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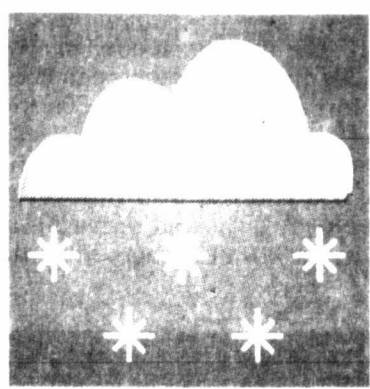
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Low tonight in mid 50s, high tomorrow in upper 70s. See Page 2 for weather details.

PROVO, Utah (AP) — Several avalanches joined in one huge slide early today that dammed a river, forcing the temporary evacuation of a small community. The avalanche, estimated at 60 feet deep and up to a half-mile wide, also blocked highways through the Provo and American Fork canyons and damaged a mountain resort tramway, said Utah County Sheriff's Lt. Ron Fernstedt.

No injuries were reported in the 2:30 a.m. slide, he said. The Provo Canyon area had received 19 inches of new snow since Monday.

The avalanche originated at several spots high in the Wasatch Mountains and then combined into one, said Bill Alder, chief meteorologist for the National Weather Service in Salt Lake City.

The snow dammed the Provo River at a point where it is about 5 feet deep, forming a reservoir that quickly rose 15 to 20 feet, Fernstedt said.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Actor Billy Dee Williams was arrested for allegedly battering his live-in girlfriend, authorities said.

Police received a domestic violence call Tuesday evening from a woman who said she was Williams' girlfriend, said police Detective Serge Ryevski.

"She had minor scratches and bruises," he said.

Police confirmed early today that Williams, 58, was arrested at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at a home in the Hollywood Hills. It was unclear if it was the actor's residence.

He was booked at the Hollywood station on suspicion of domestic violence, and was freed about 3 a.m. today after posting \$50,000 bail, police said.

ALAMO (AP) — At least 12 children may need rabies vaccinations after being exposed to a rabid bat discovered near their elementary school.

"Since there were no scratches or bites, the health officials doubt the disease was spread," said Frank Perez, principal at Salinas Elementary School. "We're just taking precautions."

The students were leaving school last week when they discovered the bat hanging inside the school's covered walkways, Perez said.

"Like children will do, they start throwing stuff at him and knocked him down," said school district superintendent Frank M. Gonzalez. "Once they knocked him off the roof, he started flailing around, flapping his wings."

Three fifth-graders touched the bat before a custodian removed the animal with a piece of paper, Perez said.

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Texas Ranger investigates case of comatose inmate

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

A Texas Ranger today is investigating circumstances surrounding an diabetic inmate who became comatose Monday after refusing insulin for a period of time, authorities say.

"Sheriff Randy Stubblefield requested Department of Public Safety Texas Rangers to conduct an investigation into events surrounding the treatment and custody of Mr. Jody Brunson," said Chief Deputy Charlie Morris today.

Brunson, 24, remains comatose in the intensive care unit of Coronado Hospital, where he was admitted about noon Monday after he passed out in the jail.

"Anytime we have a major incident involving our agency or staff members where there might be some question, it is our practice to request an outside agency investigate the matter," Morris said.

Stubblefield said today Brunson had insulin on Monday morning before he lost consciousness shortly after 11 a.m., but said he did not know when the last dose was taken before the Monday dose.

Texas Ranger Gary Henderson, Pampa, is conducting the investigation.

"I do not comment on ongoing investigations," Henderson said today, citing DPS policy.

"I will be looking at every aspect of everything that involves this young man since he's been in jail," he said.

The district attorney and sheriff will be kept informed of his findings, Henderson said.

"I'm doing this because Randy Stubblefield asked me do an independent investigation and that's what I'm gonna do," he said.

Morris said activities, health and medication of people in custody are documented in jail records.

He said he expects the investigation to identify the facts surrounding the episode, facts that will be examined by the proper authorities. Any appropriate action will be taken, Morris said.

"Whenever we had reason to believe there was some medical condition, we consulted with the proper medical authorities. At no time was (Brunson) denied appropriate medical care," said Morris.

Brunson was indicted Aug. 10, 1995, on a charge of aggravated kidnapping and burglary of a habitation and Dec. 12, 1995, on a charge of aggravated sexual assault.

Brunson was in jail in lieu of \$120,000 bond on the charges.

He is accused of raping a Pampa woman after kidnapping her and her two children in late July.

He was arrested near Marietta, Okla., after he sought help from a resident for his diabetes.



Church White, right, was thanked Tuesday for his service as United Way campaign chairman by Joe Kyle Reeve, United Way president. At left, Jack Reeve, was named campaign chairman for 1996 and Bill O'Brien was elected United Way president for the new year.

Pampa United Way honors volunteers for campaign drive

United Way volunteers were honored for their service Tuesday and learned the 1995 campaign topped the goal by nearly \$30,000.

"You can take a great big warm and fuzzy into your heart," said outgoing chairman Chuck White, praising volunteers for the \$334,771 raised last fall.

"You're supporting an agency that's meeting the needs that otherwise wouldn't be met," he said.

The executive committee of the organization includes Bill O'Brien, president; Kim Hill, vice president, and Karen Heare, treasurer. Elected to the board were Hill, James Scroggins, Michael Trimble, Porter Briggs and Dr. Jerry Lane. They join board members Bob White, Bob Marx, Randy Watson, Marilyn McClure, Bob Eskridge, Curt Beck, Jane Steele and Chuck White.

Honorees recognized at the annual meeting luncheon included campaign division chairpersons from the following:

Major firms — Jeff Kramer of Hoechst Celanese, Les Howard of IRI, Toni Howard of Cabot, Duane Harp, Richard Stowers, Bill O'Brien and Ernest Ramirez.

Commercial firms — David Gantz.

Public division — Phyllis Jeffers representing the city of Pampa, Jane Steele representing Pampa Independent School District, Sammie Morris representing Gray County, Donna Brauchi representing federal government and Gail Nabors representing state government.

Professional division — Dr. Ray Laycock, Mike Ruff, Randy Watson and Benny Kirksey.

Individuals division — Curt Beck representing Cabot and IRI retirees and Jeff Kramer representing Hoechst Celanese retirees.

Special gifts went to David

Fatheree, Jack Reeve, Dick Stowers, Newt Secrest, Ray Hupp and Doug Carmichael.

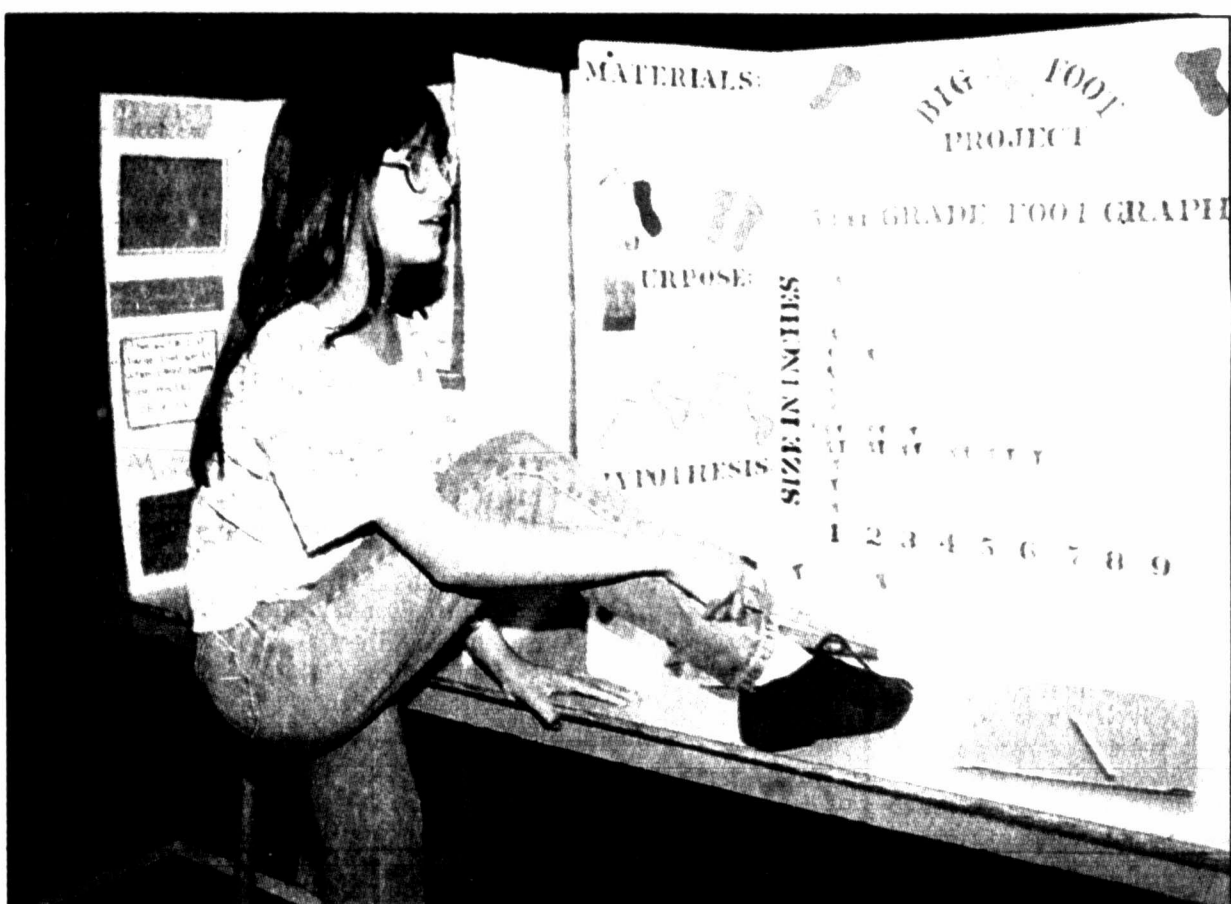
Special volunteers recognized included Michael Trimble for newspaper articles and publicity; Reed Echols for tours and publicity; Sharon Braddock for check-in meetings; Cindy Gindorf for tours; Roy Hendricks for painted outdoor signs; and Bob Marx and Jane Steele for decorations.

Loaned executives recognized included Charlie Jones of Celanese, Jerry Foote of National Bank of Commerce, Bill O'Brien of Coronado Hospital, Steve Brown of Boatmen's First Pampa Banking Center, Kim Hill of FirstBank Southwest, Toni Howard of Cabot, Bob Smith of Texas Panhandle Mental Health Authority, Duane Harp of FirstBank Southwest and Michael Trimble of Michael Trimble Designs.

Donors of \$500 or more recognized included: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Reeve; Mrs. R.M. Bellamy; Thurmond-McGlothlin Inc.; Buzzard Law Firm; Waters, Holt and Fields; Dr. Charles Ashby; Dr. William S. Buck; Larry Beck Electric; Dr. George R. Walters; Etheredge Construction Inc.; G.W. James Inc.; John T. King and Sons Electric; Property Valuation Analysts; Mrs. Adelaide Colwell; Mr. and Mrs. Don Babcock; Mr. and Mrs. John Warner; Nickels Industrial; Sivalis Inc.; Gray County employees; William A. Every; Dietta Pope; Joyce Barclay; Kimberly Thompson; Noah E. Davis; John G. Forister; Joe J. Mechelay; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hallerburg; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Etheredge; Alco Discount Stores; Baker Elementary; Community Day Care Center; Genesis House; Tralee Crisis Center; Wilson Elementary; H.R. Thompson Parts and Supply; and Travis Elementary.

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Measuring foot size



(Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Rosa Estrada demonstrates the investigative technique she used to determine if fifth grade boys or girls have bigger feet. Estrada discovered that most students of either gender have an average foot size of eight and a half inches. She and 10 other students at Baker Elementary were awarded blue ribbons for the quality of their experimentation, the detailing of their procedures and the skill of their presentation. Other experiments included solar water distillers, homemade burglar alarms and tooth decay.

Shepard's Crook sues local hospital, parent company alleging monopoly

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
News Editor

In a lawsuit which plaintiffs hope to turn into a class action, a Pampa home care agency has sued Coronado Hospital and its parent company alleging the corporation is conspiring to monopolize the home health care industry.

Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency Inc. and Columbia Home Health Services Inc. of El Paso filed suit Jan. 17 in U.S. District Court in El Paso under the Sherman Antitrust Act.

They are suing Columbia/HCA Healthcare Corporation, El Paso Healthcare Systems Ltd., El Paso Nurses Unlimited, Columbia Coronado Hospital and El Paso physicians Dr. Natalie Bornstein and Dr. O.R. Brooker.

There is no relationship between plaintiff and defendant corporations though they share the name Columbia.

Shepard's and Columbia Home Health allege the defendants are attempting to monopolize the home health care indus-

Shepard's Crook and Columbia Home Health Care allege the defendants are attempting to monopolize home health care.

try by "downstreaming," or making referrals for home health care only to agencies associated with Columbia/HCA. The referrals are made by employees responsible for discharge planning at the hospitals, according to the suit.

Coronado Hospital administrator Bill O'Brien declined to comment Tuesday. He said he learned of the lawsuit on Monday and hospital officials are trying to find out more about it.

The hospital operates Pampa Regional Homecare, which opened in 1994.

Suzanne Wilkinson, administrator and vice president of Shepard's Crook Nursing Agency, declined to discuss the

lawsuit.

"Our suit is not against the local employees per se, it is against the policies of Columbia corporation," she said Tuesday.

Wilkinson said she and her husband Ernie Wilkinson know the Columbia Home Health Services owners because they know most home care agencies through the state.

Mr. Wilkinson serves on the board of the Texas Association of Home Care, a trade association.

According to the lawsuit, Columbia/HCA practices downstreaming nationwide and pressures physicians with staff privileges to stop referring patients to the plaintiff's companies. It also alleges doctors have a profit incentive to refer patients to Columbia/HCA home health providers.

The lawsuit asks for unspecified damages.

Columbia Home Health Services of El Paso Inc. is owned by Lawrence S. Baker.

Columbia/HCA operates 320 hospitals in the United States and Europe.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

BOWERS, Violet Keeton — 2 p.m., Pentecostal Holiness Church, Pampa.
FOX, Dale W. — 2:30 p.m., Texola Baptist Church, Erick, Okla.
SMILEY, Richard Lee — Graveside memorial services, 3 p.m., Morrison Baptist Church Cemetery, Brooks County, Ga.
WEBB, Irene — 2 p.m., First Baptist Church, Mobeetie.

Obituaries

VIOLET KEETON BOWERS
 Violet Keeton Bowers, 73, of Pampa, died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 1996. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Pentecostal Holiness Church with the Rev. Albert Maggard, pastor, and the Rev. Scott Barton, pastor of the Calvary Assembly of God, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Bowers was born April 21, 1922, in Hill County. She had been a Pampa resident since the early 1940s. She married Warren Bowers in 1948 in New Mexico. She was a nurse for 28 years at the Worley, Highland General and Groom hospitals. She attended the Pentecostal Holiness Church.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Nellie Keeton; and by a sister, Letha Miles. Survivors include her husband, Warren, of the home; a daughter, Jeannie McCann of Pampa; three sons, Ronnie Barton, David Barton and Arnold Barton, all of Pampa; her father, George Keeton of Pampa; a sister, Helen Danner of Pampa; two brothers, Doyle Keeton of Pampa and J.R. Keeton of McLean; 11 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be to the Hospice of the Panhandle, Box 2795, Pampa TX 79066-2795.

DALE W. FOX
 TEXOLA, Okla. - Dale W. Fox, 31, a former Allison, Texas, resident, died Sunday, Jan. 28, 1996. Services will be at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in the Texola Baptist Church at Erick, Okla., with Charlie Floyd officiating. Burial will be in the Texola Cemetery under the direction of the Fatheree-Albert Funeral Home.

Mr. Fox was born at Greeley, Colo. He lived in Loveland, Colo., until age two, then moving to Summersville, Mo., where he attended school. He was saved at age 12 and became a member of the First Baptist Church in Houston, Mo. He moved to Allison in 1989 and to Texola in 1990. He married Gladys M. Bunch in 1994 at Erick.

Survivors include his wife, Gladys; a daughter, Samantha Rose Bower of Dover; two sons, James Winfield Fox and Sean Kelly Fox, both of the home; his parents, Duane and Carol L. Fox of Texola; and two half-brothers, Don Fox of Fort Collins, Colo., and Ken Fox of Gillette, Wyo.

B.F. HENRY
 STRATFORD - B.F. Henry, 67, father of a Miami resident, died Monday, Jan. 29, 1996. Graveside services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the Texhoma Cemetery at Texhoma, Okla., with the Rev. John Wagner, pastor of the Methodist Church at Panhandle, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Dawson-Welch Funeral Home.

Mr. Henry was born at Childress. He married Betty Jean Beasley in 1950 at Raton, N.M. He worked for Phillips Petroleum for 37 years. He was a plant operator at the Tex Booster Plant, south of Texhoma. He moved from Texhoma to Hudson Booster, near Stratford, in 1963.

Survivors include his wife, Betty; a daughter, Patricia Foster of Amarillo; five sons, Farrell Lynn Henry of Dumas, B.F. "Butch" Henry of Miami, Donnie Gene Henry of Friona, Ronnie Joe Henry of Albuquerque, N.M., and Lonnie Dale Henry of Amarillo; a sister, Silvia Henry Hawkins of Rodessa, La.; 10 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to the hospice in Dumas.

