



## More sub-zero temperatures expected

### Mercury may plunge to five below tonight

**From Staff and Wire Reports**  
With winter arriving officially Thursday afternoon, a cold mass of arctic air continued to clamp frigid temperatures over the area and plunging the thermometer below zero, with an even colder low forecast for tonight.

The high temperature Tuesday recorded only 13 degrees in Pampa before the overnight low dipped to 2 degrees below zero early this morning, with an additional inch of snow falling. Total snowfall on the ground now is about 3 inches.

30 miles an hour, placed the wind chill factor at 32 degrees below zero during the night. Northeasterly winds 10-20 mph are expected to continue through tonight.

Travelers advisories are still issued for area roads, posing some hazardous driving conditions for motorists during the holiday travel period.

The high today was predicted to inch up to only about 10 degrees under cloudy skies, with the overnight low forecast to drop to about 5 degrees below zero tonight. Thursday's high is expected to reach into the low teens as the chilling storm continues its grip on the Texas Panhandle.

A possible one to three inches of new snow may fall as the bitter cold air mass sweeps down over the region as the system heads eastward. The arctic

air is resulting from a high pressure system centered over the U.S.-Canadian border with the jet stream pulling the cold air down from the north into the state.

Temperatures have remained below freezing since Friday, a situation uncommon for this time of the year, Sehorn said.

Though the sub-freezing temperatures have frozen water pipes and created extended use of heating systems in local homes and businesses, Energas officials reported this morning that no problems have been encountered in the supply of fuel gas to Pampa residents.

Zero and below temperatures were reported throughout the Panhandle today. The blast of frigid Arctic air worked

its way into Northwest Texas early today, assuring a fourth straight day of bone-chilling temperatures and hazardous driving conditions.

The death toll since the Canadian air blew in Sunday reached at least six in Texas, officials said, and forecasters saw little immediate relief from the bitter cold temperatures.

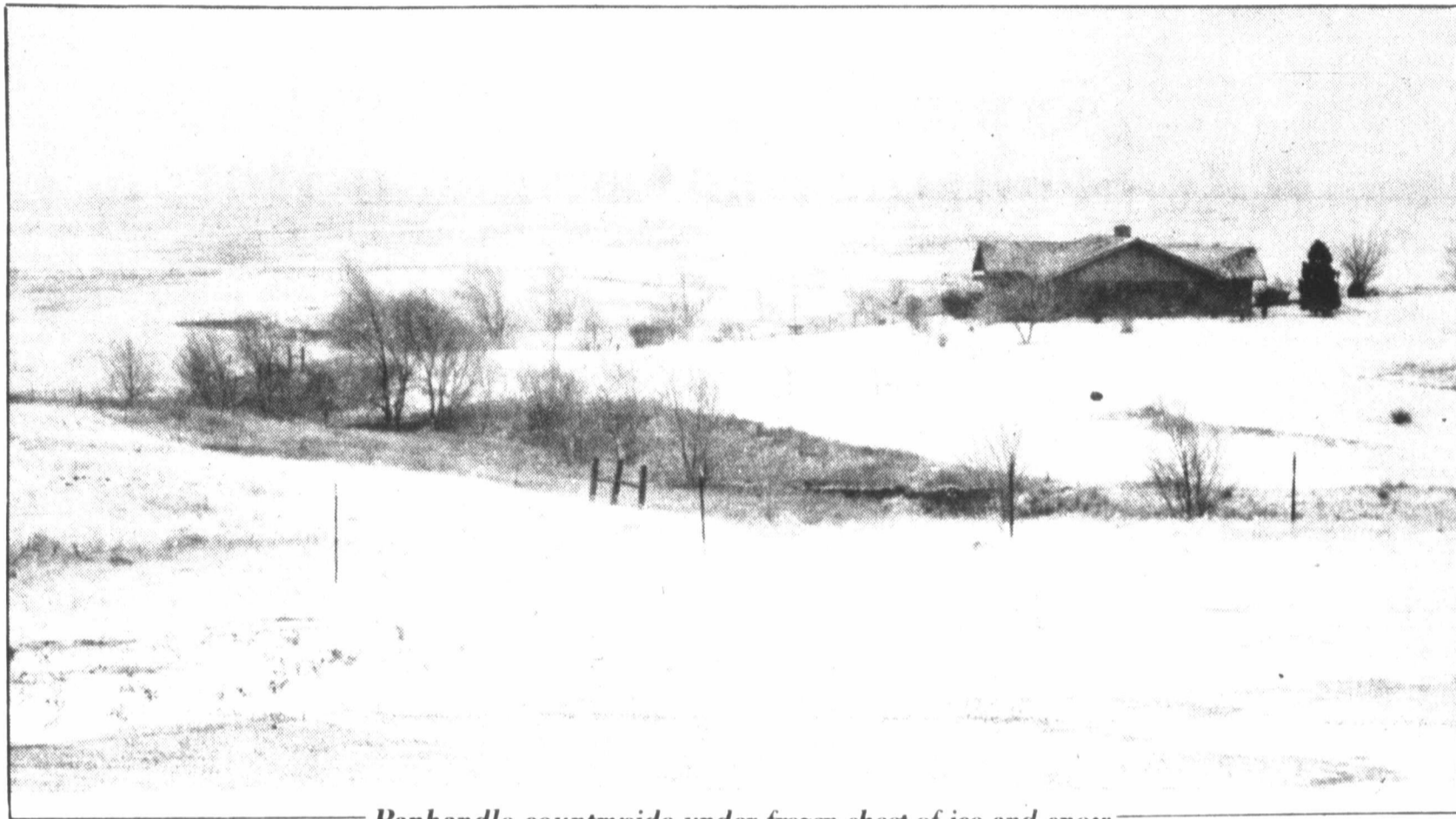
A record low temperature of minus 1 degree in Amarillo broke the previous record of zero degrees established in 1916. The National Weather Service said thermometers could drop to minus 6 degrees in the Panhandle, with wind chill factors in the minus-30 to minus-40 degree range.

The victims included a 46-year-old transient who apparently froze to death in El Paso; a 72-year-old Fort Worth woman and a 7-year-old Dallas boy,

both of whom died in fires triggered by space heaters; and a 20-year-old Lewisville man who was killed in an accident on an icy bridge in Denton, authorities said.

The latest victim was 7-year-old Terry Lynn Lewis, a Dallas boy who died shortly after midnight when a space heater placed close to his bed ignited. Arson investigator Capt. Levi Whitlow said the boy's grandfather and a 4-year-old sister were also injured and taken to hospitals for treatment.

A 9-year-old Plainview girl, identified as Heather Steffe, died Tuesday night in a two-car wreck that police in the Panhandle city blamed on ice-coated roads. On Sunday, an 8-year-old Grandview girl died in a house fire started when her mother tried to use a stove for warmth.



Panhandle countryside under frozen sheet of ice and snow

## Economy slows some; inflation still restrained

WASHINGTON (AP) — The economy will finish out the year on a more moderate note, with an annual growth rate of 4.5 percent in the fourth quarter, a government report said today. And consumer prices, restrained by the sharpest drop in gasoline costs since the spring, rose a modest 0.3 percent in November.

The Commerce Department said third-quarter growth was 7.6 percent. Growth for the quarter had previously been reported as high as 7.9 percent.

In a separate report on the Consumer Price Index, the department said so far this year, retail prices have risen just 3.8 percent.

With one month left, analysts predict the inflation rate for the full year may well better the 1982 pace of 3.9 percent and turn in the best performance since the 3.4 percent of 1971 and 1972.

Prices soared 12.4 percent in 1980 and 8.9 percent in 1981.

In its "flash estimate" for growth in the still-unfinished fourth quarter, the department said growth is coming from sales and investment in inventories by business firms.

If the estimate is correct, it would mean 6.1 percent growth from the fourth quarter of 1982 to the fourth quarter of 1983. Growth for the calendar year would be 3.3 percent, compared with the 1.9 percent downturn for all of 1982.

Economists said in advance of the report that they expected it to show the expansion is moving along at a quick, though slower, pace and should remain on solid footing well into next year.

And President Reagan, at a news conference Tuesday night, called 1983 "a banner year for the American economy."

Although the fourth quarter estimate is considered solid, many economists had expected the showing to be much stronger — in the range of 5.5 percent to 7.3 percent.

Today's report on the inflation-adjusted gross national product covers the whole economy by attempting to estimate the nation's entire output of goods and services during the fourth quarter and compare

it to the third quarter. It also said after-tax corporate profits rose 13.3 percent in the third quarter after rising 17.6 percent in the second.

Before-tax profits rose 12.7 percent in the July-September period after rising 19.8 percent.

Even in advance of today's report on the Consumer Price Index, which recorded the smallest gain in food prices since July, analysts were upbeat about the final tally for 1983.

"It's (going to be) a pretty darn good number," said Robert Wescott, economist at Wharton Econometrics in Philadelphia.

"Very impressive," said Michael Evans, an economic consultant here. "Inflation just never got a toehold this year."

In its new report, the Labor Department said energy prices in November were unchanged from the previous month. Declines were noted in prices for natural gas, home heating oil and gasoline, but electricity prices shot up sharply.

As for food, a sharp increase in poultry prices helped wipe out declines noted for virtually all the other major food components.

Prices over the last 12 months have risen only 3.2 percent.

In all, November's 0.3 percent seasonally adjusted advance was the smallest gain since the 0.2 percent increase in June. Prices rose 0.5 percent in September and 0.4 percent in October.

The bright inflation news has been widely attributed to last year's severe recession, the worldwide oil glut and abundant harvests.

Analysts had also expected the summer's drought to kick up food prices a bit more this year than it did.

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### 'Wrecks everywhere' reported

## Glazed roads latest problem

**By DANA FIELDS**  
**Associated Press Writer**  
Arctic weather already blamed for 36 deaths relented just long enough today to glaze highways from Texas to Indiana with freezing rain that caused "wrecks everywhere," while a new blast of cold sent the mercury in Montana down to 33 below zero.

He said the new cold wave would push across the Plains into the Ohio Valley and hang on "through the weekend."

In Oregon, a small but pesky storm stalled dozens of vehicles Tuesday night in the Willamette Valley, dropping only about 2 inches of snow but prompting "many, many calls from people concerned about their kids on their way home from college" for Christmas, said state police Maj. Tom Phillips. Schools in Polk County were closed today.

Where snow wasn't a problem today, motorists in states along the Rocky Mountains storm's southern edge faced treacherous conditions as warm air turned precipitation to rain — which froze up again as it hit the ground. "Every wrecker in town is doing a

good business tonight," said a state trooper in Madisonville, Ky. The same conditions spread through northern Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and Arkansas on Tuesday night and early today.

An Oklahoma woman died on ice-covered Interstate 35 Tuesday night when her car slid across a median and slammed into an oncoming truck. Police closed a 20-mile stretch of U.S. 270 from Hartshorn to Wilburton early today when it became impassable.

In South Dakota, an Ozark Airlines DC-9 jetliner collided with a snow sweeper after landing at Sioux Falls Airport on Tuesday, ripping a wing off the plane and starting a fire. All 82 people aboard the plane escaped injury but the driver of the sweeper was killed.

At least 25 records for cold weather fell or were tied Tuesday, with a

reading of 24 below zero breaking a 101-year-old record of 17 below for the date in Cheyenne, Wyo. The low hit minus 40 in International Falls, Minn., breaking a record set in 1970, while Topeka, Kan., had a low of minus 16, or 12 degrees lower than the record set in 1924.

And there was no relief in sight as more cold air swept into Montana today, sending temperatures down to minus 33 in Bozeman.

"My kingdom for a chinook," said a forecaster with the National Weather Service in Great Falls, Mont., longing for the warm wind that sometimes offers the West its only relief from winter's cold.

With winds picking up, the wind-chill in Montana could be 60 to 90 below zero on Thursday, the forecaster said.

### Lower levy to be considered

## Hotel-motel tax tabled by city

**By LARRY HOLLIS**  
**Staff Writer**  
Pampa city commissioners tabled action on an ordinance to levy a 7 percent city tax on hotel and motel room occupancy rates after several hotel and motel representatives and Chamber of Commerce officials indicated a lower rate would be more acceptable during a meeting Tuesday evening at City Hall.

limited travel budgets, would find places with lower prices.

"I doubt very much if the tax itself would cause someone to go somewhere else than Pampa," Commissioner Clyde Carruth said, but he indicated a lower rate could be accepted.

Buddy Cauthorn, owner of the Ranch House Motel and a former city commissioner, said he thought the 7 percent city tax was too high, since it would create a disadvantage for the hotels and motels within the city limits in competing with those outside the city limits.

Everett Tarbox, former owner of the L-Ranch Motel and also a former commissioner, said most occupants of Pampa motels were in the working class and would suffer from having to pay the higher prices resulting from the proposed tax rate.

Rev. Claude Cone, Chamber of Commerce vice president, said he supported the tax and the revenue it

would raise for the support of the arts and cultural activities of the city. He noted many surrounding cities have a similar tax already, but most of them have a rate of 3 to 4 percent.

He said the Chamber would support a compromise to have a lower tax.

Ed Sweet, former Chamber president and now a member of the executive committee, said the Chamber had originally proposed a lower rate and would be willing to accept a rate lower than the proposed 7 percent.

City Attorney Don Lane said the ordinance had been presented using the maximum rate allowed by state statutes.

City Manager Mack Wofford explained the operating budget for the year allowed \$45,000 from hotel-motel tax collections, about \$15,000 for each percent of tax levied. He indicated the budget had been prepared with the idea of a 3 to 4 percent tax rate.

Jones said the hotels he represented

could expect over \$1 million in revenue, providing about \$11,000 in taxes at a 1 percent rate. A two percent rate would bring in about \$35,000 from all hotels and motels in the city, he claimed. He said the 7 percent rate would not be needed to bring in the revenue allotted in the budget, saying he was willing to work for a compromise for a lower rate.

Commissioner Jay Johnson said he was in favor "of letting the resolution go as it is and coming up with a more favorable rate." He later moved that the proposed ordinance be tabled and that a lower rate be discussed at the next meeting. Commissioner Bob Curry seconded the motion, which was approved.

In other action, commissioners appointed Billy Hawkins, Greg Sims and Brian Duncan to the City Traffic Commission. Mayor Calvin Whatley designated T. R. Kelley, current member of the commission, as chairman.

## Salvation Army fund for needy still short

Contributions have picked up some in the past several days, but funds are still short about \$4,600 of the goal the Salvation Army has estimated is necessary for the success of its Christmas campaign to help less fortunate families in Pampa and Gray County.

Capt. Milton Wood, local Salvation Army director, reported more contributions have come in and kettle collections have increased, but as of Wednesday afternoon, only about \$8,700 had been received towards the goal of \$13,300.

Applications for assistance had reached 297, compared to a total of 170 requests for Christmas, 1982, he said. "People are still coming in," he said, "and we'll try our best to help them."

The money is needed to help purchase food for families and to supply clothing and toys for use in the Christmas season.

Food this year is being supplied through food orders which may be used to buy food from local stores. Local stores are cooperating with the

Salvation Army to insure that only food is purchased, not such items as tobacco or junk food. The food order plan is being used so families may purchase food more in line with their needs and tastes instead of having items given to them which might not be used, Capt. Wood explained.

"The kettles have picked up some," he said. Monday \$35 was collected, compared to as little as \$15 on some days last week.

But the organization depends more on individual contributions mailed or brought to the local headquarters to help provide the major share of funds needed for the Christmas drive, Capt. Wood noted.

Persons wishing to contribute to the drive may mail their checks to the Salvation Army Christmas Fund, P.O. Box 1458, Pampa, TX 79065. Further information may be obtained by calling 665-7233.

The local Salvation Army provides assistance to less fortunate families throughout Gray County, not just in Pampa, Capt. Wood said.

# daily record

## services tomorrow

**STEPHENS, Clifford D.** - 11 a.m., Church of Latter Day Saints, Marshfield, Mo.

## obituaries

**CLIFFORD D. STEPHENS**  
**MARSHFIELD, Mo.** - Funeral services for Clifford D. Stephens, 77, brother of White Deer resident Polly Lowe, will be 11 a.m. Thursday at the Church of Latter Day Saints in Marshfield, Mo. Burial will be in the Marshfield Cemetery with Chester Farnsworth, pastor, officiating, assisted by Lorrain Farnsworth.

Stephens died Monday in Springfield, Mo., following a short illness.

He was a World War II veteran, retired from the civil service in 1977 and was a member of the Latter Day Saints church.

In addition to his sister, Polly, he is survived by his wife, Mimmie of the home, two stepsons, Tex Auld of Hondo, and Jim Auld of Marshfield, one stepdaughter, Lynn Owens of Boca Raton, Fla., three other sisters, Billie Jean Stephens of Houston, Lorrain Hinton and Cleo Fulton, both of Falls; eight grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

**JAMES THOMAS GAVIN**  
 Services are pending with Carmichael-Whately Funeral Home for James Thomas Gavin, 55. Mr. Gavin died at 9:52 a.m. Tuesday at Coronado Community Hospital.

Mr. Gavin was born Nov. 14, 1928, at New York City, N.Y. He married Ruth McCann on June 19, 1954, at New York City. He moved to Pampa in 1979 from New York City and was employed by the City of Pampa Water Department. He was a veteran of the Korean conflict.

Survivors include his wife, of the home; two daughters, Janet Gavin, Pampa, and Margaret Herrera, New York City; four sisters, Ann Gallagher and Marie Gavin, both of New York City, Margaret Mingey, Scottsdale, Ariz., and Genevieve Angulo of Long Island, N.Y.; two brothers, Gerald Gavin, Scottsdale, Ariz., and William Gavin, Staten Island, N.Y.; and three grandchildren.

## senior citizen menu

**THURSDAY**  
 Turkey and dressing with giblet gravy, candied yams, green beans, Harvard beets, cranberry jello, heavenly hash, slow, mince meat pie, pumpkin squares, cherry cobbler.

**FRIDAY**  
 Closed for holiday.

## fire report

The Pampa Fire Department reported one fire run for a 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

**TUESDAY, December 20**  
 4:55 p.m. - Insulation being put around pipes below a home at 1209 S. Clark, owned by Ed Cochran, caught fire. Only damage was to the insulation.

## stock market

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa		Dorchester	29%	dn%
Wheat	3.49	Gatty	79%	dn%
Maize	1.85	HCA	37%	up%
Corn	5.88	Ingersoll-Rand	56%	nc
Soybeans	6.92	Kerr-McGee	38%	dn%
The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of compilation		Mobil	29%	up%
Ky. Cent. Life	21%	Phillips	33%	up%
Serico	7%	PVA	22%	up%
Southland Financial	27%	SJ	66%	up%
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa		Southwestern Pub	19%	dn%
Brice Foods	52	Standard Oil	47%	up%
Cabot	38	Tenneco	39%	up%
Celanese	73	Tranco	35%	up%
DIA	19	Zales	31	nc
		London Gold	378.25	dn%
		Silver	6.71	dn%

## hospital

**CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions**  
 Steve McConnell, Pampa  
 Inez Morris, White Deer  
 Laura Williams, White Deer  
 G. F. Baker, Pampa  
 Judy Cambren, Pampa  
 Maxine Parsley, White Deer  
**Deer**  
 Austin Parsley, Miami  
 Patricia Criswell, Pampa  
**Shirley Fields, Groom**  
 Sharon Howell, Miami  
 Vera Cooper, McLean  
 Ada Carrier, Pampa  
 Cynthia Stuck, Pampa  
**Births**  
 A baby girl to Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Williams, White Deer.  
**Dismissals**  
 Paul Mason, Pampa  
 Rita Natividad, Pampa  
 Harley Hinds, Pampa

## city briefs

**PERMS \$20.00** till Christmas. Also need cosmetologists. Call Frankies, 669-3603. Adv.

**ORDER TODAY** Focus Magazine 665-1006. Adv.

**HAPPY HOUR** at Lancer Club 4 to 7 p.m. Monday thru Thursday, pint draw beer - 50 cents, mug - 25 cents. Band Friday and Saturday nights. Adv.

## police report

The Pampa Police Department reported 22 dispatched calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Wednesday.

10:45 a.m. - A burglary in which money and other personal items were taken was reported at an apartment at 300 South Cuyler. Someone entered the apartment between 7 p.m. Monday and 7 a.m. Tuesday.

9:55 a.m. - A burglary in which video game machines, the pool table and cash register were broken into was reported at the Busy Bee at 410 Maple. Someone reportedly entered through a hole in the wall of the building between 11:35 p.m. Monday and 9:55 a.m. Tuesday.

## minor accidents

The police department reported three minor accidents in which more than \$250 damage occurred to either of the vehicles involved occurred during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

10:55 a.m. - A 1982 Chevrolet driven by Leah Yvette Sikes and a 1977 Buick driven by Joseph Young Rogers, both of Pampa, collided at Coffee and Kentucky. No injuries were reported. Rogers was cited for speeding - going too fast for conditions.

11:45 a.m. - A 1981 Ford driven by Teri Lyles Anderson of Pampa collided with a parked and unattended 1983 Toyota in the 800 block of South Cuyler. Anderson was cited for unsafe change in direction of travel.

2:05 p.m. - A 1980 Lincoln driven by Ted Wayne Scott collided with a properly parked 1981 Buick which then collided with a properly parked 1978 Chevrolet in the 100 block of East Browning. Scott was cited for speeding - going too fast for conditions.



**A WELCOME FROM THE POLICE** - Travelers to Kansas received a surprise on a cold Tuesday afternoon after being stopped by members of the Pampa Police Department. Police officers Bruce Denham, left, and Ed Barker, right, presented the travelers with a 40-pound basket of fruit from the Pampa Police Association. Receiving the basket are, from center left, Jolyne Cummings, Lompoc, Calif., and Karen S. Orth and Judy Johnson, both of Liberal, Kan. The three women were stopped as they were heading back to Liberal after picking up Miss Cummings at the Amarillo Airport. The association presents a food basket annually during the Christmas season to out-of-town travelers to remind them of the spirit of Christmas from the Texas Panhandle. Miss Cummings is spending the Christmas holidays with her friends in Liberal. (Staff photo by Larry Hollis)

# Annual Christmas blood drive Thursday at Coronado Hospital

Coronado Community Hospital will work with Coffee Memorial Blood Center of Amarillo in the annual Christmas blood donation drive from 1 to 7 p.m. Thursday in the private dining room at the hospital.

The drive is conducted to help replenish supplies of blood for use throughout the Texas Panhandle, according to John Mitchell, administrator for the blood center.

"Blood can't be kept indefinitely," Mitchell said, so there is "a constant on-going battle" to keep blood available for transfusions resulting from surgery, accidents, diseases and other needs in the Panhandle area.

"We need as many people as possible to come," he said. He noted about 70 to 80 pints a day are needed for Panhandle area services. In the past about 100 people have shown up for the annual Christmas season donation drive in Pampa, and he hopes at least that many will show up this year.

"We're hoping many people will see this as an opportunity to give a real gift for Christmas," he said.

## School audit accepted

The annual audit of the Pampa school district was accepted at a regular meeting of the board of trustees of the Pampa Independent School District Tuesday.

According to Lewis Meers, certified public accountant, any problems which showed up were minor ones and had been cleared up before the meeting.

The school district is well-run, from an accounting point of view, Meers said.

School superintendent, James Trusty said "We feel like we've been audited" this year, as the accountants went over the books with a fine-toothed comb.

