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Seasons greetings



Prisoners get little Christmas cheer at city and county jails

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

While families around the area are sitting down to Christmas feasts and children are excitedly reviewing what Santa Claus has brought them, it will be eerily quiet at the Pampa and county jails.

At the city jail, inmates will spend Christmas in a lonely, bare white room, away from family and friends. Their only solace will be the Christmas meal they are served.

The city jail has been unusually full for the past several weeks. It is crowded because the county jail is full. The county jail, in

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turn, is near capacity because the Texas Department of Corrections has been slow to add to its overcrowded situation in building new facilities.

For those who spend Dec. 25 in the city jail the Christmas spirit will not be on the menu.

"I have no yuletide feeling for prisoners. Whatever the hospital serves that day, that's what they'll eat. We contract our meals through them. I'm not going to put up a Christmas tree and all that. I wish them no merry tidings," said Chief of Police Robert Eberz.

He said his concern on Christmas Day will be directed toward the officers who have to leave

their families to patrol city streets.

"All that Christmas cheer for prisoners is part of a rehabilitation fad of the 1960s. It has directly led to crime being up 130 percent today," Eberz said.

He believes that jail should be a place people fear being at, not a home away from home on Christmas Day.

"I respect their rights. But my concern is only for my officers," he said.

Eberz cites crime statistics that are continuing to go steadily upward as a partial explanation of why the city jail is more full than usual.

"The total offenses last year at this time was 232. At the end of November of this year we had 266. That is a 13 percent increase. Public intoxication is up 50 percent. Family offenses are up 85 percent. DWI's are up 17 percent," he said.

In spite of the city jail being taxed to the limit at times, Eberz said he is not about to tell his officers to curb arrests.

"I'm not about to let them go back on the streets. If they can't make bond, they'll stay here until the sheriff can take them. I'm holding five felony prisoners right now. I'd like to get rid of them before the New Year's Eve onslaught," he said.

Technically, the city facility is not a jail at all, but a Class C holding area. Eberz said that according to Texas Jail Standards, those charged with felonies are not to be kept for more than a short time in such situations.

"But you can't turn them loose and they can't make bail and the county can't take them. I'm stuck with them," he said.

In El Paso the problem with jail overcrowding has reached such a peak during the Christmas season that police there are no longer even arresting shoplifters who allegedly take under \$750 worth of merchandise. The Associated Press reported El Paso police are merely writing tickets for such persons.

However, Eberz said he will begin transferring prisoners to other counties before he will tell his officers to stop making arrests.

"So far I have spent \$673.23 on prisoner's meals through October and November. It was \$258.75 for the same period last year. That seems like a lot. But if we don't push arrests, what will it cost in burglaries and drugs and that sort of thing?" he asked.

The county pays Coronado Hospital \$2.50 per lunch or dinner served, \$1.75 per breakfast.

Eberz said prisoners in the city jail can count themselves lucky in one sense. Last year Texas Jail Standards only required prisoners be served two meals a day. This Christmas, they will get to eat three times.

Eberz said the prisoners can consider lunch their gift from the state.

In the county jail, the walls are green, about the nearest to any Christmas decorations the prisoners will have.

Visiting will not be allowed at the jail on Christmas Day since Gray County Sheriff Rufe Jordan wants his deputies to be able to spend the holiday with their families.

But he will try to soften the occasion a bit. Jordan said he buys fruit and nuts and fills stockings to be given to each of the inmates for Christmas.

Tanker explosion kills 8

By WOODY BAIRD
Associated Press Writer

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A 10,000-gallon propane truck burst into a fireball and blasted off "like an unguided missile," smashing into a house 125 yards away, killing two people inside and five motorists, authorities said.

The tanker skidded on an interstate exit ramp near downtown Friday morning, hit a wall and exploded, authorities said. The death toll rose to eight when the driver of an 18-wheel truck was killed after plowing into a traffic jam caused by the wreck.

Ten other people were injured, including James M. Malone, 57, who was burned in another home and was listed in critical condition Saturday at the Regional Medical Center.

The huge fireball destroyed six cars and damaged half a dozen houses in addition to the duplex crushed by the tanker truck, officials said.

Investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board in Washington were to inspect the scene Saturday, said agency spokesman Michael Benson.

The truck crashed on Interstate 240, rupturing its tank and releasing liquid propane that turned into a gaseous cloud as it escaped. A spark apparently triggered the explosion, authorities said.

"All of a sudden everything was on fire," said Dorothy Hettinger, who lives next door to the wood-frame duplex. "It was like an earthquake. My whole house was shaking."

"The whole sky was white, just lit up," said

Gaines Tension, manager of a nearby sheet metal plant. "You could feel the heat inside the building."

The victims had little chance to escape the flames, said Frank Baker, a deputy fire chief at the scene.

"There was a huge fireball, maybe 700 to 800 feet," Baker said. "It engulfed three or four cars."

The dead included Shelanda Towles, a 10-year-old girl in one apartment in the duplex, and an elderly woman inside the other apartment, said police Lt. James Krepela. The woman's identity was withheld pending notification of relatives.

Also killed were the tanker's driver, Randall Benson, 29, of West Memphis, Ark.; drivers Harrison G. Lee, 34, of Brighton; Robert Wardlow, 40, of Memphis; Tina Wiles, 30, and her passenger, mother-in-law Warner Wiles, 70, both of Vicksburg, Miss.; Krepela said.

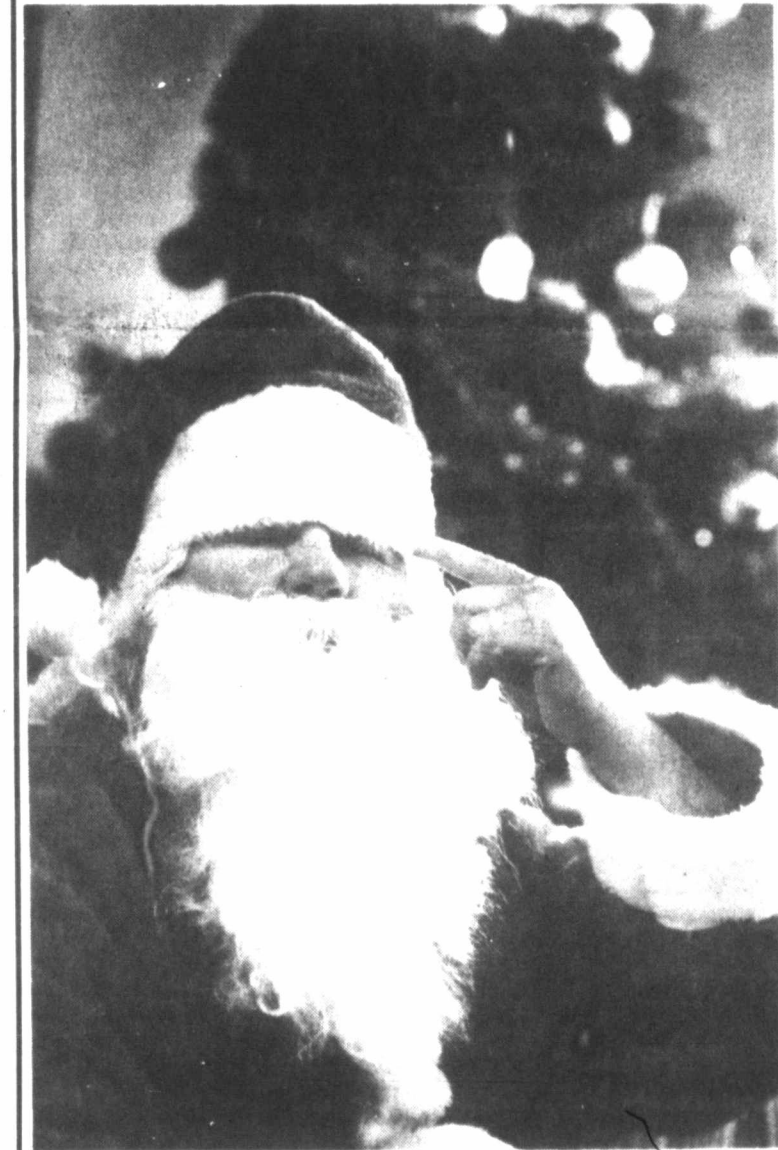
Eleven people were taken to hospitals, officials said. Six were admitted, including the elderly woman who died later, and five were treated at emergency rooms and released.

The accident left traffic backed up miles north and south of Memphis. Trucker David Bailey, 29, of West Helena, Ark., was killed when his tractor-trailer slammed into the rear of a car tied up in a traffic jam on I-240, said Patrolman Jim Greenland.

"I heard the explosion and saw the tanker flying through the air. It fell on the house and just blew up," said witness Marvin Mitchell.

"It was like an unguided missile," said John Stonecipher, a city fire marshal.

He knows ...



(Staff photo by Duane A. Laverty)

Before Santa makes his Christmas Eve rounds, he will be making sure all good little boys and girls are tucked in their beds. It doesn't look like a White Christmas for the Pampa area, but that should make Santa's deliveries a little easier.

Streets empty in Biblical city of Bethlehem

BETHLEHEM, Occupied West Bank (AP) — The streets of the Biblical town of Bethlehem were nearly deserted Saturday as hundreds of Israeli soldiers set up checkpoints to prevent Christmas violence.

The area in front of the Church of the Nativity, which marks the site where the Bible says Jesus Christ was born, was empty except for two or three pilgrims standing near shuttered stores. Soldiers manned checkpoints surrounding Manger Square and refused entry to Moslem Palestinians.

Troops also set up roadblocks throughout the city, but most Palestinians stayed inside to observe a general strike declared by the underground leadership of the yearlong Palestinian uprising.

Holiday activities in the this occupied West Bank town of 35,000 were reduced to a minimum in sympathy with the uprising.

There were no festive decorations and the traditional Boy Scout parade was canceled.

Leaders of the Arab rebellion declared the day before Christmas a day of solidarity in honor of the 333 Palestinians who have been killed during the uprising.

Fourteen Israelis also have died during the unrest.

"We will punish everybody who leaves his house," was painted in red on one town wall.

"Let's make this day a mourning day for our martyrs," said another slogan, which was signed by the pro-PLO underground leadership.

Top law enforcement officers to attend Jordan appreciation

Top law enforcement officers from throughout the state are to be among the many dignitaries scheduled to attend the Rufe Jordan Appreciation Day luncheon Jan. 5 in the Heritage Room of M.K. Brown Auditorium.

J.R. "Sonny" Sessions, president of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas; H.R. "Lefty" Block, senior Ranger captain of the Texas Rangers; Fred Toler, executive director of the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Education (TCLEOS&E); and Col. Joe E. Milner, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, have all indicated they will be present at the luncheon honoring Gray County Sheriff Jordan.

A group of Pampa and Gray County residents have joined to sponsor an event in honor of the outgoing sheriff.

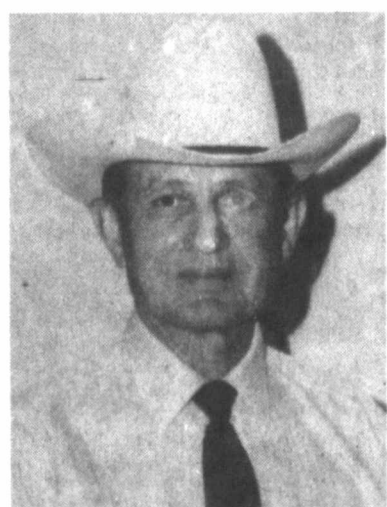
Jordan has served as the county's sheriff since Jan. 1, 1951, a total of 38 years. He had held the office longer than any of the 254 county sheriffs in Texas.

Tickets to the event are available through the Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce at \$6 each. Seating in the auditorium is limited, so organizers are asking that reservations be made early.

Master of ceremonies for the luncheon is to be Fred Thompson, with special entertainment by Boydine Bossay.

Other dignitaries expecting to attend the event include state legislators and representatives of neighboring law enforcement agencies.

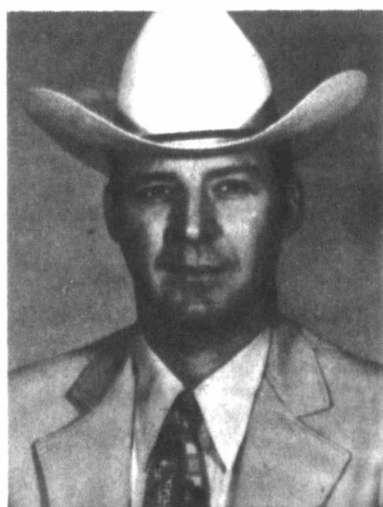
Gray County commissioners recently passed a resolution naming Jan. 5 as Rufe Jordan Appreciation Day.



Sessions

Toler has served as executive director of the TCLEOS&E since 1972. Before heading this state agency, Toler served as coordinator of the commission's training programs and supervisor of field personnel and the certification program.

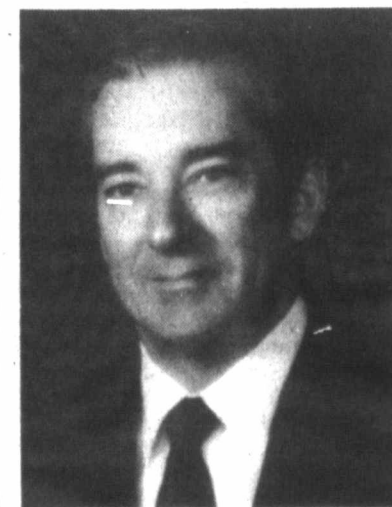
He has prior law enforcement with Harlingen Police Department in both patrol and supervisory ranks and later served as Kingsville chief of police. He



Block

holds a bachelor of arts degree, magna cum laude, in management from St. Edwards University in Austin. He is also a member of the Sheriff's Association of Texas.

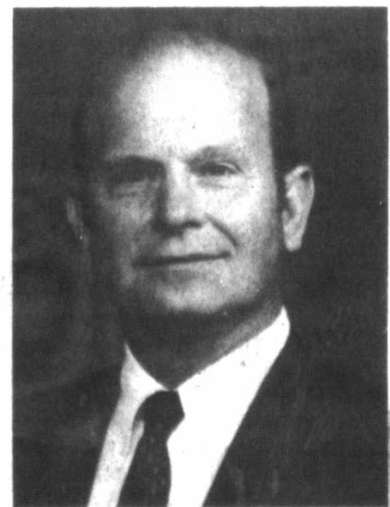
"Lefty" Block holds the rank of senior Ranger captain with the Texas Rangers, the elite of Texas law enforcement. He has served in the capacity for three years. He has also served as assistant supervisor of Texas Rangers in Austin.



Toler

He holds both advanced and instructor Texas Law Enforcement certifications. He is a graduate of the Department of Public Safety Academy, the FBI National Academy, FBI SWAT school and numerous law enforcement seminars and criminal investigation schools.

A third generation Freestone County Sheriff, "Sonny" Sessions Jr. has served Freestone County for the past 25 years. He is cur-



Milner

rent president of the Sheriffs' Association of Texas and a commissioner on the Texas Commission of Law Enforcement Standards and Education. He holds advanced certification with TCLEOS&E.

He served in the Pacific Theatre with the U.S. Navy during World War II.

Col. Milner, director of the Texas DPS, joined the agency in 1954 as a Highway Patrol Trooper. He has since been promoted through the ranks to his present position.

He received his education from Texas University, Sam Houston State University, Northwestern University Traffic Institute and Central Missouri State University. He has served as instructor and guest speaker for police training schools, colleges, civic clubs and other professional groups.

Several articles written by Col. Milner have been published in training manuals and professional publications. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean Conflict and is a member and past officer of numerous law enforcement, civic and fraternal organizations.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to *The Pampa News*.

Obituaries

WESLEY KENT CROSBY
SHAMROCK — Wesley Kent Crosby, 19, died Thursday in Grand Prairie. Services are pending with Richerson Funeral Home.

Mr. Crosby, born in Arlington, moved to Shamrock with his parents in 1973. He was a 1987 graduate of Shamrock High School and played trumpet in the school band.

He was employed at Comanche Peak Power Plant. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Shamrock.

Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Lynda and Gene Mitchell, Shamrock; father and stepmother, Bill and Gracie Crosby, Granbury; two brothers, Larry Lacy and Lee Lacy, Amarillo; three sisters, Jamie Mitchell and Jennifer Mitchell, both of Canyon, and Kim Chase, Granbury; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Holton and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Crosby, all of Wellington.

RAY DUDLEY

Ray Dudley, 77, died Friday. Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in Fairview Cemetery with the Rev. Gene Allen, pastor of Briarwood Church officiating.

Mr. Dudley was born in Stigler, Okla., and moved to Pampa in 1931. He helped open Addington's Western Wear. He worked in retail business until 1939, when he joined the Pampa Police Department. He was chief of police from 1942-1945. He attended FBI Academy in Quantico, Va. He later became owner of Ray Dudley Motor Co. for 39 years. He was a member of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce and First Christian Church.

Survivors include his wife, Kathryn; a daughter, Glenda Marcum, Amarillo; two sons, Ed Dudley and Gary Dudley, both of Amarillo; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following minor accident during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Dec. 23

4:05 p.m. — A 1982 Pontiac driven by Willie Mae Cooper, Skellytown, collided with a 1985 Oldsmobile driven by Herbert Tanner, 1816 N. Banks, in the 2300 block of Rosewood. The police report indicates there may have been an injury in the Cooper vehicle but does not elaborate. No citations were issued.

Fire report

The Pampa Fire Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

FRIDAY, Dec. 23

12:55 p.m. — Grass fire was reported two miles east of Hoover. One unit and two firefighters responded.

2:46 p.m. — Grass fire was reported in the 1100 block of South Barnes. One unit and two firefighters responded.

Hospital

| CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions | | Verneva Brown, Pampa | |
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| Shirley Brink, Pampa | Eugene P. Gily, Pampa | Gladys M. Burger, Pampa | Bessie Jonas, Pampa |
| Mary M. Reneau, Pampa | | L.L. Jones, Allison | Jewell Judkins, Pampa |
| Births | | Marian Keller, Olathe, Kan. | |
| To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fick of Pampa, a girl. | | James Keough, Pampa | Bernadette Mata and baby boy, Pampa |
| Dismissals | | Evelyn Schollenbarger, Stinnett | |
| Charles Alexander, Pampa | Lee Roy Belknap, Pampa | Tommy Stall, Pampa | Lewis Stark, Pampa |
| Kimberly D. Bichsel and baby boy, White Deer | Burma Blakeney, Pampa | Debra Stubblefield, Pampa | Earline White, Borger |
| Velma Brower, Pampa | Fredda Bown, Skellytown | Juanita Whitson, Pampa | |
| SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Not available | | | |

Police report

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

FRIDAY, Dec. 23

Isidro M. Ramirez, Lubbock, reported a forgery at the Harvey Mart, 304 E. 17th.

Neysa Ann Brown, 1332 N. Garland, reported a theft at the residence.

Department of Public Safety, Amarillo, issued a "wanted by outside agency" report.

Pampa police reported one incident of domestic violence.

Arrests

FRIDAY, Dec. 23

Michael Todd Howe, 25, Lefors, was arrested in the 1200 block of North Hobart on charges of speeding, driving while intoxicated, no liability insurance and failure to appear.

SATURDAY, Dec. 24

Nolen Craig Merritt, 27, 214 N. Cuyler, was arrested in the 300 block of North Cuyler on a charge of public intoxication. He was released on bond.

Antonio Olivas Tavariez, 23, 611 S. Ballard, was arrested in the 800 block of South Hobart on a charge of public intoxication.

Jordan Alfonso Adame, 24, Odessa, was arrested in the 800 block of South Hobart on a charge of public intoxication.

Homero Hernandez Benavides, 20, 611 S. Ballard, was arrested in the 800 block of South Hobart on charges of driving while intoxicated, speeding, no driver's license and no liability insurance.

Brook Edward McNeely, 18, 210 W. Harvester, was arrested in the 100 block of East Randy Matson on a charge of public intoxication.

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| Ambulance | 911 |
| Energas | 665-5777 |
| Fire | 911 |

Emergency numbers

Howardwick drug bust may have connections to Pampa burglaries

By BEAR MILLS
 Staff Writer

HOWARDWICK — A cooperative effort by Pampa police and the Donley County Sheriff's Office led to the arrest Friday morning of alleged drug dealers and may have also led to the recovery of several items taken in Pampa burglaries.

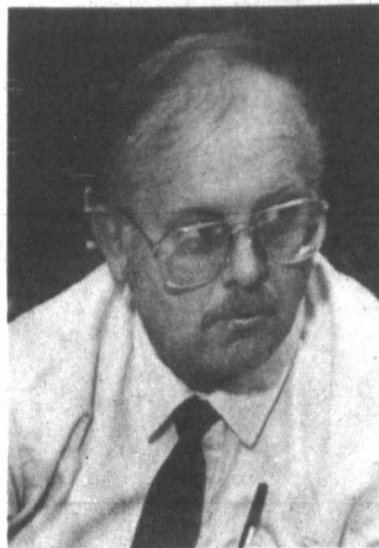
Approximately 12:30 a.m. Friday morning, Donley County Sheriff's deputies entered a house in Howardwick on Tyng Street, lots 112 and 113, armed with a search warrant.

Donley County officials said they received information from the Pampa Police Department that drugs were being kept in the house.

Arrested during the raid were Mark Ginn, 37, Box 812, Pampa, and Warren Pete Pettit, 41, Andrews, Texas (originally from Pampa). Both were charged with felony possession of narcotics after police found what they believe to be about \$4,000 worth of amphetamines.

Sheriff's deputies also found several TVs, VCRs, radar detectors, shotguns and rifles. A sheriff's department dispatcher said the items are being checked against lists of stolen property.

Det. Charlie Love of the PPD said the information about the Howardwick house being used for drugs came after several days observation of an alleged drug



Det. Love
 dealer who is on parole from the Texas Department of Corrections.

"We had been observing Pettit for a while here in Pampa. He must have found out and decided it was safer to operate out of Howardwick. He's not even supposed to be in Pampa. According to his parole officer he is supposed to be in Midland. We told (the parole officer) he was here, but they never did do anything," Love said.

He and Det. Gary Boydston both praised the efforts of Donley County law enforcement officials to move in on the house, which sources said was being used to

hold drugs that would later be sold in Pampa.

The detectives spent Friday in Howardwick combing the house for more drugs. Love said drug dogs from the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Task Force would be brought in to help with the search sometime Saturday.

Bond for Pettit and Ginn has been set at \$30,000 each by a Donley County justice of the peace in Clarendon.

Love said the pair had tried to hide the alleged amphetamines from searchers.

"We found the dope this morning (Friday). A brake fluid can had a fake bottom and it was found in there by a deputy when we went back over the house again. The dogs are going to come in and see if we missed anything," he said.

Love said a tip from a confidential informant initially led him to begin checking on Pettit's presence in Pampa.

The arrests are the latest in a long string of drug-related police operations in the area.

Pampa Police Chief Robert Eberz has said previously that the Panhandle Regional Narcotics Task Force has led to a spirit of cooperation between law enforcement agencies in the area.

Officials said the Task Force was not directly involved in the Howardwick raid; however, they will cooperate with a search of the house.

High-tech smuggling ring left in disarray by man's arrest

MIAMI (AP) — A high-tech smuggling ring involving dozens of companies and 10 countries was left in disarray by the arrest of a man charged with trying to sneak a computer to the Soviet bloc, the U.S. Customs Service said.

Eddy Gorandus Haak's arrest and the seizure of the \$1.1 million VAX computer last week culminated an eight-month investigation, said Patrick O'Brien, special agent in charge of Customs in Miami.

The Digital Equipment Corp. VAX 8800 mainframe computer seized at Miami International Airport is capable of upgrading and controlling systems that launch and guide ballistic missiles, operate radar or run a mass transit system.

It is on a federal list that regulates the export getting one of these computers, they have saved themselves 10 years and hundreds of millions of dollars in

research and development," said Michael Sheehan, another Customs spokesman.

"These countries are walking from the Stone Age into the 21st century in one step at the expense of the United States, and they're using this technology for interests contrary to United States interests."

O'Brien said the Soviet defense system began converting to VAX computers earlier in the '80s.

"But they cannot build their own. The only way they can get it is through the United States," O'Brien said. "If we can deny them from taking ours, they have to build the factories. It comes out of their defense budget and really slows them down."

Customs officials said the investigation includes companies, brokers and shippers in Boston, Chicago, New York, Newark, N.J., Houston, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Romania, Hungary, Bel-

gium, Austria, Libya, Iran and Iraq.

At least one arrest was expected in Chicago and Boston, and others were possible, Sheehan said.

"We need to determine whether these companies that transported and modified the goods were involving knowingly," Sheehan said.

"The brokers are the people that we're after," O'Brien added. "They are the people who are going to take it from legitimate industry and give it to illegitimate industry."

There are other smuggling networks of similar scope, Sheehan said.

City Briefs

NEW YEARS Eve Scholarship Dance Beta Sigma Phi. Kick Back will be playing. For ticket information, 669-9275. Adv.

NEW YEARS Eve at Club Biarritz. Champagne breakfast. Call 669-2506 or 669-2737. Adv.

JERRY'S GRILL will be Open Christmas Day with a traditional buffet dinner only. Open 11 a.m. Closed Monday. Adv.

REWARD LOST blonde female Cocker Spaniel, answers to Buffy, no tags. Call 669-6896, 669-7366 or 665-2698. Adv.

FREE CHRISTMAS Dinner, December 25, 1988, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ, 1324 Mary Ellen St. (across from the High School) Everyone is invited. Adv.

PERMS \$20 including hair cut. Set and haircuts \$6.50 each. Ruth or Becky 665-9236. Adv.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and Happy New Year to all my students, ex-students, and all the parents who have always been so nice to me. Thanks for the great birthday party! Marlene Kyle. Adv.

MARTIAL ARTS (Tae Kwon Do) classes starting now. Call 665-8554, Gale. Adv.

MEALS on WHEELS 669-1007, P.O. Box 939 Adv.

4 BEDROOM, 1 bath for rent, fence, storage, no garage. 665-4180. Adv.

Investigators study 'faint noise' on recording from Pan Am jet

LOCKERBIE, Scotland (AP) — Investigators Saturday were analyzing a faint noise heard in the final moments of a cockpit tape-recording for clues to whether a bomb dived Pan Am Flight 103 while it was flying six miles above Scotland.

"There were no abnormal noises on the tape until the signals ended abruptly with the aircraft cruising at 31,000 feet," said Paul McKie, a spokesman for the Department of Transport whose Air Accident Investigation Branch is studying the tapes.

"Nothing in the cockpit conversations preceding the Wednesday night crash was unusual until the 'faint noise' at the end, which needs a bit more analysis," he said.

David Learmount, a respected aviation editor at *Flight International*, the industry magazine, said the "black box" recording supported the theory that a bomb caused the crash, which killed all 258 people aboard and devastated the Scottish village of Lockerbie with its flaming wreckage.

Twenty townspeople were missing and feared dead, including drivers of three cars caught in the inferno.

"The black boxes have told us that it was an instantaneous catastrophe. That is why the bomb theory's very much the favorite," Learmount told Independent Television News on Friday night.

"The bomb theory explains everything which happened. If this case was just simple metal fatigue failure, it would have had to have been cataclysmic, really extraordinarily unlikely. But if it did happen, we really have to know and know fast," he said.

But Mick Charles, head of a team of 40 U.S. and British investigators at the site, said, "We have no evidence whatsoever yet of sabotage."

Strong suspicions of a terrorist bombing built swiftly following an Iranian group's claim of responsibility, the revelation that the U.S. government had been warned of a threat against a Pan Am plane, and the fact the plane suddenly broke apart in flight.

Anger at the government's failure to notify the public of the threat — against a Pan Am jet flying from Frankfurt to New York sometime in December — surfaced Friday when it became known the United States notified Britain.

