

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

BOND, Daniel Webster "D.W." Jr. — Memorial services, 3 p.m., Covenant Presbyterian Church, Austin.

CHRISTOPHER, Mabel Lee — 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Miami.

CRADDUCK, Jessie Ruth — 11 a.m., Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors Colonial Chapel, Pampa.

Obituaries

DANIEL WEBSTER "D.W." BOND, JR.
AUSTIN — Daniel Webster "D.W." Bond, Jr., 74, died Thursday, Oct. 12, 2000. Memorial services will be at 3 p.m. Tuesday at Covenant Presbyterian Church. Arrangements are under the direction of All Faiths Funeral Service North Chapel of Austin.

Mr. Bond was born July 15, 1926, at Leesville, La. He held a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from Louisiana State University and worked for Cabot Corporation for 25 years, primarily at the Ville Platte, La., and Pampa plants. He later worked for the Texas Department of Human Services in Austin for 15 years.

He was a U.S. Navy veteran, serving from 1944-46.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Elaine Vandigriff Bond, and by his parents, Daniel Webster Bond, Sr., and Belle MacRae Bond.

Survivors include his wife, Janet L. Bond; two sons, Daniel V. Bond of Dallas and James G. Bond of Austin; a daughter, Suzanne B. Anderson of Houston; and a granddaughter, Sarah B. Gremer of San Antonio.

Mr. Bond's kindness, generosity and compassion touched all who knew him and brightened their lives. He will be sorely missed.

The family requests memorials be in lieu of flowers to Hospice Austin, 4107 Spicewood Springs Rd., Suite 100, Austin, TX 78759, or to a favorite charity.



HOLLIS ALBERT BRYAN
SWEETWATER, Okla. — Hollis Albert Bryan, 84, died Friday, Oct. 13, 2000. Services were to be at 10 a.m. today in Sweetwater Assembly of God Church with the Rev. J.M. Ashley officiating. Interment will be in Mulberry Cemetery under the direction of Martin Funeral Home of Sayre, Okla.

Mr. Bryan was born Nov. 9, 1915, at Sunnypoint, to Luther Hollis and Annie Stover Bryan. He married Lorene Gladys Smulcer on Nov. 10, 1934, at Sweetwater; she died July 12, 2000. The couple farmed north of Sweetwater most of their lives.

He was a member of Sweetwater Assembly of God Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, a son, a daughter-in-law and three brothers.

Survivors include a son, Arnel Bryan of Pampa; a daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and James Blanscet of Reydon, Okla.; a daughter-in-law, Lois Bryan of Sweetwater; two sisters, Annie Bell Atha of Cheyenne, Okla., and Doris Fay Miller of Fort Cobb; four brothers, Herbert Bryan of Elk City, Okla., Delbert Bryan of Cumbech, Okla., Wayne Bryan of Amarillo and George Bryan of Grimes; eight grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

JOE BOB CARMICHAEL
CLARENDON — Joe Bob Carmichael, 69, father of a Pampa resident, died Friday, Oct. 13, 2000. Graveside services were to be at 2 p.m. today in Citizens Cemetery with the Rev. Bill Hodges, pastor of Nazarene Church, officiating. Burial will be under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mr. Carmichael was born at Quitaque and lived in Donley County for many years. He married Shirley Ann Wilkins in 1956 at Clovis, N.M. He was an electrician and also worked in construction prior to retiring. He was a U.S. Army veteran, serving during the Korean Conflict, and belonged to Clarendon Veterans of Foreign War Post #7782.

He was a Nazarene.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley; two daughters, Kathy Moss of Pampa and Bobbi Jo Sipe of Reagan, N.D.; two sons, Eddie Carmichael of Clayton and Jerry Carmichael of Clarendon; 12 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

MABEL LEE CHRISTOPHER
MIAMI — Mabel Lee Christopher, 92, died Sunday, Oct. 15, 2000, at Canadian. Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Steve Patterson officiating.

Mrs. Christopher was born June 8, 1908, at Dallas. She was valedictorian of her 1929 Troup High School graduating class and earned a bachelor of science degree in education from Baylor University in 1932. She was a homemaker and taught third grade at Miami Elementary School for several years.

She married Orval L. Christopher on May 15, 1937, at Amarillo; he died Nov. 29, 1990.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church of Miami where she was a children's Sunday school superintendent and children and adult Sunday school teacher.

She belonged to WSCS for many years and held many offices within the organization.

Survivors include a daughter, Charlotte Schaefer of Canadian; a son, Charlie Christopher of Amarillo; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be to First United Methodist Church of Miami.

Obituaries (cont.)

JESSIE RUTH CRADDUCK
Jessie Ruth Craddock, 95, of Pampa, died Sunday, Oct. 15, 2000. Services will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whitley Colonial Chapel with the Rev. John Glover, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Craddock was born Oct. 10, 1905, in Benton County, Ark. She married Garrett L. Craddock on May 15, 1924, at Sapulpa, Okla.; he died in 1975. She had been a Pampa resident since 1940, moving from Mermac, Okla., and was a member of First Baptist Church, serving as church secretary for many years under Dr. Douglas Carver.

She was preceded in death by a son, Harold Craddock, in 1983.

Survivors include a sister, Aileen Goodrich of Seattle, Wash.; three brothers, Donald White of Sapulpa, Howard White of Alexandria, Va., and Dale White of Calif.; two grandchildren, Mark Craddock and Gail Anderson, both of Pampa; and three great-grandchildren, Brandon McDonald of Dallas, Garrett Craddock of Houston and Hugh Craddock of Bozeman, Mont.

RUTH WHITAKER SMITH
FRITCH — Ruth Whitaker Smith, 82, died Thursday, Oct. 12, 2000. Services were to be at 10 a.m. today in Paramount Baptist Deaf Church in Amarillo with the Rev. Darrell Bonjour and Kelvin Jackson officiating and Mark Sturkie serving as voice interpreter. Burial will be at 4 p.m. in East Mound Cemetery at Matador. Arrangements are under the direction of Schooler Funeral Home of Amarillo.

Mrs. Smith was born Aug. 13, 1918, at Whiteflat and attended Austin School for the Deaf. She married Joe E. Smith on Oct. 14, 1941, at Whiteflat; he died in 1970.

She was a homemaker and a member of Paramount Baptist Deaf Church.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Eula Whitaker, in 1979; and by three brothers, Ed Whitaker, in 1970, Earnest Whitaker, in 1985, and Earl Whitaker, in 1990.

Survivors include two daughters, Eulalia Dean of San Angelo and Judy Self of Abilene; two sons, Jim Tom Smith of Alva, Okla., and Bobby J. Smith of Fritch; a sister, Fern Henderson of Matador; and a sister-in-law, Ciedell Whitaker of Levelland.

The family requests memorials be to Paramount Baptist Deaf Church, 3817 Holiday, Amarillo, TX 79109.

Police report
The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Oct. 14
A 17-year-old Pampa woman told police she had been beaten about 4 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 12, by her boyfriend in the 1000 of South Faulkner. Officers said she appeared to have suffered bruising to the upper right chest.

A 33-year-old woman reported the violation of a protective order and criminal mischief when her back door was kicked in in the 500 block of Davis. Officers estimated damage to the door at \$75.

An 18-year-old woman reported that a truck pulled in front of her and backed into her car at the intersection of Francis and Starkweather about 2 p.m. Saturday. Officers said about \$2,500 in damage was done to her car.

A 64-year-old man reported change and compact disks taken from his truck about 4:20 a.m. Saturday in the 2600 block of Comanche.

A 41-year-old woman reported an assault about midnight Saturday in the 700 block of South Barnes.

Sunday, Oct. 15
A Pampa boy reported a simple assault about 8 p.m. Sunday in the 900 block of Campbell.

Fires
Pampa Fire Department responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Saturday, Oct. 14
11:08 a.m. — Two units and seven firefighters responded to a false alarm in the 1100 block of Mary Ellen.

12:42 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a small grass fire in the 500 block of Somerville.

7:30 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a report of an open fire hydrant at Russel and Tuke streets. The hydrant had been opened by the city water department.

Sunday, Oct. 15
3:40 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a smoke scare that was determined to be in Carson County.

Stocks
The following grain quotations are provided by Atchury Grain of Pampa.

Wheat	2.65
Milo	3.18
Corn	3.57
Soybeans	4.01

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

Occidental	20 3/8	dn 5/16
Fidelity Magell	127.04	
Puritan	18.49	

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

BP Amoco	54 11/16	up 1/8
Exxon	48 15/16	up 1/8
Exxon O&G	21 7/8	dn 5/16
Chevron	30 11/16	dn 3/16
Coca-Cola	57 7/8	dn 1/16

Lawyer dies in plane crash

Four others injured

SELMER, Tenn. (AP) — One man was killed and four others injured when their small plane crashed into heavy trees and burst into flames immediately after taking off from an airport in McNairy County, authorities said.

"They taxied down the runway and were on the takeoff," Mark Lester, chief of line services at Robert Sibley Airport, told The Jackson Sun. "They were sluggishly climbing and we saw them dip down below the tree line. We couldn't see them anymore."

The cause of the crash Sunday has not been determined. Officials from the Federal Aviation Administration in Memphis and the National Transportation Safety Board were en route to the scene and were expected to begin their investigation Monday, airport manager Steve Smith said.

The six-seat Piper Lance took off under clear skies at 1:15 p.m., said Lester, who was watching from the airport control room along with members of the victims' families.

Lester said everyone thought the plane was safely headed toward Shreveport, La.

"We heard a thud and an explosion," Lester said. "We realized what happened and I made the 911 call."

Eddie Simpson, 29, who was apparently piloting the single-engine plane, was pronounced dead on arrival at Methodist Healthcare McNairy Hospital in Selmer, McNairy County Sheriff Paul Ervin said. Simpson practiced law in Selmer with his father, Paul Simpson.

Four employees of Napier Splicing Co. of Selmer were also aboard, headed to Shreveport, and then to a job site in Eagle Pass, Texas, when the plane crashed into a thick canopy of trees, which caught on fire.

Two passengers — Larry Lynn McCormick of Crump and Parrish Simpson of Savannah — were listed in serious condition Monday morning at the burn unit of the Regional Medical Center in Memphis. A third passenger, Jody Napier of Adamsville, was in critical condition at the burn unit. All are 30 years old.

McCormick and Simpson were upgraded Monday from critical to serious.

Alan Atkins of Savannah, 26, was also burned, but walked away from the crash and flagged down an all-terrain vehicle to for help, said his sister, Jocey Atkins. Alan Atkins was in stable condition Sunday at the McNairy hospital.

"He's in shock," Jocey Atkins said. "His arms and legs are all burned up and so is his face."

Simpson and Napier owned the plane. Napier was on the logbook as the pilot for the flight, but "all indications point that Eddie was flying," Ervin said.

Simpson, a licensed pilot, performed a pre-flight inspection of the aircraft shortly before takeoff, Lester said.