Anita Byars, a senior at Pampa High School, was recognized and received a plaque for being the student of the month.

The substitute teacher pay schedule, which is the same as last year's was accepted. The base rate is \$35 per day. A person substituting for the same teacher more than 10 days and less than 41, will receive \$40 per day.

The board accepted the resignation of Patricia Boswell, educational diagnostician - supervisor and hired Susan Sneed - speech therapist at Baker school.

In other business the board accepted and voted to pay the due bills and invoices, and approved the 1984 - 85 school calendar.

# Reagan says withdrawal remark probably 'bad choice of words'

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Reagan, asserting his determination to keep Marines in Lebanon as long as they are needed, says he may have made a "bad choice of words" in suggesting a collapse of the Lebanese government could lead to an early withdrawal.

At a year-end news conference dominated by questions on Lebanon, Reagan said Tuesday night that halting American casualties in the divided Middle East country and a continuing economic recovery could make 1984 a better year for him.

But he declared that "we can't just

turn away" from the Middle East.

The president was continuing his emphasis on the region today, meeting with Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali.

Calling the Middle East "a tinderbox ... the one place that could start a war that no one wanted," Reagan said U.S. Marines will be withdrawn "as quickly as it is possible ... in accomplishing our mission."

The president tempered a declaration made last week that a complete collapse of governmental authority in Lebanon might be reason to bring the troops home and said the remark was

not intended to signal an imminent withdrawal.

Only "a complete change of course" in which the U.S. troops were no longer wanted - or achievement of the U.S. goal in Lebanon - would bring the troops out. The U.S. goal is an extension of governmental authority and a departure of all foreign forces - Palestinian, Israeli and Syrian - from Lebanon.

"Now, the stumbling block still seems to be Syria," he said.

Sen. Barry Goldwater, R-Ariz., among the conservatives who have called for immediate withdrawal of the Marines, said after the news conference that he still disagrees with Reagan but "if he wants to move his troops where he has, that's up to him" as commander in chief.

At the same time, Goldwater said, "I really believe he's looking for a way to get the Marines out and I think he's found it and I think in a shorter time than we expected the troops will be home."

Goldwater did not elaborate.

It was a chilly president who lingered at the end of the broadcast news conference, his 21st since taking office nearly three years ago, to answer some shouted questions.

He said 1983 had been a good year for him "except for a lot of phone calls that I've had to make and some letters" to relatives of the more than 250 U.S. servicemen killed this year in Lebanon and Grenada.

## Toy drive continues

Pampans are reminded that Pampa Medical Services' "Toys for Tots" drive is continuing until noon Friday, Dec. 23, at the paramedic station at 1002 N. Hobart.

Toys are to be distributed on the evening of Dec. 23 by Santa Claus. This list of needy children is being supplied by Pampa's Salvation Army.

Anyone knowing of a needy child may call The Salvation Army at 665-7233.

# Israelis attack bases of Moslem extremists

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) - Israeli jets attacked bases of Iranian and Shiite Moslem extremists in east Lebanon today, less than 24 hours after PLO chairman Yasser Arafat and 4,000 byalists forced out of Tripoli sailed away.

The Israeli military command in Tel Aviv said its jets bombed bases of ro-Iranian guerrillas in the Baalbek area of northeast Lebanon.

The Christian-controlled "Voice of Lebanon" radio station in Beirut said surface-to-air missiles were unleashed from Syrian army positions inside Syrian territory and along the al-Bek-Homs road in the Bekaa valley.

The attacking jets released red heat balloons to deflect the missiles and no planes were reported hit in the first 30 minutes of the raid, the radio said.

In mostly Moslem west Beirut, gunmen attacked a French peacekeeping base with automatic weapons and grenades. Police said French paratroopers manning a post in west Beirut's Khat al-Basta neighborhood shot back at assailants who fled in a car after firing a machine gun volley and two rounds of

rocket-propelled grenades just before dawn.

There were no casualties among the French and it could not be determined whether any of the gunmen was hit. A Lebanese woman who was passing by suffered a shrapnel wound and was rushed to a hospital, according to police.

France maintains a 2,000-man contingent in the multinational force here, which also includes troops from the United States, Italy and Britain.

President Ronald told a news conference in Washington Tuesday night he would withdraw the U.S. Marine contingent "as quickly as it is possible in accomplishing our mission."

He said "Syria is a stumbling block." Syria is demanding that Lebanon scrap a U.S.-brokered troop withdrawal pact concluded with Israel on May 17 as a precondition for the withdrawal of Syria's 50,000 troops from northern and eastern Lebanon.

The question of Palestinian military presence was at least partly resolved Tuesday by Arafat's evacuation of north Lebanon with his loyalist fighters in five Greek ships flying U.N. banners and protected by French warships.

# Weather forecast

**REGIONAL FORECASTS**  
 By The Associated Press

**North Texas** - Winter storm warning in effect through tonight for portions of Northeast Texas. Travel advisory in effect through tonight for remainder of area. Freezing rain with occasional thunderstorms northern portions of Northeast Texas through early tonight. Chance of showers and a few thunderstorms southern portions of Northeast Texas through early tonight. Snow accumulations of one to three inches possible, mostly northwest. Clearing west and central tonight and east Thursday. Highs 22 northwest to 43 southeast. Lows around 9 northwest to 36 southeast. Highs Thursday 19 northwest to 38 southeast.

**East Texas** - Chance of showers and a few thunderstorms through early tonight. Clearing Thursday. Highs 38 to 43. Lows 32 to 36. Highs Thursday 36 to 38.

**South Texas** - Cloudy through tonight with scattered areas of drizzle west and south and scattered showers and thundershowers east. Turning colder north late tonight. Mostly cloudy Thursday with scattered light rain far south. Turning colder south late Thursday. Highs 40s north and 50s south. Lows 28 north to near 50 south. Highs Thursday 38 Hill Country to 60s far south.

**West Texas** - Travel advisory Panhandle and South Plains through Thursday due to icy roads. Mostly cloudy through Thursday with isolated to widely scattered snow flurries north and drizzle or freezing rain south. Turning colder most sections Thursday. Highs near 10 Panhandle to 68 Big Bend. Lows minus 6 Panhandle to 38 southwest. Highs Thursday near 15 Panhandle to near 70s extreme south.

**Port Arthur to Port O'Connor** - Easterly winds 15 to 20 knots becoming southeasterly near 15 knots tonight. Northerly winds 20 to 25 knots Thursday. Seas 5 to 7 feet. Scattered showers and thunderstorms through tonight.

**The Forecast For 7 a.m. EST**  
 Thursday, December 22  
 ● Low Temperatures

Rain ☔ Snow ❄  
 Showers ☂ Flurries ❄❄

**Fronts: Cold** ❄ **Warm** ☞ **Occluded** ☞ **Stationary** ⏏

**Port O'Connor to Brownsville** - Northeasterly winds 10 to 15 knots becoming easterly and southeasterly near 15 knots tonight and Thursday. Winds shifting to the north 20 to 25 knots late Thursday. Seas 3 to 5 feet increasing to 4 to 6 feet tonight. Widely scattered showers tonight and Thursday.

**EXTENDED FORECASTS**  
 Friday through Sunday

**North Texas**: Continued cloudy, very cold Friday and Saturday. Decreasing cloudiness, not quite so cold Christmas Day. Low temperatures ranging from the lower teens northwest to the upper 20s southeast Friday through Sunday. Highs ranging from the mid 20s northwest to the upper 30s southeast Friday and Saturday, warming to range from the mid 30s northwest to the mid 40s southeast Christmas Day.

**South Texas**: Decreasing clouds Friday, fair Saturday and Sunday. Cold Friday and Saturday, lows in the 30s north to the 40s south and highs in the 40s northwest to the 50s elsewhere except in the 60s extreme south. Not as cold Sunday; lows in the 30s north to the 50s extreme south and highs generally in the 50s except in the 60s extreme south and southwest.

**West Texas**: Partly cloudy Friday through Sunday. Little warmer north Friday, colder Saturday than a little warmer Sunday. Highs Friday lower 30s Panhandle to near 60 extreme south, cooling to lower 20s Panhandle to mid 50s extreme south Saturday, then warming to mid 30s Panhandle to near 60 extreme south Sunday. Lows Friday near 10 Panhandle to near 30 extreme south cooling to near 5 Panhandle to near 30 extreme south Sunday.

**BORDER STATES**  
**Oklahoma**: Mostly cloudy and continued very cold through Thursday with periods of light snow. Lows tonight 5 below zero Panhandle to low teens southeast. Highs Thursday near 10 northwest to upper teens southeast.

**New Mexico**: Variable cloudiness through Thursday. Scattered snow showers continuing mainly north tonight and Thursday. Continued unseasonably cold north and east. Highs Thursday teens to 30s north and east to near 60 southwest. Lows tonight zero to 20 mountains, north and east with 20s to low 30s southwest.

## Home Country

# Quadriplegic communicating through painting with his head

By CAROL MOUCHE  
Brenham Banner-Press

BRENNHAM, Texas (AP) — The designs are simple: a bell, a candy cane, a Christmas tree and a manger. Yet for Leo "Butch" Cook, a 40-year-old resident at the Brenham State School, the childlike paintings are individual challenges that he greets with enthusiasm.

The paintings are a form of communication for Cook, who is a spastic quadriplegic with cerebral palsy and thus cannot talk or walk or use his arms. He can communicate, however, with a paintbrush.

"It has definitely been an untapped resource for 38 years," said Colleen Hickey-Worley, Cook's occupational therapist at the school.

"He was previously at another state school, but life there was limited," the therapist said. Cook was transferred to the local state school in April 1982.

"When he came here, we had a concern with communication," Ms. Hickey-Worley said. "We looked at aids and came up with a head wand pointer which points at symbols on a lap board."

"Then we thought one day, 'Hey, he could paint,'" she said. Ms. Hickey-Worley enlisted the aid of Donna Leger, certified occupational therapist assistant, and Karen Schultz, certified occupational therapist technician, to work with Cook and his head wand.

The head wand is actually a metal rod attached to a harness that is slipped over Cook's head. A paintbrush then is inserted in the rod and by rotating his neck and controlling his head movements, Cook can paint on paper placed in front of him.

At first, said Ms. Leger, "We did training with him." A pencil was inserted in the wand, but it proved too complicated for a new artist. A paintbrush was tried next, and Ms. Leger and Ms. Schultz taught Cook to paint horizontal and vertical lines.

Cook was scheduled to go to the recreational center three times a week when he first arrived at the school, but was brought over from his residential unit five days a week

instead.

Ms. Hickey-Worley said they had an adapted paint easel made for Cook, complete with paint container holders at specific angles that Cook can reach with his head wand.

The therapists began the painting program for Cook the summer of 1982, and by September, Ms. Leger said they thought of teaching him to paint Christmas figures for cards.

Cook was given stenciled drawings over which he painted. Ms. Leger contacted a printer, and copies of his work were displayed on Christmas cards last year. All of the profit from the card sales was placed back into his trust fund.

The outcome of the sales was so successful, the therapists decided to have Cook work on paintings for cards this year. All 1,800 sets of 16 cards with four different paintings sold out.

"Our end result is to eventually have him do free-form work," Ms. Hickey-Worley said. "It's exciting — he's developing and we're learning with him."

The therapist said in Cook's recreational program, the man "not only paints, but he coordinates his head and neck to play simple musical instruments." She said he also can pop bubbles with his head wand.

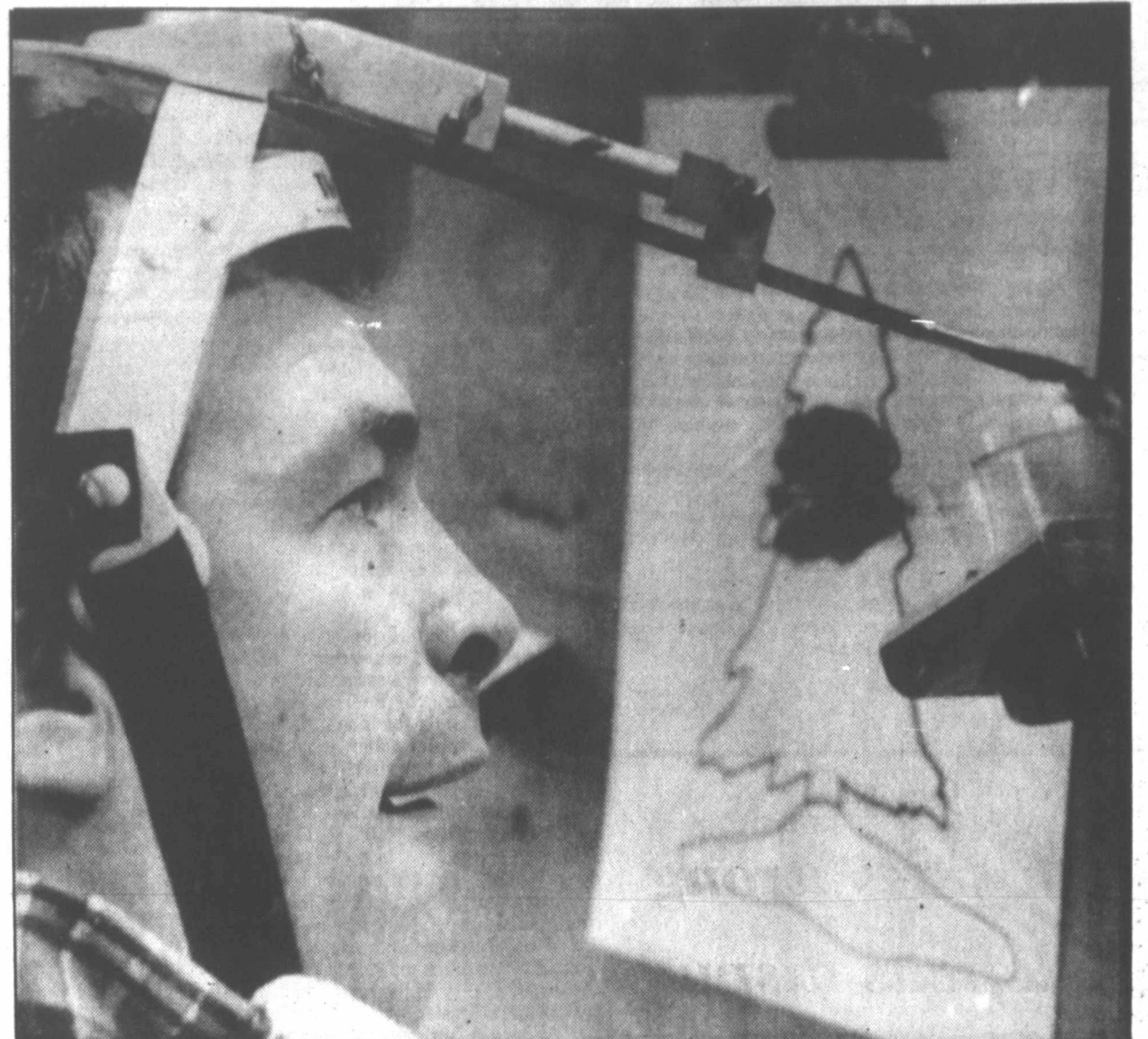
"So when he does paint, he does it with control," Ms. Hickey-Worley said.

Cook's enthusiasm to paint is evident when the lap board is placed in front of him and his painting smock is put on him. Although he cannot speak clearly, Cook's eyes glow as the stenciled picture is attached to the board and he is given his head wand.

It takes Cook about 15 to 30 minutes to paint a picture, depending on its complexity.

Ms. Hickey-Worley said Cook has appeared on closed-circuit television at the school to participate in painting for devotional services and was filmed by a television station when he went to Austin last year for a crafts bazaar.

Ms. Leger said they are working with Cook on paintings for "all-occasion" cards. He also works on seasonal drawings and painted four-leaf clovers for his therapists on St. Patrick's Day this year.



SPECIAL PAINTER — Leo "Butch" Cook works on his painting of a Christmas tree at the Brenham State School. Cook, 40, is a quadriplegic with cerebral palsy

and can neither walk or talk. But, he can paint, thanks to a therapy program developed for him at the school. (AP Laserphoto)

## PUC to decide on

AUSTIN (AP) — The Public Utility Commission faced its first major decision today in the Southwestern Bell case — a ruling on the company's request for an emergency rate hike on New Year's Day.

Bell says it needs \$292 million more than the \$653 million approved by PUC Administrative Law Judge Jacqueline Holmes. The money is needed to replace revenues that will be lost as a result of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. divestiture, according to company officials.

Ms. Holmes' recommendation would not mean an increase in local service rates. About \$600 million would come from long distance companies and the rest would come from rate hikes for Southwestern Bell long distance calls.

The \$653 million interim rate hike granted by Ms. Holmes was appealed to the full commission by Bell and Public Utility Counsel Jim Boyle. While Bell wants more, Boyle says the company is entitled to nothing. Boyle is the state lawyer who represents consumers at PUC hearings.

The interim hike was requested to fill the financial gap until a PUC decision on the company's \$1.3 billion rate case. A ruling in that case is not expected until spring.

On Tuesday, opponents of the \$1.3 billion hike offered prefilled testimony challenging Bell's claim that residential

## Bell interim hike

costs must be doubled.

A former Federal Communications Commission economist said Bell is trying to make basic telephone service customers pay to build a system of exotic services.

William Melody said the "most significant factor" in Bell's rate hike request is the changes that would enable the company to offer "a wide variety of enhanced custom calling, computer and other services."

Melody, now a communications professor at Simon Fraser University in British Columbia, said, "It is clear that the major cause of increases in local exchange costs is enhanced services and not basic telephone service."

"In essence, the plain old telephone system is being upgraded into a giant telecomputer," said Melody.

The Bell request also was criticized Tuesday in prefilled testimony from a Texas Municipal League witness. Ben Johnson, a Tallahassee, Fla., consultant, said it's unfair to force a large hike on residential customers.

"Most importantly, the company appears to have completely abandoned the goal of universal service by proposing exorbitant rates, and little or no increases in the rates for other services that it will continue to offer after divestiture," said Johnson.

## Geter attorneys seek polygraph alternative

DALLAS (AP) — Attorneys representing Lenell Geter have asked prosecutors to let their client be given "truth serum" instead of a polygraph test in a bargain that could free him from a controversial robbery charge.

Dallas County District Attorney Henry Wade agreed last week to seek a new trial for Geter and also agreed to drop charges if Geter passed a lie detector test.

But Geter's attorneys say he is a "nervous kind of guy" who does not do well on polygraph tests. Prosecutors said a polygraph test Geter took in May showed "deception."

Geter's attorneys called the results "inconclusive at best."

The 26-year-old engineer was sentenced to life in prison last year in the robbery of a fast-food restaurant in Balch Springs, a suburb of Dallas. He has maintained his innocence and says he became a suspect in the robbery because he is black.

At the time of the robbery, Geter was employed at E-Systems Inc. of Greenville, about 50 miles northeast of Dallas.

Geter was released on bond last week and went to South Carolina to spend Christmas with his family.

Wade said he agreed to reopen Geter's case because of public pressure. The week before Wade's announcement, Geter's case was featured on the CBS news show "60 Minutes."

On Tuesday, Geter's defense attorneys said they would ask the district attorney's office to consider letting Geter take a substitute test, such as "truth serum" drugs Amytal or sodium pentothal. The Dallas Morning News reported today.

"He's an extremely nervous kind of guy, and polygraphs may be more of a test of nerves than of truth," said George Hairston, one of Geter's defense attorneys.

Norman Kinne, Dallas County chief felony prosecutor, said the district attorney's office had no plan to vary from the agreement on a polygraph test, however.

"Our agreement with the defense was that they would name a polygraph examiner that we could trust," Kinne said. "They named (Dallas police Sgt.) Bill Parker. We said OK... That was our

agreement. That's the only agreement we have. We don't see any reason to move away from that position."

Hairston said the defense might go along with the polygraph test, but only if test conditions were improved. He said the first test was given in a 5-foot-by-5-foot basement room at the sheriff's office.

"We're not ruling out a polygraph. It's still being considered," Hairston said. "We may go ahead with that if we can agree on appropriate test conditions."

Nine of Geter's co-workers testified at his trial that he was at work at the time of the robbery, but none could firmly place him there at the time of the holdup. Geter was identified as the gunman by five witnesses to the robbery.

On Monday, prosecutors said they do not believe a

prison inmate arrested within

two days of Geter was responsible for the \$615 heist for which Geter went to prison.

Prosecutors said the questioning of Jerry Jerome Stepany was prompted by a Dallas Times Herald investigation into similarities between the three robberies.

Geter was accused of and robberies for which Stepany claims responsibility. The two men's physical descriptions are also similar.

The crimes were dubbed the "gym bag" robberies by investigators because witnesses said the robber pulled a large pistol from an athletic bag.

Wade said investigators interviewed Stepany in prison and told prosecutors the 22-year-old inmate probably isn't responsible for the Balch Springs robbery.

"I don't think he had anything to do with it," Wade said.

Stepney has admitted committing two other robberies besides the two in which he is serving a 30-year sentence, but denied any role in the Balch Springs case, prosecutors said.

One of Geter's attorneys, Edwin Sigel of Dallas, said defense lawyers are interested in Stepany but have no evidence he committed the robbery.

"We're going to look into it," Sigel said. "But the fact that he didn't admit it hurts."

Wade said his staff probably will show Stepany's photograph to victims of the Balch Springs robbery before completely ruling him out as a suspect.

## Pastor has flair on the pulpit

LAREDO, Texas (AP) — The Christmas story has been told many times, but few versions could be as vivid as the story told by a shepherd who was there.

Last Sunday, members of the Grace Bible Church heard a man dressed in shepherd's robes vividly recreate the Palestine of 2,000 years ago and a miraculous night in a stable.

The shepherd was actually pastor Bob Rowley and it was not the first time he had spiced up his ministry with drama.

Nearly four times a year, the Laredo pastor delivers a "dramatic sermon." He said he learned the technique as a student at the Dallas Theological Seminary and he takes the theatrics quite seriously.

"The purpose of dramatic sermon is not to entertain, but to creatively communicate the truth of the Word of God," he explained.

Nevertheless, his sermons do entertain and are laced with costume, performance and vivid historic detail. The shepherd, for example, began by providing detail on the

place where he worked, the fields surrounding Bethlehem.

He described herds of sacrificial animals grazing in the field and told the congregation that his own flock of sheep was destined for sacrifice at the temple in Jerusalem.

The shepherd said that in his day people with money customarily hired musicians to play at a celebration honoring the birth of a son. But when the shepherd visited Joseph and Mary in the manger, they had "no musicians and minstrels to sing."

"Another shepherd told Joseph that his son is honored indeed, for God sent

Dallas seminary, John Reed. "It was just another way to be creative in the pulpit," Rowley said, "and make the scripture come alive."

Rowley said the lively sermons are a way "to put people back in a situation and make them feel what it was like."

He said he reads "all the books I can get my hands on and try to glean all I can about the customs and the people of the day," threads for the biblical tapestry he weaves.

Although he normally writes his own sermons, Rowley said the Christmas presentation was written by the chairman of the pastoral ministries department at the

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## Our opinion

### Both sides wrong in deficits dispute

Regardless of which side prevails in the current dispute between the president's men and his economic advisor, Martin Feldstein, the public will not benefit because both are wrong.

Feldstein, you may recall, got into hot water with the president's staff a few days ago when he made another speech warning that federal budget deficits will abort the current economic recovery, and maintained that new taxes should be imposed to reduce those deficits.

