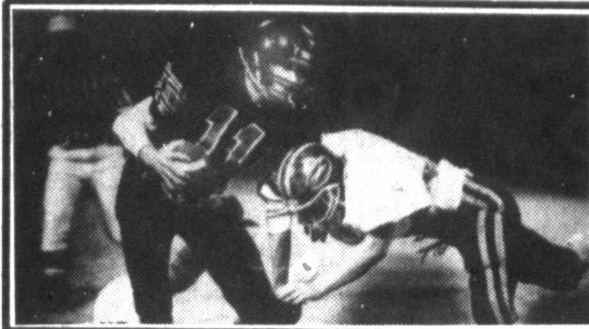


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Officials' spat costs taxpayers

By PAUL PINKHAM
Senior Staff Writer

Some of the bitterness of the 1986 campaign has apparently spilled over into the post-election period — and reached into the pocketbooks of Gray County taxpayers.

Two Republican county office winners were on hand at Friday's Gray County commission meeting, seeking travel allowances to drive to Canyon in order to train.

Both Vickie Walls and Scott Hahn said they asked for and were denied access to the offices they won Nov. 4. Both will replace Democrats on Jan. 1 — Walls as district clerk and Hahn as county treasurer.

County Treasurer Jean Scott, who did not seek re-election after 26 years in the treasurer's office, and District Clerk Mary Clark, defeated after one term, both responded that they don't have time to train their successors.

Walls asked commissioners for \$45 travel money

to go to Canyon and train with Randall County District Clerk LaQuitta Polvadore, also a Republican. She also requested \$630 to cover her travel to a passport seminar in San Antonio and a GOP-sponsored training session for new local elected officials in Austin.

Hahn has not yet traveled to Canyon but said he plans to ask the court to reimburse him after he trains with Republican Randall County Treasurer Judy Monk later this month.

Hahn asked commissioners to reimburse him \$410 for travel to the GOP session in Austin and a meeting of the Panhandle Plains County Treasurers Association last month in Amarillo.

Commissioner O.L. Presley noted that the court cannot legally reimburse the two future officeholders until they take office Jan. 1. Commissioners decided to wait until then to act on the requests.

Walls said she asked Clark on Dec. 1 if she could train in the Gray County office.

"She denied me access," Walls said. Clark said Friday afternoon that she is not re-

sponsible for training her successor and added that the office has been busy with a bigger-than-average workload. Clark said she has tried to get the office ready for Walls. She added that the district clerk's job is not one that can be learned in a short period of time.

"In my opinion, I didn't see the need for it," Clark said. "There is not enough time to train anyone to take over this job. You can't do it in a month; you can't do it in a year."

Hahn said he went to Scott shortly after he defeated her deputy, Lodema Mitchell, on election day.

"I attempted to set up some sort of a transitional program with the county treasurer and was not welcome," he said, calling the squabble a party dispute.

Hahn noted that, despite their differences, even Gov. Mark White and Gov.-elect Bill Clements set

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Hahn



Walls



Clark



Scott

Germans studying recorder

BERLIN (AP) — Experts studied data from the flight recorder of a Soviet jetliner Saturday trying to find out why the plane crashed and burst into flames, killing 69 people of the 81 people aboard, East German officials said.

The ADN news agency said 12 people were pulled from the smoldering wreckage alive by emergency workers.

Transport Minister Otto Arndt told East German television that emergency workers and medical experts were struggling to remove and identify bodies. He said the identification process was "extremely difficult because the airliner burst into flames when it hit" the ground.

Arndt, named to head the government commission investigating the crash, also said the cause had not yet been determined.

"The conditions for a successful flight were there," Arndt said. "They have found the flight recorder and it is now being studied."

ADN in earlier reports said the airplane, a Tu-134 from the Soviet Aeroflot airline, was trying to land after dark in dense fog.

The news agency said all 12 survivors were being treated in three East Berlin hospitals. It said six of the injured were at Koepenick hospital and listed in satisfactory condition. Two patients in critical condition were at Charite Hospital.

The flight originated in the Soviet city of Minsk, about 620 miles northeast of Berlin.

A U.S. Embassy spokesman in East Berlin said no Americans were aboard and a West German government spokesman said no West Germans were on the flight.

The report said the airliner went down in a wooded area about 1.8 miles from Schoenefeld airport and not far from a major highway.



(Staff photo by Larry Hollis)

Practicing their songs are, from left, Lori Lofton, 11; Tyler DuBose, 7 months; Erin Rohrbacher, 10; Michelle Lofton, 7½; Megan Taylor, 8; Brooke Taylor, 11, and Russell DuBose, 6.

Kids surprise parents with Christmas show

By LARRY HOLLIS
News Editor

There was a surprise Christmas party this weekend for four Pampa families in the 2200 block of Williston — and it was given by the children for their parents.

Seven children presented a program of Christmas songs and a manger scene, entitled "The Everlasting Christmas," Saturday night at 2222 Williston, residence of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Taylor.

The program came as a surprise for most of the parents, who did not learn about the month-long planning for the event until late Friday afternoon when the children were getting ready for a "dress rehearsal."

As three of the mothers gathered early Friday evening to watch the dress rehearsal, they all expressed surprise at the children's prepara-

tions, asking each other when they had learned about the program.

One of the mothers said, "We didn't know what they were doing," but she said she was surprised and excited by the event.

Planning the program were Lori Lofton, 11; Erin Rohrbacher, 10, and Brooke Taylor, 11.

Erin said the three girls were sitting together on a piano bench about a month ago and singing Christmas songs. She said the idea of a program came up and then they just decided, "Hey, we can do it."

Then they began their planning, also involving Michelle Lofton, 7½; Megan Taylor, 8, and Russell DuBose, 6. They drafted 7-month-old Tyler DuBose to play the baby Jesus in the manger scene.

The girls said the children would just get

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OPEC stalls on oil plugs

By ROBERT BURNS
Associated Press Writer

GENEVA (AP) — OPEC ministers suspended talks until Monday after failing to reach final agreement on a plan for cutting oil production and raising prices.

Several of the oil ministers said after four hours of talks Saturday that they remained hopeful of overcoming the obstacles to an accord, including conflicting demands by Iran and Iraq.

The two Persian Gulf neighbors, both cartel members, have been at war since September 1980.

Under terms of what sources said was an informal agreement among the ministers not to talk to reporters, the delegation chiefs were unusually tight-lipped on the third day of their conference.

Fawzi Shakshuki, Libya's oil minister, said he still was hopeful that a formal accord could be reached Monday.

Although at past OPEC meetings, the ministers have routinely worked on Sundays, they are not going to meet on Sunday this time.

The 13 cartel members agreed in principle Friday to reduce output by at least 5 percent starting Jan. 1, but key details remained unresolved, several of the oil ministers said.

Analysts said they believed a cut in production by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries would push prices higher, perhaps to the cartel's short-range target of \$18 a barrel. Prices now range from \$13 to \$16 because of a world oil glut.

Each \$1-per-barrel rise in the price of OPEC crude generally results in a hike of about 2½ cents-per-gallon in the price of refined products such as gasoline and heating oil.

Mana Saeed Oteiba, oil minister of the United Arab Emirates

and a key architect of the proposal under debate, told reporters before entering Saturday's evening session that an accord was within reach.

"There will be an agreement. . . (but) We need more time, so let us enjoy our weekend and cook it on a quiet fire," he said.

The major stumbling block was a dispute between Iran and Iraq, said Etienne Tchioba, oil minister of Gabon.

Iranian Oil Minister Gholamreza Aghazadeh was insisting that Iraq accept a production quota that would reduce its output more than any other member, according to sources who commented on condition of anonymity.

The Iraqis refused, saying they must either be exempted from the proposed pact or be allowed to produce as much oil as Iran, the sources said.

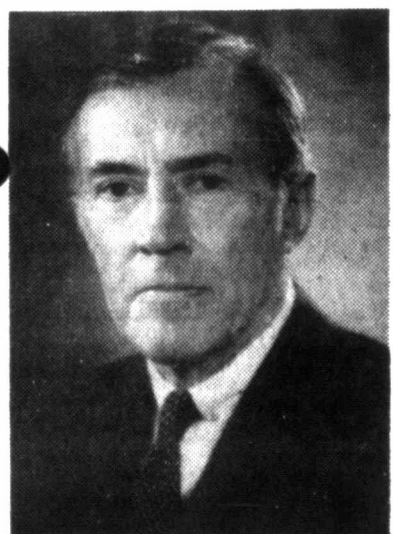
Iraq is exempt from OPEC's current production agreement, which was implemented Sept. 1

'There will be an agreement. . . (but) We need more time, so let us enjoy our weekend and cook it on a quiet fire.'
Oteiba

and is due to expire Dec. 31. The exemption was granted because OPEC was unable to reconcile Iranian and Iraqi demands.

The negotiations appeared to have been complicated by a Baghdad radio announcement that Iraqi planes bombed Tehran on Saturday. The reports said Iraqi jets destroyed Tehran's main power plant and struck military installations around the Iranian capital.

Tchioba said among obstacles to final agreement was a dispute over how long any production cuts would last.



Walsh

Special prosecutor named in Irangate

WASHINGTON (AP) — A panel of federal judges has settled on Lawrence E. Walsh, a former president of the American Bar Association, as independent counsel to conduct a criminal investigation into arms sales to Iran and transfer of proceeds to the Nicaraguan Contras, according to a report broadcast Saturday.

National Public Radio said announcement of the appointment of Walsh, 74, would be delayed until later in the week pending a review of his legal record to ensure that there would be no conflict of interest.

Walsh, contacted at his Oklahoma City home, and two members of the three-

judge panel declined to confirm the radio report.

"My phone has been absolutely ringing off the wall, and they all tell me about the report. But I absolutely can't comment on anything," said Walsh, who served Republican presidents Dwight Eisenhower and Richard Nixon.

One of the judges, George E. MacKinnon of the United States Court of Appeals in Washington, said the announcement would be made "when we make a selection."

Judge Lewis R. Morgan of the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals in Atlanta would not comment at all.

Terry Eastland, the Justice Department

spokesman, said the department had not been notified of any appointment.

Walsh, if formally named, would be the seventh independent counsel chosen under the post-Watergate Ethics In Government law.

The act provides for an impartial inquiry ordered by a three-judge court, so

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that presidential administrations can avoid investigating their own top officials.

The radio report said Walsh had been selected and accepted the appointment, but that his record was under review.

Walsh was chosen because of his back-

ground as a prosecutor, a judge and a diplomat, NPR reported, citing sources close to the selection process.

A native of Nova Scotia, Canada, Walsh was a county district attorney in New York and was an assistant to state Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, a Republican.

He served as a U.S. District Court judge in New York from 1954 to 1957, and as deputy attorney general in the Eisenhower administration from 1957 to 1960.

He was as an American negotiator at the Vietnam peace talks in Paris in 1969. He was ABA president in 1975-76.

Until now, the Justice Department has been conducting its own probe, one on the

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Mom cleared after rats gnaw baby girl

HOUSTON (AP) — A charge filed against a woman after her 5-month-old daughter was gnawed by rats has been dismissed, and the young mother says she is trying to reunite her family for the holidays.

"I'm not an unfit mother," said 22-year-old Debra Elane Johnson. "I want my children back. I'll be very sad (spending) Christmas at home without the children."

Johnson's youngest child was bitten in the face and earlobe, and her wrist was nearly gnawed to the bone by rats Nov. 16, authorities said. The woman's two other daughters, ages 1 and 2, suffered minor bites and were put in foster homes after she was arrested.

On Friday, State District Judge Woody Densen dismissed the charge against Johnson saying the state did not show she intentionally harmed Shanterey Johnson the night the baby was bitten by rats.

Shanterey was hospitalized for nine days and had to have skin grafted on her wrist, officials said.

Johnson, who had left the house that night to be with her boyfriend, was charged with injuring the child by leaving her unattended.

Houston City Councilman George Greanias testified during the examining trial on Johnson's be-

half, saying the Fourth Ward area where she lives is populated by low-income people who rent dilapidated houses.

Other testimony during the trial showed there were other adults in the house and that someone gave the baby a bottle of milk at 2 a.m.

Johnson's relatives applauded the judge's decision Friday in court.

"This is a poverty-stricken family with four or five adults and nine children living in one house," Densen said. "And evidence showed they generally looked out after one another's children."

Densen also said there was no evidence Johnson knew the house was infested with rats because there had been no prior rat bites.

Johnson's court-appointed attorney, Hogan Stripling, said he believes the rats attacked the child to try and get at the milk in the bottle.

The Harris County Children's Protective Services is working with the mother to see if she can obtain better shelter and regain custody of all three children, said program director Elizabeth Scarborough.



(Staff Photo by Cathy Spaulding)

Feldee hops through Wheeley's hoop.

Jumping canine wins Pampa pet contest

By CATHY SPAULDING
Staff Writer

Charlie O'Casey may have had trouble leaping two folding chairs in a single bound, but that didn't keep the black Labrador from being named Pampa's Most Wonderful Pet Saturday.

Charlie, owned by 13-year-old Kathy Price, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Steven O. Price, 1933 Fir, was the paws-down favorite at Pampa's second annual Most Wonderful Pet Contest Saturday at the Clyde Carruth Livestock Pavilion.

Decked with a bandana around its neck, Charlie pleased the eight-judge panel by jumping over folding chairs placed side by side (it had no problem with that) and one atop the other (considerably more difficult for the dog). Charlie also played baseball with its owner by catching baseballs in its mouth.

As winners of this year's contest, Charlie and Kathy are eligible for a chance to compete at the National Most Wonderful Pet Contest in April in Dallas. Pampa Animal Control Officer Sandy Burns said a videotape of Charlie's performance at the Pampa show will be sent to the national Pets Are Wonderful offices for judging.

Last year's Top Dog — Princess Leigha owned by Valerie L. Chambers of 941 S. Faulkner — had to settle for second place this year. But that didn't

seem to bother the exuberant huskie, who seemed to enjoy hopping over a sawhorse and playing a rough-and-tumble game of soccer with its owner.

It took two dogs to win third place: Penny and Turbo, a pair of unrelated schauzners owned by H.E. Crocker of 210 S. Lynn. Crocker paraded his dynamic duo and as they showed the judges how they can walk, sit, and bark in tandem.

Turbo also won the Pampa Animal Shelter's Dog Obedience Contest, held Saturday morning at the livestock pavilion. Turbo's teammate Penny placed third and Katie, a collie owned by Frankie Wallis of 1036 S. Faulkner, took second.

The dogs were judged on their ability to obey such commands as heel, sit, stay and to stay for more than three minutes.

There were other entries that dogged the judges.

Feldee, a schnauzer, hopped through a hoop as owner Joe E. Wheeley of White Deer tempted him with a bag of doggie biscuits. Scooter, a poodle from White Deer, made a return engagement, howling to the flute playing of owner Holly Coble. Patty and her owner Holly Snider, 14, of 601 N. Frost, paraded their matching holiday outfits for the judges and fluffy white Powder Puff did tricks for her owner, Donna Smith of Pampa.

Although the contest was also open to cats, the only felines that showed up were two white balls of fluff that a Pampa woman offered for sale.

Payroll glitch prompts state workers to seek food stamps

AUSTIN (AP) — The state employee holding the infant in her arms was young and angry. She would not give her name, but she said she was 27, worked for the Austin State Hospital, took home \$800 a month and had two children she could not feed.

"It's the damn state," she muttered aloud as heads in the crowded food stamp office turned and stared at her Friday afternoon.

The woman was one of more than 2,000 state employees around Texas who have applied for food-stamp assistance since Dec. 1. Of that total, more than 800 applicants are from Travis County, according to figures compiled by Barbara Musil, a state Department of Human Resources administrator.

The state workers are applying — and some are being certified as eligible for assistance — because of a change in the way the state pays its employees, moving late December paychecks to early January and leaving them without a paycheck for 5½ weeks.

"Bills don't stop coming due, and I still have to feed my three kids, and this is Christmastime," said a University of Texas custodian applying for the food stamps Friday. The woman, who asked that her name not be used, said her \$845 a month take-home pay must cover all expenses for her and her three children.

Like the angry woman who would not give her name, the UT worker said she was a single, working parent. Both women were waiting to schedule an appointment with an eligibility caseworker.

After a one-hour wait, the UT worker was given a Dec. 29 appointment. At that time, the caseworker would take her financial and personal history and determine if she met the eligibility criteria.

When told she would in all probability not get food stamps until January, the woman said, "I was hoping to get help this month, because right now is when I am hurting."

Welfare agency officials said Friday caseworkers are swamped with state employees joining other food stamp seekers from among the 725,000 unemployed Texans.

With the increase in applicants, there has been an upswing in the number of fraud cases, caseworkers say.

"Beginning in October, we were swamped with applications from people because of the bad economy," said one food stamp caseworker.

"Now we are seeing state workers who are not penniless, hungry or homeless coming in demanding to get benefits. We have found that in some instances these state workers are misrepresenting their situations. Some women are saying they are single when they have husbands or live-in boy friends. Some are saying they have no bank account or new car when they do," the seven-year food stamp worker said.

"We are finding three to six fraud cases a day, and the number is growing," said the caseworker, who asked that her name not be used.

State Rep. Mike Toomey, R-Houston, author of the bill that changed the state's pay day, said he did not think "that state workers would take advantage of a loophole in the federal law" that outlines food stamp eligibility.

He said he was "astonished and a little disappointed" that state workers would take advantage of the situation.

"I guess they need it," he said, referring to food stamps.

Past members honored; reappraisals scheduled

Former Gray County Appraisal District board member Lloyd Hunt drove all the way from McLean Thursday to receive a plaque commemorating his service on the board, only to find that three other honorees couldn't make it.

Hunt, who served on the board from 1982 to 1985, was the only former Appraisal District board member to show up at the belated plaque presentation at the regular board meeting Thursday.

Honored in their absence were Dr. Robert Lyle, a board member from 1982 to 1984 and board president in 1985, Glenn Dawkins, who served in 1984-85 and R.D. "Jimmy" Wilkerson, board president from 1982 to 1984.

Gray County Chief Appraiser Charles Buzzard said that he had planned to honor the board members when they left the board in January, "but there was a mix-up."

In other business, Buzzard told board members about the reappraisal of county property, which the district is required to do every four years.

According to Buzzard, the appraisers are going to look at properties within all taxing entities served by the appraisal district.

"We'll look at the sales of prop-

erty to see what kind of value to apply," Buzzard explained, adding that he hopes to end the reappraisals by April 15 and to have the evaluation notices out by May 15.

Buzzard said Saturday that it would be hard to predict whether property values have gone up or down in the past four years.

"Looking at sales, I see a decrease in values — probably about 15 percent," Buzzard said. "There's going to be a marked difference. I don't know what oil and gas properties are going to do, but they'll probably be lower."

Buzzard said his reappraisal staff will include a new member, Clyde Coffee, who was hired Dec. 1 to conduct mineral property appraisals. In the past, mineral appraisals were done by the Fort Worth-based firm of Pritchard & Abbott. Also on the reappraisal team are two real estate appraisers and one commercial property appraiser.

Buzzard said that he would like to conduct four or five "miniseminars" in March or April to explain to taxpayers how the district conducts reappraisals. He also hopes to meet with representatives of each taxing entity in the district to explain reappraisals.



Hunt (left) receives his plaque from Buzzard.

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Teacher shocked by drug poisoning

DUNCANVILLE (AP) — A high school counselor who suffered a drug overdose after drinking his morning coffee says he tries not to think about it, but wonders if one of his students slipped him the drug.

Duncanville High School counselor Ted Thomas says he tries to keep a sense of calm about the incident.

"If you dwell on this thing like I did, it can absolutely drive you nuts with all the scenarios you come up with," Thomas said. "I've been in the schools long enough to know that it could be anybody."

"I could look at kids and project suspicion at every kid I see," the 32-year-old counselor told the Dallas Times Herald. "I have to not do that. I have to feel good about the kids."

On the morning of Nov. 21, Thomas said he stopped at a convenience store on his way to work and bought a cup of coffee. He said he mingled with students before school, setting down his cup in several places in the school.

After the first bell rang at 8:15 a.m., he refilled his cup and returned to his office.

"At 8:30 it hit me like a rock," Thomas said.

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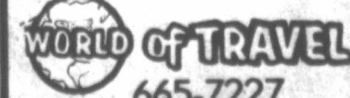
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Opinion

Aquino can look to Pacific neighbors

Truth to tell, the latest chapter in the Philippines may be more dramatic than any intrigues the Reagan administration has had with the ayatollah's Islamic republic. Since her Cinderella election of last spring to the sacking of her cabinet, President Corazon Aquino has captured the attentive hearts of Americans, whose special interest in the island nation has lasted for the better part of a century.

Can Cory do it?, we have all wondered on the this side of the Pacific. Could she diffuse a growing communist insurgency with appeals to democratic idealism, or would she be required to fight it off forcibly? Would she turn out to be another Alexander Kerensky, the short-lived beneficent leader of the Russian Revolution, whose caretaker government lasted only until Vladimir Lenin and his Bolsheviks could demolish it? And would this little woman of faith be able to thwart the challenge from the pro-Marcos forces within her own government?

Perhaps tardily, given the momentum of forces in her turbulent country, Mrs. Aquino displayed some of the iron will that has characterized the other prominent woman leader of an island democracy, Margaret Thatcher. Indeed, Mrs. Thatcher has never been faced with a decision to fire an unruly cabinet. Her own constitution not yet fully ratified, Mrs. Aquino has emerged as a stern defender of constitutional government jeopardized by impatient military leaders bent on a coup.

All of which is salutary, but the more fundamental question has to do with her willingness to let freedom, particularly economic freedom, spread throughout the Philippines.

Not far from the Philippines is a splendid economic model, which she knows well: Taiwan. For 40 years Taiwan's inhabitants have turned an island of little natural promise into a land of glittering opportunity and prosperity. Twenty-one years ago, they unilaterally threw off American foreign aid, so successful had been their capitalistic experiment. Indeed, even the communist mainland, so fiercely anti-capitalist for the same 40 years, has grudgingly embarked on its own experiment with the Taiwan formula, however much its leaders explain it in "Marxist" jargon.

Mrs. Aquino can look to other nearby models — Hong Kong and Singapore, most obviously — but one Asian nation may hold out a special relevance to her. She can look to Thailand.

A decade ago, Thailand was threatened by a similar communist insurgency; rather than falling back exclusively on their military to crush the guerrillas, Thai leaders launched their own, capitalistic revolution. Small wonder that Thai civilians, having blue jeans and cassette players for the first time, lost interest in those pushing Marxism at the point of a gun.

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Walter Williams

Apartheid involves money

My research shows that Afrikaner uniqueness is not found in their desire for apartheid. Their uniqueness is that apartheid is part of a legal structure enforced by South Africa's government.

While sheer racism can explain some of the pressure for apartheid, the evidence shows that economics plays the leading role. Let's take a tiny glimpse at the issue of apartheid.

In 1946, INSPAN, an Afrikaner publication, said of South Africa's Indian merchants: "The one-time pitiful peddler has become a financially strong trader, whilst many hard-working established white businessmen have been squeezed out by the previously despised interloper." Urging Afrikaners, INSPAN said, "Their own businesses should be supported by their race." But these pleas fell on the deaf ears of Afrikaner customers whose racial solidarity came in second place to their desire for the cheaper prices and convenience of the Indian store.

Afrikaners, who couldn't compete, organized racist boycotts against Indian stores and became a significant part of the movement to have Indians sent back to India, which never mater-

ialized. For some reason, there was adherence to the 1912 agreement between Prime Minister Jan Smuts and Mohandas (later Mahatmas) Gandhi not to forcefully repatriate Indians.

Afrikaners weren't alone in their contempt for Indian merchants. In 1949, bands of Zulus descended on Durban, burning and looting Indian shops. When the riot was over, 142 people lay dead and 1,087 wounded. Zulus thought that profits from stores in black areas should benefit their own people and not be taken away by Indian merchants. Zulus even told the government, "All we desire is that the government provide ships, and we will see the Indians on their way to India."

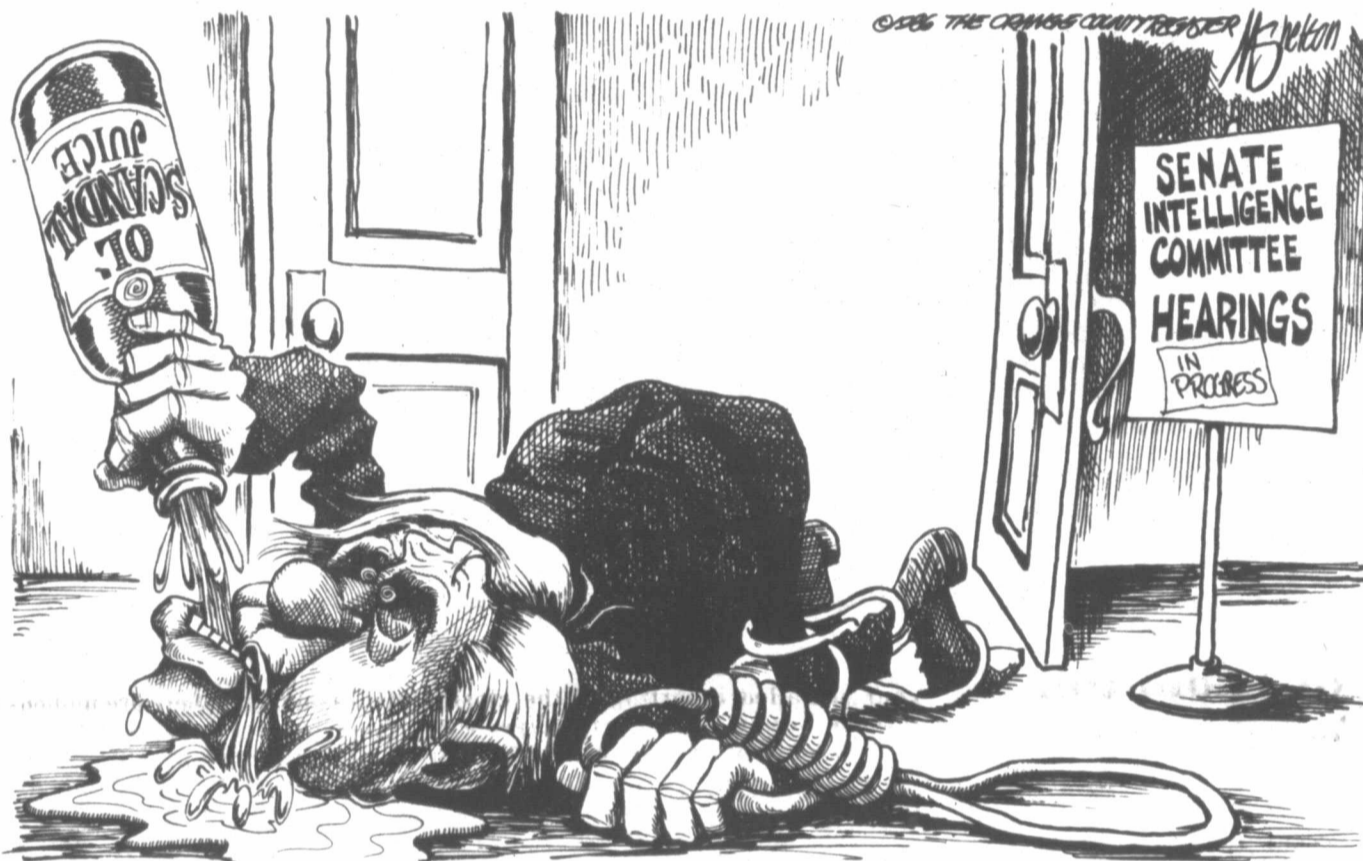
The same apartheid-type scenario is unfolding in some inner city neighborhoods here in the U.S. where Vietnamese, Chinese and Korean merchants are purchasing failing businesses and making a success of them, despite the staggering odds of crime, drugs and prostitution. For the efforts, these Asian merchants have received criticism and abuse from blacks and sometimes whites in cities like New York, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, Galveston, and Washington. In Washington, Korean merchants' stores have even been firebombed.

A most telling story is the on-going conflict between a Chinese merchant in Washington's Anacostia area and some of its black residents. The Rev. Willie Wilson of Union Temple Baptist Church demands the ouster of Asian merchants, saying, "But we have been the stepping stones for so many businesses who come into the community, take all the money and resources out, and treat us bad." Rev. Wilson said the picketing of Hung Chang Cheung's Good Hope Carry-out store, where Hung Chang Cheung, the owner, is alleged to have pulled a gun on a customer, will continue until the landlord rents to a black businessman.

South Africa solved its "problem" of Indian merchants in areas "where they don't belong" by the 1950 Group Areas Act which prohibits merchants of one race from setting up businesses in areas outside of their government-designated racial area. One wonders whether Willie Wilson and his followers would like to see similar legislation in Washington, or would they go the Zulu route — repatriate Asian merchants to the Far East?

Racism is despicable and worthy of condemnation, whether it's called apartheid or "keeping the money in the community."

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SENATOR HOLLINGS TAKES THE FIFTH.



Lewis Grizzard

Nuke attack in express lane

I went in to my neighborhood grocery store recently to buy milk and bread and a can of pork and beans. I was not going to make a meal of milk and bread and pork and beans, however. I needed the milk and bread for breakfast, and I bought the pork and beans in case of a nuclear attack.

This is left over from my high school years when, during the Cuban missile crisis, our principal, Mr. Evans, made everybody bring canned goods to school in case there was a nuclear war, and we had to stay at school overnight.

Most every kid brought at least one can of pork and beans. A nuclear attack never came, and so when I become concerned about that possibility again, as I am now with the collapse of the Iceland summit, I buy a can of pork and beans and, as silly as it might seem, I feel more secure.

But this isn't about pork and beans nor nuclear war. It's about what happened when I got into the express lane at the grocery store to pay for my goods.

We all know about express lanes at grocery stores. They are for people with "10 items or less."

I was third in line with my milk and bread and pork and beans. In front of me was a guy with a head of cabbage and some toilet paper.

In front of him at the register was another guy with two sacks filled with groceries.

Cabbage and Toilet Paper became incensed. "Don't you know," he said to the man in front of him, "you aren't supposed to be in this express lane unless you have 10 items or less?"

"That's all I have," answered the man. "I've got three potatoes — that's one item — I've got a six pack of beer — that's another one — I've got four cans of beef stew — that's three items..."

"I don't think you understand the spirit of the express lane rules," interrupted C&TP. "If you have three potatoes, then that's one potato, two potato, three potato, which adds up to three items. You probably have 30 items in your sacks and you aren't supposed to be in the express lane."

At this point, I sensed something violent was

about to happen — such as the two men throwing cabbage heads and potatoes at one another. I attempted to play the role of peacemaker.

"Why don't we do this..." I began, "let the gentleman with the two sacks go ahead and check out. He obviously was not aware of the strict rules of the express lane and made an honest mistake. I think in the future he will realize he cannot be in the express lane with more than 10 items and hold up others. Isn't that correct, sir?"

"Why don't you stick that can of pork and beans..." the man replied, at which time the guy in front of me let him have it on the noggin with the cabbage head.

As we stepped over his comatose body, the man in front of me said, "Rules are rules."

I took my can of pork and beans back and splurged on a can of beef stew, which I had for dinner.

Nuclear attack or no nuclear attack, it isn't every day you see justice handed out by the head of a cabbage.

Women have come a long way, baby

By Rusty Brown

Call me a cockeyed optimist, but I think these are good times for women. Granted, there's still a distressing pay gap between the sexes. And sure, not every woman gets the break she deserves at the office or at home.

But for every frustration, there's a new freedom. Think of the possibilities. Today's woman can say:

- "I may marry someone younger or shorter." Romantic attachments once were limited to older, taller men, but those shibboleths have gone the way of black-and-white TV. We know now that love can't be measured in years or inches.

- "I am more likely to attend college." Women outnumber men on college campuses and are 52 percent of today's students, up from 42 percent only a decade ago. It's hard to believe there was a time when fathers said a college education was wasted on daughters, who would "only get married and have kids anyhow."

- "I can be a role model in many roles." Astronaut or mother, volunteer or teacher, women have a vast variety of ways to inspire other wom-

en. At the recent White House Conference on Small Business, one of every three delegates was a woman. Women are one-third of today's medical students, and the number of women engineering students is 18 times higher than it was in 1970. Women are college presidents, Nobel Prize winners, Broadway producers and sailors off to sea. When trailblazers topple barriers, others say, "I can do that too."

- "I am a political force." Savvy politicians woo the women's vote with pledges for human services, peace and a healthy environment, knowing we feel strongly about those issues. Political analysts say the women's vote (in at least nine states) contributed to the recent Democratic takeover of the Senate.

- "I can re-invent myself." I know a journalist-turned-property manager who is now taking courses to become a financial planner. We women are developing a knack for changing direction in our lives and changing the way we look at ourselves. We re-invent our image by buying a zany feather boa or taking a course in assertiveness training. We are very

good at evolving and growing through self-discovery.