"He wouldn't have left if something was wrong," he said.

Napier Splicing Co., which installs television cable, has headquarters in Selmer but company crews make regular plane trips to Florida and Texas, Smith said.

Report: College costs rising

By ARLENE LEVINSON
AP National Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The price of a college degree continues to rise faster than inflation, with tuition and fees at public four-year colleges up an average 4.4 percent and even more at private schools, the College Board reported Monday.

Its survey also found that loans provided a growing chunk of the extra money students need to pay for college degrees.

Average in-state tuition and fees at public four-year schools this fall is \$3,510 per year — \$148 more than last year, according to the survey. On-campus room and board now averages \$4,960, up 5.1 percent.

At private four-year colleges, tuition and fees average \$16,332, up 5.2 percent from last year.

Room and board on campus is now \$6,209, a 4.2 percent increase. Only public two-year schools, chiefly community colleges, stayed below the current inflation rate — but barely. Tuition rose this year to \$1,705, up 3.4 percent, the survey found.

Private two-year schools boosted tuition and fees to \$7,458, a 7 percent rise.

This pattern follows an old, familiar trend, said Joni Finney, a policy analyst at the National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education in San Jose, Calif. "Colleges and universities have a very difficult time controlling their costs," she said.

"These institutions were underfunded in the early part of the '90s," Finney said. "But they've more than made up for lost ground."

But Stanley Ikenberry, president

of the American Council on Education, an umbrella group for higher education, said: "Given the large, fixed costs of most campuses, in personnel and facilities especially, these numbers show institutions are working hard to hold the line on increases."

The recent increases push past inflation. The Consumer Price Index rose 2.7 percent in 1999; the first eight months of this year, consumer prices rose at an annual rate of 3.5 percent. Last year, college tuition and fees rose less than 5 percent.

The survey continues what has been happening for most of the 20th century, said Morton Schapiro, a higher education economist and president of Williams College. Expect for the late '70s and early '80s, college cost-increases largely have exceeded inflation, he said.

TRIAL

young Brendan Brown dead. Officers said the child apparently was with his mother the afternoon of May 24.

The mother went to work at a fast food restaurant in Canadian about 6 p.m. and the baby was left with Milburn's mother.

Milburn told officers he picked the baby up from his mother's shortly before 10 p.m., May 24, and took him to the apartment he shared with the baby's mother. He said the baby had a cup of red KoolAid and fell asleep on the sofa. Milburn said he put the baby to bed.

He said the baby's mother arrived home shortly after 10 p.m., and they watched television awhile. Milburn told officers he went in the bedroom about midnight and turned the air conditioner off. Milburn said he awoke about 2 a.m. or 3 a.m. to hear the baby whining.

Milburn said he got up a little after 5 a.m. Tuesday, May 25, and went to work.

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Brown told officers that she looked in on little Brendan about 8 a.m., Tuesday, May 25. She found her son lying on his right side, half covered with a blanket, dead.

Brendan Brown celebrated his second birthday on May 15, 20 days before his death.

Ambulance

Rural Metro Ambulance Service responded to the following calls during the 48-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

- Saturday, Oct. 14**
12 noon — A mobile ICU responded to the 1200 block of Wells. No transport.
- 3:47 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to Pampa Regional Medical Center (PRMC) and transported one to a local nursing facility.
- 10:20 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 300 block of Wells and transported one to PRMC.
- Sunday, Oct. 15**
12:40 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to the 1400 block of West Somerville and transported one to PRMC.
- 4:32 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to Northwest Texas Hospital (NWTX), Amarillo.
- 7:19 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to a local nursing facility. No transport.
- 9:57 p.m. — A mobile ICU responded to PRMC and transported one to NWTX, Amarillo.

City Briefs

- The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement
- CUT FUEL** cost by updating with a new high efficiency heating appliance. Fireside Comfort, 725 W. Brown, Hwy. 60, 665-9333
- FOR RENT** Inside Boat Storage & small pasture. 665-3400
- GAS PRICE** Increasing! Oh-no what to do? Come see us at Fireside Comfort, 725 Brown, Hwy. 60.
- PET KOSTUME** Contest, Oct. 28, 4 p.m. The Pet Patch. For more info. call 665-5504.

BREAK-INS

Officers said they think the three incidents may be related.

Weather focus

PAMPA — Today, low clouds and fog this morning, becoming partly cloudy with highs in the mid-70s and northwest winds 5 to 15 mph, shifting to the northeast. Tonight, partly cloudy with lows around 55 and light and variable winds. Tuesday, partly cloudy with highs near 70 and south winds 5-15 mph. Tuesday night, decreasing clouds with lows near 50. Wednesday through Friday, partly cloudy. Lows around 45. Highs around 75. Pampa received .22 inch of rain over the weekend. High Sunday was 60 and the overnight low, 49.

STATEWIDE — Rain returned

to Texas over the weekend and more precipitation was in the forecast today, with scattered amounts reported overnight.

Rainfall reports ranged from one tenth to nearly 1 1/2 inches. Scattered showers and thunderstorms continued to move across North Texas, with the heaviest activity south of a line from Hunt to Eastland counties.

Widespread patchy fog also shrouded much of North and Southeast Texas and the Hill Country.

Early-morning temperatures ranged from the 50s to 60s, with the exception of lower 70s over the lower Rio Grande Valley. It was 62 degrees at Junction

and 75 at Port Isabel. Winds were generally southerly at 5 to 10 mph.

Light rain and fog was occurring in the southeast, the southwest and much of the High Plains.

Scattered to numerous showers and thunderstorms should continue through Tuesday. Highs were expected from the mid-70s in the north to mid-80s in the southeast, with 90s in the far west. Scattered thunderstorms should be ending from the east, with patchy fog from late tonight to early Tuesday.

Lows were expected from the 50s in the west to mid-60s in the south.

Calendar of events

PAMPA AREA LITERACY COUNCIL

Pampa Area Literary Council office is open from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. For more information, call 665-2331.

CLEAN AIR AL-ANON

Clean Air Al-Anon will hold weekly meetings on Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon at 810 W. 23rd. For more information, call 669-3988.

TRALEE CRISIS CENTER

Tralee Crisis Center will offer Volunteer Training for people interested in working with victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and other crime victims. For more information, call 669-1131 or 1-800-658-2796.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Planned Parenthood of Amarillo and the Texas Panhandle is changing its hours. It is now open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 408 W. Kingsmill Ave., #175-A, in Pampa. For more information or for an appointment, call 665-2291. Planned Parenthood is a not-for-profit health care organization serving women and men in 17 offices covering 26 counties in the panhandle.

PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR

Lovett Memorial Library will sponsor a pre-school story hour at 10 a.m. every Tuesday this fall beginning Sept. 5. The free program is open to children 18 months to 5 years of age and will include stories, crafts and other activities. No registration is required. For more information, call the library at 669-5780.

THE SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army, 701 S. Cuyler, will be accepting Christmas applications from 9 a.m.-12 noon and from 1-3 p.m., Oct. 9-13. Applications must include: Picture ID; birth certificates for each child in the household; Social Security cards for each individual in the household; and proof of income (pay check stub, award letters) and expense. For more information, call 665-7233.

AQUATIC AND WILDLIFE MUSEUM

The Fritch Aquatic and Wildlife Museum will hold three special archeology programs daily for children in kindergarten through fifth grades Oct. 16-20. The programs will be approximately 45 minutes to an hour-long and are tentatively set for 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. For more information or to schedule a program, call Neva Burris at (806) 857-2458.

MIP CLASSES

Clarendon College will offer Minor in Possession classes from 7:30-10:30 p.m., Oct. 9-10, Nov. 13-14 and Dec. 11-12 in Clarendon, and Oct. 16-17 and Nov. 20-21 in Pampa. For more information, call Eddie Hankins, (806) 874-5074.

PAMPA AREA CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Pampa Area Cancer Support Group for individuals, families and friends who have been touched by cancer will meet at 7 p.m. Oct. 19 in the cafeteria of the Pampa Regional Medical Center, One Medical Plaza. Program for this month's meeting will be "Anxiety - Managing the Silent Symptom" to be presented by Gerald Kelly, director of Supportive Care at the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center. The public is invited. For more information, call 665-4742 or 665-2654. For a ride, call Betty Whitson after 5 p.m. at 669-2198 or Linda Norris at 665-2654. In case of inclement weather, call ahead in case meeting is canceled.

SPCC

Samaritan Pastoral Counseling Center has announced an upcoming lecture with Neil Sperry, author and radio show host, at 5:30 p.m.,

Thursday, Oct. 19 at Texas Tech Pharmacy School Auditorium in Amarillo and Friday, Oct. 20 at First Christian Church-Snodgrass Hall, Amarillo. A buffet and book-signing are scheduled from 7:30-9:30 p.m. Lecture tickets are \$5 per person at the door. Tickets to the book-signing and buffet are \$25 per person. For more information, call 353-1668.

FPC LYCEUM

Frank Phillips College Lyceum will host Meisenbach and Golden Harp/Flute Duo on Tuesday, Oct. 24 in the Fine Arts Building on campus in Borger. The concert is free and open to the public.

PPQG

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild will meet at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 26 at Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis. The program will be a garage sale of sewing-related items. For more information, call (806) 779-2115. Visitors are welcome.

FPC EXTENDED EDUCATION CLASSES

Frank Phillips College in Borger will offer the following extended education classes this month: Beginning Drawing; American Red Cross Adult Basic Life Support; and ARC CPR-Basic Life Support-Bloodborne Pathogen. For more information, (806) 274-5311 or 1-800-687-2056, ext. 777.

SCIENCE SPECTRUM

Science Spectrum, a non-profit museum for science education in Lubbock, is currently offering two educational films in its Omnimax Theatre — "Michael Jordan to the Max" featuring Michael Jordan and "Mysteries of Egypt" with actors Omar Shariff and Kate Maberly. In addition, the interactive traveling exhibit "Whodunit? The Science of Solving Crime" is currently at the museum. For more information, call (806) 745-2525.

PALO DURO HANDWEAVER'S GUILD

Palo Duro Handweaver's Guild will meet at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 26 in Amarillo. The meeting is open to anyone interested in weaving, spinning, dyeing or fiber arts. For more information, call (806) 358-2765.

PATHWAYS

The Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center will offer "Pathways," a four-part support series for those who have lost a loved one, from 1:30-3 p.m. Tuesdays throughout the month. For more information, call Gerry Kelly at (806) 359-4673, ext. 235 or Stan McKeever at (806) 359-4673, ext. 141 or toll-free at 1-800-274-4673.

IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

The Texas Department of Health will be offering immunization clinics for vaccines that give protection against several childhood diseases including polio, diphtheria, lock jaw (tetanus), whooping cough (pertussis), measles, rubella, mumps, HIB (haemophilus influenzae Type B) and chickenpox (varicella). The TDH will charge money to help with the cost of keeping the clinic open. The amount charged will be based on family income and size, and the ability to pay. The following clinics will be offered: 10 a.m.-12 noon and 1-4:30 p.m., Oct. 4 and 18, Pampa Family Clinic, 700 W. Kentucky.