His views are in direct contradiction to what is now the official White House gospel espoused by Secretary of the Treasury Donald Regan. That view holds that there is no proof federal budget deficits harm the economy and, therefore, there is no need to increase taxes.

Both Feldstein and the presidential advisors, however, are being influenced by factors which make it unlikely that either could arrive at a conclusion based exclusively on logic and the facts.

The presidential staff position is unreliable because of the coming election year. The president and all his advisors know beyond any doubt that federal deficits will ultimately lead to higher interest rates, which will sabotage the economic recovery now under way. But they feel the president cannot either increase taxes or initiate the spending cuts that would be necessary to significantly reduce the budget without alienating large sections of the electorate. Therefore, ignoring everything Ronald Reagan has ever said, they come up with the argument that deficits don't really matter and hope the economy isn't affected too adversely between now and election day, 1984.

Feldstein is absolutely right when he talks about the dangers of continuing massive deficits. But deep down inside, Feldstein knows his proposed solution, raising taxes, would also be harmful to the economy because it would take money out of the hands of the buying, investing public and give it to government. In fact, that is exactly the stance he took just a year ago in arguing against the five-cent a gallon gasoline tax, which was supposed to create jobs.

Feldstein's argument for higher taxes is influenced by his belief that it will be impossible to persuade Congress to reduce federal spending enough to significantly affect the deficits. He apparently considers taxes a lesser evil than high deficits, so his is a compromise solution.

What we have, then, is a situation in which all the members of the administration who will be feeding economic advice to the president in the coming months are only half right in the actions they propose. And since you can't be half right without being totally wrong, President Reagan is going to be getting an awful lot of bad advice.

The only hope for the American public is that the president will stand on the principles he has espoused for years and start listening to people like Rep. Jack Kemp, who understand that the only way to maintain economic prosperity is to reduce federal budget deficits by reducing federal government spending.

If the president listens either to his advisors, who say budget deficits are preferable to budget cuts, or to Feldstein, who says higher taxes are the only solution to deficits, then Reagan and Walter Mondale won't have much to argue about next year.

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**Warren T. Brookes**

## Fed may cause recession again

A warning to President Reagan: The Federal Reserve has tightened money so much it is dangerously close to "overkill," forcing the economy back into a recession. Remember Federal Reserve Board Chairman Paul Volcker has given us two election-year recessions in four years.

For the past three months, money growth has been running at a less than one-half-of-one-percent annual rate, and over the last six months at less than 6 percent, to tight to sustain the current recovery.

The reason for this "overkill" is that last summer monetarist economists began warning of major re-escalation in inflation in 1984, because the Federal Reserve was allegedly creating too much money. Yet, if they were right, the dollar would have fallen and the price of gold risen. Instead, the gold fell nearly 10 percent while the dollar rose 5 percent, signalling deflation.

The current "overkill" is reminiscent of May 4, 1981, when administration monetarist Beryl Sprinkel sounded the alarm about the surge of the money supply and urged a tighter money policy. The Federal Reserve promptly hiked the Fed Funds rate back up to 18.5 percent and plunged the strongly recovering economy back into recession.

Yet, when Sprinkel sounded this alarm, gold prices were falling, and the dollar was soaring. Sprinkel made the same mistake in January 1982, when his next money growth alarm caused the Fed to abort an incipient recovery by raising interest rates. Gold promptly fell another \$100 as the economy was deflated once again.

Sadly, over the past four years, the gold market has been right and the Fed wrong. The reason: while the Fed can crudely control the money supply quantity, they cannot control or predict (as only gold does) its velocity, or turnover rate, which suddenly plunged in late 1981. This is why they were so shocked at the severity of last year's recession. If instead of looking only at the elusive paper "M3" they had watched the sickening \$200 drop in gold prices, they would have known they were vastly over-tightening. Gold always "tells."

Despite this, those of us who look longingly back at nearly 27 years of world price and monetary stability with strong economic growth under the gold-connected 1944-69 Bretton Woods agreement are still scornfully regarded as "gold nuts."

As Alan Reynolds of Polynomics—an economics consulting firm in New Jersey—argued at Jack Kemp's prestigious conference on the world monetary system last May 17 "Gold is a hopelessly old-fashioned idea, you know, like 30-year mortgages, and 4-percent unemployment. How bad do things have to get before those who demolished the existing system in 1971-73, however imperfect... will acknowledge they have made a mistake."

Or as University of Chicago economist Jacob Frankel put it: "Something is fundamentally wrong with the current international monetary system, and large unpredictable fluctuations in exchange rates have imposed severe costs on the economic system."

Indeed they have. What hit Detroit and

Pittsburgh the last three years was not German or Japanese cleverness, but Volcker's deadly 46-percent rise in the dollar, pricing labor out of the market.

Or as the brilliant Robert Mundell of Columbia said, "Three great recessions have occurred since (Bretton Woods was abandoned in favor of paper monetarism), each successively bigger in terms of output losses from unemployment and excess capacity. The LDC (countries) have been pushed deeper and deeper into the mire of misery and saddled with growing burdens of probably unrepayable debt."

Jack Kemp argues: "I don't believe the standard of world leadership or economic expertise has suddenly declined since 1973. What is missing is the (monetary) mechanism we used to have for disciplining the individual economic policies of the world (i.e. gold).

"Imagine what it would be like if each of our fifty states had its own currency with no fixed relationship among them. New York might be tempted to devalue its currency against Ohio's to gain a temporary trade advantage. Soon other states would retaliate with self-defeating protectionist measures. Ridiculous? But that's exactly what's been happening to the world economy over the past dozen years." It's still going on.

Most economists have, in fact, been baffled by the "stagflationary" havoc which floating money - rates have wrought, and the ghastly roller-coaster cycles that central banks have caused.

As international monetary authority, Robert Triffin of Yale told Kemp's

conference, since the closing of the Federal Reserve gold window in 1971 (by Richard Nixon), "World monetary reserves have increased in the short span of the thirteen years from four to ten times as much as in all previous years and centuries since Adam and Eve."

What troubled Triffin the most is that the self-adjustment mechanism of floating money rates hasn't worked: "If the fluctuation of exchange rates...restored or preserved competitive exchange rates, I would be the first to agree with (economist) Milton Friedman. But they have done exactly the opposite... They at first undervalued the dollar and then overvalued the dollar..."

Since 1980, when the dollar and imports soared, the excess dollars in the world currency market, which should have driven the dollar value down in a self-correcting process, simply flowed in huge quantities into the U.S. capital markets and caused a world debt crisis.

Triffin agrees, "If you could restore the old gold standard, that might not be a bad thing. However this is extremely unlikely, because the main strength of the gold standard in the 19th century was based essentially on the fact that the major countries and central banks did not then dream that they could palm off so much paper currency on their people."

Nor did they dream how painfully difficult it would be to restore price stability with paper currency alone. Are we about to get another of Volcker's gut-wrenching lessons? Reagan, beware!

### Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 21, the 355th day of 1983. There are 10 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On Dec. 21, 1620, the Pilgrims aboard the Mayflower went ashore at what is now Plymouth, Mass.

On this date:

In 1913, the first crossword puzzle was published in the Sunday supplement of the New York World.

In 1937, Walt Disney's full-length feature cartoon "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs" was shown for the first time at the Carthay Circle Theatre in Los Angeles.

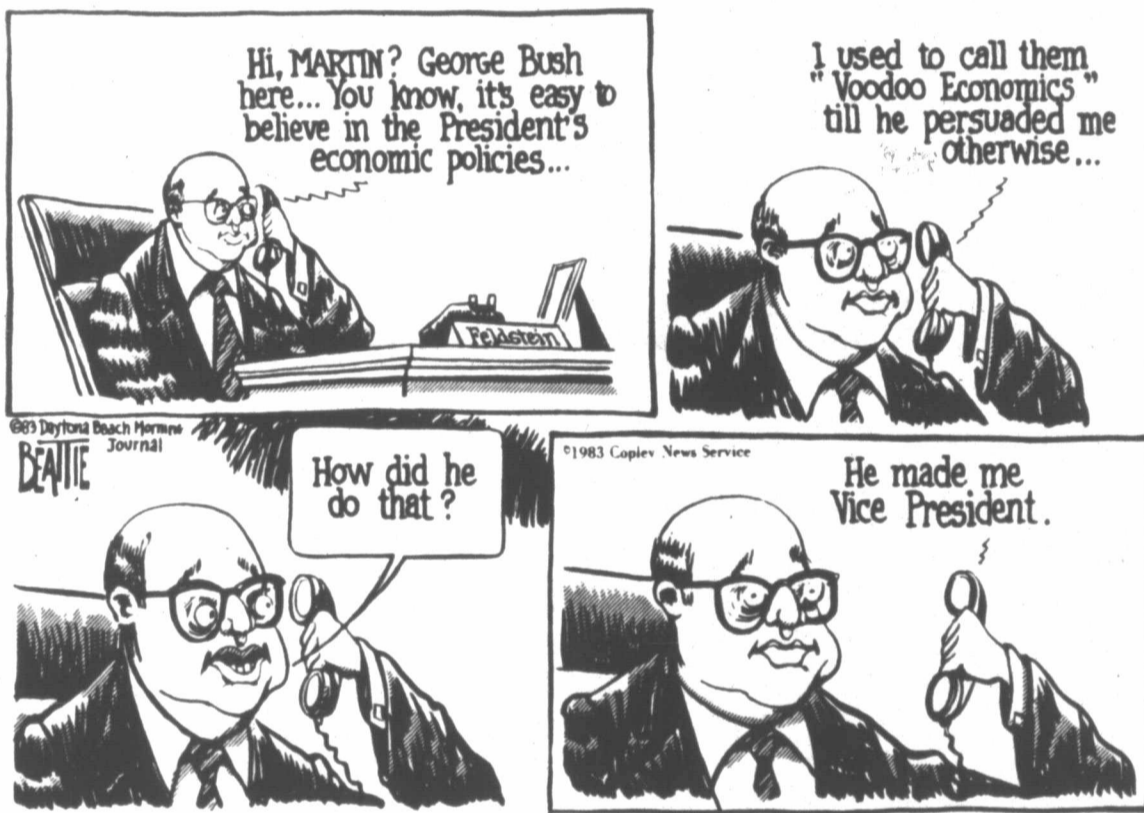
In 1945, Gen. George Patton died of injuries suffered in a car accident in Heidelberg, Germany.

In 1967, the world's first heart transplant patient, Louis Washkansky, died, 18 days after the operation in Cape Town, South Africa.

And in 1968, Apollo VIII, with three astronauts aboard, was launched to make man's first orbit of the moon.

Ten years ago: The first Arab-Israeli peace conference opened in Geneva, Switzerland, with the United States and the Soviet Union strongly urging a permanent settlement.

Five years ago: President Jimmy Carter canceled his appointments because of an aggravated attack of hemorrhoids, and White House spokesmen said surgery might be necessary.



**Paul Harvey**

## Long ordeal of Ray Donovan

The FBI was understaffed, overworked and in a hurry, took shortcuts. That is what paved the way to 20 months in hell.

When the FBI cleared Ray Donovan for the public office of Labor secretary, the bureau knew of allegations that he had made payoffs to corrupt union officials or worked for a company that did.

The Bureau had traced the allegations to their source, had found them to be unfounded - and so did not pass along those allegations to the Senate Labor Committee. That was a mistake, justified, as I say, only by the haste of the preconfirmation investigation.

Much later the senators who had confirmed Donovan were surprised and distressed to hear from clandestine sources

of "mysterious lunches where envelopes traded hands, trips to the Super Bowl, double-dates with mobsters."

The allegations were raw meat for carnivorous media.

And thus began Ray Donovan's 20 months in hell.

Around Bergen, N.J., Ray Donovan had been known as a self-made millionaire in the construction business, political conservative, devout Roman Catholic, family man and highly effective fundraiser for Reagan.

When suddenly three dozen people came forward with information that he was "a friend of gangsters," that his firm had "rigged bids for public projects" and other things...

The Bergen Record assigned its staff to start digging.

For five months, research reporters poured over thousands of pages of transcripts, interviewed the "dozens" who had come forward, backtracked on one after another of the juicy rumors...

Had the witnesses lied? Was the FBI guilty of incompetence or coverup?

Donovan, legally cleared, remained under a shadow of doubt.

The media has more scalps on its belt than feathers in its hat.

But the exhaustive months of review of the record by The Record finds all those who volunteered allegations against Donovan have since recanted or been discredited.

One after another each and all of the allegations of wrongdoing proved without foundation.

But nobody can run the gauntlet of malicious slander for 20 months and emerge unscathed.

My own profession, overeager to parrot the worst, has been exonerated only somewhat - by the Bergen, N.J., Record, which sorted fact from fiction and concluded that Secretary Donovan, his family and his friends were subjected to a cruel public keelhauling which they did not deserve.

But in the degree to which an experience like this deters honorable people from public office, we are all losers.

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**Anthony Harrigan**

## Scary language of the left

The inner violence of the radical movement is reflected in the violence of the language employed by leftist commentators. This occurred to me when I read an outlandish, angry article on Britain published in The Progressive, an old-line voice of radicalism in the United States.

Milton Mayer, an editor of the magazine, is the author of the article entitled "This England." Mr. Mayer recently returned from England. He definitely did not enjoy his trip or like the English.

Most visitors to "the scepter'd isle" like England and the English, but not Mr. Mayer. But, then, Mr. Mayer isn't enthusiastic about his own country. He describes the United States as "the biggest warmaker of them all," as is the President

of the United States, he characterizes him as a "warfare President." Could it be because the United States has about 50 military advisers in El Salvador, which is the target of communist guerrillas?

In England, says Mr. Mayer, "warfare" is the salvation of the rich. That's an odd notion, of course, because the more affluent Britons carry the heaviest burden of taxation for defense as well as welfare.

Mr. Mayer says "there's something dense about the English," because they favored Mrs. Thatcher's party in the last election. He finds that "Like Reagan, she projects a kind of capitalist cannibalism."

Mr. Mayer regarded the Falklands war as an outrage. He says, however, that "the junta saved was Britain's."

In Mr. Mayer's view, Britons don't have the right radical stuff. "There is nothing revolutionary stirring among the English," he complains. He discusses the Laborites, who favor unilateral nuclear disarmament, as "the not-very-far-left wing of the party."

In Mr. Mayer's book, the British were bad yesterday as well as today. He asserts that "the brutal Falkland venture aroused the brutal recklessness that underlies, and has always underlain, the genteel reserve mistakenly taken for the British character." In the old colonial days, he says, the British were "savages in uniform."

Mr. Mayer holds that the only genuine sign of life on the island is "the dogged Campaign For Nuclear Disarmament," but

he admits that "it is getting historically nowhere, achieving neither mass support nor mass interest."

Actually, Mr. Mayer's angry embittered language isn't an exception. It's the rule for American radicals. They are furious that the American people—and the British as well—don't respond on cue to radical proclamations. They are angry, for example, because people in the civilized Western world don't blame the United States as much or more than the Soviets for the shooting down of KAL 007. That's their outlook.

The venomous language of the Left reflects political paranoia, a raging hostility towards the democracies which favor the institutions of private property and personal liberty.



**SPARE PART ORNAMENTS** — Sen. William Roth, R-Dele., displays a Christmas tree decorated with what he says are overpriced, nonreparable spare parts that were purchased by the Air Force between 1977 and 1983 in

small lots. Roth, at the Capital Hill news conference Tuesday, said the total value of the parts on the tree came to a proposed spare parts price value of \$101,119, but had a market spare parts value of only \$110.25.

## Christmas no fun, family scraps holiday plans

IRVING, Texas (AP) — For the fourth time in recent years, a vehicle has invaded Eleanor Goolsby's house, this time taking out a wall and smashing the Christmas tree and the family's gifts. Mrs. Goolsby says it will not be a nice Christmas. Last year, Eleanor Reese, Mrs. Goolsby's 89-year-old mother, was hospitalized at Christmas. The year before that, Mrs. Goolsby was laid off by Braniff. "This was going to be a dual Christmas," said Mrs. Goolsby, who lives with her mother and two daughters, Zina and Sissey. "We were going to celebrate my mother's health and my return to Braniff." But Mrs. Reese suffered a heart attack hours after the latest vehicle crashed into the house. She's at home in stable condition, but her doctor says she might have to be hospitalized again before Christmas. Zina Goolsby said the family has told out-of-town

kinfolks to cancel their plans to visit over the holiday. "Christmas is going to be bleak. We are not going to have a nice Christmas. We can't have a nice Christmas. We had to tell them (relatives) to forget it. I'm afraid to have overnight company," she said. "We can't guarantee their safety." The house sits on the corner of a four-way stop, and the family fears it will be hit again. On Dec. 13, a pickup truck crashed through the house and into the den. The impact opened a floor-to-ceiling hole in the corner of the brick house. The hole has been boarded up, and a gas fireplace now heats the den, which is used as a guest room, but it's still too cold to sleep in. Miss Goolsby said. Three years ago, shrubbery was destroyed by a vehicle that plowed into the Goolsby yard. The next time, a vehicle rammed into a tree and careened

into the edge of the residence, breaking a window and damaging a wall. Then a car bounded out of control, smashed into the left side of the house and destroyed a patio, a gas meter, shrubbery and a wall. Each time, the Goolsbys' insurance has paid for the damage because the drivers haven't had liability insurance, Miss Goolsby said. Irving police arrested the driver who drove into the Goolsby house on Dec. 13. Charges of public intoxication and driving without proof of liability insurance were brought. Sgt. J.L. Richards said police will post extra patrols at the intersection in an effort to prevent drivers from running the stop sign. But Miss Goolsby remains unconvinced. "We're beginning to look like the Indianapolis Roadway," she said. "Any screeching sound scares me now."

## Christmas metamorphosis: 'I became a Santa Claus'

DENVER (AP) — It's the spirit, says the man in the red suit. It's the spirit that stops traffic, causes 18-wheelers to blow their horns in salute, prompts old women on welfare to shed a tear. Santa Claus is a state of mind that engulfs even the most hardened Scrooge as the shopping days tick by until Christmas. That's what Francis Benkofske believes. He's studied the phenomenon for the nine years he's donned his white curly beard, sweated under his red velvet, and pasted on his eyebrows. "Becoming Santa Claus is my gift to myself," says

Benkofske, who is careful not to say he is "playing" or "impersonating" the man from the North Pole. "I psych myself up. Each season I try to improve on it. Santa Claus is in the eye of the beholder. If you believe I'm real, then I am. By Dec. 24, I've changed my identity. I feel like Santa Claus, therefore I become Santa Claus." Eleven months out of the year Benkofske is a 25-year-old Denver carpet salesman whose December persona hangs in a garment bag at the back of his closet. But when Thanksgiving leftovers are gone, he begins

his transformation. In 1982 he worked at a shopping mall. This year he signed up as one of 40 volunteers working the Mile High Child Care Association's inaugural season as Rent-A-Santas. The non-profit United Way agency hit on the project as a fundraiser for its nine day-care centers, which are hard-pressed because of funding cutbacks. "The response was immediate and gratifying," said Vance George Reed, the service coordinator. "We were deluged with people who wanted to be Santa. There's a complete ethnic mix — black

Santas, Chicano Santas, young and old Santas, several women. We finally had to turn people away." The Rent-A-Santa service is averaging 15 to 20 appearances daily at nursing homes, day care centers, office parties and shopping malls. The cost is \$45 for the first hour, graduating downward to \$8.75 per hour for a full day of Ho-Ho-Ho-ing. They even make house calls. It troubles Benkofske a little that he takes money — \$10 for an hour's work, \$5.25 for each hour additional — to make people happy. "But I

have to live like anybody else," he says. Every year it inevitably comes to an end. There is always a final party, a last "Merry Christmas."

## Resolutions fail to halt world 'deterioration'

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — The U.N. General Assembly president adjourned a three-month session for 1983, suggesting that the world body was wasting time on repetitive resolutions while the state of the world deteriorated. But Jorge Illueca of Panama also maintained that the forum still provides "one of our greatest assets." In his speech Tuesday closing the main part of the 38th annual session, Illueca said, "I fear we must conclude that, despite our best efforts, the state of the world has steadily and sharply deteriorated. International violence has increased. We have seen applications of military power. There has been a sharp increase in violent acts of international terrorisms and the nuclear arms race has escalated to a higher and much more dangerous level." On the positive side, he said, 18 heads of state, two vice presidents, eight prime ministers and 100 foreign

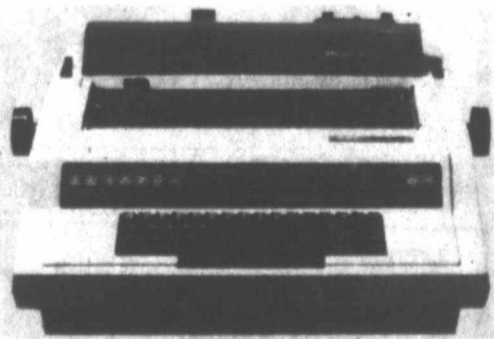
ministers attended the session. "The availability of this forum as a center for communications," he said, "continues to provide, in my judgment, one of our greatest

assets, most particularly at a time when dialogue is more necessary than ever." The assembly adjourned at 8:06 p.m., leaving six of the 145 items on its agenda to be dealt with in a resumed

session some time in the new year. Ambassador Jeane J. Kirkpatrick, addressing a news conference called to review the session, said it had been "relatively successful."

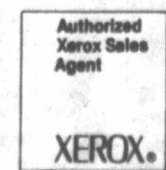
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## Mattox accuses Exxon of running deal

AUSTIN (AP) — Attorney General Jim Mattox has made up with Mobil Oil Corp. but now he's mad at Exxon. Mattox blames Exxon for blocking an out-of-court settlement of a \$1.7 billion dispute between Mobil and South Texas rancher Clinton Manges in which Texas would have gotten a large share of the money. Lawyers had assembled Tuesday in Laredo, where the suit was filed, to formalize the deal when, to their surprise, attorneys for Exxon showed up and filed a cross-claim and a counter-claim, demanding an unspecified amount of the settlement.

"We didn't like the idea for them to let us do all the work (on the agreement) and then come in at the last minute and try to grab some of the proceeds." The entire case was set for a hearing in Laredo Jan. 4, and in the meantime, the out-of-court settlement must wait. "Because of an assortment of tax considerations, I will probably not be able to put this deal back together again," Mattox said. "Exxon's actions will probably cost the schoolchildren of Texas a substantial amount of money."

Mobil, the state and Manges had reached agreement late last week after marathon negotiations in New York and Houston. Manges had filed the suit against Mobil, contending the oil company violated the terms of mineral leases on his Duval County ranch. The state joined the lawsuit, seeking recovery of royalties it claimed under leases on part of the land. The settlement would have given Manges \$500 million over the next 10 years. The state would have received \$70 million over the next 11 years and would have almost tripled its royalty payments

on existing production. The case indirectly led to a criminal indictment against Mattox. During heated negotiations involving the case in June, Mattox got into an argument with one of Mobil's lawyers, Tom McDade of the Houston firm of Fulbright & Jaworski, and McDade complained Mattox had issued an illegal threat. McDade accused Mattox of threatening to ruin the Houston firm's public bond business unless McDade stopped trying to interrogate Mattox's sister as part of Mobil's effort to get a different judge in the Manges lawsuit.

