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Christmas caps for kids



(Staff photos by Dee Dee Laramore)

In photo above, Donna Holland, center, and Mary Francis Mason, right, pass out Caps for Kids to children at Pampa's Community Day Care Center last week. At right, Emalie Luna, 2, doesn't mind wearing her new cap from Caps for Kids, even when playing inside at Community Day Care Center. Holland, Mason and Peggy Cloyd distributed 325 handmade caps to children in Horace Mann Elementary's kindergarten and transitional first grades, Community Day Care Center and children in Canadian as part of the nationwide Caps for Kids program. Local residents knitted or crocheted the caps and donated them to the program. Mason and Kay Miller each made more than 60 of the caps. This is the second year Pampa has participated in Caps for Kids.



Holidays not always a happy time for families who have an alcoholic

By BEAR MILLS
Staff Writer

While the Christmas season and its all too common association with drinking and revelry present challenges to those battling alcoholism or drug abuse, it is also a difficult time of year for those who love such people.

Margo, not her real name, is one such person. She is married to a man who is an alcoholic. He is, she said, suffering from something worse than denial.

"He's admitted he's an alcoholic. But he does not wish to quit right now," Margo said. "He said he would rather lose his family than to not be able to drink. Can you imagine that, to say you would rather have a drink than people who love you?"

The holidays are especially hard, Margo said. "They are supposed to be such happy times, but they are not. It's all a facade."

Margo said most people would never believe her husband is such a hardcore drinker because he is a very successful businessman.

"It's all a front," Margo said. "Even if you live with an alcoholic and they are not abusive - and that's the way it is most of the time with him - and they just drink and go to sleep in their chair, it's such a waste of a life."

Admitting that her husband has been arrested twice for driving while intoxicated, she said she is uncertain why his employer hasn't forced him to choose between drinking and his job.

Once he was even arrested in the company vehicle. "I don't know why they haven't said, 'Your job or quit drinking,' but there are several guys there who I know couldn't pass a drug test."

She pointed out that while employers may feel like keeping an alcoholic who has not dealt with his problem is doing that person's family a favor, to the alcoholic it is justifying their drinking as being all right.

"Many people go through the same pain of seeing someone they dearly love slowly dying from their addiction," Margo said. She pointed toward Al-Anon as being a group that has helped her adjust.

She said it is common to hear people who don't have to live with an alcoholic giving all sorts of flowery advice.

'(Holidays) are supposed to be such happy times, but they are not. It's all a facade.'

"That's great advice from someone who isn't going through this daily," she said.

Describing her own situation, Margo painted the following picture: "What if you're married to someone addicted who maintains their job, their friends and home and appears to be the outside world to have everything under control? But you feel like you are going crazy living with dual personalities."

"He's a wonderful person when sober, the person you fell in love with. But when he's drinking, he becomes a sot, unpredictable, a stranger. How your heart breaks when you see the person you love in that condition."

She said recently there have even been bouts of violence from her husband, who had always been a peace-

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Ceausescu, wife captured; forces battling in Romania

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) - Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife Elena were captured Saturday, one day after the dictator was deposed from power after 24 years, the provisional government said on Romanian television.

Ion Iliescu, a member of the provisional government, known as the National Salvation Committee, said on television that the "dictatorial family, Nicolae and Elena Ceausescu, was captured."

No other details were provided. Romanian radio, like the television in the hands of the anti-Ceausescu forces, also swiftly reported the announcement of the capture.

The development should provide a big boost to army soldiers and civilians battling forces loyal to Ceausescu in fighting that has claimed hundreds of lives nationwide since the hard-line Communist leader was ousted Friday.

A provisional government composed of generals and dissident politicians and backed by the army declared itself for democracy and free elections but was clearly having trouble maintaining control.

Bucharest radio and television, seized by the popular forces on Friday, repeatedly appealed to people and army units to rush to the capital and aid soldiers outnumbered by the enemy security forces.

State television said the Soviet Embassy pledged personnel and equipment to aid the popular forces, but Czechoslovakia's CTK news agency quoted the embassy as saying any aid would be restricted to food and other non-lethal material.

In Moscow, President Mikhail S. Gorbachev said his country was standing by with assistance, but he failed to promise anything more than medicine. A Foreign Ministry spokesman avoided comment on the subject.

Fighting was fierce in Bucharest, where the army and civilians who took up arms were defending state television and radio headquarters and trying to capture the gutted presidential palace from Ceausescu loyalists.

Bursts of heavy machine-gun and automatic

weapons fire echoed across the city Saturday, and helicopter gunships strafed soldiers and civilians. Jet fighters made continuous low-altitude passes.

Bucharest radio reported intense combat in Brasov, the country's second-largest city, and fighting in another central city, Sibiu.

It said more than 12,000 people had been killed in Timisoara alone since the uprising began Dec. 15 with demonstrations in that western city.

The slaughter of demonstrators by security forces in that city touched off in this country of 23 million people the quickest and bloodiest revolution Eastern Europe has seen in turmoil this year that has toppled one-party Communist rule in Poland, Hungary, East Germany and Czechoslovakia.

Among the Timisoara dead were 7,614 people first detained then executed, said the Bucharest radio report, which was impossible to independently verify.

The radio also announced that all political prisoners had been released.

In Bucharest, popular forces atop the 13-story television building fired machine guns and rifles at Ceausescu loyalists in nearby apartment buildings. Rocket-propelled grenades slammed into the TV building, wounding some combatants.

Elsewhere in the capital, Associated Press reporter Dusan Stojanovic saw pro-uprising army soldiers bring reinforcements of tanks and heavy artillery to direct against the presidential palace.

Taxis with red crosses rushed the wounded to hospitals. In the city's emergency hospital, about 50 bodies were piled one room. Most were civilians.

"That was just one room in one hospital," said producer Wolfgang Roehr of a British VisNews TV crew at the hospital. "We saw trucks full of what must have been hundreds of coffins."

Bucharest radio said military helicopters piloted by pro-Ceausescu forces dropped leaflets in the city center that warned the popular forces to "stop before it's too late."

U.S. reinforces military troops as fighting continues in Panama

By CANDICE HUGHES
Associated Press Writer

PANAMA CITY, Panama (AP) - An Air Force plane bombed a resistance position Saturday, and the U.S. military reportedly decided to reinforce its troops after its headquarters were attacked by forces loyal to Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega.

Anarchy ruled the streets, and residents set up vigilante squads to protect homes and businesses from looters and from the paramilitary "Dignity Battalions" loyal to Noriega.

The U.S. plane repeatedly bombed a hilltop position at 4 a.m. Saturday in the working-class district of San Miguelite, site of the Panamanian military garrison of Tinajitas. Witnesses said the bombing run lasted about five minutes, and the plane apparently did not draw ground fire.

An observation plane and a helicopter conducted lengthy patrols over the area before the raid.

Civilians manned street barricades overnight to prevent the Dignity Battalions from sacking homes and stealing cars. In some areas Friday, the paramilitaries went door to door to demand car keys and loot

homes.

U.S. troops moved into the port city of Colon on Friday to quell widespread looting, and 200 members of the Defense Forces surrendered, Lt. Col. Johnny Brooks, told a group of Pentagon pool reporters.

He said the soldiers fought a small group of snipers but that no Americans were wounded.

A local businessman, Esteban Jimenez, told reporters that 55 people had been killed in the days of looting.

Brooks said that in one case troops shot the tires of a forklift to prevent it from carrying a luxury automobile down the street. "Have you ever seen a BMW on a forklift?" he said.

Leopold Benedetti, a former mayor of the city, said residents needed medical supplies. The U.S. invasion began midnight Tuesday.

Members of the Dignity Battalions fired at the car of the U.S.-installed first vice president, Ricardo Arias Calderon, as he left the National Assembly on Friday. He was not hurt, but two aides were wounded, another aide said.

The Red Cross appealed for food for thousands of refugees of the fighting and hospitals were short of medical supplies.

Rumors were rife about Noriega's whereabouts but the general who stubbornly resisted two years of U.S. political and economic pressure remained elusive.

The Bush administration said it launched "Operation Just Cause" to bring him to the United States to face drug trafficking charges, restore democracy and protect the lives of the 35,000 Americans living in the country.

The government that was sworn in Tuesday night requires U.S. protection and has no police or army to back it, indicating it may be some time before a working democracy is built in Panama.

The "Dignity Battalions," joined by an unknown number of Noriega's once 15,000-strong Defense Forces, were putting up a tougher battle than U.S. officials anticipated.

Gen. Maxwell Thurman, chief of the U.S. Southern Command, said he was "surprised" by the strength of the remaining Noriega forces. The fighting is "a little bit greater than I expected at the onset," he said.

He said the estimated 1,800 members of the Dignity Battalions had broken up into groups of 10 to

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Christmas dinner for many



(Staff photo by Beth Miller)

Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ is preparing for its fifth annual free Christmas dinner to be served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday at the Fellowship Hall of the church. From left, Rose Parnell, Mary Hearron, Cindy Turner, Wanda Mitchell and Kay Hughes show some of the items that will be used in the Christmas dinner.

Daily Record

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to *The Pampa News* by press time Saturday.

Obituaries

LURA MERLE REEVES

Lura Merle Reeves, 68, died Friday in Pampa. Services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Earl Maddox, pastor of Fellowship Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery.

Mrs. Reeves was a resident of Pampa since 1928. She married Wade Reeves on Nov. 5, 1938, at Sayre, Okla. She was a homemaker and a member of Fellowship Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband of the home; a son, Douglas Reeves of Lefors; five daughters, Merle Smithers of Houston, Nancy McDaniel of Ada, Okla., Charlene Wright, Brenda Humphrey and Sandra Regan, all of Pampa; three brothers, Frank Reger of Hedley, Low Reger and Wilborn Earl Reger, both of Pampa; two sisters, Blanche Cox and Alta Mae Haddock, both of Pampa; 20 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

The family will be at 934 Sierra Drive.

Fires

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

FRIDAY, Dec. 22

8:13 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a vehicle fire at 1147 S. Finley. The vehicle, owned by Bill Kalper, was totally involved in fire when firefighters arrived.

6:27 p.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a vehicle fire at 2200 Montague. The vehicle, belonging to Barbara Mears, was totally involved in fire when firefighters arrived.

7:11 p.m. — Three units and five firefighters responded to a false alarm, caused by an alarm malfunction, at 1200 Mary Ellen.

7:40 p.m. — Firefighters responded to a false alarm at the Caprock Apartments, 1601 W. Somerville. A ruptured hot water line was giving off steam that looked like smoke.

Ambulance

Rural/Metro-AMT Paramedic Service had a total of 31 calls for the period of Dec. 14 through Dec. 21. Of those calls, 19 were emergency responses and 12 were of a non-emergency nature.

Court report

GRAY COUNTY COURT

A motion was filed to revoke the probation of Mark Allen Haynes.

Marriage licenses

Ronald Dean Rice Jr. and Kellie Lynn Sanders
Robert Gregory Wheeler and Laura Lynn Halvarson

Ronald Lee Griffin and Jocelyn Dianala Macalde
Gerard Marius Saint Jacques and Pamela Sue Bretton

George Andrew Brown III and Toni Lynn B.quist
Dean Allan Wickert and Dana Lee Davis

DISTRICT COURT

Civil

Employers Mutual Liability Insurance Co. of Wisconsin vs. Texaco Inc. and Phillips 66 Natural Gas Co. — garnishment.

Criminal

James Sells, 19, of Pampa, was sentenced to seven years' probation and fined \$750 on a conviction of burglary of a habitation in the 400 block of North Russell, in which a microwave oven was stolen.

Peggy Porter Miller, 41, 5235 Ballard, was sentenced to three years of probation and fined \$750 on a conviction of driving while intoxicated (subsequent offense).

Divorces

Ascencion Valdez and Deborah Valdez
Joseph James Neil and Nadine Lons Neil
Patsy Marie Wertz Brown and Earl Brown

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL (extended care), Miami
Admission John J. Broutherton (extended care), Pampa
Mary L. Pryor Florence L. Gilleland (extended care), Pampa
Dismissals Jossie E. McPherson (extended care), Pampa
James D. Barker, Gloria M. Terry (extended care), Pampa
Shawn Stacy Campbell and baby girl, Perryton

SHAMROCK HOSPITAL
Admissions Valta Tarbet, Shamrock
Dorothy Holcomb, Wayne Dod, Shamrock
Mary E. Coombes, Velma Hartman, Pampa
Tom Davis, Pampa Quail
Dorothy Holcomb, C.A. Abercrombie, Pampa
Jake J. Hoobler, Erick, Okla.
Canadian Velma Hartman, Pampa
Mary L. Pryor, Pampa
Rufus W. Reed, Dismissals
Pampa C.A. Abercrombie, baby girl, Pampa
Tammy Store and Lajune Alexander, Frances Baker Wheeler

Police report

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

THURSDAY, Dec. 21

John Allen Vick, 936 Brunow, reported an assault with bodily injury, that occurred at the residence. Brunow reportedly had minor abrasions on his face.

FRIDAY, Dec. 22

Brown-Freeman Men's Wear, 220 N. Cuyler, reported a theft of more than \$200.
Family violence was reported in the 200 block of Tignor.

Tricia Nell Lowe, 2121 N. Duncan, reported a theft of more than \$750, but less than \$20,000, at the residence.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 2600 block of North Hobart.

SATURDAY, Dec. 23

An aggravated assault (stab wound) was reported to Pampa police. The victim, Ramiro Cervantes Aguero, 36, of HCR-2 Box 62, Pampa, did not want to press charges, police said. The incident occurred about 11:45 p.m. Friday at 534 S. Cuyler and the suspect was an acquaintance, according to the report. Aguero was treated and released from Coronado Hospital, police said.

Arrests

FRIDAY, Dec. 22

Lillie Leal, 30, 907 S. Clark, was arrested at the residence on warrants. She was released on bond.

Terry Lee Marlin, 27, 838 S. Cuyler, was arrested in the 200 block of West Kingsmill and charged with driving on the wrong side of the roadway not passing. He was released on a court summons.

Jack Lee Jelsma, 57, Borger, was arrested in the 200 block of West Kingsmill and charged with driving while intoxicated, no proof of liability insurance and failure to report a change of address.

SATURDAY, Dec. 23

Roy Floyd Martin, 33, 1601 N. Fir, was arrested in the 1200 block of Duncan and charged with driving while intoxicated, no headlights and no driver's license.

Minor accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported no minor accidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Saturday.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance.....	911
Crime Stoppers.....	669-2222
Energas.....	665-5777
Fire.....	911
Police (emergency).....	911
Police (non-emergency).....	995-8481
SPS.....	669-7432
Water.....	665-3881

Record low temperatures chill state; freeze threatens to injure citrus trees

By The Associated Press

Aside from a few Siberian tigers and snow leopards, there were few living creatures in Texas shivering with delight at the arctic air that turned much of the state into an ice box.

Record low temperatures were set in 13 Texas cities and utility companies scrambled to meet the demand for electricity. Energy suppliers in Houston and San Antonio began systematic, temporary blackouts to prevent a shutdown of their electric systems.

Growers in the so-called winter garden region southwest of San Antonio and in the Rio Grande Valley Saturday were assessing the damage of the worst cold snap in six years. Officials say 50,000 acres of fruits and vegetables could be imperiled, as are millions of dollars and thousands of jobs.

Temperatures in the Valley dropped into the teens early Saturday morning. Brownsville dipped to 16 degrees, breaking the previous record of 30 set in 1887.

"We've had below-28 degree, freezing weather, for about six, seven hours. If we have 26 degrees or lower for more than four hours, we lose citrus trees," said David Galvan, Gulf Coast district director for the Texas Department of Agriculture.

"We've prepared ourselves for the worst scenario. It's early to tell how much damage has occurred."

Much of the concern centers on the Valley, where some fields are lush with vegetables and 60 percent to 65 percent of the multimillion-dollar orange and grapefruit crops remains on the trees.

"The fruit you can just forget about it. Now it's just a question of how many trees will be left," said Richard Hensz, director of the Citrus Center in Westlaco, a research arm of Texas A&I University.

George Ellis, the state's deputy agriculture commissioner, said the hard freeze could destroy 25 percent to 50 percent of the citrus crop and one-quarter of the state's sugar cane crop.

"We can't sell anything because we don't know what our quality will be," said Steve Cargil, a Uvalde vegetable grower, who may have to plow under 300 acres of vegetables because of the freeze. "Come Tuesday morning, we wonder if we are going to have anything to sell at all."

The dire predictions are an ugly reminder of December 1983, when a prolonged freeze cost Texas agriculture \$400 million and led to 25,000 layoffs.

Houston Lighting & Power faced an electricity supply crunch as power usage soared while mechanical problems at five power plants reduced output.

The utility cut off power to "interruptible" industrial customers, lowered voltage along its entire system and temporarily blacked out some areas.

"We are cutting people off. We are blacking out selective areas for short periods of time," said HL&P spokeswoman Geri Konigsberg, adding no hospitals, police or fire stations would lose power.

Similar measures were being taken by City Power Service in San Antonio, officials said.

In Dallas-Fort Worth, TU Electric appealed to customers to limit electric use by not using washers, dryers and dishwashers.

"At this time we are able to serve all our residential and business customers, but there have been some interruptions to large industrial customers," said David Fiorelli, a senior engineer with TU Electric.

The utility's customers, a large portion of north and west Texas, set a record Friday for power use, Fiorelli said. Customers used 378.6 million kilowatt-hours of electricity breaking the previous record of 338.0 million kwh, set Aug. 23, 1988.

By 9 a.m. Saturday, the utility's output was below Friday's level, Fiorelli said.

Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Kent Hance urged Texans to conserve energy.

"Unless Texans get serious about conservation Saturday, there is a very real possibility of widespread power outages," Hance said. "Keeping unnecessary lights and appliances off might be the best Christmas present you can give your neighbor this week."

A spokesman for Sea World of Texas in San Antonio said the theme park and administrative offices would be closed a second consecutive day Saturday. A skeleton crew would remain on duty to maintain park systems and animals, he said.

State highway officials reported icy roads in the Houston and Beaumont areas, but they were expected to clear through the morning.

Record lows were also set in Amarillo, Austin, San Angelo, Abilene, Victoria, Houston, Galveston, San Antonio, Waco, Port Arthur, Lubbock, Fort Worth and Midland.

Temperatures at 9 a.m. Saturday included 10 at Houston International Airport, 19 at Brownsville, 5 at Dallas and 9 at San Antonio.

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Panama

12. "It is organized, clearly organized," he said.

A Pentagon source said Friday night that 2,000 more U.S. soldiers would be flown to Panama to augment the 24,000 already in the country. The stiff Panamanian resistance was extending an operation originally planned for three days. Military officials in Washington said it would take 10 more days.

On Friday, Noriega loyalists attacked Quarry Heights, the Southern Command headquarters on the western edge of Panama City, for an hour at midday.

Mortars thundered from the railroad tracks below, shaking the hillside building as they struck the ground nearby. Helicopters and machine gunfire chattered overhead.

About a dozen fighters attacked U.S. soldiers occupying Panamanian secret police headquarters by the railroad below and gunfire hit a warehouse and other buildings near

the Panama Canal Commission headquarters a few blocks away. There were no reports on casualties.

In the first three days of fighting, 21 American soldiers and 127 Panamanian soldiers were killed, the Pentagon said. It reported 221 Americans and 66 Panamanians wounded, and two American soldiers and one civilian missing. Two civilian U.S. dependents were killed and 1,663 Panamanians detained.

But Dr. Elmer Miranda, deputy director of Santo Tomas Hospital in Panama City, said there were 200 bodies there. He said a colleague said there were 60 more in Gorgas Hospital, run by the U.S. Southern Command.

The Supreme Court, about a mile to the southeast, was set ablaze Friday and planes made occasional bombing runs on San Miguelito, a center of resistance.

Sporadic gunfire continued into the night. American troops seized 10,000 weapons in three separate caches in Panama City, primarily East bloc weapons.

Lt. Gen. Tom Kelly, director of operations for the Joint Chiefs of Staff, called the discovery "little short of astonishing."

Military intelligence officers pored over papers from Noriega's offices but said they found few clues as to the general's whereabouts.

Rumors had Noriega committing suicide in the western province of Chiriqui and in the jungle leading the resistance. U.S. Army spokesmen denied other rumors that he had been captured.

Glass, trash and toppled light poles littered the streets of Panama City, a flourishing international banking center just two years ago. Columns of smoke darkened the sky where gunfire and mortar attacks were launched.

Thousands of people of all ages and incomes looted supermarkets, department stores and boutiques.

Snipers were reported in many areas of the city. Gunshots, many of them fired by shopowners and private armed guards try, rang through virtually every neighborhood.

City briefs

THE PERFECT Christmas Gift for the man on your list, Snap-On Tools, 665-1405. Adv.

NEW LOCATION. Car Shades Auto Center, 203 W. Brown, Hwy. 60, 669-0120. Window tinting 3m Film, 5 year Warranty. Car's, truck's, pick-up's, buses. Free estimates, free pick up and delivery. Mechanic on duty. Brake's, shock's, tune-up's, air conditioning. For your new and used tires, give us a try, before you buy! Fix flats, computer balance, rotate tire's. Featuring Douglas and Sonic Tire's. Terry or Stan 669-0120. Adv.

PARADISE DONUTS (formerly Gay's Cake and Candy), now has milk and white chocolate, and peppermint crunch. We will be open Sunday, 24th from 4 a.m.-Noon. Coming soon-Breakfast burritos. Free delivery of 2 dozen or more donuts. Happy Holidays from all of us. 729 N. Hobart. 665-9726. Adv.

GORDONS JEWELERS Store. Open 10-5 p.m. today. 25 to 60% off storewide. Adv.

MARTIAL ARTS. The Kwon Do classes starting at Clarendon College. Call 665-8554, Gale. Adv.

PHS CLASS 1980 Reunion, make your whereabouts known, call Diane Harvey Dunn 665-5681, Sherry Hickman Rithauler 669-1963 or Steve Kotara 665-5996. Adv.

BETA SIGMA Phi Scholarship Dance, New Year's Eve, advance ticket sales \$20, at door \$25. 665-1272, 665-1298. Adv.

JOY'S UNLIMITED and Merle Norman. Open Sunday 1 to 5. 20-50% off everything in both stores except cosmetics. Adv.

JERRY'S GRILL will be open 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Full traditional dinner. Have a Happy Holiday! Adv.

TO MY Customer's, friends, everyone. Merry Christmas-Happy New Year. Madge Hankins. Adv.

GRAY COUNTY A.C.L.D. January 8th, 7 p.m. HiLand Christian Church. Speaker Kerry Ormson, M.S. Clinical Audiologist, Auditory processing and attention Deficit Disorders. Adv.

THE CLOTHES Line 109 N. Cuyler, open today 1-5 p.m.! All Fall and Winter fashions 50% off, except all Rockys and Rocky tops. Adv.

MERRY CHRISTMAS to all our friends and customers from the Staff of City Limits. Adv.

DAYLIGHT DONUTS Christmas Special, Customer Appreciation days, coffee and donut 50¢, coffee and Daylight Special 75¢. Monday thru Wednesday thru December 31st. 3 a.m.-1 p.m., 1328 N. Hobart, 7 days a week. Adv.

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

SUNSHINE FACTORY, Inventory Clearance Sale starting Tuesday, December 26. 1313 Alcock. Adv.

VIDEO ENTERTAINMENT will be open December 24th 1-8 p.m. December 25th 3-8 p.m. Adv.

CHURCH LEAGUE Volleyball organizational meeting, December 31, 2:30 p.m. Lamar Gym.

LAS PAMPAS After Christmas Sale Wednesday thru Saturday, select group of ladies apparel 35% off, Christmas items 50% off. 110 N. Cuyler. Adv.

NEW YEAR'S Eve Party at the City Limits. 669-9171 for details. Reservations suggested. Adv.

Berliners dance at opened Brandenburg Gate

By DEBORAH G. SEWARD
Associated Press Writer

WEST BERLIN (AP) — Thousands of jubilant Berliners sang and danced late into the night Friday at the newly opened Brandenburg Gate, and West Berlin braced for a final, frantic day of Christmas shopping Saturday by newcomers from the East.

A steady clink of metal against stone accompanied the merrymakers as hundreds of souvenir-seekers chipped away at the Berlin Wall near the gate, which had symbolized the division of Germany since the concrete barrier went up 28 years ago but that now has become a sym-

bol of rapprochement. Although visa-free travel for West Germans to East Germany technically does not take effect until Sunday, police were unable to control documents in the chaos and waved through all visitors on Friday.

At other crossing points, East German shoppers laden with purchases from West Berlin carried Christmas presents, cases of beer and bags of oranges.

Many more shoppers were expected Saturday in West Berlin's glittery stores, which are far better stocked than those in East Berlin.

Throughout Friday evening, West German television periodically

carried live coverage of the festivities, showing the crowd dancing on top of the wall, popping champagne corks and waving sparklers.

West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl and East German Premier Hans Modrow met Friday for the second time in a week at a ceremony formally opening two border crossings in the wall just north and south of the towering gate.

Security collapsed as soon as the two crossings were opened. Thousands of people pushed down metal barriers erected to control the crowd and swept through the vast Paris square, snaking through the gate and climbing the wall.

West Berlin police estimated that more than 30,000 people had gathered on the Western side for the ceremony.

The crowd on the Eastern side appeared to be much larger, but there were no official estimates.

Although more than 20 border crossings have been cut through the Berlin Wall since East Germany opened its borders to the West on Nov. 9, the opening of the Brandenburg Gate, Berlin's most famous landmark, was the emotional climax of the rapid merger of the people divided since the end of World War II.

When the Berlin Wall was built in 1961, the Brandenburg Gate, which straddled a main prewar thoroughfare, remained in the East.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
Sunny and warmer today with a high of 45 and southwest winds at 5 to 15 mph. Monday, sunny and mild, with a low of 20 and a high of 52.

REGIONAL FORECAST
West Texas — Highs today in the 40s except lower 30s mountains and lower 50s Big Bend Valleys and upper 50s far west.

North Texas — Sunny and warmer today. Highs today from the lower 30s northeast to the mid 40s southwest.

South Texas — Sunny and warmer Sunday. High in the 40s and 50s.

EXTENDED FORECAST
Monday through Wednesday

West Texas — Fair and mild through Wednesday. Panhandle and South Plains highs lower 50s Monday, then mid to upper 50s. Lows in the lower 20s Monday, then mid to upper 20s. Permian Basin and Concho Valley highs lower 50s Monday, then mid to upper 50s. Lows mostly mid to upper 20s. Far West highs mid to upper 50s. Lows mid to upper 20s. Big Bend highs 40s mountains to upper 50s lowlands. Lows upper teens mountains to near 30 along the Rio Grande.

North Texas — Fair and warmer. West lows 20s Christmas Day and Tuesday and 30s Wednesday. Highs 40s Christmas Day and 50s Tuesday and Wednesday. Central and east, lows 20s Christmas Day and 30s Tuesday and Wednesday. Highs 40s Christmas Day and 50s Tuesday and Wednesday.

South Texas — Clear to partly cloudy with a warming trend. Hill Country and south-central Texas lows Monday, 20s, highs near 50. Lows Tuesday 30s, highs 50s. Lows Wednesday 30s Hill Country to near 40 south-central, highs near 60. Texas Coastal Bend lows Monday near 30, highs 50s. Lows Tuesday 30s, highs 50s to near 60. Lows Wednesday 40s, highs 60s. Lower Texas Rio Grande valley and plains lows Monday 30s, highs 50s. Lows Tuesday 30s, highs near 60. Lows Wednesday 40s, highs 60s.

BORDER STATES

Oklahoma — Fair and warmer Sunday. Highs Sunday near 50 western Panhandle to upper 30s east.

New Mexico — Partly cloudy northeast Sunday with fair skies elsewhere.

Alcoholic

Margo said children are the real losers in an alcoholic family because they can't have friends over — they might see Daddy or Mommy out of control — and they grow up with role models who prepare them for their own lives of drunkenness later.

"There are many things you can do if you are the relative of an addicted person," Margo offered. "Listen while they talk or cry. Offer a hug. Attend an Al-Anon meeting. Let the person know you care."

At the same time, she also noted that the alcoholism has become so bad she has promised to leave if something does not change.

"It's a difficult thing. Nobody can tell you what decision to make there," she said. "But you have got to get help."

Al-Anon members are all kept confidential. Meetings are listed in the classified section of *The Pampa News* under Personals.

Margo noted that during the holidays, families of drug or alcohol dependent people may be giving themselves the best gift possible by seeking support from others going through the same situation.

Arctic mass breaks record lows, brings more misery to homeless

By ARTHUR ALLEN
Associated Press Writer

The arctic mass that strained power supplies, threatened orange trees and brought misery to the homeless Saturday delivered an encore of polar blasts and record low temperatures, and what could be a white Christmas in Tampa, Fla.