RICHARD LEE SMILEY
 VALDOSTA, Ga. - Richard Lee Smiley died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 1996. Graveside memorial services will be at 3 p.m. Thursday in the Morrison Baptist Church Cemetery in Brooks County. Arrangements are under the direction of Carson McLane Funeral Home.

Mr. Smiley was born at Pampa, Texas. He resided in Amarillo, Texas, before moving to Valdosta. Survivors include his parents, James G. and Beth Westberry of Valdosta; a sister, Rachel Reese of Valdosta; and a brother, Jerry D. Smiley of Valdosta.

IRENE WEBB
 MOBEETIE - Irene Webb, 89, died Monday, Jan. 29, 1996, at Amarillo. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Ralph Hovey, of Mobeetie, officiating. Burial will be in the Mobeetie Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mrs. Webb was born Dec. 8, 1906, at Tyrone, Okla. She was a graduate of Ravia High School at Ravia, Okla. She married Charlie Webb on Dec. 31, 1929, at Cheyenne, Okla. She moved from California to Mobeetie in 1927 and from Mobeetie to Gray County following her marriage. She was a member of the First Baptist Church at Mobeetie.

She was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Sam Mixon, in 1974; and a sister, Cynthia Worthington, by only hours, on Jan. 29, 1996. Survivors include two sisters, Naomi Bonds Allen of Pampa and Fannie Joe Gales of Burns Flat, Okla.; two brothers, J.M. Mixon of Happy and Jess Mixon of Mobeetie; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be to the Hospice of the Panhandle, P.O. Box 2795, Pampa TX 79066.

Sheriff's Office

Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incident and arrest in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Jan. 30
 Theft of \$1,120 worth of hay was reported in McLean.

Arrest
TUESDAY, Jan. 30
 Vicki Hathway, 35, 511 Carr, was arrested on violation of probation.

Obituaries

CYNTHIA E. WORTHINGTON
 MOBEETIE - Cynthia E. Worthington, 80, died Monday, Jan. 29, 1996, at a rural residence north of McLean. Services were to be at 2 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church at Mobeetie with the Rev. Dinzel Leonard, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in the Mobeetie Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral Home of Wheeler.

Mrs. Worthington was born April 7, 1915, at Ravia, Okla. She married Frank Worthington in 1938 in Wheeler County; he died in 1975. She lived in Mobeetie and Pampa until the 1970s, moving to Burkburnett. She was employed as a civil service cook with the U.S. Air Force. She was stationed at the Amarillo Air Force Base until its closure and later worked at Sheppard Air Force Base at Wichita Falls, retiring in 1977. She was a member of the First Baptist Church at Mobeetie.

She also was preceded in death by a daughter, Evelyn Wallis, in 1988; and by a brother, Sam Mixon, in 1974.

Survivors include a son, Charles Shockley of Burkburnett; two sisters, Naomi Bonds Allen of Pampa and Fannie Joe Gales of Burns Flat, Okla.; two brothers, J.M. Mixon of Happy and Jess Mixon of Mobeetie; seven grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. The family requests memorials be to the Hospice of the Panhandle, P.O. Box 2795, Pampa TX 79066.

Police report

Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

TUESDAY, Jan. 30
 An abandoned Mazda pickup was reported in the 400 block of North Wynne. The tag was expired and it had three flat tires.

Skinner Motor Co., 228 W. Brown, reported theft of a 13-inch Emerson color television. It occurred between 6:30 p.m. Monday and 8:15 a.m. Tuesday. A rock was thrown through the window.

Domestic violence - injury to the elderly was reported by a 90-year-old man in the 1100 block of East Browning at 9:19 a.m. Tuesday. He suffered a bruise to the right thumb.

Gray County Juvenile Probation Office reported someone harboring a runaway.

A 38-year-old woman reported assault by threat which occurred at Coronado Center between 12:45 and 1 p.m. Tuesday.

Taylor Mart, 400 N. Ballard, reported theft under \$50.

Assault - family violence was reported in the 900 block of South Gray. The victim suffered a laceration to the left thumb at 9:05 p.m. Tuesday.

Ambulance

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

TUESDAY, Jan. 30
 9:44 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to the 2100 block of North Sumner on a medical emergency. One patient was transferred to Coronado Hospital's emergency room.

9:56 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo for a patient transfer to the 1000 block of Gordon in Pampa.

11:26 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to High Plains Baptist Hospital in Amarillo for a patient transfer to a local nursing home in Pampa.

11:36 a.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Coronado Hospital for a patient transfer to the 1200 block of South Hobart.

3:20 p.m. - A mobile ICU unit responded to Coronado Hospital for a patient transfer to a local nursing home.

Fires

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

TUESDAY, Jan. 30
 8:36 p.m. - Two units and four personnel responded to a carbon monoxide investigation at 1500 Williston.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 31
 6:31 a.m. - Two units and three personnel responded to a reported grass fire that was discovered to be a flare from a plant in Carson County.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Atebury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	5.06	Cabot O&G	16	NC
Milo	6.12	Chevron	51 7/8	up 1/8
Corn	6.65	Coca Cola	75 5/8	up 3/8
		Columbia/HCA	56	up 1/4
		Diamond Sham	28 5/8	dn 1/4
		Enron	36 5/8	up 1/8
		Halliburton	50	dn 1/4
		Ingersoll Rand	39 5/8	dn 1/4
		KNF	28 3/8	up 1/8
		Kerr-McGee	63 1/4	up 1/8
		Limited	16 3/8	dn 1/8
		Mapco	55 3/8	dn 1/4
		McDonald's	50	dn 1/4
		Mobile	110 1/4	up 3/8
		New Atmos	21 1/8	NC
		Parker & Parsley	21	dn 1/8
		Penney's	46 3/4	up 5/8
		Phillips	32 3/4	up 1/2
		SLB	69 3/4	dn 7/8
		SPS	33	up 1/8
		Tenneco	51 5/8	up 1/4
		Texasco	80 3/8	up 1/4
		Wal-Mart	20 3/8	up 1/4
		New York Gold	405.00	
		Silver	5.52	
		West Texas Crude	17.56	

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

Noweco	13 1/4	NC
Occidental	21 1/2	NC
Magellan	86.80	
Puritan	17.15	

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

Amoco	69 3/4	dn 1/4
Arco	113 1/4	NC
Cabot	58 1/8	up 1/8

Calendar of events

PANHANDLE AREA LUPUS SUPPORT GROUP
 The Panhandle Area Lupus Support Group will meet from 7-8:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5, in the Community Room at FirstBank Southwest, 201 S. Main, in Perryton. All persons interested in learning more about lupus are invited to attend.
NO VFW DANCE
 There will be no dance, open house or grand opening this Saturday at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, according to spokesman John Tripplehorn.

Snow, sleet, freezing rain expected over most of Texas tonight and Thursday

By The Associated Press

Winter weather will continue across all of Texas except in extreme South Texas tonight and Thursday.

Snow, sleet and freezing rain is expected across West Texas tonight and Thursday. Sleet and freezing rain is forecast in the Hill Country and some occasional freezing drizzle is forecast in North Texas.

And long-range forecasts call for the possibility of snow throughout most of the weekend in North Texas.

A winter storm watch is in effect tonight for all of the Hill Country and for northern portions of South Central Texas and Southeast Texas.

The winter storm watch covers an area along and north of a line from Rocksprings to Bandera to New Braunfels to LaGrange to Conroe to Woodville. It includes the cities of Austin, Kerrville and Bryan-College Station.

Forecasters say the area covered by the winter storm watch can expect freezing rain or freezing drizzle.

An Arctic cold front extended early today along the southwest mountains of West Texas eastward

into Central Texas.

In West Texas, forecasts called for increasing chances of snow, sleet and freezing rain from the Permian Basin into the Panhandle through Thursday.

In North Texas, the cold front produced bitterly cold temperatures and a wind chill factor that produced a -15 reading at Wichita Falls before dawn today.

It will be mostly cloudy and cold tonight in North Texas with some patchy freezing rain possible before dawn Thursday.

In South Texas, the cold front will produce extreme changes in the weather tonight with temperatures expected to drop 20-30 degrees overnight.

Lows tonight will be in the teens in the Panhandle and in the 20s and 30s elsewhere in West Texas, the 20s across North Texas and in the 30s and 40s in South Texas.

Highs Thursday will be in the 20s in the Panhandle and in the 30s and 40s over the rest of West Texas, the 40s in North Texas and in the 30s in the Hill Country and in the 40s elsewhere in South Texas.

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United Way

Individuals and small businesses that donated \$1,000 or more included: Mr. and Mrs. Vic Raymond; Mr. and Mrs. Scott White; Bill Berry; Mr. and Mrs. Bob Echols; Mr. and Mrs. Charles White; Briarwood Church; Four R Industrial; Ed Myatt; Miles O'Loughlin; Mr. and Mrs. Warren Chisum; Duncan, Fraser and Bridges Insurance; Bourland and Leverich; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Levech; Pampa Middle School; Austin Elementary; National Bank of Commerce; Williams Field Service; Carver Center; Lamar Elementary; First

American Bank; and Homeland Stores.

Employees groups donating through Fair Share included Community Day Care Center, Tralee Crisis Center, Texas Plains Girl Scouts, Southside Senior Citizens Center, Genesis House and Pampa Sheltered Workshop. Major contributors included: Hoechst Celanese; IRI International; FirstBank Southwest; Southwestern Public Service; Boatmen's First; Southwestern Bell Telephone; Energas Company; Albertson's; Wal-Mart; Four R Industrial; United Parcel Service; M.K. Brown Foundation; Culberson-Stowers Chevrolet; Gray Pampa

Foundation; Carmichael Whately Funeral Directors; Malcolm Hinkle, Inc.; Titan Specialties; City of Pampa Employees; CDI Stubbs Overbeck; Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Jordan Unit; Crall Products; Pampa High School; Cabot Corporation; Coronado Hospital; Mundy Contract Maintenance; Pampa News; Texaco Inc.; Fatheree Insurance Agency, Inc.; Minco Oil and Gas Co. and Curt and Dr. Wil Beck.

Also recognized for helping to keep the United Way activities before the community during the campaign were Mike Ehrle of KGRO/KOMX and Larry Hollis of The Pampa News.

Thornberry to take part in oil/gas hearing

WASHINGTON, D.C. — U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry will travel to Houston on Friday to take part in a congressional hearing looking into ways to revitalize the nation's oil and gas industry.

"The hearing will be a prime opportunity for Congress to hear first-hand about the problems Texas and the oil and gas industry have faced over the last decade," Thornberry stated. "These problems have not only forced people out of jobs and caused companies to close, but have also diminished our national security by increasing American dependence on foreign oil."

Friday's hearing will be from 1-5 p.m. in Ballroom C of the George R. Brown Convention Center, 1001 Avenida De Las Americas, in Houston.

Thornberry, R-Amarillo, is a member of the House Resources Committee, which is convening the hearing. The only majority member from Texas on the committee, he serves on the Energy and Mineral Resources Subcommittee and the Subcommittee on Water and Power Resources. He is also a member of the Congressional Oil and Gas Forum, a coalition of members of the House from oil and gas producing districts around the country.

According to Thornberry, this will be the first in a series of hearings the Resources Committee will hold to examine the economic and employment effects of a continuing long-term decline in U.S. oil and gas production and the prospects for revitalizing the oil and gas industry.

Accidents

Pampa Police Department reported the following accidents in the 24-hour period which ended at 7 a.m. today.

FRIDAY, Jan. 26
 Unknown time - An unknown red or maroon vehicle was in collision with a legally parked 1995 Ford pickup owned by Johnny Joe Dominguez, 1601 W. Somerville, in an unknown place.

MONDAY, Jan. 29
 8 p.m. - A 1977 Buick driven by Holly M. Middleton, 27, 720 Naida, was in collision with a tree owned by Charles Holloway, 1101 Gwendolen, in the 1100 block of Gwendolen. Middleton was cited for failure to maintain a single lane and for having no seat belt. She was taken to Coronado Hospital by Rural/Metro.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Cloudy tonight with a low in the mid teens and a 30 percent chance of snow. Southeasterly winds 5-15 mph. Thursday, cloudy with a high near 30 and a 60 percent chance of snow mixed with sleet and rain. Southeasterly winds 10-20 mph. Winter storm watch in effect. Tuesday's high was 19; the overnight low was 5.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas - Panhandle (Northwest): Tonight, cloudy with a chance of snow. Lows 10 to 15. Thursday, cloudy with snow likely. Highs 25 to 30. Panhandle (Northeast): Tonight, cloudy with a chance of snow. Lows 10 to 15. Thursday, cloudy with snow likely. Continued cold with highs 20 to 25. Panhandle (South): Tonight, cloudy with a chance of snow. Lows 13 to 20. Thursday, cloudy with snow likely. Snow may mix with sleet or freezing rain at times. Highs 25 to 30. South Plains: Tonight, cloudy. A chance of light freezing rain or sleet. Lows 15-25. Thursday, cloudy. A chance of

light freezing rain or snow north and light freezing rain or light rain south. Highs from near 25 north to near 40 south.

North Texas - Tonight, occasional freezing drizzle. Lows 20 north 28 south. Thursday, cloudy and not as cold. Occasional freezing drizzle in the morning. Chance of rain during the afternoon. Highs 32 north to 43 southeast.

South Texas - Hill Country and South Central: Winter storm watch in effect for northern sections tonight. Thursday, cloudy and continued cold with occasional freezing rain and or drizzle mainly in the morning. Highs in the 40s. Upper Coast: Winter storm watch in effect for northern sections tonight. Tonight, cloudy with a slight chance of light rain or drizzle mixed with freezing rain north. Lows from the 20s north to the 30s south. Thursday, cloudy and cold with a good chance of showers or thunderstorms, mixed with freezing rain Hill Country. Highs from near 50 coast to near 40 north. Coastal Bend and Rio Grande Plains: Tonight, cloudy with a chance of light rain or

drizzle. Lows in the 30s to near 40 inland to 40s coast. Thursday, cloudy with a chance of showers. Highs near 50.

BORDER STATES

New Mexico - Tonight, mostly cloudy. Scattered rain and mountain snow showers central and west. Cold eastern plains with a chance for snow showers northeast, a chance for rain or freezing rain southeast. Lows zero to 25 mountains and eastern plains, 30s to low 40s lower elevations southwest. Thursday, scattered to numerous showers and snow showers central and west with snow level generally above 6500 feet at night and above 7000 feet during the day. A chance for snow showers northeast and rain or snow showers southeast. Highs from upper 20s to 30s eastern counties the 50s to mid 60s southern deserts.

Oklahoma - Tonight, cloudy with a chance of snow. Snow possibly mixed with sleet south. Lows near 5 above north to mid teens south. Thursday, cloudy with snow likely. Snow possibly mixed with sleet central, and mixed with sleet or freezing rain south. Highs teens and 20s.

City briefs

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Wheeler's Heritage Beef Cattle Co. is national champion

SAN ANTONIO — National environmental organizations, government agencies, universities and industry leaders selected Texas cattlemen Joe Weatherly and son Rodney Weatherly of Heritage Beef Cattle Co. at Wheeler as the fifth national Environmental Stewardship Award winners for their outstanding environmental practices.

Honored Saturday during the National Cattlemen's Association's convention and trade show, the Wheeler family was chosen for the environmental improvements it has achieved at its 30,000-head feedlot and surrounding pasture land.

Some of the practices include conserving land and water and converting erodible soil into profitable pasture lands. The Weatherlys were selected from a field of seven regional winners.

"I can't explain how rewarding it is to be recognized for more than 30 years of work," Joe Weatherly said. "At Heritage,

we strive to leave a legacy for future generations. I will be happy knowing that future generations will be able to enjoy an environment rich in land, water and wildlife. This is the kind of inheritance I want to leave for my family.

The award, which is given by the NCA through a partnership with Pfizer Animal Health, honors cattle farmers and ranchers who use innovative methods that protect the environment while making their business more profitable.

"The Dallas Cowboys aren't the only Texans vying for a national championship this week," said NCA President Bob Drake of Davis, Okla., at the conference. "The Weatherlys faced tough competition from six other regional winners to receive this national honor. Through years of hard work, the family is producing 40 times as much beef per acre [1,600 pounds] as they did 30 years ago."

The selection committee includes representatives from the Environmental

Protection Agency, American Farmland Trust, Natural Resources Conservation Service, The Nature Conservancy, Texas Tech University, Southern Utah State University, Texas Agricultural Extension Service and the National Cattlemen's Association.

"The dedication that this family has shown in developing a sustainable operation is remarkable. They transformed scrub into productive rangeland, regenerating and improving a natural resource," said Bob Budd, The Nature Conservancy's Red Canyon Ranch manager. "Their business is a wonderful example of enhancing ecological values and maintaining a profitable ranch."

Conserving water has paid dividends for Heritage. Their gravity-flow water system — which involves water tanks, retention ponds and sprinkler systems — annually saves the business an estimated 111 million gallons of water and nearly \$8,000.

The Weatherlys are also innovative in the management of their feedlot. They treat the feedlot pens with fly-ash, a coal by-product that acts like concrete. The fly-ash not only reduces odors and dust, but also has lowered their maintenance costs by 50 to 75 percent. In addition, they use parasitic wasps to control fly populations, therefore reducing the use of pesticides.

