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## Ship collision leaves 1,490 missing, feared drowned

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Nearly 1,500 people were missing and feared drowned today after a passenger ship packed with holiday travelers collided with an oil tanker and went down in flames, shipping sources said.

The oil tanker also sank after the collision Sunday night. A third ship that rescued at least 26 people reported seeing no other survivors.

The 2,215-ton MV Dona Paz was bound for Manila from the Leyte island city of Tacloban when it hit the 629-ton Philippine tanker MT Victor at 10 p.m. Sunday (9 a.m. EST), said Eusebio Go, general manager of the Sulpicio Lines.

The crash occurred off Mindoro island, 110 miles south of Manila.

Shipping sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said 1,490 people were listed as missing and feared drowned.

"I went to a window to see what happened, and I saw the sea in flames," said Paquito Osabel, who was plucked from the water after he jumped from the Dona Paz. "I shouted to my companions to get ready, there is fire. The fire spread rapidly and there were flames everywhere."

"People were screaming and jumping. The smoke was terrible. We couldn't see each other and it was dark. I could see flames, but I jumped."

The passenger ship Don Claudio picked up 24 passengers from the Dona Paz and two crew members from the tanker but reported finding no other survivors.

Capt. Melecio Baranco, skipper of the Don Claudio, said his vessel rushed to the scene after the crew saw a huge ball of fire. He said survivors

were screaming for help in the flaming, shark-infested waters.

Many of them were burned, he said.

Four commercial ships, a navy vessel and the presidential yacht were sent to the area today to search for survivors. Photographers who arrived there first by aircraft said all they saw was a huge oil slick.

Capt. Maryellen Jadick, a local U.S. Air Force spokeswoman, said three HH-3E helicopters from the 31st Aerospace Rescue and Recovery Squadron at Clark Air Base also joined the search.

Go was uncertain how many people were aboard the sunken ferry because it had made a stop on Samar island on its voyage from Tacloban to Manila.

The Philippine navy said it believed 1,493 passengers were aboard the ship.

Go said the vessel had an official capacity of 1,424 passengers, but he didn't know how many crew members ordinarily operated it.

Survivors who were interviewed in a Manila hospital today said the vessel was overcrowded with people heading to Manila for the Christmas holiday.

The navy said 12 people were aboard the Victor, which was carrying 8,300 barrels of oil from the Bataan refinery of Manila to Masbate.

Osabel, 42, who was on his way to Manila with his sister and three nieces to spend Christmas with his family, said the ship was so crowded that up to four people were sharing individual cots. Hundreds more were sitting on the floor of the three-deck ship, he said at Manila's Metropolitan Hospital.



Collision survivor is treated in a Manila hospital.

(AP Laserphoto)



Budget Director James Miller III, right, speaks with Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss., back to camera, in a hallway in the Capitol while the Senate was in session late Sunday night.

## Congress hopes to finish budget today

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress is near the final act in its struggle to send a budget package to the White House after spending a long weekend searching for compromises on aid to Nicaragua's Contra rebels and ironing out other lingering disputes.

Barring last-minute wrangles, both chambers planned to vote today on a bill providing \$600 billion for federal agencies to operate in fiscal 1988, and an accompanying measure cutting \$22.6 billion from this year's deficit through a mix of taxes, spending reductions and asset sales.

In a rare Sunday session, lawmakers sent President Reagan a measure extending the government's spending authority until 12:01 a.m. Tuesday. That authority had expired Saturday, and without an extension federal agencies would have had to keep their doors locked today. The House passed it 207-178 and the Senate approved it on a voice vote. The president signed the bill late Sunday.

Legislators and White House officials, in garb ranging from business suits to jeans and cowboy boots, spent the weekend in the Capitol working their way through disagreements remaining in the bills. Lawmakers said Sunday evening that all outstanding items were settled or near resolution.

"It's just the nature of the beast," said House Speaker Jim Wright, D-Texas, explaining why lawmakers were working late hours, on a weekend and with Christmas fast approaching, to pass budget bills for a fiscal year that began Oct. 1.

"To be here (in Congress) appeals to the kind of person who is forceful in his opinions, is competitive and is determined to prevail," Wright said.

Passage of both bills would send Congress home for its Christmas recess, not to return to the capital for a month. It also would put into action the agreement Reagan and congressional leaders reached a month ago to slow the growth of the federal deficit by \$76 billion over the next two years, including \$30.2 billion this year.

The deficit-reduction bill would impose \$9 billion in new taxes this year and \$14 billion more in fiscal 1989. While the new levies include an extension of the 3 percent tax on telephone calls, most of the taxes would be on corporations.

The most forbidding remaining obstacle for the spending measure was cleared away Sunday evening when administration and congressional bargainers reached agreement on providing the Contras with \$8.1 mil-

lion in non-weapons aid through February. The president had threatened to veto the entire bill if lawmakers omitted aid to the Contras, who are trying to overthrow the leftist Sandinista government.

Democratic leaders conceded that the inclusion of Contra assistance in the spending bill would cost the votes of about 100 liberals who vehemently oppose helping the rebels at a time when a peace process is under way in Nicaragua.

"We took a pig and dressed it up in a tuxedo, but it's still a pig," said Rep. Robert Mrazek, D-N.Y., a liberal who opposed the Contra aid compromise.

On other still-simmering disputes, bargainers were finishing the final details of how to cut Medicare costs, change Medicaid health benefits for the needy and sell off some federal assets.

There were also differences over whether to include language in the spending measure that would enact the fairness doctrine into law. That rule, which the government enforced until this summer, required broadcasters to air opposing viewpoints on controversial issues. The president has threatened a veto if the doctrine is written into the bill.

## Sandinistas battle Contras in major offensive

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — Sandinista soldiers fought to drive back at least 1,000 Contra rebels who invaded the nation's gold-and-silver producing region in the largest reported attack of the 6-year-old civil war.

Contra spokesmen said 7,000 rebels mounted the pre-dawn offensive Sunday. They claimed at least 100 Sandinista casualties but did not say how many of those had died. They also did not say if there were any rebel casualties.

The official Voice of Nicaragua radio confirmed the assault in its broadcasts but said that only 1,000 rebels had attacked the mining villages of Siuna, Rosita and Bonanza in the eastern part of the country.

The broadcast said there were 10 Contra casualties, but did not say how many of those had died. The radio report did not mention

Sandinista casualties.

The Contras claimed they had overrun one village and nearly taken a second.

The mining region has become increasingly important for the leftist Sandinista government as it tries to halt the severe decline of the economy.

According to private estimates, the country will export \$23 million in gold this year which it hopes to increase to \$35 million in 1988.

The isolated region is believed to have air defense artillery and tanks that protect the mining fields.

It was not immediately clear if the fighting extended into today.

Prior to the offensive, the Contras' biggest reported operation occurred in mid-October when 800 rebels unsuccessfully tried to cut off

a 40-mile stretch of the Rama Road, Nicaragua's main strategic highway.

Sunday's attack came one day before negotiators for the Contras and the Sandinista government were to hold another round of peace talks in the Dominican Republic aimed at ending the civil war. Both sides said the talks would go ahead today as planned in Santo Domingo, despite the Contra offensive.

The villages that were attacked Sunday are in Zelaya, a remote, jungle-covered province. There are no telephones to the battle area and communication is by military radio, which is sporadic.

The only dirt road to the area is believed to be mined.

Carlos J. Guadamuz, executive director of the Voice of Nicaragua radio station, said in a See OFFENSIVE, Page 2

## Oil patch measuring impact of price drop

GRAHAM (AP) — A.L. Ramsey, a local barber, said he can tell how high the price of oil is by the length of his customers' hair.

When times are good, the roughnecks, roustabouts and pumpers of the oil patch might visit every three weeks for a haircut, he said.

"When it's bad, they put their haircut off," said Ramsey, a 58-year-old longtime resident of Graham.

Ramsey's tiny one-chair

shop is about 2,000 miles from the frenzied trading floor of the New York Mercantile Exchange. He charges \$4 for a haircut, just as he did four years ago when the industry fared considerably better.

He and other residents of this town of 9,000, which is about 90 miles northwest of Fort Worth, are anxiously watching all the business barometers.

Oil prices dropped by about \$3 per barrel last week and See IMPACT, Page 2

## Hart's return spawns new round of risqué jokes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Johnny Carson announced cheerily that Gary Hart's new campaign slogan is, "I can't give you anything but love, Baby."

"Saturday Night Live" comedian Dennis Miller quipped, "I have locked my fiancé in a room and she's not getting out 'til the election's over."

And David Letterman said, "I'm just glad the guy's dating again."

There is a holiday euphoria among humorists that is all part of the "Hart attack" joke mania stemming from Hart's announcement last week that he's back in the running for the White House.

If Hart thinks he eventually will be able to escape the focus on his relationship with model Donna Rice that forced him out of the Democratic

nomination race last spring, the jokes have new force for him.

"This is going to be the greatest Christmas ever," said writer Gerard Mulligan of the "Late Night With David Letterman" show. "It's nice to have him back. We got a lot of mileage out of him."

Comedians and amateur humorists wasted no time starting in on Hart jokes, mostly about his reputation as a womanizer. Many of the jokes are of a sexual nature not suited for publication in mainstream newspapers.

Capitol Hill abounded with snickers that Hart's wife, Lee, has a new campaign button, "Trust But Verify," that Hart's new campaign manager is Dr. Ruth and that his new pollsters are Masters and Johnson.

Late-night TV writers had a field day. Letterman announced Thursday night that along with his regular features like Stupid Pet Tricks, "We set aside a few minutes every night for Gary Hart jokes."

"Saturday Night Live" was atwitter with Hart jokes and skits, including a mock commercial in which a young woman destroys her photos of Hart, then embraces a man in a suit who wordlessly enters the room as the announcer's voice says, "Gary Hart, you can't get him out of your mind."

Talk-show host Carson said Hart "may not get the presidency, but he was offered the lead in 'Fatal Attraction II.'"

Hart's response when asked about the field day the comedians are having

was, "You learn to live with it." He made the comment in a "60 Minutes" television interview broadcast Sunday.

One of the writers for "The Tonight Show With Johnny Carson," Patric Verone, said in an interview that when the Carson writers heard of Hart's re-emergence on Tuesday their reaction was simply: "There will be comedy tonight."

By Tuesday evening, a Washington comedy troupe, the Capitol Steps, which performs weekly in trendy Georgetown, already had incorporated Hart into its satirical singing spoofs.

The group has Hart singing a parody of Willie Nelson's "To All the Girls I've Loved Before," in a duet with Donna Rice, said the group's Bill Strauss. Hart left the race for seven months after dis-

closure of his liaison with Ms. Rice last May.

As the skit goes along, a woman comes on stage and sings, "Gary, dear, about last night, right after you turned off the light."

Hart sings, "I never met you in my life," to which she replies, "But, Gary, I'm your wife."

The Steps also came up with one about a need for new positions at the White House, even whole new wings — for the first lady, second lady, third lady ...

On Wednesday, Carson mentioned that day's rare snowfall in Los Angeles, and quipped:

"Gary Hart said a little prayer yesterday before announcing his decision. He said, 'Dear God, if I'm doing the wrong thing, let it snow in California.'"

# Daily Record

## Services tomorrow

AYRES, John B. - 10:30 a.m., Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel.

## Obituaries

### JOHN B. AYRES

Services for John B. Ayres, 80, will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel. Officiating will be Rev. Dr. Bill Boswell, First Christian Church pastor.

Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

Mr. Ayres died Sunday. Mr. Ayres moved to Pampa in 1912 from Sterling County. He married Lacy Decker on Sept. 21, 1936 at Pampa. He worked for Cabot Corporation for 30 years before retiring in 1970. He was active in Boy Scouts of America and was a member of the Texas Panhandlers Recreational Vehicle Club. He was preceded in death by two sons, James Ayres and Jimmy Ayres.

Survivors include his wife, Lacy, of the home; two daughters, Mary Helen Callarman, Casselberry, Fla., and Dorothy Ann Davidson, Abilene; two brothers, James H. Ayres, Pampa, and Henry S. Ayres, Baton Rouge, La.; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The family requests memorials be made to Don and Sybil Harrington Cancer Center or to Good Samaritan Christian Services.

## Hospital

| CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions | SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admissions  |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| June Cook, Pampa             | C.A. Davis, Shamrock          |
| Sybil Harris, Pampa          | Doug Reeves, Shamrock         |
| Arturo Martinez, Pampa       | Aubrey Posey, Erick, Okla.    |
| Billy Wright, Pampa          | Irene Pritchard, Shamrock     |
| Mary Call, Lefors            | Pamela Barker, Shamrock       |
| Karri Carter, Pampa          | Orville Weldon, Shamrock      |
| June Ivory, Pampa            |                               |
| June Lowrance, White Deer    |                               |
| Wayne Melton, Pampa          | <b>Dismissals</b>             |
| Ada Murray, Pampa            | Bonnie Johnson, McLean        |
| Joyce Willingham, Pampa      | Patsy Schafer, Wellington     |
|                              | Gaston Poche, Manhattan, Kan. |
| <b>Dismissals</b>            | Robert McAllister, Shamrock   |
| Betty Dunbar, Pampa          | Linda Hink, Wheeler           |
| Cleo Johnson, Pampa          | Norma Corbett, Shamrock       |
| Frances Prock, Pampa         | Billy Lax, Shamrock           |
| Joseph Slater, Pampa         |                               |
| Lena Woods, Pampa            |                               |

## Stock market

| The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.  |        | Arco           |          |
|---|--------|----------------|----------|
| Wheat   | 2.63   | Cabot          | 65 1/4   |
| Milo  | 2.95   | Chevron        | 33 1/4   |
| Corn  | 3.39   | Exxon          | 38 1/4   |
| The following quotations show the prices for which these securities could have been traded at the time of completion. |        | Halliburton    | 25 1/4   |
| Damson Oil  | 1/4    | HCA            | 31       |
| Ky. Cent. Life  | 11 1/8 | Ingersoll-Rand | 35 1/4   |
| Service   | 3 1/2  | Kerr-McGee     | 33 1/4   |
| The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of completion.                        |        | Mesa           | 15 1/4   |
| Magellan  | 39.90  | Mopco          | 47 1/4   |
| Puritan   | 11.51  | Maxxus         | 6 1/4    |
| The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. stock market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.                 |        | Mesa Ltd.      | 9 1/4    |
| Amoco   | 68 1/4 | Mobil          | 37 1/4   |
|   |        | Penney's       | 44 1/4   |
|   |        | Phillips       | 10 1/4   |
|   |        | SBZ            | 29 1/4   |
|   |        | SPS            | 24       |
|   |        | Tenneco        | 41 1/4   |
|   |        | Texasco        | 38 1/4   |
|   |        | London Gold    | \$481.00 |
|   |        | Silver         | \$6.79   |

## Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### SATURDAY, Dec. 19

Unlawfully carrying a weapon was alleged in the 500 block of Wynne.

Michael Williams, 2129 N. Zimmers, reported assault at the address.

Leslee Stephens Fisher, 1133 Perry, reported assault at the address.

### SUNDAY, Dec. 20

A 13-year-old girl reported injury to a child at an undisclosed location.

Derrick Smith, 2500 Aspen, reported criminal mischief at the address.

A 16-year-old boy reported an obscene gesture used at Summer and Decatur.

Jim Mayberry, 923 S. Faulkner, reported theft of a bicycle from the address.

### MONDAY, Dec. 21

Linda Fay Austin, 501 Warren, reported disorderly conduct at Allsup's Convenience Store, Faulkner and Wilks.

### Arrest-City Jail

Henry Watkins Skinner, 25, 900 N. Somerville, was arrested in the 500 block of Wynne on charges of unlawfully carrying a weapon, driving while intoxicated, making a terroristic threat and failure to signal intent, and was later released on bond.

The Pampa Fire Department reported no fire runs for a 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

## Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following traffic accidents for the 40-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

### SUNDAY, Dec. 20

An unknown vehicle struck a parked 1969 Chevrolet pickup truck, registered to Thomas Parks, 616 N. Dwight, in the 600 block of North Dwight. No injuries or citations were reported.

A 1984 Ford, driven by Janie Pope, 2200 1/2 Chestnut, struck a brick fence, owned by Jeff Bearden, 2300 Aspen, and a wire, owned by Southwestern Public Service Co., 315 N. Ballard, in the 400 block of East 23rd. No injuries were reported. Pope was cited for failure to control speed and failure to change address on drivers license.

### Accident-DPS

The Texas Department of Public Safety reported the following weekend traffic accident:

A 1975 Pontiac, driven by Richard Wayne Edwards, 2113 Lynn, struck a pole 2.8 miles east of White Deer on U.S. Highway 60. Edwards was taken to Coronado Hospital, where he was treated for possible injuries and released. No citations were issued.

## Fire report

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## Hale seeks commissioner post

Dick Hale, 1128 Willow, has announced his candidacy for the Precinct 1 Gray County Commission office, currently held by O.L. Presley.