"There was supposed to be global warming, but I don't think anybody's seen it this month," said weather service forecaster Edward Yandrich in New York City. "The greenhouse effect took a hiatus."

The coldest dawn in history was breaking over some U.S. cities but the "Siberia Express" that whistled over the pole through the Yukon and stalled in the Midwest should be jump-started over the weekend by a warm front trickling over the Rockies.

Snow was falling or forecast from central Florida to the Carolinas and west of Mississippi, but in other areas east of the Rockies Saturday's lows should be followed by a pre-Christmas respite.

In Nebraska, the weekend forecast called for Christmas Day temperatures in the 40s, seemingly tropical compared with the 40-plus below recorded Friday morning.

Up to 4 inches of snow were forecast for Jacksonville, where the all-time record is 2 inches. Southern Florida, which has escaped the cold until now, was due for a snap, with a freeze forecast Sunday in Miami.

"People are pouring in," said Jeanetta Pratt of the City Rescue Mission in Jacksonville. "We don't turn anyone away. ... We will find a place for them."

Citrus growers were nervous, jugged by memories of the \$3 billion in damages from hard freezes in 1983 and 1985.

"The timing is not good. We have a lot of fruit on the trees and a lot of concerned growers," said Dick Whalley of Florida Citrus Mutual in Lakeland.

Texas' \$30 million citrus industry was also threatened.

A sheet of ice and up to 2 inches of snow today covered Georgia's Golden Isles, normally a holiday haven of winter golf among the palm trees. Officials closed ice-covered causeways, cutting off three of the islands from the mainland.

Cold records were snapped in more than 125 cities Friday. A low of 23 degrees below zero made it the coldest day ever in Kansas City, Mo.

At Rochford, high in the black hills of South Dakota, the unofficial reading was 60 degrees below zero. The weather service's official low was 47 degrees below zero at Broadus and Hardin, Mont.

The all-time record low in the United States is 80 below at Prospect Creek, Alaska, on Jan. 23, 1971.

The rags-and-riches atmosphere of midtown Manhattan took on a particularly poignant air, with many of the city's 80,000 homeless people crowding into shelters and train and subway stations to keep warm, cheek by jowl with well-dressed Christmas shoppers bustling from boutiques.

Outside City Hall, demonstrators erected four tombstones to mark the deaths of four homeless people who died of exposure while sleeping in

subways last weekend.

"These tragic deaths have gone virtually unnoticed, and we more affluent New Yorkers seem to have let our hearts grow colder and more hardened than the bitter winter," said David Beseda of the Coalition for the Homeless.

Around the country thousands were without heat or power because of outages caused by overdrawn current, ice on the power lines and other problems. Heating oil shortfalls were reported at terminals throughout the Northeast.

At the Southeast Kansas Branch Experiment Station near Parsons, the cold was making it difficult to keep water for the cattle from freezing. Luckily none of the cows at the station were about to give birth.

"It would be a rude awakening to come into the world now," said station head Lyle Thomas. "That would be quite a temperature drop."

The strain on utilities caused scattered power outages and prompted Potomac Electric Power in Washington, D.C., to temporarily cut its voltage by 5 percent Friday morning to prevent blackouts.

Potomac Electric Power spokesman Tom Welle said oil-fired generators were using fuel quicker than the pipeline supplying the plant could deliver it.

Among the cities to set cold records Friday were: Beckley, W.Va., minus 13; Bismarck, N.D., minus 32; Calico Rock, Ark., minus 5; Cedar Rapids, Iowa, minus 19; Del Rio, Texas, 17; Duluth, Minn., minus 22; Paducah, Ky., minus 10; Kansas City, Mo., minus 19; Omaha, Neb., minus 25.

"The number of record lows today was as great as that of Christmas Day in 1983, and establishes this cold wave, along with those of December 1983 and February 1899, as one of the most severe of all time for the central and eastern U.S."

Apples and apples



(Staff photo by Dee Dee Laramore)

Four Austin Elementary fifth graders display the new Apple II GS color system computer and disk drive recently obtained through Homeland grocery store's register tape program. A total of \$185,000 in register tapes were gathered by Austin students to qualify for the computer, the second one earned by the school in less than two years. Pictured with the computer and apples — also donated by Homeland — are, from left, Charles Tung, Aaron Wiseman, Ann Carmichael and Meredith Hite.

Firewood dealers keeping busy during cold wave

DALLAS (AP) — The weather outside is frightful and the fire is so delightful ... that is if you have any wood to burn.

Several Dallas area wood dealers say if you don't have firewood stacked in the back yard by now, you're not likely to get any that'll burn before next spring.

Most North Texas wood merchants are sold out, thanks to the holidays and surges of bitter cold weather the past three weeks. And at \$80 to \$140 per cord, the profits are blazing.

Many say they have delivered 100 or more cords already and

await new shipments.

Charles Thompson says he expects most of the new wood to be green, which people will buy anyway, "if they're desperate."

"Everybody I've talked to is out of seasoned wood. I usually don't sell out until February. It took about four weeks this year," said Thompson, who said he sold about 50 cords the past two weeks. He said he normally sells about 100 cords during the whole winter season.

A cord is a stack of wood measuring 2 feet wide, 4 feet high and 16 feet long, and containing 128 cubic feet of wood.

"I ran out two days ago," said Gary Barlow, who cuts all his wood from his own East Texas property. Barlow said he sold 80 cords last week.

"I've been turning down orders," said James Mauldin. "Yesterday and today there were approximately 100 calls."

J.A. Martindale to seek 31st District judge post

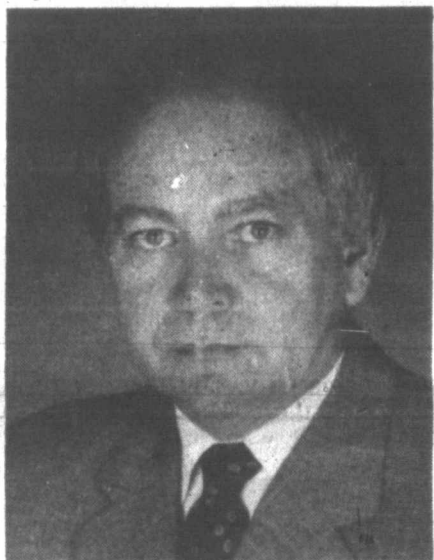
J.A. "Gene" Martindale has announced his candidacy for 31st District judge subject to the Republican primary elections.

Martindale was born in Phillips and attended schools in Pampa. After receiving his bachelor of science degree from West Texas State University, he received his doctor of jurisprudence degree from Baylor University in 1965. He practiced law in Canadian before moving to Pampa in 1967.

Martindale has been active in civic and church activities, including being past Boss Lion of the Pampa Noon Lions Club, a member of the board of the Pampa Youth and Community Center, and an active member of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, where he also served on the Day School Board.

He is a past president of the Pampa Bar Association and has served as city judge and prosecutor. He has been an active attorney since being admitted to the Bar, and activities involve prosecuting and defending criminal cases and all types of civil cases.

Martindale and his wife, Mary, have two sons, Matthew Coleman, a student at the University of Texas, and Russell Lee, a student at Texas



J.A. Martindale

Christian University.

"I decided to file for the office of the district judge after a great deal of consideration and with the encouragement of family and friends," Martindale said.

"I believe the citizens of this district want and need experienced attorneys who know the law and have the courage to apply the law equally. I believe my experience as an active attorney has prepared and qualified for this new challenge."

Carter seeking re-election to Gray County clerk office

Wanda Carter, Gray County clerk, has announced her candidacy for re-election subject to the Democratic primary to be held on March 13.

Carter is a veteran of the clerk's office, having worked as a deputy and chief deputy for former county clerk Charlie Thut, and having begun her first term of office on Jan. 1, 1971.

"There have been many changes in the office," she said. "When I first went to work, we were photographing real estate records and typing court records. We began microfilming real estate records with computer indexing in 1981. As we enter the 1990s, I expect the change to come much faster."

Clerks are now required by statute to acquire an additional 20 hours of education each two years. "I am conservative by nature and upbringing, and will continue to be responsible and responsive to the citizens of this county," she said.

Carter is married to Charles L. Carter, and they have one son, Randy. She is a member of First Baptist Church of Pampa, Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce, County & District Clerk's Association of Texas, a member and vice president of Panhandle Community Services,



Wanda Carter

and also serves on the Audit and Finance Committee, Public Relations Committee and Planning and Evaluation Committee. She is a member of Pampa Chapter No. 65, Order of the Eastern Star.

"If re-elected, I pledge to continue the same courteous, efficient service and pleasant atmosphere you have enjoyed in the past," she said. "I sincerely appreciate your past support, and solicit that support in the future."

Creed Lamb files for election to Precinct 4 justice of peace

McLEAN — Creed Lamb, a Gray County resident for more than 33 years, has filed for Precinct 4 justice of the peace.

Lamb will be running in the March 13 Republican primary.

He was raised in Memphis and has lived in McLean for more than 33 years, moving there in 1956. While in McLean, Lamb has been active in community affairs, serving on both the City Council and the McLean Independent School District Board of Trustees.

"Serving the people will be no trouble. I'll serve the people of this precinct happily," Lamb said.

Lamb, the owner of Lamb Funeral Home, is married to Wanda and they have four children, all who were raised in McLean.

Lamb is a member of First Baptist Church in McLean, a member of McLean Masonic Lodge, and a member of the El Paso Scottish Rite Consistory. He belongs to the Chap-



Creed Lamb

ter in Council of York Rites in Amarillo and is a member of the Khiva Shrine Temple in Amarillo.

Dinner tree



(Staff photo by Beth Miller)

Darryl Hughes and Cindy Turner complete final details on decorating a tree at the Fellowship Hall of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ. The hall is decorated for a free Christmas dinner to be held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday. The church is across the street from the high school.

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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
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Larry D. Hollis
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Opinion

Bush shows where his sympathies lie

At least President Bush announced his move rather than simply letting it happen while he was schmoozing with Gorbachev. But his decision to veto a bill that would guarantee visa extensions to 60,000 Chinese students in the United States was a betrayal of our deepest values. It raises questions about whether those students can trust an administration more solicitous of the oppressors than the oppressed.

The Chinese student leaders who pleaded publicly with President Bush to sign this bill took a risk few Americans can understand. Since the violent crackdown on the pro-democracy movement in Tiananmen Square, the Chinese government has monitored news reports worldwide to identify dissenters. Those identified as "trouble-makers" are marked for special persecution if they return to the mainland.

Most of the Chinese students here fear being forced to return home and support democracy, so they've taken a low profile. The regime in Beijing has shown that it is deadly serious about dissent.

Leaders of the Tiananmen Square demonstrations still in China are now being punished for their presumption. The luckiest ones have only been run out of school, and face a life of slave labor. Many have been arrested and tortured; some have been shot. The Chinese Immigration Act, passed overwhelmingly by Congress, would have given the Chinese students nothing but time — no money, no special benefits, just a four-year visa extension for Chinese students now in the United States. Perhaps during that time the freedom movement in China would make enough progress that it would be safe to return.

The president said the bill was unnecessary because he plans to offer the same provisions through administrative rather than legislative means. But that puts the students at the mercy of an administration that has shown more inclination to sympathize with the butchers of Beijing than with opponents of tyranny. The State Department and administration claim they weren't influenced by the fact, but the Chinese government was livid about the bill and threatened to cancel student-exchange programs.

That was an empty threat. The Chinese government knows that if it is to have any chance of catching up with the rest of the world economically and technologically, it must send its best and brightest overseas for education. It can't afford to stop now.

By caving in to Beijing's whims, the administration sends a message that the United States is so eager to restore relations on cozy, pre-massacre terms that it will hold hostage these brave students who represent the best hope that democracy may someday be possible in mainland China. With their national computer and fax network, the students can get information to cohorts in their homeland within hours. These messages are the closest thing to a free press in China.

President Bush has demonstrated that his sympathies lie more with China's dictators than with her freedom fighters. His action weakened his position as he met with Gorbachev. He deserves our scorn.

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They tell world's biggest lies

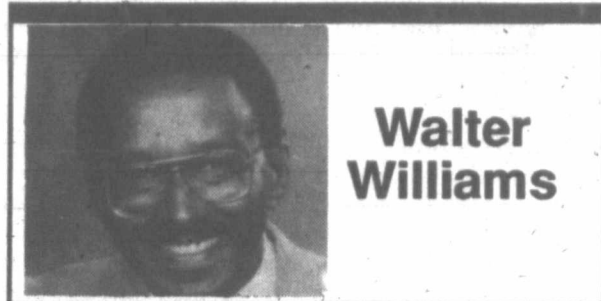
The world's biggest lie is: "I'm from the government, and I'm here to help." Placing a strong second is: "The government can do it better." Let's look at these.

In the wake of several recent airline accidents, politicians, bureaucrats, and business and union spokesmen have called for re-regulation of airlines and the phasing out of older aircraft as a means to promote greater safety. Safety-conscious Americans fall easy prey to the ignorance and half truths surrounding the debate.

First, how meaningful is it to say that an aircraft is 15 years old when in the course of standard maintenance older parts are constantly being replaced with newer parts? In fact, the engine thought to have caused the crash of United's Flight 232 was about a year old.

In addition to replenishment through standard maintenance, older aircraft are refitted with modern safety equipment. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is not the only group concerned with aircraft safety; the owners and the insurance companies are as well. After all, if you owned a multi-million-dollar aircraft, wouldn't you be concerned whether it landed and took off safely?

Despite the recent accidents, airline safety has improved since deregulation. Fatalities per million passenger miles have been in precipitous decline over the last 20 years. Any kind of travel involves risk — which government regulation cannot elim-



Walter Williams

nate. If any congressman tells you differently, ask him how come there been so many recent crashes of government aircraft.

If we fall for Washington's political showboating bringing the return of competition-stifling re-regulation of the airline industry, you can bet the rent money that thousands of Americans will die as a result.

"There you go, Williams," you say, "beating up on our honorable men in Congress again." But hear me out.

Since deregulation and increased airline competition, air fares are 22 percent less than they would have been. Competition has been so intense, along some routes, people have been able to fly 500 miles or more for less than \$50. This competition has resulted in an 80 percent increase in air travel since 1978.

Re-regulating the airline industry may yield

marginal reductions in air traffic fatalities, but it will also lead to reduced competition and higher fares. Now one of our honorable congressmen might say, "Even if we save one American life with more regulation, Williams, it's worth it." Such a statement represents blind ignorance, or callousness toward what I call the invisible victims of congressional policy. Here's why.

With cheaper airline fares, more people decide to fly instead of driving. Airline travel is roughly 100 times safer than highway travel. According to a publication of the Heartland Institute, a Chicago-based think tank, an estimated 1,700 highway deaths have been avoided each year as a result of increased air travel resulting from cheaper fares due to deregulation.

If Congress re-regulates the airlines, a year later they will come before us beating their breasts saying, "See how wonderful we are. Last year there were 300 air traffic fatalities; this year there were only 50!" But you and I will know better; their policy, resulting in higher air fares, may have led to thousands of deaths on the highways.

None of this should surprise us. The stock and trade of congressmen is the creation of visible benefits for the few who are politically vocal to be borne by the suffering (including death) of those who are invisible victims and politically mute. Congressmen depend on us not to make the connection.



The girls have nothing to hide

Immediately upon hearing the Georgia Supreme Court had thrown out a law passed by the state legislature in 1988 making it illegal to serve alcohol in Atlanta's widely acclaimed nude dancing parlors, I called my friend Rigsby, the man about town.

Had the law been upheld, the result likely would have been the closing of the clubs, once described as "internationally famous" by none other than the *Wall Street Journal*.

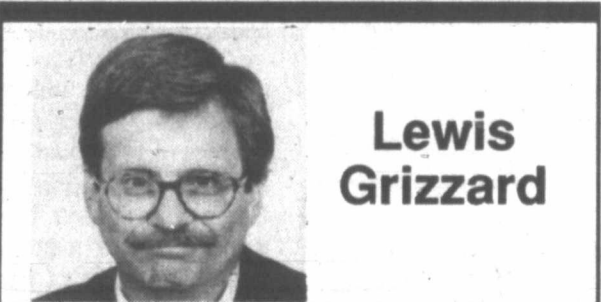
As for me, I do not frequent such places, preferring to remain home in the evenings trying to figure out the puzzles on *Wheel of Fortune*, then switching to the Arts and Entertainment channel to watch a good World War II documentary.

But not Rigsby. He is a regular at many of the clubs and has spent so much time looking at the nude dancers, he is currently at work on a book about the female anatomy titled, *Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory*.

(His first title choice was *A Tale of Two ...*, but I talked him out of that one.)

Since the clubs received so much publicity after the law was passed, I figure business will pick up even more now, and I asked Rigsby what he might say to first-time visitors who don't know the ropes.

"I would be glad to help," said Rigsby. "First, don't try to see all the dancers at once."



Lewis Grizzard

"And why not?" I asked.
"Neck injury," he said. "A rookie walked into one club one night and there were 38 girls dancing in the nude. Rather than focusing on just one or two, he went for the entire enchilada and his head got stuck backwards."

"I saw *The Exorcist*," I said. "This is a serious matter. What became of the man whose head was stuck backwards?"

"He went to a chiropractor who turned his coat around," said Rigsby.

I continued my questions.
"The girls don't actually get completely naked, do they?"

"As jaybirds," answered Rigsby.
"I recall seeing strippers ..."

"It's 'dancers,'" Rigsby interrupted. "The term 'strippers' is no longer operable. These ladies do not start with enough clothing on to be called strippers."

"Whatever," I said. "My question is, in the old days, such ladies tended to be slightly overweight, with holes in their stockings and a lot of bruises. What do today's dancers look like?"

"They'd make Vanna White look like a boy," said Rigsby. "You've simply got to get out more often. The war's been over nearly 50 years."

"But what about drugs and prostitution?" I asked. "The state legislature was quite concerned that such places would encourage the sale of drugs and prostitution."

"If it's drugs and prostitution you want, you have to go all the way out to the suburbs," said Rigsby.

"But isn't there a lot of, well, fondling going on?"

"Touch one of the dancers and a guy named Bruno will do the 'Beguine' on your head."

I had only one more question:

"You make the clubs seem quite appealing. Aren't they terribly crowded?"

"Only when the state legislature is in session," he said. "Then, you can't get a seat."

Animal-rights folks shouldn't be bullies

By VINCENT CARROLL

Progress marches on, most conspicuously in the precincts of Aspen, Colo., which in February could become the first U.S. city to outlaw the sale of furs. The city council in Aspen already has urged the public to approve such an ordinance, voting 3 to 2 for a referendum after a noisy meeting at which the mayor and an animal-rights buddy from Michigan were accused of hypocrisy for wearing leather shoes.

Let's not attribute this incident to the eccentricity of a wealthy resort, consider the stunning growth of animal-rights groups in recent years. Literally hundreds of thousands of Americans today belong to one of many organizations dedicated to every aspect of every animal's survival and, indeed, well-being.

Like most such movements, the animal-rights crowd has a point: Tens of thousands of creatures have been

maimed, tormented or simply exterminated for no greater cause than better cosmetics or an ornamental fur thrown around the neck. But like righteous partisans in other fields, many animal-rights activists can't suppress an authoritarian streak. They don't just hope to persuade; they seek to dictate, too.

Wearing a fur is a statement of style — an ostentatious statement and hence one responsive to public taste. People will stop wearing furs when a substantial majority of their friends and neighbors disapprove — either that, or risk being known as barbarians.

Then the war against furrier will have been won fair and square — in the very marketplace where the industry was launched.

But no, some in the animal-rights movement prefer to short circuit the process and simply ban a legal livelihood by popular vote. The right of people to decide on their own

whether to buy and wear furs means nothing to such enthusiasts.

In reply, most activists insist that arguments in favor of sartorial choice miss the point. They say animals killed for furs suffer the agony of traps or, if raised on farms, the misery of cramped cages and a painful death.

But who are these people kidding? Virtually no one, outside the odd sadist or two, approves of cruelty to animals. The real issue is not whether mink will someday enjoy soft lights, bedrooms suites and catered attention before submitting to a painless death, but whether people will wear mink fur at all — whatever the circumstances of the animals' past existence.

Which brings us, inevitably, to the not-so-hidden agenda of some radical animal-rights activists: A society in which a moral right to life is extended to animals, too, in which there are no leather shoes or jackets, no steaks or drumsticks, no hunting season and not a single research project using a

white rat. After all, furs are only the most unnecessary animal product of many. Strictly speaking, we could substitute synthetics for leather and dispense with meat for a vegetarian menu. According to this logic, we don't need to kill animals at all.

"My dream is that people will come to view eating an animal as cannibalism," says Henry Spira, whom *The New York Times* labels a "moderate" among animal-right activists.

Moderate or not, the critical words in Spira's dream are that people "come to view," as opposed to being forced to adopt his position. If Spira and his colleagues can win their crusade through persuasion, more power to them. But if they resort to force, either political or physical, then they are just another nasty group of bullies and social engineers, ready to don jackboots in the name of a highly personal morality.

Berry's World



"Oh, yeah, and one other thing — I'd like to have a GORBY DOLL."

Letters to the editor

Kansans enjoyed the lights of Pampa

To the editor:
On Saturday, Dec. 9, along with our friends, we ventured out of Liberal to Amarillo to get involved with the spirit of Christmas by being a few of many in the crowds of shoppers.
We decided to return home by way of Pampa. By the time we arrived in Pampa, it had already turned dark. As we headed north out of town and the highway opened up, we were met with a very beautiful display of lighting in the housing development north of the city.
Our driver was encouraged to take time out and drive through the area so we could look at the lights. This really made our trip worthwhile to see all of the beautiful lights displayed. A special thank you and a very Merry Christmas to the people of that community.

This was not, however, the last of the beautiful displays that we continued to see all through the evening as we headed home to Liberal. The homes in the country and neighboring towns were also beautifully lighted.

Thanks, Pampa!
Mrs. Doralia Reynolds
Liberal, Kan.

He wishes others could share love

To the editor:
Dec. 19, 1969, 20 years ago, I was married to a beautiful teen-age girl. Even today her mother says it will never last.
Today, as I read the newspaper, I worry about the way young people of today perceive life. Murder, rape, child abuse and drugs all tend to portray life without love. This makes me wish there was some way that I could share the love I feel for my wife and children with others. If I could only look them in the eye and have them feel what I feel, they would abandon everything else and go searching for true love. The days of knights and chivalry would return overnight and young men would once again give their lives for the love of some fair maiden. Everyone would realize that there is no greater high, no greater pleasure than holding someone you love in your arms.
Even after 20 years it still brings a tear to my eye when I think what life would be like without her. I also know in my heart that there are other couples around

the world that feel exactly the way we do. All we want from life is to be able to love, live and die as God intended.

Brenda, my only prayer is, when my days have reached their end, God will allow me one more time to hold you in my arms and say, "I love you."
Happy anniversary - with love,
Don Gross
Pampa

Students thank drama teacher

To the editor:
On behalf of the drama students at Pampa High School, I extend our deepest thanks to Mrs. Nanette Kelton. Mrs. Kelton was not only our director, but our teacher and friend, as well. She prodded, explained, demonstrated, re-explained, and did everything short of suffer from nervous exhaustion to make sure our play would work.

After many, many, long and tedious hours of rehearsing, building sets, and gathering props, we performed the play entitled *Noises Off* by Michael Frayn on Dec. 16 and 17. Despite many mishaps, I believe our play was a big success.

I am positive I speak for all of us when I say, "Thanks, Mrs. Kelton!" from Sherrie "Doty" Thomas, Gary "Lloyd" Kelton, Brand "Gary" Hahn, Laura "Brooke" Gilbert, Regina "Poppy" Hodge, T.J. "Freddie" Warren, Chris "Tim" Sumpter, Paul "Seldon" Brown, Brandon "B.L." Leathers, Angel Briggs, Mickey Kelton and myself, Trae "Belinda" Reeves. Thanks again, Mrs. Kelton.

Trae Reeves
Pampa

She's impressed by concern for children

To the editor:
I'm so impressed with the interest and concern Bear Mills, his wife and Steve Giles have for needy children of Pampa, as well as others who have cooperated in this worth project. With young people like these we'll make the world a better place to live. And we should all support the Salvation Army for their care and concern for people.

And, Mr. Kuempel, I'm proud you had the courage to speak out against the book, *The Power of Myth*.
Hazel Clark
Pampa

Maryland judge injured in bomb explosion

HAGERSTOWN, Md. (AP) — A pipe bomb delivered to a county judge's apartment exploded and injured him Friday, but appeared to be unrelated to four other bomb attacks in four states since last Saturday, authorities said.
Washington County Circuit Judge John Corderman, 47, was in stable condition after undergoing surgery to remove shrapnel in his abdomen and right hand, said Washington County Hospital spokeswoman Diana Donegan.
Corderman also lost the tip of his right middle finger and suffered severe damage to both eardrums, but he never lost consciousness and his life was in no immediate danger, hospital officials said.

A neighbor said the bomb exploded in Corderman's third-floor downtown apartment about 10 minutes after a delivery man left a package in the building.
The judge apparently was alone at the time, police said.
"Apparently, the device was situated outside when he arrived home. He retrieved it, entered the apartment and a short time later it exploded. We don't know whether it was opened or not," said Chuck Jackson, Maryland State Police spokesman.
Corderman made his way outside his apartment, used a fire alarm to call for help and went back inside, where he collapsed, Jackson said.

"This was a life-threatening bomb. It was not of small proportion. The injuries however did not threaten him," said Dr. Charles Chaney, a surgeon at Washington County Hospital.
Based on the injuries, Chaney said he believed Corderman was holding the parcel in his lap when it exploded.
A second, unexploded pipe bomb was found in the same package as the device that exploded, and was designed to detonate when the first one did, said Deputy Fire Marshal Faron Taylor.
The second device was disarmed by two bomb specialists, he said. The building was evacuated.

Jury recommends 16 years for Mahoney

CARROLLTON, Ky. (AP) — A jury has recommended a 16-year prison sentence for the man convicted of causing a fiery crash that killed 27 people on a church bus in the nation's worst drunken-driving accident.
Under Kentucky law, Larry Mahoney would have to spend eight years in prison before he could be considered for parole. He was tried on 27 counts of murder, which carried a life sentence, but the jury convicted him of 27 counts of second-degree manslaughter, lesser charge.
Satterwhite must schedule a formal sentencing. He could give Mahoney a lighter sentence than the

jury recommended but cannot exceed the jury's recommendation.
The jury recommended 16 years of a possible 20-year sentence on each of 12 counts of first-degree assault. It recommended maximum prison terms of 10 years on each of 27 counts of second-degree manslaughter, five years on each of 27 counts of first-degree wanton endangerment and one year on each of 14 counts of second-degree wanton endangerment, a misdemeanor.
The jury then exercised its option of recommending that the sentences run concurrently instead of consecutive sentences.

Donation tree



(Staff photo by Beth Miller)
Pampa dentist Dr. Keith Teague, left, and Lt. Don Wildish with the Salvation Army examine \$5 in gifts attached to a tree at the dentist's office Thursday afternoon. To help raise money for the Salvation Army, Dr. Teague offered free initial examinations in exchange for a \$5 donation to the Salvation Army. He also matched the donations, dollar for dollar. An estimated \$400 had been raised for the Salvation Army through late last week.

Hunt brothers bankruptcy settlements reached

DALLAS (AP) — The second of the billionaire Hunt brothers has relinquished his estate, bringing to an end to one of the biggest personal bankruptcy cases in history.

William Herbert Hunt turned over his estate last week to a liquidating trustee, a week after his brother, Nelson Bunker Hunt, reached a settlement with the bankruptcy court.

The brothers were once two of the richest men in the world, with a net worth of more than \$3 billion inherited from their father, famed oil wildcatter H.L. Hunt.

Their financial problems began in 1980 when they lost \$1.5 billion speculating in the silver futures markets. The silver losses were compounded by falling real estate prices and the collapse of the oil market.

The brothers filed for bankruptcy protection in September 1988.

On Thursday, U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Harold Abramson signed the order that will transfer Herbert's estate to a liquidating trust within 10 days.

Hunt's \$169-million estate will be liquidated to pay creditors over the next six years, absolving him of nearly \$1 billion in debts.

Under the plan, Herbert will be stripped of his assets, which are concentrated heavily in depressed Texas and Arizona real estate.

His largest holding is a \$50.5 million interest in a 4,000-acre

Phoenix housing development.

Herbert will lose his \$400,000 salary, but he will keep his Cadillac, \$1.2 million Dallas mansion, personal effects totaling \$50,000 and a 50 percent interest in non-producing oil and gas properties.