Environmental improvements at Heritage are world renowned. Groups from Mexico, Brazil, Germany, Switzerland, Canada, Japan, Korea, Australia and the United States come to visit the feedlot to see the environmental practices they bought.

"When we bought the land in 1969, I took a chance," Joe Weatherly said. "The soil was pathetic — it wouldn't even grow enough weeds to hold the soil from blowing away. But I had a vision, which was to have a successful cattle operation that would also revitalize the

unproductive land around the feedlot."

The Weatherlys were able to create productive rangeland where there once was barren land, resulting in 40 times as much beef produced per acre than when they arrived in 1969. The family's success can be attributed to several practices, including planting grasses that hold the soil in place, maximizing usage of available water, and recycling manure and water from their feedlot operation.

The Weatherlys were nominated by the Texas Cattle Feeders Association.

NCA is the national spokesman for the beef cattle industry. It represents 230,000 professional cattlemen, including members of 72 affiliated state cattle and national beef breed organizations. NCA manages checkoff-funded information programs on behalf of the beef industry.

On Feb. 1, NCA and the National Live Stock and Meat Board will consolidate operations to form the National

Managed health-care plans hold down health costs

By STEVE SAKSON
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Managed health-care plans are continuing to hold down the soaring costs for health benefits that plagued companies and their employees into the early 1990s, two surveys showed this week.

One survey, by the benefits consultant Foster Higgins, showed total spending for health benefits provided by U.S. employers rose 2.1 percent in 1995 to an average of \$3,821 per worker. The survey covered 2,764 employers with 10 or more workers.

Another survey, by the management consultant Towers Perrin, said health care costs for 120 large employers will increase at an average rate of 3 percent during 1996.

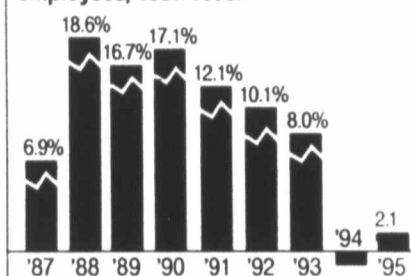
The two surveys found that costs for patients in HMOs were either flat or declining, while traditional insurance continued to rise.

The results weren't quite as good as similar surveys last year, when Foster Higgins showed total health costs dropping 1.1 percent and the Towers Perrin survey showed

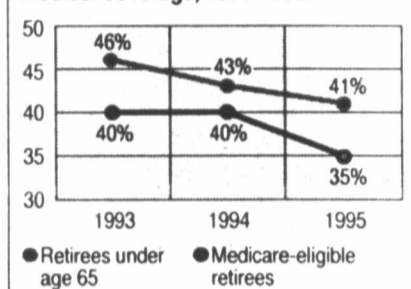
Health care costs

While employers spent more for health benefits in 1995 than in 1994, fewer companies are offering their retirees medical coverage.

Annual change in average total health benefit cost for active and retired employees, 1987-1995:



Decline in employers offering retiree medical coverage, 1993-1995:



Source: Foster Higgins AP

them unchanged. But the sponsors said they were still encouraged, because

the figures were well below the late 1980s and early 1990s when increases between 10 percent and 18 percent were commonplace.

Since then most companies have been pushing their workers out of traditional health insurance and into managed care, which restrains costs by emphasizing preventive medicine and cutting out medical care considered unnecessary.

Managed care forces doctors, hospitals and drug companies to accept lower payments in exchange for a steady supply of patients. This has helped cut the government's medical care inflation rate to 4.1 percent — the lowest rate since 1984.

Managed care covered 71 percent of American workers who had health benefits in 1995, up from 52 percent in 1993, said the Foster Higgins survey.

As the number of managed care organizations operating in each city increases, competition has forced them to curb their annual increases in the premiums they charge employers, said John Erb, a partner with Foster Higgins.

On a regional basis, the

Foster Higgins survey showed the biggest increases in health care costs occurred in the Northeast, a region that has seen strong public resistance to managed care. Costs there rose 8.3 percent to an average of \$4,172.

In the West, where managed care started, costs rose 1 percent to \$3,731. In the South costs fell 0.2 percent to \$3,382. In the Midwest, they increased 0.8 percent to \$4,081.

Managed care isn't the only thing keeping health care costs from rising: Many employers are dropping care they offered retirees to supplement the Medicare benefits paid by the federal government.

In 1993, 40 percent offered care for retirees 65 or older, the Foster Higgins survey showed. By last year that dropped to 35 percent.

As the number of patients in managed care has risen, reports of shoddy or incomplete care have too.

"It is part of the tension and difficulty of the care management system to walk the fine line between eliminating unnecessary care and eliminating necessary care," said Towers Perrin's William Falk.

House Agriculture Committee finally clears farm legislation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Farm legislation is picking up momentum in Congress, with the House Agriculture Committee finally voting to end traditional crop subsidies and most government controls that go with them.

But the chairman of the Senate agriculture panel says farmers still had better look to the market for planting guidance because final legislation still may be a ways off. "Farmers should not wait for the federal programs to determine what they want to do," Sen. Dick Lugar, R-Ind., said Tuesday.

The House and Senate may debate farm measures on Thursday. Both would end traditional subsidies that rise and fall

with crop prices. Instead, farmers would get guaranteed but declining transition payments over seven years.

The measure faces strong opposition from Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D. Senate Republicans and Democrats are working on a compromise.

In the House Agriculture Committee on Tuesday, three Democrats joined united Republicans in supporting the bill.

The 28-17 vote was the first time the legislation had cleared the committee, chaired by Rep. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., who earlier had been stymied by opposition from his own party members.

The package overhauls dairy programs and revises, but does not eliminate, the sugar and peanut programs.

Democrats Collin Peterson of Minnesota, Gary Condit of California and Sanford Bishop Jr. of Georgia supported the measure.

Peterson said his support will win him a role in future talks over the final version. The dairy agreement also was important.

His cooperation led to committee support of his amendment, the only Democratic revision to succeed, that would have let farmers remove environmentally sensitive land on short notice from the Conservation Reserve Program.

The program is popular with hunters and environmentalists because it restores habitat by taking land out of production for 10 to 15 years.

Bishop, who is from a leading peanut district, said the deal guards the peanut program from critics who want to end it. Condit said the package had "more good policy" than bad.

Democrats argued that farmers were getting a hefty payment up front but no safety net after seven years.

"The temptation to take a large check up front and not worry about what is going to happen seven years down the road is a real one," said Rep. Tim Johnson, D-S.D. "I think it's shortsighted."

Gov. Bush says premature to choose local property tax replacement

AUSTIN (AP) — It's too soon to specify just how the state might replace the local property tax for schools, Gov. George W. Bush says. But nearly doubling the state's sales tax is out.

Convinced that Texans are unhappy over rising property

taxes, the Republican governor has called for a tax study before the 1997 Legislature. He already has ruled out a personal income tax.

This week, an informal committee organized by Bush outlined a number of options that

could raise the \$9 billion a year needed to eliminate the local school property taxes.

The Dallas Morning News, citing sources familiar with the study, reported that the options included: imposing a 1 percent tax on gross receipts on business; creating a 2.5 percent value-added tax assessed at each stage of manufacturing; boosting the state sales tax to 12.25 percent; creating a 13.5 percent flat tax on all Texas business profits; or increasing the business franchise tax to 5 1/2 times its current amount.

Asked about the study, Bush said Tuesday that, "I don't want to speculate right now."

However, he added, boosting the sales tax to 12.25 percent "is not a feasible option. ... Obviously, we need to look at a combination." If the state sales tax were raised that high, it would hit 14.25 percent in some cities where local sales levies are added.

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Opinion

'I' in FBI stands for 'intimidation'

One of the cornerstones of a free society is a responsible, impartial police force. In recent years, the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been criticized for becoming too zealous and politicized.

In particular, the FBI was in charge of the standoff at Waco three years ago, lobbing in tear gas and sending in tanks against the Branch Davidian religious group, resulting in the deaths of 80 people, including 20 children. It also was responsible for the 1992 killing at Ruby Ridge, Idaho, of the wife of Randy Weaver, shot by an FBI sniper as she held her baby in her arms. In 1993, the FBI also acted as enforcers for the Clinton administration in the unjustified firing of seven members of the White House Travel Office. Congress now is investigating the firings.

In hearings before the Senate Judiciary Committee last Oct. 19, FBI Director Louis Freeh admitted bureau wrongdoing and promised reforms to ensure more responsible activities. He called Ruby Ridge an "exaggerated application of federal law enforcement." For the FBI, Ruby Ridge was a series of terribly flawed law enforcement operations with tragic consequences.

Unfortunately, a disturbing report from Arizona indicates that the same old patterns of abuse could be continuing. Last year, a person or group derailed the Sunset Limited Amtrak train in Arizona, killing one passenger and leaving behind a letter signed "Sons of the Gestapo."

Since then, according to *The Arizona Republic*, the FBI has been using questionable tactics to harass many residents, sending in 150 agents and engaging in vicious interrogation techniques: "The local outrage initially directed at the train wreckers now has turned on the FBI. Residents say they understand that agents have an important job, but they accuse the feds of lies, intimidation, and harassment..."

Agents have questioned hundreds of people in the farm communities of Palo Verde, Arlington, Hyder and Tonopah. Homes have been searched. At least a half-dozen men have taken polygraphs.

Resident Paul Massengale complained: "You know that white stuff in a chicken house? That's how they treated me... I'll never have faith in the justice system again in my life... It's brain rape."

Snapped FBI spokesman Jack Callahan: "That's what the 'I' is for in FBI - it's intimidation."

It's also for intimidation. Certainly, government should investigate the derailment. But after the ashes of Waco and Ruby Ridge, and Mr. Freeh's mea culpa before the Senate, the FBI will had better be more respectful of citizens' rights.

The FBI is right about one thing, though: The Arlington citizens could have simply refused to cooperate. No one forced them to talk or take the polygraphs. In addition to making the FBI more responsible, America needs more citizens who, when government begins intruding on their lives and liberties, reply: "No."

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Viewpoints

Slime at 'The New Republic'

For years, liberals in the media have condemned "personal attacks" on President Bill Clinton. Jennifer Flowers, draft-dodging, Troopergate and other stories have been denounced as the low, cheap, shoddy efforts of malicious reporters with right-wing agendas. When those articles appear in conservative publications like *The American Spectator*, the mainstream media's wrath is boundless.

The Jan. 22 issue of *The New Republic* has been out for more than a week, and to my knowledge, no one has publicly criticized its cover article "Daddy's Boy," Charles Lane's profile of Pat Buchanan. Lane isn't interested in a discussion of Buchanan's politics. Rather, he has a more important story to tell. He has uncovered Buchanan's deep secret. Child abuse.

In the interest of full disclosure, I note that I served as finance chairman for Buchanan's 1992 presidential campaign. I count Pat as a friend. But that really doesn't color anything. The gaping flaws in Lane's story should be obvious to anyone with a sense of fairness and honesty, regardless of political persuasion.

For starters, Lane can't get the simplest of facts right. He writes that after Buchanan's strong showing in the '92 New Hampshire primary, his campaign "got bogged down in inective about gay rights and 'culture war.'" In truth, Buchanan was flattened by George Bush's huge war chest and other incumbency advantages. It wasn't until several months later, at the party convention in Houston - after Buchanan had dropped out of the race - that he emphasized those socio-cultural issues. (And his positions on those issues were not, in actuality, extreme, but one myth at a time.)

Then, there's Lane's screwy take on Buchanan the media personality.

"Buchanan," declares Lane, "found his way to a profession where distortion of reality can often



L. Brent Bozell

take place under the guise of objectivity ... (He) became a journalist."

But Buchanan's career was as a conservative advocate, first as an editorial writer and then as a political columnist and television pundit. Lane is entitled to disagree with Buchanan's opinions, but he has no right to suggest they are "distortions of reality" by a journalist purporting to be objective when Buchanan was nothing of the sort.

And how did Buchanan distort reality? Lane gives an example: In a St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* editorial critical of the Supreme Court decision banning prayer in public schools, the headline read, "Outlawing God From the Schools." Stop the presses!

Lane also states that when Buchanan was at the *Globe-Democrat*, "the editorial 'we' ... shielded him from personal accountability." So? Hundreds of newspapers and magazines routinely publish unsigned editorials. One of those magazines is *The New Republic*. Lane opines that the popularity of "Crossfire" and "The McLaughlin Group" has been attributable largely to Buchanan's "authoritarian mania." Much of the context of the discussion of politics on television today - its binary axis, its reduction to sloganeering, its preference for extremism and anger - can be traced to the impact of Buchanan's own personality.

This analysis is so absurd that it makes me won-

der if Lane even owns a TV set. On both of these shows, Buchanan's modus operandi was always to allow others to yell themselves into exhaustion and then calmly discombobulate the opposition. Political talk shows are increasingly loud and polarized not because of Buchanan but because politics itself is increasingly loud and polarized, period.

In his next paragraph, Lane asserts that "if anyone took offense, (Buchanan) would summon his now-practiced charm and insist that it had all been a joke." Come again? Like them or not, no one states his beliefs more forthrightly than Buchanan or is less likely to apologize for them.

There's lots more (reheated insinuations that Buchanan is anti-Semitic, for example), but I have to deal with the most offensive aspect of the article: the overarching theme that Buchanan became an intolerant ideologue because his "violent and unreasoning" father beat him. To buttress this bombshell, Lane quotes freely from Buchanan's 1988 memoir, *Right from the Beginning*, and then brings in a bizarre sociological study "showing" that most bigots suffered under authoritarian parents.

It tells you something that virtually the only source for Lane's "evidence" is Buchanan's autobiography. Yet, as any reader of *Right from the Beginning* knows, this is no "Mommie Dearest." It recounts a fascinating childhood in a loving household with - gulp - a strict father. And there is no question that Buchanan adored his father.

Lane spent endless hours reading, researching and quoting Pat Buchanan's writings. Conveniently, he ignored what I believe is the most moving piece Pat has ever written. In the eulogy for his father, Buchanan declared, "Pop leaves an immense void ... (He) was, quite simply, the best man I ever knew." Pop's memory, and his son's reputation, will survive the assaults from little men like Charles Lane.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Jan. 31, the 31st day of 1996. There are 335 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 31, 1958, the United States entered the Space Age with its first successful launch of a satellite into orbit, Explorer 1.

On this date:
In 1606, Guy Fawkes, convicted for his part in the Gunpowder Plot against the English Parliament and King James I, was executed.

In 1797, composer Franz Schubert was born in Vienna, Austria.

In 1865, General Robert E. Lee was

named General-in-Chief of all the Confederate armies.

In 1917, Germany served notice that it was beginning a policy of unrestricted submarine warfare.

In 1944, during World War II, U.S. forces began invading Kwajalein Atoll and other parts of the Japanese-held Marshall Islands.

In 1945, during World War II, Private Eddie Slovik became the only American soldier since the Civil War to be executed for desertion. He was shot by an American firing squad in France.

In 1949, the first TV daytime soap opera, "These Are My Children," was broadcast from the NBC station in Chicago.

In 1950, President Truman announced he had ordered development of the hydrogen bomb.

In 1971, astronauts Alan B. Shepard Jr., Edgar D. Mitchell and Stuart A. Roosa blasted off aboard Apollo 14, the first U.S. moon flight since the ill-fated mission of Apollo 13.

In 1990, McDonald's Corp. opened its first fast-food restaurant in Moscow.

Ten years ago, President Reagan eulogized the seven crew members of the space shuttle Challenger during a memorial service at the Johnson Space Center in Houston, telling the astronauts' families that "the sacrifice of your loved ones has

stirred the soul of our nation."

Five years ago, Army Spc. Melissa Rathbun-Nealy and Army Spc. David Lockett were captured by Iraqi forces near the Kuwait-Saudi border; both were eventually released. Allied forces claimed victory against Iraqi attackers at Khafji, Saudi Arabia.

One year ago, President Clinton scrapped a \$40 billion rescue plan for Mexico, announcing instead that he would act unilaterally to provide Mexico with \$20 billion from a fund normally used to defend the U.S. dollar. Legendary Broadway producer-director George Abbott died in Miami Beach, Fla., at age 107.

Memorial to victims of communism

A columnist necessarily spends a lot of time complaining about this and that, so it is a positive relief to turn, for a change, to a subject that deserves nothing but praise.

Washington, D.C., is a beautiful city of noble buildings, handsome avenues and broad vistas, and as the nation's capital, it has increasingly become a sort of theme park for the history and significance of the United States. Here are the soaring memorials to our very greatest presidents: Washington, Jefferson and Lincoln. Just across the Potomac River, in Arlington, lie most of the distinguished dead from our wars, including an Unknown Soldier from each. All over town there are memorials of various types to all sorts of individuals, events and causes - one of the most recent, and most moving, being the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

As the United States has become the central player on the world stage, the memorials have taken on not merely a national but an international flavor. Thus, for example, the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum is dedicated to remembering Nazi Germany's campaign of genocide against the Jewish people, even though that occurred in Europe.

So it is altogether appropriate that the first steps have been taken to create, in Washington, a Victims of Communism Memorial Museum, to remember the more than 100 million victims of Communism around the world.

The Victims of Communism Memorial Foundation is strictly bipartisan, its creation having been supported by leading members of both parties in Congress and signed into law by



William Rusher

President Clinton in December 1993. It is also internationally endorsed, having on its International Council such well-known figures as Andrei Sakharov's widow, Yelena Bonner, former Soviet dissident Vladimir K. Bukovsky, and the presidents of half a dozen Eastern European countries. The chairman of the foundation is former Ambassador Lev Dobriansky; its president is Dr. Lee Edwards.

