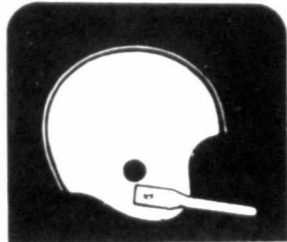


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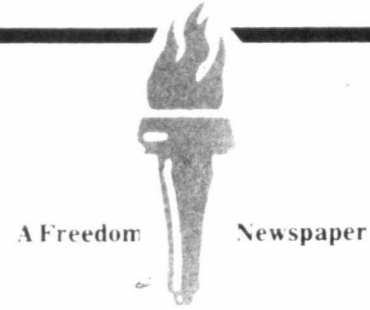
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Visions of sugarplums...



A Christmas tree, milk and cookies on the table at right and a big fellow wearing boots peering down at two sleeping youngsters: The stage is set for tonight's annual visit by Santa Claus, the event eagerly anticipated by millions of youngsters. (Staff photo by Terry Ford)

Private plane slams into California mall

By KATHLEEN MACLAY
Associated Press Writer

CONCORD, Calif. — A private plane trying to land in heavy fog slammed into the roof of a mall jammed with Christmas shoppers, spewing flames and debris into an area crowded with youngsters waiting to see Santa Claus. At least three people died and 63 were injured, police reported.

The twin-engine Beechcraft Baron was approaching Buchanan Field, making an instrument approach with visibility of about three-quarters of a mile, when it crashed into the roof of Sun Valley Mall about 8:45 p.m. Monday, authorities reported.

"The whole sky lit up and stayed lit," said Dino Vigil, who witnessed the crash from across the street. "I thought it was a bomb, then I realized it had to be the plane. The engine wasn't sputtering. He went down fast."

Three people died and 63 were injured, said Concord police spokesman Al Jordan. The dead were believed to be the pilot and two passengers but that could not be confirmed, Jordan said.

Thousands of people streamed into the parking lot after the crash, many crying or desperately seeking friends or relatives. The tail of the plane could be seen dangling off the roof, and one of the plane's propellers was lying on the floor inside the mall near where the plane hit.

The pilot had radioed a "missed approach" and told the tower he was going around for another try before the impact, said airport manager Harold Wight.

Water from the mall's sprinklers quickly doused the flames triggered by the crash, and a foot or more of water turned part of the mall into an indoor lake.

"There was a panic, people were running everywhere," said Dave Bell, a copy editor for the Contra Costa Times, who was shopping at the mall about 35 miles east of San Francisco.



Plane knocks gaping hole in mall roof

"The place filled up with smoke, and the power went out. People were crying and hugging each other," he said. "Friends and relatives were tending to the injured."

Harry Sundstrom of Concord, who was also at the mall, said he "saw a ball of fire 30 to 40 feet in the air."

"My jacket caught fire. My hand

caught fire," said Bret Jacobus, 25, of Concord. "My jacket was burned off. I didn't take it off. We're real lucky. There was stuff flying. I thought it was all over."

Some of the bystanders helped with the rescue, shoving burn victims into water fountains at the suburban shopping center.

The mall is just under a mile from the airport.

Mother on trial in child molest case

By PAUL PINKHAM
Staff Writer

Testimony began Monday in the non-jury trial of a Pampa mother charged with soliciting prostitution by allegedly allowing her 9-year-old daughter to be molested by a 75-year-old man for money.

Assistant District Attorney David Hamilton presented four witnesses, including John B. Zuerker, 311 N. Wynne, who had earlier pleaded guilty to molesting the daughter of Tricia Nell Bradstreet, formerly of 344 N. Wynne. Zuerker was given a \$10,000 fine and a 10-year probation sentence. The probation was granted on condition that he testify against Bradstreet.

Zuerker testified Monday he had sexual relations with the girl's mother and "money changed hands," about \$40 to \$50 per "date," although, he added, a strict financial arrangement was never established. He said he began molesting the girl after her mother began sending her to his house for money she needed.

Zuerker said although he and Bradstreet never discussed the matter, he assumed she knew of his actions involving her daughter because he had discussed the situation with the girl.

In earlier testimony, Pampa Police Detective Ron Howell discussed a statement given him by Bradstreet when she was picked up for questioning. He said Bradstreet told him her daughter had related to her incidents involving Zuerker but she did not believe the girl.

In the statement, she said she never felt Zuerker would molest her daughter because he had been "so nice" to the family. Later testimony indicated Zuerker paid for the family's phone and attended youngsters' birthday parties.

Zuerker testified he expected something in return whenever he gave Bradstreet money.

Also included in Monday's testimony was a 20-minute videotape of an interview of the girl by Glenna Graham of the child protective services division of the Department of Human Resources office in Pampa. On the tape, the girl described several sexual encounters with Zuerker. She said her mother sent her to his house to get money.

Graham testified the child's story has been consistent.

"Children rarely lie about sexual abuse," she said, explaining that young children are not mature enough to fabricate wild sexual fantasies.

Also testifying was Bradstreet's aunt, Colleen Lowe, 521 E. Francis. Lowe said the girl came by her house one day last June crying. "I don't want to go back to that old man's house again."

She said the girl had \$30 to \$40 and a note from Bradstreet asking Zuerker for money.

However, Zuerker testified later his relations with the youngster did not begin until this year.

Upon cross examination, Lowe said she did not report the incident because of her niece. She also noted she suffered a nervous breakdown shortly thereafter.

"I wasn't thinking straight at that time," she said.

Lowe testified that about six months prior to the allegations against Zuerker, the girl accused Lowe's husband of a similar form of sexual misconduct. She said she did not believe it because the youngster was occasionally "overdramatic" and "can turn on the tears, like a kid does to get what she wants." She added she never told her husband about the child's accusation until Monday morning.

The defendant was dressed in a white shirt, white pullover sweater and cream-colored pants. She showed little emotion and doodled on a legal pad as testimony was given.

One display doused, but other lights shine

By SCOTT WILLIAMS
Associated Press Writer

The Louisiana Supreme Court has turned out the lights on a millionaire's opulent, incandescent Christmas lawn display, but an electric star shines for the 36th year over a replica of Bethlehem in California and Yuletide floats glow on the creek of a Mississippi town.

Popeyes Famous Fried Chicken magnate Al Copeland was threatened with arrest Monday by the Louisiana court for defying its September order to tone down the lavish display that has drawn thousands of gawkers to the quiet New Orleans suburb of Metairie.

"We have no alternative but to obey," said Peter Butler, his lawyer.

At its height — some would say its gaudiest — Copeland's house and virtually every inch of every palm and evergreen tree on his lawn was covered with tiny lights.

It was a neighbor, attorney Burton Klein, who first sued Copeland in 1983, arguing that the 900 or so cars that rolled through the neighborhood each hour kept

him from the free use and enjoyment of his home.

"It does bother me that people think ill of me," said Klein, who has gotten hate mail and threatening telephone calls for his stance. "I am so desperate to get the message across that I'm not a bad guy — that I enjoy Christmas and I'm not an anti-Christ."

There were clusters of protesters on Copeland's lawn Monday night, some holding lighted candles. Augie DiGiovanni, 6, of nearby Kenner, wore a sign that read: "We want to see the lights burning. This is America, not Russia."

In Cerrito, Calif., neighbors wait expectantly each year for the twinkling star surrounded by 500 bright blue lights that tops a detailed hillside replica of Bethlehem town, while Christmas carols blare from a loudspeaker.

Below the town are 67 life-size papier mache sheep and lambs, 20 camels, six donkeys, a farm and snow scene and 15 human figures, including the Magi.

"In 1950, we started with just a star and a few horses," said

See CHRISTMAS, Page two

18 seat belt citations are issued here

The Pampa Police Department has issued 18 seat belt citations in the three weeks the enforcement phase of the Texas seat belt law has been in effect.

Police records indicate the 18 motorists issued seat belt citations,

15 were stopped in connection with other traffic violations. Three were stopped after officers observed those in the vehicles were not wearing seat belts, police said.

The law requiring virtually all Texas motorists to wear seat belts

went into effect Aug. 1 but motorists were given a three-month grace period before fines began to be issued. Violators of the law face fines of \$25 to \$50.

It applies to drivers and front-seat passengers of cars and trucks

up to three-quarter ton capacity.

Supporters have said the law will save lives on Texas highways by forcing motorists to buckle up.

Opponents call the law a violation of individual liberties.

DAILY RECORD

services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to The Pampa News.

obituaries

No obituaries were reported to The Pampa News.

police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Dec. 23

Linda Luck, 315 E. Francis, reported a burglary at the address.

A burglary was reported at Horace Mann Elementary School, 400 N. Faulkner; a subject entered the building through an unknown doorway and used basketballs in the gymnasium.

Elvie Fritz, 1801 N. Nelson, reported criminal mischief, \$20 to \$200, at the address; a subject used an unknown object to break a window on a vehicle.

Attempted burglary was reported at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, 801 E. Browning.

Orean Wright, 408 N. Zimmers, reported an attempted burglary at the address; a subject attempted to force a door open.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the rear lot at Furr's Grocery Store, 1400 Hamilton.

Clifton Powell Everett, 905 Barnard, reported criminal mischief at the address; a juvenile subject shot a window in the den with a BB gun.

David Lee Smith, 1309 E. Frederic, reported shots fired at 400 Davis.

Theft was reported at Randy's Food Store, 300 E. Brown; a subject took meat.

A minor suspected of being in possession of an alcoholic beverage and disobeying a police officer was reported at 800 W. Decatur.

Arrests

MONDAY, Dec. 23

Betty Aguilar, 40, 509 E. Foster, was arrested at Coronado Community Hospital, 1 Medical Plaza, on a charge of public intoxication. Aguilar was released to the sheriff's office for transport to Pavilion.

Douglass Ray White, 17, 1908 Lynn, was arrested at the intersection of Decatur and Hamilton on charges of failure to obey a police officer and minor in possession. White was released upon payment of cash bonds.

hospital

CORONADO COMMUNITY Admissions

Joe Bidwell, McLean Nancy Cowan, Pampa Kimberly Holjes, Borger

Todd Howe, Lefors Hettie Jackson, Lefors Joshua Jastram, Pampa

Johnnie Nichols, Pampa

Myrna Smith, Pampa Kelly Swift, Pampa

Births Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Holjes, Borger

Dismissals Loyal Bird, Pampa

Mitie Blaylock, Pampa Pam Delatorre and infant, Pampa Lydia Eppison, Borger Frederick Glass, Pampa

Alma Holt, Pampa Terry Kotara, Pampa Kimberly Moore and infant, Pampa

John Morgan, Pampa Elva Ring, Pampa Justin Sanders, Canadian

Ernestino Tarango and infant, Pampa Janie Tolbert, Pampa

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Not Available

minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following minor traffic accidents for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

MONDAY, Dec. 23

A 1983 Chevrolet, driven by Johnny Herman Quarles, 2337 Aspen, and a 1981 Pontiac, driven by Bonnie Sue Neef, 2419 Mary Ellen, collided in the 1400 block of North Hobart. Quarles was cited for an improper turn, no signal.

An unknown, occupied vehicle collided with a 1978 Chevrolet, registered to Mia Michelle Hunter, 1013 Christine, in the 300 block of West Francis, then left the scene.

fire report

The Pampa Fire Department reported two fire runs in the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Monday, Dec. 23

6:15 Overheated ballast at Pampa Mall, 7:02 p.m. 1039 Hobart, burning lumber.

Emergency numbers

Energas 665-5770
SPS 669-7432
Water 665-3881



LIGHTS OUT—Workers take down a large snowman decoration at the home of one of Al Copeland's neighbors in the New Orleans suburbs. The Louisiana Supreme Court ruled Monday that Copeland, owner of the Popeyes fried chicken chain, and neighbors must remove their Christmas decorations because they disrupt the neighborhood.

Christmas lights

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Sundar Shadi, who hand-made every piece of the display on a 220-square-foot plot beside his house. "The next year, we added four sheep."

The display kept growing until six or seven years ago, he said. "I stopped ... because there is only so much space. I don't want to clutter the whole thing up."

Shadi, who emigrated from

India in 1921, said people have offered to help with utility bills from the big display, but he has never accepted. "This is my gift to the community," he said.

In the little northwest Mississippi town of Leland, residents have celebrated Christmas by lighting up Deer Creek with festive floats.

"It started in 1959 or 1960 when someone put a lighted tree on

Deer Creek," said Cathy Sutton, manager of the Leland Chamber of Commerce.

Someone else thought the floating tree looked nice and another Yuletide decoration popped up on the creek. Neighbors kept up with neighbors until creek decorating became a tradition, and today about 20 displays float on the creek, Ms. Sutton said.

Jury rules tobacco company not liable in smoking death

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (AP) — A family that filed a \$1 million lawsuit against R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. said the trial showed the public "what it is to die by inches," despite a jury's 9-3 ruling that Reynolds isn't responsible for the death of a man who smoked for

50 years. "We want to stress that we don't like smoking and we feel smoking is harmful," jury foreman Stacy Proft said upon handing down Monday's verdict. "The only reason we didn't go to that verdict was the evidence wasn't there."

"I feel we have lived up to some promises made to my husband," said Elayne Galbraith, the widow of John Mark Galbraith, who died at age 69 in 1982. "This is just the beginning," said Mrs. Galbraith. "We got a 9-3 vote. That's better than anyone else has had. Pretty soon, one of these cases is going to be won ... I'm not giving up on this."

Attorneys Melvin Belli and Paul Monzone, representing the Galbraiths, said they would appeal. And Belli promised to pursue similar cases in the future.

"By next Christmas, we'll have one of these under our belt for the plaintiffs," he said.

City briefs

AKC CHOW puppies, \$175. Ready December 24. Call 6:39-1111 or 665-8910. Adv.

MERRY CHRISTMAS, Steve Crawford! I Love You! Adv.

PUBLIC THANKS to the Holy Spirit and St. Jude Thaddeus for favors granted. T.D.C.

GRAY COUNTY History Book at the Gift Box, \$60 plus tax. Name in printed, \$2. Adv.

LOST - GRAY and white cat with yellow collar and blue tag, number 137. Vicinity N. Nelson. Reward, 665-0222. Adv.



IN CUSTODY—Joyce Bailey Mattox is escorted by officials from the federal courthouse in Savannah, Ga., after she and three fugitives were recaptured at a rest stop near Woodbine.

Ga. She allegedly hijacked a helicopter Thursday to help the three fugitives break out of a South Carolina prison. (AP Laserphoto)

Chamber still needs \$45,000 for community building fund

Another \$45,000 in contributions is needed to make the proposed community building a reality in 1986, according to the president of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc.

President Ed Myatt said the foundation currently has approximately \$275,000 in cash in the bank and approximately \$30,000 in pledges.

The foundation set a goal of \$350,000 for the community building, designed to provide facilities for public meetings, wedding and anniversary receptions, club meetings, seminars and similar events.

In addition, the building will house the Pampa Chamber of Commerce office and provide space for other offices for additional non-profit organizations.

The initial projections for the building indicated a need for a minimum of 10,000 square feet of floor space.

But the foundation located a currently existing building which offered 20,000 square feet. The building, with a renovated exterior, is located at the northeast corner of Ballard and Kingsmill.

"We have, by necessity and because of limited funds, negotiated to purchase the existing

structure," Myatt said. "Our architect and engineer have both agreed that this is the best structure they have seen."

Myatt said the foundation has made a tentative agreement with the owner to purchase the building for \$100,000 based on the ability to raise a minimum of \$350,000 from community donations.

In addition to the purchase price, \$200,000 will be used for remodeling the interior and \$50,000 will be placed in a fund necessary for operational expenses "to keep the building from becoming a burden on the community," he explained.

"For this community project to become a reality, we need another \$45,000 in contributions or investments," Myatt said.

Myatt said announcements on the project have been delayed to avoid any interference with the United Way campaign, now nearing its goal.

"But we must now make this final appeal in order for this dream to become a reality in 1986," he stated.

Myatt said the building would be a definite "shot in the arm" to the community and its needs.

The foundation was formed for the express purpose of soliciting funds for a building that would provide offices and meeting areas

to be utilized by those non-profit organizations that meet guidelines under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

In addition, meeting areas would be available to the general public on a first come, first serve basis.

"Thus, this would truly be a community building," Myatt said.

The tax deductible contributions may be mailed to the Pampa Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc., P. O. Box 541, Pampa, TX 79066-0541.

Kidnap suspect held without bail

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — A federal magistrate has denied bond for a man accused in last week's kidnaping of a Kerrville banker's wife.

U.S. Magistrate Robert O'Connor on Tuesday denied bond for Ronald Bell, 31, and appointed a lawyer for Bell's 33-year-old brother, Allen, who also is being held without bond on charges stemming from the extortion attempt.

A preliminary hearing was scheduled Friday for both men.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Colder tonight and Christmas day. Tonight's lows in mid-teens. High Wednesday in the 30s. Monday's high was 59.

REGIONAL FORECAST

North Texas — Cold tonight and Wednesday. Mostly cloudy north and west tonight and fair elsewhere. Mostly fair Wednesday. Lows 21 to 27. Highs 32 to 40.

South Texas — Mostly clear, windy and colder tonight. Fair and cold Wednesday. Lows 20s north and 30s to 42 south. Highs 40s north to 50s south.

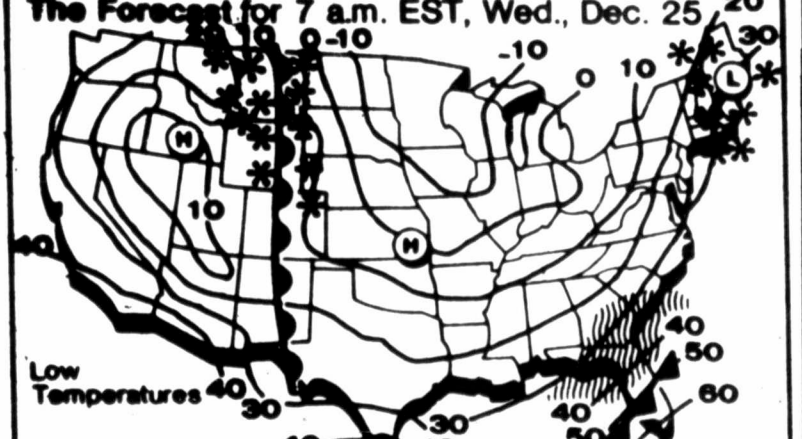
West Texas — Colder tonight with increasing low cloudiness eastern sections. Partly cloudy to cloudy and cool Wednesday. Lows mostly in the 20s. Highs 40s and 50s.

EXTENDED FORECAST

Thursday through Saturday
North Texas — No rain is expected through Saturday. Nights will continue to be cold but temperatures during the days will be mild. There will also be a slight warming trend through Saturday. Lows Thursday morning will be in the 20s with highs during the day in the 50s. By Saturday morning lows will be in the 30s with highs during the day in the 60s.

South Texas — Partly cloudy skies with cool days and cold nights Thursday and Friday. Continued cool Saturday with increasing clouds south and west. Morning lows in the mid 20s north to near 40 extreme south Thursday and Friday. Lows Saturday in the mid 20s north to upper 40s extreme south. Daytime highs in the 40s north to 50s south.

The Forecast for 7 a.m. EST, Wed., Dec. 25



FRONTS:
Warm — Cold
Occluded — Stationary

SHOWERS RAIN FURRIES SNOW

West Texas — Mostly fair Thursday through Saturday. A little warmer Friday. Panhandle: Lows Thursday near 20 warming to mid 20s Friday and Saturday. Highs Thursday lower 50s warming to near 60 Friday and Saturday. South Plains: Lows Thursday mid 20s warming to upper 20s Friday and Saturday. Highs Thursday mid 50s warming lower 60s Friday and Saturday. Permian Basin: Lows Thursday upper 20s warming to near 30 Friday and Saturday. Highs Thursday near 60 warming to mid 60s Friday and Saturday. Concho Valley: Lows Thursday upper 20s warming to lower 30s Friday and Saturday. Highs Thursday near 60 warming to mid 60s Friday and Saturday. Far West: Lows Thursday upper 20s throughout the period. Highs Thursday near 60 warming to lower 60s Friday

and Saturday. Big Bend: Lows lower 20s mountains to lower 30s lowlands throughout the period. Highs Thursday upper 50s mountains to upper 60s along the Rio Grande warming to lower 60s mountains to lower 70s along the river Friday and Saturday.

BORDER STATES
New Mexico — Fair Tuesday night and Christmas Day. Lows Tuesday night 5 to 20 mountains and north 20 to 35 elsewhere. Highs Christmas Day 40 to 55 east and 50 to low 60s elsewhere.
Oklahoma — Clear and very cold Tuesday night. Sunny and not as cold Christmas Day. Temperatures falling Tuesday to the low teens north and upper 20s south by late afternoon. Lows Tuesday night 4 north central to teens south. Highs Christmas upper 20s northeast to mid 40s western Panhandle.

TEXAS / REGIONAL

Home residents affected by landmark decision prepare for first Christmas

CLEBURNE, Texas (AP) — A dozen mentally retarded residents who won the right to live in a residential neighborhood thanks to a landmark Supreme Court decision earlier this year are preparing for a very special Christmas.

Paul Carter is earning a weekly paycheck from the steakhouse where he washes dishes. Patricia Russell has a new Bible she received from her friends at the Henderson Street Baptist Church, where she has joined the congregation.

Annie Woods, who spent half of her 40 years in a state school at Mexia, has discovered the delights of shopping malls decked out for Christmas and supermarkets filled with food.

"I think it's a good place to live," she says. Six months ago, the high court ruled that the city of Cleburne discriminated against the mentally retarded when it said the group home would violate zoning ordinances. The effect of the ruling has been widespread, says an advocate for the rights of retarded citizens.