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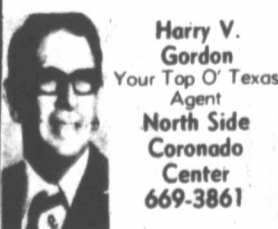
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# Mouse caused Christmas eve havoc

By HUGH A. MULLIGAN  
AP Special Correspondent

RIDGEFIELD, Conn. (AP) — 'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house, not a creature was stirring except a mouse.

We children — three boys, ages 7, 6 and 5 — had just settled in for the shortest of winter naps, having plotted the usual dawn assault on the pile of presents, when the mouse made its appearance.

It ran out from under the couch, scampered up the wall and across the mantelpiece where the stockings were hung with care.

"A mouse!" shrieked Mother.  
"Get the broom," ordered Grandma, who came from County Mayo and had no patience with panic in dealing with the animal kingdom.

"There's a mouse trap in the coal bin. I'll get it and on the way give the landlord a piece of my mind about that uncollected garbage behind the stairs," announced Father, whose approach to problems in our New York tenement was tactical rather than strategic.

We three boys tiptoed to the door in time to see the mouse dart out from behind a Christmas card on the mantel and brazenly chomp into a striped candy cane, cellophane and all, protruding from the green felt stocking embroidered with my name. Then it disappeared, perhaps into the stocking.

The raid on my Christmas candy was carried out right in front of the sleep-sealed eyes of Lukey, our tiger-striped male cat who lay curled beneath the Christmas tree in a heavy

breathing dream of lust on top of a beribboned package of catnip gift-tagged with his name.

Grandma arrived with the broom and belted the cat. My little brother commenced to cry.

"Lukey is all right," my older brother assured him.  
"Don't hurt Mickey... I love Mickey." The sobs had turned to loud wails. Mickey Mouse was his friend and idol. Mother folded him in her arms and shouted to Grandma to forget the cat and for God and everyone else's sake go after the mouse.

Right about here, Father returned with the mousetrap and a gallon jug of the landlord's red Italian wine, a peace offering from the vintage squeezed and bottled just a month ago in the dank and delicious-smelling cellar next to our coal bin.

The mouse jumped out of my stocking, catching Father off guard and off balance. He fell backward into the Christmas tree, as the cat pursued its prey and delivered the coup de grace beneath the dining room table. We children all burst into tears, with mother joining us, as Father emerged unharmed from the glistening rubble to a deluge of Celtic blessings from Grandma, who finally shoed us off to bed.

Father Reilly's sermon at the midnight Mass, as Father told the story ever after, was about the little church in the Austrian Alps where the mice had nibbled away at the organ bellows and the young curate and the old schoolmaster got out their guitars and jointly composed "Silent Night" so the congregation would have some Christmas music.

Before that, it was my Mother's favorite carol.  
And after that, I never cared much for pink striped candy canes.

## 'Doomsday clock' creeps closer to midnight

CHICAGO (AP) — Heightened U.S.-Soviet tensions have moved the world nearer to nuclear war than at any time since 1953, says a scientists' magazine which is advancing its symbolic "doomsday clock" one minute closer to midnight.

The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists on Thursday will move the hands on the "doomsday clock" on its cover from 4 minutes before midnight to 3 minutes, the first change on the symbolic timepiece in nearly three years, said Ruth Adams, the magazine's editor.

The time on the clock, published in the magazine since 1947, changes when the scientists who oversee the publication agree the threat of nuclear war has increased or decreased.

Thursday's change marks the closest the clock has moved to "nuclear doomsday" since it was at 2 minutes to midnight when the Soviet Union exploded its first hydrogen bomb in 1953.

Ms. Adams said Tuesday that the movement on the "doomsday clock" shows both the "failure of cutbacks or control of nuclear weapons" and the breakdown in communications between the United States and the Soviet Union.

"The world has become increasingly militaristic," she added. "We pursue security by means of weapons and strategy."

This week's clock movement will be marked in news conferences Thursday during which scientists in Chicago, London, Washington, Stockholm and Tokyo will present their views.

The clock was last changed in early 1981, when the hands moved from 7 minutes to 4 minutes to midnight, symbolizing a shift in the development of nuclear weapons, said Tom Hazinski, the magazine's general manager.

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# Marine withdrawal could prove a political problem

By WALTER R. MEARS  
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan puts peace at the top of his Christmas list, but not at the price of a U.S. withdrawal from Lebanon short of a mission accomplished.

So Reagan has renounced his own suggestion that there might be an early way out of Lebanon for the 1,800 Marines he sent there as part of a multinational effort to bring order to the current arena of Middle East conflict.

In doing so, he rejected the unsolicited advice of some conservative allies, among them Sen. Barry Goldwater of Arizona, who have advocated an American withdrawal from the strife among Lebanese factions, Syria, Israel and the Palestinians.

That could prove to be a political problem in the presidential election year just ahead, but Reagan said it makes no difference.

His Tuesday night news conference was ending with holiday banter when a reporter called out the question that led Reagan back to the microphone.

"When will the Marines come home?"

"The Marines will come home as quickly as it is possible to bring them home in accomplishing our mission," Reagan replied.

"There have been some suggestions made with regard to bringing them home that some of my considerations might be based on the fact that this is an election year and politics are coming up," he said. "I will tell you this: No decision regarding the lives and the safety of our servicemen will ever be made by me for a political reason."

Reagan has said it will be possible to withdraw the Marines during the 1984 election year, because their work will be done. But he took pains to dispel any impression that he might be looking for an earlier way out.

At a brief news conference last Thursday, he had said that "if there was a complete collapse and there was no possibility of restoring order there would be no purpose in the multinational force."

He said Tuesday night that was a hypothetical answer to a hypothetical question "and maybe a bad choice of words."

The president said he had intended no message, no hint of withdrawal.

Reagan said that short of achieving the American peacekeeping goal in Lebanon, the only withdrawal contingency he could think of would come should there be a complete change in the Lebanese government course "to the point that we were no longer asked to be there." He said he doesn't foresee that happening.

So Reagan will enter the campaign year with a renewed commitment to the American presence in Lebanon, acknowledging that public opinion polls show the mission to be an unpopular one.

It is a mission that has cost 257 American lives, 241 of them in the terrorist bombing of the Marine barracks on Oct. 23. Reagan was asked whether the public would tolerate continuing American casualties.

"Well, I can understand the public opinion because they're hearing great attacks from a number of sources on our presence there, some of them, I think, politically motivated," the president said.

Reagan sought to define anew the mission of American and allied peacekeeping forces in Lebanon, a mission his critics say is lacking.

He said Syrian and Israeli forces managed to maintain some order among contending Lebanese factions in territory they occupied. Reagan said when those foreign forces get out and the Lebanese military advances to try to establish order, "the multinational force is supposed to, behind them, try to achieve some stability and maintain order because Lebanon doesn't have the forces to do both."

"That is the mission."

He said "progress has been made" toward that goal.

But at this point, the American casualties are more evident than the progress.

That is a political burden, and its weight on the Republicans may become more evident when Congress returns to session Jan. 23.

## A moral in sad news

By JOHN CUNNIFF  
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — To those of philosophical bent there is always a moral in bad news, such as recessions.

It is claimed, for example, that in bad times people draw closer, mend their materialistic ways, rediscover old virtues, practice restraint, develop ingenuity and relearn the pleasures of a good book and a simple fireplace.

Self-flagellation is common. "I didn't realize how I had been indulging myself," people say. "I've learned my lesson" is a typical refrain.

In business, companies seek to become lean and efficient. They cut away the overpaid bureaucracy, eliminate sloppy practices, insist on a day's work for a day's pay, close outdated plants and seek to raise the quality of products.

As earnings fall, the chairman assures shareholders in the annual report that the company is really stronger than it looks because "we have used this opportunity to position your company for the future."

It takes only a glance at the newspapers of mid-1982 to recall the grim mood of the time and the resolutions that were made. And it takes but a glance at the latest news to get the feeling some of the fervor has already worn off.

That conclusion may be reached by viewing some of these temptations: A box of chocolate golf balls for close to \$200. Timepieces, whose chief function is to tell the time of day — a free service of the church steeple or bank window — for \$12,000. And men's dress shirts, \$95 off-the-rack rather than custom made.

"The consumer is basically tired of holding back," explains a retail analyst at the investment firm of Baer, Stearns & Co. Evidence of the analyst's verdict began appearing months ago — in new-car sales, for example.

An analysis of 1983-model domestic sales showed buyers ordered luxury items — adjustable steering columns, power door locks and windows, reclining seats and more — at a rate never seen before.

In contrast, the analysis, by Ward's Automotive Reports, showed the basic AM radio was installed in just 14.6 percent of new domestic cars, lowest ever recorded. Buyers wanted stereo sets; 43.3 percent specified them, a new high.

The latest report of the University of Michigan's Survey Research Center adds its confirmation: "Consumer sentiment," it said, "was more favorable in the third quarter 1983 survey than at any other time during the prior decade."

The record levels of optimism, it said, "point toward a robust recovery in sales of vehicles, houses and large household durables through mid-1984."

"The pace of recovery," it explains, "will not depend on further gains in the WILLINGNESS of consumers to make large discretionary purchases ...." The willingness is there, the researchers found.

The problem ahead, they suggest, is not at all one of willingness, but of the ability to finance the big purchases without a resurgence in interest rates, which you may recall was a big reason for grim moods in the recent past.

## Antonov released from prison

ROME (AP) — Judicial authorities today freed from prison a Bulgarian accused of complicity in the 1981 attempted assassination of Pope John Paul II, the Italian news agency ANSA reported.

It quoted officials as saying that Sergei Ivanov Antonov will be confined to his Rome residence under house arrest.

The reported decision came a week after a lawyer for the 36-year-old Antonov filed a new petition for his client's release on bail from Rome's Rebibbia prison, citing "grave health problems."

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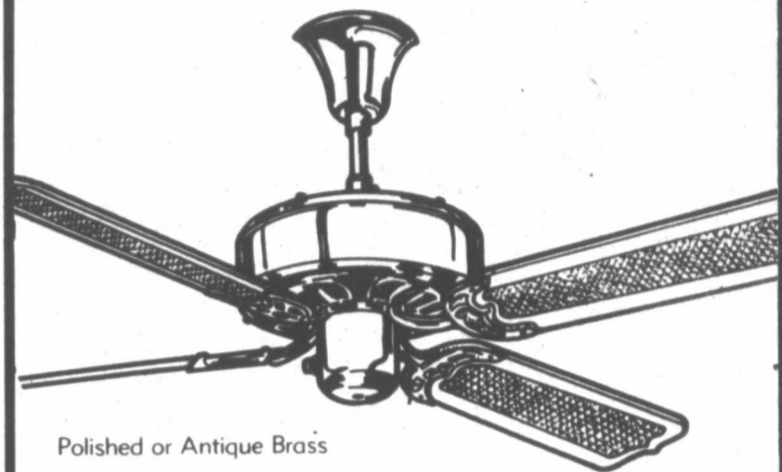


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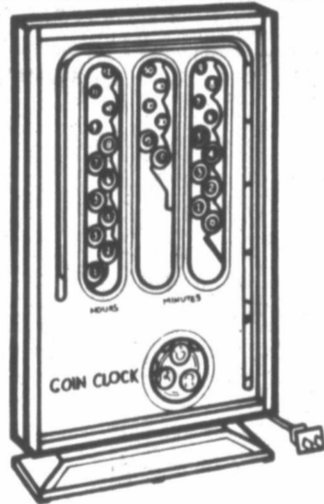
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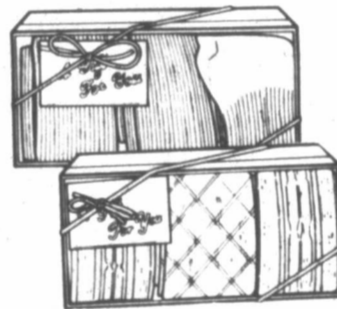
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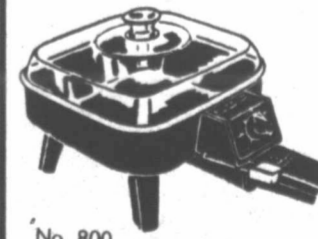
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 1 Rolling machines  
 7 From where  
 13 Of an artery  
 14 Lightly  
 15 Waxy ointment  
 16 Thread-winding machine  
 17 CIA predecessor  
 18 Phonograph machine  
 20 Domestic animal  
 21 Disregard  
 24 Floating ice mass  
 27 Severest  
 31 Consumes  
 32 Commonplace  
 33 Singles  
 35 Source of metals  
 36 Departed  
 40 Small salamander

**DOWN**  
 1 Texas city  
 2 Tools  
 3 Is human  
 4 Greek letter  
 5 Loom frame  
 6 Vehicle on turners  
 7 More cautious  
 8 Move quickly  
 9 Sooner than  
 10 Cleopatra's river  
 11 Hint (Brit)  
 12 Journey

**Answer to Previous Puzzle**  
 19 Sunshine state (abbr)  
 21 Made home  
 22 Time zone (abbr)  
 23 King's chair  
 24 Clan quarrel  
 25 Ocean route  
 26 Of the ear  
 28 Ireland  
 29 Boil slowly  
 30 Try  
 34 So (Scott)  
 37 Saws  
 38 Part of corn plant  
 39 Indentation  
 42 Of the nose  
 43 Smear  
 44 Domini  
 45 Verne hero  
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 48 Concept (Fr)  
 49 Gestures  
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 54 Environment agency (abbr)

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Astro-Graph by bernice bede osol

Several unproductive attachments will be severed this coming year and replaced with new friends with whom you will have much more in common.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** If you are under obligation to a friend, save yourself embarrassment today by bringing it to her attention before she has to remind you. Major changes are in store for Capricorns in the coming year. Send for your Capricorn Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1 and your zodiac sign to Astro-Graph, Box 489, Radio City Station, New York, N.Y. 10019. Send an additional \$2 for the NEW Astro-Graph Matchmaker wheel and booklet. Reveals romantic compatibilities for all signs.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Being overly desirous of the approval of friends today could cause you to reject your good ideas and go along with their weaker ones.

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**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Let unselfish impulses motivate you today. Instead of trying to grind out a deal that might be unfair to another, do what's right.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** If you spend too much time today waiting for others to assist you, you are likely to accomplish only a portion of what you hope to do.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** If you let your spending get out of hand today, this could put you in a position where you may not be able to get some things you want later.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Domestic duties will be more difficult to attend today if you schedule them after your more desirable activities. Reverse your agenda.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Any limitations you feel today will be caused by being to self-centered. Dwell on helping others and the bonds will quickly be broken.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** You'll only have yourself to blame if you allow friends to pressure you into spending more than your budget can bear. Resist their proddings.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Do not try to oversteer financial situations presently working in your favor. Instead of deriving more benefits, you could end up with less.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Even though your better judgment will direct you to do otherwise, there's a possibility you might — regrettably — repeat a past mistake today.

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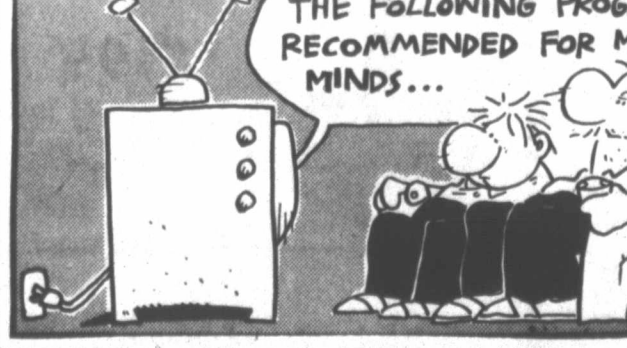
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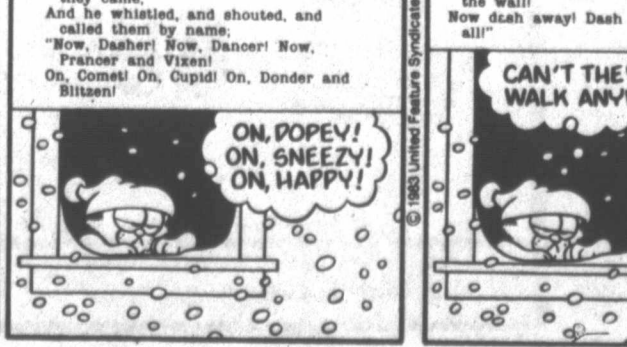
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# Debate over biological warfare arms race

By BARTON REPPERT  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) — Military research in genetic engineering could lead to an escalating U.S.-Soviet biological warfare arms race with potentially catastrophic consequences, according to two academic specialists.

The university researchers, Susan Wright and Robert L. Sinsheimer, warn that the present situation with advanced gene-splicing experimentation may be likened to the emerging field of nuclear weapons technology in the late 1940s.

Tentative efforts were put forth at that time to seek to prevent a nuclear arms race," they wrote in the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists. "Those efforts failed, and we live in the deepening shadow of that failure."

But a senior U.S. military scientist has sharply criticized Ms. Wright and Sinsheimer for offering alarmist predictions based on "political prejudices" rather than facts.

Dr. William Beisel, deputy director of the Army's Medical Research Institute for Infectious Diseases at Fort Detrick, Md., said genetic engineering research being conducted there and at other military laboratories was "totally open," unclassified and defensive-oriented.

Ms. Wright and Sinsheimer argue that "use of the accumulated knowledge of biology for the construction of deadly pestilence is an ultimate perversion. Yet, unless we renounce the logic of protection and counterprotection, as exemplified in nuclear weaponry, it is a most likely development."

Beisel said that while the factual information presented by Ms. Wright and Sinsheimer was basically accurate, "their conclusions and interpretations are entirely their own and are not based on the facts, but on their own political prejudices."

"We're in the business of trying to protect our troops against all of the naturally occurring micro-organisms and their toxins... and also against any of those organisms that could be used in a biological warfare attack," he said in an interview.

Ms. Wright, a historian of science at the University of Michigan, is completing a study of government policies toward recombinant DNA research in this country and Britain. Sinsheimer is a biophysicist and chancellor of the University of California at Santa Cruz.

In their article, the two academic specialists quoted a 1981 Pentagon report warning that "recombinant DNA technology could make it possible for a potential enemy to implant virulence factors or toxin-producing genetic information into common, easily transmitted bacteria such as E. coli."

Ms. Wright and Sinsheimer said that in order to develop defenses against such a threat, Defense Department planners "apparently contemplate using recombinant DNA techniques to change or accentuate the properties of disease-causing organisms."

They listed 14 research projects using recombinant DNA technology — four at military laboratories and the other 10 being done elsewhere under government contract — initiated by the Pentagon

since 1980. Several of these studies are aimed at producing vaccines against diseases such as anthrax; Q fever, an acute bacterial infection, and Rift Valley fever, a virulent North African disease that could be encountered by U.S. troops operating in the Mideast or Persian Gulf.

Along with the Fort Detrick facility, other military laboratories involved in the program include Walter Reed Army Institute of Research, in Washington, and the Naval Medical Research Institute, Bethesda, Md.

Outside institutions listed as conducting recombinant DNA work under Pentagon contract included the University of California, San Diego and San Francisco campuses; University of Arizona; University of Massachusetts; Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago; Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland; University of Kansas; the Salk Institute, San Diego, and the Weizman Institute in Israel.

The United States officially renounced biological warfare in 1969, when then-President Richard M. Nixon ordered the destruction of existing stocks of germ weapons.

Under the 1972 Biological Weapons Convention, signatory nations pledged never to produce "microbial or other biological agents, or toxins... of types or in quantities that have no justification for prophylactic, protective or other peaceful purposes."

Ms. Wright and Sinsheimer argued that the treaty's wording contains several potential loopholes — and that the enhanced capabilities offered by new

genetic-engineering technology "may well provide the incentive to make use of these loopholes."

"In practice, the distinction between 'peaceful' research and 'biological weapons' research could quietly disappear; either could result in the construction of dangerous organisms or products," they said.

Martin M. Kaplan, a microbiologist, wrote in a brief accompanying article that he disagreed with Ms. Wright and Sinsheimer over the potential military importance of genetic engineering.

Updated figures provided by Beisel indicated there has been substantial growth of the Pentagon's genetic-engineering research effort since mid-1982.

Beisel said the total number of Defense Department-funded recombinant DNA projects has increased to 35 — eight in-house studies at military labs and 27 contract projects. He added that several of the outside projects mainly involved providing specialized scientific equipment to university laboratories.

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### Former employees sue Levi Strauss

LAREDO, Texas (AP) — A spokesman for Levi Strauss and Co. says an allegation by six former employees of the company's Laredo plant that they were blacklisted because of union activities is "preposterous."

The six employees filed a lawsuit against the company alleging they were prevented from obtaining employment after they were laid off when the Laredo plant was shut down in March 1982.

Sylvia B. Ayala, Lourdes V. Lopez, Silvia S. Mendiola, Sergio Ponce, Filomina Ramirez and Michael Whiteside were permanent employees with at least six years with the company.

San Antonio attorney John Schulman, representing the workers, said several of his clients were being "considered for jobs and then suddenly they weren't being considered" because of the alleged list.

The lawsuit seeks a retraction of the alleged blacklist and unspecified amount of actual and punitive damages.

Also named in the suit was former plant manager, Santos Carranza. The employees charge that Carranza, or another company

manager with Carranza's knowledge, "prepared and published a document in the form of a list" in which Levi Strauss "blacklisted" the workers by recommending that they not be considered for employment.

Martin Krasney, director of public relations for Levi Strauss and Co. in San Francisco, said the company had not been served with notice of the suit, but said the blacklist allegation was "altogether without foundation."

"It just sounds preposterous to me," Krasney said. "There's no precedent for anything like that. In fact what we try to do is get people places (employment) as soon as we can when something like this happens (the closing of a plant)."

Schulman said circulating such a list violates the Texas Right-to-Work law and a state statute that specifically prohibits blacklisting by employers.

"We think the very idea of circulating such a blacklist is outrageous," Schulman said.

He said his clients are seeking a permanent injunction forbidding acts of retaliation or discrimination.

### Public Notice

In order to comply with the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) Computer Inquiry II (CI-II) order and subsequent FCC Orders or rulings, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWB) has filed with the Public Utility Commission (PUC) an Application for transfer of certain assets to American Telephone and Telegraph Company (AT&T), and its subsidiaries.

This Application affects the provision of customer premise equipment (CPE) throughout SWB's service area in the state of Texas. Effective with the implementation of this transfer of facilities, which is expected to be on January 1, 1984, CPE equipment previously provided by SWB, under tariff, will be detariffed and as of that date will be offered to customers by AT&T and its subsidiaries in accordance with the order in FCC Docket No. 81-893.

The FCC's order also provides that this embedded CPE shall be offered to in-place customers on a sale or lease basis for 24 month transition period. The order further outlines the rates and conditions under which these sale or lease plans may be carried out.

For the purposes of this Application, SWB has filed proposed tariffs with the PUC, anticipated to be effective January 1, 1984, withdrawing its offerings of such customer premise equipment.

Persons who wish to intervene or otherwise participate in these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible. A request to intervene, participate, or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division at (512) 458-0223 or (512) 458-0227 or (512) 458-0221 teletypewriter for the deaf.

### Aviso al Publico

A fin de cumplir con el decreto Computer Inquiry II (Investigación de Computadoras II - CI-II) de la Federal Communications Commission (Comisión Federal de Comunicaciones - FCC) y otros decretos o decisiones posteriores de la FCC, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWB) ha presentado ante la Public Utility Commission (Comisión de Servicios Públicos - PUC) una Solicitud para la transferencia de ciertos bienes a American Telephone and Telegraph Company (AT&T) y/o compañías filiales.