As with the Holocaust Memorial Museum (for which \$160 million was raised from private contributions), no public funds will be involved in the creation of the VOC Memorial Museum. The only governmental contribution was a grant of land.

The plan is to redesign and largely reconstruct the Old Tariff Building, at Seventh and Eighth Streets between E and F.N.W., near the Mall (and directly across from the National Air and Space Museum, which draws 8.5 million visitors annually).

Among the features of the VOC Museum will be:

A Roll Call of Victims, displaying the names and faces of victims of Communism (and where possible their personal testimonials) on video screens and through electronic databases.

A Hall of Infamy, containing real and reproduced artifacts of Communism's inhumanity to man: a section of the Berlin Wall, a recreation of a Gulag barracks, a "room" at the Hanoi Hilton, an assembly-line from one of China's forced-labor camps, etc.

A Hall of Heroes, containing statues and memorabilia of such leading anti-Communists as President Ronald Reagan, Pope John Paul II, Andrei Sakharov, Alexander Solzhenitsyn, Vaclav Havel and Lech Walesa.

A research library, an auditorium and much else.

The sponsors estimate that the whole project can be funded by just \$100 million in private tax-deductible contributions (one dollar for each of the 100 million people wantonly murdered by Communist dictators since the Bolshevik Revolution in 1917). Their goal is to raise this sum in time to open the Museum in less than five years: in December 2000.

It is hard to imagine a worthier project than this one. Here would be set forth, in original documents and gripping films, the long, bloody history of this murderous creed: the deliberately induced famine in Ukraine in the early 1930s, the Cambodian genocide directed by Pol Pot in the 1970s, the death-dealing "labor camps" in China today and so on.

Remember this project in your prayers.

An address both good and original ...

The president's State of the Union speech was both good and original - but that which was original was not good, and that which was good was not original.

In a truly shameless display of political larceny, President Bill Clinton attempted to appropriate Republican themes. After years of opposing every Republican effort to move the nation toward fiscal integrity, family stability and moral resurgence, the president now stands before the nation claiming to have discovered that our greatest "challenges" involve reviving the family, supporting religious institutions and baffling the sleaze that emanates from Hollywood.

We have grown used to Clinton rewriting his personal history - he did/did not receive a draft notice, he did/did not smoke marijuana - but he is now engaged in rewriting American history as well. During the 1992 campaign, Messrs. Clinton and Gore endlessly repeated the claim that we were then suffering "the worst economy since the Great Depression." The claim seemed odd at the time since many of us could clearly recall the stagflation of the 1970s. But now, the president comes before the nation to announce that today, we are enjoying the "healthiest" economy in "three decades."

Really? The job-creation numbers of the past three years do not match those of President Ronald Reagan's second term. Nor do the growth-rate numbers. Yes, the economy has been in recovery during the Clinton years, but such was also the case during the final quarter of President George Bush's last year in office.

If Clinton's assertions are to be believed, we've just lived through a period of extraordinary eco-



Mona Charen

nomical transformation, going from the second worst economic state in the 20th century to the best in 30 years. Funny, it only seemed like modest economic growth to me.

What was original in the president's speech? The call for more government. The very man who just rang out the era of big government went on to propose several new federal government programs, including an "educational technology initiative" to put computers in every classroom by the year 2000, a program to give \$1,000 scholarships to the top 5% of high school graduates and a voucher plan for unemployed or (please note) underemployed workers to get job training like the president's "Vaccines for Children" program (now widely acknowledged to be a failure), all of the above are unnecessary and ill-conceived.

What was good in the president's speech? All of the ideas he cadged from the Republicans. But here, he may have wandered into a briar patch.

Many Republicans were sulky and worded following the president's well received address and

Sen. Bob Dole's less-than-inspiring response. Not Sen. Paul Coverdell (R-Ga.). He advises Republicans not to fret about the initially positive reaction to the speech because it is so at odds with his conduct that it virtually cries out for a comparison of words and deeds.

"Sweeping" welfare reform? Clinton campaigned to "end welfare as we know it" and then declined, during the two years he enjoyed a Democratic Congress, to introduce any reform at all. Indeed, his first budget included massive increases in all existing welfare programs. Last year, the president vetoed a bipartisan welfare-reform proposal that got 87 votes in the Senate.

A balanced budget? Coverdell reminds audiences that Clinton campaigned on a promise to balance the budget in five years. He next promised to submit a balanced budget by last February but instead submitted one that would entail \$200 billion deficits each year and was defeated in the Senate by 99 to 0. He then ensured defeat of the balanced-budget amendment by securing agreement from Sen. Tom Daschle (D-S.D.), among others, to switch their votes. And, most recently, he promised Newt Gingrich and Bob Dole that he would submit a seven-year balanced budget scored by the Congressional Budget Office by the end of 1995 and then did not do so. "Do you begin to get the drift here?" asks Coverdell.

Bill Clinton has always had a talent for spinning words faster than listeners can parse them. But he is running for reelection in 1996, and his record will be his dogged companion. He may find that the words that flow so freely will, for once, trip him up.

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FOLLOWING THE BOOK TOUR

Menus
Feb. 1-2

PAMPA HIGH SCHOOL
THURSDAY
Breakfast: Biscuits, honey, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Steak fingers, whipped potatoes, spinach, pears, hot roll, choice of milk.
FRIDAY
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, fruit or juice, choice of milk.
Lunch: Cheeseburger, burger salad, french fries, pickle slices, chocolate cake, choice of milk.

Pampa Middle School Honor Roll

Pampa Middle School recently announced its honor roll for the third six weeks grading period of the 1995-96 school year.

Sixth grade
A Honor Roll

Olivia Anderson, Marcie Bennett, Cory Bigham, Stephen Broadbent, Jonathan Brooks, Stacie Carter, Stephanie Clark, Lindsey Coutts, Cali Covalt, Charles Craig, Schuyler Davis, Ashley Derrington, Patrick Dunigan and Rebecca Fatheree.

Samantha Ford, Kyle Francis, Sarah Fraser, Michelle Gomez, Tyler Hudson, Rocky Ivey, Justin Juan, Karen Kirkwood, John Knipp, Michelle Kogler, Michelle Lee, Collin Lewis, Mary Martinez, Jessica Montgomery and Randa Morris.

Misti Northcutt, Priti Patel, Janelle Powers, Amy Robbins, Sara Scott, Shelly Sims, Taylor Stellman, Kelley Stowers, Bradley Stucker, Justin Waggoner, William Warren, Morgan White, Aaron Willis, Angela Wood and Jarrett Woodington.

A-B Honor Roll

Dirk Archer, Jessica Baggett, Chandler Bowers, Ryan Bradley, Erik Brown, Michelle Brown, Jessica Burns, Ashley Cain, Nathanael Carpenter, Amanda Carter, Kimberly Conner, Richard Conner, Casey Crain, Matthew Crow, Christopher Dallas, Clayton David, Chesney Driggs, Tanner Dyer and Leslie Earl.

Greg Easley, Ty Elledge, Jarred Etheredge, Ashley Everson, Michael Frels, Andrea Gallagher, Charity Godwin, William Griffen, Ashley Hathcoat, Clifford Henthorn, Daniel Heuston, Nathanael Hill, Desiree Hillman, Samantha Jasso, Nicholas Jennings and Dustin Johnson.

Sabrina Johnson, Jared Jones, Ashley Jordan, Aaron Keller, Erik Keller, Brittany

Kindle, Corey Kindle, Ashley Kiper, Brian Klein, Larry Lawley, Heather Lawrence, Heather Lee, Kyle Leger, Michael Leland, Justin Lemons, Christopher Lewis, Jennifer Lindsey, Cortney Locknane, Tiffany Lucas and Matthew McComas.

Evan Miller, Edson Miranda, Courtney Moreland, Lindsey Narron, Abbey Parker, Heather Parry, Daniel Passini, David Philips, Kandra Poole, Cody Reeves, Courtney Ritchey, Justin Schwartz, Bradley Scott and Robert Sims.

Adam Slater, Shellie Snapp, Charis Snider, Cliff Spencer, Kristen Stowers, Ashley Stucki, Jeffery Sweeney, Sarah Teague, Christopher Tice, Callie Veal, Madalena Velasquez, Desiree Vigil, Leslie Ward, Shasta Welch and Christopher White.

Seventh grade
A Honor Roll

Chris Alexander, Gerald Banner, Gabriel Brack, Shanna Buck, Ryan Chambers, Kira Chumbley, Michael Cornelison, Carrie Coutts, Christopher Crow, Dori Edens, Destiny Engel, Robert Fernuik, Anita Hacker, Consuelo Hacker, Cassie Hamilton, Rebecca Jantzen, Ashley Knipp and Jared Kochick.

Lindsay Langford, Deana Leshner, Callie McGrady, Jessica Morrison, Amy Newhouse, Brandy Odom, Kandy Odom, Ashleigh Patton, Amanda Rains, John Schlewitz, Ryan Sells, Chris Shaffer, Aimee Stephenson, Celeste Stowers, Amanda West and Meredith Young.

A-B Honor Roll

Daniel Abernathy, Jarod Allen, Davey Anderson, Crystal Angel, Lane Baker, Lorena Baker, Heath Bentley, Ryan Black, Stephanie Blankenship, Tiffany Boyd, Colby Brazile, Victor Brooks, Casey Brookshire, April Brown, Ashleigh Burns, Lance Burton, Beatriz Cabrales and Stefanie Caldwell.

Eric Chavez, Jamie Clay, Jessica Cortez, Juan Cortez, Megan Coutts, Joshua Crawford, Shaun Davis, Lance Defever, Miranda Dyer, Nicholas Dyer, Montana Farnum, Jeremy Fondren, Cory Fowler, Scott Garza, Crystal Gatlin, Kirk George, Derek Gourley, Andrew Grabato, Kimberly Grice, Jason Griffith and Colby Hale.

Jessica Hall, Lindsey Hampton, Jeremy Harper, Joshua Harrison, Timothy Hucks, Patrick Hutchison, Christopher Jordan, Travis Lancaster, Melissa Lancaster, Daisy Leal, Ashlie Lee, Terance Lemons, Travis Lester, Chelsea McCullough, Mary McEwen, Cassie Meadows, April Mobbs and Maria Moreno.

Catherine Morse, Christyn Moutray, Charity Nachtigall, Chasity Nachtigall, Lizette Navarrete, Sean O'Neal, Crystal Packard, Yuridia Papi, Amanda Poole, Kimberly Porter, Vanessa Portillo, Jason Powell, Jennifer Reed, Elizabeth Ringering, Kevin Schaub, Bonnie Schiffman, Darrel Schroeder and Cory Schumacher.

Brian Sealman, April Shorter, Barry Sims, Lori Stephens, Jimmy Story, Shane Story, Craig Stout, Trevor Stowers, Shawn Strate, Jennifer Valingo, William Wade, Joanna Wheeler, Jessica Williams, Shane Williams, Vicki Williams, Starla Wiloughby, Jacob Woodruff, Adam Wright and Katherine Zemanek.

Eighth grade
A Honor Roll

Gary Anderson, Justin Barnes, Allison Baxter, Jennifer Booth, Tiffany Bruce, Jeremy Buck, Beth Buzzard, Brent Coffee, Lindsay Cree, Jonathan Dancel, Amber Doyle, Daniel Dreher, Mary Fields, Bradley Gardner, Hayle Garrison, Jason Hall, Kelly Henderson, Dillon Hill, Samantha Hurst and Angela Klein.

Jason Kogler, Jacob Lewis, Michalla Mechler, Tandi Morton, Rebecca Nolte,

Kevin Osborn, Casey Owens, Tracey Phillips, Phillip Reed, Cassi Scott, Kaleb Snelgrooves, Christopher Stellman, Kristen Stephens, Sean Stowers, Kerry Turner, Stephen Vanderpool, Windy Wagner, Rebekah Warner and Wesley Warren.

A-B Honor Roll

Cortnie Allison, Celestina Arreola, Douglas Belleau, Laurel Berzanskis, Jessica Bishop, Jonathan Bolz, Russell Brown, Amanda Calcote, Lee Carmichael, Candace Cathey, Aaron Cochran, Jessica Conner, Kimberly Cory, Michael Crawford, Emily Curtis and Tyson Curtis. Karrah Diaz, Lindsey Earl, Joshua Ellis, Juan Estrada, Jill Forman, Jesse Forman, Schuyler Fulton, Dorothy Gaddis, Mathew Gomez, Jeremy Goode, Kristin Gragg, Jeremy Hall, Lynnsee Hancock, Marci Hansen, Nicholas Harvill, Matthew Heasley, Terra Hembree and Ashley Higgs.

Deborah Hilton, Michael Hinds, Richard Ivey, Tabetha Johnston, Timothy Jones, Melea Jouett, Chris Ketchum, Amanda Kilcrease, Carey Knutson, Courtney Lang, Ashley Laycock, Christopher Leatherman, Rachel Ledford, Bethanie Lee, Greg Lindsey, Tomas Lozano, Kyle McCullough and Lacey McGuire.

Leticia Medina, April Melanson, Lindsey Mitchell, Danette Navarrete, Jeremy Nicholas, Shannon Oxley, Patrick Parsons, Lacy Plunk, Brooke Pope, Matthew Rains, Anna Resendiz, Lidia Resendiz, Russell Robben, Erika Roberts, Amber Rogers, Kris Rogers, Cassandra Russell and Federico Sanchez.

Cody Shepard, Jon Shepard, Phillip Smith, Berenice Solis, Alexandria Soria, Blake Stewart, Lindsay Tidwell, Justin Trollinger, Jaclyn Turner, Sherrie Turner, Kristi Walling, Bobby Walton, Emily Waters, David Weller and Amanda White.

Greece, Turkey withdraw forces

ATHENS, Greece (AP) — Greece and Turkey backed off today from a military showdown in the Aegean Sea after the United States brokered a resolution to a territorial dispute between the two historic enemies.

The issue appeared to be far from over, with officials in both countries saying they still considered an uninhabited 10-acre islet their national territory.

After days of moving troops and ships into the area, both Turkish and Greek forces withdrew this morning from the cluster of rocks a few miles off Turkey's coast.

The breakthrough came after President Clinton spoke to Premier Constantine Simitis of Greece and Prime Minister Tansu Ciller of Turkey. Assistant U.S. Secretary of State Richard Holbrooke, who brokered an end to the Bosnian war, negotiated terms of the withdrawal in a flurry of phone calls.

"The United States intervened so as to avoid a hot incident," Greek Foreign Minister Theodoros Pangalos told reporters after an all-night Cabinet meeting.

While the intervention defused the immediate danger, the conflicting claims remained.

"Turkey failed in its effort to force Greece to negotiate the legal status of the islets. The islet of Imia is and will remain Greek," Simitis told Parliament.

Turkey, which calls the rock cluster Kardak, insisted the islet in the Dodecanese chain was Turkish.

"But we tell Greece that we are ready for negotiations," Turkey's Foreign Ministry spokesman, Omer Akbel, said. "Let them come to the table and we will negotiate."

Officials in Athens have rejected calls for dialogue over the Aegean standoff, saying the rocks are Greek under a 1947 convention in which Italy ceded the Dodecanese islands to Greece.

Boys Ranch now accepting applications

Cal Farley's Boys Ranch will soon welcome dozens of new arrivals now that requests to help children in need are being accepted on a larger scale.

Since July of last year, available space for boys and girls at Boys Ranch was constrained as efforts to stabilize and enhance the house parenting staff were undertaken. Today, 20 youth residences are operating with two full-time, qualified house parent couples in nearly every home.

Previously, some alternate house parents were "dual-tasked" staff members who had other primary jobs. During this period of improving the quality and numbers of house parents, youth admission to Boys Ranch slowed considerably.

The Boys Ranch admissions department is now prepared to accept applications from parents or guardians of children in need of guidance, discipline and social development. According to Admissions Director Forrest Baldwin, the Ranch considers

youth who are of average intelligence and capabilities but may not be functioning academically, socially or behaviorally in their present environment.

"The youth we can accept may have a variety of problems but have not been involved in violent or severe anti-social acts. Generally these young people have to be capable of functioning in a structured family and school environment," Baldwin said.

Presently, 295 boys and girls live at the Ranch and, with about 40 seniors expected to graduate in May, offsetting their projected departures will provide opportunities for other deserving youth. The recruitment of additional house parents continues with the objective of staffing and reopening five homes this year.

Applications to place boys and girls at the Ranch's affiliate campuses will also be accepted. Between now and May, Cal Farley's Family Program, which cares for children of pre-school through sixth grade ages, expects

to accept seven youngsters. The Girlstown, U.S.A. campus at Whiteface hopes to accept about 10 girls, primarily teenagers.

Additional youth will be accepted in the coming year as capacities improve at Boys Ranch, Girlstown and the Family Program.

"We emphasize that we're not just accepting a bunch of young people to increase our numbers," Baldwin said. "While insuring the quality of care is high, we're now able to open our doors a little wider than we could last summer and fall."

At all Ranch campuses, youth are accepted without fees to parents or government agencies. Additional information and applications are available by writing Cal Farley's Boys Ranch and Girlstown, Admissions Department, P.O. Box 1890, Amarillo, Texas 79174.