"The message has been brought forward that these people can live in the community and must be given an opportunity to do so," said Alan Abeson, national director of the Association for Retarded Citizens.

The four-bedroom house opened Aug. 21 and is now home to six men and six women. They spend much of their day making leather belts and wreaths at a workshop in nearby Keene.

The rest of their time is spent learning to live outside the confines of an institution. They prepare meals, clean house, go shopping,

attend church and have joined a local volunteer program to "adopt" a grandmother at a Cleburne nursing home.

Five years ago, Bobbie Northrop and Jan Hannah decided that Johnson County needed a group home that would enable retarded adults who had been institutionalized or sheltered by families to live normal lives in a normal neighborhood.

But community protests blocked their plan. Residents complained that the home was located across the street from a junior high school. Some worried that the retarded adults would molest children, while others feared that they would break into houses and destroy property values.

"When I first heard about it, I thought it was going to be a bunch of kids who were going to be turned loose on the neighborhood," said Margie Wise, who lives down the street from the home.

Acting under a city ordinance requiring a special-use permit for "hospitals for the insane or feeble-minded," the City Council denied Ms. Northrop and Ms. Hannah permission to open the home.

Aided by Advocacy Inc., a handicapped rights group in Austin, the two women took their fight up to the Supreme Court and won. The effects already have been felt nationwide, Abeson said.

"What we have been hearing is that when local attorneys and neighborhood groups and zoning boards look at this opinion, they say,

"Look, we can't do this (block a group home)," Abeson said.

Of the estimated 75 group homes for the retarded in Texas, about 20 have opened since the Supreme Court decision, said Diane Shisk, a lawyer for Advocacy Inc. Texas law now stipulates that cities cannot bar group homes from residential neighborhoods if the homes will have six or fewer residents.

Ms. Shisk said she now is fighting lawsuits brought by neighborhood groups over group homes proposed in Temple and Odessa and expects two similar suits to be filed in the Victoria area.

Some Cleburne residents told the Dallas Times Herald they feel they were unfairly cast as villains in the legal squabble.

"I can accept things as they are, but I was against it at first," Lou Jimmerson said in the backyard of her 81-year-old home.

Others said the opposition was spawned by the idea of change.

"I've lived in and around Cleburne for 39 years," Ms. Wise said. "Anything that's new, I don't care what it is, they are going to be against it."

Mayor George Marti won't talk about the group home, saying damages in the case are still being negotiated.

But many people still don't know much about the home or its residents.

"If you drove by it, you would think it was somebody's residence," said Frank Hyde, principal of the junior high school across the street from the home.



ANIMAL TREE — Jenifer Summerford, 10, puts the finishing touches on a Christmas tree decorated with stuffed animals. The family came up with an extra tree, and Jennifer decorated it with stuffed animals from her collection and finished trimming the tree with bows. (AP Laserphoto)

Longer sentences coming with new law

AUSTIN (AP) — Travis County judges and lawyers say the new state law requiring that jurors be instructed about parole before deciding on punishment has led to

longer sentences for convicted criminals.

"Almost every one of the jurors that I've talked to since we put that in has stated that they voted for a

longer sentence than they would have had they not known about the parole laws," says state District Judge Bob Perkins.

Linda Powell, an Austin lawyer, said she has represented two defendants in jury trials since the law took effect Sept. 1, and she noticed the same thing.

"In talking to the jurors afterwards, they said that they considered (parole) very substantially in deciding on a final sentence," Ms. Powell said.

"They figured out how much they thought he ought to serve and then increased it. They're usually giving two to three times how much they actually want him to serve. Every lawyer that I've talked to is saying the same thing. The jurors are saying they are definitely considering it, and they are coming out with stiffer sentences as a result," she said.

Sen. J.E. "Buster" Brown, R-Lake Jackson, sponsored the bill that changed the law.

He said he has received favorable responses from prosecutors, although it appears too early to tell if the change has resulted in longer sentences statewide.

"The prosecutors that I've talked to have said that the juries are not frustrated as they were before. They are more satisfied with their

sentences," Brown said.

Before Sept. 1, it was forbidden for jurors to consider the effect of parole laws when deciding on a sentence.

Reward program is pushed

AUSTIN (AP) — In the wake of three extortion attempts involving the kidnapping of bankers' wives, Texas bankers are giving high priority to starting a reward program that they say could help discourage such crimes.

"This type of crime is becoming much more common — no doubt about it," said Chris Williston, an official with the Texas Bankers Association.

The wife of a San Antonio banker was killed in September, and this month, bankers' wives in Austin and Kerrville have been held in extortion attempts.

Williston said that, by early next year, his organization plans to begin a cash reward program similar to those operated by bank clearing associations in major Texas cities.

Financial reward programs, similar to the Crime Stoppers program, have proven highly effective in preventing and solving

bank robberies and extortions, he said.

FBI officials said they annually handle nearly 200 cases of bank extortion by criminals who either kidnap or threaten bankers and their families.

FBI spokesman Hudo Specht in

Dallas said bank extortions are much less frequent than bank robberies.

The agency holds training sessions with bankers to teach them to be immediately suspicious of strangers who approach them or their families, Bonner said.



Off beat

By Cathy Spaulding

Finding baby presents...

A new baby in the family?

Great, I thought. It would be a cinch to buy a Christmas present for little Clinton. How old is he now — eight, nine months? All I have to do is mosey up to Wal- or K- or any of the other local Marts for one of those toys I enjoyed as a child and I'll be home in a jiffy.

That's what I thought.

Toys just aren't the same as they were when I was young enough to play with them. And those that are — the etch - a - sketch, Raggedy Ann, the slinky and that happy "Chatterbox" telephone pulltoy with the bobbing eyes — are now "Classics" and are in the same price range as an antique Packard.

I asked Santa Claus what he would recommend and he just cocked his head and answered, "Howthehell should I know."

I checked the shopping center for ideas.

There at the bookstore, I found a Questron, an electronic beeping book that lets out an ugly sound when pressed against a wrong answer, a happy sound when pressed against a right answer and an ecstatic siren - like sound when pressed against a really right answer. "What a remarkable device!" I said, touching my finger to the Questron tip.

As I touched the tip, the Questron let out its happy sound. I touched it against my keychain, another happy sound. I touched it against a Pat the Bunny book on a nearby display, another happy sound. It discovered right answers all over the place. Could it be that the all-knowing Questron is not as smart as it's made out to be?

At the toy department I met the Wurbie and his less cute and faceless cousin, the Chubble. These furry critters are known for their annoying beeps and the way their noses light up whenever a sensing device in their face is activated by light or shadow. I wiggled my fingers in front of a Wurbie's nose for about a minute and freaked the little thing out.

But somehow, Wurbies and Chubbles fall short of being true stuffed dolls. How much affection could Clinton give a toy that's advertised "no touch needed?"

Then I met Teddy Ruxpin, said to be the most popular toy today. For 125 bucks, this stuffed bear will move its eyes and tell tape-recorded stories. I decided it would be cheaper and more beneficial to have Brenda sit Clinton on her lap and tell him her own bedtime stories. When I was a kid and bedtime story time came around, I would never have traded my Mama's lap and loving voice for some electronic bear.

There were many cassette - toys on the shelf. Slip in the tape and Cookie Monster will teach Clinton to read. But I knew better. Once the kid gets old enough to know how the machine operates, out goes Cookie Monster and in comes Motley Crue.

In the educational toy section I met Doggone Dog. Poke in its hat and its eyes shut, its ears go up, its mouth shuts. Later, its hat pops up, its ears drop, its nose pokes out, its tongue sticks out and its arms and legs wave violently. That's all the thing does, and the only way one could instigate this flurry of activity is to poke in that stupid hat.

I couldn't buy Cliton a Doggone Dog; it's recommended for ages 3 and above. There were a lot of toys like that; almost all were for ages 1½ and above, even the Chatterbox telephone. I thought of buying one for Clinton, but I didn't want the toy police to cite me for breaking the rules.

Toys aren't meant to be fun anymore. They have to "develop" something. Those ugly Hug - a - lunch (Buggy - hunch, Munch - a - bunch, whatever) dolls "develop parental instincts." Spinning tops "develop visual perception." Lite - Brites "develop hand - eye co-ordination."

I wonder if Mom ever had our hand - eye co-ordination in mind when she bought us toys.

I ignored the boys' toy section altogether because of all the Transformers and Masters of the Universe garbage there. When Clinton was born, I vowed I would never buy him a toy that glorifies violence, sexism and humanless technology.

After searching the aisles for toys that he's not too young or too impressionable for and that I'm not too broke for, I threw my arms up in despair and decided not to give him anything.

After all, no matter what I buy, the kid's gonna play with the box and wrapping paper, anyway.

Spaulding is a staff writer for The Pampa News.

Emergency landing for B-1B bomber

ABILENE, Texas (AP) — A defect in an oil pump forced one of the U.S. Air Force's two operational B-1B bombers to make an emergency landing at Dyess Air Force Base, a base spokesman said.

None of the four servicemen aboard were injured Monday, officials said.

"As far as this incident goes ... the B-1B is a new weapons system, and everything that is going to happen is going to happen here first," said Major Joseph Mills. "We're learning to operate this system, and we're going to mature it into a fully developed system."

Mills said the emergency landing Monday was made without incident after one of the B-1B's four engines was shut down "as a precautionary measure."

"The crew was in no danger at anytime," Mills said.

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Louise Fletcher
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Opinion

Pentagon buying reform a big joke

There's a common misperception going around that the recent spate of "horror stories" in military procurement brought about — and will continue to bring about — actual reform. After all, the argument goes, didn't the recent ban against General Dynamics bidding on major military contracts send a clear message that Congress and the Pentagon brass are committed to a lean, mean, fighting machine.

No sir, it did not. Let's take a look at what happened. General Dynamics and four of its top executives were indicted last month on fraud charges for illegally taking American taxpayers to the cleaners to the tune of \$7 million. The company and its executives allegedly billed the military for cost overruns on the ill-fated Sgt. York anti-aircraft gun.

The company and the individuals, including current NASA administrator James Beggs, deny any wrongdoing. Nevertheless, the day after the indictment, the Pentagon announced that it was suspending General Dynamics from the bidding process for a minimum of one month.

This was the second time the company had received such a slap on the wrist. Perhaps this time it would serve its purpose.

No sir, it would not. The suspension looked good in the headlines that first day. But before the newspapers had begun to yellow, the folks you thought were playing hardball had turned to airball again.

During the time the company was to be on suspension from the bidding process, a major contract for the billion-dollar nuclear-powered Trident submarine was to come up for bid. General Dynamics had been expected to be a leading contender and the good old boys at the Pentagon worried that one of their favorite contractors would be left out in the cold.

What would happen to all those innocent workers at General Dynamics' Connecticut shipyards if the firm couldn't bid — and probably win — the contract? Should they suffer for the sins of a quartet of top execs?

Perhaps they won't have to. In a fit of concern, the Pentagon's decision-makers delayed the Trident bidding for — get this — 30 days, possibly longer. By the time the contract is put up for bid, General Dynamics should be off suspension.

What does all this finagling demonstrate? Apparently that the Pentagon will suspend a contractor only if there's nothing to be suspended from. That's supposed to be reform? You've got to be kidding.

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Charles Van Eaton

Remembering Billy's bike

If anything, I can see it more clearly now than I could then. Oh it's not that I couldn't see it clearly then. I could. Indeed its outline against the window through which the streetlight shone was so sharp that I almost yelped with excitement at the view. But now, through the intensity which forty-two years can give to the mind's eye, it stands out as if in the noonday sun.

I can see Billy's red bicycle.

It was Christmas, 1943. I was seven. Billy was ten. Leonard was fourteen, but neither Billy nor I paid him much attention. He and his buddies were always hanging out on the corner and acting tough. They never let me and Billy come around so we didn't think we liked him. (Now both Billy and I adore him. It's funny what a few years will do to a sibling age-gap, isn't it?) But Billy and I were really close. We had a lot of fights but we were close. We slept in the same musty attic room in that old house on Peach Street in Memphis. (The house is gone now. In fact, every house on that block is gone. They call it Urban Renewal. I call it something else.)

Billy wanted a bike for Christmas. But there was a war going on and a bicycle was hard to get. Leonard had gotten a bike when he was ten. But that was 1939 and things were different then - Dad was working and a good bike could be bought. But 1943 was different. That's what Billy was told and he seemed to understand. But I didn't understand. What did the war have to do with a bicycle for Billy? Billy had asked for a bike because he was ten and it was right for him to ask. Santa had come through for Leonard. He would come through for Billy. I never doubted it for a minute.

But Billy did. And it made me angry. He wasn't

supposed to doubt. Besides, his doubts complicated things for me. I was going to ask Santa for a bike when I was ten. If Billy was uncertain, what did that do to my hopes? He had already started telling me things about Santa that I didn't want to hear. Enough of that! I was determined not to let him mess up my life with his faithlessness.

I don't know what time it was. It was pitch black outside but in December in Memphis that could be 6 o'clock. It was still very early in the morning. I knew that. I got up and sneaked downstairs. I had to be careful because the long center hall I had to traverse passed by momma and daddy's bedroom. My little two year old sister slept in the room with them and I knew that when she was disturbed the whole house had to wake-up.

It was in what we called the "front room." In a more elegant time when the neighborhood was occupied by the city's upper crust, it was called "the parlor." The rich folks had long since moved farther east toward the street Boss Crump had designed - the street still known as "The Parkway." Our neighborhood was different now - not worse, just different.

When I saw it I turned and dashed upstairs. Billy didn't have a chance! I left the floor about fifty feet (O.K., so it wasn't fifty feet) from his bed, and landed right on top of him. Billy came up swinging, but I ducked while laughing in his face. "You got it - I knew you would get it," I said. In one motion Billy was off the bed running. Needless to say, everybody was now awake. My screaming sister, Vera, made sure of that.

It was the greatest Christmas in human history, excepting the first, of course.

I got my bike when I was ten. My father died in

the spring before that Christmas and it was a difficult time. My bike was there on Christmas morning because there were a lot of people in my family - especially my mother - who believed that being ten years old at Christmas time was too important to let the pain of this world dictate events. What I didn't know at that time was that thirteen year old Billy and seventeen year old Leonard had something to do with that bike being there. (Kids could have paper routes in big cities then. I don't think they can now - it's not safe. A paper route gave a kid income and income made him a man. Billy and Leonard were no longer boys - they were men.)

Oh, of course, I was older and wiser by the time I was ten. (I'm convinced that the loss of a parent tends to bring childhood to a sudden stop). I knew all about Santa Claus. Seeing mom going off to the hospital every morning to labor as a nurses' aid and going to vocational school each evening to become a Licensed Practical Nurse guaranteed there would be no bike. I was too smart to believe anything else.

It was the second greatest Christmas in human history - excepting the first, of course.

Leonard is now a successful lawyer in Memphis. Billy is a retired Air Force officer who is putting his Masters' Degree in Political Science to work in a South Carolina high school. Vera is married to a physician and is busy with her family in Nashville. Mom is remarried, retired and living in California.

And we're still a family. Time and distance doesn't change a thing - including my first sight of Billy's bicycle. I'm glad some things never change. And I'm glad there's a Christmas.



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Today in history

Today is Tuesday, Dec. 24, the 358th day of 1985. There are seven days left in the year. This is Christmas Eve.

Today's highlight in history: On Dec. 24, 1814, the War of 1812 ended as the United States and Britain signed the Treaty of Ghent in Belgium.

On this date: Ten years ago: At the Vatican, Pope Paul VI ended the Holy Year by sealing a door at St. Peter's Basilica.

Five years ago: With the American hostages in Iran spending their second Christmas holiday in captivity, Americans took time out to remember them, burning candles or shining lights for 417 seconds — one second for each day of captivity.

One year ago: British-born actor Peter Lawford died of a heart attack in Los Angeles, five days after lapsing into a coma. He was 61.

Today's Birthdays: Journalist I.F. Stone is 78. Actress Ava Gardner is 63. Choreographer Robert Joffrey is 55.



Lewis Grizzard

Not season for greed

Donna Powell and her husband, who live in Clarkston, Ga., took their 7-year-old son, Bryan, into Atlanta to a big shopping plaza to see Santa Claus the other day.

"We figured this was probably the last year he'd still believe in Santa," Donna explained.

Bryan climbed in Santa's lap and handed him a piece of notebook paper on which he had listed his desires from Santa's bag.

"He's like any other child," Bryan's mother explained. "He wants everything he sees, and he'd made out a long list."

The Santa took Bryan's note and began to read from it. After reading off several items, Santa, according to Donna Powell, stopped reading and looked directly at her.

"Mother," he said. "You know Bryan isn't going to get everything on this list."

"I was sort of shocked," Donna said. "But I just smiled."

Then, explained Mrs. Powell, Santa looked at Bryan and said, "I want you to take this list back home with you and make it about half as long as it is and then come back."

"My child was absolutely stunned," said Mrs. Powell. "By the time we got to the car, Bryan was

in tears. "He wadded up his list and threw it on the ground and said, 'Santa's not going to bring me anything this year.'"

"We tried to tell him differently, but his little heart was broken."

The Powells returned to the plaza the next night without Bryan and discussed their problem with the manager of the Santa display.

"He wouldn't allow us to talk to Santa," said Mrs. Powell.

Santa is breaking a little boy's heart, huh? I called the plaza, and the marketing director said she would get Santa to call me. A few minutes later, I got my first call from Santa in a number of years.

Santa turned out to be a nice man named Ray Bryant.

"I remember the little boy and the family," Ray Bryant said. "The father came back later and wanted to fight me. I've been playing Santa for a long time, and I've never had a problem like this before. It really hurts me."

"I do this in a humorous, caring way with lots of the kids. We get those who sit in your lap and hand

the entire Sears and Roebuck catalog.

"I usually say something like, 'Now, wait a minute. Rudolph can't pull all this much in the sleigh. Why don't you just tell me the three or four things you really want most of all?'"

"I do it to help the parents, and I do it so the kids won't be disappointed when they get up Christmas morning and don't have the entire list of things they asked Santa for."

Frankly, I don't see a heavy here. Ray Bryant, Santa, certainly didn't purposely hurt little Bryan Powell, and Bryan's parents naturally were upset when their son thought Santa wasn't going to visit him Christmas Eve.

What we have here, in my estimation, is a simple misunderstanding that will be forgotten when little Bryan sees all the loot Santa most certainly will bestow up on him Christmas morning.

One more thing. When Santa finished telling me about the incident, I asked him and he said I could forget a lot of things I asked for Christmas.

"Tis not the season, he pointed out, to be greedy. Fa la la la la, la la la la.

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Berry's World



"Isn't it possible that we've become a little TOO 'safe and sane'?"

Center is still the place to get votes

By Robert Walters

CAMDEN, N.J. (NEA) — This city's residents, the majority of whom are poor and members of minority groups, traditionally have displayed little enthusiasm for Republican politicians.

But when Gov. Thomas H. Kean recently ran for re-election, he carried Camden by 549 votes — an astounding feat for a Republican in a city that is more than half black, almost 20 percent Hispanic and less than 30 percent Anglo.

In fashioning a 70-30 statewide triumph over Democratic challenger Peter Shapiro, Kean also carried the

heavily black and Hispanic wards in other New Jersey cities — Newark, Elizabeth, Paterson, Trenton and Jersey City.

Although Republican candidates in New Jersey and elsewhere in the nation generally receive fewer than 10 percent of all black votes cast, an ABC News poll conducted outside balloting locations on Election Day showed that Kean was the choice of 60 percent of the state's black voters.

The exit poll also showed that Kean received more than 60 percent of all Hispanic votes, almost 70 percent of the ballots cast by people living in households with a union member and

more than 75 percent of all political independents' votes.

That phenomenal performance has euphoric Republicans conjuring up visions of a new political era in which they establish semi-permanent hegemony over the electoral process by capturing the loyalty of voters who consistently supported Democratic candidates in the past.

But there was a second gubernatorial election in 1985 — and in that contest the "politics of inclusion" promoted by Kean benefited the Democrats rather than the Republicans.

In Virginia, a state with a long-standing reputation for political and

social conservatism, a multi-racial, mixed-gender Democratic ticket headed by Democratic gubernatorial candidate Gerald L. Baliles swept to victory.

What significance do those seemingly conflicting 1985 results have for the states where politicians now are preparing for the 1986 elections?

Perhaps most important, they reaffirm the political truism that, in this country, the center of the political spectrum is the most productive place for politicians to station themselves because that's where most of the voters are.

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ORCHID LOVER — James Curtis, supervisor with the Dallas Parks Department, shows off an orchid he found languishing in a parks department greenhouse two years ago. The orchid is an extremely rare plant. (AP Laserphoto)

Parks worker discovers unknown orchid in Dallas parks hothouse

DALLAS, Texas (AP) — James Curtis is an orchid lover, but the one he found languishing in a parks department greenhouse two years ago was like nothing he'd ever seen.

An expert proved him correct, identifying the plant as an *Epidendrum platytilum*, a South American variety that had been mentioned in the botanical literature just once, in the late 1880s.

"That is only time he (the expert) could find this species cited in orchid history, and orchids are a very well-recorded type of plant," said Curtis, a production supervisor for the parks department greenhouse at Crawford Park.

Because the flower is one of a kind, Curtis had the honor of naming it. He chose 'Dallas.'

"I was very excited because I had never had anything that rare," Curtis said. "Speaking in terms of an orchid grower who is interested

in preserving the species, I was excited at having something to share with other orchid growers."

The plant was nearly dead when Curtis first saw it, soon after he went to work for the city of Dallas, but he nursed it back to health.

Since then, the Dallas orchid has doubled in size and produced distinctive chartreuse blooms three times. Last fall, the plant won an internationally recognized award at an orchid show in Wichita Falls.