Esta Solicitud afecta la suministración del equipo ubicado en instalaciones del cliente, en toda el área de servicio de SWB en el estado de Texas. Con vigencia desde el cumplimiento de esta transferencia de instalaciones, presuntamente el 1 de Enero de 1984, los equipos ubicados en instalaciones del cliente que anteriormente proveía SWB bajo una determinada tarifa, se proporcionarán por AT&T y/o compañías filiales a partir de esa fecha, siendo eliminadas las tarifas, de acuerdo con el decreto en la Orden del Día número 81-893 de la FCC.

El decreto de la FCC también dispone que este equipo fijo ubicado en instalaciones del cliente se ofrecerá a los clientes en venta o alquiler por un periodo de transición de 24 meses. Asimismo, el decreto indica en líneas generales las tarifas y condiciones según las cuales deberán llevarse a cabo los planes de venta o alquiler.

Para el propósito de esta Solicitud, SWB ha registrado las tarifas propuestas ante la PUC, presuntamente con vigencia a partir del 1 de Enero de 1984, suspendiendo la suministración de dicho equipo.

Toda persona que desee intervenir o participar en el proceso debe notificar a la Comisión lo antes posible. Las solicitudes de intervención, participación o información deben dirigirse a: Public Utility Commission of Texas, 7800 Shoal Creek Boulevard, Suite 400N, Austin, Texas 78757. Para obtener mayor información debe llamar a Public Utility Commission Consumer Affairs Division, (512) 458-0223, al (512) 458-0227 o al (512) 458-0221 si requiere teletipo para sordos.

## Sports Scene

# Harvesters breeze by Class 3A's Abernathy

Pampa tuned up for the Fort Worth Tournament next week by running roughshod over Abernathy, 84-62, Tuesday night in a non-district basketball game in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Pampa's pressing defense forced Abernathy into 17 turnovers the first half and the Harvesters were off and running early in the lopsided contest. Pampa jumped out to a 6-0 lead and never trailed, building up an 18-point bulge at halftime against the

smaller Antelopes.

The Harvesters are now 8-4 for the season while the Antelopes, a Class 3A club, suffered only its third loss in eleven outings.

A dozen players figured in Pampa's scoring attack, led by Coyle Winborn's 20 points. Rodney Young chipped in 14 points while Marty Cross and Gaylon Faggins added 10 points apiece.

Most of Abernathy's scoring punch came from 6-3 Ed Teal, who tossed in 30 points. Larry Perkins followed with 16.

Winborn, a 6-7 senior, collected 13 rebounds and blocked two shots to give Pampa a 40-32 rebounding advantage.

Pampa ran off ten consecutive points in the second quarter to make it 30-14.

The lead continued to grow in the second half and reached 27 points (70-43) in the fourth quarter when Cross scored on a follow shot.

Also scoring for Pampa were Al Buchanan with eight points, Craig Chapin six, Randy Harris five, Troy West three, David McQueen, Dunivan Lewis, Petey Davis and Jeff Gaines, two points

apiece.

Pampa, currently ranked No. 7 in the latest Class 4A poll, will meet Castlebury of Fort Worth at 4 p.m. Dec. 28 in the opening round of the Fort Worth Lions Club Tournament. Thirty-two teams are entered, including seven of the state's top 10 4A clubs, in the three-day tournament.

Pampa reached the finals a year ago, losing to Fort Worth Dunbar, 80-68.

Abernathy went on a second-half scoring surge the second half to defeat Pampa, 54-26, in the girls' game last night.

Pampa had trailed by only six, 21-15, at halftime. "We had two decent quarters the first half and then just had a letdown," said Pampa coach Albert Nichols.

"We just need to start putting four decent quarters together," Kerri Richardson led Pampa with eight points while Melanie Morgan and Leslie Cash added six points apiece. Tina Greenway had two.

Vicky McKenzie and Phoebe Dunn led Abernathy with 12 points apiece.

# SMU's O'Meara ends career in Sun Bowl

By HERSCHEL NISSENSON AP Sports Writer

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Brian O'Meara's statistics are mighty impressive — 6-foot-7, 265 pounds, chemistry, biology, psychology.

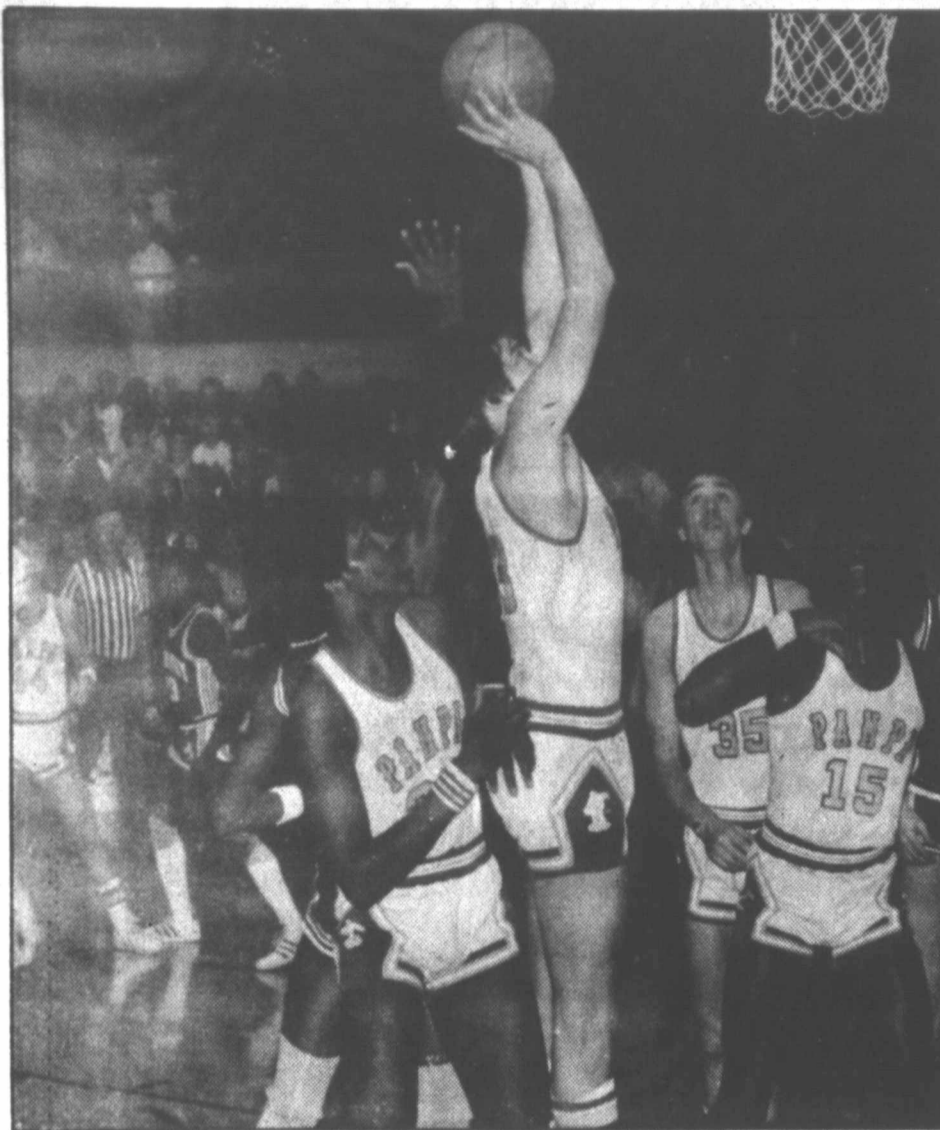
In an era when athletes have been known to major in physical education and minor in basket weaving, O'Meara stands tall in the classroom as well as on the football field. His 3.65 grade point average is tops on the Southern Methodist football team and he recently was chosen as one of the National Football Foundation's scholar-athletes, which carries an award of \$3,000 for postgraduate study.

O'Meara accomplished all that with the aforementioned triple major of chemistry,

biology and psychology.

"Aw, I really only had one major until this year," says O'Meara, a tackle, who has been SMU's most consistent offensive lineman for the past two seasons and will wind up his career Saturday when the sixth-ranked Mustangs meet Alabama in the Sun Bowl.

"I finished my chemistry degree last year, but to stay eligible (he's a fifth-year senior) I had to declare another one, so I declared both of the other ones. I'm taking pre-med (he's been accepted to medical school at the University of Texas Health Science Center in Dallas), that's why I took a lot of biology. I took psychology because I enjoy it. Biology and chemistry will help a lot in medical school, and I believe psychology will also help a little bit.



FOLLOW SHOT— Pampa's Marty Cross hits a follow shot while teammates and Rodney Young (15) wait for a possible rebound. Pampa routed Abernathy, 84-62, Tuesday night. (Staff Photo)

### NBA standings

By The Associated Press EASTERN CONFERENCE

American Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Philadelphia	18	5	.782	—
Boston	20	7	.741	—
New York	18	10	.643	1 1/2
Washington	13	13	.500	4 1/2
New Jersey	12	13	.480	7

Central Division

Milwaukee	15	10	.600	—
Atlanta	15	13	.538	1/2
Detroit	12	13	.480	2 1/2
Chicago	8	14	.364	5 1/2
Cleveland	8	19	.296	8
Indiana	5	19	.261	9 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

Utah	18	10	.643	—
Dallas	15	11	.577	1
Kansas City	12	13	.480	3 1/2
Denver	12	14	.462	4
Houston	10	15	.400	5 1/2
San Antonio	11	17	.393	6

Pacific Division

Los Angeles	17	7	.708	—
Portland	16	9	.640	1/2
Golden State	12	14	.462	4
Seattle	11	15	.423	5
Phoenix	8	19	.296	9 1/2
San Diego	8	19	.296	9 1/2

Tuesday's Games

Detroit 116, Dallas 104	Washington 108, San Antonio 108, OT
Atlanta 88, New Jersey 87	Kansas City 131, Denver 114
Los Angeles 100, Seattle 102	Phoenix 109, Golden State 100

Wednesday's Games

Atlanta at Boston	San Antonio at Philadelphia
Detroit at Cleveland	Detroit at Philadelphia
Indiana at Utah	Portland at Phoenix
Portland at Phoenix	Houston at San Diego

Thursday's Games

Dallas at New Jersey	Chicago at Milwaukee
Indiana at Denver	Indiana at Denver
Houston at Seattle	Los Angeles at Golden State

NFL leaders

1983 Individual Statistics

By The Associated Press AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Leading Passers

Player	All. Comp.	Pct.	Yards	TD
Mario, Min.	296	17	2110	20
Krieg, Sea.	243	16	2139	18
Paul, S.D.	238	21	2075	20
Andersee, Cin.	297	18	2070	12
Pinkett, P.	191	18	1539	12

Leading Receivers

Player	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
Christman, Min.	92	1207	13.1	12
Newhouse, Cle.	88	970	11.0	8
Winters, S.D.	88	1172	13.3	8
Smith, Hou.	83	1176	14.2	6
Carson, K.C.	80	1051	13.1	7

Leading Runners

Player	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
Warner, Sea.	258	1460	5.7	13
Campbell, Hou.	222	1381	6.2	12
Proctor, Cle.	203	1194	5.9	10
Cribbs, Buff.	202	1131	5.6	3
Dickey, Balt.	224	1122	5.0	4

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Leading Passers

Player	All. Comp.	Pct.	Yards	TD
Att. 432	274	63.4	3167	22
Thompson, W.	459	27.8	4011	29
Montana, S.F.	315	32	4455	30
Lennox, St. L.	304	29	3636	24
Dickey, G.D.	406	29	4450	32

Leading Receivers

Player	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
Green, St. L.	78	1227	15.7	14
Brown, Wash.	78	1139	14.6	5
Gray, Giants	78	1139	14.6	5
Swagg, Dall.	72	889	12.3	1
O'Clark, S.F.	70	940	13.4	8

Leading Runners

Player	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD
Dickerson, Rams	259	1600	6.2	18
Andrews, Atl.	231	1567	6.8	7
Payton, Chi.	214	1421	6.6	6
Riggins, Wash.	278	1247	4.5	24
Dorsett, Dall.	209	1221	5.8	8

SWC standings

By The Associated Press Overall

W. L. Pct. W. L. Pct.

Houston	7	1	.875	0	.000
SMU	7	1	.875	0	.000
Arkansas	6	2	.750	0	.000
Texas Tech	5	3	.625	0	.000
Texas A&M	4	3	.571	0	.000
Texas	4	3	.571	0	.000
Texas Tech	3	6	.333	0	.000
Baylor	3	6	.333	0	.000

# Moon's shopping list includes Oilers, Saints

HOUSTON (AP) — Free agent quarterback Warren Moon is trying to decide which pro football team will make him an instant millionaire.

The possibilities include the Houston Oilers, with whom Moon met Tuesday, and the New Orleans Saints, with whom he planned to visit today.

Moon, who led Edmonton to five straight Grey Cup championships in the Canadian Football League, assumes his contract will be sizable, so his main concerns are the amenities.

He's interested in how he would fit in with the team, how he would deal with the head coach, the lifestyle he would bring his family into and endorsement and business opportunities.

"We've talked with the Oilers and money would not be a problem," said Leigh Steinberg, Moon's agent. "He has a chance to sign the biggest contract ever for a pro football player."

# 'Horns lose to San Diego

By The Associated Press University of Texas coach Bob Weltlich said it was hopeless for his basketball team to try to get a rebound against the giants that San Diego State put up against the Longhorns.

"Once you shoot it up, it becomes a comedy of errors if you try to rebound with them," Weltlich said after his squad's 91-77 defeat in Austin Tuesday night at the hands of the Aztecs.

The Aztecs prevented Texas from getting a single rebound for nearly 12 minutes in the first half. By intermission, San Diego, 5-2, led 19-2 in rebounds.

Moon's asking price is believed to be about \$1 million per year. He thinks he's capable of earning his salary and handling the accompanying pressure.

"When a guy signs a big contract, people expect a lot from you but I have a lot of confidence in my abilities," Moon said. "I think I can add a dimension that teams don't have. I do a lot of things on the move."

"That's the way pro football is going now. Quarterbacks need that mobility."

Moon led Edmonton in passing and rushing last season when the Eskimos reached the championship semifinals. Moon completed 380 of 664 passes for 5,648 yards and was named the league's most valuable player last season.

Neither the Oiler quarterback position nor the head coaching job has been stable.

The Oilers struggled to a 2-14 record this season using three quarterbacks — Gifford Nielsen, Archie Manning and finishing with second-year quarterback Oliver Luck.

Interim Coach Chuck Studley resigned Monday after posting a 2-8 record as a replacement for Ed Biles, who resigned Oct. 10.

"I told them (the Oilers) that was one of my concerns," Moon said. "I told them I'd like to know who the coach would be before I make a decision."

Los Angeles Express Coach Hugh Campbell, Moon's former coach at Edmonton, is believed to be the leading contender for the Oilers' head coaching position.

"I would certainly recommend him because he is a player-type coach," Moon said. "He doesn't put pressure on the players. He's easy-going. He picks guys that have good character."

Three games are on tap tonight, including third-ranked Houston at Cal-Santa Barbara. In the other games, Arkansas hosts Alabama State and Rice entertains St. Mary's.

Reserve Paul Kapturkiewicz got a career-high 16 points and 11 rebounds to pace Texas Christian past Cal Baptist.

FRITCH—Sean Rich poured in 30 points to lead Sanford-Fritch to a 71-53 win over Canadian Tuesday night.

Ed Hedgecock and Donny Anderson led Canadian with 12 points apiece.

Canadian also lost the girls' game, 56-36. Deanna Walton led the winners with 24 points.

Dana Johnson led Canadian with seven.

Swimming lessons for youngsters through five years of age will be offered at the Pampa Youth Center early next year.

Lessons will be three weeks long, two hours a week. Lesson fees are \$20 per child. Registration will be held Jan. 3 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon at the Youth Center.

Courses offered include introduction to water, beginners, and intermediate. Instructor Linda Longo may be contacted at 665-0212 for more information. Mrs. Longo has been an instructor and a pool manager for the past three years. She is also a certified advanced lifesaver and CPR certified.

These lessons will also be offered to non-members of the center.

# McLean splits with Mobeetie

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# Baseball 1983: A time of change

By JOHN NELSON  
AP Sports Writer

Baseball in 1983 acquired a new champion, a new all-time strikeout king, a new billion-dollar television contract, a new attendance record and a new American League president, and for the time being kept the same old commissioner.

While Commissioner Bowie Kuhn's departure was delayed by the difficulty of finding a replacement, other familiar faces departed. Some of the game's greatest players — Carl Yastrzemski, Johnny Bench and Gaylord Perry among them — called it quits.

It was a season marked by extremes. A simple can of pine tar set off a slapstick investigation the likes of which baseball had never seen, while the sinister influence of drugs on the game's athletes sparked other, more gloomy investigations.

At the apex of the game were the Baltimore Orioles, World Series champions, relying on an amalgam of high-profile talent — including AL MVP Cal Ripken Jr., and runnerup Eddie Murray — and a board room full of good company men.

Perhaps more than anything else, it was the willingness of these role players to subordinate themselves to the good of all that carried the Orioles back to the heights in the first season of Manager Joe Altobelli.

It was a season rife also with personal achievement. Walter Johnson's 56-year-old strikeout record fell three times, eventually to be owned by Steve Carlton, who also won the 300th game of his magnificent career. Dan Quisenberry set a major league record with 45 saves, Steve Garvey broke the NL record for consecutive games with 1,207 and Pete Rose moved within 201 hits of Ty Cobb's all-time mark of 4,191.

To help pay for all this, baseball struck a monumental agreement with NBC and ABC that will gross about \$500 million from each network over the next six years, and turnstiles continued to spin at record rates.

Major league baseball set an attendance record for the sixth time in the past seven full seasons (the 1981 strike season excluded), as 45,540,338 paid to see America's most beloved game.

While baseball's owners as a whole struggled with the problem of finding a successor to Kuhn, the American League unanimously elected Dr. Bobby Brown, a Dallas heart specialist and former New York Yankees third baseman, as its president at the annual winter convention in December. He succeeded Lee MacPhail, AL president for 10 years.

At the meetings, Milwaukee Brewers owner Bud Selig, chairman of the commissioner search

committee, also announced that Kuhn's contract had been extended for a second time, to March 1, 1984. The committee has until then to come up with a man who can be elected to succeed Kuhn, who says he won't serve past that date.

At the Winter Meetings, Kuhn made his most strongly worded speech since he was fired in November, 1982. In it, he made reference to the first commissioner, Kenesaw Mountain Landis, who had asked for a moral covenant with owners saying, "We have given you a tough job, and we will stand behind you, and we will support you. There will be no knives in your back."

Thus, once again, Kuhn said his good-byes after nearly 15 years as commissioner. Less than two weeks later, however, he handed down his stiffest penalty ever against a player.

Kuhn announced one-year suspensions without pay against four players because of drug use — Willie Wilson and Willie Aikens of Kansas City, former Royal Jerry Martin and Steve Howe of Los Angeles.

Howe, National League Rookie of the Year in 1980, was suspended three times for drugs. Wilson, Aikens, Martin and another ex-Royal, Vida Blue, all were convicted by a federal court of drug charges and were sentenced to jail — the first active ballplayers put behind bars for drug abuse.

Kuhn was not alone in bidding adieu.

The 44-year-old Yastrzemski left the Boston Red Sox after 23 seasons and an all-time record 3,308 games played. Bench quit at the tender age of 35 with a career record 325 home runs as a catcher, 389 total. And Perry was 45 years old by the end of the season as he retired with 314 victories and 3,534 strikeouts, third on the all-time list behind Carlton and Nolan Ryan.

For more than half a century, Johnson's record of 3,500 strikeouts had stood. But in 1983, it fell three times. On April 27, Ryan struck out the 3,509th batter of his career, only to be passed by Carlton. Later in the year, Perry passed Johnson. Carlton ended the season with 3,709 strikeouts, leading Ryan by 32.

On Sept. 23, Carlton became the 16th pitcher to win 300 games. Only the year before, Perry had won his 300th, and it was the first time since 1900 (Kid Nichols) and 1901 (Cy Young) that pitchers reached the plateau in consecutive seasons.

From the ridiculous to the disturbing — baseball had it all in 1983.

On July 24 at Yankee Stadium, the Royals' George Brett was called out after hitting a two-run homer in the top of the ninth inning for using too much pine tar on his bat.

Thus began "Tar Wars."

# NBA roundup

## Spurs lose in overtime period

By WILLIAM R. BARNARD  
AP Sports Writer

With San Antonio behind by two points and George Gervin on a hot streak, the Spurs might have been expected to go to the four-time scoring champion with two seconds left in overtime.

But Spurs big men Artis Gilmore and Edgar Jones already had fouled out, so Coach McHone went for a three-point goal instead, and the gamble resulted in a 108-106 loss to the Washington Bullets Tuesday night.

"We had to go for three," McHone said after Johnny Moore tried and missed the potential game-winning three-pointer. "We had no chance to win in another overtime."

"They didn't get the ball to me at the end," said Gervin, who hit 20 of 33 shots and scored 43 points. "We'll have to work on that. It had to do more with us than their defense."

It was the fourth National Basketball Association victory in a row for the Bullets, while the Spurs, who are 1-8 in games decided by six points or less, lost their 13th game in 14 road outings.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Detroit 116, Dallas 104; Atlanta 98, New Jersey 87; Kansas City 131, Denver 114; Los Angeles 108, Seattle 102 and Phoenix 109, Golden State 105.

San Antonio had two chances to tie the game or go

ahead after Ricky Sobers put the Bullets in front with 52 seconds remaining in the extra period.

First came a miss by Mike Mitchell, who tied the game in regulation at 102-102 with 36 seconds left, but was 6-for-25 from the floor.

Then, after the Spurs regained possession on a Mark McNamara steal, Moore bounced a pass into Gervin, but got the ball back and took his last-ditch shot that bounced off the rim.

Moore had connected on 20 of 51 three-point tries before missing three against Washington, so McHone had no qualms about setting up the play.

"They weren't expecting us to go for three," he said. "I was happy with the shot. We knew it was a hit-or-miss situation."

Gervin's 43 points, a Capital Centre record, came after his streak of 406 double-digit scoring games was snapped in his last outing when he tallied eight points. He had 28 points by halftime and hit 11 shots in a row during one stretch.

"He's a sensational scoring machine," Washington Coach Gene Shue said.

Lakers 106, Sonics 102

Los Angeles won on the road at Seattle as James Worthy highlighted a 9-0 fourth-quarter streak by the Lakers with a tie-breaking jumper with 3:26 left.

Worthy, who shared team

scoring honors at 23 points with Jamaal Wilkes, snapped an 88-88 tie during the spurt, which started with the SuperSonics ahead 88-83 with 6:17 to play.

Fred Brown and Jack Sikma led Seattle scorers with 24 and 23 points, respectively.

Pistons 116, Mavericks 104  
At Detroit, Vinnie Johnson scored 12 points in the third quarter as the Pistons broke open a close game against Dallas.

Johnson, who scored only two points in the first half and 16 for the game, entered the game with 10:36 remaining in the third quarter and scored six field goals in the next 8:46 as the Pistons increased a six-point lead to 83-72.

John Long led Detroit with 27 points, while Mark Aguirre paced all scorers with 34 for the Mavericks.

