the same wild-eyed Packers they routed 36-14 just 15 months ago.

Thanks to a 16-12 victory over the Lions in which NFL rushing champion Barry Sanders was held to minus-1 yard on 13 carries, and Chicago's 35-18 upset of Minnesota, the Packers will make their fourth trip to Texas Stadium in the last 12 months.

"We know them about as well as any team outside our division because we've played them a number of times," Packers coach Mike Holmgren said. "Whether that's enough, we'll see. They're a fine football team."

Although the Packers haven't beaten Dallas under Holmgren, each time they have put up more of a fight than they did in that first meeting, on Oct. 3, 1993.

"That first time, I sensed, you know, the hole in the roof ... Here we are with the Dallas Cowboys ... And the cheerleaders over behind your bench," Holmgren recalled. "I don't know if we were as focused as we could have been."

They weren't as distracted in the playoffs on Jan. 16, but still succumbed 27-17 as Dallas, for the second straight season, went on to defeat the 49ers in the NFC title game and Buffalo in the Super Bowl.

Then, third-string quarterback Jason Garrett led Dallas to a 42-31 victory over the Packers on Thanksgiving despite four TD catches by Sterling Sharpe.

Until Chicago's upset of the Vikings, the Packers were anticipating a second-round matchup with San Francisco. Holmgren said it was like being asked to pick your poison.

"We've played Dallas in the last two years more,

and so we're a little more familiar with them," Holmgren said. "We know, however, that both are great teams. Both are picked to play each other in the championship game, so it wasn't a great choice there for us."

"But we're excited about it. We've been able to play a little better in each game with them, so I hope this is the one we can get them."

Although the Cowboys, 10-point favorites, are clearly the better team, Green Bay is unquestionably the hotter.

The Packers (10-7) have won four in a row. Dallas lost two of its last three to finish 12-4 in coach Barry Switzer's first year since taking over for Jimmy Johnson.

Both teams are hurting.

The Packers are without Sharpe, who needs surgery to fuse two bones in his neck. But they still have quarterback Brett Favre, the second-leading passer in the NFL behind San Francisco's Steve Young.

Favre threw for 3,882 yards and a team-record 33 touchdowns and was intercepted just 14 times, 10 fewer than last year, when he led the league.

Even when you subtract Sharpe's 1,119 yards and team-record 18 touchdown receptions, Favre still threw for 2,763 yards and 15 touchdowns — both figures exceed Troy Aikman's totals of 2,676 yards and 13 TDs in 1994.

Injuries to Aikman (knee), running back Emmitt Smith (hamstring) and wide receiver Michael Irvin (thigh) threaten to slow the Cowboys scoring machine.

Although all are expected to play, it's been more than a month since they've been in sync.

Holmgren said the loss on Thanksgiving serves two points for the Packers in the playoffs: After taking a 17-6 halftime lead, the Packers' offense is confident it can execute at Texas Stadium. And surrendering five straight touchdown drives to begin the second half will serve as motivation for the Green Bay defense.

## Harvesters set to open district play

The Pampa Harvesters jump into the District 1-4A season tonight, taking on the Randall Raiders in McNeely Fieldhouse.

The Pampa-Randall girls' game tips off at 6, followed by the boys' game at 7:30.

The Harvesters finished the non-district season with a 14-5 record, winning two of four games last week in the Lions Club Holiday Tournament in Fort Worth.

"We had as tough a pre-district schedule as anybody in the state. We went against some of the top teams around. We played Class 5A teams like Palo Duro and Tascosa, both of which are very tough, and some of the 3A teams we've played are ranked in the top 20," said Pampa assistant coach John Darnell.

Pampa came close to bringing home the third-place trophy from the prestigious Lions Club Tournament, but fell to Fort Worth Everman, 53-52, in overtime on a shot by James Bracken at the buzzer. The Harvesters had trailed by as many as 14 points in the second half, but outscored Everman, 17-6, to knot the score at 44-all when the fourth quarter ended.

"I felt very pleased with our defensive effort," Darnell said. "We held down a very high-scoring Everman team. I think that speaks very well of our defensive capabilities,"

added Darnell.

With four seconds to go, the Harvesters had gone ahead of Everman by one point in overtime on a pair of free throws by Jeremy King. Then Bracken's basket gave Everman the victory.