Hale, 58, will be running in the Democratic primary March 8. Hale recently retired from Arco Oil & Gas Co. after 33 years. He spent the last 11 of those years as production supervisor of the Pampa district. He transferred to Pampa from the Enid, Okla., area in 1974.

Hale said he's no stranger to government service, having spent 15 years as mayor and council member for the city of Covington, Okla. He was also a deputy sheriff in Garfield County, Okla.

A member of the First Christian Church, he is a 32nd degree Mason. He is a past president of

the Pampa Rotary club and is active in the Boy Scouts of America.

He and his wife Loraine have four children and three step-children. They have lived in Precinct 1 for 13 years.

"I will be a full-time commissioner for the first precinct," Hale said. "I will have an open mind to all the people and all the issues. I am concerned with the economy of Gray County."

Hale said that as commissioner, he will try to operate the county with lower taxes.

Presley, also a Democrat, has stated that he will not seek another term. Nobody else has filed for the office although Joe Wheeley has announced intentions to seek the Republican nomination.

The precinct covers parts of Pampa and Lefors.



Hale

## Citywide blood drive set Wednesday

The Pampa Council Knights of Columbus, in cooperation with Coffee Memorial Blood Bank in Amarillo, is sponsoring a citywide blood donor drive from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Pampa Mall.

Council activities chairman Milton L. Brown and Kim Killian, community relations director for the Coffee Memorial Blood Center, issued a joint statement urging anyone with any blood type, who is physically able, to support the Christmas drive by giving a pint of blood.

"This time of year is a very critical time because

it is the holiday season. More and more people are traveling to see loved ones, and because of the perils on the nation's highways, and weather conditions, resulting in a greater number of accidents, there is a greater need for blood," the statement read.

Pampa Mall manager Todd Duff has donated space in the mall to be used by the technicians from the Coffee Blood Center. Blood donated Wednesday will be sent to the Coffee Blood Bank in Amarillo for distribution to all Panhandle area hospitals.

## Green stuff helps grassroots flourish

By JONATHAN WOLMAN  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP)—You could probably run a grassroots campaign for president with no money, no pollster, no organization. Despite his bravado, Gary Hart is probably hoping he won't have to try.

Hart started describing his lack of resources immediately upon re-entering the campaign last Tuesday, making necessity sound like a virtue. By Thursday it had become a bragging point for his top "helper," daughter Andrea.

"We don't know what's going to happen next week," she said at Hart's Denver campaign head-

quarters. "We just kind of take it day by day. ... This is the basis of a grassroots organization. There is no organization and no money."

Fund raising is going to be difficult for Hart, and he knows it. He's got to make it through the first two months of his renewed campaign on a bargain basement budget. During those weeks, he can focus on New England, where the next campaign stop is just a carpool away and where an appearance on Boston TV goes a long way.

But if Hart catches on in the Feb. 16 New Hampshire primary, money will follow. It's hard to take

him seriously when he suggests that he wants to run a cut rate campaign in order to be at the grassroots. Politicians run cut rate campaigns when they can't afford expensive ones.

Even when candidates are spending heavily, they like to pretend otherwise. It's a more attractive image than that of the fat cat. But raising — and spending — vast sums of money is a reality of the pres-Gary Hart — before the Donna Rice scandal — was a proven fund-raiser. Sure he still owes more than \$1 million from 1984, but once he got rolling that year he raked in a fortune. By the time the air cleared, he had received \$5.33 million in federal matching funds.

Hart aides said he will re-apply for matching funds, based on some \$2 million he raised for 1988 before dropping out of the race last May. The Federal Election Commission rejected his request for matching funds this past summer because he applied several days after his May 8 announcement that he was abandoning his White House bid.

If Hart stays above water in the early going, he will go after, and get, his share in 1988 so he can spend it on — gasp — staff and pollsters.

Federal matching funds just don't happen. Fund-raisers usually are well-heeled volunteers, but accountants and computer programmers are often hired to keep track of the incoming and the outgoing and deal with filings to the FEC.

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## City offices close at noon Thursday

By BOB HART  
Pampa City Manager

City offices will close at noon Thursday for Christmas Eve and will also be closed Friday.

Offices will re-open at 8 a.m. Monday.

If you should experience trouble with water or sewer lines over the Christmas weekend, please call our emergency number (665-3881) and our standby personnel will respond to your needs.

As we near Christmas Day, most of you have probably had your Christmas trees up for several weeks.

Live Christmas trees dry out quickly, and the drier they are, the greater a fire hazard they be-

come. Keeping your tree in water will slow down the drying-out process; therefore, it is important that you check the water level in your tree stand regularly to ensure that adequate water is present.

Also, it is wise to check wiring on Christmas lights and discard any frayed or worn wiring. In doing so, you can minimize the risk of the wiring shorting out and starting a fire.

It is also a good practice to turn off Christmas lights when leaving your home. And never leave candles burning when you are not at home or while you are asleep.

I would also remind you to be very careful when unwrapping gifts this Christmas season and not leave the scrap paper near an

open fire or furnace. If we all follow these safety tips, our Holiday Season will be a merrier one.

Although it is somewhat early, many of you will be thinking of how to dispose of your tree after Christmas.

The city will have a designated area at the landfill for Christmas trees. Additionally, we will have flatbed trucks located at the three fire stations on which to dispose of the trees.

On behalf of the mayor and commission, and all city employees, we want to wish you a Very, Merry Christmas and a Happy Holiday Season."

## Holidays quiet in Texas prisons

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — The holidays are a very peculiar time within the Texas Department of Corrections because they emphasize inmates' loneliness, a prison chaplain says.

"Most inmates have problems with socialization skills, and (the Christmas season) just heightens those problems," the Rev. Mitchell Keppler, an Episcopal chaplain for the prison system, says.

Despite the separation from families, inmates try to focus on special activities to get them through the season, said Emmett Solomon, assistant administrator of the prison chaplaincy program.

Besides the traditional turkey dinner that will be served Friday, many prison units have scheduled events this week, including visits and music programs sponsored by church congregations from around the state.

Church choirs from Houston, Dallas and Sugar Land performed at different units Sunday. Today, the Mike Barber Prison Ministry is scheduled to visit the Ellis I Unit.

But such Christmas visits can be bittersweet for inmates, Solomon said.

"Many guys refuse to participate," he said. But in general those who take part enjoy the change in routine.

Ellis I Warden Jerry Peterson said holiday activities at the unit are "kind of a play day, something that's a change in the prison routine."

Inmates often sponsor their own parties, in which they pool their money, buy food from the commissary and gather in small groups.

Inmates without the money to help buy food are often asked to attend, Solomon said, and those invitations become the inmates' welfare observance for the year.

But the events are low-key celebrations, Petersen and Keppler said.

"It's a real quiet time in prison," Keppler said. "There's a sadness, not a gloom."

"Many of the inmates do not get in a real active Christmas spirit," Petersen added. Nevertheless, they decorate hallways with pictures of Santa Claus and other secular seasonal drawings.

At prison units where Jaycee chapters are active, inmates participate in more traditional holiday activities.

The Jaycee chapter at the Walls Unit and the Ellis I Unit will be stuffing bags with fruit, candy and nuts. Those gifts are to be distributed to 1,962 inmates on Christmas Eve.

Ellis I Jaycees also have donated \$200 to the Good Shepherd Mission in Huntsville, a program that provides food, clothing and temporary shelter for transients.

and injuries.

About 200 rebels attacked Bonanza, located near the Honduras border, he said. The villages are 280 miles northeast of the capital of Managua.

In an earlier broadcast, the radio station said:

"Counterrevolutionary groups launched ... a strong attack against the mining communities

... and waged heavy fighting."

The Defense Ministry issued no statement on the offensive.

However, the ministry did claim that the Contras, in separate pre-dawn attacks Sunday, had killed five children and five adults at a peasant camp near Rama, about 185 miles southeast of Managua.

The Contra spokesmen did not mention that attack.

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## Offensive

broadcast late Sunday that 400 rebels had attacked Siuna. The rebels, he said, were being driven back.

Another 400 rebels, he said, attacked Rosita before dawn Sunday and were forced to retreat seven hours later. He said there were 10 rebel casualties but gave no breakdown between deaths

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## Impact

West Texas Intermediate crude, the benchmark U.S. oil, declined 16 percent to \$15.58.

Like the rest of Texas, Graham's economy has diversified somewhat in recent years, with several large employers outside the energy business, such as manufacturers of computer tape and aircraft components.

But the town still relies strongly on oil. Young County provides 4 million barrels of crude annually, ranking it 43rd among the state's 254 counties.

Skipper Waggoner, 33, a Graham geologist who saw his 1986 income shrink to one-third of his 1981 income, says he believes the oil community can survive.

"I think anybody who made through 1986 ought to be able to stick around through anything," he told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Oil has been produced in Young County for more than 65 years and the oil community has developed a maturity that has helped it weather boom-and-bust cycles.

Bruce and Boyd Street, 75-year-old twin brothers, are longtime oil producers who had the foresight to sell most of their production in 1982 when oil brought \$30 a barrel.

The Streets are pessimistic about the short-term, but believe another boom could happen in the next decade.

"We're very bullish," Bruce said. "We think the 1990s will be very good."

## City Briefs

**FREE HOLIDAY** Feast for Everyone ... Christmas Day, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Mary-Ellen Harvester Church of Christ Fellowship Hall. Call 665-0031 prior to Dec. 23 for delivery to shut-ins.

**SENIOR CITIZENS** Christmas Dinner ... Tuesday noon, December 22, 500 W. Francis. Adv.

**PECANS, SHELLED** and unshelled. 665-5537. Adv.

**PAMPA MALL** will be Open until 10 p.m. December 21, 22, 23. Christmas Eve close at 6 p.m., Bealls closes at 7 p.m. Adv.

**POINSETTIAS, CHRISTMAS** Cactus 1/2 price. Watson's Feed & Garden, 665-4189. Adv.

**TOP O** Texas Kiwanis Club meet Tuesday 22nd, Safeway 6 p.m. Purchase, delivery needy food baskets.

## Weather focus

### LOCAL FORECAST

Fair tonight with a low of 25 and westerly winds 5 to 15 mph. Tuesday, sunny with a high near 52 and north to north-westerly winds, 5 to 15 mph, changing to a southerly direction in the afternoon. Sunday's high was 41; the overnight low was 29 with a trace of moisture.

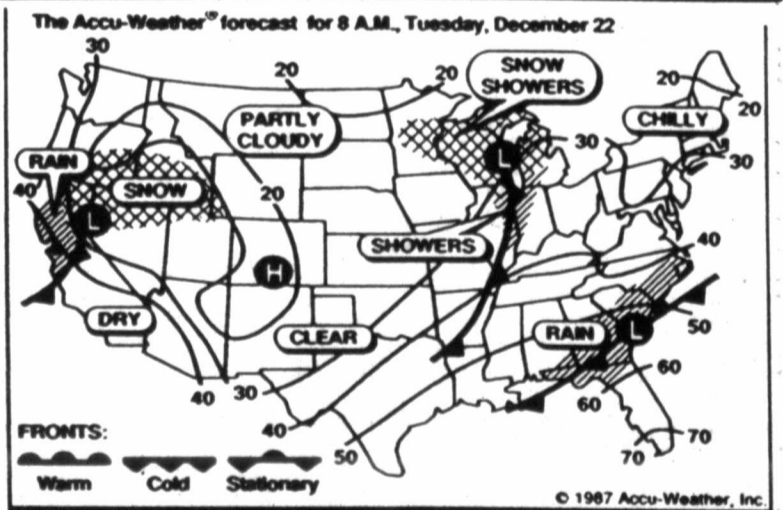
### REGIONAL FORECASTS

**By The Associated Press**  
West Texas — Sunny Tuesday and mostly fair tonight. Lows tonight 20 mountains to 23 Panhandle to 34 Big Bend. Highs Tuesday 52 Panhandle to 72 Big Bend.

North Texas — Mostly clear tonight with lows in the upper 20s northwest to near 40 southeast. Sunny Tuesday. Highs in the upper 50s to mid 60s.

South Texas — Cloudy tonight with rain and showers ending over the east and south. Partly cloudy on Tuesday. Lows tonight from the 40s north to 50s south with 30s Hill Country. Highs Tuesday from near 60 north to the mid and upper 60s.

**EXTENDED FORECASTS**  
**Wednesday through Friday**  
West Texas — Increasing clouds Wednesday and mostly cloudy Thursday and Friday with a chance of rain, much colder Friday with snow possible in the panhandle. Panhandle, highs in the 50s Wednesday and Thursday dropping into the 30s Friday. Lows around 30 decreasing to near 20 Friday. South Plains, highs around 60 Wednesday and



Thursday decreasing to the lower 40s Friday. Lows in the low to mid 30s dropping to the mid 20s Friday. Permian Basin, highs in the lower 60s Wednesday and Thursday dropping into the mid 40s Friday. Lows in the 30s, far west, highs in the upper 50s Wednesday and Thursday dropping into the low 40s Friday. Lows generally in the upper 20s. Big Bend, highs mainly in the 60s, lows 20 mountains to the mid 30s along the Rio Grande.

North Texas — Partly cloudy Wednesday, cloudy Christmas eve and Christmas with a chance of rain and possibly thunderstorms. Lows Wednesday and Thursday mornings mostly in the 40s. Highs Wednesday and Thursday in the 60s. Turning colder northwest on Christmas day.

Lows 30s northwest to 50s southeast. Highs 40s northwest to 60s southeast.

South Texas — mostly cloudy with a chance of rain Wednesday and Thursday, and a chance of thunderstorms Christmas Day. Turning colder mainly north during Christmas day. Highs from 60s north to 70s south. Lows from 40s north to mostly 50s south except near 60 lower coast.

### BORDER STATES

New Mexico — Otherwise mostly fair skies through Tuesday with warmer afternoons. Lows tonight 5 to 20 mountains and northwest with mostly 20s east and south. Highs Tuesday 40s to mid 50s mountains and northwest with 50s to lower 60s east and south.

Oklahoma — Clear to partly cloudy through Tuesday with little temperature change. Highs Tuesday 46 to 54. Lows tonight low 20s Panhandle to mid 30s southeast.

# Texas/Regional

## Falling prices: Deja vu in the oil patch?

By The Associated Press

Once-bitten, twice-shy oil executives weren't too nervous at last week's falling oil price because the industry's expectations are more conservative and in line with current prices, analysts said.

"The lack of sense of urgency may be because we've gone through this before," said Edward McClelland, a private economic consultant in Dallas. "We were moving into uncharted waters then (in 1986). Now they've been charted."

But a \$3 drop in crude oil prices and discord in OPEC has raised the specter of 1986, when the bottom fell out of the

Texas oil industry.

Analysts don't foresee an oil bust of that magnitude, but say another downturn could wipe out the brief economic recovery of this year.

"1987 helped a lot of people get into shape," said Tom Davis, senior vice president in charge of oil and gas investment banking for Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette. "But still, certain downturns you can handle and some you can't."

"If the price goes to \$15 and stays there, I think most of the industry is in good shape. But if it does what it did in July of 1986, dropping to \$9 and staying there, there will be blood in the streets," he said.

In 1986, oil prices dropped by nearly two-thirds in a few months — kicking a \$5.6 billion hole in the state budget, eliminating 50,000 to 65,000 oil and gas industry jobs and devastating a Texas economy wracked by declines in real estate and construction.

The price collapse that began in December 1985 was driven by OPEC overproduction. The cartel's failure last week to police its production quotas could be pointing toward a small-scale replay.

Boosted by stabilizing oil prices of \$18 to \$20 a barrel, this year's economic recovery has been modest but welcome. A new oil price slide could stir ripples of discord throughout the whole state economy, but Texas has begun to wean itself from its traditional critical dependence on the energy sector, analysts said.

Since 1981, energy's contribution to the state's total economic activity has fallen from 25 percent to 16 percent, said Tom Plaut, senior economist with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. And the state has reduced its dependence on energy tax revenues by half since 1984.

Of the roughly 100,000 new jobs in Texas this year, only about 5,000 were in oil and gas, analysts said.

"I wouldn't expect tremendous increases in unemployment (during a new downturn), said Cheryl Abbott, an economist in the Dallas office of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. "We've already been through that shock and most of the idled workers haven't been brought back on board."

Last week's drop in crude prices is ominous for both the oil patch and the whole state economy — if prices fall further and stay down for an extended length of time, said George Kelly, staff manager of forecasting for Southwestern Bell Telephone Co.

"You definitely have problems in personal income," he said. "It's something that hurts the industry, the government of Texas and consumption."

"It's not good, but I don't think it's anything like we had before."

### Nuns give house to family

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A poor family has a new home, a Christmas gift of sorts from an order of nuns who bought a four-bedroom house at a federal auction and refurbished it.

"Our house is now your house," Mother Teresa Santoyo told Hector and Maria Elizabeth Gutierrez and their five children as they moved in Friday while members of the Pax Christi Sisters of Corpus Christi serenaded them with guitar.

Dahlia Martinez, chief property officer with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in San Antonio, said the nuns bought the house for \$26,250 during a Corpus Christi auction in July to clear up backlogged properties.