- "Being someone's wife does not say who or what I am." I'm not a derivative of a husband, even though I may be very proud of him. I am my own person, able to realize myself in some individual way.

- "I may make more money than my husband." Five million women do! That's one-fifth of all working wives. Some are female superstars in top executive jobs; others make more because their husbands experience labor-force difficulties, are ill or are retired.

- "I don't have to be a supermom anymore." After a decade of frazzling ourselves trying to be perfect wives, mothers, housekeepers and employees, we finally have learned to take it easy on us. Forget "juggle," "cope," "manage." Forget the dust balls on the closet floor. Let's walk the kids to the corner for an ice cream instead.

- "My husband pitches in." Not in overwhelming numbers, you understand, but more and more men are being exposed to the joy of cooking,

shopping, vacuuming and folding laundry. Some are plum proud of their Chicken Kiev — or their ability to iron a shirt or nurture a baby.

- "Society listens to my needs." After a long period of neglect, business and government are becoming sensitive to working mothers. It has taken a media blitz and a cadre of forceful leaders to pull off the turnaround, but there's good news in many places. Sick-child infirmaries, bills for federally subsidized day care, and child-care centers in business parks are already in place. Increased options for job sharing, flexible work hours and maternity leaves are all indicators that this country is at last ready to ease the burdens of working parents.

All in all, 10 reasons to be glad to be a woman in the '80s.

Bits of history

In 1911, Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen became the first man to reach the South Pole, beating out an expedition led by Robert F. Scott.

Berry's World



"The lab report confirms that you've lost a LOT of Teflon!"

Letters to the editor

Parents' heart may break at Christmas

To the editor:

We are Glen and Lucille Hollon, parents of the deceased, Glenna Branscum.

After 22 years we still wonder why. WHY? WHY? WHY? Why was our darling daughter taken from us in such a brutal fashion?

Why was a beautiful, young, 29-year-old mother suddenly taken from six children and two stepchildren who adored her. The baby was so young, just a little over 1. Her oldest child, only 12.

Oh, how children that age needed their mother. That little mother was an immaculate housekeeper. A very good cook. Kept her husband and children well-fed and clean. Kept the children in church, taught them about Jesus and how to pray and believe in him.

Why was a sister who was so dearly loved taken from her two brothers and three sisters? They could never have those precious visits anymore that always meant so much to them.

Why was she snatched from life to sudden death? God only knows.

Yes, we still grieve. It has been so hard because of the way it all happened. Yes, even after all of these years we suffer terribly.

I, as her mother, still awaken many nights. My heart nearly broke. I felt at times, and still do, that my heart literally would burst thinking about her children and how they have suffered.

At times, it is almost more than a person can bear.

But God has promised in his work that he would never let us suffer more than we could bear. He also promised he would never leave us or forsake us.

During this time of the year when everything should be so peaceful and joyful, there is so much heartache. But God will give us peace if we let him live in our hearts.

The Bible says, "Vengeance is mine, saith the Lord"

The Bible also says, "Thou shalt not steal," but our precious loved one was stolen from us.

We live with the precious promise that God gave us, and that is we will meet our darling one day very soon, never to be parted again. We live one day at a time, knowing the time for that glad reunion draws nearer every day.

Yes, my darling little girl, we will meet again. When God says it's time.

I'm striving to live so that I know I will meet her where there will be no more crying, no more tears, no more sorrow. We will walk arm-in-arm down the streets of gold. We will enter those gates of pearl. We will sit down side-by-side on the banks of the river of life and eat the fruit of the trees that God has prepared for us. We will have our beautiful mansions.

My heart rejoices with these promises.

So, Merry Christmas and a happy New Year, our darling Glenna.

Glen and Lucille Hollon
Fort Gibson, Okla.

No fan of Hamilton or the freed rapist

To the editor:

I wish I had written this letter a long time ago, then perhaps the people of this city would not be so eager to stand behind David Hamilton.

I am living proof that Mr. Hamilton has no compassion for a victim of a violent crime.

Nearly two years ago I was baby-sitting just a few doors from my home. A man I have known for years who lives in our neighborhood came to the

door, needing to use the phone. He was drinking. He beat me up and raped me.

He threatened my life and the life of my family if I ever told.

I didn't tell until it was way too late. I was pregnant!

I had to tell my parents.

They confronted the man, and after a very heated scene, he admitted his crime, and I filed charges of sexual abuse of a child.

You see, I had just turned 15 years old and was very shy. After I was raped, I became a recluse. I would not trust anyone, go anywhere, nor would I let my family leave me alone anywhere!

Being reared a Christian, I could not abort this baby. So together my family and I are rearing this beautiful baby.

Now, since charges have been filed, the rapist is still walking free and probably will continue to do so.

He tried to run over me and my brother several times while we were walking. He threatened to kill me and the baby if I went through with its birth. He harasses us all the time.

My parents and I have worn out our fingers calling David Hamilton about this creep. We have filed charges of harassment on him. But Mr. Hamilton says there are more important cases to take to trial before mine.

This guy has committed burglaries and other offenses and has been tried and placed on probation since the rape! Mr. Hamilton is going to let this creep go free, and why?

It's funny that Mr. Hamilton has been so busy advising women at the Tralee Rape Crisis Center about how to prosecute a rapist, that he let one go free.

If this guy is not prosecuted before the end of the year, he may very well go free. Go free to harm me, cause me more nightmares, threaten my family or kill my baby.

What would you do, Mr. Hamilton, if this were happening to your daughter or wife?

Name withheld

Mayor was joking

To the editor:

The mayor does read the newspaper. Smile, citizens of Pampa!

The mayor was only joking when he said he didn't read the paper. He does read the paper and is very aware of what is happening.

Like so many of you, he does have to work for a living and cannot always be available.

He has given many hours of his time to your city and loves you and this city very much. I think he even still loves me, because he does manage to carry out the trash once in a while!

I wish all of you citizens of Pampa a very merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year!

Dorothy Cowan
The mayor's wife
Pampa

Article was insulting

To the editor:

Your so-called reporting of the closing of Panhandle Bank & Trust Co. in Borger was the most insulting I have ever seen printed in a newspaper.

Pampa has never had at any time in its history, which I know from 1926, a man who daily lived the Christian life that Dave Warren has from the time I first met him in 1949.

His only crime was in believing that the Railroad Commission was a stable body of men who did not jump from their own rules just to please the big oil people, which they did in 1985.

Even with all the energy loans, most of which

had never missed a payment, the bank could have come through if the FDIC had not condemned all the loans to independents because they are "bad risks" because "they will eventually go bankrupt."

Now, concerning your insinuation that it was a good thing that Dave had sold his interest in the Citizens Bank of Pampa, I think you slandered the character of one of the true gentlemen I know.

I'm sending a copy of your article to my son John, of the law firm of Campbell, Davidson, and Morgan in Austin, to see if he does not agree.

Isla Campbell
Borger

People need homes; we built our shelter

To the editor:

I would like to sound off about the housing situation.

In 1920, when I was 6 years old, my Dad bought two lots in a Dallas suburb for about \$100. That was about six weeks' pay at that time. He borrowed enough money from my maternal grandmother to build the framework for a 10 by 15 foot, one-room house.

With a horse-drawn wagon, we went up and down alleys behind Butler Bros., Sanger Bros., Titche's, Sears and other, collecting empty wooden packing crates. They were free for the taking. It was good tongue and groove lumber. We pulled out the nails, and Dad used that lumber to cover the roof and outside walls of our house. Then he covered the roof and outside walls with tar paper.

We had a wood-burning heater, a kerosene cookstove and kerosene lamps. We had no indoor plumbing — only an outhouse on the back of the lot. We borrowed water from a neighbor until we could drill our own well about a year later. Our house was not fancy but it was ours, paid for.

We made it through the first winter by hanging quilts over the window openings. We put windows in before the next winter.

In those simple times, anyone could manage to have some kind of shelter from the heat, the rain and the cold. Our neighbors across the street, the Gregorys, a family of eight, lived in a tent for about a year and cooked outdoors, while they were building their house.

In most places, that would not be allowed nowadays. One would be forced to pay rent elsewhere while they built.

When we had only the forces of nature to contend with, it was possible for every man to provide shelter for himself and his family. He built what he could afford — a tent, a dugout or a cabin. Now many are forced to buy something far beyond their means or do without.

We are stymied, flummoxed and stultified by myriad laws, regulations, building codes, etc. from Washington down to city, county, state and neighborhood. Many can no longer afford even the minimum standard of housing that is required by law.

Every family has a right to affordable housing. There is something very wrong with our system when millions of people are homeless while at the same time, there are millions of good living units lying vacant that cannot be rented or sold because of economics.

What with government regulations, local building restrictions, tax breaks for vacant property, initial costs impossible for many homeless to meet, high rent, high interest rates and unemployment, there is a wide gulf between the homeless and those who would like to sell or rent their property.

I don't claim to know about economics, banking, real estate and such matters. All I know is that things are not as they should be.

What is the answer? Ideally, in my opinion, the private sector should come up with a formula that would put the homeless into all the vacant living quarters and at the same time, see that the sellers or landlords get a fair price for their investment. If greed or inertia prevents the private sector from acting, then we may expect all who are hurting, both the homeless and the property owners, to put pressure upon the government to do something.

If the federal government gets into the act, it could become illegal to allow property to lie vacant for over a certain period of time. Instead of getting tax breaks, property owners might be fined for allowing property to be unused. Property that remains vacant for very long periods of time might, conceivably, be condemned, confiscated and the owner reimbursed by considerably less than market value.

To forestall government intervention into private affairs, perhaps your readers might share their ideas on this subject. Maybe the Realtors, bankers, lawyers, social activists, the homeless and others can provide the spark that will solve this problem.

Sam Godwin
Pampa

Johnny smells a rat

To the editor:

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their country.

A Yankee says the "aroma of rodent" is polluting the breathable atmosphere in our distinguished capital city of Washington, and that this is causing a dampening of the Christmas spirit. This is stupefyingly incredible and may eventually become an international scandal in its own right.

Johnny Reb says, "I smell a rat."

If you smell it too and have a few old mousetraps or rattaps just lying around the house, let's get together and send them to Washington for Christmas.

If everyone who loves our country would do this, I'm sure the rodent problems there would soon be taken care of. We might even want to put a jelly bean on the bait holder. Maybe then, those who care to indulge could kick back and "take the fifth," of scotch, of course!

Ronald K. Thrasher
Pampa

A double standard

To the editor:

The Pampa City Commission seems to have two sets of standards.

In the case of Mr. Hart and Mr. Denman, the commission said Mr. Hart displayed a "human reaction," and commissioners gave him a vote of confidence.

On the other hand, Mr. Denman was given two days off and a salary cut for his "human reaction."

In another instance, Crawford Street, west from Barnes Street for five blocks, was paved by the city at no cost to the property owners. Meanwhile, property owners on Harvester Street, which was paved for four blocks, west to the new church, were charged their portion of the paving costs.

Does this seem fair?

When he was asked why, Mr. Hart said, "It was a policy decision made by the commission."

What kind of a City Commissioner do we have that changes the rules to fit whoever is playing at the time? Is there anything fair or equal about policies that differ from one set of taxpayers to another?

It is time we citizens unite to regain fair and equal treatment for all residents of our city.

Gene Finney
Pampa

Hormel recalls chicken

AUSTIN, Minn. (AP) — Geo. A. Hormel & Co. has received no complaints of illness from chicken packed in damaged cans but is recalling the spoiled product in 22 states, including Texas, to be safe, a company official says.

"Where there is spoilage of food we want to get it off the market," Hormel Senior Vice Presi-

dent Charles A. Nyberg said Friday in announcing the voluntary recall.

The recall involves 6½-ounce cans of Hormel Chunk Breast of Chicken bearing the code date AO7236HCC2 and plant number P11502, stamped on the can lids, Nyberg said.



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Americans think Reagan has lied about Iran deal

By HARRY F. ROSENTHAL
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — It was a week when two military men took the Fifth Amendment and one took the Sixth, and when the money trail in the Iranian mess became muddled with revelations by a Saudi billionaire and an Iranian arms dealer.

And two Republican senators took out after their president, and a former president who knows what it's like to be besieged in the White House took umbrage on President Reagan's behalf.

Richard Nixon's salty advice: Get off Reagan's back.

A leading Democrat said the Iranian affair was born of the Reagan administration's "reliance on Ramboism." Rambo is the larger-than-life movie hero who employs violent solutions to problems.

And amid the hue and cry, a pair of somber voices told a lot in not saying anything.

Marine Lt. Col. Oliver North, who sports six rows of battle ribbons on his uniform, "respectfully and regretfully" declined to testify before a congressional committee. And Vice Adm. John M. Poindexter, whose most recent job was advising the president on national security matters, also availed himself of his constitutional right not to incriminate himself — becoming the first active-duty admiral in history to do so, it was said.

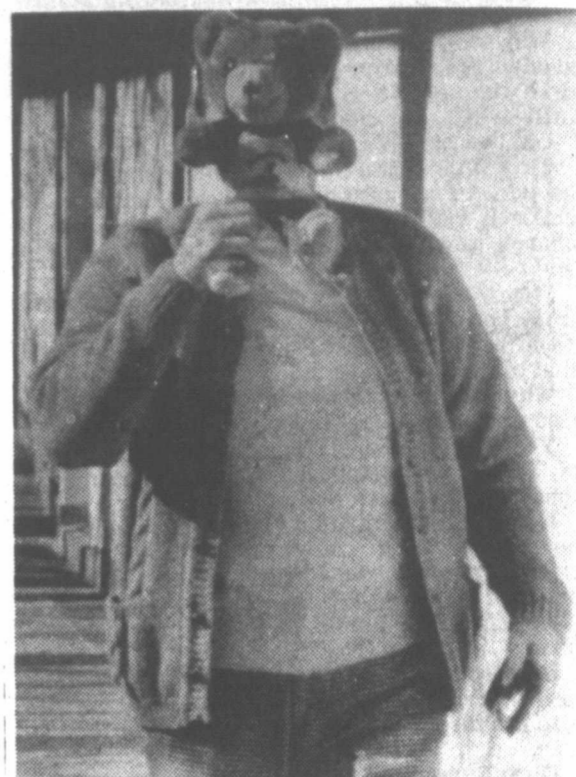
When on Friday, Marine Lt. Col. Robert Earl — a third National Security Council member — refused to testify on Sixth Amendment grounds, Senate Intelligence Committee Chairman David Durenberger, R-Minn., said: "These guys are being praised as national heroes. If they're such heroes, then why are they deserting the country when put to the true test. . . I haven't seen any heroism from any of these three."

The Fifth Amendment protects a person from having to confess to a crime. The Sixth concerns the right to trial by a jury and to know what one is accused of. Earl said he had not had enough time to prepare for testifying.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole of Kansas renewed his call to Reagan to get the story out and behind him.

Dole said both Poindexter and North should go to the president "and tell him everything" about the operations that saw arms sold to Iran and sent money to aid rebels in Nicaragua.

Reagan, clinging to his stand that U.S. overtures



Reagan covers his face with a teddy bear while he leaves the White House Saturday.

to Iran were well meant, reiterated that mistakes were made but said, "We cannot, and we will not let this stop us from getting on with the business of governing." Yet, despite Reagan's promise to "set things right," the White House said little last week to add to the public's knowledge.

All that was reflected in polls, which say many Americans think the president is lying about his knowledge of the affair. It was reflected, too, in a decision by major corporate advertisers not to sponsor a television show about Reagan scheduled to run on his birthday in February. Appalled at the loss in confidence, elder statesmen of the Democratic Party, as well as the president's own GOP, sought to persuade him to take strong additional action to extricate himself.

Fire simulates nuclear winter

SAN DIMAS, Calif. (AP) — A helicopter spewed flaming napalm-like gasoline on a brush-covered mountainside Friday, igniting a long-awaited 600-acre fire to test whether atomic war may threaten the extinction of humans.

The "nuclear winter" theory that smoke from such a war might block the sun, disrupt agriculture and obliterate life from Earth got its first test in the mountains 30 miles east of downtown Los Angeles.

The \$750,000 experiment had to be halted last week when the fire-starting helicopter crashed after its dangling torch tangled in telephone wires. The pilot escaped injury.

On Friday, a new "helitorch" dropped a thickened gasoline called Alumigel, a chemical relative of napalm, on the San Dimas Experimental Forest, said U.S. Forest Service spokesman Earl Clayton.

Flames leaped 50 to 60 feet into the air, but the fire burned slowly in green brush swelled by rain-fall earlier in the week, and there was no wind to spread it quickly.

A towering plume of smoke hung over the San Gabriel Mountains, obscuring snow-capped,

10,064-foot Mount Baldy a few miles away.

About 55 scientists in five aircraft monitored the pillar of reddish-brown smoke that rose straight up Lodi Canyon toward Johnstone Peak, where about 50 reporters and photographers gathered. Other reporters viewed the flames from their own helicopters.

"At this point, we're satisfied. Any large smoke plume will be of benefit. I didn't expect this to be a very vigorous fire. It's still the first field measurement of a fire, and it is important," said Peter Lunn, program manager for the global effects division of the Defense Nuclear Agency.

He said that even after months of study, the 1983 "nuclear winter" theory of astronomer Carl Sagan and researcher Richard Turco will remain open to debate.

Sagan and the other proponents postulated that a pall of smoke and dust blocking sunlight after a nuclear war could plunge Earth into darkness, bring freezing temperatures even in summer, disrupt agriculture, cause mass starvation and possibly threaten humanity with extinction.

GM replaces tires

DETROIT (AP) — General Motors Corp. said improper alignment on about 25,000 1985 and early 1986-model cars and light trucks prompted it to replace all-season radial tires that wore prematurely on the vehicles.

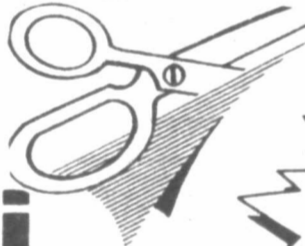
About 5 million GM cars and light trucks were produced before the automaker could increase alignment precision, but improper alignment occurred in fewer than 1 percent of the vehicles, Hudgens said.

Baby Ruths recalled

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Some Baby Ruth candy bars are being voluntarily recalled by Nabisco Brands Inc. after salmonella bacteria were found during an inspection at the manufacturing site, officials say.

No cases of salmonella poisoning related to the candy bars have been reported, and it is believed most of the suspect bars did not reach consumers, officials said Friday.

Nabisco discovered salmonella organisms during an inspection of its Curtis Candy plant in Franklin Park.



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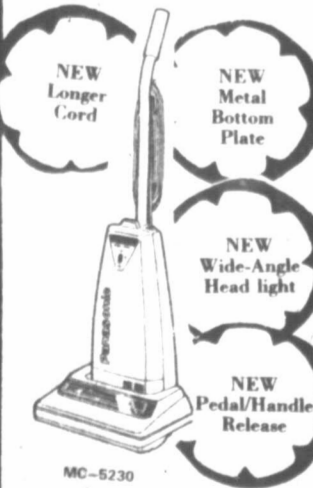
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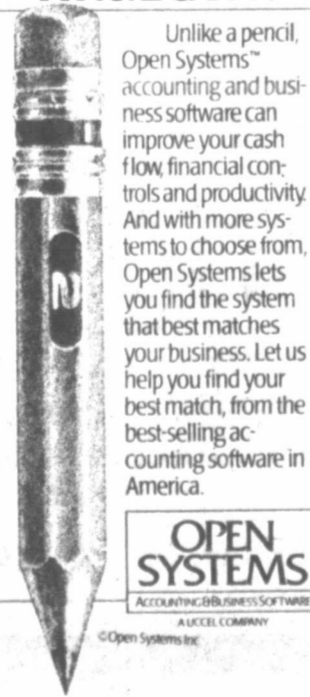
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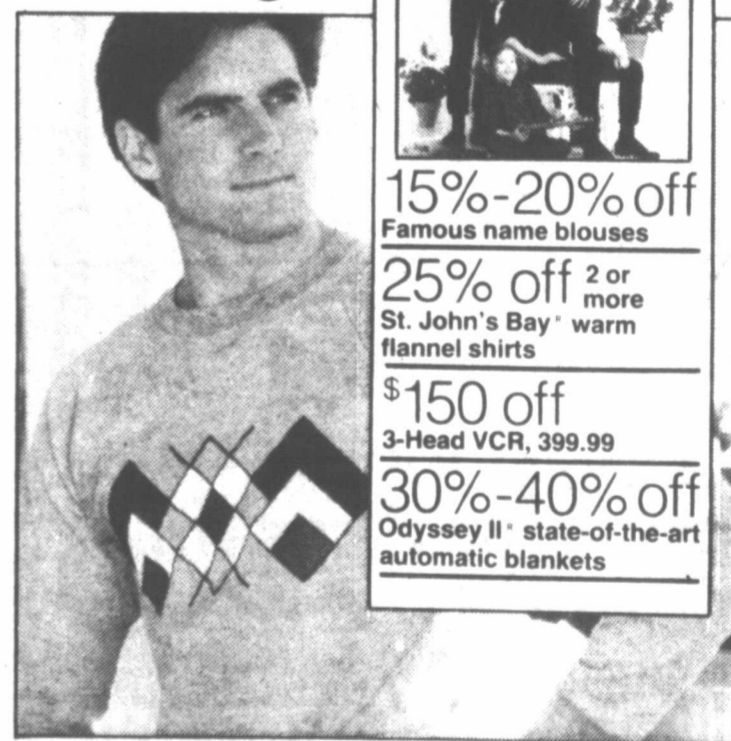
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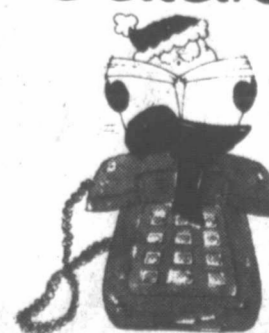
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Arlin L. Jenkins, 333 Perry, (above) waits to be transferred to an ambulance following a collision Friday afternoon at Gwendolyn and Sumner. Below, a pet pooch patiently awaits the return of its owner, Ruby McCain, 714 N.

Christy, who also was involved in the collision. Jenkins was treated and released at Coronado Community Hospital. He was cited for not wearing a seat belt, and McCain was cited for failure to yield the right of way.



Needy children taken on Christmas shopping spree

The Good News Committee at the Pampa K mart held its second Christmas shopping spree for local underprivileged children Saturday morning, with 41 children being treated to breakfast and guided shopping.

The committee, formed by local K mart employees, organized the shopping spree as a part of a national Good News Program sponsored by K mart Corp.

The committee gave each of 20 children \$25 to buy Christmas presents in the store. The children also were treated to breakfast at K mart and received a gift-wrapped present from Santa Claus, said Fred Dilley, manager of the local K mart at the Pampa Mall.

The Texas Department of Human Resources provided the names of needy children in the community for the committee's project.

Dilley said local non-profit organizations sponsored the 21 other children who participated in the spree, with those names obtained from the Salvation Army.

TDHS personnel and Pampa Fire Department volunteers, along with Kiwanis and Lions clubs members, helped to get the children to K mart for the Saturday morning event.

Dilley said the communitywide participation in last year's shopping spree for needy children convinced K mart employees that the event is a worthwhile community project.

"Sharing Christmas activities with underprivileged children in the community benefits everyone who participates," Dilley said. "We care about the community we live and work in."

The Pampa K mart is one of 2,100 K marts participating in the nationwide shopping spree. More than 42,000 children will benefit from the community outreach program. Each K mart store is sponsoring 20 children, with community organizations sponsoring others.

K mart employees, who volunteered their early morning time for the project held before the store opened for regular hours, assisted children with gift selections and with staying within their budget.

The Good News Committees are organized by employees in each store. The committees are actively involved in year-round outreach programs in the communities.

K mart Chairman Bernard M. Fauber noted the project enables needy children to purchase gifts for their families. "We're not just giving these children gifts, we're teaching them about sharing and caring," he said.

K mart Corp. is the second-largest retailer in the world, with 1985 annual sales of \$22.4 billion. In 1987, K mart will celebrate 25 years of service to its millions of customers.

The Pampa K mart store employs 60 people and is one of 175 K marts in Texas.

Teen convicted in couple's deaths

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Tammi Rivera sat straight up in the hard-back chair, looking at the 12 men and women in the box. No one had ever paid this much attention to the 18-year-old high school dropout. But the seven women and five men, as it turned out, were not there to add any joy to the life of Tammi, who came from a broken home and lived

with different relatives as a teenager. On Friday, they told Tammi she would have to spend the rest of her life behind bars for her part in the gruesome slaying of a retired Missouri couple, whom Tammi admitted to tying up before they were killed.

Tammi Rivera will join be-

hind bars her husband, 19-year-old Federico, whom she married in a ceremony last summer in the Cameron County Jail.

It was "Freddy," she testified, who had shown her how to love and it was Freddy who had forced her to take part in the slayings of Keith Nurdyke, 56, and Jean Nurdyke, 53.

Texas briefs

Suspect collapses

WACO (AP) — One of two men charged in the slaying of a 10-year-old girl collapsed and "threw a fit" when police showed him a copy of an arrest warrant charging him with capital murder, police say.

Ricky Kevin Smith, 21, was briefly taken to Providence Hospital where he was treated and released to police custody, Waco Police Chief Larry Scott said.

Smith and Clinnie T. Childress, 23, are accused of capital murder in the death of Cheryl Denise Logan, an elementary school student who vanished after leaving her classroom because she said she was sick.

Her body was found four days later in a field only a few blocks from her home. An autopsy revealed she had been sexually assaulted and strangled.

Killer algae moves

LANGTRY (AP) — The tide of killer algae that may have killed as many as 300,000 fish has moved into the Pecos River arm of the Amistad Reservoir but is apparently slowing down, biologists say.

The algae was eight to nine miles from the confluence of the Pecos River and the Rio Grande at week's end, and biologists from the Texas Water Commission reported finding a few dead fish in the area.

The algae — prymnesium parvum — has produced a toxic tide that has moved about 150 miles downstream from Iraan, 70 miles south of Odessa, in the past two weeks.

The algae has killed all types of fish, including minnows, catfish, carp and gar, as well as the popular Amistad game fish striped bass and black bass, said Dennis Palafox of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's resource protection division in Austin.

Huge damages set

GALVESTON (AP) — Jurors slapped Monsanto Co. with one of the largest damage awards in Texas history after finding that the company negligently exposed an employee to a chemical that his family said led to his death.

The federal court jury awarded \$100 million to the Alvin, Texas, family of Wilbur Jack Skeen Friday after a 48-day trial. Skeen died Nov. 21, 1980, from leukemia.

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World

Iraq pounds Tehran city

By JOSEPH PANOSSIAN
Associated Press Writer

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iraqi warplanes destroyed an anti-aircraft defense network and a power plant in Tehran on Saturday in the first raid on the Iranian capital in seven months, state-run Baghdad Radio reported.

Other Iraqi fighter-bombers attacked military targets in northwestern Iran closer to the Iraqi border, the radio added.

Iran's official Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, confirmed the raid on the power station. It made no mention of Iraq's claim that the jets destroyed surface-to-air missile bases.

IRNA said the power station was damaged but no casualties resulted.

It also acknowledged that the cities of Merivan, Rabat and Mosek in Kurdistan province were hit. The agency reported civilian casualties in those raids, but gave no figures.

Baghdad Radio interrupted regular programming to announce that the Iraqi jets flew 310 miles into Iran to bomb Tehran at 2.30 p.m.

It said the planes first hit the missile bases, "reducing Tehran's air defense system to rubble," then attacked the power plant, "setting it

ablaze."

The last Iraqi air strike against Tehran was May 7, in which the city's main oil refinery of Shahr Ray was the target and storage tanks were set ablaze. Eleven civilians were reported killed and 45 wounded in that attack.

Iraq said the targets in the three northwestern cities were troop concentrations and ammunition depots.

Those targets were "demolished" and all Iraqi raiding planes returned safely to base, Baghdad Radio quoted an unidentified military spokesman as saying.

Neither side allows independent observers to the war zones as a rule, and battle claims can rarely be confirmed.

The Iraqi air force has Soviet-made MiG fighter jets as well as French-built Mirages and Super Etendards, and has maintained air supremacy in the 6-year-old Persian Gulf War.

Iraqi jets flew 700 miles to bomb Iran's Neka power station near the Iran-Soviet border eight days ago.

On Nov. 25, Iraqi jets made their longest sortie of the war, bombing oil tankers and other facilities on Larak island in the Strait of Hormuz, 750 miles south of Iraq.

Iran generally retaliates for Iraqi air strikes by firing sur-



A little Iranian boy wears a gas mask during a recent rally in Tehran designed to spark mobilization in the war against Iraq.

face-to-surface missiles on Baghdad and Basra, Iraq's second-largest city, 14 miles west of the countries' border.

Iraq stepped up its attacks in recent months as Iranian leaders announced they were pre-

paring to launch a "final and fateful offensive" before the end of the Persian calendar year in March. Iranian leaders boast they plan to throw up to 1 million combatants into the offensive.

Iran seeking deal with 'Great Satan'

By SCHEHEREZADE FARAMARZI
Associated Press Writer

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — In public, Iranian leaders condemn the United States as the home of the Great Satan. In private, both pragmatic bureaucrats and radical fundamentalists believe something can be gained from contacts with the United States, observers say.

Former President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr, reached at his home in Paris, said all factions in the government now want ties with Washington.

"There is no longer an anti-American issue in the regime. The issue is that of a power struggle," Bani-Sadr said. "One group has made a secret deal with the Americans in order to claim power for itself."

There are several potential advantages in renewing contacts with the United States: America could supply weapons for the war against Iraq, return millions of dollars in Iranian assets, provide expertise for the war-shattered economy, and act as a counterweight to the Soviet Union.

The weapons Iran wants include nearly \$300 million worth purchased by Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi but never delivered because Iranian assets in the United States were frozen after the seizure of 52 American hostages in Tehran.

In addition, only the United States could supply Iran with spare parts for its F-14 fighters and with Phoenix missiles for the planes.

Donald Kerr of the International Institute for Strategic Studies in London said he did not think Iran had more than 12 serviceable F-14s.

The Iranian people "are bound

to say, 'What is our air force doing, our government doing? Are we really winning the war when they can see the enemy aircraft on a daily basis flying over our cities?'" he said.

The United States also could supply expertise in completing aircraft factories, telecommunications facilities and other industries left half-built because of the U.S. pullout following the 1979 ouster of the shah.

The Iranians want the United States to return \$500 million being held by the U.S. Federal Reserve. The money is the amount remaining after payment of syndicated bank loans Iran owed before economic relations between the two nations were cut.

The United States also could act as a counterbalance to the Soviet Union, Iran's mighty northern neighbor. Iran and the Soviet Union have oscillated between cooperation and hostility.

No Iranian official has publicly called for restoring diplomatic relations, but Parliament Speaker Hashemi Rafsanjani said, also this month, that "if the Americans want to contact us, they may. This would not need (to be) an official high-level meeting."

Rafsanjani's allies in the pragmatic camp are President Ali Khamenei; Prime Minister Hussein Musavi; the country's chief justice, Ayatollah Abdolkarim Ardabili; and Khomeini's son, Ahmad.

Their rivals, now united under the umbrella of Khomeini's designated successor, Ayatollah Hussein Ali Montazeri, have publicly taken a hard line against Rafsanjani's initiative.

Sources close to the government, however, said that even the radicals believe contacts with the United States are necessary to keep the war against Iraq going.

Soviet scandal reaches ministry

MOSCOW (AP) — The firing of a musician who filed corruption charges against the Bolshoi Theater, the sacred cow of Soviet culture, set off a scandal that reached all the way up to the Culture Ministry, a newspaper said Saturday.

When the dust settled, contrabass player Alexander Leonov was out of work after 28 years in the Bolshoi orchestra pit and the officials who harassed him were still at their

desks, said the labor union newspaper Trud. The story of Leonov's case was part of a new press campaign under Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev to uncover official wrongdoing.

It was unusual in that it involved the 210-year-old Bolshoi with its world-famous ballet troupe and opera company. Discontent and internal conflict are often rumored at the theater, but because of its status as the na-

tion's No. 1 cultural attraction, such cases are rarely aired publicly.

"For many years, 'the nation's premier musical theater' was somehow removed from the zone of criticism," Trud said. "Unfortunately, even the smallest attempt to criticize the Bolshoi met a hostile reception."

Trud said the scandal began with a 1983 tour of Yugoslavia.

Mexico City fighting pollution

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Worry about worsening air pollution and fear of thermal inversions exceeding last year's, the worst ever, mark the arrival of winter in the world's largest metropolitan area.

Even President Miguel de la Madrid in his state-of-the-union message recognized that air pollution last winter reached record levels in this sprawling city of 18 million.

