

Highway bill has over \$7 billion for Texas projects

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Members of Congress typically like to publicize their efforts to lure big-ticket projects that bring prized federal dollars to their districts.

But no one is taking credit for a \$500 million Houston transit project included in the \$151 billion highway bill that President Bush plans to sign Wednesday at a Texas construction site.

"It's awfully suspicious when nobody wants to take credit for it," said Rep. Craig Washington said Monday.

The \$500 million earmarked for the controversial rail project apparently wended its way through the legislative process without benefit of any congressional support.

Washington, other lawmakers, and House and Senate staffers said they did not know how the appropriation got in the bill. They speculated it was included as part of a request forwarded by the Urban Mass Transportation Administration.

In fact, Washington and other Houston-area congressmen generally have opposed the Metropolitan Transit Authority's plan for the \$1.02 billion monorail system. They have said the monorail, which would link upscale shopping areas in the downtown area to the business district, would not benefit commuters.

"It was too expensive and would require the people who don't get to use it to subsidize it," Washington, D-Houston, said.

"It would not serve the suburban areas," said

Rep. Jack Fields, R-Houston. "No. 2, it doesn't appear that plan could support itself, that there would be a need for a constant subsidy."

The monorail project helped derail the reelection of Mayor Kathy Whitmire, who was defeated by monorail opponent Bob Lanier, one-time head of the transit authority.

Houston Republican Tom DeLay successfully introduced an amendment that would prevent allocation of the \$500 million unless the transit authority develops a "locally preferred" plan by March 1.

Lanier did not return a telephone call to his transition office.

But a Metro spokeswoman said she believes the transit board will develop an acceptable plan before the deadline.

"Five hundred million is an awful lot of money to let go by," said Carol Boudreaux. "I can't speak for the board, but I would certainly think that we will be working very hard to try to (develop a plan)."

Overall, lawmakers said, Texas fared well in the highway bill, gaining about \$7.13 billion over six years.

That's because the delegation concentrated on improving the state's fortunes at the expense of pushing individual projects, said Rep. Pete Geren, one of two Texans on the House Public Works and Transportation Committee.

The delegation focused on increasing the state's share of money from the federal Highway Trust Fund, the Fort Worth Democrat said Monday.

In the past, Texas received 80 cents for each

dollar in fuel taxes paid into the trust fund. The state will now receive 90 cents on the dollar, which will bring an additional \$379.4 million into the state's coffers.

Geren's position on the transportation committee is a bonus for his district, which will receive \$77.4 million of the \$236.4 million earmarked for Texas special local projects.

"I was directly involved with the development of the bill and certainly that gives you an opportunity to influence its contents more than if you're not," he said.

The bill also includes \$160 million for DART, the Dallas-area transit authority. The money is earmarked for a 6.4-mile light rail line in South Oak Cliff.

Also receiving funding is a commuter rail project between Dallas and Fort Worth, with \$2.4 million set aside in fiscal year 1992 and \$3.2 million the following year.

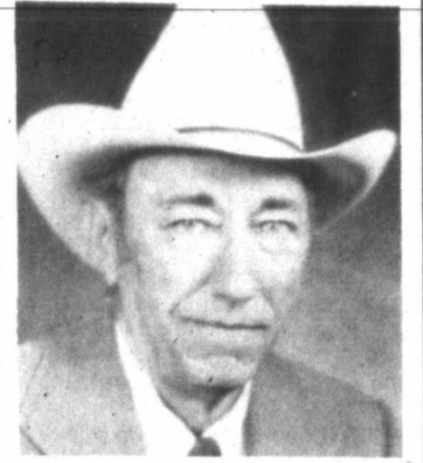
Among other funding for local projects was \$43.9 million to reconstruct U.S. 87 from Port Lavaca to Cuero, \$41.7 million for work on Texas Highway 35 from Corpus Christi to Angleton, and \$33.5 million to four-lane Texas Highway 199 near Jacksboro.

Bush will sign the bill at a work site near Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport. He also will address the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials during the one-day trip.

The president will be accompanied by former Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner, who began work Monday as White House chief of staff.

Ken Kieth announces candidacy for sheriff

Kenneth Kieth, a former chief deputy with the Gray County Sheriff's Office, announced Monday that he would be a candidate for the office of Gray County sheriff, subject to the Democratic primary.



Ken Kieth

Kieth has had more than 25 years of experience in law enforcement with the Texas Highway Patrol, the Pampa Police Department and the Gray County Sheriff's Office. He served nine years as the chief deputy in the sheriff's office.

Kieth has had 1,800 hours of law enforcement training through the Texas Department of Public Safety, Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Sheriff's Association of Texas in addition to college hours through Amarillo College and Frank Phillips College.

"My experience is certainly one of my strong points," Kieth said in his announcement. "I participated in all murder investigations of the Gray County Sheriff's Office for 16 years and made detailed drawings of the murder scene for use in evidence," he said. "I have qualified and testified as a fingerprint expert witness in Gray and other counties."

"Experience and training in law enforcement are vitally important if the public is to be served properly by any individual seeking to be sheriff."

He holds an advanced peace officers certificate with the state of Texas and said he has more experience and training than any other announced candidate for office.

He also holds a certificate from the Texas Department of Public Safety as an emergency management coordinator and has a certificate from the National Institute of Corrections in Jail

Operations and Jail Management. He is a member of the Sheriff's Association of Texas and a past member of the Chief Deputy's Association of Texas.

"As chief deputy, I supervised and operated the sheriff's office many times when Sheriff (Rufe) Jordan was out of town," Kieth said. "I have dealt with many of the day-to-day problems which come up as well as hundreds of little things which make a difference in building a good case or losing it because of a lack of training or experience."

Kieth has been a resident of Gray County for more than 50 years. He and his wife, Pat, have a son, Kevin, and three daughters, Kim Dunham, Terri Kitchens and Tami Kieth.

His parents, Herman and Bertha Kieth, are longtime Gray County residents. His father served as constable for Precinct 2 for 13 years before retirement.

"I will operate the sheriff's office with fairness to all and without prejudice to anyone," Kieth said. "I will also use my experience to keep my office within the bounds of its budget."

Debate continues over psychiatric hospital inspections

By PEGGY FIKAC
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AUSTIN (AP) — State inspectors should be required to get a doctor's permission before interviewing private psychiatric hospital patients who haven't filed complaints, doctor and psychiatrist groups say.

But the recommendation is opposed by a mental health consumer group.

And Dallas psychiatrist Doyle Carson — who on Monday presented recommendations by the Texas Medical Association and Texas Society of Psychiatric Physicians to a state panel — said the proposal could be dropped if viewed as a way to hide wrongdoing.

State mental health officials adopted emergency rules Dec. 4 in the wake of widespread claims of psychiatric patient abuse.

Among other items, the rules say the Texas Department of Mental

Health and Mental Retardation has authority to inspect private psychiatric hospitals at any time.

Mental health inspectors have made on-site visits only in response to specific complaints, because of a 1983 law limiting the department's access to the psychiatric hospitals.

But Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation officials say the agency has broad rule-making authority under the state's Mental Health Code, and that it would seek an attorney general's opinion to reconcile the difference between the laws.

"We don't want to hide anything," Carson told reporters after testifying before a state panel Monday. He said that attending physicians simply want the opportunity to give "good sound clinical reasons" why a particular patient who has not filed a complaint might be harmed by questioning from an inspector.

"There are people who have just come into the hospital who are very

frightened, and whenever they see someone strange, they wonder what's going on, and they may get worse and get very agitated. What we're trying to do is to protect those kinds of patients," Carson said.

He emphasized that spot inspectors should be allowed to go over records and procedures, and that in most cases patient interviews would likely be approved by the attending doctor. There might be a problem with a number of new patients, and with some severely troubled, chronic patients, he said.

Cindy Hopkins, executive director of Texas Mental Health Consumers, said her group opposes the proposal.

Patients should be allowed to give informed consent on speaking with an investigator, she said, adding, "A physician should have no role in the decision."

An MHMR Department panel led by Linda Logan, director of policy development, took testimony on

the emergency rules. The MHMR Board plans to consider permanent rules at a February meeting.

MHMR spokeswoman Sheila Allee said inspectors have not been required to ask the attending psychiatrist to interview patients but that they often do "just to be sensitive to the treatment of these patients."

She said that the department, despite the emergency rules, thus far has made inspections only in response to complaints.

"We just have so many complaints to investigate, that has to be our first priority," she said.

Carson and other mental health professionals who recommended changes praised the department overall for implementing emergency rules.

The emergency rules also include a "Patient Bill of Rights," that prohibits so-called headhunting fees for patient referrals, and forbids coercion of voluntary patients to continue treatment.

Hearings start on new proposed auto insurance costs

AUSTIN (AP) — Consumer advocates are urging state regulators to hold the line on automobile insurance rates, while insurers are recommending sizeable increases.

The Office of Public Insurance Counsel on Monday suggested a benchmark rate for private passenger auto insurance at the current state rate. Insurers would be allowed to deviate 15 percent above that line to 30 percent below it, under the recommendation.

That compares to a recommended increase of 11.7 percent by Farmers Insurance Cos. and 6.6 percent by State Farm Insurance Cos. Both Farmers and State Farm are calling for the option of exceeding or dropping 30 percent from the benchmark.

In addition, State Farm has requested a 21.4 percent increase in the benchmark rate for commercial auto insurance, coupled with the ability to charge 30 percent above or below the benchmark. OPIC has recommended a 5 percent increase in commercial rates, and allowing a deviation of 15 percent above the benchmark, and 30 percent below.

The hearing is expected to last several days. The Insurance Board will probably decide later this month on new rates that would take effect in March.

"The governor, the Legislature, and the people of Texas have sent a clear message that it is time to stabilize auto insurance rates in Texas at

a fair premium and begin to give the market a chance to work," said Amy Johnson of OPIC.

Although only two insurance companies are participating in the hearing, the benchmark rates and amount of allowable deviation will affect most insurers, he said.

Meanwhile, a judge upheld the Insurance Board's decision to refuse to allow an insurance industry organization to be a party in the auto rate hearings.

Board Chairwoman Claire Koriath praised the ruling by State District Judge Pete Lowry of Austin. "It's about time the industry recognized that the Legislature has reformed the rules of the rating game," she said.

She said the recent removal of the insurance industry from Texas' anti-trust laws means that insurance companies cannot band together under an organization to apply for new rates.

"Now we can get on with settling fair benchmark auto rates without the distraction of having to fight this industry effort to thwart reform," Ms. Koriath said.

Board member Richard Reynolds said the insurance industry

DHS to hold training session for foster/adoptive parents

The Texas Department of Human Services will begin its next foster/adoptive parent training at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 7, 1992, at the Texas Department of Human Services building, 6200, I-40 West, Amarillo, Texas.

DHS officials encourage interested persons to become a foster or adoptive parent and bring understanding, trust and love to child in need.