With its health intact and reputation assured, the Dallas orchid has become a hothouse superstar, Curtis said. Growers and orchid lovers frequently stop by the greenhouse in southeast Dallas to get a look at the plant and to request seedlings for transplanting.

To meet the demand, Curtis pollinated the plant after this year's blooming.

"It's really very important to me for these seeds to develop," he said. "I feel some pressure as a plant lover and an orchid lover to keep it going. I'd hate to lose it to posterity."

But were it not for Curtis' labor of love, the rare orchid would have been lost forever. The plant was cached in an illegal shipment from South America that was seized by the Department of Agriculture several years ago. For months, the plant languished in a government warehouse, then was donated to the city.

"It was in terrible shape," said Curtis, who found the dormant, wilted orchid hidden among other potted plants at the greenhouse.

"I had no idea what it was, and I had to wait for it to bloom to figure out what I had," he said. "Even when it did a year later, I still didn't know what I had, which is not surprising because no one else did."

Winnie Mandela visits husband in prison

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Winnie Mandela, barred from her Soweto home by a police cordon, traveled to Cape Town for a holiday visit with her imprisoned husband Nelson, whose guerrilla group was blamed by officials for a bomb that killed seven whites near Durban.

Also Monday, police in Soweto fired on marchers at a funeral procession for a riot victim, killing a black youth, witnesses said. Police confirmed that a clash took place and said the bodies of two blacks were found later at the scene, but did not specify the cause of death.

In a separate clash, police said they arrested 222 blacks at Molteno in Cape province when a mob attacked police patrols. They said officers opened fire, wounding two blacks.

Mrs. Mandela, 50, a respected anti-apartheid activist in her own right, was arrested twice at her home over the weekend for defying a government ban on entering the Johannesburg area. On Saturday the government lifted an order issued in 1977 that restricted her to the rural community of Brandfort. Recently, she had ignored that order.

Mrs. Mandela was released on

her own recognizance Monday after a three-minute court hearing. The judge told Mrs. Mandela to appear in court Jan. 22. After her hearing, Mrs. Mandela again returned home and police surrounded the building. But lawyers conferred with Mrs. Mandela and then said the immediate threat of a third arrest had been "sorted out" and she was going to Cape Town.

She told reporters after arriving at the Cape Town airport, "I shall be going back to my house in Johannesburg. I have committed no crime."

Hightower says

Famine relief gift for all

AUSTIN (AP) — Project Tejas, the famine relief effort organized by the Texas Department of Agriculture, raised about \$1 million and bought enough food to feed up to 160,000 Ethiopians for a month.

"It's a Christmas present for all of us," Texas Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower said Monday.

Hightower said 40 railcar loads of Texas wheat and enough powdered Texas milk to make 2.4 million cups of liquid milk has been delivered to starvation-wracked Ethiopian villages. The milk will be distributed over several months as supplemental feeding for children.

Each bag of food delivered was labeled, "From the people of Texas."

"It gives us a little extra measure of satisfaction as we sit down with our plateful of Christmas dinner to realize that

Texans have done something special this year," Hightower said.

Distribution of the food was handled by Save the Children, an international, non-profit relief organization. Project Tejas also contributed \$105,000 so Save the Children could purchase and maintain two trucks and two trailers to help distribute food in the future.

"We were, through Project Tejas, the largest single African aid project for Save the Children in the world. So the people of Texas really did stand tall," Hightower said.

Project Tejas began a year ago. After six months of soliciting donations, a month of bagging the food and loading it aboard a cargo ship at Corpus Christi and two months in transit, the food reached villages in northern Ethiopia earlier this month.

The project was launched by the Texas agriculture department and

23 farm and ranch groups, and Hightower said donations came from across the state.

"From March until August, schoolchildren, labor unions, public employees and churches joined with thousands of individual Texans to contribute more than \$700,000 and another \$300,000 in in-kind donations," Hightower said.

Longshoremen from the Texas coast and Louisiana donated their labor to load the food aboard the 38,000-ton cargo ship *Iris*, which flew the Texas flag en route to Africa.

The food is being distributed in villages throughout a 250-mile radius in one of the hardest-hit regions of Ethiopia, Hightower added.

He said discussions already have begun on how Project Tejas can continue to aid Save the Children's long-term agricultural development work in Ethiopia.

Colgate agrees to change ads on its new toothpaste

AUSTIN (AP) — Colgate-Palmolive has agreed not to tell Texans that its new Dentagard toothpaste can do a better job of fighting plaque than can other toothpastes.

Assistant Texas Attorney

General Steve Gardner of Dallas said there is "absolutely" no effective difference between Dentagard and Colgate's regular toothpaste. Dentagard ads had claimed the new product could do a more effective job.

"There is no difference except what I would call cosmetic differences — a different color, it tastes different and it smells different," said Gardner.

Colgate-Palmolive spokeswoman Connie Meehan in New York said the ads in question have not been used in Texas since August, when Dentagard was introduced.

The agreement covers only Texas, but Gardner said he expects Colgate to also change its ads in other states.

Texas Attorney General Jim Mattox said customers who believed that Dentagard might be more effective also might reduce brushing.

"I remember what my mama taught me: brush your teeth often. Our concern with this particular advertising was that consumers would think they didn't need to do that," he said.

Nicaraguan military plane lands at Honduras airport

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — A Nicaraguan army pilot deserted during a routine mission Monday and flew to neighboring Honduras where he asked for asylum, a military official said.

Sub-Lt. Salvador Blanco Lacayo, 23, surrendered to Honduran authorities immediately upon landing at Toncontin International Airport outside this Central American capital, the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press.

He said Blanco Lacayo was the sole occupant of the twin-engine AN-2 supply plane, and that he turned over two Soviet-made AK-47 rifles.

people aboard. But the military official said these were incorrect.

Blanco Lacayo told authorities he had finished delivering weapons and food to Sandinista troops in Molocucu, in northern Nicaragua, when he decided to cross the border to seek asylum in Honduras, the official said.

Molocucu is an area that has been a center of fighting between Nicaragua's Sandinista army and U.S.-backed rebels trying to overthrow the leftist government.

Honduran Air Force fighter planes chased Blanco Lacayo's Polish-built aircraft it entered Honduran air space, forcing it to land at 4:45 p.m. (5:45 p.m. EST), the official said.

Initial reports had said the plane was a Soviet-built AN-12 transport plane and that there were several



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RETURNING THE ELMS — Chief horticulturalist Ezekiel Goodband of the Elm Research Institute, stands among the tiny elms the Institute distributes around the country from their Harrisville, N.H., office. The Boy Scouts of America have teamed up with the institute to distribute the trees. (AP Laserphoto)

Johnny Elmseed taking root with nation's Boy Scouts

By DAVID TIRRELL-WYSOCKI
Associated Press Writer

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — The Boy Scouts of America and a New Hampshire-based group hope next summer's re-dedication of the Statue of Liberty will be a catalyst to help a national "re-elming" program take root.

The Elm Research Institute is growing tens of thousands of trees resistant to Dutch elm disease and distributing them nationwide with the Scouts to replace millions of elms the disease has mowed down.

Institute and Scouting officials are coordinating the planting of tiny American Liberty Elms with the Statue of Liberty ceremony July 4. New York state has named the tree a symbol of liberty, to be included in many Statue of Liberty

centennial events.

John Hansel, the institute's executive director, said plantings are to begin at the statue's base — or as close to it as possible — and continue for 450 miles in communities along the Hudson River to the river's source at Lake Tear-of-the-Clouds in the Adirondack Mountains north of Albany.

According to the plan, while Scouts plant 6-foot trees along the Hudson, thousands of tiny elms will be planted in Scout nurseries around the country.

The New York planting will be "the torch being carried through the (statue's) home state," Hansel said, adding "...it's up to the Scouts to take the torch to communities around the country and have simultaneous plantings. We hope

many troops will start nurseries on that date.

Under the institute's "Johnny Elmseed" program, Scouts who choose the tree planting project survey communities to find mature elms, which can be treated with a new fungicide that wards off Dutch elm disease. They ask private elm owners and communities where the trees are on public property to buy a new tree or the chemicals to treat an existing one for \$25.

For each purchase, the institute donates a tree tagged with the donor's name to the troop, which will establish a nursery. After two or three years, when the trees become 8 to 10 feet high, they are replanted in a public place.

The institute donates a 6-foot elm ready for planting for every 10 trees sent to a nursery.

Administration says Soviets violate treaties, make gains

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Reagan administration accused the Soviet Union on Monday of posting military gains by violating arms control treaties, but it tempered the criticism by acknowledging that Moscow is complying with "significant provisions" of major arms agreements.

The assessment was made in a report to Congress as the administration formally declared that the United States will continue to abide by terms of the unratified SALT II arms control treaty beyond Dec. 31, when the pact would have expired.

"The policy stays in place. Our position on SALT II is that we have indicated that we will live under the agreements of SALT II and not violate them. And until we say differently, the policy remains the same," said presidential spokesman Larry Speakes.

The treaty, which then-candidate Ronald Reagan denounced in the 1980 presidential race as "fatally flawed," puts limits on long-range bombers, missile-firing submarines and land-based missiles.

In March, Reagan will have to

decide how to respond when a new Trident submarine, the USS Nevada, begins sea trials, forcing a choice between either exceeding SALT II limits or dismantling existing missile systems, such as two Poseidon submarines.

The president was briefed last week by Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger on possible American responses to Soviet violations of arms treaties, Speakes said. He said the recommendations will be studied by the White House staff before Reagan takes any action.

In the report to Congress, the president said the Soviet Union, through noncompliance with treaty obligations, "has made military gains in the areas of strategic offensive arms as well as chemical, biological and toxin weapons."

The report added that Moscow's "noncompliance in the area of strategic defense also is of increasing importance and serious concern."

"In a fundamental sense, all deliberate Soviet violations are equally important," the report added. "As violations of legal obligations or political commitments, they cause grave

concern regarding Soviet commitment to arms control, and they darken the atmosphere in which current negotiations are being conducted in Geneva and elsewhere."

On the other hand, the report said, "Soviet violations are not of equal importance. While some individual violations are of little apparent military significance in their own right, such violations can acquire importance if, left unaddressed, they are permitted to become precedents for future, more threatening violations."

The report credited Moscow with taking some action to correct what the administration previously had charged as treaty violations. In one case, the Soviets have lowered the production rate of Backfire bombers, and in another instance, the Russians have removed equipment associated with its SS-16 missile from a test site.

White House deputy press secretary Edward Djerejian said the Soviets are complying with major arms accords such as the nuclear nonproliferation treaty and agreements prohibiting placement or use of nuclear weapons in Antarctica and outer space.

Waite meets the captors of hostages, is leaving Beirut

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Anglican Church envoy Terry Waite said today he had met again with Moslem fundamentalists holding Americans hostage in Lebanon, but that "further steps are required" in his mission to free the captives.

Waite said he planned to fly to London later today to consult with his superior, the archbishop of Canterbury, dashing hopes the hostages would be freed for Christmas.

He stressed, however, that he is edging forward in his secret negotiations with the kidnapers, who say they are members of a Shiite Moslem group called Islamic Jihad, or Islamic Holy War.

"We're not deadlocked," he told a news conference at the Commodore Hotel in Moslem west Beirut. "I firmly believe that a solution to this problem is possible and I continue to work for it."

Waite had returned to Beirut on

Friday for the third time on his five-week-old mercy mission, said he will "report once again directly" to Archbishop of Canterbury Robert Runcie in London.

"During the next few days I expect to have further contacts with other parties who are involved in this matter," he said, without elaborating. "The negotiations remain at a critical stage."

Asked if he was carrying new proposals from the kidnapers to the U.S. government, Waite said, "There are steps to be taken ... which I hope to take in the next few days."

Waite began his mission Nov. 13 after four of the six Americans missing in Lebanon wrote to Runcie, the spiritual head of the Church of England, appealing for his intervention.

The four are Terry Anderson, chief Middle East correspondent for The Associated Press; the Rev.

Lawrence Jenco, a Roman Catholic priest; David Jacobsen, director of American University Hospital in Beirut; and Thomas Sutherland, the university's dean of agriculture.

Waite told reporters he had not seen the four, but said, "In the past days I have received assurances that the four Americans are in good health. I have passed Christmas messages from their families to them."

A statement purported to come from Islamic Jihad said last October that the group had killed another kidnapped American, diplomat William Buckley, but his body has never been found.

If you can't make it complicated, don't make it at all

By LAWRENCE L. KNUTSON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Pentagon, which some say likes writing voluminous specifications even more than it likes defending the country, has drafted an 18-page recipe for what Sen. Sam Nunn

calls the "Perfect Specification, Cost-Is-No-Object" Christmas fruitcake.

Nunn, a Georgia Democrat who contends the Pentagon has become dangerously musclebound from overlaid levels of command and overly specific specifications, told the Senate last week that while

some standards are of value, 18 pages on how to make a fruitcake carries a worthwhile effort to ridiculous ends.

But he offered to share some of the details of Defense Department cookery with other senators because "Christmas is a time for sharing recipes."

For example: "The fruitcake batter shall consist of equal parts by weight of cake batter specified in Table I and fruit and nut blend specified in Table II blended in such a manner as to meet the requirements of 3.5."

For example: "Heat retention when baking should create a

vacuum in accordance with PPPC-26."

For example: "Candied Cherries: Candied cherries shall be made from pitted cherries. They shall be thoroughly processed with sugars to a soluble solids content of not less than 72 percent and artificially colored with a red dye. They shall be cut to yield one-quarter inch to one-half inch (6.4 mm to 12.8 mm) cherry pieces on the average."

For example: "When the cooled product is bisected vertically and horizontally with a sharp knife, it shall not crumble nor show any

compression streaks, gummy centers, soggy areas, be excessively dry or overprocessed, and shall display an even grain area throughout. The fruit and nut pieces shall be evenly distributed throughout the sliced surface."

Azcona Hoyo the winner in Honduras

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras (AP) — The National Elections Tribunal on Monday declared Jose Azcona Hoyo, a 58-year-old civil engineer, the winner of the complicated presidential elections held a month ago.

Azcona Hoyo is to be inaugurated Jan. 27 for a four-year term,

succeeding President Roberto Suazo Cordova.

Rafael Palacios Tosta, president of the elections panel, said Monday night in a nationwide radio and TV broadcast that the tribunal had been receiving, counting and scrutinizing the ballots cast in 285 municipalities around the country.

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A LAST LOOK — The Rev. Jerome Sullivan, pastor of St. Mary of Sorrows Church, stands at the altar looking out at the empty Romanesque church in Buffalo, N.Y., which is due for demolition because it needs \$1 million in exterior repairs. (AP Laserphoto)

Historic church faces wrecker's ball as the congregation shrinks

By STEPHEN W. BELL
Associated Press Writer

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — For nearly 100 years it was church and social center for a hard-working community of German-Americans, but people have fled the area in recent years and almost a century of the ravages of Buffalo weather has taken its toll on the parish church of St. Mary of Sorrows.

The last Mass was celebrated in the downtown church Dec. 6, and after Christmas the diocese will seek bids on the expected \$250,000 demolition job, church officials said.

"You can't just mothball it," said the Rev. Jerome Sullivan, the parish priest. "Just leaving it standing was not viable. There were insurance costs and a building that was shown not to be safe could not be left."

Before the wrecker's ball begins its work, the diocese will auction off St. Mary's pews, the magnificent stained-glass windows and other treasures of the Romanesque church that was a recreation in America of the beloved European churches remembered by early parishioners.

"This was not an easy decision. It's taken us a year and a half to come to this decision," said Johnstone Reid Jr., director of diocesan buildings and properties. "From an economical, physical point of view, the church itself is extremely expensive to maintain," he added. "It was built to hold 1,600 people, but now there are under 200 families there, so from a functional standpoint the church itself is well over design for the size of the parish."

German immigrants borrowed \$150,000 on Jan. 23, 1886, to build St.

Mary's. The building was finished in 1905 and its four bells, each the size of a man, were installed in 1911.

Architectural historian John Conlin has asked the Buffalo Landmark and Preservation Board to declare the building a landmark and seek other uses for it, but the board has no authority to deny demolition.

"Its extraordinary bell tower is one of the highest in the city and this tower, together with its many other rare architectural features, makes the building (a) most prominent architectural landmark ... beyond downtown," Conlin said in the application.

"Your whole life, our lives, the lives of everyone in the whole area, Christian or not, was centered on the church. It was your whole activity, your social life, your religious activity," said former parishioner Paul Becker.

One of the best in years

By JOHN CUNIFF
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — This is a rare Christmas, economically speaking, primarily because so many parts of the consumer economy have fallen into place and some of the old bugaboos have retreated to their lairs.

The usual problems of income maldistribution remain, but most Americans this year can measure themselves favorably against a year ago, particularly since inflation remains becalmed and isn't likely soon to catch a wild wind.

The housing picture remains one of the best in years, especially since interest rates are declining and, according to a large number of forecasters, may continue in that direction for several more months.

Personal income is up by about 4.7 per cent for the year, and while that doesn't measure up to the

extraordinary 9.2 per cent gain a year earlier, most of it is in the form of wages and salaries rather than interest income.

The latter situation reflects lower interest rates, of course, and it is generally assumed that in a nation of borrowers more people benefit from low borrowing rates than from high interest earnings.

And, in part because interest rates have fallen, money has flowed into stocks, lifting the market and incomes — present and future — of millions. Even those who don't consider themselves stockholders have benefitted, because there is hardly a pension fund that isn't heavily invested in corporate shares.

There is even good news to be found in places where a lot of folks don't expect it.

The decline in the dollar, for example, is viewed by many people as a waning of Uncle Sam's vigor, and to some extent it can be viewed that way. But it also means

American manufacturers, harassed by low-priced imports, will be more competitive, and that means more jobs and better incomes.

You can even squeeze some good news out of the fact that throughout 1985 the economy operated well below its optimum. While that meant fewer jobs than might have been possible, it also meant that inflation remained in its den.

There is a feeling that the politicians eventually if not now will face up to the matter of budget deficits and the national debt, which almost every year captures more of the budget in the form of interest to be paid.

There is less concern now than a few weeks ago about consumer debt. While it is true that the savings rate remains low, it doesn't adequately take into consideration rises in stock, bond and housing assets.

The burden on Social Security seems to be lifting.

Videotapes help push settlements

AUSTIN (AP) — For lawyers representing clients who feel they've been wronged, a few minutes of video pictures can be worth millions of dollars.

In Austin recently, a doctor agreed to a \$2 million settlement of a malpractice suit after jurors saw videotaped testimony from a former patient. The woman testified from her deathbed. She died before the trial.

Several people in the courtroom had to fight back tears.

Austin attorney Mack Kidd, who has pioneered the use of videotape and other visual aides, said it's a technique that's tough to beat.

"Now you can bring a client into a courtroom, for example, that's bed-ridden and otherwise would be unable to be visualized by the jury," he said. "It's the old adage that a picture is worth a thousand words."

The potential of courtroom videotape has not been lost on entrepreneurs. Former Austin and San Antonio television reporter

Baxter Gentry helps lawyers prepare videotaped "settlement brochures."

The brochures are narrated, videotaped outlines of a plaintiff's case. The goal is to prod a defendant into a settlement.

"What we're doing is communicating what our case is going to look like to a jury — not only how a jury would respond intellectually about the facts that we have about the case, but how a jury is going to respond on a gut level," said Gentry.

"Ideally, what you want is a sense of indignation. You want the jury to be angry with the defendant and you want them to be sympathetic with your side. Those two emotions together send them back into the jury room and they

come back and just zap it out of these guys," he said.

The cost of producing a brochure ranges from \$5,000 to \$35,000.

In many cases, the audience is a defendant's insurance company.

"These cases are going to settle, whether I'm involved or not. I'm just maximizing the amount of money they settle for," said Gentry.

State District Judge Juan Gallardo of Austin said more points can be scored through jurors' eyes than through their ears.

"It is well recognized in the education field that 80 percent of what we learn in school is learned through our eyes and not our ears. Lawyers are beginning to realize that and are relying more on visual aids than they used to."

Commissioner blasts farm bill

AUSTIN (AP) — The new federal farm bill signed into law by President Reagan is so bad that its five-year programs may not last through next year, Texas Agriculture Commissioner Jim Hightower says.

"This new farm bill is such a mess that it will force Congress to deal with an even more severe farm crisis in 1986," he said Monday after Reagan signed the legislation.

Hightower called the bill "a piece of trash" that will further depress crop prices and increase farm bankruptcies.

"This legislation does more damage to American agriculture than all the combined droughts, tornadoes, freezes, hurricanes and other weather disasters have done in the past 50 years," Hightower said.

"It is going to lower the prices that farmers are now receiving for their commodities, which are below the cost of production already. It is going to increase bankruptcies, foreclosures,

involuntary liquidations and other forms of farmers going out of business in this next year."

The farm bill reauthorizes for five years a long list of programs ranging from crop price supports and income subsidies to foreign famine relief efforts, food stamps and agricultural credit, research and extension programs.

At the heart of the bill are provisions lowering federal price supports for major commodities, including wheat, corn, rice, cotton and soybeans. The action is designed to make the crops more competitive in world trade and restore U.S. market share lost in recent years to an overvalued dollar and excessive support levels.

While the cost of the bill's commodity sections has been estimated at \$52 billion over the next three years, some analysts say it is likely to go considerably higher — perhaps to \$75 billion — and set new record for farm-program spending.

"This monster requires a record

\$125 billion expenditure by taxpayers over the next five years to subsidize even lower crop prices ... Farmers don't want tax dollars.

They want sound business tools to bring supply back in line with demand so they can get a fair price and a profit from the marketplace," said Hightower, a Democrat who has been highly critical of the Reagan farm program.