HARRINGTON CANCER CENTER

The Women's Center of the Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center has announced the following breast cancer screening clinics: Oct. 9, Shephard's Crook Nursing Agency, 916 N. Crest, and Sept. 5, First United Methodist Church Educational Building, 201 E. Foster, Pampa; Sept. 6, 20, Hemphill County Hospital, Canadian; Sept. 19 United Methodist church, Miami; and Sept. 14, Wesley Community Center, 1615 S. Roberts, Amarillo. Participants will receive a low-cost self-exam mammogram and a breast health appraisal along with

individual instruction by a registered nurse in breast self-examination. Funding is available through the Texas Department of Health for Texas residents who qualify for assistance. All exams are by appointment only. For more information, call (806) 356-1905 or 1-800-377-4673.

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

Area Agency on Aging of the Panhandle is seeking volunteers to serve as advocates for nursing home residents as part of its Ombudsmen program. The Ombudsmen will visit residents of long-term care facilities and help resolve complaints involving residents rights, quality of life and quality of care. Once accepted into the program, volunteers complete a three month internship including intensive training and supervision in preparation. Ideal candidates will have strong sense of fair play, excellent problem-solving skills, good relationships with older people and the ability to devote two hours a week to the residents served by the Ombudsman program. For more information, contact Jeff Price, regional Ombudsman, or Shirley Sheldon, Ombudsman Program Aide, at 1-800-642-6008; or write P.O. Box 9257, Amarillo, TX, 79105.

ARBOR DAY FOUNDATION

Ten free trees will be given to each person who joins The National Arbor Day Foundation during September 2000. The free trees are part of the nonprofit Foundation's Trees for America campaign. The 10 trees are the American Redbud, White Pine, Sugar Maple, White Flowering Dogwood, Pin Oak, Red Maple, Birch, Silver Maple, Red Oak and Colorado Blue Spruce. The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between Oct. 15 and Dec. 10 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow or they will be replaced free of charge. Members also receive a subscription to the Foundation's colorful bimonthly publication, "Arbor Day" and "The Tree Book" with information about tree planting and care. To receive the free trees, send a \$10 membership contribution to Ten Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Ave., Nebraska City, NE 68410, by Sept. 30, 2000.

DUKE TIP PROGRAM

Duke University is currently conducting its 21st annual Talent Identification Program. The program is open to seventh graders scoring in the upper 5 percent on sections of a nationally normed achievement test. The deadline to apply is Nov. 1, 2000. For more information, call (919) 681-6980.

SCHOOL TO CAREER PROGRAM

Texas AFL-CIO has announced the "School to Careers" project for high school students interested in union apprenticeship programs. To learn more about the benefits of union-sponsored apprenticeship training programs, contact the local Texas Workforce Commission or call (512) 470-0918.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING

National Institute on Aging and National Institutes of Health recently published a 36-page booklet "Who? What? When? Resources for Women's Health and Aging" to help women as they age. To order a free copy, contact the National Institute on Aging Information Center at 1-800-222-2225.

Republican Party Headquarters
500 W. Kingsmill

Monday-Friday 12:00 noon-4:00 pm
Saturday 10:00 am-2:00 pm

For More Information Call 665-8414

PAS to hold annual membership drive

AMARILLO — Panhandle Archeological Society (PAS) will hold its annual membership drive at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 18 in the Robert Lee Room at the Big Texan Steak Ranch in Amarillo.

October's meeting will highlight Texas Archeological Awareness Month, a statewide event recognizing the importance of Texas' archeological heritage and the vital protection of these unique resources. The interactive meeting will discuss opportunities for the public to learn and participate in archeological activities in the area.

The guest speaker will be Reba Jones, longtime PAS member and contributor. Jones, a former Texas Archeological Society (TAS) director for Region 1, is also a life member of Texas Archeological Society. She currently works at the

Amarillo Museum of Art as collections manager. Jones presentation will discuss TAS' "Field School 2000," held on the McGuire Ranch near Marfa this summer.

To celebrate Archeology Month locally, PAS members can sign-up for a special backcountry tour and dinner Oct. 21 at Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument. Board members and trail leaders from Wildcat Bluff Nature Center can also participate in this year's special tour.

Tour reservations and membership information will be available at the Oct. 18 meeting as will the PAS publication — the 1939-40 reports of Ele and Jewel Baker's excavations at Antelope Creek and Alibates Ruins. This is the first printing of the classic Works Progress Administration project papers. Only 100 copies are currently scheduled for publication.

Neighborhood Watch works!

HELLO

come see

Please Join Us For A Reception Welcoming

Dr. Salim Sagarwala
Pediatrician

Dr. George Smith
General Surgeon

Dr. David Hampton
Orthopaedic Surgeon

Thursday, October 19, 2000

4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

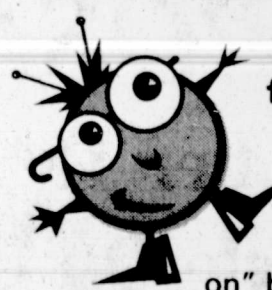
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Pampa Regional Medical Center



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Women march against poverty and violence

WASHINGTON (AP) — Women from around the world marched Sunday and shouted "Shame!" at the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund buildings in a protest against world poverty and the mistreatment of women. Several thousand marchers from Africa, Asia and the Americas chanted in a cacophony of languages their support

for equal rights for women and their opposition to domestic violence. The Washington rally was a culminating event of the World March of Women 2000, which began in March in Geneva. The movement's international delegation planned to meet Monday with IMF and World Bank officials to seek greater relief and improved lending for poor countries. The same group will meet with U.N. Secretary

General Kofi Annan on Tuesday to present him with petitions signed by 2 million people seeking an end to violence against women.

Clinton set to reopen mideast peace talks

SHARM EL-SHEIK, Egypt (AP) — President Clinton and other world leaders undertook an uphill drive Monday to quell violence on the West Bank and in Gaza and prod Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat to reopen peace talks. With a little more than three months left in his presidency, Clinton still hopes to mediate a peace accord between Israel and the Palestinians. For this emergency summit, though, the most optimistic outlook is for a truce and a date for new negotiations. Amid intense security, Barak was first to arrive, stepping onto a red carpet after his Israeli jet touched down at this Egyptian Red Sea spa. The first order of business was a meeting with the host, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak.

Participants converge on Washington for Million Family March

WASHINGTON (AP) — Following the call of Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan, thousands were converging on the capital Monday for the first Million Family March on the National Mall. The march comes on the fifth anniversary of the Million Man March,

which was also spearheaded by Farrakhan, who has been accused of anti-white and anti-Semitic sentiments. But unlike the 1995 event, which was aimed at black men, people of all faiths and races were invited to participate in the march by Farrakhan, who has been trying to make his image more mainstream of late. Organizers declined to say how many people they expect, but they told city officials to prepare for more than 1 million.

Candidates prep for final debate

AUSTIN (AP) — George W. Bush and Al Gore are simulating town hall-style meetings as practice for their third debate Tuesday, the presidential rivals' last face-to-face showdown before a final sprint to Election Day. On Monday, Bush planned to tweak President Clinton with a rally in his home state of Arkansas on the way to St. Louis for the debate. Gore, meanwhile, arrived in that city Sunday night and was preparing for the debate format that advisers say is his strongest — honed during years spent representing Tennessee in Congress and answering questions from voters in scores of town hall meetings. On Monday, the vice president was holding an hour-long mock town hall — plus at least 30 minutes of review and critique afterward — with 23 "real people" debate coaches, a group that Gore called "our happy band."

Taliban and opposition battle in northern Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — Fighting raged in Afghanistan's northern Takhar province Monday as opposition soldiers tried to retake territory lost to the ruling Taliban army. Much of the combat was centered on hilltops around Koshkar and Fahar, said opposition spokesman Mohammed Abil, who was contacted in Takhar province by satellite telephone. Bitter fighting has consumed northern Afghanistan in recent weeks as the Taliban have advanced through much of opposition-controlled area.

Swift action on Capital Hill on auto safety

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the congressional equivalent of a blink of an eye, lawmakers approved the most sweeping auto safety legislation in decades.

It took barely two months from the time Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. announced a massive tire recall — amid reports of 101 traffic deaths in the United States — for Congress to pass the legislation. Such a rush to action during an election year marked by bitter partisanship showed how important lawmakers felt it was to respond to public outrage over corporate and government handling of auto safety matters.

"When this year began, nobody would have believed the number of safety protections that are on the president's desk could be achieved," said Rep. Ed Markey, D-Mass.

Both the House and Senate passed the bill last Wednesday and sent it to President Clinton, who is expected to sign it. The legislation will bring major changes to government investigations of safety defects, the auto industry's relationships with federal regulators and testing requirements for tires and vehicles.

"We'll have systems in place that can spot trends and can spot a pattern of failure before it goes so severe that we only know about it because of the fatalities mounting on the highways," said Rep. Billy Tauzin, R-La.

Chuck Hurley, head of the National Safety Council, said Congress had dealt well with problems raised by the Firestone recall, but other safety problems need attention.

In the past 10 years, he said, 90,000 people died because they did not buckle their seat belts, and more than 160,000 were killed by drunken drivers.

"The frustration is that, at the end of the day, is this the most important thing that the Congress can do to save lives?" he asked. "It is not. It's significant, and I'm glad they solved this problem, but it doesn't address the most important issues of highway safety."

Tauzin led a House investigation into the Aug. 9 recall of 6.5 million Firestone tires that can suddenly lose their tread and have been linked to 101 traffic deaths in the United States and dozens more abroad. Among other things, lawmakers learned that companies are not required to report foreign recalls to the federal government.

Under the bill sponsored by Rep. Fred Upton, R-Mich., automotive industry officials could face up to 15 years in prison for hiding information on defects that lead to deaths or serious injuries. Maximum fines for companies will increase from \$925,000 to \$15 million.

The industry did not endorse Upton's bill but saw it as favorable to a harsher measure pushed by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

Gloria Bergquist, spokeswoman for the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers, a coalition of 13 automakers that produce 90 percent of vehicles sold in the United States, said Upton's legislation will "have a significant impact, perhaps even a dramatic impact" on the industry.

"Ultimately there is going to be more information provided, and that's going to benefit the consumer, but I can't say how or when or where," she said. "It won't be something consumers notice immediately."

While the criminal penalties go into effect when Clinton signs the bill, perhaps this week, other parts of the bill will be phased in.

Crime decline may slow soon, according to report

WASHINGTON (AP) — The FBI's report of a 7 percent drop in serious crimes reported to police in 1999 extended the nation's longest crime decline through its eighth year, but there are hints the gains may be about to slow down.

The FBI reported Sunday that the murder rate sunk to a 33-year low: 5.7 for every 100,000 residents, the lowest since 5.6 per 100,000 in 1966.