Childhood should be a happy, carefree and secure time, but for too many children, it brings worry, fear and upheaval, a DHS spokesman said. Removed from their homes because their families are unable to care for them, they have suffered emotional rejection and, in some cases, physical abuse and neglect.

They come from every neighbor-

hood and every social and economic level. They range in age from newborn to teenagers and are from all racial and ethnic backgrounds.

DHS has a great need for adoptive homes for children ages seven to 17. Some of these children may have special medical needs. They all share a common loss and a desperate need — home and family.

The foster/adoptive parent training is co-led by DeAnn Osteen, a licensed foster/adoptive parent; LeAnn Rieger, a Texas Department of Human Services foster home developer; and Jeannie Hill, a Texas Department of Human Services adoption specialist.

For additional information on how to become a foster or adoptive parent, contact the Texas Department of Human Services at (806) 358-6211.

organizations should be allowed to participate in the rate hearings.

"The action by two members of the board of excluding trade organizations' representation at the rate hearing is purely punitive and has nothing to do with the Legislature's repeal of the exemption from state anti-trust statutes," he said.

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Community charities feeling the Grinch's pinch during recession

By W. DALE NELSON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — There will be no fresh fruit for the needy this season at the Interfaith Pantry in Aurora, Ill.

At soup kitchens in Baltimore, the Christmas baskets will be smaller than usual.

The homeless families that come into Our Friends' Place in Pittsfield, Mass., "are in worse and worse shape," says shelter director Jim Hamilton.

As the recession drags on, the ranks of those in need are increasing and the resources of those usually able to help are being strained, a survey by The Associated Press shows.

"Some people who were in the donor ranks last year are in the receiver ranks this year," said Stephen Gibbs, executive director of the Freestore-Foodbank in Cincinnati. But people still are still digging into their pockets and pantries to help those less well off. "The public is mindful that times are bad," said Gibbs.

Despite the best intentions, though, donations are down in many places.

At the Alameda County Food Bank in Oakland, Calif., food and money contributions have dipped 20 percent in recent months, Executive Director John Momper said.

"We have less to give away than last year because the donations didn't come through," said Dorothy Durham, director of Citizen Community Development Corp., which distributes holiday food baskets in Buffalo, N.Y.

At Aurora, layoffs at the Caterpillar Tractor plant contributed to a 30 percent increase in the demand for food baskets, said Judie Newberry, director of the Interfaith Pantry.

"We are not going to be able to provide anyone with fresh fruit," she said. "They may get five cans of vegetables instead of six, or three cans of soup instead of four."

Bill Ewing, director of the Maryland Food Bank in Baltimore, said the organization received as many bags of food this year as last, but the bags had 20 percent less food in them.

"The baskets will be smaller this year, and it's tough for people," he said.

Our Friends' House, the tempo-

Statistically Speaking

—WASHINGTON (AP) — Here are some examples of the current needs and resources of non-profit charitable organizations nationwide, based on a survey by The Associated Press.

—Dawn Primeau, a coordinator of food pantries in Albany, Troy and Schenectady, N.Y., said the Capital District, a coalition of 35 such pantries, has spent \$55,000 this year to supplement food donations. In all of 1989, it spent \$18,000.

—In October 1990, there were 1,564 beds occupied per night in Boston's major shelters for the homeless. The figure increased to 1,655, up 6 percent, in the same month this year, according to figures from the Greater Boston Adult Shelter Alliance and Pine Street Inn.

—New Horizons Inc. of Manchester, N.H., which runs a soup kitchen and food pantry, gave away 2,500 food bags last year and will exceed 3,000 this year, director Greg Schneider said.

—The Michigan Harvest Gathering, a six-week program to raise money and food for food banks, started out with a goal of \$100,000 and 100,000 pounds. It collected \$210,000 and more than 350,000 pounds, said Michigan Agriculture Director Bill Schuette.

—The Freestore-Foodbank in Cincinnati served about 2,500 families a month last year and now serves about 4,300, said executive director Stephen Gibbs. He said 7,400 households in Hamilton County lost \$48 a month, or one-third of their income, when Ohio reduced its General Assistance program on Oct. 1.

—Let's Celebrate, an ecumenical coalition of houses of worship in Jersey City, N.J., served an average of 175 people per day last year at its Square Meal Community Nutrition Site. This year, it's up to 200, Joanne Smith, acting director, said.

—A temporary shelter for homeless families run by the Berkshire Community Action Council in Pittsfield, is filled to its seven-family limit. Hamilton

"The families that come into this shelter are in worse and worse shape," he said.

Kathy Howe, director of the Irving Park Community Food Pantry in Chicago, said requests for food have increased almost 40 percent in six months and "if things do not get better we will probably have to start refusing people."

"We used to laugh around here because the president said there's no recession," Howe said. "He should have called us — we could have told him."

The United States Conference of Mayors, in a report released Monday on a survey of 28 cities, said emergency food facilities in four cities out of five had to turn away needy people because of lack of resources.

The report said demand for emergency food increased 22 percent in 1990 and 26 percent in 1991. Demand for emergency shelter grew 24 percent last year and 13 percent this year. Officials in all cities predicted continued growth in demand in 1992.

It said that on the average 17 percent of the food needs and 15 percent of the shelter needs were believed to have gone unmet.

The news is not all bad.

For one thing, the General Services Administration says it has channeled more than \$207 million worth of food and related items left over from the Persian Gulf War to non-profit food programs.

And some organizations said Christmas giving was at least as good as in the past.

Lee Ann Wright, director of the Charles County Children's Aid Society in St. Charles, Md., said giving to the society's annual Christmas Connection has been "enormous" and the National Guard Armory in nearby La Plata is packed with new and used toys and gifts for 2,700 children.

But, she said, giving for the society's year-around charitable programs has been spotty.

That's the trouble, said Kathleen DiChiara, executive director of the Community Food Bank of New Jersey in Newark.

"At the holiday time, this may tug at people a lot and they say, 'Oh my goodness, there will be a little child without a toy.' After the holidays, people forget that this little child without a toy may be without food," said DiChiara.

Diane Sawyer to interview rape accuser

NEW YORK (AP) — The woman who accused William Kennedy Smith of rape has agreed to an interview on ABC's "PrimeTime Live." But the interview may not air if the woman refuses to be identified, a newspaper said today.

The interview with Diane Sawyer will be taped today and tomorrow for broadcast Thursday.

Rena Terracuso, spokeswoman for the show, said it has not yet been determined whether the 30-year-old Florida woman will be identified by name and shown without any electronic disguising of her face.

"We will respect her wishes," she said.

However, The New York Times reported today that ABC News may decide it would be unfair, after Smith's acquittal, to broadcast the

interview if the woman won't identify herself.

"We are proceeding with the understanding that this young woman is coming forward and will identify herself," the newspaper quoted an unidentified ABC News executive as saying.

The Times said whether the network agreed to air an anonymous interview would depend on whether the woman continues making charges against Smith.

The Miami Herald reported today that Smith's accuser had not decided whether to allow ABC to use her name. It quoted the woman's mother. A jury last week acquitted Smith, the 31-year-old nephew of Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., of raping the woman March 30 at the Kennedy's Palm Beach, Fla., estate.

Teri Everett, an ABC News

spokeswoman, said late Monday she couldn't comment on the Times story because it quoted an anonymous source.

Most media organizations, including The Associated Press, haven't identified the woman because of practices of not identifying accusers in rape cases.

The woman's face was electronically obscured during television coverage of the trial, and the sound was cut off when lawyers or witnesses mentioned her name. However, several news organizations identified her after Smith was acquitted.

The woman's lawyer, David Roth, said he was authorized by his client only to confirm a statement saying the woman decided to grant an interview to Ms. Sawyer after meeting her Saturday in West Palm Beach.

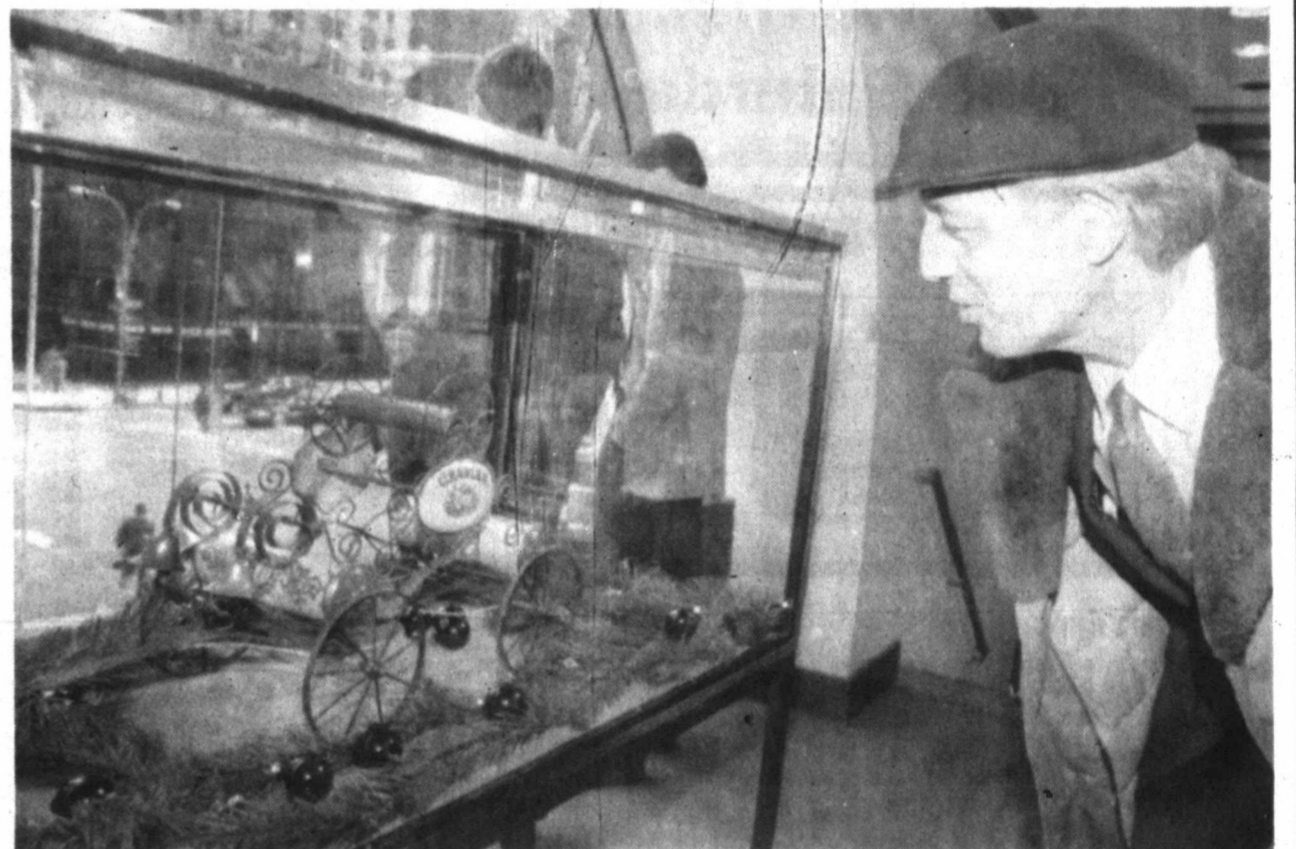
Ms. Terracuso said the woman wasn't being paid. "ABC does not pay for interviews," she said.