Several of the nuns were at the auction, Ms. Martinez said. "They all wear little hats and they all wear glasses," she said. "They were very nice ladies to talk to. They made quite an impression."

The nuns supervised renovation of the property, which included construction of a carport in front and a patio arbor in the back yard, conversion of the garage into a family room, new paint and carpet throughout and landscaping, Mother Teresa said.

"How much it cost is not important," she said, noting that buying and renovating the house was financed by community gifts and donations. "It's a gift from God."

"Christmas will be at our house this year," Mrs. Gutierrez said as she stood in her new, remodeled kitchen looking into the freshly painted, carpeted living room.

The Gutierrezes had been living for months in a three-room apartment behind the home of Gutierrez's brother, Mrs. Gutierrez said it was rent-free, but a little crowded.

"If there were three people in our kitchen, you couldn't move around," she said. "Now we're going to be able to make tamales for Christmas."



(AP Laserphoto)

Ham radio operators and firefighters plan alternate communications in a suburban Fort Worth fire station Sunday afternoon after telephone service failed.

### Leak causes telephone outage to 55,000 Fort Worth homes

FORT WORTH (AP) — About 55,000 southwest Fort Worth residents were without telephone service because of a leaky roof that allowed water damage to a Southwestern Bell Telephone computer system, officials said.

It could take as long as three days to restore the service, Bell spokesman Gary Harrison said Sunday.

Rain seeped through a leaky roof and shorted a switching system at a phone company office in the early morning hours Sunday, Harrison said. An alarm sounded about 6 a.m., he said.

"There's nothing worse than water on telephone equipment," he said.

Repair crews were replacing ruined equipment Sunday night and drying what could be salvaged.

"The most effective device that we have found to dry the tiny components is a good old-fashioned hand-held hair dryer," Harrison told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Twelve hours after the failure, Harrison said workers had been unable to restore any service.

It is possible that all the equipment in the office will have to be replaced, he said. Such a job would take "two or three days of working around the clock and a lot of luck because it's a stinker of a project," Harrison said.

"It's a horrendous thought," he said.

An equipment expert from the manufacturer, Western Electric, was flying in from St. Louis, Harrison said.

"It (phone service) will come up slowly and in waves when it comes up," Harrison said Sunday night.

According to a map at emergency management offices at City Hall, the affected area was about seven miles from north to south and about five miles from east to west, or about 35 square miles. The area stretched from just north of Interstate 20 south to FM 1187 and the Crowley city limits, and from Benbrook Lake and the Benbrook city limits on the west to Crowley Road on the east.

People who tried to call the affected area got a fast busy signal or a recording.

People in Crowley and Benbrook and those with metro lines were unaffected, Harrison said.

Nine fire trucks, 11 police patrol cars and at least nine volunteer amateur radio operators patrolled with small white flags attached to their antennas, said Deputy Fire Chief John Cassidy.

The flags, which ranged from paper towels to white bandanas, marked the cars where help could be obtained.

### New town drawing few runners in elections

NEVADA (AP) — There's a dearth of candidates in this town that soon will have its first municipal election in 55 years.

Only two people had filed by Friday for the seven offices up for election on Jan. 30. Both men, Timothy Beasley, 28, and Robert Blackstock, 34, are seeking the same job — town marshal.

For others in the mostly farming community about 35 miles northeast of Dallas there's no hurry to enter the races for mayor and a

five-member board of alderman which will govern the estimated 400 residents.

"I've been meaning to talk to a man about that," said Wayne Houseworth, a self-employed backhoe operator.

Offices for which there are no candidates yet are mayor and a five-member board of alderman, which will govern the estimated 400 residents.

Nevada, a mostly farming community about 35 miles northeast of Dallas, hasn't had a

city government since 1932 when residents voted to disband the one-square-mile town.

The Collin County community was never able to recover from the combination of a devastating tornado in 1927 and the Great Depression two years later, said Giles Caldwell, a farmer who was born and raised in Nevada.

But last month, a new generation voted to incorporate to prevent larger area communities from annexing the town's 1,280 acres.

### About 200 attend funeral for student

HOUSTON (AP) — Friends and classmates gathered under gray skies to mourn a 15-year-old high school student who committed suicide in class.

"He was real quiet, a straight-A student. He was always real helpful," said Lisa Taylor, a fellow student at Mayde Creek High School, describing Ramesh Tumalad.

Tumalad fatally shot himself in the head Wednesday during his algebra class, reportedly because a female classmate had spurned his affection, authorities said.

About 200 people gathered for Saturday's funeral.

al, held after a counseling session for students and their parents. Several psychiatrists said the youth's act might trigger so-called copycat suicides.

William Wagner, a mental health therapist, tried to assure students and parents there was nothing wrong with the school, the school district or western Harris County, where the suicide took place.

"Nothing in this area or people had led to this," Wagner said. "When a person becomes seriously committed to killing himself, there is not much that can be done."

### Rural/Metro has holiday projects

Rural/Metro Corp. Paramedic Ambulance Co. wants to make sure this is a merry Christmas for needy children and isolated Pampa residents.

So employees are participating in two holiday community service projects — Toys for Tots and Home for the Holidays.

In the Toys for Tots campaign, Rural/Metro will collect toys at its headquarters, 1002 N. Hobart, until Christmas. The campaign is coordinated with the Department of Human Resources and the Salvation Army to provide toys for needy children.

Campaign coordinator D'Anna Candy said the response has been "overwhelming."

"We were all touched when a Celanese employee donated a brand new boys' bicycle the day of the Christmas parade," Candy said.

Other toys included dolls, games and stuffed animals.

Collectors ask that the toys be new or in nearly-new condition. Toy deliveries begin Dec. 22. The ambulance company will also help people get "Home for the Holidays."

The free project is for Pampa nursing home residents who have no transportation to family Christmas get-togethers.

A Rural/Metro spokesman explained that people whose relatives are in nursing homes may call those homes to make their request. They must say where and at what time the nursing home resident is to be transported to and from the get-together.

The routes will begin at 8 a.m. Christmas day and end at 4:30 p.m.

### Lady Bird Johnson feted on 75th birthday

DALLAS (AP) — Her daughters, friends and admirers danced and sang with Lady Bird Johnson at a weekend party for the former First Lady, who celebrates her 75th birthday this week.

In Dallas Saturday night, 250 friends turned out for a \$250-a-plate dinner benefiting the National Wildflower Research Center, which Mrs. Johnson founded in 1980.

"I feel, like it sounds, as old as the hills, but I've loved every one of those years," Mrs. Johnson said at the gathering.

Lady Bird's birthday on Tuesday will be marked with a small party for family and a few close friends at her Austin home, she said.

A special exhibition and two days of festivities are planned in her honor in Washington on April 28 and 29. President and Mrs. Reagan and all former living presidents and their spouses will serve as honorary chairmen for

the celebration, which will also benefit the National Wildflower Research Center.

Washington was chosen for the jubilee tribute because Mrs. Johnson's most significant accomplishments in conservation and beautification have their roots there, she said.

"Washington really was the spot at which I did the most visible part of the environmental beautification work that has been a part of my life. If anybody remembers me at all for any of this, it will be there in that town," she said.

At the Dallas celebration, given by Caroline Rose Hunt, guests were treated to entertainment, a Christmas decoration formed in the shape of an evening primrose and a packet of wildflower seeds.

Among those attending were Mrs. Johnson's daughters, Luci Turpin and Lynda Robb, former U.S. Sen. John Tower and Dallas Mayor Annette Strauss.

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## Opinion

### Reagan sells out with budget 'deal'

Over the past two years President Reagan has repeatedly made two promises: He won't raise taxes, and he won't cut Social Security. Guess which promise he broke.

The budget compromise Reagan and congressional leaders agreed to will increase your taxes and fees by \$11 billion for fiscal year 1988. And that's just the start. Having broken his no-tax pledge now, Reagan will be an easy touch next year. Indeed, the agreement also includes a \$14 billion hike of your taxes for fiscal year 1989.

All this was unnecessary. If Reagan had just said no, if he had refused to enter any agreement with the congressional tax looters, the Gramm-Rudman budget law would have reduced the budget anyway, automatically.

Gramm-Rudman would have cut spending by \$23 billion. In contrast, the budget compromise cuts spending by only \$19 billion (including sales of government assets — a good thing, but in this case used as cosmetic budget reductions). Therefore, by bargaining with Congress this month, Reagan has gotten \$4 billion less in budget cuts than Gramm-Rudman would have given him, plus \$9 billion in new taxes.

In other words, the budget talks resulted in no spending cuts, but a major new tax increase. Moreover, the budget "reduction" deal will result, the Congressional Budget Office estimates, in a \$150 billion deficit for fiscal 1988, up \$2 billion from the fiscal 1987 deficit of \$148 billion. As part of this deal, did Reagan also purchase the Brooklyn Bridge?

The deal was negotiated by Treasury Secretary James Baker and White House Chief of Staff Howard Baker. For 20 days they hammered out details with Congress, yet came up with essentially the plan Congress offered on Day 1. After they leave office with Reagan in 14 months, one hopes the Bakers don't join private industry. American businesses already have enough problems with executives who don't know how to make good deals.

Let us recall that this budget compromise comes eight weeks after Congress was supposed to pass the fiscal year 1988 budget, which was due Oct. 1. Reagan could have used this congressional delinquency to campaign for big spending cuts, and maybe even a capital-gains tax cut (which, by promoting new investments and production, would actually bring in more revenues).

But no, instead of insisting that Congress fulfill its constitutional responsibilities, Reagan sold out in time for his Thanksgiving vacation nap. Instead of leaving a legacy of fiscal responsibility, Reagan has further increased the immense burden American taxpayers must bear.

All this is further proof that, whenever Congress and the White House agree on a "budget reduction" bill, you should reach for your wallet, because the only budget being reduced is your family's.

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## Let us not pet Gorbachev

WASHINGTON — To look back upon the visit of Mikhail Gorbachev is to look back in wonderment and dismay. This capital city, normally a sophisticated and unflappable town, briefly went ga-ga.

Now that "Gorby" has flown home to the Soviet Union, it is time for ice bags and bromoseltzer and for an answer to the morning-after question: Wot happened?

The general secretary of the Communist Party pulled off a public relations coup. That's what happened. In four days of frenetic activity, he dominated the press, wowed the home folks, and all but assured ratification of a treaty abolishing a whole class of nuclear weapons. He convinced many observers that he is a new kind of Soviet leader, eager to achieve a new relationship in which the superpowers will no longer be antagonists but will become allies instead. Hallelujah!

Let us sober up. The treaty on intermediate missiles is a wise and useful instrument. After appropriate debate, aimed chiefly at public education, the Senate should approve it. The agreement will do no harm to our own national security, or to the security of Western Europe; by lowering the level of tensions it may do some perceptible good.

Compared to the vastly more serious problem of a reduction in strategic arms, this agreement, in point of fact, is no big deal.

When that has been said, much more needs to be said. Gorbachev is a masterly fellow, but he is mostly a master at blowing smoke in the eyes of an eager and hopeful people. We ought not to be deceived. He is a dedicated communist, and the ideals to which he is dedicated are absolutely opposed to the ideals of a free society. This particular leopard has not changed his spots.



**James J. Kilpatrick**

Ronald Reagan publicly was the good host, and for this he should not be criticized. Some of the president's critics, over on the pit-bull right, are howling that Reagan has gone soft. Don't believe it.

There are times and places when hard words appropriately may be spoken, but a black-tie dinner at the White House is not among them. Reagan understands quite clearly what the summit talks accomplished — and what they did not accomplish.

We should be clear on how modest a "success" emerged from this four-day feast. The Soviets made no concession in the painful matter of Afghanistan. Indeed, as to regional conflicts, the Soviets made no concessions at all — not in Angola, not in Cuba, not in Nicaragua, not anywhere.

The matter came up of the Soviet "refuseniks," the dissident Jews who hunger for escape to the free world. Gorbachev met the issue with pure bluster. He managed in some bizarre fashion to equate U.S. efforts to prevent illegal emigration from Mexico with his own government's iron-fisted rule against letting its own people leave. His was a big-tent performance on a semantic trapeze.

I have been reading Gorbachev's book, *Perestroika*, recently published by Harper & Row. It is a work of monumental dullness. Sample: "I must say, frankly, that all our efforts toward changing the structure of the national economy, transferring it onto the track of intensive development, and accelerating scientific and technological progress prompted even more urgently the need for a radical reform of the economic mechanism and for restructuring the entire system of economic management." That is how Gorbachev speaks when he speaks "frankly."

But if this ghostwritten book is monumentally dull, it is also monumentally revealing. Gorbachev does not retreat one inch from doctrinaire socialism. Implicitly (and often explicitly) he defends a system in which government is the master and the people are its servants. The Soviet Union is the peacemaker, the United States the troublemaker. Moscow speaks "truth," the U.S. spreads "propaganda." He is "sincere." Reagan is "impudent." His policies are "realistic." U.S. policy "is based on delusions."

Yes, Gorbachev is "different." And yes, changes are coming about in Soviet life. The experience of "glasnost," or "openness," cannot be altogether discounted as merely cosmetic. At least for the time being, encouraging things are happening.

But it would be the ultimate act of folly to look back upon last week's euphoric binge as an act of cosmic significance. It wasn't.

Let us not pet this Doberman pinscher. Let us rather recall Hamlet's reaction to his ghostly father's revelations of incestuous betrayal. "I set it down," said Hamlet, "that one may smile and smile and be a villain." The young prince had wisdom beyond his years.

### Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Monday, Dec. 21, the 355th day of 1987. There are 10 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history: Fifty years ago, on Dec. 21, 1937, the first feature-length cartoon in Technicolor, Walt Disney's *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*, had its world premiere in Los Angeles. Despite predictions by skeptics that no one would sit through an animated feature, Disney prevailed as the movie proved highly successful.

On this date: In 1620, the Pilgrims aboard the *Mayflower* went ashore for the first time at what is now Plymouth, Mass.

In 1898, scientists Pierre and Marie Curie discovered radium.

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

In 1914, the first feature-length silent film comedy, *Tillie's Punctured Romance*, was released. It starred Marie Dressler, Mabel Normand, Charles Chaplin and Mack Swain, and was directed by Mack Sennett.



## He wanted to be a banker

The bankers of my youth wore homburg hats and nifty suits and swagger canes and pince-nez eye glasses. My, how distinguished, how imposing, how impressive.

I wanted to be one.

I got sidetracked by an infatuation with journalism that became a lifelong love affair, yet I continued to esteem — the town banker!

Last summer I had a chance to become one. I was invited to be on the board of a bank in Phoenix, Ariz.

I sought counsel from a longtime friend and professional banker, Gaylord Freeman of Chicago. Gayle advised against it.

His reasons were several and convincing; mostly the liability factor. And so, with sadness, I declined that invitation.

Again — I had always held bankers and banking in such high esteem. To be one of them seemed the ultimate honor.

And until confronted with this choice I had no idea the degree to which these giants, in my view, have become pilloried by litigious Lilliputians.

That realization left me sad.



**Paul Harvey**

The recent national convention of the American Bankers Association in Dallas was supposed to be climaxed with an appearance of the new Fed chairman, Alan Greenspan.

The banking industry is desperately struggling to regain its composure after 434 bank closings in five years. One-hundred-fifty plus this year.

Beset by antiquated legislation that unfairly favors competition ...

Still strained by low-interest loans in oil and agriculture and overseas ...

The banking industry was eagerly awaiting some encouragement from the new chairman of

the Federal Reserve Board.

Instead, what they got on the first day of their convention was a stock market meltdown of historic proportions — and word from Washington that Mr. Greenspan was engaged in urgent conferences at the White House; no way could he get to Dallas.

Hurriedly, Paul Harvey was asked to take his place at the closing convention session.

Paul Harvey does not know how to be anything but optimistic, yet bankers in October of 1987 were in no mood to hear Pollyannish platitudes.

In a few hours I sought and got a crash course — no pun intended — in banking.

Being neither a banker nor an economist, I could not conceivably expert the several industry challenges from those points of view.

But as a pragmatist, I had to recognize the stock market scare as a warning. Even as a heart attack may warn overfat individuals to diet.

And from a historical perspective, I discovered some significant precedents, which we will discuss next visit.

## How are ya doin' during these holidays?

By CHUCK STONE

"It's the time of year when the world falls in love ..." A time when people feel genially disposed to those they would otherwise ignore.

By Stone's proclamation *ex cathedra*, this period is designated as the American Festival of Holidays — five weeks of serious partying for reasons as divergent as the celebrants. It kicks off in late November with Thanksgiving and wraps up in early January with the Puerto Rican celebration of the Festival of Three Kings.

In between those two holidays, greetings are extended for Hanukkah, Christmas, Kwanza, and the New Year. Kwanza is the newest kid on the holiday block. Since 1966, many black Americans have been celebrating this seven-day, candle-lighting renewal of their African-American heritage.

The goodwill that comes with these holidays has added a festive meaning to the standard greeting, "How are ya?"

Ethnic distinctions in this greeting have always existed. For example,

white people usually inquire, "How are ya?" Blacks shorten it to, "How y'doin'?" Sometimes, they vary it with "Howzitgoin'?"