The overall violent crime rate reached to a 21-year low — 525 murders, rapes, robberies and assaults for every 100,000 residents. The last time the figure was lower — 498 in 1978 — came well before an epidemic of crack cocaine sent violent crime soaring in the mid-1980s.

But cities with more than a million residents showed the smallest decline in murder rate of any size community, down just 4 percent from 13.5 to 13.0 per 100,000. The largest, New York, even saw murders rise from 633 in 1998 to 671 in 1999.

"The big cities are reaching their limit" in crime reduction, said Professor James Alan Fox of Northeastern University in Boston. The murder totals are considered the most reliable figures in the FBI report and a leading indicator of crime in general.

"The big cities were the first to go up in the 1980s, the first to come down in the 1990s," said Professor Alfred Blumstein of Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh. "Now, having the lowest murder rate decline suggests they'll be the first to stabilize. Murders and crime can't go down forever."

Nationwide, the rate and the number of all seven major violent and property crimes declined, despite an increase in the U.S. population, the FBI reported. The national total for the seven serious crimes reported to 17,000 police agencies for 1999 was 11,635,149, down 20 percent since 1990. Total reported crimes were down 10 percent in the West, 7 percent in the Northeast and Midwest and 5 percent in the South. The totals were down 7 percent in cities and rural areas and 8 percent in suburbs.

Among violent crimes, the population-adjusted rate for murder fell 8.5 percent; for robbery, 8.4 percent; for aggravated assault, 6.2 percent; and for rape, 4.3 percent.

Among property crimes, the rate for burglary fell 10 percent; for auto theft, 7.7 percent; and for larceny-theft, 5.7 percent.

The overall decline extended a trend begun in 1992 that is now nearly three times longer than the second-longest decline, the three years from 1982 through 1984. FBI records go back through 1960.

Attorney General Janet Reno said, "American families are safer today than they have been in a generation.... But we cannot rest." She called for more effort to ensure that the 500,000 Americans to be released from prison this year end up in jobs rather than back behind bars.

President Clinton attributed crime declines to administration legislation giving local communities "better tools ... including 100,000 more police for our streets, stronger gun laws and smart prevention."

Republicans in Congress credited local efforts and a GOP-sponsored law they said had induced 27 states to impose longer prison terms in exchange

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Study: Global warming could worsen hay fever

African-Americans develop hypertension at earlier age

DALLAS — High blood pressure or hypertension is often associated with middle-age or old-age. But it can develop much earlier in African-Americans — often by young adulthood.

"Compared to Caucasians, African Americans develop high blood pressure earlier in life and their average blood pressures are higher," says Dr. Nina Radford, clinical director of hypertension at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas. "As a result, African Americans are more likely to suffer the devastating consequences of high blood pressure including stroke, heart attack and death."

While African Americans are especially at highest risk, hypertension is a threat to people of all cultures.

Radford offers a few basic guidelines that can lead to a long, healthy life for people of any culture.

"The first step in treating high blood pressure is detecting it," she says. "This is easy to do with a simple blood pressure cuff in your doctor's office or at a health fair in your mall or church."

Treatment requires a partnership between patient and health care provider. "Important steps to take to control blood pressure and reduce overall cardiovascular risk include trying to maintain an ideal body weight, participating in regular daily exercise and emphasizing fresh fruits and vegetables in the diet."

Website helps children communicate pain

HOUSTON—Though children might not be able to express themselves in the same way as adults, they are capable of identifying pain and telling "where it hurts."

Unwarranted fears of side effects and myths surrounding how children feel pain often lead to under treatment. A new Texas Children's Cancer Center web site, located at www.childcancer-pain.org, addresses the myths.

Although developed for young cancer patients, the web site provides useful information for all parents. For example, to help assess pain, it includes a group of cartoon faces with facial expressions ranging from a smiling "no pain" to a tearful "worst pain."

The project was funded by the Texas Cancer Council.

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New device helps women who suffer from vaginal hernia

HOUSTON — A new type of pessary might help many women suffering from a vaginal hernia lead a more comfortable life.

"Women with vaginal hernias might experience severe aching, pressure and discomfort in the abdomen, which can be aggravated when they cough, strain or take part in daily activities," said Dr. Paul Fine, chief of urogynecology at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

The new pessary is made of plastic that can be left inside the vagina for up to 30 days. The old version was made of material that allowed vaginal secretions to get inside the device and, if left in too long, caused hygiene problems for many women. It is recommended that women visit their gynecologist so the pessary can be removed and checked for cracks.

If fitted properly, a woman will not even know the pessary is there.

Patients Wanted For Clinical Trials at UT Southwestern

DALLAS — Researchers at UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas are seeking patients to participate in medical studies. Following are three of the trials being conducted. Participants will be compensated according to the specifics of each study. All trials are approved by the Institutional Review Board, which reviews them for benefits, risks, side effects and informed consent.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Allergy sufferers, beware: Global warming could bring more hay fever, according to government research that shows ragweed produces significantly more pollen as carbon dioxide increases.

The ubiquitous weed makes nearly twice as much pollen now as it did 100 years ago and will likely double its production again

over the coming century with predicted increases in carbon dioxide levels, the Agriculture Department study suggests.

"This research may help us better understand the troubling impact of high carbon dioxide levels on our environment and our health," Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman said.

About 15 percent to 20 percent

of the population has hay fever — or allergic reactions to plant pollen, dust and other airborne particles — and ragweed is the major cause of the problem in the fall.

The plant is found all over the country and is particularly prevalent in the Northeast and Midwest. The pollen grains are so small that they can travel many miles.

A laboratory study done by USDA in 1998 and 1999 found that ragweed pollen counts went from 5.5 grams per plant at carbon-dioxide levels that existed in 1900 to 10 grams at current levels. At predicted CO2 levels in the year 2100, the pollen count would reach 20 grams per plant.

Results of USDA's lab study are to be published in an upcoming

issue of World Resource Review, a journal of climate-change issues.

Scientists at Harvard University are doing similar research this year.

"This is a pretty good first sign" that climate change will be a problem for allergy sufferers, said Cynthia Rosenzweig, a senior scientist at Columbia University's Center for Climate Systems Research.

Many scientists believe a warming of the Earth has been under way for a century and has accelerated over the past 20 years. The warming has been linked to a "greenhouse effect" caused by manmade pollution and increased concentrations of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.

While that could be good for farmers, because higher levels of carbon dioxide would increase some crop yields, it also could aggravate weed problems, and the effects on allergies and other health concerns have not been studied sufficiently, Rosenzweig said.

Plants, which use carbon dioxide for photosynthesis, react to the gas differently. An earlier study found that trees exposed to increased CO2 grow 25 percent faster than those without it.

The USDA researchers expanded their ragweed study this summer by planting the weed in controlled conditions outdoors in Maryland.

Plants that were set out in Baltimore, where it is hotter and carbon-dioxide levels are higher than outside the city, are growing significantly faster than at a rural site, said Lewis Ziska, a plant physiologist who is leading the research.

"The ones that are growing in the city are bigger and have more pollen, on the order of a third bigger," Ziska said.

Curb symptoms of Computer Vision Syndrome

Curb the Symptoms of Computer Vision Syndrome

More than 75 percent of America's workforce is now using computers on a daily basis. The majority of these professionals are performing close-up computer work for most of their workday — a task for which the human eye was not designed. The American Optometric Association has given a name to the many vision symptoms related to prolonged computer use. It defines Computer Vision Syndrome (CVS) as a "complex of eye and vision problems related to near work which are experienced during or related to computer use."

Although office personnel have performed close up work for centuries, the proliferation of computers and the replacement of paperwork with computer work have triggered a host of new vision problems related to the use of video display terminals.

"CVS is caused by the eyes reacting differently to computer screens than they do to printed letters," says Edward D. Glinski, D.O., an Ophthalmic Surgeon from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. "Computer screens create letters out of pixels or dots, which are fuzzy on the edges. Our eyes have trouble keeping the letters clear, constantly refocusing and overworking our eye muscles. This strain on the focusing muscles causes fatigue, and leads to an array of symptoms." Sore, red, burning and dry eyes are all

symptoms of CVS. Sufferers also complain of headaches, intermittent blurred vision and vision sluggishness. These symptoms are not only attributed to constant refocusing, but to the slowed blink rate people experience while working in front of a computer terminal. With less blinking, the body cannot efficiently maintain tear film, thus the eyes also become dry.

Until recently, CVS sufferers had no choice but to use artificial tears on their eyes. A few pharmaceutical companies have formulated computer eye drops, but have not addressed all the possible symptoms of CVS, such as sluggishness, weakness and pressure in the eyes.

Now Similasan Corporation, the nation's leading brand of Homeopathic Eye Drops, is introducing a revolutionary formula to alleviate the many symptoms of CVS. Because the formula is homeopathic, it will actually stimulate the body to heal itself, rather than merely mask symptoms like other leading eye drops.

The four ingredients found in Similasan Eye Drops #3 for Computer Eye Fatigue have been used by homeopathic specialists for over 200 years. The all-natural microdilutions of Natrium Muriaticum, Senega, Ruta and Conium Maculatum are indicated to relieve symptoms such as weak eye muscles, eye pressure, dry eyes, hypersensitivity to light, spasms of the eyelids due to fatigue, double vision, blurry vision and more. "Homeopathy is a 200-year old system

of medicine which, in my experience, can be very effective in the treatment of eyestrain," says Edward C. Kondrot, MD, an Ophthalmologist and certified Homeopath from Pittsburgh, PA. Dr. Kondrot is the author of a new book called *Healing The Eye - the Natural Way*. "Each individual may have a different expression of eyestrain. Homeopathy can address these specific symptoms and relieve the eye without the toxic side effects of traditional medicine."

Homeopathy is the second largest medical system in the world, followed by conventional, Western medicine at number four. The philosophy is based on the studies of Dr. Samuel Hahnemann who developed "The Law of Similars" in the late 1700s. Hahnemann demonstrated that when a person is given a minute amount of a substance that might normally cause disease, the immune system responds by fighting that same condition.

Similasan Eye Drops #3 for Computer Eye Fatigue will be available in November 2000. Similasan also continues to sell its ever-popular Eye Drops #1 for Dry, Red eyes, and Eye Drops #2 for Allergy Eyes. These products are found in health food stores and select pharmacies. Free samples are offered at the offices of most eye care professionals. For more information about Similasan products or homeopathy, consumers can call Similasan's product hotline at 800-240-9780 or visit www.healthyrelief.com.

Diabetes up sharply in '90s, research shows

ATLANTA (AP) — Diabetes increased at an alarming rate in the United States during the past decade — rising 70 percent among people in their 30s — and health experts are blaming the wired-up, couch-potato culture of the 1990s.

Diabetes is closely tied to obesity, and doctors say the higher incidence of the disease is due in large part to America's weight problem.

Obesity is "not just a cosmetic issue anymore," said Dr. Frank Vinicor, director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's diabetes division.

