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PAMPA — Fire officials were still investigating today the cause of a blaze that gutted a Pampa furniture store.

After more than two weeks, the cause of the fire at Johnson Home Furnishings has not been determined by Pampa's Fire Marshal's office.

"It's still under investigation, we're still working on it," said Fire Marshal Tom Adams.

Following the Nov. 14 fire which did approximately \$125,000 to \$150,000 in damage to the store, a unit from the state's Fire Marshal Office, equipped with a specially trained dog, assisted in the investigation.

The store's general manager expects the business to reopen as soon as repairs are finished. No date has been established. Connie Smith, general manager for the furniture store, said most of the damage in the fire was as a result of the smoke. Water damage was very light, according to Smith.

MCLEAN — Republican Creed Lamb of McLean announced Tuesday that he would seek re-election for Justice of the Peace Precinct 4. If re-elected, it would be his second term of office.

PAMPA — For the second consecutive year, Pampa residents will not be having a Christmas Parade.

The reason for the event being cancelled this year is due to a lack of personnel and manpower to handle the planning and organization of the parade, according to Nanette Moore, the executive vice president of Pampa's Chamber of Commerce.

For many years, the Chamber of Commerce has organized the parade through Pampa's downtown area. Last year's parade was cancelled because of bad weather, Moore said.

NEW YORK (AP) — Crude oil futures prices sank more than \$1 per barrel to the lowest level since mid-1990, as traders returning from a holiday weekend caught up with OPEC's decision to maintain current output levels.

Light sweet crude oil for January delivery fell \$1.07 cents to settle at \$15.31 per barrel Monday on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The drop was a delayed reaction to a decision last Wednesday by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries not to reduce production to boost sagging prices.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is recruiting top AIDS experts from government, industry and academia for a new effort to speed the discovery of drugs to stop the epidemic that is killing 92 Americans daily.

The health secretary unveiled the initiative at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md., on the eve of World AIDS Day. (See story on Page 3.)

GOLETA, Calif. (AP) — For more than two decades, Roman Catholic priests sexually abused boys aged 7 to 16 at a boarding school in a Santa Barbara seminary, a panel organized by a Franciscan order concluded.

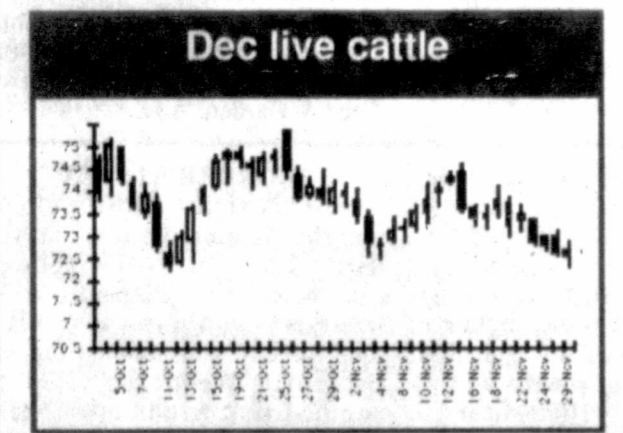
A board of inquiry for the St. Barbara Province of the Franciscan Order said Monday that 12 priests engaged in nude games, fondling and other sex acts with students at St. Anthony's Seminary from 1964 to 1987, when it closed because of financial problems.

So far, 34 boys, mostly teen-agers, have been identified as victims.

PANMUNJOM, Korea (AP) — North Korea today returned what it said were the remains of 33 American soldiers killed in the Korean War but the gesture of peace was not matched by words.

In an apparent response to last week's meeting between President Clinton and South Korea's president, North Korea denounced the United States and threatened to withdraw from a nuclear controls treaty.

Tuesday's transfer would be the largest since the North began returning remains in 1990, apparently seeking to end its diplomatic isolation.



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Supreme Court lets mugger remain millionaire

By MIKE MOKRZYCKI
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — The mugging victim never got a penny for his broken glasses, his torn jacket, his trauma from nearly being choked to death.

The mugger was awarded \$2 million, and on Monday, the U.S. Supreme Court said he could keep it, if he ever gets it.

The money came at a steep cost, though. As he ran from the subway station where he helped mug Jerome Sandusky in 1984, Bernard McCummings was paralyzed from the chest down when a policeman shot him in the back. A jury and appeals court found that the officer used excessive force.

Asked Monday if he has any sympathy for McCummings' physical plight, Sandusky laughed. "Ordinarily I would be sorry for anyone that was made a cripple. But he was made a cripple because of his own action," the 80-year-old man said.

Sandusky wasn't laughing about the decision, issued without comment, to uphold the damage award to McCummings.

"I'm infuriated," Sandusky, a retired textile executive, said in a telephone interview from his home in Newark, N.J. "It's justice turned upside down ... and it sends a terrible message to other guys that crime does pay."

McCummings' lawyer, David Breitbart, contended that New York City Transit Authority officials tried to defend an improper shooting by one of their officers, falsely testifying

that McCummings was shot in the chest.

"The message," Breitbart said, "is that you can't do whatever you want. You have to be held accountable for your actions."

Lawrence Heisler, a lawyer for the Transit Authority, said he was disappointed the Supreme Court didn't use the case to rule that police may shoot unarmed, fleeing suspects who have committed a violent crime.

"The message is, it's probably wiser for a police officer to do nothing, in terms of civil liability," Heisler said.

McCummings was 23 and fresh out of jail for a previous robbery when he attacked Sandusky with an accomplice in a Manhattan subway station the night of June 28, 1984. A third

young man stood lookout.

Sandusky was struck and pinned to the ground while his pockets were rifled. He screamed for help. "The guy who was choking me kept saying, 'If you don't shut up I'm going to choke you to death.' And he almost did," Sandusky said.

Two plainclothes transit police officers ran up. As McCummings fled, Officer Manuel Rodriguez shot him.

Sandusky was left with a bloody nose and a desire to move out of New York City.

McCummings pleaded guilty to attempted robbery and served more than two years in jail. Then he sued the Transit Authority.

After a series of appeals, the Transit Authority paid about

\$3.1 million this year. Breitbart got about a third, and the agency is withholding the rest because of a paternity lawsuit against McCummings and a fraud claim the authority has filed against his previous lawyer.

Sandusky said he was never reimbursed for his jacket or his glasses — "not to mention my state of mind." He said lawyers have told him it's too late for him to sue McCummings.

Breitbart said McCummings, ill and unavailable for comment, was sorry he mugged Sandusky but had no thought of sharing his wealth with his victim.

"Was Mr. Sandusky hurt?" Breitbart said. "He didn't have any injury. ... Bernard's going to be crippled for the rest of his life."

Cementing Pampa relationships...



Jim Benton adds to the concrete relationship between Genesis House and the outside world today as he pours a new sidewalk to the community service agency in the 600 block of Buckler. (Pampa News photo by Darlene Holmes)

Widespread unrest in Gaza over arrest of Fatah leader

By SAID GHAZALI
Associated Press Writer

KHAN YUNIS, Occupied Gaza Strip (AP) — Angered by Israeli army attacks on the PLO's Fatah Hawks, Palestinians blocked roads today and threw rocks at soldiers, who fired back and wounded 56 people in the worst unrest since the signing of the PLO-Israeli peace accord.

The simmering rebellion of young militants threatened to undercut PLO leader Yasser Arafat's control of the Gaza Strip and further imperiled peace negotiations that are reportedly at an impasse.

"We call on the PLO leadership to immediately stop the talks with Israel," said a wall slogan in Rafah signed by the Fatah Hawks, military wing of Arafat's Fatah faction.

"The peace process will not tie our hands from going back to the armed struggle," said a leaflet signed by Shabiba, Fatah's youth movement.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who was in Paris today, said he regretted the army clashes with Arafat's followers. He vowed to press ahead with talks on implementing the Palestinian autonomy accord, while conceding that opposition to the peace process was

increasing among Palestinians and Israelis alike.

Israeli troops are scheduled to start withdrawing Dec. 13. But Rabin has been suggesting the date might be delayed because of lack of progress in talks on the handover to the PLO of the Gaza Strip and the West Bank town of Jericho.

Sami Abu Samhandaneh, a PLO official in Gaza, said he would meet with the Israeli army commander in Gaza to demand a cease-fire, an end to Israeli operations against the Hawks and a cut in Israel's military presence.

"If they stop firing we will stop firing," he said.

The Fatah Hawks have about 550 armed members and serve as the enforcement arm of Fatah, largest of the PLO factions. They began turning themselves into Israeli authorities in support of the peace process and were expected to play a leading role in security as part of a Palestinian police force loyal to Arafat.

But Israel's war against fugitive Palestinian fighters has triggered two major outbursts of violence the past week. Thursday, 34 Palestinians were wounded that following the slaying of Imad Aqal, head of the military wing of the extremist Muslim group Hamas.

Violence was triggered by the army's killing Sunday of a Fatah Hawk, Ahmed Abu Rish, in Khan Yunis. Abu Rish had laid down his arms and surrendered last week, but army sources said he was with armed men at the time he was shot to death by an undercover unit.

His killing was viewed by Palestinians as a violation of a truce agreement.

"Abu Rish was at the wrong place at the wrong time and with the wrong people," said Col. Shuki, deputy commander of army forces in Gaza. He did not give his full name in keeping with regulations.

Late Monday, members of an undercover army unit captured Taisir Bardini, leader of the Fatah Hawks, after a shootout in the Rafah refugee camp near the Egyptian border. Three Palestinians and three soldiers were wounded.

The violence resumed today. Hospitals reported 46 Palestinians wounded in the Gaza City area and 10 others wounded in Khan Yunis.

A thick cloud of gray smoke rose over Gaza City and the Jebaliya refugee camp. Few cars were on the road, and schools and businesses were closed as part of a three-day general strike called to protest Israeli army actions.

Brady Bill to be signed into law

By CAROLYN SKORNECK
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — After almost seven years of legislative battle, the Brady handgun control bill needs only President Clinton's signature to become law.

"How sweet it is, how long it took," Jim Brady said today.

The bill will require a five-day waiting period and background check on handgun buyers and will take effect 90 days after it is signed by Clinton today.

Its arrival at the White House came only after extended Senate negotiations. The day before Thanksgiving, Republicans dropped a blockade in exchange for a vote next year on some modifications.

Clinton began urging Congress to pass the bill before he took office and hailed its passage as "a wonderful

Thanksgiving present for the American people."

The bill, named for former White House Press Secretary James Brady, who was severely wounded in the 1981 assassination attempt on President Reagan, was first introduced into Congress on Feb. 4, 1987.

Brady and his wife have campaigned for gun control since the mid-1980s.

The National Rifle Association spearheaded the opposition, but every major law enforcement organization endorsed the bill.

"It's not their golden hour," Brady said of the NRA during an interview on NBC this morning. "Actually, it took a team in Washington to do this, Democrats and Republicans, Americans all."

"It's not a panacea, but it is the beginning, and it will make a difference," Brady's wife, Sarah, said.

Kevorkian ordered jailed after third assisted-suicide charge

By JULIA PRODIS
Associated Press Writer

ROYAL OAK, Mich. (AP) — Dr. Jack Kevorkian was ordered jailed today on a charge he aided the suicide of a 72-year-old woman, his third charge of violating Michigan's ban on assisted suicide.

District Judge Daniel Sawicki also set a \$50,000 cash bond.

Police had declared Kevorkian a fugitive after he failed to show up for arraignment on the charge filed late Monday. But his lawyer, Michael Schwartz, said he had promised the retired pathologist would turn himself in today.

"I don't feel like a fugitive," Kevorkian said as he arrived at the police station.

Later, after his arraignment, Kevorkian walked with deputies to the Oakland County Jail,

shouting as he left: "Why don't they make it a million? You call this a civilized society?"

Schwartz said Kevorkian would starve himself in jail and was not asking anyone to bail him out.

Kevorkian went on a hunger strike during a three-day stay earlier this month in the jail, refusing solid food and taking only juice, water and vitamins.

He was bailed out by a lawyer who thought the doctor was getting too much publicity.

The latest charge involves the Oct. 22 death of Merian Frederick of Ann Arbor, who had Lou Gehrig's disease. She died in Kevorkian's presence by inhaling carbon monoxide in an apartment Kevorkian rented next to his own.

Her death was the 19th that Kevorkian, 65, attended since 1990.

A Taste of Pampa



Wanda Talley, left, property manager of the Pampa Mall, and Sherry Carlson and Ann Loter of the Gray County Association for Retarded Citizens stretch a banner for the Taste of Pampa celebration set for 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at the mall. Some 21 businesses are involved including 19 restaurants. (Pampa News photo)

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Services tomorrow

HAYTON, Aaron Kyle — 2 p.m., First Christian Church, Panhandle.
McGRAW, Lola V. — 2 p.m., Scott-Morris Funeral Chapel, Tyler.
TIPTON, Lt. Col. Jack Ray — 11 a.m., Wednesday in Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon-Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors, Amarillo.

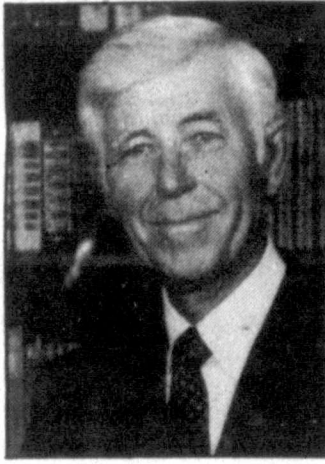
Obituaries

AARON KYLE HAYTON
PANHANDLE — Aaron Kyle Hayton, 5, died Monday, Nov. 29, 1993. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in First Christian Church, with the Rev. Doug Harvey, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Panhandle Cemetery by Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors.
 Aaron Kyle was born in Amarillo. Survivors include his parents, Doug and Janet Hayton; a brother, Ryan, of the home; a sister, Kaitlyn, of the home; and grandparents Jerry Don and Sondra Eagle of Panhandle and Wanda Beddingfield of Clarendon.
 The family requests memorials be to Texas Tech Pediatric Oncology Department or First Christian Church.

LOLA V. McCRAW
TYLER — Lola V. McCraw, 88, former Hemphill County treasurer, died Monday, Nov. 29, 1993. Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Scott-Morris Funeral Chapel, with David Bowman, clergyman, officiating. Burial will be in Nocona Cemetery.
 Mrs. McCraw was born in Holdenville, Indian Territory, Okla. She moved to Nocona at an early age, growing up there and graduating from Nocona High School. She married William Robert "Bob" McCraw in 1923. They farmed in Hemphill County until his death in 1934. She was elected Hemphill County treasurer in Canadian in 1939 and served until 1945, when she moved to Amarillo. She lived in Amarillo until 1991, moving to Tyler to be near her son. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of American Legion and Pleasant Valley Methodist Church in Amarillo.
 Survivors include two sons, Marion Francis of Tyler and William Hardie of Chester, Okla.; four grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

C. ALVIN SCOTT
 C. Alvin Scott, 76, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 1993, at Houston. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church, with the Rev. John Glover, the Rev. Don Turner and the Rev. George Warren, associate pastors, officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.
 Mr. Scott was born on March 5, 1917, in Marlow, Okla., and was reared in Marlow. He married Jean Harrell on June 16, 1946, in Duncan, Okla. He had been a resident of Pampa since March 1946. He began his employment with the Pampa Post Office on April 1, 1946, retiring on April 1, 1982. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during World War II. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, serving as a deacon, and was a member of the Everyman's Bible Class.
 He was preceded in death by a brother, Leon Scott, in 1990.
 Survivors include his wife, Jean, of the home; two sons and daughters-in-law, Dennis and Tonya Scott of Amarillo and Steve and Joy Scott of Midland; two sisters, Ora Lee Cox of Pampa and Lillian Daughy of Oklahoma City, Okla.; two brothers, Charles Scott of Marlow, Okla., and Adrian Scott of Duncan, Okla.; and two grandchildren, Cody Scott and Tyler Scott, both of Midland.
 The family requests memorials be to the Sonshine Scholarship Fund of the First Baptist Church.

LT. COL. (RET.) JACK RAY TIPTON
AMARILLO — Lt. Col. (Ret.) Jack Ray Tipton, 73, brother of a Pampa resident, died Sunday, Nov. 28, 1993, at Amarillo. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Bell Avenue Chapel of Schooler-Gordon-Blackburn-Shaw Funeral Directors, with Dr. Harold Daniel, assistant pastor of Polk Street United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery in Amarillo with military honors by Reese Air Force Base of Lubbock.
 Mr. Tipton was born on April 24, 1920, at Bell Ranch near Trenton, N.M. He had been an Amarillo resident for 18 years. He married Beverly Gahagan in 1946 in Austin. He graduated from the University of Texas with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering. He received his master's degree in aeronautical engineering from the University of Michigan and his master's degree in accounting from the University of Texas at Arlington. He was also a graduate of the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Va. He served 27 years in the U.S. Air Force.
 He was a B-17 pilot and flew 57 missions over Europe and earned two Distinguished Flying Crosses with Clusters. He served on Johnston Island in the Pacific for nuclear testing during the 1960s. He was assigned to the Weapons Effects and Testing Department at Sandia Base in Albuquerque, N.M., and the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. After retirement, he worked for Boeing Corp. in Huntsville, Ala., as an engineer in the development of booster rockets for the space program.
 Mr. Tipton was an accountant and business consultant for 18 years. He was a volunteer for the Amarillo Senior Citizens Association and Jan Werner's Adult Day Care Center. He initiated the Amarillo Retired Officers Association and the Amarillo Air Force Association and was a past officer of both.
 Survivors include his wife; two sons, Barry G. Tipton and Jack R. Tipton, both of Amarillo; a sister, Elaine Lively of Pampa; and six grandchildren.
 The family will be at 3502 Tripp and requests memorials be to Amarillo Senior Citizens Association.



Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
MONDAY, Nov. 29
 Taylor #47, 1524 N. Hobart, reported a theft of under \$20.
 Margaret Sue White, 1021 N. Sumner #123, reported a theft.
 Southwest Public Service, P.O. Box 2257, reported a theft of service.
 The city of Pampa reported criminal mischief over \$20 and under \$200.
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 Randy Townsend, 641 N. Wells, reported criminal mischief.
 John David Whitmarsh, 712 Bradley, reported a theft of over \$20 but under \$200.
 Ronald Glen Moon, 822 Murphy, reported criminal trespassing.
 Rethau Ates, Lubbock, reported criminal mischief.
 Alco Store, 1207 N. Hobart, reported a theft of under \$20.

Arrest
MONDAY, Nov. 29
 Ronnie B. Campbell, 47, 433 Hughes, was arrested in the 900 block of East Kingsmill on a charge of public intoxication.

Court report

COUNTY COURT
Criminal
 An order was entered to issue a warrant for the arrest of Vereanki Roynell Roland because the defendant owes \$275 probation fees, \$140 fine, \$171 court costs and \$366 restitution.
 An order was entered to dismiss a charge of assault-appeal from municipal court against Jimmy Lynn Freudenrich because the complaining witness has requested dismissal.
 Orders were entered to dismiss the following from deferred adjudication misdemeanor probation: Billy Gene Newton, Gregg Keith Parks, Alva Leroy Marchman, Gregory Bryon Bradford, Maurice Ford, Johnny Byassee, Kerry Mac Matney, Joe Earle Curtis, John Edwin Harmon, John Dee Gilbert, Shelly K. Williams, Gerald Sprague Smith, David Lee Earley, Max W. Mecaskey and Dan E. Hightower.
 Orders were entered to dismiss a charge of driving while license suspended and a charge of driving while intoxicated-second offense against Charlie David Flowers because his parole was revoked and he was returned to Texas Department of Corrections.

Marriage licenses issued
 Casey Joe Bitner and Alane Sue Davis
 William Morrison Lawson III and Jennifer Dawn Humphrey
 Charles Mills White and Phyllis White

DISTRICT COURT
Civil
 Gary Wade Sr. #628814 vs. Darwin D. Sanders, Fernando de la Rosa, James D. Frawner and Michael D. Savers; damages
 Office of the Attorney General vs. Angel M. Ruiz; URESA
 Ernest Warren and Gayla Ann Warren vs. Cabot Corp., Carbon Black Division, Research and Development; damages

Criminal
 Orders were entered dismissing two charges of aggravated sexual assault of a child against James Owen Washman because the evidence is insufficient.

Divorces granted
 Karen Mangus Cadena and John Keith Cadena
 Linda Carrol Duck Daniels and James Larry Daniels
 Frances Hughes and Eddie Ray Hughes

Annulment granted
 Emma Mastella McIntire and Billy McIntire

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL
Admissions
 Kathleen Ann Bradford
 Fayetta L. Millikan
 Dorothy Jean Morris
 Jesse Marvin Thompson
Births
 To Ms. Fayetta Millikan of Pampa, a boy.

Dismissals
Pampa
 No dismissals were reported.
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL
Admissions
 Wheeler
 Gordon Stiles
Dismissals
 Shamrock
 J.L. Kirkland

Calendar of events

LAS PAMPAS CHAPTER OF THE DAR
 Las Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution plans to meet at 2 p.m. Thursday at the home of Mrs. Otis Nace. Mrs. John Skelly is to present a program on early American Christmas customs.