"In all likelihood, this legislation means that 20 percent of the family farmers in our state will not be able to obtain financing in 1986," he added.

Hightower didn't lay all the blame on the Reagan administration.

The bill, he said, is "as irrational a piece of legislation as could be devised by the Congress of the United States, and they are masters of that."

"Unfortunately, there are people who make a lot of money off of 'farming' farmers, and they had a lot more lobbying clout this year with Congress than did farmers."


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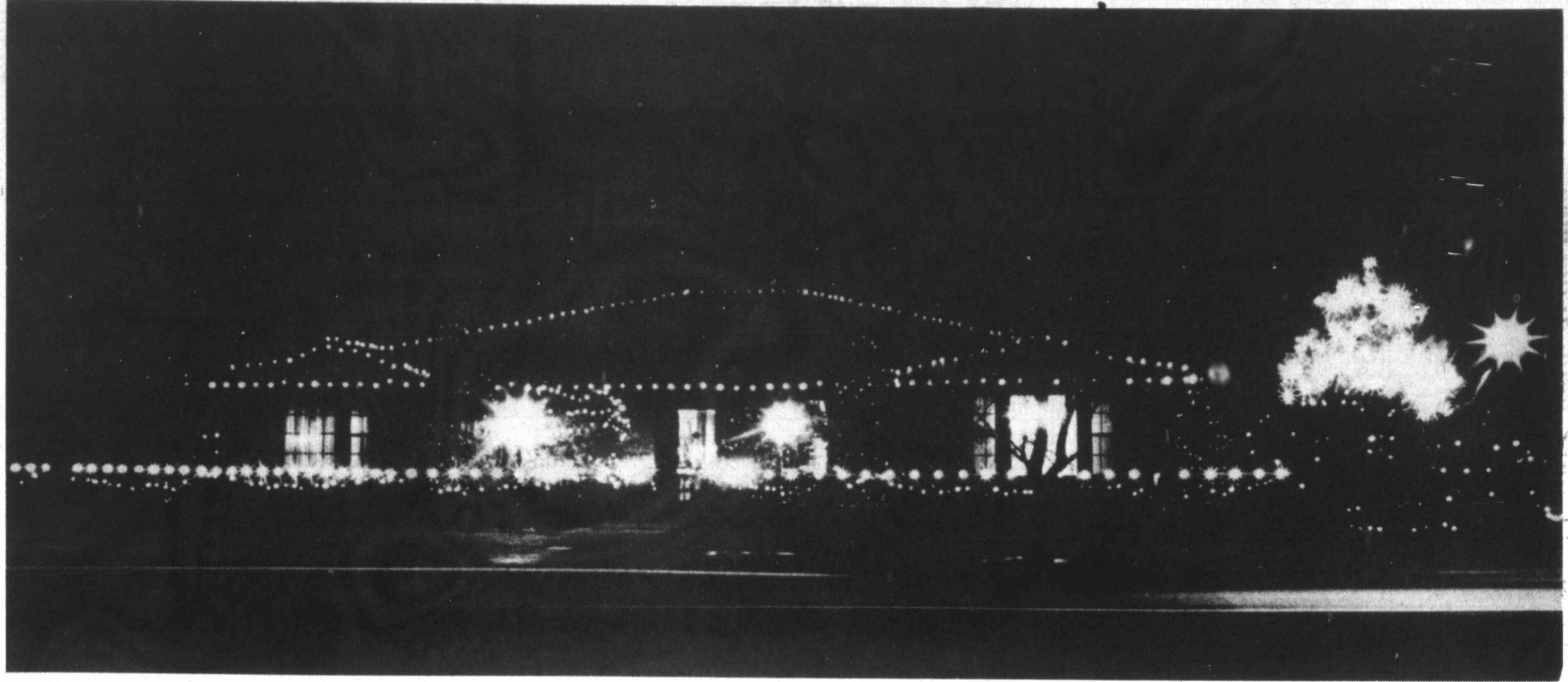
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Pampa homes all lit up for Christmas



J.L. Romines home at 2300 Beech lighted up from one end to other

Some decorations you can show the kids....

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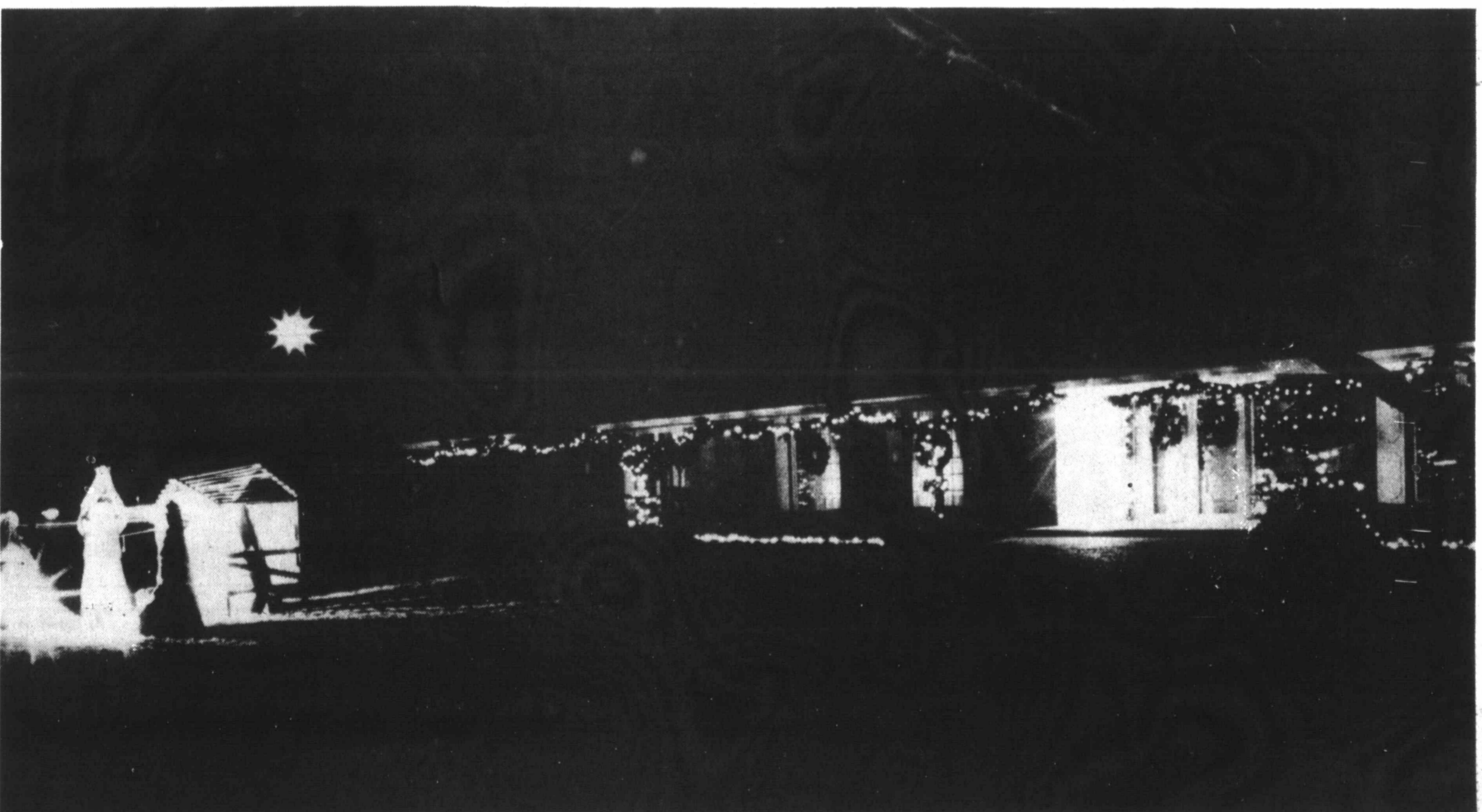


A lighted trail at 2516 Beech



Lights ablaze at 2381 Chestnut

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Decorations at 2301 Beech include manger scene and star of Bethlehem

Today's Crossword Puzzle

Release in Papers of Tuesday, Dec. 24, 1985

CROSS

- 1 Objects of worship
- 6 Bohemian reformer
- 10 Deny
- 12 Olympic athlete
- 14 River in Texas
- 15 Provoke
- 16 Compass point
- 17 Novel
- 19 Javanese tree
- 20 Life jacket (2 wds.)
- 23 Feeble-minded person
- 28 Highest note
- 27 Swiss river
- 30 Wise king of Pylos
- 32 Actress
- 34 Chief ore of lead
- 35 Turned over
- 36 Chemical suffix
- 37 Spy group (abbr.)
- 39 Encounters
- 40 Inductance units
- 42 Israeli folk dance
- 45 Same (comb. form)
- 46 Hindu deity
- 49 Helpless
- 51 Western state
- 54 More insignificant
- 55 Out of bed
- 56 Locality
- 57 That is (Lat. 2 wds.)

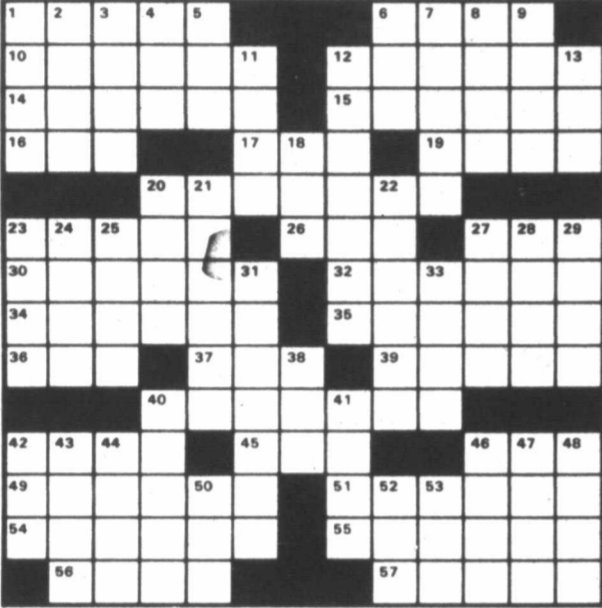
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- 1 Hostels
- 2 God (Lat.)
- 3 Curved molding

Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 4 Fond du Via.
- 5 Female saint (abbr.)
- 6 Curse
- 7 Full-length
- 8 Small sample of cloth
- 9 Bristle
- 11 Old slave
- 12 Gem merchant
- 13 Legal matter
- 18 Sheep
- 20 Immediately (2 wds.)
- 22 Biblical dancer
- 23 Woman's name
- 24 College head
- 25 Small island
- 27 Wing (Fr.)
- 28 Dill seed
- 29 Cincinnati ball club
- 31 Monaco prince
- 33 Pub drinks
- 38 Art (Lat.)
- 40 Custom
- 41 Island off Scotland
- 42 Marching cadence
- 43 Burden
- 44 Hindu queen
- 46 Urn
- 47 Cooling drinks
- 48 Argot
- 50 Robert E.
- 52 Silkworm
- 53 Refer to (Lat. abbr.)



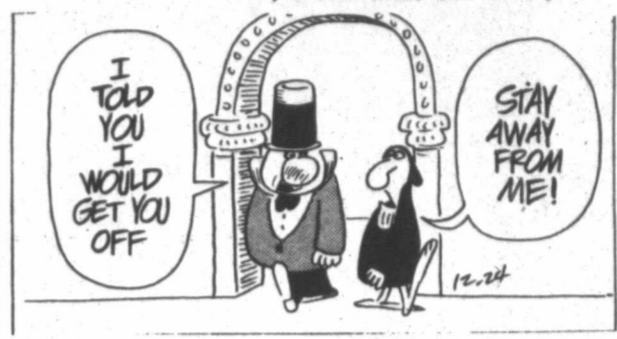
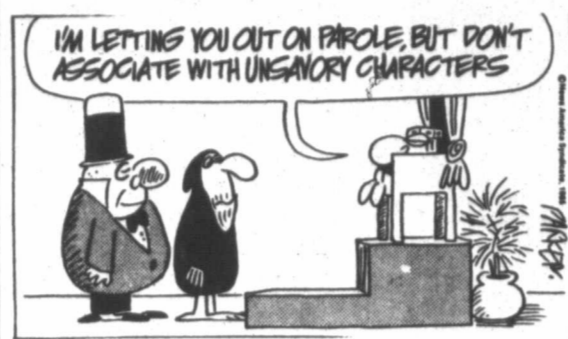
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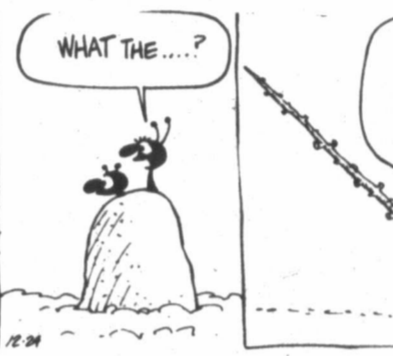
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Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol
Dec. 25, 1985

Your holdings are apt to be far greater at the end of the coming year than they will be when the year begins. Large gains may be in the offing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Conditions are promising today pertaining to your material desires. Santa may treat you more generously than you expected. Major changes are ahead for Capricorns in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, Box 1846, Cincinnati, OH 45201. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) One of your greatest assets is your ability to make friends with people from all walks of life. Today, this quality will be in full gear.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Those reliable little hunches you've learned to depend on will be on target today. Intuition, blended with logic, will serve as your guide.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) To effectively please a group today, single out the key people and function close to them. Don't try to cater to the unenthusiastic.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Material aspects are extremely favorable for you today. There could be a surprise in store when you're given something you didn't expect.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In your dealings with loved ones today, keep the broader picture before you. All of the small factors will fall into place once you perceive the general outline.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Valuable confidential information will be disclosed to you today. You'll eventually benefit from it, but for the present, secrecy is essential.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your fair and generous nature will be pronounced today. Lucky are those who will be involved with you on a one-to-one basis.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Opportunities to advance or enhance your material position in life will be bigger than usual today. One in particular will be especially significant.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) There is something much grander and advantageous behind what will appear to be merely a gesture of good will from one who loves you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today you'll be on the minds of people with whom you have strong emotional ties. Each may try to upstage the other in doing nice things for you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Paint your canvas with bold strokes today because your larger ideas will have greater chances of succeeding than your smaller ones.

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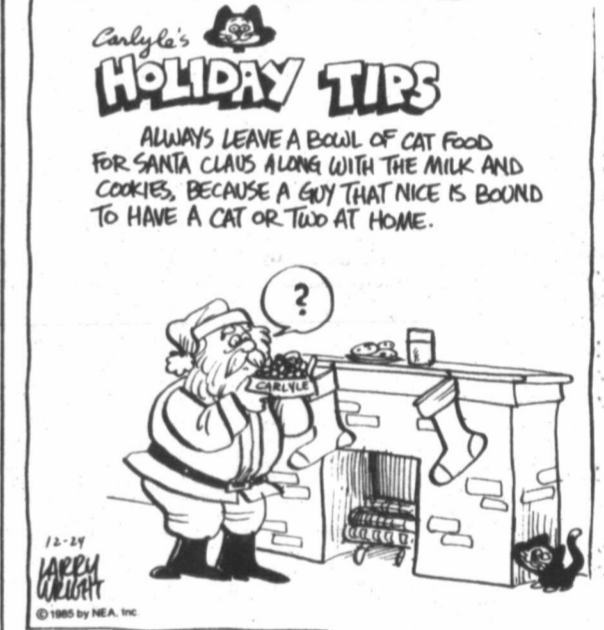
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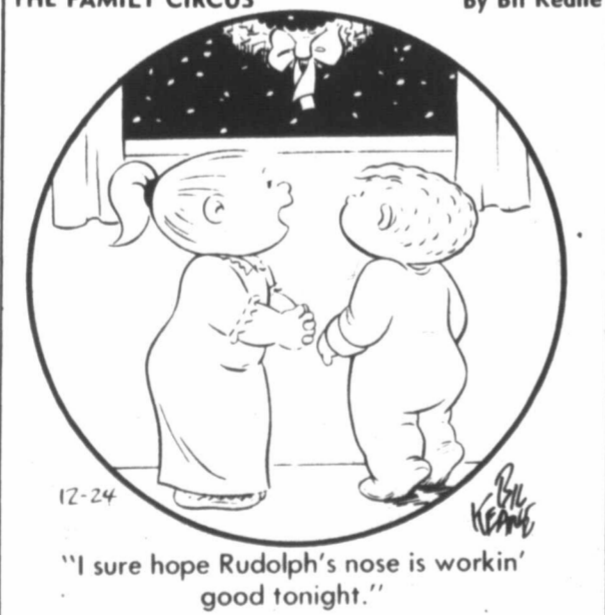


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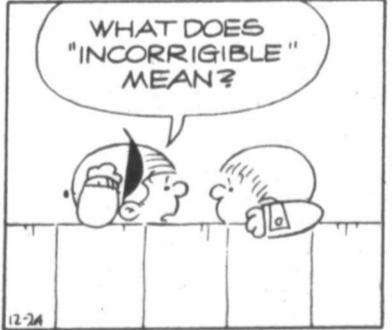


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WARREN HASSE

SPORTING SOME HOLIDAY THOUGHTS...
When God measures an athlete he puts a tape around his heart, not his waist.

Life is a game of football, and you play it every day. It isn't just the breaks you get, but how well you play. Stop and look the whole team over, you've some pretty rugged men.

If you work them all together, there's no goal you can't defend. Your fullback's name is **COURAGE**, you need him in this game. For **TRUTH** and **FAITH**, your halfbacks, there'll be many yards to gain.

Your quarterback is very fast, though small and hard to see. So watch Son, when he gets the ball, he's **OPPORTUNITY**.

At right end there's **RELIGION**, he's stood the test of time. At left end there is **BROTHERHOOD**, he's the bulwark of the line.

Your right tackle is **AMBITION**, don't ever let him shirk; Left tackle is a husky man, you'll find his name is **WORK**.

Your left guard's name is **HUMOR**, he's important to the team; While **HONOR**'s playing right guard, your game is always clean.

If **LOVE** plays at the center spot and does his very best, Then you shall have a winning team, and really know success.

The other team is strong, Son. **GREED**, **ENVY**, **HATRED** and **DECEIT**

Are four strong backs you'll have to buck to ward off sure defeat. **DISCOURAGEMENT** and **FALSEHOOD** are the big boys on the end.

You'll have to tackle hard my boy, when you meet up with these men.

SELFISHNESS and **JEALOUSY**, you'll find them playing guard. While **CARELESSNESS** and a man called **WASTE**, are tackles you cannot disregard.

There's one more man you'll have to watch all through the game, my dear:

He's playing center for the team; I'm told his name is **FEAR**. This game will not be easy; there'll be struggle, there'll be strife

As you work for victory glorious in this real tough game of life. So stand behind your team, son, there'll be many who'll applaud.

Just remember, you're the **CAPTAIN**; and the referee is **GOD**.

"We know how rough the road will be, how heavy where the load will be;

We know about the barricades that wait along the track. But we have set our souls ahead upon a certain goal ahead,

And nothing left from hell to sky shall ever turn us back." Vince Lombardi

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will, when the road you're trudging seems all uphill, when the funds are low and the debts are high, and you want to smile but you have to sigh, when care is pressing you down a bit - rest if you must, but don't you quit.

Life is queer with its twists and turns, as everyone of us sometimes learns. And many a fellow turns about when he might have won, had he stuck it out. Don't give up though the pace seems slow - you may succeed with another blow.

Often the goal is nearer than it seems to a faint and faltering man; often the struggler has given up when he might have captured the victor's cup; and he learned too late when the night came down, how close he was to the golden crown.

Success is failure turned inside out - the silver tint of the clouds of doubt. And when you never can tell how close you are, it may be near when it seems afar; so stick to the fight when you're hardest hit - it's when things seem worst, you mustn't quit!

"It isn't the plays or the system that gets the job done; it's the quality of people in the system" - Joe Paterno.

"Associate yourself with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for it is better to be alone than in bad company" - George Washington.

A COACH'S PRAYER

I suppose I should ask for flashy backs whose hips are in constant swivel, and whose speed and dash make people say, "Boy, they run to beat the Devil."

I ought to include a massive line with chassis like big Mack trucks, whose brute strength scares all opponents and drops them like sitting ducks.

I could ask for a team with precision, whose efforts would all honors take; and also plead for a squad with brains who would never make a mistake.

But Lord, I am an understanding coach, the talent cannot all be mine; so if you give me the things I ask for, I'll never complain or whine.

Just give me a bunch of eager kids with the spirit to fight and win; who will battle as soon as they take the field, and most of all, never give in.

(The preceding were taken from a wonderful sports book entitled **WINNING WORDS**. Merry Christmas!)

Pampa teams entered in holiday tourneys

Both the Pampa High basketball teams will be competing in holiday tournaments this week.

The Harvesters will meet the Weatherford Kangaroos at 4:30 p.m. Thursday in the first round of the Fort Worth Lions Club Tournament. The Lady Harvesters are entered in the Slaton Tournament and will meet Vernon at 4 p.m. Thursday in first-round action.

The Harvesters, 9-5, won two of four games in last year's tournament to finish in fourth place. Pampa goes into the tourney with a 1-0 District 1-4A mark after defeating Levelland, 47-42, Friday night.

Donovan Lewis, a 6-2 senior, has scored 205 points in 14 games to lead the Harvesters in scoring. Petie Davis, a 6-3 senior, returned after a three-game absence to take game-scoring honors with 18 points in the district win over Levelland. Davis, who was out with an injured achilles tendon, is averaging 15.9 ppg.

The Lady Harvesters, 6-4, had a 5-game winning streak come to an abrupt end last Friday night at the hands of Levelland, 66-26.

The 40-point loss left Pampa coach Albert Nichols stumped.

