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THURSDAY

Shevardnadze resignation stuns Gorbachev

By BRYAN BRUMLEY **Associated Press Writer**

MOSCOW (AP) - Foreign shocked him. Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze resigned without warning today, telling parliament that a reactionary resurgence threatened the Soviet perestroika, Gorbachev said. Union with dictatorship.

said he was stunned by the resignation of his longtime ally.

"Dictatorship is coming," Shevardnadze told the parliament, his order. voice choked with emotion. "No one knows what kind of dictator- spoke, parliamentarians voted ship it will be, what kind of dictator 1,540-52, with 11 abstentions, to will come, and what order things will take.

Hard-liners have been pushing Gorbachev to declare a state of emergency in troubled areas of the country, and he is asking the Congress of People's Deputies legislature to amend the constitution He said Shevardnadze would to further strengthen his power.

Gorbachev took the podium hours later and said that before the resignation he had planned to make sen. Shevardnadze his vice president, under a government reorganization that would put more power under presidential control.

He did not say whether he still considered Shevardnadze for the job. He said the announcement had

Shevardnadze resigned to protest those people "who wanted to use our difficulties" to oppose

Gorbachev also said he knew President Mikhail S. Gorbachev nothing about any attempt to establish a dictatorship, but told deputies such a condition could arise if the country continued to sink into dis-

> Immediately after Gorbachev ask Shevardnadze to stay in the job. Gorbachev said he had spoken with Shevardnadze shortly after his speech to persuade him not to quit.

> But Foreign Ministry spokesman, Vitaly Churkin, said the resignation was "irreversible." remain in the job until the Congress session ends next week, when a new foreign minister would be cho-

There was immediate speculation that Deputy Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov, an Arab spe- personal envoy to the Persian Gulf, cialist who has been Gorbachev's was a possible successor.



(AP Laserphoto)

Shevardnadze announces his resignation today before the Soviet parliament. Behind him an unidentified parliament member covers his face as he reacts to the unexpected news.

The White House took a cautious attitude to the announcement.

first" before saying anything further, said White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater.

the United States in Moscow. U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker III has forged a close working relaarms control and the gulf crisis.

provoked concern around the world Union and Gorbachev's reforms.

Germany and France, in particular, appealed urgently for an international effort to bolster Gorbachev's reform program with financial aid.

Shevardnadze's unexpedted announcement could deal a serious blow to Gorbachev, who has been asking for stronger powers to keep his ethnically diverse nation together and make the daunting transition to a market economy.

Shevardnadze, waving his finger at lawmakers, blamed what he called reactionary forces for pushing the president to take dictatorial reform.

"It's not entirely clear what the sit-steps, but he also implied Goruation is. We need to clarify that bachev was acceding to their demands.

The white-haired Georgian and second most visible figure in Sovi-Shevardnadze was to have par- et politics decried the influence of ticipated in a Feb. 11-13 summit on hard-line lawmakers "with arms control and other issues with colonels' shoulder-stripes" in the Congress, the country's highest legislative body.

"I express my great gratitude to tionship with Shevardnadze on Mikhail Sergeyevich Gorbachev," he said. "I am his friend. I think as Shevardnadze's resignation also he does, Nave always supported and will until my last day support over the future course of the Soviet the ideas of perestroika, the idea of renewal, the ideas of democratiza-

"But I think that resignation is my duty as a person, a citizen, a Communist," he said, declaring that "the future belongs to democracy and freedom."

Gorbachev has asked the Congress to streamline the executive branch to replace the Council of Ministers with several bodies under direct presidential control. He also has said stronger emergency steps may be needed. Earlier this year, he received sweeping emergency powers to ensure economic

Pampans paying almost 17 cents more for gas; local suppliers have few reasons for higher price

By BEAR MILLS Staff Writer

Amarillo, leaving local consumers though, and I'm not going to do it." paying prices way above the regional average for fuel for holiday trav-

unleaded in Pampa hover at \$1.35.9 a gallon for self-serve.

and in Amarillo unleaded can be you can say that about.' found for as low as \$1.18.9 at numerous outlets.

A spokesperson for V. Bell gasoline distributors in Pampa, who low or high refused to give her name, said that wholesale gasoline prices here are ness and they set the prices." simply higher than they are in Borger, but refused to say why.

refused to give his name said, "Peo-sell gas." Retail gasoline prices in Pampa ple in Pampa need to understand

Danny Strawn, a fuel wholesaler did say, "If anybody wants to come said. Today gasoline prices for buy me out and make all this money I'm making and drop prices, I welcome them to do it. I'm making the In Borger, meanwhile, the same same amount I was 15 years ago. gas is costing consumers \$1.19.9, Tell me how many other businesses

Each wholesale outlet contacted blamed Allsup's and Taylor Mart for the price of gasoline, whether it is

One said, "They get all the busi-

Amarillo explained that, "There is a could account for 16 cents a gallon ple will just drive to Amarillo to fill "I really wouldn't have any gas price war in Borger, so the price difference he said, "If businesses in up. We're a little farther away and idea," she said. "But retail prices are went down. If somebody were to Borger can afford to lose money, let we can charge more. But if you put set by the wholesale. We don't have drop the price in Pampa, everybody them. And if people think life is so my name with that, I'll swear you're any more control over the price than else would, too. Basically retail much better in Borger, they can a liar."

prices are set by competition. It's move there, too." Another jobber/supplier who not very scientific. The point is to

A Pampa retailer not in the conare running up to 17 cents a gallon they are not getting ripped off. It's venience stores business, expressed higher in Pampa than in Borger and too complicated to get into why, outrage when contacted by The Pampa News.

"I get sick of hearing about how who does not handle retail accounts, low the prices are in Amarillo," he

Asked if consumers in Pampa didn't deserve the same bargains that people in Amarillo and Borger get, he yelled, "If they think life is so much better in Amarillo, why don't they just move there? And you, too."

He declined to speculate on the differences in prices between Pampa and Borger, saying, "That's a whole different market.'

Joyce Shull of Taylor Mart in ence between Pampa and Borger have to keep them low there or peo-

Shull, of Taylor Mart, said, "I guess for right now the choice is to buy gas in Borger, at least until somebody sees that prices in Pampa need to go down. If somebody drops the price, you have to also, so you can sell gas."

She continued, "Everybody loses money when it finally gets too low and so they finally decide they don't care if they sell any gas or not and they raise the price. Then, so does everybody else."

All of those contacted said gas prices in other areas are lower because consumers demand it and because competition is stronger in both Borger and Amarillo.

One noted, "Borger is a lot clos-Asked how the 30 mile differer to Amarillo, so they probably

Worker of the year



(Staff photo by Jean Streetman-Ward)

Ronald Sigler, a client at the Pampa Sheltered Workshop, gives Bill Ripple, staff member at the workshop, a hug as Sigler is presented with the 1990 "Worker of the Year" award. Sigler was nominated by the workshop's staff because of how well he got along with others, and his willingness to take the initiative. His improvement, cheerfulness and consistency were also factors in winning the award. Sigler was chosen for the honor by the Amarillo State Center. The award was announced the State Center's annual banquet. Ripple presented the plaque to Sigler Wednesday.

Winter arrives in Panhandle as Arctic cold front spreads area with snow, fog and freezing drizzle

From Staff and Wire Reports

today, bringing with it light snow drizzle for the area through tonight.

along a line from just south of Childress to near Clovis, N.M.

has issued a weather advisory for while Lubbock still had temperafog and freezing drizzle for the Panhandle, South Plains and northern Permian Basin for tonight.

went from 43 degrees at 10:35 tions here.' Wednesday night to 26 degrees by midnight."

An Arctic cold front moved the north," Sehorn said. "We had a and the low tonight will be around 5 across the Texas Panhandle early freezing fog and some light snow above zero. this morning. We've been down to and the threat of fog and freezing 10 degrees this morning. This will Pampa at dawn and was expected to Hill Country, and in the 50s and 60s be with us through the weekend, continue through tonight and early At dawn, the front was located with temperatures remaining below freezing for several days."

The National Weather Service Kansas are as low as 3 degrees, and Friday. There is a chance of tures in the 40s this morning.

"Low pressure aloft is apparently and Friday. going to bring quite a bit of snow in KGRO/KOMX Radio said, "We expecting any big snow accumula-

Highs today were expected to remain in the teens across the Pan- above zero in Pampa.

"Winter weather arrived when handle, with Sehorn saying the high the winds shifted slightly around to today would be less than 20 degrees lows of 42 in the Big Bend and

> Fog was obscuring vision around Friday.

Forecasts called for mostly Sehorn said temperatures in cloudy skies around the state tonight extremes today ranged from 11 at freezing rain in extreme northwestern sections of North Texas tonight

Darrel Sehorn, meteorologist for the west," he said. "But we're not showers across Southeast Texas Fort Worth, 55 at Waco, 56 at tonight and across most of the southern half of the state Friday.

Lows tonight will be around 10

Other regional forecasts include Concho Valley, the 30s and 40s across most of North Texas, from the 20s all the way to the 40s in the across South Texas ahead of the

Early morning temperature Dalhart to 68 at both Corpus Christi and Brownsville.

Other early morning temperatures around the state included 21 at There will be widely scattered Amarillo, 49 at Wichita Falls, 52 at Austin, 51 at San Antonio, 59 at Houston, 47 at San Angelo, 45 at Lubbock, 40 at Midland and 41 at

Sales tax rebate checks down for most Panhandle cities

By BETH MILLER **Staff Writer**

year compared to the payments received in 1989.

The city of Pampa received a received last year. total of \$1,375,895.67 this year compared to \$1,401,433.47 received last year, a 1.82 percent decrease. In the most recent check, Pampa received a \$107,633.75 payment for October sales, reported in November. That amount is down 16.4 per-

\$128,749.75. The city of Lefors recorded no payment this month. For the year, Lefors is down 12.07 percent with payments totaling \$5,684.28 com\$19,964.01 compared to \$21,450.37

In Carson County, White Deer is the only city to have an increase in the amount of payments over 1989. White Deer recorded a total of \$38,801.56 this year, compared to its \$734.43 check compared to a \$34,279.43 in 1989, a 13.19 percent ber. That amount is down 16.4 per-cent from last December's check of White Deer was down 34.76 per-\$1,675.57 compared to last year's pared to \$17,217.34 in 1989. December check of \$2,568.37.

check this month compared to last year's total sales tax payments pared to last year's total of \$1,837.61 received last year for a of \$139,272.22, receiving

percent this month with a check for ing \$25.637.23 this year compared payment of \$10.577.05 was up 9.97 \$1,465.03 compared to the to \$26,818.69 in 1989. The city of Sales tax rebates for the three \$1,773.63 check received last year. Panhandle is down 31.22 percent cities in Gray County are down this For the year, McLean is down 6.93 with its \$3,636.18 check this year percent with payments totaling compared to a \$5,286.54 check received last December. For the year to date, Panhandle is down 4.95 percent having received \$59,677.79 this year compared to \$62,783.88 last year. The city of Skellytown is down 49.94 percent this month with \$1,467.12 check received last December. For the year to date, Skellytown is down 7.83 percent cent, receiving a check for receiving \$15,869.03 this year com-

The city of Canadian in Groom received a \$2,164.20 Hemphill County was slightly under 17.77 percent increase. For the year, \$138,164.24 this year, for a .80 per-

ment of \$9,618.54.

In Roberts County, the city of Miami is down 4.44 percent for total \$16,756.52 this year compared to \$17,534.80 in 1989. This month's check of \$970.39 was down 41 percent from last year's check of \$1,644.79.

In Wheeler County, Shamrock is received last year. the only city to show an increase in payments this year over last year. The city received a total of \$122,041.04 this year compared to compared to last December and on \$117,829.05 received in 1989, a the total rebates this year compared 3.57 percent increase. This month's to 1989 \$7,807.52 payment is down 2.9 percent from last December's payment of \$8,040.82.

The city of Mobeetie recorded

The city of McLean is down 17.4 Groom is down 4.41 percent receiv- cent decrease. The December check no payment this month. For the sales taxes. Sales tax rebates to year, Mobeetie is down 32.59 per- Texas cities this month are up 9 perpercent from last December's pay- cent receiving \$2,271.47 this year cent over last December's figures compared to \$3,369.72 in 1989.

> The city of Wheeler is down 16.31 percent with its \$2,705.46 payments this year, receiving check this month compared to a \$3,232.80 check received last December. For the year, Wheeler is down 7.18 percent with its payments this year of \$45,438.10 compared to \$48,953.30 in payments

Across the state, a healthy increase was shown in the sales tax rebates mailed this month to cities

State Comptroller Bob Bullock said a total of \$88 million was mailed to cities and counties across the state this month that collect local

and up 8 percent over last year's total payments at this time.

Houston received the largest payment to cities with \$13 million. Dallas came in second with an \$8 million payment.

Merchants collect the state and local sales taxes and send them to the comptroller's office with their tax returns. The state keeps its share and sends cities and counties the local portion of the sales tax each

All city and county sales taxes must be approved by area voters, Most areas put the money in their general fund and use it for local operations such as firefighting, maintaining roads and law enforce-

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Services tomorrow

GARCIA, Gavino Suarez – 10 a.m., Eleventh Street Baptist Church, Shamrock.

MATNEY, Henry Ray – 2 p.m., graveside, Pleasant Grove Cemetery, Mountain View, Ark.

CHOATE, Naomi Faye - 10:30 a.m., Fellowship Baptist Church.

BARNES, Fritz Lee – 11 a.m., Minton Memorial Chapel, Borger.

KEAHEY, Jimmie Lou – 11:30 a.m., graveside, Fairview Cemetery.

JACO, Ollie Belle - 11 a.m., First Baptist Church, Wheeler.

Obituaries

FRITZ LEE BARNES

FRITCH - Fritz Lee Barnes, 77, died Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1990. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in Minton Memorial Chapel at Borger with the Rev. David Miller of Borger officiating. Graveside services will be at 3 p.m. Friday in Hillcrest Cemetery in

Mr. Barnes was born in Shamrock. He was a resident of Hutchinson County area since 1945 and a Fritch resident since 1958. He married Auna Turner in 1943 at Pampa. He was a machinist for Phillips Petroleum Co. before his retirement. He was a member of First Southern Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife; a daughter, Penny Barnes of Kansas City, Mo.; a sister, Bobbie Dalberg of Commerce City, Colo.; and two grandchildren, Shane Holley and Shawn Holley.

The body will be available for viewing one hour before service time at the funeral home in Fritch. JIMMIE LOU KEAHEY

LAKE PALESTINE - Jimmie Lou Keahey, 78, formerly of Pampa, died Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1990, following a lengthy illness. Services will be at 2 p.m. today at the Thompson Funeral Chapel in Frankston. Graveside services are set for 11:30 a.m. Friday in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Thompson Funeral Home in Jacksonville

Mrs. Keahey was born Jan. 16, 1912 in Lockesburg. Ark. In 1930 she moved to the Texas Panhandle. She lived near Pampa until 1943 and then moved to the Tulia area, where she resided until moving to Lake Palestine in 1979. She was a member of the Lake Palestine Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by one son, one sister and four brothers,

Survivors include her husband, Elbert Keahey of Lake Palestine; one son, Thomas Herman Keahey of Winnipeg, Canada; two sisters, Hazel Forrest of Texarkana, Ark., and Dixie Housley of Ardmore, Okla.; four grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be made to Hospice of East Texas, 1909-A Rickety Lane, Tyler, lexas 75703 or to the American Cancer Society

OLLIE BELLE JACO

WHEELER - Ollie Belle Jaco, 90, died Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1990. Services will be at 11 a.m. Friday in the Wheeler First Baptist Church with the Rev. M.B. Smith, retired Baptist minister, officiating, and assisted by the Rev. Rodney Weatherly, pastor of Country Chapel Church. Burial will be in Wheeler Cemetery under the direction of Wright Funeral

Mrs. Jaco was born in Erath County. She has been a resident of Wheeler since 1915. She married Marl Cain Jaco on Nov. 1, 1919, in Wheeler; he preceded her in death on June 14, 1975. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include one son, Joe Jaco of Canadian; two daughters, Lavelle Stephens of Wheeler and Janice Marr of Moore, Okla.; two brothers, Everett Coleman of Lefors and Deaverne Coleman of Lawton, Okła.; two sisters, Veda Blair of Yucca Valley, Calif., and Aline Rider of Corpus Christi; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grand-

Fires

The Pampa Fire Department reported no calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Emergency numbers

Ambulance	911
Crime Stoppers	
Energas	
Fire	
Police (emergency)	
Police (non-emergency)	665-8481
SPS	
Water	665-3881

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL

Admissions Martha Chisum,

Pampa Elmer Garrison, Pampa

Vicky Jones, Pampa Newman, Lester Pampa Lucille Roberts,

Pampa Anita Smith, Skelly-Ma Lourdes Venegas,

Pampa Beta Weatherly, Pan-John Willis, Pampa

Births To Mr. and Mrs. Juan Rodriguez of Borger, a

Dismissals Paul Haymes (extended care), Pampa James Crinklaw Sr., Pampa

> Bulah Norris, Pampa Stephen Oates, Pampa Richy Putman, Pampa **SHAMROCK** HOSPITAL Admissions Mary Bowen, Sham-

Dismissals Evelyn Riley, McLean

Police report

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

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WEDNESDAY, Dec. 19

Police reported domestic violence in the 1000 block of North Dwight and the 500 block of North

Roger Weeks, 1032 Varnon, reported a burglary at Alvin Adamson, 1500 N. Hamilton, reported a

burglary at Top O' Texas Storage. Doris Britt, 1124 Prairie, reported criminal mis-

chief at the residence. Paul Johnson, 1428 N. Russell, reported criminal

mischief at the residence. Bobee J's, 2143 N. Hobart, reported criminal mis-

chief at the business. Jerry Nicholas, 1322 N. Russell, reported criminal

mischief at the residence. Kid's Stuff, 110 N. Cuyler, reported criminal mis-

chief at the business. Raymond Maness, Rt. 2 Box 372-R, reported

criminal trespassing at 401 E. Craven.