TEENAGE REPUBLICANS
 Gray County Teenage Republicans plan to meet at 6:30 p.m. today in their headquarters on the south side of the Hughes Building, 408 W. Kingsmill. On the agenda are NAFTA, health care and 1994 elections.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are provided by Wheeler-Evans of Pampa.

Wheat	3.68
Milo	4.73
Com.	5.17

The following show the prices for which these securities could have traded at the time of compilation:

Serico	3 3/4	NC
Occidental	17 1/2	NC

The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at the time of compilation:

Magellan	73
Puntan	15.90

The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock Market quotations are furnished by Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.

Amoco	52 3/4	up 3/8
Arco	104	up 1/8
Cabot	53 7/8	up 3/8
Cabot O&G	19 1/2	up 1/8
Chevron	86 5/8	up 1
Coca-Cola	42 1/8	dn 1/8
Diamond Sham	24 1/2	NC
Enron	31 1/2	NC
Halliburton	30 3/4	up 1/8
HealthTrust Inc.	22 7/8	up 3/8
Ingersoll Rand	36 7/8	NC
KNE	29 1/2	dn 1/4
Kerr McGee	47 3/8	up 3/4
Limited	22 3/8	dn 1/8
Mapco	60 5/8	up 1/8
Maxus	5 3/4	dn 1/8
McDonald's	58 3/8	dn 1/4
Mobil	75 3/4	up 3/8
New Atmos	27 1/8	NC
Parker & Parsley	21 3/8	NC
Phillips	53 5/8	dn 3/4
Phillips	29	up 5/8
SLB	57 3/8	up 3/8
SPS	30 1/4	dn 1/8
Tenneco	48 1/2	dn 1/2
Texaco	63 5/8	up 3/8
Uni-Mark	28 7/8	dn 5/8
New York Gold	371.10	
Silver	4.45	
West Texas Crude	15.35	

Space station supporters air concerns

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House is seeking advice from Capitol Hill on how the planned space station collaboration with Russia is playing politically.
 Vice President Al Gore invited congressional station supporters to the White House on Monday to voice their concerns to him and President Clinton in advance of Gore's trip to Moscow next month, where he will formally sign the cooperation agreement.
 While not opposed to international participation, some of the lawmakers have suggested the U.S.-Russian collaboration unveiled earlier this month could be too costly and politically unfeasible.
 Concerns have also been expressed about whose space station it will be and whether Russia's precarious economy will allow it to meet its obligations.
 And, some lawmakers are skeptical that the new design can be built within the \$2.1 billion annual station funding cap to which the administration has committed.
 House Majority Leader Dick Gephardt said the purpose of the 90-minute meeting was for the congressional leadership to "raise warning flags of where the problems will be."
 "The problems weren't all solved today, but a very important communication took place," the Missouri Democrat said as he emerged from the White House.
 A key question is how to sell this latest station redesign to a House that came within one vote earlier this year of killing a massive project that has been downsized half a dozen times since first put on the drawing board in 1984.
 "There were questions that needed to be discussed relative to how you maintain support for station in the House," said Rep. Jerry Lewis.
 The Californian, who is ranking Republican on the appropriations subcommittee that doles out NASA funding, was one of four lawmakers who signed a letter last month challenging the current station plan.
 "The proposed Russian-American space station plan is not supportable and NASA should go back and look at the approach suggested here," the members wrote in a Nov. 22 letter to Gore obtained by the publication *Space News*.
 "Unless a more acceptable plan for proceeding with the space station is provided for congressional consideration, it is doubtful that it will be approved or have our support next year," they wrote in the letter, which wasn't mailed after they received administration assurances that their concerns would be aired.
 The space station's construction in orbit is scheduled to begin in 1997.

No action taken on combining probation offices

By **CHERYL BERZANSKIS**
News Editor
 The Juvenile Probation Board today discussed combining the juvenile and adult probation offices.
 Members of the board took no action this morning to hire staff members for the juvenile probation office.
 Following a discussion about the pros and cons of consolidating juvenile probation with adult probation, and an executive session to discuss personnel, the three member panel declined to name a replacement for retiring JPO chief Ed Barker.
 District Judge Kent Sims said it was the consensus of the board that they would discuss the position of JPO chief with now-assistant JPO assistant Albert Nichols to see if he is interested and review other applications for both jobs in the office.
 The first portion of the meeting was devoted to discussion about consolidating the two probation offices.
 It appeared that JPO staffers Barker and Nichols oppose the idea of consolidation, while chief of the Department of Community Corrections Jeane Roper favors the concept.
 The board made no decision about changing the organizational set up of the two offices.
 The board is comprised of County Judge Carl Kennedy, District Judge Kent Sims and District Judge Lee Waters.

SPS' Miami manager, Charles Bailey, to retire

Charles Bailey, Southwestern Public Service manager in Miami, has announced his retirement from the company as of Dec. 1.
 He will be succeeded as manager by Ray Juarez, who has been a serviceman in Clovis, N.M.
 Bailey joined SPS in 1952 as a groundman in Pampa. He worked his way up through the line department and was named journeyman lineman in 1960. He was named Miami local manager in 1963.
 Bailey has been very active in the community, participating in the Lions Club, the Chamber of Commerce, Boy Scouts, church activities and the National Cow Calling Contest, among others.
 Juarez also started his SPS career as groundman. He began working in Artesia, N.M., in 1973. He was named a lineman journeyman in 1977, and in 1989 he transferred to Clovis.
 Juarez has been very involved in every community in which he has lived. He has been a member of the volunteer fire department, a volunteer for the Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, and member of the Knights of Columbus, and he has been very involved in youth sports activities.
 Juarez and his wife, Lydia, have three children: Daniel, 20; Marcos, 18; and Teresa, 14.

County Commission to meet

Gray County Commissioners plan to meet at 9 a.m. Wednesday in the Gray County Courthouse.
 Commissioners will consider an inmate housing contract with Collins County, gas service at Recreation Park and the Lake McClellan project financial report.
 At 10 a.m., the group will receive bids for group medical benefits. Also scheduled for discussion is a request for part time help during December by Tax Assessor/Collector Margie Gray.

Serving on the Gray County Commissioners Court are Judge Carl Kennedy, Joe Wheeley of Precinct 1, Jim Greene of Precinct 2, Gerald Wright of Precinct 3 and Ted Simmons of Precinct 4.

Accidents

The Pampa Police Department reported the following accident during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
MONDAY, Nov. 29
 8:36 a.m. — A 1984 Oldsmobile driven by Lucille C. Carter, 39, Rt. 2 Box 40L, collided with a 1986 Dodge driven by E. Susan Hensley, 38, Albuquerque, N.M., in the 1800 block of North Hobart. No injuries were reported. Hensley was cited for failure to yield right of way when entering traffic.

City briefs

BRICK REPAIR, Harley Knutson, 665-4237. Adv.
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CAJUN FOOD at Hamburger Station, Wednesday night, 6-9 p.m. Adv.
OPEN FOR BUSINESS in our warehouse 9-5:30, Monday thru Saturday, west door. All new appliances and furniture. Johnson's Home Furnishings, 801 W. Francis, 665-3361. Adv.
AMAZING THIGH Cream. We have it! Call 665-3437. Adv.
NEW MERCHANDISE at Rheams Diamond Shop, Fossil watches, Mickey Mouse rings and watches and Crystal for gifts. Adv.
TASTE OF Pampa. Saturday 11-2 p.m. Pampa Mall. Watch Wednesday for details. Adv.
AKC ROTTWEILERS, taking deposits on litter born November 2. Ready in time for Christmas. 665-9566, 669-1838. Adv.
OUR CHRISTMAS trees are here, 4 foot to 16 foot. Pampa Lawnmower, 501 S. Cuyler, 665-8843. Adv.
DEREK AND Rhonda Coleman are the proud parents of Taylor Blaine, weighing in at 2 pounds 14 oz. November 17, 1993. Grandparents are Gary and Faye Coleman of Elk City Okla. Bud and Betty Welch of Pampa.
CHRISTMAS AKC Chihuahua pups. 121 N. Starkweather. Adv.
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Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST
 Tonight, cloudy, windy and cooler, a low of 40, south winds 15 to 25 mph. Wednesday, even cooler, showers possible, high of 55. Monday's high was 59; the overnight low was 31.
REGIONAL FORECAST
 West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, becoming cloudy. Lows in mid 30s to around 40. Wednesday, chance of showers. Highs in low 50s. Wednesday night, chance of snow. Lows in the 30s. South Plains: Tonight, becoming cloudy. Lows in low 40s. Wednesday and Wednesday night, slight chance of showers. Highs in the 50s. Lows in mid 30s to low 40s.
 North Texas — Tonight, mostly cloudy with lows from upper 40s to mid 50s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with a chance of afternoon thunderstorms west and central. Isolated afternoon thunderstorms east. Highs from mid 60s west to low 70s east. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with a chance of thunderstorms. Lows from mid to upper 50s.
 South Texas — Hill Country and South Central Texas: Tonight, mostly cloudy with occasional light rain or drizzle. Lows in the 50s. Wednesday, cloudy with widely scattered showers. Highs near 70. Wednesday night, cloudy with widely scattered showers and thunderstorms. Lows near 60. Coastal Bend: Tonight, mostly cloudy with intermittent light drizzle. Lows from 50s inland to 60s east. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with widely scattered light rain or drizzle. Highs in the 70s. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with scattered showers. Lows in the 60s. Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy with intermittent light rain or drizzle. Lows in the 60s. Wednesday, mostly cloudy with occasional light rain. Highs in the 70s. Wednesday night, mostly cloudy with widely scattered showers. Lows from near 60 inland to 60s coast.
BORDER STATES
 New Mexico — Mostly cloudy tonight. Scattered snow showers northwest third. A few showers elsewhere. Lows 20s and low 30s mountains and northwest 30s to mid 40s east and south. Colder in the north Wednesday. Cooler south. Brisk winds most areas. Mostly cloudy with scattered showers and mountain snows north. Variable clouds with a few showers south. Highs from the 30s to mid 40s northwest third to the 50s and low 60s southern lowlands. Decreasing clouds Wednesday night. Decreasing snow showers central mountains and northeast. A few rain and snow showers southeast. Lows 5 to 25 mountains and northwest with 20s to mid 30s east and south.
 Oklahoma — Increasing cloudiness tonight. Lows mainly in the 40s. Mostly cloudy through Wednesday night with showers likely. Highs in the 50s and low 60s. Lows upper 30s northwest to upper 40s southeast.

'Follow the Star' Christmas display lights Hill Country ranch

By RALPH WININGHAM
San Antonio Express-News

BOERNE (AP) — Anyone who ever has tangled a string of Christmas lights that had been stuffed in the bottom of a box of decorations should have a soft spot in his or her heart for Jerry Hagee and his family.

Their string of Christmas lights and power cord is about seven miles long.

Billed as a half-million lights illuminating the Hill Country, Hagee's "Follow the Star" display winds through about 40 acres of his 750-acre ranch just three miles east of Boerne on Texas 46.

Opening on Thanksgiving for the second year, the unique presentation features 500,000 lights and 200 Christmas characters in 50 displays that include animated and live characters and animals.

Admission to the display is \$3 per person, with children under 3 years old admitted free. The drive-through presentation will be open from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. weeknights and 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. on weekends and holidays through Jan. 2.

"Christmas is such a fun time and a peaceful time. We wanted to do this as a family project that was just a lot of fun to do," said Rick Sanders, who is Hagee's official Christmas display ramrod.

The 46-year-old Sanders, his wife, Lori; Hagee and his wife, Polly; and ranch foreman Tony Duncan were the designers, electricians, painters and everything else on the project.

"We started the process about three years ago," Sanders said, explaining that Hagee created and operated Oklahoma's top tourist attraction, Arbuckle Wilderness, for 15 years until he sold the theme park to the state of Oklahoma in July 1992.

"We came down to stay in a cabin on the ranch... and we have just fallen in love with this area."

"Since we were in the tourist-oriented business in Oklahoma, this is something we could do that we really enjoy," he said.

Although Hagee spends about seven months of the year at his Star H ranch outside Boerne, in recent months he has been commuting back and forth to Oklahoma, with Sanders serving as the Christmas display spokesman.

In addition to his other interests, Hagee operates a dude ranch called Cottonwood Cove in Creede, Colo.

The Boerne attraction opened last year with little fanfare, Sanders said, and local residents were very supportive.

"We stuffed a lot of fliers on car windows and relied on word of mouth. Everyone was very pleased with the display. We didn't hear one negative comment," he continued.

He said they worked for about four months to prepare for the 1992 opening, finishing just one day before the first visitors were allowed to drive through the display last Thanksgiving.

"We worked on some of the scenes and figures for more than a year and then had to rush to put out all the lights between August and November. This year, since we left a lot of the displays in place, we started on the first of September," he said.

Scenes in the display range from cowboy elves riding horses, a 14-foot-tall cowboy boot and an elf playground to traditional depictions of families celebrating the holiday.

Naturally, one of the most popular scenes shows elves loading packages onto Santa's sleigh.

Taped music selections accompany the views along the mile-long route, which normally takes about 20 minutes to view.

"The road is wide enough that cars can go around those who stop to spend a little more time looking at the scenes. We had a lot of people who wanted to go right back through because they wanted to spend more time at some of the displays," Sanders said.

Concerning the nuts and bolts of the project, he said about five miles of main power cable were used, in addition to about 2.5 miles of extension cord and other wiring.

"We had to bring in 15 transformers to handle the additional power load," he said.

As an added attraction this year, giraffes, llamas, zebu and Sicilian donkeys were incorporated into some of the displays.

"I don't know of anyone who has this type of display with this many lights in this area. This has been a lot of work, but it has also been a family project that has been a lot of fun," Sanders said.

Clinton forms task force of experts to find AIDS-fighting drugs

By CHRISTOPHER CONNELL
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration is recruiting top AIDS experts from government, industry and academia for a new effort to speed the discovery of drugs to stop the epidemic that is killing 92 Americans daily.

"It is time to refocus and reenergize our best minds for a concerted attack on this killer," Health and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala said today in announcing a National Task Force on AIDS Drug Development.

The health secretary unveiled the initiative at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md., on the eve of World AIDS Day.

Joining her were Kristine M. Gebbie, the national AIDS policy coordinator, along with top federal health officials and AIDS scientists.

Dr. Philip R. Lee, assistant secretary for health and head of the Public Health Service, was named to chair the 15-member panel, which will include members from AIDS-affected communities as well as researchers. Shalala will select the 14 others later.

Gebbie, who oversees the federal efforts on AIDS research, care and prevention, worked with HHS officials on plans for the task force, but it will report to Shalala.

"This represents unprecedented high-level collaboration among leaders in the field," Shalala said in prepared remarks.

The task force will have "a clear and critical mission: to identify and remove any barriers or obstacles to developing effective treatment," said the health secretary.

The announcement drew praise from advocates for AIDS patients.

"It's really significant," said Derek Hodel, treatment issues

director for the AIDS Action Council. "It represents a level of commitment that we haven't seen yet from the federal government."

"It's absolutely a step in the right direction," said Marj Plumb, health policy director for the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

But she expressed some concern the Clinton administration may be taking a piecemeal approach to the AIDS crisis.

AIDS is the No. 1 killer of American men aged 25 to 44 and the eighth-biggest killer overall.

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention estimates 1 million to 1.5 million Americans have been infected by the virus that causes AIDS. Some 339,250 Americans have gotten full-blown AIDS and 60 percent — 204,390 — had died as of Sept. 30.

Only three antiviral drugs have been approved for patients with

the human immunodeficiency virus: AZT, DDI and ddC. None can stop the disease from following its fatal course. Other compounds, including d4T and CD4, are undergoing clinical trials.

The Clinton administration and Congress this year boosted the AIDS research budget at NIH by 21 percent to \$1.3 billion.

"But the sad fact remains that not a single new drug application for an antiretroviral drug is currently before the Food and Drug Administration," Shalala said.

Some other drugs are prescribed to fight the opportunistic infections that commonly strike AIDS patients, including ganciclovir and foscarnet to prevent blindness and aerosol pentamidine to prevent pneumocystis pneumonia, the most common fatal AIDS infection.

The virus is usually spread through contact with blood or with

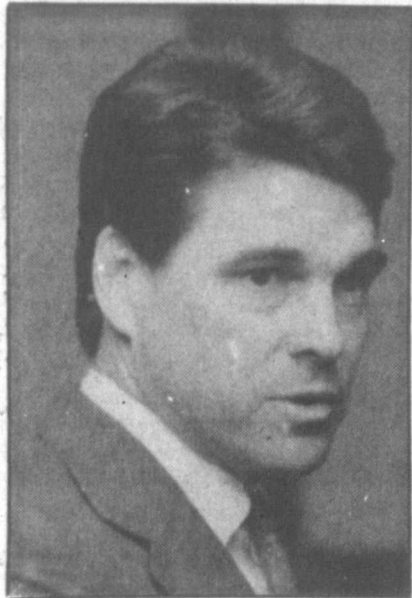
semen from infected people. Most victims have been homosexuals or intravenous drug abusers, but heterosexuals can also be infected. Pregnant women have passed the virus to their offspring.

Lee is a former professor at the University of California, San Francisco. He also was president of San Francisco's health commission and chair of the policy committee at the American Foundation for AIDS Research.

"Despite the advances that have been made, it is a fact that no cure has been found and the treatments available are limited in their effect," Lee said in a statement. "We can and must do better."

Shalala is seeking nominations from the public for 30 days on who should serve on the task force.

Lee pledged that it will hold its first meeting "this winter or at the latest in early spring."



Rick Perry

Ag commissioner announces plan for re-election bid

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry, the only Republican holding one of the top non-judicial state offices, Monday announced plans to seek a second term.

Saying he has fulfilled his 1990 campaign promises, Perry said he wants to concentrate in the next four years on processing more Texas commodities in Texas and on helping farmers and ranchers cash in on the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Perry also said he is one of the few state officials to trim his agency's budget and staff.

"The job of agriculture commissioner demands a person who is committed to and understands agriculture," Perry said.

"The job requires a person who is willing to challenge the status quo. This job requires a person who has the energy and enthusiasm to guide projects and prospects that can change the face of the Texas economy. My track record proves I am that person," he said.

A native of Haskell, where his family farms and ranches, Perry, 43, holds an animal science degree from Texas A&M. A former Democrat, he served three terms in the Texas House.

In 1990, he challenged two-term incumbent Democrat Jim Hightower. His victory made him the first Republican agriculture commissioner in the state's history.

Appearing at the Texas Farm Bureau convention in San Antonio and elsewhere Monday, Perry said he had worked to boost in-state processing of agricultural products, step up national and international marketing, attract more federal research funds and increase agency cooperation with mainstream agricultural interests.

He said he also cleaned up the agency, trimmed its staff from about 620 employees to about 550, and reduced its budget. He said the agency even returned \$250,000 to the Treasury this year.

According to the department, the budget dropped from \$44.2 million in 1990-91 to \$41.8 million in 1992-93 and \$41 million for 1994-95.

"I have led the charge to make government more efficient and accountable to the taxpayers," Perry said.

Adults writing Santa letters, too

NEW YORK (AP) — Adults who have little left to believe in are writing Santa this year, hoping for a brighter Christmas.

Some of the letters end up in one of the 10 Santa bins in Manhattan's General Post Office with the more traditional letters written in a child's scrawl that politely ask for a doll or a video game.

Adults who have no money to spare are asking for a little something for their families through "Operation Santa Claus."

One correspondent from the Bronx introduces herself to Santa Claus as a mother on welfare with five children.

"This Christmas I am doing very bad because my husband left us and all my money goes to light and rent. We hardly have anything to eat. I have to go looking for friends and ask them for something to eat. Please help."

In the late 1920s, postal clerks and volunteers began answering some of the of the Santa letters with a note, sometimes more. Operation Santa Claus was born.

Volunteers have paid the medical bills of a woman with cancer and a

Long Island man. They have bought electric radiators and paid electric bills for a family home, moved by a 12-year-old girl's plea for help. News reports about another letter reunited a woman with her grandson after a 21-year separation.

More than 50,000 letters are expected in this year's Operation Santa Claus, which began Monday.

"Besides the tremendous growth in the amount of letters received by the program, the most striking change has been in the amount of letters written by adults," says Sylvester Black, the postmaster for New York.

One letter from a Manhattan woman first courteously inquires about Santa's health and then explains why she's writing:

"I have two children and I cannot afford nothing to give them for Christmas." She asks for clothing for them.

"Santa, as for me, I'm in very need of a coat."

The most anguished letters are investigated and answered.

"Will all these letters receive an answer?" asked Postmaster Black. "I don't know."

High Ground board elects directors

The High Ground of Texas economic development coalition has elected 10 people to serve on its board of directors.

The High Ground is a cooperative effort of more than three dozen communities and businesses in the Texas Panhandle and South Plains region to recruit new industry and business to the region.

The election of new officers came at the coalition's recent annual meeting in Amarillo.