The government's reticence meant "the poor, ignorant traveling public taking greater risks," charged John Prescott of the opposition Labor Party. Anthony Beaumont-Dark of the governing Conservatives agreed.

Transport Minister Michael Portillo, responding to the criticism, said the threat, phoned in to the U.S. Embassy in Helsinki on Dec. 5, was "confidential, classified U.S. intelligence information and we didn't have the right to divulge it."

Heathrow Airport's security for American flights was reviewed and determined to be strict enough not to warrant divulging the anonymous threat, Portillo said on British Broadcasting Corp. television.

Victims' relatives began to arrive in Lockerbie, a community of 2,500, to claim their dead. Seven Americans were among the arrivals, who were being counseled by social workers.

Makeshift morgues in the town hall and in an ice rink have received 155 bodies, and the search goes on.

Wreaths appeared outside the morgues. One bouquet, from a passenger who took Flight 103 from Frankfurt to London, was to a child flying on to New York.

"To the little girl in the red dress who lies here, who made my flight from Frankfurt such fun. You didn't deserve this," the note said.

Fourteen adults and three children from Lockerbie remained unaccounted for and there was no word on the occupants of three cars hit by wreckage and gutted on a nearby highway, Police Superintendent Angus Kennedy said.

An Air India jumbo jet bound for New York with 250 people aboard returned to London on Friday afternoon after Air India in New York received an anonymous bomb threat, officials said.

Teachers wanted in Peace Corps

WASHINGTON — Peace Corps officials said that there is an urgent need for experienced teachers to serve one-year assignments in the Philippines as associate volunteers.

The American teachers would serve as assistants and advisors to Filipino teacher trainers for both primary and secondary educators. They would be assigned to village, provincial, municipal and national schools on the big island of Luzon in the Philippines.

"We are particularly looking for qualified substitute and retired teachers to spend a year overseas," said Loret Miller, Peace

Corps director. "They are needed to share their knowledge with their counterparts in this key Pacific nation."

Mrs. Miller, who calls teachers "the backbone of the Peace Corps," said the Peace Corps is shifting its program focus from individual classroom instruction to the formal transfer of skills to teachers in host countries.

While many volunteers continue to teach in classrooms around the world, Miller said most new volunteers were being trained to help teachers in host countries develop better teaching skills.

Teachers with at least five years of professional classroom experience are being recruited to leave for the Philippines in the spring of 1989. Pre-departure orientation will take place in San Francisco beginning on April 5.

Miller said secondary math and science teachers were especially needed for the coming year.

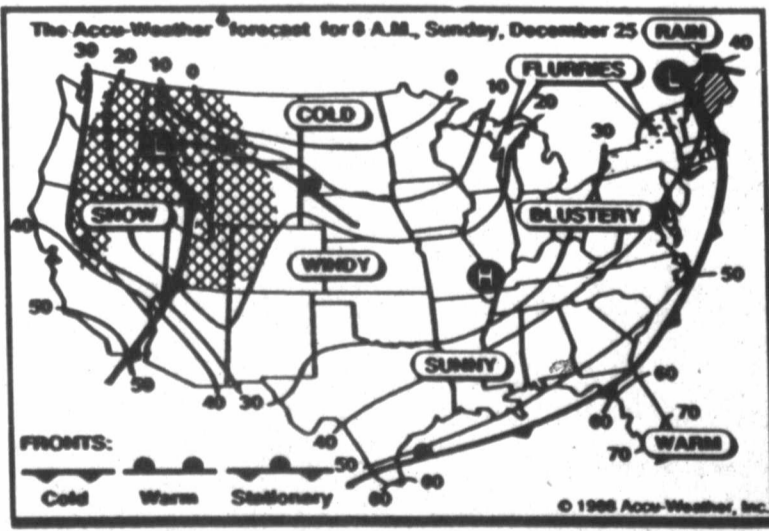
She said Peace Corps volunteers must be U.S. Citizens and in good health. There is no upper age limit for service. To learn more about the Teacher Education Program, call toll-free, 1-800-424-8580 Ext. 293.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Don't look for a White Christmas this year. It will be cold and clear when Santa arrives tonight, with lows in the low 20s and winds out of the west at 5-15 mph. Christmas Day highs will be in the low 50s with winds out of the north 15-25 mph and gusty. Friday's high was 61; low Saturday morning was 22.

REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas — Fair Saturday night becoming partly cloudy Sunday. Cooler south Saturday night. A little warmer east of the mountains Sunday. Lows Saturday night low 20s Panhandle to mid 30s Concho Valley and near 40 Big Bend valleys. Highs Sunday low 50s Panhandle to mid 60s Concho Valley and near 70 along the Big Bend of the Rio Grande.

North Texas — Continued fair Saturday night and Christmas Day. Cold Saturday night, mild Christmas Day. Lows 27 to 36. Highs Christmas Day 62 to 67.



South Texas — Increasing clouds with fog late Saturday night and early Sunday. Cooler Sunday. A slight chance of rain Coastal Plains Christmas Day. Low 30s and 40s, 50s to near 60 coast and extreme south. High Christmas Day 50s and 60s, 70s extreme south.

BORDER STATES
 New Mexico — Christmas Day, increasing clouds and

breezy all areas with warmer temperatures mainly east and south. A chance for snow north central and west central mountains and Northwest Plateau. Highs Christmas, 30s to low 40s mountains and Northwest, with mid 40s to near 60 elsewhere.

Oklahoma — Fair and milder Christmas Day. Highs Christmas Day mainly 50s.

Former Pampa resident helps foil Missouri bank robbery

A former Pampa resident has been acclaimed as a hero in Bolivar, Mo., for his part in helping to foil a would-be bank robbery earlier this month.

Leonard Hollis, 64, a Pampa High School graduate, was sitting down to his morning cup of tea on Monday, Dec. 12, at Grandma Taylor's Restaurant, a half-block west of the Bolivar square, when he saw a scuffle at the door, according to an article in the Dec. 13 issue of the Springfield, Mo., *The News-Leader*.

Moments earlier, shortly after 8 a.m., a man had approached Polk County Bank executive vice president Dave Strader in front of the bank as he was arriving for work.

According to the Dec. 14 issue of the Bolivar *Herald-Free Press*, the man asked Strader if he was the manager. Strader said he wasn't but that he worked there.

"You'll do," the man reportedly said, and then reached out to grab Strader's arm, exhibiting an open pocket knife.

Strader broke free of the man's grip and ran across the street to Grandma Taylor's, with the other man in pursuit. Catching up with Strader in the foyer of the restaurant, the man began stabbing the knife into Strader's side, trying to convince him to go back to the bank and open it so he

could fill a sack with money, the *Herald-Free Press* reported.

That was the scuffle Hollis found himself watching. He and his wife Bertha were having breakfast at the restaurant, as they had been accustomed to doing three or four days a week.

Hollis jumped up and went over to the scuffle. "I got in close and he said, 'Stand back or I'll kill him,'" Hollis told *The News-Leader*. "I said, 'What with?', and he leaned back and showed me the knife."

Hollis then went for the pocket knife, which had a 4-inch blade. A fight ensued.

According to witness Dana Hawkins, who was having breakfast at the restaurant with his sister that morning, "I saw there was a struggle in the doorway, and at first I thought it was some high school boys scuffling, and then I saw it was something else," he told the *Herald-Free Press*.

"Leonard was the first one out the door. I could hear Dave saying 'Don't cut me, don't cut me.' By the time I got there, they were all against the inside door and I couldn't open it. He was holding a knife to Leonard's throat and saying, 'I'm going to kill you. I'm going to cut you.'"

"Leonard was saying, 'You just try it, you just try it,'" Hawkins said.

Hawkins managed to open the door enough to get hold of the suspect's sleeve when the suspect — later identified by authorities as Frank Kellogg, 32 — switched the knife to the other hand.

"The next thing I knew, we were in a knife fight," Hawkins said.

"When (Kellogg) said he was going to kill him (Strader), that's when I went for the knife," Hollis told *The News-Leader*. "He had Dave and had the knife right at his ribs."

When Hollis lunged for the knife, Kellogg switched the weapon to his other hand and struck Hollis a glancing blow to the right shoulder with the knife.

"The doctor said it didn't get into the lean part of the meat," Hollis said. "Then I got a cut on the head and I got bit on the back of the neck. That's what made me mad. I didn't have time to think."

Hawkins slammed the door on Kellogg's hand, and Bolivar police were on the scene in minutes, arresting Kellogg about 8:16 a.m.

Police said Kellogg, who was a resident of the Polk Residential Care Center facility about 10 miles north of Bolivar, was charged with two counts of armed criminal action, attempted armed robbery and two counts of assault. He was arraigned that Monday, with a preliminary hearing on the charges held Thursday, Dec. 15.

Kellogg, who had turned 32 on the day of the attempted robbery, is in Polk County Jail on \$100,000 bond.

An out-of-state resident, he had been placed in the residential and mental health care facility last February following a stay at the Nevada State Hospital, according to Jack Baker, chief executive officer of Baker Management, operator of the Polk facility.

Baker said Kellogg had been present for a 5 a.m. bed check but left at breakfast. Center officials had begun a search for him, assuming he was heading toward Bolivar.

Strader and Hollis received minor wounds in the melee. Strader suffered a puncture wound to the wrist. Hollis sustained a shoulder injury requiring 10 stitches, a cut on the forehead, another on his right hand and a bite to the neck — but the bite didn't break the skin, Hollis said.

Hawkins had a few cuts on his hands, but none required treatment.

In a letter to family members in Pampa, Hollis said, "The city of Bolivar have really been good to us — this old Texas boy. They brought us meals, visited — over 100 calls — just everything they could think of to help us."

Hollis is the son of the late Robert and Lillie Hollis, longtime Pampa residents.

Reagan awed by size of his new residence

By W. DALE NELSON
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — After nearly eight years of living upstairs in the White House, President Reagan says he's awed by the 6,500-square-foot home he and his wife, Nancy, will live in after his term ends Jan. 20.

Reagan got his second look at the house Friday when he and the first lady arrived here to begin a two-week California vacation.

"I am awed and I love it," assistant White House Press Secretary Mark Weinberg quoted the president as saying after the first lady took him on a tour of the secluded home in the ritzy Bel Air section of town.

Mrs. Reagan had confided to reporters earlier that she sneaked the president out of his hotel without reporters being told during one of their earlier visits to Los Angeles so Reagan could get a peek at the house.

She had him crouch down in a White House car so he couldn't be seen, she said.

The house stands on 1 1/4 acres of ground, with a swimming pool.

A group of 20 California friends of the Reagans bought it in 1986 with them in mind. The Reagans are leasing the house from the group, called Wall Management.

Before Reagan became president, he and his family lived in Pacific Palisades, in the western part of Los Angeles, in a house that has since been sold.

They have a Spanish style adobe house of five rooms and 1,500 square feet at their ranch in the Santa Ynez mountains about 30 miles north of Santa Barbara.

Reagan has said they plan to make occasional visits to the ranch during his retirement, just as they did while in the White House.

The president and first lady were expected to go out to dinner Saturday night with Charles Z. Wick, the director of the U.S. Information Agency, and his wife.

This is a Christmas eve custom with them, but in recent years the dinner has been in Washington.

The Reagans will have Christmas dinner at their new home Sunday with all of their children and grandchildren except for their estranged daughter, Patti Davis.

They will return to Washington on Jan. 5 after seeing the new year in at the home of publisher Walter Annenberg in Rancho Mirage, Calif., near Palm Springs.

Free holiday dinner



Preparing food for Sunday's free Christmas dinner at the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ are, from left, Kay Hughes, Kent Jones, Donnie Gamble and Linda Carlton. The traditional meal of turkey and dressing, ham and all the trimmings will be served in the Fellowship Hall, 1342 Mary Ellen, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., open to anyone wishing to share in the holiday meal.

(Staff photo by Duane A. Laverty)

FAA posting worldwide alert to tighten security at airports

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration has advised airports worldwide to tighten security because of concern — not yet confirmed by investigators — that a terrorist bomb may have caused the Pan Am crash in Scotland.

FAA Administrator Allan McArtor said Friday the alert was prompted by the crash, the heavy Christmas travel period and "what obviously can be considered a heightening of world tensions" regarding terrorist activities.

The advisory to beef up security applies to both major U.S. airports and airlines and foreign airports served by U.S. carriers, he said.

McArtor, in an interview with reporters, declined to discuss specifically Wednesday's crash of Pan Am Flight 103, in which all 258 people aboard perished.

There has been widespread speculation — and some preliminary indications — that an explosion may have caused the crash, although no clear evidence of terrorist involvement has yet to surface.

Suspicious of sabotage were prompted by the unexplained sudden breakup of the plane, a claim of responsibility and disclosures that the U.S. government had been warned of a plot to bomb a Pan Am flight between Frankfurt and New York in December.

The ill-fated Flight 103 originated in Frankfurt, with a change of planes in London.

McArtor said Pan Am had imposed "a very heightened level of security" at Frankfurt airport after the FAA alerted the airline in early December that an anonymous threat had been received by the U.S. Embassy in Helsinki, Finland, from a caller who said a bomb would be planted aboard a Pan Am flight from Frankfurt.

McArtor said Pan Am's precautions at London's Heathrow Airport, from which Flight 103 had departed 54 minutes before the crash, were still under re-

view. British officials at the airport said they had not been notified about the specific threat.

At Frankfurt, McArtor said, Pan Am briefed gate personnel about the possible threat, kept ground baggage handlers and caterers "under constant surveillance" and checked all luggage by X-ray instead of only at random. All passengers and their bags also were matched prior to boarding, he said.

President Reagan, leaving the White House for a California vacation, mourned the victims of the Pan Am disaster and asked Americans to "say a special prayer" this Christmas for families and friends of those killed in the crash.

"We will know what brought down Pan Am 103," McArtor said, but he cautioned "it could take months."

Group of investors seeking to acquire MBank El Paso

EL PASO (AP) — A published report says a group of El Paso investors, including the city's mayor, has offered to buy MBank El Paso, Dallas-based MCorp's most profitable member bank.

Quoting anonymous sources, *The Dallas Morning News* reported in Saturday's editions that an offer had been made.

Mayor John Rogers told *The News* he was familiar with the purchase proposal, but told *The El Paso Times* he is not involved in the proposal.

"I listened to a presentation. That's all. I'm not involved at this point," Rogers told the *El Paso* paper.

"I've looked at this investment as I will look at any other investment," he said.

Rogers is a former realtor who, by city charter, may not run again when his current term expires next summer.

"Come June, I've got to go back to making a living," Rogers said. MCorp spokesman Dick Bryant told *The News* the company had no comment on the reported purchase offer.

"This is an issue that involves

the ultimate structure of the company and we are not discussing it at this time," Bryant said.

The El Paso bank, boosted by capital from Mexico and a growing border economy, has had a surplus of money that it has sent to other units of MCorp, which has 26 member banks.

During the first nine months of 1987, MCorp recorded an overall \$529 million loss, including a \$517 million third quarter drop.

In October, MCorp asked the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. to help in a recapitalization of the company's loss-plagued banking network.

The investor group involved fewer than 50 El Paso residents, according to the Dallas paper. Aiding the efforts are members of the El Paso bank's founding family who are frustrated that the once-valuable MCorp stock they received when they sold their bank is now worth 50 cents a share.

"There is still that lingering feeling that what El Paso needs is a strong, locally based bank," one source told *The News*.

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42 Scouts earn awards

Forty-two Scouts in the Santa Fe District of the Golden Spread Council, Boy Scouts of America, earned advancement awards during November for meeting a progressive series of requirements in various skills.

"In Scout advancement, each boy proceeds at his own speed," explained Gordon Fore, Santa Fe District advancement and recognition chairman. "His rate of advancement depends on his own goal. He can advance as far as or as fast as his own ambition carries him."

The highest progress award approved this month was for Eagle Scout to Darrell Auwen of Troop 413, chartered by St. Matthew's Episcopal Church of Pampa.

Fore also announced that 58 Scouts earned merit badges during November.

The merit badge plan encourages Scouts to explore many worthwhile fields of interest, to help them find out what kind of hobby and career subjects they like best and those for which they are best suited, he said.

A boy may become a Scout if he has completed the fifth grade and

is at least 10 1/2 years of age or is 11 years of age or older. He then begins on the progress awards.

For example, Fore explained, Tenderfoot progress award requirements include at least two months' service knowing and demonstrating the Scout oath and law, earning Citizenship and one other skill award, and participating in a personal growth agreement conference.

JANUARY SCOUTING CALENDAR

Jan. 3 — Santa Fe District meeting, 7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Pampa.

Jan. 5 — Santa Fe District Round Table, 7:30 p.m., First Christian Church, Pampa.

Jan. 12 — January charters due.

Jan. 14 — Golden Spread Council operating meetings, Amarillo.

Jan. 15 — Organizational meeting, White Deer Methodist Church Explorer Post.

Jan. 18 — Wellington Career Awareness Explorer Post meeting.

Jan. 30 — Santa Fe District commissioner meeting, Pampa Community Services, 7:30 p.m.

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Let Peace Begin With Me

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We believe that freedom is a gift from God and not a political grant from government, and that men have the right to take moral action to preserve their life and property for themselves and others.

Freedom is neither license nor anarchy. It is control and sovereignty of oneself, no more, no less. It is, thus, consistent with the coveting commandment.

Louise Fletcher
Publisher

Larry D. Hollis
Managing Editor

Opinion

Congress requires injection of reality

The modern U.S. Congress has become little more than a den of thieves. The founding fathers conceived of Congress as a place where the Republic's preeminent gentlemen, representing the American people, could come together for a few weeks a year to deliberate on the great issues facing the nation. But today Congress sits in session almost year-round. With few exceptions its members are as far from gentlemen as one can get. And the American people are only marginally represented.

Recent reforms have only made matters worse. The post-Watergate "reforms" of the 1970s, such as limits on campaign contributions, only locked in the re-election of incumbents by handcuffing potential challengers.

Now another "reform" is being proposed by the Commission on Executive, Legislative, and Judicial Salaries. Its report recommends laws to prohibit congressmen from accepting speaking fees and other honoraria and that congressional salaries be boosted from \$89,500 to \$135,000. Of course, the taxpayers will again pick up the tab for this latest attempt to advance clean government. The bill for the salary increases for our 535 servants comes to \$24,342,500. Actually, pursuing honoraria is the closest these alleged deficit-cutters come to measuring their worth by hustling a living in the marketplace. And at least the honoraria come from private sources.

The real problem is not honoraria from special interests, but that Congress today is little more than a distributor of pork. Congress's main activity is to funnel your tax dollars to projects in the home district.

Real reform would truly re-form Congress to the founding fathers' intentions. Such reforms:

- Limit representatives to five terms (10 years) and senators to two (12 years). This would break the lock incumbents have on their jobs.
- Limit congressional sessions to two months per year, except if the president calls an emergency session. This would curtail the mischief congressmen can impose on the American people.
- Limit congressional pay to travel expenses and staff costs. Staffs would also be sharply reduced from their current bloated level. This would force congressmen to keep real jobs among the people, and so know what life is like outside the Capitol Beltway.

Mostly, Congress needs a strong injection of reality. Anything else, including a \$24,342,500 taxpayer-supplied pay boost, just perpetuates the problem.

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"READ MY LIPS — MERRY CHRISTMAS!"

'Never Again' has hollow ring

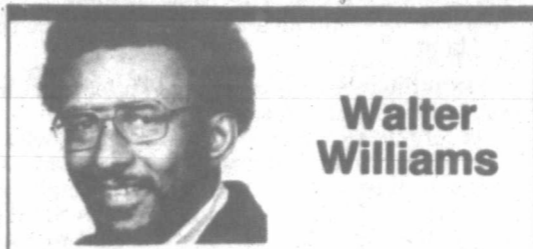
Might there not be disgust and disappointment roused by the many people who make pious observations about the horrors of Nazi genocide, and intone the words, "Never Again"?

Let's look at it. In Burundi this summer, the Tutsis led another slaughter rampage of the Hutu. The Tutsi-controlled Burundi government admits the death of 5,000 Hutus. Other sources estimate a number nearer to 40,000. This carnage, which included decapitation and dismemberment, is just the latest episode; in 1972, at least 100,000 Hutu were slaughtered.

Burundi is a mere microcosm of the entire African continent since independence. We've witnessed similar events in Chad, Uganda, the Sudan, Zimbabwe, and other states. It is probably no exaggeration to say that since independence came to the continent 5 million Africans have lost their lives in racial, ethnic and religious conflict.

While this slaughter has been taking place, and it continues at this very moment, where are the people who showed up to demonstrate in front of the South African Embassy every night? Where are the network news hounds who flooded our television screens with the goings on in South Africa? Where are the college students who protest against South Africa's human rights violations? And what did Jesse Jackson say?

One of the ironies of the African tragedy is, in terms of official slaughter of its own people and



Walter Williams

other human rights abuses, the South African government has the cleanest hands on the continent, yet the West singles her out as the pariah nation.

"Never Again" also has a hollow ring in Southeast Asia. There are estimates that as high as 2 million lives have been lost in ethnic carnage since the U.S. troop pullout from Vietnam, a number that far exceeds the war casualties. Where were the Vietnam War protesters, or those news cameramen who flooded our televisions with the gruesome events of the war?

The Never Again slogan has an even more hollow ring and is steeped in greater hypocrisy when one considers the political ideology and actions of its adherents. Jews are the originators of the slogan as a remembrance and protest against Nazi genocide. By their actions in Israel, there is little evidence that even Jews have a true appreciation for the Holocaust.

For those who don't know it, the word Nazi is an acronym for National Socialist Workers' Party. The true misfortune is: We have not learned the lessons of Nazism. Too many people see Hitler's rise as a character defect of the German people or a struggle against socialist or communist trends.

The fact is: Germans have always been people of good will. Men like Goethe and von Humboldt served as an inspiration for the liberal ideas that took hold in England. Germans who migrated to America won a reputation for getting along best with Indians, were the first abolitionists and helped build the Underground Railroad to assist escaping slaves.

The rise of Nazism was not a reaction against socialism but a necessary outcome of the effort to "perfect" socialism. This is why events in Russia, China, Africa and Southeast Asia are so similar to those during Hitler's reign.

Nobel Laureate Friedrich A. Hayek's book, *The Road to Serfdom*, cogently shows it was Germany's idea of creating a Utopia, leading to the massive consolidation of power in the hands of the central government, which made Hitler's rise possible.

In order to make Never Again a meaningful slogan, government power must always be weak relative to the people and that's a prescription that not even the Israelis can stomach. Sadly enough we will witness human rights horrors again, again, and again.

Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Sunday, Dec. 25, the 360th day of 1988. There are six days left in the year. This is Christmas Day.

Today's highlight in history:
In 1818, the Christmas carol "Silent Night," by Franz Joseph Gruber and Joseph Mohr, was sung for the first time, at the Church of St. Nikolaus in Oberndorf, Austria.

On this date:
In A.D. 336, the first recorded celebration of Christmas on Dec. 25 took place in Rome.

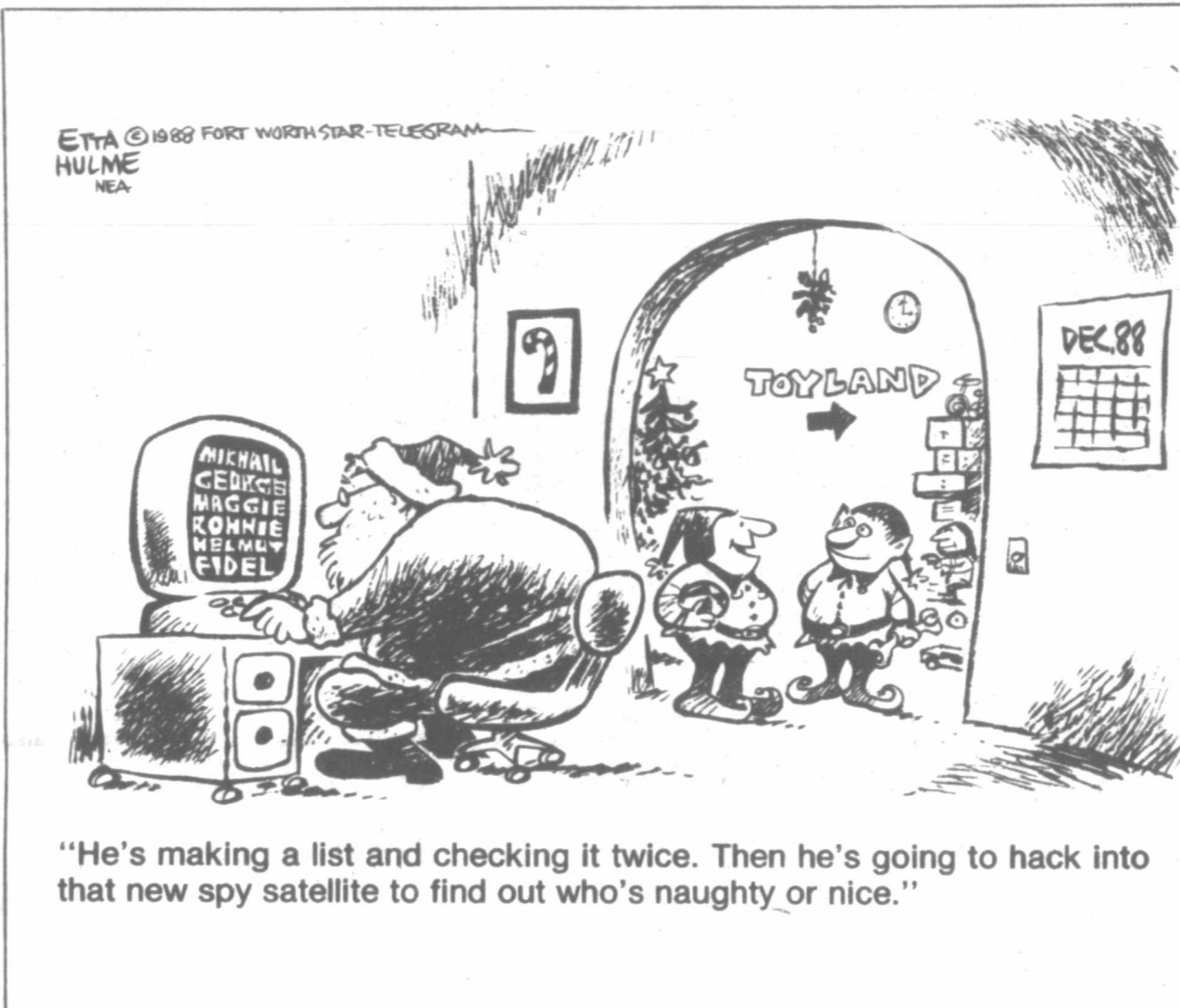
In 1066, William the Conqueror was crowned king of England.

In 1223, St. Francis of Assisi assembled one of the first, if not the first, Nativity scenes, in Greccio, Italy.

In 1776, Gen. George Washington and his troops crossed the Delaware River for a surprise attack against Hessian forces camped at Trenton, N.J. (The crossing is depicted in the famous painting by Emanuel Leutze.)

In 1821, the founder of the American Red Cross, Clara Barton, was born in Oxford, Mass.

In 1868, despite bitter opposition, President Andrew Johnson granted an unconditional pardon to all persons involved in the Southern rebellion that resulted in the Civil War.



"He's making a list and checking it twice. Then he's going to hack into that new spy satellite to find out who's naughty or nice."

So there was this young girl

So there was this girl. I was 14 and in love with her. I sat behind her in one of my classes and she used to wear those pretty sun dresses and I'd just stare at her back.

I had known her since the sixth grade. She was gangly and awkward back then. She seemed to list a bit to starboard when she walked, and I used to think her mother dressed her funny.