Arrests WEDNESDAY, Dec. 19

Jerry Lee Hicks, 25, 632 E. Craven, was arrested at the residence on a warrant. He was released on

Donald D. Tomaszewka, 23, 1019 W. Ripley, was arrested at the resident on a warrant. He was released

Vickie Hathaway, 30, 511 Carr, was arrested at the residence on a warrant. She was released on payment of fines.

GRAY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE TODAY, Dec. 20

Louis Geraldo Acosta, 31, El Ranch Motel, was arrested at the motel on a charge of simple assault.

Minor accidents

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

Calendar of events

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK

A free blood pressure check and blood sugar check is offered each Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Red Cross office at 108 N. Russell in down-

Stocks

The following grain quotations	are Cabot O&G16	NC
provided by Wheeler-Evans		NC
Pampa.	Coca-Cola47 3/4	dn 1/8
Wheat2.34	Enron54	dn 3/8
Milo3.68	Halliburton44 3/4	dn 3/8
Com3.98	Ingersoll Rand35 5/8	dn 3/8
The following show the prices	for KNE24	NC
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traded at the time of compilation:	Limited 17 1/2	NC
Ky. Cent. Life 7 3/4 dn 1	1/8 Mapco43 3/8	dn 3/8
Serfco4 3/8 dn 1	1/8 Maxus 8 5/8	dn 1/8
Occidental20 1/8 dn 1	1/8 McDonald's29 3/8	NC
	Mesa Ltd 2 3/4	NC
The following show the prices	for Mobil56 7/8	dn 1/4
which these mutual funds were bi		dn 3/8
the time of compilation:	Penney's43 1/4	dn 1/2
Magellan53.70	Phillips25 7/8	dn 1/4
Puntan12.23	SLB54 3/4	dn 3/8
	SPS29	dn 1/8
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. St		NC
Market quotations are furnished		dn 1/8
Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.		dn 1/4
Amoco51 up 1		
Arco122 1/4 dn 1		
Cabot28 7/8 dn 1		
	and the state of t	

Murder suspect waives extradition to California

released from Gray County Jail on Wednesday to travel with California law enforcement officials to the city where the killing occurred.

Leon Davis Jr., 26, had his custody turned over to two Long Beach, Calif., Police Department homicide detectives, Gray County

waived extradition, Free said.

Davis has been charged with robbery and murder in connection with the killing of 44-year-old Young Soo Jun on Saturday.

A California murder suspect was Sheriff Jim Free said today. Davis by Department of Public Safety Trooper Greg Eatmon, who stopped the vehicle and arrested Davis.

> According to Long Beach, Calif., police, Davis is suspected of robbing Eddie's Liquor in North Long Beach about 7 a.m. Saturday Davis was located traveling in a and then shooting the clerk, Jun, vehicle on Interstate 40 on Monday four times with a .22-caliber pistol.

Crimestoppers

Sunday, June 26, 1990, a residence sons responsible for this crime. at 1156 Prairie Drive was burglarized. Entry was gained through an unlocked window on the east side of the house.

Removed from the residence were the following items: 1. A Sears VHS video recorder,

serial #005347. 2. A Nintendo video game play-

3. Five Nintendo game tapes.
Crime Stoppers of Pampa will
by a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest

Between Thursday, June 23, and and indictment of the person or per-

If you have information about this crime, or about the sale, manufacture and/or distribution of illegal drugs, please report it to Crime Stoppers by calling 669-2222.

The Board of Directors of Crime Stoppers urges citizen involvement in reporting crimes in our community and offers rewards for other crimes not published.

Citizens can remain anonymous and earn rewards for reporting crimes in this community by calling

Crimestoppers needs YOU

How can you help stop crime Pampa? By calling 669-2222 you know a crime has been

Include the following informa-

What happened When

By whom

Evidence . Time you will call back

You can take a bite out of crime and claim rewards.

Jury convicts Dixon in fraud case

DALLAS (AP) - Don R. Dixon, one of the first savings and loan owners to be accused of the kinds of massive fraud that undermined the industry, was convicted today of using depositors' money to finance a highflying lifestyle.

A jury of eight men and four women deliberated two weeks before convicting Dixon on 22 counts of a 38-count indictment that accused him of using thousands of dollars from Vernon Savings Association to pay for a California beach home, prostitutes and political con-

Dixon, 52, owned Vernon from 1981 to 1986 when it grew 10-fold. The thrift's failure in 1987 cost taxpayers \$1.3 billion and was one of the first costly collapses of the savings and loan crisis.

Dixon had been indicted earlier this year for misapplication of funds, making false statements, and other crimes. If convicted on all charges, he could have been sentenced to 190 years in jail and fined as much as \$9.5 million.

setencing for Feb. 19.

weeks with about two dozen wit- while he was owner, Dixon said. nesses, including Dixon.

Some former Vernon employees testified Dixon directed them to reimburse themselves with the thrift's money for political contribution. Others said he ordered them to hire prostitutes for parties at a beach house near San Diego.

Witnesses also said Dixon crafted a scheme to divert loan advances to pay rent on the house and doctored records to hide Vernon's ownership of the house from thrift regulators.

Dixon also tried to curry favor from former Texas Savings and Loan Department commissioner Linton Bowman by taking him on trips to Kansas and California and arranging for women to sleep with him, witnesses said.

illegal activity at the thrift during the time he owned it. He blamed employees for the wrongdoing he said he learned about during the

Dixon testified that knew of no

The house at Solana Beach, Calif., was a hotel and office for Vernon as it expanded into the southern California real estate mar-U.S. District Judge Joe Fish set ket, he said. The parties were a tiny part of \$10 million in marketing and Testimony lasted more than five public relations the thrift spent

women to attend the parties was inappropriate, but not illegal.

The thrift's asset base grew more than tenfold under Dixon's ownership. One year, Vernon made a \$50 million profit. But in 1986, more than 90 percent of Vernon's loans were not being repaid. Vernon's net worth had sunk to a negative \$716.86 million when regulators took it over.

The failure in 1987 galvanized the attention of the public and lawmakers to the troubles in the savings and loan industry.

Regulators found Vernon owned 17th century castle doors and expensive art objects, including a Baccarat eagle and a silver-studded saddle. The thrift also owned a yacht in Washington, D.C., which was used by some members of Congress for

Seven other Vernon officials including former chairman Woody Lemons – a consultant and two borrowers have been convicted or pleaded guilty to various crimes in connection with the thrift.

Lemons in April was sentenced to 30 years in prison for misapplication of funds, conspiracy and bank fraud. It was the stiffest penalty handed a He said that in hindsight hiring figure in the savings and loan crisis.

Police investigate stabbing, vandalism incidents

By BEAR MILLS Staff Writer

Pampa police are searching for a on December 18." suspect in connection with the robbery/stabbing of a local man Wednesday night.

Deputy Chief of Police Ken Hall said that for some unexplained reason the victim, Roy Dean Burton, 32, who listed his address as 619 N. Christy, waited 15 hours to report his wounds to police.

'You'll have to speculate as to why," Hall said. "That's one of the at Coronado Hospital. questions we will be trying to determine in our investigation.'

Officer Morse Burroughs went to Coronado Hospital at 12:10 p.m. Wednesday and found Burton, who said he had been stabbed during a

"The victim had been robbed by a subject using a knife at the All-

said. "Time of the robbery has been placed between 9:30 and midnight

Hall said the victim was stabbed multiple times "in the trunk area." He stated that the assailant took autos. Burton's wallet, a small amount of

cash and some merchandise. "It happened on the south side of the business and the store clerk was not involved and probably not aware it happened," Hall said.

Burton was treated and released

Hall said the suspect is described as a white male about 30 with black Sgt. Allan Smith said he and hair. No clothing description was available. In an apparently unrelated case,

authorities are investigating a string of criminal mischief cases that have left tires flat and windows knocked out all over the city.

sup's at Hobart and Alcock," Smith plaints are not unusual, in the last week almost two dozen such reports have been filed, with most involving rocks or other objects thrown through the windows of businesses or vehicles, or flattened tires on

"I don't know that we have any reason to connect these yet," Hall said. "We don't know that it's one person or group of people.'

Hall said the incidents have been reported in all parts of the city.

Anyone seeing suspicious activity is being urged by police to report it to police immediately.

Hall said such citizen involvement could bring an end to the problem, which is so sporadic that it is difficult for police to stop or know how to anticipate.

A review of the cases reported to police has yet to point to a pattern, While criminal mischief comauthorities said

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR: Harley Knutson 665-4237. Adv.

for sale. Christmas layaway. 669-6357. Adv. CLUB BIARRITZ. Live enterthrough December. Come join us for

GOLDKRAFT JEWELERS -30%-50% Off storewide. Financing available. 1334 N. Hobart, 669-1244. Adv.

an exciting New Years Eve. Adv.

MANICURING SPECIALS, Boydine Bossay, Cream of the Crop Hair Designs, 500 N. Ballard, 669-1714. Hot Oil Manicure \$7, Sculptured Nails \$25. Adv.

COUSINS & Friends Seasonal Shop 112 W. Kingsmill, 20% up to 50% savings till December 24th.

LAST MINUTE Christmas gifts: Ninja Turtle shields, oil paintings on AKC POMERANIAN puppies mini saw blades, hand saws, hand-or sale. Christmas layaway. 669-made knive etc. 669-9689. Adv. MATHIS CARPET Cleaning

The Dry Foam Way, no over wettainment appearing nightly all ting. Licensed by DuPont Stainmaster Carpet Care. Free estimate. 665-4531. Adv. RHEAMS DIAMOND Shop 111

> Christmas with savings of 25-50%. **ORDER FRUIT** and Nut baskets all sizes and prices. We deliver Watson's Feed and Garden. Visa/Mas-

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Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST Tonight, cloudy and cold with a 20 percent chance of light snow mixed with freezing drizzle, a low in the lower teens and northeast winds 10-15 mph. Friday, cloudy and cold with a 20 percent chance of light snow, a high in the lower teens and northeasterly to easterly winds 10-20 mph.

REGIONAL FORECAST West Texas - Weather advisory

for freezing drizzle Panhandle, South Plains and northern Permian Basin tonight. Areas of freezing drizzle and dense fog over the Panhandle, South Plains and northern Permian Basin tonight. Cloudy or becoming cloudy all areas except Big Bend tonight, mostly cloudy areawide Friday with a chance of showers far west. Very cold north today through Friday and becoming much colder most other sections tonight and Friday. Lows tonight around 10 above Panhandle to the lower 40s Big Bend and Concho Valley. Highs Friday mid teens Panhandle to lower 20s South Plains to the mid 40s Permian Basin to around 50 far west and Concho Valley and around 60 Big

North Texas - Increasing cloudiness tonight. Turning much colder west with a slight chance of freezing rain extreme northwest. Lows 23 northwest to 57 southeast. Cloudy Friday with a chance of rain east and a slight chance of rain central and west except a slight chance of freezing rain extreme northwest. Highs 27 northwest to

showers southeast. Cloudy and cooler Friday with a chance of rain most sections. Lows tonight in the 50s north to the 60s south except in the 40s Hill Country. Highs Friday

southeast, in the 70s south. EXTENDED FORECAST Saturday through Monday

in the 50s northwest, 60s north and

West Texas - A chance of snow each day. Highs mid teens to mid 20s. Lows zero to 10 above. Highs South Plains mid 20s to mid 30s. Lows in the teens. Permian Basin, chance of rain possibly mixed with freezing rain or snow each day. Highs in the 30s. Lows upper teens to upper 20s. Concho and Pecos valleys, chance of light rain Saturday. Chance of rain possibly mixed with freezing rain Sunday and Monday. Highs mainly in the 30s. Lows in the 20s. Mostly cloudy far west. Highs mid 30s to mid 40s. Lows in the 20s. Cloudy, Big Bend. A slight chance of showers Saturday and Sunday. Highs mid 30s to mid 40s mountains and mid 40s to mid 50s plateaus. Lows 20s mountains and 30s plateaus.

North Texas - Cloudy and cold. A slight chance of freezing drizzle or light snow each day. West. Highs in the 30s. Lows in the mid to upper 20s Saturday and Sunday, and in the upper teens to lower 20s Monday. Central...Highs in the 30s. Lows in the 20s. East. Highs in the 30s. Lows in the mid and upper 20s Saturday and Sunday. And in the low to mid 20s Monday.

South Texas - Mostly cloudy Hill Country and south central, cold through Monday. Lows from the 20s Hill Country to the 30s south southeast. central. Highs Saturday and Sunday in the 40s. Highs Monday in the tonight with widely scattered 30s. Cloudy, colder Coastal Bend

with a chance of rain Saturday. Continued cloudy and cold Sunday and Monday. Lows Saturday in the 50s. Lows Sunday and Monday in the 40s. Highs Saturday in the 50s. Highs Sunday and Monday in the 40s. Cloudy, much colder lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains with a chance of rain Saturday. Continued cloudy and cold Sunday and Monday. Lows Saturday in the 50s. Lows Sunday and Monday in the 40s. Highs on Saturday near 60. Highs Sunday in the 50s and Monday in the 40s. Cloudy, colder southeast and upper Gulf coast, chance of rain Saturday. Continued cloudy and cold Sunday and Monday. Lows on Saturday in the 40s. Lows Sunday and Monday in the 30s. Highs Saturday in the 40s. Highs Sunday and Monday in the

BORDER STATES

Oklahoma - Very cold most sections except extreme southeast tonight spreading statewide Friday. Chance of light snow northwest and light freezing rain or drizzle southwest, central and northeast tonight and Friday. Chance of light rain southeast tonight becoming mixed with freezing rain Friday Lows tonight near zero Panhandle to upper 30s extreme southeast. Highs Friday in the teens Panhandle to the upper 20s southeast.

New Mexico - Tonight and Friday colder. A chance of snow in the northeast. Snow likely from the northern mountains to the westcentral mountains. Mostly cloudy with a chance of mountain snows elsewhere. Lows tonight from 5 below to 15 above zero mountains and north to around 30 extreme southeast. Highs Friday from the teens and 20s mountains and north to the 30s and 40s south.

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Husbands raise kids, run house Membership honors while wives go to Middle East

By SUZANNE GAMBOA **Associated Press Writer**

gave birth to the couple's fourth skills." Buffham said. child. Then she went off to serve her

(but) two days after her maternity with other male spouses. Fort Bliss' to pack up and leave," Buffham

Buffham, 38, was left to care for week-old newborn.

Buffham is the spouse of a solwives have been sent to the Persian staffer. Gulf for Operation Desert Shield.

nation's previous military deploy- One lists bills that must be paid, behind to raise the children, run the address in Saudi Arabia. The other bility that their wife could be killed

"Their greatest fear has been that Defense Artillery. Mommy won't come home, that ry at Fort Bliss.

Although Buffham, a Vietnam 1990.' veteran, was accustomed to caring for the children and home while his knows I'm there. My wife knows said Don Dittsworth, who stays wife pursued her Army career, his my kids are well taken care of, home with Candy, 2. wife's deployment has been emobecause she knows that's No. 1 in tionally overwhelming for him and my household," said Dean, 33. his children, especially his oldest

(Aaron), knew that Momma went cia, 8 and Bridgett, 7. away. I said, 'Momma's going to Saudi Arabia.

going on there. Mommy won't come go, my Mom did.

back alive." Buffham sent his children to live with the younger girls and does chief. I just say, 'Honey, come back office.

who had successfully raised seven her father read the bills and write children.