"Jeremy had a great block-out on one of their better players and his two free throws put us into the lead. I wish he could have been the hero, but Everman was able to prevail," added Darnell.

Coy Laury and Rayford Young were Pampa's leading scorers with 15 and 14 points respectively. J.J. Mathis scored 8, followed by Duane Nickelberry with 6, Robert Bremerman 4, Jason Weatherbee 3 and King 2.

Waxahachie, ranked 7th in Class 4A by TABC, won the tournament championship.

Randall finished the non-district season with a 10-9 record. The Raiders competed in the ABC Caprock Tournament in Lubbock last week and lost their only two games.

With the beginning of the district race, it's a new season now and non-district records become meaningless as far as advancing to the playoffs.

"We're 0-0 right now with 12 games to go. We want to strive to win 12 games and not lose any, so we can play in that 5-game season," said Darnell, referring to the post-season playoffs.

## City to sponsor basketball leagues

The City of Pampa Recreation Department will be sponsoring men's and women's basketball leagues for ages 16 and up this year.

Entry deadline is Jan. 18 and the season is scheduled to begin Jan. 25.

The games will be played at Pampa Middle School. This will be the first year for a women's league. The city sponsored a men's league for the first time last season.

City Recreation Superintendent Shane Stokes is looking for

more teams to sign up.

"We've had five or six teams sign up. Things are kind of slow compared to last year at this time," said Stokes.

Entry fee (sponsor's fee) is \$180 and player's fee is \$10 per player with a minimum of seven players.

Roster forms, fact sheets and league bylaws are available at the Recreation Office at 816 South Hobart. For more information, contact Stokes at 669-5770 between 8 a.m. and

5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## Wolfpack wins Peach Bowl

ATLANTA (AP) — A close game once again made up for second-tier teams at the Peach Bowl.

No. 23 North Carolina State's 28-24 victory over 16th-ranked Mississippi State on Sunday night was one of the larger spreads in recent times. Over the past 11 years, a total of 33 points separated the winners and losers.

"We had to do something and we got together and did it," said Terry Harvey, who engineered a pair of touchdown drives in a span of 3:06 of the second half that gave the Wolfpack (9-3) a 28-21 lead.

While top-ranked Nebraska was beating No. 3 Miami 24-17 in the Orange Bowl, 64,902 watched the Peach Bowl in the Georgia Dome.

The Bulldogs (8-4) and Wolfpack were tied at 13 at half-time. Mississippi State went in front on a safety when Andre Bennett blocked Chad Robson's punt at the 39. The ball reached

the end zone, where Robson prevented a Bulldogs' TD by recovering the ball and giving away only two points.

Keffer McGee's 35-yard return of the free kick to the N.C. State 15 didn't get the offense untracked. The Bulldogs wound up getting the third of Tim Rogers' five field goals.

Leading 18-15, N.C. State got another chance when Larry Williams sacked Harvey, forcing a fumble he recovered on the 24. The Bulldogs netted only 2 yards on three plays, and once again Rogers kicked a field goal.

Harvey then engineered a 69-yard drive, tossing a 3-yard scoring pass to Dallas Dickerson, and then added the 2-point conversion on a keeper that tied the score at 21.

The Bulldogs had three plays and punted, with N.C. State moving 80 yards in four plays and scoring on Carlos King's 11-yard run.

# Scoreboard

## FOOTBALL

### The Top 25 By The Associated Press

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press final college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, season records, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one-point-for-a-25th-place-vote, and ranking in the previous poll.

Rank	Team	Record	Pts	Pv
1	Nebraska	(51) 12-1	130-0	1,539 1/2
2	PennSt	(10) 12-1	0-0	497-1/2
3	Colorado	11-1	0	1,410
4	FloridaSt	10-1	1	1,320
5	Alabama	12-1	0	1,312
6	Miami	10-2	0	1,249
7	Florida	10-2	1	1,153
8	TexasA&M	10-0	1	1,117
9	Auburn	9-1	1	1,110
10	Utah	10-2	0	955
11	Oregon	9-4	0	810
12	Michigan	8-4	0	732
13	Southern Cal	8-3	1	691
14	OhioSt	9-4	0	672
15	Virginia	9-3	0	648
16	Colorado St	9-3	0	630
17	N Carolina St	9-3	0	571
18	Brigham Young	10-3	0	500
19	Kansas St	9-3	0	496
20	Arizona	8-4	0	364
21	WashingtonSt	8-4	0	344
22	Tennessee	8-4	0	303
23	Boston College	7-1	0	236
24	Mississippi St	8-4	0	160
25	Texas	8-4	0	90

Others receiving votes: Virginia Tech 75, North Carolina 65, Wisconsin 54, Illinois 45, Washington 41, Duke 9, Syracuse 7, Air Force 2, South Carolina 2.