"As many years as I've been a coach, I don't know what causes

games like this," Nichols said. "Levelland has a real good team, but I know they're not 40 points better than us."

Pampa had trouble getting off high-percentage shots against a tough Levelland defense. Levelland forced 20 turnovers.

Nichols feels confident the Lady Harvesters can bounce back from the disappointing loss.

"We had to do it before when Amarillo High beat us and then we came back to win the Abilene Tournament," Nichols said. "I'm just trying to get the girls to not dwell on the Levelland loss."

Nichols said. "We're 2-1 in district, so we're not in bad shape."

The Lady Harvesters could have a chance to meet up with Levelland in the Slaton Tournament. The Lady Lobos are one of the top-seeded teams in the 16-team tournament.

Among the other top-flight teams are Canyon, Sweetwater, Midland Lee, Tulla, Vernon and Plainview.

"I don't believe Levelland will beat us by 40 again, even if we have to put glue on our hands and hold the ball for the entire game," Nichols said.

Pampa has a definite Jan. 24 date with Levelland on the homecourt.

Clinch home-field advantage

Raiders close with victory

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — The simple, yet extremely efficient combination of running back Marcus Allen and an overpowering defense has the Los Angeles Raiders primed and ready for the National Football League playoffs.

Allen rushed for 123 yards on 24 carries and the Raiders' defense continued to perform brilliantly Monday night during a 16-6 victory over the Los Angeles Rams in the final regular-season game of 1985.

The Raiders finished the campaign with six straight victories — their longest winning streak since 1980 — and a 12-4 record. The win assured the AFC Western Division champions of the home-field advantage throughout the conference playoffs.

The NFC West champion Rams, who had nothing tangible at stake, wound up 11-5.

Both teams will be home in their first playoff games — the Rams face NFC East champion Dallas on Jan. 4 while the Raiders meet the winner of next Saturday's AFC wild-card game between the New York Jets and

New England on Jan. 5.

Despite the fact that Anaheim Stadium is the home of the Rams, many in the crowd of 66,676 were chanting, "Raiders, Raiders, Raiders" in the closing moments of Monday night's game.

Allen's effort enabled him to win the 1985 NFL rushing title with 1,759 yards, 40 more than the total of Atlanta's Gerald Riggs.

In addition, Allen set an NFL record for yards gained from scrimmage in one season with 2,314, breaking the Rams' Eric Dickerson's 1984 mark of 2,244 yards, and tied Walter Payton's league record with his ninth consecutive 100-yard rushing game.

"I'm happy about winning the rushing title, but it's more important that we won the game," Allen said. "It's a lot better playing at home than on the road during the playoffs."

The Raiders' defense limited the Rams to a pair of field goals and has allowed only nine points on three field goals in its last 10 quarters plus an overtime period at Denver.

"We're playing defense right

now probably as well as any Raider team I've ever seen," said Coach Tom Flores.

The Raiders went ahead for

good on Chris Bahr's third field goal of the game, a 29-yarder with 9:50 left to play. That made it 9-6.



LEADING RUSHER — Raiders' running back Marcus Allen won the NFL rushing crown with 123 yards Monday night during a 16-6 win over the Los Angeles Rams. Allen finished the season with 1,759 yards to become the first Raider to win the NFL rushing title. The Raiders also clinched the home-field advantage for the conference playoffs. (AP Laserphoto)

College basketball roundup

DePaul losing by lopsided scores

It hasn't been a happy three days for DePaul and Coach Joey Meyer.

The Blue Demons, 20th in The Associated Press college basketball poll, lost by 15 points for the second time in three days when they fell 71-56 to Purdue Monday night.

"I'd like to apologize for the way we played," Meyer said. "It was very poor. Purdue was better prepared than we were. We were lucky we only lost by 15. You need intensity to play a team like Purdue, and we just didn't have it."

Todd Mitchell scored 15 points, Troy Lewis 14 and Melvin McCants 13 for the Boilermakers, 9-2, who may be in line to jump into the rankings.

"With this victory, I've just received my Christmas present," Purdue Coach Gene Keady said. "It looks like we can play in the Big Ten now. We have made some great strides so far this year."

In other games Monday night involving ranked teams, it was 5 Georgetown 96, Seattle 57; No. 6 Kansas 94, George Washington 71; No. 10 Memphis State 82, Murray State 59; No. 11 St. John's 98, Monmouth 58; and No. 16 Illinois 95, Howard 61.

DePaul, 6-2, which lost 85-70 to Georgetown on Saturday, fell

behind Purdue 10-2 and the Boilermakers increased the margin to 37-24 at halftime. McCants, despite a sore ankle, scored 11 points in the first 20 minutes.

"It was very important for us to get a good start," Keady said. "We hit our first five shots and got the crowd involved in the game. The crowd had a lot to do with tonight's victory. Mitchell said it was the loudest he'd ever heard in Mackey Arena."

Keady said he worried about DePaul's big front line before the game, but Purdue fought the Blue Demons to a 34-34 rebounding standoff, led by 6-foot-5 forward Doug Lee's 13.

Purdue expanded its lead to as much as 64-44 in the second half and DePaul got no closer than the final margin the rest of the way.

Marty Embry had 15 points and 10 rebounds for the Blue Demons. **Top Ten** Georgetown won its 38th consecutive game against non-Big East Conference competition, finding an easy victim against 1-11 Seattle.

The Chieftains missed 14 shots and committed three turnovers as the Hoyas started the game with a 25-6 streak.

Georgetown, which got 16 points

from David Wingate and 14 from Reggie Williams, then hit eight of its first nine shots in the second half for a 63-29 advantage. Kevin Bailey scored all of his 19 points in

the second half for Seattle.

Calvin Thompson scored 21 points and hit 10 of 11 shots from the field as Kansas whipped George Washington

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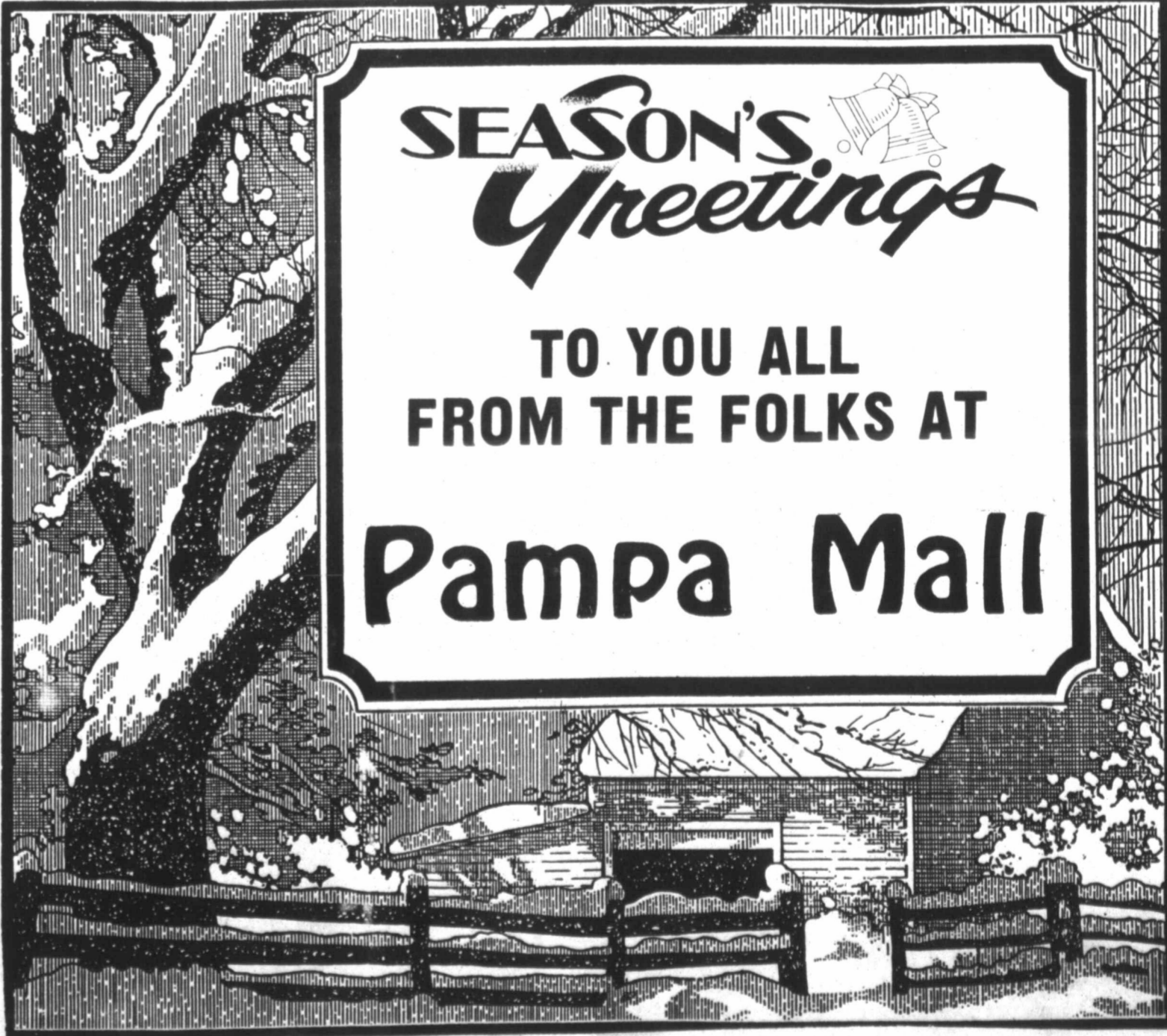
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SEASON'S Greetings

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AIDS blood test accuracy challenged by researchers

DALLAS (AP) — A much-touted test to screen for AIDS in donated blood is less reliable than the government claims, and the result could be an increase in the number of people who get the fatal ailment through blood transfusions, researchers warn.

In a copyright story Sunday, the Dallas Times Herald reported that some scientists say the Elisa test — described by a former Cabinet member as "the answer to the prayers of thousands of Americans" — is unable to detect AIDS during the early stages of infection.

Dr. William Haseltine of Harvard University predicts the number of AIDS cases from blood transfusions could equal or surpass the number of people who get hepatitis from blood transfusions, the newspaper reported in a copyright story.

Hepatitis is a generally non-fatal disease, while Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, which attacks the body's immune system, is regarded as usually fatal.

About 2,000 transfusion recipients get hepatitis each year, Haseltine estimated. Other estimates range from only a few hundred to as many as 7 percent of the 3.5 million people who receive transfusions every year.

"The problem will be at least as

severe for AIDS and maybe worse," said Haseltine.

Dr. Alvin Novick, an AIDS expert at Yale, estimates that on any given day there may be 120,000 Americans infected recently enough with AIDS to test negative if they tried to donate blood.

Dr. James Reuben, chief of the clinical immunology laboratory at M.D. Anderson Hospital and Tumor Institute in Houston, where prototypes of the Elisa test were studied before licensing, said that by using the more elaborate Western blot test, he has detected contaminated blood that slipped past the Elisa screen.

He declined to release figures because his study has not been published.

The Western blot test is generally considered more sensitive but is expensive and impractical for mass testing, doctors say.

In addition, researchers say the validation techniques used by manufacturers and federal licensing agencies were "biased," giving an inflated measure of the test's sensitivity to AIDS infection when it is uncertain.

Some medical experts also fear that overconfidence in the test's effectiveness will hinder efforts to discourage "high risk" blood donors and non-essential

transfusions.

"A certain amount of false confidence has been put into the (Elisa) test," said Peter Mansell, head of the AIDS clinic at M.D. Anderson. "Although we can say the problem of people getting AIDS from blood transfusions will go away, I don't think that's true. We're far from out of the woods."

Exacerbating the problems with the Elisa test's accuracy are the sweeping endorsements of the test by top medical and public officials, the Times Herald reported.

Former Health and Human Services Secretary Margaret Heckler said when the Food and Drug Administration licensed the test that it was "the answer to the prayers of thousands of Americans."

A statement by the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta said the test, coupled with efforts to deter possible AIDS carriers from donating blood "will virtually eliminate the risk" of AIDS transmission through blood transfusions.

In August, Dr. Norwood Hill, president of the Wadley Blood Center in Dallas, wrote to Dr. James Curran of the CDC, asking him to tone down "the degree of optimism" the center was expressing about the Elisa test.

In response, Curran wrote that

the test could miss 10 percent of the blood samples in which the antibody is present, a figure 10 times higher than the less than 1 percent quoted by the FDA's public statements, the Times Herald said.

However, Dr. John Ward, a CDC epidemiologist who has been studying the Elisa test for the past year, disputed critics' claims that the agency has overstated the effectiveness of the test.

But he said, "I'm not making the claim that every blood donor that's

infected will be picked up by this test. It's a fairly young science. I'm not trying to make any apologies for it. You only have what you have."

Other researchers and blood bank operators also fear that the claims about the Elisa test is undermining earlier efforts to prevent high-risk people from donating blood in the first place.

"What we find is that there are still high-risk people giving blood,"

Hill said. "The problem I have is that everyone is saying that it (the test) is perfect. We just don't believe the test... is that good."

Since implementing the Elisa test, "a lot of blood banks have become lax" about keeping up efforts to warn members of AIDS risk groups not to donate blood, said Marcia Divoll, a medical malpractice attorney who represents several Boston area hospitals.

Coastal inn to mark its centennial

PORT ARANSAS, Texas (AP) — The species of fish that lent its name to the Tarpon Inn may be scarce these days, but the inn has weathered two hurricanes, a fire and several remodelings to celebrate its 100th birthday next year.

The history of the two-story frame inn with wide porches, built to resemble a Civil War barracks, lies in the 7,000 tarpon scales that line its west wall.

"The guests pay for fame and antiquity rather than luxury," said a hotel clerk.

The tarpon scales were nailed to the walls by anglers who fished in nearby waters for the once abundant trophy. Hanging a tarpon scale with the date the fish was caught and its size became an inn tradition soon after it opened.

The best-known scales belonged to a fish caught by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1937. Now, few tarpon are caught in local waters.

The inn was built in 1886 by Frank Stephenson, a boat pilot and assistant lighthouse keeper in Port Aransas.

Since then, the inn has gone through a handful of owners and has been rebuilt or renovated numerous times. It has housed area residents during storms and has served as headquarters for the Red Cross, Salvation Army and military units, according to the Texas Historical Commission.

The inn also served as a landmark for sailors, and Port Aransas was known at one time as Tarpon, Texas.

The inn was destroyed by fire in

1900, but was rebuilt with an addition in the rear in 1904.

A hurricane damaged the inn in 1916 and in 1919.

It was taken over by Jim Atwill and his business associate Gordon E. Wise in 1977.

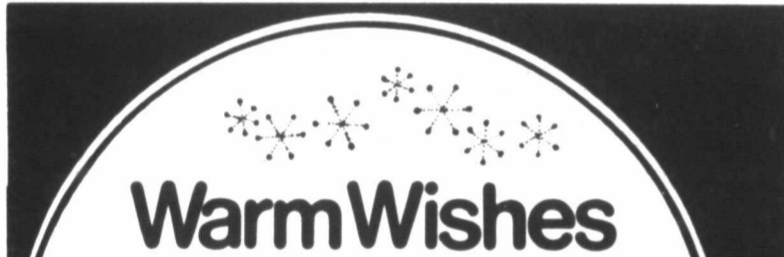


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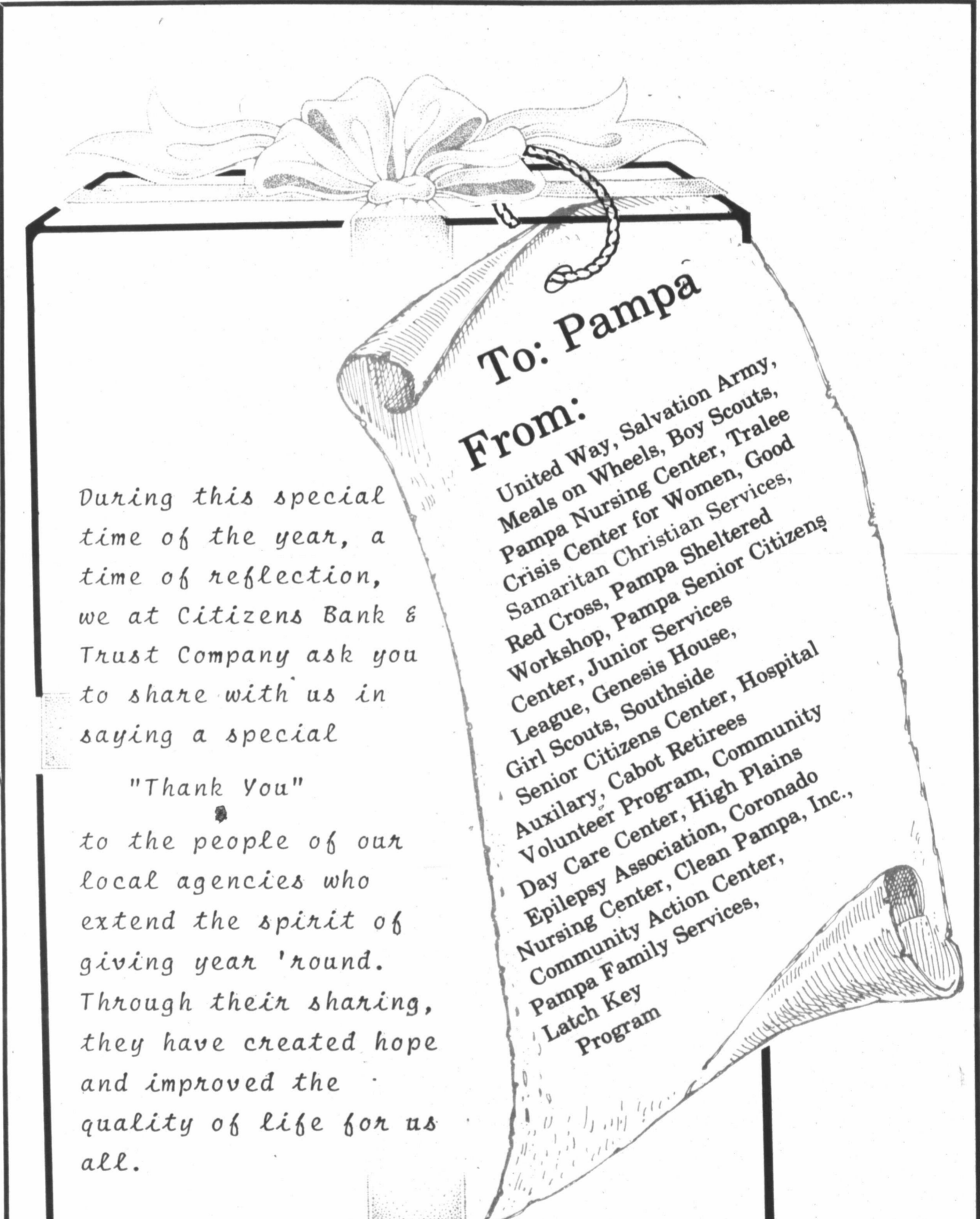
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LIFESTYLES

Staff participates in tasting bee

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Lifestyles Editor

With the holidays comes the round of parties, open houses and get-togethers, many of them covered dish affairs.

We at The Pampa News decided to bring our favorite recipes that we usually contribute to such events last Friday for a staff tasting bee.

Although Christmas is nearly upon us, there's still New Year's parties to come. Readers may want to try some of these recipes (all taste - tested and found to be excellent!) for your next party.

Marth Clark's Cocktail Crackers were an instant hit with the newspaper crew. Marth is the wife of advertising head, Rick Clark. Not only is this recipe a symphony for the mouth, it's also easy to make and looks so nice when placed in a festive bowl for snacking.

COCKTAIL CRACKERS

- 1 c. cooking oil
- 1 t. lemon pepper
- 1 t. dill weed
- 1 t. Beau Monde
- 1/4 t. cayenne

1 (4 oz.) pkg. buttermilk dressing mix

1 (12 oz.) pkg. soup (oyster) crackers

Warm oil to 200 degrees and add seasonings. Pour over crackers and toss until all is absorbed.

Betty Renner lays out pages for the paper in the composing, in her spare time she paints on anything that will sit still long enough for her to grab it. Her sausage biscuits recipe is a quick twist on a time-tested favorite.

BETTY'S SAUSAGE BISCUITS

- 3 c. biscuit mix
- 1 can cheddar cheese soup
- 1 lb. sausage

Combine all ingredients. Drop one teaspoonful at a time on cookie

sheet. Bake at 375 degrees for 20 minutes.

Cathy Spaulding brought a simple yet flavorful contribution for snacks that is always popular at get-togethers, a refreshing change from heavier hors d'oeuvres.

CHEESE & FRUIT BITS ALA TOOTHPICK

Take a half pound of brie, camembert or other fancy sweet white cheese. Cut into bite-size cubes.

Cut three large apples or pears into chunks the same size as the cheese cubes.

Skewer cheese and fruit bits with toothpicks with the plastic frillies (commonly stabbed through club sandwiches at finer restaurants). Arrange skewered fruit and cheese bits on plate.

If the event calls for a heartier dish, Emma DeWitt's Hamburger Casserole is sure to fill the bill. Our publisher, Louise Fletcher, is especially fond of this recipe.

HAMBURGER CASSEROLE

- 1 small onion
- 1 lb. hamburger
- 1 green pepper
- 1 can cream of mushroom soup
- 1 lg. pkg. tortilla chips
- 1 lb. longhorn cheese
- 1 (15 oz.) can Ranch-Style beans
- 1 can Rotel tomatoes

Brown meat, onion, and green pepper; drain and add soup, beans and tomatoes. Pour in 9x13-inch pan lined with tortilla chips. Top with grated cheese. Bake in 350 degree oven for 25 minutes. Serves four to six.