"He (Aaron) needed to be with FORT BLISS (AP) - About a someone with mothering skills. I did

Buffham attends a biweekly support group meeting on post to male dependents.

"We noticed men were reluctant children ages 5, 21/2, 11/2 and a 7- to go out and ask for help because men were supposed to be strong. We're not supposed to ask for dier, one of several men whose help," said Robert Ramirez, an ACS

Two sheets of poster paper hang In a reversal of roles from the on Felix Dean's living room wall. ments, many a man has been left important numbers and Mom's household and deal with the possi- is a list of goals Dean made after Beverly Dean, of the 11th Air

"My goal is: To keep God in my Mommy's already dead," said life and in my kids' life," the sheet you want?" Buffham, husband of Spec. Lona reads. "To keep faithful to my wife, Buffham of the 3rd Armored Caval- and kids and God. To save \$200 each month, starting Dec. 15,

abilities forced him out of the Army, tion Co. 'When all this happened all the so for years he has been staying at kids - Aaron mostly - started ask- home with his five girls: Latanya, or begrudged because they were not ing. 'Where's Momma?' And 16; Stephanie, 11; Rachel, 10; Feli-

"My friends ask me, 'Did your Dad go to Saudi Arabia?" Felicia "Then he said: 'I know what's said. "And I say, 'My Dad didn't this garbage," he said. "Well I Young University Cougars.

On the advice of a doctor, surprisingly strong. Stephanie helps full support of the commander in with a Central Texas couple, friends some of the cooking. Rachel helps as soon as you get through."

letters to his wife.

And in one respect, Mrs. Dean's deployment has been good, Dean month ago, Robert Buffham's wife not have that much mothering said. It has helped him heal a strained relationship with his oldest daughter who now lives in Georgia.

"She called me and talked to me "She had her maternity leave, exchange problems and suggestions and she talked to me about boys ... Since my wife's been gone, we have leave, they said: 'Hey, let's go. Time Army Community Services started grown a bond. We can talk and the group in September to cater to laugh. I'm there for her because her mom isn't," Dean said.

The men say many of the adjustments they are making are not very different from the adjustments wives of soldiers must make, such as living on less income. But there are some distinct differences.

"The wives can always go next door and knock on their neighbors' door and have coffee with them and talk," said Scott Chamberlain, 32year-old father of Sara, 8; Angela, 7; Katy, 4; Jeremy, 2; and Tracy, 1. saying goodbye to his wife, Spec. The former Marine's wife, Spec. Brenda Chamberlain, is a cook with the 11th Air Defense Artillery.

"I go next door and it's, 'What do

The men avoid going over to a female neighbor's home, especially those whose husbands are in the Middle East. If they do, they'll be "No matter what happens she accused of "hitting up on them,"

His wife, Spec. Cristal Dittsworth, drives an 80-ton tractor trailer and is Dean's poor vision and other dis- a member of the 233rd Transporta-

> Sometimes the men are ridiculed shipped to the Persian Gulf, Buffham said.

"People still say, 'How could you let your wife go off to war?' and all didn't call her off to war, the com-Dean said his daughters have been mander in chief did. And we are in



Members of the Lefors Lions Club show a plaque they received earlier this month for winning the District Championship for Lions membership in District 2-T1. Back row, from left: Johnny Woodard, Gene Pitmon, Terry Jones, Roy Jordan and Ben White; front row, from left, Wendell Akins, Ron Turpen and Ed Gilliland. District Gov. Richard Whitaker presented the Lions Club with the plaque and gave a talk on "Opportunities in Lionism." Whitaker also present Region Chairman Ed Gilliland with his personal

Education to be emphasis of inaugural parade

AUSTIN (AP) - The Cotton football team and this year's Heis- mittee. "She is a season-ticket holdman Trophy winner, Ty Detmer of er for the Lady Longhorns" San Antonio, will likely get together next month.

No, the Longhorns won't be playing against Detmer's Brigham

This particular meeting is sched-

organizers said Wednesday.

"She is a very big fan," said Nora Bowl-bound University of Texas Linares, who chairs the parade com- inaugural parade, are scheduled to

> begin with a musical review the nizing committee. night of Jan. 14.

The inauguration day schedule to march in the parade. includes an 8 a.m. prayer service, a "people's march" through down- classes, and each school district in uled for Jan. 15 when Gov.-elect town Austin to the Capitol, the noon the state has been invited to send a Ann Richards takes the oath of swearing-in of Richards and Lt. teacher or principal to help highlight Gov.-elect Bob Bullock, a 2 p.m. Richards' planned emphasis on edu-The Texas Lady Longhorns bas- speech by Richards to schoolchil- cation, Ms. Linares said. ketball team has also been invited to dren that will be broadcast live from join dozens of bands and marching the Governor's Mansion, the 3 p.m. from across Texas would be paired units in the 1991 Inaugural Parade, inaugural parade and four inaugural with a class from a Central Texas balls starting at 8 p.m.

ALPHONSE, THE MISGUIDED MOOSE

By Heidi Stetson

Many of the events, including the be broadcast live on the HSE cable television channel, said, Margaret The inaugural ceremonies will Justus, spokeswoman for the orga-

More than 75 units are expected

The parade will include 26 school

Ms. Linares said 13 school classes school for the parade, she said.

Appeals court hears oral arguments on woman sentenced to boot camp

By PEGGY FIKAC **Associated Press Writer**

AUSTIN (AP) - A judge who sentenced a woman to boot camp of Houston after the 20-year-old says she can't worry about problems woman pleaded guilty to injury to a her decision may cause.

The state has no woman's bootcamp program. But State District Judge Joe Kegans of Houston has declared it unconstitutional to limit the punishment program to men.

"I've got to do what I think is the right thing to do, and what the law requires me to do. I can't concern myself with whether it causes difficulties," Ms. Kegans said Wednesday, after the Texas Court of Crimi-

The state contends that Ms. Kegans overstepped her authority rary injunction, Hodge said. by sentencing Patricia Manuel to

tant Attorney General Michael tion is removed. Hodge told the court.

it was unconstitutional for the state Ms. Kegans had the authority to to restrict boot camps to men. The declare the boot-camp law unconsti-

camps, which involve hard work tutional. In fact, the attorney generand exercise, are designed to show al's office in the past has taken that

The judge sentenced Ms. Manuel women, he said.

But Ms. Manuel has been "in a solitary cell" in a Gatesville prison since Nov. 5, said her lawyer, Tom

Hodge said Ms. Manuel has not been in solitary confinement, but those sentenced to boot camp are required to be kept apart from other

The state does not have to put Ms. nal Appeals heard arguments in the Manuel in a boot camp pending a decision by the Court of Criminal Appeals in the case, under a tempo-

In her ruling, Ms. Kegans struck the word "male" from the boot-"She has in fact created an entire- camp law, saying the rest of the ly new punishment scheme," Assis- measure is valid when that restric-

Hodge, chief of the attorney gen-Ms. Kegans ruled in August that eral's enforcement division, said

No steps were taken to protect

The Ellis County sheriff and

The sheriff's department and

The practice occasionally causes

accidental death if the noose is not

hands were tied loosely enough that

young convicts what prison is like. position because of the exclusion of

But he said the Legislature should have been given the opportunity to change the law, and that Ms. Kegans went too far in sentencing

Attorney Stanley Schneider, representing Ms. Kegans, said she had a duty to make the statute constitutional by striking the "offensive

"Men and women in this state, and in the United States, should be treated equally," he said.

The court took the case under advisement.

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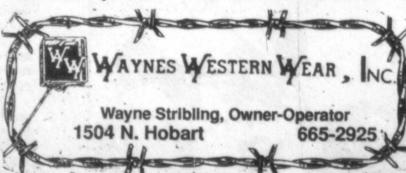
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Retarded man's hanging spurs

A \$12 million federal civil rights Phillips after the attacks, the lawsuit

\$12 million civil rights lawsuit DALLAS (AP) - The stakes have those injuries, Phillips told authoribeen raised in a case involving a ties that a neighbor poured gasoline mentally retarded man found on him and set him on fire, accord-

hanged outside a state-run group ing to the lawsuit.

lawsuit has been filed on behalf of contends Tommy Phillips, 36, who was found Texas Rangers have said Phillips, naked and hanging from a tree Jan. who reportedly had an IQ of 34, 28 near Waxahachie. His hands were tied behind his died when a sex act went awry. back, and a sack was stuffed into his Phillips' family and almost a dozen

mouth, according to The Dallas state employees who worked with him have questioned the finding. Morning News. The lawsuit, which was filed on Dec. 5, contends that state employ-Texas Rangers determined that ees contributed to Phillips' death by Phillips was attempting sexual asphyxia, which involves masturbatneglecting him while he was in their ing while a noose restricts oxygen to care. It seeks compensatory and punitive damages from .10 state the brain when he died. administrators and group home

The lawsuit also notes that tied so that pressure on the neck can be relieved. Detectives said Phillips' Phillips was severely burned six months before his death. he could reach around his body. During his hospitalization for

employees.

this week.

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Police investigate slaying of second Austin cabbie AUSTIN (AP) - Police plan to gate found a body in the trunk. meet with cab companies to have them account for their drivers in the wake of the slayings of two cabbies

behind an apartment complex Wednesday, police said. Sgt. Mike Lummus said the body taxi. Officers who went to investi- cab drivers.'

Authorities said it was unknown whether the death was connected to the fatal shooting Monday night of

cab driver Eleazar Hinojosa. The body of a taxicab driver was Hinojosa, 57, was killed after an found in the trunk of a taxicab abortive robbery.

Police spokeswoman Gail Phillips said the second cabdriver slaying in was discovered when someone less than 72 hours had "obviously noticed a smell coming from the caused some concern among local

Viewpoints



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Opinion

No need to provide them blood money

President Bush has rightly denounced the human rights abuses committed by Saddam Hussein in occupied Kuwait and in the dictator's home country of Iraq. But Bush has emitted only a few peeps about continued abuses in China. And his administration recently allowed a new \$114.3 million package of loans and credits to be made to China by the World Bank, partly subsidized by U.S. taxpayers' money.

As the World Bank was granting the subsidies to China, Beijing began preparations to put on trial several human-rights advocates who were involved in the 1989 democracy movement which led to the June 1989 massacre in Tiananmen Square. According to reporter Nicholas D. Kristof of the New York Times news service, "Hundreds, and perhaps thousands, of people remain in Chinese prisons and labor camps for their involvement in the 1989 democracy movement."

Wang Juntao and Chen Ziming were formally charged "with counter-revolutionary crimes because of their participation in the movement," Kristof reports. They should be put on trial soon, and face up to 15 years in concentration camps.

Another dissident to be put on trial is Zhu Jianbin. He worked in a steel mill in Wuhan and edited The Bell Tolls, a journal advocating democracy. He did not participate in the 1989 democracy movement because he was already in prison, jailed as long ago as 1981. How many other dissidents remain in jail, either awaiting trial, or having been sentenced in secret trials? No one outside the communist regime knows.

It is shameful that the World Bank, abetted by the U.S. government, has granted the new loans to a regime perpetrating these abuses of human rights. Other loans to the communist Chinese regime are being prepared, according to the World Bank's vice president for Asian Affairs, the aptly named Attila Karaosmaonoglu.

The U.S. Congress should end all payments of U.S. taxpayers' money to the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the United Nations and its subsidiary organizations. With our own nation facing outrageous budget deficits, increased tax burdens and a pending recession, possibly even a depression, we could use the money better within our own shores, instead of sending it overseas, to keep our own economy afloat.

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Just doing his noble job

A feeling of gratitude for overdue recognition swept over me just the other day, at exactly the same moment a news release landed on my desk informing me of the application deadline for the 6th Annual George H. Cushing Memorial Award.

This coveted honor, carrying a monetary bequest of \$500, is given out each year by the Chicago Dental Society to recognize "journalistic excellence in news and feature reporting on denistry.'

This is a prize which practically begs for the privilege of being bestowed on me. I am famous for brushing after meals, visiting the dentist twice a year, flossing regularly and refusing to consume cotton candy before breakfast. As my two young sons will attest, I am to tooth decay what Billy Graham is to sin, capable of preaching eloquent sermons on the dangers it presents.

Now, granted, I haven't yet gotten around to committing any of these sermons to print, but by pure coincidence it happens that I had been planning to do just that very soon, even before I learned that someone might give me \$500 for doing so.

But my plan for a series of penetrating articles on oral hygience changed when I thought of all the other pressing needs it would force me to ignore. Like what, you ask? Well, like "the professional and hazardous work of the Fire Fighters in the U.S. and Canada," which to my mind has never gotten its proper due.

Rectifying this omission would earn me the

Three Men and a little

Stephen Chapman

scandalously neglected. I've been paying close attention to fire fighting all along, my utter silence on the subject notwithstanding.

Another, come to think of it, is the unparalleled value of general aviation (private planes, to you laymen). That is a topic urgent enough purely on its own merits, but incidentally if I wrote about it, I would also qualify for the Earl D. Osborn Award. In addition to matching the fire fighters' \$500 cash prize, the private plane folks throw in a trophy as well.

Unfortunately, turning my attention to the unexamined travails of life in the Cessna set would disaddressed in print, but which has always loomed large in my thinking about world affairs: Colorado business and investment.

journalism, I would be prepared to translate my intense concern about Rocky Mountain commerce into columns of type for nothing. Luckily I may not gratitude of the International Association of Fire have to, since it just so happens that reporting on my colleagues in journalism, unlike myself, have men who have the solemn duty of awarding the Nobel Committee.

Morton Margolin Prize. A thousand bucks comes with it, not that it matters to any true journalist.

I wouldn't want anyone to get the idea that my deep interest in Colorado business, investment, etc., grows out of any hope of financial gain. Not only would such an impression be grossly mistaken, but it might get around to certain outstanding citizens at the Nieman Foundation at Harvard, who will soon be screening applications for the 1990 Louis M. Lyons Award - "given annually to an individual for demonstrating conscience and integrity in journalism.'

Conscience and integrity have always been big with me, bigger even than proper dental care, as it clearly is with the Nieman folks. They are not only idealistic but shrewd, figuring that there is not so much integrity in journalism that they couldn't stimulate a little more by making it fully convertible into \$1,000 cash. So they did.

But after contemplating all the rewards to be earned by dedicated journalists fulfilling their duties to the public, I came to the conclusion that there's something a little unsavory about handing out cash tract me from another subject which I have not yet prizes to people for doing their jobs - jobs for which most of us are adequately compensated already.

With all the awards around, journalism is beginning to resemble the U.S. Army's role in the inva-Given my devotion to the cause of informative sion of Grenada. The Army landed 7,000 soldiers on the island. It then gave out 8,612 medals.

With that in mind, I've decided to spurn all journalism awards and return to my tireless work for the cause I had in mind when I embarked on a Fighters, plus \$500 – and, my guess is, a ride on a "Colorado business, investment, etc.," could earn career in this profession – promoting world peace. fire truck. That is only one of many subjects which me the favor of the distinguished ladies and gentle- Feel free to wish me well, but please don't tell the

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Dec. 20, the 354th day of 1990. There are 11 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 20, 1803, the Louisiana

Purchase was formally transferred from France to the United States during ceremonies in New Orleans. The United States paid the French about \$15 million for the territory, which doubled the size of the country.

On this date:

In 1790, 200 years ago, the first successful cotton mill in the United States began operating at Pawtuck-

In 1820, Missouri imposed a bachelor tax on unmarried men between the ages of 21 and 50. The tax: one dollar a year.

In 1860, South Carolina became the first state to secede from the Union.

In 1864, Confederate forces evacuated Savannah, Ga., as Union Gen. William T. Sherman continued: his "March to the Sea."

When, oh when, will this yen?

American filmgoers are concerned – and rightly so - about the fact that the Japanese have just about bought up Hollywood as a part of their never-ending shopping spree in this country.

Another movie studio fell into the Japanese hands recently, and the question becomes, what effect will this have on the sort of movies we will be seeing in the future, and will we have to take off our shoes when we go to the theater?

First, we must deal with the issue of what sort of movies the Japanese have done in the past.

For example, the Japanese like to make movies Japanese have a lot of revenge to get there. that feature very large things that enjoy devouring

How often have you not been able to sleep and turned on the tube at 3 a.m. to see a lizard with an obvious gland disorder gobbling up Japanese real estate, not to mention a couple hundred thousand citizens who were unlucky enough to be standing on it. Can we expect Rocky XII where Sylvester Stal-

lone meets Godzilla in a 15-rounder? 'Wearing orange trunks and weighing 27,000

tons, the challenger, Kid God-ziiiiil-la!