## W L Pct GB

Utahston	18	9	.688	1/2
San Antonio	15	10	.600	2 1/2
Dallas	13	12	.520	4 1/2
Denver	14	13	.519	4 1/2
Minnesota	6	20	.231	12

**Pacific Division**

Phoenix	21	7	.750	—
Seattle	18	9	.667	2 1/2
L.A. Lakers	17	9	.654	3
Sacramento	15	12	.556	5 1/2
Portland	13	13	.500	7
Golden State	10	17	.370	10 1/2
L.A. Clippers	4	25	.138	17 1/2

**Monday's Games**

No games scheduled

**Tuesday's Games**

Indiana at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.  
Seattle at Washington, 7:30 p.m.  
Portland at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.  
Phoenix at Sacramento, 8 p.m.  
Denver at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
Houston at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.  
Milwaukee at Utah, 9 p.m.  
Detroit at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.  
San Antonio at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

**Wednesday's Games**

Miami at Boston, 7:30 p.m.  
Atlanta at New York, 7:30 p.m.  
New Jersey at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.  
Portland at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.  
Seattle at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.  
Washington at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.  
Denver at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Phoenix, 9 p.m.

**Thursday's Games**

Minnesota at Miami, 7:30 p.m.  
San Antonio at Utah, 8 p.m.

### Monday's Bowl Summaries

#### By The Associated Press

#### Hall of Fame Bowl

At Tampa, Fla.

Duke	0	10	3	7	—	20
Wisconsin	13	0	6	15	—	34

Wis—Messenger 19 interception return (Schetzky kick)

Wis—FG Hall 48

Wis—FG Hall 43

Duke—Baldwin 7 run (Cochran kick)

Duke—FG Cochran 30

Wis—Fletcher 1 run (kick failed)

Wis—Burns 11 pass from Bevell (Fletcher from Bevell)

Duke—Baldwin 2 run (Cochran kick)

Wis—Fletcher 49 run (Schetzky kick)

A—61,384

First downs	23	19
Rushes-yards	29-85	48-285
Passing	314	161
Return Yards	2	77
Comp-Att-Int	28-46-4	11-20-1
Punts	4-43	1-36
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-2
Penalties-Yards	5-40	-12-86
Time of Possession	29:14	30:46

#### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Duke, Baldwin 21-70, Fischer 6-15, White 1-0, Lowman 1-0, Wisconsin, Fletcher 39-241, Burns 6-45, Bevell 3 (minus 1).

PASSING—Duke, Fischer 28-46-4-314, Wisconsin, Bevell 11-20-1-161.

RECEIVING—Duke, Khayal 11-109, Jensen 6-97, Farquhar 3-41, Thomas 3-30, Fleming 2-13, Lowman 1-10, Baldwin 1-9, Opalenick 1-5, Wisconsin, Simmons 1-52, Dawkins 3-29, Burns 2-28, Roan 1-17, Johnson 2-17, Jackson 1-10, Fletcher 1-8.

#### Citrus Bowl

At Orlando, Fla.

Alabama	0	14	0	10	—	24
Ohio St.	0	14	0	3	—	17

Ala—Galloway 9 run (Proctor kick)

OSU—Galloway 69 pass from Hoying (Jackson kick)

OSU—Galloway 11 pass from Hoying (Jackson kick)

Ala—Williams 7 run (Proctor kick)

OSU—FG Jackson 34

Ala—FG Proctor 27

Ala—Williams 50 pass from Barker (Proctor kick)

A—71,956

First downs	28	15
Rushes-yards	51-204	32-96
Passing	317	180
Return Yards	7	19
Comp-Att-Int	18-37-0	11-27-1
Punts	4-24	7-36
Fumbles-Lost	3-3	4-1
Penalties-Yards	4-45	6-43
Time of Possession	32:38	27:22

#### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Alabama, Williams 27-166, Lynch 13-35, Riddle 7-7, Barker 3 (minus 2), Key 1 (minus 2), Ohio State, George 15-89, Sualua 6-44, Hoying 11 (minus 37).