But she changed. It was an incredible metamorphosis, I remember thinking. Well, maybe I didn't know the term "metamorphosis" back then, but one day she seemed put together without much thought, and the next, every part of her went nicely with the others.

Somebody had gotten to her before I made my own move. He was bigger than me. He was a better athlete.

He was already shaving every day, and I was still a twice-a-week man. He had a friend who had a driver's license, and he could take the girl on double-dates to the drive-in.

I had no access to wheels that my mother didn't drive. There is no shame like having your mother drive you and your date to the theater and then pick you up afterwards.

I had all but abandoned hope, but then I heard



Lewis Grizzard

Roy Orbison sing that song, "Oh, Pretty Woman."

It was about a guy who saw a lady and fell for her.

But he had no chance. "Pretty woman, walk on by..."

I know how you feel, friend. "But what's this I see..." he sang on. "Is she walkin' back to me?"

I might have given up if Roy Orbison hadn't sung that song. Roy Orbison certainly was no day at the beach to look at—and I wasn't either—but in song, the pretty woman chose him.

I hung in there. There was a church function one Saturday night, and the girl was there without her boyfriend.

I'm still not certain how it all came to pass, but we wound up on a hay wagon together. (There used to be things called "hayrides" back in another century. It was pretty exciting stuff in those days.)

I'm not sure if I kissed her first or if she kissed me. But I won't forget that kiss, ever.

Ten years later we said goodbye, but it had been a fine ten years, full of more good times than bad, and if we hadn't rushed things, it might have lasted.

When the radio station I listen to began playing Roy Orbison songs after he died the other day, I heard "Pretty Woman" again and again, and each time, some old feelings came around and I even went back over some old regrets.

To leave something like music that stirs an emotion or makes a memory, certainly isn't immortality, but it's about as close as we can come.

Roy Orbison was 52. That's not nearly as old as it used to be.

These are anti-communist's last words?

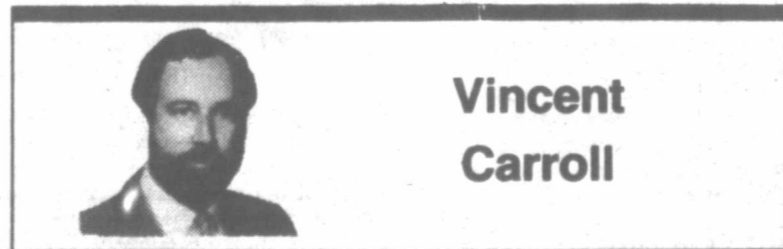
Mikhail Gorbachev has admitted that Leninism is a lousy system, so now the media — seeking balance where none exists — wants a confession from Ronald Reagan, too. They want him to admit he has changed along with the Soviets.

Watching the president's final press conference, you could almost predict the moment when he'd be asked, once again, to confront his past. Right on schedule, a network reporter did the honors:

"Mr. President, this is your final news conference with us, we think, and at your first news conference you said that the Soviets would commit any crime, would lie, would cheat, would steal to achieve their political goals. ... What have you learned in these eight years that may have changed your view of the Soviet system?"

Unfortunately, Reagan's gentle, defensive reply hardly did him justice. Here is how he should have responded to the incomprehending disdain with which his critics continue to view his career of anti-communism:

"You still don't get it, do you? For whatever failure of education or ex-



Vincent Carroll

perience, you and many of your colleagues still don't appreciate the stakes involved in this century's overriding political contest.

You consider anti-communists like me embarrassing throwbacks, associated with the disreputable likes of Joe McCarthy or tin-horn autocrats in Third World capitals. You probably blame us for the Vietnam War, too.

What's more, our historic crusade now appears much less urgent, perhaps even quaint in retrospect, given the possible winding down of the Cold War and the ascendancy of Western political and economic institutions. Who but a fool could advocate socialism in Europe today when the West Germans are twice as wealthy as their East German cousins and even

farther ahead of the rest of the Soviet bloc?

What serious person could pine for socialism anywhere else, for that matter, given the stunning success of capitalism on the Pacific Rim and the stagnant plight of centralized economies around the globe?

From Tanzania to Peru, experiments in collectivized agriculture have run aground. From Moscow to Peking, respect for markets and political freedom has infiltrated the ruling cliques.

History's verdict is at hand: Democratic capitalism will set the model for the 21st century.

Yet nothing about that verdict was inevitable. Totalitarian dictatorships once seemed a genuine alternative for

national development, a notion reinforced by the Great Depression. By the late 1930s, regimes such as the Soviet Union and Nazi Germany appeared among the most vigorous in the world.

"Do I really have to tell you what those nations stood for, or recount how many lives they annihilated through deliberate policies of state? Am I honestly supposed to regret having described one of them, the only empire to survive World War II, as evil?"

"The Cold War has been the deadly serious clash between two great powers of radically different ideology and social organization. No such clash can remain in equilibrium forever. At stake, in short, has been nothing less than the survival of liberal democracy, with our belief in individual rights, private property, and the rule of law."

"Nothing I have learned about the Soviets in the past eight years indicates my judgment of their system was wrong. It is they, instead, who seem to have changed their opinion of us. And so I welcome them to the civilized world, if indeed that is their destination."

"Next question, please."

Letters to the Editor

Rural hospitals are in battle to survive

To the editor:

At this time it is very important for the citizens of the Gray County area to be informed that all rural hospitals are in a battle to survive.

Any cuts in Medicare benefits could severely jeopardize rural health care. How sad it would be to see our medical care centralized in only the large metropolitan areas.

Support your local hospital and the Medicare benefits of the elderly by supporting the "Project Medicare" resolution. \$35 billion has already been cut out of our hospital payments. Contact Congressman Sarpalius and ask if he can co-sponsor this resolution.

Suzie Wilkinson
State Board of Vocational Nurses

Thanks for donating those aluminum cans

To the editor:

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to the citizens of Pampa who have generously been donating aluminum cans to the Girl Scouts to assist with the expense of the restoration of The Battleship Texas.

Up to this point, we have turned in 150 lbs. of aluminum cans—that's a lot of cans! We are very proud to be able to make such a considerable donation to this statewide project.

Your support of this project, as well as the support of our other activities and projects, is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
Pampa Girl Scouts

Inez Clubb needs to be remembered

To the editor:

Recently Inez Clubb died. As a person who taught with her for many years, it seemed to me something more needed to be said except a few lines in the Obituary Column.

She taught here for nearly 30 years, and was one of the most dedicated and conscientious of teachers. There are some that thought she was

too strict, but students learned under her and all respected her. She was truly relentless in her effort to teach history in a meaningful way, and many students through the years are the better for having had her in class.

We need more like her who are willing to devote themselves completely to their profession. She was a special kind of teacher.

Margaret Hopkins
Pampa

There's still caring service in Pampa

To the editor:

This is a letter to let everyone know that there are still heroes and heroines alive and well in Pampa and that the "old fashioned" value of caring for your neighbor still exists.

On Nov. 22, my wife Bessie had a stroke shopping at Safeway. The employees discreetly assisted her to the office and notified me. In haste I left our home without locking the door.

In the process of phoning my eldest daughter, Rita, in Amarillo, the telephone line was disconnected. In an attempt to re-establish connection, my daughter called our home and the hospital several times. Since we were in interim at the hospital, my wife's name was not yet in the computer. Fearing her mother had collapsed and was at home alone, my daughter phoned the Police Department.

Sergeant Lance and Patrolman Munoz went promptly to investigate. Since no one answered the doorbell and finding the door unlocked, they entered and searched for my wife. Not finding her, they secured the locks and phoned the hospital. Since my wife's name was still not listed, they continued to receive a negative answer.

In their concern for her safety, they proceeded to the hospital. There they found my wife safe in her room.

In addition to securing our home and determining my wife's safety, they contacted Rita and let her know what the situation was.

Thank you, Safeway employees, for your efficiency and kindness. Thank you, Pampa Police Department, for always being on the job.

Eugene Franklin
Pampa

But they won't miss Bob Hart

To the editor:

As we said it would be in our Letter to the

Editor of 8-31-88, as soon as Bob Hart got us higher taxes and in the red, he then would move on to try to play Good Father to someone else.

He may brag how many employees he has gotten rid of, then in one article of 8-24-88 he is crying because we lost one employee to IRI that paid \$2 more per hour. Now can this man who has taken employees' jobs, raised our taxes, got his self an assistant with more salary than several of our good employees gone, cut off water to people, when in an article of 8-26-88, Bob Hart says, "have to seriously look at changing city water rates" cause we are now facing a \$200,000 deficit because of a wet summer. Boy, yes, we would say he does talk out of two sides of his mouth.

Yes, we do have a file on Mr. Hart and, yes, even though he leaves, these questions will be one day answered. And no. He will NOT be missed by us! Some of our trouble will be gone, but a whole town is faced with PAYING for the ladder he wanted to help his career, and we do hope, every time you pay that tax increase, Pampa citizens, you think of Mr. Hart.

Citizens Watching

Hart has given much to Pampa

To the editor:

I was prompted to write this letter after reading Bear Mills' column in his open letter to Santa Claus. He stated he would not wish on his enemies what our public officials have gone thru. I agree. If what is printed by nameless individuals in the paper was said over the phone, they would be turned over to the police for harassment.

With the recent events transpiring concerning the resignation of Bob Hart, I think it's time for a "Thank you" to Bob Hart for the four years that he has "GIVEN" to the city of Pampa. I find it incredible the accomplishments that this man has done in the short time he has been here. Shall I name a few:

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3. TEXCEL
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5. Park equipment for parks
6. New bridges for Central Park
7. Main Street project
8. Spearheading the fight to keep the Post Office downtown

9. Upgrading softball fields
10. Starting implementation of new park and rodeo grounds
11. Taking over the job of the public golf course and getting it built
12. Repairing and upgrading City Hall and some streets
13. An excellent return to full service thru the Celanese explosion, two blizzards, and one tornado
14. Clarendon College upgrading
15. The best relations in years between city and county entities
16. Driveway pipes were put back (what started it all)
17. Improved city employees' retirement
18. Cross training for the Fire Department
19. Installing handicap access thruout downtown
20. Implementing citizen leadership - Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Board of Adjustments, Main Street Board, M.K. Brown Auditorium Advisory Board
21. Streamlining the organization of the Police Department
22. Privatizing the operations at the Water Treatment Plant and Waste Water Plant
23. Police accreditation
24. Environmental Protection Agency is using Pampa as an example
25. Three outstanding budget awards from Government Finance Officer Organization and thru it all, the budget has not increased.

Like Bob or not, the thing you can say about him is that he's a doer. We've needed a doer in that office for a good while. The status quo was not good enough for Bob. He saw a problem and solved it. What I like most about his was he "foresaw" a problem and remedied the situation before it became a big problem.

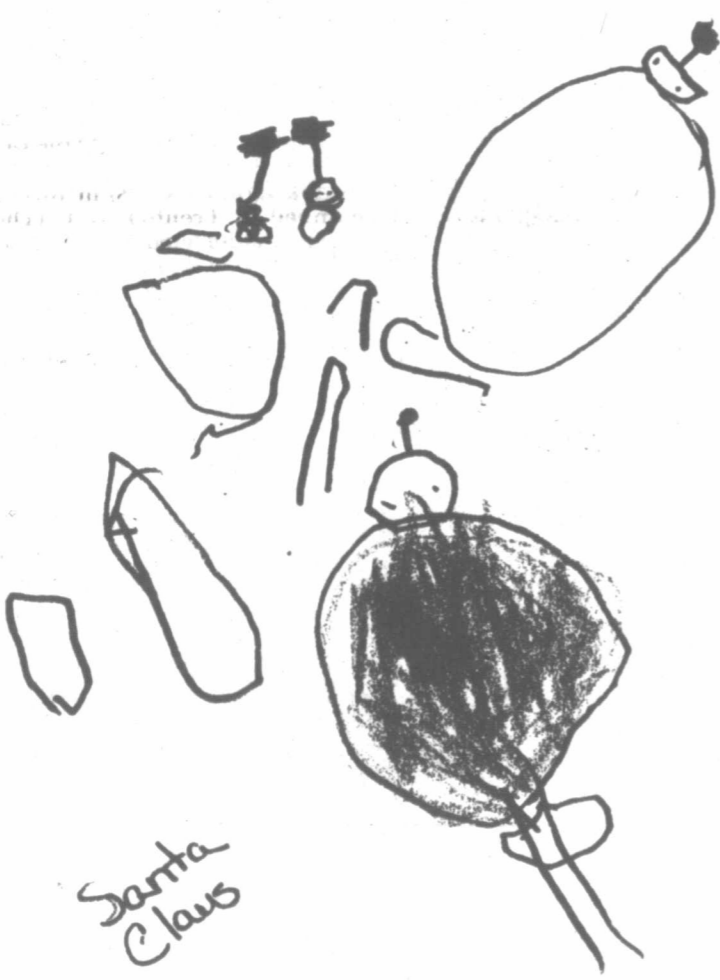
I must also mention his personal contributions to his church and other service organizations.

When you are a doer, you step on some toes. What puts a bad taste in my mouth is the spineless (and nameless) criticisms he has received.

In closing, during this Holiday Season, when we give and receive gifts and reflect on the past year in what we've done and what we are thankful for, let's remember what Bob Hart has done to turn this town around.

Merry Christmas,
Mike Fraser
Pampa

Letters to Santa



Santa Claus

car, and some new clothes. She will write. He doesn't think he's going to get any toys from you this year because he thinks he has been bad. He is scared to write this letter. He especially wants Power Master Optimus-prime, (my parents cannot find it in the stores). He also wants some Gi-Joe's and other things. I'm sure you know what else he wants because your Santa Claus. My brother is only five. Well, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Love,
Jon Lambright
Stacey Lambright

Dear Santa,
My name is Michael I am a very good boy. This is a list of the things I would like for Christmas:

- walkie-talkies
 - a Santa Suit
 - color racers
 - 4 McDonald gift certificate
 - and a ball for my dog Sandy
 - and one for me.
- I will leave cookies, milk and a little gift for you.

Love,
Michael Cornelison

Dear Santa,
I had to write this letter for

my brother because he can't write. He doesn't think he's going to get any toys from you this year because he thinks he has been bad. He is scared to write this letter. He especially wants Power Master Optimus-prime, (my parents cannot find it in the stores). He also wants some Gi-Joe's and other things. I'm sure you know what else he wants because your Santa Claus. My brother is only five. Well, we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Love,
Sandra Wright
and Adam Wright

Dear Santa Claus,
Bring my doll a chair like mine, a phone for me, a bracelet to go on my wrist, and some jingle bells and a chair

for my dog. Bring my grandmother a chair.

Love,
Holly

Dear Santa,
I would like a new bicycle, also I would like a stereo, the new Beach Boys, Poison, and Bon Jovi tapes. And I would love a Red Nosed Reindeer doll. Could I also have a Miss Makeup doll & a Cricket (that works). And a new baby brother & sister (twins). A new Nintendo and Six games, Mario 2, Adventures of lin., Simons Quest, Rambo 3, Bubble Bobble, Boyou Billy

Love ya, Cassi Scott
Age 6
P.S. My brother wrote this for me.

Dear Santa Claus,
I want a race car. Leroy wants a bike. Angel wants a T.V. We've really been good.

Love,
Robert

Dear Santa,
I want a sword toy, a toy gun, a toy knife. I want a big foot truck. Bring clothes for my mom. I've been a good boy.

Love,
Ruben

Dear Santa Claus,
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Love,
Sandra Wright

P.S. I am 10 and in fourth grade. Do you think you could leave a letter in my stocking?

Dear Santa,
My name is Jon Wayne Lambright. I have really been trying to be good, but it sure is hard. For Christmas I would like an Optimus Prime, a Remote Control Car, some new corduroy pants, and new boots.

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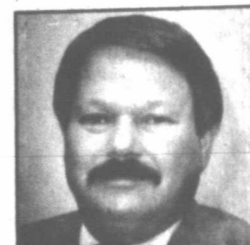
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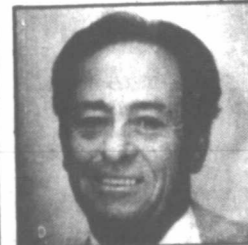
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FROM THE STAFF AT
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Small firm challenges pharmaceutical giant

By SCOTT ROTHSCHILD
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — In a modern, industrial part of town dominated by high-tech and health care businesses, a small pharmaceutical company is waging a quiet war against one of the largest drug firms in the nation. Lexis Pharmaceuticals Inc., is selling a generic version of Johnson & Johnson's popular oral contraceptive, Ortho-Novum 1-35. John D. Bryer, head of Lexis, acknowledges an uphill fight against brand loyalty on the part of women and their doctors, but he said he and his colleagues "are not afraid to rattle the cages." Lexis' N.E.E. 1-35 is chemically identical to Ortho-Novum 1-35, but costs about half as much, Bryer said. The Austin-based company is sweetening its offer with a \$20 rebate after one year's use. Lexis hopes women will use the rebate for a Pap smear or other gynecological exam. Lexis has also thrown into the marketing gamble a frankly worded booklet directed at younger women about oral contraception, entitled *Pssst!!!* and Bryer is trying, although it appears unsuccessfully, to market the pro-

duct on the national television networks. Competitors are taking note. Rich Salem, a spokesman for Ortho-Novum, which introduced the first birth control pill in the 1960s, said, "We take no competition lightly, whether it's John Bryer, or someone else." Patent protection on the ingredients in Ortho-Novum 1-35 expired several years ago. Bryer has a giant-killer reputation in the industry. He headed the U.S. operations of Boots Co. of Great Britain from 1972 to 1984. While there, he used rebates and advertising to capture sales from Upjohn Co. on the prescription drug Motrin. After that, Bryer reorganized several pharmaceutical labs before arriving in Austin to take charge of a local pharmaceutical company, formerly named Metro Med, that was making iron capsules, high-potency vitamins and decongestants. In his latest fight, Bryer said the major tactic is to shatter the "aura of mystique" surrounding birth control pills. The battleground is in doctor's offices across the nation. The prize is a share in the \$800 million oral contraceptives market.

Johnson & Johnson, based in New Brunswick, N.J., has about 42 percent of that market with its Ortho-Novum 1-35 generating \$180 million in sales annually. "Doctors know that if they prescribe Ortho-Novum 1-35, it's going to work. They also know deep down that if they write N.E.E. 1-35 it's going to work, too," Bryer said. "But the difference is once they've put a woman on Ortho-Novum, they really enslave that woman to whatever price increase comes along," he said. Price is the primary selling point of N.E.E. 1-35, which costs about \$7 or \$8 compared with Ortho-Novum's price of about \$15 or \$16 for one month's packet of pills. "Doctors today are competing for patients. They live in the real world. Their patients live in the real world. You cannot just ignore the financial aspects of what you're doing," Bryer said. Lexis hopes to capture about 30 percent of the total market within four years, both with its N.E.E. 1-35, which is manufactured by Schering Canada, Inc., and other products it hopes to bring on line. The biggest problem now is getting the company's foot in the

door, Bryer said. Despite attempts, a nationwide television advertising campaign appears to be out of the picture, since all three networks prohibit oral contraceptive ads. So Lexis has been trying to deal with obstetrics and gynecologists, either through mailings or personal contacts. Based on findings with focus groups, Bryer said many women have a "stressful" relationship with their gynecologist, so Lexis sales representatives seek out the doctor's nurse. "The doctor is the one who knows best. But is there any reason why a woman should not be informed? She has the right to ask the right questions," Bryer said. Dr. Marion Stahl, an Austin obstetric-gynecologist, supports Lexis' product. He has prescribed N.E.E. 1-35 to 410 of his patients; about five have asked to be switched back to their previous prescription. "They are very satisfied with it," Stahl said of his patients. "It represents a tremendous financial savings." Bryer said he expects an all-out effort by Johnson & Johnson to protect its place in the market.

Arafat meets with Pope to express peace hopes

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope John Paul II met PLO leader Yasser Arafat Friday for 20 minutes and expressed hope the Israelis and Palestinians would soon begin negotiations leading to peace in the Middle East, the Vatican said. It was the second audience between the pope and the Palestine Liberation Organization chairman in six years. The Vatican said in a statement after the meeting, "The pope expressed his hope that both peoples (Israelis and Palestinians) would soon see the beginning of a real process of understanding and of peace, which would put an end finally to their suffering and their fears." "The holy father reiterated that he was profoundly convinced that the two peoples had an identical fundamental right to their own homelands in which they could live in liberty, dignity and security, in harmony with the neighboring peoples." The statement added that the pope said "only a concrete effort and a sincere willing-


ness to understand each other would produce progress on the road toward peace and justice." Vatican spokesman Joaquin Navarro said Arafat filled in the pope on the latest developments in the Middle East. However, he declined to provide specifics. Arafat spoke in Arabic during the 20-minute session in the pope's library and was accompanied by Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the PLO's political department and three other PLO representatives. Reporters were not admitted. Israel and Jewish groups were angered by the pope's agreement to meet with Arafat in 1982. In an account of the meeting, held in a small room of the Paul VI Auditorium, the Vatican said the pope called for a Palestinian homeland, respect for Israel's security and an end to terrorism. John Paul has spoken out several times this year on the plight of the Palestinians, who have staged a violent uprising for one year in Israel's occupied territories.

Don't throw trees away — recycle them

COLLEGE STATION — Christmas tree recycling projects in at least three Texas cities this season will allow citizens to dispose of trees after the holidays and provide environmental improvement. Dr. Michael J. Walterscheid, forester with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, said the trees are chipped and used in landscaping projects at local parks throughout the year. "The project saves a tremendous amount of landfill space," Walterscheid said. He said the first Texas project originated in Austin, and successful efforts there encouraged San Antonio and Bryan/College Station to launch programs also. Eric Ploeger, forester with the College Station Parks and Recreation Department, said the Bryan/College Station project is sponsored by a group of local organizations. "The 4-H Equestrian Club will do most of the volunteer work at the two collection sites," he said. "4-H members will collect

trees and make sure that no ornaments are left that might damage shredder equipment." Ploeger said Blume Tree Service is donating work crews and equipment to shred trees. "There is an eight-to-one ratio on the amount of space saved by recycling Christmas trees," Ploeger said. "One regular tree occupies the same amount of landfill space that eight of the shredded trees used for landscaping would occupy." About 10,000 trees were collected in San Antonio last year, said Mark Peterson, forester with the Texas Forest Service. "The response to the project was tremendous and we received many more trees than expected," Peterson said. "The project was a family-oriented activity. Kids brought trees in on little red wagons, and some went around neighborhoods and gathered trees to bring in," he said. San Antonio will expand the number of collection sites to accommodate the expected in-

crease in trees this year, Peterson said. He said that civic organizations selling Christmas trees are planning to get involved in the project by donating remaining trees and also by sponsoring neighborhood pick-up crews to collect around town. "A primary goal of the San Antonio recycling project was to encourage people to participate in an environment awareness program," Peterson said. The shredded trees went to city parks for use in soil stabilization and as mulch for flowerbeds, he said. Walterscheid said the cities of Bryan and College Station donated oak tree seedlings for everyone bringing in trees. The seedlings will serve as a beautification project for the area, he said. "We're hoping that this project will catch on nationwide because it would save considerable landfill space, as well as giving people a place to dispose of trees," Walterscheid said.



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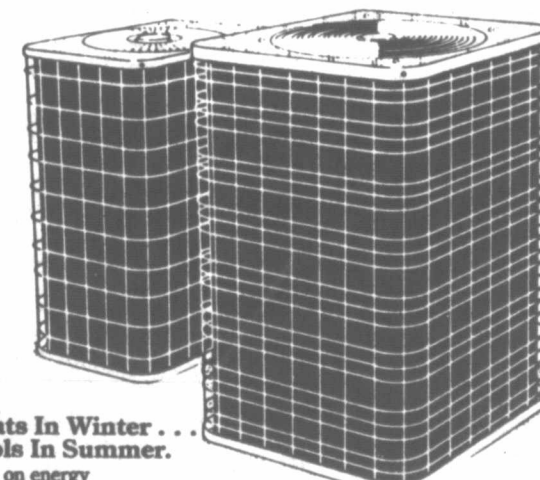
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Thanks,
Love Ya,
Kevin Kidd
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tents at \$1,177.50, only 8 cents off the actual retail value of \$1,177.58. The Gift Mobile is an annual Christmas holiday promotion for the radio station and its advertisers.

(Staff photo by Duane A. Lavery)

Crews end search for survivors to focus on earthquake's clean-up

By JOHN-THOR DAHLBURG
Associated Press Writer

LENINAKAN, U.S.S.R. (AP)—The search for survivors of the Armenian earthquake is over, and crews will now focus solely on clearing away tons of concrete and debris so rebuilding can begin, a government official said.

No one has been found alive in the mountains of bricks, splintered wood and steel since Thursday, when workers pulled a woman from what used to be a building in Leninakan. She later died.

"We did everything to sift the ruins to save the lives of whomever might be under them. At this time, we know that no one can be alive," Vardkes Artsruny, a deputy prime minister of Armenia, said in an interview Friday.

"The gigantic problem now is the cleanup," he said, speaking in makeshift offices previously used as a children's center.

Lights in the two-story relief headquarters sputtered as he spoke because of the varying levels of power provided by portable generators. During a blackout Friday, he met with agricultural officials by candlelight.

Fields around Leninakan, whose shoddy buildings collapsed when the earth shook Dec. 7, are filled with debris. Twisted wire and remains of stairs protrude from piles of formless rubble trucked from the Armenian republic's second-largest city.

Rescuers said a 16-year-old boy was found alive Monday, 12 days after the quake, in the remains of a nine-story building. A bed apparently shielded him from tons of concrete raining down.

One of the boy's arms was broken. He asked rescuers to bandage his eyes so he wouldn't be blinded when exposed to light after so many days.

Leninakan, on a mountain plateau near the Turkish border, had a population of 280,000 before the quake. About 18,000 people were found in the ruins, 8,000 of whom survived.

Survivors taking part in the rescue, aided by 20,000 workers from elsewhere in the Soviet Union and 15,000 soldiers, live in heated tents sent from the Russian republic and in yurts, shepherds' tents sent by Kazakhs and Mongols.

Workers have nearly completed disinfecting and burying

about 80,000 carcasses of cattle, sheep and pigs killed in villages, the official news agency Tass reported.

In a dispatch Saturday, Tass estimated agricultural damage to Armenia at about \$3.2 billion. Of 342 populated areas in the quake zone, 58 were destroyed, Tass said.

Government officials have said Leninakan, Spitak and the dozens of other cities and towns of northwestern Armenia destroyed by the quake will be rebuilt in two years, but Artsruny said it may take longer.

Izvestia, the government newspaper, said Friday authorities had not decided whether to re-

build Leninakan and Spitak on the same sites or move them to nearby spots less susceptible to earthquakes.

The quake has brought world figures to Armenia as well as rescuers.

President-elect George Bush's son and grandson are scheduled to visit Armenia on Christmas Day to help distribute American aid. Jeb Bush, 35, a Miami real estate developer, and his 12-year-old son, George, will spend about six hours in Yerevan, according to Bush's office in Washington.

Most Armenians are devout Christians, but like other members of Eastern churches, will celebrate Christmas on Jan. 6.

Six die in Mexico prison riot

TEPIC, Mexico (AP)—An uprising by inmates denied Christmas pardons for good behavior was crushed by police commandos, but at least six people, including the prison warden, died in gunfights between police and prisoners, officials said today.

The incident began Thursday afternoon at the Venustiano Carranza penitentiary in Nayarit state, when about six inmates took 12 to 14 prison employees hostage.

It ended at about 11 p.m. Friday when two commando teams stormed the prison.

In between, there were two shootouts and a failed attempt by police to put down the rebellion. The fate of all the hostages was still unclear early Saturday.