In addition, if Hunt can enhance the sales price of his Byzantine coins and bronze statues, he will receive a portion of those proceeds. Hunt's children will be given a chance to buy his one-half interest in his Vail, Colo., home as well as his wife Nancy's English pottery collection.

Missing from last week's hearing were the TV cameras, crowds or fanfare that dominated the end of Bunker's bankruptcy case just over a week ago.

Both brothers will formally emerge from bankruptcy in early January.

"Bunker got much more attention because he is much more interesting, but this was the harder of the

two cases to resolve," said Hugh Ray, attorney for Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co., a creditor in both bankruptcies, who noted that Herbert's assets are less liquid.

"Bunker had a lot more cash," he said.
Bunker liquidated \$222 million on Dec. 15.

He was allowed to keep his \$1.8 million Dallas mansion, his car, household furnishings, clothing and 50 percent of the proceeds from non-producing oil and gas properties.

Eighty percent of the estate will go to the Internal Revenue Service.
Ray said it was "miraculous" to have two such sizable bankruptcy cases resolved in a 15-month-time frame.

Seventy percent of Herbert's holdings will go to the Internal Revenue Service, and the other 30 percent will be divided among the remaining creditors, including Manufacturers Hanover and Minpeco S.A., a Peruvian mining concern.

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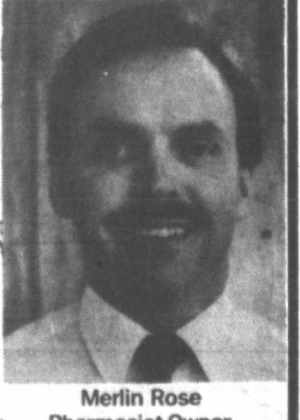


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BALTIMORE — Nancy Gephart plays with Ashley at the Mt. Washington Pediatric Hospital in Baltimore, Md., this week. Mrs. Gephart is one of a growing number of hospital cuddlers whose job it is to provide emotional support and a healing touch to sick children whose parents either cannot or will not.

Daddy Ray's gingerbread strictly a family operation

By CAROL RUST
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON (AP) — The oven timer goes off with a scratchy ring. "You hear your babies calling you, Daddy Ray?" Mary Louise Elledge asks her husband. She has to talk loud to be heard over the din of five electric mixers humming at once and the rumble of a fan that does little more than stir up the warm kitchen air.

"Yeah, I hear them talking to me," Ray says, putting down a bottle of molasses and walking over to the confectioners' oven to pull two large pans of gingerbread from inside.

He turns them upside down onto plates. They come out perfectly. "You're a regular artist," says Mary Louise, nicknamed "Weezie."

It's amazing that Weezie still can exclaim over a perfect loaf of gingerbread.

She's seen thousands of loaves of the pungent product since she and Ray started making gingerbread commercially five years ago at their business, Daddy Ray's Gingerbread.

He recently had retired from the corporate law firm of Baker, Heard and Elledge; Weezie never had worked outside the home. It started out as a whimsical "let's-see-if-it-works" project but now takes up "as much of our time as we want to give," Weezie said.

As the Christmas season approaches, they'll be spending more and more time in their kitchen, the air thick with spices and flour. They'll recruit as many family members as they can coerce to don aprons and pitch in.

"If you move in here, you might get an apron," Weezie said.

Aside from three part-time employees, Daddy Ray's is strictly a family affair. They turn out their product in a kitchen no bigger than a one-car garage.

The whole thing started shortly after Ray returned from serving in the military during World War II. Weezie tried out a gingerbread recipe her sister had sent her. Ray loved it and asked her to make it for him again and again.

He asked so often she eventually told him to start making it himself.

They started making it to give away to family and friends for Christmas. Soon, people unabashedly were asking the Elledges to put them on their gingerbread list, too.

In 1984, Ray approached Albert Jamail and asked if the family would distribute the bread in their stores and allow him to test the market for his product. Jamail agreed and soon discovered how hard it was to keep the gingerbread in stock.

Over the years, Ray modified the amount and ratio of spices, until he came up with what he believes is the ideal recipe.

And people seem to agree with him: He sells it wholesale to restaurants, gift basket companies, catering companies, Rice Food market and Whole Foods Market in Houston, Dallas, Austin and New Orleans.

They sell batter by the four-gallon bucket to other supermarket chains who want to sell the baked product bearing their own labels.

The Elledges named the gingerbread "Daddy Ray's" at their children's insistence: That's what his nine grandchildren call him.

Ray had some white visors made up with "Daddy Ray's Gingerbread" stitched in red on the front, and he gave them to his grandchildren to wear to ball games. Other

than that, he's never done a dime's worth of advertising. They don't even have a sign on the front of their building.

Their success stems from having a good product, Ray said. But besides that, "One of the best things we've got going for us," he said, "is that almost everyone, deep down, hates fruitcake."

Their Christmas business has burgeoned so much that they've started exchanging gifts at Thanksgiving because they're too busy to give them at Christmas.

After they went into business, their daughter Meredith found a small bundt baking pan that holds a little less than an ounce of batter.

"When we'd be baking, we'd say, 'Let's make some of those Meredith-pans,'" Weezie said. "Now our customers will call and say, 'Give me two dozen Merediths.'"

Their daughter Martha found them another pan that held a little more than an ounce of batter, and now she is immortalized in gingerbread, too.

Perhaps another reason Daddy Ray's Gingerbread has been so successful is the way the Elledges have approached it.

It's a serious business venture, "but we have a lot of fun," Weezie says.

Even with gingerbread orders piling up and more calls coming in all the time, Weezie still watches her game shows on a portable TV in the kitchen while she cooks, and Ray listens to Big Band music on his Walkman.

Sometimes he and Weezie pause between adding the eggs and brown sugar to dance to a song, just like they used to after Ray returned from the war.

No one is surprised when they walk in and see him twirling her in the kitchen.

After all, it is a family affair.

Consumer spending rebounds 0.7 percent in November

By JOHN D. McCLAIN
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumer spending rebounded 0.7 percent in November after its steepest decline in nearly three years a month earlier, while personal incomes grew 0.8 percent, the government reported today.

The Commerce Department said consumer spending totaled a seasonally adjusted annual rate of \$3.54 trillion, the steepest jump since a 1 percent advance last August.

The spending gain followed a 0.2 percent decline in October, the first decrease since a 0.1 percent dip in September 1988 and the largest drop since a 1.4 percent decrease in January 1987.

Personal incomes in November totaled \$4.54 trillion at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, following a similar 0.8 percent gain to \$4.50 trillion in October. It was the largest increase since a 1 percent gain last March.

Consumer spending is watched closely as a barometer of economic health because it accounts for about

two-thirds of the nation's economic activity.

As measured by the gross national product, the economy grew at a 3 percent rate in the third quarter, but analysts expect a sharp decline in

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The November report showed that Americans' incomes after taxes rose 0.9 percent, up from October's 0.8 percent gain.

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Home milk delivery is alive and well in Corpus Christi, Rio Grande valley

By VIVIENNE HEINES
Corpus Christi Caller-Times

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — In the chilly pre-dawn every Monday and Wednesday, a milk truck rumbles up to Holly Hada's home. The driver gets out of his seat and walks up to her doorstep laden with milk, buttermilk and orange juice for the family.

That scene might seem like one from a Norman Rockwell painting than on today's city streets. But milk delivery is alive and well in Corpus Christi and the Rio Grande Valley, despite its disappearance from many cities and towns.

Officials with the two local dairies, Borden Inc. and Hygeia Dairy Co., regional offices for the two local dairies, say home delivery is available in selected locations nationwide. Once a mainstay of the dairy business, residential deliveries today account for about 10 percent of local sales, officials said. The remaining 90 percent comes from commercial accounts.

"It used to be that home delivery was all there was," said David Kelley, retail sales manager at Borden. "It's declined quite a bit but we're still making a profit. And our boss is a man who believes in home delivery."

The rounds a milkman makes today are a far cry from those of his counterpart 50 years ago.

Clanking, returnable glass milk bottles have been replaced by paper and plastic cartons. Milk sales are supplemented by sales of other products, including ice cream, sour cream, yogurt, cheese, tortillas, juices, butter, eggs and even corn flakes.

About 3,100 Borden's customers and 1,300 Hygeia customers receive home delivery in the Corpus Christi area. At least that many in the Rio Grande Valley also receive home delivery, officials said.

The reasons most often given for home delivery are convenience and freshness; the disadvantage is higher prices on some items, but many loyal customers don't even consider that a drawback.

"It's worth it," said Ms. Hada, 33, a single mother with a 1-year-old and a 2-year-old. She comes from a tradition of home delivery — her parents always received milk at

home. And she says she can't imagine life without milk arriving fresh at her door twice a week.

"It's a hassle, if you have children, to get them dressed and take them to the store," she said.

Although most items are priced competitively with those at the supermarket, a gallon of whole milk is more expensive. A gallon of whole milk costs \$2.49 at the grocery; home delivery prices are \$3.42 for Hygeia and \$3.75 for Borden's. "A lot of people call and they want home delivery because it's more convenient," said Borden's Gilbert Rodriguez, who has been a deliveryman for 22 years.

The growth of supermarkets in the 1970s contributed most to the decline in home delivery, said agricultural economist James Miller with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C.

"It's fundamentally kind of an anachronism today," Miller said of home delivery. "It's now less than 1 percent of the total milk sold (nationwide)."

Miller said 6.3 million gallons of milk beverage products are consumed each year in this country. He said the lower prices offered at supermarkets, which often mark down milk as an incentive to get customers into the stores, fueled the phasing out of home delivery.

"The history would tend to say it's a very tough way to make a buck," he added.

Others disagree with his assessment, pointing to the prevalence of the two-career family willing to pay for home services ranging from pizza delivery to housekeeping, child-care and yard maintenance.

In fact, Mathis Dairy, a business with offices in Atlanta, Ga., and Orlando, Fla., re-entered the home delivery business last year to cash in on what officials there see as a growing demand for such services.

John Seward, chief executive officer at the Atlanta-based dairy, said economics indicate more people are interested in home delivery than ever before.

"Working mothers, less time to spend shopping, more time to spend on leisure activities, and society is probably wealthier today than it ever has been," he said in a telephone interview.

"Time is becoming more and

more valuable in the United States. You try to hire more and more people to do tasks around the house, from food delivery to yard maintenance."

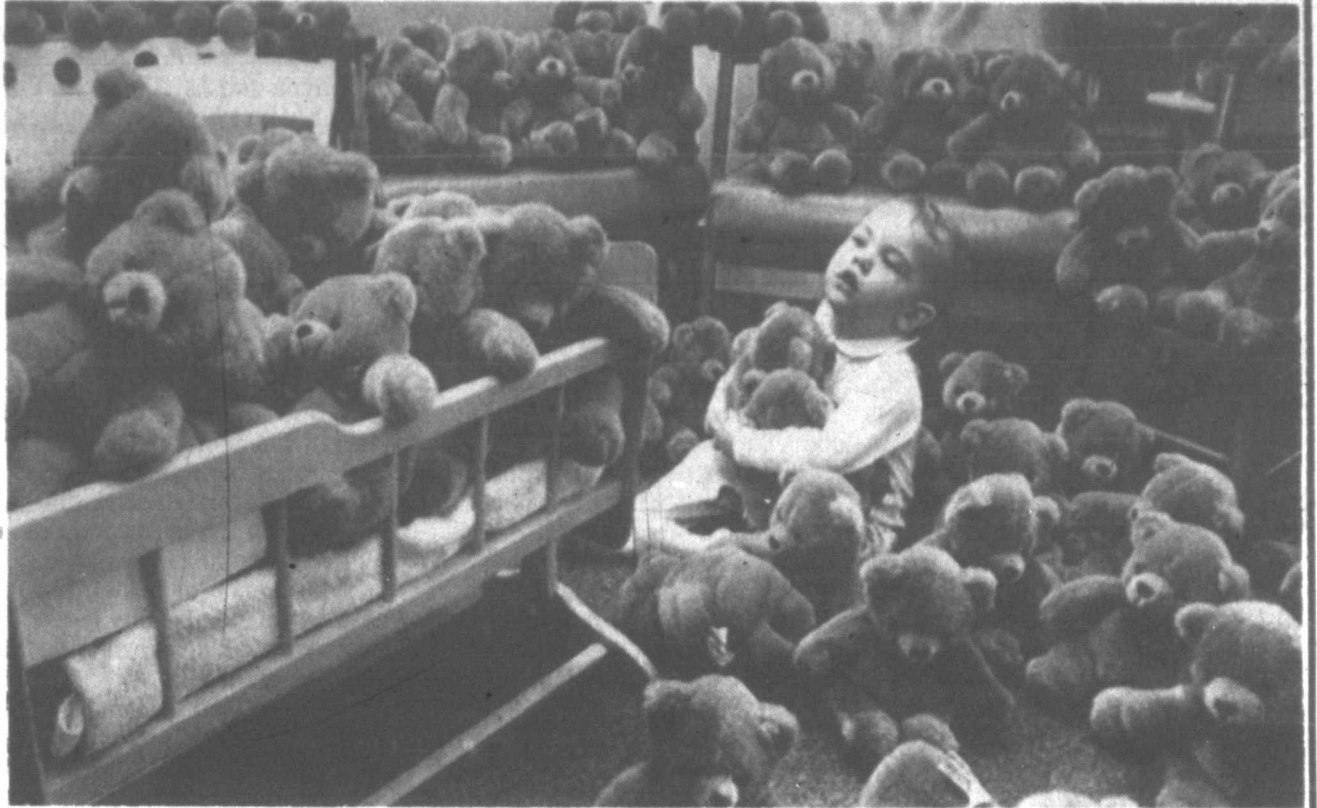
In one year, Mathis Dairy has snagged 1,400 home delivery customers in Atlanta and 1,500 clients in Orlando, he added. The company also has introduced glass bottles for aesthetic appeal.

"People have always drunk milk from glass," he said. "They like to see it in glass." In addition, Seward added, some studies have indicated that the keeping quality of milk increases when it is packaged in glass.

Longtime Corpus Christi resident William H. Renfro, 84, remembers getting milk in bottles when he first began receiving home delivery from Borden's in 1932. He even remembers getting stuck with the returnable bottles when his son came down with polio in 1937.

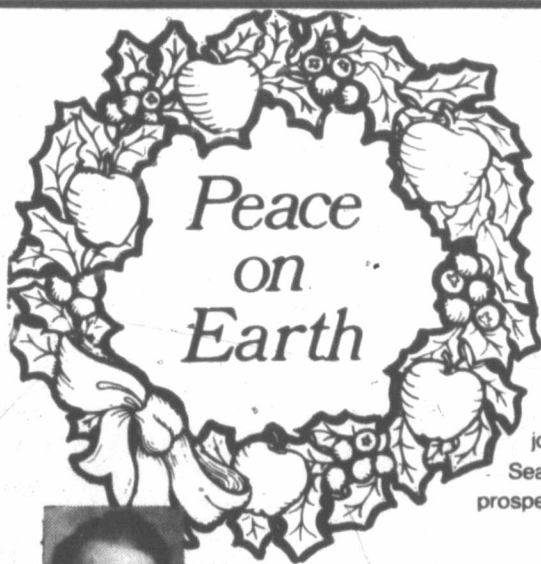
Polio is an acute infectious disease, caused by a virus inflammation of the spinal cord.

Bear-able Christmas



(AP Laserphoto)

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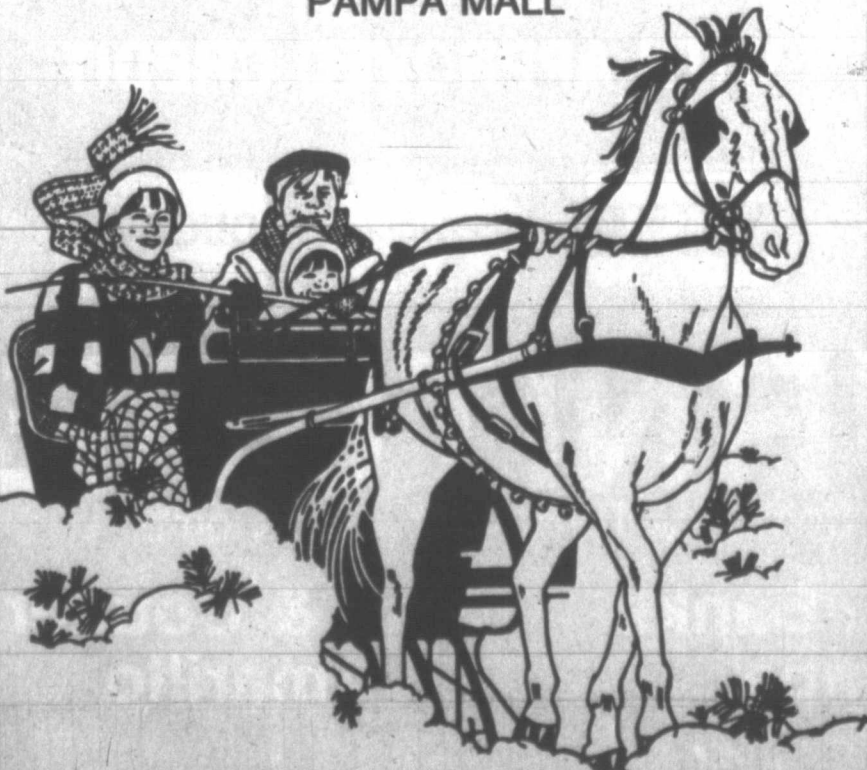
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Texas Hill Country site of Army's 19th century camel experiment

By MICHAEL BOWLIN
Kerrville Daily Times

CAMP VERDE (AP) — A 19th century stone building in the Texas Hill Country is all that remains of the only government-supported camel camp in the United States.

The structure, an officers' barracks, now boasts a Texas historical marker and is on the National Register of Historic Buildings.

It was at Camp Verde that the famous experiment of using camels for government transportation across arid American deserts was carried out from 1856 to 1861. Know also as Green Camp or Green Fort, Camp Verde is eight miles southwest of Center Point off Texas 173.

The "ships of the desert" were brought there to be acclimated and trained before they were to carry supplies and soldiers across the long stretches of desert land between Texas and Arizona.

In a seesaw of ownership, Camp Verde was authorized in 1855, built in 1856, surrendered to Confederate troops in 1865 who then abandoned it, reoccupied by federal troops

again in 1865 and again abandoned in 1869.

Military luminaries such as George Armstrong Custer, Albert Sidney Johnston and Robert E. Lee stayed at the camp; stories exist of other famous personages who stopped off for a safe overnight stay.

The idea of establishing a camel camp in the United States is attributed to then-Secretary of War Jefferson Davis.

He got the idea from Maj. George H. Crossmann, who in 1836, urged the War Department to use camels as a means of transportation. War Department officials dismissed Crossmann's suggestion as "silly," but the idea stayed with Davis who in 1856 urged Congress to appropriate \$30,000 for the purchase of 31 camels.

The idea might have again failed without President Franklin Pierce's support of the project.

The bill as approved on March 5, 1855, but additional money had to be spent preparing the frontier fort for the camels.

A sketch had been made of an eastern caravansary in Asia Minor and it was reproduced at Camp

Verde down to the minutest detail.

After this was done, Maj. Henry C. Wayne and Lt. David D. Porter were but in charge of getting the animals from the Middle East.

The first shipment of nine swift dromedaries from Egypt, plus four camels including a 24-day-old calf arrived at the port of Indianola on the Naval store ship "Supply" on April 29, 1856. Accompanying the camels were four native drivers later to be known as Greek George, Long Tom, Mico and Hi-Jolly (Hadji Ali).

From Indianola, the camels were driven to San Antonio, making the trip in 14 days. After spending several days on the headwaters of San Pedro Creek, the camels were herded to the ranch of a Maj. Howard, 12 miles outside the city where they remained until their final removal to Camp Verde in August 1856.

A second load of camels arrived at the camp in May 1857, while a third shipment of the odd-looking beasts was turned loose to range the coastal country.

When Camp Verde was captured by Confederate forces at the outbreak of the Civil War, there were 53 camels at the camp; when the

U.S. government reclaimed the camp in 1865, there were 100.

Though the camels passed every endurance test possible, the federal government shelved the experiment due to lack of funds. Post-war reconstruction was under way, and there was a lack of interest. Most of the camels eventually were sold. The last known surviving animal died at the Griffith Park Zoo in Los Angeles in 1934.

On Nov. 30, 1869, Camp Verde was abandoned, sitting vacant until 1874, when Ohio native J.A. Bonnell purchased 640 acres of land that included the almost two dozen buildings of the historic fort.

Bonnell remodeled one of the officers barracks into a rustic ranch-house for his family. A second barracks was used as a guest house.

After the elder Bonnell's death, his son William purchased an additional 20,000 acres surrounding the old camel camp and used the property as a cattle ranch.

Most of that acreage was sold in 1892, but William Bonnell continued to use the old barracks as his home, renting out the second building to boarders.

On March 26, 1910, a fast-moving fire destroyed most of the historic fort, killing one man.

Only the old officers' barracks were reusable. The interiors were gutted by the deadly blaze, but the 30-inch-thick outside walls withstood the intense heat. Bonnell rebuilt one barracks and razed the second.

In 1929, Bonnell sold the property to the Richard Nowlin family. The Nowlins lived in the historic old fort headquarters until the mid-1930s.

Today, Mrs. Bob Bowman owns the barracks-home, which was designed by French architect Francois Giraud, who also designed the old Ursuline Academy in San Antonio.

The Camp Verde barracks is a one-story, L-shaped structure, one room deep and six rooms long, is fronted by a broad pillared porch.

The only heat for the building came from five fireplaces now plastered over.

The barracks walls are shaped stones, cemented together with adobe and mortar. Each wall is 30 inches thick and the ceilings are 13 feet high.

Tradition has it that the northeast room of the barracks was set aside for Confederate Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston during his stay at the camp. An adjoining room, in the front of the old barracks, is said to have been the headquarters for Robert E. Lee, then a colonel in the U.S. Army and stationed in Texas in the 1850s.

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Business

Shoplifting becoming a bigger headache for many major retailers

By SOUGATA MUKHERJEE
Beaumont Enterprise

BEAUMONT (AP) — Jack Smith takes his job as loss prevention manager for K mart so seriously he sees the store as a battlefield.

But 34-year-old Smith is also able to enjoy his work because he believes he is as good at what he does as some shoplifters are at what they do.

"It's like a different game every day when it comes to catching shoplifters," Smith said. "It's a never-ending story. There's a battle being fought inside every retail store in this country between the good guys and the bad guys."

As prevention loss manager for K mart on Eastex Freeway, Smith is trained in techniques the corporation uses to prevent thefts. For every thief they catch, the store assumes there

are 20 who get away, representing huge losses for K mart as a whole.

"We have cameras and mirrors but still that is not enough," said store manager Earl Gates. "We probably catch less than 5 percent of total shoplifters."

During 1989 alone, the store lost more than \$150,000 in damaged inventory and shoplifting, Gates said. That represents almost 1 percent of yearly sales, which totals nearly \$15 million. Out of the 1 percent, half of that was paper and inventory waste and the rest was because of employee theft and shoplifting, he said.

"Most of our shoplifting is done by women," he said. "You know there's something wrong when they spend most of the time looking at employees rather than merchandise."

Industry experts say Beaumont retail stores lose more than \$1 million collectively because of inventory waste and shoplifting. "The figure is particularly high because of the drug problem in the area," Gates said. "The shoplifting is very organized in the area."

Very often a crime is committed in the store by four or five people, he said. "Some of them try to divert your attention by acting very suspicious while their partners are busy putting merchandise in the bag," Gates said.

In seeking out potential shoplifters, Smith said, the six store detectives do not focus on any one individual or group. "We watch

everybody who comes into the store," he said. "It doesn't matter how you dress. I've caught people who were dressed fit to kill and had money in their pockets."

Gates gave an example of a woman who recently attempted to take a \$40 watch from the counter. She had more than \$100 in dollar bills in her purse. "More than 85 percent of the people we capture have the money in their pocket to pay for what they take," he said.

One of the most shocking aspects of K mart thefts, Gates said, is that approximately 50 percent of all thefts are internal, done by people who work for the company. This is probably true for most major

retail corporations, he said.

"We do prosecute all customers, but when it comes to employees, we let them go because unless we catch them in the act, there's no way you can prove their crime," Gates said.

"We are almost obligated to prosecute people as they may come back and sue us for harassment if we don't prosecute," Gates said. The store currently has more than six lawsuits pending by customers who were let go after being caught for shoplifting.

Smith believes thefts are a common occurrence at any major retail corporation and that just about anyone will take advantage of the stores if given the opportunity. He insists

his job has not made him a pessimist, but a realist who sees things for what they are.

"Shoplifting has become much more violent in recent years," Smith said. "If you badge them, they are ready to fight, run or confront you right away."

"It's getting dangerous in Beaumont because we are witnessing a growing number of people stealing in the store with a criminal background," Smith said.

Smith has become part of an overall effort in his role as loss prevention manager. It is no easy task. There are people who actually make a living stealing from large operations like K mart, he said.

Drilling intentions

INTENTIONS TO DRILL
HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) J.M. Huber Corp., #4-5 Huth & S-5 Huth (320 ac) Sec. 5, M-24, TCRR, PD 3500'.

OCHILTREE (WILDCAT 7 WEST PERRYTON Lower Morrow) Medallion Petroleum Inc., #112-2 Oltstead (640 ac) Sec. 112, 11, W. Ahrenbeck & Bros., PD 8310'.

SHERMAN (WILDCAT & TEXAS HUGOTON) JAW Oil Company, #1 Win (640 ac) Sec. 211, 1-C, GH&H, PD 6500'. Rule 37

APPLICATIONS TO PLUG BACK
LIPSCOMB (FOLLETT Tonkawa) Mustang Fuel Corp. of Okla., #2 Ardrey (161.5 ac) Sec. 12, 10, HT&B, PD 8952'.

OCHILTREE (HANSFORD Marmaton) Chevron U.S.A. Inc., #2 Eleanor Reed (640 ac) Sec. 54, R, AB&M, PD 8390'.

OIL WELL COMPLETIONS
GRAY (PANHANDLE) Harken Exploration Co., #2 Eakin, Sec. 204, B-2, H&GN, elev. 3921 g1, spud 11-2-89, drlg. compl 11-10-89, tested 12-5-89, pumped 27.87 bbl. of 44 grav. oil + 10 bbls. water, GOR 969, perforated 3148-3254, TD 3350', PBTD 3292'.

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Harken Exploration Co., #3 Eakin, Sec. 204, B-2, H&GN, elev. 3291 g1, spud 10-14-89, drlg. compl 10-22-89, tested 12-4-89, pumped 9.88 bbl. of 44 grav. oil + no water, GOR 2328, perforated 3122-3226, TD 3390', PBTD 3313'.

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Harken Exploration Co., #4 Eakin, Sec. 204, B-s, H&GN, elev. 3283 g1, spud 10-7-89, drlg. compl 10-14-89, tested 12-4-89, pumped 15.69 bbl. of 44 grav. oil + 14 bbls. water, GOR 701, perforated 3118-3326, TD 3350', PBTD 3322'.

HUTCHINSON (PANHANDLE) Jerry Nolen, Operator, #39 Stansberry, Sec. 129, Z, EL&RR, elev. 2875 gr, spud 9-26-89, drlg. compl 10-3-89, tested 11-10-89, pumped 39 bbl. of 53 grav. oil + 140 bbls. water, GOR 692, perforated 2648-2890, TD 3026', PBTD 3000'.

GAS WELL COMPLETIONS
HARTLEY (WILDCAT) Cambridge & Nail, #1 McCrory, Sec. 424, 44, H&TC, elev. 3823 kb, spud 9-21-89, drlg. compl 10-5-89, tested 10-27-89, potential 526 MCF, rock pressure 432, pay 3498-3530, TD 6608', PBTD 3624'.

WHEELER (WEST BRITT RANCH Granite Wash A) Haber

Oil Co. Inc., #3-26 Britt, Sec. 26, A-3, H&GN, elev. 2248 gr, spud 8-8-89, drlg. compl 9-15-89, tested 12-7-89, potential 5700 MCF, rock pressure 3619, pay 12340-12410, TD 12550', PBTD 12435'.

PLUGGED WELLS
GRAY (PANHANDLE) Lear Oil & Gas Inc., #2 Sandra, Sec. 176, 3, I&GN, spud 11-1-83, plugged 12-4-89, TD 3302' (oil).

GRAY (PANHANDLE) Panstar Oil & Gas Inc., #2 Maul, Sec. 161, 3, I&GN, spud 8-11-83, plugged 11-13-89, TD 3221' (oil).