Telephone inquiries are accepted at 1-806-372-2341 or 1-800-657-7124 for those outside of Amarillo.

Teen gets probation for killing man who sexually abused him

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A teenager described as suffering from battered child syndrome has been given probation after being convicted of killing a man he said had been sexually abusing him for about two years.

Mike Harwood, 17, was accused of shooting 26-year-old John Burwell 12 times under the chin with a .22-caliber rifle.

Jurors Tuesday convicted Harwood, who was 16 at the time of the shooting, on the lesser offense of voluntary manslaughter.

He had been charged with murder and could have faced up to 99 years in prison.

District Judge Susan Reed set punishment at 10 years probation and a \$10,000 fine.

Defense lawyer John Rowland called Burwell a "predatory pedophile" who used alcohol to intoxicate his victims into submission.

Dr. Michael Arambula, a forensic psychologist, testified that Burwell was an evil, cunning and sadistic predator.

Rowland said Harwood suffered from battered child syndrome, similar to the battered wife syndrome, in which a child receives abuse from someone he trusts and loves and becomes passive about it.

Those who were abusing Harwood over the years, including Burwell, were people he considered friends and family, Rowland said.

Harwood told police he shot Burwell while Burwell was trying to sexually assault him in rural Bexar County.



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Surprise weekend at the box office, business was booming

By JEFF WILSON
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) - The story of an inspirational music teacher, *Mr. Holland's Opus*, was No. 1 at the box office, earning \$8.3 million during a surprisingly busy Super Bowl weekend at the movies.

"There's really no explanation. It's strange. *Opus* is doing much better than expected," said John Krier, president of Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc., which tracks box office performance.

The \$63.3 million overall box office take was 20 percent higher than last year's \$52.5 million during the National Football League championship weekend.

Bed of Roses, a romance starring Christian Slater and Mary Stuart Masterson, debuted in second place with \$6.1 million. *From Dusk Till Dawn*, the vampire thriller starring Harvey Keitel and Quentin Tarantino, was third with \$4.9 million.

The only other film to debut in the top 10 was the sci-fi thriller *Screamers*, which earned \$2.9 million for ninth place.

The top 20 movies at U.S. and Canadian theaters Friday through Sunday, followed by studio, gross, number of theater locations, receipts per location, total gross and number of weeks in release, as compiled by Exhibitor Relations on Monday:

1. *Mr. Holland's Opus*, Disney, \$8.3 million, 1,619 locations, \$5,125 per location, \$20.3 million, two weeks (wide release).
2. *Bed of Roses*, New Line, \$6.1 million, 1,545 locations, \$3,960 per location, \$6.1 million, one week.
3. *From Dusk Till Dawn*, Miramax, \$4.9 million, 2,007

BOX OFFICE	
Top weekend movies	
Weekend of January 26-28, 1996	
All dollar figures in millions	
Gross to date, weeks in release, number of screens	Weekend gross
1. <i>Mr. Holland's Opus</i> \$20.3, two weeks, 1,619 screens	\$8.3
2. <i>Bed of Roses</i> \$6.1, one week, 1,545 screens	\$6.1
3. <i>From Dusk Till Dawn</i> \$4.9, one week, 2,007 screens	\$4.9
4. <i>12 Monkeys</i> \$4.5, five weeks, 1,629 screens	\$3.9
5. <i>Eye for an Eye</i> \$3.5, one week, 1,680 screens	\$3.5
6. <i>Jumanji</i> \$3.1, seven weeks, 1,771 screens	\$3.1
7. <i>Grumpier Old Men</i> \$2.9, six weeks, 1,802 screens	\$2.98
8. <i>Sense and Sensibility</i> \$2.9, seven weeks, 608 screens	\$2.91
9. <i>Screamers</i> \$2.9, one week, 1,560 screens	\$2.9
10. <i>Toy Story</i> \$177.4, 10 weeks, 1,401 screens	\$2.4

Source: Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. AP

locations, \$2,417 per location, \$18.1 million, two weeks.

4. *12 Monkeys*, Universal, \$3.9 million, 1,629 locations, \$2,420 per location, \$4.5 million, five weeks.

5. *Eye for an Eye*, Paramount, \$3.5 million, 1,680 locations, \$2,088 per location, \$19.6 million, three weeks.

6. *Jumanji*, TriStar, \$3.1 million, 1,771 locations, \$1,762 per location, \$86 million, seven weeks.

7. *Grumpier Old Men*, Warner Bros., \$2.98 million, 1,802 locations, \$1,654 per location, \$62.5 million, six weeks.

8. *Sense and Sensibility*, Columbia, \$2.91 million, 608

locations, \$4,782 per location, \$17.9 million, seven weeks.

9. *Screamers*, Sony-Triumph, \$2.9 million, 1,560 locations, \$1,862 per location, \$2.9 million, one week.

10. *Toy Story*, Disney, \$2.4 million, 1,401 locations, \$1,698 per location, \$177.4 million, 10 weeks.

11. *Dead Man Walking*, Gramercy, \$2.3 million, 374 locations, \$6,042 per location, \$5.6 million, five weeks.

12. *Heat*, Warner Bros., \$1.9 million, 1,276 locations, \$1,499 per location, \$61.4 million, seven weeks.

13. *Don't Be a Menace to South Central While Drinking Your Juice in the Hood*, Miramax, \$1.8 million, 1,010 locations, \$1,822 per location, \$16.6 million, three weeks.

14. *Waiting to Exhale*, Fox, \$1.78 million, 1,378 locations, \$1,294 per location, \$60.7 million, six weeks.

15. *Leaving Las Vegas*, MGM, \$1.74 million, 314 locations, \$5,545 per location, \$9.2 million, 14 weeks.

16. *Sabrina*, Paramount, \$1.6 million, 936 locations, \$1,762 per location, \$48.7 million, seven weeks.

17. *Father of the Bride Part II*, Disney, \$1.36 million, 1,272 locations, \$1,071 per location, \$72.1 million, eight weeks.

18. *Bio-Dome*, MGM, \$1.35 million, 1,378 locations, \$977 per location, \$11.4 million, three weeks.

19. *Big Bully*, Warner Bros., \$1.1 million, 1,143 locations, \$990 per location, \$1.1 million, one week.

20. *Seven*, New Line, \$1 million, 921 locations, \$1,094 per location, \$91.9 million, 17 weeks.

World briefs

USS Fort McHenry visits Shanghai

SHANGHAI, China (AP) - With a military band playing on its deck, the USS Fort McHenry sailed into the port of China's largest industrial city today for a friendly port call.

The last time a U.S. navy ship made a visit to Shanghai was in 1989, one day before Premier Li Peng declared martial law in Beijing because of pro-democracy demonstrations.

U.S.-China military relations were cut off after the Chinese army killed hundreds of demonstrators in Beijing on June 4, 1989. High-level talks resumed in 1993, and military relations between the two countries returned to normal.

The 340 sailors and Marines on board the 609-foot dock-landing ship will have until Sunday to see the sights and relax in Shanghai.

Scientists catch rare giant squid off New Zealand

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) - It is one of the world's most elusive creatures. Scientists trolling 1,400 feet under the ocean have caught a rare giant squid - 26 feet long and weighing nearly a ton - in waters east of New Zealand.

Marine scientist Steve O'Shea, of New Zealand's National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research, said today that the female squid is one of only 20 known to have been caught anywhere in the world during the past decade.

It has tentacles that stretch 13 feet, a 7-foot-long body and a head nearly 6 feet long.

O'Shea said a research ship netted the squid near the Chatham Islands, 600 miles east of New Zealand, on Dec. 31.

Scientists on board put the squid in the ship's freezer where it remained until the vessel returned to Wellington this week.

O'Shea said the United States-based National Geographic Society will use a submersible later this year to find and photograph giant squids in their natural ocean habitat.

Wyden says his victory is a 'wake-up call' for Congress

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) - In an election billed as an early barometer for the national political season, Rep. Ron Wyden won a close race to become Oregon's first Democratic U.S. senator in nearly 30 years, replacing Bob Packwood.

Wyden, who survived a dismal performance on a pop quiz and attacks labeling him a tax-and-spend liberal, says his victory in Tuesday's special Senate race sends a message to the GOP-controlled Congress.

"This race does have national implications. Oregonians are saying that this Congress is too extreme on a number of key issues," Wyden said.

In the nation's first vote-by-mail congressional election, Wyden turned back a strong, well-financed campaign by Gordon Smith, a conservative GOP businessman and legislator.

Both candidates offered voters a departure from Oregon's tradition since the '60s of electing moderate Republican senators.

With 99 percent of precincts reporting, Wyden had 568,335 votes or 48 percent, Smith had 551,103 or 47 percent and four other candidates divided the remainder.

About half of those responding to a telephone poll said they viewed the Senate race as a referendum on the GOP congressional agenda or President Clinton's policies.

Wyden's victory was an auspicious kickoff to the season for Democrats and a blow to Republicans, who now will see their Senate margin cut to 53-47. It also continued a trend begun last November as Democrats held off GOP efforts to take over Virginia and Maine legislatures and the Kentucky governorship.

Despite the narrow margin of victory, Wyden said the results show that people believe House Speaker Newt Gingrich and his Republican colleagues have taken things too far.

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Voters in the poll blamed Republicans in Congress more than Clinton for the budget crisis.

Wyden, who favors abortion rights, also won slightly more votes from women. Abortion was one of the six top issues cited by most voters as being equally important, along with the environment, education, taxes, the federal budget negotiations and the Republicans' performance in office.

The telephone poll of 1,192 voters was conducted Thursday through Monday for Voter News Service, a cooperative of the four major TV networks and The Associated Press.

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Lone Star Ballet to present special evening of dance for Valentine's Day

AMARILLO - Lone Star Ballet offers an evening of classical ballet and cutting edge dance for "Valentines" of all ages on Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m. as it shares the Amarillo Civic Center Auditorium stage with the Sharir Company, the professional company-in-residence at The University of Texas College of Fine Arts.

Led by award-winning choreographers Yacov Sharir and Jose Luis Bustamante, Sharir Dance Company has enjoyed critical acclaim in the United States, Israel, France and Mexico.

Lone Star Ballet, under the direction of Neil Hess, opens the evening with "Respighi Variations," choreographed by Lisa Hess Jones. Other works on the program by Ms. Jones are "Waltz Majestic," "That's a Plenty" and "Oklahoma Medley."

Neil Hess' choreography will be seen in "Sunwarm," "Memory" and "New York, New York." Two numbers, "In D Minor" and "Sing, Sing, Sing," choreographed by another of Mr. Hess' talented daughters, Alexia, reflect both her years with the New York City Ballet and on Broadway with Jerome Robbins.

The Sharir Company will explore "More About Love," in honor of St. Valentine, and offer "Dervishing," a more spiritual

work inspired by the Mevil whirling dervishes.

The Austin company will close the program with "Where Are The Elephants?," a witty tongue-in-cheek examination of circus motifs, ranging from elephants to trapeze artists. Balloons form a unifying thread, with dancers using the sleek transparent props as rings, tubes and breakaway nooses.

Like a master tailor, choreographer Jose Luis Bustamante constructs the dance seamlessly, with transitions artfully blended into the main fabric of movement. His concept behind constructing a modern dance based on highly abstracted circus motifs is simply that he sees parallels between circus life and today's multicultural society.

As a child growing up in Mexico City, Bustamante found the circus intriguing. To him it was more than elephants, tigers and trapeze artists; it was an interesting and unusual community.

"There was a time in history when all these different animals, performers and freaks were held together by the circus," Bustamante said. "The circus was their family, their life and community. They traveled together, ate together, performed together."

Bustamante said he sees the circus as a humorous analogy to today's cultural diversity. "If we look at our communities today, we see the same sort of disparate groups of people all living together," he said.

"Where are the Elephants?" has nothing to do with elephants, but contains choreographic references to the circus through what Bustamante calls "a mercado of movement."

"Each circus act hold its own type of movement dynamic. Clowns depend on timing and off-centered movements. Acrobats emphasize balance; the trapeze, smooth, swinging motions," he said. "My challenge was how to create a sense of circus with only six dancers. How could I manage that theatrically?"

From the critics comes the answer: "A joy to behold ... a stunning evening of modern dance." *The Tulsa Tribune*; "Entrancing ... a highly disciplined sense of ensemble." *The Houston Post*; "Simply outstanding dance ... elegant, spontaneous and fresh." *Austin American-Statesman*; and "After ten years of dancing on the edge, Sharir Dance Company is still taking artistic risks and beating the odds." *Dance Magazine*.

For ticket information, call the Lone Star Ballet at (806) 372-2463.

AIDS discovered to afflict chimpanzees

WASHINGTON (AP) - The discovery that chimpanzees can get AIDS may give scientists a stand-in for humans when testing new vaccines and treatments for the disease.

Chimps are the only animal besides people that can be infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. But until now, it appeared as though they never got sick from it.

However, at a medical conference Tuesday, scientists from the Yerkes Regional Primate Research Center at Emory University in Atlanta reported the first case of AIDS in a chimp.

One of the things that has made AIDS so difficult to control has been the lack of a so-called animal model - a laboratory animal that can stand in for people in studies of the disease.

While monkeys get sick with a simian version of HIV it is somewhat different, and researchers fear that insights from studying these animals may not apply to people.

The discovery of true AIDS illness in a chimpanzee could give scientists their first animal model

for the disease. But whether this will be practical is still unclear.

Over the years, scientists around the country have intentionally infected about 100 chimps with HIV in studies of the virus.

"We believe this to be the first development of AIDS in a chimpanzee infected with HIV," Dr. Francis J. Novembre, a virologist, said at the annual Conference on Retroviruses and Opportunistic Infections.

The animal, code-named C499, was inoculated with HIV in 1985 and quickly became infected. It remained outwardly well until last August, when it developed chronic diarrhea. Next, in November, it came down with pneumonia.

Both of these illnesses are typical signs of AIDS in HIV-infected people. They occur because the body's immune defenses are too weak to fight off common microbes.

Meanwhile, levels of the chimp's helper T cells - the main target of HIV in the bloodstream - have fallen tenfold since 1990.

The chimp is still alive and being treated with antibiotics, just as people with AIDS are to ward off bacteria.

Last September, the Yerkes researchers were afraid the chimp would die, so they transfused some of its blood into an uninfected chimp. This animal quickly lost helper T cells and appears to be close to getting AIDS.

Novembre said that while their chimp is the first to have AIDS, other infected chimps in primate centers may go on to develop the disease, too. He said it may be that HIV takes as long - or even longer - to produce AIDS in chimps as it does in people.

Chimps have been widely used to test possible AIDS vaccines. Novembre said the finding that they can get AIDS should make the results of those studies more meaningful.

However, Dr. Malcolm Martin of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases questioned whether the chimp will ever be a good substitute for people in AIDS studies.

Judge to decide fate of notorious gunfighter's remains

EL PASO (AP) - The fate of gunfighter John Wesley Hardin's remains, the focus of a court dispute that has divided his descendants, will be decided in the coming weeks by a state district judge.

The trial for a lawsuit aimed at keeping Hardin in El Paso's historic Concordia Cemetery wrapped up Tuesday. But Judge Kathleen Olivares put off making a ruling until she can study the relevant case law.

The Concordia Heritage Association and some of Hardin's descendants went to court this week to seek a permanent injunction that would block plans by other Hardin heirs to move his body.

The latter group wants him reburied in Nixon, a small town east of San Antonio where Hardin had lived briefly in the late 19th century and where his first wife, Jane, is buried.

Both sides expressed confidence as the trial wound down.

"I am optimistic that we will retain the body of John Wesley Hardin, but I have my fingers crossed," said historian Leon Metz, vice president of the Concordia group.

John Billings, one of Hardin's great-grandsons, said he believed family attorneys had presented a good case.

Attorney Frank Billings, another Hardin descendant, argued that the Concordia association, which helps maintain Concordia Cemetery, has no legal standing to intervene in the attempted removal.


He noted that Billings already has a permit for the exhumation, which was blocked pending the outcome of the trial.

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Mystery author pens sexy political novel

WASHINGTON (AP) — A sexy, hot-selling fictional account of the 1992 presidential campaign has Washington buffs trying to figure out who wrote it, including President Clinton.

Even the editor of *Primary Colors*, Daniel Menaker of Random House, swears he doesn't know who authored the lavishly reviewed book, whose Clinton-like protagonist is dogged by questions of his Vietnam War draft status and allegations of adultery as he tries to win the White House.

The writer, Anonymous, is variously believed to be a White House insider, a journalist, an established novelist or possibly, because of its mischievous contents, a Republican mole in the Clinton campaign.

Random House, which paid what Menaker described as a "fairly steep" advance based on reading only half the manuscript in April, has the book in its sixth printing after only a few weeks in bookstores.

"Words cannot describe how much I wish I had written it," wrote *Time* magazine's Walter Shapiro, who conducted what was purported to be an on-line computer interview with Anonymous.

The writer, who described writing the book as "a lonely process," refused to answer any autobiographical questions and said, "I hope my identity is never revealed" so the book can be judged on its merits.

Random House dealt only with an agent, Kathy Robbins, and a lawyer.

About the only thing the reader is told about

Anonymous is that he or she is married. The book is dedicated to "my spouse, living proof that flamboyance and discretion are not mutually exclusive."

Primary Colors is copyrighted by Machiavelliana Inc., a mysterious company set up to receive the royalties, which should be substantial.