Francisco Flores, a state government spokesman, said in addition to the six people confirmed dead, as many as eight others, including some hostages, may have been killed in the uprising at Tepic, 500 miles northwest of Mexico City.

The chain of events began when about six inmates who had sought appointments with the warden arrived at his prison office Thursday, Flores said. At the same time, two well-dressed visitors posing as lawyers approached the building, according to the spokesman.

The men posing as attorneys entered the prison without being searched, then took out guns, Flores said.

It was not immediately clear who started the shooting, which Flores said ended in three deaths.

The dead included warden Samuel Alvarado, 31, who died to death from a leg wound; a security guard and an inmate—the brother of the apparent leader of the assault—officials said.

Four other prisoners and prison workers were wounded.

The prisoners, angry that they were denied Christmas pardons, seized hostages, and Flores said about 200 soldiers, police and guards surrounded the penitentiary.

As dusk fell Friday, Mexico City's Zorro and Escorpion commando teams sprayed tear gas and rushed the prison, causing what Flores called a "very violent confrontation."

The ensuing violence left three more people dead, including the head of the Zorro commando team, he said. The other two dead were believed to be inmates, Flores said.

Four others were wounded, including two prisoners who were hospitalized with minor gunshot wounds.

Three hours later, the commandos staged a second raid, this time freeing many of the hostages, he said. It was not clear if any people were still held hostage.

"The mutineers demanded that the attorney general provide an armored car and high-powered firearms with the apparent intention of leaving the place. But this morning (Friday) they said they did not want the vehicle," Flores said.

Pentagon: Espionage damage may be limited

WASHINGTON (AP)—The damage to national security caused by a soldier accused of spying for the Warsaw Pact might not be as severe as originally feared, Pentagon officials say.

The officials, who insisted on anonymity, said that continuing interrogation of Warrant Officer James William Hall III "suggests he might have been selective in the documents he passed."

"When all is said and done, it doesn't look too bad," said one official.

"It's not great, but it's not a crisis, either," said another.

"The counter-intelligence people are wringing him out now," said one source. "He's still cooperating, singing."

Hall, 30, of New York City, was arrested Wednesday at his home near Fort Stewart, Ga., by Army intelligence agents after a successful Army-FBI sting operation.

Lt. Col. John Chapla, an Army spokesman, said Hall was moved Thursday from Fort Stewart to a prison cell at Fort Meade, Md., outside Washington, D.C.

According to affidavits filed in federal court in Savannah, Ga., where Fort Stewart is located, Hall bragged to an unidentified FBI agent "that he had been passing highly sensitive signal intelligence documents to both the Soviets and the East German intelligence services since late 1982."

"Hall boasted of the important signal intelligence information he had passed, and admitted his motivation to be greed," the document said. It did not give details on the information.

Hall allegedly passed the information through a Turkish-born, naturalized citizen named Huseyin Yildirim. Yildirim also was arrested Wednesday at his home in Belleair Beach, Fla., near St. Petersburg.

He had been scheduled to appear at a bond hearing Thursday but the proceeding was postponed until Tuesday because Yildirim's attorney had a scheduling conflict.

Chapla said Hall was moved to "facilitate security," noting the base at Fort Meade has "secure facilities" that can be used for courts-martial that involve the presentation of classified material as evidence.

Fort Meade also is the site of the National Security Agency, the supersecret spy agency that conducts electronic surveillance around the world. Hall worked in the field of electronic surveillance for the Army and, indirectly, the NSA.

The spokesman declined to say whether NSA specialists were sitting in on the interrogation of Hall.

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Business

ANR Pipeline employees honored for safety



A Safety Recognition Dinner was held last month at the Pampa Country Club to honor the ANR Pipeline Employees of Miami for five years and 100,000 man hours without a lost-time accident. Plaques commemorating this achievement were presented to the crew at the Nov. 10 dinner from ANR Pipeline and the Southern Gas Association by Mike Williams, director of H.I.O.S. and Gathering, ANR Pipeline Company, Detroit, Mich. Honored employees attending were (top photo, from left) Superintendent Lloyd Neel, Foreman Bobby Herman, Dennis Anderson, Murl Bengel, Bob Shelton, Sue Trimble, Gary Francis, Joe Purviance and Jim Jean. Invited guests attending were (bottom photo from left) Tom Schriener, area manager, and wife Terry of Dodge City, Kan.; Mike Williams, director of H.I.O.S. and Gathering, Detroit; Sue Stimpson, Employee Relations representative, Detroit; Jim Gilman, operations manager, and wife Edna, Dodge City; and Gary Goad, area office administrator, Dodge City.



Edward D. Jones reports \$1 billion in Passport fund

ST. LOUIS, Mo. — Roger David, who represents the St. Louis-based brokerage firm Edward D. Jones & Co. in Pampa, announced the firm's Daily Passport Cash Trust exceeded \$1 billion in balances.

"Passport provides my clients competitive yields that can be used for everyday or as a holding piece for their money in between investments," David said. "I'm proud to have the opportunity to offer this financial service to my clients."

Passport, also known as the firm's Money Market Fund, has grown in popularity because of its flexibility and convenience for instant availability of funds.

Also popular is the flexibility it offers through a variety of optional features such as check-

writing, direct deposit and a VISA debit card, David said.

The number of investors in Passport has increased dramatically since it was introduced in January 1980, growing from 7,000 investors to more than 160,000 in 1988.

"Even though we have attained \$1 billion in investments to Passport, we will continue to recommend it to all our clients for the conservative and beneficial features it offers," David said.

With more than 1,350 offices in 37 states, Edward D. Jones & Co., founded in 1871, is one of the largest financial services concerns in the country.

The Pampa Edward D. Jones & Co. representative is Roger David, whose office is located at 222 N. Cuyler in Pampa.

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stress the importance of life, health and safety. We hope that our participation in this program will help draw attention to a very serious message: 'Don't drink and drive,'" Lynch said.

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Lynch said the trucks are expected to log more than 700,000 miles transporting merchandise from the company's eight distribution center locations to more than 1,900 Revco drugstores in 27 states in the three-week holiday period that began Dec. 12.

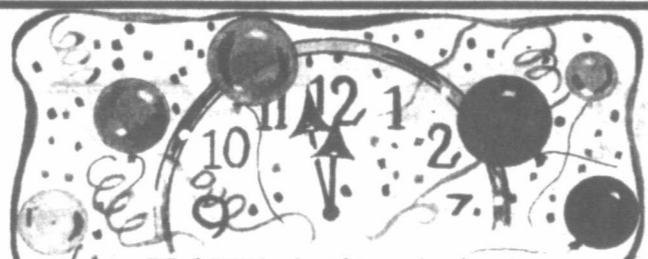
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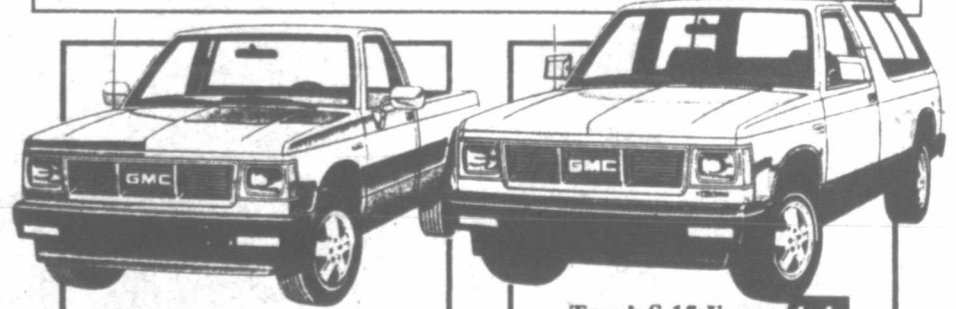
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Nation's political spotlight focused on Texas all year long

By MICHAEL HOLMES
Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — From 1988's first month to its last, politics was on Texans' minds and the nation's political spotlight was focused on Texas.

A Texan was elected president. A Texan lost the vice presidential race but remained head of the

powerful Senate Finance Committee.

Want more? A Texan will again be speaker of the U.S. House. A Texan was named secretary of State.

Still not enough? A Texan will remain as secretary of Education. A Texan will become secretary of Commerce. A Texan will serve as secretary

of Defense.

The national scope of the state's political might even prompted *The New York Times* to declare in a front-page story: "Texas' political clout in Washington is reminding some people of the glory days of Lyndon B. Johnson and Sam Rayburn."

Texas clout was so strong, in fact, that several other states cried — what else but "politics" — when the U.S. Department of Energy announced its location for the \$4.4 billion superconducting super collider research project: Waxahachie, Texas.

It all began in early January, when presidential candidates filed for the Texas primary — the biggest prize in the first-ever Southern regional primary.

When Super Tuesday rolled around on March 8, both parties' eventual nominees were victorious in Texas — Republican George Bush, an adopted Houstonian, and Democratic Gov. Michael Dukakis of Massachusetts.

But the state was more important than that single primary.

Dukakis raised the hopes of Texas Democrats when, before July's Democratic National Convention, he chose Texas Sen. Lloyd Bentsen for a running mate. Under the 1959 "Lyndon Law," Bentsen was allowed to

campaign both for that job and for re-election. He won one and lost one, so he returns to the Senate.

Bentsen wasn't the only Texan in the Atlanta convention's limelight.

State Treasurer Ann Richards was chosen to deliver the convention's keynote address. It turned her into a national celebrity almost overnight.

In recent weeks, for example, she has joined singer Barbra Streisand in Hollywood and actress Kathleen Turner in New York for political fundraisers, been profiled on several television programs including CBS-TV's *West 57th*, and received a note and a tiny silver foot from the president-elect, a memento of her description of his wealthy upbringing and penchant for malapropisms. An aide said her speaking schedule is booked through next autumn.

Not to be outdone, the Republicans' convention in New Orleans had a Texas accent, too.

Sen. Phil Gramm was chosen to nominate his fellow Texan, Bush, for president. The III-member Texas delegation's votes were the ones that put Bush over the top and set off his nomination celebration.

While they didn't attract as much national attention, the state elections included heated,

expensive battles for control of the Texas Supreme Court and gave new life to a twice-defeated candidate.

Republicans also continued to make gains in the Texas Legislature, picking up one additional seat in the House — a new total of 57 of the 150 — and two seats in the Senate — for a total of eight of 31.

Kent Hance — a former Lubbock congressman who lost the Democratic U.S. Senate nomination in 1984, switched parties and lost the GOP gubernatorial nomination in 1986 — won his first statewide election, holding onto the Railroad Commission seat to which he had been appointed. Rumors quickly began to circulate that Hance might be eyeing another job, possibly governor, in 1990.

But the most attention was centered on the Supreme Court, where Democratic resignations had put six of the nine seats up for grabs.

After a year of negative nation-

al publicity — including a CBS-TV *60 Minutes* story that asked "Is Justice for Sale?" — the candidates for chief justice pumped nearly \$2 million each into the race.

Republican Tom Phillips won, the first Republican to win the job this century. In another unprecedented development, Republicans Eugene Cook and Nathan Hecht also were elected to the high court, giving Republicans three seats for the first time since Reconstruction.

The presence of five Republicans in statewide offices, another modern first, moved Gov. Bill Clements to happily proclaim, "This is historic for us in Texas. I was the first statewide candidate that we Republicans have elected, and I'm certainly pleased that now I have some company."



President-elect Bush

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Lady Harvesters regroup

Pampa girls enter Slaton Tournament

By L.D. STRATE
Sports Editor

After four consecutive losses, the Pampa Lady Harvesters will regroup over the holidays to try and get back into the District 1-4A basketball race.

Head coach Albert Nichols feels the Lady Harvesters haven't played up to their potential.

"We've got a lot better team than we've showed in our last three outings and it's been a long time since we've dropped four straight games," Nichols said. "We haven't lost out in the play-off picture, but we do have our backs against the wall."

The Lady Harvesters hope to use the Slaton Tournament this week to get untracked.

"We're looking at a real caliber tournament and it's going to be good for us to play in this type of tournament."

This is a good opportunity for our club to recover. If we can get our guards to shooting and handling the ball better, I feel we can accomplish a lot," Nichols said.

Pampa meets Motley County at 2 p.m. Wednesday in first-round action.

"Motley County has a 13-0 record and ranked ninth in the state in Class 1A. I heard they're looking forward to playing the Lady Harvesters and we're looking forward to the challenge," added Nichols.

The Lady Harvesters, 7-5 over-

all, won their first two district outings and the Hays City Shoot-out before falling on hard times. Three of their last four losses have been to district foes, including a 63-60 overtime loss to Hereford last Monday night. "We shot real well against Hereford and did some other things right, but we made mistakes we shouldn't have made after we had come back to tie the score," Nichols said.

The Lady Harvesters had trailed by as many as eight points in the fourth quarter before tying the score at 56-all. However, Hereford ran off five unanswered points in overtime to win the game.

"We worked hard to tie the game and then we had a breakdown as a team. We have to learn to capitalize on those type of situations," Nichols said.

One of the Lady Harvesters' problems is the sagging defenses and triple teaming used on scoring star Yolanda Brown.

"We're going to need more scoring out of our guards because every team is going to play a tight zone on us. They're saying if we shut down Brown, we can beat Pampa," Nichols said. "We're out to show them we've got four other players on the floor."

Nichols says the Lady Harvesters will experiment with a triple post offense during the tournament to take the pressure off Brown inside.

"If we can overload the post area, it will keep teams from doubling up on Yolanda, leaving others open for a shot. We can

also get Yolanda out on top because she shoots the ball well from outside," Nichols said. "I'm also looking for our guards to start breaking into double figures."

The 5-11 Brown — who drilled 42 points against Estacado on Dec. 16 to set the school scoring record for a Lady Harvester — is currently averaging 21.2 points per game and over a dozen rebounds every outing.

"Yolanda is going to get her 20 to 25 points because that's what she's averaged the past two years, but we want to change our offense a little and get more points out of our other players."

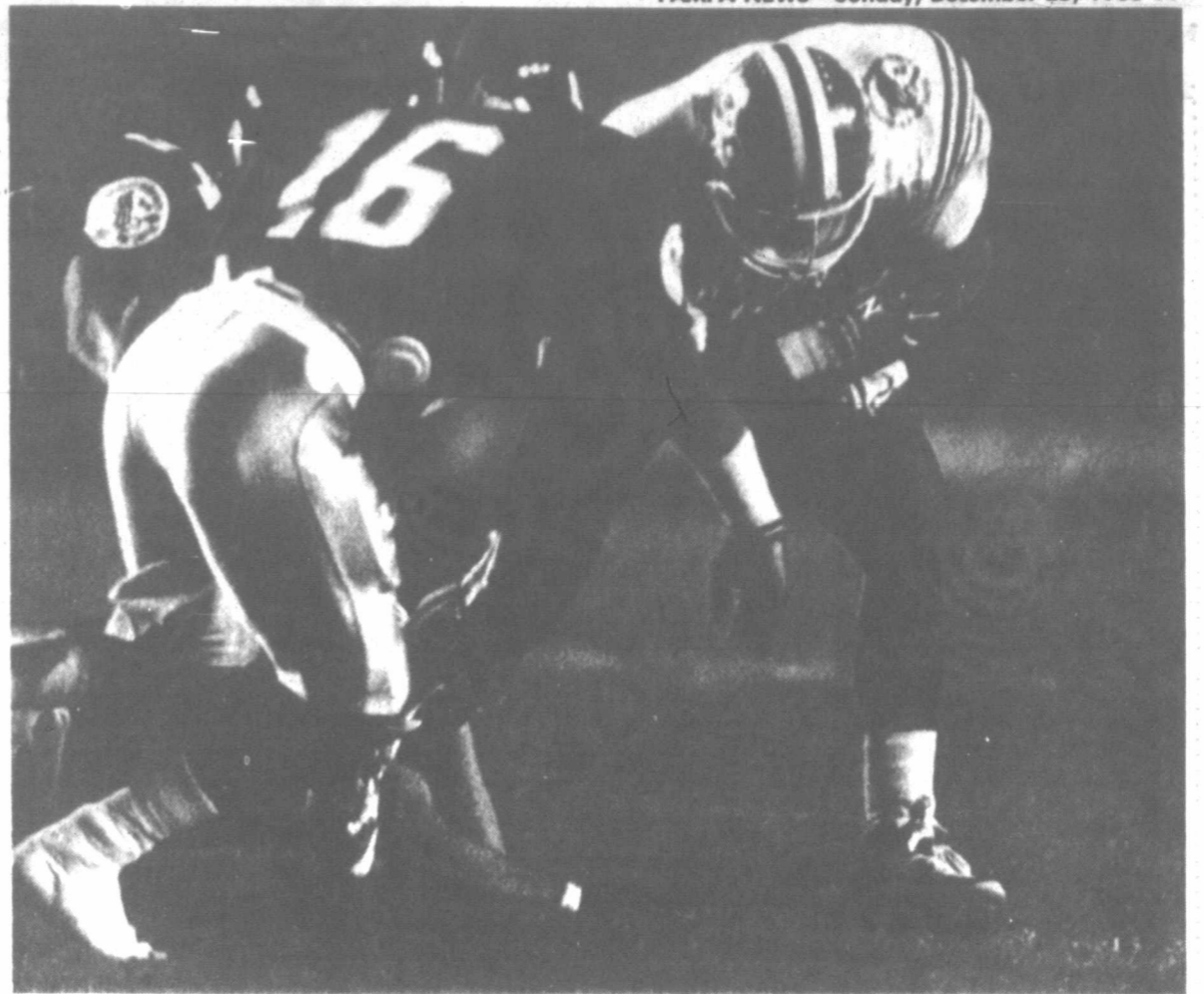
Pampa's next district opponent is Lubbock Dunbar on Jan. 6 and Nichols looks for the Lady Harvesters to rebound out of their slump.

"If nobody else slips up on us and everyone holds up their end we could tie for second place and still get into the playoffs," Nichols said. "A team with four losses could make the playoffs this year."

The Lady Harvesters, currently tied for fifth place in the district standings with a 2-3 record, do have a long way to go.

"We're going to have to beat Hereford on their homecourt, beat Dumas twice, and hope to get help from somebody else," Nichols said.

Levelland, three-time defending Class 4A state champion, holds down first place with a 5-0 record. Dumas holds down second with a 5-1 record.



(AP Laserphoto)

UTEP running back Willie Fuller tries to get around University of Southern Mississippi's Kerry Valrie.

Golden Eagles win Independence Bowl

By ALEX DOMINGUEZ
Associated Press Writer
SHREVEPORT, La. — James

Henry returned two punts for touchdowns and set two Independence Bowl records to lead Southern Mississippi to a 38-18 victory over Texas-El Paso.

Henry scored Friday night on returns of 65 and 45 yards as Southern Mississippi ended the year at 10-2. Texas-El Paso finished at 10-3 with the loss in the 13th annual Independence Bowl.

After UTEP stalled on its first drive of the second half, Henry took the ensuing punt just inside the hash mark and cut toward the sideline, outracing the Texas-El Paso defenders to the end zone to put Southern Mississippi ahead 17-7.

With 5:38 left in the third quarter, the senior cornerback re-

turned another punt 45 yards for a score to increase the Golden Eagles lead to 31-7.

The 65-yard return broke the game record of 60 yards set by Louisville's Kevin Miller in 1977 against Louisiana Tech. Henry returned three punts for 108 yards to break the mark of 67 yards, also set by Miller in 1977.

Shelton Gandy also scored twice in the second half to help put the game out of reach. Gandy scored first on a one-yard dive with 9:52 left in the third quarter. Southern Mississippi took over on the UTEP 25-yard line after sacking punter Lance Brownlee, who couldn't handle the snap, and scored four plays later.

Teams needed for middle school tourney

Teams are needed to fill the bracket in a Pampa seventh and eighth-grade boys' basketball tournament.

The tournament is scheduled for Jan. 19-21.

Dick Dunham can be contacted at 665-2921 for more information.

Teams are needed in both seventh and eighth-grade divisions.

Dr. Cornette was way ahead of his time

IT IS GOING TO BE an especially fine Christmas Day for four Panhandle-area families, with the announcement that members have been elected to the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame. To be inducted in ceremonies Sunday, January 15, will be:

Lawrence T. "Bud" Bagwell of Claude;

Dr. James P. Cornette of Canyon and West Texas State University;

Ruth Cannon Nichols of Cotton Center;

J.R. Brown of Amarillo.

Each has made vast and important contributions to the sports world, especially to participants and fans in the Panhandle area. But especially significant, I think, is the selection of Dr. Cornette. By installing this wonderful gentleman and outstanding educational administrator, recognition is given that the role of athletics expands beyond the boundaries of the playing fields. And in this day and age, a very few years removed from when Dr. Cornette served as president of West Texas State University, we find more and more CEO's of universities being dragged and bludgeoned into finding out what is going on in their athletic programs, each after the horse has been stolen and the NCAA has come down heavily on the thieves.

In this respect, Dr. Cornette was way ahead of his time. I have never known an educational leader, high school or university, with a better understanding of the multi-faceted role of the athletics program. And he understood it from all angles...from the coaches' viewpoints of recruiting and winning, to the needs and types of athletes, financing problems, public relations, benefits to student and alumni morale, representing the area with a clean-run, top quality program commensurate with the ideals of area chambers of commerce...the understanding of the program is endless. As a major teacher's college he knew a complete athlete program was necessary to turn out qualified coaching educators with hands-on programs and experienced, knowledgeable coaches to instruct. Yes, Dr. Cornette understood how the athletics program and the academic area interlocked to service the individual students as well as the area.

Unfortunately, most university presidents today keep themselves at arms length. All they know is what they view from their resplendent, heated, food-filled private boxes each Saturday. Did the team win or lose? Are the alumni and regents happy? And when the NCAA comes to town, they plead ignorance of the problems that embarrass the institution and its alumni and cause massive financial damage.

When Dr. Cornette assumed the presidency of the school it was a member of the now-defunct Border Conference, along with such institutions as Texas Tech, Arizona, Arizona State at Tempe, New Mexico State and others. When that league folded, he maintained the relationships with those marquee schools as WT struggled through several seasons as a most successful independent, winning bowl games, in NIT competition, and enjoying the strongest fan and alumni support the school has ever received.

Sports Forum

By Warren Hasse



Meanwhile, off the field he was guiding it from a teachers college into full-fledged multi-school university status. And with that academic growth, the athletic program also blossomed, utilizing the classroom prominence to become a member of the top Division in the NCAA, Class I, and membership in the nationally recognized Missouri Valley Conference. The program was able to handle itself on the playing fields competitively, and more importantly, Dr. Cornette was able to guide it financially.

Still, some people with a shallow understanding of the college scene, resisted the MVC and Division I. Saying attendance would be greater if we played such "natural rivals" as East Texas State, Texas A&I, and by doing so would generate even greater interest among local athletes. Dr. Cornette fully understood the fallacies in such thinking. But upon his retirement, successors who fell into the "don't bother me with such trivial things as athletics", swallowed that erroneous line of thinking. And the school, its alumni and friends, the reputation of the area are all paying greatly.

There were years when the athletic program in Division I during Dr. Cornette's years didn't quite meet its budgeted needs. But he found ways to find the dollars, either gifts from friends of the school or small transfers from other accounts. But never, like in recent years, were the deficits in the \$500,000 to \$750,000 range and major building, renovation and equipment purchases delayed to meet the heavy flow of red ink created by participation in Division II and playing unknown entities.

Dr. Cornette's understanding of athletics went to a one-on-one relationship with all involved. He rarely missed a home contest, and spent many a weekend of "free time" following his athletic teams on road games. He would visit with players in the dressing room, shaking hands and thanking them for the fine job they were doing. "He used to come out to practice, and would come up and call us by name and shake hands," one of the athletes told me recently. "This was impressive and most appreciated, because we knew he cared."

The saddest moment of his presidency as it related to the athletic department, came minutes prior to a regents' meeting in Dallas. "Just as I was going into the room," Dr. Cornette told me a couple of years before his death, "the president of the Board told me there was something I should know. He told me the Board was not going to

approve my recommendation that Joe Kerbel be rehired as head football coach. I was shocked." And the reasoning for that decision by the Board was even less reasonable and acceptable, for it had nothing to do with Kerbel himself, his record or ability.

I know how much Dr. Cornette's wife, Mary Elizabeth,

appreciates this recognition of her late husband's work. She shared the many years of loving labor on behalf of the major academic institution representing the Panhandle and its residents. And she, as James did, suffered greatly watching the demise of all he had built as the university leadership passed through a series of other incapable leaders.

Today's announcement indicates that hard work on behalf of athletics was deeply appreciated and did not go unnoticed. Many other area residents and teams will be honored next month for other special achievements, but none will be more worthy than Dr. Cornette.

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Delta crash and super collider picked as top Texas stories

By BRAD KROHN
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — A terrifying but miraculous scramble to safety by dozens of passengers, while 14 others perished, led to selection of the August crash of a Delta Air Lines jet as the top Texas news story of 1988.

The Boeing 727's puzzling short flight edged out Texas' selection for the super collider and problems in the state's banking industry in balloting among newspaper and broadcast members of The Associated Press.

Texas' role in the presidential election and the threat of Hurricane Gilbert rounded out the top five.

Delta Flight 1141 crashed at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport on Aug. 31, while taking off for Salt Lake City. Survivors told of scrambling through a gaping hole in the fuselage and over pools of fuel to escape the burning wreckage at the end of an airport runway.

Investigators called it one of the most puzzling accidents in recent years because of inconsistencies between physical evidence and crewmembers' recollections. A National Transportation Safety Board ruling on the cause is not expected until at least next spring, although a November public hearing focused on whether the crucial wing flaps were properly set for takeoff.

On the 46 ballots, seven editors listed the crash first, but the most top votes — 11 — were cast for the state's victory in the super collider sweepstakes.

The U.S. Department of Energy on Nov. 10 picked Texas from among a handful of states still in contention for what officially will be known as the Ronald Reagan

Top 10 List

DALLAS (AP) — Here are the top ten Texas news stories of 1988, as selected in balloting among editors at Texas newspaper and broadcast members of The Associated Press:

1. Crash of Delta Flight 1141 on takeoff from Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport kills 14 on Aug. 31.
2. Texas picked on Nov. 10 as site for \$4 billion super collider, a project expected to produce 7,500 jobs.
3. Bank failures reach another record high, while regulators implement the "Southwest Plan" to rescue savings associations.
4. Texans earn places on both tickets in the presidential election, as both parties grab for the state's 29 electoral votes.
5. Hurricane Gilbert threatens Texas coast in September after killing more than 300 people in nine Caribbean countries.
6. Successful launches of the space shuttles Discovery and Atlantis mark America's first manned missions since the 1986 Challenger explosion.
7. Farmers in Texas and much of the Midwest suffer through an extended drought that shrivels crops and reduces yields.
8. The collapse of a downtown Brownsville department store, in which 14 people were crushed to death.
9. Overcrowding forces the Texas Department of Corrections to limit admissions, backing up state inmates in many county jails.
10. The year-long amnesty program of the Immigration Reform Act ends in May. Those who applied could begin seeking permanent residency.

Center for High Energy Physics. The winner of a Dallas newspaper contest gave the \$4 billion project a more palatable nickname: "Super Clyde."

Construction and operation of the atom-smasher on a site near Waxahachie, south of Dallas, is expected to generate 7,500 jobs and untold other benefits for the state's economy. But Congress must still authorize spending for the project and environmental impact statements must be successfully completed.

Already, one report suggests voracious fire ants might prove harmful to the intricate wiring the SSC will require for its 53-mile, underground particle

accelerator tunnel. Lending problems continued to plague Texas financial institutions in 1988, leading to the July 29 failure of the state's largest bank-holding company, First Republic Bank Corp. The insolvency contributed 40 banks to the state's record total of 113 closings as the year drew near an end.