The share of the population diagnosed with diabetes jumped 33 percent nationally, to 6.5 percent, between 1990 and 1998, the government said Wednesday. The rise crossed races and age groups but was sharpest among people ages 30 to 39.

The study, published in the September issue of the journal *Diabetes Care*, was based on annual telephone surveys in which people were asked whether they have diabetes.

A one-third jump in the incidence of any disease in just eight years is almost unheard of, Vinicor said.

"If that would happen in a disease like tuberculosis, syphilis or AIDS, I think there would be a public outcry, and understandably," Vinicor said. "These trends are very disturbing."

The nation's weight problem is well-documented. The number of Americans considered obese soared from about one in eight in 1991 to nearly one in five in 1998.

Experts blame several factors — hundreds of TV channels, stressful jobs that lead us to gulp down fatty fast food, the rise of computers at home and at work, even a construction boom that has gobbled up space for outdoor exercise.

Wednesday's numbers show there are grave consequences to obesity, the government said.

About 3.7 percent of people 30 to 39 had diabetes in 1998, compared with 2.1 percent in 1990, the study showed.

Among 40- to 49-year-olds, the incidence of diabetes rose almost 40 percent, with roughly 5.1 percent of that age group reporting they have the disease. The increase among 50- to 59-year-olds was 31 percent, to almost 10 percent of the population.

About 13 percent of the population 60 and over has the disease. Diabetes' bodies cannot regulate blood sugar, or glucose.

Some 16 million Americans have the disease, and the number is expected to rise to 22 million by 2025. Diabetes is a leading cause of blindness, kidney failure and limb amputations and dramatically raises the risk of heart attacks. It kills 180,000 Americans each year.

Experts cautioned that the dia-

betes figures reported Wednesday could severely underestimate the problem because about one-third of American diabetics do not realize they have the disease.

But the sharp rise during the 1990s also could be credited partly to better reporting methods, said Dr. Judith Fradkin, an endocrinologist with the National Institutes of Health.

Type 2 diabetes, which gradually robs the body of its ability to use insulin, is increasingly common among children. Type 2 diabetes is generally found among older patients.

"Kids are spending incredible amounts of time in front of the computer," Fradkin said. "And when you think about the workplace, it's increasingly people sitting at desks. Even at home, we have so many labor-saving devices."

The CDC is pushing for more national attention to obesity as a health crisis, urging communities, churches, governments and schools to get Americans to exercise more and eat better.

On the Net:
CDC: <http://www.cdc.gov>
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Mother's Illness Strains Relationship With Teen

DEAR ABBY: I am 15 and have been going out with my boyfriend for 13 months. He is my best friend. His mom is sick and always on some sort of drug, but she takes all of her pain out on him. She refuses to listen to anything he has to say, and cuts him off with, "No! You are wrong!" I have even heard her claim that she hates him. She refuses to listen to reason. His dad just says, "Listen to your mom; she is sick."



Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR SHERRI: Your letter is one that will be appreciated by many latchkey (and former latchkey) children. Single parents - and many couples - must work in order to make ends meet. Although we may wish it weren't the case, sometimes it does "take a village" to raise a child. One can only hope that the citizens of the village are willing and able when the need arises.

DEAR ABBY: When it is said that after Labor Day you shouldn't wear white, I was always under the impression that this pertains only to purses and shoes or sandals. Is it acceptable to still wear white slacks, pants or capri pants? CARLA IN WINDHAM, OHIO

DEAR CARLA: The old "rules of dress" have been relaxed to the point that they have nearly disappeared in the last 20 years. At this point, it's often a matter of common sense. If the weather is still warm and summery, I see no harm in wearing summer-weight - and summer-colored - clothes until it turns cool. At that point, heavier fabrics are practical, and an off-white ("winter white") is acceptable.

I think he is becoming depressed when he is at home. Outside of the house he is cheerful, but inside he is neglected, ignored and yelled at.

Are there any other methods of getting her to listen to him that don't involve talking or letter-writing?

CONCERNED IN WEST CHESTER, PA.

DEAR CONCERNED: The teenage years can be difficult in the best of circumstances. No one should have to navigate them feeling alienated and alone.

Since your boyfriend's mother is physically or mentally ill, and unable to relate lovingly, calmly or rationally to her son - and his father is unable to intercede for him - suggest he consider finding another adult in whom he can confide. Eligible candidates might be a trusted aunt or uncle, a grandparent, a teacher or counselor at school, or his clergyman.

DEAR ABBY: May I respond to "Had It in Houston," who was tired of the neighbor child hanging out at their house all day, every day?

I was that uninvited child until I reached the age of 15. I was sent home at dinnertime or when friends had to do their homework. I felt like an outcast.

When I was 15, my family moved to a different community and I made a new friend, Kelly. To this day she remains my closest friend. I was welcomed at her house. Her parents didn't send me home. They included me and made me feel important. It was the best thing that ever happened to me. I felt wanted.

Twenty-five years later, Kelly, her sister and her parents are still a part of my family. I love them all and would like to take this opportunity to say thank you.

My message to "Had It" is simple: Please don't turn your neighbor child away. Children need to feel wanted - to know that someone is there for them. You have been chosen by this child. Appreciate the

who might be on the warpath or difficult. Know what you want and expect in the long run. Note others' moods before charging in and making a decision. You could draw some unanticipated reactions. Tonight: Where the crowds are. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Dig into work, even if you're distracted. Make calls. Find an expert if need be. Do not minimize your focus by doing two things at once. Demonstrate your ability to lead. Others seek you out for advice and feedback. Tonight: Get errands done first. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** You could misdirect your high energy. Be careful not to irritate co-workers and bosses. Working as a team sometimes means swallowing your pride. A boss values your priorities and insights. You might need to change course at the last minute. Tonight: Work late, if need be. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Use your inner power. Don't accept the obvious; instead, check out a problem carefully. Read between the lines with a boss, who might not be giving you the whole story. Your playful spirit draws others. Be creative and innovative with a child. Willingly go in another direction. Tonight: Rent a movie. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** One-on-one relating brings a new sense of what can happen. You recognize that another doesn't work well with you. Listen to your sixth sense. You might need to change direction. Your ability to shed what doesn't work is your strength. Tonight: Indulge a loved one. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

*** Don't blow a fuse with a boss

who might be on the warpath or difficult. Know what you want and expect in the long run. Note others' moods before charging in and making a decision. You could draw some unanticipated reactions. Tonight: Where the crowds are. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** Dig into work, even if you're distracted. Make calls. Find an expert if need be. Do not minimize your focus by doing two things at once. Demonstrate your ability to lead. Others seek you out for advice and feedback. Tonight: Get errands done first. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

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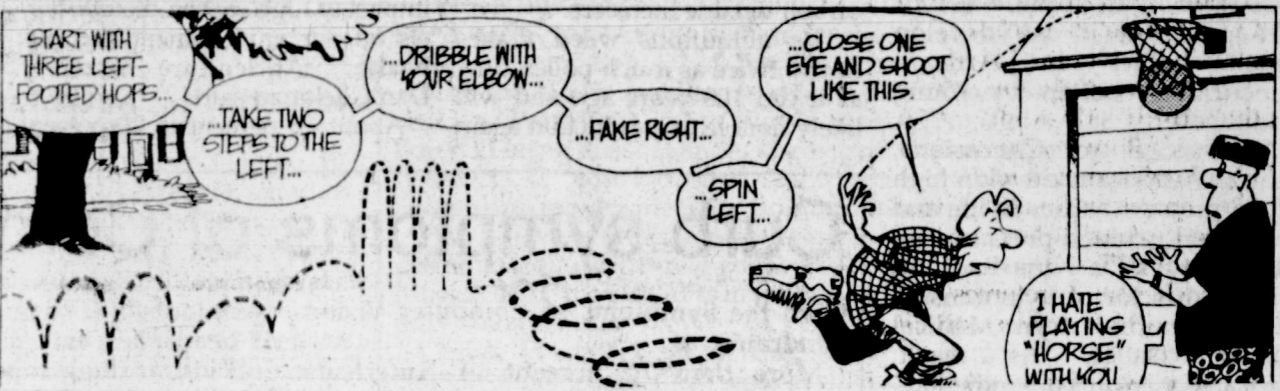
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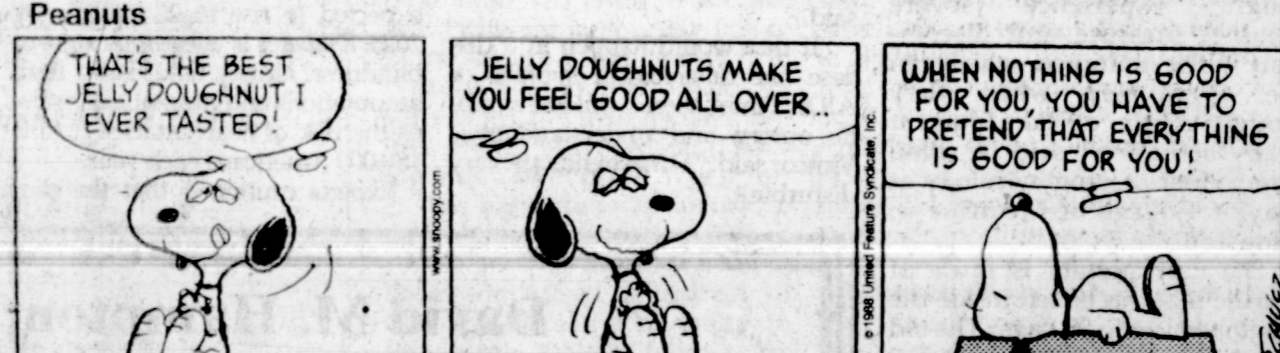
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Horoscope

TUESDAY, OCT. 17, 2000

BY JACQUELINE BIGAR

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

*** Your temper needs monitoring, as it leads you to bad decisions. Stop. Cool off if possible. The unexpected gives rise to a new friendship or source. Network. Feedback and overtures from others need to be noted. Tonight: Say yes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Expenses could go overboard. Your efforts to please another might be well-intended, but they could cause you an unnecessary risk. Let your imagination speak with a financial matter. Use your strength to make money and focus on priorities. Research a new work venture. Tonight: Pay bills first.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Use care with a family member who could be hot under the collar. Before you know it, you could have a problem. Use some of your famous charm to make peace. Unexpected developments steer you in a new direction. Again, tap into your imagination. See possibilities. Tonight: Ask for what you want.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Your words could be misunderstood. By the same token, others might not get your message as clearly as you

would like. Be careful when dealing with someone and funds. You might not be able to count on your tried-and-true sources. You can be a fountain of ideas. Use this ability. Tonight: Play it low-key. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

*** Keep goals your highest priority. You could spend too much in an attempt to realize one goal and end up diverting another. Is this what you want? Maintain an unusually high profile. Others respond to your ideas and energy. Make calls and arrange an instrumental get-together. Tonight: Out and about.