If the occasion calls for festive breads, Rose Hughes brought two loaves, banana nut and pumpkin bread, that might just fit the bill.

BANANA NUT BREAD

Cream: 1/2 c. shortening
1 c. sugar
Add two eggs; mix well. Mash 3 or 4 bananas and add to the cream mixture.

Mix together:

- 2 c. flour
- 1 t. soda
- 1 c. nuts
- 1/4 t. salt

Add this to cream mixture. Bake at 300 degrees for 30 minutes, then at 250 degrees for 30 minutes.

PUMPKIN BREAD

- 2-3rd c. shortening
- 2 1/2 c. sugar
- 4 eggs
- 2-3rd c. water
- 1 can pumpkin
- 3/4 c. flour
- 1 t. baking powder
- 2 t. soda
- 1 t. cloves

Cream sugar and shortening together. Add eggs, water, and pumpkin. Stir dry ingredients together. Then add to pumpkin mixture. Bake at 350 degrees for one hour or until done.

NOTE: One cup of chopped nuts can be added if desired.

Almost everyone loves the candies that pop up around the holiday season. Several of News employees brought their candy recipes that didn't last long with all the rest of us sampling them.

Elaine James of the circulation department brought Peanut Butter Balls that not only tasted delicious, but attractive, too, with their glossy chocolate coating.

PEANUT BUTTER BALLS

- 3 c. peanut butter
- 3 lb. powdered sugar
- 1 lb. margarine, melted
- 2 T. vanilla

Mix together by hand and make into balls.

Topping

- 1 pkg. chocolate chips (semi-sweet)
- 1/4 bar paraffin

Melt chocolate chips and paraffin in double boiler. Stick toothpicks in peanut butter balls and dip into melted chocolate. Cool on waxed paper.

Advertising representative

Rhonda McGuire brought Martha Washington's, a melt-in-your-mouth confection that she prettied up with red wrapping paper and a bright green bow.

MARTHA WASHINGTONS

- 2 lb. powdered sugar
- 1 c. chopped walnuts
- 1 small jar maraschino cherries, chopped
- 1/2 c. shredded coconut
- 1 can Eagle Brand (r) milk
- 2 pkg. semi-sweet chocolate

Mix together sugar, walnuts, cherries, coconut and milk. Roll into small balls and refrigerate overnight. Next day melt chocolate (in double boiler or microwave) and dip balls in chocolate. Cool on waxed paper.

Carol Fritts' peanut clusters is another of the candy recipes that not only looks good, is great to eat, but is quick and easy to make, too.

PEANUT CLUSTERS

- 1 pkg. chocolate almond bark (12 squares to a package)
- 12 oz. jar salted peanuts

Melt all chocolate almond bark. Stir in peanuts. Drop by teaspoon full onto waxed paper. Let set until firm. Takes approximately 30 minutes to make.

As the grand finale of the Pampa News tasting bee, Paul Pinkham presented his mustard recipe recommended only for the stout-hearted. Here's his recipe, word-for-word:

"Tire of that milquetoast yellow stuff the people at French's call mustard? Want a sandwich mustard with some bite? Then try this and say goodbye to sinus problems!"

PINKHAM & PINKHAM'S DAMYANKEE MUSTARD

Measure out 1/4 cup dry mustard. Pour in small sealable container. Take one tablespoon oil, a few drops of vinegar and fill the remaining 1/4 cup with water. Stir into mustard. Seal and chill for at least 24 hours before using.



Dear Abby
Christmas classic evokes
the spirit of the season

By Abigail Van Buren
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DEAR ABBY: Many years ago you had a letter in your column from a little girl named Virginia who wrote to say that her friends had told her there was no Santa Claus. Your response to Virginia captured the spirit of Christmas and the Santa Claus story so beautifully, I wish you would run it again.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER, BALTIMORE

DEAR TEACHER: To set the record straight, the piece to which you refer is a famous, well-loved classic titled, "Yes, Virginia, There Is a Santa Claus."

It was written in 1897 by Francis P. Church, who was, at the time, the editor of the now defunct New York Sun.

He wrote it in response to this letter:

"Dear Editor:

"I am 8 years old.

"Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

"Papa says, 'If you see it in the Sun, it's so.'

"Please tell me the truth. Is there a Santa Claus?" —Virginia O'Hanlon

Dear Virginia: Your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little.

In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there

were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus.

The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders that are unseen and unseeable in this world.

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart.

Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernatural beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay 10 times 10,000 years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

CONFIDENTIAL TO MY READERS: Have a merry Christmas. If you're driving, please don't drink. And if you're drinking, please don't drive.



CROWN HOPEFUL-Shawn Belton of Borger is to be one of the 13 contestants vying for the Miss Top O' Texas crown at 7:30 p.m., Jan. 4, at M.K. Brown Auditorium. The 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul

Belton. Belton is a Borger High School Senior who plans to sing professionally. She is to perform a vocal solo "Prayer of St. Katherine" as her talent presentation.

Researchers find male birth control

WASHINGTON (AP) — The discovery of a hormone that inhibits fertility may lead to a male birth-control pill and perhaps give a clue to some previously unexplained cases of infertility, a scientist said today.

An effective male contraceptive, long sought by researchers, is still a long way off, said Dr. William A.

Sadler, chief of the reproductive sciences branch at the National Institutes for Health.

PHS class of '76 searches for alumni

Kick aside the wrapping paper. Push away the plate. Think about the summer time before it's too late!

Members of the Pampa High School graduating Class of 1976 wrote this verse to remind their classmates to prepare for its 10th reunion scheduled for Saturday, June 21, 1986.

The reunion committee is requesting assistance in locating their classmates. Currently, addresses for 312 out of 406 classmates have been located.

Persons having any information on any of the following 1976 graduates are asked to contact Brenda Parrish Morrison at 665-3228, Karen Moler Hedrick at 665-2946 or Sue Mayer Campbell at 665-5068.

Cindy Allen, Colene Andrews, Randy Armstrong, Susan Arthur, Cheryl Atwood, Debra Beistle, Charletta Blackmon, Vicki Bolin, Darrell Bowers, Barbara Bradley, Billy Brothers, Teri Bullards.

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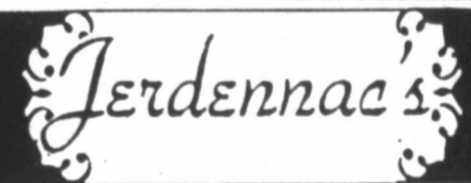
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Letters to Santa

Dear Santa,
Dedrian wants a Shetland pony, girl and boy Cabbage Patch dolls, clothes for both dolls. Anjeliea wants a pony, Rainbow Brite and Barbie.

Dear Santa,
The Headstart class at Baker Elementary School have been good boys and girls this year. Jason would like a diesel truck with cows. Emmeual would like a motorcycle with a man on it. Tiffany wants a Barbie doll and some dishes and a purse. Steven would like a Bigfoot and an airplane.

Dear Santa,
The Headstart class at Baker Elementary would like these things for Christmas for Elizabeth, Ethan, Alfonso, La Creese, Alejandro and Julian: guitar, dolls, soap, wash, cloth, Hug-a-bunch, marching band, girl Snoopy, music bear, skates, paint, Barbie doll, Kitchen Barbie doll, toy dishwasher, Mr. Potato Head, turkey, Bumblebee car, Transformer, calendar.

Dear Santa,
The Headstart class at Baker Elementary would like to say "Hi!" Waylon wants a transforming lion and five cars. Andres would like to have a Transformer and G.I. Joe. Miguel wants a transformer and a G.I. Joe, too.

Dear Santa,
The Headstart class at Baker Elementary would like the following for Christmas for Juan, Chasity, Santos, Maria and Kasey: MASK doll, Mahan doll, Hulk Hogan, Cabbage Patch doll, robot, stuffed lion, tiger and monkey, big dog, bike, lipstick, cement truck and Volttron.

Dear Santa,
The Headstart class at Baker Elementary would like to tell you what they want for Christmas. Terra wants a swimmer baby and Barbie and her pony. Jonathan would like to have a little jeep, some cars, a pickup and an airplane. Heather wants a Barbie doll, a pony, a swimming baby. Rebecca wants a Barbie with a pony, glasses, a necklace. This is all they could think of right now. They say they will have some milk and cookies for you when you get there.

Dear Santa,
My name is Burgundy. I am 3 years old. Would you please bring me a Upsy Baby and a three-wheeler. Please remember all of the other little kids and PawPaw.

BURGUNDY

Dear Santa,
My name is Tanner. I am 1 yr. old. Please bring me some blocks

and a farm set. Don't forget the other little kids.

TANNER

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Ethan Kindie. I have been good. I want Pador - the thing that's with Skelator and Mr. Potato Head. Bring my mother a ice cream baby. Put ice cream he it on a rope - it's supposed to be play ice cream. I want mop top hair shop.

ETHAN

Dear Santa,
I'm writing this for my little brother because he is only two. His name is Casey and he has been good too. He would like a football helmet and a hug-a-bunch. CASEY

Dear Santa Claus,
I want to get my tape player for Christmas. I want you to bring me a black jacket. My brother Chris needs cologne. My little brother Victor wants to have a Lego set. My father needs new shirt and my mom needs a big plate.

JENNIFER

Dear Santa,
I want two Up Urse Babies and a jam box. I want a pair of skates. And a baby doll. I want a Santa Claus doll too. I've been good!

AMY

Dear Santa,
How are you? Hope that all is well. I have been a good girl this year and hope you will bring me some toys. Here is a list of some things I would like: race car set, Princess of Power castle, Barbie house, roller skates, Hungry Hippos game, bicycle, paint set, hula hoop, chairs & table.

TINA DWIGHT

Dear Santa,
The Headstart program at Baker Elementary is writing a list of things they would like for Christmas. Annette would like a Upsy baby and some earrings. Robert would like a car that drives all by itself. He also would like to have a Bumblebee car. Chris would like a roller coaster, a sailboat and a pen. He would also like some books. Artemio would like to have a Transformer and a Robot. He also wants a Bumblebee car.

Dear Santa,
The Headstart program at Baker Elementary... Tandy wants a Cabbage Patch. She also wants a coat & hat & gloves. She wants a necklace and a pair of earrings. Monica Leann wants a Cabbage Patch too. She also wants a ring and a necklace and a bracelet. Veronica wants a bike and a Cabbage Patch. We love you!

Dear Santa,
The Headstart class at Baker Elementary would like you to bring them these presents: Monica would like a bike; Stephanie would

like a girl Cabbage Patch; sharee would like a bike; Teresa would like a girl Cabbage Patch also.

Dear Santa,
Adam would like to have a machine gun, a motorcycle. Jacquetta would like to have a doll. Benny would like to have Transformers. Rosaria would like to have a doll, too. P.S. there will be cookies and milk on the T.V.

Dear Santa,
For Christmas Brian wants a drum, trumpet, basketball, teddy bear, books, train set, football, toy scissors, paints, skates, toy airplanes, toy car, and a race track. Tasha wants a Cabbage Patch sewing machine, a boy Cabbage Patch, a coffee table for Mom and Dad, a bear and football for sister, a drum for Nanny and Pappy, a toy box, a Bible, roller skates, play cars, Barbie dolls and clothes.

Dear Santa
The Headstart class at Baker Elementary would like to say "Hello!" Marisol would like you to bring her a Rainbow Brite. Joshua would like a Hosteda Hot Wheel so he can go fast! Katrina decided she wants a motorcycle. We will leave you lots of goodies!

Dear Santa,
I want a bike, a blue bike. I want at watch. Please bring my dad a pipe. Bring my mom a purse. My dog needs a bone Liberty

Dear Santa,
I want any Mask toys. I want some transformers. Happy Birthday Jesus. Duane C. King

Dear Santa,
Chris wants a Jam box. Bryan wants a GI Joe set, and volttron, and eight transformers and a truck with a motorcycle, and I want a toy deer and I want a Book and new cloths, and snowboot and a control jeep, and Chris also wants tapes and transformers. CHRIS and BRYAN ARNZEN

Dear Santa Claus -
When are you coming to my house? I want some western shirts like my daddy's and some cowboy boots. A GI Joe Army Tank and some thermal underwear like my brothers. Also some stocking caps like you have and a play reindeer. Please be careful on our roof and we may have a fire going so just knock on our door. JOSHUA JOHNSON Please go to other people's houses too.

Dear Santa Claus,
I have tried very hard to be good all year. I would very much for you

to bring me a casey and a record player. The cookies and milk will be on the table by the tree. RYANHOWARD

Dear Santa,
I want a book. I want a phone so I can call Rosa. Rosa is my teacher. I want a snowball cup. I want toy spider with black tummy, arms, and legs and feet and head and chest. I want lunch sack. I want rocking chair and Mr. Welborn;s board, a long board with tape on it. DANE

Dear Santa,
I want a tape player and some tapes. I want punk and rock and roll. I know Grandpa said I couldn't have a fourwheeler this year, but next year I can probably have one. Will you please talk to my Grandpa about it. My brother is Zeb. He wants a sled. Please bring my momma a gold necklace with diamonds in the middle, that's all. JOSHUA SHANE AKINS

Dear Santa'
How are you doing? We have been good. Steven and Randy want a stomper and Trent wants some transformers, Trent and Steven want tapes and Steven needs a tape player to play his tapes in. Randy really wants a ceiling fan. Steven needs some more chalk for his chalkboard. Trent and Randy want a lot more but we don't have enough time to write everything down. Santa be careful because the weather is bad. RANDY STEVEN and TRENT

Dear Santa Claus,
I want My Buddy doll, and a hot

NOEL
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cycle, at tape player and tapes. I want Bible tabs. Bring my brother Hoyt a race track. My mom wants a pot and my dad wants a three-wheeler. AMY

Dear Santa;
My name is Billy Chance. I'm 4 yrs old. I've tried very hard to be a good boy this year. Would you please bring me: 1) Volttron robot 2) abike 3) Casey Robot & tapes 4) trans-4-C 5) Scrabble people set 6) pop gun. Moma said she would leave the front door unlocked, cause we don't have a fire place. Billy

Dear Santa Claus,
My name is Heather Slaybaugh & I am 2 years old. I have been a Very good girl this year, so I am sending you my Christmas list. I would like for you to bring me a kitchen and some dishes. I would also like a Cabbage Patch Kids Power Cycke and a Fisher-Price Fire Fighter Set. I have allittlesister & her name is Ashley. She will be one right before

Christmas. She has been good also. She wants you to bring her a Discovery Cottage and a Big Bird Surprise Box. She would also like a baby doll. We love you Very much Santa and can't wait til you Visit our house. Refreshments will be waiting for you when you come. Please have a Very Merry Christmas & be careful going back to the North Pole. HEATHER & ASHLEY

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good boy this year. How is Mrs. Clause? I would like a tractor, records, new puzzle, and a car with a steering wheel. JACOB CODY WOODRUFF Age 3

Dear Santa Claus,
I been good. I want Santa Claus to bring me a wagon. I want a hula hoop and a little thermometer. I want a popcorn popper. I want a red vacuum cleaner. I want a pin ball machine that plays pac man. Thank you, RITCHIE

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Dear Santa,
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Thank you,
SHARON

Garfield to play with. Bring me clothes and tie. That's all.

Thank you,
HECTOR ESTRADO

Dear Santa Claus,
I am good. I want Big Foot and a Gobot. I want a jump rope. I also want a play gun. I want one of those Snuzzle Wuzzles. Bring my momma a ring. I want GI Joe. I like GI Joe.

Thank you Santa,
JEFF

Dear Santa Claus,
We are good girls. JoAnn Morehart wants a puppy. Mary Helen Rivera wants some boots. JoAnn wants a red bowl for her puppy and a puppy toy. Mary Helen wants a big doll and that's all.

Love,
MARY HELEN AND JOANN

Dear Santa Claus,
I am good in speech. I want motor cycle and helmet. I want toy car and toy police car and fire truck. I want piano. I want teddy bear. I want play gun. I want

Dear Santa,
I have been very nice. I want a G.I. Joe and I want a He-Man. I want a car, van, and jeep—toy ones. I want a toy airplane. I want you to bring my Mom a watch and bring my dad some big pants. I want you to bring all my sisters baby dolls and my friends a toy A-TEAM van. Bring me Back to Jedi game.

Thank you Santa,
SAMUEL

Dear Santa,
Hi! My name is Christopher Shane Mandrell. I am 1½ year old. For Christmas I won't be at home in Pampa. I will be at my NeNa and PaPa Daniel's house in Wolforth, Texas.

Santa for Christmas I would like a tricycle, a transformer for little tikes and any other toys and clothes that you might think I would like. Santa, I will have my momma to leave some pie and milk for you. Please don't forget my brother and all of the other children.

Thank you,
CHRISTOPHER

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I am six years old. I would like to you to bring me spidor and a surprise. I will have milk and cookies on the table.

MONTY UTZMAN

Dear Santa,
I have been on my best behavior. I want Upsie Daisey. I want a try car and I want teacher stuff like paper, tape and work. I want a paddle to spank Randy with. I want you to bring my momma a glass bell. Be careful, because it will break easily. Bring my daddy a shirt and shoes.

LISA

P.S. I want Sorry game.

Dear Santa,
I hope you and Mrs. Claus are both feeling well. Me and my sister, Chelsea, are being good and trying to mind our mommy and daddy. Would you please bring me a trombone and a view master. For my sister please bring a doll and a little purse with a comb and brush.

Thank you for being such a nice person to all the little children. Please don't forget the ones in Africa who need food.

CHRIS & CHELSEA OLSON

My mom said I was pretty good this year. Since I was pretty good, would you bring me an easy bake oven, some new clothes and some new boots?

My little brother, Jon Wayne, wasn't as good as me, but he would still like a new pair of boots, a horse and a new "fillbold" (billfold).

We will have some cookies and milk for you.

STACEY DAWN & JON WAYNE LAMBRIGHT

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I've been a good girl.

Love,
LINDSAY LITTLE

Dear Santa,
My name is Justin. I have been a good boy. I would like a bike go-bots spidor hemans mask ewoks GI Joes transformers. I am 5 years old I will leave you a snack

Signed,
JUSTIN ENSEY

Dear Santa,
My name is Stephanie, I am 4 years old.

I would like to have a bike, baby ponies, nursery, mother and babywear, rainbow ponies, princess of powers, rainbow brites, baby brite, upsy babie, cabbage patch doll and horse baby carriage for ponies.

I have been a good girl and I will leave you a snack.

Signed,
STEPHANIE ENSEY

Dear Santa Claus,
I Love - you. I want a Football Suit, SKate BoArD And Weight Set ALSo A SPeLling MaSter.

From
Joe Bob Crain

Dear Santa,
I want a bike. I want my walkman and a Big Foot. That's all I want.

Thank you,
Joy

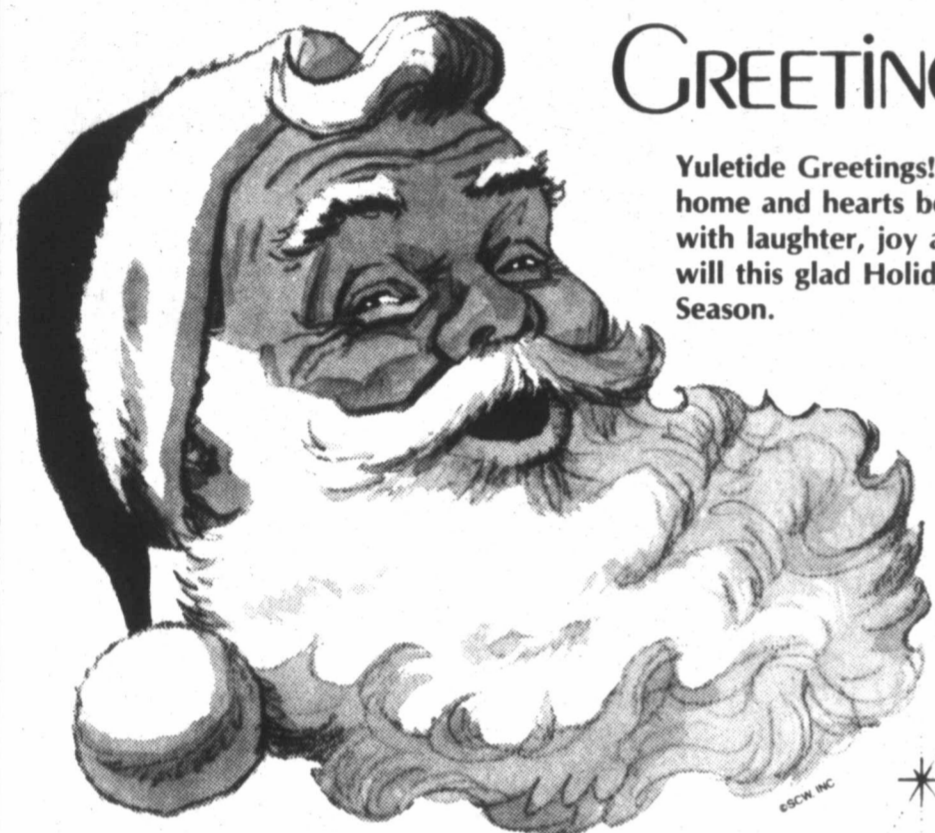
P.S. I want a diesel trailer cattle trucker.

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy. My name is Joshua and I am 7. I want optimus Prime, a billfold, GIJoe boat and a record. I will have a surprise for you.

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JOSHUA

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KEEP IT MOVING — Joann Fraley, a process inspector at the Lionel train factory in Mount Clemens, Mich., checks out one of the box cars as it nears the end of the assembly line.

Coal mine town tries to transform hills into past holiday wonderland

By SUE MAJOR HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

MADRID, N.M. (AP) — It's been more than 40 years since extravagantly lighted angels and animated toyland displays turned the stark hills around the New Mexico coal mining town of Madrid into a Christmas fantasyland.