Don't ask me why. Different strokes for different folks.

Far more fascinating are the different responses to the salutary ubiquity of "How are ya?" My heuristic impulses on this matter were first stimulated a few years ago when I asked a Philadelphia Daily News night editor, a fellow jazz fan, and good friend, "How y'doin'?"

"Man, if I had your hand, I'd throw mine in," he responded.

I looked at him in disgust, and said: "Until now, I thought you were white and respected you. Your ghetto response changes our relationship."

Blond, blue-eyed Will looked up from the copy he was editing and grinned. "How y'doin', bro?" he asked.

"Kickin', but not high," I told him.

When someone sought the state of my father's health, he would reply, "Oh, I'm no trouble." I always thought that was a subliminal reassurance

that he could be trusted.

In later years, as time stiffened his joints and slowed his gait, he would shrug gratefully to inquiries: "Oh, I'm able to sit up and take nourishment."

Several years ago, I called a professor at Norfolk State University. How was he doing? He exhaled with a weary swiftness, "Man, they're whipping me like they caught me stealing."

My inquiry a couple of months ago about the state of black affairs in Dallas elicited this response from a woman: "Honey, we got trouble just swimming across the lake."

For years, a national response in the ghetto was, "Country's safe. White folks still on top." When I once offered this rejoinder to former CORE Director Floyd McKissick, he mournfully replied, "Yeah, we're on the bottom and we ain't even makin' love."

Ask a brother in Harlem how's he doin': "Man, I ain't hit the numbers in months."

A friend, Jake, was about to retire. How y'doin'? "I'm doing as well as the poor people."

Here are a few more responses to

run up your salutary flagpole:

"If I felt any better, I'd go to the doctor."

"I'm doin' better than yesterday." "Workin' harder than I want, but not as hard as I should."

"Half and half." Half and half? "Yeah, half good, half bad."

And when I was single, this one worked wonders for me during an encounter of the first kind:

"How are you?"

"Oh, I'm fine."

"You sure in hell are! But I meant how're you feelin'?"

For the next few weeks during Stone's officially proclaimed American Festival of Holidays — "the time of year when the world falls in love" — we'll celebrate the splendor of our differences with wishes for Happy Hanukkah, Merry Christmas, Happy Kwanza, Happy New Year, and Felice Navidad.

But "blest be the tie that binds," as we offer hope for good health.

"How are ya?"

### Berry's World



"Hmmm! Interesting! When did you start having this recurring dream about Glenn Close and Shere Hite?"

# Nation

## Minnesota best Medicaid provider, study says

WASHINGTON (AP) — Poor people in Minnesota have the best chance of getting adequate health care under Medicaid and those in Mississippi the worst, a private survey that ranks the programs of each state said today.

However, the 257-page report — one of the most extensive compiled on the state-federal program — concludes that even top-ranked Minnesota falls short of excellence and says the entire program should be revamped from top to bottom.

"While it has improved access to health care for millions of people, Medicaid has nonetheless proven grossly inadequate for millions of others," the report says.

Calling Medicaid "a shaky edifice," the report said it "makes a mockery" of President Johnson's statement after

signing the program into law in 1965 that "today we expect what yesterday we could not have envisioned — adequate medical care for every citizen."

Cataloging huge state-to-state disparities in the way the program is financed and administered, the report by Public Citizen Health Research says the only solution is for the federal government to assume total financial responsibility and impose nationwide eligibility standards and benefit levels.

"There is no excuse for the kind of inequitable treatment of the poor sick population that exists today," it said.

"The current policy of allowing the states (and the District of Columbia) to design 51 different Medicaid programs, ranging from reasonably good to terrible, is unfair and must end," the report said.

The report made no attempt to place a price tag on its call for full federal financing and improved benefits, saying they were made in "the belief that our government has an obligation to make such care available."

But it offered an advance response to what it said would be "the federal government's inevitable claim that it just cannot afford to provide comprehensive health coverage for the poor."

"When poor people without insurance do seek care, if they cannot afford to pay for it, the cost of this so-called 'uncompensated care' is often picked up, directly or indirectly, by state or local health programs or through federal subsidies to hospitals," it said.

The Health Research Group, a Ralph Nader organization, arrived at its state rankings by assigning numerical

values to 72 separate scoring items in five general categories: eligibility policy, scope of services, provider availability, quality of care and reimbursement policy.

The maximum possible score was 350 and Minnesota scored 264. Mississippi came in at 133.

As an example of the wide disparity in just one of the categories used in the formula, the report notes that a family of three in Alabama would have needed an adjusted income of below \$1,416 to qualify for Medicaid in 1986, compared with \$8,316 in Utah and \$7,404 in California.

Joining Minnesota in the 10 best state programs were Wisconsin, 261; New York, 260; Massachusetts, 253; Connecticut, 247; California, 245; New Jersey, 235; Washington, 229; Oregon, 228; and

Michigan, 224. With Mississippi in the worst 10 were Wyoming, 141; Arizona, 146; Alabama, 158; Missouri, 159; Arkansas, 160; South Dakota, 166; Nevada, 167; Idaho, 169; and Virginia, 171.

Here are the other composite figures: District of Columbia, 223; Iowa and Maine, 222; Maryland, 220; Rhode Island and Vermont, 219; Hawaii, 218; Illinois, 217; Pennsylvania, 213; Nebraska, 209; Kansas, 207; Utah, 202; Montana, 201; Colorado and Kentucky, 196; Georgia, 195; Indiana, Ohio and West Virginia, 192; Florida, 191; North Dakota, 190; Alaska, 185; Delaware, 184; South Carolina, 183; Tennessee, 181; North Carolina, 180; New Hampshire and New Mexico, 177; Louisiana, 176; Texas, 173; and Oklahoma, 172.

## Ring of anxiety at some kettles this Christmas

By The Associated Press

There is a note of anxiety at many Salvation Army kettles this season, and some other charitable agencies are also finding the Christmas spirit a little slow in arriving.

"Christmas year-end fund raising is running behind by about 20 percent from last year," said Steve Dicks, director of public relations for the Salvation Army in Atlanta. "Contributions have been down all year round as compared to past years. We're about 8 percent behind in total contributions for the whole year."

"It's not unusual for one or two communities to be behind. It is unusual for 98 percent of our communities to be behind," added Ron Barrows, regional development manager for the Salvation Army's Empire State Division in Syracuse, N.Y.

However, Associated Press bureaus in some other cities found that charitable organizations were doing as well as last year, sometimes better.

Salvation Army officials in New Jersey, Southern California, Indianapolis, Phoenix, Ariz., Buffalo, N.Y., Seattle and Nashville, Tenn., reported falling contributions, while support was holding up in such places as New York City, Knoxville, Tenn., Little Rock, Ark., Yakima, Wash., and eastern Pennsyl-

vania. Officers in Maryland reported donations up 15 percent.

The kettles are the most visible of the Salvation Army fund-raising efforts, but collect only part of its income. In New York, for instance, the Army hopes to raise \$1 million through the kettles and \$2.5 million from direct-mail solicitation and large contributors.

The same "up here, down there" trend applied for other organizations.

In Los Angeles, response to the Union Rescue Mission's newspaper ad campaign showing hungry and homeless people is slightly ahead of last year, said Carl Fielstra, a member of the mission's board of directors.

The Volunteers of America said its Santas in New York were keeping pace with last year's collections.

In Seattle, the Union Gospel Mission has collected more clothing, food and volunteer help by getting an earlier start this year, said spokesman Emmitt Glanz. Requests for help from the Community Food Bank of Tucson, Ariz., are up at least 15 percent this year, but community response has met the need, said spokesman Punch Woods.

In Birmingham, Ala., Goodwill Industries reported lagging donations. "We can't understand it, unless the warm weather is making people forget about Christmas," said Ber-

nice Hill, Goodwill's associate executive director.

An informal survey of Salvation Army kettles in Southern California found donations off about 25 percent compared with last year, largely because "a good percentage of the shopping malls are keeping us out," spokesman Dick De Mattos said.

In Cheyenne, Wyo., Salvation Army workers are using paper clips instead of steel balls as bell clappers because some merchants objected to the clanging.

Some of the larger shopping malls in Spokane, Wash., also complained about the bells, so some Salvation Army workers use wooden paddles with the words "ding" and "dong" painted on them. The controversy heaped.

"We've had so much media coverage this year, the kettle program is unbelievable," said Army spokeswoman Char Hoogstad.

A Greek Orthodox priest in Contra Costa, Calif., near San Francisco, has called for a boycott of shopping malls and stores that banned Salvation Army ringers.

"It doesn't show much responsibility to the communities that they're part of," said the Rev. Tom Avramis.

The companies say their policies ban all solicitors in prevent them from pestering patrons.



A Volunteers of America Santa Claus rings his bell in the hope of attracting Christmas-spirited passersby to his collection bin on New York's Fifth Avenue Sunday. (AP Laserphoto)

## Officials plan investigation into two concert deaths

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Several hundred youths were locked into a narrow passageway leading from a rap concert when they stampeded "like a bunch of cattle," crushing two teen-age girls to death, officials said.

"There was nothing for them to do but to get hurt or die," said Brent Riley, a security guard at the concert attended by nearly 6,000 people Saturday night. At least 26 people were injured and sent to hospitals, officials said.

Mayor Bill Boner said Sunday he would probably order a city investigation into how the

Nashville Municipal Auditorium is managed.

The melee Saturday night ended with youths pelting police and firefighters with cans of food brought as entry fees for a post-concert dance party billed as a charity event for the needy, said police Lt. Tommy Jacobs.

According to police and security personnel, the panicky stampede began after the concert by Public Enemy No. 1 and other rap groups ended and several hundred people began filing through a narrow, winding hallway to a second auditorium.

## Poll shows American opinion about Soviets shifting

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A vast majority of Americans would be "more likely" to vote for a presidential candidate who supports the U.S.-Soviet treaty eliminating intermediate-range nuclear missiles, a Los Angeles Times poll shows.

The nationwide survey published Sunday also indicates that most Americans look upon the Soviet Union more favorably than they did several years ago, although they remain skeptical about Soviet intentions.

Asked if the Soviet Union is "an evil empire" that threatens moral and religious values, 57 percent answered they do not; 32 percent said they do.

Three years ago, the numbers were nearly reversed, with 55 percent responding they believed the Soviet Union was an "evil empire" and 38 percent saying it was not.

However, nearly half of the respondents said they would want to be "100 percent certain" that the Soviets were complying with a

nuclear arms agreement. Concerning the recent missile treaty, the poll found that 72 percent of those surveyed said it should be ratified, with 11 percent opposed and 17 percent undecided.

The treaty was the chief outcome of the summit between President Reagan and Soviet Communist Party General Secretary Mikhail S. Gorbachev in Washington from Dec. 7-10. In its poll, the Times questioned 1,826 adults by telephone for five nights, beginning Dec. 10, about the summit, Reagan, Gorbachev and U.S.-Soviet relations.

The poll, whose margin of error was put at 3 percent in either direction, revealed what could be a significant problem for Republicans in the 1988 election, particularly among conservatives.

Republicans, by an 8-1 ratio, and Democrats, by a 15-1 ratio, said they would be "more likely" rather than "less likely" to vote for a presidential candidate who sup-

ports the treaty. Nearly one in four Republicans and independents said if conservative GOP senators block ratification of the treaty, "this issue alone would be enough" to cause them to vote for the Democratic presidential candidate.

The poll found that Reagan's personal popularity was boosted by the summit, giving him the highest approval rating since the Iran-Contra scandal emerged 13 months ago.

Asked to assess how Reagan "is handling his job as president," the respondents approved by a ratio 60 percent to 31 percent.

Gorbachev also came away with a public relations coup. Fifty-eight percent of those polled voiced a favorable impression of the Soviet premier, with 16 percent unfavorable.

Seventy-two percent classified the summit as a success and just 8 percent considered it a failure.

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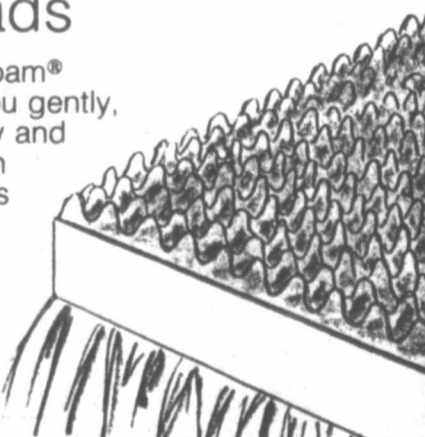


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# Enraged Israeli Arabs call general strike

JERUSALEM (AP) — Leaders of the Israeli Arab community called for a general strike today to protest two weeks of violence between their Palestinian brethren and Israeli troops in the occupied territories.

They said the one-day strike would be the first massive show of Israeli Arab support for Palestinians since violence began in the occupied lands.

Thousands of policemen were dispatched Sunday to patrol Arab-populated areas in northern Israel and other parts of the country where schools

and municipalities were to be closed in the strike, Israeli media reported.

Also Sunday, 500 Arabs with Israeli citizenship demonstrated in the northern Galilee town of Umm Al Fahm.

"We are one people," said a leaflet distributed by the protesters, who were quoted by witnesses as saying that the strike would be "too mild."

Israeli officials said a general strike could turn Israel into an arena for clashes similar to those in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The army says Israeli troops have

shot and killed 15 Palestinians in the Gaza Strip and West Bank since Dec. 8. Arab reports put the toll at 20.

The Gaza Strip is located in southwestern Israel on the Mediterranean Sea. The West Bank is a much larger area located in eastern Israel near Jordan.

Israel seized the two territories in the 1967 Middle East war.

On Sunday, the 13th consecutive day of violence in the occupied lands, Israeli troops battled Arab protesters, using gunfire and tear gas against pitched

stones. Arab reports said eight protesters were wounded. Israeli army and radio reports said six Arabs and three Israeli civilians were hurt.

The unrelenting violence in the West Bank could force the cancellation of Christmas celebrations scheduled in Bethlehem.

Israeli leaders warned the general strike could worsen the conflict.

"I call on Arab leaders...not to lose control, so that other elements will not escalate the situation to a point from which there is no return. This is now my

greatest worry," Education Minister Yitzhak Navon, a liberal politician, said Sunday on Israel Television.

Ronnie Milo, a hard-line deputy Cabinet minister in charge of the Arab affairs, said: "A situation in which radical elements are trying to take over the Israeli Arab community demands from us to be on alert."

Israel Television said police officers were instructed by Police Commissioner David Krauss to avoid clashes with the protesting Arabs.

## Missionary yearns to return to Africa work

HOUSTON (AP) — Despite suffering illness, hunger and forced marches across the Mozambican bush, a 27-year-old Baptist missionary says she wants to return to Africa to fulfill her thwarted mission.

"I don't think I can go back to Mozambique," said Kindra Bryan. "I need to be wise, and cautious. But there are lots of opportunities in East Africa."

Ms. Bryan travelled to Africa last May to work as a missionary nurse. A few days after her arrival, she was among seven people kidnapped by guerrillas who escorted them across Mozambique, and released them into Malawi. She then returned to the United States.

"I really want to go back," she said.

Ms. Bryan, who lived on a diet of soda, corn meal and wild animals during her captivity, suffered from malaria, dysentery and heat stroke during the ordeal.

## Mail call



Mail call for Christmas packages aboard the USS carrier Midway in the Arabian Gulf last week. As postal clerks sort the mail, crew members wait for their Christmas greetings from home. (AP Laserphoto)

## Crew blasts off for space station

MOSCOW (AP) — Three Soviet cosmonauts blasted off aboard a Soyuz TM-4 capsule today to replace a crew at the Mir space station that has set records for endurance in space.

It will be the first complete crew change at a Soviet orbital platform.

The current Mir crew is headed by Yuri Romanenko, who has been in space for 319 days.

The white capsule left the Baikonur space center in Soviet Kazakhstan on schedule at 2:18 p.m. Moscow time. Its flaming engines spread a rose-colored glow on the snowy landscape before the live television broadcast showed the spacecraft disappearing as an orange cross into the murky sky.

Television then showed black-and-white pictures of the cosmonauts inside the space craft. It reported that everything was func-

tioning normally and stopped its coverage of the blast off after about 10 minutes.

Tass, the official news agency, carried a two-sentence announcement of the lift-off and brief biographies of the cosmonauts.

The Soyuz TM-4 was carrying Vladimir Titov, 40-year-old crew chief; Musa Manarov, a 31-year-old flight engineer; and Anatoly Levchenko, a test pilot, to a rendezvous with the Mir space station.

Manarov and Levchenko are making their first flights into space.

Radio Moscow said the docking would take place Wednesday, and that Romanenko and cosmonaut Alexander Alexandrov would return to earth in time for the New Year celebration.

## DWI, other misdemeanor cases in court limbo

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Bexar County judge says he does not assign trial dates to hundreds of cases because there are just too many cases.

Hundreds of driving while intoxicated and other misdemeanor cases have remained untried in Judge Robert Lozano's County court-at-law court, some filed more than four years ago, the San Antonio Light reported in a copyright story Sunday.