The woman has not given interviews since accusing Smith.

Smith's lawyer, Roy Black, said the interview was a surprise because the woman's lawyers fought vigorously to maintain her privacy.

"Now she turns around and wants to be on national TV," Black said. "I really question the motives behind this reversal."

High priced toy



(AP Laserphoto)

Neil Voorsanger of New York City looks at the "Charles" Hose Reel at Christie's in New York prior to it being auctioned Monday. The highlight of the auction, the tin toy was sold to an unidentified buyer for \$231,000, surpassing the previous world record of \$104,500 for a toy.

FDIC auction brings in more than \$225 million

DALLAS (AP) — The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. said its auction last week of office buildings, shopping centers, golf courses and other properties acquired from failed banks and thrifts brought in more than \$225 million.

The sale Thursday included more than 175 properties in 25 states and

involved about 2,000 bidders in five cities linked by satellite TV hookup.

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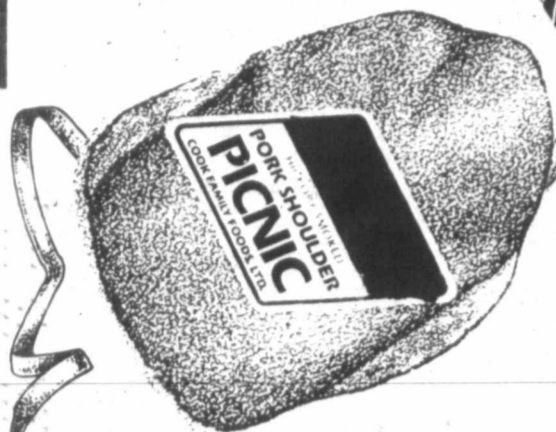
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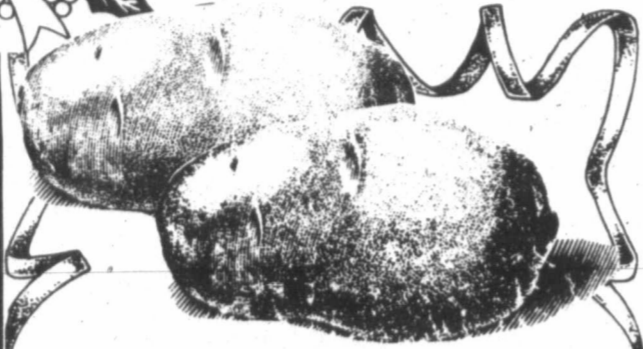
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European Community decision angers Serbia, pleases Croatia, Slovenia

By DUSAN STOJANOVIC
Associated Press Writer

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Serbia today angrily denounced the European Community's decision to recognize Croatian and Slovenian independence as "erasing Yugoslavia from the map of the world."

Officials of the two breakaway republics welcomed the long-awaited move.

In a meeting that lasted into early today, foreign ministers of the 12-member European Community agreed to recognize any Yugoslav republic that meets a series of conditions, including human rights guarantees for minorities within its borders.

Individual member states can proceed with diplomatic recognition even if the republics fall short of those standards, EC officials said.

Later today, Germany, the driving force behind the EC decision, said it would recognize Croatia and Slovenia on Jan. 15. Chancellor Helmut Kohl made the announcement to a convention of his Christian Democratic Union in Dresden.

Germany believes that recognizing Slovenia and Croatia will force Serbia — which is leading the fight against Croatia and has seized a third of its territory — to agree to a truce.



(AP Laserphoto)

Croatian refugee children from eastern Croatia look through the window of a railroad car in Klanjec Monday. About 120 refugees have lived in railroad cars for the past two months. Serbian-led forces bombarded the eastern Croatian stronghold of Osijek Monday and fighting also continued on the central front around Daruvar and at Nova Gradiska.

But many diplomats believe wide international recognition. "The EC move erases Yugoslavia from the map of the world," Serbia's deputy foreign minister, Dobrosav Vezovic, told The Associated Press. "That is a direct attack on Yugoslavia."

In the Croatian capital, Zagreb, Croatian Foreign Ministry spokesman Ante Babic said the EC decision, reached in Brussels, "confirms definitely that Yugoslavia is dead."

"I think the judge has made a decision for divorce," he said. Slovenia's deputy foreign minister, Zoran Thaler, said by telephone from Ljubljana, the republic's capital, that the EC decision was "progress for sure."

In Zagreb, meanwhile, Croatia's Information Ministry issued new war casualty figures. The ministry said it knew of 2,710 people killed and 14,088 wounded since Aug. 17, not including insurgent Serbs or federal soldiers. It did not explain what significance Aug. 17 had.

The ministry said the figures did not include casualties from Vukovar, the city on the border with Serbia that fell Nov. 18. An estimated 600 Croatian troops and

2,200 civilians died in Vukovar. Relatively little fighting was reported early today.

Croatian radio said seven people had died in the last 24 hours in Osijek, the eastern Croatian stronghold targeted by army artillery.

Yugoslavia's Tanjug news agency cited military sources as saying there was new fighting near the border with the central republic of Bosnia Hercegovina.

Croatia hopes increased financial and material aid will follow broad recognition of its independence and help it fight Serb-dominated forces.

International arms embargoes on Yugoslavia would not apply to an independent Croatia.

Slovenia, which declared independence in tandem with Croatia on June 25, fought a brief and selective war with Yugoslav army units. But its population is mostly Slovene and the republic was thus spared protracted conflict with Serbs.

The Serb-led Yugoslav army says it became involved in the 6-month-

old war only to protect Croatia's 600,000 ethnic Serbs, who say they fear persecution in an independent Croatia.

But Croatia charges that that is a pretext for an attempt by the army to grab territory for Serbia.

Serbia, the largest republic, says Yugoslavia must continue to exist and must include territories in other republics with large concentrations of ethnic Serbs. About 600,000 Serbs live in Croatia.

Bosnia and Macedonia also are likely to seek recognition by the European Community. This is likely to be opposed by their Serb minorities and could lead to the spread of bloodshed from Croatia into the two republics.

"Premature and selective recognition brings with it great dangers of expanding the war and exploding the situation in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Macedonia, and I think it would be a grave mistake," said former U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, the U.N. envoy for Yugoslavia.

Administration tells regulators to be 'flexible'

BALTIMORE (AP) — Top Bush administration officials want the nation's bank examiners to be flexible in their work and avoid adding to the nation's economic woes.

"We're all in this together," White House economic adviser Michael Boskin on Monday told an unprecedented gathering of 464 senior examiners, summoned from across the country to hear the administration's anti-credit-crunch message.

In advance, members of Congress and the head of the General Accounting Office characterized the meeting as an administration attempt to pressure examiners into easing up and criticized officials for closing all but the opening session to reporters and congressional aides.

"We all need a healthy, growing American economy," Boskin said. "The banking system is at the heart of the ability of the economy to grow at a reasonable rate. You're at the heart of making sure the banking system is intelligent and prudently supervised."

The White House official told the examiners that what would be a sensible approach for regulating one bank is not prudent if it is applied to all banks and causes substantially tighter credit.

Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady urged examiners to allow banks to make loans based on subjective criteria, such as the character of the borrower, rather than applying "a black book approach where every step in the process is subject to rigid, legalistic mandates — or worse, strict mathematics."

"Whatever happened to the 'character loan' that built this country?" Brady asked. "Let me ask you: If a bank made such a loan and time was needed to provide repayment would you, the examiner, give the borrower the benefit of the doubt?"

The examiners, who in the past have been criticized by Congress for not being tough enough, sat impassively through the three-hour opening session of the two-day conference. They were given several opportunities to ask the questions of the speakers, but none went to the microphones. They shied away from reporters, refusing to comment even privately.

Brady emphasized that the administration did not believe the examiners were a major cause of the credit crunch. But he told them, "The regulatory profession must be sure — as sure as they can be — that they are not contributing to the problem."

During the private sessions, the examiners were scheduled to review in detail several packages of new regulatory guidelines the administration has issued since last March.

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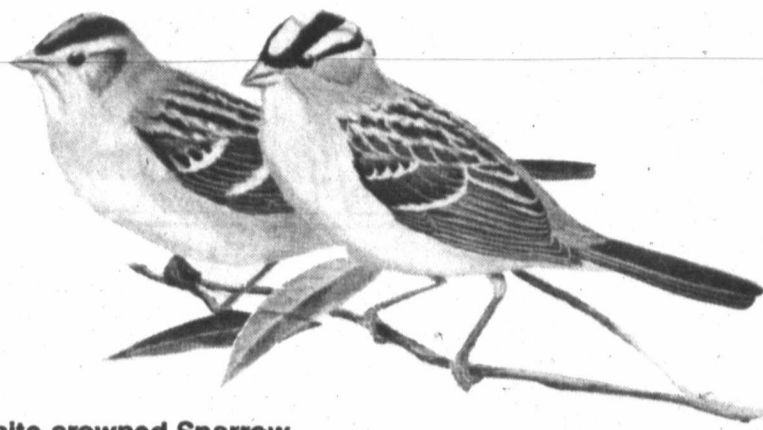
Lifestyles

Birds of a different feather may flock together during cold winter months



Panhandle Bird Watch

by Jan Elston



White-crowned Sparrow

During winter months you are very likely to see different birds all together in the same flock. One day, when there was snow on the ground, we threw some sunflower seeds out onto the snow, and were surprised to see White Crown Sparrows, Oregon Juncos, Lark Buntings, House Sparrow, House Finches, and Slate-colored Juncos all flocking together. Gold Finches and Pine Siskins are often seen together, and one winter there was a Lesser Goldfinch which stayed with that large flock. When you see a flock of birds, look to see if there might be some unusual birds in with them.

White Crown Sparrows are common winter visitors to the Panhandle. They are easily recognized by the distinctive wide black and white striping on their heads. (The crowns of immatures are dark brown and buff striped; but since the immatures are almost always seen with adults, there is no problem in identifying them.) The chin is white, and they are gray underneath, and on the back and sides of the neck. They are larger than House Sparrows, and have more white streaking on their backs than House Sparrows do. Those in our area have a pinkish bill; but geographic races may vary, with some having yellow bills.