"The city is entirely gray and air pollution is to blame," the government newspaper El Nacional wrote recently. "Another Christmas is approaching, and things are not substantially improved, so the danger of new thermal inversions

is present. We have to get ready."

Mexico City is located in a valley 7,392 feet above sea level, and the surrounding mountains hinder a free flow of air. Officials here long have conceded that air pollution is among the world's worst.

In the colder winter months from December to February, thermal inversions occur when layers of warm air keep cold air below. The pollutants build up, sometimes for days at a time.

Those driving into the valley from the outlying, higher suburbs see only a vast cloud of smog. On many days it is impossible even to see the buildings below.

A small but increasingly vocal ecological movement is making

sure the subject remains in the spotlight.

Urban Development and Ecology Secretary Manuel Camacho Solis, whose department started releasing daily pollution reports in the past year, sought recently to reassure anxious residents.

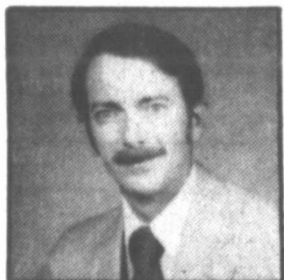
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Diamond Shamrock ponders takeover bid

By WENDY E. LANE
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — After 18 months of trimming and reorganizing, Diamond Shamrock now risks losing the independence it was trying to safeguard.

The Dallas-based oil and gas company finds itself the unwilling and most recent target of oilman and takeover artist T. Boone Pickens.

It was not an unexpected turn of events, since analysts had been predicting for weeks that the company was ripe for a takeover. Now, analysts say Diamond

Shamrock will try to thwart Pickens, but that may be difficult.

"I think Mr. (William) Bricker is intent upon maintaining the independence of Diamond Shamrock," said Don Bustos, an industry analyst with Duff & Phelps in Chicago.

Bricker is Diamond Shamrock's president, chairman and chief executive officer.

On Dec. 3, a group led by Pickens' Mesa Limited Partnership of Amarillo and construction magnate John M. Harbert III of Birmingham, Ala., offered a one-for-one stock swap valued at about \$2 billion.

Ginger Shearburn, a spokeswoman for Diamond Shamrock, says the company is evaluating the proposed offer and won't comment until a decision has been reached.

Less than a month ago, an upbeat Bricker spoke optimistically about his company's future.

He told reporters at a luncheon that the restructuring plan was a success. The time was right for a slight increase in oil prices, and Diamond Shamrock would be in the black after the first quarter of next year, Bricker said.

"This year's writeoffs will be behind us and we'll be in a different environment with a different

cost picture," he said.

But now, the corporation that once set its sights on chemicals and coal, faces yet another hurdle on the road to a stable and profitable future.

Industry analysts say it's likely the company will reject Mesa's offer, but they contend another suitor may be successful.

Robert Phaneuf, vice president of research at Kidder Peabody in Dallas, puts Diamond Shamrock's chances of staying independent at only 30 percent to 50 percent.

He and other analysts agree that the Mesa offer is fair, and that Diamond Shamrock shareholders would get a good deal under the arrangement. The Dallas company's cash dividend is about 40 cents a year, while Mesa Limited offers a cash distribution of about \$2 annually.

Phaneuf said other suitors, including potential white knights, would have a hard time matching Mesa's bid.

David Batchelder, president of Mesa Petroleum Co., says he doesn't know when to expect a response from Diamond Shamrock to the stock swap deal. "They're not really under any pressure to respond" because approval for the plan would take four to six weeks, he said.

It is Diamond Shamrock's domestic oil and gas reserves, about half of which are located in the Panhandle, that made the company attractive to Mesa, according to Batchelder.

He said if the takeover is successful, Diamond Shamrock's coal operations, which had been on the block earlier this year, likely would be sold, while other assets probably would be intact.

Diamond Shamrock's conviction to operate independently was demonstrated in January 1985, when the company backed out of a friendly merger with Los Angeles-based Occidental Petroleum hours after a stock-swap deal between the two companies was announced.

Bricker said then his company was unhappy about the plans for Diamond Shamrock managers in the new company and about proposed profit margins for shareholders.

"Diamond has gone through a lot of the painful process of restructuring in the last year and a half," said Phaneuf. "The management feels it would probably like to let shareholders benefit by that instead of being nabbed at their most vulnerable time."

The company posted a \$604.7 million loss for 1985 on sales of \$4.1 billion. Its third-quarter loss was \$97.9 million.

Launched in July 1985, the restructuring included a repurchase of almost \$200 million in stock, a cut in the company's cash dividend and a \$600 million non-cash writedown of Shamrock's oil and gas properties in Indonesia. Diamond Shamrock also spun off its offshore Gulf of Mexico oil and gas operations into a master limited partnership.

In May, the company laid off more than 500 of its 11,500 workers, reduced its officers from 17 to 12 and put two of its operating heads on the board.

Analysts say the restructuring put Diamond Shamrock in a better position to be profitable.

In November, the company took steps to try to thwart unwanted takeovers.

Ms. Shearburn said Diamond Shamrock's overall strategy remains unchanged despite Mesa's bid.

The company's plan includes increasing capital spending to about \$350 million, with emphasis on exploration and production, upping both domestic and international reserves by 100 barrels over the next five years and using a credit line of almost \$1 billion to finance possible acquisitions.

Roger Hemminghaus, president of Diamond Shamrock's refining and marketing arm, said recently the company plans to double its retail sales over the next five years, building 30 to 35 new units a year to augment its existing 1,130.

Last month Bricker outlined for reporters his company's appeal to investors. Those strengths wound up being what attracted Pickens and his group.

"The attraction is we're a pretty straightforward company," Bricker said. "We're in the energy business. We've got well-defined oil reserves. We also have a very strong balance sheet."



(AP Laserphoto)

A Diamond Shamrock station is shown in this file photo.

Guide is a wheeling naturalist

EDITOR'S NOTE — Visitors to Rocky Mountain National Park's north district often have trouble keeping up with Michael Smithson as he guides tourists past the fragile tundra plants. It's no wonder they soon forget that the energetic naturalist is confined to a wheelchair.

By S.J. GUFFEY
Associated Press Writer

ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK, Colo. (AP) — Sometimes, when Michael Smithson shows up to lead a nature walk in the Alpine tundra, he knows his audience is watching him more closely than they might watch another National Park Service naturalist.

"I see a lot of hidden surprised faces," he says with a grin. "Oh, I guess they're not so hidden. And no one ever says anything."

Then, he adds delightedly, the visitors "find they have a hard time keeping up with me. It's not long before they forget that I'm in a wheelchair."

And so he is. It's a lightweight, sports-style wheelchair, the sort that wheelchair athletes use for basketball and tennis. It's the only one Smithson uses.

When he guides tourists by the fragile tundra plants, he says, "I just roll around the flowers."

"Sometimes people will say, 'You ought to have a motor.'" Holding up his hands and grinning again, Smithson says, "I tell them I have two

motors, and I need the exercise."

Smithson's duties as naturalist for Rocky Mountain National Park's north district include many nature walks and responsibility for all the park's official photography. He has worked his way up from supervising the park's dispatch center over nine years and five different jobs.

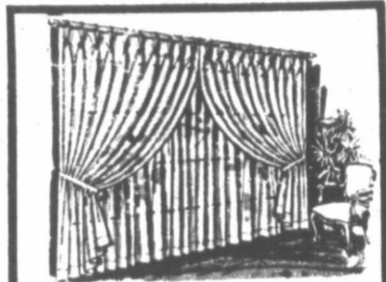
This year, the 33-year-old naturalist was named the Interior Department's Handicapped Employee of the Year and was the regional winner of a competition that recognizes the best among the Park Service's interpreters — those who help the public get the most from their national lands.

It's a long way from the day in 1975 when he took an 80-foot fall out of a tree at Nisqually-Delta National Wildlife Refuge in Washington state. A recent wildlife biology graduate on assignment to study birds of prey, Smithson thought he'd have to start all over again finding a way to earn a living.

"After I fell, I didn't think anyone would hire me to do active research in the field," he says.

Smithson went into training for museum work at the University of Colorado. En route to his second year of classes at the university, he and a friend were driving through Rocky Mountain National Park when a motorcyclist crossed the center line.

The cyclist died in the accident, but Smithson and his friend were only badly shaken. A park ranger took them home for lunch, then helped them find a room for the night.



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Mystique of 'Hell on the Red' really growing

By JOHN CLIFT
Denison Herald

TELEPHONE (AP) — When Pat Baugh turned her husband, Thomas, loose in the family kitchen she had no idea what kind of a revolution he was creating.

Today there are two corporations operating in this tiny Texas town hard by the Red River just because of the cooking expertise of Baugh, a one-time Army cook.

In fact, Baugh's "Hell on Red" hot sauce has created a new cult of fans reminiscent of a certain beer following.

It wasn't too long ago when the press carried stories of people driving across country to buy Coors beer. Columnists wrote stories about the Coors mystique, seeking to rationalize why people would drive hundreds of miles just to buy Coors beer.

Here in Telephone, there is a similar phenomenon. The Baughs have learned that "Hell on the Red" has no fury like a customer scorned of an opportunity to purchase this sizzling hot sauce. Baugh quit his job of 20 years with General Cable to put his "Hell on the Red" on the road.

Today, when the postman rings at Telephone,

there is another stack of letters from new "Hell on the Red" fans who are frustrated when they can't find it in their local grocery stores.

"They are vacationing through some of the seven states where we have distributors and they were able to try a jar. When they get back home they can't find it so they write," said Mrs. Baugh.

A letter writer from Spokane, Wash., wanted to know where in Washington to buy "Hell on Red." Then, like most others, the writer wanted to know if a case could be shipped directly.

"Best dip we have ever tasted!" wrote a Tennessee woman, seeking to know where she could get more.

"What is its shelf life? We understand we can't buy it where we live and we want to take a supply with us," wrote another Texas visitor who lives in Alabama.

"We just finished our last bottle of "Hell on the Red" that we bought in Texas. Ship us a case," wrote a New Yorker.

"The letters are all the same. They are seeking to find out where they can buy "Hell on the Red" and our related products. The letter writers tell us that they have never found anything to equal our spicy products," Mrs. Baugh said.

Mrs. Baugh says it was tough getting her hus-

band out of the kitchen once he launched production of his hot sauce.

Baugh first added a hot mustard to his hot red sauce line. Then chili fixings, barbecue sauce and a hot cheese dip joined the "Hell on the Red" family.

"Now he has branched off into another line of products he calls "Sandwich Express" and created another corporation to handle this line," Mrs. Baugh said.

The new firm is called Kel-Do Corp. with Baugh as president and his wife as vice president.

"These items are along the line of Hamburger Helper. They are a prepared mix with a 10-week shelf life for tuna salad mix, ham salad mix and chicken salad mix.

"All the customer adds is the tuna, ham or chicken salad," Mrs. Baugh said.

The two corporations are keeping Baugh on the road. In fact, for the first time in the four years "Hell on the Red" has been marketed, the Baughs missed having a booth at the State Fair of Texas.

"We both have been busy with in-store promotions of the new mixes. All three are moist mixes," she said.

Mrs. Baugh says she had more of a role in the

recipes used in the three "Sandwich Express" mixes than in the other.

"My husband simply modified my recipes," she said.

Mrs. Baugh says the growth of the fledgling business that turned her husband from an hourly wage earner into a gourmet entrepreneur has put a lot of stress on them both.

"We have contracted out the "Sandwich Express" business. We just didn't feel like expanding too fast. The product is made to our specifications, is packaged and delivered to us. We ship everything out of Telephone," she said.

"Some fans wanted us to go public, but we've had too many trying to buy us out now and take over our business. That isn't what we want. We're just trying to have an orderly growth that we can finance as we go," Mrs. Baugh said.

"That is why we have limited our distributors and states that we serve. Too, shipping anything less than a truck load to a distributor is too expensive," she said.

For most of Baugh's 20 years with General Cable, he worked the 4 p.m. to midnight shift. Mrs. Baugh says that even though he spends a lot of time on the road now, he still is home more than when he worked for General Cable.

Clown drives racing fans in Central Texas to laughter

AUSTIN (AP) — Making people laugh comes easy for Wynn Wilkerson.

For the past seven years, Wilkerson has charmed children and entertained Central Texas racing fans as Elmer Gene Suggins, the clown behind the wheel of the Bubble Gum Express.

"I don't plan anything," said Wilkerson. "I never do. I (do) slapsticks. Whatever comes into my

mind, I do. I give a lot of credit to the good Lord because he's given me a lot of inner desire to make people happy."

Wilkerson, an engineer-technician for the Texas Highway Department, is a familiar fixture at the Longhorn Speedway in Southeast Travis County and at the San Antonio Raceway, where he gives away about 36,000 pieces of bubble gum a year, he

said. Besides entertaining the crowd between races, Wilkerson's duties include positioning cars and helping drivers out of wrecks. "Most of the time I'm the first one there," he said.

In 1983, while performing spins for the crowd, Wilkerson lost control of the first Bubble Gum Express, a 1973 Superbeetle. He survived with a sepa-

rated shoulder and a twisted neck, but the car was destroyed.

Fortunately, with the help of Donnie Moore, Jimmy Spillar and other sponsors, Elmer Gene was soon back on track driving a race-ready, late model car that can travel as fast as 130 miles per hour, he said.

New judge seeks apology

AUSTIN (AP) — State Sen. Oscar Mauzy wants the House Judicial Affairs Committee to apologize for bringing up his name in the committee's investigation of alleged misconduct by a Texas Supreme Court justice.

"The whole episode never happened," Mauzy, newly elected member of the Supreme Court, told the committee Thursday.

"We will take it under advisement," said Rep. Frank Tejada, D-San Antonio, committee chairman who recently was elected a state senator. "There are two sides to every story. We will consider it."

Mauzy, veteran Dallas lawmaker, made his dramatic demand for an apology near the end of a committee hearing on judicial ethics.

An Austin attorney, Jeff Armstrong, who formerly was briefing attorney for the supreme court, testified last June, under questioning by Tejada, that he was present when Associate Justice William Kilgarlin gave a confidential file to a man that Armstrong later learned was Mauzy.

"The whole alleged episode never happened," Mauzy told the House committee Thursday. "It was a figment of someone's imagination."

Mauzy said Armstrong said in a legal deposition two weeks after the committee hearing he did not know Mauzy, that he did not know who received the file, and furthermore it was not a confidential file.

"I have never requested to see any confidential file at the Supreme Court and have never seen one," Mauzy told the committee. "I did not see or talk to Justice Kilgarlin about this or any other case pending before the Supreme Court on that or any other day."

"I would expect this that your chairman, the committee and others involved in this episode would want to consider making a public apology to me for the harm that might have been done to my reputation," Mauzy told the committee.

Mauzy said he was never asked by Tejada or the committee to testify before the committee.

Much of Thursday's committee meeting was spent considering recommendations to be made to the 1987 Legislature, including possible limitations on campaign expenditures for candidates for statewide judgeships.

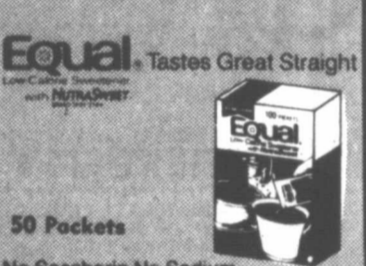


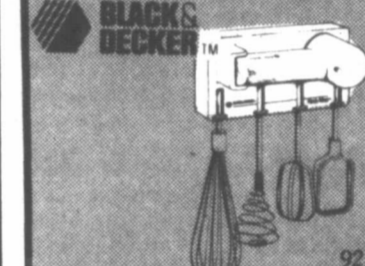

Tejada asked Mauzy what his recommendation would be.



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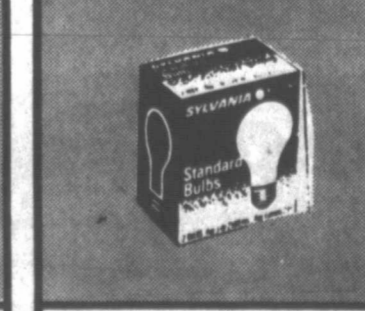
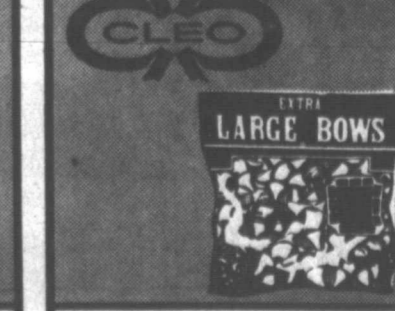
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The battle behind Alamo House

By ELISE GIBSON
Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN (AP) — Even in the rowdy setting of fraternity row in West Campus, where all-night revels in any given night are commonplace, the corner of 24th and Nueces streets was infamous in the late 1970s.

Newspaper stories tell of passers-by being pelted with beer bottles and abuses if they walked too close to Alpha Tau Omega house, which occupied the corner lot. And that was when things were quiet. When Pledge Week got rolling, apparently no one was safe, including an 18-year-old UT freshman who in 1978 charged ATO frat members with attacking, robbing and sexually molesting him.

Across the street from ATO is Seneca House, a crumbling co-op for women graduate students. Because the stereotype holds that brainy women are anathema to the Greek system, and vice versa, the relationship between fraternities and women's co-ops could best be described as predator-prey.

After almost two years of hearing insults yelled at her every time she walked in the door of Seneca House, where she lived while completing a master's degree, Sarah Bird found the perfect revenge. She wrote a book about it.

Her first comic novel, "Alamo House," with the subtitle of "Women Without Men, Men Without Brains," was published in late summer by Norton. Sales are humming along, and besides favorable reviews in Texas publications, "Alamo House" received a short review in the "New York Times Book Review" and a story in "Vogue."

The Austin writer, a regular contributor to "3rd Coast" and "Campus Voice," based her book partly on her experiences in Seneca

House in 1976-77. Her original idea was to write a novel about the dynamics and unlikely friendships that spring up between women who are thrown together into a group-living situation.

But after several false starts, she decided in 1984 that her memories of life in Seneca House needed updating so she moved back in for a few weeks.

"My intention was to live there all through July, but I had somehow forgotten that it wasn't air-conditioned. I went 10 days without sleep. It was so hot and even in the summer it was so damn noisy," she said.

Plus, the co-op food was horrible. "When I lived there in 1976, it was Seneca House Co-Op for Graduate Women. When I moved back, it was Seneca House Co-Op for Graduate Feminist Vegetarian-Women," she said. "It was more '60s than it was when I first lived there."

But her brief stay ignited her memory bank and brought back what it was like to be heartbroken from her first unsuccessful attempt at spousal equivalency and desperate for a cheap place to live.

"Can you imagine coming here knowing you were going to live here for two years?" Ms. Bird asked in mock incredulity as she posed for a photograph in the doorway of Seneca House. A broken sofa covered in orange vinyl sat on the porch with a decaying and very permanent-looking "Vacancy" sign next to it. Broken shades and rigged-up curtains covered the windows. Inside, Ms. Bird nodded knowingly at a wall of kitchen shelves filled with industrial-size plastic jars of lentils, brewer's yeast, split peas and textured vegetable protein.

"This overwhelmed me. All I'd ever made before were sandwiches and angel food cake, and they were saying I had to cook for 25,"

she said, walking back into the darkened living room. "The Good Lord gave me a lot of material here."

The biggest change in Seneca House since she first lived and studied here was that the ATO house across the street burned to the ground in December 1983. The fraternity moved to a different house, but lost its national charter this year and was suspended by UT over a hazing incident. One pledge sued the fraternity for injuries.

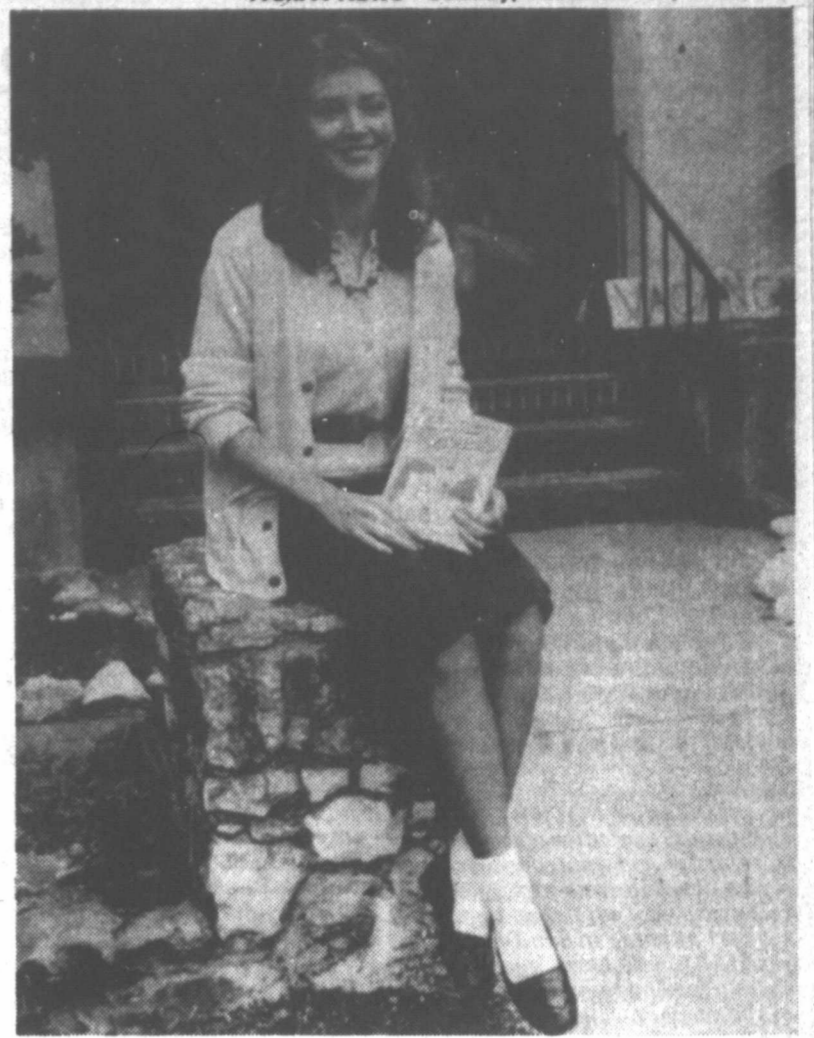
In Ms. Bird's fictionalized version of West Campus, it's the Sigma Upsilon Kappas who torment the egghead feminists of Alamo House. The focus of the story is the friendships that sprout and grow in the growing dimness of Alamo House. The role of the SUK house is to provide a common enemy that will unite the idiosyncratic spirits inhabiting Alamo House.

Giving full comic vent to her feelings about fraternities was one of Ms. Bird's joys in penning "Alamo House."

"Fraternalities are a blight on the academic landscape," Ms. Bird pronounced over lunch at Les Amis, a nearby sidewalk cafe that is almost never patronized by fraternity members. "They're social bullies. It's kind of futile to oppose fraternities. They represent the mentality of white male privilege. It's a travesty that the university should be associated with an institution that fosters elitism."

"I think Austin's a great place to live. Like in West Campus, where so many worlds collide, you've got fluffball sorority girls and grungy egghead grad students," she said.

Ms. Bird has lived in Austin 10 years, since moving from Albuquerque, N.M., where her father retired after a career in the Air Force. She lives with her husband, George Jones, and her peekapoo Honey, who appears with Ms. Bird in the book jacket photograph.



Austin writer Sarah Bird poses in front of the Seneca House. (AP Laserphoto)

Stockholder sues GM over Perot buyout

WILMINGTON, Del. (AP) — General Motors Corp.'s board of directors bought out H. Ross Perot for \$700 million simply to silence the computer magnate, according to a stockholder's lawsuit.

The lawsuit filed Wednesday in U.S. District Court on behalf of Richard W. Kirchheimer, a GM stockholder from Illinois, and against the company and its board is similar to three others filed in Chancery Court by other stockholders, and could become a class action suit.

It seeks a preliminary and permanent injunction against the buyout and asks the court to determine actual damages suffered or damages to be suffered by the class and GM.

The suit contends the buyout of Perot's 11.4 million shares "causes irreparable harm to shareholders, constitutes an enormous waste of corporate assets," and says the amount paid for the shares of Electronic Data Systems was "vastly greater than the amount offered by GM or any other purchaser to other shareholders."

"The transaction served no valid purpose to GM or the shareholders. The primary motivation was silencing Mr. Perot, a director in the corporation, from criticizing the corporation when it was his fiduciary duty to offer such criticism," the suit says.

The suit wants the board held liable for the damages, with interest, court costs and reasonable attorneys fees.

Clark Furlow, a Wilmington lawyer who filed the suit on behalf of Kirchheimer, said he has filed a similar class action suit in Chancery Court.

Joseph Rosenthal, also a Wilmington lawyer, has filed two suits in Chancery Court on behalf of stockholders. Rosenthal did not return several phone calls made by The Associated Press.

The nation's largest automaker is incorporated in Delaware. Furlow said the suits seek "injunctive relief and damages to be recovered on behalf of the corporation for the benefit of the stockholders."

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Christmas tree ornaments subject to fashion whims

By SUE MAJOR HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

Christmas tree ornaments, like hemlines and colors, are subject to the whims of fashion.

"Trends in gowns, trends in candle color, even home interiors get somehow incorporated in the Christmas tree," says Eberhard Krebs of Roswell, N.M. "Colors will be good for a year or two, then not so good."

Krebs' interest in such things is more than passing. His Krebs Corp. produces millions of ornate glass holiday ornaments that are shipped nationwide every year. The business is constantly changing.

For example, Krebs has been producing a light reddish blue

color that has been a big seller for about four years. But he says he expects that it will drop off in a year or two.

And red — often considered a holiday color — is not the best seller. Krebs says the popularity of colors varies from ornament to ornament.

Krebs, a native of Rosenheim, West Germany, finds that the American market prefers a more ornate Christmas bauble than the European market demands.

His company produces only glass ornaments, highly decorated with glitter, braid and applique.

This year, he came out with a line of ornaments decorated with turn-of-the-century Santas taken from old postcards. The drawings are reproduced on silk, then

put on the ornament.

His 1987 line has gone to the photographer and will be displayed at an annual show in New York in February and at showrooms.

The Christmas ornament business also has its cycles of up and down business, although Krebs says he's not sure those cycles directly coincide with economic cycles.

For example, several years ago, in the midst of national concern over the energy crisis, Christmas lights became almost un-American.

"It was decided Christmas lights were too big a power drain," Krebs says. "It put a big dent in the whole Christmas industry. People tended not to decorate their whole houses and go to

smaller trees and so on. It was something the industry hadn't planned on."

Krebs brought his manufacturing plant to Roswell 12 years ago and now has a staff of highly trained craftspeople who hand-decorate the ornaments.

The plant's process begins with glass "blanks" — glass with a protrusion on top, "not recognizable as a ball," Krebs says.

The balls used to be mouth-blown but that's prohibitively expensive today. Now they're produced on a machine like that which produces light bulbs.

Once the blank arrives in Roswell, the protrusion is removed, the ball is silvered on the inside and lacquered on the outside, then Krebs' trademark, a metal

cap that resembles a crown, is added.

The ornament then is decorated, the most lengthy and costly part of the process, Krebs says.

A skilled worker can turn out a typical decorated ornament in less than a minute.

"But they are highly trained and very good," he says. "It would take the average person much, much longer and they would not get near as good results."

It takes an ornament decorator "at least three months to become halfway good. That's probably the main reason it is not a seasonal industry. We produce continuously, year around, because it takes time to train people," he says.

Krebs says 70 percent of the ornaments produced in Roswell are marketed under the Krebs name, and those that are not still

carry the crown trademark.

During the manufacturing plant's busy season, from June through about Oct. 20, ornaments are made and shipped all over.

Krebs says most of his business is done with out-of-state companies or the out-of-state national headquarters of companies. But he says many of the decorations are shipped back into the state by the national companies and are sold at their New Mexico stores.

For Krebs, producing the ornaments that are so associated with Christmas is his business. Christmas itself is entirely separate.

"When I decorate my tree ... Christmas still is a very nice celebration," he says. "It's not work. Work is dealing with people, seeing that raw materials get in on time.

"I do have children and it's still nice to see their shiny eyes when they see a tree decorated."

Minister starts program of sharing at home

EDITOR'S NOTE — A former business executive who became a minister and wanted to work with the destitute was told by Mother Teresa in India that he should start at home in San Diego. Soon SHARE was born, a program to help feed hungry people who help themselves.

By TINA SUSMAN
Associated Press Writer

SAN DIEGO (AP) — London Glass shops for food the way most people shop for apartments. She's on the phone first thing in the morning, wheeling and dealing for lamb chops, English muffins and turkey legs, dialing down the list until she strikes gold.

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Once a month, the fruits of Glass' labor pay off for participants in SHARE, a food distribution organization that's evolved from a tailgate business to an international operation helping feed the hungry.

SHARE, the Self-Help and Resource Exchange, was born in San Diego 3½ years ago, the brainchild of the Rev. Carl Shelton, a former executive who sold his Mercedes and contracting business and dropped out of the rat race.

"There came a time in my career when I started asking myself, 'If I increase my income 100 percent, will I be a success?'" he recalls, sitting in his office at SHARE's modest headquarters across the road from the county animal shelter.

So began Shelton's venture into the ordained ministry, which took him to Calcutta, India, with Nobel Peace laureate Mother Teresa and finally back to San Diego to establish SHARE.

"From my Mercedes, everything looked fine," Shelton says. "I'd never seen hunger in the United States until after I went to Calcutta with Mother Teresa. I'd planned on working with the destitute and she told me to come back here."

Participants in the SHARE program pay \$12 each month and work two hours in return for a food package worth roughly \$36.

The food comes directly from growers and merchandisers across the country. The shopping list for SHARE nationwide is put together each month by SHARE's San Diego purchasing department and Glass phones around to find the best prices.

"We get all kinds of food that for some reason wouldn't otherwise make it into households, that for some reason hasn't passed a company's quality control standards," explains executive director Paulette Hardin. "For example, tomato sauce that's been cooked a couple of minutes longer than company standards. What

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A seven-year-old Concordia, Mexico, girl relaxes on an eight-foot-tall rocking chair which sits in the town plaza as a symbol of the area's furniture makers. (AP Laserphoto)

In agriculture

FARMERS TAX GUIDES

The latest edition of the Farmer's Tax Guide is now available in the Gray County Extension office located in the Courthouse Annex.

This book explains how the federal tax laws apply to farming. The explanations and examples in this publication reflect the interpretation of the Internal Revenue Service.

The Tax Reform Act of 1986 made many changes to the tax law affecting such items as investment credit, depreciation, travel and entertainment, tax rates, minimum tax, and estimated tax. Some of these changes are effective in 1986, while others are effective in 1987 and later years.

Some of the changes that take effect in 1986 are: land clearing expenditures, converted wetlands and highly erodible croplands, prepaid farm expenses, investment credit, depreciation, cancelled debt, alternative minimum tax, passenger autos, records and standard mileage rates.

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to figuring your taxes and filling out your farm tax return. If you need more information on any subject, you should order these, along with any forms you may need from the forms distribution center. The address and list of publication titles are listed on the inside back cover of the Tax Guide.

Free copies of the 1986 Farmers Tax Guide can be picked up in the Gray County Extension office.

NEW TAX LAW AFFECTS BUSINESS PROPERTY

The Tax Reform Act of 1986 or the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 has far-reaching implications for businesses, including agriculture. A major change concerns depreciable business property.

Effective Jan. 1, 1986, the new tax repeals the 6 to 10 percent investment credit rate on many depreciable assets used in business. Unused investment tax credit from previous years can be carried over and applied 100 percent in 1986 against income tax liability. Any remaining investment tax credit carryovers are reduced by 17.5 percent after 1986 and by 35 percent after 1987.

I recommend that a business have its accountant do the calculations to determine whether it is advantageous to increase income in 1986 to take advantage of 100 percent of the investment tax credit carryover available. Or it could be best on an after-tax basis to use the reduced amount of investment tax carryover in 1987 or

1988, when individual and corporate tax rates will be lower.

Another change in the tax law is that it eliminates the Accelerated Cost Recovery System (ACRS) at the prior rate (150 percent) and replaces it with a new ACRS (200 percent of the declining balance rate). Although the new ACRS provides for a faster acceleration rate, the lives of many depreciable assets are increased. For instance, the depreciable life of automobiles and light trucks is increased from three to five years and the depreciable period for most other farm property, except for breeding and dairy cattle and computers, increases from five to seven years.

What is the cost of lengthening the depreciable life of assets for tax purposes? A present value analysis (with an 8 percent discount rate) would indicate that an increase in the three-year class assets to a five-year life would cost nearly 5 percent, whereas increasing the life of five-year assets to seven years has a cost of slightly more than 3 percent.