Meanwhile, thrift regulators launched the controversial "Southwest Plan" to shore up faltering savings associations through federally-assisted mergers and acquisitions. Critics charged that the costly arrangement only compounded the problem, instead of dealing with the thrifts' poor-quality assets.

Investigators also were reportedly close to major indictments in their probe of fraud at Texas banks and savings associations. The task force of FBI, Treasury and other agents is the largest ever formed by the federal government to investigate white collar crime.

The No. 4 story, the presidential election, had a decidedly Texas flavor with adopted Houstonian George Bush leading the victorious Republican ticket and Sen. Lloyd Bentsen earning the Democrats' vice presidential nomination.

Bentsen hung onto his Senate seat by running a dual campaign, making use of the 1959 law that

allowed Lyndon Johnson to run for the presidency and re-election to the Senate on the same ballot.

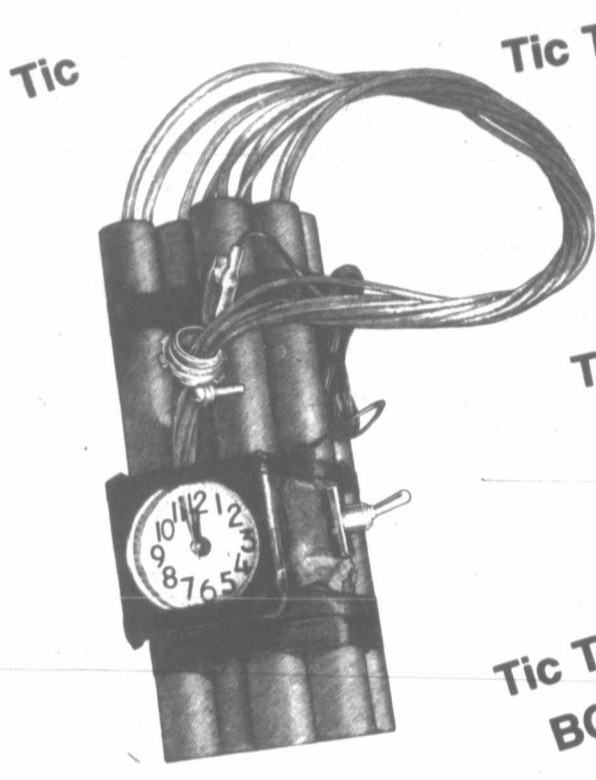
The potential for massive destruction from Hurricane Gilbert mobilized thousands in September, as the powerful storm appeared headed for the Texas Gulf Coast. Many of the preparations went unneeded when Gilbert drifted into northeastern Mexico after cutting a path of destruction that killed more than 300 people in nine Caribbean countries.

Flight controllers went back to work at the Johnson Space Center in Houston with the launch of the space shuttle Discovery, and later Atlantis. The resumption of

space travel for the first time since the January 1986 explosion of the Challenger earned sixth place in the AP members' voting.

The rest of the top ten, in order, included:

- The summer-long drought that plagued farmers in Texas and much of the Midwest.
- The July collapse of a Brownsville department store building that crushed 14 people to death.
- Continued prison overcrowding in the Texas Department of Corrections, which backed up state inmates in many county jails.
- The deadline for undocumented aliens to sign up for amnesty under the Immigration Reform Act.



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THEN CANCEL YOUR PLANS! IF YOUR SICK GET WELL QUICK! IF YOU HAVE TO WORK! CALL IN SICK! BUT WHAT EVER YOU DO DON'T MISS THIS SALE! BECAUSE FOR THIS WEEK ONLY YOU'LL BE ABLE TO INVEST IN QUALITY FURNITURE AT THE LOWEST PRICES OF THE YEAR!

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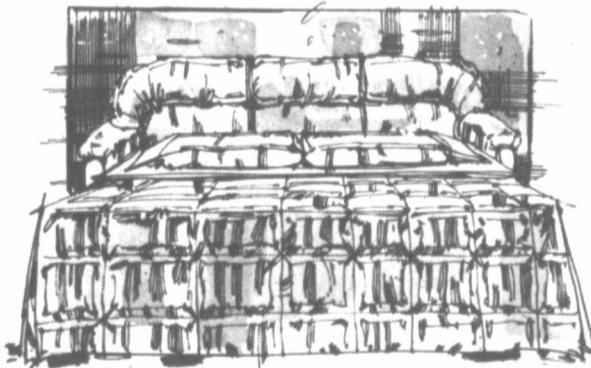
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Yes hurry! Because these are in a limited supply. Remember these Love Seats are marked way below OUR COST! Save Big dollars on three distinct styles of quality Livingroom furniture you'll find a comfortable and durable high back Love Seat with a good looking long wearing cover that will last for a long time. If you like Traditional Styling! You'll love this Traditional large rolled arm Love Seat upholstered in a durable woven patterned cover that's in a neutral color and for the contemporary lovers! Here is just the Love Seat for you! The Sleek Contemporary lines with its Zesty but durable cover will make any decor exciting! But hurry because these good looking orphaned Love Seats are priced way below cost and remember you don't have to tell anyone how little you paid for it.

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Yes! It's a fact we have eight of these good looking oak T.V. Stands in two finishes of light and dark oak, on castors for easy movement and shelves for V.C.R. You'll love these \$165. Especially when you pay \$55.00 for these good looking T.V. Stands but once again You better hurry to Graham Furniture for the lowest prices of 1988. Sale ends Dec. 31st so be there and save big dollars on quality NAME BRANDS.

IF YOU TAKE THE TIME TO READ THIS AD! YOU'LL SAVE MONEY ON QUALITY NAME BRAND FURNITURE



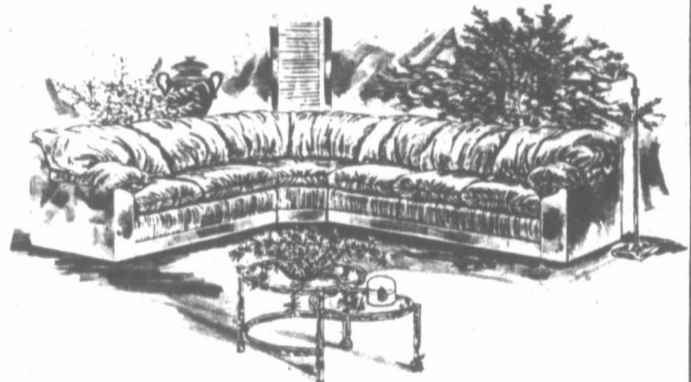
IF YOU NEED A 24 HOUR PIECE OF FURNITURE! THEN GET ON DOWN TO GRAHAM FURNITURE AND SAVE BIG ON QUALITY SOFA SLEEPERS WITH QUALITY INNERSPRING MATTRESSES! GREAT TO SLEEP ON AT NIGHT AND A BEAUTIFUL SOFA BY DAY!

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DON'T HESITATE YOU ONLY HAVE UNTIL DEC. 31st TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE BEST FURNITURE PRICES IN THE PANHANDLE!

DO WE HAVE SECTIONALS ON SALE! CAN A FISH SWIM?



YOU'LL FIND GOOD LOOKING SECTIONALS! PRICED TO SELL FAST!!

The oldest Sectional in our store is one made by Karpén! And you that know Furniture know that Karpén is known for advanced styling. The only PROBLEM IS the styling must be so advanced that the people in the Panhandle don't like it! I have looked at this Small Sectional in its olefin mauve and grey cover for so long that I am sick of it! So if you want to buy a 2 pc. \$1255 Karpén Sectional for only \$399. Do it now. I'll take the huge loss and smile because my eyes will get a rest and I won't have to pay taxes on it ever again.

HERE IS JUST A FEW OF THE MANY INCREDIBLE BUYS YOU'LL FIND ON QUALITY SOFAS

A \$839 Traditional Sofa with the ugliest wood trim I have seen in over 30 years. Now the cover is good looking because it's a LA-FRANCE PATTERNED VELVET and the darn thing is comfortable but the wood trim will make you sick! However we are marking this sofa down \$500 and that will buy you a lot of TUMS FOR THE TUMMY. Yes! You read right, a \$839 Sofa for \$339. We Have EXPENSIVE MASTERCRAFT TRADITIONAL SOFAS Marked down From \$1719 to \$699. Now if you like a good looking Contemporary Sofa by KARPEN That's Valued at \$875, you'll find it marked down \$500 to just \$375.

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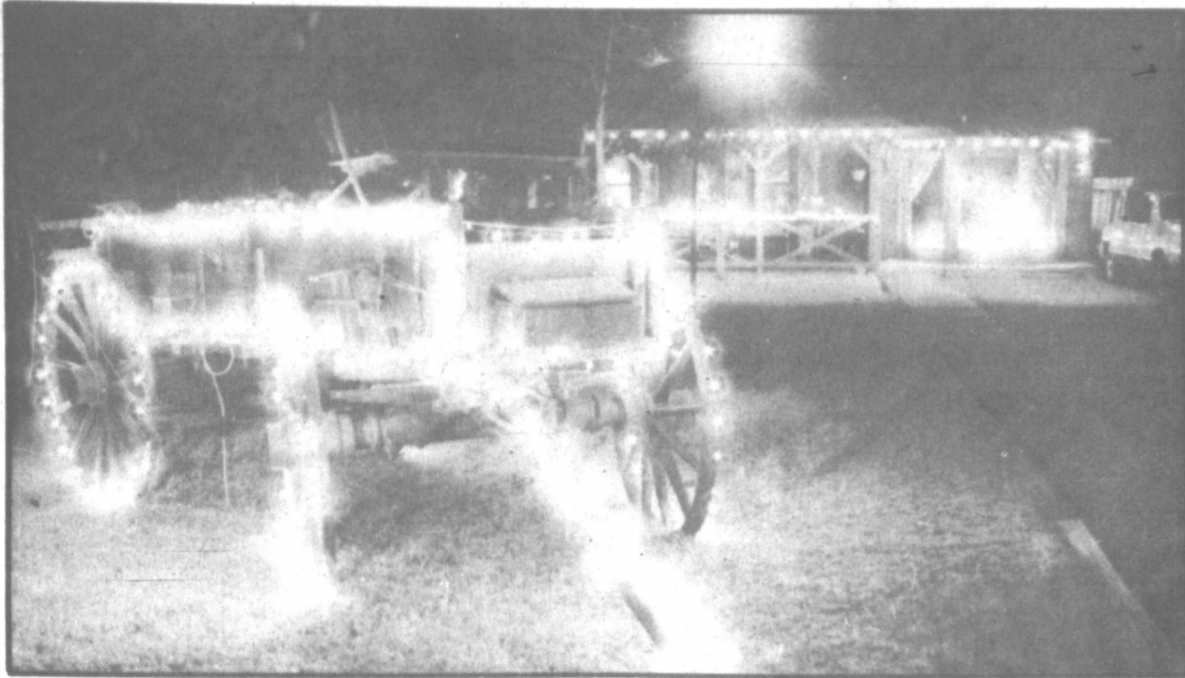
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Christmas JOY

WE WISH YOU THE SEASON'S BEST!

TOP O' TEXAS QUICK LUBE

Home Decorating Contest Winners



Area VI, originality, Bud and Barbie Crow, 213 Tignor.



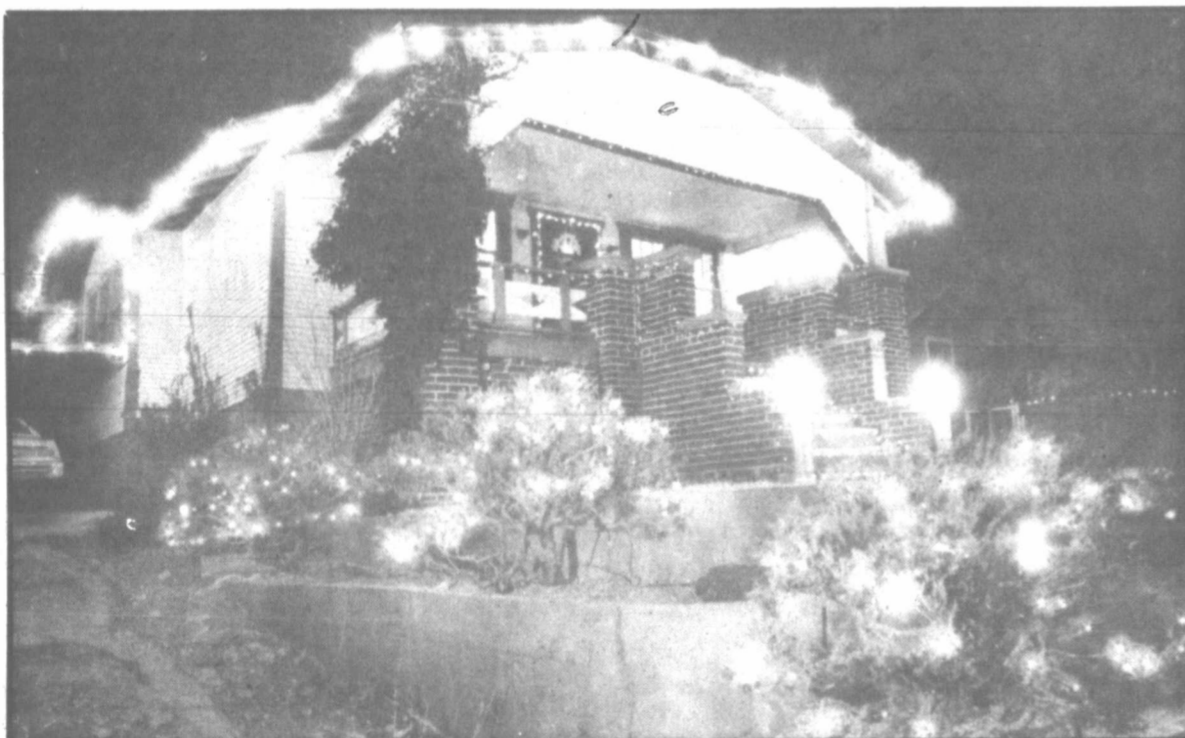
Area II, originality, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Chisum, 1024 Quail Place.



Area VI, overall appearance, Mr. and Mrs. J.E. Montgomery, 209 Tignor.



Area III, originality, Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Davis, 1124 N. Russell.



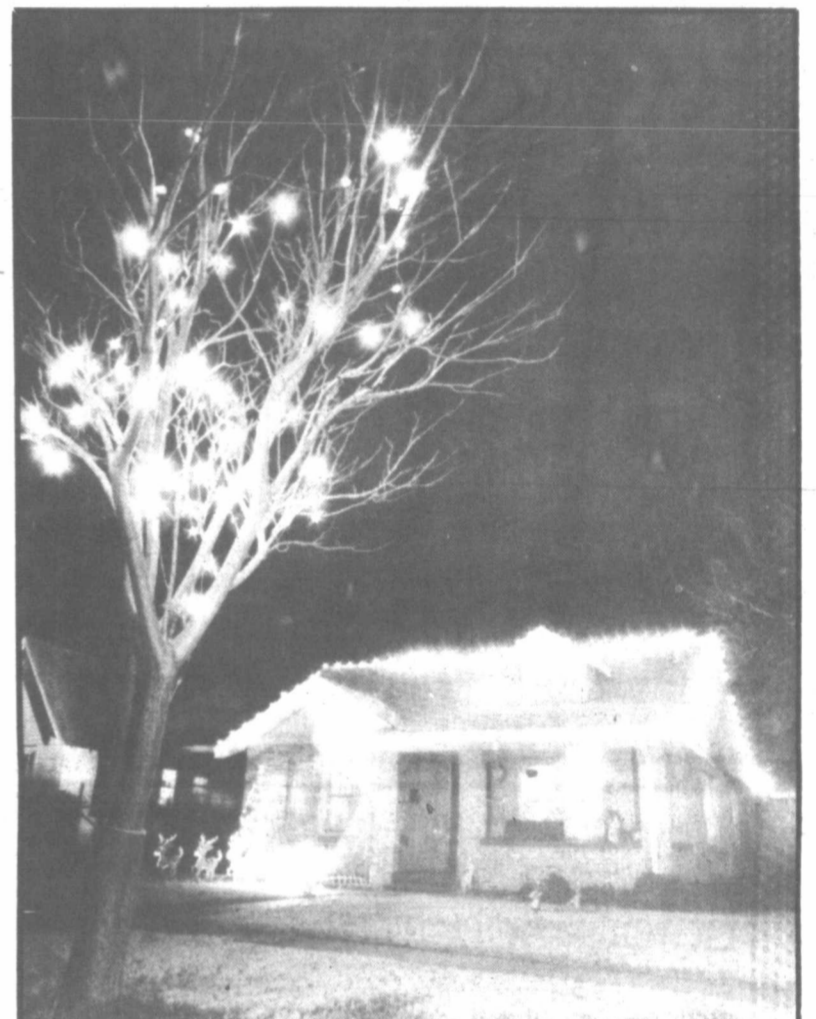
Area IV, originality, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Arnzen, Chris and Bryan, 434 Hill.



Area V, originality, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gillis, 1024 Prairie Drive.

THE WINNERS

- AREA I Originality**
Mr. and Mrs. M.A. Lamberson
1817 N. Dwight
- Overall Appearance**
Mr. and Mrs. Steve Giles
2218 N. Nelson
- AREA II Originality**
Mr. and Mrs. Warren Chisum
1014 Quail Place
- Overall Appearance**
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cree
1819 Dogwood
- AREA III Originality**
Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Davis
1124 N. Russell
- Overall Appearance**
The Sammy Parsley Family
821 N. Gray
- AREA IV Originality**
Mr. and Mrs. Keith Arnzen,
Chris & Bryan
434 Hill
- Overall Appearance**
Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Stephens,
Tammy & Amber
709 E. Francis
- AREA V Originality**
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gillis
1024 Prairie Drive
- Overall Appearance**
Wayne Fannon
1197 Prairie Drive
- AREA VI Originality**
Bud & Barbie Crow
213 Tignor
- Overall Appearance**
Mr. and Mrs. J.E.
Montgomery
209 Tignor



Area III, overall appearance, the Sammy Parsley family, 821 N. Gray.

Photos by
Duane A. Laverty

Everything from painted wooden Christmas characters to a galaxy of twinkling lights outlining homes and trees, from a brightly illuminated old-time wagon to an enchanting toyland, complete with music, was included in the home decorating contest sponsored by Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce and

The Pampa News.

The 12 winners, two homes each in six geographic areas of Pampa, were announced Monday. One home from each area was chosen for one of two categories, most creative and best overall, from among the 47 nominated by citizens.

Each winner received 25 Susan

B. Anthony dollars. Judging was completed Friday night, Dec. 23.

Although only 12 winners were named, perhaps everyone who shows the Christmas spirit, whether it be by outdoor or indoor decorations, by good works and goodwill, or by worship and prayer, is a true "winner."

Merry Christmas!

NOMINEES

Homes nominated for the contest by local residents were, in addition to the winners:

- AREA I**
Cary Raulston
2312 Rosewood
- Kevin & Cindy Taylor
1500 Hamilton
- Terry White
1420 N. Christy
- Raymond & Zip Swaney
2228 Charles
- John & Kathleen Chaney
2105 N. Banks
- AREA II**
Mr. and Mrs. Jim Henin
2745 Aspen
- J.L. & Juanita Romines
2300 Beech
- Mike Poe
1818 Beech
- Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Bowers & boys
2301 Beech
- Mr. & Mrs. V.K. Mohan
2300 Duncan

- Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Williams
700 E. 16th
- Jay Gist
2401 Dogwood
- Mr. & Mrs. Vernon Stowers
2530 Beech
- Mr. & Mrs. Glen Hackler
2309 Cherokee
- Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Jackson
2306 Duncan
- Mr. & Mrs. R.A. Johnson
1841 Fir
- AREA III**
Mr. & Mrs. John Quillian
823 N. Somerville
- Dr. & Mrs. Ron Hendrick
501 N. Frost
- Mr. & Mrs. Eldon Sikes
1900 W. Kentucky
- AREA IV**
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Slagle
508 Powell
- Mr. & Mrs. Chuck Audleman
400 Magnolia
- Mr. & Mrs. David Ferrell
1010 Duncan

- Mr. & Mrs. Earl Smith
1200 E. Harvester
- Mr. & Mrs. Steve Cleveland
1212 E. Francis
- AREA V**
Mr. & Mrs. Alvis Lee Sanders
1021 S. Somerville
- Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bradshaw
523 Oklahoma
- Mary Roberts
1032 Prairie Drive
- Mary Perkins
1100 Varnon Drive
- Steve Christopherson
924 S. Nelson
- Ora Lee Power
512 Oklahoma
- Alex Holt
613 Plains
- AREA VI**
The Steve Ferguson Family
426 Finley
- 1230 Finley
- 428 Tignor
- 1101 E. Frederic

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MRS. DAVID L. HUNTER
Melanie Ann Garrett

Garrett-Hunter

Melanie Ann Garrett became the bride of David L. Hunter in a 2 p.m. ceremony Dec. 17 in First Presbyterian Church of Pampa, with the Rev. John Glover, minister of music at First Baptist Church of Pampa, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Betty Garrett and Bill Garrett, both of Pampa. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy D. Hunter of Fort Worth.

Lydia Wilson of Weatherford was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Tonya Ditty and Robin Crosthwait, both of Fort Worth. Best man was Doug Crosthwait of Fort Worth. Groomsman were David Winn of Houston and Bill Yeary of Fort Worth.

Flower girls were Tamara Long, niece of the groom, of Fort Worth, and Colden Ray, niece of the bride, of East Aurora, N.Y.

Travis Barnes of Manhattan, Kan. and Wade Taylor of Fort Worth seated guests, who were registered by Linda Garrett Ray, sister of the bride, of East Aurora, N.Y.

Music was provided by Charles Johnson, flutist, and Susie Wilson, vocalist and organist, both of Pampa; and Laura Taylor, vocalist, of Fort Worth.

A reception was held in the church parlor following the ceremony. Servers were Cheryl Nieves, sister of the groom, of Fort Worth; Nancy Cole of Altus, Okla.; Carol Conklin of Oklahoma City; and Susan Richardson and Janna Hogan, both of Pampa.

The bride is a 1986 graduate of Southwestern Oklahoma State University in Weatherford. She is a pharmacist for Eckerd Drug in Azle.

The bridegroom is a 1986 graduate of Oklahoma University in Norman. He is science department chairman of Lake Worth High School in Fort Worth.

The couple planned to reside in Fort Worth after their return from a honeymoon cruise through the Bahamas.



MR. & MRS. GARLAND ALLEN
Marci Horne

Horne-Allen

Marci Horne and Garland Allen were united in marriage in an 11 a.m. ceremony Nov. 26 in Briarwood Full Gospel Church, with the Rev. Gene Allen, father of the groom, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Bill Horne of Pampa. Parents of the bridegroom are the Rev. and Mrs. Gene Allen of 2101 N. Sumner.

The bride's sister, Mrs. Guy Green of Pampa, was matron of honor. Bridesmaid was Teresa Carlton of Pampa.

Best man was Jay Baird of Amarillo. Groomsman was Tobi Ritthaler of Pampa.

Brooke Smith of Irving was flower girl. Stevie Smith of Irving was ring bearer.

Ushers were the bride's brother-in-law, Guy Green of Pampa, and the groom's brother-in-law, Randy Roush of Grapevine. The ushers also served as candle lighters.

Christie Brock of Pampa registered guests.

Music was provided by Tracy Carey, organist, of Pampa, and Heidi Roush, sister of the groom, vocalist.

A reception was held in the church fellowship hall following the ceremony. Servers were Marci Hall and Katrisha O'Brien, both of Pampa, and Mrs. Brian Gordzelik of College Station.

The bride is a graduate of Pampa High School and attended North Texas University.

The bridegroom is a Pampa High School graduate and a student at Evangel College in Springfield, Mo.

The couple planned to make their home in Springfield after a honeymoon trip to Oklahoma City.



MR. & MRS. THOMAS RHYS WILLIAMS
Teresa Mack Garner

Garner-Williams

Teresa Mack Garner and Thomas Rhys Williams exchanged wedding vows in a 7 p.m. ceremony Friday, Dec. 16 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Mack of Pampa, with the Rev. Dr. John E. Judson of First Presbyterian Church of Pampa officiating.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Robert D. Mack of Pampa and Margaret Sanger of San Angelo. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Jean Williams of Arlington.

Mrs. Robert Kevin Cree of Pampa was matron of honor. Bridesmaid was Debi Mack of Dallas. All dresses for the wedding participants were designed by Debi Mack through her fashion design company, Alex Donavi.

Best man was William Wood Williams of Amarillo. Groomsman was Blaine Taylor Williams Jr. of Arlington.

Meagan Cree of Pampa was flower girl. Candle lighters were Marion Elizabeth Neslage of Austin and Catherine Ann Neslage of Canyon.

Ushers were Victor Jones of Pampa, William E. Neslage III of Fort Worth, Dan Morrow of Austin and J. Tom Pruett III of Amarillo.

Sena Brainard registered guests. Music was provided by Phoebe Reynolds, pianist, and Katrina Hilbrandt, flutist, both of Pampa.

A reception was held in the Robert D. Mack home following the ceremony. Servers were Amy Brainard and Mrs. Frank Barnett, both of Pampa.

The bride is a 13-year employee of Hoechst-Celanese Chemical Co. The bridegroom is employed by Fluor-Daniel.

The couple planned to make their home in Pampa after their return from a honeymoon trip to Santa Fe, N.M.

Menus

Dec. 26-30

Lefors schools

Closed for Christmas holiday.

Pampa schools

Closed for Christmas holiday.

Pampa senior citizens

MONDAY

Chicken fried steak with cream gravy or butterbeans and ham; mashed potatoes; spinach; harvard beets; broccoli casserole; slaw, toss or Jello salad; apple cobbler or chocolate cake; corn bread or hot rolls.

TUESDAY

Meat loaf or chicken chow mein over Chinese noodles; cheese potatoes; fried okra; turnip greens; peas and carrots; slaw, toss or Jello salad; lemon pie or ugly duckling cake; corn bread or hot rolls.

WEDNESDAY

Roast beef with brown gravy; mashed potatoes; green beans; baked cabbage; blackeyed peas; slaw, toss or Jello salad; cherry delight or banana pudding; corn bread or hot rolls.

THURSDAY

Barbecue beef or baked fish with lemon butter; potato salad; pinto beans; boiled okra; spinach; slaw, toss or Jello salad; coconut cream cake or peach pineapple cobbler; corn bread or hot rolls.

FRIDAY

Pepper steak over rice or fried cod fish with tartar sauce; french fries; buttered broccoli; corn on the cob; lima beans; slaw, toss or Jello salad; chocolate pie or tapioca pudding; garlic bread or hot rolls.

Newsmakers

Steven D. Simmons
Jerry Manzanares Jr.

Army Reserve Privates Steven D. Simmons and Jerry Manzanares Jr. have completed training at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.

During the course, students received training which qualified them as light-weapons infantrymen and as indirect-fire crewmen in a rifle or mortar squad.

Instruction included weapons qualifications, tactics, patrolling, land mine warfare, field communications and combat operations.

Simmons, son of Sherry Fink of Perryton, is a 1988 graduate of Perryton High School.

Manzanares is the son of Jerry and Nancy Manzanares of Perryton.

Our Congratulations And Best Wishes To Our Brides:

Laurie L. Haines
Sheri L. Rogers
Beth A. Gill

Pampa Hardware
120 N. Cuyler
669-2579

Prepare football foods with safety, speed

Planning a party at home to watch your favorite football team on television? If so, the pressure may be on in the kitchen to have everything ready in time for the kickoff. You don't want to miss a single minute of the game, but you want to make sure your food is prepared safely. To help you score a food safety touchdown, here are some tips.

Select foods that need little or no preparation. Order a party platter, for instance. Just make room in the refrigerator to store it. When you pick it up, be sure it is that last errand on your shopping trip. Then, take it home and store it in the refrigerator as quickly as possible. Remember to keep your refrigerator at 40 degrees F. or less.