Lozano said the 405 cases are "on call." He said his "on call" file at one time numbered between 2,000 and 3,000 cases.

Keeping the cases without trial dates departs from the procedures of the eight other county court-at-law judges, the newspaper said.

Only one of the other judges, Tim Johnson, said he used an "on call" docket system. But his system differs markedly from Lozano's because Johnson holds cases for only one or

two days at a time before calling for a disposition. The rest said their cases are assigned trial dates to keep the judicial system moving.

Courthouse officials who asked to remain unidentified told The Light that Lozano's practice makes his court a haven for defense lawyers — a place to send misdemeanor cases to delay a trial.

District attorney officials said they visited the county courts, including Lozano's, several months ago and expressed concern over the case backlog.

Chief Deputy District Attorney Dan Maeso said he was not made aware of any specific problems in Lozano's court. But prosecutors can't control how judges set their dockets, he said.

"There is no way we can interfere with the docket settings in each individual court," Maeso said.

A clerk in Lozano's office told the newspaper that the 405 cases have been assigned a Dec. 31 trial date. Lozano occasionally pulls a handful of cases from the stack and hears them, said the clerk, who asked to remain unidentified.

On Dec. 31, the cases that have not been heard are reset for the following Dec. 31, the clerk said.

Of the 405 cases sitting in Lozano's file, 141 cases are scattered among 20 attorneys. Four of those 20 lawyers are named as the attorney of record in 47 cases.

Richard Langlois said he did not know that all of his 12 "on call" cases were set for trial on that date.

He said a better system is needed for scheduling the high volume of incoming DWI cases to the county courts. Each month, more than 1,000 cases are assigned to one of the county courts in rotation.

## Two die as caroler van, car collide

MARSHALL (AP) — Two men were killed when a church van carrying Christmas carolers collided with a car on a rain-slicked road in Northeast Texas, authorities said.

Johnny Rodriguez, 59, the car's driver, and passenger Larry G. McLane, 41, both of Marshall, died from injuries suffered in the crash.

The accident occurred about

1:30 p.m. Saturday on FM 1999 in the Harrison County community of Leigh, about 15 miles east of Marshall, Department of Public Safety Trooper Ron Stanfield said.

Van passengers Brenda Skinner, 24, of Carnack, and Preston McGee, 12, of Marshall, were in satisfactory condition Sunday in the hospital, said Georgia Anderson, evening nursing supervisor.

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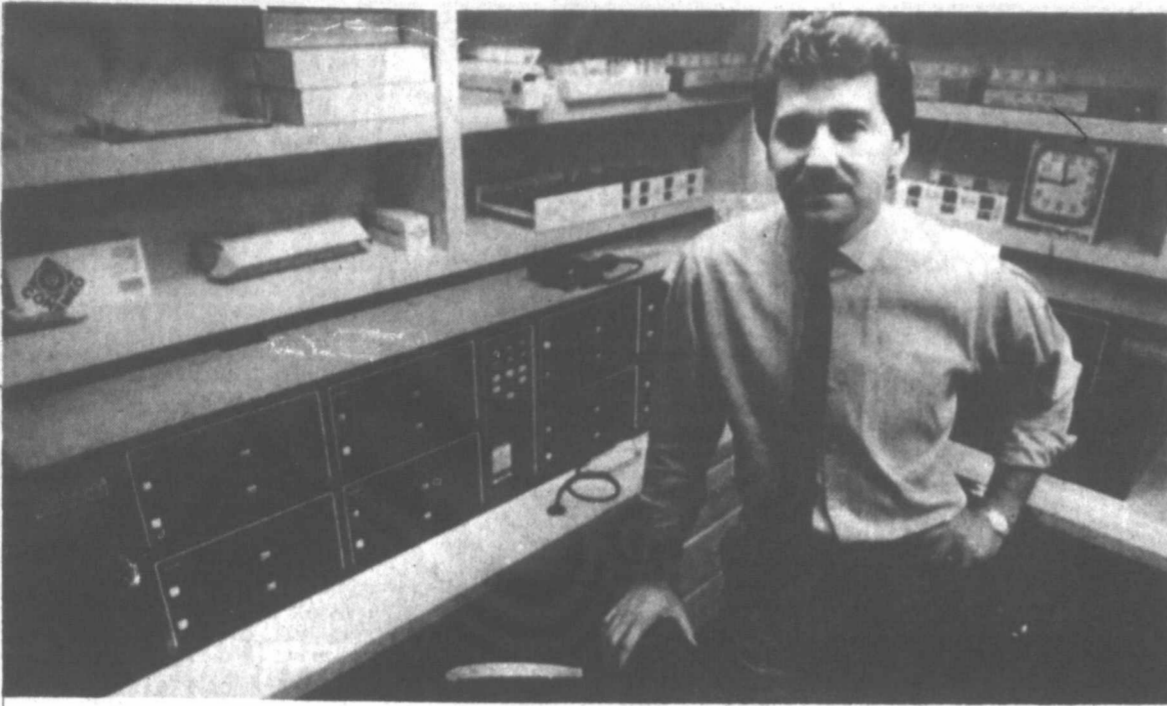
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## Company tests pills of future

By KATHLEEN SULLIVAN  
Austin American-Statesman

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The above listings are only a small sampling of research projects the young Austin firm has agreed to tackle for its clients — pharmaceutical companies seeking federal approval for new drugs.

Although Pharmaco has put down roots thousands of miles away from the East Coast "Pill Belt," where most clinical research companies are located, President Richard Hawkins says the company has a prescription for success that is drawing clients to its doorstep.

Pharmaco offers one-stop shopping to companies trying to win FDA approval for new drugs — a complex process that involves a long and arduous period of testing and a hefty sum of money.

"To go from a new drug patent to new drug approval takes a little over 10 years of testing and costs about \$120 million per product," Hawkins said.

Pharmaco is equipped to handle all aspects of a clinical drug trial — from developing a blueprint for studying a new drug, to preparing final reports for the federal Food and Drug Administration.

In its new headquarters building in South Austin, Pharmaco has a 138-bed clinic where new drugs are tested for the first time in healthy male subjects, who take up residence in the clinic for the duration of the study.

In the clinic, Pharmaco studies the way new compounds act in healthy bodies. Recent investigations have looked at anti-depressants, anti-hypertension medications and anti-seizure compounds.

In another clinic that handles outpatient studies, Pharmaco dispenses new compounds to people with a variety of afflictions.

Currently, the clinic is doing studies on allergies, yeast infections, baby formula, pediatric fevers, menstrual cramps, rheumatoid arthritis and psoriasis of the scalp.

The clinic is about to begin studies on a new anti-depression drug, using 60 volunteers ranging in age from 18 to 70.

Pharmaco's clinical research service division manages clinical trials at sites across the United States.

In mid-June, Pharmaco won contracts totaling \$4.5 million to oversee studies on drugs designed to combat pain, ulcers and upper gastrointestinal tract diseases at approximately 55 sites.

"In effect, we operate very much like the medical research division of a pharmaceutical company," Hawkins said.

Jim McCamant, editor of the Medical Technology Stock Letter, an industry newsletter, said

Pharmaco has taken an interesting approach to the market.

"Inherently, it makes sense," McCamant said. "My gut feeling is that it will work, primarily because there are a lot of smaller companies in the medical world that don't have the kind of expertise internally."

"There have been a number of cases where the FDA didn't approve a new drug because a company hadn't done enough testing, or made mistakes in the way they constructed the study, or just didn't appreciate what would be necessary to get FDA approval."

Large firms could also take advantage of the service.

"A larger company could keep its staff levels lower by turning to an outside company to handle its overload," McCamant said.

Hawkins started Pharmaco with his wife, Dr. Nona Niland, in 1983. At the time, Hawkins had reached the 10-year mark with McNeil Pharmaceutical, a Johnson & Johnson subsidiary, and was ready to strike out on his own. Ms. Niland had just completed her medical studies.

Pharmaco's staff includes 65 full-time employees — about 70 percent are doctors, nurses and pharmacologists — and 35 part-time workers.

Ms. Niland, a staff physician and director of the Women's Health Center at University of Texas Student Health Center, is Pharmaco's medical director.

In the early days of the company, Pharmaco specialized in the study of analgesics — medications designed to reduce or eliminate pain.

"The industry recognized us as one of the experts in that field," Hawkins said.

Pharmaco hopes to draw on that expertise — and its business contacts with drug companies —

to search out and market a new analgesic compound.

Hawkins said a pharmaceutical company might screen 50 such compounds and decide to conduct further studies on only one or two. Or, a university chemist might develop a new compound that deserves further study.

## Old tires create artificial reefs

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia (AP) — On a highway cutting through this city near Parliament is a mountain of hundreds of old tires.

They are tossed into the Agriculture Ministry's parking lot. Minister Sanusi Junid says they are being collected for artificial reefs to increase the fish population in the seas surrounding Peninsular Malaysia.

Similar piles can be seen in front of Fisheries Department offices in many parts of Peninsular Malaysia, where people are urged through appeals in the media to come dump them.

Deputy Agriculture Minister Alex Lee says the idea was launched in the mid-1970s and is gaining momentum now. Because of intensified appeals through newspapers during the first nine months of this year 433,727 tires were collected. An agriculture ministry statement said 323,753 tires have been used so far.

Bahador Isa, the agriculture minister's political secretary, says the tires collected are still far below the target of 1.4 million needed for the 53 sites along the coasts where the reefs are being built. Most of them are off the east coast of Peninsular Malaysia.

Sanusi says that his ministry has so far not embarked on a study to assess the exact volume of fish being spawned in the artificial reefs that have been created.

"But feedback from fishermen

has shown that there are more fish in the areas where the artificial reefs have been created," Sanusi said.

He said studies conducted in Hawaii, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda and Florida had shown that areas surrounding artificial reefs produced 4,847 pounds of fish per hectare compared with 1,620

pounds per hectare per annum around natural reefs.

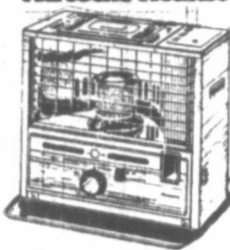
Fisheries official Sbaiah Ahma said some workers were being trained as divers to check progress at the artificial reefs. The sites are areas where fishermen have reported fewer fish than previously, Sanusi said.

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- 52 Absorb information
- 54 Wisconsin city
- 55 Short sword
- 56 Supported
- 57 Take-out order words

## DOWN

- 1 Firearm owners' gp.
- 2 Affected manner
- 3 Sand
- 4 Stored fodder
- 5 Toddler
- 6 Sundown
- 7 Bird's home
- 8 Thin board

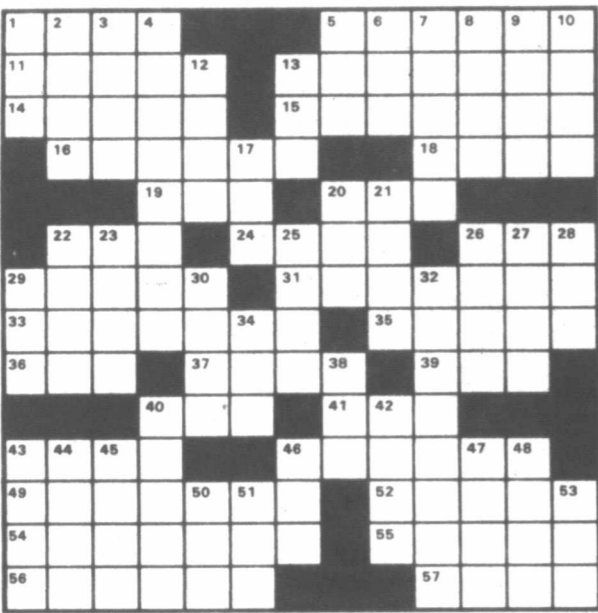
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- 10 Clothes tinter
- 12 Golf pegs
- 13 Insect egg
- 17 Sault — Marie
- 20 Put on
- 21 Unusual person (sl.)
- 22 Philosopher
- 23 Within (comb. form)
- 25 Nonsense
- 26 Singer — Te Kanawa
- 29 — first you don't ...
- 28 Dolores — Rio
- 29 Opening
- 30 Smoke and fog
- 32 Most robust
- 34 A rose —

## Answer to Previous Puzzle



- 38 Alias (abbr.)
- 40 Garret
- 42 Unused
- 43 Unable to feel
- 44 Three-banded armadillo
- 45 Farm agcy.
- 46 Skin problem
- 47 Defense organization (abbr.)
- 48 Jack Tar's drink
- 50 Ibsen character
- 51 Deity
- 53 Sgt.



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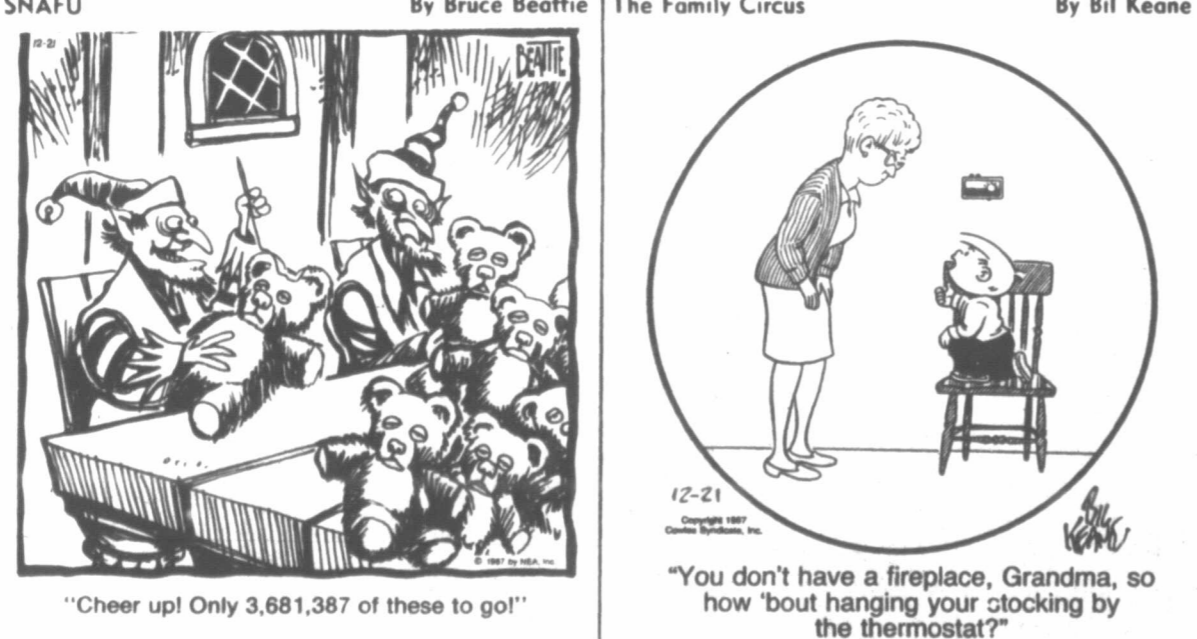
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## Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

Something you've always wanted but felt you could never afford looks like it will be acquired in the year ahead. Several people who like you will have a role in bringing this about.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** The means to buy something luxurious that you've been wanting looks like it can be worked out at this time. Check your wholesale sources. Major changes are ahead for Capricorns in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Modify your assertiveness with charm and tact today. Smiles and thank-yous will achieve success in areas where pushiness will be resisted.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)** You're now in a cycle where favors you did for people in the past will be reciprocated in greater measure. It's your turn to be on the receiving end.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Friends will react warmly to you today if they see you are eager to place their wishes on a par with your own. It's a sure-fire formula for popularity.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** That which appears to be the most difficult and offer the greatest challenge might surprisingly be the easiest for you to perform today.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** It pays to be observant today, because you can profit from analyzing the experience of another. What you learn can be later utilized to your benefit.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Today, you can reap your greatest rewards from developments initiated by others rather than from your own spade work. Be alert for opportunities.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Usually it's unwise to let your heart rule your head when making critical decisions. However, today could be an exception, so put yourself in the other person's position.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Try to work on projects today that give you latitude to express your creativity and artistry. The results should please you and also bring joy to others.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Your popularity is peaking at this time, so just continue to be the nice person that you are. People like you for yourself and not for what you have or can do for them.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Considerable enjoyment will be derived today from expressing yourself domestically. Try your hand at the culinary arts or decorating your abode.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Don't be bashful about using terms of endearment in your meaningful relationships today. People who care for you will be pleased to know you care for them.



# Lifestyles

## Glass making was important industry in 19th century

By RALPH and TERRY KOVEL

New trends and styles were part of the marketing strategy of the 19th-century merchant and manufacturer. Glass making was an important industry in Europe and the United States.

Makers were constantly trying to improve their products and sell more to the consumer. Some makers produced bottles molded in fancy shapes or bright colors. Improved types of caps and closures were also part of the appeal. Some makers worked on artistic glassware to be used as vases or paperweights.