They winter across almost all the contiguous states, and are so numerous in the western United States that they are considered pests in some of the orchard areas. During severe winters, the White Crowns will sometimes feed on early-blooming fruit trees, eating the buds, flowers and young leaves. They have also been known to feed on forsythia, red maple, and on the leaf-buds of willows. Those in our area are thought to eat only grass and weed seeds. They will come to ground feeders; and like all birds, are more readily attracted to a yard where fresh water is kept out for them. They like patches of grass and open ground for foraging, with low shrubbery nearby for escape.

Watch for this easily-identified, handsome Sparrow in your yard. *****

Are you seeing Goldfinches in your yard, yet? We saw the first ones in one of our trees, last week. Although they haven't come in to our feeders, yet, other people have reported seeing them on their feeders. Goldfinches and Pine Siskins tend to flock together, and both are attracted to sunflower seed and to Niger thistle seed. (You don't have to worry about this type of thistle getting started in your yard—the seeds are treated to prevent germination.)

One year I taped the top half of an egg carton to the brick on our window sill, and filled it with sunflower seeds. One Pine Siskin found it before the others got there, and he must have thought it was his property, because he became quite assertive when any House Finches came near, even though the House Finches were quite a lot larger than he was. *****

Since 1900, the National Audubon Society has sponsored a Christmas Bird Count, with groups of people assigned specific areas, and counting the numbers and types of birds they see. This has become a sport, with participants competing to see who can come up with the greatest number of species. Birders in Freeport hold the top honors in North America, with 226 species

sighted in one day. Every group of birders, regardless of whether there is a chance for the national record, tries to beat its own record. Amarillo's record was set in 1989, with 88 species recorded.

Not only does the Christmas Bird Count allow the participants to have an enjoyable day of birding, this count is also a contribution to science. Numerous scientific papers have been published, based on the data accumulated in these counts. A count made in the same area for many years reflects the fluctuations in bird populations. Large decreases in the numbers of some species may be caused by diseases, environmental disasters, acid rain, pollution, or habitat destruction caused by development of housing additions, large shopping malls, etc.

There was a letter in *Bird Watcher's Digest* which offered an interesting variation on the bird count. The writer of that letter had begun counting the number of birds pictured on Christmas cards! It is surprising to see how many cards do have pictures of birds on them. *****

For that hard-to-shop for person on your Christmas list, you might consider a bird book, a bird feeder, or some small binoculars. Since birdwatching has become one of the two most popular hobbies in America, those items are available almost anywhere.

Wife lacking ardor can take pills and try harder

DEAR ABBY: This is in regard to the recently published letter from "Tired in Utah" — the lady who proposes to harass her over-60 husband with salt-peter to cool his sexual desires.

Your answer made it clear that this idea isn't too swift. Maybe you should follow Jimmy Durante's advice: "If you can't raise the bridge, lower the river."

A well-stocked health food store will have a vitamin called "Womanpower" — composed primarily of yohimbine, an aphrodisiac made from the ground bark of the African yohimbe tree. It is reputed to be quite effective and might possibly rev up her sexual motor to the same speed as that of her underprivileged husband. The Womanpower label cautions that it should not be consumed along with alcohol.

MALE YOHIMBINE FAN IN JACKSON, TENN.

DEAR FAN: I checked out "yohimbine" in my Random House dictionary and found it to be exactly as you described it — an aphrodisiac made from the ground bark of the yohimbe tree.

Now, a word about aphrodisiacs: If you sincerely believe that they will enhance your sexual desires — they might.



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

children and/or grandchildren. Their circumstances are not alike, and I want to be fair.

One daughter is divorced with one child.

One daughter is married with no children.

One daughter and her husband have two children.

My question is — should I allot a certain amount of money for each individual, or each family unit? And should the fact that one daughter has less than the others enter into the picture? Is there a fair solution?

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DEAR CONCERNED: Spend approximately the same amount on each of your children and on each of your grandchildren. For those whose need is greater, give whatever you wish during the year — but for no special occasion.

a year after my mother died to write this letter. I am one of five children, and obviously the only one who even cares if the date gets put on our mother's tombstone.

Is there a polite way of mentioning this to my brothers and sisters? I make minimum wage and can't afford to do this myself or I would. Any advice would be helpful.

NO NAME, CITY OR STATE

DEAR NO NAME: Try this: "Will you all kindly contribute your fair share in order to have the date engraved on Mother's tombstone? There are five of us, and even though none of us is rich, it's shameful that Mother's tombstone is as barren of identification as that of the unknown soldier."

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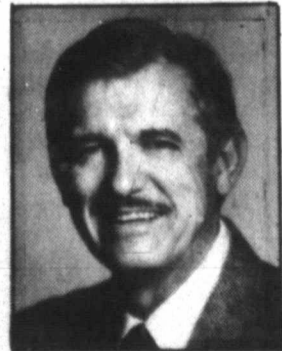
DEAR ABBY: I've waited almost



Dr. Mark W. Ford, Jr.

Announcement of Retirement

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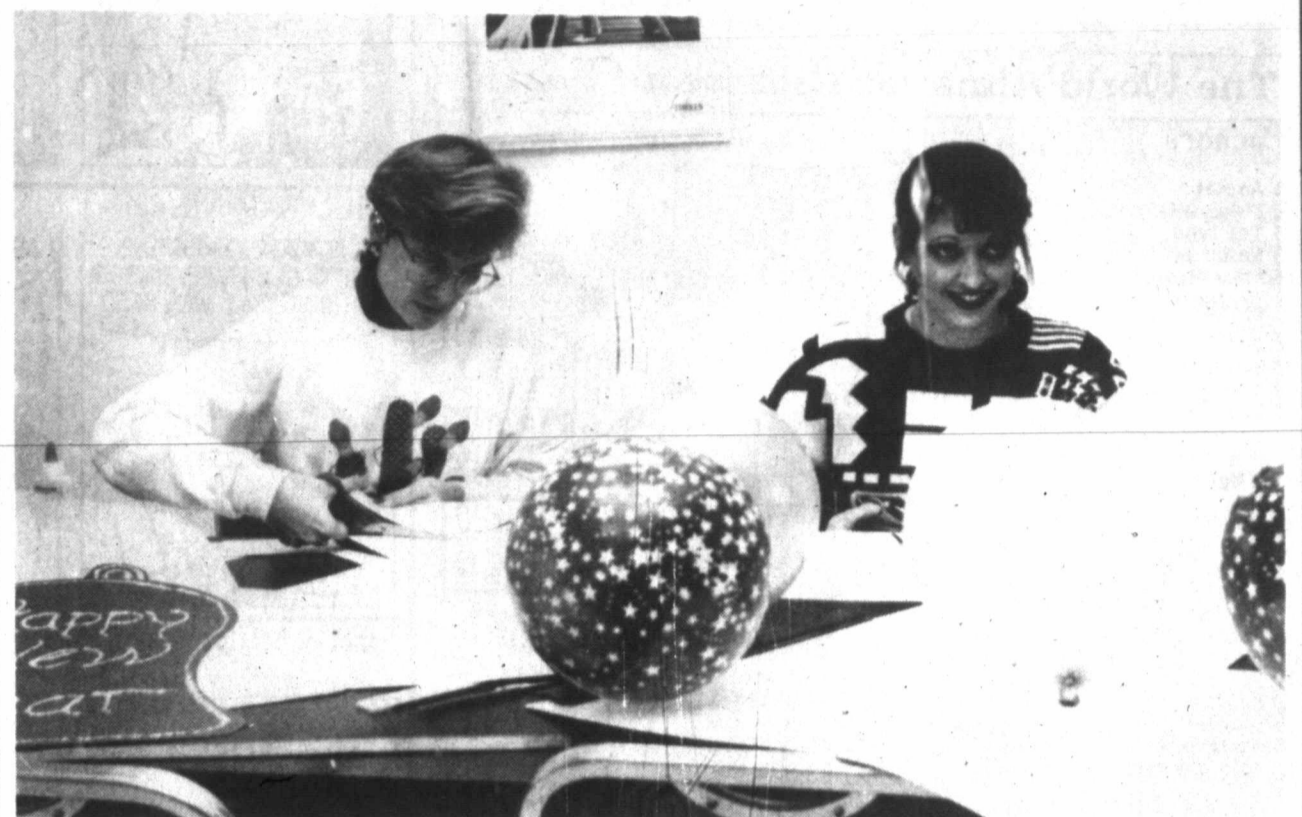


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Left, Nancy Tanner and Angie Cotton with other members of Beta Sigma Phi have been busy working on decorations for the annual New Year's Eve Scholarship Dance, sponsored by the sorority. The dance will be from 9 p.m. - 1 a.m., on Tuesday, Dec. 31 at M. K. Brown Auditorium. The Clyde Logg Band will play. For ticket information call, Starla Tracy at 669-7610 or Sharon Carter at 665-4578.

Newsmakers

Pampans Brenda McCullough and Shane Stokes were inducted into the Texas Zeta chapter of Alpha Chi, a national honor scholarship society on Nov. 14.

Membership in Alpha Chi is by invitation and is limited to students who have a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and rank in the top 10% of their class.

McCullough is a senior nursing major and Stokes is a senior pre-physical therapy major.

Tim Pursler, Canadian, and Marvin Skinner, Pampa, both fifth year pharmacy students at Southwestern Oklahoma State University, will be doing their pharmacy practice course during the spring, 1992, semester. Pursler will be working in Oklahoma City, Okla., and Skinner will be working in Cordell, Bethany and Clinton, Okla.

Ken R. Richardson has been identified for early promotion to senior airman in the U.S. Air Force. He is a survival training specialist at Fairchild Air Force Base, Spokane, Wash., and the son of Roy R. and Mary L. Richardson of McLean.

From Pampa, Mary Harrison, Ramona Heiskell, Deena Kelley, Lisa Kenner, Janet Klein, Larry Little, Danny Mahanay and Robin Morse were named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges from Clarendon College.