Clinton, who hasn't read the book but says he may look at it on those long flights on the 1996 campaign, on Tuesday issued a smiling challenge for reporters to ferret out the author.

"You all find out everything in the wide world. The least you can do is tell all of us who wrote that book," Clinton said. "It's the only secret I've seen kept in Washington in three years."

A synopsis of the book is basically a summary of Clinton's 1992 primary campaign for the Democratic nomination, with names changed, relationships embellished and a few fictional intrigues added, including a sexual advance by first lady Susan Stanton on narrator Henry Burton, who is a thinly disguised version of key Clinton aide George Stephanopoulos.

The Clinton character is Gov. Jack Stanton of an unnamed, small Southern state.

He is portrayed as a man who was "incredibly undisciplined about time, and making decisions, and figuring out who should do what on staff" but who was always in control. His profanity-spewing wife describes him as "faithless, thoughtless, disorganized, undisciplined."

Report: Retail sales up a scant percentage

WASHINGTON (AP) — In its last economic report prior to a major Federal Reserve policy meeting, the government said retail sales edged up a scant 0.3 percent in December in a lackluster holiday shopping season.

The Commerce Department said Tuesday sales totaled a seasonally adjusted \$198.6 billion, up from \$198 billion a month earlier. That was a smaller increase than November's revised 0.7 percent gain. Sales in November originally were estimated to have advanced 0.8 percent.

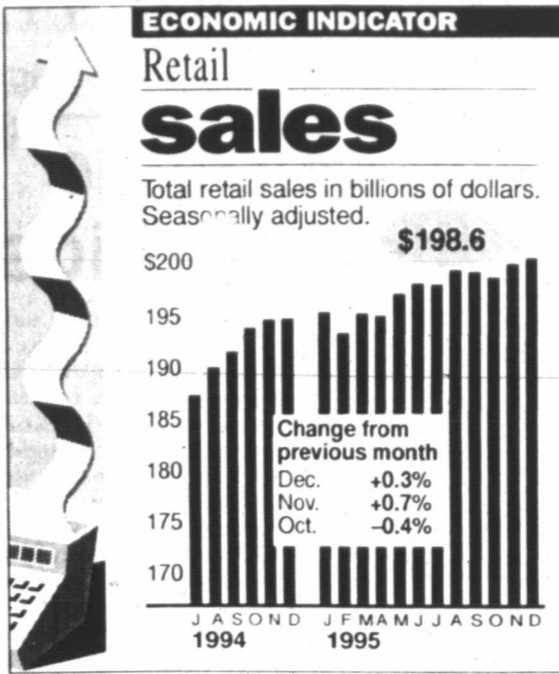
Many analysts had expected a 0.6 percent increase in December. Sales had fallen 0.2 percent in October and 0.1 percent in September.

The December activity boosted retail sales for the year to \$2.3 trillion, 4.9 percent above those of 1994 and the smallest gain since a 0.6 percent advance in 1991 as the last recession was ending.

The report was released as Federal Reserve policy makers prepared to open a two-day meeting to consider whether to cut short-term interest rates for a third time in seven months to stimulate the economy.

The Federal Open Market Committee lowered the central bank's federal funds rate from 6 percent to 5.75 percent in July and then to 5.5 percent in December. The rate is what banks charge each other for overnight loans.

Because of the partial government shutdown in late December and early January, many economic reports have been postponed, giving policy makers an abbreviated



Source: Department of Commerce AP

view of official data. The December retail sales report originally was scheduled for Jan. 12.

Anecdotal data and reports from private organizations and government agencies not affected by the shutdown have painted a bleak picture of the economy lately.

A Fed survey of regional economic activity in early January, for instance, found that "holiday retail sales were generally reported to be below expectations, with extensive discounting."

As heat turns up, president turns to last refuge — Congress

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — The setting was austere and the audience unfriendly but the former aide was undaunted and blunt: The president is a liar.

For the third time in a week and the first time before Congress, an ex-aide to President Ernesto Samper accused him of knowingly accepting more than \$6 million in campaign funds from the world's largest drug cartel.

"Yes, he knew it. I don't have the least doubt," Maria Izquierdo, a senator and former Samper aide, told an emergency session of Congress.

Later in the day, having acknowledged her role in the transactions, she was arrested and jailed.

Samper, clinging to office against growing odds, is said by politicians, journalists and judicial sources to be discussing stepping down in return for amnesty.

Izquierdo's unusual and forceful speech Tuesday followed a

half-hour address from Samper, who called the special session of Congress — dominated by members of his Liberal Party — to appeal for an immediate investigation.

For the first time, the president clearly acknowledged that he won office with drug money. But he said he was duped by campaign aides who accepted millions of dollars from cocaine bosses without his knowledge.

But when five minutes of applause died down, Izquierdo had her turn at the podium.

Backing up her charges with specifics, she described how the president dispatched her at one point to collect \$30,000 in cash for a campaign rally — money that she believes came from the Cali cartel.

Izquierdo described watching the money, in small bills, being "unpacked from boxes covered in fuchsia wrapping paper with little gold stars." She held up what

she said were campaign receipts incriminating Samper.

Later, Izquierdo, a Liberal senator, was arrested on illegal enrichment charges for accepting drug money for her own campaign and in connection with the president's. She was taken to Modelo prison.

Samper's refusal to resign despite mounting evidence is severely testing Colombian democracy and tarnishing the country's image abroad.

Many Colombians believe the evidence against Samper is now so overwhelming that Congress, itself shaken by a probe of drug corruption within its ranks, will have to rule against the president. About 20 politicians are being investigated on suspicion they took cash from the cartel.

Samper said it was important Congress establish "who, when and using what channels contaminated it."

During his speech, the president said death threats against him and his family had intensified in recent days. He also said the international press had portrayed him as "nothing less than a criminal."

"The day that we accept that verdicts can be reached outside the halls of justice, we're returning to lynching without the right to be heard," Samper said, putting his hand to his heart.

Outside Congress, about 1,500 supporters waved Samper campaign signs and Colombian flags and shouted "Workers with Samper!"

"It is the rich who want to get rid of Samper, but we the poor are with him," a woman protester told a Colombian television crew. The president has actively courted the economically disadvantaged since Fernando Botero, his ex-campaign chief, incriminated his former boss last week.

Nation briefs

More prison guards charged in immigrant abuse case

ELIZABETH, N.J. (AP) — The president of a prison guard union has been charged along with 11 other guards in trying to cover up the abuse of illegal immigrants after a detention center riot.

A 27-count grand jury indictment unsealed Tuesday names a dozen corrections officers in all, including two sergeants and four other officers charged in October.

More than 300 illegal aliens overpowered guards and vandalized Esmor Detention Center in June to protest poor conditions and mistreatment.

Once transferred to the Union County Jail, the detainees had their heads forced into toilets, Assistant Prosecutor Michael J. Lapolla said. Some either were forced to touch the genitals of others or encouraged to engage in homosexual acts, Neafsey said.

The six officers whose names were disclosed for the first time Tuesday were freed on bond and will be suspended without pay, County Manager Ann Baran said.

As staffing falls, stewardesses report rise in assaults

BOSTON (AP) — Your food is cold, the peanuts are stale and the seat back is stuck in the upright, locked position. And the only person you have to take it out on is your flight attendant.

As carriers cut back on service, airline employees say they are seeing upset passengers turn increasingly violent, from a Saudi princess scratching a flight attendant's arm to boorish Brits starting a food fight.

"There is never a reason for crew interference," said Mary Kay Hanke, vice president of the Association of Flight Attendants.

"If passengers are having an adverse reaction to the service, they need to contact the carrier with their complaints and remember that the flight attendant is there for safety."

The union says the problem is worsening, and it has begun to collect reports of in-flight assaults. The Federal Aviation Administration tracks only incidents that interfere with the flight, and that can range from arguments to hijackings. The agency could not immediately provide the number of such incidents.

There have been several confrontations recently.

Anna Nicole Smith files for bankruptcy

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Anna Nicole Smith has filed for bankruptcy to buy time and keep her money as she fights a judgment and lawsuit, her lawyer said.

The one-time *Playboy* centerfold is battling a \$850,000 judgment won by Maria Antonia Cerrato, a former nanny who accused Smith of sexual harassment.

Cerrato worked for the former Guess? jeans model from 1992 to 1994. The bankruptcy filing Tuesday prevents Cerrato from immediately collecting.

Smith's lawyer Kelly Moore said the filing also will allow Smith to pursue her lawsuit against A. Pierce Marshall, the son of her late husband, oil tycoon J. Howard Marshall. Marshall claims he's the sole beneficiary of his father's estimated \$500 million estate.

Widower sentenced to 35 years in prison

GATESVILLE, Texas (AP) — A man whose last three wives met untimely deaths was sentenced to 35 years in prison for the 1978 shotgun murder of his second wife, whose death had been ruled a suicide.

Jurors voted Tuesday to convict Jack Reeves, then deliberated two hours before deciding his sentence for the murder of Sharon Reeves.

Defense attorney Wes Ball said appeals were unlikely.

The Sharon Reeves case was reopened as Arlington police investigated the 1994 disappearance of Reeves' fourth wife, Emilita, whose remains were found last year. Reeves, 55, a retired Army master sergeant, faces an April 1 murder trial in her death.

Reeves' first marriage was annulled. His third wife drowned in 1986.

Prosecution witnesses testified that it was unlikely that Sharon Reeves killed herself with a .20-gauge shotgun by pulling the trigger with her toe, as investigators originally suggested.

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Ending Abusive Marriage Was Best For Wife And Kids

DEAR ABBY: I feel compassion for "Wants Out," who is enduring a loveless marriage and verbal abuse for the sake of her children.

I, too, "for the sake of my children" feared ending my marriage. The turning point for me came when a friend told me how much she regretted putting off divorce until her children were grown; her daughter assumed that a verbally abusive relationship was normal, and she married into one.

"Set a good example for your children," she urged, "of a woman who loves herself enough to refuse to tolerate an abusive mate."

After years of belittlement and repressed emotions, it was difficult for me to find the necessary courage. Counseling, self-love, work and a rewarding spiritual search helped me to take that enormous step.

My children are happy now. My daughter chooses boyfriends who are kind and considerate. She and I openly label my son's imitative bullying and insults as verbal abuse, hoping to break the cycle.

I only regret not finding the strength to divorce sooner.

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Abigail Van Buren

SYNDICATED COLUMNIST

the children" will realize that it is sometimes wiser to end the marriage for the sake of the children.

DEAR ABBY: I was recently invited to a bridal shower. I did not know the bride well, but I knew her mother. While I was attending the shower, I learned the date of the wedding. I also learned that some of us who attended the shower were not being invited to the wedding!

Her mother mentioned that she planned to have people over "some-time" to see the wedding pictures.

Where have manners gone? Doesn't this seem rude?

PUZZLED IN SPRINGFIELD

presumptuous to ask someone to a shower — meaning she must bring a gift — if she is not close enough to the bride or groom or their families to be included on the wedding list. ...

"There is one exception to the above. When a wedding is very small — restricted to family only, and perhaps with no reception — the bride may be given a shower to which are invited friends who would have been included at a larger wedding. The shower, in this case, almost takes the place of the reception, and the shower gifts are given instead of (rather than in addition to) wedding gifts."

DEAR ABBY: Re your crusade to convert habitual smokers to non-smokers:

Said my friend between choking and croaking, (He'd resumed his habitual smoking).

"You asked what I meant
"To give up for Lent
"I'm giving up giving up smoking."

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acting illogically. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Associating with pompous or arrogant individuals could be more irritating than usual today. Obtain a guest list before accepting a social invitation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Do not take your bow prematurely today for something you have yet to accomplish. If it doesn't pan out, and it might not, you may be embarrassed.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Follow through on your plans in an orderly manner today. If you jump ahead of yourself, you may leave out some small but essential steps.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Unless you know exactly what you're doing, do not attempt to manage another's complicated affairs today. You may give yourself a headache.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your ideas will be superior to the suggestions of your peers today. However, your words will have no impact if you have a weak presentation.

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Horoscope



Your Birthday

Thursday Feb. 1, 1996

That exotic trip to a faraway destination may be possible in the year ahead. Begin making plans that include one or more of your favorite traveling companions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you renege on your responsibilities today, don't expect others to pick up after you. What you don't do yourself won't get done. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You will be in a sociable, fun mood today, but you may not want to take part in an activity with a large group. Stick to a smaller circle.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) In an involvement with your associates today, you may take a minority position. Your views may be too far out of step, so take a hard look at your values.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Pay extra attention today if the topic under discussion will affect you. Listen carefully to the facts even if they are not what you want to hear.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In order to gratify a material desire today, you might impulsively spend more for something than it is actually worth. This will not be good use of resources.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You have an innate awareness of details others tend to overlook. Today, however, you might base your judgments and decisions on a faulty assessment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Guard against the inclination to make mountains out of molehills. Do not complicate your life by



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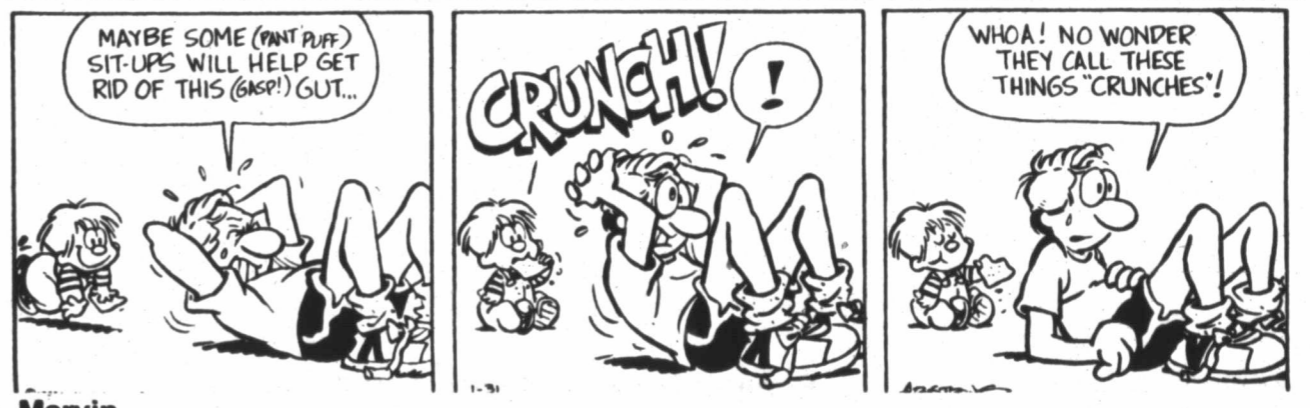
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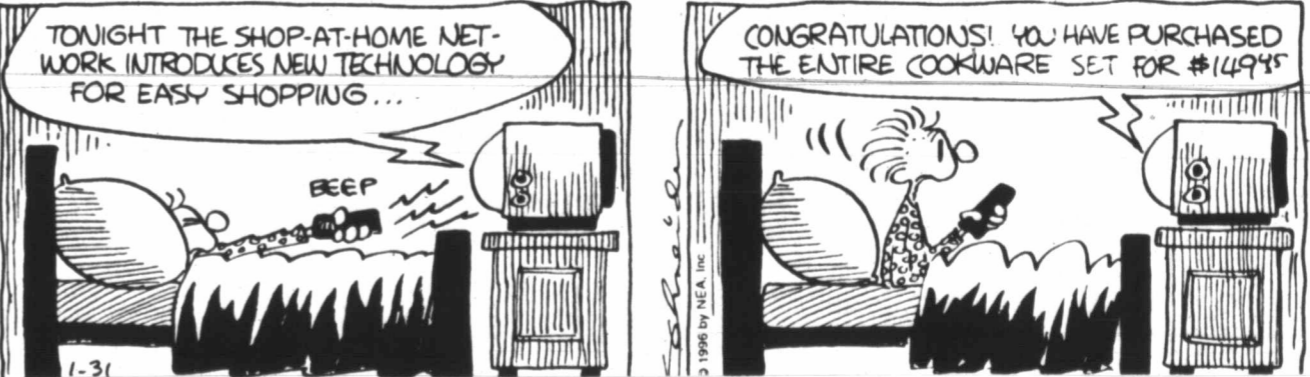
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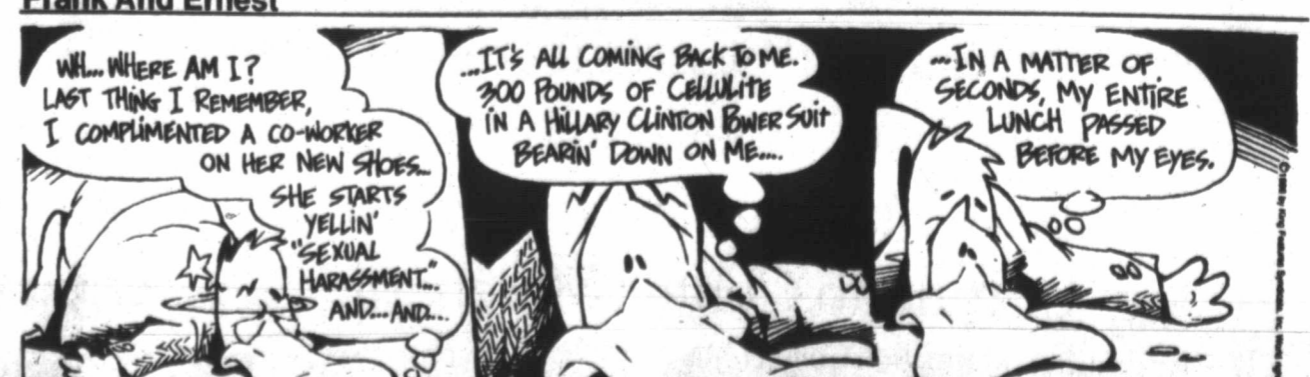
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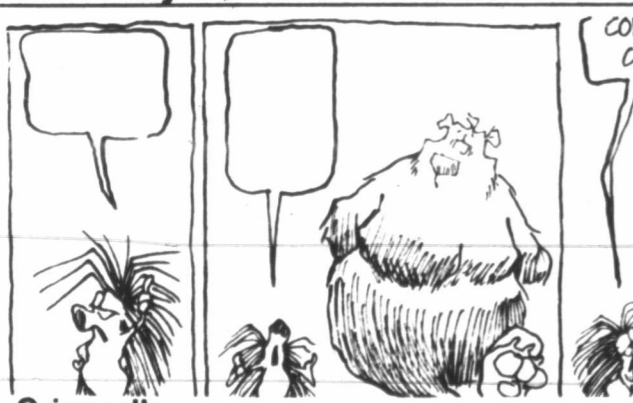


"When that rag was brand new, it was my T-shirt."