Taxpayers may elect to use the new depreciation system for property placed in service after July 31, 1986. Assets that would remain three-year assets under the new ACRS may generate a greater depreciation deduction in 1986 if the new three-year ACRS is

electd. This election to use the new depreciation system can be made on an asset-by-asset basis.

Under the new tax law, residential rental property is to be depreciated over 27½ years, while non-residential real business property will be depreciated over 31½ years.

The 1986 tax reform also features a "last minute shopping provision". If acquisitions in the last quarter of the year exceed 40 percent of the purchases of depreciable assets, then the mid-quarter convention would apply to all personal property placed in service during the year. This means that service at the middle of the year, all depreciation calculations relate to middle of the quarter in which each asset is placed in service. Thus, there is a smaller total depreciation deduction in the year purchased.

Expensing the cost of depreciable business property also has changed. The new law increases the maximum amount that may be expensed each year up to \$10,000 if the taxpayer has less than \$200,000 of such property placed in service during the taxable year.

I would encourage businessmen to visit with their tax adviser as soon as possible to discuss points which might have a bearing upon both their personal and business situation.

Activists protest dog's use in experiment

DALLAS (AP)—Animal rights activists are protesting the use of a dog as an experimental subject in the Baylor College of Dentistry Continuing Education program.

The dog, purchased from the city pound, will be used in a course held today and Saturday in which course participants will perform resuscitation techniques

on the animal, said Dr. William Gibson, chairman of Baylor's College of Dentistry. The procedures include using intravenous drugs and using a device called a positive pressure breathing apparatus to facilitate mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

"We believe it is morally and ethically wrong, especially in this

day and age of high technology," said Carole Baker.

Gibson said the dog will be under anesthesia throughout the proceedings and will not feel pain or discomfort.

THE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

In the purely human celebration known as "Christmas," the true significance of the birth of Jesus Christ is lost in the commercial trappings, drunken celebrations and hypocritical approaches of so many at being religious. Suffice to say, there is absolutely no scriptural authority for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ on December 25th or any other day of the year.

Just Christ was born, not to enable people to make a lot of money in the celebration of His birth, nor to relieve the consciences of the wicked in a "once-a-year" attempt at being religious. He was born to fulfill prophecy (Matthew 1:18-25; Galatians 4:4); to show God's tremendous love for mankind (John 3:16); to die as a sacrifice for man's sins (Romans 5:6-11; I John 2:1); and to reveal God's plan for man's redemption, the gospel of Christ, which was done by the Holy Spirit through the apostles (Romans 1:16-17; John 16:7-13; Acts 1 and 2.) All of this we can read about in God's Book, the Bible. There is nothing therein to indicate in the remotest way that He ever intended, much less authorized, the

celebration of the birthday of His Son. In fact, man does not even know the exact date of His birth. The faithful disciples of Christ today do not celebrate the 25th of December, or any other day of the year, as the birthday of Jesus Christ, but do remember Him every day of the year as their Lord, Saviour, King and faithful High Priest over the house of God, the church of Christ. His death, which realized forevermore the atonement for sins (Hebrews 10:10), is faithfully remembered upon the first day of every week (the day we call "Sunday") in the observance of the Lord's Supper. These things are in full accord with the Holy Scriptures. In their godly lives, in the God-ordained worship, in the teaching and preaching of only the gospel of Christ faithful disciples of Christ attempt to show the world the love of God and His revealed plan for man's salvation.

Hopefully, the world will come to the realization that only that which is authorized in the Holy Scriptures can and will please the God in whom we live and move and have our being (Galatians 1:8-10; Revelation 22:18-19; 2 John 9-10). —Billy T. Jones

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Electronics



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Crew Foreman Buck Bradley, left, works on Hale County Precinct 3 Commissioner Henry Rieff's idea of turning old tractor rims into culverts.

Idea saves taxpayers' money

By RICHARD ORR
Plainview Daily Herald

PLAINVIEW (AP) — It may not be the same as beating swords into plowshares, but turning tractor rims into culverts and saving taxpayer money is a good idea anyway.

Precinct 3 Hale County Commissioner Henry Rieff says he got the idea about a year ago when he was at a local steel-supply firm and saw a large stack of farm-tractor rims "just sitting there doing nothing."

His seven-member precinct crew — headed up by foreman Buck Bradley — has since fabricated and installed two such creations, while a third is finished and two more are in the works.

By welding 18 or so of the 36-inch diameter rims

together, Rieff is able to produce a 24-foot-long culvert at a cost of about \$19 — a savings of more than \$700 over the price of "store-bought" corrugated-steel culverts, which measure 24 inches in diameter.

He also uses the culverts to join adjacent lakes and equalize their water levels.

Individual farmers or stores that sell and mount tractor tires either give him old rims or sell them to him for \$1 each. "One farmer said if it would save taxes, go ahead and take 'em," he recalled.

Besides reducing capital outlays for the county, Rieff says his culverts are more durable than ready-made ones because they're twice as thick. He figures he can get 30 to 40 years out of them, compared with 20 or 30 years from the others.

Border Patrol officials say a decrease in apprehensions

McALLEN (AP) — The flow of illegal aliens pouring into Texas from Mexico has slowed down since President Reagan signed a new federal immigration bill, but Border Patrol officials say a combination of factors probably is responsible for the reduction.

Arrests in the rugged terrain covered by the Marfa sector "just stopped" in November, said sector chief Hugh Ruston. Arrests in the sector were down 54 percent in November, compared with November 1985, he said.

Elsewhere in Texas, arrests have fallen between 22 percent to 35 percent during the same period.

On Nov. 6, President Reagan signed a new immigration law that includes sanctions against employers who knowingly hire illegal aliens.

"The true test of whether the bill is slowing down apprehensions will be in January or February," said Joe Garza, chief of the Laredo sector. "Once the sanctions are in place it will slow down the influx of illegals. That was the cornerstone of the bill."

The employer sanctions do not take effect for another 17 months and as that word spreads the number of illegal aliens entering Texas may once again increase, officials said.

The first six months from the bill's enactment are set aside to educate employers about the sanctions, followed by 12 months when employers will be cited, but not fined, for hiring illegal aliens. After the first 18 months, full sanctions will be in effect, said Jerry Hicks, deputy chief of the McAllen sector.

"We think there is something tied in here with

immigration reform," Hicks said. "That's why things have slowed down. Employer sanctions are going to have a heavy impact — people are not going to come over if they can't get a job. If alien smugglers don't think there is going to be a market, entries are going to slow down."

Hicks said arrests of illegal aliens by McAllen sector agents are off 28 percent in November as compared with November 1985.

For the same period, arrests were off 35 percent in the Laredo sector, 24 percent in the Del Rio sector and 22 percent in the El Paso sector, said Border Patrol officials.

Officials said winter weather and the new law may be responsible for the declining number of apprehensions in their territories.

The size of the alien pool may also be down and that also could be a factor, said Tom Leupp, Del Rio deputy sector chief.

Leupp said fewer illegal aliens who live in the interior of the United States may be going back to Mexico for the weekends because of fears about the bill's sanctions. That could lower the number of aliens crossing the border, he said.

Increased Border Patrol personnel in Texas also may be a deterrent, Leupp said. "I don't feel confident in saying one piece is the reason, but they all add up to the total picture," Leupp said.

Gus de la Vina, El Paso deputy sector chief, believes fewer aliens are crossing in his area because of cold weather and because the Rio Grande has been at a near-flood stage. Several illegal aliens have drowned trying to cross the high water.

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Prison system criticized for construction problems

HOUSTON (AP)—A state legislator is threatening to withhold money from the prison system until Texas Department of Corrections officials prove they can handle their construction program more efficiently.

"I'm disappointed that the TDC has continued to have problems with construction management," Sen. Ray Farabee, D-Wichita Falls, told The Houston Post in a story published last week. "We hoped that we had resolved some of that."

A report prepared for key state legislators criticizes the prison system for a lack of control over its construction projects, The Post reported.

The newspaper obtained documents showing that nearly 40 prison construction projects with original estimates totaling almost \$2 million had changes ordered that increased the costs about 43 percent during 1985 and 1986.

"The lack of inspections has been and continues to be a serious problem both internally and externally," said the report to members of the Legislative Budget Board.

"It would appear that a number of the construction and maintenance problems... could have been avoided if appropriate inspection procedures were implemented and followed."

The report lists as example the construction of a floor in the Gatesville Riverside unit's kitchen. Workers installed the floor in the summer of 1986 using a material with which there had been repeated problems. That floor is being replaced again.

State Rep. Allen Hightower, D-Huntsville, chairman of the law enforcement committee, said he will discuss prison matters with Bill Clements when he becomes governor next month.

Hightower claimed the prison system is either mismanaging its construction programs, being "ripped off" by certain builders or both. He said he has seen no evidence of kickbacks that have plagued the prison construction program in past years.

The state, Farabee said, should "quit shoveling money on the problem until we have greater assurance that money will not be wasted."

Andy Collins, assistant director for construction, says the prison system, the nation's second largest, did not spend more money on projects than was approved. About \$30 million was spent in 1985 for prison construction and about \$54 million this year.

Documents obtained by The Post, however, showed change orders on 16 relatively small jobs in 1986 totaled nearly \$82,000 in original estimates, then increased by nearly \$34,000.

The documents also show 22 projects during 1985 and 1986 initially were estimated at a total of about

\$1.7 million, then increased by about \$770,000.

One of the biggest cost estimate increases reflected in change orders involved building a security fence on the Retrieve Unit near Angleton. The original estimate was \$2,000 on June 23. The amount rose to \$4,900 less than a week later and finally to \$11,400 on July 25.

The reasons were to add a temporary picket tower, then convert it from temporary to "semi-permanent" with necessary plumbing and build a fence on the edge of the three-story building, according to a notation in the change order.

Mauro makes mine deal with contributors

AUSTIN (AP)—Land Commissioner Garry Mauro cut in half the state's royalties from an El Paso County limestone mine at the same time owners of the mining company were donating more than \$17,000 to his re-election campaign, the Austin American-Statesman said Friday.

The land commissioner said he was aware the mine company owners were contributing to his campaign but that the donations had nothing to do with the decision on the royalties and land sale.

The American-Statesman said the state eventually sold the mine land it owned, which contained at least \$60 million worth of limestone, to the mining company for \$136,000.

The difference between the new and old royalty payments could amount to a \$2 million loss for the state over the life of the

mine, the American-Statesman said.

The land sale was part of a continuing effort by Mauro to sell off or trade certain state tracts to allow purchase of other tracts deemed potentially more profitable by the General Land Office.

In this case, the mine sale allowed the state to purchase a North Texas tract near Fort Worth with a shopping center on it.

Mauro told the American-Statesman the complex deal, in which the state's mine royalties were cut from a minimum of 25 cents a ton to a flat rate of 12.5 cents a ton, is not a bad one for the state in part because the state gains about \$300,000 annual lease income from the shopping center tract.

Land office employees told the American-Statesman the mining division of Mauro's office initial-

ly opposed the sale of the mine, which had been leased by the Jobe Concrete Products Inc., since September 1984. Negotiations to sell the 160-acre tract outright to the company began in the fall of 1985 and were completed last September as part of a much larger land trade.

The president of Jobe Concrete is B.M. Jobe, whom Mauro has known since 1978 when they both worked on the U.S. Senate campaign of Bob Krueger.

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Business

Safety awards



(Staff photo by Larry Hollis)

From left, Hurschel Cantwell, safety director for Panhandle Industrial Co. Inc., presents checks to winners of the firm's best safety suggestions in the past year, Robert Brewer, Jim Dalton and Travis Jennings. Brewer, who works at the company's plant at 2225 Alcock, placed second with a sugges-

tion to develop and post regulations regarding use of equipment in the shops. Working at the 403 S. Gray plant, Dalton and Jennings were first with a suggestion to provide training and instruction in forklift driving and materials handling.

Drilling Intentions

INTENTIONS TO DRILL
HEMPHILL (WILDCAT & N.W. HUMPHREYS Upper Morrow) Shell Western E&P, Inc., No. 3 Fee '37' (640 ac) 660' from South & 1980' from West line, Sec. 37, 42, H&TC, 4.8 mi east southeast from Glazier, PD 12500', start on approval (Box 566, Houston, TX 77001)

LIPSCOMB (WILDCAT & SOUTH BOOKER Upper Morrow) Hawkins Oil & Gas, Inc., No. 1 O.U. Parker (646.5 ac) 1980' from North & East line, Sec. 996, 43, H&TC, 5 1/4 mi south from Booker, PD 8900', start on approval (Box 1282, Liberal, KS 67901)

OCHILTREE (WILDCAT & ELLIS RANCH Mississippian) Diamond Shamrock Exploration Co., No. 2 Daniel E. Kunkel (647 ac) 660' from South & West line, Sec. 739, 43, H&TC, 12 mi southeast from Perryton, PD 9450', start on approval (Box 400, Amarillo, TX 79188)

OCHILTREE (WILDCAT & LONE BUTTE Cleveland) JCR, Jr. — Operating, Inc., No. 1-141 Harbaugh (80 ac) 660' from North & West line, Sec. 141, 13, T&NO, 22 mi south from Perryton, PD 8600', start on approval (Box 8246, Amarillo, TX 79114)

POTTER (PANHANDLE Red Cave) Coastal Oil & Gas Corp., No. 14-9 Masterson 'D' (2757 ac) 1090' from North & 969' from West line, Sec. 14, B-11, EL&RR, 7 mi south from Masterson, PD 2300', start on approval (7120 I-40 West, Suite 300, Amarillo, TX 79106)

ROBERTS (WILDCAT) McKinney Operating Co., No. 1 Gill Ranch (576 ac) 467' from South & East line, Sec. 33, M-2, H&GN, 3 mi east from Miami, PD 11400', start on approval (Box 10082, Amarillo, TX 79116)

SHERMAN (WILDCAT & COLDWATER RANCH Marmaton) Phillips Petroleum Co., No. 1 Parmele 'D' (40 ac) 1970' from South & 1980' from East line, Sec. 90, 1-C, GH&H, 17 mi east south-

east from Stratford, PD 5800', start on approval (Box 358, Berger, TX 79008)

APPLICATION TO PLUG-BACK
OCHILTREE (ELLIS RANCH Cleveland) Courson Oil & Gas, Inc., No. 7-748 Leatherman (320 ac) 660' from North & 1040' from West line, Sec. 748, 43, H&TC, 8 mi southerly from Perryton, PD 7650', start on approval (Box 809, Perryton, TX 79070) Orig. W-1 was filed as No. 1-A Pearly. Current Well is No. 2-748 Janet.

OIL WELL COMPLETIONS
LIPSCOMB (SELL Upper Morrow) Willford Energy Co., No. 4-2 Sell (Upper Morrow) Unit, 467' from North & 1330' from West line, Sec. 4, S.S.W.P. Wiser Survey, elev. 2827 kb, spud 8-14-86, drlg. compl 9-3-86, tested 11-20-86, flowed 162 bbl. of 44 grav. oil plus no water thru 20-64" choke on 24 hour test, csg. pressure 950 No., tbg. pressure 700 No., GOR 7340, perforated 8120-8128, TD 8240', PBDT 8158' — Originally permitted for Water Injection Well, amended later to show Rule 37 exception.

GAS WELL COMPLETIONS
OCHILTREE (HORIZON Des Moines) Horizon Oil & Gas Co., No. 1-50 Lynn, Sec. 50, 4-T, T&NO, elev. 3058 gr, spud 10-23-86, drlg. compl 11-10-86, tested 11-10-86, potential 7000 MCF, rock pressure 1902, pay 6744-6792, TD 8500', PBDT 7750' — Plug-Back

PLUGGED WELLS

GRAY (PANHANDLE) CNG Producing Co., No. 3 Combs-Worley, Sec. 35, 3, I&GN, spud 11-3-32, plugged 11-20-86, TD 3198' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Mazda Oil Corp.

GRAY (PANHANDLE) CNG Producing Co., No. 6 Combs-Worley, Sec. 35, 3, I&GN, spud 1-19-35, plugged 11-28-86, TD 3250' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Sun Oil Co.
HANSFORD (CLEMENTINE Novi) Anadarko Petroleum Corp., No. 1-5 Brillhart 'C', Sec. 5, 1, WCR, spud 6-11-85, plugged 11-22-86, TD 7377' (gas) —
HANSFORD (HORIZON Cleveland) Horizon Oil & Gas Co., No. 2 McGreevy, Sec. 8, 1, H&GN, spud 11-22-73, plugged 11-22-86, TD 6660' (oil) —

LIPSCOMB (KIOWA CREEK Douglas) Kerr-McGee Corp., No. 1-907 SWD, Sec. 907, 43, H&TC, spud 7-16-62, plugged 10-13-86, TD 6600' (swd) — Form 1 filed in Patrick J. O'Harnett
OCHILTREE (FRANTZ Lower Morrow) Chevron U.S.A., Inc., No. 1 R.H. Holland, H.C. Day Survey, A-72, spud 11-12-64, plugged 10-26-86, TD 7560' (gas) — Form 1 filed in Gulf

OCHILTREE (HORIZON Cleveland) Horizon Oil & Gas Co., No. 2-14 Clement, Sec. 14, R, B&B, spud 7-6-64, plugged 11-13-86, TD 6700' (oil) —

WHEELER (WILDCAT) Murexco Petroleum, Inc. No. 1-1 Murexco-Britt, Sec. 1, 5, B&B, spud 10-10-86, plugged 11-14-86, TD 12700' (dry) —

Oil industry nosedives through turbulent week

By RICK GLADSTONE
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — It was a turbulent week for titans in the ailing oil business, marked by the sale of Exxon Corp.'s headquarters and electric subsidiary for nearly \$2 billion, Schlumberger Ltd.'s \$1.7 billion fourth-quarter charge and OPEC efforts to devise an \$18-per-barrel pricing strategy.

Petroleum-industry analysts said they believed the asset sales by the world's largest oil company were part of a maneuver to amass a large supply of cash for a possible acquisition, most likely additional oilfield reserves to be tapped when demand pushes prices back up.

They said Schlumberger, the world's largest oil-field services company, was simply doing what competitors already have done: making book-keeping adjustments and consolidating operations to reflect the sharply lower value of exploration and drilling work, which have been devastated by oil prices 50 percent lower than levels a year ago.

Many analysts focused on the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries summit in Geneva, where ministers of the once-mighty cartel met again to seek a mutually agreeable strategy for cutting output in an attempt to raise prices by about \$4 a barrel from the current \$14-\$15.

The economies of all oil-producing countries have suffered severely from the year-old depression in prices, causing intense austerity and potential political upheavals.

"I think the financial pressures within OPEC are so tremendous it's irresistible," said Rosario Ilac-

qua, oil-industry watcher for the New York investment firm of L.F. Rothschild, Unterberg, Towbin.

"I think if they don't come up with something tangible to keep the price where it is or raise it, you'll have governments falling and maybe half these guys out on the street," he said. "I think we'll see \$18 oil not too far down the road."

Others were more pessimistic, arguing that the 13-nation cartel faces enormous difficulties because of a persistent worldwide oversupply and internal differences over whether production cuts are necessary.

"They really have their work cut out," said Carol Epstein, managing editor at the New York-based research and publication firm Petroleum Analysis Ltd. "Eighteen dollar oil is nice, but how do you get it there?"

Exxon's sale of its 54-story New York headquarters to the large Japanese conglomerate Mitsui & Co. for \$610 million reportedly was the largest price paid for a single building in the city, but still \$100 million lower than what the oil giant had expected. Exxon will lease part of the building back.

One day after that sale was announced, the company reversed one of its most controversial business moves by selling Reliance Electric Co. for \$1.35 billion to an investment group.

Exxon's \$1.24 billion purchase of the Cleveland-based motor manufacturer in 1979 was considered a major mistake by many industry analysts.

It came at a time when many large oil companies were flush with cash from huge profits and were diversifying into businesses they new little about, ranging from retailing to office furniture.

Southland Corp. announces cuts

DALLAS (AP) — Southland Corp. has announced it will lay off or offer early retirement to up to 7 percent of the company's Dallas-based administrative personnel, the largest reduction of staff at the company's headquarters.

The restructuring will affect 200 employees to 280 employees at Southland's headquarters, spokesman Jim Willett said Friday. The company has 4,000 employees in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

The job cutbacks are part of efficiency and cost-cutting moves that are unrelated to the downturn in the Texas economy, Willett said. The cutbacks have already begun and will continue through the first quarter of 1987, he said.

Willett said the layoffs will not affect conveni-

ence store or service employees, such as distributors and truck drivers.

Southland employs about 64,000 workers companywide in energy, real estate and convenience store operations.

Willett said employees would qualify for separation pay and other benefits depending on their time in service and position. He said the restructuring includes realignment of some positions.

Willett would not specify how many people will be laid off. He said employees will not be forced to take early retirement, but some may choose that option.

The company reported record earnings for the third quarter of \$183.8 million, a 132 percent increase over the same quarter last year.

First General Services establishes office

First General Services, a growing network of insurance repair specialists with more than 150 offices nationwide, has announced its newest location: First General Services of the Texas Panhandle at P.O. Box 1576, Pampa.

First General Services specializes in estimating and repairing residential and commercial property damage. Mike Clark will be the representative

for the area, servicing adjusters in the Texas Panhandle area.

Clark has a background in the building field. He had been vice president and general manager of Pam-Tex Building Systems for 15 years. He also has seven years design and engineering experience in Houston, giving him experience in residential, industrial, commercial and institutional construction estimations.

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Sports Scene



Throckmorton defenders wrap up Mustang quarterback Augie Hennard. (Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Fumbles end Mustang season

By JOHN GERDEL Jr.
Sports Writer

CHILDRESS — If the Wheeler Mustangs of 1986 are to be remembered for one thing it should be that they were a team with a solid grounding in the fundamentals of football.

One of those fundamentals is hanging on to the football, and the Mustangs know that one well. They lost only 10 fumbles in 14 games this season.

So it's nothing short of ironic that two fumbles spelled the end of the 1986 football season for the Mustangs.

Throckmorton, another team with a solid knowledge of the basics, capitalized on those two miscues and stopped the Mustangs 21-7 here Friday night in the 1A state semifinals.

"Those two turnovers," said Preston Smith, Wheeler head coach, of the key to the game. "Other than that it was a pretty even game."

"The biggest thing was the one right before the half," Smith continued. It let them (the Greyhounds) go into the locker-room with their heads up."

Advance billing pegged the contest as one in which the two teams would play straight-forward football, no fancy stuff, no razzle-dazzle.

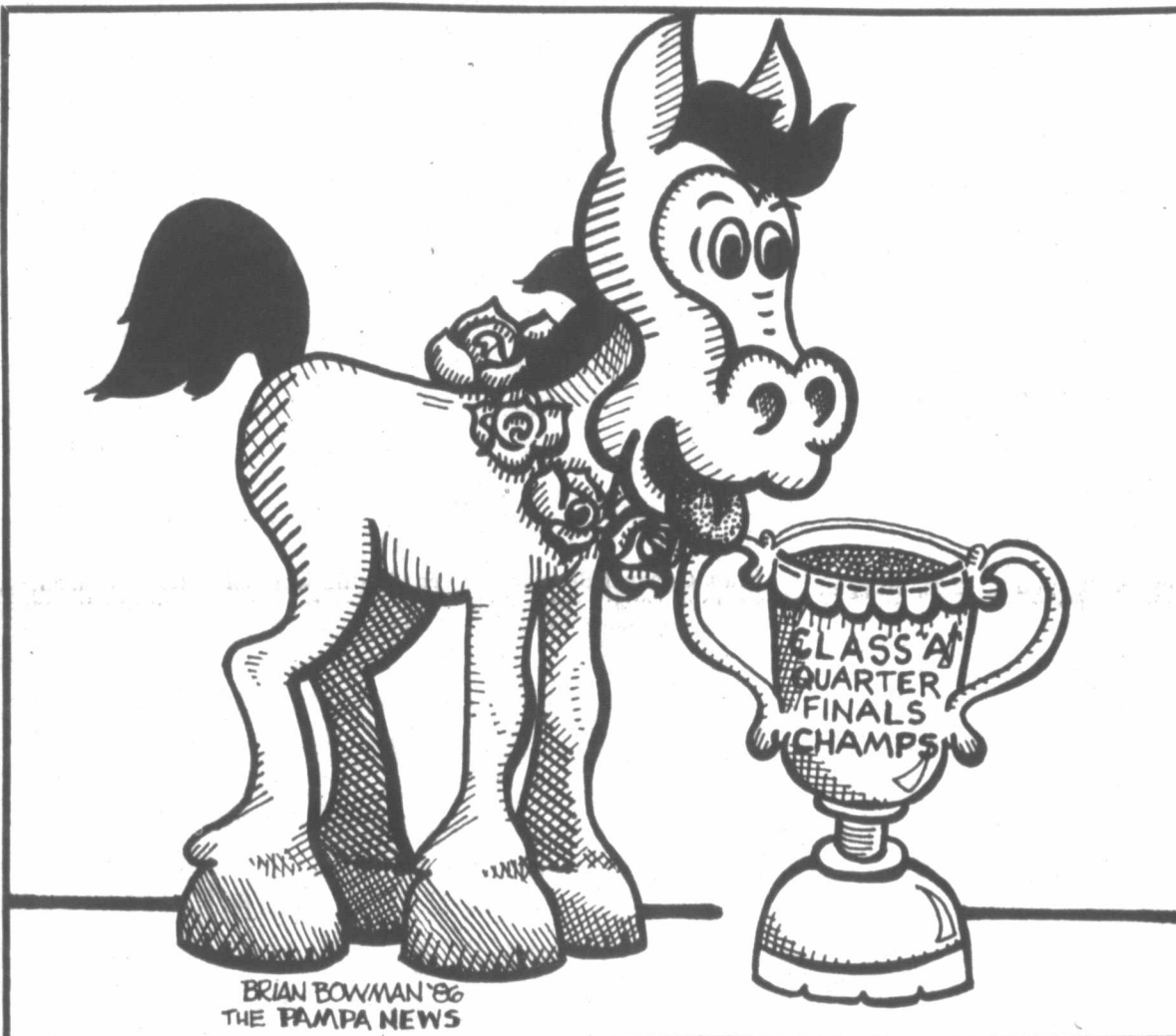
And the first quarter was a time for both sides to test their opponents' abilities.

The Mustangs tested Throckmorton for a couple of possessions and found them wanting. With 56 seconds left in the first stanza, Wheeler got the ball at their own 32-yard line.

Bubba Smith cut through the right side of the Greyhound line then slanted left across the Throckmorton backfield. By the time the Greyhounds caught up with him, Smith was at the Throckmorton 37-yard line.

After the Mustangs lost a yard on a fumble, the quarter ended with the Mustangs in good field position.

Two of the next three plays were a surprise for everybody, except the Mustangs. Augie Hen-



nard, the Mustang quarterback whose passing skills haven't been called on much this year, tossed a 24-yarder to Cody Wiggins, setting up a first-and-10 at the Throckmorton 11.

A flag on the next play pushed the Mustangs back to the 18. Then Hennard connected with Bubba Smith. Richard Smith kicked the extra point and the Mustangs led 7-0 with 10:31 left in the first half.

Throckmorton got inside Mustang territory on their next possession, but had to punt. Wheeler moved the ball to their own 45, but a couple of miscues knocked them back to the 35.

Faced with a third and 20, the

Mustangs fumbled and Throckmorton recovered, opening shop at the Wheeler 23.

Seven plays later, the score was tied when Bill Batchlor hit Kevin Lathem with a 10-yard pass and Ronnie Rankin kicked the extra point. Two seconds were left in the first half when the Greyhounds scored.

Midway through the third quarter the Greyhounds recovered a second Mustang fumble deep in Mustang territory. They needed four plays to go from the 15-yard line into the end zone and led 14-7 with 6:15 remaining.

The final blow fell less than two minutes later. After a 66-yard

run, from the Throckmorton 25 to the Wheeler 9, Greyhound quarterback Batchlor scored his second touchdown of the night, a 9-yard run.

"Those famous 'breaks,'" the ones good football teams make for themselves, fell the other way Friday night.

"They played well and things happened for them," Coach Smith said of the Greyhounds.

And Childress Fair Park Stadium, where the Mustangs saw their playoff travels end for the past two years, was the end of the line again this year.

The Mustangs wrapped up the season with a 12-3 mark.

Pampa cagers suffer losses

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

The Pampa Harvesters suffered their most lopsided loss of the season, bowing to Tascosa 79-37 in a non-district game Friday night in Amarillo.

Tascosa' hot-shooting Rebels bounded off to a 20-5 first-quarter bulge and the Harvesters never could get back into the game.

"I think it was a case of going full throttle in every practice and every game and it finally caught up with us," said Pampa coach Robert Hale. "We were a little tired and just simply ran out of gas."

Pat Hill paced the Rebels with 14 points, followed by David Sapper with 11.

Pampa's Lonnie Mills had 11 points, followed by Jason Farmer 8.

Pampa opens District 1-4A play Tuesday night at Canyon.

"We've got to get ready for them. This is the biggest game for us so far. These other games don't count, but they start counting now," Hale said.

The Pampa-Canyon game tips off at 7:30 p.m., preceded by the varsity girls' contest at 6 p.m.

"We came out with a deliberate offense and held the ball for about 3 minutes. The girls did exactly what I wanted them to do, but when Levelland came down and scored a couple of baskets we just sort of wilted," said Pampa coach Albert Nichols.

Pampa could have closed the gap from the foul line but hit only 8 of 17 tries for 47 percent. The only weakness Levelland displayed was from the charity stripe, (11 of 21, 52.3 percent), but that deficiency was hardly noticed. Levelland's press, coupled with an overall strong defense, was too much for the Lady Harvesters to overcome.

In field goal shooting, Pampa was a paltry 5 of 22 (22.7 percent) while Levelland hit on 26 of 48 tries (54.1 percent).

Pacing Levelland's attack was guard Terri Meyer, who tossed in 14 points. Dailene Terrell, a 5-10 post, added 11 points and made it difficult for Pampa to get a good percentage shot with her solid defensive play beneath the basket. She blocked three shots and made the Lady Harvesters alter several other attempts with her leaping ability.

Yolanda Brown led Pampa in scoring with 6 points, followed by Cummings and Jackie Reed with 4 apiece. Hope Henson 2 and Donna Hoggatt 2.

"Levelland is a tough ballclub, but I feel like we should have done better than 18 points. We went into the game averaging 64 points per game. We lost some confidence, especially with the way Levelland shoots the ball," Nichols said. "We're just going to have to go back to the drawing board and see what else we can come up with."

Believe it or not, Pampa's opposition gets a little tougher. Canyon, the only team to beat Levelland, is next on the Lady Harvesters' schedule Tuesday night.

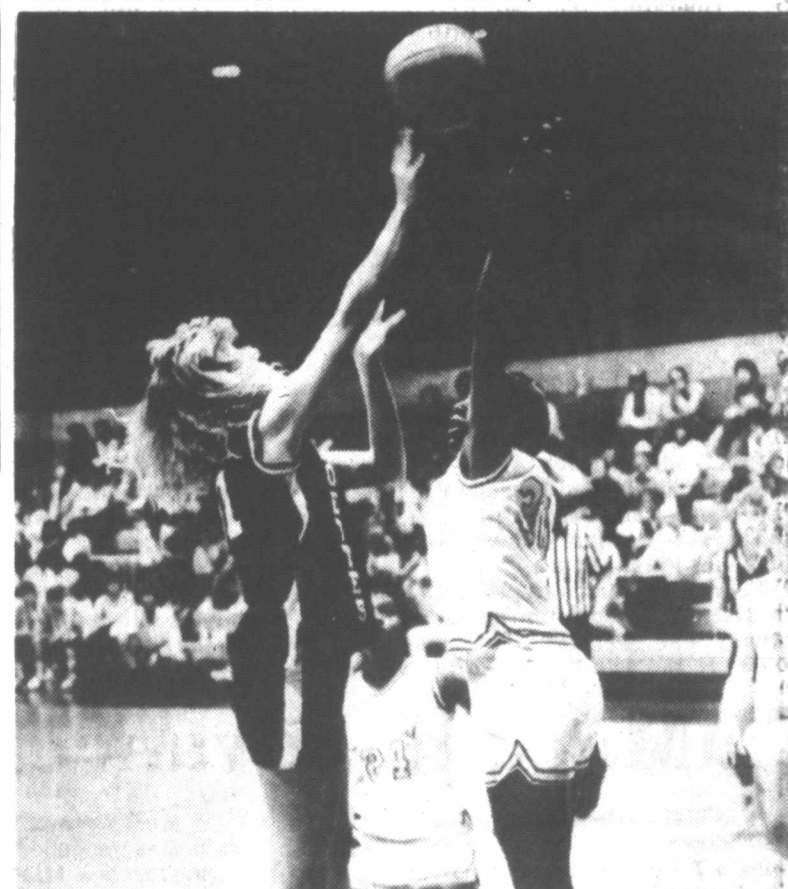
"Canyon is a tough bunch! We're going to have to be ready for them," Nichols said.