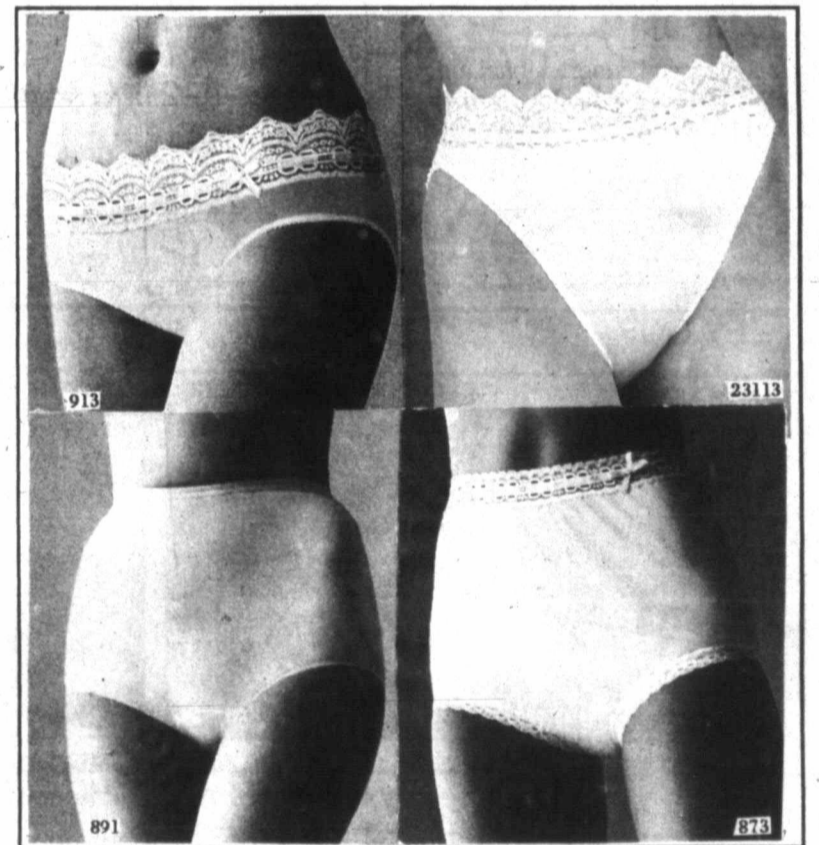
Doug Williams, Jr., of Pampa has been chosen assistant editor of

the Austin College student newspaper. Williams a freshman of AC, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Doug B. Williams. Williams begins his

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- Fidgety (sl.)
- Tea type
- Sedative
- Less distant
- Synthetic fabric
- Slave
- Miss
- Maintained
- Minnesota capital (2 wds.)
- Neighbor of Md.
- Comedian Sparks
- Sewed border of
- Unsealed
- Turns
- Fathers
- Reader in church
- Slicker
- Asian women's quarters

DOWN

- First-rate (2 wds.)
- Words of denial
- Gusto
- Bodies of knowledge
- Chemical suffix
- Timber tree

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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EEN	NEO	OPE
TINS	OIL	GNAW
OBI	MUSLIN	
FISHER	OATES	
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TUFT	NUT	CROW
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HEE	ENDORSE	

ACROSS

- Notch
- Found container weight of
- Mine layer
- Barbra Streisand movie
- Felt

DOWN

- Ancient theater
- Flee (sl.)
- Dissertation
- Basic machines (abbr.)
- Numbers (abbr.)
- Slender pinnacle
- The (Ger.)
- After Nov.
- Recent (pref.)
- WWII area
- Curtain pole
- Mrs. in Madrid
- Cgled
- Shoe fasteners
- Actress Claire
- Of the nose
- Study
- Mountaineer's aid
- Correspond
- Flat-bottomed boat
- Cash drawer
- Two words of under standing
- Famous entertainer
- Grande
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Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You might be more optimistic than realistic today about an objective you hope to achieve. Don't be negative but, by the same token, don't permit wishful thinking to cloud your judgment. Sagittarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for Sagittarius' Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Generosity is a virtue, but you could overdo it today by impulsively favoring the wrong people. It might not be until later that you'll realize your zeal was misguided.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Your worse enemy today could be a beloved, well-intentioned friend who might try to get you into something where the true value is grossly exaggerated.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Be extremely careful regarding whom you go to for advice today, especially in legal matters. Be certain the individual you're consulting is an expert.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Do not sacrifice the quality of your efforts today in order to be expeditious. Instead of saving steps, you could create additional work.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you want to take a gamble on something today, it's best not to encourage friends to go along with you. Miscalculations are likely and resentment could result if things go wrong.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In order to maintain peace in your household today, you might be tempted to make promises you have no intentions of fulfilling. Unfortunately, what you say will be taken seriously by others.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You're a good salesman today, but you must avoid selling or promoting something that you've never tried it yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Lack of concern for the present and future state of your resources could entice you to act impulsively and extravagantly today. Poor judgment will eventually have to be rectified.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Occasionally, we can pull off a bluff and our bravado will get us through a ticklish situation. However, you better have the aces in your hand today before you raise the ante.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You might be a little too indifferent and easy-going for your own good today. However, those you'll be dealing with will not be of the same frame of mind.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Try to restrict your spending today to basic essentials. Discipline will be required to subdue your extravagant whims. Whether you'll succeed or not is too close to call.

MARVIN



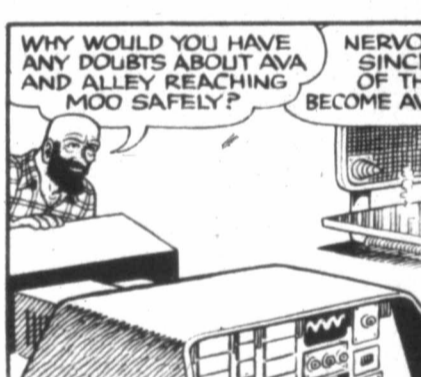
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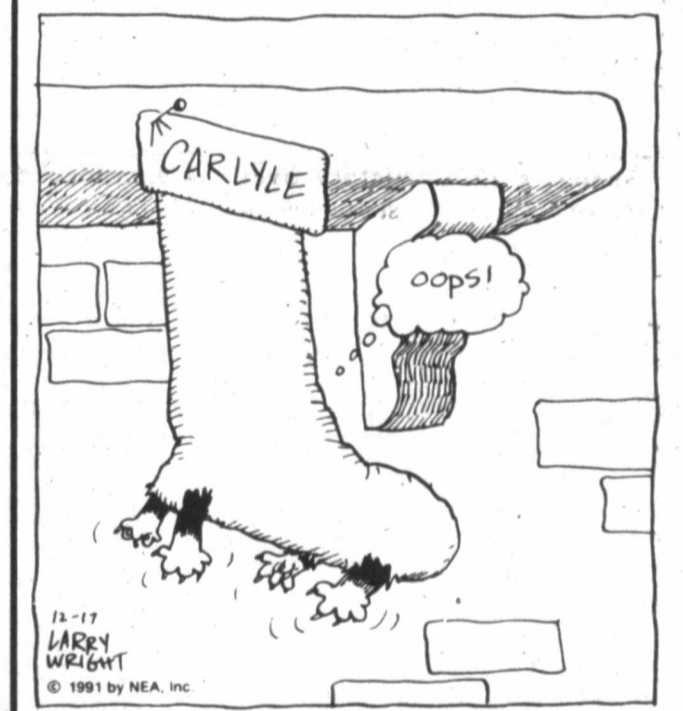
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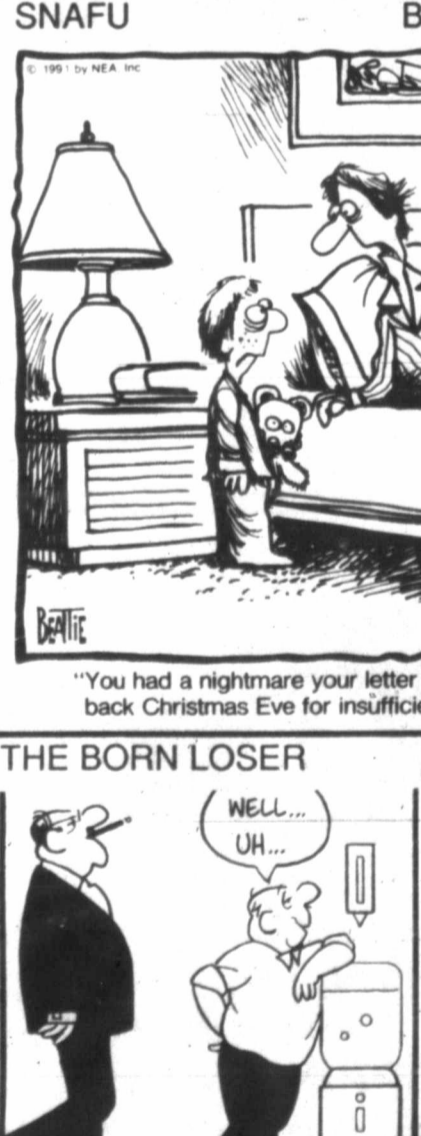
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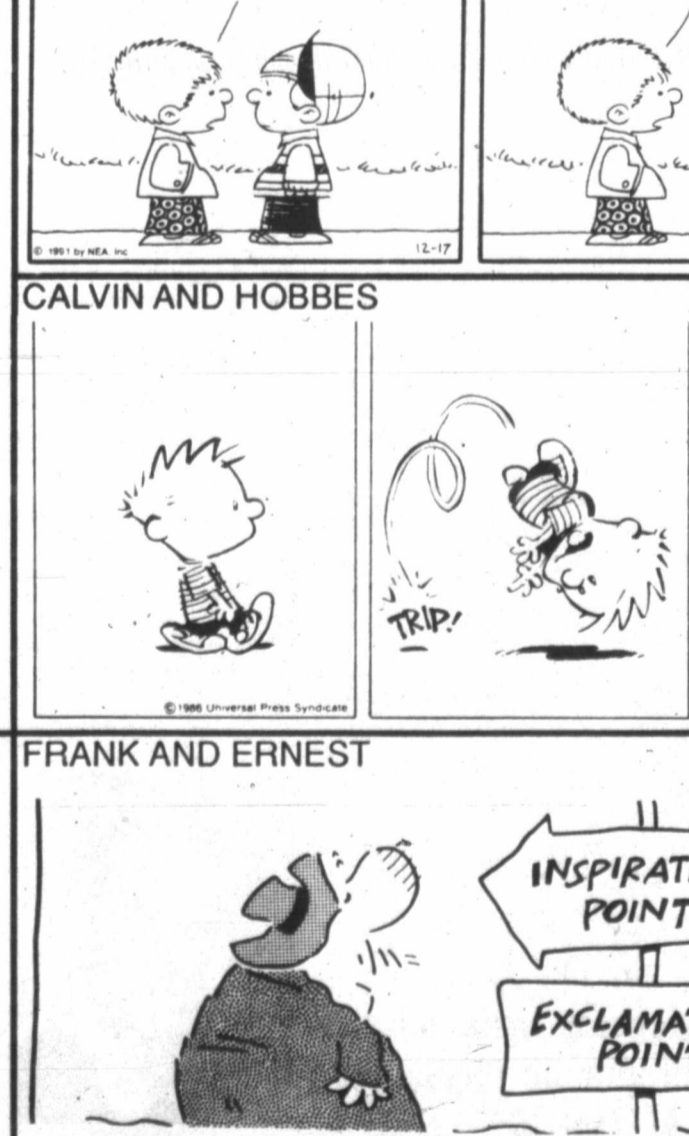
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Sports

'Pokes Johnson can breathe easier now

IRVING, Texas (AP) — For the first time since he replaced Tom Landry as coach of the Dallas Cowboys, Jimmy Johnson can breathe easy. Johnson has a team in the NFL playoffs.

Johnson said on Monday he felt free from pressure for the first time since he took over the job from Landry three years ago.

"This is the first time in three years I've got a really relaxed feeling," Johnson said. "For the first time I'm totally relaxed with my job."