PASSING—Alabama, Barker 18-37-0-317, Ohio State, Hoying 11-27-1-180.

RECEIVING—Alabama, Williams 8-155, C. Brown 4-63, Malone 3-70, West 1-20, Lynch 1-7, Johnson 1-2, Ohio State, Galloway 9-146, Dudley 2-26, Pearson 1-8.

#### Cotton Bowl

At Dallas

Southern Cal	28	6	14	7	—	55
Texas Tech	0	0	7	7	—	14

USC—Walters 11 run (Ford kick)

USC—Barnum 19 pass from R. Johnson (Ford kick)

USC—Herpin 26 interception return (Ford kick)

USC—K. Johnson 12 pass from R. Johnson (Ford kick)

USC—FG Ford 39

USC—FG Ford 42

USC—K. Johnson 22 pass from R. Johnson (Ford kick)

USC—K. Johnson 86 pass from Otton (Ford kick)

Tech—Lethridge 5 run (Davis kick)

USC—Diltz 2 pass from Otton (Ford kick)

Tech—Mitchell 45 pass from Cavazos (Davis kick)

A—70,218

USC	Tech	
First downs	21	14
Rushes-yards	45-143	26-55
Passing	435	205
Return Yards	63	4
Comp-Att-Int	24-35-0	15-37-2
Punts	4-43	10-38
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	4-2
Penalties-Yards	12-133	2-20
Time of Possession	40:02	19:58

#### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Southern Cal, Walters 14-82, Sermons 12-32, Green 6-25, Washington 6-17, Houglin 2-4, Hopper 1-1, Koffler 1-0, R. Johnson 3 (minus 18), Texas Tech, Hanspard 9-36, Crain 2-22, Cavazos 1-3, Lethridge 13 (minus 3), Walker 1 (minus 3).

PASSING—Southern Cal, R. Johnson 16-21-0-289, Otton 8-14-0-146, Texas Tech, Lethridge 12-29-2-134, Darden 0-0-0-0, Cavazos 3-6-0-71.

RECEIVING—Southern Cal, K. Johnson 8-222, Harvey 3-99, Washington 3-0, Diltz 2-13, Parker 1-31, Barnum 1-18, Green 1-12, Alfred 1-12, McWilliams 1-9, Grace 1-9, Woods 1-7, Voleson 1-2, Texas Tech, Darden 6-79, B. Adams 2-4, Mitchell 1-45, Bane 1-28, Scovell 1-25, DuBuc 1-10, Lavander 1-6, Hanspard 1-4, Hobbs 1-4.

#### National Football League

Playoffs At A Glance

#### By The Associated Press

#### Wild Card Playoffs

Saturday, Dec. 31

Green Bay 16, Detroit 12

Miami 27, Kansas City 17

Sunday, Jan. 1

Cleveland 20, New England 13

Chicago 35, Minnesota 18

#### Divisional Playoffs

Saturday, Jan. 7

Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 12:30 p.m.

Chicago at San Francisco, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 8

Green Bay at Dallas, 12:30 p.m.

Miami at San Diego, 4 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 15

AFC and NFC Championships, 12:30 and 4 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 29

Super Bowl at Miami, 6 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 5

Pro Bowl at Honolulu, 6 p.m.

#### College Bowl Games

By The Associated Press

#### All Times EST

Thursday, Dec. 15

Las Vegas Bowl

At Las Vegas

UNLV 52, Central Michigan 24

Sunday, Dec. 25

Blue-Gray Classic

At Montgomery, Ala.

Illinois 35, Georgia 27

Aloha Bowl

At Honolulu

Houston College 12, Kansas State 7

Tuesday, Dec. 27

Freedom Bowl

At Anaheim, Calif.

Utah 16, Arizona 13

Wednesday, Dec. 28

Independence Bowl

At Shreveport, La.