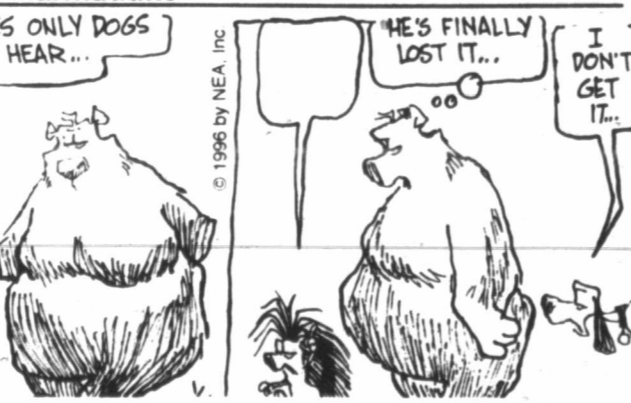
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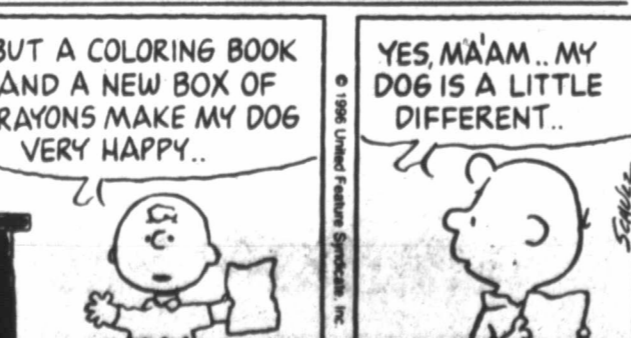
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Sports

Notebook

GOLF

PAMPA — The Hidden Hills Senior Golf Association held a stroke play handicap tournament last week.

Unofficially known as the "Sandbaggers" tournament, the results are listed below:

First place: Richard Abbott, 56 net score.

Second place: Bill Washington, 58

Third place: Herb Harvey, 58

Fourth place: Butch Reynolds, 61

Fifth place: Gene Gates, 61

Sixth place: Larry Kilbreth, 62

Seventh place: Bill Brown, 63

Eighth place: C.C. Lewis, 63

Ninth place: Oscar Sargent, 64

Tenth place: Jim Cantrell, 64

Last place: Mike Porter, 75

Closest to the hole: Ralph Ridgeway on No. 6.

There were 36 golfers entered.

Tee time for the next tournament is 11 a.m. Wednesday.

BASKETBALL

HOUSTON (AP) —

Philadelphia guard Vernon Maxwell was sentenced to 90 days in jail after failing to meet court orders on a marijuana possession charge.

However, Maxwell's attorneys moved quickly to file an appeal, making it unlikely that the 30-year-old would see the inside of a jail cell just yet.

Maxwell said nothing as County Court-at-Law Judge Don Jackson issued the sentence — three times the punishment sought by prosecutor Lance Long.

Last Oct. 30, Maxwell pleaded no-contest to a misdemeanor charge of marijuana possession. He was ordered at the time to complete drug rehabilitation and submit to regular drug testing, requirements he failed to meet. Maxwell also failed to return more than 25 telephone calls made to him by the Harris County probation office.

TORONTO (AP) — John Salley, unable to get any playing time with the Toronto Raptors, arranged for a buy-out of his contract and will try to hook up with another team. The Canadian Press reported. The contract was to have run 1 1/2 years and was worth more than \$4 million.

FOOTBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — The Super Bowl on NBC was watched by more people than any show in TV history, the network said.

NBC said it estimated total U.S. viewership of Dallas' 27-17 victory over Pittsburgh at 138,488,000. The previous record was the 1994 Super Bowl between Dallas and Buffalo on NBC, watched by an estimated 134,800,000.

The Super Bowl received an average national rating of 46.1 with a 72 share, up 12 percent from last year's game on ABC (41.3). Sunday's game was the 10th highest-rated sports show of all-time.

DALLAS (AP) — A federal judge has rebuffed the latest attempt by Dallas Cowboys cornerback Clayton Holmes to challenge his suspension for violating the NFL's substance abuse policy.

Judge Sidney Fitzwater denied a preliminary injunction Thursday in Holmes' \$30 million lawsuit against the NFL and NFL Management Council. Holmes, suspended late last year, had sought an injunction that would have allowed him to play in the Super Bowl.

TENNIS

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Australian Open officials received an anonymous phone call threatening the life of Monica Seles the night before she beat Anke Huber in the women's final, a Melbourne newspaper reported.

The death threat, made to the Tennis Australia offices, was kept from Seles so she could concentrate on her match, but security around her was boosted, the Herald Sun said today.

Date set for Cowboys' Super Bowl parade

By MELISSA WILLIAMS
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Organizers are promising a safe but lively parade to honor the Super Bowl-champion Dallas Cowboys.

"This year's event will be fun, festive and a family event," said Robert Shaw, a former Dallas Cowboys center and Dallas businessman who is heading the committee organizing the parade.

"Dr Pepper Presents Dallas Salutes the Boys" will be held a week from today.

Shaw said he hopes participation will number somewhere between the crowd of 200,000 at the 1993 parade, which was marked by violence, injuries and arrests, and the disappointing 60,000 spectators of 1994.

Police and educators are taking extra steps to prevent any violence or truancy during the event. The parade is set to start about 30 minutes before the end of

the school day — any later would have clogged evening rush-hour traffic, Shaw said.

About 800 officers will be assigned to parade duty, Dallas police chief Ben Click said.

They'll include members of the department's gang units to identify gang members among the spectators and keep them under surveillance to prevent a recurrence of the violence that marred the Super Bowl parade in 1993. Police on horseback will escort the players' floats.

"It's going to be a safe parade, an enjoyable parade," Click said.

Plans for the parade were announced at a news conference in front of City Hall Tuesday.

Cowboys spokesman Rich Dalrymple thanked the city and all but promised solid attendance by headline players like Troy Aikman, Michael Irvin, Emmitt Smith and others who are in Hawaii for

Sunday's NFL Pro Bowl.

"Our star players dearly want to get back and share the experience with their fans," said Dalrymple, who noted that most of the top players participated in the 1993 and 1994 Super Bowl parades. "It means a whole lot to them."

The team agreed to the celebration after defeating the Pittsburgh Steelers 27-17 in the Super Bowl on Sunday.

The city will pay \$100,000 toward the cost of this year's parade, and corporate sponsors have ponied up \$255,000.

The excess above the original \$271,000 projected tab will not be dedicated to reducing the city's share — a point criticized by City Council member Paul Fielding.

Instead, it will go first toward extras like decorative floats, banners, balloons and free pompons for fans along the parade route, Shaw said.

The downtown course will take the parade's 60 entries, including the Vince

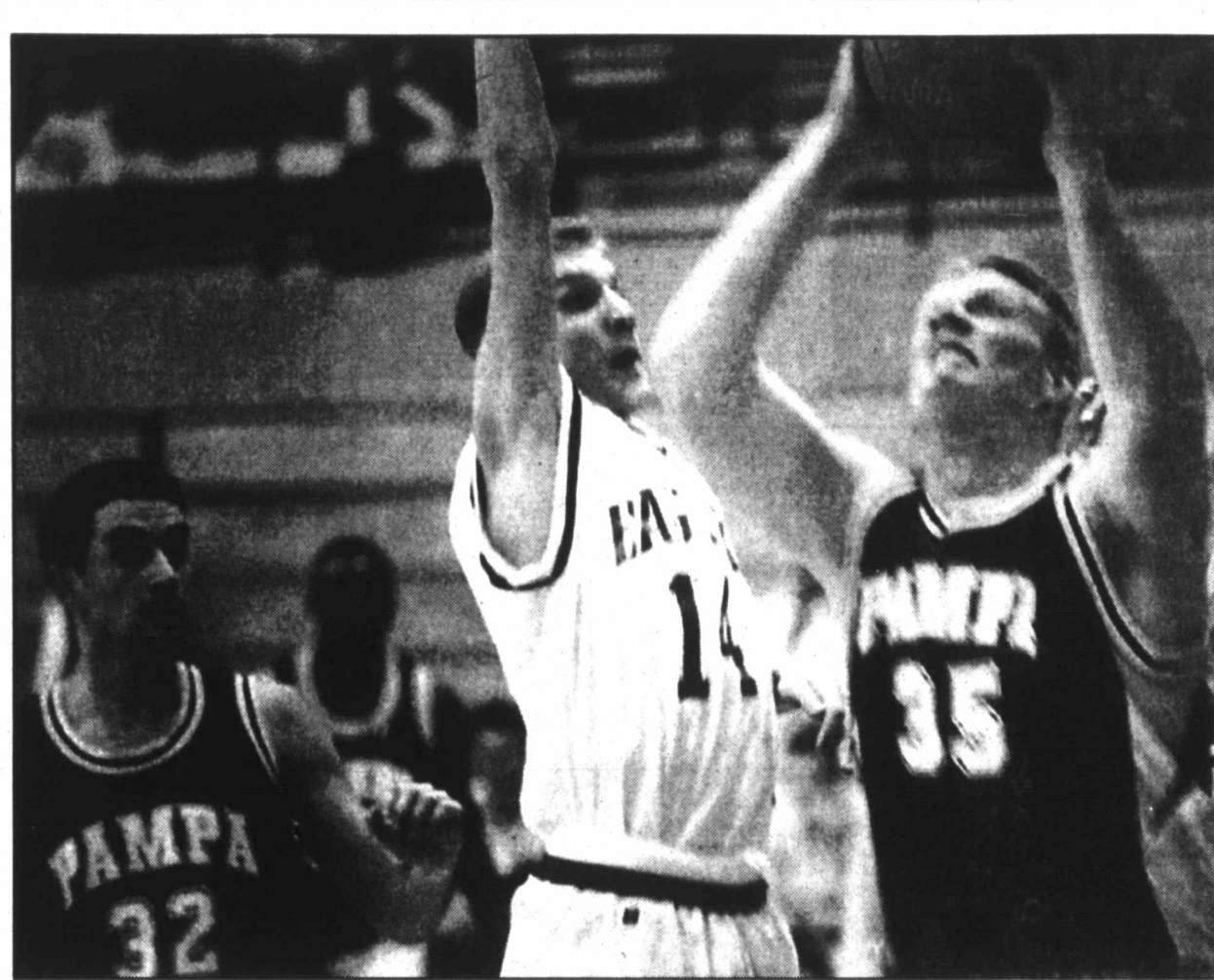
Lombardi Trophy winners, south of Reunion Arena to Young Street and then to the front of City Hall, which has been renamed "Cowboys Plaza" for the event. The parade will feature marching bands and a float carrying the Super Bowl trophy.

The Dallas school district is considering allowing students to watch the parade on televisions in class so they won't leave early.

"We're working on some creative ways and police will have officers out looking for truants," said Robert Hinkle, spokesman for Dallas schools.

One Dallas woman said she would take her two sons, ages 9 and 6, out of school for the event because the family couldn't go to Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport on Monday for the return of the team's charter flight.

"I think this is just my way of making it up to them," Mary Sands said. "My kids just idolize them."



(Pampa News photo by L. D. Strate)

Pampa senior Chris Miller puts up a shot under the basket while teammate Jason Weatherbee (32) waits for a possible rebound in Tuesday night's District 1-4A meeting with Canyon.

Third-ranked Harvesters roll on

CANYON — Pampa, not enjoying one of its better shooting games, relied on a strong defense to dispose of Canyon, 50-34, Tuesday night in a District 1-4A contest.

The third-ranked Harvesters were never in any serious trouble, building an 11-point lead (30-19) at halftime. Pampa only scored 7 points in the third quarter, but Canyon could come up with only 4.

Coy Laury's tip-in early in the fourth quarter started a

string of nine unanswered points for the Harvesters. His 3-point goal gave Pampa a 21-point lead near the midway mark of the final period.

Pampa's Rayford Young led all scorers with 13 points while Laury added 12 points and 11 rebounds. With Young feeling the affects of the flu, Lynn Brown, stepped in and drilled three 3-pointers in the first half. Brown finished with 11 points.

Brandon McDaniel had 9 points and Jaime Montez to

lead Canyon scoring.

"We played good defense and we also did a good job of rebounding against them," said Pampa head coach Robert Hale.

Devin Lemons added 6 points for Pampa while August Larson had 4, J.J. Mathis and Chris Miller 2 each.

Pampa led Canyon in rebounds, 37-29.

The Harvesters, 23-3 overall and 8-0 in district, host Dumas at 7:30 Friday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Kidd leads Mavs past Clippers

DALLAS (AP) — Jason Kidd headed for his first All-Star game on Feb. 11. As an All-Star self-promoter, the Dallas Mavericks point guard needs to take some lessons from Deion Sanders.

Kidd had 21 points, 16 assists and 16 rebounds, his league-leading fifth triple-double of the season, as the Mavericks handed the Los Angeles Clippers their sixth defeat in seven games, 105-101 Tuesday night.

But when asked where he stands among the league's elite point guards, Kidd took a low profile, deferring to his elders.

"John Stockton is the best and

Tim Hardaway is also great," Kidd said. "There are a lot of great ones. I've got a long way to go and a lot more to work on. I'm a long ways from guys like that."

Kidd brightened when he was asked about the return of Magic Johnson to the Los Angeles Lakers. The Lakers and Mavericks meet Feb. 16 in Inglewood, Calif.

"You're talking about the best point guard ever to play the game," Kidd said. "He's my idol. Playing against him will be an honor. I just hope it's not him against me. He weighs 255. There's no way I can guard him."

Well-rested after three days off, Kidd dashed up and down the court for all 48 minutes of Tuesday's game, breaking his own team rebounding record for a guard and moving past Detroit's Grant Hill and into sole possession of the NBA's triple-double leadership. Kidd and Hill were co-Rookies of the Year last season.

"After three days off I had plenty of energy," Kidd said. "I was having fun out there. The coaches kept asking me if I was tired and wanted to come out, but I didn't feel it until the end when I started turning it over a little. We kept pushing it out there."

Bulls turn back Rockets for 16th consecutive victory

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — On a rare night when Michael Jordan couldn't shoot straight, he could at least be a good sport.

Jordan hit only 7 of 26 shots but Scottie Pippen picked up the pace with 28 points and the Chicago bench also helped out as the Bulls beat back the Houston Rockets 98-87 Tuesday night for their 16th straight victory.

"We were kidding Michael after the game about him getting the ball close to the basket so we could get the rebound and put it back in," Bulls coach Phil Jackson said. "It was one of those games that was not well played."

Whatever strategy the Bulls try these days seems to work. With Jordan setting up the offensive rebound the Bulls out-jumped the Rockets 21-6 on the offensive end and 51-27 overall.

"I'll let you look at the stat sheet and it won't be hard to find out why (the Rockets lost)," Rockets forward Robert Horry said. "When you get out-rebounded by 24, you don't have much of a chance."

The victory improved the Bulls' record to 39-3, equaling the NBA record for most victories with three losses. The Los Angeles Lakers set the record in the 1971-72 season.

"There's nothing special how we did it but now we're in the record book," Jordan said. "I'd like to see

us keep it going and extend the record. I'm proud of our accomplishment."

The Rockets outshot Chicago from the field 48 to 41 percent but Pippen will take the victory, however accomplished.

"We're happy with the win, no matter how bad we played," said Pippen, who also had 12 turnovers. "That says this team is not just about one guy. Our bench can come through. It makes this game especially great when we know we've played bad and won. We haven't been successful in this building."

The Bulls had lost seven in a row in The Summit and have a 5-20 overall record there.

The Bulls are on pace to surpass

MVP Brown cashing in on high-profile status

DALLAS (AP) — Once his football career is done, Larry Brown wants to be an actor. He has a college degree in theater, and he's still taking lessons.

But Brown's career is far from being finished. In fact, it's just taking off.

Brown began cashing in on his Super Bowl MVP award — and practicing for his second career — on Tuesday by kicking off a stay in New York with an appearance on "The Late Show with David Letterman."

On Wednesday, Brown will be on "CBS This Morning" and Conan O'Brien's late night show. Thursday, he'll do "Live With Regis and Kathie Lee" in the morning then at night sit courtside for a Knicks-Magic game.