HARTLEY (PANHANDLE Red Cave) Comstock Oil & Gas Inc., #2-5H Bivins, Sec. 5, 21, SCL, spud 10-25-89, plugged 11-11-89, TD 3002' (dry).

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Sunray-Taylor Inc. #2 Dottie, Sec. 350, 44, H&TC, spud 3-25-80, plugged 12-5-89, TD 3580' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Taylor Bros. Oil Co.

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Sunray-Taylor Inc. #3 Dottie, Sec. 350, 44, H&TC, spud 12-22-81, plugged 12-8-89, TD 3582' (oil) — Form 1 Filed in Taylor Bros. Oil Co.

MOORE (PANHANDLE) Anadarko Petroleum Corp., #17 Sneed "D", Sec. 65, 3, G&M, spud 11-3-89, plugged 11-6-89, TD 1487' (junked).

ROBERTS (ALPAR-LIPS Lower Douglas) Alpar Resources Inc., #2A Barbar Lips '158', Sec. 158, 13, T&NO, spud 5-10-89, plugged 11-10-89, TD 5855' (dry).

WHEELER (PANHANDLE) Melvin & S. Anisman, #1 W.E. Bentley, Sec. 42, 24, H&GN, spud 7-24-59, plugged 10-18-89, TD 2319' (oil) — Form 1 filed in Abker & Keach, et al.

Beginning on Jan. 1, Rural/Metro Ambulance Service will change its name to American Medical Transport (AMT), announced Lon Robertson, local manager of operations in Pampa and Borger.

Robertson said the name change will not affect the level of service, but does indicate an even greater level of commitment to the community.

He stated that Rural/Metro-AMT will again offer Home For the Holidays courtesy service. Family with members in a local extended care facility can schedule for Rural/Metro-AMT to pick up that person and bring them home for Christmas at no charge.

Paramedics will then transport

the person back to their extended care facility Christmas night.

"It's another way of assuring people that we are customer oriented," Robertson said of the free service.

Also available from Rural/Metro-AMT is RediCare, a \$49 annual subscription program that allows family members to be transported in emergency situations at a greatly reduced rate.

Robertson said the program is not insurance, but a discount, which is offered to everyone except those on Medicaid. He pointed out that Medicaid already offers a similar discount agreement with Rural/Metro-AMT.

Blue ambulances will replace the others previously seen in Pampa and

Borger, Robertson said of the visual changes associated with the name change.

However, he said employees will remain the same and that ambulances are still equipped with the latest emergency technology.

Robertson said response time to emergency calls in Pampa averages around 5 minutes, but is usually as little as 3 or 4 minutes.

"We are changing our name, but everything else will remain the same," said Robertson. "No operational changes will result from the name change and AMT will continue to provide professional, high quality medical transportation service in keeping with Rural/Metro's high standards of excellence."



Lon Robertson

Unemployment insurance rates drop

"Most employers are in for a pleasant surprise in the new year," announced Mary Scott Nabers, employer representative on the Texas Employment Commission.

"Unemployment insurance rates will decline substantially for most Texas businesses," Nabers explained.

The minimum tax rate for experienced employers will be 0.29 percent of the first \$9,000 of each employee's wages. This is down from 0.64 percent in 1989. The maximum tax rate will be 6.29 percent, down from 8.34 percent. The entry level rate for most new businesses remains 2.7 percent.

"These rates are the lowest that Texas employers have seen in many years," Nabers said.

The decade of the 1980s visited severe economic recession upon the state and record numbers of unemployed Texans filed for unemployment benefits. The trust fund from which benefits are paid was quickly depleted, and replenishing it resulted in higher taxes for employers,

she explained.

"Those higher tax rates came at a time when employers themselves could least afford it," Nabers said. "Now that the fund is again on sound footing, it is gratifying to see employers getting a break."

Translating the new rates into dollars, a minimum rated employer will pay \$26.10 per employee per year. A maximum rated employer will pay \$566.10 per employee per year.

Roughly 40 percent of all Texas employers are minimum rated, 4 percent have the maximum rate and the remaining 56 percent are somewhere in between, Nabers said.

The Texas Employment Commission will begin mailing 1990 tax rate notices the first week in February.

Comptroller's representative to visit Pampa to answer state tax questions

AUSTIN — State Comptroller Bob Bullock said that a representative from his agency will be in Pampa on Thursday, Jan. 11, to answer questions about Texas taxes and assist taxpayers with paperwork and problems.

"I don't want to see state taxes turn into a burden for folks who can't get to a field office," Bullock said. "Our visits are a service we're happy to provide to Texas taxpayers."

Forrest Skinner, enforcement agent at the Amarillo Field Office, will be at the third floor courtroom at the Gray County Courthouse from 1 to 3 p.m. The public is welcome, and there is no charge.

"I'm sending my employees out to help people with questions, filling out forms and working out problems on a local, one-to-one basis," Bullock said. "There's some things you just can't do as well over the phone or through the mail."

Pampa area taxpayers who can't attend the courthouse seminar can still get individual tax assistance by calling the Comptroller's toll-free telephone number, 1-800-252-5555, from anywhere in Texas.

The Amarillo Office, headed by Mort Watson, serves 25 counties in the Texas Panhandle, including Gray and Carson counties.

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Sports

Landry grabs top billing in Texas sports stories

Firing of Cowboys' coach voted No. 1 story of decade ...

BY DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

It was the strangest of sporting sights, Tom Landry at a basketball game in December.

For most years of his adult life, Landry had prepared his Dallas Cowboys for an NFL playoff stretch run in early December and certainly had no idle time to see the Dallas Mavericks play. But there he was with wife Alicia at a basketball game, of all things.

"It's been a weird year, but I've kept busy doing a lot of different things," he said. "No, I haven't been to Texas Stadium to see the Cowboys this year. It just didn't seem quite right. I've been doing a lot of traveling and speaking."

Landry's firing and the change of ownership of one of the NFL's most successful franchises was judged the top Texas sports story in the 1980s by sports editors at Associated Press member newspapers and broadcast stations.

It was a dramatic decade in Texas sports; there were magnificent performances and, in the cases of Landry and Tex Schramm, cataclysmic change.

The sacking of the third winningest coach in NFL history, the departure of the powerful Schramm, and the arrival of new owner Jerry Jones and his old Arkansas teammate, Jimmy Johnson, had the biggest impact of any story in the decade, the sports editors decided.

Feb. 23, 1989. A date Cowboys fans will remember like Pearl Harbor.

It had to be a hot story to edge out some of the other things that happened in the decade.

The death penalty given Southern Methodist University's football program by the NCAA ranked No. 2 on the hit parade. The pay-for-play scandal reached the governor's office when Gov. Bill Clements, former head of the SMU Board of Regents, admitted there was a booster payroll to encourage top talent to stay and play for the Mustangs.

After two years without football, SMU came back behind the strong-willed Forrest Gregg to win two games and earn the admiration of the nation for playing with a freshmen-dominated squad.

No. 3 was a happy story. Nolan Ryan was an example of what hard work can produce. At the age of 43, he recorded his 5,000th strikeout. Pitching for the Texas Rangers, Ryan made Oakland's Ricky Henderson his victim.

Henderson told Ryan "I'm proud to be Mr. 5,000."

"Sorry," Ryan replied. "But it had to be somebody."

The 5,000 strikeout plateau will rank with baseball's all-time records, and some historians feel it will never be touched.

No. 4 was another happy story. The University of Houston's Andre Ware became only the fifth Southwest Conference player to win the Heisman Trophy, the top prize for a collegiate football player.

The rocket-armed quarterback from Dickinson smashed numerous NCAA records. Ware is another example of grim determination. Most schools wanted to make him a defensive back, and he went to Houston because the Cougars didn't.

Rounding out the top five stories of the decade was the no-pass, no-play ruling that had a profound effect on the Texas high school sports scene. It gave a new meaning to study for athletes who learned they couldn't succeed on the playing field if they failed in the classroom.

It eventually triggered a court battle by Dallas Carter High School, which fought the charges of using an ineligible player all



Tom Landry stops to chat with reporters during his final visit to the Valley Ranch office. The former Dallas mentor was fired by new owner Jerry Jones on Feb. 23, 1989.

... and of the year

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
Associated Press Writer

It was a hard news Texas sports year in 1989. So much so that five 1989 stories ranked in the Lone Star State's top 10 sports stories of the decade. The hanging tree at Valley Ranch was not only the top Texas sports story of 1989, but also of the decade.

Texas sports editors voted Tom Landry's firing, Tex Schramm's departure and the change of ownership in one of the NFL's proudest franchises, the Dallas Cowboys, as the top story of the '80s and No. 1 in 1989.

Coach Jimmy Johnson's first team, which fell on hard times, was part and parcel of the unusual upheaval of the Cowboys in 1989.

The No. 2 story, as judged by Associated Press member editors, was the return from the death penalty by the Southern Methodist University football program.

SMU produced two wins, both considered miracles, and actually led eventual Southwest Conference championship Arkansas in the fourth quarter before losing that game. Coach Forrest Gregg's squad included 74 freshmen.

Nolan Ryan's 5,000th strikeout was the third biggest story of the year. The Texas Ranger and off-season rancher set his strikeout record at the age of 43.

That accomplishment was followed in the news poll by the University of Houston's Andre Ware winning the Heisman Trophy. It was only the fifth Heisman produced by an SWC player and came in a season in which Ware smashed numerous school, league and NCAA records.

In fifth place was Jon Peters of Brenham High School, setting a national schoolboy record for consecutive victories.

Texas A&I's Johnny Bailey made the No. 6 story when he broke Tony Dorsett's career NCAA rushing record.

Seventh place in 1989 was accorded the court battles of Dallas Carter to hang onto the 5A high school football championship from 1988, despite a controversy over a player's algebra grade; an unsuccessful bid to get into the 1989 playoffs despite playing an ineligible player; and the continuing problems of several players who were sent to prison for their participation in a robbery ring.

Eighth place went to the sale of the Texas Rangers by Eddie Chiles to a group headed by the son of the President, George W. Bush Jr.

Ninth place was accorded Tom Kite's PGA record for money winnings.

Tenth place was Herschel Walker's trade by the Dallas Cowboys to the Minnesota Vikings for a bushel basket of draft choices.

Just missing out in the balloting was the firing of Dallas Mavericks head basketball coach John MacLeod an NBA-record 11 games into the season.



Andre Ware made the year and decade lists.

Warbucks a brazen symbol of Tech football

EDITOR'S NOTE — Most folks call him Daddy or Warbucks or just Bucks, but by any name, Robert J. Walker is known around Texas Tech and across the South Plains as someone special. But not always for the same reasons. Come meet the frisky 80-year-old who invented the concept of instant replay and perfected the concept of a good time, the guy who compiled a fortune in electronics and spent a lifetime collecting friends and promoting Red Raider football.

By MIKE COCHRAN
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK — Whamo! With a mighty thud, the door of the hotel suite bursts open and in trudges a rumpled, bear-like figure

in baggy slacks, open collar and smudged sweater. One shoe is untied.

His eyes sparkle behind horn rimmed glasses, and perched jauntily atop his silver mane is a golf hat long overdue at Goodwill.

Traces of tobacco juice decorate the corners of his mouth, which, while gripping a soggy but unlit cigar, is twisted into a mischievous half-grin, half-sneer.

"How long you gotta be here," he roars, "before you get a drink?"

Meet Daddy Warbucks, a delightfully brazen symbol of Texas Tech football and the man who invented the concept of instant replay while perfecting the concept of a good time.

It is Friday Night Live in Lubbock, an autumn ritual that precedes

most of the Red Raiders' home games, and Warbucks has come as always to greet his friends of the press.

Kinfolk, he calls them. His real name is Robert J. Walker, but friends call him Bob, Robert, Warbucks, Daddy or just plain Bucks. His wife Lorna calls him other things.

He calls her Grandmother, and usually to ask forgiveness.

Two generations of sports writers and three generations of Raider fans have been exposed to the Warbucks magic and madness, and some probably are scarred for life.

Who is this guy?

A man who is at once clumsy and charming, rumpled and regal, simple and shrewd.

A man with a liver of steel, a heart of gold and a sense of showmanship so outrageously bad that it is somehow good.

A man whose jokes defy description: "Did you take a bath today? ... No, is one missing?"

A man known to corner unsuspecting and unknown visitors to the Raider hospitality suite and declare: "You know, you're a sorry blankety-blank, but you're kinfolk."

The "blankety-blank" has singed many an innocent ear.

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Warbucks

A man who, in the days when he smoked instead of chewed cigars, casually set ablaze his house, his car, his sport coat and most anything with which he came in contact. He once torched the Arkansas hotel room of a Tech sports publicist who slipped off to bed too early. Bucks left him stomping out flaming newspapers in his bare feet.

A man who parties hard Friday night, dedicates Saturday to golf, football and entertaining friends, and somehow surfaces bright-eyed Sunday morning for church.

And then, on Monday, with Lorna at his side, he delivers food to shut-ins as a longtime volunteer in the Meals on Wheels program.

A man who, at a Tech football game, was recognized as an honorary president of the Texas Sports Writers Association ... and liked it so much he had 'em do it again four years later.

A man whose Cadillacs are rode hard and put up wet, sometimes in places difficult to find the next day. Bucks doesn't trade in his used cars. He donates them to a war museum.

Leaving Lubbock Country Club one night, Warbucks got himself broadsided by a Volkswagen. More awed than angry, he growled: "I didn't know those little SOB's could hit like that!"

A man who, as a reserve officer in Lubbock, trained budding American combat pilots in World War II. Bucks has 3,000 flying hours but, friends joke, all are solo.

Against all odds, Bucks just turned 80, insisting his longevity is a tribute to good booze and bad cigars, old friends and a younger wife, fast living and slow running backs.

Slow running backs? Warbucks says he intends to stick around until his Red Raiders win the Southwest Conference and go to the Cotton Bowl. He's been waiting 20 years.

He may live forever.

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Separating Warbucks fact from Warbucks fiction is no simple matter, but it's a good bet that Robert Joseph Walker was indeed born in 1909 in the tiny Trinity River town of Kerens, 60 miles south of Dallas.

"Seems like only yesterday," sighs Bucks, adding with a wink: "And you know what a helluva day yesterday was."

To a slightly lesser degree, Bucks has done for Kerens what Garrison Keillor did for Lake Wobegone.

There is, according to Bucks, the Kerens Country Club and championship golf course, the University of Kerens, the Kerens Symphony, the Kerens Ballet, the Kerens Opera and the Kerens International Airport.

There is also the dazzling Kerens Shuffle, which Bucks often is eager to demonstrate, though seldom before midnight.

In 1930, Bucks' father, who owned and operated a drugstore in Kerens, sent his young son off to Southern Methodist University for a bit of upscale education.

It didn't take.

"I was misunderstood," insists Bucks, who stuck around Dallas only long enough to confirm SMU's reputation as a party school. "The folks there were a little narrow-minded."

His father gave him a second chance.

"He wanted me to go to Texas A&M," recalls Bucks. "But I was too smart for that, I headed for Tech, which was the farthest I could get away from Kerens and still go to a state school."

In Lubbock, Bucks met an equal-

ly unruly West Texan named Raymond Pfluger, now an Eden rancher, and they hit it off at once. Says Pfluger: "I've got so damn many Walker stories I can't keep up with them all."

But those stories, he implied with a laugh, can't be repeated — even if the statute of limitations has expired.

"Walker and I have been good friends since 1930," said Pfluger, recalling that in the early Thirties, Warbucks was too broke or too tight to buy a white shirt. "If he had a date and needed a white shirt, he just helped himself to one of mine."

Not much has changed. When Warbucks showed up at the ranch a couple of weeks ago, Pfluger offered him a cigar from a box.

"Now most people would select a cigar with their thumb and forefinger, but not Walker. It was more like a grappling hook. He took all he could pick up with one hand."

In his early days at Tech, Warbucks married a "beautiful rodeo queen" named Naomi Sue, the daughter of a West Texas rancher. She died of leukemia 18 months after their son, Bobby Joe, was born.

"Back then, leukemia was an instant death sentence because they didn't know anything about it," Warbucks said.

At age 31, Warbucks met a pretty young blonde named Lorna, and was instantly smitten. Lorna wasn't. But he got a date using two theater tickets he claimed were "void if not used together."

Now, half a century later, Lorna says: "Forty-nine years of married life with Robert Walker has been lots of things, but never dull. It's been scary as hell at times, but not once has it been dull."

This union would produce three daughters, five grandchildren, an enduring love story, an electronics fortune, memorable escapades and, inevitably, some tragedy.

A 6-year-old daughter wandered into the street and was struck and killed by a car.

"I've had some heartaches," says the Walker patriarch, "but that's all yesterday. I always feel tomorrow's going to be a good day, and it always has been."

In 1936, after graduating from Texas Tech, Warbucks launched R&R Supply Co., an unusual but clever blend of radio and refrigeration services.

"We were pretty remote country out here in those days," said Bucks, who eventually signed on with Ampex Corp., which, in 1956, introduced its first videotape machine.

Nine years later, on a stormy September night, Warbucks, Texas Tech and Raider coach J.T. King made college football history.

With a video recording system designed by Bucks, the Tech coaches analyzed by instant playback the performances of both teams while the game was in progress.

"The videotape was a tremendous help," King would say later. "We could see at once what in the past we hadn't seen until Sunday when we studied the game movies."

Tech beat Kansas 26-7 that night, but Warbucks and history were overshadowed by a tornado alert that cut short the game.

Still, word spread quickly.

Arkansas, Baylor, Army, Tulane, California, Notre Dame, Texas, Texas Christian and Texas A&M, among others, tested the closed circuit equipment under game conditions.

But the NCAA realized that many schools, certainly smaller ones, could not afford the equipment and banned the system in 1967.

"We had a helluva deal going," Bucks says now. "It looked like it was going to revolutionize coaching, but the little schools killed us."

Part of the Warbucks myth is that he invented instant replay, but Bucks claims no such thing. He simply applied existing electronic gadgetry to college football.

"I didn't invent the machine, I invented the concept," he says. "But that was just a sideline, a spinoff of our electronics business."

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The story most often told about Robert J. Walker may or may not be true, but dates back to his long friendship with Blackie Sherrod, the inimitable Dallas sports columnist.

Vacationing at an island resort, and perilously low on spirits, Bucks collared a young islander and sent him in search of his favorite beverage.

The courier returned with a bottle of Old Charter, the target drink.

"Very good, young man," Bucks said grandly, "and what do I owe you for this?"

"Fifty dollars," the courier replied.

As he paid the youngster, Bucks turned to Blackie and said: "They finally got this (bleep) priced up there for what it's really worth."

Bucks claims he and Blackie made that excursion on a freighter, and upon their return the ship was anchored off the coast for two days while priority vessels were being unloaded at docks.

"Sherrod," Bucks said, "with your connections and my credit card, we ought to be able to get off this SOB."

With a whimsical smile, Bucks adds: "Well, we didn't get off."

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In the early 70s, the Coaches All America football game was played in Lubbock. It was a summertime all-star affair and showcased players headed for the NFL.

To entertain the dozens of media folks, Bucks founded a golf tournament, the Daddy Warbucks Invitational, known widely as the DWI.

Bucks insisted that everyone play 18 holes, preferably in order, and try to keep their drink-laden golf carts off the busy highway running beside the Lubbock Country Club course.

Survivors received championship trophies, so there were no losers except those who recklessly gambled with Bucks, who, if down, would impose what golfers call a "press" to recover. The Warbucks press consisted of the "enchilada" and the "jalapeno."

Players recall that Bucks could lose 17 straight holes, but with his "enchilada" and "jalapeno" bets at the 18th, he even when he got to the clubhouse.

The DWI was decidedly more popular than the football game but died prematurely. Bucks blamed television.

Traditionally, Lorna, or Grandmother, ruled as queen of the DWI, and it was no small honor. But one year Bucks downplayed the queenly role and gave Grandmother the day off.

Rather mysteriously, a gorgeous blonde named Virgine showed up in short shorts and commandeered the queenly drink cart.

And when Grandmother flipped on the local sports news that evening, there was Virgine, hugging a grinning, lipstick-smudged Bucks and being introduced as the tournament queen.

So ended the DWI. But, like Warbucks himself, the legend lives on.

Cowboys loss will equal all-time low

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

IRVING — The Green Bay Packers can stay alive for an NFC Central Division title and plunge the Dallas Cowboys deep into the NFL low-light record book with a victory on Sunday.

If the Packers inflict an NFL record-tying 15th loss on the Cowboys, they will have to sweat Monday night's Minnesota-Cincinnati game. A Vikings loss would give Green Bay its first division title since 1972.

Downcast Dallas would also become the first NFL team to lose 14 consecutive home games should they succumb to the Packers. The Cowboys haven't won at home since Sept. 25, 1988 against Atlanta. The Houston Oilers in 1973 and Tampa Bay in 1977 each lost 13 home games consecutively.

Only the 1980 New Orleans Saints have lost as many as 15 games in a season.

Green Bay coach Lindy Infante has warned the Packers of the dangers of taking lightly a team they thrashed 31-13 in the fifth game of the season.

"We can't just throw our hat on the field," Infante said. "We know who we are. We've been in sudden death for five weeks. Dallas will give everything it's got to beat us. The Cowboys are a lot better team than the one we played the first time."

Ironically, the Cowboys can hurt themselves in the draft by upsetting the Packers.

Dallas benefits from Green Bay finishing ahead of Minnesota because the Cowboys got the Vikings number one draft pick in the Herschel Walker trade. The Cowboys don't have their number one pick because they surrendered it by taking Steve Walsh as the top pick in the supplemental draft.

"We just have to block out that situation with the draft pick," said Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson.

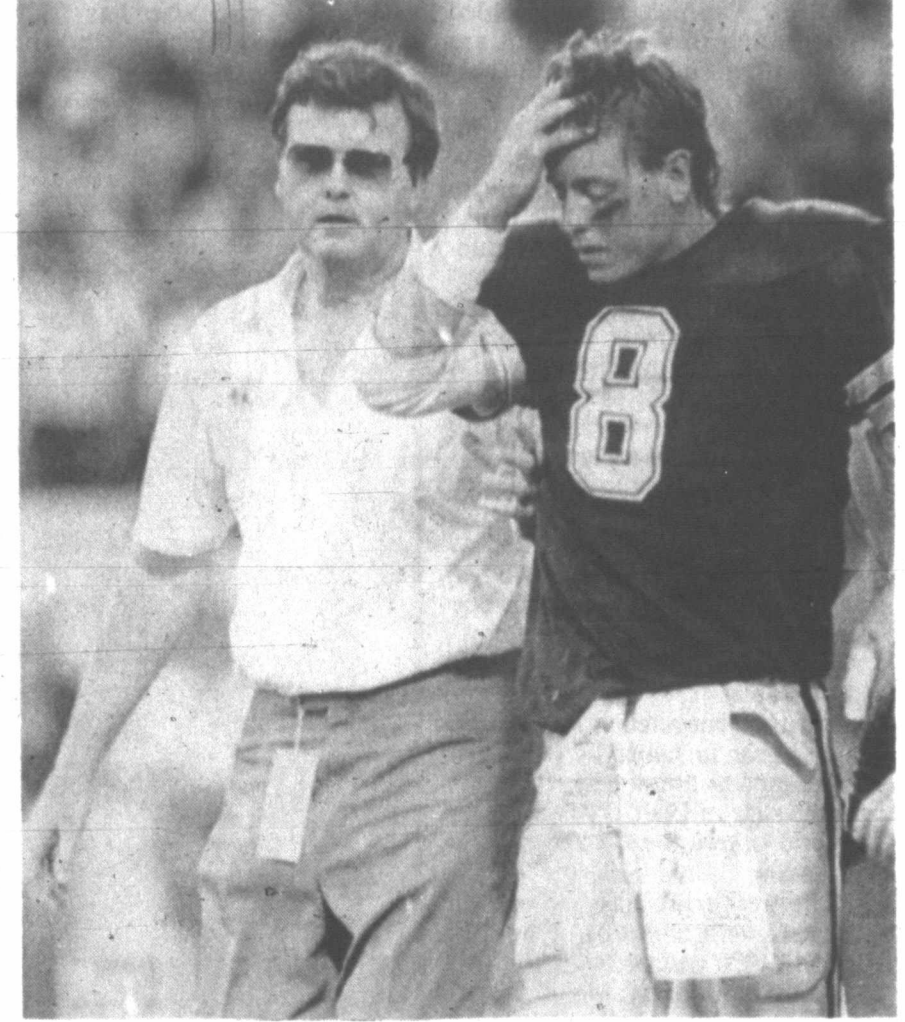
Johnson, whose only victory came at Washington, has termed the game a courage tester.

"It will be a good evaluating tool for us to find the guys who want to lay it on the line in an adverse situation," Johnson said. "Green Bay will be loose and playing with a lot of confidence. They will be highly motivated because they have a lot at stake."

There is also motivation for Dallas rookie quarterback Troy Aikman, who has yet to win a game. The only Dallas victory came with Walsh in command.

"I'm 0-10 in games I've started and I really want to get a win," Aikman said.

The 9-6 Packers have an outside shot at a wild card playoff spot if they win and Minnesota wins. That would require losses by the Eagles and the Los Angeles Rams and a Washington victory.



(AP Laserphoto)
Beleaguered Dallas QB Troy Aikman is hoping for his first victory after 10 losses as an NFL rookie.

Freeman's wish list for Texas sportsmen

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — 'Tis the season to be jolly and get your Christmas gifts from the Freeman File. The lucky ones ...

To Dallas quarterback Troy Aikman — A linebacker-proof body because he's going to need it in the early 1990s until the Cowboys get a good team around him.

To Texas coach David McWilliams — A rabbit's foot and ear plugs so he can concentrate next year without hearing all the second-guessing from some Longhorn fans.

To Texas Christian coach Jim Wacker — Enough victories to keep him and his schoolboyish enthusiasm around another year.

To Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum — A new Southwest Conference rule that says graduates can't officiate in their alma mater's games.

To University of Houston quarterback Andre Ware — The wisdom to make the right decision on whether to return for the Heisman Trophy winner's final season. Does he take the money and go pro before the salary cap hits the NFL?

To Baylor coach Grant Teaff — A blizzard of touchdowns to get the

Bears back into the SWC title picture again.

To Texas Rangers manager Bobby Valentine — A better defense, better base running, and better dugout decisions.

To Tom Kite — A major championship to add the final crown jewel missing in his tremendous career.

To former Dallas Mavericks coach John MacLeod — Another chance to prove a nice guy can win an NBA title.

To Akeem Olajuwon of the Houston Rockets — An NBA championship series to showcase his enormous talent.

To Houston Oilers coach Jerry Glanville — An invitation to Sam Wyche's New Year's Eve party.

To the Houston Astros — Another power hitter.

To Dallas Cowboys coach Jimmy Johnson — A specially designed helmet to fit over his hair for next year's visit to Philadelphia.

To Dallas place-kicker Luis Zendejas — A plugged nickel for his so-called bounty wiretap telephone conversation tape.

To Cowboys owner Jerry Jones — Fifty tons of ice for the players at July training camp in Austin.

To Southern Methodist coach

Forrest Gregg — Willie Nelson's "Amazing Grace" album for the miracle of bringing the Mustangs two victories after the NCAA death penalty.

To Tom Landry — A putting touch to go with his otherwise excellent golf game.

To Darrell Royal — A dozen Ultras for being such a class guy.

To Texas Tech coach Spike Dykes — A 1991 Cotton Bowl berth for being the most quotable coach in the SWC.

To Dallas Mavericks owner Don Carter — A hat rack.

To SMU basketball coach John Shumate — A book on how to smile.

To Texas basketball coach Tom Penders — A chile relleno at El Ranchos for helping make SWC basketball fun again.

To Texas Tech coach Gerald Myers — The golden quarter award for returning every telephone call.

To Joe Hornaday of Texas Tech and Alan Cannon of Texas A&M — Several cups of Xmas cheer as the most helpful SWC sports information directors in 1989.

To Daddy Warbucks — A jalapeno for his enchilada.

To the 50-Yard Line in Lubbock — Send blueberry muffins!

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Cowboy poets, once peculiar to cow country, now entertain America

EDITOR'S NOTE—
 "Oh, it's up in the morning, ere breaking of day,
 "The chuck wagon's busy, the flapjacks at play.
 "The herd is astirrin' o'er hill-side and vail
 "With the nightriders roundin' 'em into the trail."
From a 19th-century poem.

By **BOB KERR**
 Associated Press Writer

Cowboy poets, who practiced their art in bunkhouses, bars and at family gatherings, have extended their stage to America and are enchanting audiences with their tales of life on the range.

Baxter Black of Henderson, Colo., considered to be the only such poet who derives his entire income from rhyme, said he thinks it's because of the cowboy's independent image.