The 1994 board of directors are Myron McCartor, Perryton; Travis LaGrone, Lamesa; Michael Carr, Hereford; Rod Ellis, Lubbock; Rick

Osburn, Levelland; Kirk Folkner, Amarillo; Grady Elder, Plainview; Perna Strickland, Panhandle Regional Planning Commission; Cheryl Pink, Southwestern Public Service Co.; and Tim Pierce, South Plains Association of Governments. Osburn was re-elected as board president.

Southwestern Public Service Co. provides support staff for the coalition. SPS's Thompson Mayberry reported at the meeting that information handed out at a recent trade show has generated eight leads for the High Ground. SPS has worked up proposals for four of the leads developed at the show.

Trial resumes for those accused in Russian coup attempt

MOSCOW (AP) — A former KGB chief accused in the 1991 coup attempt that precipitated the collapse of the Soviet Union said a trial resumed today that his only regret was the putsch failed.

Former KGB chief Vladimir Kryuchkov also said coup plotters acted with what they thought was the tacit assent of the Soviet president they briefly overthrew, Mikhail Gorbachev.

Kryuchkov said they decided to act because they believed the United States and other powers had begun seeking control of the Soviet nuclear arsenal.

The coup was "a measure of despair in our attempt to stop the destruction of the country," he told the military branch of Russia's Supreme Court. "It is not our guilt but our tragedy that our efforts failed."

A dozen Communist leaders are accused of high treason in the Aug. 18-21 power struggle that discredit-

ed the Communist party and raised the power and prestige of Boris Yeltsin, now Russia's president.

All have pleaded innocent. If convicted they face the death penalty, in Russia, a shot to the back of the head.

The trial, resuming today for the first time since September, has been repeatedly delayed and some have questioned whether it will ever reach a verdict.

Kryuchkov took particular aim at Yeltsin, who is credited with thwarting the coup by rallying Russia to Gorbachev's cause as coup leaders held the Soviet leader prisoner at his vacation home in the Crimea.

"The motherland we are accused of betraying no longer exists," he said. "Another country exists, and it is led by the person who destroyed the other one."

Kryuchkov said: "The only thing I reproach myself for is that I failed to protect the country and my people against those grave trials which

befell them because of attempts by political adventurists."

Kryuchkov accused Gorbachev of betraying the country, saying coup plotters sent a delegation to Gorbachev's vacation home and informed him of their plans for the August crackdown.

"I had the impression from them that Gorbachev agreed to impose a state of emergency and would not undertake any steps against emergency regulations," Kryuchkov said. "So it happened at the beginning."

Kryuchkov also accused Yeltsin of abusing his powers by disbanding Russia's Soviet-era parliament Sept. 21 and then sending tanks to defeat his hard-line opponents.

"History repeats itself, and Coup One was followed with Coup Two," he said, referring to the events in October. Some of the parliamentary leaders ousted by Yeltsin had stood by him against the Communists in 1991.

Governing PRI party claims victory in bitter governor's race

MERIDA, Mexico (AP) — Both Mexico's longtime governing party and the opposition declared victory in a fiercely contested governor's race and vowed to defend their wins.

The race for Yucatan state governor was generally seen as an early test of President Carlos Salinas de Gortari's promise to hold a "clean and fair" presidential election next August. Salinas' Institutional Revolutionary Party, known by the initials PRI, has not lost the presidency in its 64-year history.

With more than 60 percent of the vote counted in most races, the PRI not only claimed the governorship, but a clean sweep of the entire state.

Meanwhile, the opposition National Action Party, or PAN, claimed the governorship, six of 106 mayorships, and one of 25 state legislative seats.

Both parties made their claims

based on their own, unofficial vote tallies.

The state Electoral Commission said it would release results of the hand-counted vote for local offices on Wednesday and for the governorship on Sunday.

"We want Ana Rosa to govern Yucatan!" some 10,000 supporters shouted at a Monday night rally for PAN gubernatorial candidate Ana Rosa Payan.

Payan was bidding to be the fourth opposition leader to be elected governor of a Mexican state since 1989. Before that, critics

claim, opponents of the governing party were prevented from winning, usually through fraud.

"Don't you worry," said Payan, the 42-year-old mayor of the state capital Merida. "I will govern Yucatan."

Payan and PAN leaders accused the PRI of massive fraud in Sunday's elections, including the stealing of ballot boxes, intimidation of voters, falsification of precinct documents and altered registration lists.

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Opinion

Americans prefer health care choice

Just before slithering out of town for the holidays, Congress took the first act toward considering President Clinton's socialized medicine plan.

Clinton and his wife arrived on Capitol Hill personally to present the mammoth proposal, which includes 1,342 pages of red tape (and another 800 pages explaining the first 1,342 pages). Thirty-one senators and 100 representatives sponsored the bill.

Due in May, the bill has arrived six months late. That delay foreshadows the long waits patients would face should the bill become law.

Elizabeth McCaughey of the Manhattan Institute described the bill. "A National Health Board — seven people appointed by the president — will decide how much the nation can spend on health care each year. Based on that budget, the board puts price caps on premiums to limit the money paid into the health-care system."

What if the health politburo miscalculates and the system runs out of money?

The bill requires state governments and insurers to make "automatic, mandatory, nondiscretionary reductions in payments" to doctors, nurses and hospitals to "assure that expenditures will not exceed the budget."

Germany has such a system. When cost cuts this year led to reduced scrutiny of the blood supply, AIDS infections from blood transfusions grew at an alarming rate.

Adds McCaughey, "In Japan, where similar controls are in place, doctors hurry from examining room to examining room, seeing on average 49 patients a day to compensate for low fees and to make ends meet. American doctors will do the same."

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell promised that in 1994 Congress would enact "a modified version of the president's bill. I think ultimately it will be a choice between that and no action."

No action certainly would be preferable to Sovietized health-care rationing.

Despite the flaws in the existing system, almost all Americans are being able to choose the sort of care given. They also like not worrying about the blood supply. Any flaws in the existing system should be repaired through tax breaks and other market-promoting actions.

The Clinton plan likely will produce a close vote in Congress. Key votes will be those of a number of politicians up for re-election next year. If they vote in favor of the Clinton health-care rationing plan next year, many of their chances of winning re-election would be about the same as Ross Perot growing long hair.

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'Free traders' hate free trade

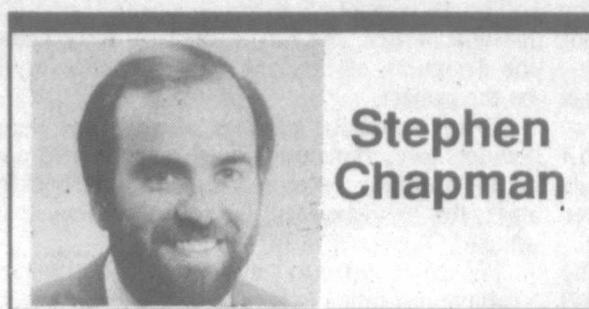
My favorite moment of the televised debate on NAFTA was when Ross Perot exclaimed, "I am for free trade." Yes, he is. And I'm Michelle Pfeiffer.

It's probably a sign of something that the opponents of the North American Free Trade Agreement feel obliged to identify themselves as the true friends of free trade, just as the most oppressive dictators of the planet pose as "People's Republics." Lately, demonstrators have been seen carrying signs that say "Not This NAFTA," as if they would dearly love to tear down every trade barrier between the United States and Mexico, if only they could do it in their way, at the right time.

The right time apparently is long after Ross Perot and Lane Kirkland and their grandchildren have shuffled off this mortal coil. Perot proposes a "social tariff," which would decline as Mexican living standards rise (free trade through higher tariffs — a novel idea). This, he says, would give the Mexicans an incentive to "bring their people up." Actually, it would punish them for being poor and make it harder for them to escape poverty.

Organized labor wouldn't like to trade freely with the Mexicans even after they've reached a living standard acceptable to a Dallas billionaire. The AFL-CIO was against the original free trade accord with Canada, which can't be called a Third World nation. And all the politicians who insist they're for free trade as long as it's a two-way street have no excuse for opposing NAFTA, which does more to open up the Mexican market than ours.

What these people favor is not free trade but protectionism — erecting barriers against foreign goods unless and until other countries buy a sufficient amount of our goods, or attain our wage level, or enforce strict pollution laws, or meet the League of



Stephen Chapman

Women Voters' standards of democracy, or become exact replicas of the Garden of Eden, or God knows what. These are just excuses for gouging American consumers for the profit of American producers.

That's what the opposition to NAFTA in particular and open commerce in general is about — shielding U.S. companies and their workers from the unpleasant obligation of competing with producers abroad, something most American industries have long had to do. The idea is that we can't enhance our prosperity or improve our competitive position as long as we give foreigners access to our market.

This is like saying sloth is the way to fitness. Like sloth, it wouldn't be cost-free. If the protectionists had their way, we would have to do without Japanese electronics, Korean steel, German cars, French wine, Mexican produce, Chinese apparel and lots more.

That would be bad enough — remember the quality of American cars before the Japanese came along? But in addition to being forced to buy U.S. products you might not like, you'd pay much more, since the absence of foreign competition would free American companies to raise their prices. The higher costs would inflict the most pain on the poor and

the working class, the people Perot and the union pretend to speak for.

Japanese consumers, thanks to their government's near-total ban on rice imports, pay three times the norm for their most important food. Which products would Americans like to see triple in price thanks to trade barriers?

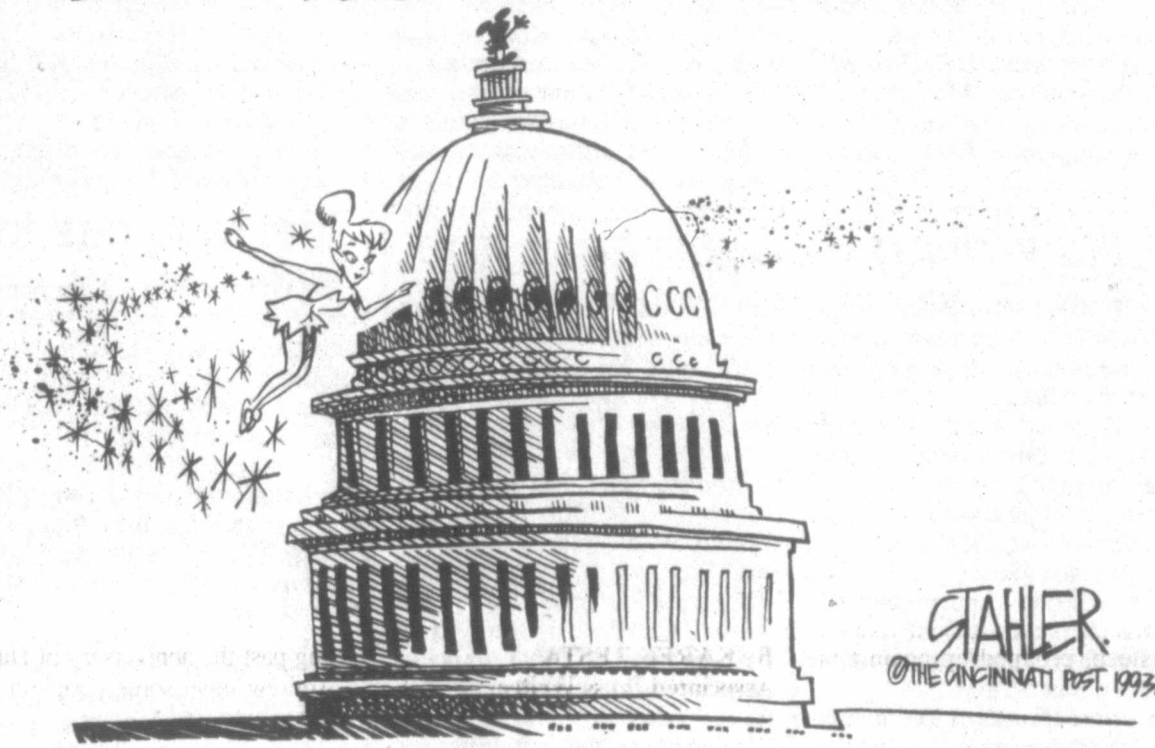
After my antique 19-inch TV set recently died, I found I could get the updated model — with a 20-inch screen, remote control and assorted features not available 15 years ago — for almost exactly what I paid in 1978 (\$450). If TV prices had merely kept pace with inflation, the new model would have cost more than \$900. Would you like to see a domestic TV industry in the United States? Sure. You want to pay \$900 for a 20-inch set? Not likely.

The anti-NAFTA crowd would have you think we can rebuild the U.S. economy by walling ourselves off from foreign goods and paying each other outrageous prices for what we sell. By that logic, we would be better off if the rest of the world didn't exist, since there would be nobody else for American consumers to buy from and nowhere else for American companies to invest.

What protectionists refuse to see is that both the United States and Mexico gain when they sell what they make best and buy what they don't. The enemies of trade would like us to prop up every American industry (Perot weeps over broom makers), even if they make as much sense as rice farming in Tokyo.

If you think exorbitant rice prices make Japan richer and the United States can invigorate its economy by also throwing away money on uncompetitive products, there's a name for you. But "free trader" isn't it.

NEWS ITEM: DISNEY PLANS A NEW THEME PARK



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Today in history

By The Associated Press
Today is Tuesday, Nov. 30, the 334th day of 1993. There are 31 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Nov. 30, 1782, the United States and Britain signed preliminary peace articles in Paris, ending the Revolutionary War.

On this date:
In 1803, Spain completed the process of ceding Louisiana to France.

In 1835, Samuel Langhorne Clemens — better known as author Mark Twain — was born in Florida, Mo.

In 1874, British statesman Sir Winston Churchill was born at Blenheim Palace.

In 1900, Irish author Oscar Wilde died in Paris.

In 1936, London's famed Crystal Palace, constructed for the International Exhibition of 1851, was destroyed in a fire.

In 1939, the Russo-Finnish War began as Soviet troops invaded Finland.

It certainly isn't Mom's cooking

For weeks, I've been seeing a television commercial for this certain chain of restaurants. The commercial claimed it served home-cooking. "The kind Mom used to do."

I'm not going to name the restaurant chain. I've already got one libel suit pending.

But I will say I've spent the nearly three decades since I left the cooking Mama used to do, looking for something, anything, that came close to it.

I grew up at a fried chicken, pork chops, pot roast and fresh vegetable table, with corn bread or Mama's home-made biscuits on the side.

I must have this sort of food at least once a week or be struck by the dreaded bland-food poisoning.

That's because I have to eat a lot of airline food, as well as hotel food. The airlines and hotels get together each year and plan their menus. Steak au Grille and Chicken a la Belch.

So I gave this chain a try. I walked into one of its restaurants and looked over the menu. There was no fried chicken or pork chops.

But there was country friend steak and pot roast. I decided to go for the pot roast.

"Can I get mashed potatoes and gravy with the pot roast?" I asked the waitress.

"Sure," she answered.

The rot roast was so-so. The gravy was suspect. One bit of the mashed potatoes, and I knew. I called the waitress back over.



Lewis Grizzard

"I would take it as a personal favor if you would be perfectly honest with me," I said. "These mashed potatoes came out of a box, didn't they?"

The waitress dropped her eyes for a brief second. Then, she looked up and said, apologetically, "Yes, they did."

I hate mashed potatoes that come out of a box. When God created the mashed potato, I am certain the Bible points out somewhere, he had no intention of anybody goofing around and coming up with mashed potatoes from a box.

He meant for real potatoes to be used. You peel them, you cut them into little pieces and put them in a pot of boiling water. You put in some salt and pepper, and then you add some butter and maybe even a little sour cream and then you beat them and stir them and you've got biblically correct mashed potatoes.

I realized the waitress didn't have anything to do with the fact the restaurant served mashed potatoes from a box in a place that advertised Mama's cooking. What an affront to mothers everywhere! That was upper management's doing.

So when I paid my bill, reluctantly, because there should have been a warning on the menu that the mashed potatoes weren't really mashed potatoes, I did have a word with the assistant manager, who took my money anyway.

"May the Lord forgive you, for ye know not what you do, you potato ruiner."

I think he thought I was some sort of religious nut. He was still waiting for me to hand him a pamphlet and ask him for money as I walked out the door.

Mashed potatoes from a box! That's what's wrong with this country. That, and non-alcoholic beer, instant grits, canned biscuits, soybean anything, frozen french fries, fake flowers, staged photo opportunities for politicians running for re-election, tanning salons and yogurt masquerading as vanilla ice cream.

What's real anymore? Computerized voices talk to me at the airport. I phone a friend and I talk to a machine. Musical stars are lip-synching it.

Did somebody mention silicone implants? As soon as I make the world safe from boxed mashed potatoes, I'll get around to that.

It's a matter of priorities, you know.

Berry's World



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"When I grow up, I'm either going to be a NERD or a WONK."

Let campaigning take to the air

In the surge of news stories about Somalia, Haiti, NAFTA, wildfires and senatorial sexcapades, you might have missed one of the most important and distressing items of the year.

Campaign finance reform is dead, probably until 1995.

The Senate did its part, passing legislation last June that called for minimal public financing of congressional campaigns. But a task force of House Democrats could not decide how to fund publicly financed congressional races and the reform effort appears to have breathed its last for perhaps two years.

So, we wait. Congressional candidates spent nearly \$700 million on their campaigns in 1992 and the cost of an average Senate race is climbing toward \$5 million — and the special interests are loving it. The word "campaigns" is found under "O" for "opportunity" in their lexicon, as in the opportunity to buy influence with political action committee contributions.

Where were the reformers when the Spear Foundation earlier this year offered the solution to this problem? I mean, a think tank only thinks. Someone else has to do. So I say again, do this, reformers: Make the broadcast industry in this country provide free air time for political candidates. At least half the budget in a typical campaign is spent on commercials. Do away with that expense, and enforce lower spending limits on the candidates and you can probably pay for political races with an improved tax form "check-off" system. Bye-bye PACS.



Joseph Spear

I know, broadcast industry officials hate the idea because it would reduce their revenues. I say the hell with them. The airwaves they use to make their millions are our airwaves. It says as much right there in the Communications Act of 1934. We don't charge them a dime for the use of our airwaves, so the least they could do is surrender a few hours of free airtime every election year to further the public process.

Most of the other democracies in the world do this. Why are we so confounded timorous about it?

Under the Truth-in-Columbing Act, I have to confess this is not an exclusive Spear Foundation idea. Several variations have been offered in recent years, including these:

— In March 1990, a commission appointed by the Senate recommended that broadcasters be required to donate four hours of airtime each year for national and local campaigns. The chairmen of both major parties endorsed the proposal. The late Republican Chairman

Lee Atwater told *The New York Times* that a mere five minutes of free time every night might even result in cleaner campaigns. "To fill five minutes, you'd have to put on substance, and you'd have to be very thoughtful," he said.

— In April 1990, *Washington Post* political reporter Paul Taylor thought up what he called the "Five-Minute Fix." He would give five-minute chunks of airtime to opposing parties on alternate nights, ban all pictures and images and require the candidates to be on the air for the entire five minutes.

— In June 1990, the Markle Foundation offered \$5 million to the Public Broadcasting System to fund a "Voter's Channel," which would have aired candidate profiles, advertising analyses and issue discussions, but PBS didn't bite. So Markle teamed up with CNN to produce issue-based programs and is already "looking forward to 1996," according to project officer Edith Bjornson.

— Since 1991, National Public Radio affiliates in Pittsburgh (WPUQ) and Cleveland (WCPN) have offered free air time to national and local aspirants for public office but have run into problems with marginal candidates. But both stations, wrote WDUQ Program Director Dave Becker in an *American Journalism Review* article, "remain enthusiastic about the process — occasional legal messes notwithstanding — and are committed to opening our airwaves as a public service."

They're our airwaves, Mr. Becker. But you've got the idea.

American diplomat released, Yemeni minister says

SAN'A, Yemen (AP) — Kidnapped U.S. diplomat Haynes Mahoney III was released late Monday by Yemeni tribesmen who had held him hostage at their desert stronghold, Interior Minister Yehya al-Mutawakil said.

In Washington, the State Department said it could not confirm the release.

Al-Mutawakil told The Associated Press that Mahoney was released at 10:30 p.m. (1:30 p.m. CST). Mahoney was kidnapped Thursday on his way to a Thanksgiving dinner.

"We have met all the demands of the kidnappers. We pledge to carry them out," the minister said in a telephone interview.

The demands included payment to the tribe for an oil-pumping station used by the U.S. Yemen Hunt Oil Co., back salaries for 150 tribesmen who were discharged from the presidential guard, back salaries for a number of similarly discharged officers, and an economic development plan for the tribe's region, said Saleh

al-Tam, a provincial official of the Yemen Socialist Party, one of the country's main political groups.

Five gunmen abducted Mahoney, 44, the head of the U.S. Information Service office, on Thursday in San'a after he left a reception at the Taj Sheba hotel and headed to a friend's house for Thanksgiving dinner.

Officials at the Mareb governorate said Mahoney had been released to Abdullah Moharram, a director of the province's political police, and would be returned to San'a on Tuesday.