Johnson said even when he won The Associated Press NFL coach of the year last season he still felt tense.

"I don't have to answer to the critics anymore," Johnson said. "Deep down I haven't been relaxed. 'Nobody understands the pressure of coming to the Cowboys after the success of Tom Landry and Tex Schramm. If you had seen our team in 1989 (1-15) and this one you know we came a long, long way. There was never any doubt in my mind or my coaches' minds that we would get here."

Johnson added "we've got players now who truly want to win and not just get a paycheck. We accomplished something we set out to do, something we said we would do. There's satisfaction in setting a goal and achieving it."

Johnson said in training camp the Cowboys would be a playoff team.

Few Cowboys knew they had clinched a spot in the playoffs after Sunday's 25-13 victory over the

Eagles. Johnson never announced it to them.

"Nobody knew about the playoffs and, honestly, nobody cared," said offensive tackle Nate Newton. "Beating the Eagles was enough for us."

The Cowboys didn't think to bring champagne to Philadelphia but they celebrated by drinking beer on the flight back to Dallas.

"We had strong winds and the captain announced we would be an hour late and everybody cheered," said public relations director Rich Dalrymple. "Nobody wanted the flight to end."

The Cowboys snapped an eight-game losing streak to Philadelphia and gave Johnson his first victory over the Eagles.

Johnson didn't mention the word playoff to the players, saying only "there is still some work to be done."

The Cowboys will open the playoffs on the road either Saturday Dec. 28 or Sunday, Dec. 29.

Dallas can't be the top wild-card which means the Cowboys will have to travel to either Chicago or Detroit or Atlanta.

Detroit has a one-game lead with a game to go. The Lions defeated Dallas 34-10 earlier in the season so Detroit would own the tiebreaker.

If Detroit wins the Central Division and Dallas ties Chicago with records of 11-5 the Cowboys would travel to Soldier's Field because the Bears would own a better conference record.



The Cowboys' Kelvin Martin ties off on an 85-yard punt return for a touchdown Sunday against Philadelphia. Dallas clinched a playoff spot with the 25-13 win.

Saints earn playoff spot

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — The New Orleans Saints made it, finally, into the NFL playoffs.

With Bobby Hebert throwing for a career-high 320 yards after missing six games with a sore shoulder, the Saints beat the Los Angeles Raiders 27-0 Monday night, ending a four-game losing streak and completing the NFC playoff picture.

The Saints had to overcome what seemed like dozens of blown scoring opportunities to do it, getting 376 yards without a touchdown until Dalton Hilliard finally got the ball into the end zone with 3:04 left in the third quarter. They outgained the Raiders 290-35 in the first half but led just 3-0 at intermission.

And they still led just 10-0 until the final four minutes, when Morten Andersen kicked a 42-yard field goal and Gill Fenerty went in from 2 yards out after Ethan Horton's fumble to clinch the victory. Brett Maxie returned an interception 31 yards for the final TD.

The victory left the Saints, who once had a four-game lead in the NFC West, at 10-5 and tied with Atlanta for the division lead, with the Falcons holding the tiebreaker edge going into the final week.

It also gave Denver the AFC West title by dropping the Raiders, who have already clinched a playoff berth, to 9-6, two games behind the Broncos. And it eliminated Philadelphia and San Francisco from the playoffs.

Hebert completed 28 of 39 passes and Quinn Early caught four passes for 127 yards as New Orleans dominated.

Playoff-bound Oilers are still living on the edge Jets have one more life

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Jerry Glanville has been gone two years but the Houston Oilers are still following their former coach's motto of living on the edge with thrilling comebacks and chilling goal-line stands.

Sunday's 17-14 victory over Cleveland was the latest example of the Oilers' brinkmanship tactics this season.

Warren Moon drove the Oilers 82 yards through a snowstorm that is supposed to bog down the run-and-shoot offense for the go-ahead touchdown with 2:19 to play, a one-yard pass to Haywood Jeffries.

Bernie Kosar drove the Browns back down the field to the Oilers one-yard line where rookie kicker Matt Stover missed a 19-yard field goal as time expired.

"I guess over the course of a year, those things even out," Coach Jack Pardee said Monday. "We were very fortunate to come out with that game. It was a good ball control game all the way around."

Actually, the Oilers are ahead of the game when it comes to rolling the dice.

Houston (11-4) has a 5-3 record in games decided by a touchdown or less this season. Stover's missed field goal was the third gift the Oilers have received near their goal line.

The Oilers beat Miami after Sammie Smith fumbled into the Oilers end zone on what would have been the winning touchdown. Emmitt Smith's fumble in overtime started Houston's game-winning drive over Dallas.

Pardee prefers to take the bright

look at the Oilers' near disastrous endings.

"We could also be 14-1 with a little more help," Pardee said. "The other games we lost we had a shot at winning. You've got to be good enough to put yourself in a position to be lucky."

The Oilers lost to New England in the final seconds on Hugh Millen's 34-yard touchdown pass to Greg McMurtry. Washington beat Houston in overtime after former kicker Ian Howfield missed a 33-yard field goal on the final play of regulation time.

Houston, with the AFC Central Division title already clinched, overcame wind and snow against the Browns to equal their record of 11 victories in a season.

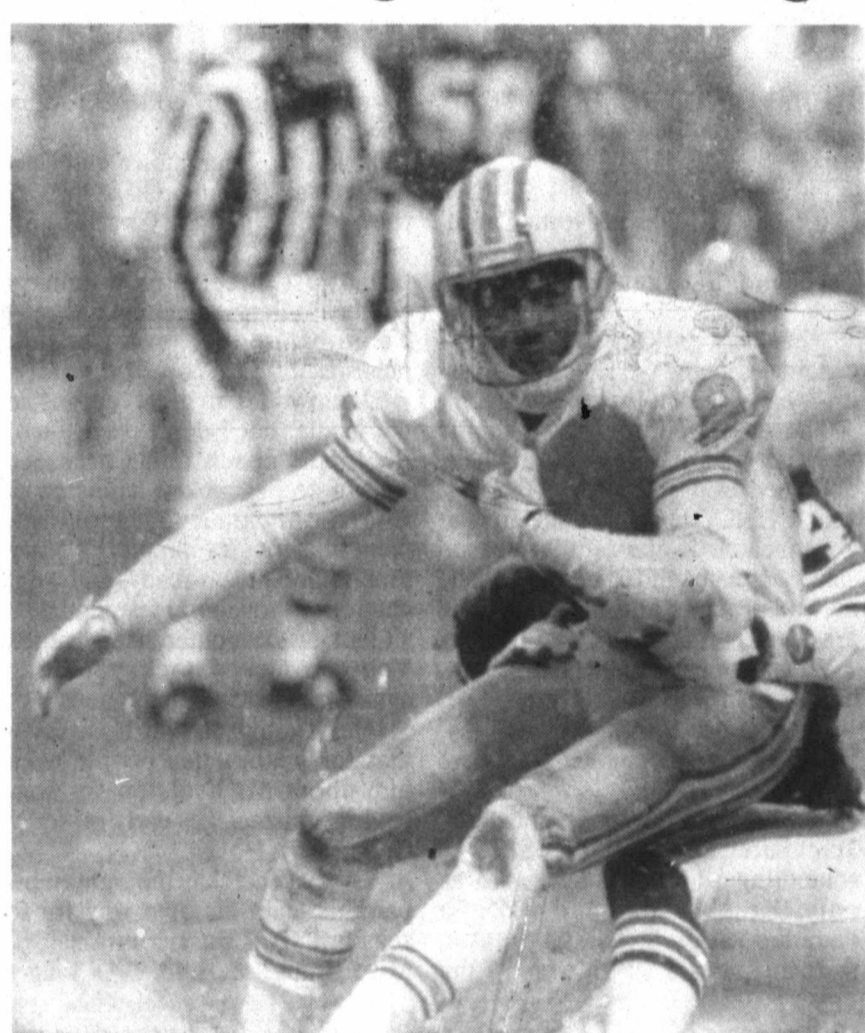
"Once our receivers adjusted to the cold, they caught the ball pretty good," Pardee said. "There were some dropped balls but in that weather and throwing that many passes, you expect some drops."

The Oilers will return to the cold weather Saturday to face the New York Giants in a game that will shape the Oilers' playoff positioning.

"We did several things yesterday (Sunday) to adjust to the wind," Pardee said. "Warren was especially sharp hitting the backs out of the backfield and throwing the short routes."

"In those types of passes, the wind factor doesn't bother you as much as throwing farther down field."

A victory over the Giants would give the Oilers a first week bye in the playoffs and a home date for the second round. Pardee doesn't expect the Giants (7-8) to make it an easy task.



Houston's Haywood Jeffries catches a two-yard pass for a fourth-quarter touchdown in the Oilers' 17-14 win over Cleveland on Sunday.

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. (AP) — For three hours, the New York Jets figured their season was over, that their playoff dream had been crushed.

Then, Sunday night, after the Jets had flopped 6-3 at home against New England, the Miami Dolphins fell 38-30 at San Diego. Suddenly, the Jets have one more life.

"We're fortunate to have another opportunity," Jets coach Bruce Coslet said. "But I think you make your own luck in this league."

Neither the Jets nor Dolphins have made much of their opportunities. The Jets have lost three straight to slip to 7-8. The Dolphins (8-7) could have taken it easy this week before entering the AFC playoffs as the final wild-card qualifier, but they blew a 23-10 lead against the Chargers.

"We have a chance, so I guess that means we are worthy," Dan Marino said.

"The Miami Dolphins can't be feeling too good about themselves, either," Coslet said.

The Jets beat the Dolphins 41-23 earlier this season, so a victory Sunday would give them the first tiebreaker for the wild-card slot.

"I want to think about the next Jets game, not the first one," Dolphins safety Louis Oliver said.

Added teammate Tony Paige, "We're not thinking about revenge or anything. We've got enough motivation in terms of winning and getting into the playoffs."

The Jets didn't bother watching films of the Patriots game, a break with routine.

"Let's go on to Miami," Coslet

said. "If we just play to our capabilities, we'll beat them. We showed that already. But they've showed they're capable of beating us."

"This will be a hell of a test and it will give me some indication of what we want to look for or do in the offseason. It's a definite test."

That the Jets have the chance to take the test, pass it and go into the playoffs for the first time since 1986 is shocking even to some players.

"Yeah, it's surprising that it comes down to this week," nose tackle Scott Mersereau said. "We could turn around these negatives and forget about them. We have to figure out the reasons for the losses, we've got to fix it and play a great game this week."

Some players didn't even know they still would have life if Miami lost to San Diego.

"I was thinking, 'Wow, this is going to be a long offseason,'" Al Toon said. "I didn't know we had another chance if Miami lost; that's how much I pay attention to that stuff."

"I went into a restaurant for dinner and Miami was winning. When I came out, we heard on the radio San Diego won. There was a big sigh of relief and an element of surprise."