"He has a physical job," Black said. "He's outdoors. He's placing himself against the elements with the mythical Code of the West to guide him.

"When the chips are down, this is the person you want to stand beside you."

Cowboy poetry has existed as long as there have been cowboys. Several old songs began as cowboy verse and the earliest books of cowboy poems were published as early as the 1880s.

But the phenomenon shifted into higher gear in January 1985 when Hal Cannon, former state folklorist for the state of Utah, organized with several others the Cowboy Poets Gathering in Elko, Nev.

The gathering has become an annual event and will be held in Elko in 1990 on Jan. 24-27.

"Cowboy poetry was a part of American folklore but it had almost no exposure," said Cannon, who has become the director of the Western Folk Life Center in Salt Lake City. "America didn't know about the poetic cowboy.

"So we all started thinking about it. We started looking around our own states (the West) and found that almost everyone who interprets the cowboy is an outsider. Movie makers, TV producers, journalists, artists, folklorists.

"The cowboy hadn't really had a chance to tell his own story. He really didn't have a public forum."

Black, who has traveled the banquet circuit for years with stopovers in such places as Muleshoe, Texas, said acceptance from the general public began with the first poetry gathering.

Cannon said before the poets went public about six years ago, "the only place you really heard them was in bars or cow camps. They were pretty private sessions."

Cowboys and ranchers first published their poetic works as early as 1880, Cannon said.

"It (cowboy poetry) was around. It just never got out to the public."

Cannon said the public exposure has brought out "several hundred" other cowboy poets, some better than others.

"The quality ranges from bad to great," Cannon said.

Buck Ramsey of Amarillo, Texas, one of the newcomers to the cowboy poet circle, is considered by Cannon to be one of the better ones.

"When I hear Buck Ramsey recite his poetry, I'm much more

moved than when I see someone throw his hat all around the stage," Cannon said.

Performance, which includes gestures, facial expressions and tone of voice, sometimes overshadows the content at cowboy poetry readings.

Ramsey's verse is straightforward with no histrionics. Asked for a couplet about a cowboy poet, Ramsey replied:

"He'd do to ride the river with,
 "I'd have you say of me.
 "And if I lived to fit the words,
 "I'd be all I should be."

Waddy Mitchell, a ranch foreman near Elko who also has found national prominence as a cowboy

poet, estimates participation since the first gathering has increased 2,000 percent.

"People are looking at it as a real viable source of entertainment," said Mitchell.

Mitchell has appeared on several television specials and toured recently with country singer Michael Martin Murphy. Mitchell's stops have included Martha's Vineyard, Mass., and Miami.

Black, who acts as his own business manager and limits his appearances off the banquet circuit to about five a year, has been a guest on The Johnny Carson Show twice.

Other poets have begun to fill in

as headliners at dinners, banquets and conventions throughout the West.

Cannon said he is concerned over the fact that performance has become "so much a part of the poetry."

But he believes the good poetry will last, just as does all good poetry.

"I believe some of the poetry of cowboys will endure in literature," Cannon said. "If you look back in history, Greek history and other ancient times, it's folk poetry. I think it (cowboy poetry) will be a document for future generations."

Cannon is preparing an anthology

of cowboy poetry that will include some of Ramsey's work.

Ramsey, injured in a bronc accident on a Texas Panhandle ranch in 1963, has written non-fiction for Southwestern publications for years.

Ramsey believes that many cowboys are far better-educated in literature than most people believe.

He said some of the cowboy language comes from such classics as "The Iliad" by Homer.

Homer referred to a breaker of horses 56 times in his classic work, Ramsey said, and from it also came the term "bit the dust."

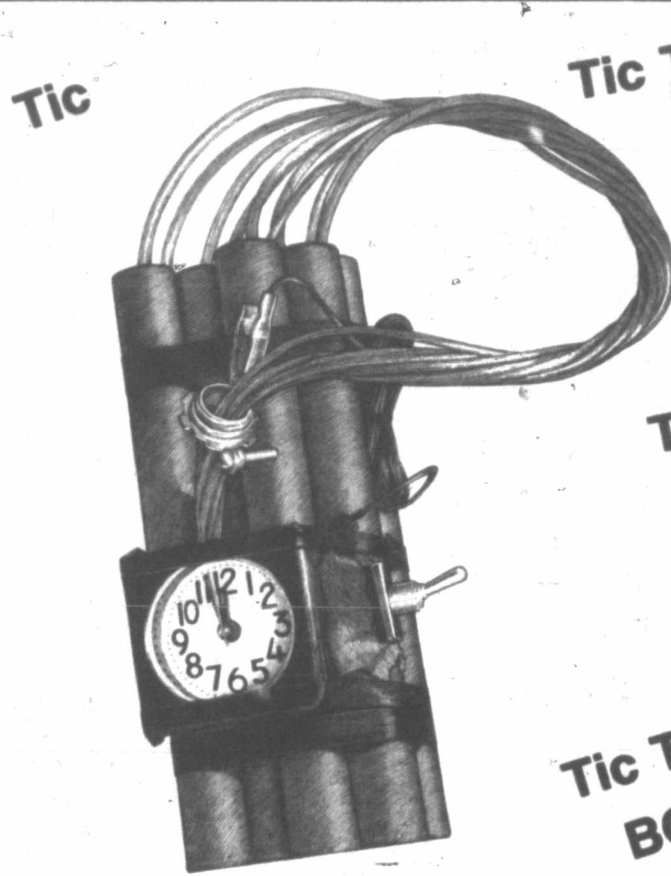
The "Bull Durham" classics also supplemented the cowboys' literary

understanding.

"Back before the turn of the century, you could send a dime off with a tag off a Bull Durham (tobacco) sack and get one of the 303 classics," Ramsey said. "The set included all of the great literature from Homer up through the American writers."

Ramsey said he wrote poems as a young cowboy along the Canadian River breaks.

In later years, "I would see someone like Baxter or Waddy on TV saying their poems and the old poems were running through my mind. After I saw them, I decided to write my poems down."



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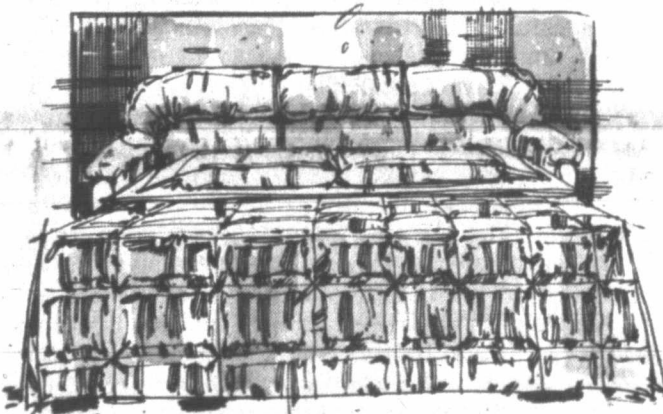
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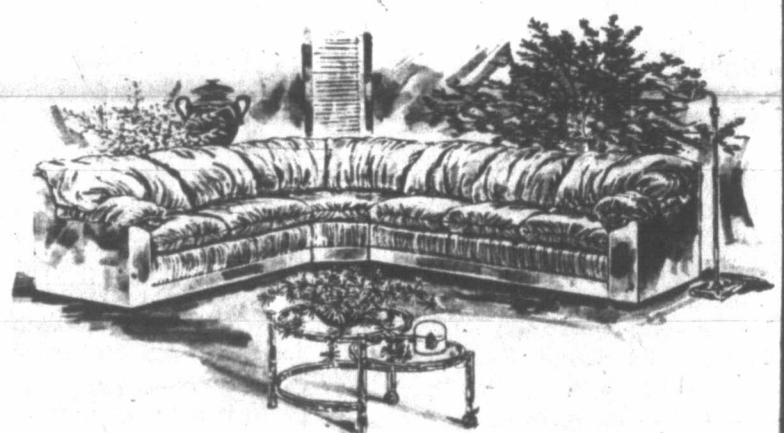
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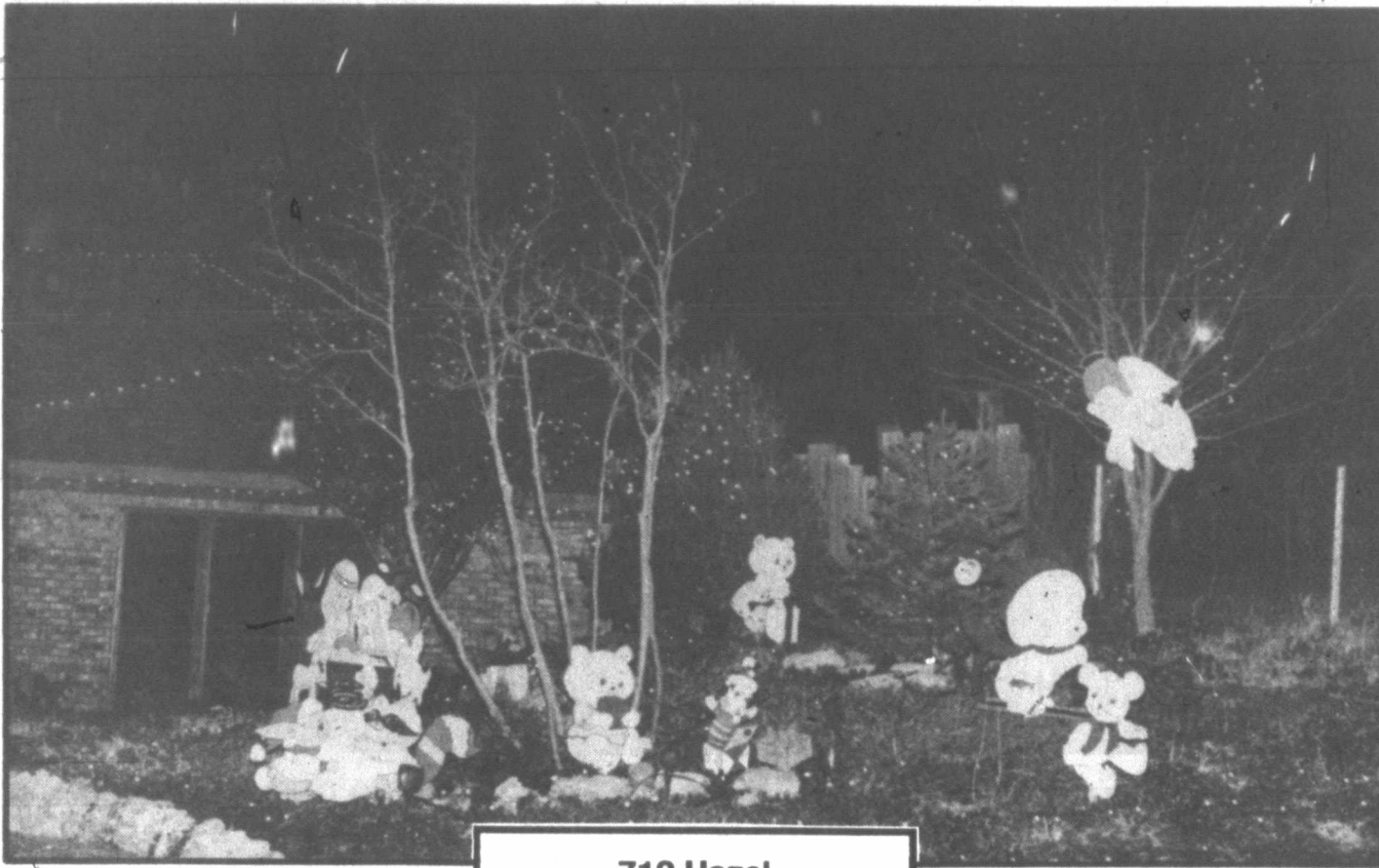
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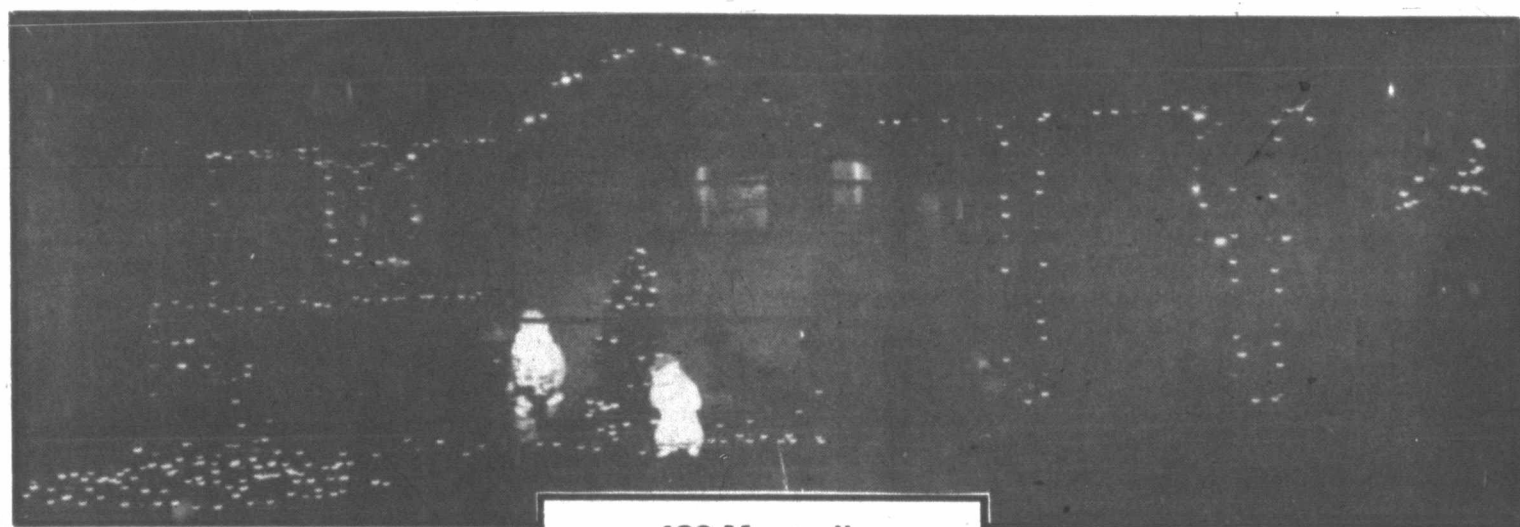
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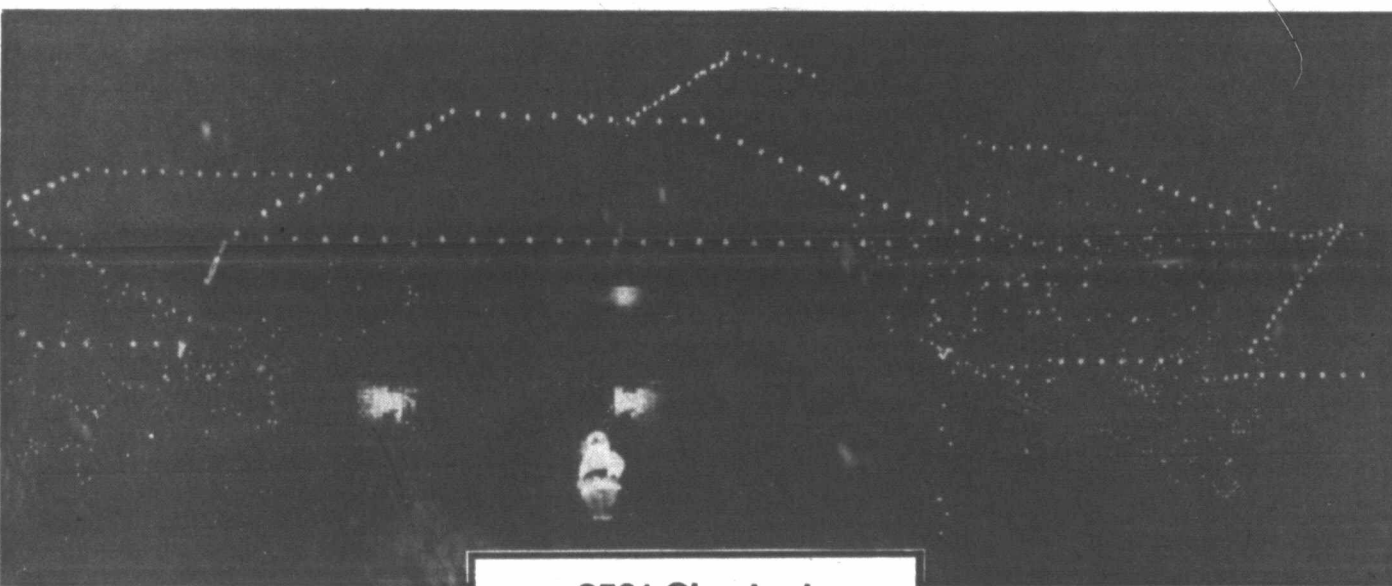
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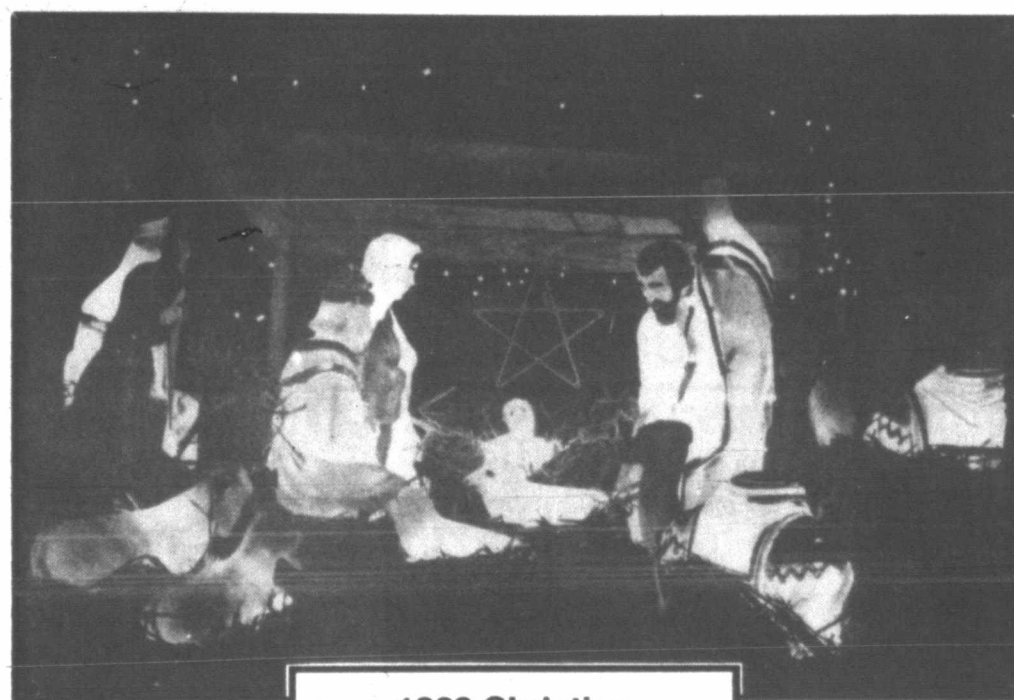
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Mrs. Manuel Guerra II
Susan Elizabeth Lane

Lane - Guerra

Susan Elizabeth Lane and Manuel Guerra III exchanged wedding vows on Dec. 22 in the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Dr. Max Browning performing the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Lane. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Guerra, Jr. of McAllen.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Michael Brewer of Oklahoma City. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Christopher Bergin, Evanston, Ill.; Joan Hann, Ft. Worth; Victoria Guerra, sister of the groom from Austin; and Mrs. Barry Bowden, Dallas.

Flower girl was the bride's niece, Jennifer Lane of Indianapolis, Ind. Ring bearer was the bride's nephew, Thomas Lane of Indianapolis. Best man was Laur Guerra, Jr. of McAllen. Groomsmen were Richard Woodruff, Grand Prairie; Jon Burt, Dallas; Richard Lane, brother of the bride from Indianapolis; and Jose Guerra, Corpus Christi.

Ushers were Michael Guerra, McAllen, and Homer Munoz of Dallas. Candlelighters were Mr. and Mrs. Homer Munoz. Registering guests was the bride's sister-in-law, Mrs. Richard Lane of Indianapolis. Organist was Jerry Whitten and soloist was Mrs. Jerry Wilson. Readers at the wedding were Nancy Anglin, Dallas, and Scott Austin, Kaufman, Tex.

A reception was held following the wedding at the Pampa Country Club. Servers were Mrs. Charles Coward, sister of the groom from Austin; Ann Carmichael, Dallas; Carol Helliker, Houston; and Tamara Lane, Pampa.

The bride is a Pampa High School graduate. She is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma and University of Texas School of Law and is currently practicing law in Dallas.

The groom is a McAllen High School graduate. He graduated from Austin College in Sherman and is employed by the Cigna Companies of Dallas. After a honeymoon in Colorado, the couple will make their home in Pampa.

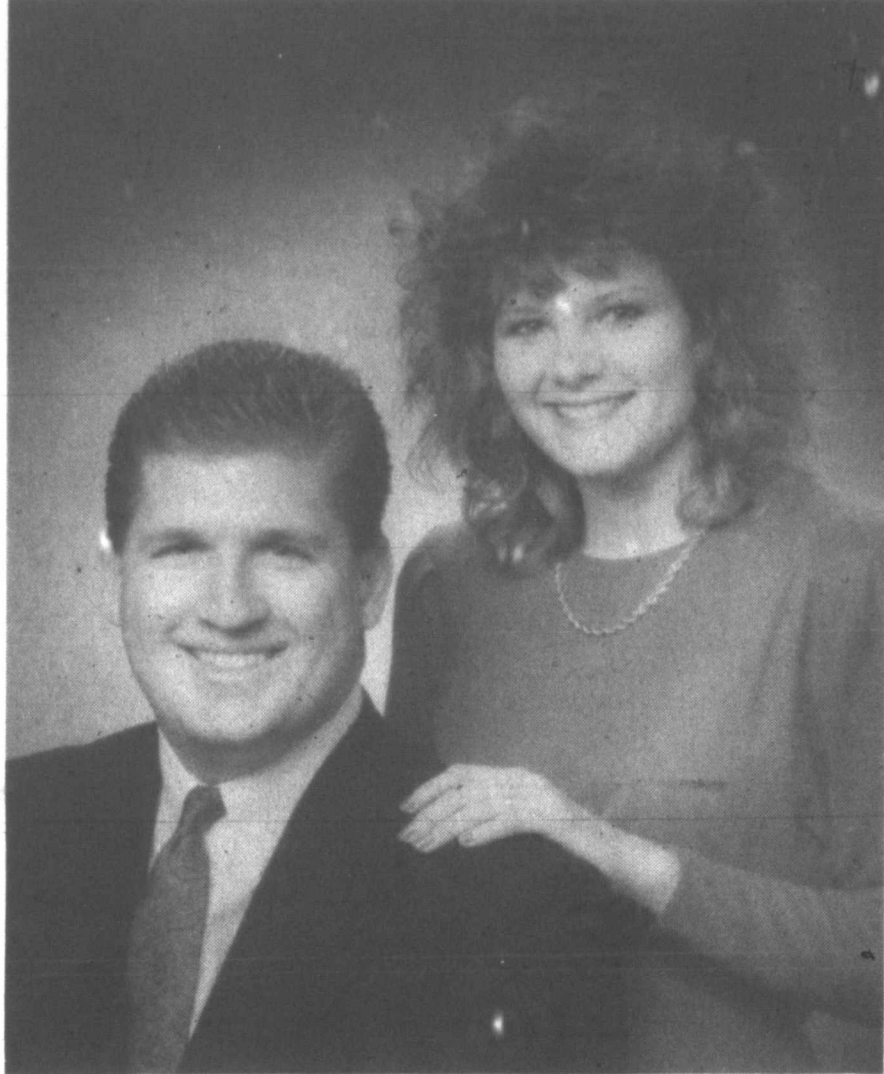
Phelps - Green

Laura Jean Phelps and Frank Green Jr., both of Elk City, were united in marriage on Dec. 18 in the home of the bride's parents in Pampa. Keith Feerer performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Larry and Joy Davis and granddaughter of the late J.C. Davis and Earlene Davis. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Nevels of Elk City and Frank Green of Kilmichael, Miss.

Maid of honor was Tammie Teague and best man was Michael Davis.

The bride is a 1985 graduate of Elk City High School. The groom is currently employed by Grace Drilling Co. of Oklahoma City.



Jame Todd Richardson & Angela Kristen West

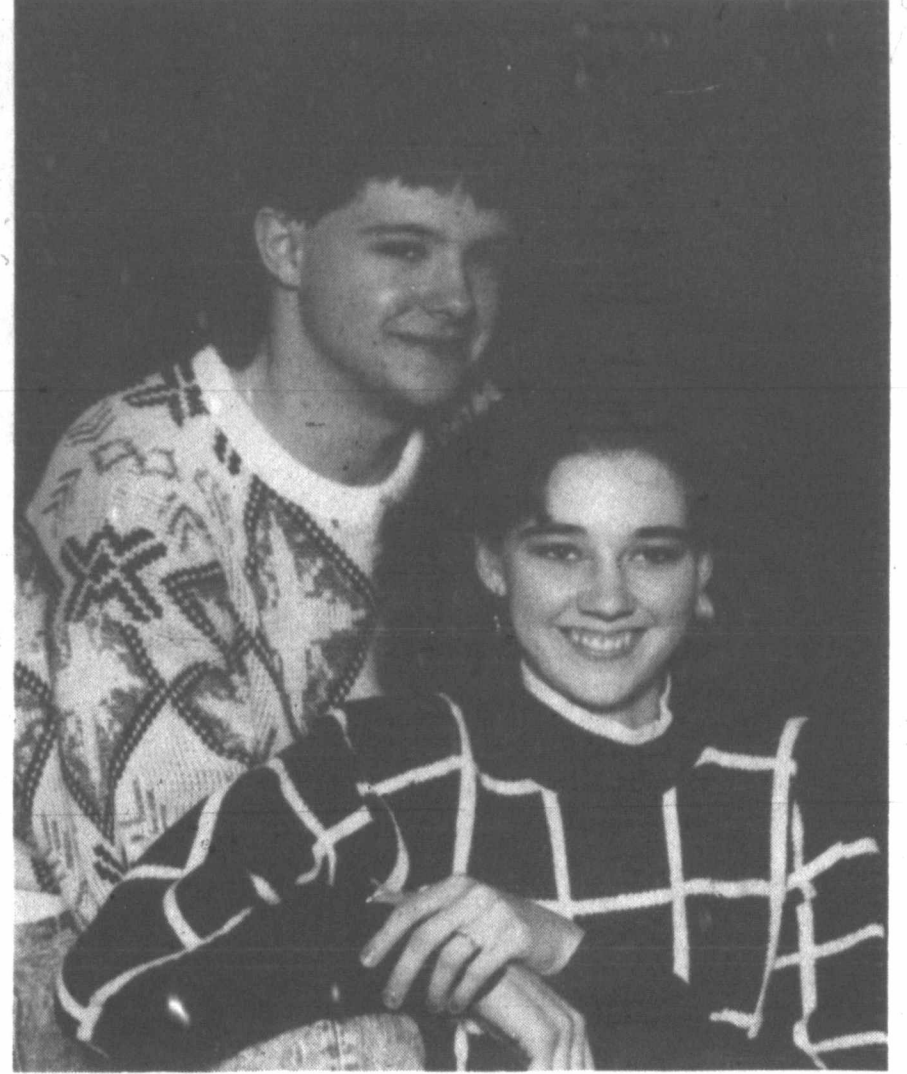
West - Richardson

Mr. and Mrs. Williams D. West announce the engagement of their daughter, Angela Kristen, to James Todd Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Richardson.

The couple, both living in Dallas, plan to be wed on Mar. 17, 1990 in the First United Methodist Church of Pampa.

The bride-elect is a 1982 graduate of Pampa High School and a 1986 graduate of Texas Tech University. She is currently employed by the Richardson Independent School District.

The prospective groom is a 1983 graduate of Pampa High School and a 1987 graduate of the University of Oklahoma with a BBA in finance. He is currently employed by Foremost Insurance Company.



Darren Wayne Gee & Charlene Marie Gambill

Gambill - Gee

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dout of Pampa and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gambill of Port Richey, Fla. announce the engagement of their daughter, Charlene Marie Gambill, to Darren Wayne Gee, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Gee.

The couple plan to be wed on Feb. 17, 1990 in the Priest Park Church of God.

The bride-elect is a 1989 graduate of Pampa High School and is employed at IRI International as an insurance clerk and maintenance secretary.

The prospective groom is a 1989 graduate of Pampa High School and is employed as a draftsman at Topographic Land Surveyors.

Alter Christmas recipes by reducing fats and sugars to avoid holiday weight gain

Having a happy holiday doesn't require a license to overeat! You can actually enjoy the many holiday treats without a ten pound gain becoming a lingering Christmas memory.