The postive side of this, of course, is Godzilla will probably eat Sylvester Stallone and the entire cast sometime during the early rounds, and we will finally have absolutely, positively seen the last



My favorite World War II movie is Tora! Tora! Tora!, which is Japanese for "Bombs away, Takushi, we've caught 'em with their pants down."

Pearl Harbor by the Japanese. They still win big at Pearl in the movie, but the script does imply at the Hiroshima and Nagasaki regretted that Dec. 7, 1941, ever happened.

Will Tora! Tora! Tora! II show the Japanese leaving Pearl Harbor and not slowing down until the outskirts of Indianapolis?

And what of the way the Japanese soldier has always been depicted on the American scene?

He's always a scrawny little guy wearing a funny hat with thick eyeglasses and protruding teeth. What And what of future World War II movies? The did we think, every brave Nippon warrior had bad

eyesight and sucked his thumb until he was 21? In a Japanese remake of Guadalcanal Diary,

will their soldiers wear contacts, get their teeth fixed and wear something from the latest Ralph-Lauren combat collection?

Then there's the Japanese interest in movies that feature the martial arts.

In a remake of Gone With the Wind, will Danny Glover as Rhett (what do the Japanese know about the Civil War?) bid his famous "Frankly, my dear, I don't give a damn" farewell to Scarlett - played by the talented Japanese actress Kimono Lisa - by screaming "Kaaaaa-chinga!" and then kick her in the mouth?

The most concern I have, however, is will the new Japanese-owned studios be able to make That movie is all about the surprise attack on movies where the mouths of the actors and actresses correspond with the words coming out of them?

You're watching another Japanese martial arts end what eventually happened: that the residents of movie and one guy says to another, "I'm going to do some serious damage to your hind parts," but his mouth is about a beat ahead of the words and seems to be saying instead, "My, but don't you look lovely this evening?"

> *Some may say I am showing my xenophobia here (the fear of foreigners or anybody named Xeno), but isn't it time we start wondering if our great nation isn't holding a going-out-of-business sale?

Or, put better, when, oh when, will all this yen? (I'm sorry, I just couldn't stop myself.)

Our view of China keeps changing

By WILLIAM A. RUSHER

American attitudes toward foreign countries are notorious for changing abruptly - usually when the winds of by Saddam Hussein as the certified alltime bad guy of the Middle East.)

In the case of China, however, the U.S. State Department has been only one of many cooks contributing to the broth of American attitudes on that vast and (to change the metaphor) the result has been the fastest and dizziest roller-coaster by many Americans as commendable. ride that U.S. public opinion has ever taken on the subject of a foreign nation.

In his new book, China Misperceived (Basic Books), my colleague mont Institute, identifies no less than four successive dominant American even swore there were no flies. attitudes toward China in the 40 years

Tiananmen Square in June 1989.

The first, which he calls the Age of Hostility, lasted from 1949 until U.S. foreign policy begin to blow from 1972. It was more or less coeval with some new quarter. (Hence the late Aya- the start of the Cold War between the tollah Khomeini's sudden replacement free world and the communist bloc, and was of course greatly intensified by China's intervention in the Korean War on the side of North Korea.

Then, following the break between Chairman Mao and the Soviet leaders, came Richard Nixon's complicated subject. Journalists, aca- suprise diplomatic opening toward demicians, politicans and even tourists Beijing, which ushered in the Age of have all had their say on the matter, and Infatuation (1972-1977). All of a sudden Communist China was perceived

The "excesses" of the Cultural Revolution were (allegedly) over. Journalists, professors and tourists, able to obtain visas at last, swarmed over such Steven W. Mosher, director of the parts of China as the communist Asian Studies Center of the Clare- authorities allowed them to see, and proclaimed them superb. Some visitors

Next, from 1977 to 1980, came

the mainland and the bloody events in more realistic descriptions of condi- by reporters on the scene. Communist themselves) replaced the blind adulation of the Age of Infatuation.

understand, just for one thing, what a gaping wound Chairman Mao's touted Cultural Revolution had inflicted on the Chinese nation and people. Moreover, the evident prosperity and relative freedom of such non-communist Chinese enclaves as Taiwan and Singapore suggested unmistakably that free enterprise offered a far better model for China than communism.

Bending in that direction, Deng Xiaoping thereupon introduced market techniques into China's faltering economy, which slowly began to recover. The Age of Disillusionment was then followed by an Age of Benevolence, commencing in 1980.

Civil rights violations that would have been denounced mercilessly if they had occurred in South Africa, or even in the Soviet bloc, were serenely ignored by such famous "watchdog" organiza-

between communism's conquest of the Age of Disillusionment, in which tions as Amnesty International and even tions (not least by the communists China, it sometimes seemed to exasperated realists, could do no wrong.

Until, that is, Tiananmen Square. Slowly, Americans began to By gunning down student demonstrators for democracy in Beijing in 1989, Deng and his fellow gerontocrats forfeited, almost certainly forever, the very substantial degree of world approbation they had enjoyed during the preceding decade.

As for the future, I suspect that the old American game of blowing hot and cold over China (which, as Mosher demonstrates, was going on long before the communists seized power) may be about to end, as a more realistic understanding of that amazing country replaces fatuous hopes and socialist daydreams.

Once China has shaken off the despots who run it today, it will be ready to join the rest of the world in a new birth of freedom. Thereafter it can be judged on its true accomplishments - which, I predict, will be brilliant.

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Revelation of secret resistance center causes political furor in Switzerland

By GREGOR SALADIN **Associated Press Writer**

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GSTAAD, Switzerland (AP) -The Swiss Alps are riddled with underground military bases, but units "vestiges of the Cold War" apparently none like the top secret and ordered them disbanded. installation on the edge of this plush

and women were trained to become showed considerable public sentithe nucleus of a Swiss resistance ment for abolishing it. force to fight foreign occupiers.

revealed last month, but the political the iceberg.'

shooting in classes of 20 each.

At least one member was a highranking Defense Ministry official, and others served in the Swiss militia army.

Swiss officials have denied the little information on the unit. commandos had any links with "Gladio," the recently uncovered paramilitary network in NATO countries set up to fight a potential Soviet invasion. Switzerland is neu-

Word of the 400-member unit, life codenamed P-26, and a parallel and equally secret intelligence unit, P- found that Ferdinand Jakob Knecht, 27, came to light in a parliamentary inquiry last month.

financed through the Swiss army but an aide. operated without any supervision from civilian authorities.

The government branded both

The disclosures brought unwanted attention to the Swiss militia army a Deep inside Mt. Horneggli, men year after a national referendum

Ursula Mauch, a Social Demo-The facility was ordered shut cratic member of parliament, said down after its existence was the inquiry revealed "only the tip of

"These Rambos, Swiss-style, A camouflaged gate opened into a were to defend a democracy which 100-yard-long tunnel lined with 13 they didn't think much of," she said rooms where the would-be guerrillas in a parliamentary debate on P-26 lived, learned and practiced combat last week. "It's like ordering a wild dog to guard a sausage.

Defense Minister Kaspar Villiger rejected as absurd allegations that P-26 could have been used in a military coup, but he admitted he had

The parliamentary inquiry discovered that Villiger's chief spokesman, Hans-Rudolf Strasser, held a key post in P-26. Strasser was then suspended from this job for failing to inform his superior of his double

The parliamentary committee a construction engineer, headed P-27, and Bernhard Wehrli, the presi-The parliamentary commission dent of the Swiss Association for names.

concluded that P-26 and P-27 were Environmental Protection, served as

Public attention focused on Efrem Cattelan, 59, a lawyer and reserve colonel who quit his job as insurance executive in 1979 to head P-26 at an annual salary of \$160,000.

Cattelan directed training at the Gstaad underground center, only a few minutes' walk from Elizabeth Taylor's luxurious chalet.

The resort homes of other celebrities, like violinist Yehudi Menuhin and actor Roger Moore are also

Cattelan said P-26 cooperated with unidentified British contacts but he denied it had any links to Gladio units in NATO countries.

"The British have great experience, dating from colonialist times," he explained to an interviewer. "Just think of Lawrence of Arabia."

Most of the P-26 members, including about 20 women, were in their 40s or even older, according to Cattelan.

"These were people who were ready to be tortured or killed and to risk reprisals against their family," said Lt. Gen. Heinz Haesler, the army's chief of staff, defending P-26 against the widespread criticism.

The unit was supposed to expand into a network of independently operating sabotage and resistance groups in case of an invasion. Members knew each other only by code

Piecemakers contribute



Members of the Texas Piecemakers Guild presented \$200 donations to Southside Senior Citizens Center and the Quivira Girl Scout Council, respectively. Pictured are, front row from left, Paul Moore, executive director of Quivira Council, Billie Williams, treasurer of the Guild, and Mae Williams, Southside Senior Citizens Center director. Back row, from left, are Martha Hadley, Piecemakers member, and Susie Edwards, president of the Guild. The funds were raised through the Guild's Festival of Trees

General's comments stir controversy about war readiness

Applause for Mrs. Claus



Marsha Bailey, a student at Travis Elementary School, sings a song from "A Cause for Mrs. Claus" performed by students for their parents at the school gymnasium Tuesday night. Behind her the "elves" work busily at Santa's toy shop.

Two Delta jets searched after bomb threats

Air Lines jets whose destinations ated and searched on a remote runwere Dallas and Las Vegas were way at about 1:30 a.m., Powell searched Wednesday at Tampa International Airport after bomb threats were phoned in to a nearby hospital, an airline official said.

Bomb-sniffing dogs and search teams found nothing on either plane, and the flights were allowed to continue, said Hollis Powell, Delta's district marketing director, adding the calls to St. Joseph's Hospital were obviously pranks.

Flight 699 arriving from Atlanta en route to Fort Lauderdale with

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Flight 767 from Tampa to Dallas and Las Vegas taxied to the remote runway about 9:15 a.m., and the 193 passengers were not allowed to board until the hourlong search was completed, Powell said.

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) - do." A senior military officer's candid assessment that American troops won't be ready to fight Iraq by a mine diplomatic efforts that center night on the 16th?" Jan. 15 deadline is raising eyebrows here and in Washington.

In a blunt statement Wednesday, Lt. Gen. Calvin A.H. Waller, sectroops would not be combat-ready by the United Nations deadline for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. He said commanders were urging President Bush to hold off any attack orders until the deployment was completed.

do the job."

His assessment came on the first day of a five-day visit to Saudi Arabia by Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. They are in the Persian Gulf area at Bush's direction to assess U.S. readiness for war and to pay pre-Christmas visits to some of the 270,000 American troops in the

region. Cheney and Powell, who planned a full day of strategy sessions with U.S. and Saudi military officers today, were not available to comment on Waller's assess-

At the White House, press secretary Marlin Fitzwater brushed aside Waller's appraisal of the troops' readiness.

"What he really said is they might not be as ready as they would like to be ... for all the contingencies," Fitzwater said. "We are assured they will be ready to do whatever they are called upon to

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said Waller's remarks might underon convincing Saddam he must U.S.-led attack.

openly of the likelihood of bomb- said. ing certain Iraqi military and economic targets if hostilities began.

take this deadline seriously, don't we?" said one officer who demand-Waller said U.S. troops might cer expressed concern that Waller's order an attack until ground com- from Germany. not be ready until well into Febru- remarks could be interpreted by manders said they were ready. ary and that if asked by Bush to Saddam to render meaningless the drawal from Kuwait.

magic, why does it have to be that month before the deadline. Other officers in Saudi Arabia on Jan. 15th we must be ready to go and initiate hostilities at mid-

"I would say to the president and comply with the deadline or risk a the secretary as well as to the chair- should be enforced "right on man of the Joint Chiefs of Staff that Cheney fired Gen. Michael until our full complement of forces James A. Baker III has been pressond in command of Operation Dugan as Air Force chief of staff in are on the ground that we should ing allies to be ready, to use force if Desert Shield, said American September after Dugan talked not initiate hostile activities," he

'We supposedly want Saddam to in Saudi Arabia by the deadline.

believed Bush was aware of the and about 117,000 armor troops ed anonymity. He and another offireadiness timetable and would not coming from Fort Riley, Kan., and

But Waller said, "What is so publicly, particularly less than a ary."

Bush said Monday that U.N. resolutions against Iraq, which include one authorizing force if Iraqi troops aren't out of Kuwait by Jan. 15, schedule." Secretary of State Saddam ignores the deadline.

Waller said several vital compo-Waller said some crucial heavy nents still were missing, including ground forces likely will not arrive Navy carriers due to leave home port just after Christmas, combat The three-star general said he aircraft due to arrive by Jan. 15,

Even if those troops do arrive by Other senior military officials, the U.N. deadline, he said, "there's launch an attack sooner his answer Jan. 15 deadline set by the United however, said even if that was the a distinct possibility that every unit would be: "No. I'm not ready to Nations for Iraq's complete with- case Waller should not be dis- will not be fully combat-ready until cussing the readiness of U.S. troops sometime after the first of Febru-



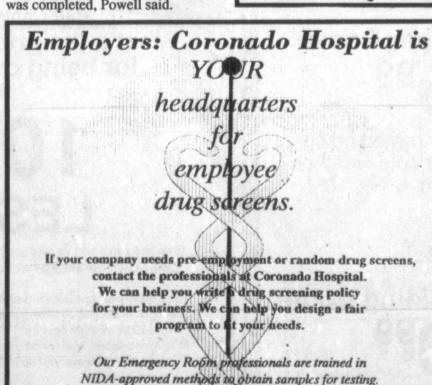


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Land acquisition and research continues at super collider lab

By EVAN RAMSTAD **Associated Press Writer**

DALLAS (AP) - The lead scientist of the superconducting super of the collider lab in south Dallas, particles will break them apart, overall pace of the program," he collider said he disagrees with the idea that the multibillion-dollar pro- 50-foot-long magnets that are the ject will harm other scientific primary component of the collider. endeavors.

money from so-called "small science," the experiments and work done by individuals or small groups.

Schwitters, director of the more than 1,000 scientists and staff who are particles around a 54-mile under-requires spending about twice as

Alabama group plans fight for racing track in Galveston County

By PEGGY FIKAC **Associated Press Writer**

court, their attorney said.

AUSTIN (AP) - Four Alabama men who lost a lucrative Galveston County greyhound track license in a Texas Racing Commission decision

will continue their fight in state

'We'll be pushing just as hard as we can ... We're a long way from the finish line, to coin a phrase,' said Lone Star Greyhound Park Inc. attorney Tim Herman. The group is financed by Elliot and Herman Maisel and Bert Meisler of Mobile, and Harold Ripps of Birmingham.

Lone Star was awarded the license last year but lost it to Gulf Greyhound Partners Ltd., led by Paul Bryant Jr. of Alabama, under a Commission decision earlier this

The two Maisels, Meisler and Ripps also have run into problems with tracks in Wisconsin and Kansas. But commissioners on the winning side of the 3-1 vote by the panel's greyhound racing section either wouldn't comment on that or said it didn't affect their decision.

"I believe I'm going to have plenty of time in depositions and other things to probably get into that," said Commissioner Hilary

'They were all strong," Doran said about the four license applicants, including Lone Star. The others in the hearing were Bay Greyhound Racing Associates Limited Partnership and Galveston Bay Greyhound Racing Association Ltd.

Department of Public Safety Chairman Robert Holt, an ex officio commissioner who voted against the application, had said he wanted a hearing examiner in the case to make a recommendation.

Holt just joined the commission this year and said he hadn't read the thousands of pages that compose the record in the case.

Gulf Greyhound Partners plans a \$45 million project in La Marque that would open in spring 1992, said Bryant, of Tuscaloosa. He's the son of the late Paul "Bear" Bryant, who coached at Alabama and Texas A&M.

Texas investors in the group include Texas City attorney Bill Lyons and Manuel Mehos of Houston, chief executive officer of Coastal Bank.

Bryant said he has an interest in four other tracks in Alabama, Iowa and Idaho.

The first year in full operation, he said he expected \$250 million to \$300 million to be bet at the Galve-

ston County track. Commissioner Demarious Frey said the track must be made "as perfect as it can be."

"Texas cannot have a secondrate track in Galveston," she said. Bryant said his group has proposed a first-rate track.

The hearing process was reopened in May, after applicants who lost the license in the 1989 proceeding mounted a challenge in state court. The judge ruled the commission's order wasn't final.

Rather than trying to correct problems pointed out by the judge, the commission decided to have new hearings and consider all the applicants.