A good zone press is a trademark of the girls' basketball teams at Levelland and this year's team is no exception.

Pampa's Lady Harvesters, victimized by Levelland's tenacious 1-2-1 trapping press time after time, fell to the Lady Lobos 63-18 Friday night in McNeely Fieldhouse.

Levelland, the defending state Class 4A champions, raised its record to 10-1. It was only the second loss for the Pampa girls after six victories. Pampa is now 1-1 in District 1-4A play.

Pampa did draw first blood on a free throw by Landee Cummings, but the visitors ran off the next 8 points and allowed the Lady Harvesters only 4 more points the entire first half. Levelland led at halftime 26-5.



Brown, 30, blocks Amanda Dunn's shot. (Staff Photo by L.D. Strate)

Did you know Stan Laurel had red hair?

FROM THE NOTEPAD: Let's not forget the great Miami Warrior football team of 1971 that halted an 18-game Goree winning streak while winning the regional championship game, as far as eight-man football played at the time. A member of that team, MIKE DEDMAN, reminded us the coach was HAROLD McCREARY and ED MOORE, longtime Plainview assistant, served in that capacity with Miami's champs.

Always good to visit with Borger head coach DUANE HUNT, on hand Tuesday night to scout the Harvesters. "I haven't made up my mind yet about the 3-point shot," he said.

Hasn't successful West Texas State head football coach BILL KELLY applied for the head coaching vacancies at Navy and Dartmouth ... Speaking of the Buffs, members of an officiating crew that works college games all over the country tell me WT is seeking admission into the Southland Conference.

Did you know that Amarillo has had 41 distinct newspapers since the Amarillo Champion was first published in 1888. I didn't either

... Or that STAN LAUREL had red hair, a fact brought out with implementation of the hi-tech colorization processing of old Laurel and Hardy films.

Attendance at U-Houston football games at the Dome has been so bad that strong consideration is being given to moving back on campus to Robertson Stadium (the old Jepperson Stadium) after completion of a contract that keeps the Cougars in the Astrodome next season ... And things are so bad in California that Long Beach State is trying to get the city to underwrite the college football program to the tune of nearly one billion (with a B) bucks the next two seasons or the program will be dropped.

Pencil it in for all of your Labor Day activities next September: ABC-TV is planning a prime-time college football game that day ... Also because of the television bucks, look for the Olympic Games to split by the end of the century, alternating the Summer and Winter Games every two years to accommodate the advertiser budget pressure.

NBA superstar MICHAEL JORDAN recently scored 63

points in a game, but teammate DAVE CORZINE says the amazing thing about the guy is he recently consumed 29 Chicken McNuggets at one sitting ... Still on food, Clipper center BENOIT BENJAMIN, who played in Amarillo a couple of seasons for Creighton, is battling a weight problem by having his mother take a six-week leave of absence from her job in Louisiana to cook for him in Los Angeles and prepare Weight Watcher's dishes.

Can you believe I got a phone call the other day from a fellow Pampan who, after I said 'hello', said: "Who is this, I forgot who I was calling." And you think you're busy!

Congratulations to New Mexico rancher and former Amarillo News sports editor KENNETH

TIDMORE whose column on the dropping of the basketball program at Amarillo College was recently judged as first place winner in the column writing competition of the United States Basketball Writers Association-Kodak Writing contest.

About the 3-point rule, outspoken USC coach GEORGE RAVELLING expresses his opinion: "Naismith must be vomiting."

PETE DAWKINS, former Army grid great who played all-American style football, rugby and jumped from airplanes without bangin up his knees, now must undergo knee surgery from playing tennis ... Note to Houston Post sports columnist KENNY HAND: pro wrestler TULLY BLANCHARD is not a "former

Sports Forum

Warren Hasse



SMU bad dude"; he's a former West Texas State bad dude.

Sign in the window of an exterminating firm: "We are thankful for all the little things." ... Using today's modern technology, (looking at the parents), doctors are predicting the 4-year old son of Boston Celtic center ROBERT PARISH will grow to between 7-0 and 7-4. Understand some SMU alumnus has already offered a scholarship-plus.

Speaking of the 'Stings, er, 'Stangs, their latest ex-coach BOBBY COLLINS is father-in-law to Houston Oiler defensive end RICHARD BYRD ... The Big Ten, the nation's most powerfully balanced and spectator-watched conference, is building it's stable of coaches from those fired from the SWC. Then the Pope recruited LOU HOLTZ from Minnesota. Using the SWC as a training ground is the same type put-down UT-Austin hung on Texas Tech.

ABE LEMONS' Oklahoma City University squad is ranked No. 1 in the NAIA pre-season poll by Basketball Times. The coaching Funny Man returns all five starters from a 26-5 squad of last season ... Former Amarillo college

coach JIM CALVIN and former WT assistant ANTHONY SMITH are on the staff of JIM NEWELL at Arkansas-Little Rock, the Cinderella team of last year's NCAA tournament. Despite the success, Little Rock voters rejected bonds for a 17,000 seat arena, sending the Trojans back to the 5,800 seat Statehouse Convention Center.

"I'm not a talkative person. Talking never won a football game," said Alabama's CORNELIUS BENNETT as he accepted the Lombardi Award as the nation's outstanding college lineman. Then he added: "I accept this award for those people in the hospital fighting for their lives with cancer. My father was a smoker since he was 12 years old. I finally got him to quit when he was 61. He's now 65, so I know if he could do it, so can other people." The Lombardi Trophy presentation is part of the Houston Rotary Club's efforts to raise money for the American Cancer Society.

ABE LEMONS on teams rules: "If I make a set of rules, when a guy goes out and steals an airplane. He comes back and says, 'It wasn't on the list of rules.'"

Steelers shock Jets 45-24

By BARRY WILNER
AP Sports Writer

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Mark Malone sneaked one yard for the go-ahead score, then hit John Stallworth with a 40-yard touchdown Saturday as the Pittsburgh Steelers handed the Jets their fourth straight loss, 45-24, seriously damaging New York's NFL playoff chances.

For the fourth straight week, the Jets' offense self-destructed. Quarterback Ken O'Brien, whose slump has coincided with New York's fall from a 10-1 record to 10-5, threw three interceptions — one to Lupe Sanchez for a 67-yard touchdown — and lost a fumble.

The Jets still can make the playoffs by winning next week at Cincinnati. They trail 10-4 New England by a half-game in the AFC East, but would win the division title if the Patriots lose their last two games.

The Steelers, 6-9 and out of playoff contention, have won five of their last eight games, with two of the defeats coming in overtime to division leaders Chicago and Cleveland. Pittsburgh also has beaten the Jets nine times without a loss.

Following the first of two interceptions by Sanchez, the Steelers marched 58 yards in 10 plays to Malone's sneak early in the final period, breaking a 17-17 tie. The big plays were third-down passes of 21 and 16 yards to Stallworth.

Pittsburgh then stopped the Jets, and a 40-yard punt return by Rick Woods set up the Steelers at New York's 42. On third-and-8, Malone avoided a blitz and hit Stallworth for the clinching score.

After a scoreless first quarter, the Steelers took a 7-0 lead on Walter Abercrombie's 1-yard dive at the end of a 52-yard march. During the drive, the Jets lost All-Pro nose tackle Joe Klecko, whose knee buckled on him. Klecko was returning to full-time duty after being sidelined for nearly a month with knee cartilage damage.

The Jets tied it on the next play as JoJo Townsell caught Gary Anderson's kickoff at the 7, cut to his left and sped down the sideline for a 93-yard touchdown return. It was Townsell's first NFL score.

The Steelers weren't ruffled by that big play, however, and they went 54 yards to Anderson's 36-yard field goal.

Pittsburgh made it 17-0 on a 7-yard pass from Malone, who had excellent protection all



(AP Laserphoto)

Steelers celebrate after Lupe Sanchez intercepts a pass in the end zone.

game, to Abercrombie with 1:54 to go in the first half. Abercrombie scored his third touchdown of the game on a 1-yard run with 37 seconds left.

Then the Jets offense woke up behind O'Brien, who guided them 83 yards in nine plays, capping the drive with a 24-yard scoring pass to Kurt Sohn with 14 seconds remaining.

The Jets tied it 17-17 early in the third period. Freeman McNeil had runs of 30, 12 and seven yards as the Jets moved to the Pittsburgh 1. On second down, O'Brien's pass in the flat was behind McNeil, then McNeil failed to get into the end zone on a third-down sweep.

Pat Leahy's 18-yard field goal tied it.

Then O'Brien's turnovers stopped the Jets and the Steelers took advantage.

New York ended its scoring with a 5-yard pass from Pat

Ryan to Mickey Shuler with 2:47 remaining.

After an inside kick was returned 27 yards by Mike Merriweather, the Steelers added Abercrombie's third score.

O'Brien finished 20-of-30 for 197 yards. He was sacked five times. Malone was 16-of-27 for 189 yards.

Despite having the wind at their back in the opening quarter, the Jets managed only one first down and 23 total yards. Pittsburgh gained 76 yards on the ground but had no passing attack.

The Steelers staged a 13-play drive in the quarter but stalled at the New York 40, and Harry Newsome punted short. But O'Brien gave the ball back to Pittsburgh when his long pass into double coverage for Wesley Walker was intercepted by Woods at the 25 and returned 23 yards.

The Steelers immediately

began the drive to their first score. Louis Lipps caught passes of 21 and eight yards in the march, and Abercrombie soared in from the 1. Sixteen seconds later, the Jets tied it on Townsell's kickoff return.

But the Steelers came right back, with the help of two pass interference calls on Jets cornerback Russell Carter worth 33 yards. Anderson ended the 54-yard drive with his field goal, making it 10-7.

The Jets took the ball from their 12 to the 41 on their next possession. But O'Brien was sacked by rookie nose tackle Gerald Williams and fumbled. Jets tackle Reggie McElroy recovered, but New York had to punt.

Pittsburgh then went 65 yards in nine plays, with Malone hitting Abercrombie for the touchdown which made it 17-7.

Pampa Blue wins tourney

Pampa Blue defeated Pampa Red 43-25 in the seventh-grade finals of the Pampa Middle School Basketball Tournament Saturday night. Pampa Blue is unbeaten at 9-0 while Pampa Red is now 6-2. Both teams had met in the finals of the Borger Tournament last week with Pampa Blue coming away the winner.

Paul Brown, who scored 10 third-quarter points, led Pampa Blue with 13 points. Cedrick Wilbon had 8 points while Randy Nichols pulled down 5 rebounds.

Jeff Young led Pampa Red with 13 points, followed by Sammy Laury and Brent Skaggs with 5 and 4 points respectively.

In the opening round, Pampa Blue breezed to a 32-18 win over Dumas White. Brown and Wilbon scored 8 points each.

Pampa Blue then won over Borger Red 43-26 with Randy Nichols and Philip Sexton leading the way with 8 points each. Sexton also pulled down 8 rebounds while Brown had 6 points, 9 rebounds and 5 assists.

"I was real pleased with our balanced scoring throughout the tournament," said Pampa Blue Coach John Charles. "We shot 45 percent from the floor throughout the tournament."

Pampa Red opened the tournament with a 40-25 win over Borger White.

Young had 16 points to take scoring honors, followed by Brent Skaggs with 8, Chad Augustine and Sammy Laury 4 points each, Jeremy Stone 3, and Jeremy Ferrel and Eric Dickson 2 points each.

In second-round action, Pampa Red rolled past Canyon 41-28. Young poured in 22 points, followed by Laury 9, Augustine 4, Stone 3 and Skaggs 2. Skaggs was the team's top defensive player.

In the eighth-grade division, Pampa Blue won over Dumas White 44-24 for third place.

Pampa Blue was led by Coby Harris with 16 points while Quincey Williams chipped in 14. Logan Hudson had 6 points and Russ Stephens had 4 points and came away with several steals.

In the first-round game, Pampa Blue walloped Pampa White 42-16. Harris led Blue with 11 points while Williams and Stephens had 6 and 5 points respectively. Hawkins, Hudson, Aaron Lopez and Jared Thompson added 4 points each while Tyson Beck and Will Hacker had 2 points each.

The White team had 4 points each from Terrance Tillman, Steve Sheffield and Matt Hawkins.

Pampa Blue lost a 44-43 squeaker to Dumas Orange in the second round. Williams had 17 points for Pampa, followed by Harris with 13, Stephens 9 and Hudson 4.

"We had some defensive letdowns and we didn't have a chance to get a shot on the last play of the game," said Pampa Coach Steve James. "We only hit 5 of 18 free throws or we would have won the game."

The Pampa Blue team now has a 5-3 record.

Pampa junior varsity claims third place

BORGER — Riding a third quarter 23-point rally, the Pampa Harvester junior varsity boys downed their Canyon counterparts Saturday night and took third in the Borger JV tourney here.

In the first quarter Pampa jumped out to a 22-15 lead, but Canyon came back in the second period to narrow the gap to 32-30 by intermission.

In the third quarter, the Harvesters scored 23 points while limiting Borger to 16.

"Our kids have played 14 games in eight days," Pampa JV coach Jerry Davis said of the second quarter letdown. "They got a little tired mentally, then they sucked it up and went on in the third quarter."

David Duke led Pampa's scoring with 28 points, hitting 10 field goals and hitting all eight of his field goal attempts. Also in double figures were Kerry Brown with 12 points, all on field goals, and Keith Barr with five hits from the field.

Greg Wolcott led the Harvester JV rebounding with eight. The Pampa JV hit 57.8 per cent of their field goal attempts, an improvement over their 53 per cent average for the season.

The Harvester junior varsity, 7-4, will open district play Tuesday night at Canyon. Tipoff is set for 6 p.m.

Feild wins NFR bareback riding

By TIM DAHLBERG
AP Sports Writer

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) — Utah cowboy Lewis Feild clinched a second straight title — rodeo's best all-around cowboy — as he won the bareback riding Friday at the \$1.8 million National Finals Rodeo.

Feild of Elk Ridge ran his season earnings to \$145,072, giving him an insurmountable money lead over Jimmie Cooper of Monument, N.M., with the last of the 10 sessions

remaining Saturday.

It was the second straight year the 30-year-old Feild has won the coveted all-around crown, symbolic of the best overall cowboy of the 115 who qualified for the world's richest rodeo. The NFR wraps up this year's rodeo season.

Feild, who competes in both bareback and saddle bronc riding, is on the verge of becoming the all-time single season money winner on the pro rodeo tour. Roy Cooper of Durant, Okla., holds the record with \$153,391 in win-

nings. Feild won \$130,347 last season to capture the all-around title.

Feild leads the bareback average and is in line to win the top average money of \$18,270 and surpass Cooper when the rodeo concludes. He scored a 79 in the bareback to edge George Mesimer of Martin, Tenn., who had a 78. Finishing third with a 77 was Clint Corey of Silverdale, Wash.

The finals are being held at the campus arena on the University of Nevada-Las Vegas.

LaMarque advances into 5A semifinals

AUSTIN (AP) — LaMarque scored three touchdowns in the fourth quarter to break open a 7-7 game and defeat Austin Reagan 26-14 Saturday in a Class 5A semifinal football playoff game Saturday.

The Cougars, pulling together after head coach Hugh Massey's death in a traffic accident Dec. 4, advance to the championship game next week against Plano, a 28-21 winner over Hurst Bell Saturday.

La Marque improved its record to 14-1, while Reagan ended its season at 11-2-1.

Quarterback Mike Little connected with Ronnie Johnson for a 40-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter that gave LaMarque a 7-0 lead.

But quarterback Donald Carr's scrambling 38-yard touchdown run with 41 seconds left in the first half gave Reagan a 7-7 tie, and the Raiders moved ahead 14-7 early in the

fourth quarter on Carr's 2-yard run.

Carr returned a punt 56 yards to the LaMarque 22 midway through the fourth quarter, but a clipping penalty nullified the return. Three plays later, Carr fumbled at his own 21, and Little immediately hit Johnson again on a touchdown pass that brought La Marque to within 14-13 with seven minutes to play.

A try for a two-point conversion and a 15-14 lead was snuffed.

Gross, Jeffery make all-district VB team

Seniors Susan Gross and Stephanie Jeffery of Pampa High's district runnersup have been named to the All-District 1-4A Volleyball Team.

Gross was a first-team selection while Jeffery was honorable mention, but Lady Harvesters' Coach Phil Hall felt that some of his other players should have been listed.

"I was pleased that these girls made it, but felt that we should have had more girls on the team along with the sophomore of the year," said Pampa Coach Phil Hall. "We finished second in district and we were the only team to beat Levelland, a three-time district champion. Teams that finished way below us in district had more girls on the team than we did," added Hall.

Hall said Gross was one of the best setters in the district while Jeffery was one of the best all-around players.

"Susan was definitely worthy of the honor. I felt Stephanie should have been placed higher."

She was a good team leader," Hall said.

Hall felt Yolanda Brown should have been sophomore of the year.

"Yolanda was a very dominating force for us all year. We should have had at least two or three more girls named to the teams. After the good year the girls had and the strides the team made, the all-district selections ended up being a slap in the face to the girls," Hall said.

The Lady Harvesters lost to Pecos in the bi-district playoffs. Pampa had a 9-3 league record and were 16-13 overall.

Listed below are the 1986 all-district picks:

First Team

Dailene Terrell, Levelland; Susan Gross, Pampa; Mish Manahan, Lubbock Dunbar; Vangie Burse, Borger; Stephanie Bechtal, Dumas; Sheila Turman, Lubbock Estacado.

Second Team

Kim Cavanaugh, Levelland;



Jeffery

Julie Lawless, Levelland; Tricia Kahlie, Hereford; Tammy Roden, Borger; Rhonda Caraway, Dumas; Becky Baer, Dumas; Rhonda Washington, Lubbock Estacado.

Honorable Mention

Stephanie Jeffrey, Pampa; Jamie Shaw, Borger; Josephone



Gross

Longoria, Levelland; Kristi Wells, Hereford; Karen Andrews, Lubbock Dunbar; April Garrett, Dumas; Deadra Brown, Lubbock Estacado.

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Coach of the Year:

Karen Wilkes, Levelland

Sophomore of the Year:

April Garrett, Dumas.

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Lunker bass program gets an early start

AUSTIN — "Operation Share A Lone Star Lunker" is now underway, creating opportunities for Texas anglers to be recognized for catching big bass while allowing the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to use the fish for research and production.

"We had initially planned to start Jan. 1," said Bill Roth, public affairs manager for Lone Star Brewing Co., one of three corporate sponsors, "but the remarkable circumstances surrounding this fish make it a natural for this program."

"This fish" is the state record 17-pound, 11-ounce bass caught the day before Thanksgiving on Lake Fork near Quitman, about 70 miles east of Dallas. Professional fishing guide Mark Stevenson of Plano caught the fish.

The corporate sponsors met in San Antonio Dec. 4 and voted to open the program effective Nov. 26. Financial support for the innovative program is also being provided by Jungle Labs, Inc., and Cajun Boats.

Bill Rutledge, hatchery chief for the department, said any angler who legally catches a 13-pound-plus bass and donates it to the TPWD in healthy condition will be made a member of the Bass Hall of Fame. After the department has completed its work with the fish, the angler has the option of having it mounted free of charge or having a fiberglass replica made, also free of charge. Under the second option, the fish could be released alive into a lake of the angler's choice within 100 miles of the hatchery.

The fish must be legally caught in Texas waters before April 30, 1987. A representative of the TPWD will meet the angler, examine the fish, weigh it on certified scales and determine if it is in spawning condition. If the fish is accepted, the angler will be required to sign a statement that the fish was caught legally, and also absolving the department of any liability during subsequent use of the fish. Qualifying fish will be transported to the TPWD's Tyler or Jasper Fish Hatchery.

"This program will have benefits for all concerned," said Rutledge. "It offers tangible rewards for those catching big bass while creating a source of extremely large bass for our hatcheries." He added that the availability of extremely large bass may help the hatcheries produce fish with the greatest growth potential.

Rutledge said the corporate sponsors have set up a reporting network utilizing marinas, tackle shops and other businesses near Texas reservoirs. Anyone catching a bass that might qualify should call toll-free 1-800-792-1112 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays. On weekends or after hours, the TPWD's communications center in Austin may be contacted by calling (512) 389-4848. Field offices of the department's Fishery Division also may be contacted.

Lone Star has produced posters explaining the program, to be placed at retail outlets across the state. Also, 250,000 wallet-sized cards detailing proper fish-handling techniques are provided by the corporate sponsors for distribution to the public.

Powder & Plug

By John Gerdel Jr.



During one month of the program, Lone Star will conduct a promotion to generate money to support the program.

Mounted fish will be displayed for up to 90 days in Lone Star's Buckhorn Hall of Fins at the company's brewery in San Antonio, and pictures of the angler and fish will be included in a "Lone Star Lunker Hall of Fame" display at department headquarters in Austin.

The largest bass donated during the contest period will be designated "Lone Star Lunker of the Year."

"We feel this program has another benefit, as it will promote increased awareness of conservation," Rutledge said. "The proper handling and release of bass will be stressed, as well as the philosophy behind bass length and bag limits on the various reservoirs."

The following are official rules of the contest:

1. The contest is limited only to largemouth black bass 13 pounds or greater.
2. Effective dates of contest are Jan. 1, 1987 to April 30, 1987.
3. Possession of the fish must be transferred to a designated Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) agent within 12 hours of the time of capture. The angler must sign a release absolving all sponsors of any liability resulting from the loss or death of the fish.
4. The TPWD agent will be responsible for certification of fish weight as well as acceptance for program participation. The fish must be in condition to survive and spawn; this decision rests solely with representatives from the TPWD.
5. The fish must be caught in Texas waters by a fisherman possessing a valid Texas fishing license.
6. Should the fish die while in TPWD possession, department personnel will prepare the fish for transfer to a taxidermist selected by the program sponsors to be mounted at no charge to the participant.
7. After the fish spawns, the participant will have the option of having the fish mounted by a taxidermist (selected by program sponsors) or returning the fish alive to a nearby (within 100 miles of the hatchery) body of water.
8. Employees of all program sponsors and their families are not eligible for participation in the program.

Fishing angles

GRANBURY — Water fairly clear, 53 degrees, normal level; black bass slow; striped bass to 16 pounds on live perch drifting; crappie slow, some strings to 8 or 9 fish on minnow; white bass fair to 15 fish per string on 1/2 pound white jugs; channel catfish slow; yellow catfish slow.

GREENBELT: Water muddy due to rains, 52 degrees, four-foot rise in last 6 weeks; black bass fair to 6 pounds on artificial; crappie fairly good on minnows to 6 fish per string; white bass fairly good but hard to find on slabs; catfish slow.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water clear, 45 degrees, 7 foot low; black bass slow due to weather; hybrid striped good to 3 pounds on topwaters, silver minnow; crappie slow; white bass slow; catfish slow to 35 pounds on liver with trotline. Possible snow by weekend.

MEREDITH: Water clear, 49 degrees, normal level; black bass fair to 2 pounds on minnows; crappie fair to 10 fish per string on minnows; white bass fair to 4 fish per string on slabs; catfish fair to 3 pounds on catfish bait.

SPENCER: Water clear, 50 degrees, 15 foot low; black bass slow; striped slow; crappie slow; white bass fair to 10 fish per string on slabs; catfish fair to 3 pounds on minnows with trotline, few limits caught.

'Bonecrusher' right with right

NEW YORK (AP) — From the opening seconds of the first round of the WBA heavyweight title fight, James "Bonecrusher" Smith lived up to his name.

Smith, a last-minute substitute, sent a hard right crashing into Tim Witherspoon's face on the first punch Friday night. He then knocked down Witherspoon three times, ending the bout at 2:12 of the first round and capturing the World Boxing Association crown.

The stunning victory for Smith, who replaced Tony Tubbs earlier this week when Tubbs withdrew, claiming a shoulder injury, avenged a one-sided loss to Witherspoon 1 1/2 years ago. It also set up a March 7 fight against unbeaten World Boxing Council champion Mike Tyson. The winner of that fight will meet International Boxing Federation titlist Michael Spinks to unite the heavyweight crown.

"I knew if I could rush him and hit him with my best shots," Smith said, "I could take him out. I was right."

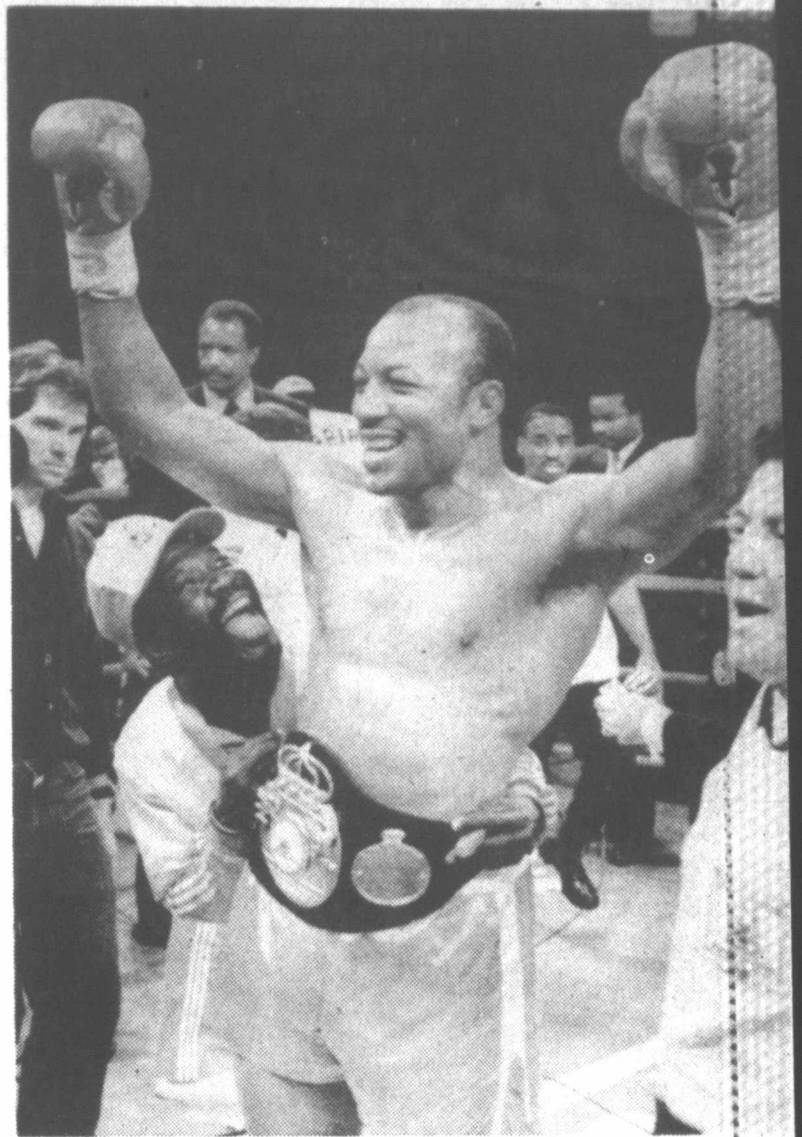
"I thought he wasn't thinking about me and I wanted to pay him back, and I did. He kind of embarrassed me 1 1/2 years ago when we fought."

That fight, on June 15, 1985, was a unanimous 12-round decision when Witherspoon was the North American Boxing Federation champion.

This time, Witherspoon landed all of seven punches.

"He came out real good and I really wasn't into the fight," added Witherspoon, who was involved in all kinds of negotiations, threats and insults during the week after Smith was named to replace Tubbs.

"I had a no-caring feeling. I wanted to go in with a winning attitude, but I couldn't," he said. "I thought he'd come in cautious



(AP Laserphoto)

Smith dons his title belt.

after the way I beat him last time."

Smith, 228 1/2 of Magnolia, N.C., was a raging bull coming out of his corner. After landing the big right, he threw a series of punches that put him so off-balance that he slipped down. But he jumped right back up and continued to pummel Witherspoon, who looked sluggish at 2:33 1/2.

Six colleges form new sports conference

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Six colleges in Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas have formed the American South Athletic Conference, which will begin competition next fall.

"We look forward with much anticipation to the opportunity that this gives each of our members," Arkansas State University President Eugene Smith said at a news conference Friday.

Smith was elected president of the conference Friday at a meeting attended by presidents of five of the six universities and their athletic directors.

The conference will be made up of the University of New Orleans, Arkansas State University, Lamar University, Louisiana Tech University,

Pan American University and Southwestern Louisiana.

"We believe that joining together to form this conference are six very, very fine academic institutions. Each has a rich athletic tradition," Smith said.

The representatives approved a constitution and bylaws for the new league, which will be an NCAA Division I conference and sponsor of six men's sports and six women's sports.

Men's sports will include baseball, basketball, cross country, golf, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field. Women's sports will include basketball, cross country, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, tennis and volleyball.

Waco angler captures Georgia tournament

LAGRANGE, Ga. (AP) — Veteran angler Randy Behringer of Waco, Texas, fishing within talking distance of two-day leader Mike Johnson, outfished the Alabama rookie by catching four bass Friday to win the \$137,500 BASSmaster Georgia Invitational.

The 41-year-old insurance executive and a regular on the Bass Anglers Sportsman Society tour

weighed in 10 pounds, 15-ounces of bass for a three-day total of 46-pounds, 6-ounces.

The victory, worth \$32,000 was his second on the tour. He won the Lake of the Ozarks, Mo. tournament in 1982.

Behringer fished a 1-ounce jiggling spoon along a flooded road bed in the lower end of 26,000-acre West Point Lake. He said the key was finding schools of shad.

"The fish were on the bottom and under the shad. I used a softer jigging technique and didn't pop the lure off the bottom. The fish were inactive with the colder water and it was a case of sticking with it," Behringer said.

He and Johnson, of Lanett, Ala., watched each other throughout Friday's fishing. Johnson caught just one keeper over the 16-inch minimum and fell to third place.