The interior minister said earlier that Mahoney was already in the capital. But the governorate officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Mahoney's departure for the capital was delayed because of differences between the various negotiators who had arranged his release.

The officials refused to comment on the fate of the kidnappers.

In Washington, State Department spokeswoman Julie Reside read a statement saying, "We regret that

we cannot confirm media reports announcing the release of Haynes Mahoney ... Our embassy in San'a tells us that as of 9 p.m. EST, Nov. 29, they have no information to indicate Mr. Mahoney has been released."

Mahoney was held at the Yemeni tribe's stronghold in oil-rich Mareb province close to the Saudi border. Police and army troops backed by tanks had surrounded the stronghold at Gahm, 45 miles northeast of San'a while negotiators tried to win the diplomat's freedom.

The Interior Ministry said the tribe that kidnapped Mahoney was led by Sheik Mubarak Saleh al-Sa'idi. The same tribe kidnapped 23 Western tourists last month and held them for several days.

The interior minister denied a report Monday in the Saudi daily *Asharq Al-Awsat* that in an effort to speed Mahoney's release, authorities had seized "a number of the relatives" of the tribal sheik holding him.

Tribal sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, told the AP earli-

er that authorities had detained relatives, including the son of the tribal leader.

Yemen is in a political crisis because of differences between President Ali Abdullah Saleh and Vice President Ali Salem al-Beidh over the pace of reforms, including the failure to rein in an unruly security situation in a nation of armed tribesmen.

Mahoney, a widely traveled diplomat whose father, a retired diplomat, lives in Boston, sent his wife and Ambassador Arthur Hughes handwritten notes saying his kidnappers were treating him well.

Mahoney is the first foreign diplomat among 200 other foreigners that local press reports said had been kidnapped over the past 18 months.

The news accounts said most of the kidnapped foreigners were released after a few days and that their abductors demands included employment for their men, the release of imprisoned relatives or improved living conditions in their regions.



A homeless man, Alex, searches through his belongings for food on the Mall in Washington, D.C., in front of the Capitol. (AP photo)

Homeless woman dies nearly at HUD doorstep

By JONATHAN MOORE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Little was known about the homeless woman or how she died, but it happened practically on the doorstep of the nation's top housing agency as officials inside discussed getting more money for homeless programs.

Housing and Urban Development Secretary Henry Cisneros said he hoped the woman's death Monday would help motivate policy-makers and ordinary Americans into doing more to solve the homeless problem.

"No one chooses to die on a bus bench, no one chooses that as the end of their life," Cisneros said Monday. "I hope this encourages people to understand, to be more supporting."

District of Columbia police said Yetta Adams, 43, appeared to have died of natural causes, but an autopsy is to be performed in an effort to determine the exact cause of death.

She was slumped on a bench, partially sitting, leaning over onto a Plexiglas wall at a bus shelter. Her body was discovered about 10 a.m., but it was unclear how long she had been there. The overnight low temperature had been 34.

As police arrived and the coroner was being called, Cisneros was meeting with top policy aides to underscore that homelessness is a top priority of the agency and to work on ways to pry up more money for homeless programs.

"Our first response must be to the people who are completely unsheltered," Cisneros said in an interview.

"A society this wealthy, we just shouldn't have to accept people dying on our city streets and sidewalks," said Cisneros, who left the meeting with HUD aides after being

told a homeless person had died. Cisneros wants to double the agency's annual budget on homeless programs to \$1.5 billion from the current \$823 million a year.

Cisneros said the homeless woman frequented the southwest Washington neighborhood where HUD's offices are located, and some employees gave her money.

Other homeless people knelt in prayer around her body after they found out she was dead, said Sharon Maeda, a spokeswoman for the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

"I could see her body from my office window on the 10th floor," said Maeda. "She looked like she was asleep, propped up against the shelter."

A frustrated Cisneros said that the American public has become increasingly callous toward the homeless but that he hoped people would become more understanding.

"A tragedy like this in the shadow of a government building where homeless programs are run particularly calls us to action," he said.

Homeless people on the street said they knew the woman as Brenda and said that she had spent many nights sharing a heat grate a few blocks away.

"I know Brenda about three years," said Johnny Gross, 33, who recalled that he had shared a heat grate with her on a number of nights. "All I know is she was a good lady and she didn't bother nobody. She helped other homeless people out."

Her death occurred just months after Cisneros unveiled a \$20 million pilot program make the nation's capital a national model on homelessness.

Cisneros complained that the city government had not moved quickly enough on the project.

Bush given honorary knighthood

LONDON (AP) — Former President George Bush has been awarded an honorary knighthood, the highest honor Britain can bestow on a foreigner, the Foreign Office announced today.

Bush, who is on a private visit, was to receive the knighthood from Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace this afternoon.

Bush, from Houston, receives the Knight Grand Cross of the Order of the Bath, the rarely awarded top order of knighthoods.

The only other American to receive it since World War II was President Reagan, a close ally of ex-Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

The award to Bush was recommended by Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd.

British officials said it marked the close relationship between the Republican president and Britain's Conservative government, particularly during the Gulf War.

Because they are foreigners, American citizens are not known as

"Sir" — like Britons given knighthoods. They can use after their names the initials of the award, GCB or KCB.

American citizens also do not have to kneel and be tapped on the shoulders by the queen when getting the award.

Britain gave the Knight Grand Cross award to six top American military commanders at the end of World War II.

Sixty Americans who have received honorary knighthoods since then have mostly been given the order of Knight Commander.

The most recent award was in September to Gen. Colin Powell, when he retired as U.S. military chief.

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Park service taking computer images of national monuments

By RITA BEAMISH
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The National Park Service is spending \$577,000 to create computerized images of every nook and cranny of three of the nation's most famous landmarks for future repairs and restoration.

The Park Service was celebrating today the conclusion a two-year project during which hundreds of painstakingly created photographs and measurements were turned into computerized architectural drawings of the 71-year-old Lincoln Memorial.

A similar project is under way at the 108-year-old Washington Monument and 53-year-old Jefferson Memorial. The computer-aided drawings will become part of a permanent Library of Congress collection that already includes documentation of more than 16,000 historic structures.

The Park Service says such high-tech drawings are needed not only as historical records but as blueprints for structural repairs and restoration.

The National Taxpayers Union, a citizens lobbying group, scoffs at such rationale for spending tax money. In addition to the \$577,000 earmarked for the three monuments, the park service spent \$400,000 purchasing computers for this and similar projects in the future.

"With limited budgets and a quarter-trillion dollar budget deficit ... perhaps we should be worried more about whether our government will

be history or not," said Pete Sepp, the group's spokesman. "It is programs like these that need to be curtailed if the buildings are to stand at all."

The National Trust for Historic Preservation, however, strongly supports the effort.

"It's money well spent," said Richard Moe, trust president. "This type of work is absolutely essential particularly for significant structures like the Lincoln Memorial. ... In the context of the federal budget, it's infinitesimal for something as important to us as the Lincoln Memorial."

Without such drawings, repairs and restoration would be impossible, according to Park Service spokesman Duncan Morrow.

"Like a lot of other things the government does, it's a question of whether you think this is an important thing for the government to do," Morrow said. "We obviously think it is."

For example, he said, many recorded buildings were damaged by Hurricane Hugo when it struck Charleston, S.C. Because of the official drawings, the homes in the city's historic district could be restored.

Even with a maintenance backlog of \$4 billion in the national parks, the recording project is needed because the drawings will help determine future maintenance needs, Morrow said.

Restoration work has already begun at the Lincoln Memorial, the steel-supported marble structure anchoring the west end of the Mall. Experts are analyzing the memorial for pollution damage and corrosion and water damage from the vast

amounts of water used to keep it clean over the years.

Park Service officials say the government is saving money by using computers and a special camera to make architectural drawings. The computers are used along with the traditional method that requires workers on scaffolding to measure every angle of every cornice, frieze, ornamentation or column.

Without computers, the labor-intensive work would have cost \$2 million, instead of \$200,000, for the Lincoln Memorial alone, according to Keith Newlin, project coordinator on the Lincoln and Jefferson memorials.

At the Washington Monument, a Park Service helicopter spiraled slowly around the needle-shaped tower to allow photographing of every stone by a computer-compatible camera.

Using a grid system of reference points in the camera, a computer scans the photographic images and translates them into computer line drawings.

The work is conducted by the Park Service's Historic American Buildings Survey, a 58-year-old congressionally created office of about two dozen architects with an annual budget of about \$1 million. Funding for individual projects is added to that budget and is sometimes privately subsidized, as in the case of private homes that are listed as national historic structures.

The Library of Congress architectural drawings are available to architects, students, historians and the public at large.

Hurricane season 1993 had fewer storms, but high anxiety

By KAREN TESTA
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CORAL GABLES, Fla. (AP) — What should have been a routine hurricane season was traumatic and therapeutic for residents recovering from the lingering effects of Hurricane Andrew's historic devastation.

The 1993 season, which ends today, spawned eight named storms, below the average of 10 that usually form in the north Atlantic to the Caribbean Sea and the Gulf of Mexico. Most of those posed no threat.

But the specter of Andrew hung over Florida during the six-month season as residents braced for storms that never came. Andrew was the nation's most costly natural disaster, causing \$30 billion in damage and killing 55 people.

"I do think subsequent seasons will feel less threatening," said Tom Mellman, of the University of Miami's department of psychiatry. "Just get-

ting past the anniversary of Hurricane Andrew gave some people a feeling of reassurance."

On Aug. 24, the one-year anniversary of Andrew, Hurricane Emily brewed in the Atlantic Ocean — at almost the exact same location as Andrew and with even more strength.

"Some people were very hysterical, and you could not say with a positive response that it might not affect this area," said Bob Sheets, director of the National Hurricane Center in Coral Gables.

Emily spared the recovering Dade County, and only brushed South Carolina, which was battered by Hurricane Hugo in 1989.

North Carolina was not so fortunate. Three people were killed as the hurricane hit the Outer Banks on Aug. 31. Emily then made a U-turn and died quietly in the Atlantic Ocean.

While Emily was the only 1993 storm to directly threaten the mainland of the United States, areas of

South and Central America suffered millions of dollars in damage and hundreds of deaths because of other named storms. A total of 280 people died this season, according to the hurricane center.

Arlene, this year's first named storm, killed six people in Mexico as its heavy rain flooded the southeastern part of the country through coastal Texas into western Louisiana and Arkansas.

Tropical Storm Bret formed Aug. 4 in the north Atlantic, east of the Windward Islands. Winds and heavy rained caused extensive mudslides and flooding near Caracas, Venezuela, killing 184 people. A month later, Hurricane Gert killed 76 people near Tampico, Mexico.

For 1994, Colorado State University professor William Gray, predicts

an increase in storms.

Gray, who has been forecasting hurricanes for more than a decade, says a weakening of the El Nino warm-weather pattern should mean at least six hurricanes next year. El Nino is a phenomena that affects worldwide weather patterns and begins with the warming of parts of the Pacific Ocean.

Gray expects two Category 4 storms, similar in intensity to Andrew.

If there is another Andrew, residents in hurricane-prone areas should be better prepared.

"Once you've been in or near a large storm like Hugo or Andrew, you don't have to be told twice," said Jay Eaker, spokesman for the Federal Emergency Management Agency team working on Andrew recovery efforts.

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Capitol Christmas tree



A 65-foot spruce tree from the San Bernadino National Forest in Big Bear Lake, Calif., is erected in front of the U.S. Capitol Building on Monday. The tree will be decorated and lighted for the Christmas season on Dec. 8. (AP photo)

Colombia agrees to protect relatives of drug cartel head

By ANDREW SELSKY
Associated Press Writer

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — The government relented Monday and promised to renew protection for the family of fugitive drug lord Pablo Escobar, a day after the relatives tried and failed to find asylum abroad.

The family fears a clandestine paramilitary group that has been killing Escobar's associates. They fled to Germany after the government canceled their guards, but Germany refused them entry and sent them home.

On Monday evening, Escobar's wife, Victoria, son, Juan Pablo, daughter, Manuela, and Juan Pablo's girlfriend walked off a Lufthansa jumbo jet and into a phalanx of police waiting on a darkened runway at Bogota's airport. They were whisked away to an undisclosed location.

The relatives were permitted to deboard the plane on the tarmac. A van surrounded by heavily armed security forces received them, passengers said.

The RCN radio network said the family planned to spend the night in Bogota.

In an audio tape left at a radio station near Medellin, the center of Escobar's drug operations, a voice said to be Escobar's criticized Germany for its treatment of his family. "The German government has forgotten that Colombia and other Latin American countries were a ... refuge for German citizens who fled after World War II," said the voice, which station employees said they recognized as Escobar's.

The Colombian prosecutor-general's office had said Monday it would stop protecting the Escobars if they returned to Colombia.

But Interior Minister Fabio Valle-gas told reporters later in the day that "the government has a constitutional obligation to protect the life and property of all Colombian residents."

A senior aide to President Cesar Gaviria, speaking anonymously, confirmed the interior minister's statement.

Escobar, who escaped from cus-

today in July 1992, heads the Medellin cocaine cartel and is one of the most wanted men in the world.

A clandestine paramilitary group called People Persecuted by Pablo Escobar has been murdering Escobar's associates and recently sprayed the apartment building where his family lives with gunfire.

The group is believed to be composed of members of the rival Cali drug cartel, former Medellin cartel members who had a falling out with Escobar and police avenging the deaths of officers slain by the Medellin cartel.

Prosecutor-General Gustavo de Greiff had provided bodyguards for Escobar's relatives, which the drug lord demanded as a condition for his surrender. But because he did not give himself up, de Greiff told the family last week he would withdraw the bodyguards.

That prompted the family to leave the country, escorted to the airport in Medellin by more than 100 security officers in cars and helicopters.

Karl-Heinz Schneider, spokesman for Germany's Interior Ministry, said Escobar's wife, two children and the son's girlfriend applied for asylum but failed to prove they were fleeing political persecution. Any threats to Escobar's family were of the drug lord's own making, he said.

Interior Minister Manfred Kanther was blunt: "The relatives of drug lords are not welcome in Germany."

Late Monday, the German Foreign Ministry issued a travel advisory warning Germans they may be the targets of attacks in Colombia because Germany had rejected Escobar's family.

The four Colombians spent Sunday night at Frankfurt International Airport under guard by federal police.

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NASA worries 'what if' as Hubble repair mission nears

By MARCIA DUNN
AP Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — It's one of the most important missions in space shuttle history and by far the most complex. Repairing the Hubble Space Telescope — a colossal job — has NASA fretting over two little words.

What if? What if space shuttle Endeavour can't rendezvous with the near-sighted Hubble? What if the shuttle robot arm breaks and can't grab the \$1.6 billion telescope? What if the telescope's solar wings don't fold up? What if the telescope is in worse shape than expected? What if one of the seven astronauts gets sick? What if the shuttle toilet breaks and forces an early return?

Put it all together and you've got a nightmare of astronomical proportions for a \$629 million repair mission.

Nightmares — and imagination — were running rampant Monday at Kennedy Space Center as NASA counted down toward the scheduled

3:57 a.m. CST Wednesday liftoff of Endeavour. The chance of good launch weather was a dismal 30 percent.

During the 11-day flight, astronauts are to take a record five spacewalks to try to fix Hubble's problems as well as NASA's image, battered repeatedly over the past several years and in desperate need of a big win. If necessary, the crew could conduct seven spacewalks to install 11 new telescope parts and yet another spacewalk to deal with a shuttle emergency.

Hubble program manager Ken Ledbetter said his biggest fear is that "something might happen that would preclude us from even trying to fix the telescope."

"I think we can handle anything that will happen once we're out in the bay and start working (on Hubble). But if something were to happen before, a problem with the shuttle, a problem with the crew, an attack of appendicitis or whatever ... that would be tragic."

NASA's associate director of flight projects for Hubble, Joe

Rothenberg, shares those fears.

If for some reason the astronauts can't capture the bus-size telescope some 360 miles above Earth and anchor it in Endeavour's cargo bay, "we don't even have a chance to get up to bat," Rothenberg said.

Hubble scientist Edward Weiler is most afraid of the unknown: The project's record has shown "it's the things you didn't prepare for that will get you."

Like so many others at NASA, Weiler has been living with stress ever since the Hubble was found to have an improperly polished mirror that blurred its vision of extremely remote objects in the universe. That discovery came two months after the 1990 launch.

Besides a mirror that's too flat along the edge, Hubble's troubles include flapping electricity-generating solar panels, three broken gyroscopes, several failed computer memory boards, and a balky power-supply for an ultraviolet-light detector.

"You lie awake and think of what else can go wrong," Weiler

said. "You think about it when you're driving home, and you go talk to the engineers again. I've done that about 12 or 15 times the past year."

To improve their chances of success, the astronauts, flight controllers and telescope team have prepared for numerous problems that might occur during the mission. The guidelines for these "what-ifs, thens," as Weiler calls them, fill a stack of paper 3 feet high.

"You ask me what's going to go wrong in orbit? Probably nothing in that plan," Weiler said.

The crew's four spacewalkers have spent an unprecedented 400-plus hours training underwater for the outings. Experts in and outside NASA have conducted an unprecedented number of mission reviews. The telescope parts to be installed, especially the corrective optics, have been checked again and again.

"This project has done everything that's humanly possible to make this mission a success," Weiler said. "Is that enough? I'll tell you in a couple months."

World Bank: Poverty, hunger can be cut in half in a generation

By DAVID BRISCOE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly a third of the world's people are poor and hungry, but the problem can be cut in half in a generation, the World Bank said Monday.

Economic progress in Asia, increases in food production, technological breakthroughs and successful private lending offer hope for reductions in poverty and hunger, according to bank officials.

"If the developing world as a whole were able to achieve the rate of poverty reduction experienced by the East Asian nations in the 1980s, there would be 300 million fewer hungry people in the year 2000 than currently projected," the bank said in a statement on the eve of a hunger conference.

The bank estimates that 1 billion people are hungry and malnourished and 2 billion others lack some needed vitamins.

Without reducing its commitment to broad national reform in developing countries, the bank plans to encourage private lending efforts aimed at helping "the poorest of the poor" earn enough to feed themselves, said Ismail Serageldin, bank

vice president for economically sustainable development.

"I would like to see us become the new abolitionists," Serageldin said in an interview. "Just as in the last century people said that slavery was unconscionable, I think in the world of plenty that we live in today ... we should all be striving to remove that degradation to human dignity, the silent hunger that is everywhere in the world."

The world produces enough food to feed everyone, the bank said. With proper distribution, the proportion of hungry people can be reduced from its current level of 30 percent to 15 percent in a generation, it added.

But bank analysts said that without a change in current trends, the number of people unable to afford minimal food and other needs will continue to grow.

"The reasons why the vast majority of the poor go hungry are not linked to war, drought and civil unrest," said bank President Lewis T. Preston on the eve of the conference. "Rather, global hunger is associated with bad policies — political and social — in countries that have deprived large segments of their populations of the ability to participate in markets and benefit from economic growth."

TU says it will recoup its losses from two accidents this year

DALLAS (AP) — Reeling from back-to-back major accidents involving its facilities, TU Electric still expects to recoup its losses without passing on costs to the ratepayers, a spokesman said Monday.

"As far as accidents go, it certainly has not been a good year," TU spokesman Jim Lawrence said.

On Oct. 28, a ruptured gas line in Arlington sparked an explosion and raging fire, toppling 17 of the company's electric transmission towers and temporarily cutting off power to more than 40,000 homes and businesses.

Authorities said the blaze apparently was triggered when a construction vehicle hit a line that carries natural gas to a TU Electric plant in Grand Prairie. TU Electric's equipment sustained \$2.5 million to \$3 million in damages, officials said.

Two and a half weeks later, a 600-foot concrete emissions stack collapsed onto a TU Electric power plant at Mount Pleasant, about 120 miles east of Dallas. One person was trapped and killed in the Nov. 14 accident; four others were injured.

Dave Fiorelli, a spokesman at the Monticello Plant in Mount Pleasant,

had estimated the damages at several million dollars.

Lawrence said: "We regret that there was a fatality and there were injuries at the Mount Pleasant site. In addition to that, of course, there is some expense involved. There is a matter of operating without one of our major lignite-fueled units until it can be restored."

"All those things combined have not made it an especially good year," he said.

Lawrence said the company was insured for damages at the Mount Pleasant plant. It still was collecting bills associated with the Arlington fire, but expected to turn them over to Pate Brothers Construction Inc. of Kennedale, the contractor TU says is responsible for the accident.

"We're operating on the theory that we're going to recoup our losses," Lawrence said.

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Because TU Electric expects to be repaid, it does not anticipate that electric rates will rise as a result of the two incidents, he said.

Guillermo Garcia, spokesman for the state Public Utility Commission, said TU Electric could decide to list its losses from the accidents as a reason for seeking a rate hike. The commission staff would then decide whether the expenses are reasonable and give a recommendation to a judge.


The judge then would advise the three-member commission, which would make a final decision.