Then Lone Star went to court. Most recently, it filed a lawsuit saying the commissioners voted on and discussed reopening the license hearing improperly. A Jan. 4 hearing has been set.

Herman said he didn't think Lone Star's investors' problems in other states affected Tuesday's commission vote. But, he said, it may have given some commissioners an opening to reconsider the license award.

"What they should have done is issue the license to Lone Star and correct whatever deficiencies there were in the order," he said.

The Maisels, Ripps and Meisler agreed to give up their interest in a Kenosha, Wis., track in August, after the Wisconsin Racing Board's staff accused the group of illegal activities.

In Kansas, the state racing commission ordered an investigation into Wichita Greyhound Park's management because members had questions about the role of an outside company that the four men building the giant atom smasher. ground ring and into each other. The much money in 1992 as the \$417 may not compete for funds with struction of the tunnel working level, it's small science."

Schwitters led reporters on a tour where scientists are developing the

Metallurgists are looking for Some scientists criticize "big ways to improve the efficient flow \$12 billion, is being paid for mostly science" projects like the collider of electricity through tiny wires. by the federal government, but also for siphoning government research Mechanic specialists are using com- by the state of Texas and foreign puters to test designs of the steel investors. cradles that will hold the magnets.

"I reject that notion," said Roy gen ions in a foot-long accelerator. The magnets will drive atomic

Some tests involve actual hydro-

"It's science. What you're here at the particles will make 3,000 revolu- million that will be spent next year, those in another. Spending increases tions a second in the giant ring.

Scientists hope collisions of the yielding more clues to the funda-

mentals of matter. The collider, with a cost estimate that ranges from \$8 billion to nearly

Schwitters said next year's funding battle will be the most critical for the collider.

Completing the collider by 1999

It may be harder for the collider to win a funding increase next year because Congress, during the October budget fracas, decided that a spending increase above the inflation rate for a project must be matched by decreases in other pro-

Congress also separated government projects into three categories international, domestic and defense - and said projects in one category

to foreign countries.

annually in the mid-'90s during con- land acquisition.

The state of Texas is buying the on the collider, for instance, can't be Ellis County land where the collider "That will really dictate the matched with less spending on aid is being built. Offers have now been made for 5,839 of the 16,553 acres Collider expenditures are pro- needed for the collider, said Phil jected to be more than \$1 billion Stafford, the official in charge of



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Economy grew at 1.4 percent annual rate from July through Septen

By JOHN D. McCLAIN **Associated Press Writer**

WASHINGTON (AP) - The to deteriorate into next year. U.S. economy was still growing at a weak 1.4 percent annual rate from July through September, the govern-sion before the Aug. 2 Iraqi invasion ment said Wednesday, but most of Kuwait and that the subsequent economists believe it since has oil-price shock shoved it over the

slipped into a recession. The Commerce Department reported its final estimate of the as two consecutive declines in the third-quarter gross national product GNP, the nation's total output of was even slower than the 1.7 per- goods and services and its broadest cent gain in its initial estimates in measure of economic health. October and November.

said housing starts jumped 9.3 percent in November, their first increase in 10 months. But the gain since the 1981-82 recession.

noted the "weakness in the economy" Tuesday when it lowered the ment said starts of new homes and discount rate from 7 percent to 6.5 apartments totaled a seasonally percent, effective Wednesday, to adjusted 1.13 million units followstimulate growth and ease the severing a 6.6 percent drop in October. It ity of any contraction.

But most economists say it will percent gain last January. take months before the effects of a and other financial institutions.

Even Bush administration officials, while avoiding the use of the percent rather than the 3.2 percent word "recession," agree the econo- reported last month. The trade my is weakening. Earlier this week, deficit was \$1.9 billion, compared to Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. a \$500 million gap in last month's Brady admitted it is experiencing a estimate. "significant slowdown" that is likely to persist through early 1991.

and professional forecasters show reported last month. that most believe the economy actually is contracting and will continue

They contend the economy was stumbling along the rim of a reces-

A recession generally is defined

It grew at an anemic 1.7 percent In another report, the department annual rate during the first quarter, but slowed to an a barely perceptible 0.4 percent rate in the second.

The department also reported was due entirely to a rebound in that a GNP measure of inflation rose multi-family starts as single-family at an annual rate of 4.2 percent. It building fell to a level unmatched had been revised to 4.2 percent last month after the department initially The Federal Reserve Board said it had risen 4.1 percent.

In its housing report, the departwas the first increase since a 23.2

Contributing most to the downlower rate work their way through ward revision in the GNP was a the economy. The rate is the interest slower gain in consumer spending the Fed charges on loans to banks and a wider trade deficit than first estimated.

Consumer spending rose just 2.7

The largest upward revision was in government spending, up 1.2 per-Surveys of private economists cent rather than 0.6 percent as

8.9 percent while housing fell 19.8 And most hedge their predictions on inventories dropped \$4.8 billion.

The changes meant the total of \$4.17 trillion in the third quarter, when adjusted for inflation. That by April. was a gain of \$15 billion over the second quarter.

The GNP would need to increase 1.0 percent in the current quarter to a consensus of the participants promeet the administration's 0.7 percent growth estimate for the year.

the economy has slipped into a the first quarter of 1991 before inch-

negative economic growth will be Business investment advanced and how long the downturn will last. percent during the quarter. Business the outcome of the Persian Gulf crimonth finds an identical projection.

A December survey of 30 pro-Reserve Bank of Philadelphia shows ject the economy to decline at annual rates of about 1.3 percent in the Although most economist agree current quarter and 0.9 percent in recession, they disagree over how ing ahead again in the second.

prominent economists surveyed by Blue Chip Economic Indicators this

Nevertheless, individual fore-Surveys indicate most econ- casts vary widely with some anacontending it is in better.

Analysts at Mitsubishi Bank in nomic growth is dropping at a 2.5 percent rate. Economists at Merrill Lynch Capital Markets in New York say the GNP is declining at a 3 percent rate this quarter. Fuji Securities in Chicago say the economy will decline by 3.0 percent to 4.0 percent ty will take years to absorb.

The consensus forecast of 52 from October through December.

The surveys' consensus also shows the economy resuming growth in the second quarter. But, again, this view is not unanimous.

The Merrill Lynch economists, GNP was growing at an annual rate omists believe the recession began lysts saying the economy is in worse for instance, say they believe "a in the current quarter and will end shape than the consensus and others recovery can begin sometime in the

second half of 1991." Economists at Levy Economic fessional forecasters by the Federal New York, for instance, say eco- Forecasts in Chappaqua, N.Y., also forecast the recession itself will end in late 1991. But they contend the recession marks the beginning of a "contained depression" caused by overinvestment and that the resulting overbuilding and excess capaci-



from Fred Epperly, Manager

PUC approves landmark \$1.2 billion consumer package

On November 28, the Texas Public Utility Commission approved an agreement between Southwestern Bell Telephone and 24 other parties which will boost the Texas economy and provide customer benefits worth more than \$1.2 billion during the next four years.

Originally called Texas First, the negotiated settlement was the culmination of nearly two years of intense discussion among PUC staff, Southwestern Bell and the 23 intervening groups. It represents a turning point for telecommuni-

A Win for Texas

Under the terms of the settlement, our Texas customers will receive the largest telephone rate reduction in the history of the PUC. This agreement benefits every telephone customer in every community of Texas. It also provides us an incentive to modernize our statewide network without increasing your basic telephone costs.

Highlights of the agreement

- ▶ A one-time credit to all residential and business customers beginning with
- bills received in December.
- ► A four-year cap on basic local telephone service rates. ▶ Rate reductions on several monthly service items, including Touch-tone.
- Reduction in residence service connection charges.
- ▶ Reductions in Southwestern Bell's long distance, WATS and 800-service rates. ▶ Reduced access charges to long distance companies, with flow-through of resulting savings to many long distance customers.
- ▶ A Lifeline program for eligible low-income customers providing a \$7.00 monthly discount.
- Elimination of party-line service with no associated rate increase for existing
- Elimination of monthly mileage charges now paid by rural customers who live outside the base rate calling area.
- Expanded optional toll-free calling to 32 cities around Austin, Dallas,
- Fort Worth, Houston and San Antonio.
- ▶ A flexible earnings range for Southwestern Bell in Texas.
- Deportunity for customers to share in profits earned by the company over

the next four years. When do benefits begin?

The benefits of the agreement have already begun! The one-time credit should appear on your December bill. The reduction in Touch-tone monthly charges and long distance should begin in days. And, you can count on your basic local service rate not to increase for the next four years.

Other more complex changes will, obviously, take a little more time to complete. The elimination of party-line service and mileage charges for customers outside the base rate calling area as well as installation of new central office equipment will take place throughout the next 48 months. Don't worry. We'll be providing you specific information well before the effective dates.

What does this plan mean to our community?

The agreement gives our community an even stronger sense of certainty. We know that we can count on the benefits of the approved program and plan accordingly. That goes a long way in helping us compete with other areas for new businesses. After all, with a first class telecommunications network in place, we increase the opportunities for economic development and jobs creation.

In these times of fluctuating economic conditions, residence and business customers can receive the benefits of low telephone rates and count on four years of basic local telephone service without an increase in rates. For our eligible low-income customers, a new Lifeline service could provide a \$7.00 monthly discount.

The Public Utility Commission took a giant step forward when it approved this landmark case. And, I'm sure their actions were in no small way due to the overwhelming public response throughout the entire two-year process. Through literally thousands of letters, calls and resolutions, communities all over Texas made it clear they wanted this enlightened plan implemented.

Bringing modern telecommunications to all communities of Texas is a job Southwestern Bell proudly accepts. We intend to keep you posted as we move further into the implementation of the program. And, if you need more information - Let's Talk!



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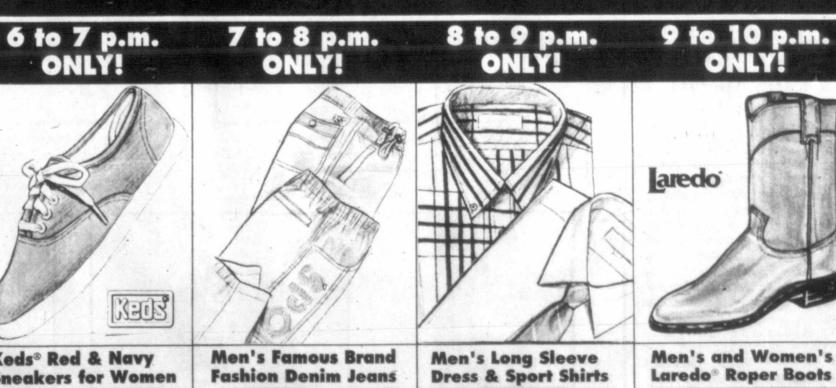
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Hunters help hungry; critics look gift game in the mouth

By PAIGE St. JOHN **Associated Press Writer**

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. (AP) -Hunters sharing their game with the meat could be dangerous. homeless and hungry are getting heat from animal-rights groups and in the mouth.

From celebrities on safari in Department. Hawaii and Colorado to Michigan and homeless shelters.

"Without increasing the number garbage cans." of animals taken we can feed all of said Bob Easterbrook, a Detroit gimmick to make hunting look

businessman leading Safari Club International's Sportsmen Against Hunger campaign in Michigan.

Generosity aside, some warn the

"It seems to be a step backward when we permit uninspected meat to health officials willing to look a gift be served not only to the public but deer — or elk, moose or red stag – to the indigent," said Phil Kirkwood with the Michigan Health

Easterbrook on Wednesday coundeerstalkers, hunters nationwide are tered, "The logic escapes me donating their kill to soup kitchens because these people are presently eating out of Dumpsters and

Animal protection groups call the the nation's homeless this way," wild food drive a public relations

> Those who studied in the United States are drawn to the functional

> dining tables and chairs that remind

them of their younger days, he says.

inclined, who are thrilled to buy

are the rock 'n' roll freaks with

greased-back hair for whom all the

"There are things here that are

practically garbage," Watanabe

admits. "But we need to keep the

space filled, and you'd be surprised

typically wouldn't be caught dead

wearing last year's clothes, are

awed by the unwillingness of Amer-

"It allows this to exist," he says,

icans to throw anything away.

Watanabe says Japanese, who

at what gets bought."

There are also the mechanically

the Fund for Animals. "These indi- kill. viduals are spending tens of thousands of dollars to kill rare animals. They're out to kill for fun.'

"Anybody who fights this program has never been hungry," said Easterbrook, who is trying to inspection laws. expand game giveaways by persuading the state's 735,000 deer hunters to share.

The Safari Club followed the lead of actor Kurt Russell, a hunter who you have anything but approved in Colorado and Hawaii. Sportsmen at a Texas hunting

ranch regularly donate exotic kills to the needy. Fallow deer, black bucks, red stag, elk and buffalo are turned over to the local Salvation Army.

Venison, elk and moose meat is

"This is spin doctoring," said hunters. The pantry is on 24-hour Wayne Pacelle, national director of call with the sheriff to pick up road

> Giving game to food pantries is an old practice in Michigan, but it didn't become legal until Dec. 13, when Gov. James Blanchard signed a law opening a loophole in meat

"What you really do is create a double standard," Kirkwood said. You folks who can afford to pay for a meal, we're not going to let donated game from celebrity safaris meat. But the indigent, we're going to let you have wild game and road

Michigan United Conservation Clubs defended the game giveaway.

it doesn't always come from crous that the Health Department who oppose the giveaways. was fearful," said spokesman Rick

> and could reduce soup kitchen costs Michigan. considerably if the program expands, Jameson said.

Salvation Army officials are

"We're in some ways caught between two forces," said Gene Michigan hunters bag about 25 Rietfors, head of development for million pounds of venison a year the Salvation Army in eastern

And how do the hungry feel about the controversy?

"If your family is hungry, it cergrateful but don't like being in the tainly is meat," said Salvation Army crossfire between hunters and those Capt, Linda Hogabooms in Owosso.

Japanese have a yen for American junk

TOKYO (AP) - It may not do about 10,000 yen (\$75) on each wonders for solving the trade imbalance, but the Japanese finally have found U.S. products for which they are willing to pay big bucks - secondhand goods.

A U.S.-style thrift store in southern Tokyo called Panic Melon Studio Beverly Hills has three floors scrap motorcycle parts, and there crammed with bits and pieces of postwar Americana that look as though they belong in a forgotten rubbish is high-class fashion. attic corner.

But in Japan, they sell for eye-

popping prices. A gallon 1957 Coca-Cola bottle sells for \$285, a worn out but working General Electric refrigerator from the 1960s for \$1,880, a 1975 Mattel talking Pink Panther for

An old-fashioned Hoover vacuum cleaner goes for \$285, a faded, chipped dresser for \$620 and a diner counter stool for \$285. Even empty egg cartons are available at

\$3.60 each. "This is an aesthetic of the passe, dirtiness and ruin," Panic Melon supervisor Bonjour Watanabe says

with a wave of his hand. "We spend a lot of effort trying to present unfashionable American things as fashionable for the Japanese."

There is indeed a fashion move toward '50s and '60s Americana, says Hiromi Egawa, an editor at a monthly magazine for young middle-class women. "Jackie Kennedy is very popular now," she says.

Watanabe, 33, says the store rakes in about \$45,000 a month on sales and rental of goods that he and his staff collect from thrift stores, flea markets and individual collectors in Los Angeles.

More than half of Panic Melon's income comes from rental for props for fashion magazine shoots and television commercials, he says.

A number of other stores in Tokyo also sell used American goods from stone-washed denim to

bird-shaped decoys. "Sometimes an American customer will wander into the store and pick up an item with an old American price tag of \$3 still stuck on it." Watanabe said. "When we tell them the actual price, say \$210, the American usually gets very angry,

and we almost get into a fight.' Then Watanabe explains to the visitor that a sizable investment went into obtaining the wares because of air fare, lodging and gas in the United States, as well as ship-

ment and duty costs. "But most of the time the American won't buy it," Watanabe says with a smile.

Japanese, however, are a different "I come here often. I have bought a road sign that I hang in my home and small items like forks and knives," said Junichi Yamamoto, a 23-year-old architect clad in a

It's a tie: Special election set Jan. 19

leather jacket. "I usually spend

BIG SPRING (AP) - A judge ordered a special election for Jan. 19 for a county commissioner's

position in Howard County. Election officials spent eight hours on Wednesday recounting ballots of the Nov. 6 General Election and came up with 850 votes each for Republican Robert Crenshaw and Democrat Bob Cathey, so retired State District Judge Barbara Culver Clack ordered another

vote. When votes in the Nov. 6 general election were first canvassed, two days after the election. Crenshaw was declared winner by 51 votes.