Virginia 20, Texas Christian 10

Thursday, Dec. 29

Copper Bowl

At Tucson, Ariz.

Brigham Young 31, Oklahoma 6

Friday, Dec. 30

Heritage Bowl

At Atlanta

South Carolina State 31, Grambling State 27

Sun Bowl

At El Paso, Texas

Texas 35, North Carolina 31

Gator Bowl

At Gainesville, Fla.

Tennessee 45, Virginia Tech 23

At San Diego

Michigan 24, Colorado State 14

Saturday, Dec. 31

Liberty Bowl

At Memphis, Tenn.

Illinois 30, East Carolina 0

Alamo Bowl

At San Antonio

Washington State 10, Baylor 3

Sunday, Jan. 1

Peach Bowl

At Atlanta

North Carolina State 28, Mississippi State 24

Orange Bowl

At Miami

Nebraska 24, Miami 17

Monday, Jan. 2

Hall of Fame Bowl

At Tampa, Fla.

Wisconsin 34, Duke 20

Citrus Bowl

At Orlando, Fla.

Alabama 24, Ohio State 17

Cotton Bowl

At Dallas

Southern California 55, Texas Tech 14

Carquest Bowl

At Memphis, Tenn.

South Carolina 24, West Virginia 21

Flora Bowl

At Tempe, Ariz.

Colorado 41, Notre Dame 24

Rose Bowl

At Pasadena, Calif.

Penn State 38, Oregon 20

Sugar Bowl

At New Orleans

Florida State 23, Florida 17

Saturday, Jan. 14

East-West Shrine Classic

At Stanford, Calif.

East vs. West, 2 p.m. (ESPN)

Saturday, Jan. 21

Senior Bowl

At Mobile, Ala.

North vs. South, 2 p.m. (ESPN)

Sunday, Jan. 22

At Honolulu

#### National Basketball Association

By The Associated Press

#### All Times EST

#### EASTERN CONFERENCE

##### Atlantic Division

Orlando	23	6	.793	—
New York	15	12	.556	7
Boston	11	17	.393	11 1/2
New Jersey	12	19	.387	12
Philadelphia	10	18	.357	12 1/2
Miami	9	18	.333	13
Washington	7	19	.269	14 1/2

##### Central Division

Cleveland	29	8	.714	—
Indiana	17	9	.654	2
Charlotte	16	12	.571	4
Chicago	15	13	.538	5
Atlanta	12</			



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**REQUEST FOR BIDS ON TEXAS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION**  
Sealed proposals for 278 miles of bridge replacement at US 87 overpass (Pierce St.) and B.N. Railroad in Amarillo covered by C-41-7-77 in Potter County, will be received at the Texas Department of Transportation, Austin, until 1:00 P.M., January 10, 1995, and then publicly opened and read.  
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Dec. 27, 1994, Jan. 3, 1995

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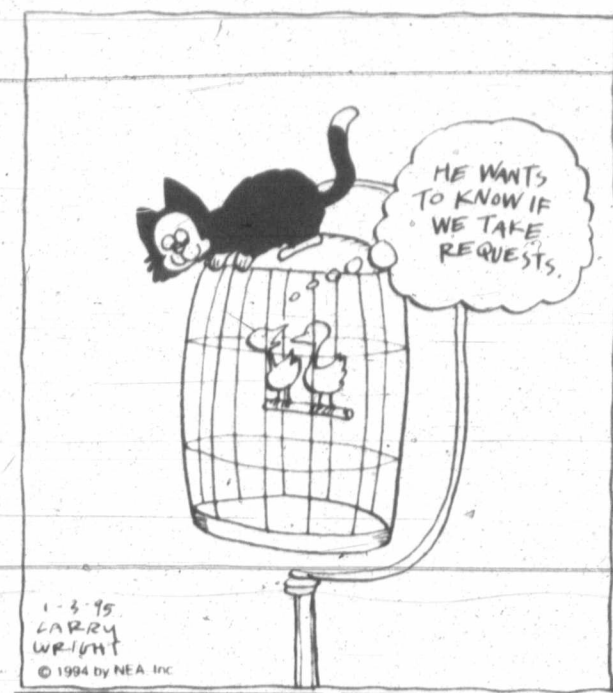
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# Mexico announces emergency proposals to fight peso's slide

By BILL CORMIER  
Associated Press Writer

MEXICO CITY (AP) — After 20 hours of meetings between government officials and business and union representatives, officials announced an emergency plan today to stop the peso's slide and resuscitate the Mexican economy.