Bright colors, soft shading, decorations cut into the glass or applied decorations made of extra glass are all among the special features of 19th-century art glass. Sometimes several methods of decorating were used on the same piece. Manufacturers named and patented some of their most popular colors and styles.

Colored glass did not become popular until after the Civil War. "Burmese" (pink to yellow), "peachblow" (red to yellow) and "amberina" (red to amber) were made in the 1880s. At that time the style called for shaded or colored glassware.

Iridescent glass appeared in the 1890s. Clear glass came back in style again by the 1900s.

**Q. Which is better, a bentwood chair by Thonet or one made by Hoffman?**

A. Bentwood furniture is rapidly gaining in price because collectors are again discovering the comfort and beauty of these utilitarian pieces.

Michael Thonet began manufacturing chairs in 1853 in Vienna, Austria. He had a large factory that mass-produced chairs, tables, hall trees and other bentwood furniture that was sold in America, England and Europe.

He made over 50 million of his most famous chair, No. 14. Thonet furniture is still being made.

Joseph Hoffman was an Austrian designer who had some pieces made by Thonet. The Hoffman pieces are more square looking than the curved pieces that were first made by Thonet. The Hoffman pieces are rarer and more expensive than most Thonet pieces.

**Q. I have a beer stein with a photograph of a man in the center. The decoration is not a painting. It seems to date from World**

## Antiques

**War I. How was it made?**

A. Photographs on ceramics were made as early as the 1850s. Today a photograph could be included in the design for a piece of ceramics by using a decal. In earlier times, photographs were made on sheets of glass covered with a thin layer of chemicals.

To put it simply, the picture was developed, then the thin layer was taken off the plate and put on the ceramic stein or vase. Then the picture was colored and covered with glaze. It was a painstaking, slow process.

Many different makers used photographs as decorations, and you can find examples of photos on glass or ceramic steins, vases, cups, plates and even gravestone plaques.

**Q. Despite years of searching through books and columns like yours, I have been unable to identify my jelly glasses. There is a design inside the bottom that looks like a crown topped by a winged woman's head. The glass is 3 1/2 inches in diameter at the top and 2 1/4 inches deep.**

A. You own a Kerr jelly glass. The Kerr family coat of arms included an angel with wings. The figure in the bottom of your glass is the angel.

Over 50 variations of the angel glass were made from 1912 to the 1950s. The Kerr Glass Manufacturing Company had offices in Portland, Ore. (1903-1912), Chicago (1912-1915), Sand Springs, Okla. (1915-1919) and Los Angeles (1919-present).

Many jars were made with designs inside. The jelly was poured into the glass, allowed to set, then unmolded upside down on a plate. The inside design appeared as a raised pattern on the top of the mound of jelly.

**TIP: Brown shoe polish is good for covering scuffs and slight damage on furniture.**

"Kovels on Collecting," 13 half-hour shows, are now seen on public television stations in all parts of the country. Check your local TV listing.

Fine antiques need proper

care. For a copy of the Kovels' booklet, "Taking Care of Textiles," send \$1 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Kovels, P.O. Box 22900, Beachwood, Ohio 44122.

### CURRENT PRICES

(Current prices are recorded at antique shows, sales, flea markets and auctions throughout the United States. Prices may vary because of local economic conditions.)

Sterling silver pillbox, hinged, engraved scrolls on lid, marked, 2 inches in diameter: \$45.

Papier mache candy container, Santa Claus, white with red, 1930s, 10 inches: \$48.

Zenith radio, tube, cloth grill, wood cabinet table, AM-FM: \$55.

Miniature kerosene lamp, tin, acorn fittings, 7 1/2 inches: \$65.

Sandwich Christmas salt, cobalt blue, signed, dated 1877: \$110.

Tumbling bear, Schuco, keywind, mohair head, red and gold suit, 4 inches: \$350.

Gustav Stickley umbrella stand, oak, model No. 54, four uprights joined at top and bottom with stretchers, base with shelf and tin liner, c. 1907, 33 1/4 inches: \$440.

Pressed glass egg cup, Blue Di-



This 1890s vase was made of shaded peachblow glass. The fruit and leaves were made of added colored glass.

amond Point, flint: \$650.  
Rookwood vase, paneled pyri-form, purple, green and blue peacock feathers, mauve ground, brown interior, decorated by Sarah Sax, 1923, 10 inches: \$660.  
A Lange watch, No. 4791, open face, gold, key wind, gold escapement, white enamel dial, Roman numerals, case stamped D.S., dial and movement signed A. Lange Dresden, c. 1865: \$2,310.

## Marriage prize sends double message to single women

DEAR ABBY: You recently had a letter from a St. Paul woman who belonged to an organization that gave prizes to the newest married member or the member who had been married longest. She was irritated because a certain widow frequently claimed the prize for the longest marriage. You suggested that the group give the widow a token prize, saying that the "poor woman is living in the past."

A better answer would have been to suggest that the organization eliminate such prizes altogether. What message does it send when a woman gets a prize for getting married? "Good for you — you got a man!" Single women are, by logical extension, losers. As for awarding a prize for the longest marriage — to have a good mar-

riage is a prize in itself. But how many letters do you get from women who stay in bad marriages because they believe that any man is better than no man?

Abby, please don't contribute to women's feelings that they are nothing without a man. There are plenty of women who are single, either due to circumstances or by choice. We hold satisfying jobs, contribute to our communities and have emotionally supportive relationships with our families and friends. We like men, but we get along without them very well.

DOING GREAT BY MYSELF  
DEAR DOING GREAT: Congratulations. Your name is legion, and you make a valid point. But most women stay in bad marriages not because they



### Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

believe that any man is better than none, but because they need security — not a man!

Many of our mothers and grandmothers were trapped in bad marriages because they couldn't support themselves. ("Where can I go," they asked, "with an eighth-grade education and five kids?")

The present generation of women realize that their ticket to independence is education

and a learned skill, in order to support themselves.

DEAR ABBY: I live in Brooklyn. My brother, "Herman," moved to California. Six years ago, our

mother went to California to visit Herman, his new wife and Herman's children by his first wife. They had some kind of misunderstanding, and my mother cut her trip short and came home mad. She hasn't spoken to Herman since.

Last night I received a phone call from Herman in California. He said he's coming to New York on business and wants to see me, but I shouldn't tell our mother that he is coming here.

I feel that by seeing my brother and not telling my mother he was in

town, I am betraying my mother. What do you think?

TROUBLED IN BROOKLYN

DEAR TROUBLED: I assume you are an adult, in which case you should feel free to see anyone you want to see without reporting to your mother. Since Herman specifically asked you not to tell your mother — and she's not speaking to him anyway — I can't see that there would be any "betrayal" on your part if you honored your brother's wishes.

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# Sports

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The Texas Class 1A State Champions display their winnings. From left, Carl McCoy (25), David Jones (82), Chad Bentley, Arthur Altamirano (30) and Billy Fan- cher (66).

## Christmas comes early for Mustangs

### Zepeda's field goal leads Mustangs to title

By JIMMY PATTERSON  
Sports Writer

ABILENE — Before Saturday night's Class 1A championship game between Wheeler and Bremond, Mustang head coach Preston Smith said, "We feel we can throw the football, we just hope we don't have to."

Famous last words. And how ironic at that. For it was the pass that proved to be the saving grace for the Mustangs in a 23-21 championship victory over the devastated Bremond Tigers.

Throughout the 1987 football season, the Wheeler offense had been 90-percent running game. But on Saturday night, sophomore quarterback Shawn Bradstreet proved his weight in gold as a last minute, never-say-die drive moved the Mustangs from the top of Texas to the top of the world. "He's kind of a cocky kid," Smith said of Bradstreet. "He thinks he's salty."

It was indeed Bradstreet's self-assuredness that allowed him to complete four of nine passes for 46 yards to set up Sammy Zepeda's winning field goal with no time remaining. "It had to be done or we weren't going to win," Bradstreet said. "Everybody worked together."

The now-famous final drive of the season started on the 50 yard line with just 81 ticks left on the clock.

After Bradstreet was forced out of bounds at his own 49, he threw two straight incompletions to set up a fourth and eleven situation with 1:05 left. In a desperation attempt, Bradstreet faded left and threw against the grain, hitting Kyle Sword on the Bremond 32. Sword reached with

all he had and nabbed the ball, a completion which erased just seven seconds from the clock. On the next play, first and ten, Bradstreet threw the ball to the sidelines to stop the clock with 58 seconds left.

The underclassman then hit Bubba Smith and Grayson Benson on successive passes totaling 18 yards and Wheeler was set up on the Bremond four-yard line with 17 seconds left and the clock running.

Thinking on his feet again, Bradstreet dropped back and ditched a pass out of bounds to stop the clock with just four seconds left.

Wheeler's entire season lay just ahead. A field goal would decide who would rule in Class A football.

Ball on the four. Four seconds left. Bremond led 21-20.

Senior placekicker Lee McCasland trotted on the field to attempt the game winning field goal.

Center Bryan Kenney snapped the ball low and as holder Shane Guest was attempting to straighten the ball on the tee, he was smothered by Bremond defensive end Bo Robinson.

The Tigers thought the game was over. They thought the crown was theirs. Then they realized that the yellow cloth laying on the field was a penalty flag.

Robinson was called for jumping offside, and with no time left on the clock, the Mustangs had one final chance to get the ball through the uprights.

In a quick switch, McCasland ran off the field and junior linebacker Sammy Zepeda came on to try a 19 yard three-pointer.

The snap was back — perfect this time — and Zepeda

approached the ball and Bradstreet, the new holder.

Zepeda, who had kicked earlier in the year, put all of his 175-pounds into the boot. The ball limped toward the goal post as if it were injured, finally finding its way through the middle of the upright, not three feet above the crossbar.

The Mustangs held their heads high. The Tigers walked off in disbelief.

Wheeler had come through with an amazing 23-21 victory to claim the state championship.

"I was just hoping it'd go through," Bradstreet said. "As soon as it did, I just reached out and grabbed Sammy."

"Isn't this fun," Smith said after being doused with ice water by team members.

Smith admitted after the game it was his mistake that McCasland had taken the field on the first try for three. The coach, who claimed his second state championship since 1977, said he had intended for Zepeda to be in the game to attempt the kick, because he is known for his accuracy on short kicks.

"Sammy works at it every day," Smith said. "I made a mistake. I had Lee in there but I meant to have Sammy. Lee has long range capabilities, and Sammy can nail the short ones."

| Class A Championship                              |        | At Abilene |      |
|---|--------|------------|------|
| Wheeler   | 7      | 7          | 0-21 |
| Bremond   | 0      | 14         | 0-21 |
| Wheeler-Benson 8 run (McCasland kick)             |        |            |      |
| Bre-Bailey 7 run (Almgren kick)                   |        |            |      |
| Bre-Kasowski 10 pass from Robinson (Almgren kick) |        |            |      |
| Whe-Smith 3 run (McCasland kick)                  |        |            |      |
| Bre-Scott 30 run (Almgren kick)                   |        |            |      |
| Whe-Smith 1 run (run failed)                      |        |            |      |
| Whe-Zepeda 19                                     |        |            |      |
| A-2,500   |        |            |      |
| First downs                                       | 18     | 15         |      |
| Rushes-yards                                      | 53-295 | 38-228     |      |
| Passing yards                                     | 72     | 28         |      |
| Passes  | 6-12-0 | 5-12-1     |      |
| Punts   | 4-38   | 2-54       |      |
| Fumbles-lost                                      | 2      | 4-2        |      |
| Penalties-yards                                   | 6-40   | 4-22       |      |

### Botched conversion fails to stop Wheeler

By JIMMY PATTERSON  
Sports Writer

ABILENE — Look in any thesaurus under the word "unbelievable" and you will get a smattering of words, all of which adequately paint the picture of the Wheeler Mustangs' 23-21 state championship victory over the Bremond Tigers.

The story of the Mustangs' final drive which was capped off with Sammy Zepeda's game winning 19-yard field goal is one story.

How they got to the point which made that final drive necessary is another story altogether.

With the game tied 14-14 after a scoreless third quarter, Bremond's premier running back, Timmy Scott, broke a tackle at his own 10 yard line and ran 90 yards down the right sideline.

After outdistancing Wheeler defensive back Shane Guest and stiff-arming him at the Mustang 10, Scott began to lose his balance and literally leaped — while falling — into the end zone from three yards out.

With 5:26 left in the game, Bremond led 21-14. The Mustangs set up shop at their own 29, fully intent on forging ahead after the Tiger TD.

Ten plays later, they had done just that, as tailback Bubba Smith, who set a Class 1A championship rushing record with 189 yards, leaped over from the one.

Wheeler had crawled back to within one, 21-20. Wheeler Coach Preston Smith had the biggest decision of his coaching career staring him in the face.

With 1:21 left in the fourth quarter, Smith opted to go for the win instead of coming away with a share of the championship.

Smith chose to go for the win and the Mustangs lined up for the two-point conversion. Quarterback Shawn Bradstreet ran right and pitched the ball to Bubba Smith, who wound his way around right end, fighting and clawing every inch of the way. As a Bremond defender forced Smith to the sidelines, the junior back intentionally fumbled the ball forward into the end zone.

Senior David Jones picked up the loose ball for an apparently successful conversion. The Mustangs thought they had come away with a miraculous 22-21 victory, but the referee, standing at the two yard line, ruled Smith out of bounds before the pitch to Jones.

The conversion was without success and Wheeler trailed 21-20 with 1:23 left on the clock.

Had Lee McCasland been called on to kick the extra point, which, in all probability, would have meant a 21-21 tie, the two teams would have shared the 1A title. Coaches from the two schools

had decided before the game that a tie would mean the two schools would share the title.

Incidentally, when decision time had arrived for Wheeler to go for the tie or win, the 'Stangs led 5-3 in penetrations. The number of times a team crosses the opponents' 20-yard line — penetrations — is ordinarily the first method of tie-breaking.

A downtrodden Mustang kicking team came onto the field and senior linebacker Richard Smith was called on to kick a 10 yard squibber.

Junior Timm Rodgers fell on the outside kick to set the Mustangs up for the winning drive at mid-field.

Before the silent third quarter, the two teams traded touchdowns in what was a first 24 minutes of straight ahead defense.

Wheeler struck first when fullback Grayson Benson scored on an eight yard run with 2:41 left in the first quarter, the only score in the games opening frame.

On the second play of the second quarter, Bremond tailback Charles Bailey broke two tackles and ran in from seven yards out to bring the game to a 7-7 knot.

Two series later, Bremond struck again when quarterback Bo Robinson, from the Wheeler 10 yard line, found Jeff Kasowski nine yards deep in the end zone.

When the two connected for the score, Bremond led 14-7. The Tigers lead marked the first time in the playoffs the Mustangs had trailed and, for that matter, the first time Wheeler found itself on the short end of the scoreboard since Oct. 2, when the Panhandle Panthers defeated the 'Stangs 21-12.

The Mustangs, unappreciative of the fact they were playing catch-up, struck again with 2:33 in the second quarter when Bubba Smith out-ran Bailey for a three yard score.

A freak play set up Smith's score earlier in the drive.

When the junior tailback broke across left tackle for a 66 yard run, most players from both teams stayed downfield after the referee had dropped a flag.

The Mustangs, who had been called for illegal procedure three times prior to Smith's run, thought they again had negated a big gainer because of their own infraction.

The referee, though, signalled offside on Bremond, and Smith's long run stood, setting up Wheeler on the Tiger 14.

When Smith ran in for the TD, the score stood at 14-14, where it would remain until Scott's 90 yard run midway through the fourth quarter.

## Championship sidelines

Senior Grayson Benson completed his most successful year at Wheeler Saturday night in the Mustangs' 23-21 victory over Bremond.

Benson, who was kept unusually quiet by the Tigers throughout the game, still managed to pick up 95 yards on 24 carries, including one touchdown.

The 180-pound fullback finished the year with 1,652 yards in 15 games, an average 110 yards per game. Benson also averaged almost seven yards a carry throughout the season.

Benson's backfield mate, junior tailback Bubba Smith finished the year with 1,581 yards, 105.4 yards per game.

Smith had one of his finest efforts of the season in Saturday's championship game, rushing 189 yards on 20 carries. Smith's rushing total set a Class 1A championship game record, surpassing the old mark of 183 yards, set by Bobby Mitchell of Big Sandy in 1973.

There were times Saturday night when the title clash looked like a highlight reel from the old television show, *TV's Bleeps, Bloops and Blunders*.

With 11:35 remaining in the second quarter, Smith ran 44 yards and was hit by Bremond's John Kuykendall. At the point of impact, Kuykendall

knocked the ball loose and Smith turned the ball over to the Tigers. One play later, though, Bremond quarterback threw 20 yards down the left sideline, and found not a waiting Tiger, but Mustang defensive back Grayson Benson who returned the interception 21 yards to the Bremond 35. The intercept set up an unsuccessful field goal attempt by Lee McCasland.

With 8:36 left in the third quarter, the ball again changed hands twice within a matter of seconds.