But then, officials determined that 100 ballots were uncounted because of a computer malfunction. A recount on Nov. 16 by the Secretary of State's office showed Cathey ahead by one vote.

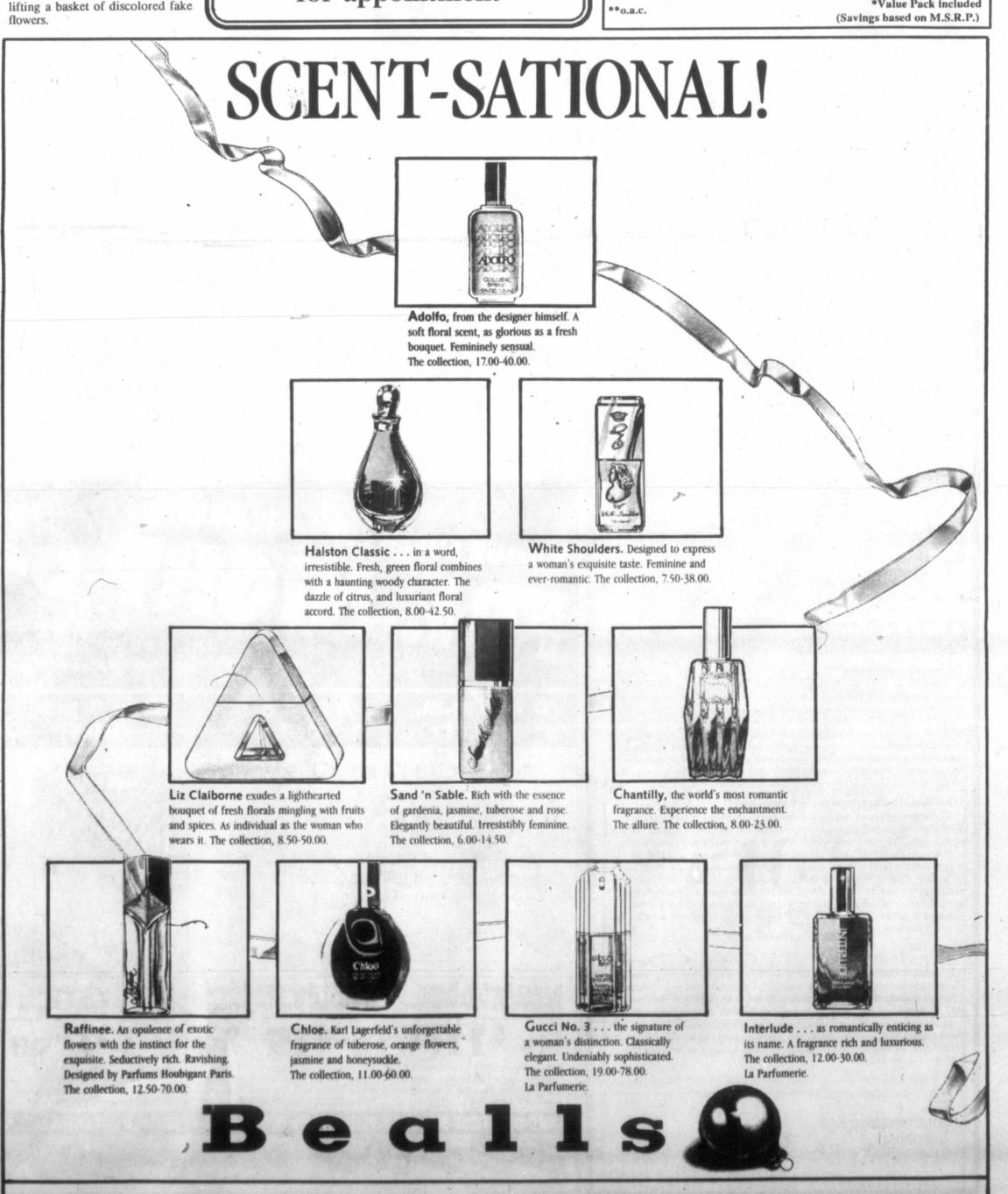
After a hearing on Monday, the judge ordered Wednesday's recount.

Now, one more election is on

The incumbent, Democrat David Barr, lost in an April runoff.

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Love, Nicholas Hopkins 6 years

Dear Santa.

I would like a L.A. Lakers basketball. And a medium size San francisco 49 Ers costume. And a Nerf blast-a-ball.

From: Shawn Strate.

Dear Santa.

Is Rudolph going to fly your sleigh this year? I've been good thsi year. I would like to have a toy soldier and Ninja turtle toys. My sister needs dolls and clothes. We both would like to have swords.

I love you Santa, Jonathan Sturgill, age 4 1/2

Dear Santa,

I would like for you to bring me a "New Kids on the Block" pillows and covers, P.J.s, jogging suit, watch, a walking doll, ceramic dish set, portable radio, new tapes. I have been trying to be a good girl. I love you Santa. I will leave you some cookies and hot chocolate.

From: Lisa Miller

Dear Santa,

I am eight years old. I'm in third grade. My teacher is Mrs. Jones she is very nice. What I would like is a basketball and a new T.V., VCR, a phone, a stereo, a huge panda bear, magic nursery newborn, quints, super mario brothers 3, tetrice, road runner, maranet, Go-Go my walking pup. Thanks for the power pad. I sure do belive in you and always forever. Love, Jenny Brooke Besette

P.S. I love you!!

Dear Santa,

I want a Wockn Go-go, bixeckl, now kes on the blok, Baby uh-o. My bruther, Jordan wants a biseckl, fir truck, nenja trtle.

Love, Kirby O'Neal

Dear Santa.

I want whole bunch of babies, and diapers for my babies. I want a kitchen. I want a barbie and Ken. I love you, Heather

Dear Santa,

I want a guitar, ghost buster stuff. And play guns. I love you, Santa. From: Brandon

Dear Santa,

My name is Bethany. I am 4 years old. How are the reindeers doing? For Christmas I want a go-go puppy, a ballerina doll, my little pony, a new pink dress, a pink head band, a barbie and a barbie swimming pool and real make-up.

I have been a good girl and can't wait to see you. Love, Bethany Greene

Dear Santa, Last year was my first Christmas and since I couldn't write, my Grandma W. wrote to you for me. This year she is writing for me again, since I am only 20 months old. She is also writing for my little cousin, Kelli. She is 9 months old and this is her first Christmas. You left me a lot of things I really liked last year and since I still don't know what I want, would you please just leave me something you think I would like. I do like toys that I can ride on or push around. My little cousin, Kelli, doesn't know what to ask you to leave her either - so just leave her what you think she would like. Probably a little doll would be nice. I hope you will leave all the little boys and girls in the world some-

thing nice. I did see you last year and even had my picture taken with you. I'll ask momma to leave it with your milk and cookies so you can see it. Kelli's momma and daddy will leave you milk and cookies,

Thank you, Colby Stevens Kelli Willson

Dear Santa,

Hi! My name is Kirby and I am 1 1/2 years old, so my mommy is writing my letter to you. I've tried to be real good, because I know that you have been watching me. I would like to have a tricycle, a new baby doll, a telephone, some new books, and some clothes, and what ever else you would like to bring me. Don't forget my Mommy & Daddy and my Aunt Julie and Unkle Bryan. They have been pretty good this year. Tell Rudolph Hi & Mrs. Claus Hello. Merry Christmas.

Love, Kirby Broaddus, Pampa,

Dear Santa, My name is Zed and I am 2 1/2 years old. Please bring me a bike, a pirate ship and a ladder. Please take care of the special children. They like Ninja turtle stuff. I'll leave you some milk and cookies and your deer some carrots.

Have a Merry Christmas, Zed Richards

Dear Santa, Hi, my name is Christopher Lee Batman. I am 7 years old. And I am in the 2nd grade at Baker School. I have been good all year and I want for Christmas a Ninja Turtles, Nintendo game and all of the Batman Dark night collections and I will leave you cookies and

Love, Chris

Dir Sant,

I wad lick a VCR and a VCR tap. My name is Sammie Jo ples git me that

Lovs, Sammie Jo

Dear Santa

My name is Amanda Barton, I am 3 years old. Please bring me some toys and some close and please don't forget the kids that won't have a very good Christmas. Please bring Mom and Daddy something to. I will leave cookies and milk for you.

Amanda Barton, 117 Warren, Pampa, TX

Dear Santa, I would like to have a Rub-a-dub dolly, cut hair doll, cut hair barbie, computer, sippin cabbage patch doll. I have been a good girl.

Love you, Emilea Greer, Age 4

Dear Mr. Santa,

How are you? Why do you come down the chimney at Grandma's when I am there asleep? I have been minding my mom and dad. Please bring me a He-Man sword, hot wheels, a book, a puzzle, Shark Attack, and a turtle van.

And don't forget a new rattle, & stuffed animal for my baby brother. Love and hugs, Zachary Cain

Dear Santa,

My name is Shay. I am 5 years old. I have been very good this year. I hope you can bring me Barbie and the beat. My brother Jerry Dane has been very good too? He would like a He Man sword this time. We will leave you some Rice Krispy treats and milk.

Love, Shay and Jerry Dane Chapman

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Carrie Louise and I am almost nine months old. My

favorite show on television is all the toy commercials, and I want every toy I see there. Mommy says "It is best to share and never be greedy." So Santa, I will settle for a few Fisher Price learning toys, if you could just make sure at least one special toy reaches every little girl and every little boy all around the world

Candy Cane Kisses from Carrie Louise Angel

Thank you Santa and Merry Christ-

P.S. I will leave yummy sugar cookies and milk on the kitchen table at Grandpa's 'cause that's where I'll be. Bye

Dear Santa,

mas.

My name is Kevin and I am 5

For Christmas would you please bring me a remote control airplane. an ultimate warrior pillow, a jam box with cassette tapes to go with it,

& I guess some new clothes. My sister Amy is 2 years old. She wants a Little Tikes makeup table, Hush Little Baby, Oopsie Daisy Doll, & Newborn Baby Shiv-

We will leave you some Santa Claus cookies and some Dr. Pepper. Have a Happy Christmas & please don't forget all of our other friends. Love, Kevin & Amy

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Cassidy and I am almost 2 yers old. My pawpaw says all I will get for Christmas is a sack full of switches, but my Grandy has faith in me. She says in the next two weeks I will have a change of heart and will be good.

I want a cozy coupe, a baby doll that drinks a bottle, a tape player that plays music and a new book.

I'm keeping my fingers crossed and with Mommy's help, I'll be

Love, Cassidy Greene

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Jocelyn Jacks and I am in kindergarten at Austin. I would like a P.J. Sparkles, Little Miss Magic Hair, Candyland game and some Looney Tune video tapes. I have been a good girl. I will be in Wichita Falls for Christmas so please come there. My sister Janee' and I will leave you some milk and some candy canes to eat. Thank you for all the toys you gave me last year. I love you

From: Jocelyn Jacks, 5 years old

Dear Santa. I want a race car set, and a big teddy bear. How are you doing. I have been good and how you doing? What does the north pole look like?

Love, R.C.

Dear Santa Claus,

My name is Rhiannon and I am 3 years old. Are you and the elves getting the toys ready?

I want a crawling baby (Oopsie Daisy), a different colors head band, a toy puppy that really walks, a pooch patrol, a ballerina pony and a

It's only two more weeks, so please hurry and come see me. I promise to be extra good. Love, Rhiannon Greene

Dear Santa, please bring me a baby alive and a wedding dress. I have been good. I'll leave you some cookies and milk. I like your beard.

Love, Kelsey Bryanne Caldwell, 4 years old

Dear Santa Claus,

I want a Baby Alive and Quints. I have been good too. I want it to be Christmas! I like Christmas. It is

Love, Stefanie Ellen Caldwell,

Judge might order new vote on Southland plan for reorganization effort

DALLAS (AP) - Southland Corp.'s emergence from bankruptcy might be delayed by a second vote by creditors on a "prepackaged" reorganization plan.

Bankruptcy Judge Harold Abramson said he might order creditors to vote again on the Chapter 11 'prepackaged'' bankruptcy plan,

which the company filed in October. Southland, the Dallas-based owner of the 7-Eleven convenience store chain, put the restructuring plan to a vote in October. Bondholders who oppose the package claim Southland did not allow sufficient time for a fair vote. They also claim some ballots were miscount-

Abramson said he was "very much concerned" about the fairness of the creditors' voting.

Southland, which had sales of almost \$8 billion last year, said it was overwhelmed by the debt left from its \$4.9 billion leveraged buyout in 1987.

The company has been struggling under heavy interest payments brought on by the buyout, which was announced before the Oct. 19, 1987 stock market crash, but financed after it.

The bankruptcy filing listed \$2.53 billion in assets and \$3.38 billion in liabilities.

Southland first proposed a restructuring last March, when it announced the sale of most of the





Airlines fighting American's expansion plans at Chicago airport

By PHILIP BRASHER Associated Press Writer

tions at Chicago could backfire on majority supported American's the small cities that have been request. promised better air service, competing carriers say.

slots at O'Hare International Airport wants the limit raised to 110 seats. for small jets it wants to fly to cities in the Midwest and Pennsylvania.

O'Hare and airports in Washington when a decision would be reached, and New York because of conges- but she said the case is a high priori-

American mobilized a massive letter-writing campaign by business leaders and government officials in the cities and states where it says it will begin or upgrade service.

American said it hopes to begin flights from Chicago to Sioux Falls, Fargo and Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, Pa., cities that are too far away for turboprop planes.

American said it will upgrade its service to jet aircraft in Madison, Wis., Fort Wayne, Ind., and Peoria Chicago. and Springfield, Ill. Other cities, added, American said.

biggest competitor at Chicago, and able?" American asked in a brief. Continental Airlines told the FAA that American may not follow Fargo, Sioux Falls or Allentown be and instead will use the jets for that would be created by new sermore profitable routes.

involved, it is very likely that over petition?' time, American will move toward larger cities that provide greater revenue," Continental said.

rule change would give American nificant economic benefits to this an unfair advantage, curtail com- city and my firm." muter service to small towns and exacerbate congestion at O'Hare.

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WASHINGTON (AP) - An among 250 letters and briefs that effort by American Airlines to were filed before a period for public loosen government flight restric- comment ended Dec. 3. The vast

American asked the FAA to allow it to use its commuter landing Fort Worth-based American has slots for 97-seat Fokker 100 jets the petitioned the Federal Aviation airline is buying. The commuter Administration for permission to slots are currently limited to planes use some of its commuter airline with 75 or fewer seats. American

American has asked the FAA to rule by March. Sheila Rodriguez, an The FAA limits flights out of FAA attorney, said she didn't know

> Some small communities in Indiana and Illinois are worried they may lose service if American can switch some of its flights to jets.

American said the jets would ease, not worsen, congestion at

'Why should the city of Springsuch as Duluth, Minn., might be field be faced with businesses or conventions going elsewhere But United Airlines, American's because jet service is not avail-

"Why should the residents of through on its promised new service deprived of the economic benefits vice to their communities or lower "Given the economic incentives fares resulting from increased com-

Fargo engineer Randy Bush, backing American's request, told the FAA: "The initiation of American American's competitors say the Airlines at Fargo will provide sig-

Larry Fuller, publisher of the Sioux Falls Argus Leader newspa-USAir calls American's request per, said existing air service is inad-

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sized communities," said Eugene

The commuter airline that feeds town-Bethlehem-Easton Internation- consin, said it would be at a competal Airport, said the new air service itive disadvantage because it built its ket to institute service in another. would "add jobs and provide an fleet around smaller, turboprop air-

United said it may, in fact, curtail American "has in the past and is can wants to serve because it is los- other assets from struggling Eastern

United said it may eliminate jet between New York-Newark and

Yet drawing down domestic service

Also Tuesday, American bought service to some of the cities Ameri- \$10 million in Canadian routes and

Eastern sold its route authority

"We need your help!" wrote R.J. Shively, manager of the Muncie, service to Madison, Sioux Falls, Montreal and Ottawa, along with 10 Rapid City and Cedar Rapids, Iowa. arrival and departure slots at "American complains bitterly LaGuardia Airport and other gate Jack Yohe, director of the Allen- United's flights at Chicago, Air Wis- about having to choose between ... facilities at Montreal's Dorval Airwithdrawing service from one mar- port and in Orlando, Fla.; Nashville,

Tenn., and Hartford, Conn. Trustee Martin R. Shugrue said is precisely what United is forced to the sale was "totally consistent with United complained that it already do to provide slots for American's Eastern's ongoing liquidity program ties in Indiana and Illinois are wor- has suffered from American's international expansion," United to convert non-essential assets into

> The transaction is subject to government approvals, as well as from the bankruptcy court. Eastern has been in Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization since March 9, 1989.