This year, new residents of the old village are trying to revive the glory that once was. But for the decades since Madrid's heyday, another New Mexico mining town, Raton, has carried on the tradition in a display that has gained its own fame.

Madrid's wondrous Christmas lights once were so famous that airlines rerouted flights to let passengers view the spectacle and state police had to direct the traffic that wound for miles along the narrow roads.

But the displays ended with the advent of World War II in 1941 and the splendor was not revived at war's end.

Most of the Madrid scenes remained homeless until the city of Gallup bought them in 1963 and gave them a new home in Ford Canyon. Then a warehouse fire and a flood on the Rio Puerco in 1972 wiped out the displays.

However, a few of the Madrid scenes wound up in Raton, where they spawned the City of Bethlehem, a quarter-mile loop drive of about 20 lifesize nativity and religious scenes set up in Climax Canyon just north of the city, said Don Martinez, past president of the Raton Lions Club, which sets up the displays.

"That's where they got their idea, I think, from Madrid," he said.

Beginning around mid-December each year, 20 Christmas sets are spotlighted every night on the dark hills of the canyon, while piped-in holiday music fills the air. The scenes range from the Wise Men to the nativity to figures of angels lighted in sequence to give the illusion of an angel flying down the canyon wall.

"When you get up there, it's a little awesome, actually, because of the music and the lights and the nativity scenes," said Raton Chamber of Commerce Director Janet Parr. "It's very dark in the canyon. When something's lit up, it's very beautiful."

The City of Bethlehem has been put up every year since 1946. The music was added about 10 years ago. In the last decade, the

entrance to the canyon on Raton's Apache Street has become a toyland display, with Santa, reindeer and cartoon characters such as Superman and Garfield the cat.

It was a toyland display that once was the heart of Madrid's Christmas glory.

Residents of the tiny community have been talking about reviving the old tradition for years. This fall, however, the efforts were given new life when a hiker stumbled across one of the original sets, a 30-foot tall figure of Christ which had been rotting on the hillside for more than four decades.

The hiker mentioned his find to Madrid resident Bill McDaniel, who had been doing research on the former Christmas displays. In late September, a handful of residents dismantled what was left of the figure and hauled it by flatbed truck back to town.

Working from black and white photos, McDaniel and Ace Frye spent a week designing and rebuilding the bottom part of the structure. Then artists Kathy Travis and Larry Elder repainted the figure, working from what was left of the original colors and the memory of Joe Huber.

Twins make Christmas planing more than twice as complicated

By JANET McCONNAUGHEY
Associated Press Writer

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Michael and Matthew Morris were born with their arms around each other, but the Siamese twins' mother says they now squabble as much as any other brothers.

"A woman asked me the other day if they play together," Cindy Morris said. "They play together. They also fight together. What one has, the other wants."

That has made Christmas planning for Michael and Matthew, who will turn 1 year old on Jan. 4, more than twice as complicated as planning for one baby.

"Right now, with Christmas coming, we have a dilemma. We don't know whether to buy two of everything or buy one and say, 'Look, you'll just have to share,'" said Mrs. Morris, a resident of Baton Rouge whose sons were the first Siamese twins born there.

"We're doing a bit of both," she said. "Small things, like balls, everyone got one. But we got a 'See and Say' with farm animals, and we got only one of those."

"We'll have our days where we can all play with our own toys, and we'll have our days when we all have to share."

Another difficult decision for Mrs. Morris and her husband, James "Butch" Morris, was whether and where to put up a Christmas tree for the twins, who

started walking early this month.

"Ever since we've been married, we've gone and sawed down these big old trees," she said in a recent interview. "One baby I think I could keep away from the tree, but two ..."

"Going into the stores now — they see the Christmas trees and their eyes just light up. They think that just looks like the best thing in the world to get into."

This year, she said, they got a small artificial tree and put it on a four-foot-high stand to keep the bright ornaments out of reach of baby fingers.

Matthew and Michael were joined at the abdomen when they were born, but Mrs. Morris said that was their only medical problem.

Since stitches were removed from the cuts which separated them, she said, their only visit to the doctor has been a checkup in May.

"They haven't been sick at all. Even down to not a cold or sniffle," she said. "I really count my blessings. I think so many prayers and blessings went up when they

were born that it's kept them healthy all year."

She said doctors, nurses and even strangers have remained concerned about the twins and want to know how they're doing. Strangers have walked up in the supermarket to say they'd been worried, she said.

And the mailing list of people who want to be kept up to date has grown to about 100 and is now on the Morris' home computer, she said. It includes doctors and nurses at several hospitals, neighbors, out-of-state relatives, local businessmen and the staff and students at Episcopal High School, where Mrs. Morris worked until the twins were born.

"We just want to thank everyone for their concern," she said. "We've come to realize there are just so many people who care."

The Morrises have begun to think about the day their sons will need to be told about their unusual birth, and will wait until their curiosity surfaces.

The boys are identical twins, but there are marked differences in their characters, she said.

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Music and lighting enhance dancing waters extravaganza

By JOHN PLATERO
Associated Press Writer

SAN CARLOS PARK, Fla. (AP) — The audience hushes as the stage lights come on, the stereo sounds of a Broadway musical fill the theater and the ballet begins.

But there are no human dancers onstage. The performers in this popular tourist attraction are spouts of water swirling, dancing and pirouetting in time to the recorded music of a large orchestra.

"Waltzing Waters" is described by its chief technician as "the most sophisticated water, light and music show in the world."

Hidden from view are banks of multicolor lights that beam across the "dancing waters." The changing variations of rainbow colors give the chorus line of 16 basic water patterns a fantasy dimension of living color.

The music, lighting and streams of water that turn, angle, spray, squirt and shoot to the rhythm of the music are all coordinated, controlled and operated by an elaborate computer system choreographed by Douglas Tews, the artist, engineer and computer programmer who puts together every performance.

Tews not only designs the inside hourly shows, but also a similar larger nightly extravaganza in an amphitheater out back.

"There are 600 water jets, 32 pumps, each with a 1,000-gallon-per-minute capacity, and more than 100 multicolored lights used for the inside show," says the 34-year-old Tews, the show's mastermind for the last 10 years. The attraction was first set up in Cape Coral and moved here, nine miles south of Fort Myers, in 1982.

Half the nozzles are movable. A tank built into the stage holds about 5,000 gallons of water that is used for the show. The pumps can shoot water 20 feet high for the theater performance, while the outside pumps can send the streams almost 100 feet into the air.

Although "Waltzing Waters" is automated, Tews must put each show together at a huge console filled with hundreds of switches that control lighting, water pressure at each pump, plus the direction and angle of the movable water nozzles.

"First I find the music and then visualize the show," Tews explains. To adapt each new performance and store it in the computer's memory, he sits at his console controlling lights, music and water.

"I'm like an electronic artist," he says jovially. "My palette is for switches."

General manager Charles Francis explains the show's inventor was German-born Otto Przystawik, who was involved with theater lighting and special effects in Europe. With a love for elaborate fountains and ballet, he captured the beauty of both with his invention.

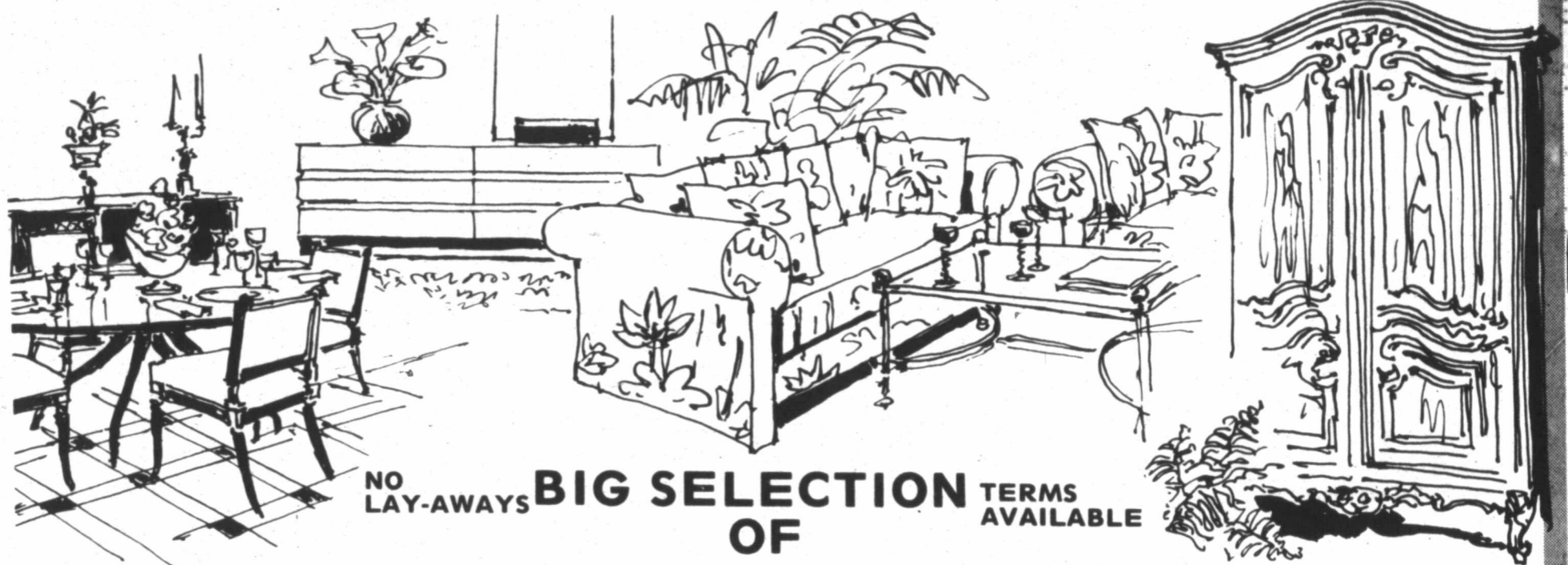
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Museum exhibit features Kushan Dynasty sculpture

By ROBERT GREENE
Associated Press Writer

CLEVELAND (AP) — For people wanting a first taste of art from the Indian subcontinent, or for those with a strong scholarly interest, the Cleveland Museum of Art has an exhibition to satisfy both.

The exhibition, "Kushan Sculpture: Images From Early India," contains 130 pieces of sculpture and other works from the Kushan Dynasty.

The Kushans were originally nomads of central Asian origin who ruled a large section of northern India from the 1st century to the 3rd century of the Christian era. The exhibit includes the period when Buddha first was represented in human form.

The exhibition runs until Jan. 5, 1986, then moves to the Asia House in New York and the Seattle Art Museum.

The Kushan period may be familiar to some collectors and students of Indian art because the Kushans ruled over the kingdom of Gandhara, which is mostly modern-day Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Art from that area was strongly influenced by the Greeks and Romans, which makes it the most

studied among Western scholars, said Stanislaw Czuma, curator of Indian and Southeast Asian Art at the museum.

Novice collectors of Indian art also start with Gandharan pieces because they are the easiest for a Westerner to appreciate.

What's unique, however, is that the exhibition pays equally strong attention to Mathuran art, named after the city near Delhi and in the modern Indian state of Uttar Pradesh. The sculpture from that area, usually of reddish sandstone instead of the bluish schist used in Gandharan work, reflects more of the native traditions that had developed before the Kushan rule.

Images from early nature cults worked their way into such figures as yakshas, which are idealized images of robust males symbolizing abundance, protection and wealth, and yakshis, which are idealized images of voluptuous females. The nature images also include nagini, which are water spirits in serpent form.

"I thought that a period which covers in a sense on one hand Western culture transformed into East, and on the other hand makes a juxtaposition of native Indian style, would be a particularly interesting period for a Western visitor to become familiar with," Czuma said.

Although the Kushan rulers promoted Buddhism, they protected all religions, and the exhibition includes examples of Jain and Hindu art as well.

"It is, in a sense, a period that gives you a model for everything

that follows," said Czuma, who said he had worked years trying to assemble the collection. "It is very much a formative period for the entire Indian art in later centuries."

He said the Gupta style which followed carried over Western and Eastern aspects. The Western, Czuma said, stresses a kind of perfection and idealization of physical form or beauty, and a copying from nature. The Eastern or Mathuran aspect, more typically Indian, stresses spiritual content and abstractions.

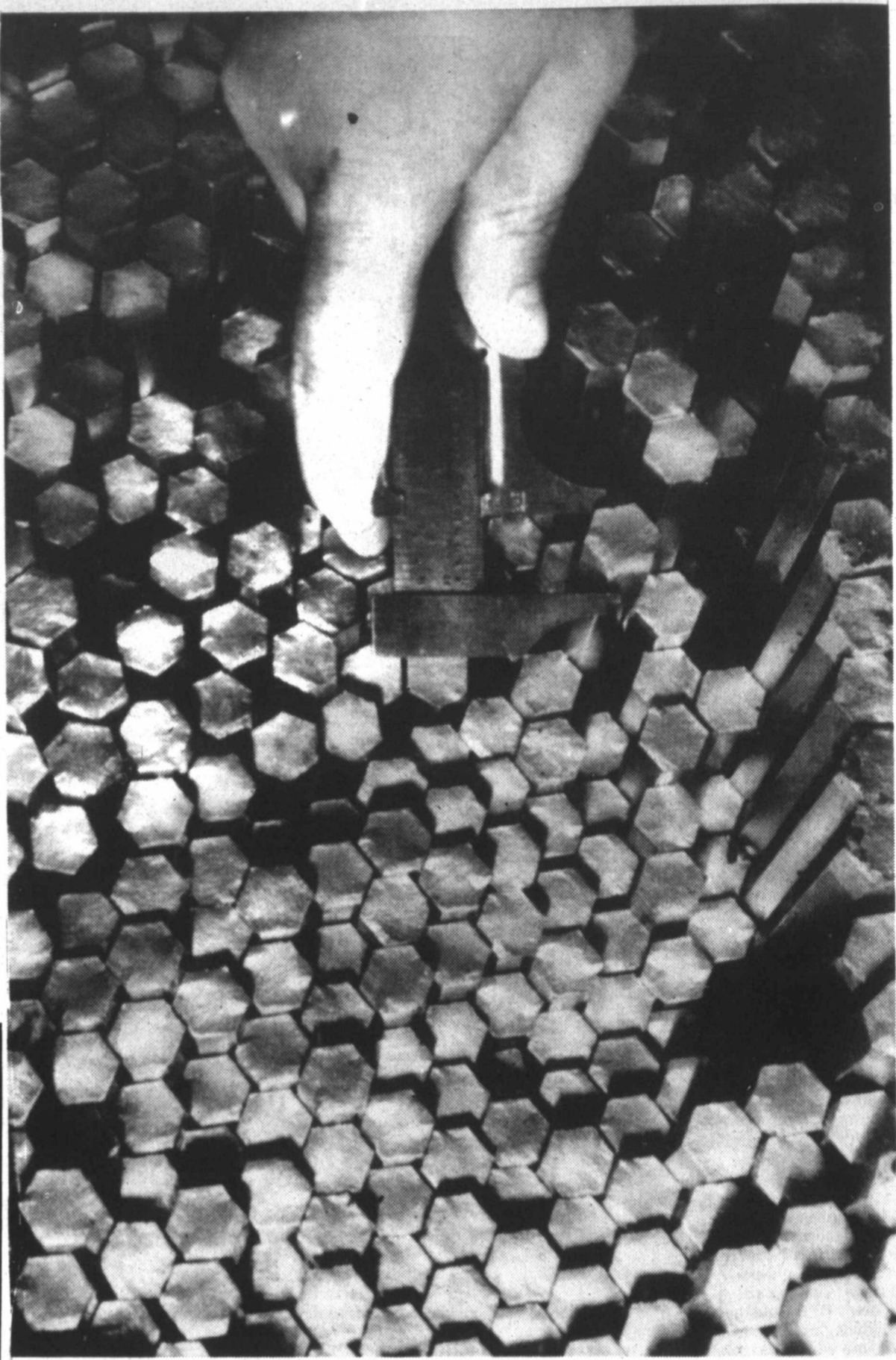
Mathuran art, Czuma said, tends to be more robust and dynamic, especially when dealing with images other than those of Buddha and his worldly intermediaries, the Bodhisattvas. Those images became bound up in religious stylistic rules.

Czuma said the loan exhibition drew heavily from scattered and relatively unknown American collections. A third of the pieces are from Cleveland museum holdings.

Most scholars and others interested in Indian art have had to travel to the large British or Indian museums to find good examples. But the American collections have a wide range of material that represents the best in Indian art of the Kushan Dynasty.

"American collections are unknown, so to speak," Czuma said.

"We do have some splendid objects both from India and from Europe. They are just to spice it up."



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Being Santa Claus isn't necessarily all fun, games

SHERMAN, Texas (AP) — Mary Ann Fisher never promised her employees a poinsettia garden.

But some of the Santa Clauses at the Sher-Den Mall never counted on sweaty red suits, itching beards, and 300-pound adults who think it's cute to have their pictures made on Santa's lap.

Ms. Fisher runs the have-your-picture-made-with-Santa booth in the mall. And she had strict standards in mind when she advertised for a few good men to play the jolly old elf.

"I wanted people who have the Santa Claus image," said the Pottsville woman. "You know, twinkly eyes."

"And they have to be good with children, know how to cope with them. Kids do go into fits sometimes, especially 2-year-olds. It's one thing for a child to see Santa on TV or in a book. But it's nothing like, all of the sudden, seeing this huge, woolly person sitting up there."

She settled on three Santas, ranging from a 17-year-old high school senior to a 66-year-old Air Force retiree.

"It's been an enlightening experience," said Chris Ashburn, 17, the youngest member of the Claus clan.

During Ashburn's 10-day tenure as the chimney slider, children have yanked his beard and slobbered on his suit.

"But the worst was when a hefty older woman sat on my lap, rubbed my leg, and told me she wanted a man for Christmas."

"I didn't know what to think about that."

Richard Patterson, 18, has had a sleigh-load of on-the-job surprises.

"One guy, he must have weighed 300 pounds, sat on me to have his picture made. Another time, I was holding a little boy and, after he had his picture made, he grabbed my nose. I couldn't make him turn loose," said Patterson.

"The youngest kid I've had was five weeks old. The camera flash went off and, well, let's just say that he did a little something unexpected."

Neither had played Santa before, but both take the job seriously.

John Richardson, 66, of Denison has the most experience as the jolly old elf.

"I was always the biggest and fattest, so I was asked to play Santa lots of times in the service," said Richardson.

Technique, he said, is everything.

"Especially with babies. If you slide them into your lap facing their mother, you can take the picture before they know what's happened."

"But if they ever turn around and see that beard, forget it! You've got a crying baby on your hands."

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Malpractice statistics are hard to come by

EDITOR'S NOTE — If it's difficult to measure just how widespread medical malpractice is in the United States, there are ample figures to show that the number of lawsuits is spiraling upward. Has the lawsuit become the pot of gold of the American dream?
By SID MOODY
AP Newsfeatures Writer

In between drives and putts, a golfer in New Jersey tells a playing partner, a doctor, about a physical complaint. That doctor suggests he see another doctor. The golfer does, finds the results unsatisfactory and sues the second doctor for malpractice. And for good measure, he sues his former playing partner, too.

Golf is a game already beset with enough sand traps without adding another hazard. But it's only par for suing the hand that deals.

The American Medical Association says 3 percent of its members were sued for malpractice in 1978. In 1983, 16 percent were. Premiums for malpractice insurance flew past \$2 billion this year. Neurosurgeons on Long Island pay more than \$100,000 a year for insurance. This year insurance companies will pay more than \$2 billion in lawsuit claims. The Home of the Brave has become the Home of the Plaintiff.

Why all this suing? Is there really that much bad medicine in the United States?

No one denies it exists.

A physician in Kentucky was found to be diagnosing patients on the basis of the moons of Saturn. A hospital in New York was fined \$4,000 for allowing a blind surgeon to operate. He had said he knew his way around the human body by heart. A doctor in Illinois who had been sued 13 times for malpractice was ordered by a jury to pay \$9 million to a woman after plastic surgery on her nose left her mute and a quadriplegic. California doctors lost a \$5 million suit, later reduced to \$255,000 by a judge, after they took out a patient's good kidney instead of the one with the cancer.

But generalized statistics on malpractice are hard to come by. A study at Boston's Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in 1981 said that of 5,612 surgical cases that year 36

had "adverse outcomes" due to error. Nine years ago a survey by the old Department of Health, Education and Welfare reported that 3.6 percent of patients in hospitals suffered some form of injury and 14.5 percent of them were due to negligence. A confidential study by the University of Minnesota reportedly found that two-thirds of malpractice claims against obstetricians and gynecologists "appear" to involve negligence or substandard practice.

On the other hand, doctors and hospitals win 80 percent of the lawsuits that get to a jury.

There are figures on the number of physicians who have been disciplined, but they are an inexact indicator. In 1983, of New York's 42,063 doctors 21 received disciplinary action. Nationwide that same year 563 physicians had their licenses revoked, according to Public Citizen, a Ralph Nader affiliate. The next year 255 did, according to a survey by the New York Times. This out of almost 400,000 doctors in the country.

Enforcement of medical standards by state boards exists, but has trouble crossing state lines. The Federation of State Medical Boards, which is meant to be a clearing house for information on doctor performance, has a staff of only 13. The Veterans Administration, which employs one-fifth of the nation's physicians, finds that when it cracks down on a doctor the physician is apt to go somewhere else and open a private practice. Doctors in trouble in one state move to another. Their past records have a more difficult time keeping up.

In the past, policies of the medical profession have run into the "gauze curtain" behind which doctors have, if not protected their own, punished the transgressor without calling in outside agencies. One reason for this reticence is understandable. When a New Jersey hospital said it was going to suspend one doctor's privileges, he threatened to sue the whole staff for libel.