Coslet emphasized that his team's slump, even if it loses at Miami, should not erase the progress the Jets have made.

"You have to look at the overall," he said. "Everything the team has accomplished this year, you can't throw it away. It's unfair."

Sports Scene

Basketball

Pampa seventh-graders slipped by Valley View Silver, 25-24, in overtime to take third place in the Canyon Middle School Girls' Tournament last weekend.

Pampa had to rally for the win after trailing by 6 points (13-7) at halftime.

Scoring for Pampa were Jennifer Williams with 13 points, Marie Williams 5, Karla Murray 4 and Amy Morris 3.

Pampa also defeated Dumas, 36-20, with Marie Williams scoring 14 points for the winners.

Others scoring for Pampa were Jennifer Jones 6, Katy Fortin 6, Karla Murray 3, Julie Rushing 2, Sarah Gattis 2, Jamie Humphrey 2 and Cara East, 1.

Pampa's only loss came against Canyon Purple, 33-14.

Scoring for Pampa were Jennifer Jones and Karla Murray, 4 points each; Patty Montoya, Cara East and Katy Fortin, 2 each.

In the eighth-grade division, Pampa played for third place in the tournament, but was defeated.

Pampa defeated Canyon, 27-25, in overtime.

Pampa came from behind to win after trailing by 6 points (15-9) at halftime.

Serenity King was the high scorer for Pampa with 12 points. Also scoring for Pampa were Kelley Vinson 6, Carrie Caswell 4, Amy Drinnon 4 and Lisa Jones 1.

Pampa lost to Hereford, 18-13, and Valley View, 54-8.

Childress edged by Canadian, 50-49, last weekend in the boys' finals of the Wheeler Invitational.

John Galligan led Childress in scoring with 18 points, followed by Ryan Gerber with 11.

Joel Robbins was the top scorer for Canadian with 26 points.

Childress also won the girls' championship, defeating Wellington, 45-22, in the finals.

Baseball

NEW YORK (AP) — Nearly one third of the players in the major leagues earned \$1 million or more in 1991, according to a study by The Associated Press, and the number of players making \$3 million rose from 1 to 34.

Of the 750 players on Aug. 31

rosters and disabled lists, 225 were at the million-dollar level, up from 162 in 1990. The number of \$2 million players rose from 29 to 127.

The Oakland Athletics, who had the largest payroll in baseball at \$39.2 million, had 16 players making \$1 million or more, the most of any team. Of those, eight made \$2 million or more and five — Jose Canseco, Dave Stewart, Bob Welch, Rickey Henderson and Dennis Eckersley — made \$3 million or more.

It was only two years ago that Kirby Puckett of the Minnesota Twins became the first player to sign for \$3 million a year. But four dozen players already are signed for \$3 million next season, and many more will reach that level before the salary season concludes in late February.

The California Angels, the Los Angeles Dodgers and the San Francisco Giants each had 12 players at \$1 million or more. The Boston Red Sox, the Kansas City Royals, the New York Mets and the Detroit Tigers had 11 each (although Walt Terrell of the Tigers had \$1.1 million of his \$1.2 million salary paid by Pittsburgh, which released him).

Nation's game wardens outmanned in escalating war against poachers

DENVER (AP) — State and federal game wardens are stretched too thin and are often underfunded in attempts to stop poaching, wildlife managers say.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has 206 enforcement agents sprinkled across the nation to carry out duties that include enforcement of the Endangered Species Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

Meanwhile, regional managers say the poaching of wildlife for many reasons — meat, record-size big-game trophies or satisfying a lucrative market for exotic foreign tastes — continues to escalate.

For years, duck hunters from the Chesapeake Bay to Louisiana have shot more birds illegally than legally, wildlife administrators say.

Short-funding prevents adequate policing of migratory bird poachers, wildlife managers say.

In Louisiana, winter home to 25 percent of the continent's duck population, the seven federal agents have only enough funds to do field work during the waterfowl hunting

season from October through January. The rest of the year the field is abandoned to the poachers.

Neill Hartman, a senior agent at the Denver Fish and Wildlife office, said his 20 agents cover an eight-state, 750,000-square-mile region, but because of manpower and fund shortages, they have to ignore about 75 percent of the crimes reliably reported each year.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service personnel ranks have grown 78 percent in the past 14 years while its law enforcement division shrank by 8 percent.

Dave Croonquist, assistant chief of law enforcement for the Colorado Division of Wildlife, said none of the federal service's top management has any law enforcement background so it's hard for them to grasp the seriousness of the problem.

At the state level, the division recently was ordered to cut 14 1/2 jobs because of budget cutbacks.

The reductions meant the division lost its capability of doing under-

cover work against poachers, Croonquist said.

And while Colorado game herds are increasing, there is decreasing time available to do wildlife enforcement, he said. The state's 114 wildlife officers average only about 20 percent of their time on pure patrol, he said.

Croonquist said trophy poachers are a major problem.

"Every one poached is one less for a legal hunter to take," Croonquist said.

"We catch quite a few" violators, about 5,000 each year, he said.

But he estimated most wildlife district managers probably hear of less than 5 percent of illegal kills each year.

"We don't know about it until someone comes forward ... and we can only take the big cases," Croonquist said.

"Unfortunately, there are those out there taking one more fish, one more bird, one more deer" than allowed, he said. "We can't be everywhere at once."

Pampa hosts AHS in traditional battle

The Pampa Harvesters, off to an 11-0 start, hosts the 6-3 Amarillo High Sandies at 7:45 p.m. tonight in McNelly Fieldhouse.

Included in Pampa's unbeaten string is two tournament championships, the Sweet 16 Invitational last weekend in Edmond, Okla. and the Hays City Shootout Dec. 5-7.

Senior guard Cederick Wilson, who was named the Sweet 16's most valuable player, is averaging 20 ppg to lead the Harvesters in scoring.

Clint Reed, a 6-2 senior, averages 12 ppg to lead the Sandies' scoring attack.

"This, of course, is a traditional game between the Harvesters and the Sandies. I don't know how many years it's been going on, but it's been a bunch. We always look forward to it and by the same token we have to be ready to play because Amarillo High always seems to have a good ballclub," said Harvesters' head coach Robert Hale.

Hale said the Sandies have some size inside with 6-5 Brandon Landry and 6-3 Alan McCarty the

key players.

"Amarillo High plays very fundamental basketball. They don't do anything tricky or fancy," Hale said. "They slow the ball down, work the ball inside to their big guys and try to get you into foul trouble. They play a tough half-court defense."

The Harvesters will try and take good percentage shots against Amarillo High, Hale said.

"We're going to try and play good, fundamental basketball. The key to that is the right shot selection. And the right person taking the right shot," Hale added.

The Harvesters swept three games in the Sweet 16 Invitational, including a 77-70 win over previously-unbeaten Edmond in the finals.

"That was an awfully big tournament we won," Hale said. "USA Today rated it as one of the best high school tournaments in the country during the month of December. The kids did a tremendous job."



Pampa's David Johnson drives around an Edmond, Okla. opponent during the Sweet 16 Invitational last week in Edmond, Okla. Also pictured are the Harvesters' Cederick Wilbon (25) and Jeff Young (23). Pampa defeated Edmond, 77-70, in the finals on Saturday night.

(Staff photo by Stan Pollard)

Richard wins World Match Play crown

PRINCEVILLE, Hawaii (AP) — Putting made the difference, both the winner and the loser agree.

The difference was the title in the LPGA World Match Play Championship Monday and \$30,000 in prize money.

"My putter won this tournament for me," said Deb Richard, who defeated Kris Tschetter 2 and 1 in the final round. "I stood over every putt this week feeling like I was going to make it."

On the other hand, Tschetter said her putting let her down.

"It was a matter of missing three short putts I should have made," she said. "It's tough in match play to be three down. Three down is really tough. You need to really play well to come back."

Richard won the first two holes and led thereafter to win the \$100,000 top prize in the \$500,000 tournament, leaving Tschetter to collect \$70,000.

Richard went 1-up with a birdie on No. 1 and needed only a par to win the second hole.

Falcons no longer feel like outsiders after clinching NFC West wild-card berth

ATLANTA (AP) — Tim Green and his Atlanta Falcon teammates won't have to feel like outsiders during the NFL playoffs.

After finishing in the NFC West cellar four years in a row, the Falcons clinched a wild-card spot Sunday with a 26-13 victory over the Seattle Seahawks. Atlanta will be a playoff participant for the first time since the strike-shortened 1982 season.

"I can't describe the feeling," said Green, the 245-pound defen-

sive end in his sixth season with the Falcons.

"It's complete elation," he said. "The turnaround is so much sweeter than the reign of the (San Francisco) 49ers where they win, win, win. We know what it is like to be down."

The Falcons (10-5), who end the regular season at Dallas next Sunday, would win the NFC West crown should they finish tied with the New Orleans Saints (10-5). The Saints beat the Los Angeles Raiders

27-0 Monday night and close the season at Phoenix next Sunday.

The Falcons got into the playoffs in their second year under coach Jerry Glanville, who did the same thing when he was at Houston — going from 5-11 one season to a wild-card berth the next.

"It's a great feeling," Glanville said Monday. "As a coach, your feelings go out to the people that have been here a long time, those like Mike Kenn, Rick Bryan, Bobby Butler and John Rade."

Those four have been with the Falcons throughout the lean years that have included seven last-place finishes in eight seasons.

"We've been to the playoffs four of the last five years, so it's not been long-suffering," Glanville said, recalling his years with the Oilers — whom he took to the post-season three times.

"When you work as hard as our people work, you expect to be successful," he said.

Green said making the playoffs is

"a feeling I know I and the rest of the team will never forget."

"You sit at home and watch the playoffs and the Super Bowl and you feel like an outsider," he said. "It's something you dream about. You can only describe it like when you are a kid and it's Christmas with all those presents."