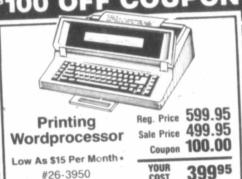
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ly, easy-to-build shelving systems choose is determined by the is reinforced with 3/4 -by 2-inchoffer an effective, inexpensive weight of the items being stored wide stiffener along the front edge and the look you desire. But and a 3/4 -by 2 -by 6-inch long

at lumber yards and home centers. store heavier items in the future, shelf at the middle, you can often used under a plastic lami-Shelves are most commonly made so it's always better to overbuild increase these spans by 50 percent. nate. The disadvantage of particle-

The maximum span for each shelf between supports varies with can stretch this span to 32 inches The exact shelf design you for 3/4-inch plywood. If the shelf

trolling factor — utility shelves in to sag if it isn't supported properly. the basement, garage or workshop, for example — No. 2 common

Particleboard is the most eco- molding.

When appearance is not the conboard is that it's heavy and tends

When the look of fine hardwood shelves is desired, choose hardgeneral rule, 3/4-inch particle- of pine has knots of various sizes, net-grade plywood is less expensized knots that would weaken the extra-wide plywood shelves are shelves. Note: if the pine is to be made easily without having to painted, first seal each knot with edge-join several boards together. shellac to keep it from showing Conceal the plywood's exposed edge with veneer tape, trim or a joints — slots in the end supports

manent fixtures in the cabinet or as separate components that can be adjusted or removed, if necessary.

Large cabinets or cabinets without backs often have several adjustable shelves and one fixed shelf. This fixed shelf adds rigidity and strength to the assembly. Fixed shelves for small, lightweight cabinets can be attached with simple butt joints using glue and screws.

However, for a much stronger assembly, you should use dado — to install permanent shelves.



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

Live-in girlfriend is tired of living her lover's lies

DEAR ABBY: I have been going with a divorced man for the last three years. For the first year and a half he was living with a girl, then she moved out of the state. When she moved out, I moved in and have been

staying at his house ever since. My problem is that he wants to remain friends with his "ex," which is OK with me, but he lies to her. When she calls and asks if he's seeing anyone, he says, "No." Once when I answered the phone and she asked him who I was, he said, "It's the

I am sick of being hidden from his "ex." (He tells me not to make any noise when he's on the phone with her.) What can I do to stop him from hiding me and lying to her?

BACK-STREET GIRLFRIEND

DEAR GIRLFRIEND: You can't stop him from hiding you or lying to his "ex." From your description, this man is an accomplished liar. While he was living with a girl (for a year and a half) he was sneaking around with you - and you cooperated. Now, you're living with him while he lies to his "ex" about who you are. It would appear that he prefers to keep you in the closet.

If you want to spend the rest of your life in the closet, it's your decision. I have no idea what else you have going for you, but ask yourself, would you be better off with him or without him, and act accordingly.

DEAR ABBY: Two years ago, I ran into an old acquaintance from high school, and she invited me to lunch. We started having lunch together about twice a month.

I enjoyed it at first, but soon noticed that she did nothing but complain. We are both 42, which she considers "over the hill." She is married to a lovely man, has money and wonderful children who have never given her any trouble, but she's envious of all of her friends — this one's new car and that one's recent trip, although she wants for nothing. She constantly whines about growing "old." I had many problems in my younger years, and I found happiness late in life. I think 42 is a won-

My problem: How do I get rid of this woman? I have been very patient, but I just can't take her negative, complaining attitude any longer. After lunch with her, I feel anything but good.

DEFLATED

DEAR DEFLATED: You could avoid her by being "busy" and unavailable for lunch, and thereby cool the friendship. But please consider being candid with her. You'd be doing her an enormous favor. The truth hurts (for a little while), but in this case it may help her to see herself as others see her, and perhaps inspire her to become a more positive, attractive person.

DEAR ABBY: I really enjoyed the letter in your column written by the bandleader who listed the titles of the songs his band played in honor of wedding anniversaries.

He asked for suggestions for anniversaries over 50 years. When two friends of mine who are in their late 70s were recently married, the band played, "Lord, please help me make it through the night."

E.U. IN OGILVIE, MINN.

Chocolate coated pretzel cookies

CHOCOLATE-COATED PRETZEL COOKIES

8 ounces unsalted butter (2 sticks) 1 cup granulated sugar

2 egg yolks 1 teaspoon grated orange or lemon rind 4 cups all-purpose flour 1 cup light cream Chocolate Pretzel Glaze

(recipe follows)

Cream butter and sugar together in a mixing bowl. Add egg yolks and orange rind; beat again until light and creamy. Add flour and cream, a little at a time, beating well after each addition. Shape dough into a ball; cover and refrigerate several hours or overnight. When dough is well chilled, break off about 2 heaping tablespoons. Using your hands, roll dough out on a lightly-floured board into a rope about 8 inches long and 1/2 inches

Twist to make pretzel by bringing up the ends and crossing them over each other. Place pretzel on an ungreased baking sheet. Repeat with remaining dough, Bake in a 400-degree F oven for 8 to 10 minutes, or until bottoms of pretzels are lightly browned. Tops of the cookies should not brown. Cool completely on wire racks before dipping in Chocolate Pretzel Glaze. Makes 40 cookies.

> CHOCOLATE PRETZEL GLAZE

6 ounces semisweet chocolate 6 tablespoons warm water

Melt chocolate over medium heat in the top of a double boiler. Add the 6 tablespoons warm water. Stir until mixture is smooth. Dip half of each pretzel cookie into the glaze; place on waxed paper or cookie sheet and refrigerate until glaze hardens. Store in an airtight container. Cookies may also be frozen in an airtight container.



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By Jerry Bittle |

Astro-Graph

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today you might expect more from persons than their capabilities warrant and
end up getting angry because they can't
deliver. Strive to be tolerant. Get a jump
on life by understanding the influences
which are governing you in the year

which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Upon

occasion you are sometimes overly

generous with the wrong people while

ignoring the deserving. It looks like this

might be one of those days, so be

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) This is a

good day to reevaluate your objectives, because you might be trying very hard

to achieve a goal that won't gratify you

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If some-

thing disturbs you today you are likely

to suffer in silence instead of bringing it

out into the open where it can be re-

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be ex-

tremely selective today regarding your

choice of companions. If you're care-

less, you might associate with a person

who may do something underhanded

and you could be accused of complicity.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You're an

independent thinker who likes to set

his/her own goals, but today this as-

signment might be entrusted to an indi-

vidual whose aims are not in harmony

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You might

have problems working with co-workers

today, especially if you are critical of

their efforts and overly insistent upon

doing things your way. Strive to be

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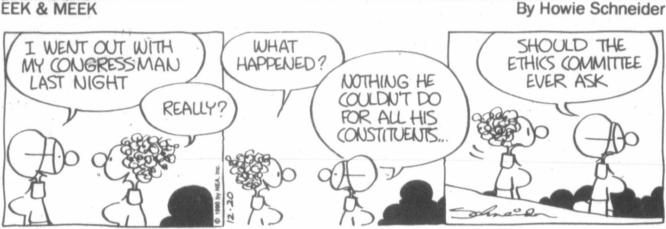
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By Brant Parker and Johnny Hart



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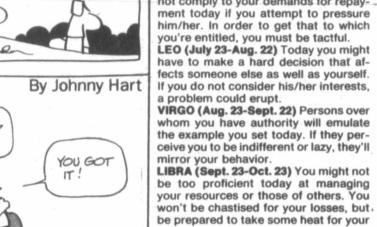






By Howie Schneider

PARKER



other mistakes. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Guard against inclinations today to overreact when you have to contend with unexpected frustrations. There is a possibili-

ty you might blow small infractions out of proportion. By Larry Wright



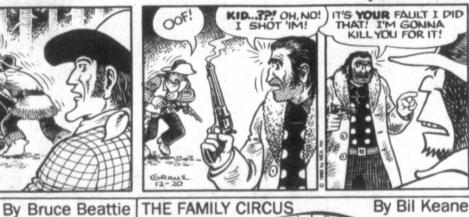


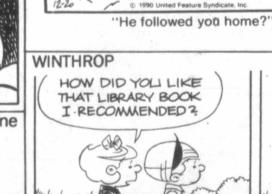






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This kid gets coal. He gave his younger brother a pen with disappearing ink!"



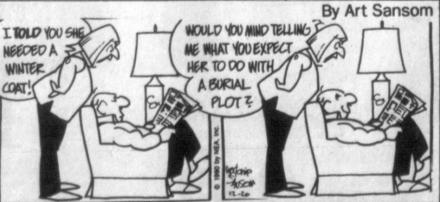
"You don't hafta sign your last name. Mommy and Daddy'll know Dolly who."













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Sports

Oilers' Offense has Bengals concerned

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ **AP Sports Writer**

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HOUSTON (AP) - Kansas City's futile defensive effort against Houston's run-and-shoot offense has become a horror film for the Cincinnati Bengals.

"We watched part of that game and it had to get you concerned," Bengals safety David Fulcher said. "It's not only what they did but they did it against Kansas City, a team that's been good against the pass."

Oilers quarterback Warren Moon passed for 527 yards, the second highest single game total in NFL history, leading the Oilers to a 27-10 victory. "They are the most intimidating offense playing the game," Fulcher

said. "The 49ers' offense is not scary, but the way Houston has been playing, the way Warren has been throwing ... if your heart doesn't have three beats

The Oilers have been hearing superlatives about the run-and-shoot all week but Moon has been around fickle fans enough to keep it in perspective, even when hearing his own name mentioned with the all-time greats.

"You're only as good as your last game and my last game happened to have been quite good," Moon said. "That tends to get you mentioned with the best but it could go the other way real quick."

With all the gushing praise about the unstoppable offense, coach Jack Pardee hopes his team returns to reality by Sunday.

'We played very good against the Chiefs but there were still mistakes and areas in which we can get better," Pardee said. "We played so hard that we were able to overcome our mistakes. When we make plays we are awful good."

The Oilers' offense ranks No. 1 in the NFL, averaging 392.2 yards per game and Moon is No. 2 in the NFL in passing efficiency. He leads the league with 337 of 536 passes for 4,401 yards and 32 touchdowns.

'You hate to say we're in a groove or we're exactly where we want to be," offensive coordinator Kevin Gilbride said. "When you examine the film you see a bunch of areas that can use some improvement.'

The Oilers did drop five passes against the Chiefs and Moon missed by 27 yards breaking Los Angeles Rams quarterback Norm Van Brocklin's NFL record 554 passing yards against the New York Yankees in 1951.

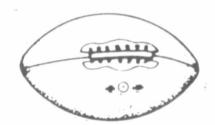
But the Bengals' (7-7) defense is having a hard time being convinced that the Oilers' offense hasn't peaked. Moon threw for 369 yards in Houston's 48-17 victory over the Bengals in the Astrodome Oct. 14.

"I don't think anyone can stop an offense like this," Fulcher said. "You just have to control it and don't give up the long run or the long pass. If you try to stop it, that's when you give up the big plays."



(AP Laserphoto)

Bengals' all-pro offensive lineman Anthony Munoz points out a play to tight end Jim Riggs during practice Wednesday afternoon. Munoz has a shoulder injury and is a questionable starter against the **Houston Oilers Sunday.**



Cowboys' Smith runs on instinct

By DENNE H. FREEMAN

AP Sports Writer IRVING, Texas (AP) - Rookie Emmitt Smith is racking up the yards just running on instinct. When he learns more about the defense, he will be a nightmare for opposing players, says Dallas Cowboys assistant coach

Smith picks holes like a veteran, but still has some room to learn, Brodsky said. "Right now he's just running on instinct," Brodsky said. "Imagine what

he can do when he learns where the defensive players are likely to be." The 5-9, 203-pound Smith has thick thighs like Detroit's Barry Sanders that make it difficult for one person to bring him down with an arm tackle. He has lateral moves and quickness like former Dallas running back Tony Dorsett. The only thing he lacks is Dorsett's breakaway speed.

"He's a special back with great vision and cutting ability," said Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson. "He has great leg strength and runs really low. When the offensive line sees what can happen if they give him a few blocks they just want to block that much harder.'

Smith, whose best 40-yard time has been in the 4.5 range, is in a duel with Johnny Johnson of the Phoenix Cardinals for the NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year award. Smith has 842 yards and 11 touchdowns. Johnson has 845 yards and five touchdowns.

"Normally the defense wants to sit down and rest when the offense has the ball," said Dallas linebacker Jack Del Rio. "We all like to watch and see what Emmitt is going to do.

On Sunday, Smith scored a club record-tying four touchdowns against Phoenix in a 41-10 victory. On an 11-yard scoring run, he made six tacklers miss. On a six-yard touchdown run he slipped down, got up and scored anyway.

Smith can't explain how he does it. He just runs, makes tacklers miss, and scores touchdowns.

"I can't describe how I run," Smith said. "But I do have good vision. I can see tacklers coming. I'm not certain how I do it.'

Smith needs 166 yards in the two remaining games to break Dorsett's team rookie rushing record of 1,007 yards set in 1977.

"I don't know anything about the Cowboys records," Smith said. "Records happen if you run well."

Smith has rushed for 1,000 yards in six of his last seven years going back to Escamia High School in Pensacola, Fla., where he had four consecutive seasons of over 1,500 yards.

He missed out on 1,000 yards in his sophomore season at Florida, logging 988. Smith sat out with a knee injury in his last game.

Sports Scene

Basketball

The Cougars, coached by Larry and Vickie Petty, sailed theough the Optimist Girls' B Team Basketball Tournament last weekend undefeat-

Led by Lisa Kirkpatrick with 10 points and Latasha Valesquez with eight, the Cougars opened with a 24-3 win over the Mustangs.

In the second round, the Cougars beat the Bears, 14-2. Lisa Kirkpatrick and Latasha Valesquez had four points each, Lisa Dwight and Emily Waters had two points each to lead the Cougars.

The Mustangs, coached by Roger David, beat the Longhorns, 16-4, and reached the championship game by edging the Bears, 12-10. Kellie Carter scored eight points for the Mustangs and Lori Lindsey had six for the Bears.

The Cougars then beat the Mustangs for the championship. Latasha Valesquez and Lisa Kirkpatrick again led the scoring with eight and six points respectively. Other players seeing action for the champions were Kellen Waters, Robin Williams and Miki Petty.

Wrestling

Rookie Tournament earlier this Winborn, 125 pounds.

Pampa's matches are as follows: **Division I** (6 & under)

2. Johnny Storey, 38 pounds; 6. Daniel Alexander, 50 pounds; 3. Heath Conner, 56 pounds. Division 2

(8 & under) 1. Jimmy Story, 47 pounds; 4. Chase Carpenter, 47 pounds; 5. Jake Woodruff, 108 pounds.

Division 3 (10 & under) 7. Arron Maldonado, 62 pounds; 9. Nathan Alexander, 67 pounds; 6. Britton Carpenter, 72 pounds; 7. Joel Barker, 72 pounds; 12. Bert Luna, 78 pounds; 4. Josh Johnson,

pounds. **Division 4** (12 & under) 3. Josh Austin, 85 pounds; 5. Chris Smith, 100 pounds; 8. Seth Haynes, 100 pounds; 5. Mike Weatherly, 85 pounds; 8. Brandon

85 pounds; 9. Alan Parker, 136

Stevens, 125 pounds. **Division 5** (15 & under) 6. Matt Weatherly, 85 pounds; 6.

Pampa Take Down Club com- Jim Tripplehorn, 116 pounds; 8. peted in the Amarillo Open and Matt Lamberth, 116 pounds; 6. Matt

> Division 6 (18 & under) Chris Archibald;
> Ricky Munguia; 3. Frank Jara.

DETROIT (AP) — Ernie Harwell knows as well as anyone that baseball is a business.

Nothing is sacred in the nation's pastime: The Boston Red Sox once sold Babe Ruth to the New York

So it doesn't come as a complete surprise that the Detroit Tigers have decided Harwell — the voice of the Tigers for 31 years — will not return to the broadcast booth after the 1991 season.

Harwell, 72, had planned to continue working for another two or three years beyond 1991.

"I wanted to go farther and I wanted to work more years, but the station and the ballclub combined told me that they didn't want me to broadcast Tiger baseball after 1991, and that they're going in a new direction.'

Harwell said he would listen to offers from other clubs.