The new pact calls on business to refrain from raising prices. In return, the government of President Ernest Zedillo will reduce taxes on businesses and privatize the nation's railroads, ports and airports to raise cash.

The agreement, announced before dawn by Labor Minister Santiago Onate, comes a day after Washington said it would provide half of an \$18 billion international loan package to steady the battered peso.

Uncertainty over the accord forced Zedillo to postpone a nationally televised speech on the plan late Monday.

Union officials today agreed to a 4 percent wage increase for 1995 and a 3 percent productivity bonus contained in a previous pact signed Dec. 20 when the peso crisis began.

Business representatives agreed not to raise their prices, except for justifiable increases on imported products, hoping to avert inflation that would further fuel the crisis.

The peso has lost one-third of its value in relation to the dollar in two weeks. The financial crisis was made worse by political turmoil throughout 1994, a year marked by two major political assassinations and an Indian rebellion in the southern state of Chiapas.

Government officials have characterized the crisis, in which American investors lost an estimated \$10 billion on the Mexican stock market, a momentary "bubble" in Mexico's long-term economic expansion.

But independent economic analyst Sergio Sarmiento said the drawn-out wrangling over a pact to hold down inflation was troubling.

Millions of Mexicans have seen the purchasing power of their wages erode by almost 60 percent since 1982, and many remain untouched by benefits of the North American Free Trade Agreement launched a year ago.

"I don't think Mexico can avoid a wage and price spiral," said Sarmiento. "The big hope is that this will be just a bump on the road and that Mexico will return to stability in three or four months' time. I find that very difficult to believe."

A three-year-old foreign trade and service account deficit, now estimated at \$28 billion, and the fact the peso was overvalued for more than a year, strongly undermined Mexico's economy.

Prior to the peso's slide, Zedillo had forecast annual inflation of 4 percent for 1995 and growth of 4 percent. Those goals have now been abandoned.



A window washer in Mexico City coils up his rope outside the American Express Casa de Cambio (money exchange) Monday. The peso closed at 4.925 to the dollar on Monday.

Economists say inflation could probably be kept to 13 or 15 percent, and growth could at best be only 1 or 2 percent.

In Washington, Acting Treasury Secretary Frank N. Newman said Monday the United States would contribute \$9 billion, or half the international support package to defend the Mexican currency from further devaluation.

Newman cited "the importance of the U.S.-Mexican economic relationship, the substantial economic reforms that Mexico has undertaken in recent years and the strong program announced ... by President Zedillo."

The biggest other contributor to the \$18 billion package is the Bank for International Settlements, based in Basel, Switzerland, with \$5 billion in potential loans.

Canada, a partner with the United States and Mexico in NAFTA, agreed to put up \$1 billion. Commercial banks, including several in the United States, have offered an additional \$3 billion.

# Texas begins vehicle emissions testing

DALLAS (AP) — Vehicle emissions testing got off to a slow start Monday as compliance with the federal Clean Air Act began in parts of Texas, despite some state officials' opposition.

"It's been a little slow, but maybe it's because it's a holiday and a lot of people are watching football," said Tommy Burden, manager of a Texas Air Care facility in north Dallas.

Burden said he tested fewer than 40 cars Monday for exhaust emissions, most of which passed on the first try.

"Today, I haven't had too many failures," he said. "The ones that did fail, well, most of them were expecting it."

Critics have complained that the testing is inconvenient, expensive and unnecessary.

Gov.-elect George W. Bush has backed an effort to get the EPA to ease parts of the program. U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, recently asked federal officials for a six-month moratorium on the emissions testing, but her

request was denied. "I have hardly seen anybody that's against it," Burden said. "Everybody, even those who are upset about it, say we need this."

Burden said the facility has been open for two weeks, testing cars free on a voluntary basis through last Saturday. About 100 cars visited the new facility on Friday alone, he said.

The emissions test is required before a vehicle registration can be renewed. Tests are conducted only at centralized inspection stations.