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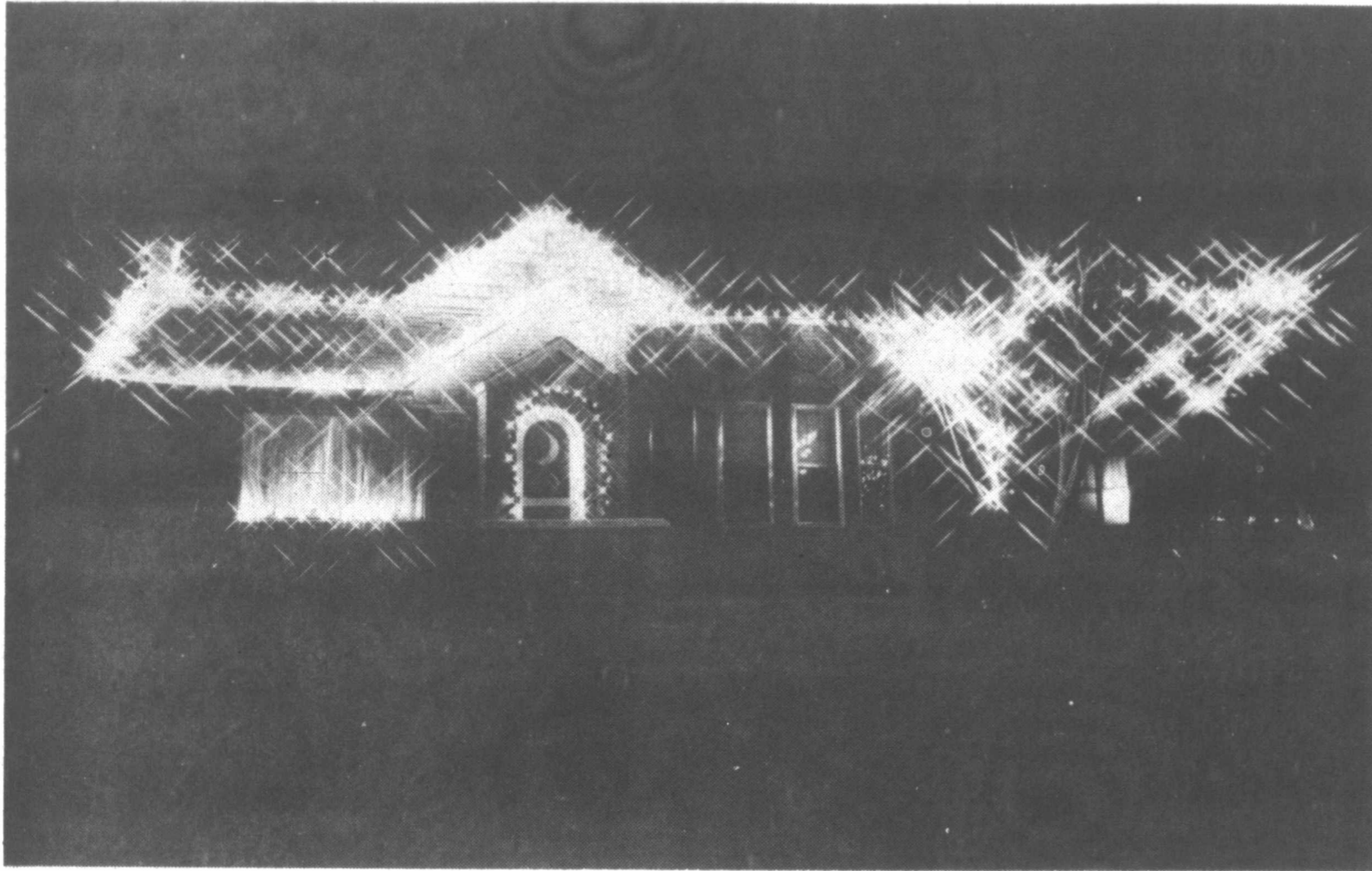
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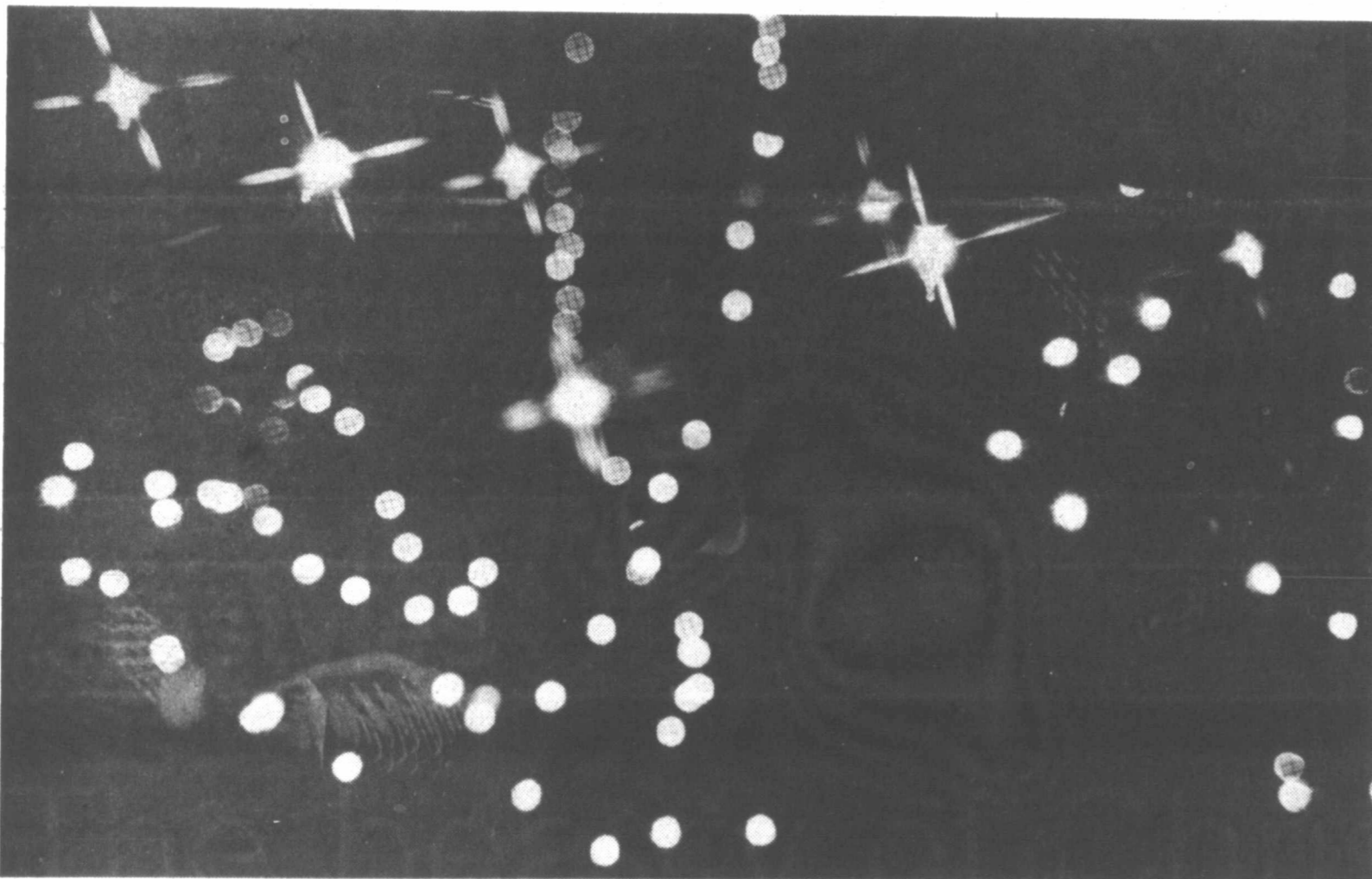


A home in central Pampa sparkles at night from the glow of its strings of lights.

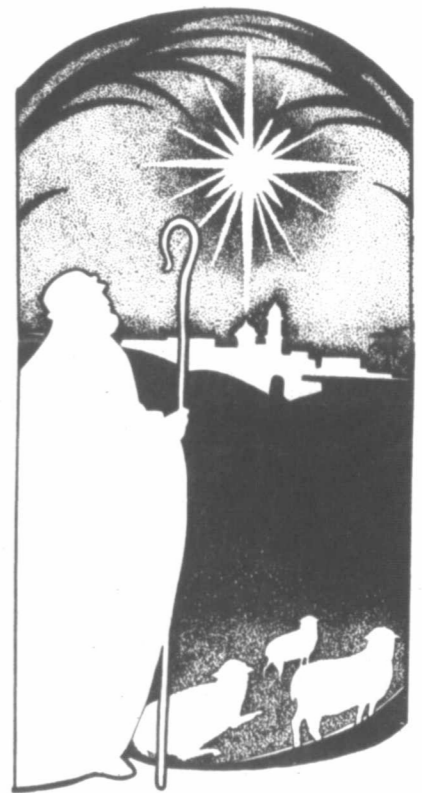
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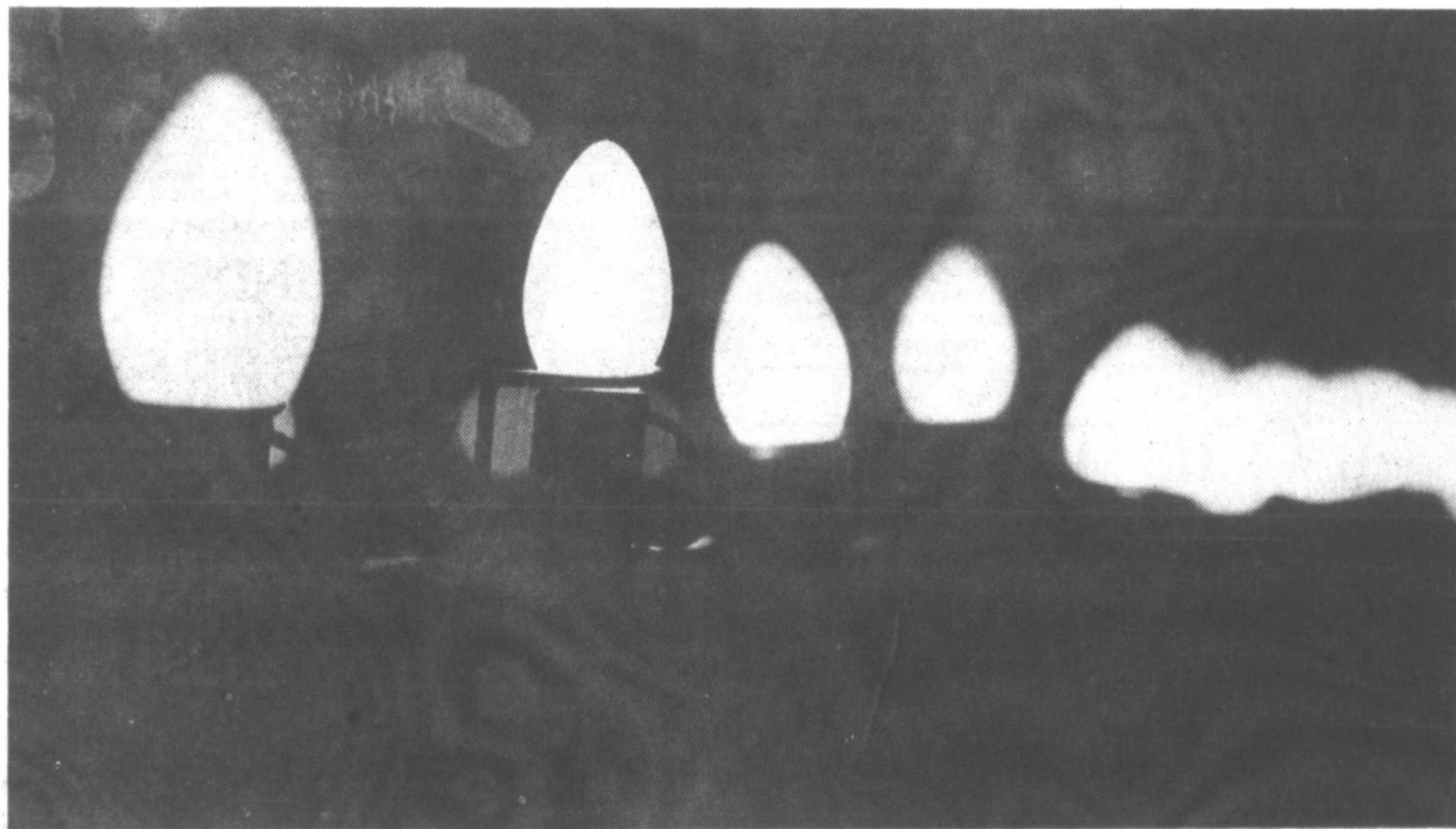
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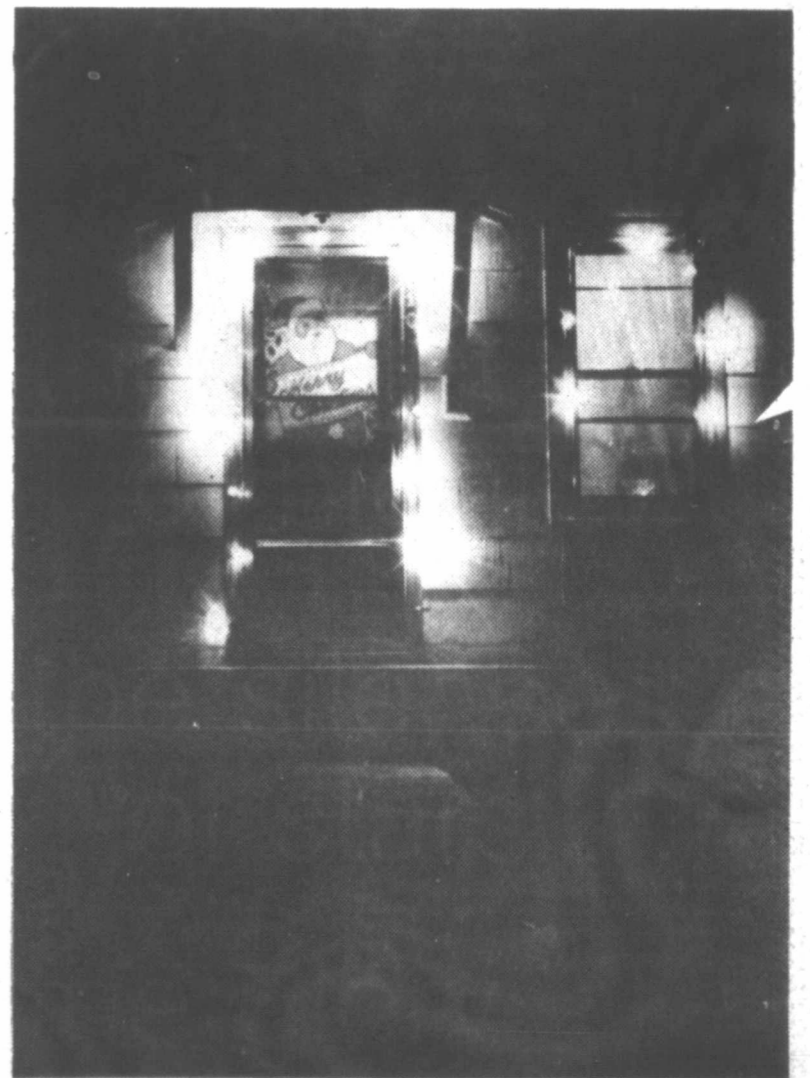
Bright lights on bare trees twinkle like stars to dispel night's gloom.



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Bulbs of light spread their radiant beams across a lawn to herald the holiday.



Simple lights and a welcoming Santa greet visitors to an east Pampa home.



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Sally Beth, right, and Monty Givens exchange gifts in front of their Texas-style Christmas tree. They created the tree in honor of the state's 150th birthday celebration.

Merry Christmas y'all!

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Lifestyles Editor

Sally Beth Givens decided shortly after Christmas 1985 that this year she was going to celebrate the season Texas-style in honor of the state's sesquicentennial.

Before the 1985 Christmas season was over, Givens knew that she wanted a Texas Christmas tree for 1986. A fifth generation Texan, she wanted to take this opportunity to show her pride in her native state.

Givens started with a white, felt cowboy hat. This is perched jauntily on the very top of her tree. Then she added wooden ornaments cut out by her husband Monty in the shape of Texas, cowboy hats and boots. Givens painted the ornaments white.

"They're mostly boots and Texas cowboy hats," Givens explained. "We made up patterns and cut them out."

Little Texas flags were found at a local discount store. "I bought 10 of them and nearly panicked when I got them home and found out they were upside down. The red and white stripes were on the wrong sides!" Givens took seven of the defective flags back, but when a new shipment of flags came in - with the stripes in their correct positions - Givens bought 30 of them. Now the flags wave proudly from the branches of the evergreen tree.

Keeping with the Texas theme, Givens added tiny gold stars, more small white and red felt cowboy hats, bandana bows and loops of rope. All her packages are wrapped in bright red paper with red bandana bows. Dried red chilies hanging from the branches add a bit of spice to the tree.

The tree skirt, nearly hidden with gifts, boasts "Merry Christmas Y'all!" in bright red embroid-

ery on a muslin skirt. Red eyelet lace outlines the skirt's hem. A wall-hanging with a cowboy Santa echoes the statement near the tree in the Givens' paneled den. Another cowboy Santa, slim as a reed, is perched on a wooden stool set against the wall.

Some of her gifts this year will include a jar of Givens' mesquite bean jelly. She got the recipe from a friend some time ago, she says, and enjoys making batches of the jelly whenever she can get enough mesquite beans together. Naturally she had to make mesquite bean jelly in honor of the state's birthday!

But Givens didn't wait for Christmas to celebrate the Texas Sesquicentennial. She's been celebrating all year long. So much so that her fellow workers at Celanese call her "Miz Texas." Friends have sent her sesquicentennial memorabilia from all over the state, Givens says.

She wears a sweatshirt, made by a niece, appliqued with a boot, an oil well, a cowboy hat and star. In her cabinets are Texas glasses and red trays shaped like Texas which she plans to use to serve candy and hors d'oeuvres this holiday season. She's bought and given away a host of tea towels that say, "I love Texas things" and go on to list a good many of them.

Every day this year Givens has worn jewelry that reflects something about the state. Her favorites are a rhinestone pin saying TEXAS, another pin which says TX, a Texas flag, and a hand-beaded bluebonnet.

Givens put her tree up the day after Thanksgiving. "I just couldn't wait to see what it would look like," she admits. "And it will stay up until after New Year's."

"It's been a fun year," she adds. "I will hate for it to be over."

Memo:

The truth about Santa

Memo To: The Free World
From: Erma Bombeck, Advanced Woman for Santa Claus
Re: Santa's Annual Visit

Due to worldwide commitments, Santa Claus will visit this country no earlier than three weeks preceding Christmas and on Christmas Eve. Because of the tightness of his schedule, media coverage of his visit will be limited and commercial ventures eliminated entirely.

Santa will not sell wine coolers, electric shavers or certificates to get your carpet shampooed in time for Christmas. He will not hover over shopping centers in a helicopter directing you to a hardware store on a bullhorn. He will not stand in a grocery store aisle and pass out free samples of Monterey Jack cheese.

Santa Claus is not a businessman. He will not deliver packages, hot wax your car in a car

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wash or pretend his reindeer eat oatfood. He will not sell insurance on television to those 55 or over without a physical.

He will not have time to do talk shows or sketches on "Saturday Night Live." Interviews and serious conversations will be limited to children three feet tall or under.

His name and privacy must be respected. All ideas for those who wish to impersonate Santa Claus must first be submitted to the North Pole. That would eliminate the case of a police officer in Miami Beach last year who dressed up as Santa Claus and was arresting vagrants during the holiday season. This is totally out of keeping with the duties of the

real Santa Claus and confuses children.

Regarding Santa's appearance and image, he will not go on a diet as was suggested by the New York Diet Center. Santa Claus in good health, weighs 300 pounds and how he gets down a chimney is his secret. Eating food that is left for him by the world's children is part of his duties and he takes them seriously.

To avoid confusion over the real Santa Claus and impostors, these are the things to look for.

The real Santa never runs out of lap. He can hold as many as a dozen children on it at one time. He never perspires, wears a wristwatch, loses his temper, takes a public bus or makes promises he cannot keep.

If you can see the reflection of a child's wonderment in his eyes, he is the real spirit of Christmas. If still in doubt, ask a child.

Lefors names honor roll students

Lefors Independent School District has released its second six weeks honor rolls for the elementary and secondary schools. Students are named to either the Superintendent's honor roll or the principal's honor roll according to their six weeks grade average. Superintendent's honor rolls students must make all A's during a six-week grading period. Principal's honor roll students have all A's and one B.

First grade: Superintendent's - Nikki Bockmon and TeJay Steele; Principal's - Bucky Brito, Terri Burris, Cindy Culver, Melissa Gilbert, Katisha Jackson, Misty McMullen, Darren Murray, Daryl Roach, Craig Stamp, Tracy Tucker, Aaron Whitney and Laura Velasquez.

Second grade: Superintendent's - Kisha Crain, Tenille Franks, Jennifer Lock, Anna Kumor, Candace McClure, Brandie Pierce and Jennifer Williams; Principal's - Amber Gilbreath, and Craig Seely.

Third grade: Superintendent's - Bryan Bockmon, Keith Franks, Jerimey Howard and Angie Turpen; Principal's - Josh Akins, Andy Glass, and Heather Maples.

Fourth grade: Superintendent's - Justin Back, Shawna Lock and Jesse Stamp; Principal's - Dustin Bridge, Keli Crockett, Renea Gilbert, Marvin Gunter, Michelle Helfer, Lance Johnson and Monica Velasquez.

Fifth grade: Superintendent's - Tiffanie Franks, Ginger Hannon and Jamie Shook; Principal's - Erin Hatch, Rachael Hatch, Jason Huckins, Mark Tucker and Dennis Williams.

Sixth grade: Superintendent's - Michelle Shedeck; Principal's - Tyson Back, Shane Daniels, Bryan Kinsey, Stephanie Lock, Darby McCance, Missy Wariner, Josh Williams and Ronny Williams.

Seventh grade: Principal's - Starla Gilbreath, Tabatha Stoops and Chad Quarles.

Eighth grade: Principal's - Wes Pitmon and Richie Stoll. Freshmen: Principal's - John Call, Kellie Lake and Dallas McCance.

Sophomores: Principal's - Evonne Thacker. Juniors: Superintendent's - John Ledbetter; Principal's - Dan Benge, Cole Goldsmith, Jimmy Hannon, and Tracy Reeves.

Seniors: Superintendent's - Norman Howard; Principal's - Greg Finney, Nita Gifford, Kent Kerbo, Melanie Nickel, Deborah Stubbs, and Jamie Wariner.



LYNLE DOSS & DAVID BURGER

Doss, Burger to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Doss of Amarillo announce the engagement of their daughter, Lynle, to David Burger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burger, also of Amarillo.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Les Porche of Pampa.

The couple plan to marry on Dec. 20 at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Amarillo.

Miss Doss is a dental hygiene student at Amarillo College. The prospective groom is employed as a routesman for Sparkletts Drinking Water in Amarillo.



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Association offers enrichment classes

Pampa's Talented and Gifted Association offers Saturday enrichment classes for all students, 1st through 12th grades, to begin Jan. 24. All classes meet at Pampa Middle School.

Registration is accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis since class size is limited. Registration opens to other area school districts on Jan. 5.

Classes to be offered this year and the instructors include watercolors - Kay Crouch, chess - Jeff Jones, drama - Katy Hupp, calligraphy - Monta Hinkle, cooking - Katie McDonald, modeling - Janna Serrano, cheerleading - Marcie Hall and Andrea Adcock, understanding the securities market and financial planning - Lonnie Johnson, chemistry -

Janelle Bohon, computers - introduction (Donna Barton) & intermediate (Doug Rapstine), pottery - Janice Sackett, photography - Frank Anderson, arts and crafts - Jan Coffee, rocketry - Fran Kludt, leathercraft - James Lee McDonald, and introduction to German - Jennifer Rapstine.

A list of classes to be offered, brief descriptions of the classes, individual class dates and reg-

istration fees has been sent home with every student in the Pampa Independent School District. Registration fees will be returned if the class is full or does not have the minimum number of students. Payment must be returned with the registration form.

For more information about the Saturday enrichment classes or for registration forms, call Julia Sparkman at 665-8716.

Fidgeting is important way to burn up excess calories

BOSTON (AP)—If you can't sit still through this story, it's probably a good thing. Research shows you're burning excess calories.

Finger-drumming and toe-tapping may not seem like great exercise, and "when most people think about physical activity burning calories, they think about running three or four miles a day," said Dr. Clifton Bogardus.

"In fact, there is a lot of caloric expenditure that goes along with being someone who doesn't just plop in the chair all day."

There are great differences in how much people fidget, researchers found, and the trait seems to run in families, just as obesity does.

The research found that slim women fidget more than overweight ones, but this difference between fat and lean hasn't shown up among men.

The experts are still uncertain whether fat women fidget less because they are overweight, or whether they are overweight because they fidget less.



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Octogenarian leads busy life

By DEE DEE LARAMORE
Lifestyles Editor

*We have love for friends and neighbors,
Their love we can't forget,
And in all the miles of travel,
So many we have met;*

*All the little deeds of kindness
Just set our hearts aglow,
I have a friend far better
That ev'ryone should know.*

*He is greater than all others,
One on whom I can depend,
He is closer than a brother,
He is my best friend;
Yes, His lovely name is Jesus,
He's more than all the world to me,
I want to work for Jesus
Until his face I see, I see.*

This is the first verse and chorus of *My Best Friend*, a hymn written by Coronado Nursing Center resident Vivian Hawthorn Bloomingdale.

Now 83 years old, Mrs. Bloomingdale is not content to spend her golden years lounging around in a retirement home. She's been a busy lady all her life, and she's not about to let a little

age stop her.

To cheer the other nursing home residents, Mrs. Bloomingdale and her daughter, El Dora Willis of Pampa, join musical forces on Wednesday afternoons to present an hour of folk, gospel, ragtime, waltzes, "everything but hard rock," entertainment.

Mrs. Bloomingdale pulls her wheelchair up to the piano while her daughter stands nearby with her accordion. Together they run through a few pieces, calling out chords and notes to each other until they're warmed up. Soon the melodies filter through the halls of the nursing center.

Residents gather in the front room to listen. Some call out names of their favorite tunes as requests. One little lady begins waltzing around the room, relaxed in the arms of her imaginary partner.

Music has been an integral part of Mrs. Bloomingdale's life since she was a child. Her father, a machinist-mechanic and manager of her church printing office, played the guitar and banjo. Her brother played the guitar and mandolin, as did Mrs. Bloomingdale. She proudly shows an old picture of her brother with his

guitar and herself holding a mandolin as they sit on the porch of the family home.

When she was 14, her father taught her to work the linotype at the church printing office. Knowing this trade led to jobs with the *Sweetwater Daily News* and *Weatherford, Texas, Democrat*. During her apprenticeship on the linotype, she also took a correspondence course in music from the Columbia Conservatory of Music in Dallas.

Mrs. Bloomingdale was able to travel throughout the United States and neighboring countries and islands after she played piano with a group of women musicians who played for Church of God revivals and conventions. In fact, she performed at the first Church of God General Assembly held in Atlanta, Ga., in the late 1920s. She traveled to Canada and the Bahamas. Her clearest memory is of standing atop the Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor.

When she was 30 years old, Mrs. Bloomingdale met her future husband, the Rev. George M.

Bloomingdale. They met in Tennessee, married and moved to Maine where he was overseer of Church of God ministries in the New England states and Oklahoma. Their only child, El Dora, was born in Westbrook, Maine.

Later the Rev. Bloomingdale pastored several churches in Texas, including Pampa. Mrs. Bloomingdale played piano for the churches and continued to write hymns and poems. Many of her hymns, like *My Best Friend*, are now included in hymn books.

Though weak when she first arrived at Coronado Nursing Center several years ago, Mrs. Bloomingdale has used her time there to strengthen her arms and to learn new abilities.

She learned to paint there - so well, in fact, that one of her paintings was selected from paintings around the United States to be on the cover of the Beverly Enterprises 1982 Financial Report. It also hung on the walls of the company's main office in Pasadena, Calif., and at the Department of Human Resources building in Washington, D.C.



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Vivian Bloomingdale and her daughter El Dora Willis.

More about holiday get-togethers

If your disposition is a little addled, your pulse quickened and much of your time full of disruptive moments, all attributable to the hustle and bustle of Christmas preparations, why not pause and peek around town and take five to clear the air?

The list of Thanksgiving visitors continues to grow, perhaps a little late, but still worth noting. Loraine and Basil Benck of Pueblo, Colo., spent the holiday weekend with Loraine's mother Mabel Johnson and her son. Mabel's daughter Patricia and Ruth Hutchen's son John Hutchen, Johnny and David of Texas University were here, too.

Connie and Boyd Hutcherson entertained both sets of parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.H. Patton of Clarendon and Mr. and Mrs. Ira



Peeking at Pampa

By Katie

Hutcherson of Wichita, Kan. Harold Anderson, president of Furr's Cafeterias, and his wife of Lubbock and Jack Groseclose, district manager, were seen having dinner at Furr's a few nights ago.

Diane and Jim Birdsell enjoyed a Thanksgiving family weekend with their three daughters, Susan and Jill, students at West Texas, and Marcia of Texas Tech. Then on Saturday to honor Julie's birthday, there was a dinner par-

ty for family and three more David Bromlow, Susan's fiancé, Todd Hardin of Texas Tech and Jerry Weinheimer. Marcia cooked her specialty, homemade rolls, and Jill made the pies, which Diane says are better than she can make.

Cecil Williams is happy to be back home in his own routine after a brief period of hospitalization in Houston. His brother and wife Percy and Mary Elizabeth, former Pampans, came from Lubbock for a weekend visit.

Ywachetta and Bill McDonald attended the National Rodeo Finals competition in Oklahoma City.

John Scott of West Virginia visited his brother George recently.

Joyce and L.G. Clifton recently returned from a trip to El Paso. Rev. Joe and Pat Turner spent the Thanksgiving holiday with their daughter Martha and her husband Dean Batt in Morris-town, N.J., and their son Matt, who is in the U.S. Coast Guard. He is being transferred to the Chicago area soon.

Ebby and Mary Ann Ebenkamp had their entire family with them for Thanksgiving. Home for the holidays were Ron and his family from New Mexico; Mick and family from Iowa; Bob and Allen and families from Amarillo; Kevin, Duncan, Oklahoma and Mark of Pampa. There were six grandchildren to enjoy the family fun.

Virginia and Cap Jolly took their family on a Caribbean cruise. Included were Neal and his wife of Corpus Christi and Ginger, Megan and Andrew Ackfeld. Virginia and Cap are ardent

Amarillo Art Center announces new exhibit

AMARILLO - "Bill Shepherd - Paintings" and "Holly Moe - Rugs and Photographs" will be on exhibit at the Amarillo Art Center from Dec. 6 through Jan. 11. New Mexico artist Shepherd's large, photorealistic paintings of rocks and riverbeds have gained him national acclaim, and his work has appeared in many one-man and group shows, as well as being included in many private and corporate collections all over the nation.

The exhibit is presented in

cooperation with the Gerald Peters Gallery of Dallas and Santa Fe, and is accompanied by a catalogue with essays by Amarillo Art Center curator Jerry A. Schefcik and ARTSPACE editor William Peterson. A poster is also available from the Art Center gift shop.

San Antonio artist Holly Moe was the Grand Prize winner of the 1985 Amarillo competition, and this exhibit is presented as a result of her receiving that award. Moe's innovative art works have been featured in numerous group shows in Texas and California. Her chosen medium is large, shaped sections of carpet, on which the images are burned with cigarettes. The rugs are accompanied by photographs taken by her colleague Judy Bankhead.

Please call the Art Center at (806) 371-5050 for more information. Admission is free.

Correction

In the "honor band members" photo outline on page 11 of the Dec. 11 issue, Anthony Gilreath's name was spelled incorrectly. In the Dec. 12 issue, page 15, the American Association of Retired Persons officers were incorrectly identified in a photograph as going from the left to the right, the names should read from right to left to be correct. We regret any inconvenience these errors may have caused our readers.

"There are people who are socialists and rebels today and company directors tomorrow. Examples of reincarnation."
Friedrich Hebbel

BRIDAL BOUQUETS

by Sherry Thomas

A MOVING EXPERIENCE

Many brides find marriage a moving experience - not only emotionally but physically as well. When the two of you are settled in different areas, one or both will have to be uprooted. Here are some tips to make a move go smoother.

If you and your fiancé live in different towns and both of you have jobs, you'll need to consider which area offers the best career opportunities in the long run for the two of you, even if it means one giving up a good job at the moment.

When you move your accounts to a new bank, consider transferring funds by wire. While there is usually a service charge, funds become immediately available at your new bank; bringing a personal or bank check may entail waiting for it to clear before you can get at your money.

When you move, allow extra leeway in your budget for your long-distance phone bill. One or both spouses will need to keep in touch with family and friends back home for a while. Long, frequent phone calls are normal; don't let this cause early marital squabbles.

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WEDNESDAY
Cereal, juice, milk.

THURSDAY
Toast, jelly, fruit, milk.

FRIDAY
Pancakes, syrup, milk.

LUNCH

MONDAY
Taco-lettuce-cheese, nachos, blackeye peas, baked spiced apples, milk.

TUESDAY
Barbequitos, pinto beans, cole slaw, mixed fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY
Turkey & dressing, mashed potatoes-gravy, green beans, fruit salad, hot rolls-butter, milk.

THURSDAY
Taco salad, pinto beans, lettuce salad, pears, milk.

FRIDAY
Hamburgers, french fries-catsup, lettuce & tomatoes, pickle chips, cookie, milk.

Senior Citizens

MONDAY
Chicken fried steak or chili rellenos, mashed potatoes, spinach, Harvard beets, pinto beans, slaw, toss or jello salad, peach cobbler or lemon cream cake, cornbread or hot rolls.

TUESDAY
Liver & onions or chicken spaghetti, baked cabbage, boiled okra, blackeye peas, cheese potatoes, slaw, toss, or jello salad, jalapena cornbread or hot rolls, chocolate pie or fruit cup.

WEDNESDAY
Roast beef with brown gravy, mashed potatoes, lima beans, broccoli casserole, buttered carrots, slaw, toss, or jello salad, pineapple squares or apple cranberry cobbler.

THURSDAY
Salmon croquets or tacos, macaroni & cheese, green beans, corn on the cob, slaw, toss, or jello salad, banana pudding or cherry delight.

FRIDAY
Italian spaghetti with garlic bread or fried cod fish, french fries, creamed cauliflower, buttered broccoli, slaw, jello, or toss salad, brownies or fruit cup.

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Passing on the legacy



Upsilon member Kathy Parsons, left, and children of other Upsilon members re-enact a "Legacy Ritual" conducted during a recent sorority meeting. Participating in the ritual were, from left, Parsons, chapter president; Kristie Holt, daughter of Jerry

and Gloria Holt; Lindsay Little, daughter of Robert and Sue Little; Mandy Putman, daughter of David and Peggy Putman; Aubreanne Ward, daughter of Terry and Vicky Ward and Marissa Maestas, daughter of Gary and Diane Maestas.

(Staff Photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Installation of officers set

Doris Odom, Region V Director, is to install the 1987 Desk & Derrick officers at the meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Pampa Country Club.

Guests are welcome. Reservations may be made by calling Maxine Morgan at 665-3701, ext. 241, or 669-2807 after 5 p.m.

"Ours to Reach - Unlimited Skies" has been Odom's theme as 1986 Region V director, a reflection of her outlook on life, business and Desk & Derrick activities.