Both Garcia and Lawrence stressed that the entire scenario was specula-

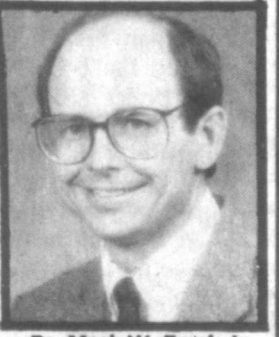
tive. Garcia said he believes it would be a "reach to assume that ratepayers would be impacted ... at this point because so many things must occur beforehand."

Lawrence said repairs from the Arlington incident are completed. Officials still are working on the cleanup and investigation at Mount Pleasant, where one unit of the three-unit generating plant is still out of service.

Energy generated at the Comanche Peak nuclear power plant will make up for any lessened capacity at Mount Pleasant, so TU does not expect any problems in serving the customers, Lawrence said.



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Lifestyles

Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: How does one politely but firmly refuse invitations from friends, neighbors and former co-workers to spend Thanksgiving and Christmas Day at their homes filled with all their relatives?

I am a retired single woman with no relatives in the area, and I don't mind spending those holidays alone. I am not anti-social, but I do not enjoy pretending to have a good time in house full of strangers. I much prefer driving to a fine restaurant where I can order whatever I want. If the weather is bad and driving is risky, I prefer to stay home and try my hand at preparing some fancy gourmet dish.

A "Thank-you, but I've made other plans" does not satisfy well-meaning friends, neighbors, and former co-workers. They insist on knowing what "the plans" are. When they learn I plan to be alone, they protest, "Oh, you can't do that — you're coming to our house!" Then a big hassle usually follows.

Abby, I don't want to offend them, but must I lie and make up a story to silence them? Please comment, and sign me ...

THANKS BUT NO THANKS

DEAR THANKS: You need not lie; neither are you obligated to answer every question you are asked.

Respond good-humoredly and simply with: "I appreciate your invitation, but please don't worry about me — I have other plans. Can we just leave it at that?"

DEAR ABBY: Can you please tell me why otherwise polite and well-mannered people fail to answer personal letters?

None of my friends would ever dream of slamming a phone down in someone's ear, or a door in someone's face. Yet they lack the common courtesy it takes to answer a letter.

I don't expect long, literary masterpieces; I'd be satisfied with a couple of chatty paragraphs, or even, "I received your letter but haven't had time to reply." (Actually, how much time would it take?)

In August of 1991, I initiated a round-robin idea was great.

As I write this, it has been 15 months since I started that letter, now on its second round. In order to track down its whereabouts, I sent what I considered polite inquiries to each member of the group. That was two weeks ago, and so far only two people had the courtesy to respond.

None of these so-called friends is too destitute — or physically impaired — to write a letter, stamp and mail it. What could be the explanation for such blatant rudeness?

HURT IN EUCLID, OHIO

DEAR HURT: The most obvious explanation is that the group of friends who used to get together regularly are not sufficiently motivated to carry on a correspondence.

Their failure to continue the round-robin is not necessarily "blatant rudeness"; call it diminished interest, laziness or whatever, but don't take it as enthusiastic about writing letters as you (and I) are.

Liberace museum celebrates Christmas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The Liberace Museum is offering free admission to everyone who arrives with an unwrapped new toy or nonperishable food donation on Dec. 2, after the 5:30 p.m. tree lighting ceremony.

Toys and food will be donated to the Las Vegas Salvation Army for holiday distribution.

The museum will have special exhibits on show for the holidays, including Liberace's favorite Christmas decoration, a 20-inch-long, 15-inch-high silver table centerpiece in the form of a sleigh and reindeer, made in Germany.

The museum's library will have on display one of the late entertainer's rare musical boxes that plays Christmas carols — it's in the form of a pipe organ with a bench.

Gift wrap a museum piece for Christmas

By JOAN BRUNSKILL
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Museum shops can provide a one-stop solution for some of your holiday gift campaign. And their offerings can be pleasantly offbeat: If you're looking for a diminutive Gutenberg printing press for a super-literate nephew, or green chocolate frogs for a sweet-toothed esthete, read on.

Usually, sales from a museum's gift shop help support the not-for-profit institution and its work.

Here are a few items from the huge selection of offerings. These are specifically related to the collections or mission of the institution selling them:

The Pierpont Morgan Library, New York, sells a miniature Gutenberg printing press — no guarantee it will enable you to produce a copy

of one of their precious Gutenberg Bibles. It is a working model, though, just over 6 inches high, handmade in Austria.

If you're already over budget, you might prefer to settle for a little jar of the Morgan's leather dressing — it's what they use on their own rare-books' bindings.

A candy maker in San Jose, Calif., inspired by the work of artist David Gilhooly, has created the Gilhooly Chocolate Pizza, topped with hot-pink chocolate swirls, green mint-flavored frogs, candy confetti and Oreo lookalikes made of chocolate from the gift shop at the San Jose Museum of Art.

The Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, offers a wooden box with a luminous reverse-glass painted top. The lid is decorated with detail from "Brig Antelope in Boston Harbor (1863)," an oil painting in the muse-

um's collection.

Here's a suggestion from the American Museum of Natural History, New York, which has a range of replicas of pre-Columbian artifacts from Mexico, Costa Rica and Venezuela. The choice includes a reproduction of the museum's own terra-cotta "smiling head" sculpture from central Veracruz.

The Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., took inspiration for a children's musical snow toy from a card in the Americana collection of the National Museum of American History. Inside the 5 1/2-inch glass globe, in swirling snow, children play with a giant snowball, to the tune of Frosty the Snowman.

A moon-face table clock with a decorative dial and blue-and-white case is an interpretation of an item from the Winterthur Museum, Garden and Library

design collections. The original was a tall case clock made in Delaware in the late 1700s; this 4 1/2-inch-high adaptation comes with quartz movement.

Reproductions offered at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York include an endearing 3 3/4-inch spotted ceramic rabbit ornament, originally made in England by a Staffordshire pottery in the mid-19th century. This is produced in cooperation with the Shelburne Museum, Shelburne, Vt.

The Metropolitan's quaint ceramic book bottle, which used to be filled with hot water to warm readers' cold fingers, was made in 18th-century London.

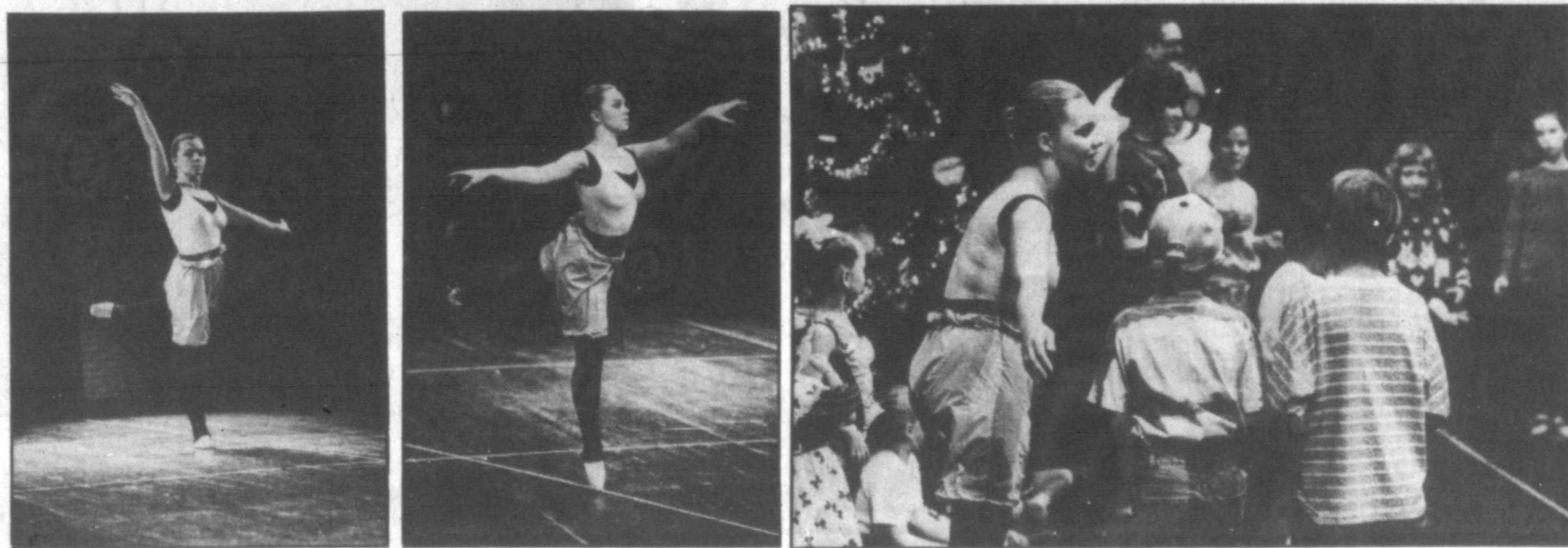
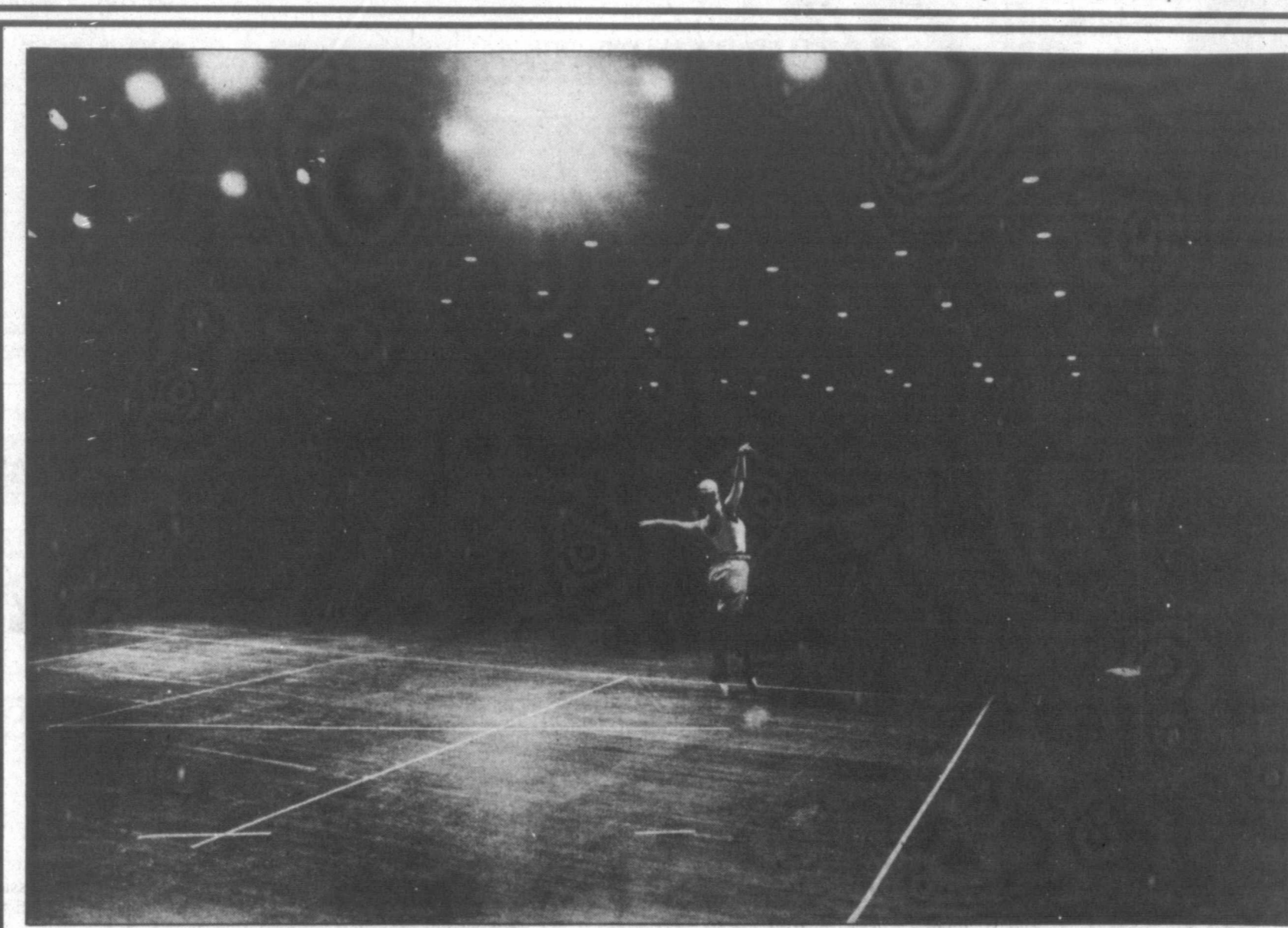
A Guinevere pin is patterned after an image of King Arthur's queen on a vintage tile in the collection of the Hudson River Museum, Yonkers, N.Y., where the pin is offered for

sale in antique gold.

The Pinscreen is described as an interactive electronic sculpture, a hand-held version of one of the most popular exhibits at San Francisco's Exploratorium science museum. It preserves 3-dimensional images of anything it touches, they explain.

How about something larky to recall city subways and buses, from the New York Transit Museum? They sell running shorts with the No. 7 line's map down the legs, and a stuffed armadillo that's said to look suspiciously like a tunnel rat. Refrigerator magnets with old subway slogans — "Don't Sit Where You Can't Fit!" — would make provocative stocking stuffers.

Finally, a 1993 special. The Art Institute of Chicago is celebrating its 100th anniversary, and to commemorate it they commissioned a silk scarf.



A veteran of two decades of dance, Deanna Parsley fills several rolls in the Pampa Civic Ballet's Christmas production of Nutcracker.

Pampa ballet company prepares Christmas production

Fourteen years ago, Deanna Parsley was the little girl who fell asleep and dreamed of the Nutcracker.

Saturday, she'll return to the stage in Pampa all grown up.

"She'll be the Snow Queen, Dew Drop Fairy, and the nanny," said Jeanne Willingham, artistic director for the Pampa Civic Ballet. "She has several parts."

Parsley also has several years of experience to back up those parts. "When I started doing Nutcracker," the 24-year-old Pampa native said, "I was 10 years old. I was Clara."

Since then, Parsley has appeared in several of the Pampa Civic Ballet productions of Nutcracker and in the Lone Star Ballet production in Amarillo.

"I danced in the Lone Star Ballet Nutcracker for three seasons," she said.

She also appeared in the musical drama "TEXAS" in Palo Duro

Canyon, danced for the Governor of the State of Texas and studied under a variety of dance instructors including David Howard of New York.

As part of the "TEXAS" cast, she travelled to England where she danced in London.

Her love of dance runs deep and follows family traditions.

"Ever since I was a little girl, I wanted to be a ballerina," Parsley said. "I was in band for a while, but I loved dance."

She went to West Texas A&M to study under Neil Hess. While she was there, she became involved with the Lone Star Ballet and the musical drama "TEXAS."

"My aunts danced," Parsley said. "Several of them were in Nutcracker here in Pampa. My Aunt Rita Stephens was in 'TEXAS,' too. I wanted to dance because they did."

But even when she joined the Pampa Civic Ballet Company for

her first appearance in Nutcracker as a 10-year-old, Parsley had several years of experience as a ballerina.

"I've been dancing with Miss Jeanne since I was four-years-old," Parsley said. "I went to college because I wanted to pursue it. My aunts had a lot to do with it, but I think it was mostly because of Miss Jeanne."

Parsley will join guest artists Eloisa Narvaez and Dimitri Korobeinikov along with 71 other cast members Saturday in the annual Christmas production of Nutcracker beginning at 7:30 p.m. at M.K. Brown auditorium.

Other members of the cast include Carrie Angel, Payton Baird, Mollie Baker, Laurel Berzankis, Breanna Bigham, Brandon Boyd, Stephanie Boyd, Abby Bradley, Amy Bradley, Dave Bridges, Becca Brinsfield, Kirby Broaddus, Helen Brooks, Jonathan Brooks, Tasha Brown, Ryan Bruce,

Beth Buzzard, Justin David, Mae-gan David, Casey Dunham, Cara East, Gracie Eddins, Melyssa Flaherty, Misty Ferrell, Rebecca Gindorf, Glennette Goode, Sophia Gruszecki, Freda Hagerman, Meredith Hendricks-Young, Jennifer Hinds, Krissy Holman, Keaton Hutto, Kebbi Hutto, Amanda Jacobs, Candice Johnson, Laura Johnson, Paul Kauffman, Kaylee Keith, Alyssa Kelsy, Devin Lemons, Luke Long, Chelsea Ma, Kimberly Martin, Rob Martin, Laura Miller, Kevin Monds, Jennifer Muns, David Nelson, Ty Newman, Janis Piersall, Jennifer Rapstine, Brianna Roberts, Suzanne Rolan, Lindzi Schaible, Kyle Sparkman, Chris Shaffer, Katie Shaffer, Jaclyn Spearman, Robyn Stover, Jeff Sublett, Weston Teichmann, Lindsay Tidwell, Kelley Vinson, Amy Watson, Nicole Watson, Chris Welch, Ashley Wheeler, Maegan Wheeler, Angi Woelfle, and Carla Wood.

Mary Tyler Moore among the wealthy enjoying life in Millbrook

By TOWN & COUNTRY
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For AP Special Features

Millbrook, only 100 miles from New York City, is where the wealthy can indulge their enthusiasm for the quiet life and still be in easy commuting distance of a good haircut and tailor — and they intend to keep it that way.

This 20-by-23 mile territory, Patricia Beard wrote in an article in the current issue of Town & Country, is devoted to farming and sport — but not necessarily tennis and

golf. Fox hunting, polo, shooting and fishing, carriage driving, beagling and, in winter, cross-country skiing and ice skating keep people busy.

Millbrook residents make the bucolic area of fields and meadows glamorous despite — or because — they don't seek the designation. Oakleigh Thorne, for instance, has a great and old fortune. He lives at Thorndale, his family's 800-acre seat since the 1700s. At 61, he plays an agile and aggressive game of polo, with his own team.

Until recently he ran the family

business, Commerce Clearing House, and farmed. Now he farms and serves on most of the important town boards.

John Dyson, farmer and public servant, was commissioner of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, chairman of the New York State Power Authority and commissioner of commerce under whose aegis the "I Love New York" campaign was created.

Other residents include television personality Mary Tyler Moore. Among the internationals are Guy

and Lucile Peyrelongue (he is president of Cosmair) and Michel Jean and his American wife, Patricia, who own a well-known Manhattan restaurant.

Among the descendants of families who bought large tracts of land in the early 20th century, the most notable hands-on farmer is Jesse Bontecou, who runs his family's 2,700-acre Rally Farm. Rally's Aberdeen Angus herd, started in 1929, is one of the oldest in America. The farm produced international grand champion bulls in 1981 and 1982.

Books

By MARY CAMPBELL
Associated Press Writer

Dick Francis is back with another of his annual mysteries that delve into the life of somebody who is, or is becoming, intricately involved with horse racing.

The books have centered on men as varied as horse trainers, bankers and wine merchants, and some of the novels have been better than others.

The latest entry, "Decider" (Putnam), is top-notch.

This time, the hero is a bit different. Instead of a young loner of strong integrity and a subconscious longing for romance, Lee Morris is 35, a married man with six sons — and integrity.

He's a builder, trained as an architect. His mother was once married to the abusive Keith Stratton. When they divorced, her ex-husband's father, Lord Stratton, gave her eight shares in the Stratton Park racecourse. Morris, son of her second husband, has inherited the shares. He attends a shareholders meeting called after Lord Stratton, who ran the racecourse, dies.

The most interesting part of this book is the thicket of Stratton family relations. It's a family whose members get what they want and keep each other in line by getting something on each other.

Now, some of them want to keep the racecourse as it was, some want to build new glass-enclosed stands and some want to sell the land to house-builders. Because of loyal feelings for Lord Stratton, who had been kind to Lee's mother, and at the behest of Lord Stratton's authoritative sister, Morris gets embroiled in trying to sort out family secrets.

He almost gets blown to bits when somebody on the non-preservation side decides to detonate the stands when he's in them. His five incredibly well-behaved older boys, ages 14 to 7, predictably get into danger, too.

A young female Stratton is a jockey. Details of fixing up a beautiful home from an old ruin and running a racecourse after the stands have exploded are interesting.

But those topics and the horses are runners-up here: The thorny Stratton relationships are the main event.

Yuletide open house in Houston mansion

HOUSTON (AP) — From Dec. 8 through Dec. 30, Bayou Bend Collection and Gardens is inviting visitors to its Yuletide Open House.

The recently re-opened and renovated mansion, which houses the design collections of the Museum of Fine Arts, is organizing a survey of two centuries of American holiday customs.

Among its features will be a 17th-century punch party, a Pennsylvania-Moravian "ceppo" (Christmas celebration), a federal-era dessert banquet and a Victorian Christmas tree.

Open House hours are Tuesday to Friday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The only Sunday opening is scheduled for Dec. 19, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., for a Family Day with songs, dances, games and hands-on craft and art workshops.

The museum is closed Dec. 24-25.