One good way to accomplish this goal is to alter favorite recipes by reducing both fat and sugar. If a recipe calls for one cup of sugar, for example, use 2/3 cup. This works best in fruit-based recipes and in puddings and custards. Treats will still taste delicious, but less sweet. The sugar in cookies and cakes can also be reduced, but it requires some experimenting to find the right level.

Fat can be reduced in gravies, sauces, puddings, and quick breads by using a third of the butter or oil normally required. Another way to reduce fats is by substituting polyunsaturated margarine for butter or lard and skim milk for whole milk.

To increase fiber intake, substitute whole grain flour for 1/4 to 1/2 of the refined flour in holiday bak-



Homemakers' News

Donna Brauchi

ing. For example, if a recipe calls for three cups of all-purpose flour, use 3/4 cup whole grain flour and 2 1/2 cups of all-purpose flour.

Some substitute suggestions for your main meal include:

(1) For appetizers, use vegetables with herb yogurt dip, or toasted pita bread triangles spread with a creamed low-fat cottage cheese

mixture seasoned to your particular taste. Curry, chili powder, or Italian seasonings are all possibilities.

(2) Make a dressing for salad with buttermilk base instead of one with oil or mayonnaise.

(3) Side dishes can be delicious with high-fiber choices of brown rice, barley, or bulgar mixed with vegetables. Season vegetables with

herbs instead of butter. If the buttery taste is important, try using a butter-flavored seasoning. Stuffing can be moistened with seasoned chicken broth instead of butter or oil.

(4) If the main course is turkey, avoid self-basing ones. These have additional fat. Try baking a skinless turkey breast or a stuffed lean beef or pork cut.

(5) For a truly low-fat finale, pick a fruit-based treat for desert and eliminate the pie crust and whipped cream.

Modifying family recipes not only will keep the pounds off this season, but also can provide healthy family traditions for holidays seasons to come.

For more information on nutrition and health, contact your Gray County Extension Office.

Lifestyles Policy

1. The Pampa News will not be responsible for photographs used in announcing weddings, engagements or anniversaries. Photographs can not be returned unless they are accompanied by a S.A.S.E. or they may be picked up in the office after appearing in the paper.

2. All information must be submitted by 5 p.m. on Wednesday prior to Sunday insertion.

3. Anniversary announcements will be accepted for celebrations of 25 years or more.

4. Information that appears on engagement, wedding or anniversary forms will be used at the discretion of the editor. Forms are available from the office 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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6. Wedding, engagement and anniversary news will be printed only on Sundays.

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For Horticulture

Joe VanZandt

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In relatively recent times, we have come to rely more and more on pesticides to control these pests on the farm, in the city, in industry and rural and urban homes alike.

This reliance on a single control has created formidable problems including environmental contamination, health and safety risk, increased production cost and pesticide residue, according to Dr. Fowden Maxwell, head of the Department of Entomology at Texas A&M University.

The use of biological controls offers numerous advantages over the utter dependency on chemical insecticides, said Maxwell, who guides entomology research in the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. Biological organisms are environmentally safe, non-polluting and preserve endangered species and biological diversity.

Use of biological control minimizes pesticides use, thereby prolonging the useful life of chemical pesticides by slowing the development of pesticide resistance. Biological control is compatible with low input, sustainable agricultural systems that have recently been much in the news, Maxwell said.

Biological control uses living organisms (predators, parasites and pathogens) to kill pest organisms. While biological control is a simple concept, Maxwell said, it utilizes a complex system with multiple interaction between living organisms, each with unique characteristics and behavior.

Natural enemies decrease the population density of their host and, in turn, host abundance influences the population density of natural enemies. In practice, biological control ranges from self-sustaining systems to systems requiring regular intervention with biological agents.

Significant success in biological control has resulted from reuniting natural enemies and introduced or exotic pests. In a very different dimension, as genetic engineering progresses for the conceptual to the practical stage, Maxwell said, we are learning how to modify microbes to be more effective biological control agents. Agricultural scientists can now answer questions which only a few years ago could not even be asked.

"The practice of biological control is dependent on an understanding of how organisms interact in nature," Maxwell said. "Our ability

to use biological control strategies will be determined by the fundamental knowledge base in biology and ecology of pest species, beneficial organisms and their interactions.

"An expanded knowledge base is critical, from behavior to population genetics to biochemistry. The research arena must span from field to laboratory."

Agricultural producers, consumers and public health agencies have recognized the importance of environmentally sound approaches in the control of pests, Maxwell said. Based on research and extension success in integrated pest management during the last decade, the American public has come to expect alternative approaches to pest control.

The agricultural community also is more receptive to minimizing pesticide use and integrating alternative pest control techniques. Thus, the stage is set for biological control to become a primary means by which we ensure the health and productivity of important animal and plant species.

"To those of us engaged in entomology research, our responsibility is clear. We must develop viable, biological and cost effective tactics and systems for biological control of key pest for agriculture and the urban environmental," Maxwell said.

"I believe we can do this if we achieve these seven objectives:

1. Use biotechnology to improve the efficacy of biological control agents, through application of the tools for molecular biology and other emerging technology;
2. Develop the biological and physiological data necessary to provide for inexpensive mass production of beneficial organisms;
3. Develop operational efforts to identify existing biological control agents and to develop an understanding of species and host relationships;
4. Enhance bio-systematic efforts to identify existing biological control agents and to develop an understanding of species and host relationships;
5. Assemble a more complete data base on biological control organisms, their sources, biological and environmental constraints;
6. Identify the behavioral attributes and stimuli that regulate the action of beneficial insects; and
7. Develop an improved regulatory framework that will enhance, not inhibit, incorporation of biological control agents in plant and animal production systems, and protection requirements in urban and suburban environments."



Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Spence

Spence Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Spence celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Skellytown on Dec. 30 from 2 to 5 p.m. Hosting the reception are the couples two children, Rita West of Amarillo and John Spence of Denver.

Gladys Freeman, daughter of John and Ola Freeman, was born at Shady Dale, Okla. She became the bride of Thomas Spence on Dec. 23, 1939 in Marietta, Okla. Thomas Spence is the son of C.W. and Myrtle Spence born in DeQueen, Ark., moving to Shady Dale when he was seven years old.

The couple have lived in Skellytown for 40 years. Mr. Spence is retired from Cabot after 40 years of service and is presently a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Skellytown.

The couple have two grandchildren and two step grandsons. All their friends are invited to join in the celebration on Dec. 30.



Dr. & Mrs. Frank Kelley

Kelley Anniversary

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Kelley celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner on Dec. 23 at the Pampa Country Club. Hosting the event were the couple's children and spouses including Dr. and Mrs. H.E. Wyss of Fredericksburg, Tex.; Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schakel, Fort Collins, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smith, Perryton; and Frank W. Kelley, Jr.

Mary Ann Moyer married Frank Kelley on Dec. 2, 1939 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Fort Worth. They have lived in Pampa for 60 years. Dr. Kelley has been a physician and surgeon for 50 years, one year in Dallas and 49 years in Pampa, retiring in April of 1989. Mrs. Kelley served as medical technician for her husband for ten years retiring in March of 1950. The couple are members of St. Matthews Episcopal Church and the Top O'Texas Medical Association.

They have three daughters, one son and 7 grandchildren.

Rudolph is 50 years old

HANOVER, N.H. (AP) — Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer is 50 years old.

Robert May wrote the tale of a rejected reindeer, originally named Rollo, in 1939 as a Christmas promotion for Montgomery Ward in Chicago, where he was an advertising copywriter.

The department store distributed more than 6 million copies of May's book, illustrated by Denver Gillen, and in 1947 assigned the copyright to May.

May sent the story to his brother-in-law, songwriter Johnny Marks. Marks revamped it and put it to music. That's the version Gene Autry recorded in 1949 and still popular today.

May died in 1976 but the song, and a lot of memorabilia, live on. Dartmouth College, from which May graduated in 1926, has an extensive collection of Rudolph mementos, some of which is exhibited annually in Baker Library.

This holiday season, to celebrate the anniversary, Dartmouth has

expanded the exhibit to include a papier-mache model of Rudolph, complete with shining red nose, which each season graced May's lawn in suburban Chicago.

The collection also includes May's handwritten story notes and Gillen's original illustrations, Montgomery Ward promotional material, Rudolph stationery, stuffed toys, ties, cuff links, crystal figurines, a wrist watch and votive candle.

At the time Rudolph hit the music charts, May was a widower with young children struggling to make ends meet. He was often quoted as saying, "Rudolph is the only reindeer in history who kept the wolf away from the door."

It's Christmas all year long here

SKOKIE, Ill. (AP) — Santa Claus, Ind., and Santa Claus, Ga., are two of 35 towns in the United States that reflect the Christmas spirit year-round — at least in name.

Editors also list 12 Bethlehems, six Stars, five Hollies, four Jerusalems three Christmases and one Elf, Mistletoe and Noel in the 1990 Rand McNally Road Atlas.

Bethlehem — Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, New Hamp-

shire, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee and West Virginia.

Star — Idaho, Louisiana, Mississippi, Oklahoma, North Carolina, Texas.

Holly — Texas, Michigan, Colorado, Louisiana, Washington.

Jerusalem — Georgia, Arizona, Rhode Island, Ohio.

Christmas — Michigan, Florida, Arizona.

Elf, N.C.; Mistletoe, Ky.; Noel, Mo.






HOLIDAY FEAST

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DUNLAPS

Business Professionals of America officers



The Zero Hour Chapter of the Business Professionals of America at Pampa High School installed officers during a ceremony held Monday night at Briarwood Church. Taking oaths of office are, from left, Lourez Williams, reporter; Peggy-Sue Roy, chaplain; Pam Lee, historian; Susie Isbell, secretary; and Kristi Gaines, president. Not pictured are Eva Jo Isbell, vice president; Amy Turner, treasurer; and Jamie Fulton, parliamentarian.



The Associate Chapter of Business Professionals of America at Pampa High School installed officers Monday night at Briarwood Church. Taking the oaths of office are, from left, Misty Clendennen, president; Becky Reed, parliamentarian; Lori Crippen, reporter; Sharlynda Sutton, chaplain; Julie Mayfield, secretary; Teena Jacobs, vice president; and Sherry Thomas, historian. Not pictured is Melissa Bye, treasurer.

Club News

Pampa Garden Club
Pampa Garden Club met in the home of Ramona Gruben on Dec. 18 for a Christmas social complete with decorations, program and gift exchange. Christmas Tree chairman, Alice Gray, reported the club entry "Victorian Lace" won a blue ribbon in the formal Christmas tree division at the Festival of Trees.

The program "God's Trees" was given by Irene Harrah. The next meeting will be Jan. 15 in the home of Mary Ann Bailey with the program "Color for Your Winter Yard and Garden" by G.C. Davis.

CHEESE BOOKLET
NEW YORK (AP) — "Wisconsin Cheese in a Flash" is a leaflet from the Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board that features more than a dozen microwave recipes including Elegant Baked Brie, Made-in-a-Minute Turkey Divan and Heartland Cheddar Muffins.

For a free copy, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board, Department NY, 8418 Excelsior Drive, Madison, WI 53717.

ABWA Pampa Charter Chapter
Pampa Charter Chapter of ABWA met in the Quivira Room on Dec. 12 with Barbara McCain, president, presiding. McCain and four of her speech students presented the program, a skit based on the 12 days of Christmas. Students were Shay Goode, Lesly Montgomery, Shasta Nowell and Jason Lemons.

Future projects were discussed including the Chapter's 30th anniversary in May. Louise Hill gave a report on the Festival of Trees booth. The rocket fund was won by Sue Smiley and door prizes were won by Estelle Malone, McCain and Gloria Williams. The next meeting will be Jan. 9 at the Coronado Inn.

Junior Service League
Junior Service League met at the Community Building on Nov. 21. New and old business included the

work on the Charity Ball arrangements. Ruby Kline, Pastoral Counseling Center, presented the program on Samaritan Counseling Center and the services they provide. Hostesses were Dana Terry and Shirlene Vidrine. The next meeting is a Christmas Tea on Dec. 16 in the home of Faustina Curry. The next business meeting is Jan. 16.

Las Pampas Garden Club
Las Pampas Garden Club met in the home of Mary Ann Boehmisch on Dec. 7. Last minute details of the Christmas Tour of Homes were made and members exchanged plants of Christmas. The next meeting is Jan. 4.

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Winter care for livestock

Dates
Dec. 25, 29, Jan. 1 - Extension Office Closed for Christmas Day
Winter Care for Livestock

With winter time in full swing in the Texas Panhandle, its time to make sure that our livestock projects receive some very special care. The Texas Panhandle is recognized for its extremely fast changes and often hard winters. As the weather changes, we as humans, have options to dress appropriately. We can add or subtract clothing as needed. Unfortunately our livestock projects don't have that same options. Therefore several things must be done to protect our projects so that we can insure maximum growth and development of our animals.

Shelter is very important to our animals. The show sheep often spend a great deal of the cold months without much wool on them. Therefore a blanket needs to be placed on them during the extremely cold days and nights. Also, a small shelter of some type needs to be available, to allow protection from the winds and snows. For swine, the shelter needs to have some hay for bedding. This bedding needs to be clean and dry. For cattle, some bedding may be appropriate but not necessary. Sheep do not need any bedding because they will usually eat the straw and this is not a desirable practice for a show lamb. Naturally an animal's body will generate heat and the smaller the shelter, the more heat it will



4-H Corner Joe Vann

store. Shelter is very important and should be the first item in caring for your show animals in the winter. Water also plays a very important role in the winter care of livestock. Animals receive two major benefits from water, energy and insulation. When an animal is deprived of water, dehydration may occur. The effects of dehydration will cause animals to consume less feed which will lead to nutritional problems. Also, a lack of water will cause the animals to draw upon their tissue fluids to sustain life. Water is also the source for sodium. Sodium plays a very vital role in the blood circulation system.

As you can see, a good, clear, fresh source of water must be made available for these animals in the winter. On the average, sheep will require about 1.5 gallons, swine 2 gallons and beef cattle 3 to 8 gallons of water depending on size. These livestock projects need to be watered twice daily with clean, fresh water.

Ample feed also plays a very important role in the winter care of livestock. It is very important that your animals are being fed. The nutrients found in feed play many roles in the growth and maintenance of the body. They are an excellent source for protein and energy which are needed to insure maximum growth and production of your market animal.

As you can see, your livestock projects are going to require some very special attention during these cold winter months. It is a very important that you provide good shelters, plenty of fresh water and have a supply of feed available for your livestock projects. Remember, your animals are not as lucky as we are and for them to be productive during the winter, some special care must be given.

Menus

Dec. 27 - 29

Pampa Meals on Wheels
Monday & Tuesday
Closed For Holidays
Wednesday
Chicken patties; macaroni and cheese; beets; applesauce.
Thursday
Barbecue beef; potato salad; cole slaw; apricots.
Friday
Oven fry chicken; Italian green beans; spiral macaroni salad; fruit cocktail.
Pampa Senior Citizens
Monday & Tuesday
Closed For Holidays
Wednesday
Roast beef brisket with brown

gravy; mashed potatoes; carrots; turnip greens; slaw-toss or Jello salad; German chocolate cake or coconut pie; cornbread or hot rolls.
Thursday
Polish sausage and kraut or meatloaf; creamed new potatoes; green beans; fried squash; slaw/toss or Jello salad; cherry cobbler or egg custard; cornbread or hot rolls.
Friday
Fried cod fish or baked ham with fruit sauce; french fries; broccoli casserole; spanish macaroni; slaw/toss or Jello salad; pineapple upside down cake or lemon pie; garlic bread or hot rolls.

helping hands
TRALEE CRISIS CENTER
Tralee Crisis Center for Women, Inc., provides emergency and supportive services to victims of crime including family violence and sexual assault. The center needs volunteers for the shelter, hotline, advocacy, transportation, parenting programs. TCCW needs men who want to stop the battering or prevent battering in their homes. Call 669-1131 for information.

AMERICAN RED CROSS
Gray County chapter of the American Red Cross needs volunteers for safety programs, youth programs, morning office work and fund development. For more information contact Katie Fairweather, director, 669-7121.

CORONADO NURSING CENTER
Coronado Nursing Center needs volunteers to direct prayer time, current events and exercises during the mornings and two evenings per week. Total time - 30-35 minutes. For more information contact Odessa East, 665-5746.

MEALS ON WHEELS
Meals on Wheels, located in the basement of the First United Methodist Church, supplies hot meals to the elderly and home bound. Volunteers are needed from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the kitchen and drivers are needed from 11 a.m. to noon to deliver meals. For more information contact Ann Loter, 669-1007.

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Bealls Department Store	Homeland
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Furr's Cafeteria	Las Pampas Galleries
First National Bank	Clements Flower Shop
The Hobby Shop	Michelle's Fashions
Freeman Flowers	Cloyd's Stitch-N-Time
Sands Fabric and Needlecraft	Brown's Shoe Fit
Terrific Tom	Copper Kitchen
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Happy Christmas Eve!!

Happy Christmas Eve! Before we launch out on the last week of 1989, let's see what goes with our friends and neighbors.

Audry Huff and 31 family members including six daughters and their children and grandchildren and one son plus about a dozen close friends enjoyed an early Christmas family celebration last Saturday at HI-Land Christian Church Recreation Hall. Three daughters and one son were unable to attend. Making arrangements and cooking a western meal of ham, red beans, potato salad, brisket and pies were Melvina Stocking, Virginia Horton and Monty Schaub of Pampa and Ann Bannister and Judy Grant of Amarillo. The party began with a prayer circle, led by Dwight Brown. Mary Ellen Moore of Guymon presented each family with a small cake and a jar of made-by-her barbecue sauce and Audry added a glass of her homemade jelly for good measure. The group played games and sang Christmas carols, visited and stayed for supper.

The pre-Christmas party became an annual affair to replace Audry's Fourth of July family reunion of many years.

Audry has a group of six or so friends scattered all over town, all shut-ins, whom she "sees about" on a regular basis all year long. Early in the week she visited and gave each one part of the 20 dozen cookies and nine loaf cakes she had baked especially for them and a jar of her jelly. Audry is at her happiest when she is following her lifelong habit of helping and tending to the needs of family, friends and neighbors.

Faye and Chuck LaBarr hosted a party early in December to show off their new home. About 80 friends and neighbors munched on party goodies, visited and made ahhh! sounds as they toured the house. The LaBarrs retired from the service and moved to Pampa in May, 1988.

Once again Christmas decorations of red bows, greenery, appropriate banners and a large lighted Christmas tree hold special meaning and bring warm memories for members of First United Methodist Church to enjoy, appreciate and cherish. Decorations, including Christmas symbols, were planned and many of them were made with love and tender care several years ago by the late Karen Cory. A large copper cross made by Lloyd Harvey hangs in the altar area. Several of the banners were designed and made with the same loving care by the late Ruby Gunn. For several years Wyatt and Velma Lemons



Peeking at Pampa

By Katie

have shared the Christmas sculptures of the three wise men made by their son, the late Wayne Lemons, out of oilfield scrap metal. It's located on the Ballard Street side of the church for all passersby to see. Christmas is for remembering.

About 50 members of the Senior Citizens group of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ held their Christmas party last Sunday evening in Fellowship Hall. Lynn and Greg Kurtz decorated the hall in bears. Lisa Fulton and children baked and decorated bears for favors. The Pampa High School Show Choir under the direction of Fred Mays sang for the group.

About 120 attended the Cabot Carbon Black Plant Christmas party, dinner first at the Country Club followed by dancing at the Coronado Inn Starlight Room. Glenda Fletcher made arrangements. Did you know there are around 115 employees at the plant?

All Cabot Corporation retirees were honored with a dinner/dance at M.K. Brown Auditorium last week. There were lots of pretty dresses and lots of high stepping dancing. Bob Keagey was in charge of arrangements.

Employees of Coronado Hospital held their Christmas party at M.K. Brown with Ida Hess, activities chairman, in charge of arrangements. Pat Turk was director(?) of a hilarious skit in which Dr. Kamnani dressed in rodeo-type balloon overalls and a cowboy hat (hilarious already!), made some impressive but impossible diagnoses on a patient, or was it in this case a victim? Edison Maca Dang Vang thrilled the crowd by singing a love ballad. Bingo games with lovely prizes, a party buffet and dancing rounded out the evening.

Dr. W. Beck and Dr. Vijay Mohan entertained their employees with a Christmas party at the Biarritz Club. They seemed to be having a relaxed, fun time.

Mike and Tracy Warner, son and daughter-in-law of John and Judy Warner, are a refreshing, handsome couple, glad to be out of school and on their own routine at long last. After all, they have been in school all of their lives! Leisure time is

spent playing tennis and when weather permits, enjoying the outdoor things, like camping. Tracy is disappointed that her mom, dad and grandmother cannot be in Pampa for Christmas.

Judy and John are happy to have their daughters Melanie of Dallas and Patti, a student at the University of Texas, home for Christmas. Don't you like Judy's spiffy new hairdo, a la daughter Sandy Carr?

Members of the Association of Retired Teachers met Monday at Senior Citizens Center for their annual Christmas party. Essie Mae Walters gave the meditation and Jo Johnson played piano background music during refreshment time.

Friends said sad "Goodbyes!!" and at the same time "Best Wishes!!!" to Velma Brower, who recently moved to Lyons, Kan. to be near her son, Donald and family.

Have you seen the cute little trailer house going about town and wondered what it was all about? It houses puppet shows under the name of Child Evangelism with Clara Imel in charge. She and several others prepare puppet shows as weekly Bible classes for children and take it to various parts of town where children of the neighborhood gather. One evening last week there was a show in Panhandle. From one family there are four participants: Donna Sims, her daughter Pattie Skidmore, her son Brandon and another of Donna's daughters, Teresa Gattis of Amarillo. MM...suppose we adults could see it, too?

Hats off again to Darryl and Kay Hughes of Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ. They are in charge of preparing and serving free Christmas dinner at Fellowship Hall Christmas day from 11 to 2 p.m. Members of the church will contribute many dishes and help with serving and distributing meals to clients of Meals on Wheels or anyone who lets the church know of a need.

Sometimes it's the quiet beauty of Christmas that can warm the house and touch the heart. May your home be filled with warmth and beauty of the season. See you next week. Katie.

Greedy teen is balanced by one who gives love

DEAR ABBY: I was visiting at the home of an old friend yesterday afternoon when her teen-age granddaughter ran in — not to say, "Hello, Grandma, how are you?" or, "What can I do for you?" Instead, she said, "Sorry I can't stay; I'm meeting some friends at the mall — I just came by to drop off my list." (It seems that "Sandra" was disappointed with Grandma's choice of gifts last Christmas, so she made up a list of things she wanted — and didn't want — this year.)

My friend said: "Just a minute, dear. Before you give me your list, I'd like to give you my list so you will know what I want and don't want for Christmas."

Sandra looked shocked. Then she said, "Gram, you know I don't have any extra money to spend on gifts for you, but if that's the way you're going to be, you can just forget that you ever had a granddaughter!" And with that, she exited in a huff, slamming the door behind her!

My friend looked at me, smiling, and said, "Well, how did I do? I'm sorry you had to witness that, but I'm fed up with these grasping kids. I just had to put her in her place."

Any comment, Abby?
PARK AVENUE NEIGHBOR

DEAR NEIGHBOR: Lest you think all teen-agers are alike, read this:

DEAR ABBY: I just received a Christmas gift from my 17-year-old granddaughter. It was a facsimile of a legal document, hand-drawn by her. It read:

"My dearest Grandma: As you know, I am saving every dollar I earn to go to college, but I am prepared to honor any and all of the following chores as my Christmas gift to you: Do your laundry, clean your house, mow your lawn, shovel your walk, wash your windows, polish your furniture, run your errands, drive you anywhere for the whole year. Call me anytime, day or night.
Your Loving Granddaughter,
Melanie"

DEAR ABBY: You had a letter in your column from an 80-year-old grandmother who was overwhelmed by the thought of shopping for her many children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

I have a gift suggestion that would be treasured more than gold or jewels by almost everyone.
Grandparents should sit down and dictate into a tape recorder the



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

memories of their childhoods, their parents, their birthplaces, stories told to them by their aunts, uncles and cousins about the "old country," and anecdotes about their most comical memories, their proudest moments or their saddest.

Perhaps they could describe a typical day at school or work — how much things cost, what they wore, how they felt when they got their first automobile, TV, etc.

With all those memories on tape, perhaps someone could type it up. It could be as simple as photocopied sheets, or as fancy as a little printed book titled "Grandma's Memories." Copies to each family member would be priceless and cherished.

I've asked my parents to record their recollections on tape for me. I can't think of a more personal, special gift, because once they are gone, so are their recollections and "pearls" of wisdom.

Hope you like my idea, Abby!
ANNE FASCIO,
MONTEREY PARK, CALIF.

DEAR ANNE: Like it? I love it! Thanks for giving me a priceless idea I can pass on to my readers.

CONFIDENTIAL TO YOU: Merry Christmas and Happy Hanukkah. 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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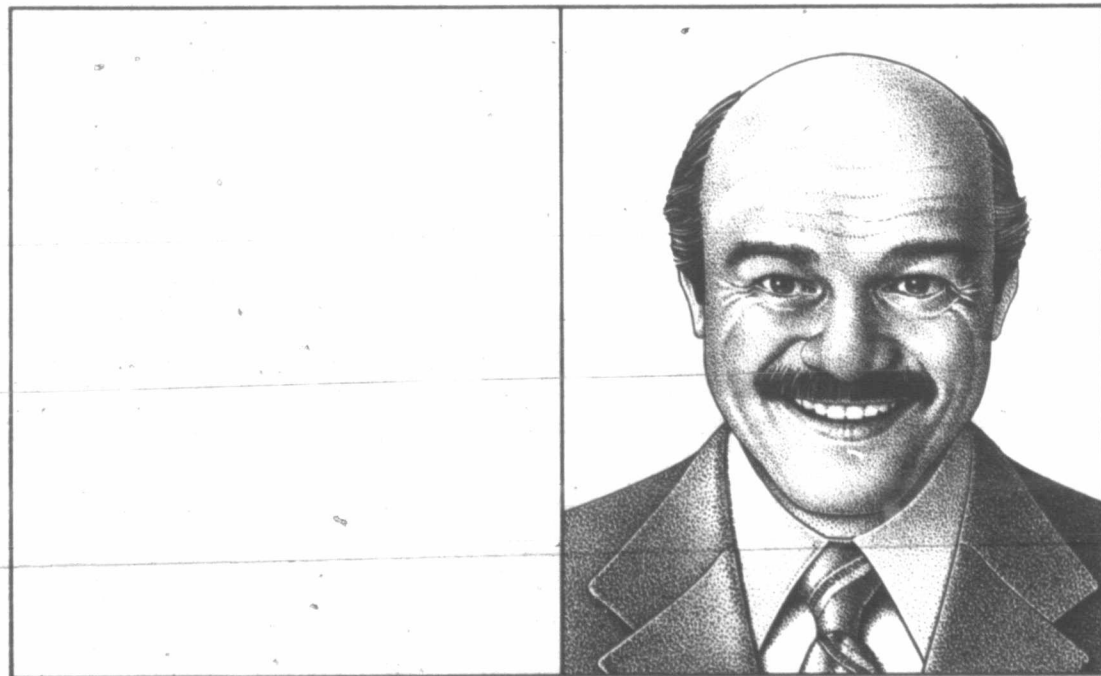
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Entertainment

1989 offered many events in the world of classical music

By MARY CAMPBELL
AP Newsfeatures Writer

In 1989, classical music lost three greats: a pianist, a conductor and an American composer.

Vladimir Horowitz, 86, who emigrated from Russia in 1928 and called himself the last of the 19th-century Romantic pianists, died at home in New York. He was buried in Milan, Italy, beside his daughter and father-in-law, Arturo Toscanini.

Herbert von Karajan, 81, who had towered over European musical life, was "conductor for life" of the Berlin Philharmonic since 1955, but resigned three months before he died. He was rehearsing Verdi's *A Masked Ball* for the Salzburg Festival when he had a heart attack at his home in the Austrian Alps.

Virgil Thomson, 92, who began his career by composing two operas with texts by Gertrude Stein and was the only composer to win a Pulitzer Prize for a movie score, *Louisiana Story*, died at home in New York. His memorial service, which he had planned, was attended by 2,000.

Also in 1989, Chicago musicologist Jay Rosenblatt assembled, from four sources, a previously unheard piano concerto by Liszt.

Prizes

Detroit native Roger Reynolds, 55, on the faculty of the University of California at San Diego, won the Pulitzer Prize for music for his 25-minute *Whispers out of Time*. Composer Chinary Ung, 47, of Cambodia, won the \$150,000 Grawemeyer Award for composition. Composer-conductor Pierre Boulez, 64, was one of six winners of a \$100,000 Imperial Prize given by the Japanese Art Association for achievement in the arts.