Take advantage of the deli and purchase lunch meats or prepared salads there. If you buy cold cuts to make your own platter, be sure to observe the "sell by" or "use by" date marked on the package.

Wrap the meats well to prevent them from drying out, and store the platter in the refrigerator. Kept in the original vacuum-sealed package, lunch meats will keep safely in your refrigerator for two weeks. Once the package has been opened, wrap the meats well and use them within three to five days.

If you must cook, do it ahead of time. Cooking foods in advance, such as a ham, chicken or roast, will help keep you out of the kitchen during the game. However, be sure you don't cook them too far in advance or you may run into problems with harmful or spoilage bacteria.



Homemakers' News

Donna Brauchi

Cooked meats and poultry can be sliced into small pieces, covered completely and safely stored in a refrigerator for three to five days, provided they aren't smothered with broth or gravy. Broth or gravy can harbor bacteria, so those foods shouldn't be kept in the refrigerator more than one or two days. For best results, drain and refrigerate broth for gravy in a separate container and prepare on the day of the dinner.

Fried foods should be stored in the refrigerator after cooking, too, if you're not serving them immediately. But don't leave them on the counter to cool because bacteria can grow rapidly at room temperature. Two hours is the longest any foods that need refrigeration should be left out. Fried foods can easily be reheated in the microwave or toaster oven.

Another tip to keep you out of the kitchen—use a slow cooker to prepare Swedish meatballs, stews or other foods. Make sure

the slow cooker is operating properly and that it's not overfilled, so the food can cook all the way through.

Spreading a worry-free feast. The best rule to remember is to keep hot foods hot and cold foods cold. The danger zone for bacterial growth is between 40 and 140 degrees F.

Another rule to remember is to wash your hands frequently as well as any cutting surfaces, knives or other utensils when dealing with different foods. Cross-contamination can occur if a utensil or cutting board is used for raw meat or poultry and then for other foods.

If you want to serve hot foods, be sure you can keep the food heated to above 140 degrees F. once it has been properly cooked. Use chafing dishes or hot plates to keep foods such as casseroles, stews, baked beans or cheese dips hot. If you can't keep all the foods hot at once, store some in the refrigerator and heat it up as

needed to replenish the serving dishes.

Also, keep track of how long cold foods have been out of the refrigerator. Perishable foods shouldn't be left out at room temperature for longer than two hours. Put small portions out on the table and replenish them from the refrigerator.

Storing leftovers. What do you do with leftovers? You can freeze most of the foods, except salads that contain mayonnaise. The mayonnaise will separate if frozen, and when you defrost the food, it will be oily.

Most cooked red meats can be stored in the freezer up to three months. Sliced chicken and turkey will keep up to one month. Fried chicken will keep up to four months.

If you have questions about how to handle a meat or poultry product, call USDA's Meat and Poultry Hotline—1-800-535-4555. The hotline can be reached weekdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Eastern time.

Have a happy and safe New Year!

OUR BEST WISHES

Hope your holiday stocking is stuffed with everything nice!

Greetings from the staff of

HI-LAND FASHIONS

1543 N. Hobart 669-1058

We will be closed December 26, so our employees may spend the Holidays with their families.

JOYOUS TIDINGS

We want to wish you every kind of blessing!

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THE REV. & MRS. LESTER C. LYNCH

Lynches observe 50th anniversary

The Rev. and Mrs. Lester C. Lynch of Pampa will be honored with a 50th wedding anniversary reception given by their children and grandchildren at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 30 in the Flame Room of Energas Company, 222 N. Ballard.

Hosting the reception will be their children and grandchildren. Friends and neighbors are welcome to attend.

Rev. Lynch and the former Letty Metcalf were wed Jan. 10, 1939 in California Township near Clifty, Ark. with Justice of the Peace Freddy Todd officiating. They have been Pampa residents since September 1959.

Rev. Lynch has helped organize and pastor various churches in California. He organized and is current pastor of First Freewill Baptist Church of Pampa. An ordained minister since 1951, he retired from Arthur Brothers of Pampa in April 1982.

The Lynches have four children, Betty Carter and Lester Lynch, both of Pampa; Ron Lynch of Amarillo; and Peggy Hoggatt of Odessa. They also have 12 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.



MR. & MRS. BUD CUMBERLEDGE

Cumberledges mark golden anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Cumberledge of Lefors will be honored with a 50th wedding anniversary reception from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 1 in First Baptist Church of Lefors.

Hosting the event will be the couple's children, Mrs. Floyd (Paula) Eubanks of Hereford and Mrs. Douglas (Karen) Reeves of Lefors.

Mr. Cumberledge and the former Alma Holley were wed Jan. 1, 1939 in First Baptist Church of Lefors. Mr. Cumberledge has been a Lefors resident since 1929, and Mrs. Cumberledge has lived in Lefors since 1935.

He retired in 1978 from Cities Service Gas (LPG) Plant, and she retired in 1978 as a checker at Cut Rate Grocery in Lefors.

They have been members of First Baptist Church of Lefors for over 50 years. She is a member of Lefors Art and Civic Club.

The Cumberledges have five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.



APRIL GETMAN & CHUCK DILLOW

Getman-Dillow

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan R. Getman of Borger announce the engagement of their daughter, April Hope, to Charles Mark (Chuck) Dillow of Pampa, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Dillow of Dumas.

The wedding is scheduled for 2 p.m. Jan. 14, 1989 in Fairlans Baptist Church of Borger.

The bride-elect has been a secretary for Volcanic Stone Co. in Borger for the past four years.

The prospective bridegroom has been a welder for the past 10 years for Phillips Petroleum Co. in Pampa.

Club News

Xi Beta Chi
Xi Beta Chi chapter of Beta Sigma Phi met Dec. 12 in the home of Diane Klosterman for a snack social and to exchange secret sister Christmas gifts.

A decoration workshop for the New Year's Eve scholarship dance to be held at M.K. Brown Auditorium was also held.

A cash donation was to be sent to the Empty Stocking fund in Amarillo for a December service project.

The next meeting will be Dec. 31 at M.K. Brown Auditorium to decorate for the New Year's Dance.

Circle of Friends
Circle of Friends met at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13 in the Gray County Annex.

Plans were made to meet again next year and continue the club's parenting classes.

A Christmas party was held, with a Mexican dinner and gift exchange. Guests were Dr. Harry Griffith, Jane Steele, Dawson Orr, John Welborn, Donna Brauchi and Sally Griffith, all of Pampa, and Dr. Ciro Garcia and his wife Yolanda from Plainview.

Hostesses for the meeting were Eunice Moreno, Grace Hernandez, Agueda Silva, Elisa Zamudio and Belen Gonzales, assisted by Esther Rodriguez, Maria Andrade, Norma Hernandez, Maria Miranda, Diana Moreno, Lucy Chavez, Lonie Putman and Lisa Kay Putman.

The next meeting will be at 1 p.m. Jan. 4, 1989 in the Mission Building.



Boy corrects Grandma's table manners

DEAR ABBY: While lunching with my 3-year-old grandson, he asked me a question that I answered while finishing a bite of food. Then he boomed, "You shouldn't talk with food in your mouth!"

His mother just looked at him and beamed her approval. Abby, don't you think she should have told the boy it would have been nicer for him to have whispered his comment into Grandma's ear instead of loudly calling attention to this small breach of etiquette on the part of his 77-year-old grandmother?

Please print this for thoughtful parents who preen at every word their offspring utter.

HURT IN FRESNO

DEAR HURT: It confuses a 3-year-old to see an adult do something that he's been told he must not do. (Children learn from example.)

However, you're right. The mother was remiss to have approved of her son's "booming" reprimand of his grandmother without also stressing that out of respect for his elders, in the future he should make such comments privately.

DEAR ABBY: Please help! The invitations are out. We are celebrating our parents' 50th wedding anniversary. We (their children) are giving them a lovely party. They are aware of it.

Abby, we were under the impression that our parents married in 1938. Now we find that they were married in 1939! (My mother was nearly five months pregnant on her wedding day.) I'm sure everyone in their families must know about it.



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

How can they face their families with this deception? How should we handle it? Thank you.

BETRAYED

DEAR BETRAYED: For goodness sakes, do not give it another thought. The chances are that no one remembers it — if indeed they ever knew it in the first place. Please don't tarnish your parents' golden wedding anniversary with negative thoughts. What was, was. And who cares? And who's counting?

DEAR ABBY: My heart aches when I read your repeated advice about thank-you notes. You applaud disgruntled grandparents who give to charity in their grandchildren's names rather than give presents to "thankless" kids who never write thank-you notes.

Abby, I'd rather have the child give his stamp and stationery money to charity. In this era of instant communication, many of us find the child's hug, delighted smile or precious voice on the telephone more than adequate appreciation for our gifts.

How are these punitive grandparents ever to win? Shall their grandchildren write notes of apology, promising to write thank-yous if Grandma will again send cash their

way? Shall the proud grandchild remain silent and let Grandma go on making assumptions as faulty as yours, Abby, when you label the non-note-writers "thankless"?
MOLINE GRANDMOTHER

DEAR GRANDMOTHER: While a hug, a delighted smile or a precious voice on the phone is an adequate thank-you, a written thank-you, regardless of

how messy, illegible and outrageous the spelling, has more value because it represents a little more time and effort — and can also be saved to be enjoyed for years to come. And usually is.

CONFIDENTIAL TO YOU: Deck the halls with matzo balls! Have a wonderful holiday, but if you're drinking, don't drive, and if you're driving, don't drink.

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The children of God compose the house of God. "And Moses indeed was faithful in all his house as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were afterward to be spoken, but Christ as a Son, over His house: whose house are

we, if we hold fast our boldness and the glorying of our hope firm unto the end" (Hebrews 3:5-6). The word "house" has reference to the relationship that exists between man and God through Jesus Christ. Those who respond in obedience by faith to the call of the gospel of Christ become a part of this relationship known as the "house of God". The apostle Paul tells us that the "house of God" is the "church of the living God" (1 Timothy 3:15). Christ as the Son over the house of God denotes His authority or headship over the church (Matthew 28:18; Ephesians 1:22-23; Colossians 1:18). Christ has proven Himself in all ways and is aptly qualified to be the Head of the family of God, the church.

As children of God we are required to be obedient and faithful to our heavenly Father and His Son, Jesus Christ (1 Peter 1:13-14). Paul wrote to Timothy: "These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly; but if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how men ought to behave themselves in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth" (1 Timothy 3:15).

- Billy T. Jones

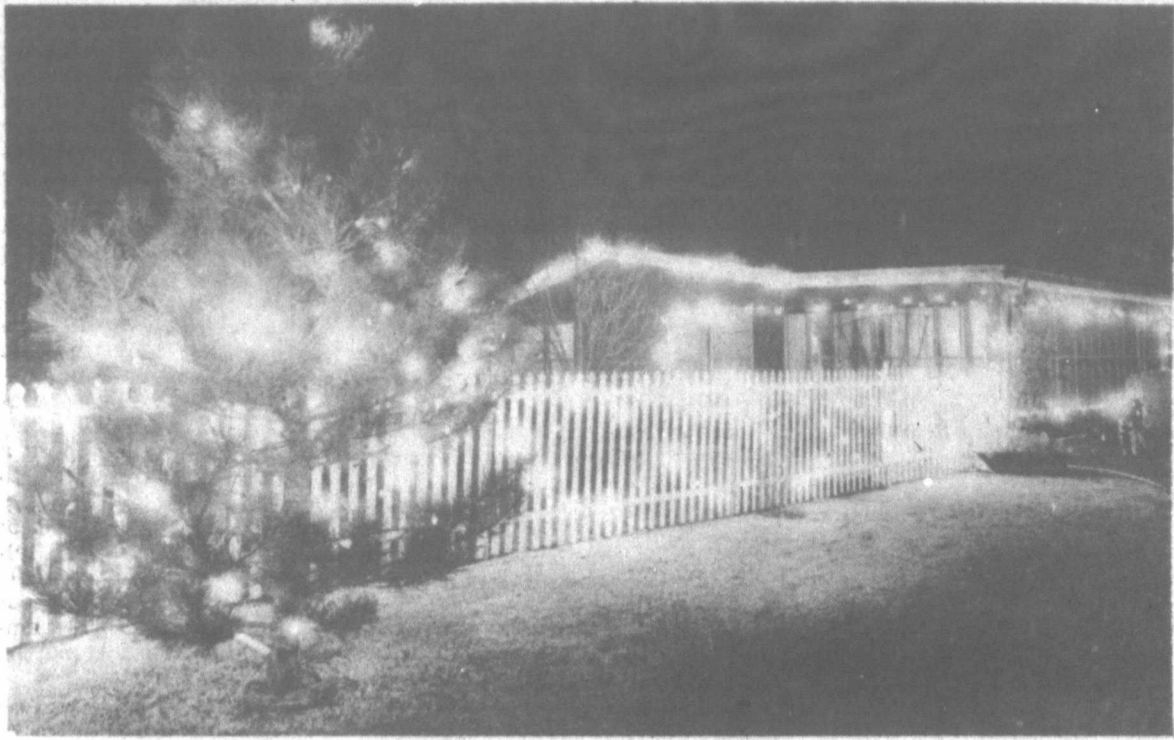
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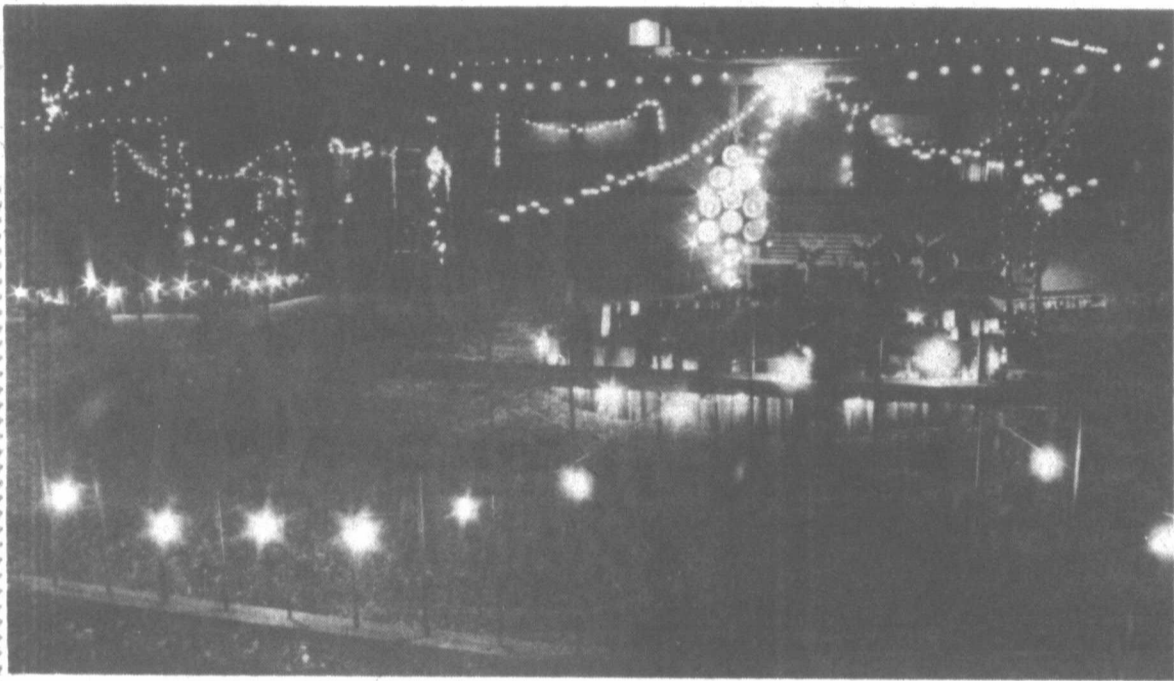
Home decorating contest winners



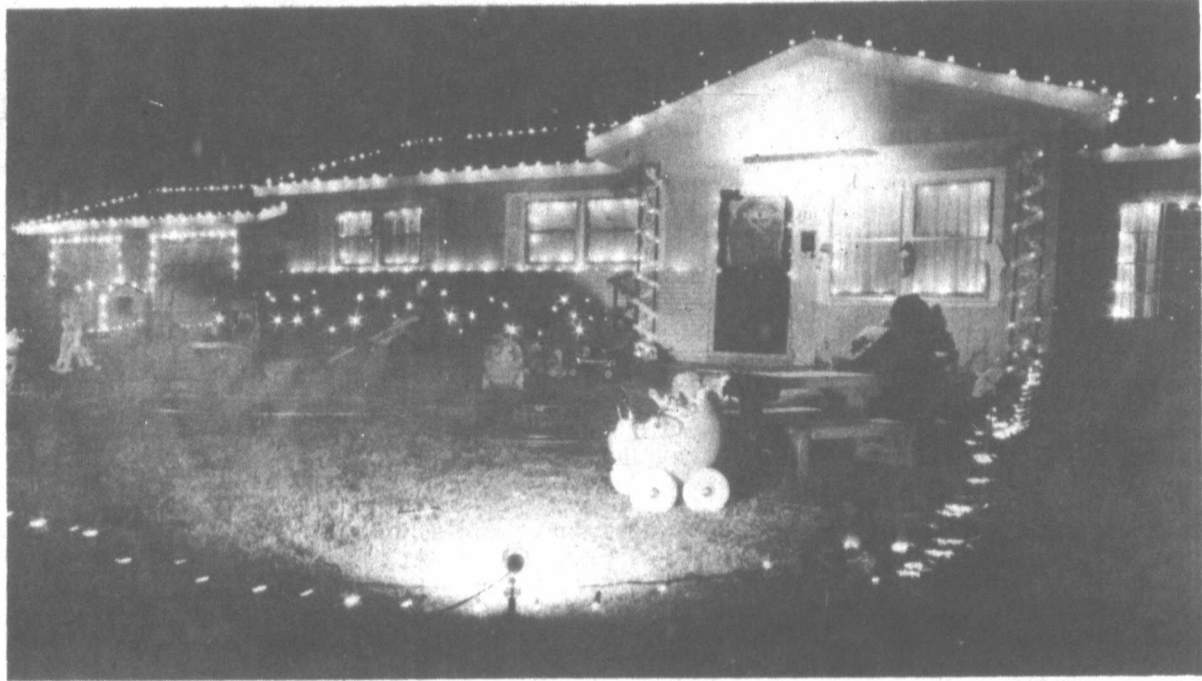
Winner of the overall appearance category in Area V is the Wayne Fannon home, 1197 Prairie Drive.



The overall appearance winner in Area IV is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Stephens, Tammy and Amber, at 709 E. Francis.



Reindeer and other cutouts combine with outdoor lights to win this home the overall appearance title in Area I. The house, at 2218 N. Nelson, is the home of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Giles.



A toyland complete with electric train, dolls and doll carriages, a rocking horse and other toys, transforms the home of Mr. and Mrs. M.A. Lamberson, 1817 N. Dwight, into a winter wonderland. The house won the originality category in Area I.

(Staff Photos by Duane A. Laverty)

Newsmakers

David R. Egerton
David R. Egerton received a doctor of philosophy degree in counseling psychology during commencement exercises Dec. 16 at Texas A&M University, College Station.

Dr. Egerton is a native of Pampa and a 1965 graduate of Pampa High School. He is married to the former Ann Littlejohn of Tulia; their daughter, Courtney Ann, attended school in Pampa.

Christopher J. Kupcunas
LUBBOCK — Christopher J. Kupcunas, son of Linda Kupcunas of Pampa, has been selected as an intern for the architecture firm of Freeman/White in Charlotte, N.C.

Kupcunas, a senior at Texas Tech University working toward a bachelor's degree in architecture with design specialization, is one of three students selected to intern for the spring 1989 semester.

Approximately 20 prominent architecture firms from across the U.S. have signed Professional Internship Agreements with Texas Tech's College of Architecture. To be eligible for the program, students must have a 3.0 grade point average or above in all architectural courses, have completed all de-

sign and technical support coursework of their third and fourth years, and submit a portfolio for review by the college and the interested firms. The architecture firms have final approval of the student participants.

Students in the program earn a salary from the firm and get three hours' credit for each semester they participate.

Kupcunas will be an intern for the spring and summer 1989 semesters. The nine months of practical experience will apply toward his three-year internship required before taking the exam to become a licensed architect. Kupcunas will return to school in the fall 1989 semester and is scheduled to complete his degree requirements in spring 1990.

Robert L. McDowell
Pvt. Robert L. McDowell, son of Dixie L. McDowell of Magazine, Ark. and Billy R. McDowell of 921 S. Banks, has completed basic training at Fort Dix, N.J.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesies, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

McDowell is a 1988 graduate of Magazine, Ark. High School.

Scott M. Adams
Navy Fireman Apprentice Scott M. Adams, son of Tom J. and Beneva Adams of 448 Graham, recently participated in community relations projects while deployed aboard the air-

craft carrier USS Carl Vinson, homeported in Alameda, Calif.

He joined the Navy in August 1987.


Mary Haesle
Mary Haesle of Pampa re-

ceived her registered nursing degree on Dec. 13 from Amarillo College.

Haesle was honored with the Outstanding Major Award. Criteria for this honor includes academic standing, develop-

ment, accomplishment and potential for future contributions to the discipline of nursing.

She is the mother of three children, Jennie, John and Matt, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Freeman of Pampa.



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Christmas celebrations dominate Pampa activities

Merry Christmas! While the smells of Christmas cooking waft through the house, we can sneak a peek at what our friends and neighbors have been doing.

E.D. "Ed" Duncan was honored by Arthur Brothers employees with a retirement party recently at the City Limits. Guests spent the evening having fun, watching some table dancing, munching party food, visiting around and dancing to a live band, with a little time out for choking up and shedding a few tears in tribute to a well-respected second-in-command boss. That happened when Judy Livingston presented Ed with a gift from the employees and Pat Lay, superintendent, a gift from the company with appropriate words of appreciation for and from Ed. A third gift was a hard hat covered with employees' signatures.

It's plain to see that the 20 to 25 female employees, eight of them long-time employees, enjoyed a special working relationship with Ed and agree that to them he will be irreplaceable.

Members of Ed's family attending the party were his wife Yvonne and children. Celine people attending were Irene Moxon, Henry Spencer, L.T. and Betty Johnson.

Ed's retirement date is Dec. 31. Happy retirement wishes, Ed!

Charlene and Roy Morriss entertained members and spouses of Preceptor Chi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi in their home last Monday evening with a Christmas dinner and gift exchange. Roy and Don Stafford donned Santa hats while the girls gave their Christmas requests — on the Santas' laps, of course.

A popular party on the local scene was the open house party where guests gathered around the onion dip, ham and cheese bits table, sipped punch, visited and wished each other a Merry Christmas.

Hosts for several separate such parties were Phil and Heidi Rapstine, Shirley and Don Stafford, Mary Jo and Dwight Fiveash, Dot and George Kammerer (in their newly redecorated home they did themselves).

People a dozen or two at a time dropped by Citizens Bank and



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Trust last Friday for a punch and cake reception honoring Pat Young on her retirement. Assisting with hostess duties were Betty Coffee, Joveta Young, Kay Smith, Betty Helm, Sylvia Goss and Doris Jean Foster. Pat received flowers, gifts and tons of hugs and good wishes.

Floyd Imel, president of the bank when Pat began her banking career in 1959, was among the 150 or so guests. Family members attending were her husband, Elmer D.; son Larry and his fiancée, Mary Haesle; her brother, Charles Gurley; her daughter, Lana Myers, and children Daniel and David Waters and his daughter Shannon; her sister, Frances Stamps of Panhandle; her aunt, Della Crump; mother-in-law, Jo Young; sister-in-law, Eddie Largent of Spearman; plus a niece, Theresa, and daughter Hannah Haddock.

Pat's plans for retirement call for spending lots of time with little Daniel. Congratulations, Pat, and warm wishes for a well-deserved retirement! Pat will be greatly missed by bank customers and employees as well.

Rhonda Fletcher planned the Christmas party for the 42 children ages 0 to 12 of employees of Citizens Bank and Trust. Gary Keeton presented a magic show, followed by a visit from Santa himself.

Assisting were Betty Frye, who greeted the children, Donna Crawford, Janis Conner, Tamie Garner, Jerl Mulkey, Renee Marak, Joveta Young and Kay Smith.

Betty Frye made arrangements for the employees' Christmas party (Citizens Bank) which was held at the Pampa Community Building. Jerry Kuenkel, a humorist and Methodist minister of Dallas, provided entertainment for the 75 employees, directors and spouses. Hickory Hut catered the dinner.

A few more December parties: Bill Hassell hosted an impromptu,



Peeking at Pampa

By Katie

tu, spur-of-the-moment cocktail Christmas party for 77 employees and special guests at the Plaza Club. His brother Raymond and his Little Big Band furnished the music. Bill and Maureen Curtis bade each guest "Goodnight!" with a Christmas kiss.

Flint Engineering and Schlumberger each had a party for 38 at the Plaza Club.

Betty Howell hosted a farewell bash at the Plaza Club for a few Fluor Daniel employees who were leaving Pampa.

A note for old-timers: Five generations of the Marlin M. and Ollie Mae Falkner Keeton family gathered in Lubbock less than a month ago for a family reunion. Marlin was a gospel music teacher, singer and piano player around Pampa and the Panhandle area during the '40s and '50s. During the '20s, '30s and '40s, he sang and played with V.O. and Frank Stamps and the Stamps Quartet.

His five children are Bervenia Pritchett, Pampa; Ann Williamson, Oklahoma City; Ruthie Allen, Richardson; two sons, Lowell of Odessa and Orville Keeton of Fritch. Even now at the age of 91 he still makes the piano talk. A brother, George Keeton, lives in Pampa.

Dean and Debbie Whaley hosted an open house recently in their home for members of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ. About 400 guests came by between 7 and 9 p.m.

Ladies who brought food and/or helped serve were Claudine Balch, Vera Rasco, Kay Smithers, Nelda Johnson, Dot Weatherly, Melba Hester, Ruby

Adecock, Joyce Feerer, Betty Epperson, Wanda Mitchell, Evelyn Mason, Rita Sewell, Mary Strahn, Kathy Sanders, Maria Hacker, Lois Whaley, Anna Spence, Marietta Smith, Lynn Kurts.

Waunita Grimsley and her daughter Judy vacationed two full weeks in Pullman, Wash., and Oceanside, Ore. with Waunita's daughter and family, one a great-grandson she saw for the first time. They spent one week as a quiet, happy family time at Oceanside without the bother of a phone or TV.

Birthday wishes to several Pampans who have Christmas or near-Christmas birthdays: Kay Smithers, Patsy Poole, Vera Rasco, Daryl Hughes, Louise Fletcher, Lee Harrah, Bobbie Snuggs, Jerry Guinn, Regina Walker.

Tenagers of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ delivered Christmas baskets of food

to needy families last Thursday. Keith Feerer coordinated the event.

Zion Lutheran Parish Hall was the distribution center last week for poinsettia plants sold to benefit the soccer team's expenses to England next summer. Sue Thomas was one busy lady as parents made deliveries.

Linda Holt and Cinda Lafferty recently returned from San Francisco. Kay and June Fancher were among the tourists from Amarillo and Canyon and Pernie Fallon of Pampa. Highlight of the trip was attending the opera *La Boheme* with Pavarotti. Fabulous shopping and dining completed the activities.

Judith Lloyd and daughter Mica flew to Tyler recently to attend the wedding of a longtime family friend.

Bruce and Ruth Riehart recently returned from a 35-day trip to Great Britain to celebrate their 35th anniversary. Belated congratulations!

Louise and Lonnie Richardson attended a wedding in California recently. They also enjoyed a performance of *The Glory of Christmas* at the Crystal Cathedral.

Have you seen the new landscaper at the Richardson house?