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Crossword Puzzle

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 48 Looks for

1 Young horses

6 Diamond unit

11 Open a pini bottle

12 Scarlett's last name

13 Stylishly old-fashioned

14 Sorcerer's speciality

15 Romantic flower

17 Have dinner

18 Etouffée ingredient

22 Action star, perhaps

23 Flight components

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29 Nostalgic song

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35 Little lie

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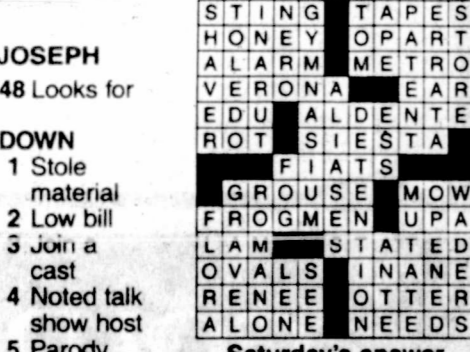
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41 Take pleasure in

45 Edna Ferber novel

46 Make a touchdown

47 "Let's hear it"



Saturday's answer

1 Young horses

2 Low bill

3 Join a cast

4 Noted talk show host

5 Parody

6 Wakes up

7 Cry of insight

8 Fury

9 Met song

10 Diplomacy

16 Bro's sibling

18 Burn on the outside

19 Babe of baseball

20 Opposed

21 Tony-winning producer

24 Brainstorm

25 Boxing site

26 Collections

28 Freshman's place

31 - Paulo

34 Attire

35 Speedy

36 Franken-

Marmaduke



"The good news is he ate a nutritious supper. The bad news is it was yours."

The Family Circus



"My Feed the Piggy Day Care is open now. I'll play with PJ while you get dressed."

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BASKETBALL

PAMPA — The Pampa Optimist girls basketball program is having signups and tryouts on Oct. 17 through Oct. 19 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Optimist Gym.

The signups are for girls in the third through sixth grades. All girls who sign up will be placed on a team. Girls are urged to attend two of the three tryouts.

Cost is \$35. Coaches and referees are also needed. If interested, call 665-8120.

There will be a coaches meeting at the Pampa Optimist Club on Monday, Oct. 16 beginning at 8 p.m.

GOLF

HEREFORD — The Pampa boys' golf team participated in the Hereford Fall Match last weekend at the John Pitman Golf Course.

Pampa shot 310 to beat Canyon by 15 strokes in a dual match. Daniel Heuston led Pampa with a 72, followed by Anthony Tiedt 77, Craig Stout 79, Ryan Black 82, and Eric Wade 85.

The Pampa girls' team was entered in a triangular at Hidden Hills. Pampa shot a 422. Their individual scores were Annie Sims 94, Michelle Haley 107, Cortney Locknane 108, Megan Shannon 114 and Mollie Crossman 115.

Tasosa shot a 396 and Amarillo High had a 422.

OLYMPICS

LAUSANNE, Switzerland (AP) — The IOC recommended on Monday that German freestyle wrestler Alexander Leipold be stripped of his gold medal after failing his drug test at the Sydney Games.

Leipold tested positive for the steroid nandrolone. His gold medal would go to Brandon Slay, of Amarillo, Tex., who lost 4-0 to Leipold in the final of the 167 1/2-pound division.

Leipold appeared at a hearing of the International Olympic Committee medical commission. The panel was investigating two positive drug cases in wrestling from the final weekend of the games.

With his wife crying by his side, Leipold spoke after leaving the IOC hearing.

He said he had no idea how he could have tested positive for nandrolone, an anabolic steroid that has produced a spate of drug scandals around the world in recent years.

"It's not the kind of drug you take for wrestling," he said. "I don't wrestle with power but with tactic and technique."

If the IOC executive board, as expected, endorses the medical panel's recommendation, Leipold would become the third athlete from the Sydney Olympics to lose a gold medal for a drug offense.

South Korea's Moon Eui Jae would move up from the bronze medal to silver, while Turkey's Adem Bereket would go from fourth to third.

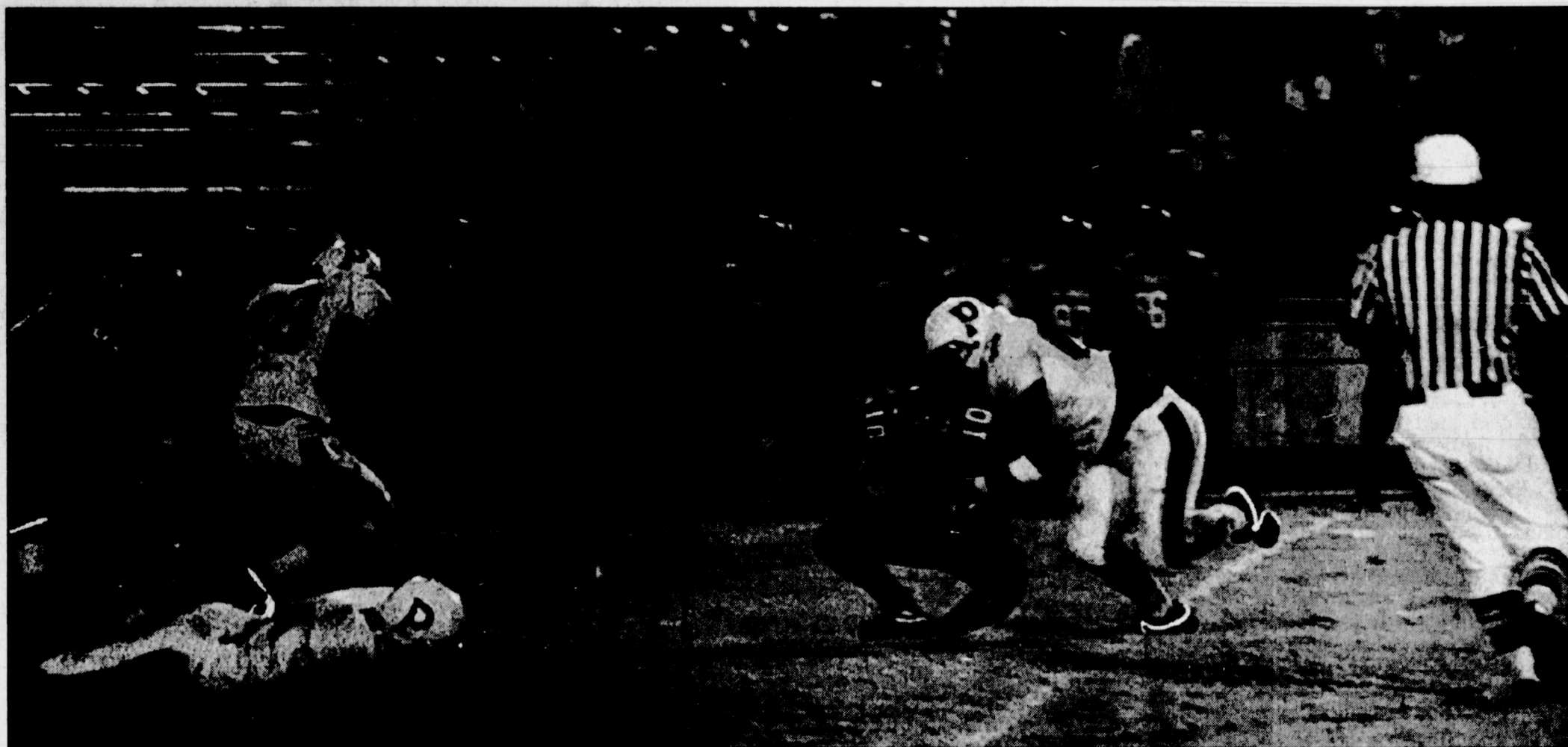
The other wrestler accused of doping was Mongolia's Oyungbileg Purevbaatar, who tested positive for the diuretic furosemide after finishing fifth in the 127 3/4-pound class.

The IOC panel recommended that he be disqualified and his results wiped off the books.

Slay would be the second U.S. athlete to win a gold because of a drug disqualification in Sydney. Tara Nott became the first American to win a gold in weightlifting in 40 years when Bulgaria's Izbabela Dragneva was disqualified after winning the 105-pound class.

"Obviously it's a very bad thing for Leipold," said Jim Schert, executive director of USA Wrestling. "We've known him for a long time. He took some shortcuts and cheated."

A Schroeder sack



(Photo by Grover Black)

Pampa's Andy Schroeder sacks Dumas quarterback Derrick Skipworth (10) during a District 3-4A clash last Friday in Dumas. The Harvesters host Caprock on Friday night in Harvester Stadium.

Cowboys lose; Aikman throws 5 interceptions

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — There's a changing of the guard taking place in the NFC East.

The New York Giants are moving back up, Dallas is dropping down and Troy Aikman might soon be on his way out as the Cowboys' quarterback, even if owner Jerry Jones says that won't happen next week.

Aikman had the worst day of his 12-year career on Sunday as he gift-wrapped a 19-14 Giants' victory by throwing a team-record tying five interceptions, the last of which set up Ron Dayne's game-winning 3-yard touchdown run early in the fourth quarter.

The loss dropped the once-proud Cowboys to 2-4, and it clearly opened the door for those calling for Randall Cunningham to replace the battered Aikman, who suffered the ninth concussion of his career earlier this season.

"As I see it right now, I don't think there will be a change," Jones said in the locker room minutes after the game. "As far as I am concerned, he is our starter without even hesitation. Don't anybody misinterpret."

Jones and Dallas coach Dave Campo said they never considered pulling Aikman after he

threw four interceptions in the first half.

Aikman, who led the Cowboys to three Super Bowls in the last decade, clearly wants to keep his job, but he offered Jones and coach Dave Campo an out after the game.

"If the staff decides something needs to be done at that position, I hope they'll make that decision," Aikman said. "I want what's best for the team. I'd like to think I'm the guy that gives this team the best chance to win. If the staff decides that's not the case, I would expect them to do something."

Aikman did his best to overcome his performance by leading the Cowboys on a late drive to the New York 14 in the final minute.

However, his last-ditch, off-balance pass to the end zone — he tripped over the foot of one of his linemen — was batted away by linebacker Jessie Armstead.

"When you get five picks you should win," said Giants coach Jim Fassel, whose team is finding ways to win recently so the coach can keep his job.

Both of the Giants touchdowns were set up by interceptions, and a third pick stopped a second-quarter Dallas drive inside the New

York 20.

"I think Troy tried to put a little too much on his own head," said Giants cornerback Mike Barrow's interception at the Cowboys 38. "I really don't care. I'd be happy with four yards if we won."

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not known how long he'll be sidelined. ...Three other Cowboys have thrown five interceptions: Steve Pelluer, Danny White and Eddie LeBaron. ... Dallas had scored on all 13 possessions inside the 20 prior to Sunday, but converted only 2 of 4. ... The touchdown by Robert Thomas was the first of his career.

Freshmen still perfect

PAMPA — Andrew Curtis threw for two touchdowns and ran for another one as Pampa beat Dumas 28-14 last week in freshmen football action.