Hawks 98, Nets 87

Atlanta came from behind at home with a 15-4 streak in the final 4:04, with Dominique Wilkins starting the rally with six straight points.

New Jersey overcame a seven-point deficit to lead 84-83 with 4:18 left on a rebound basket by Albert King. Wilkins, who led the Hawks with 22 points, put them ahead to stay and the Nets went scoreless in the final 1:50 as Atlanta pulled away.

Otis Birdsong scored 27 points and Buck Williams 26 for New Jersey.

Kings 131, Nuggets 114  
Mike Woodson scored 18 of his 24 points in the second quarter as Kansas City pulled away from Denver before halftime.

The Kings hit 72 percent of their shots in the second period and outscored the Nuggets 38-25 to take a 66-53 lead at intermission.

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# Sims to play for Gamblers?

HOUSTON (AP)—Houston Gamblers co-owner Jerry Argovitz is so certain Detroit Lion running back Billy Sims is going to play with his new United States Football League team, he's willing to give ticket refunds if the Heisman Trophy winner is not in the lineup for Houston's first game in February.

"If Billy Sims is not a Houston Gambler when we kick the ball this season in our first game, anybody who buys a season ticket in the city of Houston, I'll personally refund the entire money for a season ticket," Argovitz said at a Houston news conference Tuesday. "And if they keep their season ticket, I'll give them a 25 percent refund."

The Gamblers so far have sold about 5,000 season tickets. Sims has acknowledged signing a contract with Argovitz and the Gamblers on July 1. He also signed a contract with the Lions on Friday, contending the deal with Houston was invalid because Argovitz, his former agent, misled him by not disclosing a previous Lion offer.

"I guess desperate people do desperate things," Argovitz said of the Lions efforts to sign Sims.

Argovitz, a Houston dentist who gained fame as an agent for athletes and now one of four owners of the new Houston USFL franchise, said he tried to show Sims a July 11 Detroit contract offer — the one the Lions contend

he withheld. But Sims declined. "He never wanted to see their proposal," Argovitz said.

In addition, Bernard Lerner, Gamblers' chief executive officer, showed a copy of a document, dated Nov. 12 and signed by Sims, in which the former Oklahoma running back indicated Argovitz was not engaged in a conflict of interest in his role as Sims' agent and a Gambler owner.

"His ownership interest in the team ... did not detract from your desire that he be your agent in connection with this contract," Lerner said, reading from the document he said was signed by Sims the weekend the Lions were in Houston to play the NFL Houston Oilers.

Sims' deal with Gamblers would pay him \$3.5 million over five years, including a \$1 million signing bonus — and \$200,000 of that already in Sims' pocket, Argovitz said.

The Detroit deal is put at \$5 million over five years, plus a \$1 million signing bonus.

Argovitz said if Sims made any mistake, it was that he signed too soon. But Argovitz said Sims' Houston deal was made regardless of whether Sims would be hurt or have a poor NFL season.

"We were prepared to take that risk," Argovitz said. "Maybe that's why we're called Gamblers."

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# Man hopes elf will become famous as Rudolph

By LEE ANN BENSON  
Lufkin Daily News

LUFKIN, Texas (AP) — Julie, 12, and her younger sister Jennifer, 10, stopped giggling for five minutes — long enough to assume the stance of serious recording artists. They readied their voices, waited for their father's cue, and for the 100th time became elves:

"Come on, Pokey! Wake up!"  
"Christmas is coming and you gotta get to work, c'mon Pokey! Wake up!"  
Several months later, both still can go into their "elf routine" on command.

Jennifer was only 3 years old when her father, Billy Feltman of Lufkin, wrote the song and story "Pokey the Lazy Elf" that was later to become a family project in record-making in this East Texas city.

Pokey, whom Feltman refers to as if a family member, was published Dec. 25, 1976 in the Lufkin Daily News. Since then, it has become a popular Christmas tale with area grade school students.

"I heard one first-grade teacher read it to her class and they actually clapped when Pokey pulled through in the end," Feltman said.

Written in the Aesop's fable tradition of a lesson to be learned, the story is of Santa's one lazy elf who would rather sleep than make toys. It has a happy ending when Santa Claus has a heart-to-heart talk with Pokey, telling him some children will not receive gifts this year unless the elf pulls through. In the end, Pokey rallies through the night to get the

job done.

But the story behind the making of the record is similar in that the Feltmans really had to work hard to get their project on the market for the 1983 holiday season. The song is, as Feltman describes it, "kind of jazzy, with piano, sleigh bells in the end and elves in the beginning."

"We hadn't planned for the girls' voices; it just happened and I thought, 'Why not get the whole family into the act?'" Feltman said of the ad-libbing style in which they recorded the song.

The elves are played by Feltman's two daughters, the singing is done by Feltman, and his wife Brenda, an elementary school music teacher, plays the recorder on the flip side, a madrigal-style song called "Christmastime."

"I wrote the song first and the story came from that and I can't really remember how the whole thing began," said Feltman, who is primarily a country-western songwriter.

The difficulties in recording the song came in finding a place to record close enough to home. And finally the mountain moved when Crystal Brook Recording Studio opened in Lufkin earlier this year. The Feltmans seized their chance and became one of the first to cut a record in the studio. That, Feltman says, is the only reason it took him seven years to make his first recording.

Feltman estimates it took three weeks to finish the record once they began work on it in October. Currently he is marketing the song in stores locally

and in Port Arthur and says it seems to be catching on. It sells for about \$1.95.

"I was out at the deer lease last weekend and played my guitar for some kids there, and I think the best experience I had with the song was when they came back the next day and sang it for me," Feltman said.

Feltman has been involved in music since his Port Arthur high school days in the early 1960s, when he temporarily changed his name, performing as "Billy King and the Chessmen." The name change, Feltman said, was necessary to placate his mother, who did not approve of his professional singing at 16 years old. The Chessmen was an eight-piece band of horns, saxophone, drums and Feltman, who said they played mostly soul music of the late 1950s.

Since then, his interests have been in writing mostly country-western songs. Until a little more than a year ago, he performed his songs locally with piano player Ken Poston, who also supplies piano music for "Pokey."

Currently, Feltman is a supervising counselor with the Texas Vocational Rehabilitation Council.

"I've written lots of country and western songs that have, I think, potential. I want to record some of those in January," Feltman said.

A great deal of famous songwriters began as part-time musicians and Feltman said that although Pokey is his first recording, he hopes to someday "make it big."



SANTA CYCLE — It may not be a sleigh, but Santa — Walter Liljestrang, 54, of Worcester, Mass. — gets around just fine. Liljestrang, a father of eight, has donned a red suit and played the role for more than 30 years, appearing at schools, hospitals and private parties. (AP Laserphoto)

## Report finds coasts are more vulnerable to hurricane losses

HOUSTON (AP) — The exodus of Americans to the seashore has left the nation's coastline "more vulnerable now to losses from hurricanes than at any time since the inception of modern forecasting techniques," according to a congressional panel's report.

The Legislation and National Security subcommittee, chaired by Rep. Jack Brooks, D-Texas, studied hurricanes in general and took a specific interest in Hurricane Alicia, which caused more than \$1 billion damage when it slammed into the Houston-Galveston area of the Texas Gulf Coast in August.

"I hope the findings of our review will increase the awareness of the risk posed by hurricanes," Brooks said. "Many people still do not fully appreciate the danger faced by many coastal communities."

While the subcommittee recommended a more intense cooperation between federal and local agencies dealing with hurricane planning, the findings of the panel were not very optimistic.

Statistics from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration indicate 36.56 million people live along the Atlantic and Gulf coasts, a 34 percent jump from 1960. And 77.5 percent of them, or 28.36 million, never have experienced a hurricane.

Besides determining the coastline more vulnerable than ever because of a population shift there in the past 20 years, the panel exposed the shortcoming of weather forecasting, which is unable to predict the intensity of hurricanes and the time and point of landfall.

In addition, the panel found improvements in forecasting techniques "are at best uncertain" and that the 12 to 16 hours of warning time the National Weather Service is confident of giving is nowhere near the amount of time needed to evacuate a heavily populated coastal area.

"Rapid growth of population along the coast has strained the ability of some areas to evacuate in a timely manner when faced with a hurricane," the report said. The subcommittee also said the National Weather Service "does not expect a breakthrough which would dramatically increase the 12- to 16-hour lead time."

In Galveston, for example, where the nation's worst hurricane killed 6,000 people in 1900, a Government

Accounting Office study indicated evacuations would have to begin 42 hours before a hurricane hit. "However, no way has yet been developed to predict accurately 42 hours in advance where a hurricane is going to land," the subcommittee report said.

Brooks says the difference between evacuation time and warning time "presents local officials with a tremendous set of problems."

"Should they order evacuation without any clear indication whether a storm is going to hit or should they hold off and risk a massive loss of life?"

Although the National Weather Service is using computer-simulated hurricane tracks to enhance its forecasting, the committee found the weather bureau's parent agency, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, "has not received funding for completion of its program ... to areas which need and want them." The committee warned that if money was taken from the Federal Emergency Management Agency — the federal office that handles emergency preparedness — that action would "detract from other planning efforts toward hurricane response."

"Perhaps the largest governmental hurdle to a successful program is funding," the committee report said.

The committee's study of Hurricane Alicia found local officials in Texas generally pleased with emergency procedures taken before and during the storm.

"I think we were very fortunate during Alicia," Brooks says. "First, local officials made the right decisions. Although Alicia caused extensive damage, there was very little loss of life."

"Second, Alicia could have been a much more severe storm," he says "I fear a more powerful storm could have cost the loss of hundreds of lives."

A new National Weather Service probability system, which assigned percentage possibilities to landfall, was cited by the panel as widely used by local authorities in deciding when to implement emergency procedures. Alicia was the first storm for which the probabilities were released to the public.

But because the probabilities were fairly accurate in determining

where the storm would hit, the subcommittee report feared local officials "may rely too heavily on these probabilities in the future ... (and) could potentially result in misleading conclusions about a storm."

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# Society preparing program on Halley's comet

WASHINGTON (AP) — While scientists around the world gear up for an intensive study of Halley's Comet, the American Chemical Society and the Universe Planetarium-Space Theater, Science Museum of Virginia, are preparing a planetarium show to help the general public understand comets and what may be learned from them.

"Comet Halley: Once in a Lifetime" will be mass produced and made available at no charge to planetariums around the world. As new discoveries are made about the comet, kits of audio and visual changes will be rushed to participating planetariums to keep the show up to date.

In addition, the show's script will be revised for reading and will be published in a profusely illustrated

booklet. A filmstrip presentation also will be prepared to make the show available to students who do not have access to a planetarium.

The world's approximately 1,100 planetariums attract massive numbers of visitors, and those in North America enjoy an annual attendance of about 40 million, according to a recent study by the International Planetarium

Society. Some 600 U.S. planetariums are operated by schools as teaching facilities.

The show will demonstrate that standard chemical analytical techniques are essential to the study of comets.

Named for Sir Edmund Halley, the 18th-century British astronomer who was the first to determine that comets travel in predictable orbits about the sun, Halley's

Comet returns about every 76 years. Its last visit was in 1910.

The comet contains molecules of water, carbon monoxide and dioxide, exotic combinations of the most abundant elements, plus tiny particles of rock and metals. These have existed in a pristine state since the formation of the solar system.

Says Dr. Ray Newburn, cometary science team leader at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, Calif.: "By studying a comet chemically, and also with specially designed spacecraft now being developed, we should expect to learn much about the early days of the solar system, how the planets developed so differently, and

why life could arise on Planet Earth but apparently nowhere else in the solar system.

"And, because our solar system appears to be rather average, comprehending its development should contribute to understanding the development, and probability of development of other planetary systems and life elsewhere in the universe."

Newburn, one of a dozen outstanding cometary and life scientists serving as technical advisors to the

"Comet Halley: Once in a Lifetime" project, is the leader of the International Halley Watch (IHW). IHW is an international network of scientists organized to coordinate studies of Halley's Comet.

Comet Halley will swing around the sun in 1985-86, making its closest approach on Feb. 9, 1986. Cycling the sun at 140,000 mph, its head will expand to a diameter of over 100,000 miles, and its

tail, beginning to form in November 1985, will sweep across 50 million miles.

Production and worldwide distribution of "Comet Halley: Once in a Lifetime" is being made possible in part by grants from the Bushnell Optical Division of Bausch & Lomb, The Planetary Society, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the American Astronomical Society.

## Keep occupants happy and units stay full

By JOHN CUNIFF  
AP Business Analyst

BOSTON (AP) — Keep the resident-occupants happy and you have the makings of a successful real estate operation, says Norman Levenson, founder of Copley Management Co., owner of 1,000 rental units.

The benefits, he maintains, are like money in the bank: The rents come in on time, and the tenants maintain the properties. They are more understanding of your problems, and they recommend other good tenants like themselves.

In order to get such resident-occupants, a designation he prefers to "tenants," Levenson tries to keep his units, all in the smart Back Bay section of Boston, in A-1 condition, inside and out, from light bulbs to landscaping.

And he also keeps the rents 10 percent to 15 percent below market.

Levenson, 40, is now in the midst of upgrading. Each building is getting a new roof and heating system. And on turnover, each apartment gets a new kitchen, refinished walls and floors, new electric service and intercom.

In spite of relatively lower rents and big expenditures, he says he has a positive cash flow, something many property owners — Levenson prefers that term to "landlord" — merely hope for or aspire to.

He has big, but as yet unrealized, capital gains, too, because the area is improving. But he doesn't intend to sell.

Anyone with real estate experience knows that what Levenson appears to have succeeded at doing is what many property owners believe is impossible. That is, to spend heavily, keep rents low, keep tenants happy and still make a profit.

There is no gimmick at all, says Levenson. Along with diligent management, buying at the right price is the key to making it happen.

Buying right isn't easy, however, which explains why so many landlords fail to get on top of things, as Levenson has. "You look for areas that in 10 years will be successful," he says. But finding them is art, science and maybe luck.

Levenson also won't accept an adjustable rate mortgage if he can help it, since such financing introduces a wild card, a variable, something he cannot foresee or control, into an otherwise tightly conceived and managed plan.

Regardless of the operating costs supplied by the seller — whose parsimony probably drove the building into disrepair — Levenson determines what it should take to run the property successfully.

As building and neighborhood improve, so does the type of occupant. The owner must carefully screen applicants and run credit checks to make sure they aren't committed beyond their abilities.

Levenson carefully devised systems, soon to be

## Arkansas children study criminal justice system

By JIM HARRIS  
Texarkana Gazette

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — An employee of the attorney general's office has become a pioneer in law education for Arkansas children.

Becky Thompson created and manages a program that teaches fifth-graders about the state's criminal justice system. She educates pupils throughout the state on how the criminal justice system works, who their local officials are — the police chief and municipal judge, for instance — and what the officials do.

Teaching is not new for Miss Thompson. She taught the fifth grade in Springdale for one year. After that year, she began looking for a summer job. "I enjoyed teaching," she said, "but wasn't sure after the first year if that was what I wanted to do."

Later, she worked as a secretary and clerk in then-Gov. David Pryor's office. Steve Clark was Pryor's executive secretary. When Clark became attorney general, he started hiring a staff and selected Miss Thompson. "He knew I had an education background and asked me if I wanted to do something along the lines of law education for kids. I said yes."

"When I came to this office," Clark said, "I decided there was an important role to be played by it in terms of criminal law education for young people." The better youngsters understand the criminal law system, he said, the less likely they are to become a victim or a defendant.

Clark said the program was one of the first in the country and has been successful. "Not a lot of state dollars have gone to it," he said. "The first year, the total program cost about \$1,000, which includes Becky's salary. We reached something like \$7,000 fifth-graders." The cost averages about 30 cents a child, he said.

"If we can, by virtue of her program, keep just one young person a year from a robbery of a Road Runner or whatever, here the average sentence is 7 1/2 years, we will have paid for the program," Clark said. It costs the state more than \$5,000 a year to imprison someone, he said.

What we have found in the public school is that these young people are just like a sponge. They will absorb all this information about a misdemeanor or a felony or who is their judge," Clark said.

Furthermore, he said, the program gives fifth-graders some appreciation for the legal system that most of their parents do not have. "Their parents were never exposed to this topic or subject unless they were the victim or the defendant. In either those cases, it is something they don't like to talk about," Clark said. "We really think we are strengthening the criminal justice system with this."

## Wheat grower says Reagan brutalized market policies

WASHINGTON (AP) — The president of the National Association of Wheat Growers says the Reagan administration brutalized its own market-oriented policies by ordering limits on textile imports.


Don Loeslie, a Minnesota farmer, said Monday in a statement issued here that the order, issued last Friday by President Reagan, puts "billions of dollars of grain trade into jeopardy."

Under Reagan's order, he said, a new triggering mechanism established that will automatically initiate restraints on imports of foreign-produced textiles — which will hurt important U.S. grain customers such as China, Taiwan and South Korea.


Loeslie said that during a textile dispute with China earlier this year losses in wheat sales totaled more than \$500 million. The president's action is protectionist, and it means that U.S. will be erecting new barriers against its trading partners while preaching market-oriented policies to them," Loeslie said.


computerized, rule at Copley — seeks to keep good tenants in place. It runs its own rental office, and a customer service department, too.


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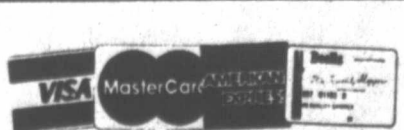
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# Global oilseed outlook bears on U.S. market

WASHINGTON (AP) — The global outlook for oilseeds, including prospects for larger South American soybean exports, continues to bear heavily on the U.S. market and prices American farmers receive.

According to a monthly analysis issued Monday by the Agriculture Department's Foreign Agricultural Service, world oilseed production in 1983-84 — which includes this year's reduced U.S. harvest — is about 163 million metric tons, 9 percent below last season.

On a global basis, soybeans make up less than one-half of the total 1983-84 crop of oilseeds, although they are by far the leading U.S. source of vegetable oil and high-protein meal.

The U.S. soybean harvest is estimated at 41.8 million tons this season or around 55 percent of the world soybean total. Brazil, the second-leading producer, has a crop estimated at 15.3 million tons.

A metric ton is about 2,205 pounds and is equal to 36.7 bushels

of soybeans.

But while the U.S. harvest is down 31 percent from last year, Brazil's crop is expected to be up 4 percent. And because Brazil is in the Southern Hemisphere, the harvest will be on during North America's winter — when U.S. farmers are thinking about 1984 plantings.

"In order to fully capitalize on relatively high soybean and product (oil and meal) prices before the 1984 U.S. soybean crop is harvested, current indications are that more soybeans will be exported from Brazil than in recent years," the report said.

Currently, Brazil's soybean exports are forecast at 1.7

million tons, up from only 1.2 million indicated only a month ago and above last season's shipments of 1.5 million tons.

Argentina, although having much smaller production, is another big competitor of the United States in the world soybean market. The Argentine harvest is forecast at 4.7 million tons in 1983-84, up nearly one-third from last season, the report said. The Argentine figures were unchanged from last month's forecast.

The report said Argentine exports may reach 2.5 million tons in 1983-84 — more than Brazil's — compared to 1.42 million tons last year. Brazil, however, crushes a larger quantity of soybeans and exports more meal and oil than Argentina.

In any case, a recent supply-and-demand report said prices of soybeans and soybean products have been lower than expected this fall but could show "some strength over current levels" in the coming months.

"Larger-than-expected soybean meal exports and a stronger dollar partly account for lower-than-anticipated early season prices," the report said.

For the entire soybean marketing year which began on Sept. 1, soybean prices at the farm may average \$7.75 to \$9 per bushel, compared to a forecast of \$8.50 to \$9.50 a month earlier. The average farm price in the 1982-83 marketing year was \$5.65 per bushel.

## Houses reflect name of town

PARADISE VALLEY, Ariz. (AP) — The man who thought his \$14,000 front door would be the most expensive in town was in for a surprise — but his attitude is typical in this town, Paradise Valley building director Ben Thompson says.

Residents often set out to build a home that will stand out in sections where wealth is readily evident, and cost is no object when they do so, he says.

For example, when Thompson told the man he knew of more expensive doors, the man returned later with a revised building plan.

It included a \$27,000 front door.

In the prestigious Finisterre subdivision, where prices start at about \$1 million, one resident has a \$14,000 "habitat room" — a place where people go if they would rather be somewhere else.

"If you would rather be sitting on the beach in California, you press a button and get sprayed with saltwater" while sitting under sunlamps, Thompson says. "If you would rather be skiing in Colorado, you press another button and it snows on you."

But, he added, building plans for a home in the La Place section include provisions for a habitat room that will cost \$57,000.

Thompson says something new and expensive usually pops up just after he thinks he has seen everything.

—A retired mortician has constructed a \$14,000 phone booth next to his swimming pool in the Clearwater section. It's made of a custom coffin.

—A home on Mummy Mountain has underwater stereo speakers.

—And a man who spends "a few weeks every year" at his home in La Place has invested \$60,000 in a duck pond.

Lifestyles of some town residents differ from those of most people, Thompson said. Attempts to contact the retired mortician, for example, were unsuccessful because he was out of town — in Spain.

A Finisterre resident, Thompson said, has won visitation rights so she can check up on her pet kangaroo. The kangaroo stays with her estranged husband in Scottsdale.

The town is recognized as one of the most affluent in Arizona. Dirt — mostly sold in one-acre parcels — costs between \$135,000 and \$2.5 million.

Building permits issued in the 1983 calendar year for new homes will probably double the number issued last year, Thompson said. During 1982, 65 permits were issued for new homes.

Floor plans of the 82 homes approved for construction so far this year average 10,000 square feet, and they will probably cost more than \$800,000 each, Thompson said.

The town attracts many wealthy people from foreign countries.



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1-3rd cup raspberry jam  
Walnut Filling, see recipe

Coffee Glaze, see recipe  
In a medium bowl with an electric beater, cream the butter and sugar. Beat in the egg yolk and milk until blended. At low speed gradually beat in the flour, then the baking powder, until blended. Firmly press the dough over the bottom of a buttered square cake pan (9 by 9 by 1 1/4 inches), making a

smooth layer. Bake in a preheated 375-degree oven until just golden around the edges — 12 to 15 minutes. Place on a wire rack to cool completely. Spread with the raspberry jam — it will be a thin layer. Set aside.

Prepare the Walnut Filling. Spread evenly over the raspberry jam layer. Bake in a preheated 375-degree oven until a light golden color — 25 minutes, cool completely.

Make up the Coffee Glaze

and use it as a frosting for the top. Set aside at room temperature or refrigerate briefly until glaze sets. Cut into bars; with a small metal spatula, remove.

**WALNUT FILLING:** In a food processor or an electric blender, turning motor on and off and scraping sides as necessary, finely grind 2 1/2 cup walnuts. Measure 2 1/2 cups. In a medium bowl, stir together the 2 1/2 cups ground walnuts with 1/4 cup sugar, 1/2

teaspoon salt, and 1/2 teaspoon vanilla. Add 2 whole large eggs, 1 large egg white and 1 teaspoon vanilla; stir together until combined.

**COFFEE GLAZE:** In a small bowl, dissolve 1 teaspoon instant coffee in 1 tablespoon boiling water. At once add 1 tablespoon butter (soft) and stir until butter melts. With a spoon, gradually beat in 1 cup sifted confectioners' sugar and 1/2 teaspoon vanilla, keeping smooth.