Friday begins with a quick trip to Washington to be on Black Entertainment Television, followed by another promotional appearance in New York.

He'll finally come home Saturday, unless other things — like possible visits with Jay Leno or Charles Grodin — come along.

Canyon claims win over Lady Harvesters

CANYON — Number 1 ranked Canyon defeated Pampa, 64-35, in a District 1-4A girls' game Tuesday night.

Lindy Lombard had 15 points and Courtney Sims 11 to lead Canyon in scoring.

Leading scorer for Pampa was Jennifer Jones with 26 points. Candice Nachtigall, Chandra Nachtigall, Tina Dwight and Kristi Carpenter added 2 points apiece.

Canyon is 25-0 for the season and 10-0 in district play. Pampa is 1-8 in district and 12-14 overall.

Fort Elliott takes over District 4-1A lead

BRISCOE — Fort Elliott captured sole possession of the top spot in District 4-1A Tuesday night with a 51-41 win over Higgins.

The two teams were tied for first going into the contest.

Fort Elliott is 3-0 in district play and 15-8 overall. Higgins is 2-1 in district, 11-12 overall.

Senior guard David Helton paced Fort Elliott in scoring with 19 points, followed by Donnie Barr with 17.

The Cougars held a 25-17 lead at halftime.

Joel Booker led Higgins with 22 points. Jared Miller added 7.

Higgins defeated Fort Elliott, 60-51, in the girls' game.

Carla Beebe scored 18 points and Stephanie Smith 13 for Higgins.

April Purcell had 15 points and Amanda Shields 10 to lead Fort Elliott.

Higgins led at the half, 30-18.

Fort Elliott is 0-3 in district and 10-11 for the season while Higgins is 2-1 in district and 14-7 overall.

Fort Elliott plays at Allison Friday night with the first game starting at 6:30. The next home games are Feb. 6 against Follett.

Pampa takes third place in 7th grade district tourney

DUMAS — The Pampa 7th grade boys placed third in the District Basketball Tournament.

Pampa defeated Borger, 36-25, in the third-place game last weekend. Gary Alexander was Pampa's leading scorer with 12 points, followed by Brandon Albus with 9.

In the tournament opener, Pampa defeated Canyon, 38-25. Alexander had 10 points and Bryce Jordan 9 to lead Pampa.

Hereford defeated Pampa, 55-30, in the next game. Albus had 12 points and Alexander 7.

Pampa's record is 9-4 for the season.

In the B team division, Pampa

lost to Canyon, 31-29, in the tournament opener.

Reed DeFever had 7 points and James Ledford 6 for Pampa.

Hereford defeated Pampa, 48-32, in the second game.

Undral Jernigan had 7 points and Lane Baker 6 to lead Pampa scoring.

Westover won over Pampa in the final game, 35-26. DeFever had 9 points while Tony Beck and Jake Woodruff had 5 each.

Pampa's B team record is 3-9.

The Pampa Middle School teams host Dumas on Monday with the first game starting at 5:30 p.m.

so good we can still beat people."

After the Rockets had their fun in the first quarter, the Bulls got the lead early in the second period and didn't trail again. The led 54-44 at the half and beat back a pair of Houston challenges that cut their lead to two.

"They got back to two a couple of times but both times we called a time out and were able to come back with plays that scored both times," Jackson said. "We were able to do things we needed to do to step up during the game."

Houston's last charge came with 6:14 left when the Rockets cut Chicago's lead to 83-81 as Pippen and Jordan led a 15-6 finishing punch to keep their consecutive win streak alive.

Magic scores 19 as Lakers beat Warriors

INGLEWOOD, Calif. (AP) — With Magic Johnson directing the show, the Los Angeles Lakers won the NBA title five times in the 1980s. Now he's back, and the Lakers may be, too.

The Pacific Division-leading Seattle SuperSonics, seven games up on the Lakers, undoubtedly are taking notice. And the two-time defending NBA champion Houston Rockets probably have some inkling that getting through the Western Conference playoffs may have just become more difficult.

Bulked up 27 pounds to 257, and 4 1/2 years older than when he last led Los Angeles into the NBA Finals before retiring, Johnson showed few signs of rust in a most triumphant return Tuesday night.

The player who essentially made "triple-double" a part of basketball

lingo, he just missed with 19 points, 10 assists and eight rebounds. All that while playing just over half the game in Los Angeles' 128-118 victory over Golden State.

And, as in his glory days, Johnson, who played power forward and occasionally his old point guard spot on Tuesday, seemed to inspire his teammates to a higher level.

Getting feeds from Johnson helped Cedric Ceballos score 33 points. Elden Campbell had a career-high eight assists. When Golden State closed to 121-115 with 42 seconds remaining, Johnson spotted Nick Van Exel wide open outside the 3-point line and Exel nailed a perfect pass to him. Van Exel bounced the shot to seal the win.

Afterward, the Lakers, who won seven of their last eight before

Johnson returned, were thinking big. "I think as we get better with Magic and Magic gets better with us, there's no telling how far we can go," Ceballos said.

Said reserve guard Anthony Peeler: "We're a young team, we just needed one veteran guy who's seen it all in the NBA. Now, we've got it. I got some jumpers tonight that were just wide open.

"It's awesome. You've got the best guy in the league on your team. You've got to take advantage of it."

The Warriors' Chris Mullin said: "They were a very good team before. They were playing well, and you add Magic to it and it makes them much stronger. I think a lot of teams are probably saying, 'Hey, we've got to really look at our team now and see if we are strong enough as is.'"

Scoreboard

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National Basketball Association
At A Glance
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All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Orlando	31	12	721	—
New York	27	15	643	3 1/2
Washington	21	21	500	9 1/2
Miami	19	25	432	12 1/2
New Jersey	17	26	395	14
Boston	15	27	357	15 1/2
Philadelphia	8	34	190	22 1/2

Central Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	39	3	929	—
Indiana	29	14	674	10 1/2
Atlanta	24	18	571	15
Cleveland	22	20	524	17
Detroit	21	20	512	17 1/2
Charlotte	21	21	500	18
Milwaukee	15	25	375	23
Toronto	12	31	279	27 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
San Antonio	27	13	675	—
Utah	28	14	667	—
Houston	29	16	644	1/2
Denver	18	25	419	10 1/2
Dallas	14	27	341	13 1/2
Minnesota	11	30	268	16 1/2
Vancouver	10	33	233	18 1/2

Pacific Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Seattle	32	11	744	—
Sacramento	23	16	590	7
L.A. Lakers	25	18	581	7
Portland	21	22	488	11
Phoenix	18	23	439	13
Golden State	18	25	419	14
L.A. Clippers	16	26	381	15 1/2

Monday's Games

Philadelphia 103, Vancouver 92
Charlotte 88, Cleveland 85
New York 94, Miami 86
Utah 106, Detroit 97
Seattle 92, Portland 88

Tuesday's Games

Orlando 104, Boston 99
Phoenix 114, Miami 99
Indiana 107, Atlanta 90
Chicago 98, Houston 87
Denver 88, Minnesota 86
Dallas 105, L.A. Clippers 101
Seattle 97, New Jersey 88
L.A. Lakers 128, Golden State 118
Sacramento 102, Toronto 75

Wednesday's Games

Vancouver at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Portland, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Orlando at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Chicago at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

FISHING REPORT

ARROWHEAD: Water clear, normal level; 48 degrees; black bass are fair to good on minnows and spinners; crappie are fair on minnows and jigs; catfish are fair on shrimp and night crawlers.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water murky; normal level; 52 degrees; black bass are slow; hybrid striper and white bass are good on shad fished at the discharge; catfish are slow.

GRANBURY: Water clear; normal level; 50 degrees; black bass are fair to good on spinners, worms and crank baits; striped bass are good on shad; white bass are fair on live bait and spoons; crappie are fair on minnows fished in 20 to 25 feet of water; catfish are slow.

MEREDITH: Water clear; lake level 87; 42 degrees; black bass are slow; white bass are fair on slabs; walleye are slow to fair on

slabs.
OAK CREEK: Water clear; 6 1/2 feet low; 54 degrees; crappie are good on minnows fished at night; all other fishing is slow.
O.H.WIE: Water clear on main lake, murky in upper end and tributaries; 47 degrees; black bass are fair to good on spinners and crank baits fished in 12 to 15 feet of water; smallmouth are slow to fair; white bass are fair to good on spoons, small spinners and slabs; yellow catfish are fair to good on far on trotlines baited with live bait and fished in the river.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear; 4 feet low; 46 degrees; black bass are slow; striped and white bass are good on Sassy Shad fished under the birds; no report for catfish.

PROCTOR: Water clear, normal level; 51 degrees; black bass are fair on spinners and jigs; catfish are good on stink bait and worms.

SPENCE: Water clear; 33 feet low; 50 degrees; black bass are fair on deep-diving crank baits; striped bass are fair on live bait and Rat-L-Traps; catfish are slow to fair on prepared bait.

TWIN BUTTES: Water clear; low; very few fishermen out.

WHITE RIVER: Water clear; low; very few fishermen out.

B.A. STEINHAGEN: Water fairly clear; 8 feet low; the only fishable water in the creeks and sloughs on the Angelina and Neches Rivers; black bass are good on spinners and crank baits; catfish are good on minnows and worms.

CONROE: Water clear; 1 foot low; 56 degrees; black bass are fair to good on spinners and dark worms; crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished around the bridge and boat houses; catfish are good on cheese bait fished in the creeks after a rain.

HOUSTON COUNTY: Water clear; normal level; 58 degrees; black bass are good on minnows, jigs and spinners fished near the Crockett Family Resort and around the islands; crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished around the dam; catfish are good on minnows, night crawlers and shrimp fished at the islands and around the dam.

LIVINGSTON: Water clear; lake level 131; 51 degrees; black bass are fair to good on spinners and dark worms; striped bass are slow; white bass are scattered on the main lake; crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished in 7 to 12 feet of water in the bends of the creeks; catfish are very good on minnows and jigs fished in 35 to 42 feet of water in the Chicken Coop area; catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live shad, perch and goldfish.

AMISTAD: Water clear; 40 feet low; 55 degrees; black bass are spotty with a few fish caught on crank baits and spinners; striped bass are fair to good on spoons, slabs and live bait; catfish are good on cheese bait, shrimp and night crawlers fished in 60 to 100 feet of water.

BRAUNIG: Water murky; low; 62 degrees; black bass to 6 pound are fair on red Rat-L-Traps and spoons; hybrid striper are fair on chicken liver, Rat-L-Traps and minnows; redfish are fair on crawfish and cut bait; catfish are good on minnows, shrimp and prepared bait.

CALAVERAS: Water murky; normal level; 78 degrees; black bass to 8 pounds are fair on worms; hybrid striper are slow; redfish to 10 pounds are good on worms and tilapia; catfish to 5 pounds are good on liver; no report for corvina.

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Army study reveals weight training beneficial to women

By ROBIN ESTRIN
Associated Press Writer

NATICK, Mass. (AP) — Jean Haertl was asked to lift a 40-pound box a few months ago. No way, she said. Today, she can lift that weight more than 4 feet high, dozens of times, without batting an eye.

Haertl is proof that with enough strength training, women can load trucks, fix heavy equipment and march under the weight of a loaded backpack as well as many men, according to a study released Monday by Army researchers.

Seventy-eight percent of the women tested could qualify for Army jobs considered "very heavy," involving the occasional lifting of 100-pound loads, said Everett Harman, the Army scientist who headed the study.

Before the training study began at the Army's Natick Labs, only 24 percent of the women tested could lift 100 pounds.

The volunteers — all but one of them civilians — were lawyers, bartenders, mothers and students. Many had never exercised before, and several had recently had children and wanted to get back in shape; others were recreational joggers. Each earned \$500 for participating.

Haertl, 30, said she lost 35 pounds over the six months of training.

"When people think of this study, they probably think we're bodybuilding, steroid-taking, weight-lifting women," said Haertl, the executive director of a battered women's shelter in suburban Boston. "We range from being very thin and lean to not so thin and lean. We represent the average shape of women."

For 24 weeks beginning in May, 41 women spent 90 minutes a day, five days a week, performing strength tests designed to simulate specific military tasks. Four trainers, all nationally certified, oversaw their conditioning.

The women lifted 40-pound boxes to heights of 52 inches — the average height of an Army flatbed truck — jogged through a 2-mile wooded course wearing a 75-pound backpack, and performed dozens of squats holding a 100-pound barbell on their shoulders.

For the tests most relevant to military tasks — backpacking and repetitive lifting of heavy boxes — the women improved 33 percent overall.

Harman measured the women's success against previous Army studies of men on active duty.

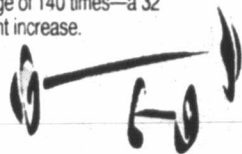
In earlier tests, an average Army man could lift a box of 128.5 pounds to a height of 52 inches. Before the study, the women volunteers could lift 70 percent of that. After, they averaged 91 percent of what the men lifted.

On average, Harman said, women tend to have about 70 percent of the lower body strength of men, and 55 percent to 60 percent of men's upper body strength.

Military strength

With enough training, women can perform heavy military tasks as well as men, an Army study shows. How women's bodies and skills changed when they trained 90 minutes a day, five days a week, for 24 weeks:

- Chest circumference increased by 12 percent, due to bigger chest and back muscles.
- Fat percentage of thighs dropped 17 percent, while thigh circumference increased by 1.5 inches.
- Before the study, the women could do an average of 16 squats using a 100-pound barbell. At the end of the study, the average number of repetitions was 62—an increase of 293 percent.
- The women increased their backpacking speed to 4.44 mph, a 33 percent increase.
- Overall, the women lost over 6 pounds of body fat and gained about 2 pounds of muscle.
- Waist and hip circumferences dropped by approximately 1 inch.
- In May, the women could lift a 40-pound box to a height of 52 inches 106 times in 10 minutes. Six months later, they could lift the box an average of 140 times—a 32 percent increase.



Source: U.S. Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine

AP

Critics contended last year that the study, which was under the auspices of the Army Research Institute of Environmental Medicine, was a prelude to plans to allow women to engage in hand-to-hand combat. Because of that, the \$140,000 study was placed on hold for about five weeks until the controversy subsided.

Women are now excluded from ground combat in the Army and often are rejected for other jobs because they can't perform the lifting tasks, Harman said.

He said he believes it's worth the investment to strengthen military women.

"Some people say, 'Why should you spend money training women when you can get men off the street?'" he said.

Harman argues that Army women tend to have more education than Army men, and that it's less expensive and time-consuming to increase a woman's strength than it is to teach an illiterate man to read.

Lori Gilstrap, a strength and conditioning coordinator with the U.S. Olympic Committee in San Diego, said she wasn't surprised the women improved.

But, she said, women can't be expected to match men's strength because they have much lower levels of testosterone. "For women to lift the exact amount that a male could lift, say in a bench press, is going to be very, very difficult," she said.

Lisa Palmer, 28, could barely run a mile when she first joined the study. Now, she said, she runs four miles with little effort.

"I think that if a woman wants to do the best they can do, they can do almost anything," she said.

Masked gunmen hold family hostage

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — John and Mayme Bye often invite their eight children and grandchildren over to their riverside home on a sugar beet and wheat farm in west-central Minnesota.

The family, however, had anything but the usual jovial gathering around the dinner table on Monday night.

Masked gunmen pretending to be law officers burst into the house and held the family hostage for 14 hours, using the victims' bank cards to withdraw cash, before trying to escape with a 10-year-old girl as their shield, police said.

The standoff ended Tuesday morning when a suspect holding a loaded pistol to the girl's head was shot in the face by a sheriff's deputy.

"We were pretty scared," said Bill Bye, the 36-year-old son of John and Mayme.

The three intruders — two gunmen and a 13-year-old boy — did not beat or shoot anyone, he said, "but you never knew when they would fly off the handle."

Another hostage said the men had threatened to burn the family alive.

The men had bound their hostages with duct tape and gagged them. One of the hostages eventually got free and called police.

The wounded gunman, Darrell L. Thompson, 50, of Brainerd, Minn., was in critical condition with a gunshot wound just below his nose, authorities said. He was expected to live.

The girl, Kristen Erickson, wasn't hurt. "I want

to thank the police for saving my life," she said.

Police arrested Thompson, who had two aggravated robberies on his record, his son Anthony Summers, 21, and the 13-year-old boy, whose name was not released. Federal charges were expected to be filed today.

Clay County Sheriff Larry Costello said the motive was attempted robbery and that the family apparently was chosen at random.

The assailants wore ski masks and snow suits, and were armed with a semiautomatic pistol and a shotgun. They confronted Bill Bye about 4 p.m. Monday outside the home near Rustad, Minn., about 10 miles south of Fargo on the North Dakota state line.

"I had a jug of water in my hand," he said. "It's not much against a shotgun and a pistol."

Over the next few hours, as relatives stopped by the farmhouse, each was bound and gagged. The men and women, who all live within three miles, were placed in separate rooms.

Around 11 p.m., two of the suspects forced two hostages to go to Fargo, where they used the victims' automatic teller cards to withdraw cash, police said. Back at the house, the gunmen loosened their captives' bindings and fed them orange slices, Bill Bye said.

Bill Bye's brother, Ken, managed to free himself and call police on a cellular phone around dawn Tuesday. The robbers had removed handsets from the other phones in the house.

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