The landscape artist was their son Steve of Amarillo.

Tech Sgt. Lloyd Engle, his wife Estella, and son Lloyd Jr. are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Engle, for the first time since being assigned to Howell Air Force Base in Panama in 1982. Welcome home!

Other long-absent family members are brightening the holidays for Lillie Irene Jenkins. For the first time in 29 years, all her children and grandchildren are at her house for Christmas!

You are invited to attend a Christmas dinner, free to all, to be served by members of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ in their Fellowship Hall between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Meals will be delivered to clients of Meals on Wheels. Church members prepared and donated the food.

In charge are Kent and Karen Jones, chairmen, with Layne and April Heitz, Daryl and Kay Hughes, Kurt and Velda Shults, Denny and Judy Epperson and a world of volunteers assisting. It's called Christmas spirit.

Enjoy the day with family and friends. Drive straight and don't be a statistic.

See you next week — next year. Katie

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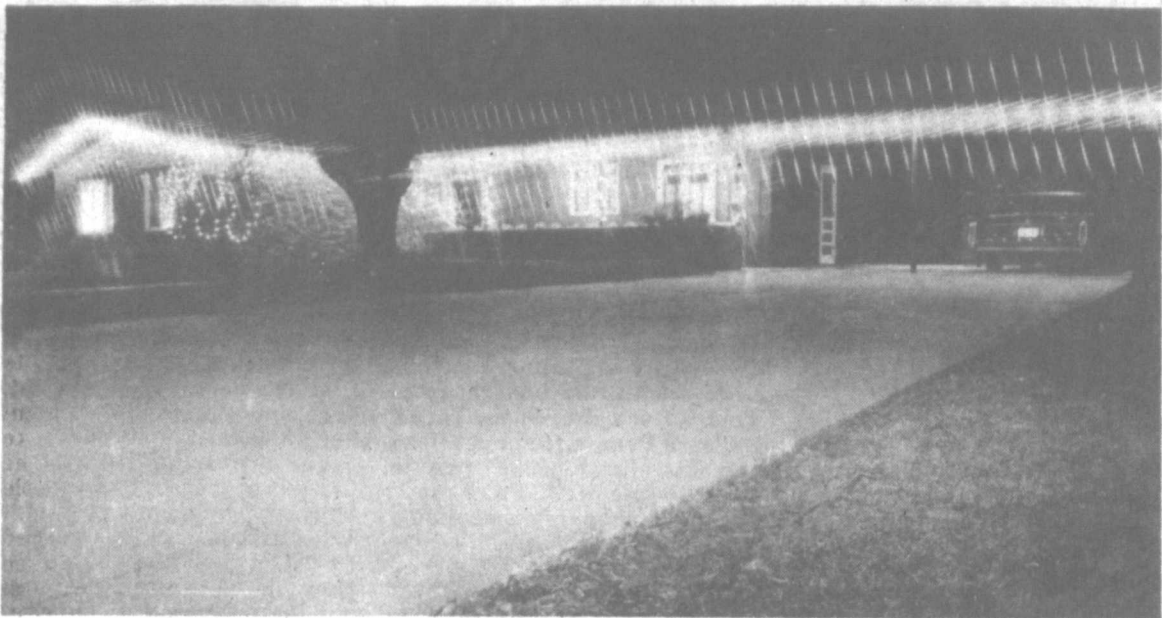
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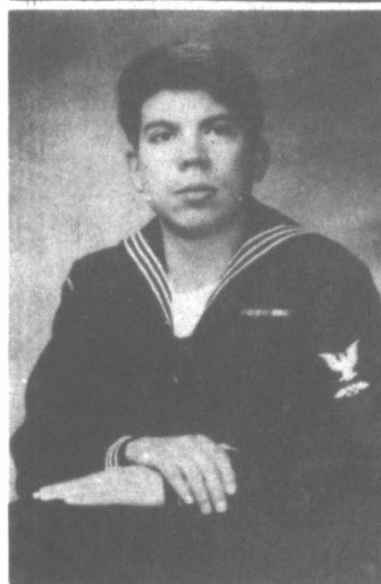
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The home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cree, 1819 Dogwood, was the overall appearance winner in Area II of the home decorating contest sponsored by Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce and *The Pampa News*. There were 47 entries in the contest, and each of the 12 winners received 25 Susan B. Anthony dollars.

Newsmakers



JOHN FLOYD RODRIGUEZ

John Floyd Rodriguez
U.S. Navy Petty Officer John Floyd Rodriguez, son of Bernadette and Benny Rodriguez of 1208 S. Faulkner, has been awarded a letter of commendation from Commander Carrier Group Three for outstanding performance as aviation fuels flight deck control talker on board USS Carl Vinson from June to December 1988, while deployed to Seventh Fleet.

"Demonstrating superior technical skills and attention to detail, Petty Officer Rodriguez exhibited a high degree of competence in the management and direction of all flight deck refueling crews in support of Carrier Air Wing 15 aircraft operations," the commendation read.

"Displaying superior knowledge, he contributed to V-4 Division's being lauded as discrepancy free during a mid-cruise inspection by Commander Naval Air Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet Aircraft Handling Team.

"Additionally, he ensured that the flight deck aircraft refueling crews maintained a 100-percent sortie accomplishment rate," according to the commendation. Rodriguez, a 1981 graduate of Pampa High School, attended Frank Phillips College and West Texas State University, and joined the Navy in 1985.

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4-H Corner

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Animal science programs teach 4-H'ers responsibility

DATES
Dec. 26 — Extension Office closed for Christmas holiday
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ANIMAL SCIENCE PROGRAMS TEACH 4-H'ERS RESPONSIBILITY, DEDICATION

Helping youths to develop a sense of responsibility and dedication is basic to 4-H animal science programs — which include projects in agriculture, beef, sheep, swine, rabbit, dog care and training, horse and veterinary science.

These programs provide young people an opportunity to explore many areas of the animal industry and to place special emphasis on areas of individual interest. The programs offer opportunities to 4-H members whether they live in rural or urban areas.

In animal science programs, 4-H members are exposed to everything from simple pet care and training to marketing, breeding, research, nutrition and careers. These programs can be an integral part of their learning and living experiences and can offer young people an almost limitless array of opportunities for education and exploration.

Objectives common to programs in animal sciences include:

- To develop leadership activities, build character and assume citizenship responsibilities.
- To explore career opportunities.
- To develop skills, knowledge and attitudes for lifelong use.
- To share knowledge gained with others.

Youths who excel in 4-H animal science programs can reap a host of awards, including some scholarships and trips to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago awarded each fall.

The animal science projects are directly related to the stock show program. For the past several months, over 60 Gray County 4-H'ers have been caring for their projects in preparation for the Gray County and Top 'O Texas stock shows coming up in later January. These 60 4-H'ers are caring for more than 120 animals that they have to exhibit at the shows.

I would encourage you to come out and see for yourself how hard these young people have worked in the caring, training and feeding of these animal science projects.

GLAD TIDINGS
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Our weather continues on the warm side of normal, which may allow some of my fellow men to get some of their outdoor "Honey-Do" jobs accomplished during the holiday season.

One thing that requires a good warm afternoon is for drip irrigation gardeners to get their drip lines rolled up. Make large circles when rolling the lines so as not to crimp the flexible tubing.

Also, pen both ends of the line so water can empty out. Storing them in a dry place away from sunlight should also help add life to the tubing.

TREE PRUNING STUBS

One recent warm day, I saw someone treating their trees in a very destructive manner. They were pruning some limbs but were leaving about 6- to 10-inch stubs where the limbs were being sawed off. Any stub left from any pruning exercise serves as an open wound for the life of that stub.

When pruning, please cut limbs flush or smooth with the trunk or



For Horticulture
Joe VanZandt

a larger limb. Only when pruning to avoid power lines or after an ice storm can stubs be rationalized as proper pruning.

If you have a pruning job and don't know how, then call the County Extension Office.

THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT...

I can credit the following to Dale Rollins, Extension Wildlife Specialist at San Angelo:

Dashing through the cactus on a cold December day, busting through the brush, running all the way! Shells from pumpguns ring, putting quail in flight, chasing

birds with dog and gun makes everything alright, oh-h-h-h jingle bells, shotgun shells, rabbits all the way. Oh, what fun it is to hunt those blue quail all the day!

I'm not worth a dang during the Thanksgiving or Christmas holidays; I don't want to visit with relatives, can't stand the thought of feeding the cows or fixin' fence, why I don't even care if I see the football games. My affliction, you ask? Quail fever, a recurring malady that I've had since childhood. Sure hope there's no cure!

Now the quail huntin' ain't the best this year, but that's why they call it huntin', not shootin'. Sure hope you get a chance to get your shots in as well. While you've got that bird in hand, make note of its age and sex, and open up the crop ("craw") and learn a little about quail diets.

Quail hunting should be a lot better in the next four years, what with the Republicans at the reins again. After all, there should be a Quayle under every Bush!

Square House Museum gets grant

PANHANDLE — A \$20,000 challenge grant has been awarded to Carson County Square House Museum from the Meadows Foundation of Dallas, according to Mrs. Jo Stewart Randel, finance chairman of the museum.

The money is being awarded to help fund the day-to-day operation of the museum.

The foundation will match each donation received by the museum, up to \$20,000, to help

fund museum programs.

"It's not often that we get the opportunity to have a dollar buy two dollars' worth of merchandise, even at sale prices, but here we actually get to give two dollars when we donate one," Mrs. Randel said.

The Meadows Foundation is one of the largest private foundations in Texas and among the 20 largest in the nation. It benefits programs throughout Texas and

has been particularly active in innovative ways to help solve local community problems; capital plans, like the museum's, which enable programs to flourish; projects leading to self-sufficiency; and projects that promote better human relationships.

Persons interested in making a donation to the museum or in museum programs may write to: Carson County Square House Museum, P.O. Box 276, Panhandle, 79068, or call 537-3524.

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Entertainment



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Bill Murray shows his comic training in 'Scrooged.'

Murray remains off the wall

By BOB THOMAS
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — When the history of American entertainment in the 1970s and '80s is written, a hefty chapter will be required for *Saturday Night Live*.

NBC's off-the-wall comedy series has produced almost as many stars as did vaudeville in an earlier era, including: John Belushi, Chevy Chase, Dan Aykroyd, Bill Murray, Gilda Radner, Jane Curtin, Albert Brooks, Laraine Newman, Joe Piscopo, Eddie Murphy, Brad Hall, Jim Belushi, Billy Crystal, Christopher Guest, Rich Hall and Martin Short.

Murray has warm memories of his service (1977-80) with the Not Ready for Prime Time Players:

"The most fun we had was when it was just us. After 6 o'clock on Friday night, everyone would leave the building (RCA in Rockefeller Plaza, New York). We wouldn't have hangers-on or guests or visitors. It would just be the actors and the crew."

"We all got goofy, but everybody gets goofy. We were in the business of making funny television, hopefully. When you did it right, that was more satisfying than getting drunk or throwing bottles out of windows or whatever anyone says we may have done."

Many of the tricks Murray learned on *Saturday Night Live* can be viewed in *Scrooged*, new from Paramount Pictures. It's an update of *A Christmas Carol* with Murray as a TV network boss who would make Scrooge seem like Mother Teresa. Most of the critics didn't enjoy the movie, but the public did. The first weekend take was a big \$13

million on 1,262 screens.

Why another version of Dickens' oft-told tale? "The incentive was to make a funny version of *A Christmas Carol*, to give it a modern look and a 1980s social conscience," Murray said. "Besides I wanted to work. I like to work. I'm a better person when I work. It was better that I get a job; I was deteriorating rapidly."

Of course, one never knows how seriously to take Murray's remarks. It is true that he took a long breather after the megahit *Ghostbusters* and his dramatic mishap, *The Razor's Edge*.

In 1989, the *Ghostbuster* gang returns for the long-awaited sequel.

"*Ghostbusters* was the most fun we ever had making a movie," said Murray. "It was just funny people doing a funny movie. Even though there was a lot of waiting because of the special effects, we really had a lot of fun."

Murray grew up in a funny family in Wilmette, Ill., near Chicago. He was the middle of nine children who, according to family legend, vied for the attention of their father, a lumber salesman with a rare sense of humor.

He continued trying to make his fellow students laugh while attending a Jesuit school. After a brief stint at a pre-med school in Denver, he drifted back to Chicago.

His older brother, Brian, had joined Second City, the improvisational comedy troupe that included John Belushi and Harold Ramis. Murray studied at the company's workshop, then replaced Belushi who moved on to New York. The Murray brothers and Ramis followed soon afterward. Then came the explosion of *Saturday Night Live*.



Hot Licks

By BEAR MILLS

DELICATE SOUND OF THUNDER Pink Floyd

Long known as one of the most intellectual bands in rock music, Pink Floyd's works often resemble a psychedelic symphony more than a hard rock album.

In fact, their ethereal sound has conjured up more than its share of mad visions in the minds of listeners.

Their newest double-live album, *Delicate Sound of Thunder*, is no exception. "Shine On You Crazy Diamond" serves as a slightly unbalanced overture to a 15-song set featuring works from *Dark Side of the Moon*, *The Wall*, *Wish You Were Here* and *Momentary Lapse of Reason*.

Like all Pink Floyd efforts, the emphasis is on long instrumental bridges and solos, rather than particularly momentous lyrical undertakings.

And while I confess to never being a big fan of guitar tomes, it is hard not to be enchanted by the spell this Roger Waters-less version of Pink Floyd have managed to cast with guitar and keyboard.

The mood of *Delicate Sound of Thunder*, like so many of their albums, is of one waiting for something to happen until the anticipation is almost too much to take. But then comes reality, and you find that it just wasn't as good as you expected it to be.

This grim vision is cynical at best. But it also makes for a certain entertainingly grim journey into the world of the down-and-out.

Like crawling into the head of a paranoid person, you crawl into "Us and Them" to hear a better version of the song than was served in the original.

Featured during these live performances was a huge "floating" nebula that changed colors and shapes as the music progressed. Like that starry amoeba, the texture and content of PF's music

bends and weaves through each movement.

During the opening bars of "Sorrow" David Gilmour, now the head "Pink," plays a guitar solo that sounds like Jimi Hendrix taking a turn at "Kum-baya." It gives the song a very strange effect indeed.

Like most of the numbers, the song doesn't really end, it just sort of fades into oblivion.

If *Delicate Sound of Thunder* has one shortcoming, it is Gilmour having to handle all of the lead vocals and attempting to copy Roger Waters' eerie style. At times the sound is outright flat. Most of the time, however, it is at least adequate.

And his trademark lead guitar with its patented "pink" sound is a constant reminder that this is the premier mind-message band in the world.

"Dogs of War" is one of the most blatant tunes in the set. Gilmour actually tells a whole story

before letting the instruments take off on their six minute flight.

From *The Wall* comes "Comfortably Numb," "Run Like Hell" and "Another Brick in the Wall Pt. 2." Each is comparable to the original save "Wall Pt. 2."

At one point the prerecorded voices of English school children singing the refrain becomes out of sync with the live drum beat. The song seems noticeably cut short after that point. If the effect was on purpose, it didn't work.

The stand-out stinker on this otherwise solid album, though, is "Money," one of their biggest hits.

Like many bands who have performed a song for the 10 millionth time and are tired of it, they seem to only go through the paces. The solos are rambling and pointless. The sound is extremely murky.

But don't let that dissuade you from this very strong set. Pink is in the black in a big way. Grade: A



David Gilmour, left, and Nick Mason

Top videos

By The Associated Press

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1. *E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial* (MCA)
2. *Cinderella* (Disney)
3. *Dirty Dancing* (Vestron)
4. *Lady and the Tramp* (Disney)
5. *The Sound of Music* (CBS-Fox)
6. *Doctor Zhivago* (MGM-UA)
7. *White Christmas* (Paramount)
8. *Callanetics* (MCA)
9. *Good Morning Vietnam* (Touchstone)
10. *Mickey Commemorative Edition* (Disney)

Rentals

1. *Beetlejuice* (Warner)
2. *Three Men and a Cradle* (Touchstone)

3. *E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial* (MCA)
4. *Above the Law* (Warner)
5. *Biloxi Blues* (MCA)
6. *Colors* (Orion)
7. *Shoot to Kill* (Touchstone)
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State economy hit by combination of natural, manmade events

By EVAN RAMSTAD
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP)— State agriculture and weather forecasters at the end of 1988 prepared to declare it one of history's driest years, a natural disaster among many manmade ones that battered the Texas economy.

But several economic indicators and business announcements, including the Department of Energy's recommendation that a site near Waxahachie be the home of the multibillion-dollar superconducting "super collider," held promise for the future.

Bad real estate loans and lending practices led federal regulators to fail more than 100 Texas banks in 1988, shattering the record of 50 set in 1987.

Dozens of troubled savings and loans were consolidated with healthy ones in a sweeping federal program called the "Southwest Plan."

Regulators in late July rescued First Republic Bank Corp., the state's largest bank holding company, and its 40 subsidiary banks were taken over by NCNB Corp., a Charlotte, N.C.-based firm.

Another huge Texas bank firm, Houston's First City Bancorporation, was bailed out by federal regulators and a transaction involving San Antonio-based National Bancshares Corp. and Fort Worth's Texas American Bancshares was under consideration — for the second time.

Later in the year, the state's second-largest bank company, MCorp, asked for regulators' advice, but tried desperately to avoid a bailout.

Billionaire Ross Perot supported the takeover of First Republic Bank by NCNB, a deal which could eventually cost federal regulators \$4 billion.

NCNB's share of the rescue is estimated at between \$210 million and \$214 million.

"I agreed to underwrite it, which was an insignificant public service to the people of Texas because NCNB, without even breaking a bead of perspiration, can raise well over \$200 million," Perot said.

Several counties in central and south Texas and a patch of counties in northeast Texas (were) hardest hit by the drought.

Meanwhile, Perot started a new computer services firm the day a non-competition agreement between him and his former company, Electronic Data Systems, expired.

Perot is prohibited by the agreement from operating his new company on a for-profit basis until December 1989, but worried competitors challenged his first contract, a \$500,000 deal to automate the U.S. Postal Service that was awarded on a no-bid basis.

Tenneco Inc., Houston's largest oil company, announced it was getting out of the oil and gas business, selling its operations for more than \$7 billion.

Several buyers, including Chevron Corp. and T. Boone Pickens' Mesa Limited Partnership, were involved in the sale affecting the nation's 10th largest oil company.

Houston's newest and emptiest skyscraper, the 53-story Heritage Plaza, was sold for \$110 million to a partnership whose major investor is the Michigan Employees Retirement System.

State agriculture officials



Texas state Sen. Chet Edwards, right, and Joe Barton hold a copy of the Waxahachie Daily Light announcing the selection of Ellis County as site for the super collider in November.

pointed to several counties in central and south Texas and a patch of counties in northeast Texas as those hardest hit by the drought.

More than 600 ranchers and farmers in central Texas' Gonzales County — which received

less than half its normal yearly rainfall amount — sought relief from federal assistance programs in 1988.

Thousands of head of livestock were taken to market prematurely and crop yields were only ab-

out 60 percent of normal, said Charles Rasmussen, executive director for the Agriculture Stabilization and Conservation Service in Gonzales County.

"We have a 90 percent loss on our pastures," Rasmussen said.

"Some are 100 percent lost, but on average about 90 percent."

The only major crop to benefit from the dry weather was cotton, especially the late year's crop, state officials said.

On the economy's brighter side, U.S. Energy Secretary John Herrington in November said his department's exhaustive study of places to locate the super collider found Texas to be the best.

State and local business and political leaders agreed, but obtaining congressional funding for the project appeared likely to be a battle.

In January, government and industry leaders announced the placement of the Sematech consortium project in Austin.

The joint government-industry research group, involving 15 computer competitors, was formed as a response to the Japanese lead in the semiconductor industry.

Houston-based Compaq Computer Corp. boasted record profits on increased sales of its personal computers and introduced a new line of laptop models.

And Fort Worth-based Tandy Corp. introduced new personal computers and a re-recordable compact disc machine. The CD machine wasn't on the market by year's end, though.

Formosa Plastics Group announced Oct. 31 it would make the largest one-time investment by a petrochemical manufacturer in the state when it begins construction of a \$1.3 billion facility in Port Lavaca in 1989.

Formosa will provide up to 4,000 jobs during its three-year construction phase and employ up to 1,700 new workers with an annual payroll of \$85 million.

In the waning weeks of the year, GTE Corp. and Fujitsu America announced major ex-

pansions in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

Former Gov. John Connally emerged from Chapter 11 bankruptcy less than a year after filing to deal with a \$93 million debt. Connally auctioned off his belongings in January to help pay off creditors.

Sea World of Texas and a new downtown mall opened in San Antonio, boosting that city's already bright tourism business.

Within five months of its debut, more than two million people had visited Sea World. Southwest Air-

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lines even painted one of its planes with the image of a killer whale.

The Texas Racing Commission heard from more than 35 prospective track operators as the selection process for pari-mutuel race sites began.

Texaco and Pennzoil ended their more than four-year feud with Texaco making a series of bank transactions that put \$3 billion in a Pennzoil account.

Texaco agreed to the settlement that began with Pennzoil's objection to Texaco's 1984 acquisition of Getty Oil Co. The settlement also allowed Texaco to emerge from bankruptcy proceedings.

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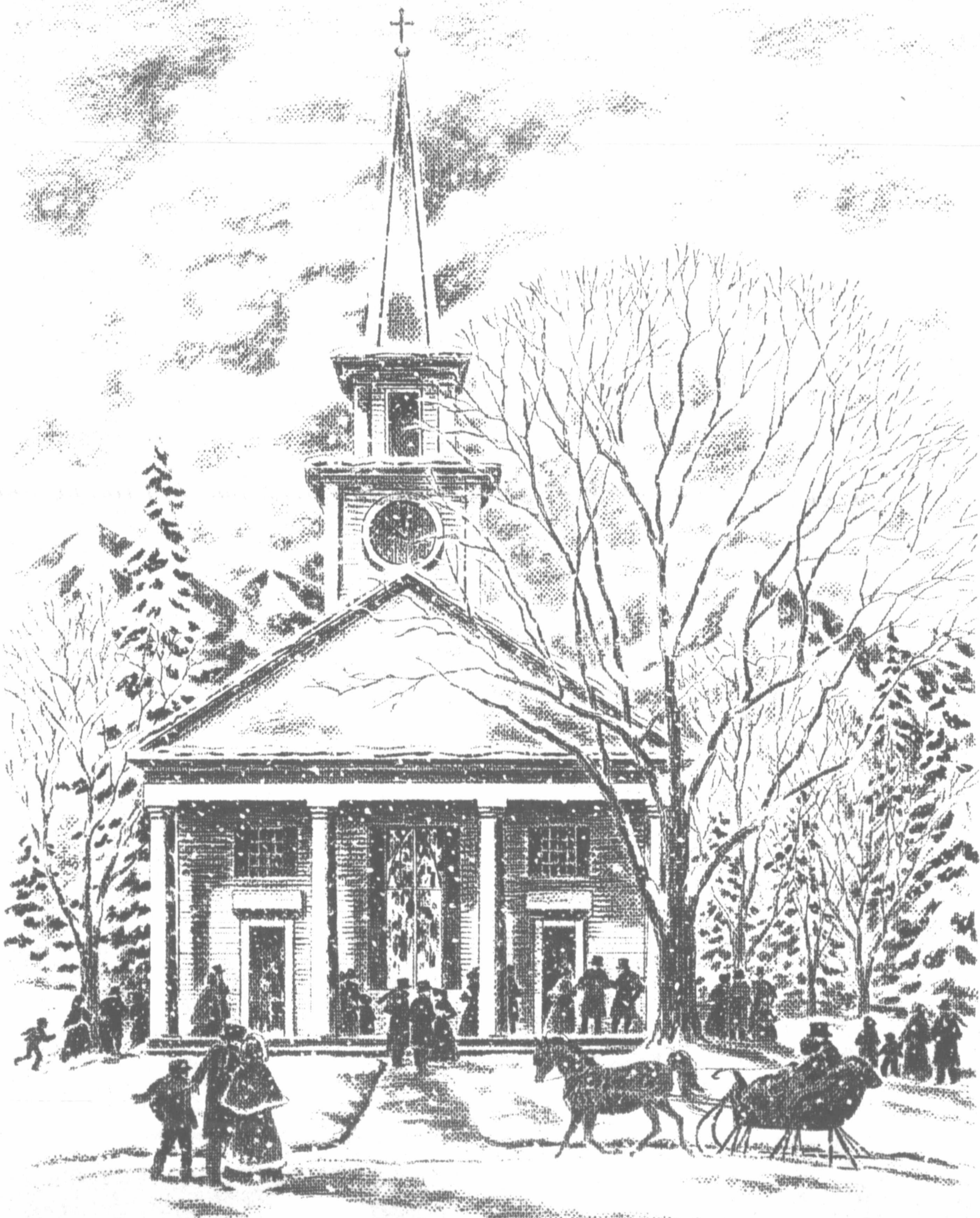
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The Pampa News

Today's Crossword Puzzle

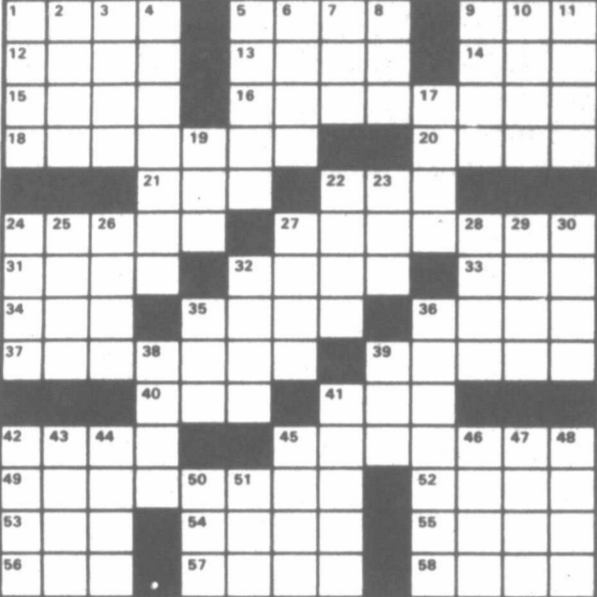
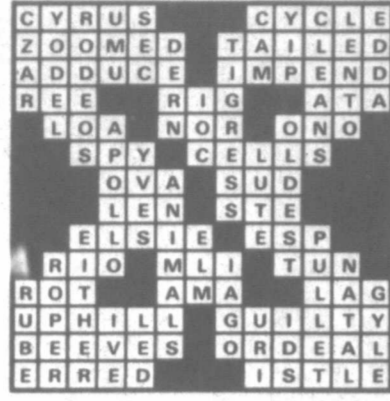
ACROSS

- 1 Aid in diagnosing
- 5 Antelope
- 9 Actress Joanne
- 12 Opp. of mini
- 13 Skinny fish
- 14 British flyers (abbr.)
- 25 Lang Syne
- 16 Subatomic particle
- 18 Slid on snow
- 20 Arrow poison
- 21 Mental components
- 22 506, Roman
- 24 Attire
- 27 Radioactive element
- 31 Apiece
- 32 Fed. agent
- 33 Genetic material (abbr.)
- 34 Technical univ.
- 35 Small fish
- 36 Enter (2 wds.)
- 37 Golden sherry
- 39 Id'ots
- 40 Companion of aah
- 41 June bug
- 42 Small insect
- 45 Hermit
- 49 Christmas
- 52 Dill seed
- 53 Law deg.
- 54 Lamb's pen name
- 55 Russian no
- 56 Old musical note
- 57 ___ do-well
- 58 Over

DOWN

- 6 Necessity
- 7 Eskimo knife
- 8 Swift aircraft (abbr.)
- 9 Trickle
- 10 Genus of frogs
- 11 Flying saucers (abbr.)
- 17 Bankrupt
- 19 Dentist's deg.
- 22 Strong cart
- 23 Mover's truck
- 24 Promotional tape (abbr.)
- 25 Fence timber
- 26 Opp. of endo
- 27 Center of shield
- 28 Pagan god
- 29 Fixed quantity
- 30 Le ___ auto race
- 32 Golly
- 35 Sticky stuff
- 36 Glutton
- 38 Surf roar
- 39 Deer
- 41 Melancholy (poet.)
- 42 Fermenting agent
- 43 Invalid
- 44 Part of brain
- 45 Singer — Adams
- 46 California county
- 47 Adolescent
- 48 Diminutive suffix
- 50 Decimal unit
- 51 ___ de France

Answer to Previous Puzzle



DOWN

- 1 Dec. holiday
- 2 Actor — Julia
- 3 Crossbar
- 4 Jewish tongue
- 5 Hereditary factors

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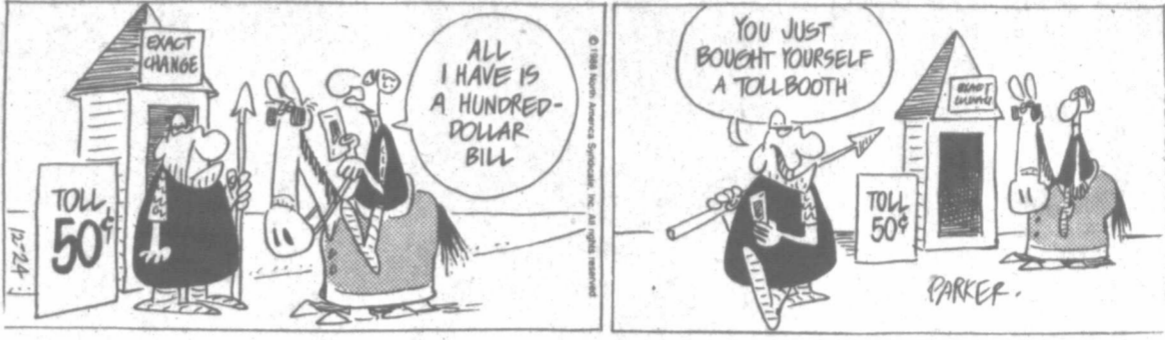
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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't feel awkward about taking advantage of a situation that a friend of yours lacked the talent to exploit properly. However, don't cut this person entirely out of the picture. Major changes are ahead for Capricorn in 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. 18) This is not the right day to discuss a delicate issue with your mate that always reopens an old wound every time it is brought up. It's not apt to be harmoniously resolved now.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) After your work is concluded for the day, try to forget it and relax. If you continue to think about what still needs doing, you might have a restless night.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Even though you'll realize you should be directing your energies to practical assignments that need doing today, you might be tempted to play instead. This may be an unwise choice.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Try to adhere to the course you've set for yourself today. If you start making unwarranted changes, you'll begin to feel very insecure about your moves.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Something interesting may develop today that should please you considerably. However, don't talk about it to a person who might resent all the breaks going your way.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Possibilities for fulfilling your ambitions look very good today, provided you operate along practical lines. Things could get blown off course, however, if you take foolish gambles.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It's important today that you continuously keep your objective in sight. If you lack focus, you might switch your attention at the last minute.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you make an accurate assessment of your present conditions, you're likely to see the biggest bugaboo facing you now is your own self-doubt. Think positive.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You're not apt to have any problems today with people you've previously dealt with successfully, but it's best you tread cautiously if you have to do business with strangers.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You may be a slow starter today and not slip into full gear until later in the afternoon. Then it's likely the sparks will fly when you strive to make up for lost time.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Most of the work for something you're planning to do today with someone else could be left up to you if the duties aren't spelled out in advance.