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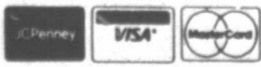
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# Pampans sweep wool meet

LUBBOCK — Pampa residents entered in the "Make It Yourself with Wool" contest held this fall at Texas Tech University swept the District I awards by winning first place in all but one division.

Janie VanZandt, adult division; Cristi Sunderland, senior division and Becky Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe VanZandt, preteen division, all received first place awards in their respective divisions.

Staci McDonald, daughter of Katie B. McDonald, won second place in the junior division. Misty Neef, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell E. Neef of Pampa, received a second

place in the senior division. Judging was based on suitability for the model, construction, modeling and accessories. Contestants had to sew, knit or crochet a garment made with a minimum of 60 percent wool fibers and no more than 40 percent synthetic fibers.

Adult, senior and junior first place winners received an all expenses paid trip to the state contest at Texas Women's University in Denton this month.

The district contest was sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary National Wool Growers Association and the American Sheep Producers Council.

## December dieters face dilemmas

Chestnuts roasting in an open fire, Jack Frost nipping at your nose ... and at your willpower. The holiday season heralds the onslaught of the dreaded diet dilemmas. Shoppers are assaulted by enticing aromas from coffee shops and restaurants. Dieters are besieged by family and friends carrying candies and cakes. Meeting this challenge takes creativity, dedication and a sense of adventure.

First, know that you will stick to your diet. Regard each day as an opportunity to reward yourself with renewed health and increased

attractiveness. Pamper yourself with the scrumptious foods recommended on your diet. Fruit arrangements are a feast for the eyes and the tastebuds. Sample exotic fruits you always wanted to try. Experiment! Substitute cottage cheese for sour cream in some of your recipes for sauces and dips. Make homemade egg-nog with low fat milk.

Don't ignore beverages. Keep plenty of diet soda on hand for holiday gatherings. Drink no more than two cups of coffee daily. Heavy coffee drinkers lose weight slowly because they frequently skip

meals, only to become famished when the effects of caffeine subside. Avoid alcoholic beverages; they set your diet back three days. Friends needn't know that you are drinking juice or diet so instead of mixed drinks, so put the sackcloth back in the closet and enjoy!

Parties can be tricky. Drink a glass of water and eat an apple one half hour before you leave. This will keep you in control and take the edge off your appetite. Avoid spreads, dips, nuts, candied fruits, pastries, salty snacks, and sweets. If the party is a stand-up affair, stand as far from the food as possible, with your back to the table.

Thoughtful gifts are the mark of true hospitality. When buying food gifts for friends, choose spice blends, fruit baskets and other nutritious items. Like you,

they get far too much sugar during the holidays.

While you are buying gifts for others, remember to give yourself a special gift — a few minutes of time. Reflect on what is most important in your life — you and your health. You owe it to yourself. Happy holidays!

## Soup from the pantry

**PANTRY-SHELF SOUP**  
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1/2 teaspoon sugar  
1/2 teaspoon curry powder  
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2 cups milk  
Pepper to taste  
In a 3-quart saucepan stir together celery soup, pumpkin, sugar and curry powder. Gradually stir in

chicken broth. Stirring often, heat to boiling. Stir in milk and pepper. Reheat until very hot but not boiling. Makes about 1 1/2 quarts.

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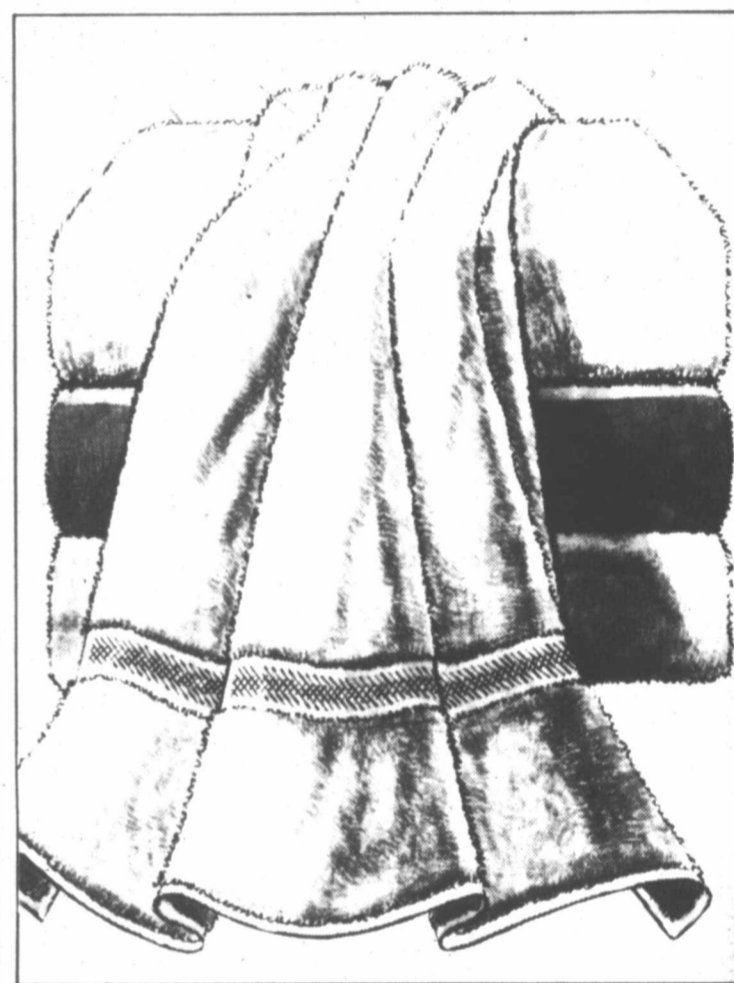
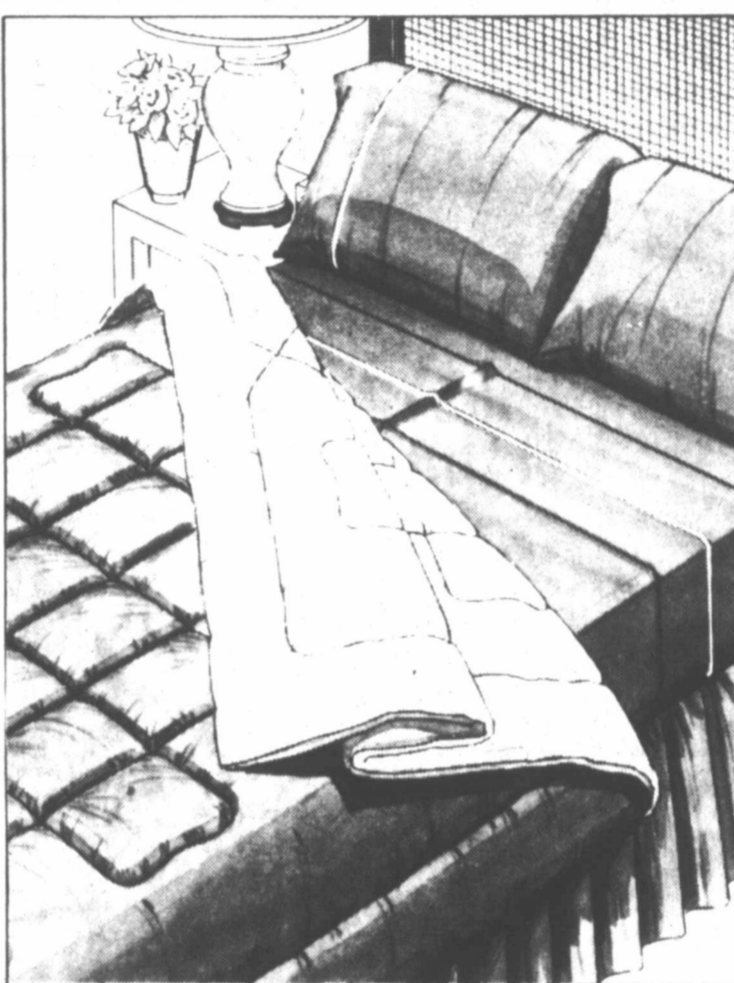
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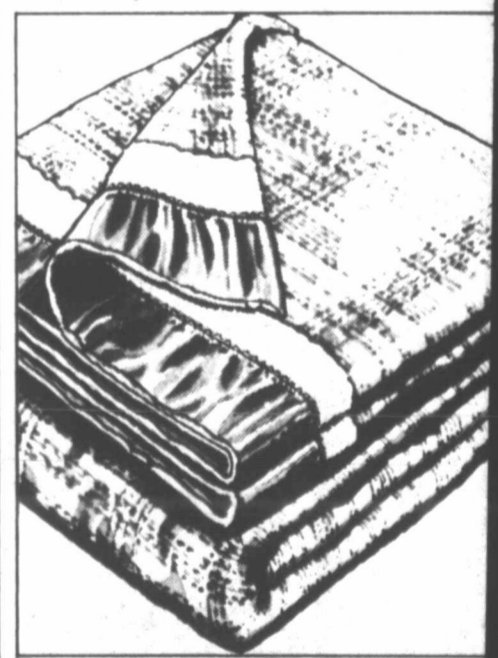
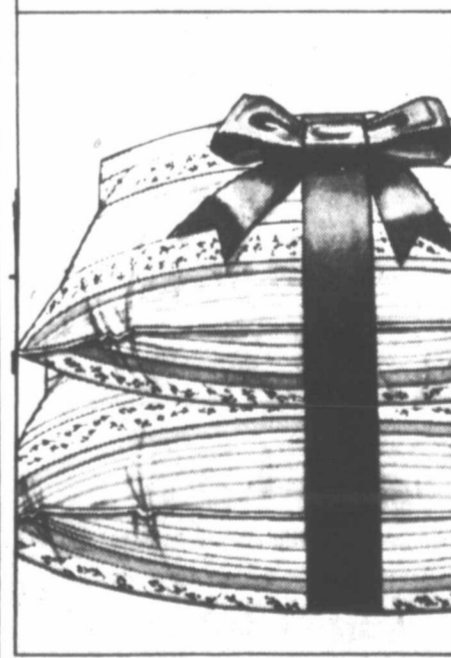
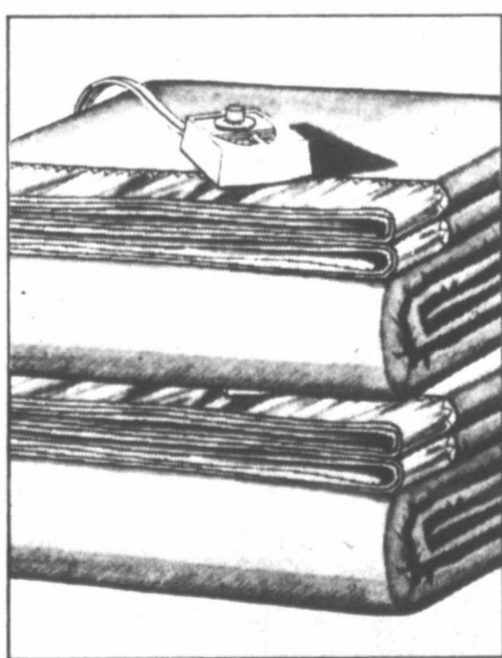
Save 2.50 The JCPenney Towel Sale 4.49 bath

Reg. \$7. It's our lowest price in five years for the JCPenney Towel! So, soak up the savings in this 25x50" extra thick and thirsty towel of soft cotton/polyester terry in sumptuous solid colors

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Wash cloth	2.50	1.99

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Sale 23.99 twin size Toasty electric blankets

Reg. \$30. Snuggle up to savings under an acrylic/polyester electric blanket. Choice of solid colors. Machine washable.

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# Letters to Santa Claus

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Dear Santa,  
I would like boxing gloves for Christmas.  
from,  
**CHRIS**

Dear Santa,  
I want a Dragon Slayer game, books, puzzles, and a G.I. Joe set. We've got our Christmas tree in the den, in the closet. I'm 4 years old.  
Thank you.  
from,  
**MATT HAESLE**

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Skate Baby.  
I need cars, choo choo

ant that's it. I love you.  
Thank you.  
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**WENDY TOMAS**

Dear Santa,  
Grant would like to have a Santa Clause Doll, and a gum machine, and everything. I'm 3 years old.  
Thank you.  
from,  
**GRANT RICHARDSON**

Dear Santa,  
I want a Honda 200 four wheeler and I want a pit ball, star wars, 50 and one computer set. I want a trapline, and a stereo, and a big foot.

Dear Santa,  
radio atc gi joes  
from  
**AARON**

Dear Santa,  
I want a armatron 1 pair of vans 1 watch 1 microphone room

I want you to give me a bike, knife, 22 target rifle, race track, and to win the interstate lotery, a million dollars and tens and twents and a honda 200.  
from  
**NIEL**

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a A-Team van, G.I. Joe Helicopter and free wheel

I want a Grumpy Bear, Superman Mask, Snoopy Colors, and a snoopy Ice Box. Remember my name is Linday. I'm 3 years old.  
Thank you.  
from  
**LINDA MOORE**

Dear Santa,  
I would like a big Strawberry Shortcake.  
from  
**JEANNA**

Dear Santa,  
A big foot color blue I would like.  
from  
**(UNSIGNED)**

Dear Santa,  
I would like a tape recorder, a bike, a sweater, new jeans, a Cabbage Patch doll, a stuffed animal and a bracelet. Also please bring a Poochie for girls.  
from  
**MISTY TOMAS**

Dear Santa,  
I want a three-wheeler a robot that does must my work, a Commodore 64, and a Coleco Vision.  
Thank you!  
from  
**JOHN MCBRIDE**

Dear Santa,  
I would like a "Boy cabbage patch kid" for Christmas.  
from  
**RHETT**

I want an epon computer, 100 acres of land in Colorado in the mountains, a pair of walkie-talkies.  
from  
**DARIN WYATT**

Dear Santa,  
I would like a "Cabbage Patch" doll. Thank You for the piano and doll last year.  
from  
**ANNA PARSONS**

Dear Santa,  
I would like a "Boy cabbage patch kid" for Christmas.  
from  
**RHETT**

## Dear Abby

Program aids recovery for women with cancer

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I want to tell you about a fantastic group I recently joined. It's "Encore," a YWCA program specifically designed to meet the needs of a woman following her mastectomy. Encore offers a combination of group discussion and exercise. The discussions provide a supportive atmosphere for women to meet and share common concerns with others who have lost a breast from cancer surgery. (I lost both of mine.)

The exercise session combines gentle floor and pool exercises (to music) to tone, strengthen and develop flexibility in those muscles affected after surgery. If you can't swim, no problem. You don't even have to get your hair wet. I go twice a week for an hour and a half.

You need not be a member of the YWCA, and the class fee is \$2.25 per session. Advance registration is not necessary.

Abby, it's so easy for women to participate. I cannot overstate the peace of mind and support Encore has given me in just a few months. Please, please let others know about this wonderful group. It is in about 90 cities in the United States.

MINNEAPOLIS MRS.

DEAR MRS.: Thank you for making it possible for me to spread the word. In checking out Encore, I learned that in order to join, a woman must be at least three weeks post-operative, and her doctor's written permission is required. Also, a woman may join anytime—whether her surgery was performed recently or several years ago. Interested parties should contact their local YWCA.

DEAR ABBY: You recently published the names of congressmen who have bills pending to correct the Social Security "notch" problem. I noticed that they were all Democrats. Are there no Republicans who are for a bill to correct this injustice to our senior citizens?

BORN IN 1919 IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR BORN: Yes. Of the 34 members of Congress who have co-sponsored H.R. 4093 (Edward Roybal's bill), six are Republicans. They are: Matthew J. Rinaldo, New Jersey; Christopher H. Smith, New Jersey; George C. Wortley, New York; Edwin B. Forsythe, New Jersey; George W. Gekas, Pennsylvania; E. Clay Shaw Jr., Florida.

DEAR ABBY: After being awakened by another phone call in the middle of the night, I feel compelled to write this letter. As a doctor's wife I am continually amazed by the number of people who call their physicians at home for the most trivial reasons.

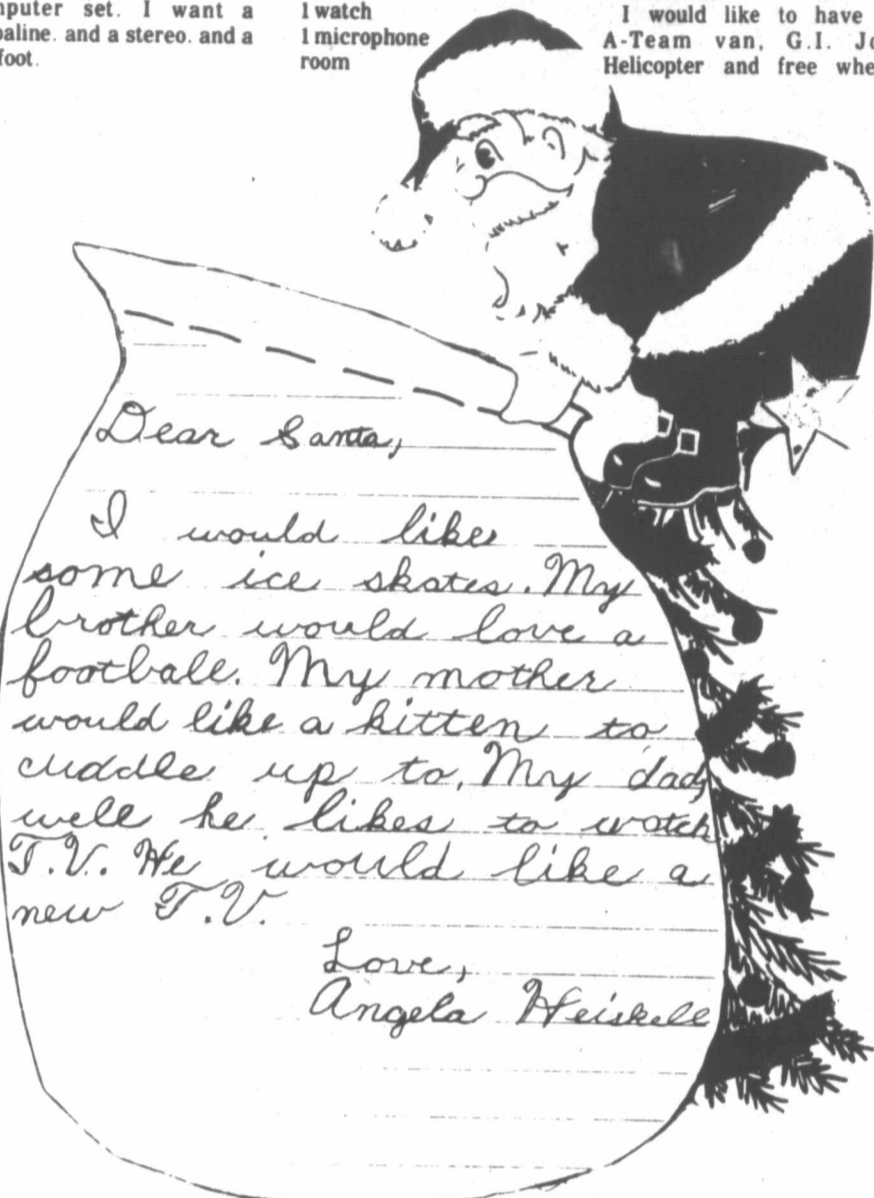
We are often awakened between 5 a.m. and 6 a.m. by people who say, "I wanted to catch you before you left home; can I get in to see you today?" Abby, how many doctors bring their appointment books home with them? Don't get me wrong—we don't mind phone calls from patients who are legitimately sick, but most of these calls are not emergencies.

The worst ones are from "friends" who call me on my husband's day off and say, "I know your husband is off today and you hardly ever get to see him, but I've had this problem for two weeks..."

Doctors are people, too, and they need their rest. I wish people would stop and ask themselves two questions before they call a doctor at his home: 1. Is this phone call really necessary? 2. Can it wait until morning?

A DOCTOR'S WIFE

(If you put off writing letters because you don't know what to say, send for Abby's complete booklet on letter-writing. Send \$2 and a long, stamped (37 cents), self-addressed envelope to Abby, Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 38923, Hollywood, Calif. 90038.)



from,  
**DANNY PARSONS**

Dear Santa,  
I want a 1984 CorVette, about 50 of the NEWEST cartridges. A wrist TV, a Curtis Mathis (with four year warranty!) WOW! TV. Well, you may not want to do that for me! I haven't been too good!

P.S. I put my name in pig latin!  
from,  
**ICKYNAY EWMWNAV (Nicky Newman)**

Dear Santa,  
I want a BMH bike, race track, watch, and a winning Lottery ticket. Star Wars tie fighter, and Jabba the hut.  
from  
**MICHAEL IVY**

gum and most of all everything from  
**ISAAC**

Dear Santa,  
I want: Faster than the speed of night tape by Bonnie Tyler, Starwars X-wing fighter, A bike, new markers, mapcolors, a new watch, a new Commodore 64 computer, 5 atara catridges. And a 5200 atari computer, and a Scientist kit. And a Tie Fighter.  
from  
**ED BARRETT**

Dear Santa,  
I want a 270 ATC and thats all.  
from  
**FRANK**

bike, G.I. Joe Jet, and a Plastic A.T.C.  
from  
**Love T J WARREN**

Dear Santa,  
A "cabbage patch kid or I would like stroller.  
from  
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Dear Santa,

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Thank you love  
CORY WAGNER

Dear Santa,  
I would like an iron and ironing board for Christmas.

from  
AMYD

Dear Santa,  
This is what I want for Christmas. Cabbage patch kid T.V. and a HBO turn table.

from  
KIMBERLY

Dear Santa,  
I want a baby doll and a record and thats all.

P.S. Also a little T.V.  
from  
SHELBIE

Dear Santa,  
I would like a Superman, my own chair, and a Fire Truck. Come see me.

Im 4 years old.  
Thank you,  
from,  
STEVEN McCOY

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I waet toys. I waet a car and a new shcool box and a new shcool.

from  
NATAN

Dear Santa,  
I have been very good this year and I would like to have some skates, watch, clothes, lunch pail, smurf game, pet rabbit, baby skates doll and a baby kitten.

from  
MARIA TOTEN

Dear Santa,  
I wood lick a jobba the hut and star wars men and eowk vileg and some space ship.

Thas all.  
from  
ELOY

Dear Santa,  
I want a doll and teddy bear.

Love  
from  
LYNOLSY

Dear Santa,  
How's Rudolph? I would like a tape recorder, Babydoll, skates, game, a sweater, and, record player.

Thank you.  
I love you Santa. Im 7 years old.  
from  
CRYSTAL TOMAS

Dear Santa,  
Would you please get me a new bike and some "Return of the Jedi" figures, and a lot of presents? I love you.

from  
CODY WAGNER

Dear Santa,  
I would like an Atari dash board game. Thank you.

from,  
KELLY BURTON

Dear Santa,  
I would like an Ewok

village, an X-wing fighter, also a free wheel bike. And I would like a three-wheeler, a G.I. Joe set and a play army tank, a G.I. Joe helicopter and a 22 rifle.

from,  
MARK LARGIN

Dear Santa,  
I want a new bike, and some "Strawberry Shortcake" people, some tapes for my cassette player, a three wheeler, and a "Cabbage Patch", some "Littles," and a Monkey.

Thank you,  
from,  
MARCIE CATES

from,  
BRYON LAURY

Dear Santa,  
I want a Tiny Tears Doll, a new kitchen, Care Bear game, and a Barbie Big Wheel.