Both of Curtis' TD passes went to Johnny Moore covering 20 and 35 yards. Curtis also scored on a 7-yard run.

Pampa also scored another touchdown though the air as Derek Lewis tossed to Jesse Tarango for a 15 yards.

Tarango was 2 for 2 in extra point kicks and Curtis ran for a 2-point conversion.

Middle linebacker Mac Smith led the Pampa defense.

The Pampa 9th graders have a 6-0 record.

Lady Harvesters beat Canyon in volleyball

PAMPA — Pampa defeated Canyon 15-8, 15-5 in a District 3-4A volleyball match Saturday in McNeely Fieldhouse.

"It was a great team effort. Destiny Engel controlled Canyon's primary attacker and she had defensive help from Chelsea McCullough, Cali Covalt, Jennifer Lindsey and Alexis Amador," Pampa head coach Carmen Pennick said.

Chasity Ashleigh, Nachtigall, Patton, Danielle

Martinez, Engel and Lindsey followed up with a balanced attack.

Charity Nachtigall probably had her best match of the year as a setter, coach Pennick said. Pampa travels to Randall for another district match Tuesday night. Matches start at 6 with the junior varsity.

The Lady Harvesters are 5-7 in district play. For the season, they are 7-20.

Pampa hosts Borger next Saturday for the final home match of the season.

Nebraska solidifies top spot

Oklahoma is back in familiar territory. While Nebraska maintained a firm grip on No. 1, the Sooners soared to No. 3 in The Associated Press Top 25 poll Sunday after a convincing 41-31 victory over Kansas State.

It is the highest ranking for Oklahoma since 1987, when the Sooners were ranked No. 1 in the final regular-season poll before losing to Miami in the Orange Bowl. Oklahoma was last No. 3 in the fourth poll of the '88 season.

The Cornhuskers (6-0) beat Texas Tech 56-3 Saturday and collected 66

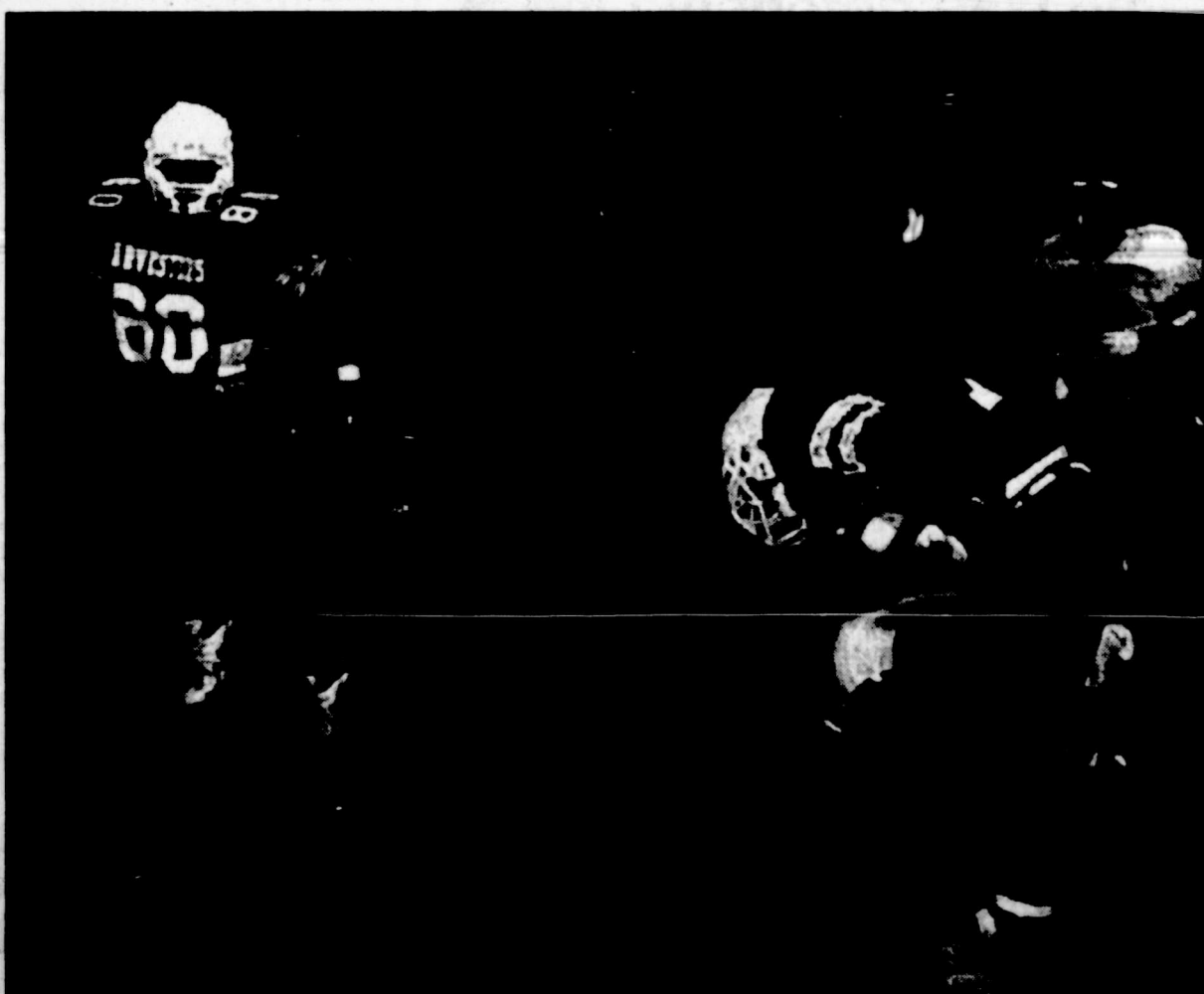
first-place votes and 1,770 points from the 71 sports writers and broadcasters on the AP panel.

Virginia Tech (6-0), which beat West Virginia 48-20 Thursday night, moved up a spot to No. 2 with one first-place vote and 1,656 points.

The Sooners (6-0) advanced five places from last week and received four first-place votes and 1,603 points.

Kansas State (6-1) and Ohio State (5-1) took expected tumbles after losing for the first time this season. Both fell eight spots — the Wildcats from No. 2 to No. 10, the Buckeyes from No. 6 to No. 14.

Interception



(Photo by Grover Black)

Curtis Pritchett is tackled after making an interception during the Pampa-Dumas junior varsity game week. Pampa came away with a 19-8 win. The Pampa JVs have won 5 of 6 games this season.

M.G. Flyers compete in meets at Big Spring and Canyon

Olympic Gold may not have been in contention, but several local gymnasts competed with sights set on winning scores. Gymnasts from the Madeline Graves Dance & Gymnastics Center recently traveled to Big Spring and Canyon in All-Around competition.

This enthusiastic team has been competing in the panhandle area since August. In September, the girls traveled to the Big Spring YMCA for their Mardi Gras theme meet. Everybody enjoyed the meet and the warm hospitality, according to head coach Madeline Graves.

For the M.G. Flyers, Danielle Zuniga competed at Level 4 and had a third-place on beam, fifth place on vault, bars, floor and All-Around.

Level 5 competition included Shannon Clay, vault 7.25; bars 4.65; beam 7.4; floor exercise 8.15 and an All-Around score of 27.45; Shelby Clay, vault 7.8; bars 7.9; beam 6.25; floor exercise 6.75 and an All-Around score of 28.80; Allison Cooper, vault 8.4; bars 7.2; beam 6.25; floor exercise 7.55 and an All-Around score of 29.40. All three Level 5 gymnasts are competing for the first time at this level.

Competitors at Level Six included Carrie Clay, who placed fourth in All-Around with scores of 9.0 on vault; 6.85 on the uneven bars; 6.5 on beam; 8.55 floor exercise with a total of 30.90. Carrie received first place on vault and third place on floor.

Nicole Dyer placed eighth in All-Around and Allison Ware placed seventh with scores of 8.1 on vault; 5.35 on bars; 7.45 on beam; 7.55 on the floor. Allison placed fourth on beam with a 7.45.

Kaylee Greenhouse placed ninth in All-Around and received fourth place on vault

with a score of 8.6.

On Nov. 23, the team traveled to the West Texas Twisters gym in Canyon for their Wild, Wild West meet.

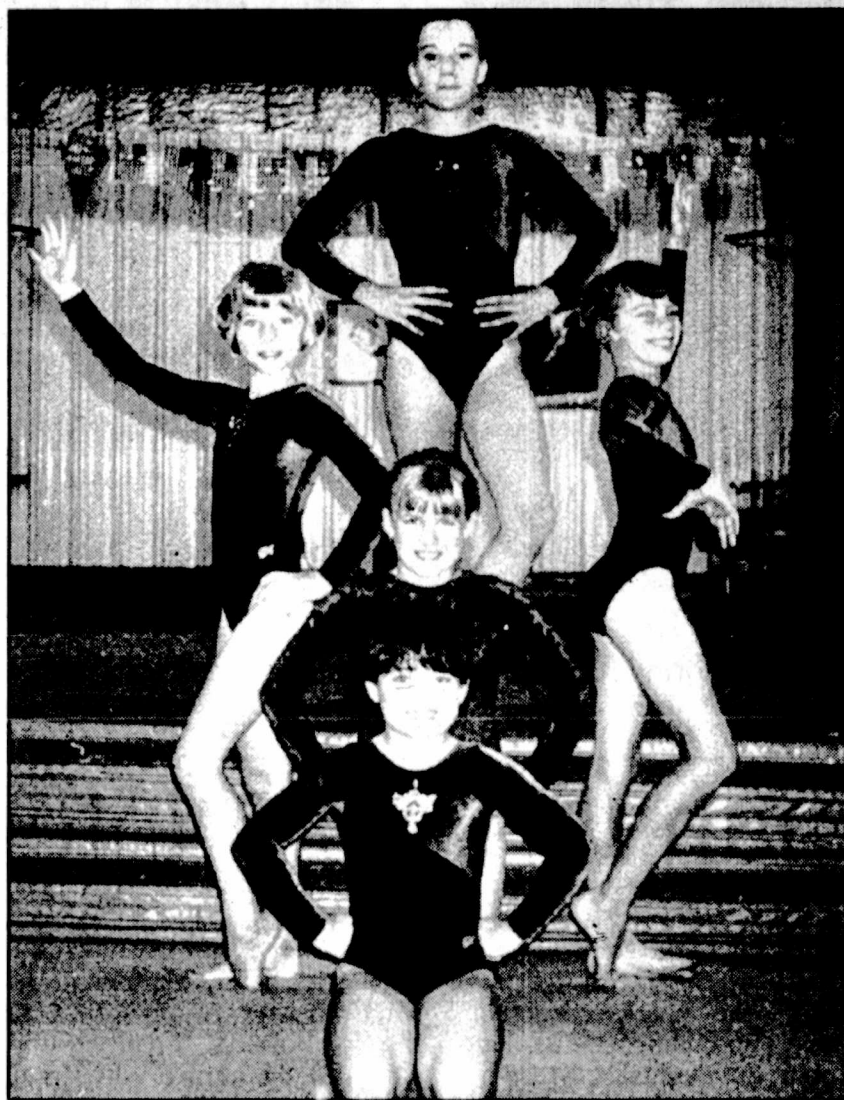
Level 4 team member Danielle Zuniga received second place on floor, third on bars and beam, fourth on vault and fourth in All-Around.