The testing is required for gasoline-powered vehicles — 1968 models and newer — in Houston-Galveston, El Paso, Dallas-Fort Worth and Beaumont-Port Arthur. Emissions inspections for diesel-powered vehicles begin in 1997.

"The Environmental Protection Agency says it's necessary because of the poor air quality here in Dallas," said Marion Fields, who needed a certificate to renew her registration this month.

"I'd go along with it for that reason, but it's a lot of extra expense.

It's inconvenient for that. But if it has to be done, it has to be done," she said.

Ms. Fields' 1987 Buick Century passed.

During the test, an inspector checks to ensure the vehicle has a gas cap, working exhaust pipes and safe tires. The inspector also looks for leaks of oil or transmission or radiator fluids, as well as for smoke or sputtering from the engine.

An obvious engine problem means the test cannot be conducted, Burden said. Otherwise, the inspector collects a \$21 fee and drives the car into the test position.

The vehicle's drive wheels sit on a treadmill-like machine where normal driving will be simulated. During this process, emissions from the vehicle's tailpipe are measured.

The entire process takes about 15 minutes.

Owners of vehicles that fail the test receive a report showing "what the machine came up with, why the car failed, so they can give it to their mechanic to let them make repairs," Burden said.

# Officers try out new DWI law

DALLAS (AP) — Supporters of a new law that virtually guarantees a drunken driver will lose his license say it will be a big step toward getting intoxicated drivers — particularly repeat offenders — off the road.

Department of Public Safety trooper Joel Smith supports the new law, which went into effect Sunday, but does not seem concerned about whether it will keep repeat offenders off the roads.

"Some officers get pretty irritated when they see some guy they arrested do it again, but not me," he said. "I'll just keep arresting them and putting them in jail."

Known as administrative license revocation, the new law calls for first-time DWI offenders to lose their licenses for 60 days. Second-time offenders face 120-day suspensions. Those who refuse to take a blood-

alcohol test can lose their licenses for 90 to 180 days. Offenders still face possible fines.

Under the old law, driver's licenses could be suspended, but it actually happened in only about one-third of the state's DWI cases, DPS officials have said.

On first-time defendants such as 21-year-old Charles Chaffee of Garland, the new law's effect was profound.

"You could tell from his reaction that it really sank in," said Smith, who arrested Chaffee in front of a country music club in Terrell on New Year's morning. "As soon as I said he was going to lose his license, his eyes lit up. He knows this is serious."

Other law enforcement officers said the law will produce only mixed results.

# 'Jane Roe' fears returning to work at clinic

DALLAS (AP) — The plaintiff in a landmark 1973 case that prompted the Supreme Court to overturn Texas' anti-abortion statutes, undercutting similar laws nationwide, says she fears returning to her job at a local clinic.

Norma McCorvey says her fears stem from the shooting deaths of two women at two suburban Boston clinics Friday.

"The anti-choice people are just turning into terrorists," Ms. McCorvey said Monday. "It's really kind of getting scary coming into these clinics and never knowing if somebody is going to machine-gun us, follow us home."

John C. Salvi III, 22, was arrested Saturday in Norfolk, Va., on two counts of murder and five counts of attempted murder in the rampage at

the Brookline, Mass., clinics.

McCorvey's answering machine on Monday had the following message for her callers: "We must set a time aside to mourn the slaughter of our sisters that died in Massachusetts. I encourage each and every pro-choice woman and man to wear a black piece of clothing in honor of our sisters."

In a telephone interview Monday, she said, "I have on a black turtle-neck today for my sisters we lost Friday," she said.

It took a decade for McCorvey to acknowledge publicly that she was 'Jane Roe' in the lawsuit Roe vs. Wade. In response to the admission, gunshots were fired into her home, eggs thrown at it and baby clothes scattered on her lawn.

"I've been shot at once, and I still

can't really hear well out of one ear," she said. "It was April 4, 1989, and it was a group in a black pickup truck, just like the one in Massachusetts ... Is that deja vu or what?"

Before a 1989 national abortion rights rally in Washington, McCorvey went into hiding after her home was fired upon. She was not wounded.

Police said at the time that they had no information to link the shooting to McCorvey's abortion-rights activism.