Aleksei Sultanov, 19, from the Soviet Union, won first prize in the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition. He received \$15,000, a Carnegie Hall recital, a recording and concert engagements.

En Shao, 34, from China, won the Budapest International Conduc-

tor's Competition. Composer William Schuman received Kennedy Center Honors.

Conductor Leonard Bernstein refused the National Medal of Arts, given to 12 at the White House, because the National Endowment for the Arts canceled a \$10,000 grant for a gallery exhibit about AIDS.

New Centers

The Bayreuth Festival's *Tannhauser* opened a new cultural center in Tokyo, marking the first time that a complete Bayreuth production took place outside Germany. The \$80 million Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center, designed by I.M. Pei, opened in Dallas. The \$19.4 million Philharmonic Center for the Arts opened in Naples, Fla. The London Philharmonic played for the opening of the \$15 million Koger Center in Columbia, S.C. The San Antonio Symphony moved into the restored Majestic Theater.

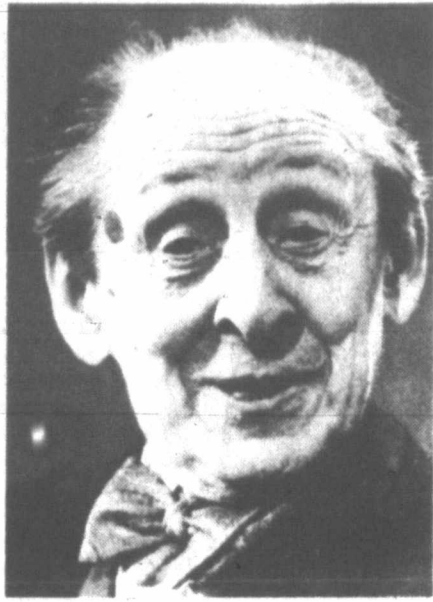
The Metropolitan Opera completed its Ring cycle of Wagner operas in unusually realistic style and, for the first time in 50 years, staged all four in a week. The Berlin Opera took its Ring cycle, set in a futuristic "time tunnel," to Washington and performed it twice.

Texaco began its 50th season of sponsoring live radio broadcasts from the Metropolitan Opera on Saturday afternoons. The Welsh National Opera made its American debut, with *Falstaff* in Brooklyn.

New Jobs

In a stormy dispute, fashion executive and Bastille Opera board chairman Pierre Berge said that Daniel Barenboim, 46, was eluist and his \$1.1 million salary too high, and fired him as music director of Paris' new \$350 million opera.

Berge later named Myung-Whun Chung, 36-year-old Korean pianist-conductor, as music director. The opera opened with a concert July 14, marking the bicentennial of the French Revolution. Barenboim was later named music director of the Chicago Symphony, replacing Sir



Vladimir Horowitz

Georg Solti, 76, who retires in 1991.

Hugh Southern, 57, acting chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts, became general manager of the Metropolitan Opera, following Bruce Crawford, who left to head an advertising agency. Oregon lawyer John E. Frohnmayer, 47, became chairman of the endowment.

Christopher Keene, 42, music director of the Long Island Philharmonic, became general director of the New York City Opera, succeeding Beverly Sills.

The Berlin Philharmonic voted Claudio Abbado, 56, Italian music director of the Vienna State Opera, to become its music director. Andre Previn resigned from the Los Angeles Philharmonic; Finnish Esa-Pekka Salonen, 31, music director of the Swedish Radio Orchestra, was named to replace him, in 1992. James Conlon, 39, started as chief conductor of the Cologne Opera and was appointed chief conductor of Cologne's Gurzenich Orchestra, the first American in either position.

Mark Elder, music director of the English National Opera, became music director of the Rochester Philharmonic, following Jerzy Semkow, who returned to Paris. Lukás Foss, 66, announced retirement from music directorship of the

Brooklyn Philharmonic; Philippe Entremont, 55, resigned from music directorship of the Denver Symphony; Semyon Bychkov, 37, left the Buffalo Philharmonic to become music director of L'Orchestre de Paris. Kent Nagano began tenure as music director of France's Opera de Lyon.

Opera tenor Jose Carreras, 42, gave a series of concerts in the United States, his first since being diagnosed as having leukemia in 1987 and being treated in Seattle.

Pleading sciatic nerve pain, Luciano Pavarotti canceled opening night and later appearances in *Tosca* with the Lyric Opera of Chicago. The company said that the tenor, having canceled 26 of 41 contracted performances through the years, won't be invited back. Pavarotti made his directing debut, in Venice, with Donizetti's *La Favorita*.

New York City Opera musicians struck for 66 days; the fall season was canceled. On Nov. 18, musicians signed a five-year contract. The 6-year-old New Sadler's Wells Opera Company, formed to perform operettas, had debts of \$900,000 and disbanded.

Detroit Symphony musicians voted to take a pay cut of 9.8 percent in a four-year contract. The Baltimore Symphony musicians struck for 21 weeks, signed a four-year contract.

Pianist Van Cliburn, 54, who has been on extended "sabbatical," played his first concert with an orchestra since 1978, in Philadelphia, and later gave two concerts in Moscow. Cellist-conductor Mstislav Rostropovich, stripped of citizenship and expelled from the Soviet Composers Union in 1978, was reinstated in the union. Violinist Eugene Fodor, 39, returned to touring after an arrest on Martha's Vineyard and a month in a drug rehabilitation center. Violinist Midori celebrated her 18th birthday by debuting at Carnegie Hall.

New Operas

The Cleveland Opera presented the premiere of *Holy Blood and Crescent Moon*, the first opera com-

posed by Stewart Copeland, drummer of the one-time rock band, the Police. The Opera Theater of St. Louis premiered Anthony Davis' *Under the Double Moon*, set in the distant future on the planet Undine.

Philip Glass premiered his new opera, *Mattogrosso*, about the destruction of the Amazon, in Rio de Janeiro. Sir Michael Tippett's latest opera, *New Year*, was premiered at the Houston Grand Opera. That company presented the premiere of the Texas Opera Theater's *Where's Dick?* by Stewart Wallace and advertised it "for mature audiences." The New York Opera Repertory Theater premiered Edward Thomas' *Desire Under the Elms*. The Opera Ensemble of New York premiered *Will You Marry Me?* by Hugo Weisgall.

The premiere of *Christopher Columbus* by Leonardo Balada was presented in Barcelona, starring Montserrat Caballe and Jose Carreras, directed by Tito Capobianco, general director of the Pittsburgh Opera.

The Santa Fe Opera gave the American premiere of 35-year-old Scottish composer Judith Weir's *A Night at the Chinese Opera*.

La Scala premiered Giacomo Manzoni's *Dr. Faustus* and the Netherlands Opera premiered Louis Andriessen's *De Materie*, both overseen by Robert Wilson.

Lee Hoiby's one-act opera *Bon Appetit!* based on a program from *The French Chef*, was premiered in Kennedy Center. Seymour Barab's opera *Let's Not Talk About Lenny Any More* was premiered at the Mohawk Trail Festival in Massachusetts.

William Schuman's *A Question of Taste* was premiered by Glimmerglass Opera in Cooperstown, N.Y. The Knoxville Opera premiered *Rachel*, by Kenton Coe,

about the love story of Andrew and Rachel Jackson.

Cellist Julian Lloyd Webber, 38, married Zohra Ghazi, 25, an Afghan princess, in two services, Persian and Methodist, in London.

Deaths

Opera soprano Zinka Milanov, 83, after a stroke, New York; coloratura Norma French, 47, lymphoma, Toronto; mezzo-soprano Jan DeGaetani, 56, leukemia, Rochester, N.Y.; tenor Michele Molese, 60, heart attack, Broni, Italy; tenor Herman Malamood, 57, cancer, New York;

Steven De Groote, 36, who won the Van Cliburn International Piano Competition in 1977, inflammation of the liver, Johannesburg; pianist John Ogdon, 52, who championed 20th century scores, bronchial pneumonia, London; pianist Jakob Gimpel, known for interpretations of Chopin, Los Angeles;

Conductors Sir John Pritchard, 68, music director of the San Francisco Opera and, until early this year, of the BBC Symphony and Cologne Opera, lung cancer, Daly City, Calif.; Giuseppe Patane, 57, specialist in Italian operas, heart attack during a performance of *The Barber of Seville*, Munich; Antonia Brico, 87, long illness, Denver;

Donald Voorhees, 85, for 28 years music director of radio's *Bell Telephone Hour*, pneumonia, Cape May Court House, N.J.; Johannes Winkler, music director of the Leipzig Opera, car crash, Berlin; Witold Rowicki, 75, who founded the Warsaw National Philharmonic and led it for 25 years, Warsaw; Goran Jarvefelt, 42, Swedish opera director, cancer, Stockholm;

Acclaimed French hornist Alan Civil, 59, liver and kidney failure, London; Genia Nemenoff, 84, in a piano duo with husband Pierre Luboshutz, heart failure, New York.

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It doesn't pay to skip school at McKinney

McKINNEY (AP) —It won't pay to skip school under a new policy adopted by the McKinney school board, but those who do skip school will wind up paying for their truancy.

The new policy will require students who miss more than the allotted number of days, or who are absent from school without parental permission, to pay tuition to make up the days missed. State law requires students to attend school 80 days per semester.

The money will pay teachers who must work after hours to tutor the students.

"These are not kids who have missed a couple of days; these are kids who have been given every opportunity ... but have habitually missed school," said school board member Lynn Sperry. "I think they (school officials) have bent over backwards at this point. If they (the students) seriously want to finish their education, this is the district's last-ditch effort to help them."

The plan calls for students who are absent under what their principals determine to be "non-extenuating circumstances" to pay \$10 a day to make up the class time missed. Truants whose parents were unaware of their absence must pay \$25 a day.

"I think drastic action is necessary to force kids to pay the consequences of their actions and to appreciate the education that's being offered them," said Anne Presley, president of the Secondary Schools PTA.

But she admits the new policy probably will anger some parents.

"But the school district really is just trying to shake people up," she said. "It costs quite a bit of money to educate a child these days. And if it has to come out of (parents') pocketbooks, this will get them involved."

School board President Mike Vance said the action was taken primarily to get the attention of students who carelessly miss school.

"We have to do something to try to keep them in class," he said.

School officials said the parents and the student will be warned if the child's absences are about to surpass the semester limit, school officials said.

If a high school or middle school student wants to challenge an unexcused absence, the student can take the complaint to a committee made up of a high school principal, two parents and a police officer.

Fans got no satisfaction from Stones' TV concert

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — The Rolling Stones got short-circuited for more than three minutes during their pay-per-view concert, depriving their TV fans of a little bit of "Satisfaction."

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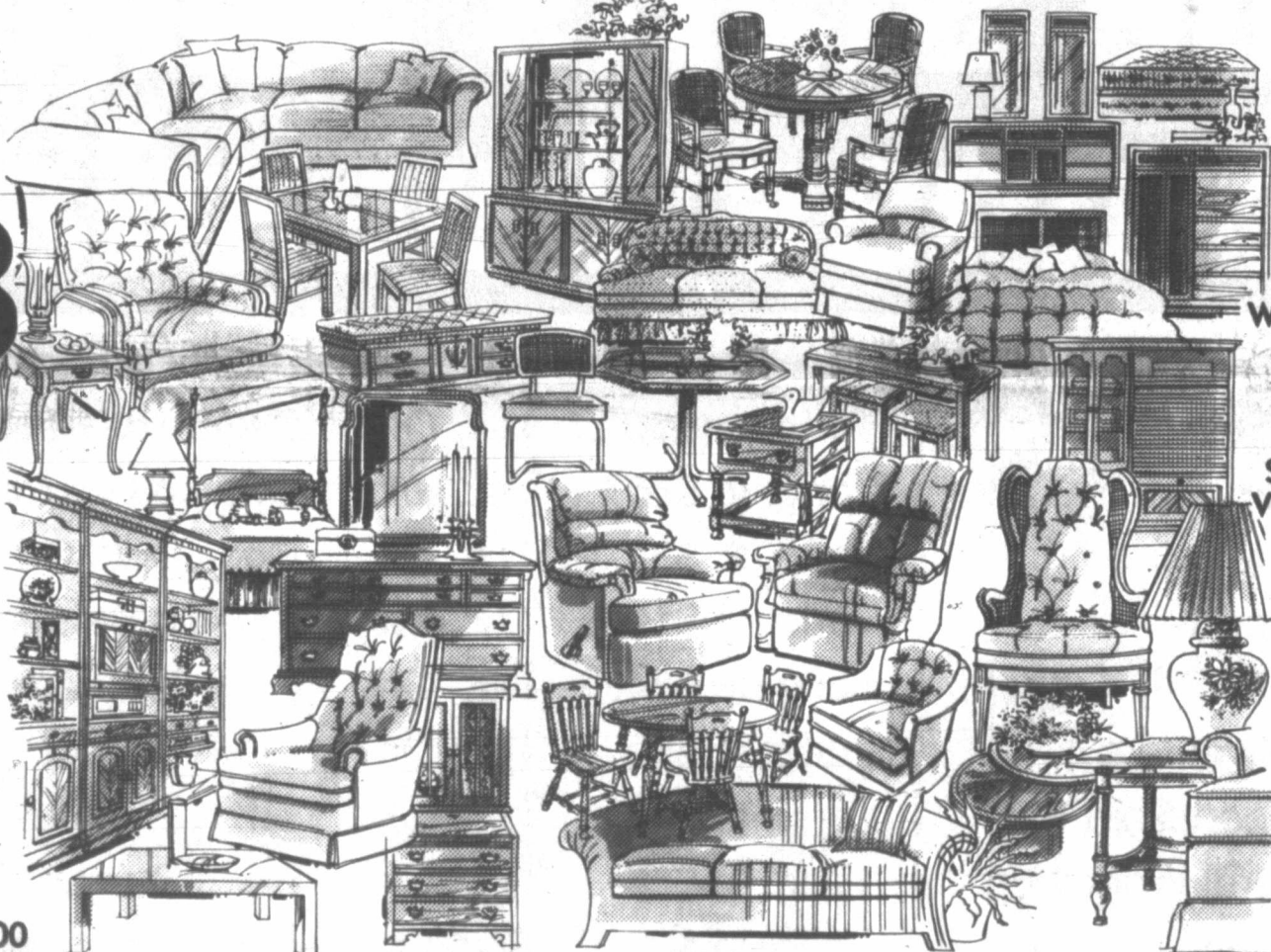
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- 21 Printer's measures
- 22 Cooking fat
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- 26 Soft fabric
- 30 Small twig
- 33 Doctrine
- 34 Receive
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- 37 Jest
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- 51 — degree
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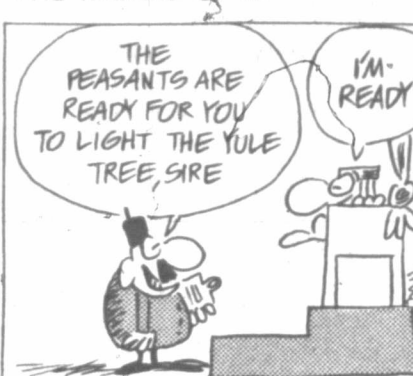
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) Even though your thoughts might contain grains of wisdom your contemporaries lack be careful how they are presented today. If you get emotional or forceful, you won't express yourself well.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Strive to be adaptable today regarding things you cannot personally change. Adjusting to situations will free you from frustrations.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In order to maintain harmony in important one-to-one relationships, be both tolerant and forgiving. Others will excuse in you what you excuse in them.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A pleasant surprise could be in the offing for you today when you get more in return than you give to another. Being considerate pays dividends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You're extremely charismatic today and wherever you go your presence will be felt. You'll know how to arouse enthusiasm and the elevate the energy level of others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If there is something nice you've been wanting to do for a loved one, make every effort to do it today. The timing is perfect and its impact will be long remembered.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today will be more enjoyable for you if you don't restrict yourself to one location. Spread yourself around and try to make as many short visits as you can manage.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your material prospects look very good today. Chances are you might find more under the tree for you than others will. That's okay, because you deserve it.

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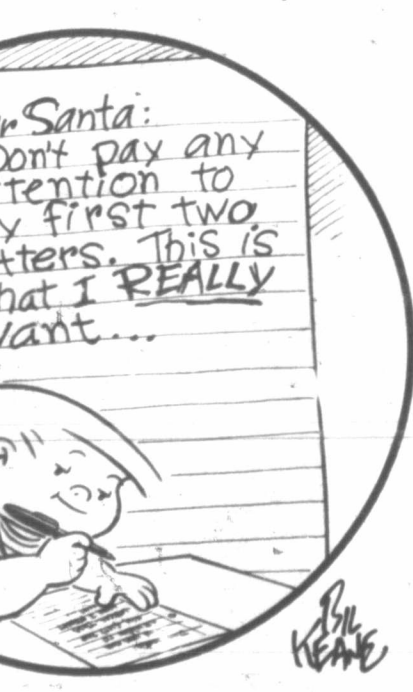


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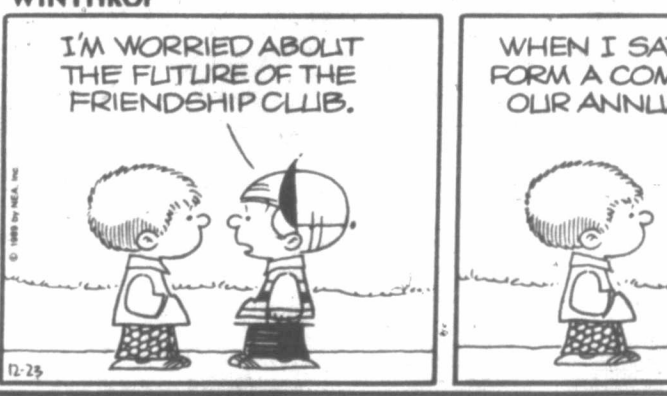
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Agriculture

Cotton farmers a specialized group, ag study says

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Agriculture Department study shows that most of the nation's cotton is produced by a relatively small, specialized group of operators whose main occupation is farming but who often don't live on their land.

Based on a review of 1987 U.S. farm census figures, only 19 percent of the nation's cotton farm operators reported another principal occupation, compared with 45 percent for U.S. farm operators in general.

However, only about half of the cotton farmers lived on the farms they operated in 1987, compared with 71 percent for farmers in general.

The study by Leslie A. Meyer and Scott Sanford of the department's Economic Research Service compared some of the characteristics of cotton farming with other types of agriculture and how those changed since 1982.

According to the census of agriculture, which is taken every five years, the typical cotton farm operator is male, white and approximately 50 years old.

"However, female, younger, and certain minority operators are becoming more prevalent, and one would expect them to play an increasing role in the future operations of cotton farms," the report said.

Women increased their share of cotton farming to 3.5 percent in 1987 from 3 percent in 1982, with the largest number of female operators in Texas and Mississippi.

Despite the gain, women "were still under-represented relative to the 6.3 percent operating U.S. farms of all kinds," the report said.

Although there is "no definitive explanation" for the gradual increase in female-operated farms, the report speculated that the trend may be attributed to several factors:

— The willingness of women to identify themselves as principal farm operators.

— A possible increase in unwillingness among young widows to sell their farms or leave farming upon the death of a spouse.

— A rise in the number of young women who feel the call and have the confidence to run a farm.

Under a "standard industrial classification" definition used by the Commerce Department, a cotton farm is one that derives at least 50 percent of its total annual sales value from cotton production.

Although acknowledging "there are many farms that produce cotton," the study dealt only with those "SIC farms" defined by Commerce. Those totaled 27,673 farms in 1987, up 32 percent from 21,041 counted in the 1982 farm census, reflecting further emphasis on cotton among farm operators.

By comparison, U.S. farm numbers in general declined to fewer than 2.2 million in 1987 from about 2.4 million in 1982.

Leading states for cotton farms were reported as Texas, 11,741 farms in 1987 and 9,242 in 1982; Mississippi, 3,176 and 2,692; and Louisiana, 2,223 and 1,899.

The study showed that in 1987 about 69 percent of the so-called SIC cotton farms contained 260 acres or more, compared with less than 65 percent in 1982.

States with the largest percentage of cotton farms 260 acres or more were: South Carolina, 76 percent; Arizona, 74.1; Texas, 73.7; and Georgia, 64.5. In addition, 15.5 percent of South Carolina's cotton farms were 2,000 acres or more, compared with 12.5 percent in Mississippi and 9.8 percent in Arizona.

At the opposite end, small-farms of fewer than 100 acres represented only 13.9 percent of the total SIC cotton farms in 1987, compared

with 17.5 percent of the total in the 1982 census.

States with the highest percentages of small cotton farms included New Mexico, 33.8 percent; Tennessee, 29.7 percent; and North Carolina, 24.1 percent.

"Both censuses demonstrate that the preponderance of U.S. cotton farmers are white," the report said. "The proportion of minorities decreased from 5 percent to 3 percent between 1982 and 1987, with all states except New Mexico and North Carolina showing declines."

However, the report added, "The absolute number of minority cotton farm operators increased in Arizona, New Mexico, North Carolina, Tennessee and Texas. Mississippi had the largest number of minority operators in both 1982 and 1987."

Minority cotton farm operators in both 1982 and 1987 "were more likely than white to own the land they operated and somewhat less likely to be tenants," the report said. "However, by 1987 minority operators as a group were more likely to be part owners or tenants and less likely to be full owners than they had been in 1982."

The report added: "This shift toward more tenants and fewer full owners was also apparent among white operators, although blacks and other (minority) operators exhibited a disproportionately large drop in their incidence of full ownership."

In 1982 and 1987, the age group of 55 to 64 was the largest for cotton farmers, with an average age of 48.8 years in 1982 and 49.7 in 1987, with the youngest in Georgia (45.9 in 1987) and the oldest in Oklahoma (51.9).

"Thus, the average age of the U.S. cotton farm operator increased only slightly," the report said.

"The slim advance can be attributed to the meager expansion of the average age range of operators in the producing states."

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• Be wary of overhead power lines when using ladders, carrying long metal pipes, installing antennas or moving such tall equipment as augers, elevators and boom trucks.

• Provide adequate lightning protection for your property. Take appropriate cover during thunderstorms.

• Learn cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), the best hope for reviving or maintaining life in a shock victim until professional help arrives.

Revised figures show farm incomes lower

WASHINGTON (AP) — Newly revised income figures by the Agriculture Department show that farmers haven't been making as much money the last few years as agency economists had been reporting.

The Economic Research Service, the department's professional agency that keeps the financial books on agriculture, last week issued revised estimates reflecting higher expenses than had been used in the earlier computations.

"It doesn't change what actually happened, of course," said agency economist Greg Gajewski. "It changes our perception ... but I can't see that it changes the direction of anything."

One of the effects was to reduce the net cash income of farmers — the money left over after deducting cash

expenses from gross cash proceeds during the calendar year. It includes government payments and proceeds from crops grown in earlier years.

The revisions, based on 1987 figures from the federal census of agriculture, showed that net cash income in 1987 was \$54.5 billion instead of the \$57.7 billion reported as recently as a month ago.

In 1988, according to the revisions, net cash income of farmers rose to \$57.2 billion — not to the \$59.9 billion stated previously.

This year, according to the agency's new report, the net cash income of farmers may be in the range of \$52 billion to \$57 billion. That is unchanged from the earlier forecast.

Gajewski, who oversees preparation of the monthly report, said that the 1987 census benchmark now

being used showed that farm expenses turn out about 3 percent higher than had been estimated earlier.

"It suggests farmers did a little less well than we thought they were doing," Gajewski said in a telephone interview.

But he noted that despite the downward revisions, the new income numbers for those years are still records and that "the rebound from the financial crisis is still very real."

The revised figures also prompted changes in another method of farm accounting used by the agency. That involves "net farm income" which measures the value of production, including federal payments, in a specific year. Changes in the value of crop and livestock invento-

ries are part of the annual accounting.

Under this method, net farm income in 1987 was \$43.5 billion instead of the \$47.1 billion reported previously. In 1988, net farm income was revised to \$42.7 billion from \$45.7 billion.

This year's estimate was pegged at \$48 billion instead of in a range of \$48 billion to \$53 billion used a month ago.

Gajewski said the revisions are "part of the profession" of economics and are done regularly, year after year.

"When the government stops revising numbers, that's when you have to start really worrying," he said. "To some extent, it takes a lot of courage to go back and lower income numbers."

Report: China still largest pork producer

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — An Agriculture Department report shows that China in 1990 will keep its huge lead as the world's biggest pork producer despite a shrink in its overall swine inventory.

China has six times the number of hogs as the United States but produces only about three times as much pork.

Total pork output by China is forecast at a record 21.2 million metric tons next year, up from an estimated 20.5 million tons in 1989.

According to figures by the department's Foreign Agricultural Service, 1990 Chinese pork output, based on a carcass weight equivalent, will come from a herd that is expected to total about 332 million head on Jan. 1.

"Hog inventories entering 1989

had hit a record high of 342 million head due to favorable feed-to-hog price ratios and government policies intended to build up sow inventories and encourage farmers to sell their market-weight hogs to the state," the report said.

However, it added, China's hog inventories have been declining "as a result of the price squeeze" facing producers.

Feed shortages and higher feed prices are causing farmers to increase slaughter, but slaughter weights of the animals are lower.

"Pork output in 1989, therefore, is expected to reach 20.5 million tons, an increase of nearly 2 percent over 1988," the report said.

"This follows a total production jump of 9.9 percent in 1988. Production is forecast to increase about 3 percent in 1990 as profitability returns to the sector."

The United States, by compar-

son, is expected to have about 55.7 million head in its swine herd at the start of 1990, fractionally more than a year ago.

Pork output in 1990 is forecast at 7.15 million tons, about the same as this year.

Hog production in the United States is a highly developed farm business, with animals ready for slaughter at about six months of age.

It takes eight to 18 months to produce comparable slaughter weights in China, according to USDA experts.

Pork exports are important to China's foreign exchange but dropped to \$116 million in 1988, down 33 percent from 1987, reflecting sharp declines in sales to the Soviet Union and Poland, the report said.

Exports to Hong Kong also have declined.

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AP writer offers a bright look back at a dark decade for Texas

By MIKE COCHRAN
Associated Press Writer

DALLAS (AP) — First, the bad news: For Texans, the Eighties were the pits. The good news: They're over! As decades go, this one was a bumper. World class. A bad joke gone sour.

The oil boom went bust. Banks failed. Thrifts collapsed. Planes crashed. Prisons overflowed. Some snake even poisoned the historic Treaty Oak in Austin.

The Dallas Cowboys went south. So did the real estate market, John Connally's fortune, Billy Bob's Texas, Southwest Conference football and Braniff Airlines.

Make that twice for Braniff. Texas voters embraced parimutuel gambling, but no first-class horses reached the starting gate. In fact, there is no gate. Post time? Who knows.

Someone claimed the only growth industry left in Texas was psychiatry.

Con artist Billie Sol Estes, blaming his troubles on compulsion, got out of jail and back in trouble. A Dallas misfit with a crush on actress Jodie Foster wounded President Reagan.

Gone from the political scene are Jim Wright and John Tower. And Mickey Leland. Barbara Jordan, a state treasure, almost drowned.

Darrell Royal retired. They fired Tom Landry and Bum Phillips.

Authors Tommy Thompson and Donald Barthelme died. So did Clint Murchison, Percy Foreman, Leon Jaworski, George Mahon, Marty Robbins and David the Bubble Boy.

Time ran out on Bobby Layne.

A one-eyed drifter named Henry Lee Lucas confessed to every unsolved slaying since the Texas Chainsaw Massacre, then recanted and declared: "I only did me Mum."

Fooled a bunch of folks, none more so than our steely-eyed Texas Rangers.

Thank heavens then for *Lonesome Dove*, George Strait, Nolan Ryan, Herb Kelleher, the Bass brothers, Van Cliburn, Ann Richards and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

Also Kite, Crenshaw and Trevino. And, yes, George Bush, a quasi-Texan.

And most of all, chicken fried steak. Amid all this Texas turbulence, there remained one constant. With or without gravy.

In the Eighties, it seems, almost everything that could go wrong, did.

Texaco lost a \$10 billion judgment to Pennzoil, claimed bankruptcy, then settled the suit for \$3 billion.

John Connally spent millions in a bid for the presidency, captured one delegate, abandoned politics,

dedicated himself to making a fortune and went broke.

Former Texas House Speaker Ben Barnes, who once had White House designs of his own, also spurned politics for riches and joined Connally in bankruptcy.

The billionaire Hunt brothers of Dallas, entangled in the silver market mess, suffered heavy losses in oil and other ventures and also wound up the decade in bankruptcy court.