The Pampa News

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Married woman's title
- Protection (var.)
- Flows away
- Popeye's friend Olive
- Lane
- Let fall
- Tse-tung
- Muslim commander
- Lollo-bridgia
- Scoff
- Arabs or Jews
- Breakfast item
- Tiny
- Skilful flattery
- Stage whisper
- Guided
- Actor — Jannings

DOWN

- Chinese money
- Picone
- Blemish
- Earth deity
- Shy
- Typical person
- Wide shoe size
- Federal agcy.
- Lumberjacks' game
- Feign
- Seives
- Of an age
- Japanese sash
- Lavish fondness
- Female horse
- Guys
- Baseballer — Musial
- River in Belgium
- Hurricane center

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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3 Wild plum
4 Centerpiece
5 Group of whales
6 How sweet

7 Scolding woman
8 Most nervous
9 Herring
10 Rib, e.g.
11 Resorts
19 Without end (poet.)
21 — culpa
23 Precious stones
25 Fruit decay
26 Son of Jacob
27 First man
28 Cry of pain
30 Character in "Othello"
31 Judge
32 River in Germany
35 Run easily
38 — ratings
40 Drunkard
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55 Follow orders
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WALNUT COVE

Well, Lori... have you written to the jolly old fat man who lives up North?
 Get real!

Now, now... How is he going to do his job if he doesn't know what you want?

Who cares? Everyone knows he's a fraud. Every year he makes a million promises he can't keep.

Oh, come on. You can at least humor him and write him a letter...
 Oh, all right...

Dear Congressman,

By Mark Cullum

ARLO & JANIS

TO HECK WITH GINGIVITIS!

YOU SCARE ME WHEN YOU TALK THAT WAY.

By Jimmy Johnson

ECK & MEEK

HE'S TURNED DOWN JOBS WITH EVERY COMPANY THAT OFFERED THEM TO HIM.

HOW COME?

HE SAYS HE BELIEVES IN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY UNEMPLOYMENT.

By Howie Schneider

B.C.

HA HA HA HA HOO HA HEE HEE HAR HAR HO HO

WILEY'S BAR

HO HO HEE HEE HAR HAR HA HA HA

WILEY'S BAR

WHAT HAPPENED?

'HAPPY HOUR' JUST ENDED.

By Johnny Hart

Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your chart indicates that you might profit in some manner today through a source or person that is not one of your usual conduits for gain. Sagittarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) An old loyal friend might once again prove what a valuable ally he/she is. This pal has a way of generating developments from which both can benefit.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Go after what you want where your work or career is concerned. Your possibilities for fulfilling ambitions and achieving objectives is several notches above usual today.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Keep an open mind today, because you might get involved with two individuals in unrelated circumstances who could each teach you a trick or two.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your most successful involvements today are likely to be with persons with whom you share strong emotional ties. Each is in tune with the other's needs and wants.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Someone with whom you're associated has been trying to tell you about something opportune in which you could participate. Up until now you've never fully understood him/her, but you may today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your financial picture is a bit better at this time than even you may realize. If you look hard enough, ways can be found to increase your earnings or holdings.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You might receive a big boost from Lady Luck today in a matter which is of personal significance to you. It may require a little risk taking on your behalf.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Things might not start out to your liking today, but end results won't be representative of beginnings. You pick up momentum as you go.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Don't be afraid to think in expansive terms today, especially if you're involved in something new that is promising and hopeful. The bigger the better.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your material prospects look very encouraging at this time. You're involved in a trend that might produce something lavishly beneficial.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Try to weave your future intentions and aspirations into plans you're formulating at the present. They can comfortably compliment one another.

MARVIN

THIS IS A MOVIE DAD MADE LAST WEEK OF ME IN MY MECHANICAL SWING!

CLICKETY CLICK CLICKETY CLICK CLICKETY CLICK

IT LACKS A GOOD CAR CHASE SCENE.

DOGS ONLY LIKE MOVIES WITH LOTS OF CAR CHASES.

By Tom Armstrong

MARMADUKE

"He's sitting on your sample case because you're sitting in his chair."

By Brad Anderson

KIT N' CARLYLE

I'M NEVER CERTAIN ABOUT WHETHER HE LOOKS ON US AS FRIENDS OR AS ONE OF THE FOUR MAJOR FOOD GROUPS.

By Larry Wright

ALLEY OOP

YES, INDEED! WE'LL HAVE ALL THOSE WONDERFUL DESIGNS BACK UP THERE PERMANENTLY!

WE'D BETTER FIND PICALI AN' GIVE HIM TH' GOOD NEWS, GUZ!

WHAT GIVES OOP?

WHATCHA MEAN, 'WHAT GIVES?'

YOU KNOW I DON'T WANT TO SEE MY CAPITAL ALL PAINTED UP THAT WAY AGAIN!

YOU WON'T HAVE TO GUZ!

...PICALI LEFT MOO AFTER TH' RAIN STOPPED THIS MORNING! ???

By Dave Graue

BEATTIE BLVD.

"Only yuppie parents like ours would make a Frank Lloyd Wright gingerbread house."

By Bruce Beattie

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

"I don't know all their first names, but their last name is Saurus."

By Bill Keane

WINTHROP

I LIKE THIS COMIC STRIP ABOUT THE LITTLE KID AND HIS TIGER...

BUT PERSONALLY, I'D RATHER BE A DOG THAN A TIGER.

STRIPES TEND TO MAKE YOU LOOK FAT.

By Dick Cavalli

CALVIN AND HOBBS

YOU MEAN IT'S BEDTIME AND YOU HAVEN'T EVEN STARTED WRITING YOUR PAPER FOR SCHOOL? WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING ALL EVENING?

WELL FIRST, HOBBS AND I INVENTED AND CONSTRUCTED A THINKING CAP THAT AUGMENTED MY BRAIN SO I COULD THINK UP A GOOD TOPIC, AND THEN WE DREW ILLUSTRATIONS OF...

THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE A VERY GOOD TIME BUDGET TO ME.

I WASN'T EXPECTING TO GET AUDITED SO SOON.

By Bill Watterson

THE BORN LOSER

I'M SUPPOSED TO FIND OUT WHAT GENETIC MEANS FOR MY HOMEWORK TODAY.

GENETIC? AH, THAT'S AN EASY ONE, MY BOY!

THAT'S THE CHEAP STUFF WITH-OUT BRAND NAMES IN THE GROCERY STORE.

By Art and Chip Sansom

FRANK AND ERNEST

NEED 2 TICKETS

By Bob Thaves

PEANUTS

WELL, I'LL BE! THIS IS THE SAME LITTLE BUG I SAW OVER ON THE PLAYGROUND TWO DAYS AGO...

HOW DO YOU KNOW?

I HAVE A GOOD MEMORY FOR FACES.

By Charles M. Schulz

GARFIELD

WASH!

THINKING OF YOU

By Jim Davis

Sports

Notebook

FOOTBALL

ROSEMONT, Ill. (AP) — St. Louis' Gateway Football Partnership, assembled the day before the NFL awarded an expansion franchise to Charlotte, N.C. on Oct. 26, was the favorite to receive the second team today.

Since the last meeting, Baltimore has added a new ownership group headed by Alfred Lerner, a partner of the Cleveland Browns, Jacksonville, Fla., and Memphis, Tenn., are also in the running.

DENVER (AP) — Denver receiver Vance Johnson faces extensive surgery after fracturing and dislocating his left ankle in Sunday's 17-9 victory over Seattle. He had 36 receptions for 517 yards and five touchdowns this season.

CLEMSON, S.C. (AP) — Tennessee-Chattanooga coach Tommy West, a Clemson assistant under Danny Ford from 1982-1989, was selected to replace Ken Hatfield as the Tigers' coach. Hatfield stepped down Wednesday. West, 4-7 this season with the Division I-AA Moccasins, will coach the Tigers (8-3) in the Peach Bowl against Kentucky on Dec. 31 in Atlanta.

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — South Carolina fired coach Sparky Woods, 4-7 this season and 24-28-3 in five years at the school. Athletic director Mike McGee said he offered Woods another position in the athletic department, but didn't say what it was. If Woods doesn't accept, McGee said the university would buy out the final year of his contract for \$122,000.

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) — Missouri coach Bob Stull agreed to resign and become an assistant athletic director. He was 3-7-1 this season and 15-38-2 in five seasons the school.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Florida A&M coach Ken Riley resigned in the aftermath of a 5-6 season in his eighth year at his alma mater. Riley, a longtime defensive back with the Cincinnati Bengals, was 48-40-3 overall.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — Florida State quarterback Charlie Ward was honored as the nation's outstanding player by the Walter Camp Football Foundation. Ward, who has completed 264 of 380 passes for 3,032 yards and 27 touchdowns this season, was selected in a poll of Division I-A coaches and sports information directors.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. (AP) — No. 12 North Carolina will meet the loser of Saturday's Southeastern Conference title game between Florida and Alabama in the Gator Bowl on Dec. 31. North Carolina (10-2) finished second in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — No. 18 Colorado (7-3-1) will face No. 24 Fresno State (8-3) in the Aloha Bowl on Christmas Day in Honolulu.

BASKETBALL

NEW YORK (AP) — Kentucky, which beat Louisville in its opener Saturday, received 30 of 65 first-place votes and 1,536 points in The Associated Press college poll to replace North Carolina as the top-ranked team.

Fellow Southeastern Conference member Arkansas (0-0) was second with 14 first-place votes and 1,478 points, three more than Preseason NIT champion Kansas (4-0), which received 13 first-place votes. North Carolina (3-1), which lost to Massachusetts in the NIT semifinals, dropped to fourth.

Michigan, No. 1 on three ballots, held fifth. Duke was sixth, followed by Temple, Oklahoma State, Massachusetts and UCLA.

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. (AP) — Police dropped their investigation into the latest accusation that Phoenix Suns star Charles Barkley punched a man at a bar.

Police spokesman Mike Keeley said Barkley denied hitting Keith Stimson of Hermosa Beach, Calif., on Friday at Stixx, an upscale bar and pool hall. Stimson has withdrawn his complaint.

Barkley was accused of hitting another man in the same bar a week earlier, but police dropped that case after witnesses supported Barkley's stand that he did not strike the man.

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Golden State forward Chris Webber, the top overall pick in the NBA draft, is sidelined indefinitely with a sprained left ankle. Webber was injured in Sunday night's game with Detroit.

NEW YORK (AP) — Miami forward Glen Rice, who averaged of 25.8 points and 9.5 rebounds in four games last week, is the NBA player of the week.

HOCKEY

MONTREAL (AP) — The NHL and its striking officials were to meet today in Montreal to attempt to work out their remaining differences.

The 58-member NHL Officials Association went on strike more than two weeks ago. Since then, the two sides have agreed to — but not finalized — a salary package, but there are still differences on a benefits package.

NHL commissioner Gary Bettman was scheduled to be on hand at the talks, the first between the two sides in a week. NHL play has gone on uninterrupted, but there have been a growing number of complaints about replacement officials.

TORONTO (AP) — Goaltenders Arturs Irbe of San Jose and Jeff Reese of Hartford are the NHL's co-players of the week. Irbe was 3-0 last week with a 2.33 goals against average, while Reese was 2-0 with an 0.48 GAA.

COLLEGE

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Colorado State women's softball team won a decision in the Supreme Court when the nine justices refused to vacate a court order that forces the school to field a team. Colorado State, citing budgetary problems, dropped the program and men's baseball in June 1992. Members of the team sued, charging the school with violating the 1972 law known as Title IX, which bans sexual discrimination in education.

West Virginia may pick Sugar over Cotton

By The Associated Press

West Virginia may take the money and run — to the Sugar Bowl.

Instead of going to the Cotton Bowl for \$3 million, the undefeated, third-ranked Mountaineers may instead make a \$4.15 million trip to the Sugar.

"West Virginia University is a self-supporting athletic program and finances are obviously important to us," athletic director Ed Pastilong said.

Money also is important to NBC, which would benefit if West Virginia goes to the Sugar. That would put ratings-king Notre Dame in NBC's Cotton Bowl and take the Fighting Irish out of ABC's Sugar Bowl, which competes with NBC's Orange Bowl telecast New Year's night.

Top-ranked Florida State is

expected to play No. 2 Nebraska in the Orange Bowl, but there was no official word Monday on the bowl destinations of West Virginia and Notre Dame.

However, several bowl sources said the Mountaineers plan to spurn a Cotton matchup against No. 7 Texas A&M and head to the Sugar for a meeting with No. 9 Florida or No. 16 Alabama.

"We'd be honored to play in either one of those," Pastilong said. "And if those invitations are extended, then we certainly will discuss them with our administration and coaches and react accordingly."

Under the bowl coalition system, the Cotton Bowl will probably have first crack at West Virginia when the official selections are made Sunday. But the Mountaineers, champions of the Big East, have the right to

decline because they can get more money from the Sugar Bowl.

The Mountaineers aren't going to pass up an extra \$1.15 million without giving it careful consideration. They've only grossed more than \$1 million from a bowl twice in the school's 103-year football history.

John Paquette, associate commissioner of the Big East, said he wasn't aware of any deal.

"Writers are calling me to say West Virginia's thinking about passing on the Cotton Bowl, but I haven't heard anything about that," Paquette said.

Cotton Bowl president Bob Smith said that's exactly what the Mountaineers will do, which would likely set up a rematch of last season's game between Notre Dame and Texas A&M.

"Our next choice will more

than likely be Notre Dame," Smith told The Houston Post on Monday night. "They've been positive about coming back to Dallas and we think it will be a pretty good matchup with a couple of 10-1 teams."

The Cotton Bowl needs unanimous approval by coalition members, which the newspaper said could be secured in a conference call this morning.

Troy Mathieu, executive director of the Sugar Bowl, declined to say whether his bowl would pursue West Virginia.

"We are not in any position to take any stance," he said.

Notre Dame officials said they still weren't sure where the Irish would play Jan. 1.

West Virginia quarterback Darren Studstill said the situation was "real confusing."

"It's just like waiting for a job

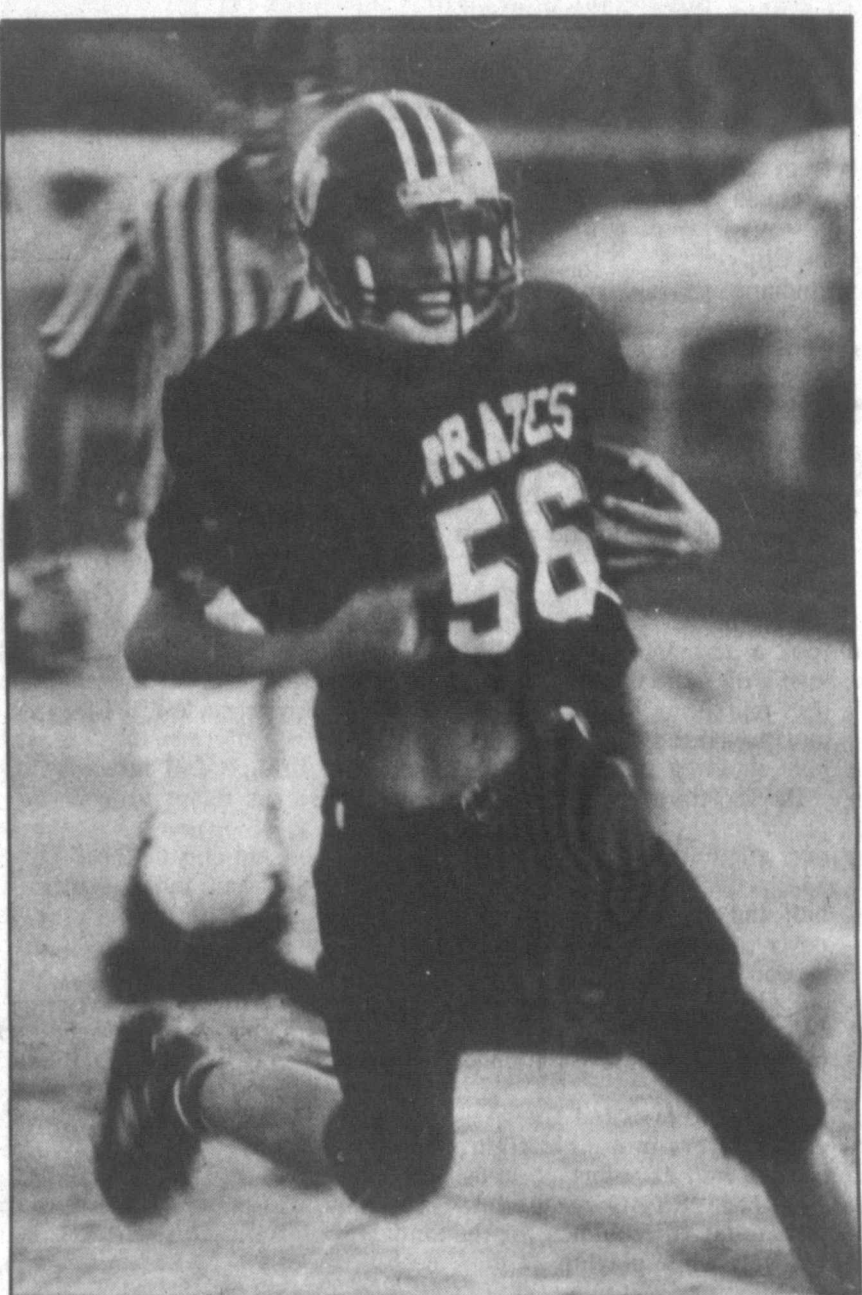
callback," he said. "Everybody's calling each other, trying to see if anybody's heard anything."

West Virginia (11-0) wanted to play Nebraska (11-0) in the Orange Bowl, but Florida State (11-1) probably will get that opportunity because it edged out West Virginia in the combined Associated Press and USA Today-CNN polls.

West Virginia is third in the AP media poll, behind No. 1 Florida State and No. 2 Nebraska. In the coaches' poll, Nebraska is No. 1, West Virginia No. 2 and Florida State No. 3.

The Mountaineers could finish first in the coaches' poll if Florida State beats Nebraska.

"I think we can accomplish it in the Cotton or the Sugar," Pastilong said. "Obviously the opponents in both of those bowls are very formidable opponents."



Tommy Green of Lefors was named to the All-District 1-A six-man first team as a linebacker. He was a second team pick as a running back. (Pampa News photo)

Six-man stars

Groom, the District 1-A champion this season, dominated the all-district six-man football team, filling nine spots on the first team offense and defense.

Bo Burgin, Bart Britten and Wesley Hall of Groom, Dusty Helfer of Lefors and Alex Valenzuela of Higgins were all selected to the first team on both offense and defense.

Groom went unbeaten in district and finished 8-2 for the season. Higgins was the district's No. 2 playoff seed.

The all-district team was selected by the district coaches.

1993 All-District 1-A Football Team (Six-man)
Defense
First team

Linemen: Dusty Helfer, Lefors; Robbie Evenson, Groom; Wes Hall, Groom; **Linebackers:** Tommy Green, Lefors; Bo Burgin, Groom; Ty Lambert, Groom; **Safety:** Bart Britten, Groom; **Punter:** Alex Valenzuela, Higgins.

Offense
First Team

Quarterback: Bo Burgin, Groom; **Running backs:** Bart Britten, Groom; Dusty Helfer, Lefors; **Spread back:** Alex Valenzuela, Higgins; **Center:** Andrew Neighbors, Miami; **Ends:** Wesley Hall, Groom; Tommy Wyatt, Lefors; **Kicker:** Tom Lambert, Groom.

Defense
Second Team

Linemen: Brandon West, McLean; Tommy Wyatt, Lefors; Bronte Britten, Groom; **Linebackers:** Mark Howard, Follett; Alex Valenzuela, Higgins; Dennis Williams, Lefors; **Safety:** Andrew Neighbors, Miami; Keith Franks, Lefors.

Offense
Second Team

Quarterback: Keith Franks, Lefors; **Running backs:** Tommy Green, Lefors; Mark Howard, Follett; Jeramie Greenhouse, Miami; **Spread back:** Toby Northeut, McLean; **Center:** Aaron Gifford, Lefors; **Ends:** Tommy Cox, Lefors; Glenn Roberson, Follett; Jared Booker, Higgins.

Pampa cagers visit Palo Duro

The Pampa Harvesters go for some revenge tonight in a basketball double-header at Palo Duro.

Both PHS boys' and girls' teams dropped squeakers to Palo Duro in season openers Nov. 16.

The Harvesters led by as many as 10 points in the second half before bowing to PD, 57-54. The Lady Harvesters held a 12-point lead at halftime before losing by just one point, 45-44.

Palo Duro snapped a long winning streak for the Harvesters. The Harvesters had not lost at McNeely Fieldhouse since the 1988-89 season.

The varsity girls' game between Pampa and PD tips off at 6 p.m., followed by the boys.

On Thursday, the Pampa boys begin first-round play in the Plainview Lions Pioneer Classic, meeting Abernathy at 5 p.m. in Hutcherson Center at Wayland Baptist University. Other teams entered in the tournament include Hale Center, Plainview, Dimmitt, Andrews, Lubbock Estacado and Lockney. The championship finals will be played at 8 p.m. Saturday.

The Harvesters have a 3-3 record after finishing fourth in the Fantasy of Lights Tournament last week at Wichita Falls.

A college game will be featured Thursday night with Wayland Baptist University meeting Howard Payne University at 7.