Odom has been a member of the Pampa Desk & Derrick Club for eight years. She served as club president in 1982. On the Association of Desk & Derrick Clubs (ADDCC) level, Odom has served as Region V representative on the 1983 public relations committee and the 1985 Oil and Gas Journal committee. She now

serves as director of Region V which covers West Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. She will serve as ADDCC corresponding secretary during 1987.

A native of Oklahoma, Odom attended Oklahoma University and Draughon's School of Business. In 1968, she and her husband Lynn formed Glo-Valve Service & testing, a Pampa-based company which does blow-out preventer testing, well cleanup, well thawing and well flowing - all on high pressure wells drilling to more than 10,000 feet.

In 1972, the business expanded to Elk City, Okla., opening an office and warehouse handling blow-out preventer testing equipment. With the purchase of Gate Valve Shop and Supply Company in 1971, they are able to make in-house repairs of drilling and refinery valves.



DORIS ODOM

Soundproofing baby's room can be easy

NEW YORK (AP) — You can noise-proof a baby's room by covering the walls with fabric or sheeting and quilt batting — and it's easy to install.

Determine if the walls are wallboard or plaster, advises Family Circle magazine, because the procedures are different for each material.

First, cut the materials to fit. If you're applying it to wallboard, you'll

need plenty of thumb tacks in colors that coordinate with the fabric. Just place a layer of fabric over the batting and tack to the wall. Make sure the tacks hold firmly so that a baby or small child cannot remove them. Fold under any raw edges and secure them to the wallboard.

If the walls are plaster, you'll need

to nail strips of wood lattice around the perimeter of the walls in order to have a surface on which to staple. You'll need enough to go along the ceiling and the baseboard, plus vertical strips around doorways and windows. Once the lattice is in place, butt the batting to keep it in place. Then staple or use thumbtacks to secure the fabric onto the lattice.

Holiday meetings begin

Club News

Varietas Club

The Varietas Club met in the home of Wanda Goff, Dec. 9, for a Christmas meeting. Club members agreed to send money to Good Samaritan Christian Services and Tralee Crisis Center.

Nicki Gordon told of her trip to Egypt recalling incidents of Mose's life, Nazareth, and the birthday of Jesus.

Preceptor Theta Iota

Sherry Carlson hosted the Dec. 8 meeting of Preceptor Theta Iota. A short business meeting was conducted on the ticket sales for the New Year's Eve. Proceeds will go to the sorority's scholarship fund.

Next meeting is to be at 7:30 p.m. at Mr. Gatt's Pizza on Jan. 12. Kathy Massick is to give the program.

Rho Eta

Rho Eta's first monthly meeting was held at Jamilou Garren's home with Kathy Topper serving as hostess. Plans were made for the children's Christmas social at PamCel Hall at 4 p.m., Dec. 14. Jan Parks reported she took the Thanksgiving food basket and it was greatly appreciated. Joyce Pulse reminded members she needed the money or tickets by

Dec. 15 for the New Year's Eve Dance.

Jamilou Garren gave a program on human relations. Next meeting is to be Dec. 22 at Kathy Topper's home. Everyone was reminded to bring secret sister gifts and a snack.

Altrusa Club

Altrusa Club of Pampa recently hosted a "Bargains That Will Charge Your Battery" auction of homemade items to raise money for the FFVA International award and local vocational scholarships. Auctioneer was Katherine Sullins, assisted by Mary McDaniel and Doyve Massie.

Seven new members were initiated into membership by Joyce Simon, Altrusa information chairman. She was assisted by Louise Bailey, president. New members welcomed into the group included Myrna Orr, Marcella Hogan, Staci Hamilton, Debbie Stokes, Joyce Williams, Billie Sue Stephens and Judy Warner.

Members of the vocational ser-

vices committee hosted the meeting with Doyve Massie and Irene Smith as greeters. A business meeting is set for noon Jan. 12 at the Coronado Inn.

Alpha Upsilon Mu

Gifts were collected for a needy family as the December service project at the Dec. 8 meeting of Alpha Upsilon Mu. Kim Lancaster and Sherry Johnson were hostesses. Plans were made for a couple's Christmas party on Dec. 12. A children's party is planned for Dec. 21. A pledge ritual was conducted for Becky Ervin.

Lefors Extension Homemakers Club

Members of the Lefors Extension Homemakers Club along with Lefors 4-H Club members met recently to decorate and fill sacks with nuts and fruit to be given to approximately 50 residents of Lefors who will be alone this Christmas.

Lefors Extension Homemakers Club began 2½ years ago. Members are encouraging any women living in or near Lefors to join. Officers are Sue Smiley, president; Beverly Klein, vice president; and Nora Franks, secretary.

Volunteers find job rewarding

One of the most rewarding things an individual can do for tomorrow's leaders is to serve as a 4-H adult volunteer today.

Volunteers not only give leadership to 4-H experiences for youth, they keep the program relevant to local community needs and interest.

Today, 60 4-H adult volunteers in Gray County work with Gray County 4-H members from nine to 19 years old. These volunteers share their skills and experience by assisting young people in a variety of 4-H projects and activities.

Volunteers do not have to be experts in specialized subject matter areas. They can rely on the Extension Service staff in the county and at Texas A&M Uni-



4-H Corner

Jeff Goodwin

versity, the state's land-grant university, to provide them with training, educational materials and resources to use in the 4-H program. The land-grant system makes 4-H uniquely qualified to meet both the constant and ever-changing needs of young and older people alike.

The 4-H volunteer corps is 600,000 strong nationwide. Volunteers are the backbone of a basic and cost effective system which delivers practical educational experiences to some 4.3 million 4-H members in the United States. The time, travel and support volunteers contribute is valued at \$1 billion annually.

The 4-H program provides many opportunities for growth and stimulation for adults and helps them attain enjoyment and self-fulfillment. So help prepare the young people in our communities for tomorrow by joining the ranks of 4-H volunteers.

For more information about the 4-H program and its many opportunities, contact the county Extension office at 669-7429.

Local Realtors attend conference

Members of the Pampa Board of Realtors attended the Board Officers Leadership Conference of the Texas Association of Realtors (TAR) in Austin, Dec. 7-9. Those members who attended are Rue Park, Shirley Woolridge, and Joy Turner.

Real estate executives from 125 boards around the state participated in the annual orientation of Texas' largest trade association, TAR. The conference presented an opportunity to learn more about administering boards and serving their members. Speakers presented insight into legal issues, management strategies and planning for the new year.

A panel of speakers discussed the boards' leadership role in

civic affairs. Gil Thurm, representative from the National Association of Realtors in Washington, D.C., shared his insight into responding to legislative issues pertinent to the real estate industry and political involvement. Education sessions were offered

on antitrust law compliance, fair housing and agency representation.

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Make it a 'lite' Christmas—follow these tips

By DONNA BRAUCHI
County Extension Agent
Are you dreaming of a "lite" Christmas that won't require a New Year's resolution to lose unwanted pounds? If so, then I have some suggestions for you that will help your dream become reality.

You don't need to give up your favorite holiday foods to follow today's dietary guidelines. Dietary guidelines from the U.S. Departments of Agriculture and Health and Human Services, and those from major health organizations, recommend reducing consumption of fat, sugar, and salt while increasing the amount of fiber in our diets.

Making an effort to eat nutritiously doesn't have to put a damper on your holiday season since relatively simple modifications can reduce the fat and total calories in many favorite foods, without significantly affecting their taste. Try some of the following tips:

(1) Substitute ingredients to reduce fat and calories. Use low-fat dairy products. Substitute yogurt or cottage cheese for sour cream in some recipes for sauces, dips, dressings, and main dishes. Use skim rather than whole milk and in some recipes calling for whipped cream, substitute evaporated milk. Fat can generally be reduced by a third in gravies,

sausages, puddings, and quick breads. If you're making gravy for a holiday feast, skim off the fat.

Sugar can be reduced by a third in many holiday desserts. If a recipe calls for 1 cup sugar, for example, use two-thirds cup. This works best in fruit-based recipes and in making puddings and custards. The sugar in cookies and

cakes can also be reduced, but requires some experimenting to find an appropriate level.

(2) Change cooking methods to reduce fat. Start by staying away from fried foods. Steam, bake, broil, or boil instead of frying. Use low calorie, no-stick aerosols or no-stick pans that require no fat for cooking.

(3) Eat more fiber. Fiber will

satisfy your appetite without adding a lot of calories. Eat plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grains and cereals so you won't want to fill up on rich desserts and other high calorie dishes. To increase fiber intake, substitute whole grain flour for 1/4 to 1/2 of the refined flour in holiday baking. If a recipe calls for three cups all-purpose flour, use 1/2 cup whole grain flour and 2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour.

(4) Omit salt or reduce it by half and add more herbs and spices to increase flavor.

(5) Eat more slowly and reduce the size of your portions. Since it takes about 20 minutes before your stomach will feel satisfied,

take at least that much time to eat your first helping. Then, perhaps you won't feel the need for seconds or thirds.

(6) Do some "calorie banking". If you anticipate a big splurge at one meal or party, save up some extra calories by eating nutritious, low-calorie meals for several days in advance. Then treat yourself to the special occasion without worrying about the extra calories.

Keep in mind that these practices are appropriate year-round and when coupled with regular exercise, can help you stay within a healthful weight range.

For more information on nutrition and fitness, contact your Gray County Extension Office.



Homemakers' News

Donna Brauchi

'Welcome' word for woodworker

MT. JOY, Pa. (AP)—Welcome to Bill Baltzer's workshop. "Welcome" is the operative word.

You feel welcome as soon as you enter the woodwork shop at the rear of his home on appropriately named Wood Street.

The word "welcome" comes at you from every direction. There are the wooden plaques for outdoor or indoor display, there are miniature fence gates and other types of woodcraft, all bearing the legend "welcome."

Baltzer, 58, took early retirement in 1984 after 18 years with Howmet.

But is he really retired? Not unless you call seven 12-hour workdays a week being retired.

The difference is that Bill Baltzer is working now for Bill Baltzer. He's his own boss and loving every minute of it.

"I had to do something. I was getting fidgety. I knew I couldn't just sit around," he said.

Barely a month after retiring, Baltzer and his wife of 35 years, Millie, opened a stand at the Tri-County market and auction near Middletown, where they sold chocolate candy three days a week.

Having done some carpentry and woodwork in previous years, he made several wooden gumball machines. They proved a hot item and he made more, selling enough to pay for over \$500 worth of woodworking tools—a sander, drill press, band saw and table saw. He turned more to woodcraft, making rabbits, chickens and ducks. The woodcraft items soon began to outpace the candy in sales.

Baltzer was spending more time in his workshop making more welcome plaques and other items, most of them adorned with animals—cats, ducks, chickens, dogs, cows and others. These, too, proved popular.

"We were making something

new every week" Baltzer said. "We try to make something original and stick with it. That's the secret. We also try to improve on what we have as we get fresh ideas."

One idea which has paid off was setting up a stand at Ephrata's Green Dragon Farmers Market and Auction. Now, the Baltzers spend 12 hours every Friday at the Green Dragon and 10 hours every Saturday at the Tri-County market.

From Sunday through Thursday, they put in 12-hour days, noon until midnight, making the items for their Friday and Saturday sales. Baltzer turns out the products and his wife does the painting, helped at times by her husband's sister and niece. In a typical week, Baltzer will turn out a dozen welcome plaques, 25 to 30 gates, plus assorted animals.

"Sometimes we work eight days a week," he said.

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KIM CLAYPOOL & JERRY DON LITTLE

Claypool, Little engaged

Mr. and Mrs. John Claypool of Hereford announce the engagement and marriage plans of their daughter Kimberly Kay and Jerry Don Little, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard E. Little of Pampa.

A wedding date has been set for Dec. 21 in St. Thomas Episcopal Church in Hereford.

The bride-elect is a 1985 graduate of Hereford High School. She attended West Texas State University in Canyon where she was a member of the WTSU marching band. She attends Amarillo College and is employed at the Amarillo Community Center as a day care center teacher.

Little is a 1981 graduate of Pampa High School. She is employed by Mid-Continent Permanent Company.

Three 4-H cooks go to state; 4-H'ers take spotlight at show

Gray County 4-H'ers had the spotlight in the "winner's circle" at the District 14-H Food Show on Saturday, Dec. 6, in Dumas. Earning the privilege of representing District 1 at the State 4-H Food Show in June were: Heather Kludt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fran Kludt, in the Breads and Cereals division; Stacie and Sherri McDonald, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Lee McDonald, in the Nutritious Snacks and Desserts division and Main Dish division respectively. In addition, Becky Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe VanZandt, was named alternate to the State Food Show in the Fruit and Vegetable division.

Junior 4-H members also made an outstanding showing with all four participants earning blue ribbons. Junior participants included: Alicia Webb, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Webb; Laura Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Williams; David Kludt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fran Kludt; and Kirk McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee McDonald. Kirk also was named in the top four participants in the Junior Main Dish category.

Approximately 134 4-H'ers across the Panhandle participated in the Food Show which allowed 4-H'ers to share their knowledge and skills in food preparation, menu planning, nutrition, and food safety. The State 4-H Food Show will be June 9 in College Station.

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DIET CORNER

Counselor's name goes here.

It's the holiday season when you will be having parties and family get-togethers. But you don't want to gain weight just because of the season. Here are a few helpful hints: If you are having a party, prepare fruits kabobs. Chunk different fruit and place it on skewers. It's attractive, delicious and low in calories. A vegetable plate with celery fans, carrot curls, radish roses and cauliflowerettes and to top it off, serve a low-calorie dip. Try Wasa Brod crackers with a thin slice of hard cheese on top. Also, Tofu dip is always satisfying and tasty. Be sure to offer low-calorie drinks for your dieter friends. Those who aren't dieting will enjoy the delicious treats also. Your party will be successful and you will be admired for your consideration.

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Local beauties named to 'Who's Who'

Four Pampa beauties have been named to the 1986 edition of Who's Who In Pageants, a publication honoring outstanding personalities of the pageant field who have distinguished themselves by achievement.

Chosen for this honor from this area were Kaysi Gayle Douglas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Douglas of Pampa; Tandi Morton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Morton of Pampa;

and Amanda and Megan Poole, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Poole of Pampa.

Kaysi Douglas, 7, has held 12 pageant titles including Little Miss Top O' Texas, 1984 and 1986, and two Texas State Charisma titles in 1986. She has also won various talent and modeling awards at local, district, state and international levels. She is a second grader at Woodrow Wilson

Elementary School.

Amanda and Megan Poole are the granddaughters of Florence McCunn, Kenneth Elsheimer, and Preston and Peggy Poole and great-granddaughters of V.E. and Lucile Wagner and C.L. Elsheimer. Amanda's honors include Cinderella Baby (both 1 & 2 year old), Little Miss White Deer Rodeo and Photogenic Cinderella (2 year olds). Megan's honors in-

clude Kid's of America's Baby Beautiful (1 day to 12 months), Cinderella - Photogenic (1 day to 12 months) and Cinderella - Photogenic (1 year).

Tandi Morton has won various crowns, trophies, banners and a scholarship for her state title. She will crown the new state queen this summer in San Antonio and will then travel to national competition in Hollywood, Calif.

It is everyone's business when someone drives drunk

DEAR ABBY: A couple of weeks ago, my husband and I were outside when we noticed a neighbor attempting to get into his car. He was obviously very drunk and in no condition to drive. (He could hardly walk.) My husband took his car keys away from him, and tried to talk him into going home. He refused and demanded that my husband return his keys. They argued for about 10 minutes, then this drunken neighbor became very belligerent, physically overpowered my husband and retrieved his car keys. Then he got into his car and took off like a bat out of hell. That's when we called the police.

Please understand, we never get involved in other people's business, but this was important. The neighbor was picked up.

When we questioned our friends, parents, etc., we were told that it wasn't our business, and we could have been sued for harassment.

Abby, if it wasn't our business, whose business was it? By the way, we're not a couple of old fuddy-duddies. We are a 29-year-old couple who have a drink or two ourselves once in a while — but not when we're driving. Please comment.

PEOPLE AGAINST DRUNKS

DEAR PEOPLE: It is your business, my business, and the business of every person to do whatever is necessary to prevent a drunk from driving. You acted responsibly when you confiscated the man's car keys and called the police. Others could learn from you.

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DEAR ABBY: Twice this past year my gentleman friend went to a benefit for a sick friend. Both times he went without me, saying it was for men only.

I had no reason to doubt him and forgot all about it. Afterward he casually said they went very well and a lot of money was collected for said friend. I thought it was nice,

...



Dear Abby
Abigail Van Buren

until one night while we were at a party, several women mentioned what a good time they had at both benefits. Louie immediately changed the subject.

Two days later we met two other women friends of his while taking a walk. Louie hadn't seen them since the two benefits. He nearly went through the sidewalk when they commented on the great time they had at the benefits.

Now he tells me that next week there is going to be another benefit, and this one also will be for men only.

What do you think?

KITTY IN NYC

DEAR KITTY: I think you would benefit enormously if you got rid of Louie. He's not behaving like either a gentleman or a friend.

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DEAR ABBY: When my sister became engaged, she wanted our dad to spring for a big, expensive wedding, but Dad said, "Have a simple wedding in the rabbi's study, and if you're still married 36 months from now, I'll foot the bill for a big, fancy wedding and you can renew your vows."

Dad was smart. Twenty-two months later my sister filed for divorce. (Dad paid for that, too. And gladly.)

SISSIE IN CLEVELAND

Gardeners make contented givers

By JOE VANZANDT
County Extension Agent

Merry Christmas! One of the happiest days of the year is just around the corner. There is nothing as exciting as Christmas morning with your youngsters, grandkids or family.

Considering the happiness and contentment around Christmas time, one subject worthy of discussion is apparent. It concerns the gardener's satisfaction and realization of himself and the nature of things surrounding him.

Gardeners are very different people. They do very unusual things, such as preparing soil in temperatures ranging from cold in early spring to hot in mid-summer for a fall garden. They literally will fight over a pile of well-decomposed manure. Who else but a gardener will pay fantastic prices and go to extraordinary lengths to obtain materials such as leaves or compost, which most people are trying to get rid of?

Who else in the world will spend a fortune growing something in quantities he can consume or use? Most gardeners fully realize when they plant their fifteenth hill of squash that they never will use it all. Why do they plant it? Most want to give it away — to grow it for a neighbor. What better way can anyone say, "I like



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you, and I want to make you happy."

The phrase, "If it feels good, do it!" had to be coined by a successful neighbor. Gardeners care! They care about others, and that makes the difference.

Many Americans today are so concerned about the economy, the energy shortage and the rising crime rate that they forget the basic ingredient for true happiness — caring about the people who mean the most, such as family, friends and neighbors.

A gardener has to be concerned about these special people because they have to eat what he grows? He has to care enough to know, or be sensitive enough to find out, what these special people really want. If he takes the time to find out what vegetables grow, he will have the technique to find out more important needs and feelings of his loved ones.

Gardeners are content. They do worry about major problems; but they have enough faith in the scheme of nature and the destiny

of man to realize that developing ulcers won't solve one single problem. A happy American is a strong America.

This country was founded by growers of seed. If these growers hadn't melted their plows to make rifles and hadn't been in such good physical condition from plowing and planting, we would probably be shouting, "God bless the Queen!"

So my Christmas message to you is: "Congratulations, and be proud to be a gardener!" As my kids would say, "Gardeners know where it's at. They've got it all together."

Gardeners are some of the finest people in the world. You should realize that whether your 1986 garden was a success or failure, you have developed an attitude of appreciation and understanding which is the best present in the house on Christmas Day.

SOFT APPLES
Many of the large, red apples in your grocery store this year seem to be getting soft faster than they

have in recent years. The reasons for this problem can be classed into two separate categories. First, large apples are always softer than small apples and, second, the growth regulator Alar was not used this year because of an unproven allegation against it.

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Entrepreneur is nuts over fruitcake

By MICHELLE STEIN
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

DALWORTHINGTON GARDENS (AP)—Mom did not motivate Matella "Mat" James to open a fruitcake business.

"She made me my first fruitcake when I was 16," said Ms. James, owner of Texas Nuts, a company that specializes in fruit and apricot cakes and is open only during the Christmas season.

"It wasn't very good." Ms. James didn't care. She'd always been attracted to the "beautiful red and green fruitcakes in Christmas books."

Now she wanted one of her own. "I followed several recipes ... and I let the cake soak in rum for two months," Ms. James said.

Rum, she discovered, didn't help. Her cake definitely topped Mom's, but it still wasn't as yummy as Ms. James figured a good fruitcake should taste.

She decided to get serious. "I spent the next five years experimenting," Ms. James said. "I tried all kinds of different recipes, altering here and there."

Then Ms. James went to nuts. "I went to the grocery store and spent a tremendous amount of money on ingredients," she explained. "The cake batter itself weighed 15 pounds."

Which, in retrospect, may have been a wee bit too much. When Ms. James pulled her calorie clogged creation from the oven, it collapsed.

Like a demolished building. "I couldn't junk it," Ms. James said. "I'd spent too much money on it. I decided to go back to the store for another ingredient."

That ingredient — which Ms. James will not share — is her secret ingredient, the good stuff that makes her fruitcake "better than all the rest."

If nothing else, it breathed life into her collapsed cake.

"I mixed it in, put it in the oven and it came out wonderful," Ms. James said.

Now that secret ingredient is making money for Ms. James. Last year the 48-year-old Panteo woman — assisted by a small temporary staff — mixed, baked and wrapped more than 12,000 pounds of fruit and apricot cakes.

Her products, which also include a variety of nuts, have been shipped to every state except

Connecticut and five countries. This Christmas season Ms. James hopes to exceed last year's output — and break into Connecticut.

"I don't want to get too big," said Ms. James, who does her baking in a small industrial building in Dalworthington Gardens. There is no bakery out front; all her products are shipped.



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Matella "Mat" James, owner of Texas Nuts, displays one of her apricot cakes.

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West Texas farmers diversify to survive

By ED TODD
Midland Reporter-Telegram

MIDLAND (AP) — Farmers and ranchers may be persuaded to diversify just to survive in today's depressed economy.

"There are going to be some changes," promised Earnest Kiker, Midland County agricultural agent. "We like to talk about 'enterprise diversity.'"

The reason for that, of course, is that the one-crop approach to farming is just about costing the farmer his farm. When the weather, economy and market don't pan out for the farmer, his survival is threatened.

Cotton prices are low — less than profitable. Cotton has been damaged by nature's overly generous rainfall at harvest time. Cotton production is going to be dramatically down from last year. There's a cotton surplus, and the market is accordingly down.

The surplus, said Shane Lowrie, Midland county assistant agricultural agent, largely is "The result of staying zeroed in on one crop."

"The farmers are doing a good job at what they are doing," Lowrie said, "but more diversification is needed."

Traditionally, farmers have tuned their optimism to the "next-year" philosophy: Things will get better next year. Today, they're discouraged. Year after year, "things" haven't turned for the better.

"I think the optimism is still there," Lowrie said. "But maybe not as much as it has been in the past, and that's largely due to the financial situation they (farmers and ranchers) are facing today."

Probably a large percentage of them don't know if they are going to be in farming next year."

And there is an effort afoot to diversify the farm economy in Midland County. But even in diversification, cotton likely would remain the main "cash" crop.

Kiker cited the launching of a farmers market in Midland and Odessa last summer and studies on implementing fish-and-shrimp farming here.

"That (the Permian Basin Farmers Market) was a step in providing a market outlet for diversification," he said. "You have to have a market for your crops before you diversify." Without a market to sell their products, farmers helplessly watch their crops go to waste in the fields.

There can be a payoff in diversifying. For instance, some farmers (each) grossed more than \$9,000 this summer and early fall in selling fruits and vegetables in the farmers market.

"That's better than \$2,000 a month" for the four months during which the farmers market was in operation, Kiker said. "That's just through the market channel. It could be a great asset not only for consumers but for agricultural production in this area. I don't know of any farmer who couldn't use \$9,000."

"There's a possibility for fish production in Midland County," said Kiker. "(Neighboring) Martin County has conducted some research in shrimp and redfish. They had real good success this year. There's a pretty tremendous market for fish and shrimp in Midland-Odessa."

Ward County, which is west of Midland-Odessa, is researching red-fish production, but has ceased its shrimp farming, he said.

The production of grains, such as wheat and sor-

ghum, has not been profitable as a result of depressed prices. Prices of hay, including alfalfa, are down. Pecan prices are up. But pecan-raising, like grape-growing, is a long-range project from inception to production.

To live with the current depressed situation, farmers are challenged to cut costs, to find more economical ways to manage their production, and, equally important, to produce crops which the consumer needs, wants and is willing to buy. Farmers

must find or develop markets for their cash crops.

In that regard, Kiker said that key issues include economics, water, diversification, marketing, financing, consumer needs and product processing.

"You need to see what would be the most economical and feasible," Kiker said. "You're going to have to diversify in several agricultural commodities."

"I don't see any one commodity as being a panacea," Lowrie said.

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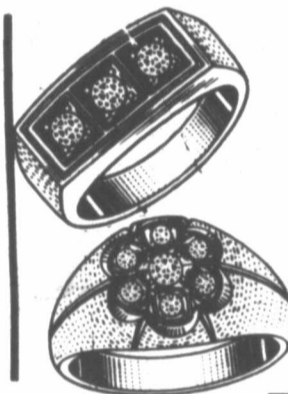


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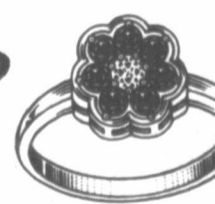


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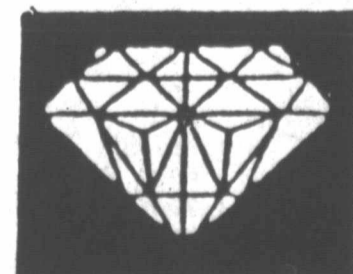
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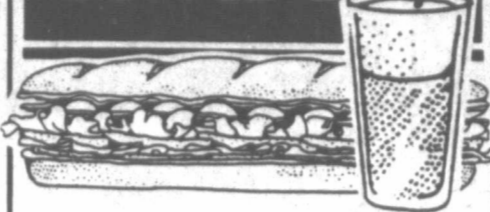
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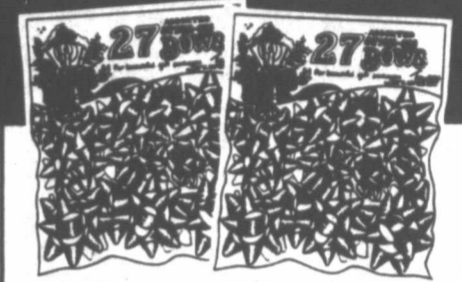
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ACROSS

- 1 Leave
- 5 ___ of March
- 9 Clear Day
- 12 Skeleton part
- 13 Oiseginous
- 14 Short for Solomon
- 15 Of the ear
- 17 Pool-shooter's need
- 18 Newspaper edition
- 19 Dye compound
- 21 Sound of dismissal
- 23 Entire
- 24 Octane numbers (abbr.)
- 27 Legal claim
- 29 Winglike
- 32 Drank
- 34 Prisoner
- 36 Stir
- 37 Sedentary
- 38 Disorderly flight
- 39 Group of two
- 41 Highway curve
- 42 Quantity of coal
- 44 Companion of odds
- 46 Melody
- 49 Irish poet
- 53 Fair grade
- 54 Passport endorsement
- 56 Look
- 57 Graduate of Annapolis (abbr.)
- 58 The same
- 59 Lohengrin's bride
- 60 "___" Kapital
- 61 Mother of Castor and Pollux
- 62 Relax

DOWN

- 1 Campus area

Answer to Previous Puzzle

V	I	P	S	V	I	N	E	O	N	S
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C	M	I	S	E	R	E	S	O	U	P
H	I	T	T	E	R	B	E	L	L	I
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- 2 Hawaiian food fish
- 3 Cross inscription
- 4 Plane parts
- 5 Written avowal of a debt
- 6 Widen
- 7 Verve
- 8 Arab country
- 9 Vacillate
- 10 Name of a thing
- 11 In a sheltered place
- 16 Rides bike
- 20 Andes animal
- 22 Abetted
- 24 Gravel ridges
- 25 Actor Robert De
- 26 With no pouring part
- 28 Jewish month
- 30 Sweetsop
- 31 Cincinnati ball club
- 33 Feign
- 35 Donkey
- 40 Affirmed
- 43 Writer Shute
- 45 Disunite
- 46 Cooled
- 47 Singer Horne
- 48 Facet
- 50 Wing (Fr.)
- 51 Hardy's heroine
- 52 Clout
- 55 Physicians' association (abbr.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
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STEVE CANYON



PAMPA NEWS—Sunday, December 14, 1986 33

By Milton Caniff

Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol
Dec. 15, 1986

You are likely to fare better in the year ahead in enterprises that you conduct independently. Partners should be considered only as a last resort.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Persons with whom you'll be associating today will exert a strong influence over your decisions and operations. Be sure their judgment is sound. Major changes are ahead for Sagittarius in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You are not likely to perform well under pressure today, so don't let things pile up on you. Strive to be methodical.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Bank on your abilities today, not on Lady Luck. If you are relying on her to get you over some rough spots, you might be disappointed.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If there is a family matter that has to be ironed out today, it's best to bar the door to relatives, in-laws and neighbors. Resolve it yourselves.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may have to deal with a touchy individual today who holds his or her own opinions in great reverence. Bite the bullet instead of arguing with this person.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Don't let your desires for worldly goods make you unhappy today. Life has more to offer than merchandise in expensive shops.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In order to receive cooperation from others today, you must first be willing to share what you hope to gain. They will deny you support if there's nothing in it for them.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your efforts will be counterproductive today if you perform your tasks in a slipshod fashion. Take pride in even your smallest jobs.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Before involving yourself in a new project today, be certain you are aware of all its ramifications. Don't bolt out blindly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It's not wise to throw your weight around in delicate domestic matters today. The net result could complicate your problems.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If things aren't going your way today, call a halt to everything and examine your attitude. Negative thoughts will produce negative effects.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Continue to be cautious in your commercial affairs today. You can avoid mistakes if you think through each move carefully.

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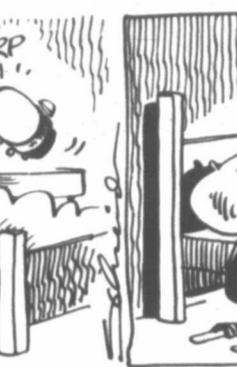
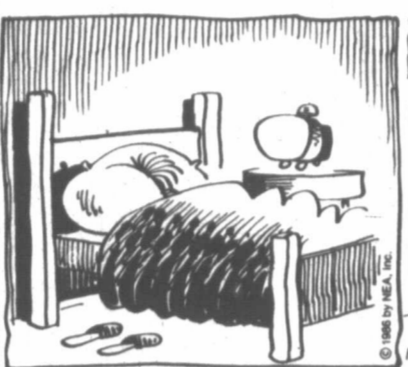
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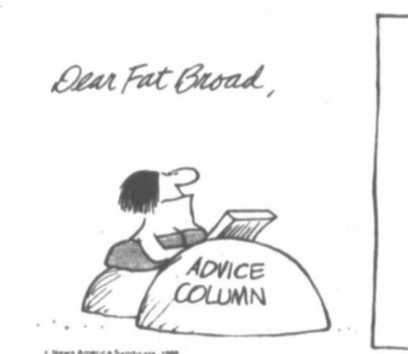
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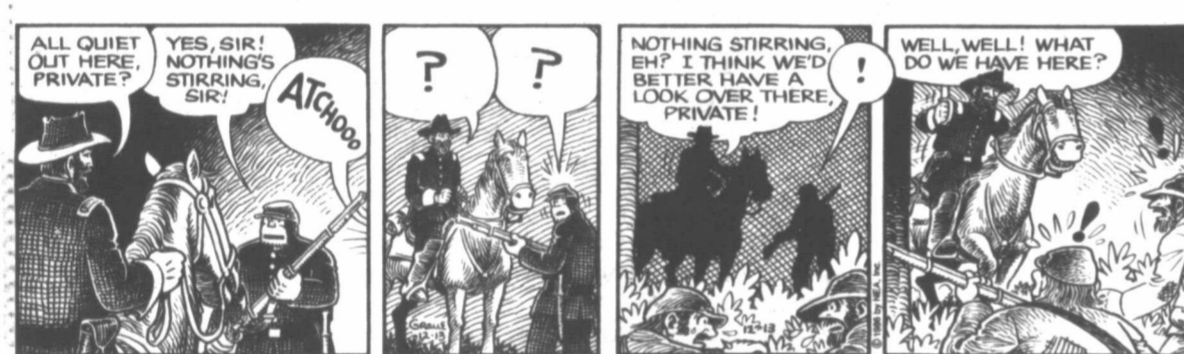
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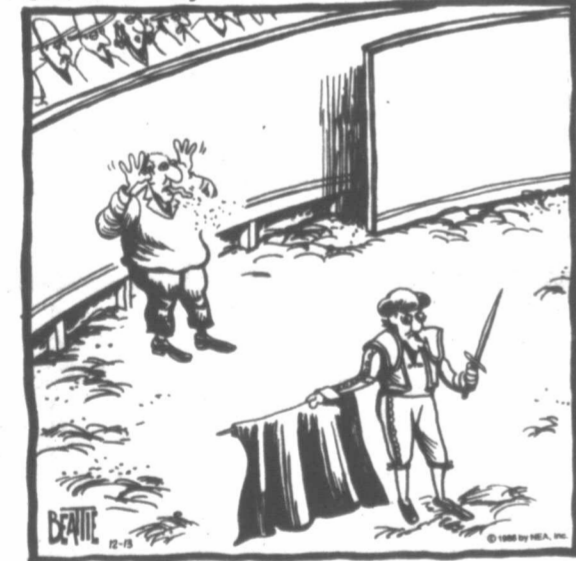


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SPELLING SEARCH

Many different kinds of musical instruments are played by members of an orchestra. Color in each square in which a letter is written that appears in the puzzle three or more times. The remaining letters will tell you the number of different instruments usually played by musicians in an orchestra.