Assessing malpractice nationwide is almost impossible, too, because of the great variety of medical standards. One would scarcely expect the same degree of expertise in heart surgery in rural

Nevada that one would find in the world-famous clinics of Houston.

Whatever, says Dr. James Todd, a vice president of the AMA and himself a surgeon, "There is too much incompetence and negligence in the medical profession. We don't define it like the attorneys. They call it gross and harmful. No doctor is going to harm his patient intentionally. But he may not always have the information. It may be 3 a.m., and he makes a bad decision."

"Others may make a good decision but don't document it against possible suit. Others may be beyond their training. An anesthesiologist goes out of the operating room for 30 seconds, and in those 30 seconds all hell breaks loose."

The answer, says Nader's Public Citizen, is better doctor discipline, not a limit on jury awards or lawyers' fees, some of the so-called tort reforms passed in a variety of states. "It is time for the medical profession to give more than lip service to the weeding out of bad apples."

Scott Baldwin, head of the Trial Lawyers Association of America, concurs. He cites as an example a Florida study that indicated less than 1 percent of the doctors there account for 24 percent of the malpractice claims paid.

The best hope for enforcing standards lies with the doctor-owned insurance companies, Todd thinks. These "bedpan mutuals" came into existence 10 years ago after private insurance companies by the dozens stopped writing malpractice policies in the onset of a lawsuit tool that has now become a binge. Doctor-owned companies now insure about half of the nation's physicians.

"If you really want to get a handle on malpractice," says Todd, "make the doctor companies a monopoly. They'd screen out the bad ones. They'd make doctors keep records so a guy couldn't shop around from one insurer to another. They'd police their policyholders because the money for claims would be coming out of their own company."

Doctor competence aside, another favorite whipping boy in the malpractice battle is the jury,

12 veniremen tried and true who are sometimes depicted as deciding with their hearts and failing to realize that the costs of their judgments inflate the cost of health care.

"A jury will award a much higher award in a malpractice case than for a similar injury in an automobile accident," says Jim Snyder, a spokesman for the St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Companies, despite the name the nation's largest commercial malpractice carrier. "This seems to imply a punitive aspect against the medical profession for its mistakes."

"Our jurors have to understand that Marcus Welby is not our standard of medical care, understand that not everyone gets well from illness," John C. Shepherd, president of the American Bar Association, said earlier this year.

Dissenters from this view include Mark Levy of the Insurance Information Institute in New York, attorney for a 20-month-old child who died after an overdose of saline solution at the National Institute of Health in Bethesda, Md. "Doctors are human. They make mistakes. They should pay for them just like everybody else."

Another part of the courtroom — the bench — is also a factor in the high cost of malpractice.

"Our legal system is one of precedent, of judge-made law," says Levy.

Ten years ago a judge's decision broadened the definition of informed consent. "That case, *Centerbury vs. Spence*, accepted the principle of the patient's informed consent, what a reasonable patient would want to know, instead of what it had been, what a reasonable doctor would want to tell him," says Ken Heland of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists in Washington, D.C. "There was a direct expansion throughout the U.S. of informed consent suits."

It is now the fourth most contested issue in malpractice cases.

Changes in abortion law opened the door to wrongful life suits.

"Given a woman who becomes pregnant, there are well over 1,000 things, probably an infinite number, that can happen to be related to a 'bad outcome,'" says Dr. H.E. "Pat" Crow, rural health

director at the University of Nevada.

In compiling the malpractice costs that come out of the nation's courtrooms, Jury Verdict Research of Solon, Ohio, finds "higher medical costs, increased ability of trial lawyers and the passion or prejudice of jurors" all play a role.

Ten years ago data showed there were 1.24 malpractice claims settled in Maine per 100,000 population. In Washington D.C. the number was 21.99. Disproportions like that continue nationwide today. Forty-six percent of the obstetricians and gynecologists in the Southeast up to two years ago had never been sued. Only 13 percent of the same specialists in New York could say as much.

Considering that malpractice premiums include the cost of lawsuits, one might assume that a pediatrician in New York City is 20 percent better than one on Long Island because he pays 20 percent less for insurance. But the data suggests, rather, that the Long Island parent is simply more inclined to sue. Why?

"Long Island has a larger population with the desire to have children, the inclination to sue and the affluence to afford attorneys," says David Colligan, underwriting manager for the Medical Malpractice Association of New York.

So you have whiplash from a rear-ender on the Long Island Expressway, practically an occupational disease. Your family doctor sends you to an orthopedist. He sends you to a neurologist. He sends you to a neurosurgeon whose face you can hardly remember as the anesthesiologist, whom you can't even see, puts you under. You wake up, and two months later your neck still hurts and the burglars have just cleaned out your house. It's a litigious place. There are enough lawyers' shingles to roof the whole island. Every day you read in the paper about another megabuck suit. So you look up an attorney and sue: your doctor, the orthopedist, the neurologist, the surgeon, even the anesthetist. You might win enough for a new boat and a condo at Miami Beach, even if it doesn't make your neck feel any better.

Up in Vermont you might not sue even if your neck hurts as much. The doc is your friend. Friends

don't sue. Particularly if he's the only doc in town.

So figure demographics into the malpractice mess.

Suing seems to occur among people who have had a traditional propensity to settle differences by litigation. Todd notes that 35 percent of the plaintiffs in malpractice lawsuits have sued before. There is now a referral center that records names of malpractice suers. Doctors can call to find out if a potential patient has a history of litigation. One may wonder how a doctor sworn to the Hippocratic oath to treat all comers can turn a way a patient because his real problem is he likes to sue. But that is an indication of what is becoming of the once sacred doctor-patient relationship.

This is not happening in Great Britain, say, or Japan.

"No other nation has the number of lawyers this country has," says James Todd. "Other countries don't have the contingency fee." This is the system by which the lawyer is paid only if he wins.

Perhaps one could look at the contingency fee and skies-the-limit suits as an American expression of free enterprise. If injured, go for the gold.

There are assuredly cases of malpractice where suit for injury is entirely legitimate. But some health care observers see an element of greed creeping in, among lawyers, among patients. And not just involving medicine.

Lawyers are now facing malpractice premiums that in some cases are rising faster than those for doctors. Some cities, faced with a blizzard of litigation, have given up carrying insurance. They'll pay claims by issuing bonds. Health care is only the most worrisome and sharply focused in a national orgy of lawsuits.

But, the system that permits limitless suits aside, there are many areas of life where Americans accept an element of risk.

"If you look at Social Security, workmen's compensation, life insurance, we don't buy complete, unlimited protection," says Patricia Danzon. "We do accept risk in those areas. It would be nice if we didn't have to, but we do."

If the lawsuit has become the pot of gold of the American dream, she adds, "we don't have the resources for it."

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New bicycles built from old for needy children

By ELIZABETH CAMPBELL
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

HALTOM CITY, Texas (AP) — Bent bicycle frames, old handlebars and tires will brighten Christmas for more than a dozen children, thanks to an informal Santa's workshop at a Haltom City medical center.

Two maintenance workers at

Twin Oaks Medical Center adopted Santa Claus' habits and are building bicycles from donated parts to deliver to children on Christmas Eve.

Wendell Thomas and Don Wood, both of Fort Worth, said they opened their workshop to the Christmas spirit about a month and a half ago.

"The whole idea started at a meeting when one administrator said we ought to do something for Christmas other than give each other paperweights," Thomas said.

"I started thinking about it. I put out a memo asking employees for junk bicycle parts; old tires, seats, pedals, you name it," he said.

Both men said they were overwhelmed at the response. Everyone, it seemed, was willing to donate.

"Somewhere down deep inside of everybody, there is a little piece of Santa Claus," Thomas said.

When the two men aren't busy repairing heating units or unclogging hospital drains, they spend weekends end lunch breaks working to have 15 bicycles and several tricycles ready for the big day.

Like Santa, they hope to have everything finished by Christmas Eve.

Wood said it takes at least eight hours to assemble a bicycle and paint it so it will look like new.

"First you have to strip away the old paint, clean the chain, clean or replace the spokes, and put on new seats and handlebars," he said.

But the work doesn't stop there.

Each bike rolls out of the workshop complete with safety reflectors, mag wheels, racing stripes and a personalized license plate that will have each child's name on it.

Thomas said when he and his partner began the project, they were flooded with bike parts from employees' garages and workshops.

And Thomas organized a Thanksgiving turkey raffle to raise money to buy more bicycle parts and paint.

The spirit also extended to a Fort Worth K mart store, where the manager has rounded up and donated handlebars, wheels, seats and tires to the effort.

Joe Figueroa, the store manager, said he liked the idea.

"Whenever they need a part or something, I try to help them out as much as I can," Figueroa said.

"You should see the place," Thomas said, referring to the maintenance workshop at the medical center. "It looks like the warehouse at White's Auto Parts or something."

Thomas said he asked the medical center workers to make suggestions on who should receive the finished bicycles.

Some will be given to the children of hospital employees who are single parents, he said. Others will be donated to The All Church Children's Home in Fort Worth.

The tricycles will be sent to the Women's Shelter in Arlington.

"We weren't expecting any publicity out of this at all," Wood said. "We just want to see a couple of smiling faces at Christmas."

Gunter woman stitches her past in many colorful quilts

By RICK SMITH
Sherman Democrat

GUNTER, Texas (AP) — Marguerite Hunter's history is pieced together, scrap by scrap, square by square, in hundreds of her quilts.

"The other day a friend said, 'You have so many quilts, why don't you sell some?'"

"Well, I thought about that. Then I pulled out this quilt and looked at it. Here, here's a piece of my mother's dress. And this is a scrap from my son's shirt, and this is from my husband's pajamas. I could go on and on. Every scrap,

every piece, has a story behind it. Every scrap means something to me."

Mrs. Hunter, 71, estimates she has sewn maybe 200 quilts since she learned to sew at age six.

Her country home is filled with her work: Lone Stars and Flower Gardens, Ocean Waves and Log Cabins, quilts to warm the coldest night.

When she married rancher Benton Hunter 49 years ago, Mrs. Hunter made quilts from feed sacks on their Grayson County ranch.

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WELDS SNOW SHELLS — Harry Johnz, welder at John Deere in Horicon, Wis., inspects snow blower shells. The shells, used in heavy-duty, two-stage snow blowers, house the augers that pick up the snow before it's blown away by a blower fan. Heavy-duty blowers have 5-10 horsepower engines and clear widths of up to 32 inches. (AP Laserphoto)

High-valued dollar hard on U.S. farmer, but good for tourists

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The higher-valued dollar has chewed into exports of American farm products, but it has helped U.S. diplomats, tourists and visitors eat well in most foreign capitals this year, according to a survey by the Agriculture Department.

A market basket of food items that cost \$44.52 in Washington, D.C., in November cost less than that in 10 of 15 world capitals surveyed in November, the department's Foreign Agricultural Service said in a report.

The food items cost more in Tokyo, \$85.49; Bern, \$71.27; Stockholm, \$70.27; Seoul, \$48.79; and Paris, \$44.89.

Lower costs were reported in London, \$41.04; Rome, \$40.55; Madrid, \$39.52; Ottawa, \$38.99; Bonn, \$38.72; Canberra, \$32.22; Buenos Aires, \$27.12; Brasilia, \$24.86; Pretoria, \$23.32; and Mexico City, \$19.93.

"The items contained in this

survey reflect purchases more typical of U.S. consumers than those of other capitals," the report said. "Differences in quality, packing and seasonal variation in supply also tend to affect any strict comparison between such prices."

Further, it said that some of the price variations among the capitals can be due to a country's food policies and "the self-sufficient nature of some capitals." Beef prices in Brasilia and Buenos Aires, and coffee prices in Brasilia, are examples.

The survey, which is conducted periodically by the agency, is not regarded as a scientific sampling of food costs in the various countries because it is limited to capitals. However, it does show comparisons among the cities at a particular time.

The increasing value of the U.S. dollar has been blamed for part of the decline in American farm exports in recent years because foreign currencies don't buy as much as before. But for Americans traveling abroad, the

higher-valued dollar goes farther. Except for eggs, which were priced by the dozen, the selected items were listed in U.S. dollars per kilogram or liter, the favored international units of measure. A kilogram is about 2.2 pounds and a liter is a little more than a quart.

For example, the retail price of boneless sirloin steak in Washington in November was listed at \$8.80 per kilogram, or about \$4 per pound. In Tokyo, historically the most expensive, steak was \$30.45 per kilogram or \$13.84 per pound.

Sirloin prices in some of the other capitals, converted to pounds, included: Bern, \$10.18; Buenos Aires, 75 cents; London, \$5.18; and Paris, \$4.30.

Boneless pork roast in Washington was \$2.12 per pound in the November survey, compared with: Bern, \$3.84; Buenos Aires, \$1.32; London, \$1.77; Paris, \$2.38; and Tokyo, \$3.60. Stockholm was the most expensive at \$7.38 per pound.

Politics, economy still feel effects of killer quakes in Mexico City

By SOLL SUSSMAN
Associated Press Writer

MEXICO CITY (AP) — The teetering buildings are being demolished, the rubble carted away, and life is returning to near-normal in Mexico City. But September's killer earthquakes could still shake the economic and political landscape here for years to come.

Almost every weekend now, a hotel, apartment complex or other building badly damaged by the devastating tremors is brought down in controlled demolitions.

Lesser damage is being repaired — cracks plastered over, new paint applied. Nightclubs and restaurants are busy again. Tourists are again taking in the sights. Only here and there can hulks of twisted steel or mounds of broken glass be seen.

But the image of a city in ruins will take longer to erase than the physical evidence of the Sept. 19 "great quake," which measured 8.1 on the Richter scale, and the only slightly less powerful jolt that followed the next day.

At least 7,000 people died in the disaster, and an estimated 3,000 buildings were destroyed or severely damaged. Government figures show 40,000 people remain homeless, and President Miguel de la Madrid says it will take 15 months to solve their problems.

The impact of the quakes, which inflicted an estimated \$4 billion in damage, will long reverberate through the Mexican economy.

The disaster struck as Mexico was struggling to climb out of its worst recession in a half-century, a crisis tied to its problems in repaying \$96 billion in foreign debt.

Direct losses from the quake are compounded by the decline of world prices in oil, Mexico's chief export, and by a 10-percent drop in tourism in 1985, in part because of the earthquakes.

The government's quake-reconstruction fund thus far has received the equivalent of \$62 million in aid from domestic and foreign sources — a trickle compared with rebuilding

needs. As for the foreign debt, creditor banks agreed after the quakes to postpone some loan repayments for six months. But the Mexicans say they must now seek hundreds of millions of dollars more in emergency loans to rebuild.

Although the national domination of the long-governing Revolutionary Institutional Party (PRI) remains unassailable, the quakes seem to have chipped away at its prestige.

The plight of the homeless remains the most visible problem, and small leftist parties have been active in community-organizing in the shelters.

"The disaster has become politicized," the private enterprise group Coparmex wrote in an analysis of the earthquakes' effects. "The left from inside and outside the government started to capitalize on the tragedy and sought to obtain leadership of the homeless."

De la Madrid's Cabinet

Rice researchers find odd carbon molecule

HOUSTON (AP) — Several Rice University scientists noticed two months ago that their laser machine was producing unusual spherical carbon molecules that they had never seen before.

The researchers quite by accident had found carbon 60, which they nicknamed "Buckyballs," a discovery that has taken the international scientific community by storm.

The researchers say their finding is especially surprising because carbon is one of the most common elements in the universe and therefore one that scientists know most about, said chemistry professor Richard Smalley of the Rice Quantum Institute.

Smalley said Rice researchers for years had been zapping various materials — from tungsten to diamonds — with a laser to see what would happen. The scientists would give the

material a split-second burst of laser energy, which vaporized the material.

The researchers then watched to see how the vaporized material recombined as it cooled down.

Smalley said a researcher friend of his in England suggested the scientists try the laser on carbon. They did, and carbon 60 was found.

The atoms arranged themselves in sphere-shaped groups of 60 that looked like tiny soccer balls, instead of the typical carbon arrangement — flat sheets of atoms or three-sided pyramids.

The spheres of carbon were named buckminsterfullerene for the late architect Buckminster Fuller, who designed geodesic domes. Hence, the nickname Buckyballs.

The discovery was the cover story last month in "Nature," a prestigious British scientific journal.

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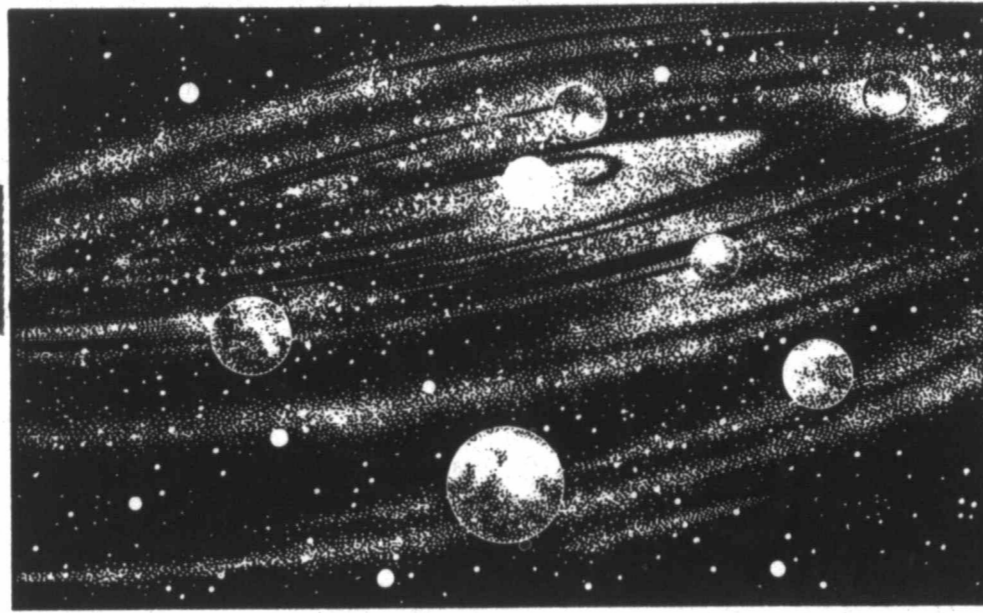
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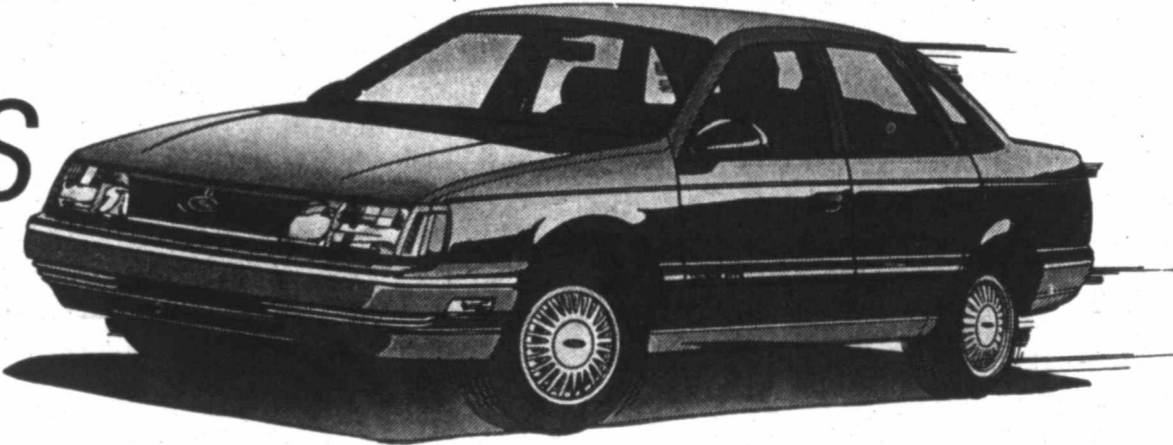
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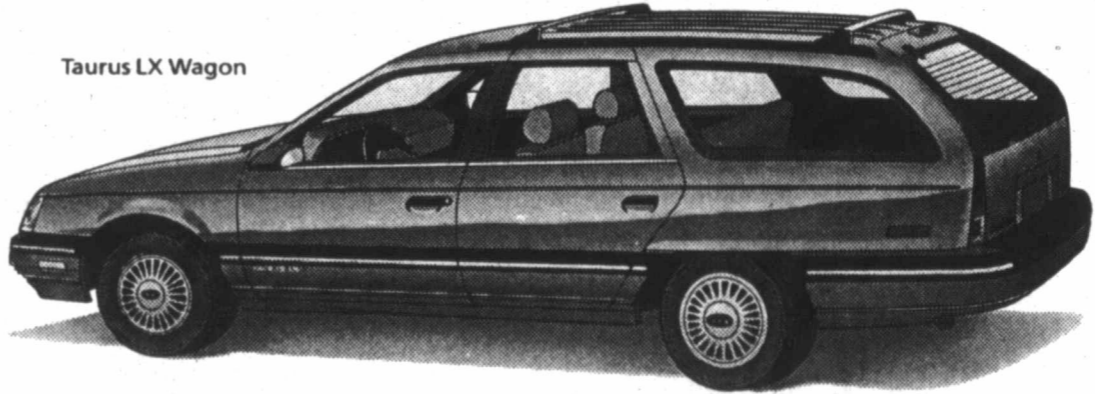
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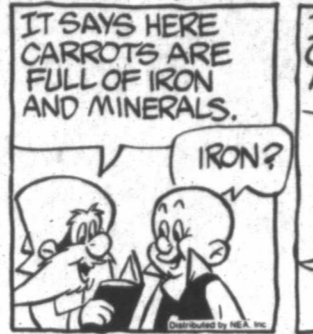
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