The next scheduled game for the Lady Harvesters is Dec. 7 at Perryton. They are entered in a tournament Dec. 9-11 at Lawton, Okla.

The next hometown action for the Pampa teams won't be until Dec. 17 when Garden City, Kan. comes to town.

Cowboys, Eagles square off in Texas Stadium

By RALPH BERNSTEIN
 AP Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The Philadelphia Eagles could hardly find a worse time to play the Dallas Cowboys, let alone play them in Texas Stadium.

The Cowboys (7-4) have lost two straight, dropped from first place one game behind the New York Giants (8-3). Their most recent defeat came on a freak play in the final seconds of the Thanksgiving Day game against the Miami Dolphins.

Eagles coach Rich Kotite, whose team snapped a six-game losing streak Sunday with a 17-14 win over the woeful Washington Redskins, reads the signs. He's trying to wring every positive he can from the long-sought triumph.

"We needed it," Kotite said at his weekly Monday news conference. "You feed on success. The last six games have been difficult for us, and hopefully we can draw from this in a positive nature getting ready for Dallas."

Kotite said he isn't concerned about being a 16-point underdog Monday night in this longstanding NFC East rivalry.

"Their main concern is to stop a two-game losing streak," Kotite said. "It doesn't matter who they're playing. Especially since the Giants won (Sunday) and are in first place."

The Cowboys beat the Eagles 23-10 in Philadelphia Oct. 31, with running back Emmitt Smith shredding the defense for 237 yards.

"I think we've improved since that game," Kotite said, despite an offense that has scored just 37 points in the next four games. He said that at 5-6 the Eagles "still were in the hunt" for a playoff spot.

"We have to try and win them all," Kotite said without even a trace of a smile. Winning them all includes Dallas, Buffalo, New Orleans and San Francisco.

"We can't be thinking of that (playoffs) because ... that distracts what we have to do in our next game. We have to go to Dallas and do the best possible job we can and get out of there with a win. That's the No. 1 thing. But we're in the hunt."

Despite only one win in the last seven games, the win over Washington had the Eagles reviving their playoff hopes.

Bobby Brister, who directed a 75-yard drive for the game-winning touchdown with 46 seconds left against the Skins, recalled the Pittsburgh Steelers of 1989, who won five of their last six including the final three to reach the playoffs. The Steelers beat Houston in a playoff game before being eliminated, 24-23, by Denver.

Kotite let himself be drawn into playoff thinking at his news conference.

"I don't think you can get into that, especially at this juncture you can't," he said. "The biggest thing is that you know you're in the hunt. You don't know if it will take 10 wins or nine wins."

"Speculation is that nine will get you in. Other than the (New York) Jets about three years ago (1991) got in at 8-and-8."

Although Kotite took over play calling from offensive coordinator Zeke Bratkowski against the Redskins, he made a concentrated effort to play down his role in the victory.

"I called a lot of the plays," he said in response to a question.

"In between series I talked to the offensive coaches, and Zeke in particular. Even when I was calling the plays on a regular basis (previous years) I've always felt that players make a play."

"Just because I called the plays yesterday (Sunday) doesn't mean I'm a miracle man and all of a sudden they all work. Players make them work."

Kotite said he awarded game balls to Brister, cornerback Otis Smith, running back Herschel Walker and defensive end Mike Flores.

Brister completed 19-of-31 for 170 yards including the game-winning touchdown. Walker ran nine times for 45 yards and caught 10 passes for 103. Smith intercepted a fake punt pass that set up a score. Flores had two sacks.

Young anglers hoping to reel in big prizes

The Top of Texas Bassmasters of Pampa is sponsoring the annual Rubbermaid Bassmaster CastingKids competition Saturday at the Pampa Mall.

The contest, based on football's Punt, Pass & Kick format, is free to boys and girls ages 7-10 and 11-14. The contest consists of basic casting, pitching and flipping a fishing line at a target.

Prizes to be awarded include medals and Abu Garcia rods and reels.

Local winners advance to their respective state competitions and then on to the nationals, where only 10 national semifinalists earn the right to attend the BASS Masters Classic in August.

In addition, to the \$20,000 in scholarships for the top anglers, \$5,000 in prizes will be awarded to B.A.S.S. Chapters and state federations sponsoring the winners.

"The CastingKids program is a wonderful event that has many benefits," said Top of Texas Bassmasters Chapter secretary Mary Alderson. "In addition to learning more about fishing, the contest will also foster in each participant an appreciation and concern for our great outdoors. Plus everyone is sure to have a lot of fun."

For more information on the contest, call 806-835-2719.

Lett continues to avoid reporters, issues press release

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
 AP Sports Writer

IRVING (AP) — Leon Lett may not understand NFL kicking rules, but he knew what he didn't want to do on Monday — face the media.

Lett, the butt of talk show jokes across the nation for his Turkey Day blunder in an improbable loss to the Miami Dolphins, addressed his feelings in a press release issued through the Dallas Cowboys public relations department.

"I'm deeply hurt for my teammates because of the judgment error I made at the end of last week's game," Lett said. "In my efforts to try and help our team

win, I made a poor decision. Hopefully, my performance in the future will in some small way make up for my mistake."

While at least three Cowboys shouted for nobody to touch the ball, Lett tried to recover a blocked field goal in the final seconds of Thursday's 16-14 loss to Miami. After he kicked the ball, the Dolphins recovered at the Dallas 1 and Pete Stoyanovich kicked the game-winning 19-yard field goal.

The defensive tackle has refused to talk to the media and spent Monday playing hide-and-seek in the Cowboys dressing room. His teammates came to his defense as the Cowboys began preparations for

their next game against Philadelphia.

"Leon had a horrible weekend," said offensive tackle Nate Newton. "I couldn't believe how many great Cowboy fans had bad things to say about him. I couldn't believe how these fans tried to tear down our meat house. We'll get rolling again, and they'll be the same ones to start cheering."

"Leon is a nice guy and I hope people leave him alone. He might explode on someone."

"Everybody is in his face and on his back. I'm tired of hearing about it, and I know he is," said running back Emmitt Smith. "I know how he feels. We lost a game once because I fumbled against Houston. A loss is a loss."

Middle school girls win over Hereford

Pampa 7th grade teams swept Hereford in middle school girls' basketball activity Monday.

Pampa 7th Blue won by a score of 29-28. Lisa Kirkpatrick was top scorer for Pampa with 16 points.

The 7th grade Red won by a score of 28-24. Lisa Dwight led Pampa in scoring with 11 points, followed by Jonna Coward with 8.

In 8th grade games, Pampa's B team was defeated, 36-25. Deanna Dreher and Alicia Lunceford tied for scoring honors with 6 points.

Pampa's A team fell to Hereford, 60-16. Jami Wells was high scorer for Pampa with 8 points.

Scoreboard

NBA standings

By The Associated Press
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division				Pct.	GB
W	L	Pct.	GB		
New York	9	2	.818		
Orlando	6	5	.545		
Boston	7	6	.538		
Washington	6	6	.500		3 1/2
Miami	5	6	.455		4
Philadelphia	4	9	.308		6 1/2
New Jersey	4	10	.286		7

Central Division				Pct.	GB
W	L	Pct.	GB		
Atlanta	9	4	.692		
Charlotte	8	5	.615		1
Cleveland	5	6	.455		3
Chicago	5	7	.417		3 1/2
Detroit	5	7	.417		3 1/2
Indiana	4	8	.333		4 1/2
Milwaukee	2	11	.154		7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division				Pct.	GB
W	L	Pct.	GB		
Houston	13	0	1.000		
San Antonio	9	5	.643		4 1/2
Utah	8	5	.615		5
Denver	6	6	.500		6 1/2
Minnesota	3	8	.273		9
Dallas	1	11	.083		11 1/2

Pacific Division				Pct.	GB
W	L	Pct.	GB		
Seattle	10	1	.909		
Phoenix	8	2	.800		1 1/2
Portland	7	5	.583		3 1/2
Golden State	6	6	.500		500

Saturday's Games

New York 112, Detroit 85
Miami 114, Charlotte 100
Atlanta 111, Philadelphia 79
Cleveland 101, Seattle 90
LA Lakers 96, Minnesota 92
Washington 112, Orlando 110
San Antonio 104, Dallas 80
Denver 111, New Jersey 89
Milwaukee 89, Boston 85
Phoenix 120, Utah 98
Houston 82, LA Clippers 80
Sunday's Games
Golden State 91, Detroit 88
Portland 120, Sacramento 109
Monday's Games
San Antonio 102, Milwaukee 95
LA Clippers 118, New Jersey 94
Indiana 105, Sacramento 103
Tuesday's Games
Seattle at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Milwaukee at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Utah, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
Washington at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.
Dallas at LA Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

NFL standings

By The Associated Press
All Times EST
AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East						
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
Miami	9	2	0	81.8	234	186
Buffalo	8	3	0	72.7	202	152
N.Y. Jets	7	4	0	63.6	240	170
Indianapolis	3	8	0	27.3	154	264
New England	1	10	0	0.91	126	223

Central						
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
Houston	7	4	0	63.6	256	180
Pittsburgh	6	5	0	54.5	231	196
Cleveland	5	6	0	45.5	202	225
Cincinnati	1	10	0	0.91	128	251

West						
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
Kansas City	8	3	0	72.7	204	170
Denver	7	4	0	63.6	283	197
LA Raiders	6	5	0	54.5	194	201
Seattle	5	6	0	45.5	174	186
San Diego	5	6	0	45.5	195	195

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East						
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
N.Y. Giants	8	3	0	72.7	206	138
Dallas	7	4	0	63.6	234	169
Philadelphia	5	6	0	45.5	175	212
Phoenix	3	8	0	27.3	200	195
Washington	2	9	0	18.2	165	256

Central						
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
Detroit	7	4	0	63.6	210	176
Green Bay	7	4	0	63.6	238	188
Chicago	6	5	0	54.5	171	147
Minnesota	5	6	0	45.5	179	217
Tampa Bay	3	8	0	27.3	153	274

West						
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
San Francisco	8	3	0	72.7	332	196
New Orleans	7	4	0	63.6	224	229
Atlanta	5	6	0	45.5	228	250
LA Rams	3	8	0	27.3	151	246

College bowl glance

All Times EST

Friday, Dec. 17
Las Vegas Bowl
At Las Vegas

Ball State (8-2-1) vs. Utah State (6-5), 8 p.m. (ESPN)
Friday, Dec. 24
John Hancock Bowl
At El Paso, Texas

Texas Tech (6-5) vs. Oklahoma (8-3), 2:30 p.m. (CBS)
Saturday, Dec. 25
Blue-Gray Classic
At Montgomery, Ala.
Blue vs. Gray, noon (ABC)
Aloha Bowl
At Honolulu

Fresno State (8-3) vs. Colorado (7-3-1), 3:30 p.m. (ABC)
Tuesday, Dec. 28
Liberty Bowl
At Memphis, Tenn.

Michigan State (6-4) vs. Louisville (8-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)
Wednesday, Dec. 29
Copper Bowl
At Tucson, Ariz.

Wyoming (8-3) vs. Kansas State (8-2-1), 8 p.m. (ESPN)
Thursday, Dec. 30
Holiday Bowl
At San Diego

Brigham Young (6-5) vs. Wisconsin (8-1-1) or Ohio State (9-1-1), 8 p.m. (ESPN)
Friday Bowl
At Anaheim, Calif.

Southern Cal (7-5) vs. Utah (7-5), 9 p.m. (Raycom)
Friday, Dec. 31
Independence Bowl
At Shreveport, La.

Virginia Tech (8-3) vs. Indiana (8-3), 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Peach Bowl
At Atlanta

Clemson (8-3) vs. Kentucky (6-5), 6 p.m. (ESPN)
Gator Bowl
At Jacksonville, Fla.

Alabama (8-2-1)-Florida (9-2) loser vs. North Carolina (10-2), 7 p.m. (TBS)
Alamo Bowl
At San Antonio

Iowa (6-5) vs. California (8-4), 9:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Saturday, Jan. 1
Hall of Fame Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.

Michigan (7-4) vs. North Carolina State (7-4), 11 a.m. (ESPN)
Citrus Bowl
At Orlando, Fla.

Penn State (9-2) vs. Tennessee (9-1-1), 1 p.m. (ABC)
Cotton Bowl
At Dallas

Texas A&M (10-1) vs. Coalition, 1 p.m. (NBC)
Caesars Bowl
At Miami

Boston College (8-3) vs. Virginia (7-4), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)
Fiesta Bowl
At Tempe, Ariz.

Miami (9-2) vs. Arizona (9-2), 4:30 p.m. (NBC)
Rose Bowl
At Pasadena, Calif.

UCLA (8-3) vs. Wisconsin (8-1-1) or Ohio State (9-1-1), 4:30 p.m. (ABC)
Heritage Bowl
At Atlanta

Southern U. (9-1) vs. South Carolina State (8-3), 4:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Orange Bowl
At Miami

Nebraska (11-0) vs. Coalition, 8 p.m. (NBC)
Sugar Bowl
At New Orleans

Alabama (8-2-1)-Florida (9-2) winner vs. Coalition, 8:30 p.m. (ABC)
Saturday, Jan. 15
East-West Shrine Classic
At Stanford, Calif.
East vs. West, 4 p.m. (ESPN)
Saturday, Jan. 22
Senior Bowl
Mobile, Ala.
North vs. South, 2 p.m. (ESPN)
Hula Bowl
At Honolulu

Spurs surge past Bucks

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — For David Robinson, it was easy playing against the lowly Milwaukee Bucks — especially since they were without starting center Frank Brickowski.

Now, however, he's looking forward to playing against three guys who figure to dominate the center position through the 1990s.

Robinson scored 34 points, including 12 in the fourth period, in the Spurs' 102-95 victory over Milwaukee Monday night. It was San Antonio's fifth straight victory, including four straight at home.

The Spurs now embark on a three-game road trip to Charlotte, Orlando and Philadelphia. And waiting in those cities will be Alonzo Mourning, Shaquille O'Neal and Shawn Bradley.

"I told David this is a good road trip to prove he is the best center in the NBA — which I believe he is," coach John Lucas said. "This is the road trip to prove it."

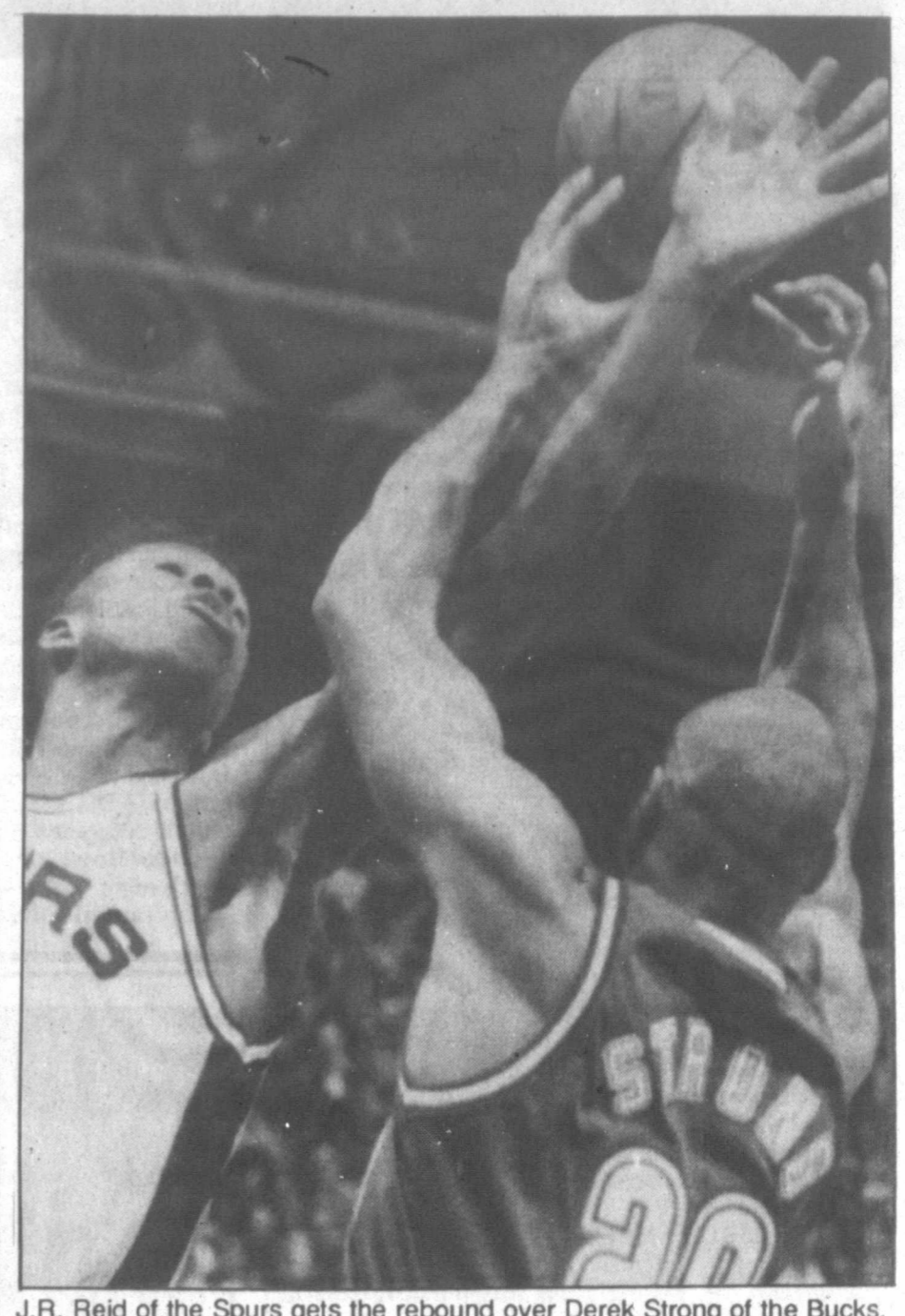
Dale Ellis — 17 in the first half — and 11 from seldom-used reserve forward J.R. Reid.

Milwaukee was led by Eric Murdock with 18 points and Todd Day with 16. The Bucks were done in by a 7-of-24 shooting effort in the fourth quarter.

"Too little too late," Bucks coach Mike Dunleavy said. "We had one real tough stretch when we missed them. That's just the way it was for us. I thought our aggressiveness was much better. We've got to come and out-and try to put two halves like that together in order to beat a really good team."

The Bucks are now tied with Dallas with an NBA-worst 11 losses.

"We're struggling right now, but a lot of it has to do with the fact that we're a young team," Dunleavy said. "A lot of it has to do with the fact that we're not making shots right now. A little bit of confidence will change their perspective in a hurry."



J.R. Reid of the Spurs gets the rebound over Derek Strong of the Bucks. (AP photo)

Spurs 102, Bucks 95

MILWAUKEE (95)
Day 6-18 4-5 16, Baker 2-8 4-6 8, Schayes 3-4 5-5 11, Murdock 8-15 0-0 18, Edwards 3-12 1-1 7, Avent 1-2 0-0 2, Strong 0-2 0-0 0, Lohaus 4-10 1-1 10, Mayberry 2-6 0-0 6, Norman 6-9 1-2 15, Barry 0-1 2-2 2, Totals 35-89 18-22 95.

SAN ANTONIO (102)
Ellis 10-15 0-0 22, Rodman 1-2 0-0 2, Robinson 13-17 8-12 34, Knight 2-7 5-7 9, Anderson 3-10 2-2 9, Reid 5-9 1-1 11, Del Negro 2-4 7-8 11, Whitney 0-3 0-0 0, Daniels 2-5 0-0 4, Totals 38-72 23-30 102.

Milwaukee 20 27 29 19-95
San Antonio 28 30 21 23-102

3-Point goals—Milwaukee 7-22 (Norman 2-4, Mayberry 2-4, Murdock 2-5, Lohaus 1-6, Day 0-1, Strong 0-1, Edwards 0-1), San Antonio 3-7 (Ellis 2-4, Anderson 1-1, Knight 0-1, Daniels 0-1). Fouled out—None.
Rebounds—Milwaukee 54 (Norman 9), San Antonio 45 (Rodman 19). Assists—Milwaukee 22 (Lohaus 4), San Antonio 27 (Anderson 7). Total fouls—Milwaukee 25, San Antonio 18. Technical—San Antonio illegal defense, A-15, 401.

Arizona breaks 100-point mark against outmanned Baylor

By ARTHUR H. ROTSTEIN
Associated Press Writer

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Baylor coach Darrel Johnson said his Bears were "outmanned, out-classed and outplayed."

But not outbounced.

Which didn't please Arizona coach Lute Olson, even though his 19th-ranked Wildcats began their season Monday night by thrashing Baylor 106-79.

He didn't much appreciate that his team gave up 67 rebounds — and to a team that shot just 30.5 percent.

"We set some records on the boards, huh?" he said sarcastically.

The Bears (1-1) had 32 offensive boards and 35 defensive, while Arizona finished with 54 in all — 36 of them defensive.

Despite the disparity on the

glass, though, the game was not over.

The Wildcats pounced on Baylor in the opening minutes, took a permanent double-digit lead with more than seven minutes remaining in the first half and pressured the Bears into poor shooting all night long.