Again, Smith fumbled, this time on the Wheeler 21, and waiting Tiger Charles Bailey recovered. The Bremond offense took the field and two plays later quarterback Bo Robinson pitched out to Timmy Scott. Scott fumbled the pitch, and Wheeler linebacker Richard Smith recovered, giving the Mustangs possession at their own 25. Only 25 seconds separated the two fumbles.

Wheeler quarterback Shawn Bradstreet had his most consistent effort of the season.

The Mustangs' game winning drive was a direct result of Bradstreet's efforts. The sophomore completed 4-of-9 for 46 yards in the last 1:21 and finished the game with a 50-percent completion mark (6-of-12), passing for 72 yards on the night.

## The long and winding road — worth every mile

For future reference ... take note of this.

Pen in hand? OK, get ready to write.

Don't ever take the time to drive to Abilene unless it is absolutely necessary. Like, for instance, a Wheeler Mustang football game.

Over roads where the most exciting thing that happens are blowing tumbleweeds the size of the Michelin Man, the 276-mile trip from Pampa to Abilene is a little on the boring side.

Highway 83 does contain some nice little villages (Hamlin and Anson, to be specific), but between those little bursts, there is little or nothing to feast your eyes on.

As a matter of fact, I'd venture to say that Highway 83 is probably the most boring stretch of road in the entire country.

But, despite the tedious nature of this stretch of concrete, there did lie a couple of hints along the way that the weekend of Dec. 19 might indeed be an important one.

Twelve miles south of Childress — for those of you who began your Highway 83 trek at the 287-83 intersection — the ribbons began.

Black and gold streamers periodically dotted roadside reflectors, and all I can say is whoever adorned the highway with those reminders must have had a lot of spare time on their hands.

## In My Corner

By Jimmy Patterson



In Paducah came one of the highlights.

The sign on the courthouse lawn in downtown Paducah featured a two-way sign that showed that town's support for its fellow Panhandle football team.

"Go Wheeler, beat Bremond," read the north side of the sign.

The other side simply said, "Paducah supports the Wheeler Mustangs."

Quite impressive for this quiet little town of 2,216.

Of course there's always the possibility that Paducah was extra supportive of Wheeler because the 'Stangs upended Munday last week. Seven days before that, Munday had defeated Paducah's No. 3 ranked Cowboys, thereby eliminating them from the playoffs. Had Paducah beaten Munday and Wheeler defeated Paducah, the signs might not have appeared on the Cottle County lawn.

But let's give good ole' human nature the benefit of the doubt.

When both Wheeler and Bremond qualified for the championship game last week by beating their respective semifinal opponents, Coaches Smith and Robinson met to decide upon a neutral site for the game.

Abilene was chosen.

Mileage-wise, it was about as neutral as it could have been.

Wheeler had to drive 242 miles; Bremond 250.

When fans from both ends of the state got there, little did they know that such a display would await them.

Supporters of the Mustangs and the Tigers expected a good football game. That was a given, considering that Wheeler was ranked No. 1 and Bremond No. 4 going into the game.

But the 2,500 fans assembled in Abilene's Shotwell Stadium did not get a good football game. They got a great football game. It was a nail-biter. A sit-on-the-edge-of-your-seat type ball game that comes once, maybe twice, in

a high school football fan's lifetime.

It was worth the wait. It was even worth the drive.

If such things were awarded, Wheeler's Shawn Bradstreet and Sammy Zepeda would've received Co-MVPs of the game.

Bradstreet looked amazingly like a 16-year-old Roger Staubach. The sophomore quite obviously studied the former Cowboy quarterback when he directed the once-famous, almost-perfect, two-minute Dallas offense.

Bradstreet would've been about 6-years-old when Staubach so often found Drew Pearson to enable the Cowboys to pull out a last minute victory.

And if we had to compare Mr. Zepeda to anybody, who would it be?

Imagine William "Refrigerator" Perry kicking a field goal for the Chicago Bears and you get the idea.

What's next for Coach Preston Ditka? Utilizing Zepeda on a third and goal situation next year? Or better yet, the feisty 175-pounder can probably even catch the ball, too.

When it was all said and done, the Mustangs came away with a 23-21 victory. It was a win that can only be described as "beyond description."

But I'd make the drive again tomorrow just to see it one more time.

# 'It was in the stars'

A championship for Wheeler — you can see it in their eyes

Photos by Duane A. Laverty

The Wheeler Mustangs proved to be the team of destiny Saturday night when they shocked the Bremond Tigers 23-21 to win the state 1A championship.

Mustangs' head coach Preston Smith said the 1A crown was, "In the stars" for his team.

In six playoff games, Wheeler outscored its opponents 159-56, including an 18-0 shutout of the previously No. 1 ranked Munday Moguls on Dec. 12.

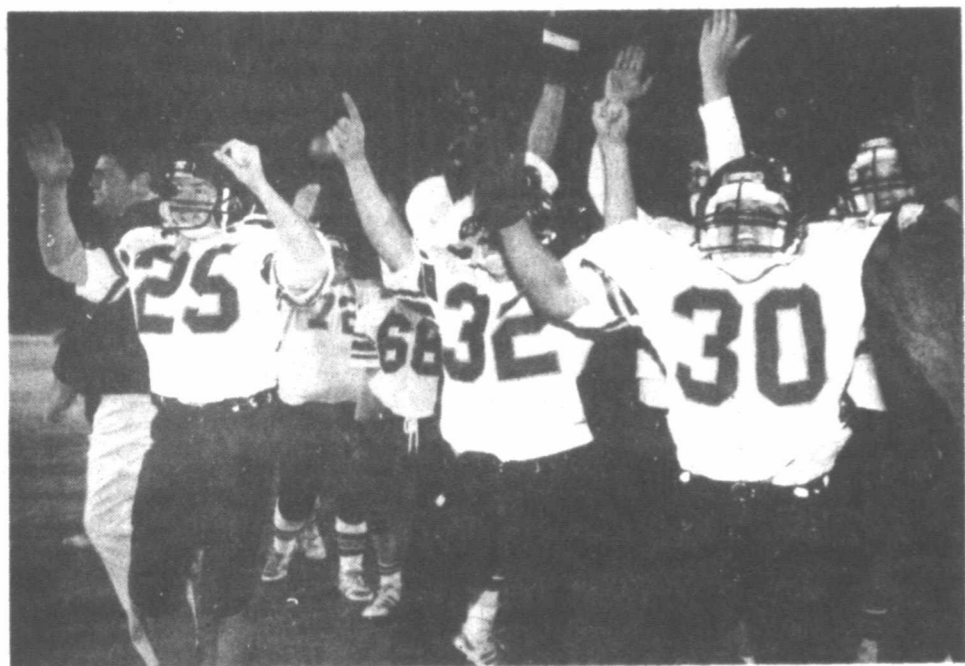
But the highlight of the Wheeler season came shortly before 10 p.m. Saturday night when Sammy Zepeda nailed a 19-yard field goal with no time left to enable the Mustangs to come from behind for the state title.

The game featured one of the most amazing of comebacks for Wheeler and enabled the school to display its third championship trophy in 10 years.

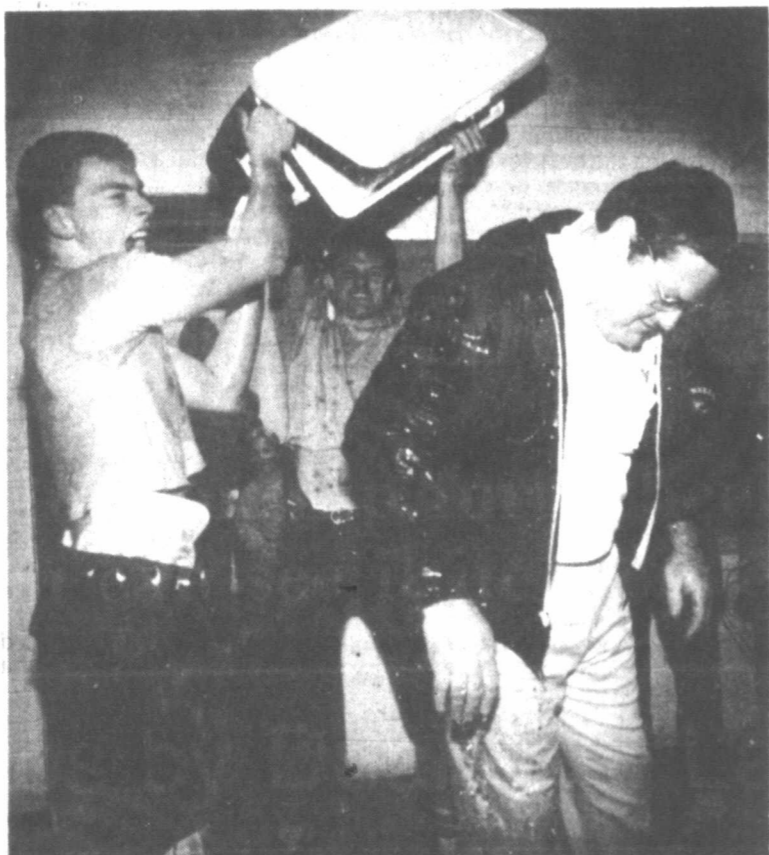
"It really hasn't hit me yet," sophomore quarterback Shawn Bradstreet said late Sunday night. "Every once in a while it does, though."

The Mustangs finish the year ranked No. 1 with a 13-2 record, their only losses coming to larger 2A powerhouses Panhandle and Hobart, Okla.

Wheeler trudged through a six game post-season schedule, shutting out two opponents and allowing two other opponents only one touchdown each. Saturday night's game was the only time Wheeler had to come from behind to win the entire season.



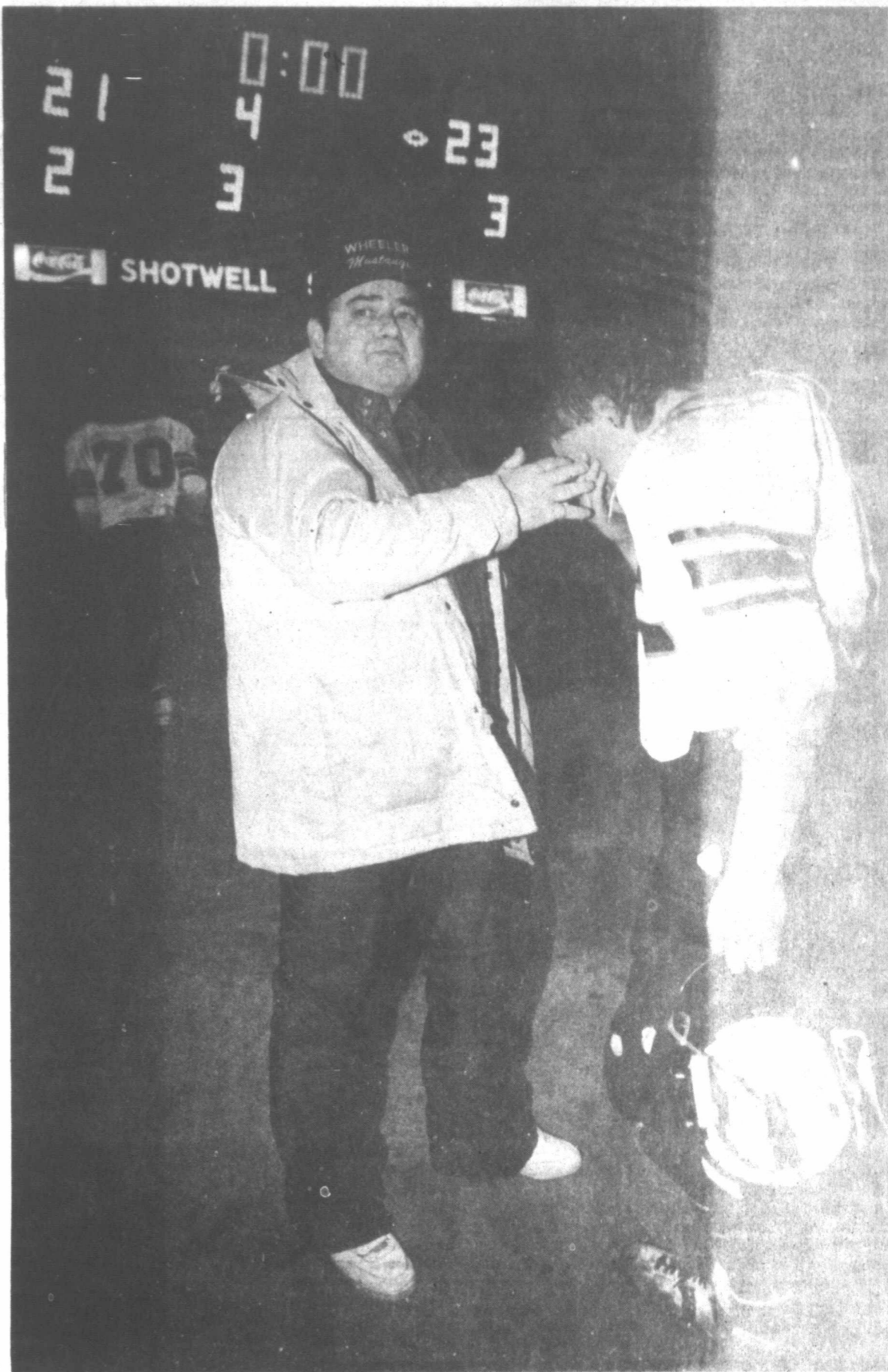
The second-string Mustangs were just as joyous with the Wheeler win. From left are Carl McCoy (25), Ronnie Hungate (32) and Arthur Altamirano (30).



Wheeler linemen Luke Horton, left, and Chad Bentley, middle, surprise head coach Preston Smith with a cooler full of ice water.



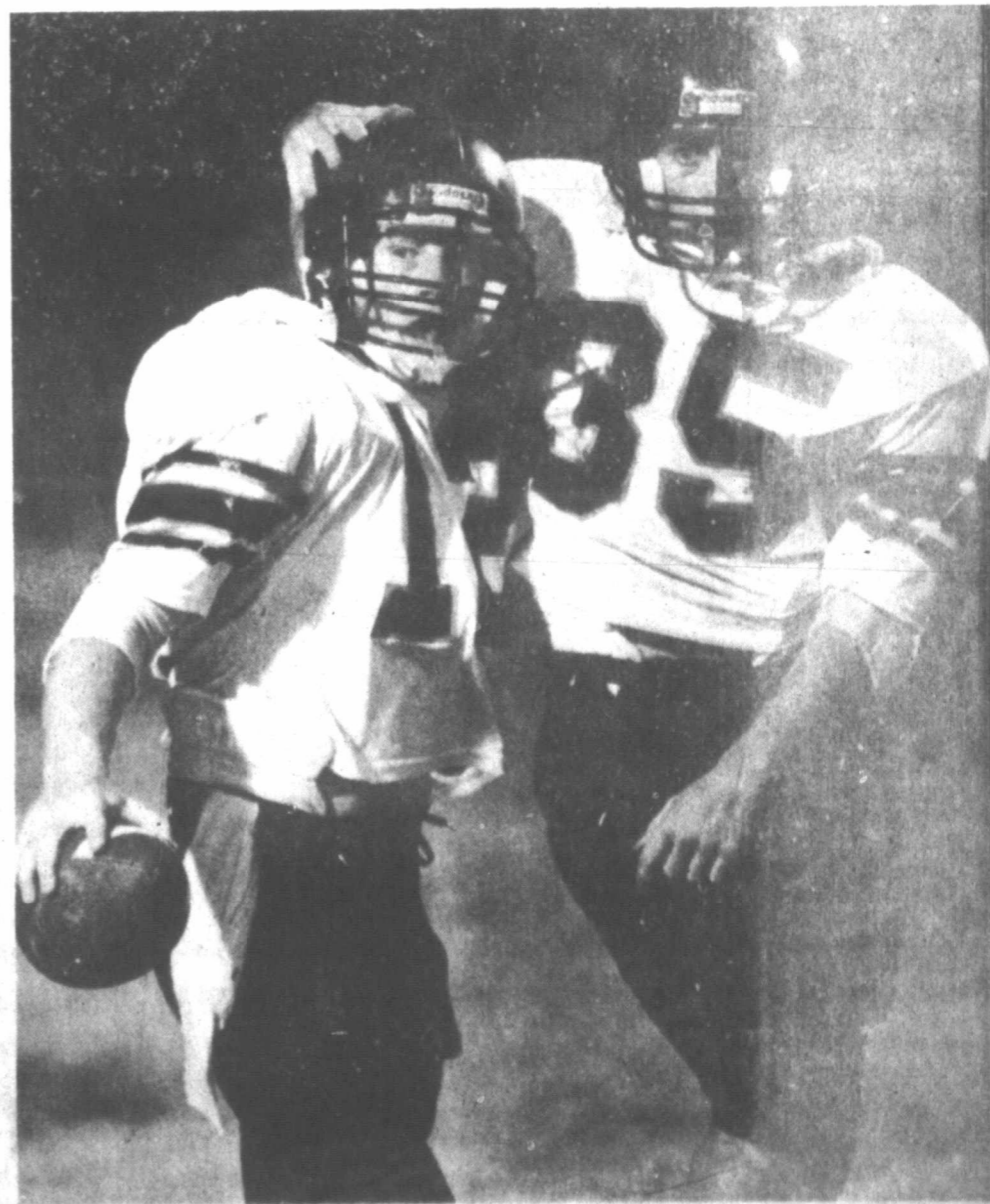
Tailback Bubba Smith, left, stiff-arms Bremond defender Bradley Gouge on his way to a record night in Abilene. With 189-yards rushing, Smith broke the 1A state championship record.