I would also like to have a trampoline in a box.  
Have a Merry Christmas!  
from,  
MINDY

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have an Atari for Christmas, also a Big Foot Truck and a Stuff Your Face Game. I have been good sometimes. I will leave

from,  
KEVIN BATEN

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GRANT RICHARDSON

Dear Santa,  
I need cars, choo choo train, skates, and toys. Im 2 years old.

Thank you.

from,  
BRIAN FRELLS

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I want a Honda 200 four weeler and I want a pit ball, star wars. 50 and one computer set. I want a trapline, and a stereo, and a big foot.

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from,  
ICKYNAY EWMWNAV (Nicky Newman)

Dear Santa,  
I would like to have a cabbage patch doll, a glow worm, clothes, stuff animals and some strawberry

shortcake stuff to go in my room.

Santa do not forget my brother and all the other little boys & girls.

from  
AMANDA SWINDELL

Dear Santa,  
Glowworm Watch

from  
LORI

Dear Santa,  
st have been good. I would like to have air jammer bug scammer, cars, E.T. atari tape, game, walkie talkies, gun, color T.V., and just toys.

I love you.  
from  
BRANDON STRICKLAND

DEAR SANTA  
PLEASE BRING ME A  
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I HAVE BEEN GOOD.  
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# True or not, Old West legends survive

By BOB MIMS  
Associated Press Writer  
LOGAN, Utah (AP) — The Old West legends of Wyatt Earp, Wild Bill Hickok and Butch Cassidy, though discredited by a century of scrutiny, still strike a chord in America's heart.

"The Old West is no longer a place — it's an image," says John Stewart, co-founder of the National Association and Center for Outlaw and Lawman History.

"People like to cling to an image. Even though the Old West legends are often untrue, they can continue to enjoy that illusion," said Stewart, a Utah State University history professor.

The frontier legends popularized in dime novels portray a battle between good and evil, Western-style, that is still being recycled today, he said.

"Butch Cassidy and Jesse James and others like them became popular folk heroes not just because of the excitement of robberies, but because people vicariously, through them, could get vengeance on the railroads and the banks and other institutions that took advantage of the little guy," Stewart said.

"Perhaps some of that has transferred to modern living," he said. "There's a lot of empathy for the little guy where society has become hard and cold." Today, instead of gunslingers in black hats being

dropped at high noon by white-Stetsoned heroes with faster trigger fingers, modern "Star Wars" heroes shoot it out with lasers — not on a dusty street in a Western town and not riding the faithful horse, but on fields of stars in trusty spaceships.

"It's really the basic good guys versus the bad guys theme, combining the basic appeal of the Old West with the gimmicks of science fiction," Stewart said.

Keeping alive frontier legends is one of the goals of Stewart's 9-year-old association, even though its own research often peels away layers of fiction surrounding frontier heroes to reveal a gallery of rogues.

Based at the University of Wyoming since budget cuts forced it from USU, the association serves as a national archive for Western Americana literature and memorabilia. Among its 600 members are actor Robert Redford, who portrayed the Sundance Kid on film, Western novelist E.B. Mann and Pinkerton Senior Vice President William Linn.

"Legends are just that. There's been such superficial nonsense published in the last few years," he said. "Wyatt Earp, Wild Bill Hickok? Those two guys were just a couple of bums — not the great Western heroes they are thought to have been."

Research shows Hickok had trouble holding a job and developed a penchant for gunning people down, outlaws and innocents alike, before being shot to death himself in a saloon — the frontier establishment he seemed to love the most.

Earp is revealed as a chronic liar when it came to his supposed exploits, and some researchers wonder if the famous "Shootout at the O.K. Corral" was an equal gunfight pitting the law against the Daltons — or "mass murder" by the Earps, Stewart said.

The popular story of Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, which had the outlaw duo slain in a dramatic, heroic shootout in South America, is likely untrue as well.

"The truth is, in the past few years several writers have totally refuted that story. It seems Butch died in 1938 in the Pacific Northwest after having worked in the Spokane, Wash., area under an alias," Stewart said.

But the value of Old West lore comes not in its accuracy, he said, but perhaps in its optimistic ideal of how things should be.

"I think there is some inherent value in the soil and we associate that with the West... the challenge of moving into unsettled areas," Stewart said.



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## Inventor hopes pet chip will become man's friend

By STEVE SMITH  
Dallas Times Herald  
ALLAS (AP) — In the stone age there was Pet Rock. A dumb idea, maybe, but a pet idea that made plenty of green. In the computer age, you ask, what could be next? Farnelli has the answer. Would you love "Pet Chip"?

Farnelli, a Dallas inventor and former advertising executive, was sitting around one day with a friend shooting the breeze when talk turned to computers.

When it turned to the Pet Rock craze, when one of them (Farnelli doesn't remember who was to blame) came up with Pet Chip.

About 10 weeks later, in late November, Farnelli was hawking his product at the Computer Expo at Market Hall. For a suggested retail price of \$4.99, you get a little black computer chip stuck to a green card with a bit of blue goo; beneath the chip is a label for you to write in the name of your personal Pet Chip.

The chip is packaged in a good-looking little device designed by Dallas artists Greg and Julia. Enclosed is an instruction sheet full of tips — some are real groaners — that Farnelli and crew must have worked hard to think up. For example: "When your Pet gets hungry, here are its favorite snacks: Chocolate chip cookies, potato chips, corn chips. It always craves huge bytes of hipped beef!" Yes, well. (And Farnelli is like such a normal guy...)

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for Magnum C.I. (chip investigator). In its uncustomized form, the chip resembles a little black roach with 16 legs. Farnelli gets the chips from various manufacturers; the Citizens Development Center, which employs the physically and mentally disabled, handles the packaging.

In the first five weeks, Farnelli sold about 3,500. Plans are under way to market the chip nationwide, with gift shops, pet stores, computer stores and college book stores as the target market. Farnelli is negotiating with a major computer manufacturer interested in sending Pet Chips out with Christmas cards to customers. He has a trademark on the product and a copyright on the name; thinking ahead, Farnelli has gotten a copyright on five other names (like FriendChip) that possible competitors might use.

Farnelli, who descends from a long line of inventors including Guglielmo Marconi, the inventor of the radio, has enlisted the help of marketing agent Ralph Steckel to help promote the product. Steckel jumped at the chance; several years ago, Steckel turned down the chance to represent the Pet Rock. "Nobody's going to buy a rock," Steckel told the Pet Rock's inventor, Gary Dahl. Two million Pet Rocks later, Steckel says his decision was the biggest mistake of his life, and one he's not anxious to repeat.

Looking slightly embarrassed, Farnelli, 33, displays a few of his slightly modified chips. There's the "Rocket Chip," a chip mounted on a .45 caliber bullet. And the "Cow(boy) Chip," which Farnelli created by fashioning a little cowboy hat from a mailing label and a tuft of cotton, pasted right behind a pair of eyes looking skyward.

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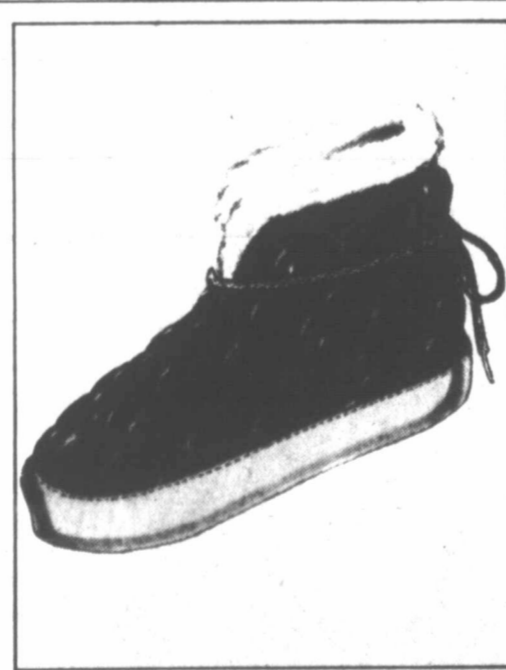
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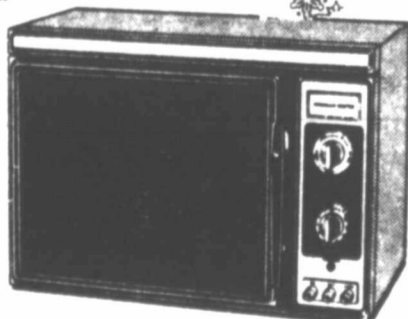


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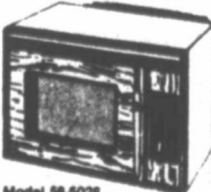


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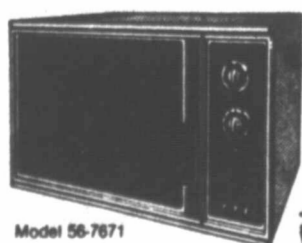
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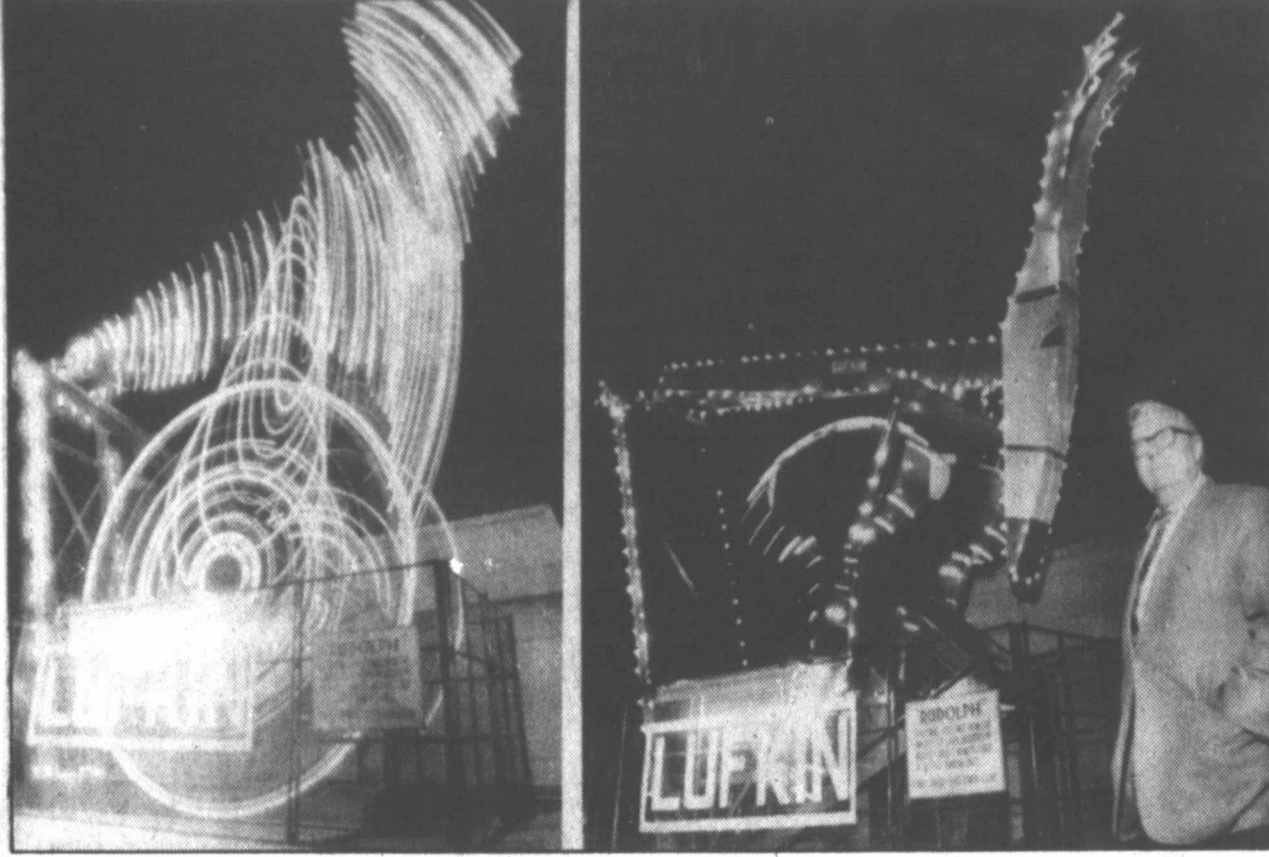


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# Prison reform group opposing McKaskle

AUSTIN (AP) — Red McKaskle, interim director of the state prison system, is not the "new blood" needed at the Texas Department of Corrections, according to a former inmate now lobbying for prison reform. Don Taylor, chairman of Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants, said Tuesday that the selection of McKaskle as permanent director would mean "back to business as usual" at TDC. "We need new blood," Taylor said at a news conference. In October, McKaskle was named interim director to replace W.J. Estelle, who resigned under pressure from the Board of Corrections. McKaskle is the only TDC employee who has applied for the director's post, according to Harry Whittington of Austin, chairman of the board's search committee. "Dozens" of other applications have been submitted, Whittington said.

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# Trucker tied to tree survives sub-zero weather

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. (AP) — A trucker tied to a tree in minus-8 degree cold after his rig was hijacked felt his limbs grow numb and his energy being drained away while he awaited rescue until finally, he says, he "wasn't caring too much." After at least four hours of struggling helplessly against his bonds Tuesday morning, Raymond Curbow was freed by Rick Cornine, who glimpsed Curbow from the road but drove on, then turned back. Curbow, of Nixa, Mo., was recovering from exposure and possible frostbite today at Cox Medical Center in Springfield, while authorities were searching for his rig. "I was just about to give up," Curbow said Tuesday night, recounting the ordeal. "I got to the point where I wasn't caring too much. There were so many (cars) that went by I just thought nobody was going to stop." He lost track of time as he stomped his feet and moved his body to stay warm. "In the cold weather it seemed like eternity," he said in a telephone interview from his hospital room. Curbow, 47, was hauling a truckful of hogs when he pulled into a rest stop on Interstate 70 at about 5 p.m. Monday near Concordia, about 25 miles northwest of the central Missouri town of Sedalia. At the stop, Curbow was confronted by two men and a woman, one of whom had a knife, who took control of the rig. Curbow said he was robbed and then driven around in the rig for hours. Sometime during the night he was tied with rope to the tree along U.S. 65, about 10 miles north of Sedalia. The tree was several feet off the highway and down a 15-foot embankment, which made it difficult for motorists to see him, Curbow said. Meanwhile,

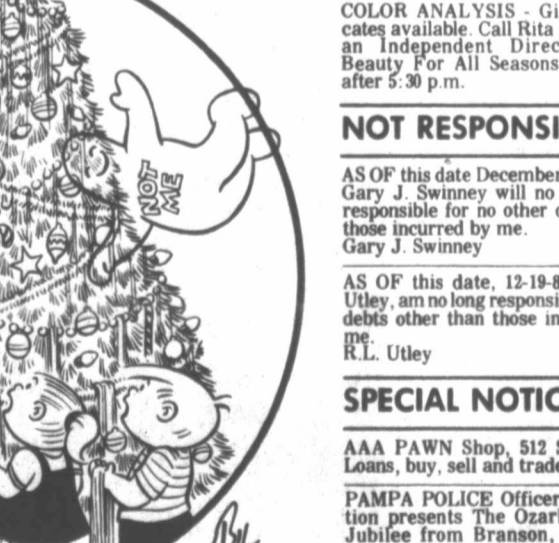
# Israeli controversy over 'The Battle of Algiers'

By MARCUS ELIASON Associated Press Writer TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Israelis began flocking to an obscure Tel Aviv movie theater this week to see an 18-year-old film about a small but determined Arab guerrilla movement fighting a vastly superior military power. Gillo Pontecorvo's "The Battle of Algiers" was made in 1965 and has nothing to do with Israel's war against the Arabs. But most Israeli movie critics are pointing to its striking parallels between Algeria under the French and the West Bank under Israel. The movie, which chronicles the Algerian uprising against the French, is being hailed by these critics as a crystal ball for forecasting the future shape of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Shot in black and white, much of it by hand-held camera, the 1965 film's account of the uprising through the biography of an Algerian street youth-turned-guerrilla leader has been acclaimed worldwide as a masterpiece of political cinema. Although criticized for its oversimplified political view, the film's scenes of street riots, the terror bombings of the Algerian Liberation Front and the counter-terrorism of the white settlers look so horrifying that most viewers have difficulty believing they are not real but staged. Pontecorvo, an Italian Marxist, made the film with the cooperation of the Algerian government. At the time, the staunchly anti-Israel regime of Houari Boumediene refused to let the film be shown here. The film was so uncomplimentary to the French that President Charles de Gaulle also banned it. The Israeli government, anxious to maintain good relations with France, was only too happy to go along. Yaaqov Agmon, an Israeli producer and prominent leftist, saw "The Battle of Algiers" in New York in 1967 and was struck by its possible applications to Israel. This year he saw it again in London and was determined to bring it to Israel. His main worry was that the Algerian ban still stood. "We telephoned the Algerians from Paris and asked them not to interfere," he said. "Obviously they didn't, since the film is here." Every Israeli who has served in the army in the West Bank will recognize the barbed wire barricades, the sullen Arab faces, the body searches, the frantic chases after shadowy suspects in narrow bazaar alleys, the officers telling reporters that with just a little more time and force the unrest will be quelled. Coincidentally, as the film's run began, a new wave of trouble swept the West Bank. A Jewish settler was stabbed in the town of Nablus, and a bomb killed six in a Jerusalem bus. The settlers clamored for reprisals, and an 11-year-old Palestinian girl was shot dead. Police are holding a settler as a suspect. The film "demands that the viewer tackle the analogies that reach into his life, be he a carrier of weapons, a shopper in the (Arab) market in Jerusalem, a victim of hostilities, a peace activist or a nationalist," wrote critic Yaron London. "One may reject the analogy, but it is forced upon one by the power of the pictures, which look like the monster twin of what you saw on the TV news last Tuesday." Yoman Hashavua, the ruling Likud Bloc's weekly, belittled the comparison. If anything, it said, the film shows the Algerians as dastardly people "who shoot French soldiers from behind, plant bombs in places where innocent people gather, even in a club where youngsters come to dance." Yoman Hashavua reminded readers that the guerrillas' descendants, the present Algiers government, were staunch supporters of the PLO. Anyone who saw parallels between Algiers and Nablus "should see the film again, and when he is chilled by the wicked actions of the Algerian underground he will perhaps finally understand the blood on the hands of the PLO." Agmon agrees that it is dangerous to draw analogies. But he hopes the film will fuel public debate over the future of the West Bank. "The differences are great," he said. "But all the questions explored in the film — the relationship between conquered and conqueror, terrorism and counter-terrorism, national rights, the role of the media, the stand of the intellectuals — they all put one's powers of association to work."

# Lower prices drives export figures down

WASHINGTON (AP) — Weakened the price outlook, the report said. Actual quantities of exports in 1983-84 continue to be forecast at 140 million metric tons, down from 144.8 million tons last year and the lowest volume since 1978-79. A metric ton is about 2,205 pounds. The value of farm exports rose to record levels for 12 consecutive years to \$43.8 billion before declining in 1981-82 to \$39.1 billion and to the \$34.8 billion level last year. Imports of agricultural products in 1983-84 continue to be forecast at \$17 billion, up from \$16.4 billion last year. Of the \$38 billion forecast for farm exports this year, grain and feed products are expected to make up about \$17.1 billion, down from Oct. 31 indications of \$17.7 billion. However, the value of those commodities still would be sharply above last year's \$15.2 billion, the report showed. Among the leaders in the grain-and-feed category, wheat and flour were valued at \$6.3 billion; rice, \$900 million; and coarse grains, mostly corn, \$8.1 billion. Oilseeds and oilseed products, as a category, were forecast at \$9.4 billion in 1983-84, including: soybeans, \$6.4 billion; soybean cake and meal, \$1.4 billion; and soybean oil, \$400 million. The value of exports of livestock and livestock products this fiscal year was forecast at \$3.1 billion; poultry and poultry products, \$500 million; and dairy products, \$500 million. Exports of horticultural products were valued at \$2.8 billion; tobacco, \$1.4 billion; cotton, \$2.1 billion; seeds, \$300 million; and sugar and tropical products, \$800 million. "Looking at some of the major quantities expected in U.S. agricultural shipments to foreign customers in 1983-84, corn heads the list at 47.6 million metric tons, followed by wheat at 37.5 million tons and soybeans, 19.3 million tons. WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department wants to hear views on possible changes in federal standards for triticale, a cereal grain that is a cross between wheat and rye. Kenneth A. Gilles, administrator of USDA's Federal Grain Inspection Service, said Tuesday that three specific questions need to be resolved: —Should the allowable limits for castor beans in the numerical grades for triticale be tightened from two to one?

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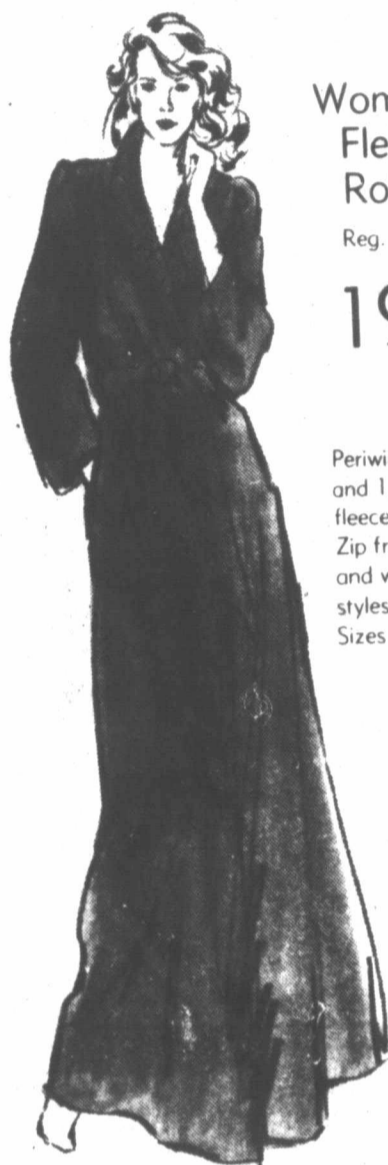


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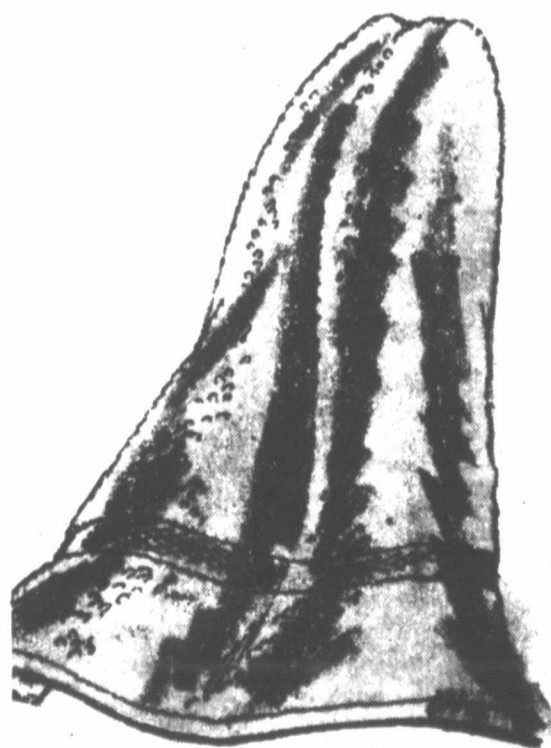
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