At Level 5, Shannon Clay earned an All-Around score of 26.25 and Shelby Clay received a 28.60 All-Around score. Allison Cooper rounded out the

Level 5 team with an All-Around score of 28.60.

Level 6 competitors were Carrie Clay and Allison Ware. Carrie received third on vault, fourth on bars, third on beam, first on floor and third in All-Around. Allison received a fifth on vault, seventh on bars, fourth on beam, sixth on floors and fifth in All-Around.

Assisting coach Graves with the team are Mary Clay, Jeanna Zuniga and Lexie Zuniga.



M.G. Flyers gymnasts are Danielle Zuniga (front), Allison Cooper (behind Danielle) and (l-r) Shelby Clay, Carrie Clay and Shannon Clay.

Andrade claims Vegas Classic

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The advice came whispered, from the ballpark locker room to the golf course. Roger Clemens was telling Billy Andrade something about winning just before going out to win himself.

It may have come at an odd time for Clemens, but the timing couldn't have been better for Andrade.

After getting a pep talk from the Yankee pitcher, Andrade went out and shot a final-round 68 Sunday to break a season-long slump and win the Invensys Classic at Las Vegas.

"He went out and had his career game. I felt I had to go out there today and duplicate it," Andrade said. "He told me to just finish it up, and I did."

Clemens had just finished warming up Saturday night and was about ready to go out and pitch the first inning of what

would turn into a 1-hit shutout against the Seattle Mariners.

"He found time to sneak in a phone call to his friend, who needed a boost.

It wasn't the first pep talk from Clemens, who became friends with Andrade while pitching for the Boston Red Sox.

Last month in Texas, Clemens tried to urge his friend out of a terrible slump that had seen him shoot 75 in the first round of the Westin Texas Open. Andrade came back with a 66 the next round, but didn't make the cut.

"Roger chewed me out for a half-hour then," Andrade said. "He said you just got to keep it simple, stupid. He just gave me a good pep talk."

Andrade kept it simple enough to shoot a 68, avoiding disaster on the last hole to beat Phil Mickelson by a shot for his first win in two years.

Coming to Las Vegas, he was

159th on the money list and had already sent his check to the PGA Tour for qualifying school.

But after winning the \$765,000 first prize to add to his \$187,027 in earnings, he moved to 43rd on the money list and no longer has to worry about where he will be playing next year.

"I'm speechless the way the whole week went," Andrade said. "I'm near tears after having such a bad year to do this."

Andrade, tied for the lead with Tom Byrum to begin the day, needed every bit of his 68 to hold off Mickelson, who birdied the final hole for a 66.

Wheeler, Claude football game was defensive jewel

If you like defensive battles, the area's best high school football game last weekend may have been at Claude where the only points came on a 2-point safety in the fourth quarter. Wheeler linebacker BRET GOAD sacked Claude's ERIC EDDLE-



By L. D. Strate Sports Editor

MAN in the end zone with 11:04 remaining. It was believed to be the first time a Wheeler-Claude game had ended with a 2-0 decision. Senior running back CALEB FINSTERWALD had 117 yards rushing for the Mustangs.... High school basketball season isn't too far off. Second-year coach JERRY SCHAEFFER and his Pampa Harvesters tip off Nov. 14 against Trinity Christian at the West Texas A&M Fieldhouse in Canyon. The home opener is Nov. 18 against Tascosa.... The Groom Tigers could be headed for another state finals showdown. Groom routed Valley 41-12 Friday night to run their record to 6-0. A lot of players can score for the Tigers. GARRETT BRITTEN, CLAY RITTER, TREY BRITTEN, DEWAYNE GRAY, CODY BIVINS AND HUGH WEINHEIMER all had touchdowns. Quarterback GRANT WEINHEIMER threw three touchdown passes. Weinheimer has tossed 19 touchdown passes for the season. Groom was 13-2 last year and advanced all the way to the state six-man finals before falling to Gordon.... Junior running back AARON MCKEAN of White Deer had a big game against Gruver. McKean rushed for 166 yards on 24 carries and scored two touchdowns as the Bucks held off Gruver for a 21-19 win.... Congratulations to LEKEITH TOWLES of the Operating Company Cowboys in the Tiger Football League. Coaches named Towles the Player of the Game in the Cowboys' 44-6 win over the Pampa Raiders last weekend. He had 10 solo tackles, 5 assists, 1 interception and scored 8 points. The Cowboys are in the fifth and sixth grade division.

NEW YORK (AP) — With Mighty Mac once again reduced to being a spectator, the New York Mets moved within one win of wrapping up their half of a Subway Series.

New York pounded St. Louis ace Darryl Kile with a record five doubles in a four-run first inning and Mark McGwire didn't swing the bat for the third time this series as the Mets beat the Cardinals 10-6 Sunday night for a 3-1 lead in the NL championship series.

"He's the X-factor of X-factors," Mets manager Bobby Valentine said of McGwire, who can only pinch hit because of tendonitis in his right knee. "There were a few times he was standing there lurking in the wings. I'm glad we kept him on the bench."

The Mets got some help from Cardinals manager Tony La Russa — whose every move backfired — as McGwire waited with the bat in his hands three times in the sixth inning as the tying run came to the plate.

The Mets will try to keep Big Mac on the sideline again in Monday's Game 5 as they attempt to finish off the Cardinals. Only eight teams have ever come back from a 3-1 deficit in a best-of-seven series.

"We're 27 good outs away from being in the World Series," said Glendon Rusch, who pitched three scoreless innings for the win.

Along with not using the greatest home run hitter in the game, La Russa's decision to bring Kile back on three days' rest didn't work either. Kile, who had been 4-8 with a 6.66 ERA in his 13 appearances with three days

Scoreboard

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Goodyear wins Excite 500 race

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Buddy Lazier had no intention of going into protect mode at the season-ending Excite 500.

Even though he needed only to finish 14th or better to win the IRL season title and \$1 million, Lazier stayed with the lead pack the entire 208 laps and finished fourth Sunday at Texas Motor Speedway.

"You hear so much talk about trying to protect yourself, trying to put a bubble around you and be real careful out there," Lazier said. "The problem is that when you start being careful, you get out of the rhythm that you're used to."

Lazier finished just seventh-tenths of a second behind winner

Scott Goodyear in the fastest race in IRL history. Lazier even led for 38 consecutive laps near the end.

"At a couple of points out there, I thought Buddy was nuts. Buddy was aggressive," said Goodyear, whose third career victory was his second on the 1 1/2-mile quad oval in Texas.

Goodyear beat Eddie Cheever Jr. by a car length — 0.14 seconds — in his last race for Penzoil Panther Racing, which announced prior to the Excite 500 that Sam Hornish Jr. would be its driver next year.

While Goodyear hasn't decided if he will run the full 13-race IRL schedule next year, he has an offer to join Cheever's team next season. Hornish, meanwhile, fin-

ished last in the 27-car field with a blown engine after eight laps Sunday.

"Scott is a phenomenal driver, and he has a great ability to stay out of trouble and be there at the end," Cheever said. "I have made him an offer to join us. But he wasn't thinking about that today, or he would have stayed behind me."

Cheever regained the lead coming out of the fourth and final caution, going into lap 199. He and Goodyear raced wheel-to-wheel only inches apart during several stretches over the final few laps.

Goodyear finally pushed ahead — and stayed in front — when he went high around Cheever in the first turn with two laps to go.

Mets take 3-1 lead in National League series

between starts, allowed seven runs and eight hits in three-plus innings.

"He's been so great this year. It was unusual," La Russa said.

It shouldn't have been considering Kile's own history and the results of other pitchers going on short rest in the past two postseasons. Nine times managers have brought starters back early — eight times on three days' rest and once on only two — and the results are disastrous. The pitchers are 0-4 with a 17.51 ERA and the teams have lost seven of the nine games.

"That has nothing to do with it," Kile said. "If you make good pitches, it doesn't matter if you're going to be a way to avoid him," La Russa said. "That was probably the only time I realistically thought about giving it a shot."

McGwire moved into the on-deck circle when Carlos Hernandez came up, but Zeile made a diving stop between first and second to preserve the 8-6 lead.

"It would have made it a lot more exciting if he had not made the play," Valentine said.

After the Mets added a pair of unearned runs in the bottom half — thanks to two errors by third baseman Fernando Tatis — McGwire never got a chance to bat, leaving him 0-for-1 with one intentional walk in four games.

Alfonzo could only make it to third when Piazza lined a double over Drew's head. Ventura put the Mets ahead 3-2 on New York's fourth straight double. Agbayani scored Ventura with a two-out double — the Mets' record fifth on the inning. No team in LCS play had ever had more than four extra-base hits in an inning.

"We came out more aggressive," said Piazza, who has broken his postseason struggles by going 6-for-13 with five RBIs in the series. "We were determined to get back into ballgame."

New York wasn't done against Kile, adding three runs in the second on a two-run double by Zeile and an RBI single by Agbayani.

Piazza's second homer of the series — and fourth of his postseason career — made it 8-3 in the fourth. Will Clark had hit a solo shot for St. Louis in the top half.

The Cardinals outhit the Mets 11-9, but seven of New York's hits went for extra bases.

For the fourth straight time this series, the visiting team jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first inning. Fernando Vina led off with a double and moved to third on a bunt. Jim Edmonds then homered, giving the Cardinals the lead four pitches into the game.

Kile gave it back, and more, in just nine pitches in a record-setting inning for the Mets. Sparkplug Timo Perez led off with a double and scored on Alfonzo's double.

Alfonzo could only make it to third when Piazza lined a double over Drew's head. Ventura put the Mets ahead 3-2 on New York's fourth straight double. Agbayani scored Ventura with a two-out double — the Mets' record fifth on the inning. No team in LCS play had ever had more than four extra-base hits in an inning.

"We came out more aggressive," said Piazza, who has broken his postseason struggles by going 6-for-13 with five RBIs in the series. "We were determined to get back into ballgame."

New York wasn't done against Kile, adding three runs in the second on a two-run double by Zeile and an RBI single by Agbayani.

Piazza's second homer of the series — and fourth of his postseason career — made it 8-3 in the fourth. Will Clark had hit a solo shot for St. Louis in the top half.

The Cardinals knocked Jones out with three runs in the fifth on an RBI double by pinch-hitter Eric Davis, a sacrifice fly by Edgar Renteria and an RBI single by Edmonds.

Mike Piazza homered, scored three runs and drove in two for the Mets. Robin Ventura had three RBIs and Zeile and Benny Agbayani drove in two apiece.

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