Cake for the coach



(Special photo)

Randy Hamby (left) Pampa High School Booster Club president, presented Harvester head football coach Dennis Cavalier with a cake during the the club's December meeting. Cavalier was honored for being named District 1-4A's Coach of the Year. Pampa was district co-champions with Hereford

Scoreboard

Bowling

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High Handicap Series: Women bara Bradford, 698; Billie Hupp, 671; Jolene Hapeman, 657; Men - Mike Robbins, 690; Randy Hall, 675; Ernie Byars, 671; High Handicap Game - Women - Barbara Bradford, 288; Betty Brandon, 253; Lori Winton 246; Men – Ernie Byars, 286; Randy Hall, 276; Floyd Gann, 264; High Scratch Series: Women – Barbara Bradford, 605; Billie Hupp, 587; Rita Steddum, 547; Men - Ernie Byars, 620; Mike Robbins, 618; David Wortham, 591; High Scratch Game: Women - Barbara Bradford, 257; Betty Brandon, 220; Rita Steddum, 214; Men - Ernie Byars, 267; Randy Hall, 243; Darrell Lain, 237.

Football

All-District 1-A OFFENSE

First Team Tackles - Chris Spivey, Gruver, 235, senior; Ronnie Hungate, Wheeler, 190, senior; Guards - Arthur Altamirano, Wheeler, 200, senior; Isidro Salas, Wheeler, 200, senior; Center – Travis Floyd, Booker, 160, junior; Tight end – Matt Smith, Wheeler, 180, senior; Split ends - Mike Campbell, Claude, 175, junior; Ryan Sanders, Booker, 145, senior; Quarterback - Chad Phillips, Booker, 135, sophomore; Backs – Mack Marshall, Wheeler, 185, junior; Rafael Tudon, Booker, 170, junior; Finis Barker, Memphis, 175, junior; Lynn Mills, Shamrock, 140, junior; Punter – Brandon Chick, Wheeler, 165, junior.

Tackles - Brandon Childress, Wheeler, senior; Shadden Laverty, Booker, junior; Guards - Pete DeSantiago, Booker, senior; Craig Smith, Shamrock, senior; P.D. Swink, Gruver, senior; Center - Kevin Babbs, Gruver, senior; Center - Revin Babbs, Gruver, senior; Center - Revin Babbs, Gruver, senior; Senter - Revin Babbs, Gruver, senior; Seni senior; Tight end -George Bruton, Shamrod

senior; Split ends - Brandon Chick, Wheeler, junior; Jose Tudon, Booker, junior; Quarterback - Beau Brown, Claude, junior; Backs - Dan McCloy, Gruver, senior; lke Fin-sterwald, Wheeler, junior; Punter - Zach Robason, Claude, senior.

Honorable Mention Tackles - Mitch Johnson, Shamrock, junior; David Wright, Shamrock, senior; Terry Widener, Memphis, junior; Vince Whitfill Memphis, senior; Guards - Kyle Haenisch, Gruver, senior; Aaron Johnson, Shamrock, junior; Jess Weatherly, Memphis, senior; Center - Nathan Robason, Claude, sophomore; Travis Cook, Wheeler, junior; Tight end - Jerad Stone, Memphis, senior; Split ends - Shannon Pool, Gruver, junior; Brady Pool, Gruver, sophomore; Kevin Rider, Claude, senior; Ace Whelchel, Claude, sophomore; sophomore; Kelly Aderholt, Wheeler, senior; Quarterback - Matthew Hoel, Gruver, junior; Shea Davis, Shamrock, senior; Jason Beers, Wheeler, junior; Backs - Brady Miller, Booker, sophomore; Billy Heinshon, Shamrock, senior; Jason Baker, Claude, junior; Mark Marshall, Wheeler, sophomore; Cosme Duran, Memphis, junior;

Punter - Victor Villareal, Shamrock, senior. DEFENSE First Team Linemen - Matt Smith, Wheeler, 180, senior; Arthur Altamirano, Wheeler, 200, senior; David Wright, Shamrock, 240, senior Chris Spivey, Gruver, 235, senior; Scott Green, Claude, 200, senior; Linebackers -Ronnie Hungate, Wheeler, 190, senior; Isidro Salas, Wheeler, 175, senior; Martin Torres, Memphis, 160, sophomore; Rafael Tudon, Booker, 170, junior; Secondary - Shae Davis, Shamrock, 145, senior; Shannon Pool, Gruver, 150, junior; Kelly Aderholt, Wheeler, 160, senior; Jose Tudon, Booker, 150, Junior; Kicker - Arthur Altamirano,

er, 200, senior. Second Team Linemen - Dustin Brown, Booker, senior; Shadden Laverty, Booker, junior; Gilbert Collins, Claude, sophomore; Patrick Martin, Claude, junior; Mack Marshall, Wheeler, junior; Linebackers - Nathan Roba-son, Claude, sophomore; Kyle Hughes, Booker, Junior; Geronim Ortega, Gruver, senior; Craig Smith, Shamrock, senior; Secondary – Joey Combs, Memphis, junior; Chris Eaton, Claude, junior; Jason Beers, Wheeler, junior; Ryan Sanders, Booker, senior; Kicker – Victor Villareal, Shamrock,

Honorable Mention Linemen - Lamonte Dickson, Memphis, junior; Mitch Johnson, Shamrock, junior; Aaron Johnson, Shamrock, junior; Billy

Wheeler, senior; Linebackers - George Brutor Shamrock, senior; Ray Brittain, Claude, freshman; Brady Pool, Gruver, sophomore; Cosme Duran, Memphis, junior; Secondary - Brandor Pool, Wheeler, junior; Billy Heinsohn, Sham rock, senior; Kevin Rider, Claude, senior; Marty McCloy, Gruver, junior; Dan McCloy, Gruver; Kicker - Zach Robason, Claude, senio

Fishing

AUSTIN (AP) — Here is the weekly fishing report as compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Dec. 20:

BASTROP: Water clear, 67 degrees, 14 inches low; black bass are good to 5 pounds on worms and jigs in 5-6 feet of water; crappie are slow; catfish are fair in number to 4 pounds

on stinkbait mostly.

BELTON: Water clear, 59 degrees 6 inches above normal; all fishing has been

BROWNWOOD: Water clear, 60 degrees normal level; black bass are slow; striper are slow; crappie are fair in the 10-12 inch range on minnows and jigs in 20-25 feet of water, no limits caught; white bass are schooling under birds, a few keepers caught; catfish are fair with some channels caught from the docks on shrimp; no yellow catfish landed. Winds have been in the 15 to 20 knot range all week.

BUCHANAN: Water clear, 63 degrees, hes low; black bass are fair through pounds on chartreuse Rogues; striper are excellent through 11 pounds on live bait, limits taken in 30-45 minutes; crappie are good around docks with structure, some limits; white bass are good around Garrett Island unde birds in the evening; catfish are good through 6 pounds in baited holes.

FAYETTE: Water clear, 70 degrees, 1 foot low; black bass are good to 73/4 pounds on live minnows and dark worms with most caught in the 5-8 foot of water range; crappie are slow catfish are fair in the 4 -to 7-pound range or rod and reel with live minnows around the

GIBBONS CREEK: Water clear, 66 within the slot, a 6-pound, 2-ounce fish landed on a dark worm; crappie are fair though few fishermen are out; catfish are fairly go more than 40 pounds on rod and reel baited

LBJ: Water clear, 64 degrees, lake full; black bass are fair through 4 pounds, 2 ounces on chartreuse Getzits in 15 feet of water off nts; striper are slow; crappie are good around docks with structure on minnows

Area basketball

Kelton came from behind to defeat Darrouzett, 65-62, Tuesday night in high school basketball action.

Bobby Buckingham paced Kelton with 16 points, followed by Brian Kirkland with 11.

Kelton trailed by a dozen points at halftime, but closed the gap to one going into the final

quarter. The Lions lifted their roord to

Smalley's 22 points, won the girls' game, 44-30. Susan Davidson had 10 points and Lori Ray 8 for Kel-

Darrouzett, behind Patti

ton, which dropped to 5-10. Follett defeated Lefors, 49-41, in a girls' game Tuesday

"The score was close all the way through, but we made some mistakes and they took advantage of it," said Lefors coach Carol Vincent.

Danna Davis was high scorer for Lefors with 14 points, followed by Susie Davis with 12. Lefors has a 9-7 record.

> **Scoring Summaries** (Tuesday games)

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Kelton girls rally past Darrouzett Records: Miami (7-7), Higgins (1-9).

Booker Canadian 26, 23 B - Krystal Pinckard 16, Kimberly Wynn 12, Rochelle Tregelias 12; C – Jenny Wilburn 17, Christy Sparks 9; Records: Booker (8-4),

Panhandle 15 - Angle Ogletree 26, Brandy Link 7; Liz Stiles 17, Robbis Angle 17, Robbis 17 - Liz Stiles 17, Bobbie Kuehler 13; Records: Wheeler (na), Panhandle (9-3).

Canadian 18 11 29 50 Booker C - Joel Robbins 26, Hienstra 14; B - Toby Wynn 26, Dustin Hoover 13; Records: Canadian (8-6), Booker (3-9).

39 51 8 16 Panhandle 20 P - Gary Laramore 22, Kenny House 8; W -Jason Helton 9, Nathan Willeford 8; Records: Panhandle (8-5), Wheeler (2-6)

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Holiday gift ideas for the sportsman

HO HO With Christmas just around the corner, here are my top 10 gift ideas of 1990. Some are old, some are new but all will bring a smile for Christmas

Number 10: The season's top stocking stuffer for dads everywhere will be those kicking frogs available from Walmart. The surprise is that those spring activated imitations work when bass are feeding on topwater lures. Keep this five dollar lure a secret and have fun this next spring.

Number nine: Gift certificates are available from every tackle store, boat store and retail establishment in town. The bigger, the better!

Number eight: Fly fishing lessons cost less than \$20 and can be one of the best investments if catching trout is your goal. Flying Fishing Seminar is scheduled for the first week in March. Call me at 353-3654 for details and a reservation.

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signed a four-year contract Wednesday with the Boston

BOSTON (AP) — Free agent pitcher Danny Darwin and 1994, bringing the package to \$11.8 million, Hen-

average last season for the Houston Astros, will earn up er Don Slaught from the Pittsburgh Pirates and catcher

dream, to play in a World Series," said Darwin, who in bonuses, Hendricks said.

Quarterback — Chris Simdorn, North 228, senior, Brighton, Colo.

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pi College, 5-10, 195, senior, Philadelphia, Lycoming, 6-2, 196, senior, West Point, Pa.;

Miss.; David Jones, Chadron St., 5-8, 175, Anthony Pertile, Eastern New Mexico, 6-1,

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Wide receivers — Ernest Priester, Edinboro, Matthews, Coe, 6-2, 190, sophomore, St.

dricks said.

Darwin, who led the National League in earned run arbitration from the Los Angeles Dodgers, as did catch-season."

but we both have the same, I guess you'd call it a or innings pitched each season for a possible \$400,000 up in the coming season.'

185, senior, Midland, Texas; Richard

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Astros' Darwin signs four-year contract with Red Sox

"It's been tough for me and my wife to talk about ... Darwin also has a \$100,000 incentive for game starts "Everyone is looking forward to a strong starting line-

to \$12.2 million in the deal, according to agent Randy Mickey Tettleton with the Baltimore Orioles. Signed to highly recommended and is a great competitor. He will

Spurs win streak reaches seven

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — When the run-and-gun style employed by the Denver Nuggets misfires, the result The San Antonio Spurs blew out the cold shooting Nuggets Wednesday, winning their seventh straight game

and resting the entire starting lineup in the fourth quarter of an easy 144-109 victory. The early blowout gave Spurs coach Larry Brown a chance to take a good look at his rookies and Brown

"We had a helluva draft this year and I don't think some people realize that yet," Brown said as his trio of draftees, first-rounder Dwayne Schintzius and second-round picks Sean Higgins and Tony Massenburg combined for 32 points and 15 rebounds. They hit 16 of 28 shots.

Denver shot only 36 percent from the field and trailed by as many as 39 points late in the game. Only a season-high 27-point effort from rookie Chris Jackson prevented the game from getting totally out of

"It was just one of those nights," muttered Jackson after Denver fell 13 games under the .500 mark. "It's frustrating to keep losing.

San Antonio, which shot 57.7 percent from the field, had eight players reach double figures. Sean Elliott led the way with 18 points, one more than Terry Cummings and Reggie Williams. David Robinson added 16 in

just 24 minutes. has come on lately," Robinson said. 'But I hope we as a team can keep this winning streak going and jell at the end of the season when it's most important." Robinson had a productive first quarter with 10 points, five steals. five rebounds and three blocked shots as San Antonio used a 14-0 run to take control. The Spurs finished the quarter with a 36-19 lead and 21 rebounds, one under the franchise record. The lead stood at 76-51 by intermission as 24 of San Antonio's 32 firsthalf field goals were either layups or dunks.

> just want to help (AP Laserphoto)

"The Red Sox believe Darwin will give their pitch-

Spofford said Darwin probably was the last free

Red Sox manager Joe Morgan said Darwin "came

ing staff depth," club spokesman Josh Spofford said.

"San Antonio has The Nuggets' Anthony Cook dunks over the Spurs' David not lost since Dec.

In other player moves Wednesday, pitcher Fernando agent the Red Sox would sign, but said the club would

Valenzuela and utilityman Mickey Hatcher accepted continue to make changes to assure "the best possible

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Texas schoolboy Shaquille O'Neal was having over," O'Neal said. just an ordinary game until coach Dale Brown O'Neal was devastating as he broke former that Shaquille probably had a chance to score gave him a wakeup call. Then, the slumbering teammate Chris Jackson's record of 50 points a whole lot of points because they had a small giant awoke and put to sleep opposing at the Maravich Assembly Center. Arkansas State.

sophomore center from San Antonio, finished shots in a row during the first five minutes, over the tallest Arkansas State starter. He shots as No. 10 LSU beat Arkansas State 98-

Before breaking loose, however, O'Neal O'Neal, Louisiana State's awesome 7-foot-1 had trouble early in the game. He missed four

"I played with Chris (Jackson), and I didn't 62-60 with 8:40 left to play, before O'Neal "Coach Brown called a timeout and said, think his record would be broken anytime broke open the game.

O'Neal had a seven-inch height advantage with 53 points, 19 rebounds and 4 blocked before Brown took him out for about four scored 37 points in the second half, hitting 12 of 15 shots from the field. LSU (5-1) led only

into the game, I mentioned to Wayne (Sims)

The 35-year-old right-hander, who received a \$1 mil- Texas Rangers and Donnie Hill of the California Darwin joins a staff led by Roger Clemens and newly lion bonus for signing, will earn a total of \$6 million in Angels and left-handed pitcher Bill Krueger by the signed Matt Young, along with holdovers Tom Bolton, 1991 and 1992 and a combined \$4.8 million for 1993 Seattle Mariners. Greg Harris and Dana Kiecker. Associated Press names 1990 Little All-America Team Linebackers — James Davis, North Alaba- George Tischler, Hofstra; Dean Witkowski,

ma, 6-0, 192, senior, Clanton, Ala.; Dave North Dakota. Lasecki, Mt. Union, 5-11, 220, senior, Backs — Clayton Holmes, Carson-New-

Linemen - Eric Jonassen, Bloomsburg; Michael Finn, Arkansas-Pine Bluff; Keith

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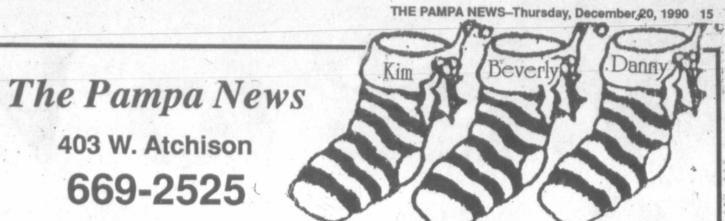
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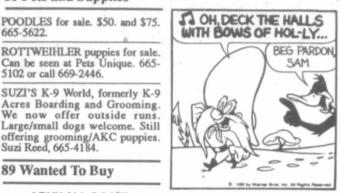
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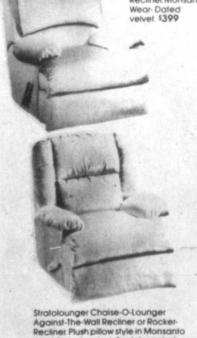
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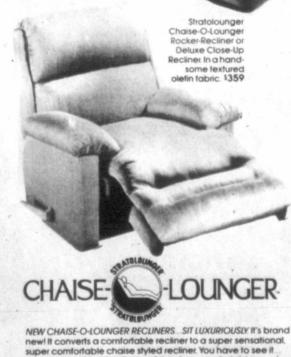
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