Baylor, playing without four junior college transfers sidelined over eligibility questions, trailed 13-3 with 16:01 left in the first half and 51-31 at halftime and never came closer than 19 in the second half.

"They have an outstanding defense," said Johnson, whose brother Phil is an assistant under Olson.

Khalid Reeves led five Arizona players in double-figure scoring with 21 points, 15 in the first half. Ray Owes had 19 points and 10 rebounds for the Wildcats while playing 22 minutes.

"Sixty-seven, huh?" Johnson said. "Well, we helped a lot by missing so much."

Johnson said his team showed no chemistry. "We were intimidated. We missed a lot of shots, but their defense had a lot to do with that."

Olson said without Owes in the game, Arizona's rebounding was inconsistent. He attributed it to an intolerable lack of aggressiveness, except from freshman reserve Jarvis Kelley, who grabbed six rebounds and scored seven points.

"If we have that kind of problem again, he's someone we know now can come in and give us some relief," Olson said.

He added: "I thought they were much, much more aggressive on the boards. ... We don't have the size to let that kind of thing happen."

Arizona also said Dylan Rigdon did a good job coming off the bench.

The senior guard hit four of five field goals, including two of three 3s, in scoring 14 points. Arizona finished shooting 44.7 percent on 38 of 85 attempts.

The Wildcats' led by as many as 23 points in the first half, and four times pushed their advantage to 28 points in the second half.

Willie Sublett's 3-point basket capped a 9-0 Baylor run to bring the Bears within 89-70 with 3:12 left.

"When we needed a rebound or point, we got it," Stoudamire said. "But looking at the big picture ... we have to rebound better and play defense. We're not happy at all and the coaches are not happy either."

Time becomes more precious in college basketball

By WENDELL BARNHOUSE
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH (AP) — Count to 10 — One, MissAJumpShot; Two, MakeALayup. Ten seconds.

This season, the men's college basketball shot clock has been reduced from 45 to 35 seconds. The game is still 40 minutes long, but in those minutes of action, time is more precious.

The last time there was a change of this magnitude was seven years ago, when the 3-point shot was added for the 1986-87 season. The 3-point shot from a 19-foot, 9-inch arc was instituted a year after the 45-second shot clock.

The first season of the 3-point shot, scoring increased nearly seven points per game. The reduced shot clock should produce more possessions, which means more chances to score, which should mean more scoring.

The 3-point shot rule surprised coaches then; the shot-clock reduction shocked many coaches now.

"I didn't even know they were considering it," Louisville coach Denny Crum said.

"What you've got is 11 guys (the NCAA rules committee) who get together in a room and decide to change the game," said TCU coach Moe Iba.

In addition to the 35-second shot clock, the other major rule changes include elimination of the five-second dribbling violation when a player is closely guarded (within six feet) and stopping the game clock after field goals in the final minute of regulation and

overtime.

The NCAA rules committee is chaired by former official Hank Nichols. The committee surveys rules opinions each year. Most felt that if a change were to be made, it would be the lengthening of the 3-point line or widening the lane.

"The rules committee's rationale has been what is best for the game," said Nichols, who says the surveys serve an advisory role.

"For several years, the committee has been trying to do something about the end of the game. Often, it turns into a disaster when a team is behind, calls timeouts and fouls to stop the clock.

"Reducing the shot clock we feel might help the end-of-the-game situation. It will turn the ball over quicker because the ball will change hands more. And, stopping the clock in the final minute after successful field goals also involves making the end of the game better."

Critics of the shrunken shot clock argue that the college game is becoming NBA Jr.

"We are in the entertainment business," Texas A&M coach Tony Barone said. "Take all the professional sports and the NBA is the highest profile. The NBA has been successful marketing itself. The trickle-down effect from the NBA to the NCAA is obvious and dramatic."

So far, the impacts of the new rules have been limited. However, many coaches ascribe to the following theories.

— More teams pressing and trapping. With 10 fewer seconds to run offensive plays, defenses will force wastefulness. Full-court

nuisance presses that prevent teams from advancing the ball quickly will drop into trapping defenses to continue harassment.

"If there is an effect, it will be defensively," said Baylor coach Darrel Johnson. "I think more teams will go to containment-type presses, then fall back into a zone or a soft man-to-man and use the shot clock as another defender."

— More bad shots. With less time to attack, the ball could wind up in the wrong player's hands at the wrong time. With little choice, players will have to fire when not ready.

"There might not be enough time to get the ball to a specific player in a specific spot like a lot of teams try to do," Crum said. "I think there will be some teams taking some desperation shots."

— More 3-point shots. If forced shots are needed, the best idea is to launch a 3-pointer to increase the odds. "If you're down in the shot clock and you're struggling for a shot, take a bad 3. Why not?" Barone said.

— More emphasis on point guards. The absence of the five-second closely guarded rule means top point guards can dominate the ball. Texas coach Tom Penders gives a preview of what's to come.

"(Texas point guard) Roderick Anderson can dribble the ball down the right side of the floor and just dribble, dribble, dribble while we're sitting triple picks, triple picks and double picks until somebody breaks open. How do you stop that?" he said.

— More changing defenses. To keep the offense off-balance, some coaches are considering a

kaleidoscope of alignments that change from possession to possession and sometimes within a single possession.

"Defensively, I think a lot of people are going to be creative," said Rice coach Willis Wilson. "Especially in the last few minutes of a game, you're going to have to have something else to go to."

Not all the advantages should go to the defense, however. Teams will have more possessions per game, which means more chances to score, especially from 3-point range. Teams that change their defensive alignments could be prone to mistakes (four players in a zone, one playing man-to-man) that could lead to easy baskets.

"I think there will be a period of adjustment," Texas Tech coach James Dickey said. "I think you'll see some strange things happening in December."

Those who favor a longer shot clock say upsets are something that won't be seen as often.

"The shorter shot clock will mean that the stronger team will get the ball more times and have more opportunities to score," said CBS analyst and former Marquette coach Al McGuire. "What will happen with college basketball is what has happened with the NBA: The powerhouse team will reach the finals."

Alabama-Birmingham coach Gene Bartow, the chairman of the rules committee, was for the rule, even though his Blazers play a deliberate style. Last year, Bartow's team averaged 69.5 points per game but had two victories by scores of 50-47 and 44-38 and one loss of 45-41.

Arkansas State slips past Texas Tech in cage opener

LUBBOCK (AP) — Arthur Agee has sank a 35-foot, three-point goal with two seconds remaining to give Arkansas State a 79-76 victory over Texas Tech in the opener for both teams.

The Red Raiders had tied the game 76-76 on Lance Hughes' reverse layup with seven seconds

left Monday. But Agee's shot kept the game out of overtime.

Texas Tech committed 16 turnovers despite holding a 45-37 edge in rebounds.

For the Red Raiders, Jason Sasser led all scorers with 22 points while Yaki Saundra topped the visiting Indians with 19.

Five Arkansas State players were in double figures and had 24 assists. The Indians also had 11 steals, with Tech managing only four.

Tech opened the game on 11-0 run. But Jason Grimes put the Indians in front 14-13 with 13:42 remaining. Vernell Cole put the Indians in

front 40-37 with two minutes left in the half in what had been a saw-saw game.

The lead in the second half changed hands several times before Tech went in front, 65-64, with 7:42 remaining. It was Tech's first lead since 2:38 of the first half.

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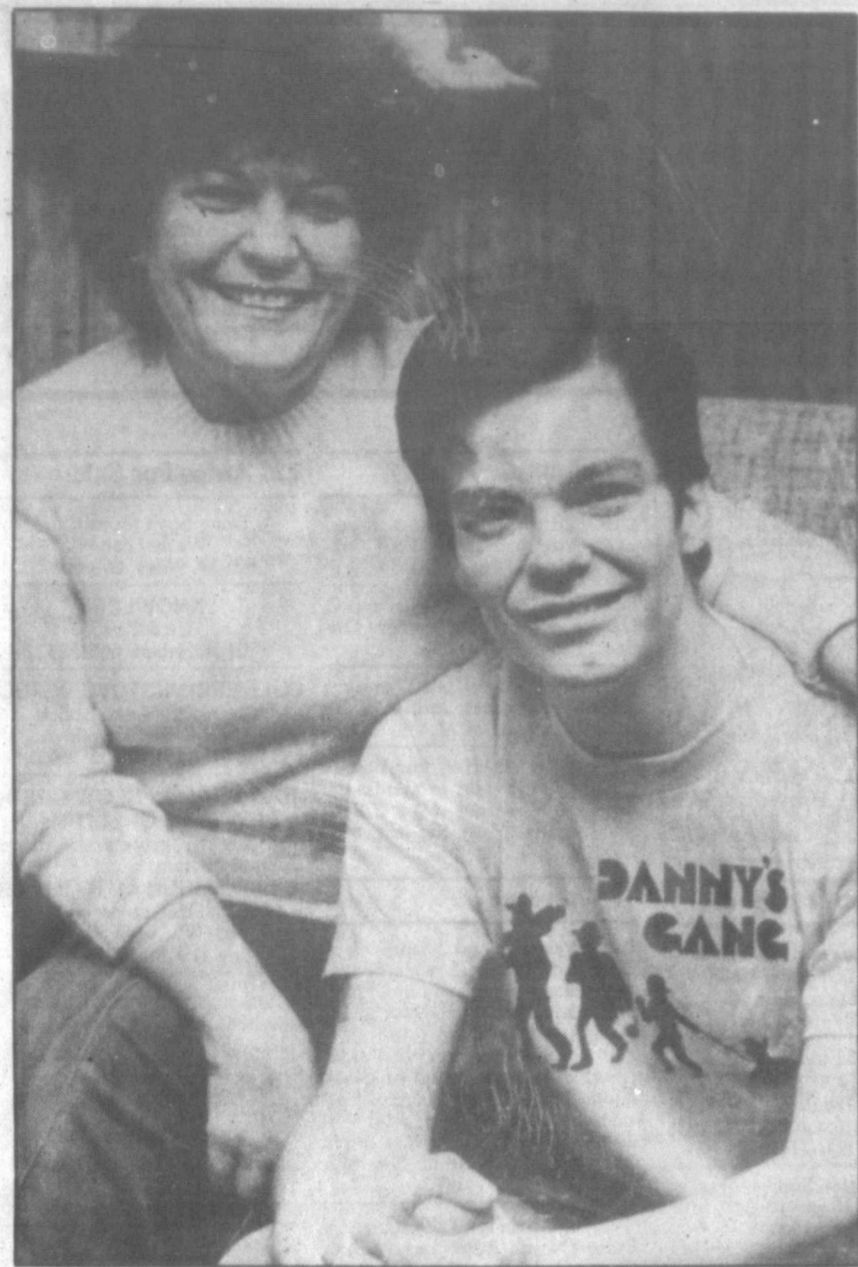
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Greta Centrone appears with her son Danny in her Folcroft, Pa., home in this 1983 file picture. (AP photo) Man's death 21 years after attack could lead to filing murder charges

By TED ANTHONY
Associated Press Writer

FOLCROFT, Pa. (AP) — The three men who bashed a teenager senseless with chains and boots were convicted long ago and did their time. For Danny Centrone and his parents, the sentence was life.

On Nov. 6, more than two decades after the attack by motorcycle gang members left him brain-damaged, Centrone died choking on a steak sandwich. He was 38.

The medical examiner's office may declare the death murder and a prosecutor could decide once again to charge the three onetime Warlocks gang members in the 1972 beating.

"The worst part of this is the victim served a worse sentence than the perpetrators," said Greta Centrone, Danny's mother. "They served their sentences, lived their lives. But Danny just went on and on."

Delaware County Medical Examiner Dimitri Contostavlos expects to rule on the case before year's end.

"Physically there's no question: He had an impaired ability for eating and a tendency to choke that stemmed directly from his assault," Contostavlos said. "My gut instinct is to certify it as a homicide."

Such a ruling could prompt District Attorney William H. Ryan Jr. to reopen the case, though the prosecutor said he's never known another like it.

Danny Centrone was 17, a basketball player and an aspiring carpenter when his life took its terrible turn the night of July 19, 1972.

He was hanging out with friends in a shopping center parking lot in this working-class Philadelphia suburb. Some Warlocks drove up and fanned out, demanding revenge from the youth who had beaten one of their members.

It wasn't Danny. They chose him anyway.

"His only mistake was not running fast enough," said Danny's sister Christine, 24.

The beating left Danny with a fractured skull, damaged organs, a back full of stab wounds and a devastated brain.

He lay comatose for 19 days. When he emerged, he couldn't talk. Then came therapy, retraining, frustration. Finally he went home.

"The boy that everybody knew as Danny Centrone wasn't there anymore," said Theodore Pastore, the investigating officer and now police chief of the community of 7,200.

Danny regained some speech, but it was slurred and labored. He had little muscle control, and his short-term memory was nearly gone. When he became angry and unable to find the words, he'd punch fist into palm.

"He was a prisoner in his own body. Everything he learned in high school he remembered. But his body wouldn't respond," his mother said. "He was 17 forever. He just stopped."

William Franchi, Robert McCabe and Augustus Wayne Lochman were convicted in the beating and sentenced to seven to 14 years. Franchi and McCabe are now 41 and served about 14 and 13 years, respectively. Lochman, who protested his innocence during his 6 1/2 years in prison, is 42.

Today, Franchi is in federal prison on an unrelated drug conviction.

After the attack, Danny's parents struggled to care for a boy lost on the verge of manhood who suddenly needed constant supervision.

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Japanese government under pressure on economy

By ELAINE KURTENBACH
Associated Press Writer

TOKYO (AP) — Profits are down, unemployment is rising, the stock market has lost almost 20 percent of its value in the last month.

Winter has come early to the Japanese economy — and there is no promise of revival in the spring.

"The disappointment is pretty complete," says Richard C. Koo, senior economist at Nomura Research Institute. "Nothing on the horizon suggests an economic recovery or recovery in corporate profits. There is nothing to look forward to."

On Monday, the Tokyo Stock Market's key index plunged to its lowest level this year. After hours of panicky trading, the 225-issue Nikkei Stock Average shed 647.66 points, or 3.87 percent, to close at 16,078.71.

Even worse, analysts said the drop was not a reaction to any specific event, just the lack of good news. Monday's fall capped a monthlong decline of more than 3,600 points — and added to snowballing pessimism over the prospects for an economic recovery.

On Tuesday, the Nikkei Stock Average opened at 16,113.41, up 34.70 points, or 0.21 percent. Analysts said the higher opening appeared to be a combination of a technical rebound, bargain-hunting, and a glimmer of optimism over possible government measures to improve the economy.

Still, the recent news has been mostly dark. Consider the following:

— Japan's jobless rate hit a six-year high of 2.7 percent in October, according to government figures

released Tuesday. While low in comparison with most industrialized countries, the rate was the highest since February 1988.

Also, according to an Asahi Bank report, the jobless rate would be about 6.5 percent if calculated by U.S. standards.

— Many businesses have announced job cuts or cutbacks in production.

— In recent weeks, Japanese manufacturers reported sharp drops in profits across the board for the half-year that ended in September.

— Department store sales are down. Plant and equipment investment, and machinery orders, all negative.

— Lists of economic indicators look like a temperature chart for the North Pole — in December.

— Japan's auto exports plunged 25 percent in October, which one industry official attributed to a prolonged slump in foreign demand and to this year's rapid appreciation of the yen.

On the positive side, prices aren't rising. Consumer inflation is running about 1.4 percent annually and producer prices are falling. Help wanted signs appear on most Tokyo city blocks, but they are for jobs no one seems to want: waitressing, clerking, cleaning.

When Prime Minister Morihiro Hosokawa took office in August, he pledged to wipe out political corruption, promote government efficiency and revive the slumping economy, in that order.

Now he faces mounting pressure to make the economy his number one concern.

"The market's direction depends on what the government is or isn't going to do," says Kathy Matsui,

strategist at Barclays de Zoete Wedd. "So far, it just sits smack there and seems to do nothing."

One possible move would be to set aside political reform legislation, which appears headed for trouble in the upper house, and enact an income tax cut.

Economists disagree, however, whether a tax cut would have much real impact. Many believe thrifty consumers would just sock the extra money away instead of spending it. And cutting income taxes would force the highly unpopular move of raising sales taxes. Still, some argue that doing anything is better than doing nothing.

"It's worth a try," says Koo. "Hope can be very useful."

Another idea being considered is channelling funds to small and medium-sized businesses hardest hit by the downturn.

So far, however, the economy has resisted all the usual cures.

Public works spending has grown by an average 14 percent in the past three years, 21 percent in 1993. And the discount rate is at its lowest level ever — 1.75 percent — but investment has not picked up.

Despite the bad news, Hosokawa's government is enjoying record high popularity ratings — more than 70 percent in most polls. But the plunge in share prices has shaken confidence in the government's plans to pull the country out of recession.

"The stock market is warning of a bottomless downturn," the newspaper Mainichi warned in an editorial Monday. "To prevent a disaster, effective economic programs need to be implemented quickly."

No doubt about it: 'Mrs. Doubtfire' is tops at the box office

By JOHN HORN
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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Robin Williams in drag proved irresistible to movie audiences as the comedian's Mrs. Doubtfire earned \$27.6 million in its debut over the five-day holiday weekend.

"It has lived up to every expectation anybody could have here," said Tom Sherak, executive vice president of 20th Century Fox. He noted that the film was playing equally well in big cities and smaller towns.

"It's a middle-America movie that works on both coasts," Sherak said.

The Clint Eastwood-Kevin Costner pairing in the escaped convict drama *A Perfect World* yielded returns of \$11.2 million, enough to premiere in third place. In second place was *Addams Family Values*, which made \$14.3 million.

Several films fared poorly in their Thanksgiving debuts. Steven Spielberg's animated *We're Back! A Dinosaur's Story* earned a weak \$4.5 million for seventh place. More anemic returns were delivered by *Josh and*

S.A.M., *George Balanchine's The Nutcracker and The Ice Runner*.

The low grosses of *The Nutcracker* — \$976,000 for 17th place — were especially remarkable given the film's star: *Home Alone* hero Macaulay Culkin.

Here are the weekend's top 20 films, according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Estimated ticket sales are from Wednesday through Sunday, with distributor, weekend gross, number of North American theater locations, average per location, total gross and number of weeks in release.

Figures are based on actual receipts and projections where actual figures were not available.

1. *Mrs. Doubtfire*, Paramount, \$27.6 million, 1,605 locations, \$17,170 per location, \$27.6 million, one week.

2. *Addams Family Values*, Paramount, \$14.3 million, 2,577 locations, \$5,531 per location, \$30.2 million, two weeks.

3. *A Perfect World*, Warner Bros., \$11.2 million, 1,964 locations, \$5,727 per location, \$11.2 million, one week.

4. *The Three Musketeers*, Disney, \$10.3 million, 2,128 locations, \$4,829 per location, \$33.1 million,

three weeks.

5. *Carlito's Way*, Universal, \$6.3 million, 1,624 locations, \$3,898 per location, \$25.3 million, three weeks.

6. *My Life*, Columbia, \$5.7 million, 1,290 locations, \$4,421 per location, \$19.1 million, three weeks.

7. *We're Back! A Dinosaur's Story*, Universal, \$4.5 million, 1,822 locations, \$2,487 per location, \$4.5 million, one week.

8. *The Nightmare Before Christmas*, Disney, \$4.3 million, 1,374 locations, \$3,133 per location, \$43.7 million, seven weeks.

9. *Man's Best Friend*, New Line, \$3.7 million, 1,230 locations, \$3,037 per location, \$8 million, two weeks.

10. *The Piano*, Miramax, \$3.1 million, 231 locations, \$13,521 per location, \$5.2 million, three weeks.

11. *The Remains of the Day*, Columbia, \$2.8 million, 517 locations, \$5,444 per location, \$10.7 million, four weeks.

12. *Cool Runnings*, Disney, \$2.7 million, 1,196 locations, \$2,245 per location, \$54.6 million, nine weeks.

13. *Jurassic Park*, Universal, \$2.5 million, 770 locations, \$3,250 per loca-

tion, \$333.3 million, 25 weeks.

14. *The Beverly Hillbillies*, 20th Century Fox, \$1.5 million, 1,094 locations, \$1,380 per location, \$38.7 million, seven weeks.

15. *The Joy Luck Club*, Disney, \$1.02 million, 341 locations, \$2,987 per location, \$29.2 million, 12 weeks.

16. *Josh and S.A.M.*, TriStar, \$1.01 million, 774 locations, \$1,301 per location, \$1.01 million, one week.

17. *The Nutcracker*, TriStar, \$976,000, 786 locations, \$1,242 per location, \$976,000, one week.

18. *Sleepless in Seattle*, TriStar, \$857,000, 526 locations, \$1,629 per location, \$125.1 million, 23 weeks.

19. *Gettysburg*, New Line, \$693,000, 222 locations, \$3,119 per location, \$8.3 million, eight weeks.

20. *The Good Son*, 20th Century Fox, \$606,000, 413 locations, \$1,468 per location, \$43.1 million, 10 weeks.

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