With the scoreboard telling the story in the background, Wheeler fullback Grayson Benson and father Gray share in the celebration after the Mustangs' victory. Gray was a star running back for Wheeler in the 60s.



Wheeler's high school and junior high cheerleaders rejoice.



Watching and waiting ... Grayson Benson (12) and Shane Guest wait patiently as the clock ticks down.

# Democratic, GOP contenders dismiss Hart's chances

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gary Hart's chances of winning the 1988 Democratic presidential nomination are slim, according to fellow Democratic and Republican candidates who dismiss the re-born contender's strong showing in recent polls.

The former Colorado senator, who announced last Tuesday that he would re-enter the fray, immediately jumped to the head of the Democratic pack in the latest polls.

The showing, however, failed to impress fellow Democratic candidates.

"I was not elated when he got into the race, I have to confess," Sen. Paul Simon of Illinois said Sunday on ABC-

TV's "This Week With David Brinkley." "But my instinct is that this thing's going to taper off."

In a poll published Sunday, Hart took the lead in the Democratic field in Iowa and knocked away half the support for Simon, the previous poll leader.

The Des Moines Register telephone poll of 201 Democrats who said they were likely to participate in the Feb. 8 caucuses showed Hart with the support of 29 percent of those surveyed, followed by Simon at 18 percent.

Simon had been far ahead in previous polls.

The new Iowa survey, taken Tuesday through Thursday, had a margin of

error of 7 percentage points.

Meanwhile, two national magazine polls also showed Hart leading the other candidates handily. A Time magazine telephone poll showed Hart with support from 30 percent of 390 likely Democratic voters surveyed, followed by Jesse Jackson with 22 percent and Dukakis with 14 percent. Simon finished fourth with 7 percent.

The poll, conducted Thursday, had a margin of error of 5 percentage points, as did a Newsweek poll conducted by the Gallup Organization on Thursday and Friday.

Newsweek surveyed 707 Americans and found Hart was the choice of 31 per-

cent of the Democrats surveyed. Twenty-three percent were undecided and 13 percent favored Jackson, with the other contenders getting 10 percent or less.

Dukakis, who also appeared on the ABC program, dismissed the importance of the polls, saying American voters, especially those in Iowa, are concerned with economic stability, medical care and other issues.

"These polls are meaningless. And the day after the Iowa caucuses they're all going to be obsolete," Dukakis said.

The Massachusetts governor, interviewed during a campaign stop in Iowa, said he met with 50 "interested Iowa citizens" Sunday morning and the topic

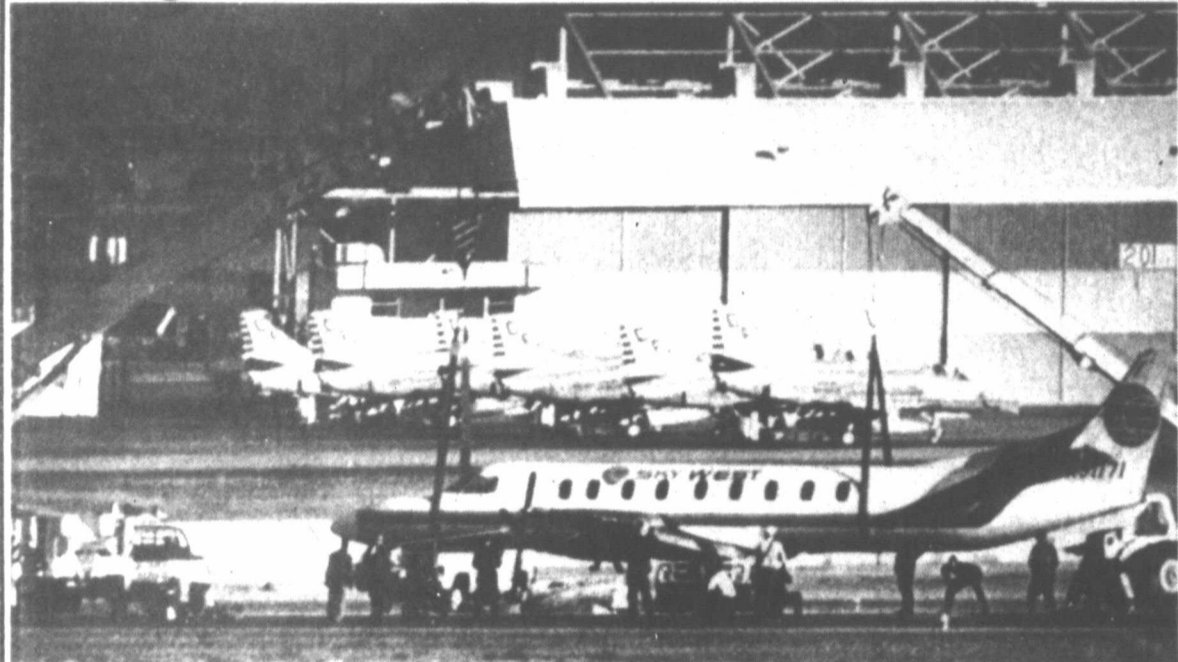
of Gary Hart was not discussed.

"They are interested in the economic future of this country, whether or not there are going to be good jobs and economic opportunity, and the opportunity for young people in this country to get a decent job and build a future."

Another Democratic candidate, Bruce Babbitt, said Hart's re-entry will have little effect on his campaign but will create confusion in the race.

"I think Hart's re-entry makes the race even more volatile, more unpredictable," the former Arizona governor said while campaigning Sunday in New Hampshire.

## Getting a lift



Sky West airliner is hoisted into the air by two Yuma Marine Corps Air Station cranes during salvage operations Sunday afternoon at Yuma International Airport. The plane

was forced to make a landing without landing gear earlier. No one was injured. In background are Marine Corps fighter jets.

(AP Laserphoto)

## Texaco moves to make the Pennzoil debacle a memory

NEW YORK (AP) — A pact to end Texaco Inc.'s multibillion-dollar feud with Pennzoil Co. and exonerate the oil giant from bankruptcy won warm endorsement from Pennzoil lawyers but got a mixed review from their Texaco adversaries.

Under the agreement to be filed today with U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Howard Schwartzberg, Texaco will pay Pennzoil \$3 billion cash and Pennzoil will scrap its \$10.3 billion judgment held against the nation's third-largest oil concern.

Texaco also will pay all other outstanding debts, estimated at about \$2.5 billion. Once approved by Schwartzberg and two-thirds of Texaco's shareholders, the company could emerge from bankruptcy-court protection by March or April, officials said.

In announcing the settlement Saturday, Texaco President James W. Kinnear also said the company planned to embark on a restructuring aimed at "maximizing shareholder value," once the reorganization program is approved.

The plan was signed Saturday by Kinnear and J. Hugh Liedtke, Pennzoil's chairman and chief executive. It brought an end to four years of bitter feuding and litigation that stemmed from a takeover fight over Getty Oil Co.

In 1985, a Houston jury ruled that Texaco had improperly interfered with Pennzoil's acquisition of part of Getty. Last April Texaco filed for protection from creditors under Chapter 11 of the federal bankruptcy code to avoid posting a potentially ruinous security bond equal to the \$10.3 billion judgment while it appealed in the courts.

G. Irvin Terrell, one of Pennzoil's attorneys, expressed satisfaction with the settlement, which will give Pennzoil an enormous amount of cash to vastly increase its size.

"There were times when I never thought we

would get a settlement," Terrell said. "I'm just delighted for Hugh Liedtke. He persevered for four long years, and got everything he deserved."

James Shannon, a member of the jury that made the original award, said he believes the settlement amount "validates the jury's findings completely."

Among Texaco attorneys, however, there were mixed feelings about the settlement. Some had wanted to pursue an appeal all the way to the Supreme Court, where Pennzoil possibly risked losing everything.

"I have some disappointment because I believe we were right on the law," said attorney Gibson Gayle Jr. "But I think that both entities at the end did the best they could to resolve it. I guess I'll get back to the full time job I had before this one hit."

James B. Sales, another Texaco attorney, said: "Putting aside the fact that I have some strong prejudices about my client's position, and speaking only as a lawyer, I am disappointed that we will not have the opportunity to get a final review of some corporate law issues and federal-state issues that I believe were misapplied in this case."

In his statement following the agreement, Kinnear said: "This settlement provides assurance to our stockholders, employees, creditors and business partners need that Texaco's competitive future will not be curtailed by either the massive judgment or a settlement at a higher, crippling level."

Liedtke issued a statement saying the plan "offers an expeditious and sensible solution, and is in the best interests of shareholders, employees and creditors."

Liedtke and Texaco officials said committees representing creditors and shareholders of both support the plan.

## Short-lived chemical leak prompts evacuation alert

LA PORTE, Texas (AP) — Troubleshooters are investigating the cause of a weekend chemical leak that caused about 500 people to begin evacuating their homes, officials said.

The roughly one-hour leak of vaporized chemicals, including hydrogen fluoride, from a chemical refinery early Sunday caused emergency officials to sound the alarm in a residential neighborhood

near the plant.

The evacuation was called off a short time later, before most residents reached an emergency shelter set up at Baker Junior High School, said Charles Smith, La Porte police chief.

"We do not know the cause at this point," said Bob Porter, manager of the plant, owned by Du Pont De Nemours E I & Co.



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## Number of applications for amnesty declines

DALLAS (AP) — Immigration officials say they anticipate a decrease in amnesty applications during the Christmas holidays, followed by increased numbers late next month.

But some people who work with illegal aliens believe the rate of applications in Texas — now at its lowest level since May, the first month of the program — won't rebound.

"We anticipated there would be a drop-off during the holidays," said E.B. Duarte of the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service Outreach office in Washington, D.C. "But there is going to be a surge, probably in late January."

Dallas lawyer Marcos Ronquillo, chairman of the State Bar of Texas Immigration and Nationality Law Committee, said the holiday season is not the full explanation behind the application dropoff.

"I seriously doubt that there is going to be an onslaught or that the INS is going to exceed their minimum estimates," he said. "Things are starting to come down to a trickle. For the most part, I'm not convinced that a mad rush is going to happen."

Officials initially estimated that between 500,000 and 750,000 illegal aliens would seek amnesty during the yearlong program from May 1987 to May 1988. But through last Tuesday, only 152,085 aliens had applied.

More than half of the Texas applications — 83,234 — were filed

in Arlington and Houston, indicating that border areas are well below projections.

INS officials have projected that 2 million of the estimated 6 million illegal aliens nationwide will apply for amnesty. The program's key aspect is to legalize aliens who have lived illegally in the United States since before January 1982.

Seven-month totals and projected figures for December indicate that about 1.1 million will have applied for amnesty by the end of the year, the Dallas Morning News reported.

Those figures mean that in the final four months, the downward trend must be sharply reversed and that an average of 212,500 applicants a month must come forward. That monthly projection equals the highest single-month total the immigration service has handled so far.

"The possibility of being able to come up in such a short time is very slim," said Leonel Castillo, a Houston resident and former INS commissioner under the Carter administration. "A lot of the easy cases have been done, and now the hard ones are coming in."

To increase applications in the spring, the immigration service has proposed spending \$7 million on a publicity campaign urging aliens to come forward. Under preliminary plans, \$4 million would be directed at regional publicity and \$3 million would supplement the national effort.

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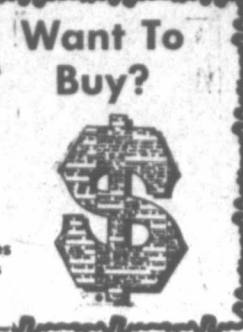
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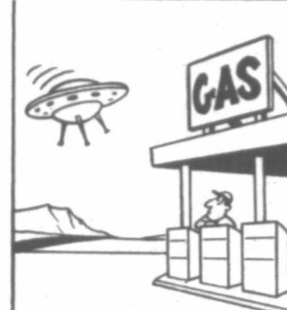
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Kelly Fields, Darlene Spencer and Roxie Ingram, explain the exercise concept offered from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday. Senior citizen discounts are available.

**Photographer records history**

AUSTIN (AP)—Governors come and go, but Bill Malone stays, making pictures of them coming and going.

The commercial photographer has become such a fixture after 40 years around the Capitol that when he once was late for a proclamation-signing ceremony, Gov. Bill Clements declared, "Where's Bill Malone? We can't have one of these without him."

Malone, 63, got his first shot at a governor — Beauford Jester — in the 1940s while working as a newspaper photographer in Austin.

His business has evolved naturally since he opened his first photography studio in 1953. He began with assignments from recipients of gubernatorial proclamations, who hired him to take their picture with the governor.

Now, in addition to recording their public ceremonies, Malone often is hired by governors to photograph private functions.

"They trust me. They know that throughout all these years, I'm not doing or saying anything about them. I'm not hearing anything that I shouldn't hear, and if I do, I don't repeat it," Malone said of those jobs.

Malone also has been the state archives photographer since 1969, when he persuaded officials that it was unwise to rely on Texans' attics for photographs of historic state functions like inaugurations.

"I think the archives thing is extremely important. If I didn't do it, I would hope that somebody else did," Malone said.

Without archival photographs, he said, "What

are people in 100 years going to do? They're going to be guessing, or they're going to be wishing that someone would donate a print."

In addition to its potential importance to future students of Texas history, Malone said his work gives him more personal satisfaction than making pictures of weddings or babies.

"Overall, I like the feeling of doing something that will be appreciated throughout the years and is significant ... A baby is a baby is a baby," he said.

Early on, Malone couldn't afford to be as choosy. He became interested in photography during high school, when he worked as a Palace Drug Store soda jerk in Paris, Texas.

A photographer with a studio across the street allowed him to visit the darkroom and watch a picture being developed.

"From then on, I really was just vitally interested ... It is just a marvelous experience the first time," he said.

After Malone learned to develop pictures himself, the drug store put in a darkroom for processing customers' film.

Malone briefly attended Paris Junior College after high school, then entered the Air Force during World War II and was put to work processing film of bombing strikes.

After his discharge, he financed his return to junior college by taking photographs of servicemen and their dates in Paris, Texas, nightclubs.

In 1947, Malone moved to Austin, entered the University of Texas and received a business degree with an emphasis in engineering.

**Hospital computer listens to doctors**

ROCKY MOUNT, N.C. (AP)—Dr. Arthur L. Chambers says illegible handwriting no longer gets in the way of emergency room work at Nash General Hospital.

Instead of scrawled records, a voice-activated computer system Chambers developed with a Massachusetts company prints out patients' reports.

"It's the beginning of a new era of emergency medicine," Chambers said during a recent interview at his eastern North Carolina hospital.

The computer system, which will cost about \$28,000 including training, will replace handwritten reports and hospital typists, who cost some hospitals as much as \$50,000 a year.

Chambers says the Nash General emergency room has patient files that are comprehensive and easy to read.

The technology that made the VoiceEM system possible was first developed for hospital radiology departments. Raymond Kurzweil developed the technology and Dr. Alan H. Robbins adapted it for use in hospitals last year.

One of Chambers' colleagues saw the radiology computer demonstrated at a seminar in March and told him about it. Chambers called the company, looking for a similar system for emergency rooms.

And within a month he was involved in helping Kurzweil create a system for emergency doctors.

Chambers says he had resisted learning about computers. But once he got involved in this project he saw the way computers could save him time and he learned to enjoy it.

So far, Nash General is the only hospital using the system. Chambers and his colleagues are working out the kinks in the program before it is formally introduced at a national conference.

A doctor's main job is caring for patients. But, Chambers says, a surprising 30 percent of his or her time is spent writing up reports and doing other paperwork.

The computer system is saving him time and printing up reports faster than most doctors can write them. And the computer doesn't have bad handwriting.

So why don't doctors use less expensive personal computers to type their reports? Because most of them can't type and the voice-activated system is a lot faster than typing, Chambers said.

"The nice thing is that everybody knows how to speak," he said. Doctors do have to speak slowly and distinctly so the computer doesn't misunderstand any words.

Nash General's emergency room handles about 75 to 100 patients a day, Chambers said, so speed is important.

The computer gives the doctor multiple choices for symptoms, treatment and follow-up care, thus speeding the process. On a simple report, Chambers can give the computer a few commands and have a printed page in less than a minute.

Chambers demonstrated a report on a fictitious patient who visited the emergency room with a bad cold. He was finished in about 30 seconds.

Because the vocabulary of the computer is limited, some complicated reports cannot be done on the system, but he says the computer is used for 85 to 90 percent of emergency room cases.

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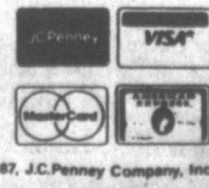
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