The Louisiana native chronicled her life in a book released last June. She spoke of her difficult childhood and how she stumbled into history after finding herself, at age 21, divorced and pregnant for a third time.

# WHO official says world AIDS cases now number million

GENEVA (AP) — The official number of AIDS cases worldwide has topped the million mark for the first time, though the true figure is more than four times as high, the World Health Organization said today.

By Dec. 31, governments had notified the U.N. health agency's Geneva headquarters of 1,025,073 cases of the disease since the start of records in 1980, WHO said.

However, it said chronic underreporting and underdiagnosis in developing countries meant the actual number of AIDS cases probably totals more than 4.5 million.

WHO said more than 70 percent of the estimated cases were in Africa. About 9 percent were in the United States, 9 percent in the rest of the American hemisphere, 6 percent in Asia and 4 percent in Europe.

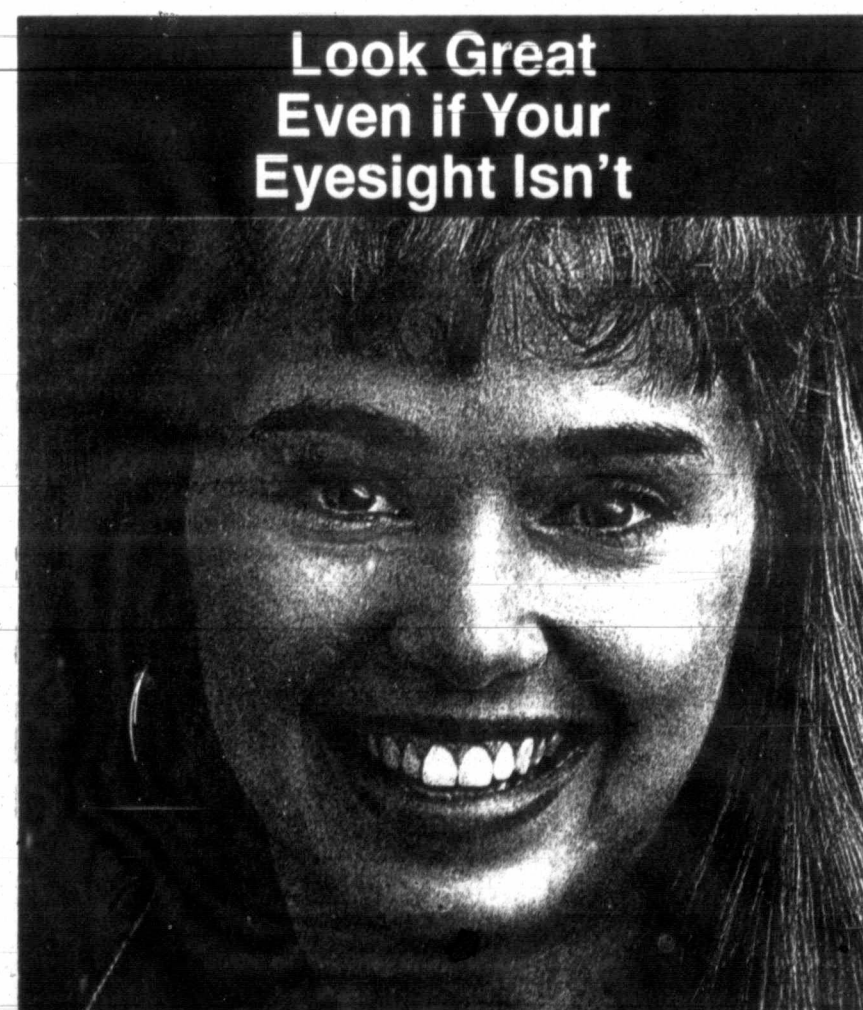
The AIDS statistics include people who have died. They do not reflect the number of people infected with human immunodeficiency virus, or HIV, which causes AIDS.

The virus is spread through unprotected sexual intercourse, contaminated blood, shared syringes and from mother to child. There is no protective vaccine and no known cure.

About 1.5 million people have contracted HIV in the past six months, WHO said. It said the infection rate continues to accelerate, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa and southern Asia.

That raised the total of HIV infections to 19.5 million since the start of the epidemic, WHO said.

Spokesman Christopher Powell predicted the number of HIV-positive people would reach 40 million by the end of the decade.



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