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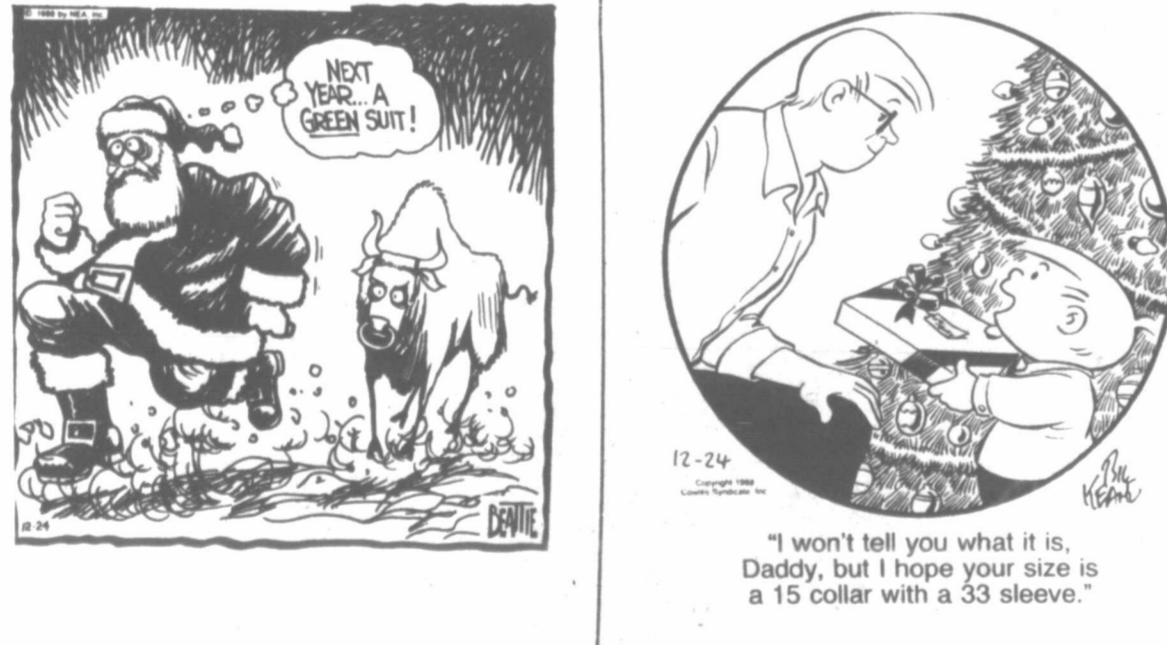


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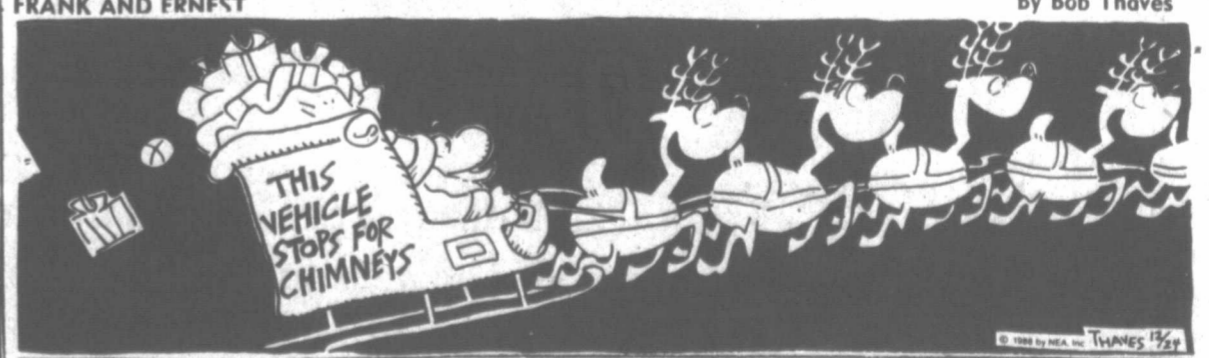
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WHEAT SITUATION

Our wheat condition has been rapidly deteriorating during the last few weeks.

The continued warm, dry weather has really depleted our soil moisture. On top of that, greenbugs have also been taking advantage of the warm fall and have about spread to every wheat field.

Some of the young, late planted wheat has been hit really hard by the greenbugs. The small wheat is just a lot weaker and more susceptible to even a few greenbugs. Some of the older wheat plants have literally been covered up with greenbugs.

The daytime temperatures are barely high enough for the most common insecticide, parathion, to work on the greenbugs. Emergency label approval has been granted for use of Lorsban but it generally needs even warmer temperatures to work on the insects.

It is surely a tough decision on some of the dryland wheat that is really hurting for moisture already. However, at the rate greenbug infestations are increasing, it may be best to spray or kiss some wheat fields goodbye. Farmers definitely need to be making close inspections of wheat fields to determine your exact situation.

Call me if you have some questions.

RECORDS CRITICAL FOR TAX FILING

As year-end draws near, there are visions of sugar plums and other Christmas season goodies. But those visions might also include mounds of records to support 1988 income tax returns.

With another tax filing season approaching, it's time to start collecting canceled checks, receipts and numerous forms and miscellaneous items. But rather than taking a helter-skelter approach, a little advance planning regarding recordkeeping could pay dividends.

Generally, collect all records that will help you prepare an accurate tax return. You want to do the best job you can in filing your return so that you pay only the proper tax. And you also need to have good records in case your return is audited by the IRS.

Without proper tax records, you may lose some sleep as well as be subjected to additional taxes, interest and penalties if you can't back up claims on your tax return.

Information on the following is critical for every tax return:

- Income: Keep copies of Form W-2 (Wage and Tax Statement), Form W-2-P (Statement for Recipients of Annuities, Pensions, Retired Pay or IRA Payments), any of the Form 1099 Series for interest, dividends and other distributions plus other documents

proving amounts on income.

- Deductions: Keep all sales slips, invoices, receipts, canceled checks and other documents that support deductions claimed. It's even a smart move to keep receipts and canceled checks for nondeductible items because sometimes new laws give certain retroactive tax breaks.

For instance, the new Technical and Miscellaneous Revenue Act of 1988 also allows taxpayers to claim charitable deductions for 80 percent of payments to colleges and universities.

The IRS had ruled these payments nondeductible because they entitled the payer to buy seating at athletic events. With proper records, these deductions can be claimed as far back as 1984.

- Past returns: Keep copies of all tax returns in case it's necessary to file an amended return. Also, a copy serves as a backup if the original never reached the IRS.

The following are a number of other steps to make tax filing a "less taxing" time.

- Special handling: Taking the extra step to send your tax return by registered or certified mail can bring peace of mind by providing evidence of delivery.

- Interest deductions: Along with statements, notes and canceled checks to prove interest payments on loans, mortgages and credit cards, keep records to support the type of interest deduction being claimed (investment interest, personal interest or home mortgage interest).

- Charitable contributions: For a cash contribution, keep a canceled check or receipt showing the charity's name, amount of contribution and date. For property, a similar receipt is needed which also shows the location and description of the property.

A receipt may not be needed for property donation if it's unreasonable to get one, such as depositing used clothing in a drop box. However, every property donation must be supported by detailed written records that include the property's fair market value and the method used to establish it.

Taxpayers performing volunteer services for a charitable organization must keep records of expenses incurred while carrying out charitable work.

- Assets: It's good to keep detailed records of all property for at least as long as you own it. In the case of a home, this should include the purchase price, purchase expenses, cost of improvements and other adjustments. Keeping sales receipts or appraisals on big-ticket items will pay off in case of a theft or casualty.

If a document that you need has never been filed with the IRS, you can get a copy by completing Form 4506 and sending it to the IRS Service Center where you filed your return.

Crop productions costs to rise for 1989

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Projections by the Agriculture Department show that farmers will face significantly higher crop production costs next year than they did in 1988 when drought and heat parched much of the nation.

The department's Economic Research Service says two forces will be at work: farmers will see higher prices for some important "inputs," or items needed to produce crops, and they will be planting more acres.

Economist Mir Ali says the overall price index for all production items, including interest, taxes and wages, may rise only about 5 percent, compared with a 7 percent gain in 1988.

But seed prices by themselves are expected to go up 5 percent, compared to a 1 percent increase this year. Fertilizer prices, which rose 8 percent in 1988, are expected to increase 9 percent next year. Agricultural chemicals — weedkillers and pesticides —

may rise 5 percent, compared with a 2 percent increase in 1988.

Tractors and self-propelled machines, including combines, may average 7 percent higher, compared with this year's price increase of 6 percent, while other machinery may go up 6 percent against 1988's 5 percent price gain.

Price increases are expected to ease a bit for some major items, including: automobiles and trucks, up 5 percent, compared with an 8 percent gain in 1988; and fuels and energy, up 2 percent, compared with 3 percent this year.

At USDA's recent outlook conference, agency economists said 1989 farm production costs, or expenditures, may increase 4 percent to 5 percent from this year, reflecting larger plantings and price increases for some items.

"Both seed and fertilizer costs may rise 16 percent to 20 percent, reflecting increased planted acreage in 1989, and 5 percent to 10 percent increases in fertilizer and seed

prices," one report said.

The report added: "Fuels and pesticide expenses are projected to increase from 10 percent to 15 percent, primarily due to larger feed grain and food grain planted acreage."

Further, it said, the impact of the 1988 drought and the boost in 1989 crop acreages "will be evident in virtually all categories" of farm expenses next year.

"Marketing, storage and transportation costs could rise 20 percent to 30 percent as production rebounds," the report said. "The improved financial health of farmers with large inventories of crops at the beginning of 1988, and of those whose production was not badly damaged by drought, could generate substantial purchases of farm machinery in 1989."

But corn producers may receive some relief since the Agriculture Department says the Soviet Union has bought an additional 750,000 metric tons of U.S. corn for delivery under a newly extended supply agreement between the two countries.

Poultry lover promotes ducks and geese

By KAREN SVENDSEN
WERNER
Waco Tribune-Herald

WACO (AP) — Ducks and geese are good for cleaning insects out of crops, keeping algae controlled in ponds and catching mosquitoes, claims poultry grower Frances Grieve of Bellmead.

Grieve is secretary of the newly formed Heart of Texas Poultry Fanciers, which is trying to gather poultry raisers and hopes to sponsor a Waco poultry show in late 1989.

Some of the other half-dozen members raise chickens, but Grieve fancies specific breeds of geese and ducks.

"I don't really know how I got started," she said. "I just like having them around."

After years of popularity in the Midwest and Northeast, raising purebred domestic waterfowl is on the rise in Texas, Grieve said.

One common myth surrounding ducks is that they need a pond to survive, she said. All they need is a container of water deep enough to submerge their heads to clean their special eyelids.

Grieve said she believes she has seen an increase in the number of purebred ducks and geese at poultry shows because more people are moving out to small lots in the country. Waterfowl that cost from \$2.50 to \$10 each are useful and economical to raise, she said.

A gosling raised with chicks helps protect the chickens from predators when they grow up, she said. A mixed breed of geese, called weeders, can be driven through cotton, peanut, potato and Christmas tree fields to keep down grass and bugs as an alternative to spraying chemicals.

"If you've got grass, you don't really have to feed them anything

else," she said.

Ducks placed in partly grown gardens with extra plants can keep the bugs and weeds in check, she said. They also help keep algae under control in a fenced stock tank, but they need a floating island in the center to keep them from predators.

Ducks will eat the bugs flying around a low-hanging light bulb at night, and a duck or two in the backyard will almost eliminate snails, slugs and grubs, she said.

Grieve said she can remember being around fowl ever since her father raised geese and ducks for

commercial slaughter on a farm in Howell, Mich.

Now she has about 100 breeding birds, including nine breeds of ducks and three breeds of geese. Her favorites are the tall, skinny Indian Runners that hold their long necks high in the air.

"They're quite comical, really," she said. "Most ducks don't stand up that straight."

Grieve said the poultry club, organized in October, may need some time to become established, but the potential for strong membership is there.

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J. Patrick Boyle, administrator of the department's Agricultural Marketing Service, said the program would operate at no

cost to the federal government and would be financed by an assessment of up to 2 cents per 100 pounds of melons.

The fee would be paid by farmers who grow five acres or more of watermelons and by "first handlers," or dealers who buy directly from farmers.

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Millions to join Earth Day 1990 event

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Leaders of the nation's largest environmental organizations have united to launch a cooperative effort with college students, business, labor, farmers, urban groups and others to organize an international Earth Day in April 1990.

Organizers plan to involve more than 100 million participants in countries around the world.

"We expect Earth Day 1990 to be the largest demonstration in human history," said Dennis Hayes, chairman of the event.

"We hope that Earth Day will rekindle the spirit that launched the original Earth Day, and will spur people everywhere to work even harder to build a sustainable society," said Jay D. Hair, president of the National Wildlife Federation.

The U.S. environmental groups joining together in this effort have a total of more than seven million members.

Participating groups include the National Wildlife Federation, the Natural Resources Defense Council, the Environmental Defense Fund, the National Audubon Society, the Sierra Club, the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund and the Wilderness Society.

Others joining together for the event in-

clude the Environmental Policy Institute, Environmental Action, the Izaak Walton League of America, the National Parks and Conservation Association, Friends of the Earth, Renew America and the Earth Island Institute.

A special effort will be made to reach grade schools, high schools and college campuses.

"It is time to enlist a new generation of activists to save the world's environment," said Hair.

"To successfully resolve the Earth's environmental crisis, America's youth must be armed with both knowledge and understanding of the natural world around them," said Jack Lorenz, executive director of the Izaak Walton League.

Hayes, who will chair the coordinating group, was also the national coordinator of the original Earth Day 1970. That event, which was confined to the United States, had more than twenty million participants and is widely credited as marking the birth of the modern environmental movement.

"Unlike 1970, today's major environmental issues are international in scope," said

John Adams, executive director of the Natural Resources Defense Council.

"No nation acting alone can solve such problems as global warming, the destruction of the ozone layer, acid rain, plutonium proliferation or ocean pollution. Such phenomena pose a threat to every living creature," Adams said.

"Earth Day will force political leaders around the world to recognize the urgency of the environmental crisis. On Earth Day, we expect to hear some commitments and see some action."

One striking difference between the 1990 event and its 1970 predecessor is the intent to link key organizers around the world in a state-of-the-art computer network. Organizers hope that the event will lead to a much higher degree of communication and cooperation among environmentalists around the world.

Earth Day 1990 will be headquartered in San Francisco and Washington, D.C. Its interim address is:

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Gramm: Texas will sue if U.S. Navy homeports end up in base closings

WASHINGTON (AP) — The state of Texas will sue to recover its investment if the new U.S. Navy homeports in Ingleside and Galveston end up on the Pentagon base-closing panel's list, U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm says.

Gramm, R-Texas, told the *Corpus Christi Caller* he could not assure that the new Navy homeports in Texas would escape the list, but added that he was "cautiously optimistic" that Naval Station at Ingleside would not be affected by the base-closing commission's conclusions.

Gramm told the newspaper that he had told Pentagon officials, including "a key member of the commission," that Texas would sue the federal government if the new Texas homeports were included among the base-closing recommendations.

"I have made it clear that should one of the Texas homeports be closed, we would expect to sue the federal government for our matching funds and for the cost of any infrastructure, including sewer lines, water lines or power lines, that have been laid to this point," Gramm said.

State and local bond funds contributed for development of Ingleside have amounted to \$50 million.

The state would consider such a suit, Elna Christopher, spokeswoman for Texas Attorney General Mattox, said.

"At this point it's something we would certainly look at, any legal means of protecting Texas interests," she said.

The commission has included the two Navy homeports and U.S. Air Force bases in Lubbock and Del Rio among military facilities discussed for cutbacks or closing, Gramm said.

The Texas senator said he briefed a leader of the Pentagon commission specifically on the merits of Naval Station Ing-

leside, as well as attempting to make a case that the new homeport in Galveston should be developed as a naval reserve center.

"I have talked to all of the relevant officials at the Pentagon, reiterating the case for Homeport, and that case includes the best financial package the Navy has ever gotten," Gramm said.

"I have given the case in great detail for the Homeport at Ingleside, all of the economics, because I was not sure to the degree the base-closing commission was aware of the local (financial) incentives," Gramm said. "They said they had looked at all of the details concerning each of the bases."

Gramm also said if the homeport at Galveston were eliminated, he said, Naval Station Ingleside would be unlikely to pick up naval vessels as a result of consolidation because of the "absence of a population base that could support the reserve fleet."

The 12-member Defense Secretary's Commission on Base Realignment and Closure sent its final report to be printed early last week, according to commission spokesman James Abbee.

Both Abbee and several members of the commission have said they will not discuss any part of the report, which is certain to stir a political firestorm in regions hit by the closings, until its release Dec. 29.

An aide to Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas, noted this week that new Navy homeports on which construction already has begun are considered more safe than homeports that have not been started.

Construction on Naval Station Ingleside began last summer and Congress already has approved two federal funding installments for the base totaling \$70.65 million.

Despite new name, Safeway still gives Apples to students

In spite of the fact that Safeway will be changing its name to Homeland Stores on Jan. 1, 1989, officials with the company said the Apples for Students program to put computers in local schools will continue through April 15.

Two elementary schools in Pampa have already begun turning in receipts to the company. Travis Elementary School has turned in receipts totaling \$52,000 and Astin Elementary School has turned in \$100,000 worth of receipts.

However, only one school group in the nation, the Alva PTA in Alva, Okla., has turned in the required \$149,000 worth of receipts necessary to win the computer.

Safeway/Homeland company officials said 14 local bodies — including all public schools in Pampa, Skellytown, Mobeetie and Lefors, and St. Vincent's, St. Matthew's and Spirit of Truth parochial schools — are collecting grocery receipts in an attempt to win the Apple IIe computers.

Lisa Sykes, coordinator of the Safeway/Homeland Apples for Students program, said over 1,450 public, private and parochial schools have signed up for the program.

"We have had local businesses, community service groups and organizations contact us wanting to help sponsor schools in their areas," Sykes said.

She said many of the schools need the support because of small enrollments. Several coordinators of the various Apples for Students programs at local schools said they were unaware of any area civic clubs joining in the effort to collect receipts; however, each said they would welcome such help.

Sykes said several businesses around the nation with large numbers of employees are asking their workers to take part in the gathering of the Safeway/Homeland receipts.

"We have also had many calls about placing computers and equipment in schools for handicapped children and adults. We have been working closely with the Apple Computer Company to make sure that these special schools receive the proper computer equipment for these students. Apple is progressive in this area and has been extremely helpful," she said.

The first computer will be presented to the Alva, Okla., PTA during grand opening celebrations in that city around the first of the year.

El Paso police giving tickets to shoplifters without arrests

EL PASO (AP) — Some retailers complain the police are slapping shoplifters' wrists instead of handcuffing them under a new rule in which officers will issue tickets to some shoplifters instead of jailing them.

Police say they were forced into the new rule because of a shortage of officers and an overcrowded jail.

Under a new policy that started last week, officers at the scene can issue special citations called "non-arrest notices" at their discretion when they catch someone shoplifting merchandise worth less than \$750, police Lt. J.R. Grijalva said.

Previously, tickets were handed out only to thieves stealing store merchandise worth less than \$20.

Some retailers weren't happy with the new rule.

"My opinion is that an arrest has a definite effect on whether they're going to commit the offense again," said Larry Morgan, regional spokesman for Southland Corp., the owner of the 7-Eleven chain.

"I think the law was intended to include an arrest and bail ... and that's a deterrent," he claimed.

Jack Erickson, manager of a Sears store in El Paso, said: "I

think this lessens the penalty for shoplifting. Without taking them to jail and booking them and having them post bail, we're making it easier on the criminal."

El Paso County Sheriff Leo Samaniego said the jail was 11 prisoners under official capacity, but that he could sleep another 300 on jail floors if he had to.

"We have never told the city we are overcrowded," the sheriff said. "So we don't want them to use us as an excuse. The doors are open."

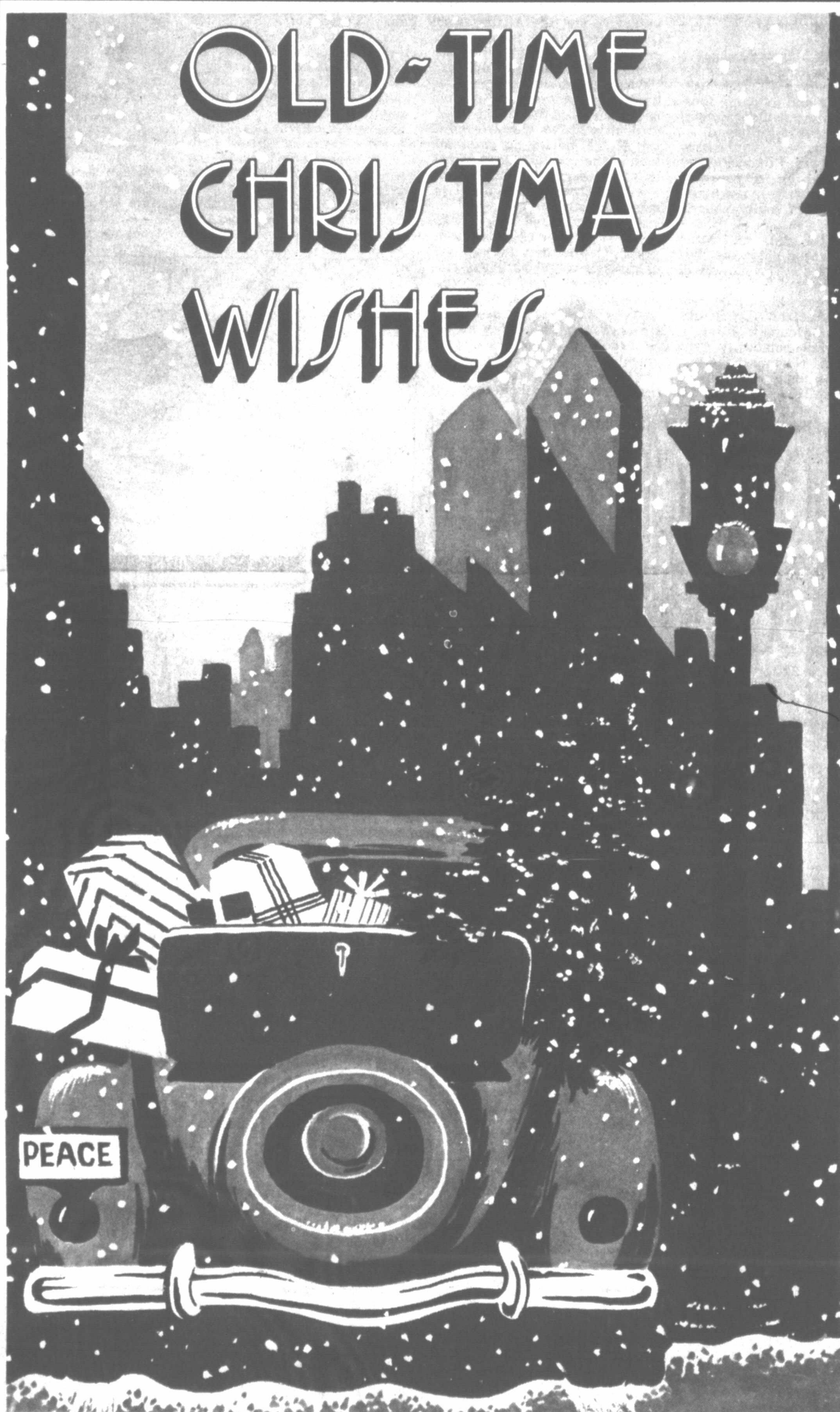
Police still have the discretion to arrest any shoplifter, Grijalva said.

Convicted shoplifters can't simply plead guilty before a judge and pay a fine, he said, adding, "They must deal with the prosecutor's office."

The policy frees police to pursue higher priority crimes, Grijalva said.

"Last weekend alone, there were 26 shoplifting incidents," he said. "A majority of them could have been handled with this new procedure. Each arrest normally takes two to four hours of an officer's time."

"And chances are the person would have been bonded out even before the officer goes back to the station," he said.



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