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O	E	S	I	H
H	V	O	N	S
T	I	S	O	H
V	O	H	I	Y

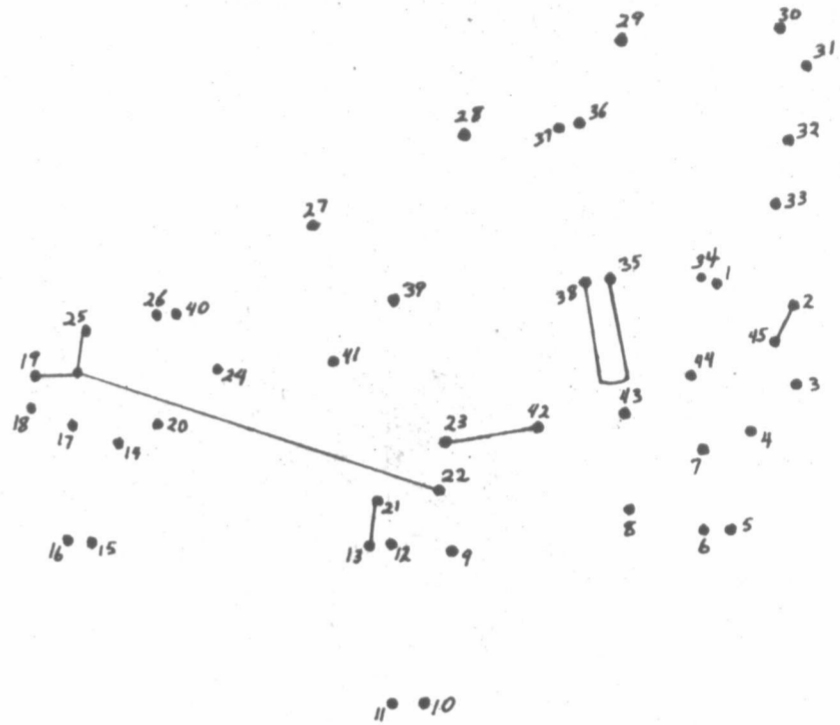
(Answer: twenty)

A little Bit Of HUMOR

- Q: Do fish sing?
A: Only when they have musical scales.
- Q: What goes through a forest and never makes a sound?
A: A path.
- Q: Which days are the strongest?
A: Saturday and Sunday. The rest are "weak" days.
- Q: What did the wall say to the floor?
A: I'll meet you at the corner.
- Q: Why do they call a city "she"?
A: Because it has outskirts.
- Q: Do rabbits use combs?
A: No. They use "hare" brushes.
- Q: Why does Tarzan climb trees?
A: Because there aren't any elevators in the jungle.

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SCRAMBLED SOUNDS

Musical instruments may be divided into six groups: stringed, woodwind, brass, percussion, keyboard, and other instruments. Unscramble the letters written below each blank to discover the names of the instruments shown below. After you have identified each instrument, write S, W, B, P, or K beside the instruments to indicate which group each belongs to.



(sopxaoneh)



(murd)



(tepumtr)



(itrgua)



(iapon)



(livion)

(Answers: 1. saxophone-W, 2. drum-P, 3. trumpet-B, 4. guitar-S, 5. piano-K, 6. violin-S)

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MUSIC MAKERS

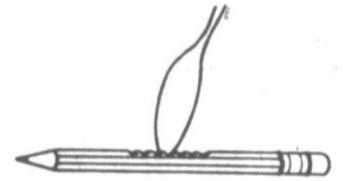
Chimes, sticks, cymbals, triangles, and a variety of other musical instruments that may be played with very little training are usually played by members of rhythm bands. Alfie Alligator would like to start his own rhythm band, but he needs more instruments. You can help Alfie by making instruments using the easy ideas shown below.



TAMBOURINE - Put a sheet of heavy plastic in an embroidery hoop. Have someone pull the plastic as tightly as possible while you tighten the screws.



DRUM - Cover a bowl, sturdy glass pail, or wastebasket with a plastic bag. The top of the container should not have a spout or handles and should have a round top. Pull the plastic together at the bottom of the container and twist until the top is smooth and tight.



SCRAPERS - Cut small notches in a pencil. Scrape with a metal tool such as a spoon.



CASTANETS - Cut a rectangular piece of cardboard and fold it in half lengthwise. Glue a bottle cap to each end and press together to make a clicking sound.

CRACK THE CODE

Use the number code below to decode the message.

A-2	G-7	M-23	S-20	Y-15
B-10	H-21	N-22	T-9	Z-8
C-16	I-17	O-1	U-5	
D-4	J-14	P-19	V-24	
E-26	K-18	Q-13	W-11	
F-12	L-6	R-3	X-25	

23 5 20 17 16 17 20 2

5 22 17 24 26 3 20 2 6

6 2 22 7 5 2 7 26

(Answer: Music is a universal language.)

BOOKS ABOUT MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Musical Instruments You Can Make by John Hawkinson. Grs. 1-3. Instructions for making a variety of musical instruments from such items as paper plates, bottles, light bulbs, coffee cans, and rubber bands.

You Can't Be Timid With a Trumpet by Betty English. Gr. 6 and up. A conductor and 17 men and women from nine well known orchestras discuss their relationship with music and their individual instruments.



Music is enjoyed by people around the world. Whatever type of music you enjoy playing or listening to, remember that music is a form of communication that can be enjoyed by all.

Fun facts

- The instrument snake charmers use to charm snakes sounds more like a bagpipe than a flute.
- Ancient Egyptian musicians played a harp that looked almost exactly like the one played today. The major difference is that most Egyptian players strummed the strings with a stick rather than their fingers.
- The clarinet is sometimes referred to by its nickname, "licorice stick."
- The hurdy-gurdy, an instrument played in France as early as the 10th century, was a mixture of violin, piano, and barrel organ.
- Although bagpipes are considered by many to be purely Scottish, they may be found in India, parts of the Soviet Union, in North Africa, and throughout east and west Europe.

Next week: CHRISTMAS

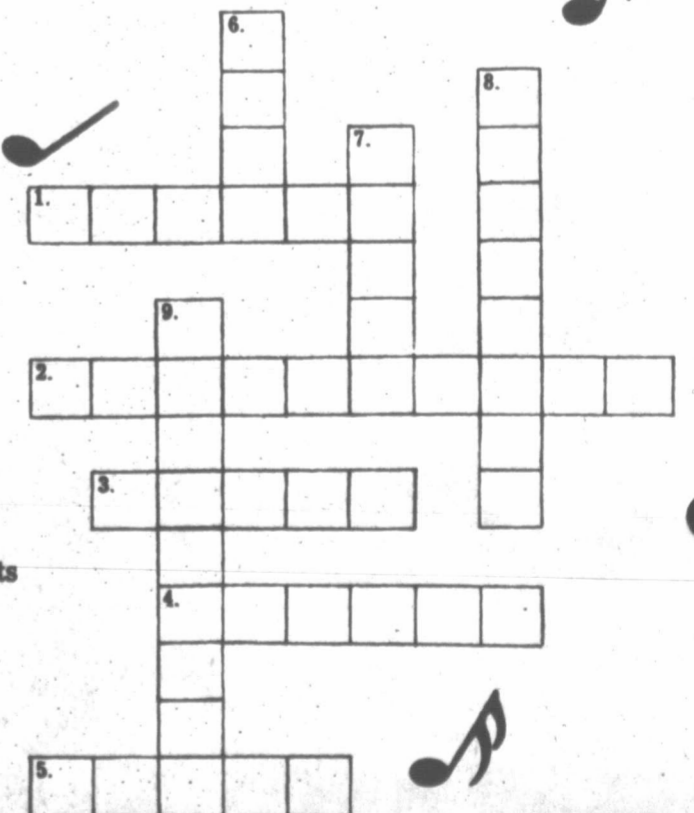
MUSIC IN THE AIR

ACROSS:

- Person who sings.
- Instruments in the _____ family are struck to make music.
- An organized group of singers.
- Violins, violas, and cellos are members of the _____ family.
- Many children take lessons to learn to play the _____.

DOWN:

- Row, Row, Row Your Boat is a _____.
- French horns, trumpets, and clarinets are members of the _____ family.
- Air is blown through a _____ to make music.
- Group of musicians performing.



(Answers: Across: 1. Singer, 2. Percussion, 3. Choir, 4. String, 5. Piano, Down: 6. Song, 7. Brass, 8. Woodwind, 9. Orchestra)

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Entertainment

Latest film different venture for actor

By FRANK SANELLO
NEA Writer

HOLLYWOOD - Chuck Norris has beaten up quite a few people in his 15-film career, including terrorists, gangsters, Communists and rapists.

But *Firewalker*, his latest film, represents a major departure for the martial-arts movie star.

Oh, Norris still beats up plenty of people — this time it's Indians and Mexicans — but in *Firewalker*, he lightens the violence with humor.

The film is a *Raiders of the Lost Ark*-type adventure with Norris and Lou Gossett portraying soldiers of fortune searching for an ancient Aztec treasure in the deserts of Mexico. Melody Anderson co-stars as the damsel in distress who also just happens to own the map to the treasure.

With no sense of immodesty, Norris compares his new adventure to *Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom*, *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid* and *Crocodile Dundee*.

In fact, Norris is a big fan of *Crocodile Dundee* star Paul Hogan.

"I don't know him, but just seeing him on screen makes him look like he'd be a cool guy to know," Norris said. "People who have interviewed us both say we're a lot alike."

Norris' previous films have all included messages, usually patriotic and conservative.



CHUCK NORRIS stars in new feature film *Firewalker*.

said, "but when I saw *Crocodile Dundee*, I saw people in the audience really reacting to the humor, which is very similar to the humor in *Firewalker*."

Will Norris fans resent his switch from communist-busting to treasure-hunting?

Norris believes his fans are liberal-minded — at least about their star's desire to stretch artistically. He said, "I don't think I'm in such a small tube that my fans will say the *Missing in Action* films are the only things they want to see. But I won't know until the film opens."

Besides helping his 15 films earn more than a total of \$300 million to date, Norris fans strongly identify him with his film roles — especially Col. James Braddock in *Missing in Action*.

At this year's Veterans Day Memorial Service in Washington, D.C., Norris was seated next to Sen. Ted Kennedy when members of MIA families approached and gave him bracelets with the names of their missing loved ones. Norris' younger brother died in Vietnam when he was 17. Norris himself served in the Air Force in the early 1960s as a military police officer. While stationed in Korea, he became fascinated with karate and earned black belts in several forms of martial arts.

His new skill gave him the confidence he had lacked as an extremely poor youth growing up in a broken home, he said.

His father, a full Cherokee, was an alcoholic who abandoned the family when Norris was 10. His mother moved the family from Oklahoma to suburban Los Angeles, where she supported her three sons by taking in laundry.

In high school, Norris ate lunch alone in the school cafeteria. One day, the prettiest and most popular girl in school approached the loner and asked him out for a date. They were married a year later.

This year Norris celebrates his 28th birthday with his high school sweetheart, Dianne, who runs a posh restaurant outside of Los Angeles.

After leaving the military, Norris pursued his lifetime dream of becoming a civilian police officer and eventually joining the FBI. While his name went on the police department's long waiting list, Norris supported himself as a clerk at a major defense contractor. At night, he taught karate.

Within a few years he owned his own chain of karate schools.

One of his students, Steve McQueen, urged his teacher to try acting.

"I went to acting classes on the GI bill," Norris said. He also confesses he was awful at first, but the same dogged determination that helped him master martial arts gradually helped him succeed in his newly chosen profession.

ACT I to deck mall with howls of folly

Members of Pampa's Area Community Theatre Inc. will deck the mall with howls of folly this week as it presents a trio of original holiday skits for Pampa Mall shoppers.

Festivities begin at 2 and 4 p.m. today with an episode of *The Little People's Court* — today's case: "The Jolly Elf's Folly."

In this parody, written by Deborah Lawrence, Santa Claus (Bud Behannon) is being sued for damaging the roof of one Allie Gation (Jo Brantley) in the court of Judge Whopper (Alan Varner). Also in the skit are Gus Shaver, Danny Parkerson and Cathy Spaulding.

The case will be retried at 6:15 p.m. and at 8:30 p.m. Thursday.

In *Merry Memories* Kayla Richerson plays a woman who gets too caught up with her own ghosts of Christmas past to share them with her children, played by Pampa Christian School student Christy Hall, 5-year-old Heather Brantley and 13-year-old Patricia Lawrence. Rick Crosswhite plays the father.

Performance times for *Merry Memories* will be 7:30 p.m. Thursday and at 2 p.m. next Saturday and Sunday.

ACT I's Not Ready for Christmas Carolers, under the direction of Maestro Danny Cowan, will present an adaptation of the old (or is it Olde?) English carol, *The 12 Days of Christmas*, arranged by Cathy Spaulding, at 6 p.m. Thursday and at 3 p.m. next Sunday. Carolers include Sandy Crosswhite, Al Hall, Leah Gilbert, Danny Parkerson, Deborah Lawrence, Jo Brantley, Kelly Barker, Linda Pinkham, Rick Crosswhite and Gus Shaver.

Best Sellers

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| 1. "It," Stephen King | 1. "Fatherhood," Bill Cosby |
| 2. "Whirlwind," James Clavell | 2. "A Day in the Life of America," Smolan and Cohen |
| 3. "Red Storm Rising," Tom Clancy | 3. "His Way," Kitty Kelley |
| 4. "Hollywood Husbands," Jackie Collins | 4. "McMahon!," Jim McMahon |
| 5. "The Mirror of Her Dreams," Stephen R. Donaldson | 5. "Word For Word," Andy Rooney |

At the Movies

By BOB THOMAS
Associated Press Writer

Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home

You don't have to be a trekkie to enjoy *Star Trek IV: The Voyage Home*, but it surely helps. Never in the long history of the fabled television series and sub-

sequent film epics has credulity been stretched so thin.

Star Trek plots are almost impossible to recount with any brevity. This one is further complicated by a time-travel element, transferring the crew of the USS Enterprise to 1986 San Francisco.

But this time they are without

their beloved spaceship, which was destroyed in *Star Trek III*. They are required to travel in a Klingon "Bird of Prey" ship.

In the 23rd century, the planet Earth's very existence is being threatened by a huge dark space craft with a protruding, glowing ball that is causing havoc with climate and energy. The Federation Council meets in a desperate session to seek a solution. Enter Admiral James T. Kirk and Captain Spock.

The problem seems to be that the hostile craft seeks to communicate with humpback whales. But this is the 23rd century, and whales have long been extinct. How to find them? It's easy: send Kirk, Spock and crew back to the 20th century and have them return with a few whales.

A pair of humpbacks are found at an oceanarium in today's San Francisco. But how to transport them on a spaceship, using 20th

century materials? The combined intelligence of the crew will find a way.

Many hands apparently conceived the *Star Trek IV* script. The story is credited to director-star Leonard Nimoy and producer Harve Bennett, based on Gene Roddenberry's characters. The screenplay was written by two teams: Steve Meerson and Peter Krikes; Harve Bennett and Nicholas Meyer — which may explain the film's hodgepodge nature.

The ecological message is commendable, and there are some amusing situations with the space travelers in contemporary scenes. Nimoy's direction keeps a lively pace and the special effects are state of the art, as always.

The Paramount release is rated PG, with excitement for the very young. Running time: 118½ minutes.

KGRO Top 20

Following is the Top 20 pop songs on local Radio Station KGRO based on airplay, sales and requests.

Compiled by Program Director Mike Kneisl

- "Walk Like an Egyptian" Bangles
- "The Way It Is" Bruce Hornsby and The Range
- "Everybody Have Fun Tonight" Wang Chung
- "Don't Get Me Wrong" Pretenders
- "Hip to Be Square" Huey Lewis and The News
- "Is This Love?" Survivor
- "You Know I Love You, Don't You?" Howard Jones
- "Land of Confusion" Genesis
- "Notorious" Duran Duran
- "War" Bruce Springsteen

- "C'Est La Vie" Robbie Nevil
- "Stand by Me" Ben K. King
- "Love Is Forever" Billy Ocean
- "Someday" Glass Tiger
- "Control" Janet Jackson
- "You Give Love a Bad Name" Bon Jovi
- "Victory" Kool and The Gang
- "Two People" Tina Turner
- "The Next Time I Fall" Peter Cetera and Amy Grant
- "Shake You Down" Gregory Abbott

Most requested songs:

- "Open Your Heart" Madonna
- "We're Ready" Boston
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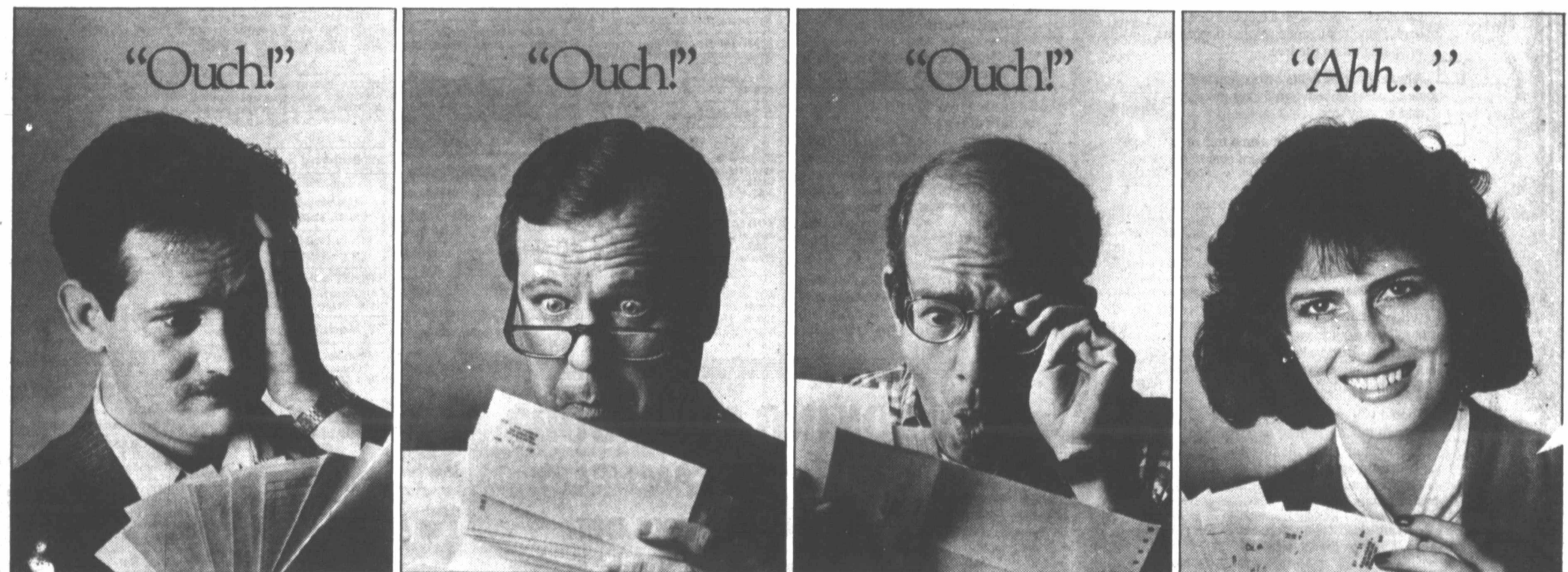
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Botha says uprising was imminent

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP)—President P. W. Botha said Friday the government imposed censorship and cracked down on revolutionaries to thwart an uprising planned for the coming days.

In an evening address on nationwide television, Botha said the measures were "aimed at the South African Communist Party-African National Congress structures that are involved in the planning, coordination and execution of revolutionary violence."

Authorities announced the detention of two unidentified Swiss citizens on suspicion of working for the ANC, the outlawed guerrilla movement fighting to overthrow the government. Earlier, police in neighboring Swaziland said two Swiss had been abducted from their home by men in a car with South African license plates.

Police sources and witnesses in Swaziland said the kidnapers of the Swiss also killed a 15-year-old boy and wounded and abducted another black.

Monitoring groups reported several activists arrested around the country, including Zwelakhe Sisulu, editor of the Roman Catholic Church-funded New Nation newspaper.

"Our security forces have, over the past 24 hours, been compelled to conduct certain preventative security measures (directed at) the terrorist alliance, which has as its aim the fomenting of revolution in our country," Botha said in a televised address.

The South African government contends the ANC is dominated by communists. The guerrilla group says it includes communists, but that they are just another compo-

nent of a pluralistic movement.

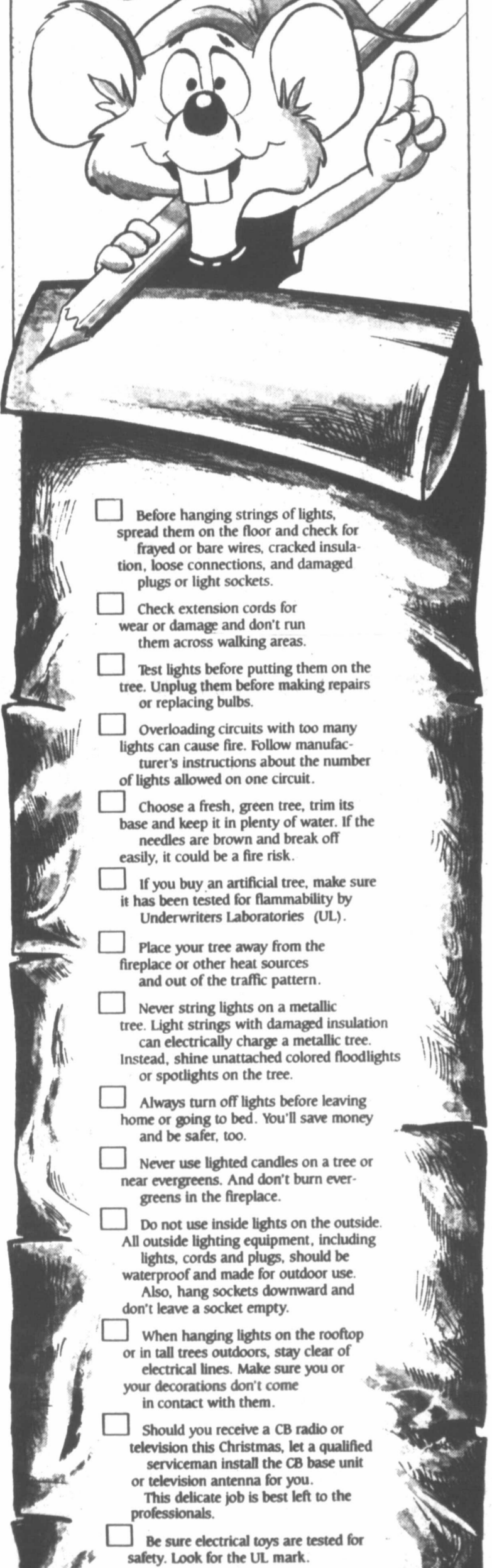
Botha said the press censorship rules imposed Thursday were part of the government effort to counter an ANC plan to incite revolution before and on Dec. 16, the 25th anniversary of the ANC's first sabotage attacks in 1961, a year after it was outlawed.

Most of the details of today's crackdown could not be reported under the new censorship rules.

National Police Commissioner Gen. Johan Coetzee said the sweep resulted from intelligence information that ANC guerrillas and "other violent elements" planned "deeds of terrorism ... country-wide during the festive season."

The new censorship rules bar reporting on the circumstances of arrests and the treatment or release of detainees.

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- Overloading circuits with too many lights can cause fire. Follow manufacturer's instructions about the number of lights allowed on one circuit.
- Choose a fresh, green tree, trim its base and keep it in plenty of water. If the needles are brown and break off easily, it could be a fire risk.
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- When hanging lights on the rooftop or in tall trees outdoors, stay clear of electrical lines. Make sure you or your decorations don't come in contact with them.
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No right to be profane

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—A former Midland College instructor had no right to curse in class despite his claim that he was exercising free speech, a federal appeals court has ruled.

"The rights of the speaker are...always tempered by a consideration of the rights of the audience and the public purpose served, or diserved by his speech," the Fifth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in upholding a lower court today.

Midland College officials

fired J.D. Martin after receiving numerous complaints from students that the economics teacher continued to use profanity in class after administrators warned him against doing so.

Martin sued the school in 1983, saying his First Amendment right of free speech had been denied. A jury ruled in favor of Martin, but a federal district court found there was no basis for First Amendment protection in a 1984 appeal.

Reagan has bounced back once before

WASHINGTON (AP)—Once before in his presidency, Ronald Reagan reversed a deep slide in his public standing and eventually pumped his poll ratings back to daunting heights. But can he make the magic work again?

The continuing scandal surrounding arms sales to Iran has hammered Reagan's poll figures—a 21-point drop in his job rating in a month, according to the CBS News-New York Times survey. Other polls reflect similar plunges.

Poll ratings are not just of academic interest. Reagan's high poll ratings made Democrats on Capitol Hill think long and hard about challenging Reagan policies that might otherwise have provoked a fight.

And conversely, low poll ratings revive the talk of Reagan as a "lame duck" president. His initiatives will face a tougher time in Congress and it will be harder to convince American allies to go along with U.S. policy in international matters. Negotiating with the Soviets will be that much more complicated as they angle for advantage from a U.S. president in need of a victory in foreign policy.

But Reagan has been here before and worse—at least in terms of the polls.

As the economy faltered in 1982 and 1983, Reagan's poll standings slid. Unemployment peaked at 10.7 percent in November 1982, helping to send Reagan's ratings down. At the previous low point, Americans disapproved of Reagan's work as president by a 47-41 edge in the January 1983 CBS-New York Times survey. In the latest survey, the public split with 46 percent approving Reagan's work and 45 percent disapproving.

There was talk then that Reagan—like Johnson, Nixon, Ford and Carter—was tumbling down a slippery slope of public disapproval without hope of reversal.

But for Reagan, it turned around. Reagan's ratings rose steadily through the 1984 presidential campaign and into 1985 after his sweeping re-election triumph.

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10:00 A.M.-TUESDAY-DECEMBER 16
Approximately @ 11:30 A.M.

DRIVE IN THEATER PROPERTY: (Sells Promptly at 10:00 A.M. on Site). Common Description: A tract of land containing 22.5 acres of land & is presently utilized as a drive-in theater located on the South Edge of Pampa, Texas on Highway 273 (Cuyler Street). All equipment and improvements presently situated on the property will be sold as separate items.
Building: Included with the real property is a 24' x 64' concession and projection building with an additional 16' x 24' second story projection room.
Downtown Theater Building: (Sells as the 1st item after the sale is concluded at the drive-in and the crowd has moved to this property. (Approximately @ 11:30 A.M.)
Common Description: A approximately 13,600 sq. ft. theater building located at the Corner of N. Cuyler Street and Francis Street in Pampa. The ground floor has the conventional lounge and snack bar area, but also has a wood framed game area. The upstairs floor plan contains offices, restrooms, storage areas, and a projection room.
TERMS: (for both properties) Both real estate properties sell subject to owners acceptance of the high bid. The seller requires cash for both properties. The successful bidder will be required to escrow twenty percent of the purchase price as determined at auction with the auctioneers at the time of sale. The buyer will also be required to enter a Standard Earnest Money Contract at the time of sale. The remaining eighty percent of the purchase price to be due at closing which is to be within thirty days unless delayed by title objections. Seller will furnish at his option and expense either a title of policy insurance or an abstract of title. Please contact the auctioneers for additional information.

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Grocers say Japanese beef buyers driving up fajitas price

LAREDO (AP)—The Japanese have made their presence felt everywhere in the American marketplace — in automobiles, motorcycles, radios and televisions, musical instruments, photography, audio and video recording equipment.

But fajitas?

According to several Laredo grocers, the price and availability of those popular carne asada morsels are determined by Japan.

Two or three times each year,

the Japanese make massive purchases of the part of the cow that was once one of the best buys in the American meat market.

"When Japan starts buying, they really go to town," said Arnulfo "Fito" Santos, grocer and Webb County Commissioner. "They'll contract with the big packing plants for about a million pounds each time."

Out of a thousand pounds of beef, only about 10 pounds can be used for beef skirts, known in Mexico and South Texas as fajitas.

It takes a lot of cows to get a million pounds, and even in Texas there are sometimes not enough cows — or fajitas — to go around.

The retail price of fajitas has recently dropped, and is now about \$1.30 per pound. But three months ago, the last time Japan made a raid on the American market, the price was \$1.90.

There is little room in Japan to raise cattle, and the Japanese import most of their red meat from other countries.

Beef skirts purchased in the United States are refrigerated and shipped by boat to Japan in 60-pound boxes, Santos said.

For about 10 years, fajitas have been popular in South Texas. Until three or four years ago, when the Japanese began buying, the price was less than a dollar per pound.

"You usually marinate them in barbecue, or lemon juice, or lemon and pepper," Santos said. "I myself just take them out of the refrigerator two or three hours before and put a little ten-

derizer on them. Some people marinate them in wine. There are lots of ways of doing it."

Other countries import beef skirts from the United States, but not in the quantity that Japan does.

"I know the U.S. government will let you export almost anything," Santos said. "If Japan weren't buying, the price would stay lower."

Santos said he sells more fajitas than any other cut of meat.

Like his customers, Santos would prefer that the price of fajitas stay low.

"When the price is lower you sell more — there's no question about it," he said. "It's the same problem the car manufacturers have. They're taking over the market and what can we do?"

According to Gilberto Narvaez, another Laredo grocer, the Japanese are looking for bone-

less meat and the beef skirt cut is about the cheapest.

However, they have recently begun purchasing English cut, which is also obtained from the lower rib of the cow.

If anything, the effect of Japanese purchasing power on the price and availability of English cut has been even more drastic than on the fajitas market.

"When you ask your dealer the price on English ribs, they say they don't have any," Santos said.

Three months ago, the retail price of English ribs was 98 cents per pound. Now it's \$1.83 per pound.

"I believe our government should step in and look at the situation very carefully," Narvaez said. "Why should people have to pay more because of another country's purchases?"

Small farms now have a voice at Agriculture

WASHINGTON (AP)—It's not a large-scale office yet. It's the Agriculture Department's new Office for Small-Scale Agriculture.

Agriculture Secretary Richard E. Lyng said the new office will be headed by Howard (Bud) Kerr, an agricultural economist specializing in small farms.

Kerr has operated virtually as a one-man advocacy for small-scale farming in USDA and has now been given new status under the overall jurisdiction of Assistant Secretary Orville G. Bentley, who oversees science and education programs.

Lyng said the office will work with other USDA agencies "to focus department expertise and resources on issues concerning

small-scale farming" and will coordinate its efforts with other rural development activities within the department.

Kerr said Tuesday that changing trends in recent years have turned many small farms into viable economic enterprises.

"Small farms have increased in number and importance partly as a result of consumers' increased preference for fresh, locally grown farm produce," he said. "Another reason is the increase in direct marketing avenues, including local retail farm markets."

According to the 1982 census, the number of farms of less than 50 acres in size has increased 17 percent since 1978, from 540,000

units to 637,000. Many are operated by part-time farmers who produce vegetables, fruits, nursery plants, honey and livestock.

In a speech earlier this year to an association of herb growers, Kerr offered his own definition of a small farming operation:

"Any individual or farm family engaged in any enterprises of agriculture, either full- or part-time, for the purpose of earning income and who annually files a Schedule F farm income tax return with the standard form 1040 to the Internal Revenue Service on a regular basis."

Kerr said he omitted the traditional measures used in other definitions, such as the number of acres and level of income.

The small farmers, he said in that speech, "pay taxes on earned agricultural income and are not and should not be confused with the hobby agriculturalists who produce and-or give away herbs or other agricultural crops for their own personal enjoyment or for the sheer pleasure of others."

Kerr said it is time for "small agriculturalists to be recognized as a legitimate and viable part" of the vast U.S. farming industry.

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