With mounting embarrassment, the Southwest Conference suffered through a series of NCAA investigations resulting in probation for football teams at SMU, TCU, Texas A&M and Houston.

SMU, caught paying players a second time, was assessed the so-called "death penalty." Texas, Texas Tech and Baylor got their wrists slapped.

At one point, pundits predicted hapless Rice would be the Cotton Bowl host by default. Also unswayed in this mess was Arkansas, the only non-Texas member of the conference.

So guess which school won back-to-back SWC titles to end the Eighties? It wasn't Rice.

In Fort Worth, affluent Paschal High students formed a "Legion of Doom" and terrorized classmates they considered ruffians. Exposed and publicly scolded, the young legionnaires managed to avoid jail.

Some other scoundrels didn't. An Austin newspaper columnist suggested that the city's empty high-rise office buildings be converted into state prisons and filled with convicted bankers and thrift officers.

It was a wacky decade.

Who would have thought that one day we'd have more money than Cullen Davis and more virtue than Walker Railey?

Erstwhile zillionaire Davis, acquitted in the Seventies of murder and solicitation of murder, was back making news, but this time his problems were civil rather than criminal.

He settled one lawsuit out of court, and a civil jury deadlocked in another. Both stemmed from a 1976 shooting spree at his Fort Worth mansion.

Born again and busy with the Lord's work, Davis also bounced in and out of bankruptcy court, claiming his meager assets did little to offset \$850 million in debts.

Meanwhile, Railey, who lost his Methodist pulpit, fled Texas. He left behind his family, his church, his flashy blonde mistress and a profound tragedy involving the near-fatal attack on his wife.

Dallas authorities labeled Railey the lone suspect in the assault but never got around to prosecuting.

The district attorney's office did, however, prosecute and convict

Lenell Geter, Randall Dale Adams and Joyce Ann Brown ... of crimes they apparently did not commit.

Geter, Adams and Brown were all freed in the Eighties, although Ms. Brown will be retried.

But, hey, what's a few years in a Texas jail? People are killing to get in.

Things got so bad a federal judge named William Wayne Justice threatened to impose fines of \$24 million monthly unless the state curbed overcrowding and improved prison conditions.

That got legislators' attention and, in 1987, even a little action.

Still, by decade's end, Texas faced judicial decrees and court-imposed deadlines in half a dozen critical areas. The running joke in Austin: Texas no longer needs elected leaders because judges are running the state.

In addition to prisons, the multi-billion dollar dilemma included public school financing, mental health programs, election reform and a blueprint for funding higher education.

"These ... judges are going to have to get in line," grumbled Gov. Bill Clements.

Ah, yes, Clements, our crusty, colorful governor, vowing never to raise taxes despite a financial crunch on the verge of becoming a crisis. A splendid target, he.

When told once that Clements was studying Spanish, Jim Hightower, the Texas agriculture secretary, snapped: "Oh, good. Now he'll be bi-ignorant."

Acerbic columnist Molly Ivins provided us such scraps of wit and wisdom when reporting on the Texas political scene in the endless Eighties.

She decreed that "None of the Above" was the preferred choice in the 1986 governor's race.

That's when Clements, ousted by Democrat Mark White in 1982, returned from the grave to challenge White's bid for re-election.

"The incumbent adds new dimensions to the concept of 'unimpressive,'" and the challenger is the guy we threw out last time we had a chance," wrote Ms. Molly.

Clements won, of course, exploiting White's most noble undertaking, an education reform bill called no-pass, no-play. In 1988, the Carter High School Cowboys passed, played and won the state 5A football championship under court order that their altered report cards were valid. Then, in 1989, several of their stars were in court again, this time for armed robbery.

And so the Eighties ended as they began, with Clements in the governor's mansion.

What next? Well, White's back and running again ... Stay tuned.

The Republicans came to Dallas in the Eighties for a national convention that offered Reagan and Bush and all the drama and suspense of a chili cookoff.

Still, Big D got spruced up squeaky clean for the party, then watched everyone slip off to Billy Bob's in Fort Worth.

Incidentally, the world's largest honky tonk, with its 47 bars and indoor bull riding, shut down when owner Billy Bob Barnett went bust. But as the decade ended, it made a comeback. Without Billy Bob.

Lest we forget, it was at Billy Bob's one night that C&W superstar Merle Haggard ordered a round of drinks for the house. Some 5,095 patrons toasted his largesse. Let's see now, with a 15 percent tip ...

In Texas, the Eighties opened with record-breaking killer heat wave and skidded downhill after that.

Other states suffered ice storms and hot spells, droughts and floods, hurricanes and tornadoes. Texas had 'em all, plus a rash of devastating hailstorms.

Two Delta jetliners crashed at Dallas-Fort Worth International airport. Chemical plant explosions rocked the Houston ship channel and the Texas Panhandle.

Trains derailed, oil spilled, a department store roof collapsed and a sealed boxcar killed illegal aliens fleeing Mexico.

And though the space shuttle Challenger exploded over Florida, nowhere was the heartbreak greater than the space community near Houston.

A school bus plunged into a gravel pit in the Rio Grande Valley and the flooding Guadalupe River swallowed a church bus and a van in the Hill Country.

Like everyone else, Texans in the Eighties coped with drugs, pollution, scandal and other afflictions, such as the TV show *Dallas*, for which Hollywood must share at least part of the blame.

Evil ol' J.R. and the Ewing clan did almost as much to enhance the Texas image as Lee Harvey Oswald and Charles Whitman combined.

On Dec. 7, 1982, a killer named Charlie Brooks made history. The first Texas convict executed since 1974, Charlie was the first ever to die by lethal injection.

The Pope came to Texas in the Eighties. But so did the Rolling Stones.

Superstars Herschel Walker and Mark Aguirre passed through, Walker as a Dallas Cowboy and Aguirre as a Dallas Maverick. They left both clubs in shambles.

But then, it was hardly a banner decade for any of our professional

sports franchises.

Before cratering, the Mavericks, who lost one unhappy coach and fired another, at least flirted with an NBA title. So did the Houston Rockets. San Antonio's Spurs never did.

There was no World Series for Texans, although the Houston Astros won a divisional title. The Texas Rangers didn't, but Nolan Ryan's pitching gave fans something to cheer about.

Would you believe 5,000 strikeouts? Only Woody Allen has more.

The Houston Oilers yo-yoed up and down through the Eighties but made the NFL playoffs only twice after owner Bud Adams jettisoned Bum Phillips, the most popular coach the Oilers ever had.

If little else, Jerry Glanville's rowdies turned the AstroDome into a so-called House of Pain, which was mostly a pain in the ... oh, well, they won more often than they lost.

Not so the Dallas Cowboys.

Once America's Team, the Cowboys ended the Eighties with a new owner, a new coach, a new look, two new quarterbacks and new and exciting ways to lose games.

Gone were Tom and Tex and Tradition. Even Crazy Ray, the self-styled mascot, suffered a heart attack.

Texans grumbled a bit when Arkansas claimed the Cowboys as Little Rock's team in honor of native son and new owner Jerry Jones. Or was it Jerry Johnson? Jimmy Jones? Jimmy Johnson? Johnny Jones? Whatever.

After eight straight losses, nobody cared much who owned 'em and even less who claimed 'em. By late December, our erstwhile heroes were 1-14 and comic relief for Philadelphia fatman Buddy Ryan.

A Dallas bumper sticker: "Enough is Enough ... Move 'Em to Little Rock."

People everywhere could marvel at the legacy of Bum Bright, the powerful Texas A&M alum who dictated sports policy to the Aggies and sold the Cowboys to Jones. Quipped a sportscaster:

"He will be remembered always as the guy who hired Jackie Sherrill and fired Tom Landry ..."

Nor will we soon forget Sherrill, who took the Aggies to three straight SWC football championships, then bowed out with sports scribes howling for his head and NCAA sleuths nipping at his heels.

Texas is just not the same without Sherrill to kick us around anymore.

Texans continued to murder and maim one another in record numbers, and it always was a safe bet that a Texas city hovered among the Top Ten in per capita carnage.

The hottest home-grown nomenclature of the Eighties was true crime. A perfect title for the decade: *In Cold Blood*.

Subjects ranged from ax murders to satanic slayings and included *The Death Shift*, the story of a psychotic nurse convicted of killing babies in San Antonio and Kerville.

In *Dirty Dealing*, Gary Cartwright recounted the San Antonio slaying of U.S. District Judge John Wood, nicknamed "Maximum John," whose murder triggered the biggest FBI manhunt in history.

Careless Whispers was Carlton Stowers' widely praised account of the incredibly grisly Lake Waco rape-slayings. A book entitled *Evidence of Love* dealt with an ax murder in suburban Dallas, and two books, *Cold Kill* and *Daddy's Girl*, recounted the slayings of a Houston attorney and his wife by their own daughter and her boyfriend.

Once a hero traced a Texas helicopter pilot's odyssey from Vietnam to Leavenworth, a story painful to the extreme. *Deadly Blessing* was the lurid story of Dairy Queen waitress Vickie Daniel, acquitted of killing her politically prominent husband at their ranch home in Liberty.

The Walker Railey case surfaced in book form in 1989 and two more accounts were in the works.

But for sheer volume, nothing compared to the flurry of books based on the ritual slayings early this year in Matamoros. While technically a Mexican case, the two alleged principals, the "Witch" and the "Godfather," lived on the Texas side of the Rio Grande. And the most prominent victim was a University of Texas student.

Our infamous Candys made news again, but mostly bad.

They executed Houston's Candy Man, so named for killing his young son with poisoned Halloween candy to collect on an insurance policy. Suburban Dallas housewife Candy Montgomery, an ax killer acquitted of murder, fled Texas.

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Death claimed Houston's Candy Mossler, the defendant in one of the state's most sensational murder cases. A jury in the 1960s ruled that Candy and her lover did not kill her wealthy husband.

Texas also said farewell to Kennedy assassination figures Will Fritz, the Dallas police chief when the president was slain; Sarah T. Hughes, the U.S. district judge who

swore in Lyndon Johnson as president; and Marguerite Oswald, the self-proclaimed "mother of history" whose son was named by the Warren Commission as the assassin.

With the consent of the widow Marina, now Mrs. Kenneth Porter, Oswald's body was exhumed during the Eighties to determine if indeed it was Oswald buried in Fort Worth's Rose Hill cemetery.

A British author claimed it was an imposter, a Russian spy. Much fanfare. Some suspense. No surprises. To the chagrin of conspiracy buffs everywhere, it was Oswald.

Former governors Allan Shivers and Price Daniel Sr. died in the Eighties, as did Glenn McCarthy, the Houston oilman whose career inspired the novel and film classic *Giant*.

Lloyd Bentsen Sr., father of the state's senior U.S. senator, died in a car wreck at age 95. This grand old man from Mission was a master storyteller in private and a historical figure in his own right.

Buried with him were many of the secrets of South Texas and enough true but little-known stories to fill a best seller. A pity.

While largely a bumper, the Texas Eighties did have a flip side, most notably the emergence of women in politics.

A Texas mayoral summit at decade's end would include Kathy Whitmire, Houston's tiny terror, who just won a fifth term; Annette Strauss, Dallas; Lila Cockrell, San Antonio; and Suzie Azar, El Paso.

Brassy, blonde Ann Richards, our own Steel Magnolia, rode herd on the state treasury through the Eighties and is now a Democratic front runner in the governor's race.

In 1988, she wowed convention-going Democrats with a southern-flavored speech loaded with folksy one-liners and a zinger or two for George Bush.

Old George, she purred, "was born with a silver foot in his mouth."

For sheer success stories, no one could match the Bass brothers of Fort Worth, who made big news and big bucks and easily overshadowed corporate raider T. Boone Pickens.

Purportedly, some fool, a non-Texan to boot, decided to kidnap a Bass, devising a plot based on the adventures of Larry, Moe and Curly. He failed.

Fun-loving, fast-living Herb Kelleher kept his Dallas-based Southwest Airlines on time, on target and flying high in clouds of cash and customer good will, proving that bigger is not always better.

Of course, American Airlines moved its headquarters to Texas just prior to the Eighties and proved that big is by no means bad. Unless it excites Donald Trump.

The travel industry rose up in the energy-stricken Eighties to proclaim tourism the new Texas crude, and its message was both welcome and persuasive.

Where else, insisted its proponents, do you find rivers, lakes, forests, mountains, deserts, an ocean, a Mexican border and a variable climate all wrapped up in a Hollywood myth?

A Piney Woods, a Big Bend and a Hill Country? Sea World, Astroworld and Six Flags over Texas? Rattlesnake roundups and armadillo races?

Real cowboys and phony Indians and an image of the Old West that Europeans and Orientals find irresistible?

It all adds up to more than \$15 billion annually, a tidy sum. Unless certain savings and loan officials get their hands on it.

Van Cliburn, another Texas treasure, made a triumphant return to the concert stage in the Eighties, in both America and Moscow. And the Cliburn piano competition in Fort Worth finally won the international acclaim it deserved.

After a high stakes skirmish, a site near Waxahachie was selected for the multibillion-dollar Superduper-smasher-crasher-collider-conductor. Swell. Now tell us what it is, what it does, who's paying for it and when.

For 58 hours in October 1987, the hearts, minds, eyes and prayers of the world focused on a courageous little girl trapped in an abandoned well in West Texas.

Via live television coverage from the back yard of an ordinary Midland home, we watched spellbound as real live heroes slithered down a man-man hole in a desperate race to save the child's life.

Forget the nasty film hassle later. The rescue of Baby Jessica was the single most uplifting moment of the Texas Eighties.

Prolific author Larry McMurtry of tiny Archer City was another success story. After a string of excellent novels, he earned national acclaim and a Pulitzer Prize in the Eighties with *Lonesome Dove*.

Hollywood transformed the western classic into a classic western that immortalized Gus and Captain McCrae much as *Gone With the Wind* did Rhett Butler and Scarlett O'Hara.

At least in Texas.

OK, OK. You're right. That might be stretching things a bit. But don't scoff.

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Names in the news

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Comedian Roseanne Barr, who last week called off her wedding, has postponed four live performances and canceled a fifth because she is exhausted, a spokeswoman said.

"She is at home and has not been hospitalized," said spokeswoman Lisa Kastler.

On Thursday, Barr pulled out of five shows at the Circle Star Center in San Carlos, a 3,700-seat theater-in-the-round, because "her doctor has insisted that in order to preserve her health, she reschedule all current engagements," theater spokeswoman Susan Pfeifer said.

Four shows starting Dec. 28 were rescheduled for late February, Pfeifer said. A fifth show, a New Year's Eve performance, will not be rescheduled, she said.

Barr, 36, last week called off her January wedding to Tom Arnold, a former consultant to her television sit-

com, "Roseanne." She said Arnold had entered an alcohol and drug rehabilitation clinic.

NEW YORK (AP) — Hotel queen Leona Helmsley rejected a plea deal on state tax-evasion charges, saying she was not giving up her fight to prove her innocence of similar federal charges.

"I've committed no crime," said Mrs. Helmsley, 70, as she left the state courthouse on Thursday. "I think that when the U.S. appeals court reads the whole record they will vindicate me because I'm innocent."

Mrs. Helmsley was convicted Aug. 30 on federal charges of evading \$1.2 million in income taxes. On Dec. 12, she was sentenced to four years in prison and fined more than \$7 million.

She was with her lawyer, Gerald Feffer, when he filed papers in state Supreme Court — New York's trial-level court —

saying the state tax charges against Mrs. Helmsley amount to double jeopardy because of the federal conviction.

Assistant Attorney General Alfredo Mendez told acting state Supreme Court Justice John A.K. Bradley he was withdrawing a plea offer he had made to Mrs. Helmsley because she filed the double-jeopardy motion and rejected the offer anyway. Mendez refused to divulge details of the plea deal.

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Actor Daniel Day Lewis says that confining himself to a wheelchair for the six weeks of filming "My Left Foot" was necessary in portraying disabled Irish artist Christy Brown.

"I took the liberty of thinking that it was imperative to do it this way and did not think about any inconvenience I might have caused because, in the end, it was beneficial to show the people on the set

what we were trying to do," he said.

Lewis remained in the wheelchair even during breaks, communicating only with grunts and requiring aides to feed and carry him.

Brown, who died in 1981, was written off by doctors as a mental defective but later rose to prominence as a writer and painter. The cerebral palsy victim used his left foot, his only controllable limb.

In researching Brown's life, Lewis said he learned that Brown never considered himself handicapped and wanted desperately to be considered normal.

"He has unwillingly become a spokesman for the disabled," Lewis said, "and he probably is the worst person in the world to be a spokesman. He ... had an overwhelming sense of his own disabilities. I don't think he ever came to terms with it."

ATLANTA (AP) — Paula Abdul, who bubbled to the

top of the rock music scene with a trio of hits in 1989, will turn her talent to the marketing of diet Coke.

Michael A. Beindorff, vice president of marketing planning for Coca-Cola USA, announced Thursday that Ms. Abdul would appear in both television and radio commercials for diet Coke in 1990. Details will be released later, he said.

Soft drink companies frequently rework a performer's top hits for commercials, and Coke will have three to choose from for Ms. Abdul: "Straight Up," "Forever Your Girl" and "Cold Hearted," all of which the company said hit No. 1 this year.

Among several awards won this year by Ms. Abdul, noted for her music-video dance steps, was an Emmy for choreography on "The Tracy Ullman Show."

Concern for patient's rights critical in fight against AIDS

By PAUL RAEBURN
AP Science Editor

NEW YORK (AP) — Successes and failures in the war against AIDS show that concern for patients' rights is essential if health authorities hope to stem the epidemic, the director of the World Health Organization's AIDS program says.

In an interview Thursday, Dr. Jonathan Mann said many of the discriminatory laws put in place during the initial panic earlier in the '80s have been repealed as governments discovered the laws were impeding efforts to fight the disease's spread.

"We made a big discovery during the 1980s that ranks right up there with the discovery of the virus and the modes of spread," Mann said by telephone from Geneva. "And that discovery is that to fight this global epidemic of infectious disease, you must also fight against prejudice and discrimination."

Health officials have been successful in curbing risky sexual behavior among homosexual men in San Francisco and among female prostitutes in Nairobi, Kenya and Peru, among other places, Mann said.

"All of those programs have in common ... the careful attention to developing a supportive social environment that refuses discrimination against infected people," he said. "We've realized that in order to fight successfully against AIDS, it is vital to protect the rights and dignity of people."

Mann said that more than 35 countries, including the United States, passed laws in the 1980s restricting immigration by people infected with the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) that causes acquired immune deficiency syndrome.

Other countries, including the Soviet Union, South Korea and Iraq established mandatory screening for HIV infection. Some, including China, South Africa and Chile, passed laws that require the isolation of people infected with HIV, Mann said.

"In Cuba, when people were found to be infected, they were asked to leave their home and their job and go to a renovated hospital on the outskirts of Havana where they were given a salary but were basically 'kept,'" Mann said.

Such laws have crippled efforts to

block the spread of AIDS, he said.

"If you knew that being tested for HIV infection could result in your having to leave your family, lose your job, and in every other way be separated from society, would you be tested?"

Mann noted that Illinois and Louisiana recently repealed laws requiring AIDS tests for couples seeking marriage licenses, concluding that the laws were ineffective and wasteful.

Costa Rica repealed a law requiring that foreign sailors display a certificate showing they were free of AIDS before they could come ashore.

"It sounds like good sense, superficially, to 'build a wall' around a country and say everybody who comes into this country has to be tested for HIV infection," Mann said. "Then you get into the realities."

In 1987, a group of experts convened by the World Health Organization concluded that HIV screening for international travelers "would at best — and at great cost — retard only briefly the dissemination of HIV both globally and with respect to any particular country."

Cold sun



DES MOINES, Iowa — With arctic cold weather dropping temperatures to record lows, ice crystals in the air give appearance to a "sun dog," late last week. A horse keeps warm by trotting around its pasture under the cold sun.

Water bill rerouted from Florida to New York

NEW YORK (AP) — If Don Kevin Frawley, and Lee Williams of Edgewater, Fla., are wondering what happened to the check they mailed with their water bill last month, it just arrived — in New York City.

Box 100 is an address set up by The \$33.87 check sent to "City, Box 100," was rerouted by the post office in Jacksonville, Fla., to the Big Apple, where it showed up at the Department of Investigation, said department Commissioner

Frawley said he had not yet contacted the Williams couple to find out if they have had any trouble with their water service.

"This is the kind of thing, if you live in New York, that convinces you this is 'The City' in this country," said Frawley.

Box 100 is an address set up by New York City officials for residents to send complaints, tips on wrongdoing or just about anything else, Frawley said. The same address in Edgewater apparently is said department Commissioner

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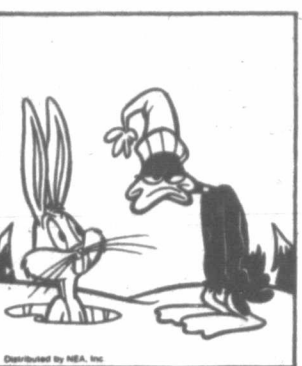
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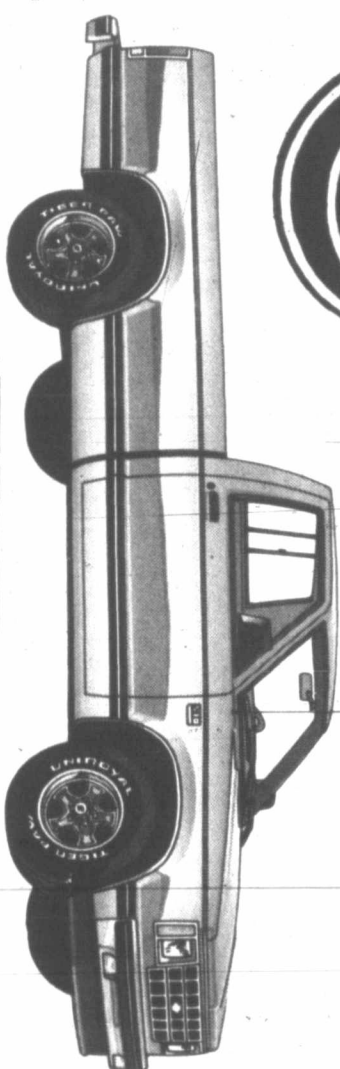
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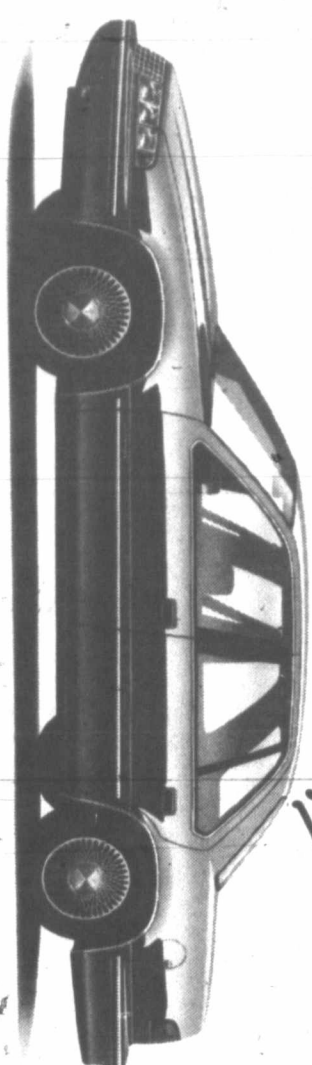


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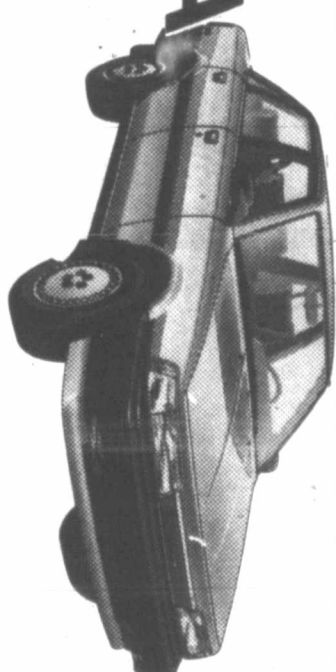
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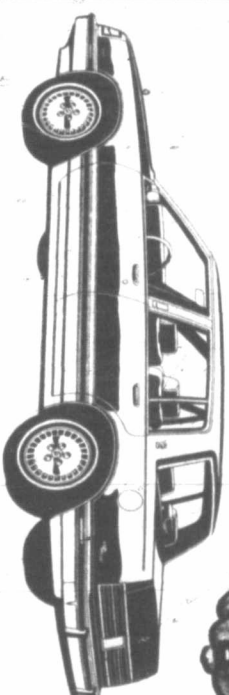
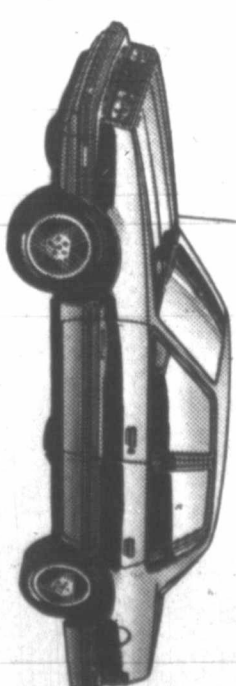
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Students learn business through craft projects

By TIM HALLEY
Beaumont Enterprise

BEAUMONT (AP) — "Gather around so I can show you the final assembly of the mantle clock," teacher Pat Ford told a group of ninth-graders.

As the teen-agers surrounded the workbench, the woodworking instructor showed them how to install the hands on the clock and set the chimes. Several handless clocks sat on a pallet nearby, awaiting final assembly.

The students had crafted the housings from wood and were learning how to insert the clock works that Ford had ordered from a manufacturer. On the floor of a classroom storage closet lay all kinds of wooden objects the students made throughout the school year, including tie racks, jewelry boxes, musical banks, plant stands, small shelves and lazy Susans.

Students in Ford's production systems class at the West Brook Ninth Grade Center sold these craft items on a recent weekend.

The sale fits into a classroom exercise that introduces young people to all aspects of the mass production process, Ford said. It leads students from the initial design and planning of a product, through its manufacture and production and finally to the marketing and sale of the item.

"They will get a taste of what is out there, from the menial or 'doer' jobs to the thinker tasks," Ford said.

Not only do the students learn the "doer" role by following instructions for assembling a product, but they can also take on the "thinker" responsibilities by

designing and planning the process for assembling a product, he said.

Ford also recruited students in Janice Brassard's English classes at the school and the graphics arts classes at the career center to devise public service announcements and advertisements for the craft sale.

The Beaumont Independent School District offers production systems classes in grades 9 through 12, said Joe Winston, career technology department director. The course follows a curriculum the state began requiring about two years ago, Winston said. If the district can come up with the money, he hopes to expand the program to include work with plastics and metal.

Production systems classes offer more than traditional shop classes, Ford said.

"It is probably the only class where you can teach the entire child," he said. "You can teach math, English, respect for other people, pride in your work, using crafts as a vehicle."

Several students said Ford's class would be useful to them if they decide to make a career of carpentry or house building. But Ford said he believes students would better appreciate the other aspects of the mass production exercise once they tally up the profits from the weekend sale.

Ford plans to divide up the sale profits among the students in the class, giving a little more to the students who help out at the sale booth. The students will not receive cash, but can use their share to offset the materials cost of their final class project, he said.

Noise busters take on River Walk Santa Claus

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Park rangers responding to a complaint of a barge-riding Santa Claus along the River Walk whose "Ho-ho-ho's" sounded like cannon shot were a bit red-faced themselves when they learned the jolly old elf was their boss.

Downtown resident Taddy McAllister said he called the park rangers and told them, "Some jerk dressed as Santa Claus is floating down the river on a barge with a public address system that's way too loud."

Ms. McAllister said she is not against a little Christmas cheer, but said of the Sunday incident, "I was sitting up in my apartment listening to Christmas music and wrapping packages and here came these 'Ho-ho-ho's' that sounded like cannon shot."

But Santa — Assistant Parks Director Dale Bransford, said "We really didn't think too much about it."

"Since the noise was bothering somebody, we just had the technician on Santa's barge turn the vol-

ume down and went on our merry way."

The River Walk is a tourist attraction along the San Antonio River.

The Santa Claus impersonator wasn't the only Christmas reveler zapped by park rangers. They also took on the San Antonio Conservation Society for putting too many decibels in Christmas carols during their holiday open house Thursday

at an office that backs up to the River Walk.

Group spokesman Jake Beasley said rangers came to the open house about 4 p.m. and said Christmas carols a country and western band was playing were too loud.

"I wasn't there when they came," he said. "I was there earlier, and I don't think the music was real high, but I understand it was turned down and everything was fine."



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