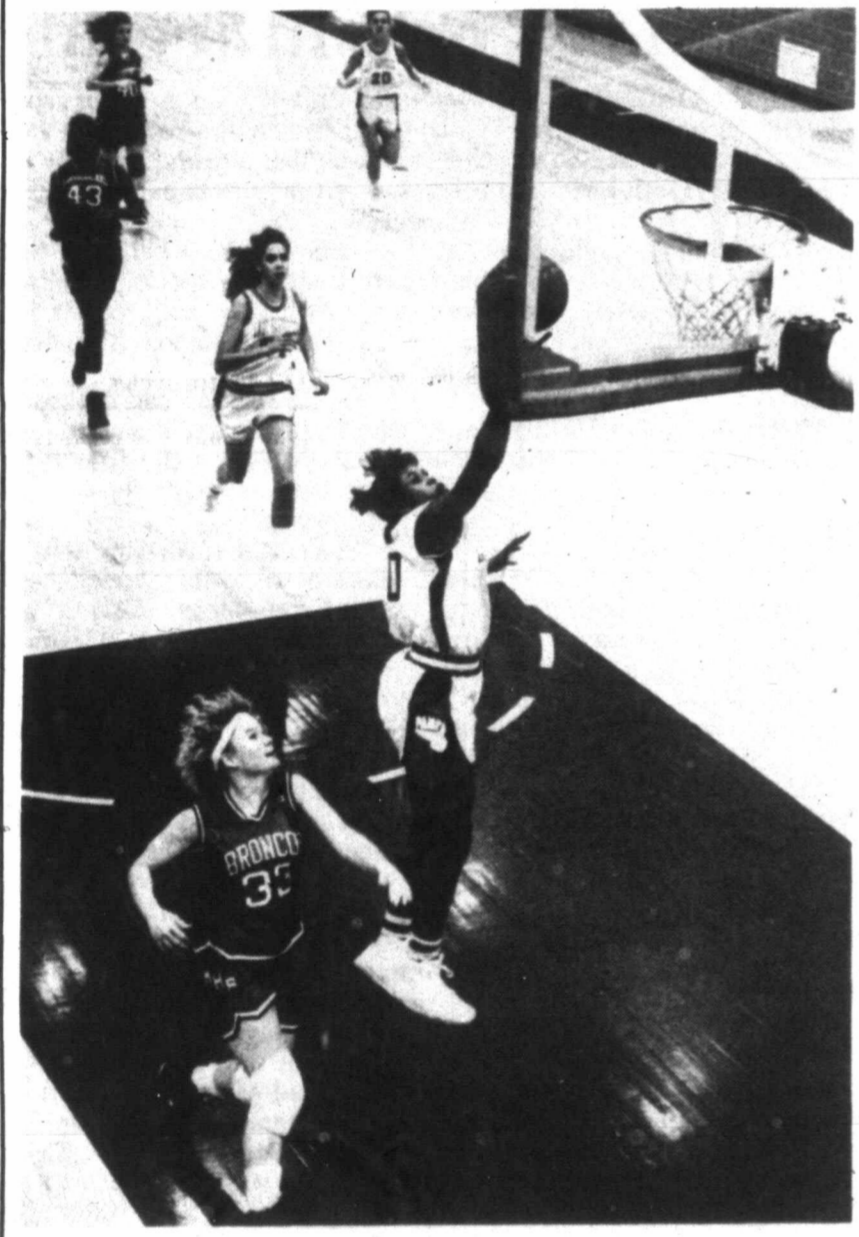
"Now that we've done the necessary things to get to the playoffs, we have to do the necessary things to keep going," said Kenn, an offensive tackle who allowed his

first sack of the season in the Seattle game.

"We're rolling now," linebacker Jessie Tuggle said. "All the guys in here have the winning attitude."

Deion Sanders, also involved in the Atlanta Braves' run to the National League title during the summer, had one of the key plays in the victory over Seattle — a 48-yard scoring run after taking a lateral from Tim McKyer, who had intercepted a pass.

Fast break



(Staff photo by Stan Pollard)

Pampa's Nikki Ryan scores on a fast-break layup against the Mustang Lady Broncos in last week's Sweet 16 Invitational in Edmond, Okla. Coming in for a possible rebound is Pampa's Amber Seaton (54).

Tough scheduling results in early losses for top college cage teams

By JIM O'CONNELL
AP Basketball Writer

Indiana, Arkansas and LSU have two each. The likes of North Carolina, St. John's, Kentucky, Georgia Tech and Georgetown have one each.

We're not talking All-America candidates here. We're talking losses — early season losses.

The days of undefeated teams went out with leisure suits and bell-bottomed trousers in the '70s. Last year's UNLV team was the first to go unbeaten in the regular season since six teams did it in that decade of war protests and a Democratic president.

What happened to Os on the right-hand side of won-loss records?

There are a lot of reasons why, and the above-mentioned teams are proof of each.

First, there's the tough schedule. Television, specifically ESPN — something which was still an area only Kreskin dabbled in two decades ago — has created matchups to attract viewers in the

period leading to college football bowl games.

St. John's, Georgetown and Georgia Tech all picked up their losses in the ACC-Big East Challenge, a made-for-TV extravaganza which lasted just three years because of coaches' allergic reactions to tough games before they open Christmas presents.

"I know they're great for fans and the media, but I don't need them," St. John's coach Lou Carnesecca said of seeing ranked teams on the floor rather than just looking at them in a copy of the poll. "It takes time to get a team ready, and we do have some tough games coming up as part of the conference schedule. You can only knock your head against the wall so many times."

John Thompson had been saying that for years when people asked him about his decision for some obvious mismatches early on for his Georgetown Hoyas.

"Every coach has the right to prepare his team his own way for the season," Big East commissioner Mike Tranghese said. "As long as

he does things within the rules, ours and the NCAA's, I don't feel anyone has the right to dictate to him how he should do it."

Teams can also lose games because of a lack of chemistry. It takes time to have guards and big men come together, and LSU is the best example of that.

The Tigers have the nation's unquestioned best player in 7-foot-2 Shaquille O'Neal, last season's player of the year. They have managed to split their first four games, including two 20-point losses, as the backcourt learns how to get O'Neal the ball where he can be most effective.

Indiana has struggled early and coach Bob Knight has listed many reasons for it and has shown his displeasure with some players in particular, benching three starters for the first half of one game.

"I just don't think we are capable of playing against a good team at this point," Knight said after a season-opening loss to UCLA by his then-second-ranked Hoosiers. It was his first season-opening loss in 21

years at Indiana.

Then there are suspensions. Even if they last just one game, it's enough to cost a team a loss.

Arkansas was the consensus No. 2 team throughout last season and four of the five starters were expected back. They will be, eventually.

Suspensions by the school for breaking university rules kept six Razorbacks from playing right away. Todd Day, a second-team All-America selection last season, was suspended for the entire first semester.

The loss of those players have meant two losses early in the season.

"Because of the suspensions, we'll be patching a team together until January," coach Nolan Richardson said. "We're still searching. We'll struggle a little for a while. We're still searching for chemistry."

Some teams will go on to conference play with a perfect record. Most won't. The only thing different will be the reasons why.

Drexler leads Trail Blazers past Timberwolves, 119-104

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Clyde Drexler scored 17 of his 24 points in the third quarter as the Portland Trail Blazers regained their shooting touch in defeating Minnesota 119-104 Monday night and extending the Timberwolves' losing streak to eight games.

Drexler, who had only seven points in the first half, exploded in the third, hitting seven of 11 from the field. Terry Porter added 17 points, 14 of those in the first half when the Blazers took a 60-49 lead.

Portland's biggest surge was a 35-point third quarter with Drexler

scoring 17 points.

The Blazers built their biggest lead midway through the fourth quarter when Danny Ainge, who came off the bench for 16 points, hit a 3-point field goal to give Portland a 110-85 lead.

Leading 60-49 at the half, the

Blazers increased the lead with a 20-10 run in the first eight minutes. Drexler's first of back-to-back 3-point field goals gave the Blazers an 80-62 lead with 4:19 left.

In the last 1:03 of the third, Portland outscored the Timberwolves 6-2.

Colts can nail down No. 2 draft pick with win over Buccaneers

By HAL BOCK
AP Sports Writer

Can it really be? A crucial game for the 1-14 Indianapolis Colts, owners of the worst record in the NFL? That's exactly the situation as the Colts close the season Sunday at Tampa Bay. Less than proud owners of the worst record in the NFL, Indianapolis already owns the No. 1 pick in the draft.

A loss for the Bucs would leave them with the second-worst record through tiebreakers, and the Colts, who own Tampa Bay's first-round pick from the Chris Chandler trade two years ago, would get the No. 2 selection as well.

General manager Jim Irsay salivates at the prospects.

"It's a must-win game, an exciting prospect for us," Irsay said. "It would be nice to have No. 1 and No. 2. It gives you a lot more options."

Among those options is a trade, perhaps to assemble some offensive line help to protect quarterback Jeff George, picked No. 1 by the Colts two years ago. Indianapolis, remember, packaged two players and two picks for that No. 1 choice from Atlanta. While Irsay doesn't rule a deal out, it is not something he

expects to be pursuing.

"I'm doubtful we'd make a trade unless someone overwhelmed us," he said. "I don't believe in trading one great player for three average ones. When you get up that high, it's a rare chance to take a couple of great players. There are very few great players in the league."

Then Irsay put the whole thing in economic perspective for the historically penurious Colts. "Of course," he said, "you don't want to have to get a loan from a Swiss bank, either."

If Irsay gets his wish and the Colts deliver a rare victory to secure No. 2, and if he hangs on to both picks, it would be just the second time in NFL history that a team has had the luxury of picking 1-2. The only other time it happened was 1958 when the Chicago Cardinals picked quarterback King Hill No. 1 and followed with running back John David Crow No. 2.

The last time a team had two of the first five picks was 1982 when the Colts, then based in Baltimore, used No. 2 for linebacker Johnnie Cooks and No. 5 for quarterback Art Schlichter.

"From our perspective," Irsay said, recalling the less-than-sensa-

tional results of those picks, "we've got to do this right."

Baltimore came close to that perfect in 1955, as well, picking 1-3 and coming away with quarterback George Shaw and running back Alan Ameche.

Other teams haven't done badly with multiple high picks. In 1965, the Chicago Bears had the third and fourth selections and came out of it with two Hall of Famers — linebacker Dick Butkus and running back Gale Sayers.

The Los Angeles Rams had 2-3 in 1961 and took quarterback Roman Gabriel and defensive tackle Merlin Olsen, another Hall of Famer. A year earlier, in the same situation, Washington used No. 2 for quarterback Norm Snead and No. 3 for Joe Rutgens, a defensive tackle from Illinois. In 1957, Green Bay picked halfback Paul Hornung No. 1 and guard Ron Kramer No. 4.

The flip side to having high picks, however, is how you acquire them. The Colts got Tampa Bay's first-round choice with a deal that proved disastrous for the Bucs, who cut Chandler last month. They got No. 1, awarded for the league's worst record, strictly on merit.

National Football League standings

By The Associated Press		Philadelphia		New England 6, New York Jets 3	
All Times EST		N.Y. Giants		Washington 34, New York Giants 17	
AMERICAN CONFERENCE		Phoenix		San Diego 38, Miami 30	
East		Chicago		Denver 24, Phoenix 19	
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-Buffalo	13	2	0.867	444	301
Miami	8	7	0.533	323	326
N.Y. Jets	7	8	0.467	291	273
New England	6	9	0.400	204	276
Indianapolis	1	14	0.067	140	364
Central					
x-Houston	11	4	0.733	366	227
Cleveland	6	9	0.400	283	281
Pittsburgh	6	9	0.400	275	334
Cincinnati	2	13	0.133	234	428
West					
x-Denver	11	4	0.733	287	221
y-Kansas City	9	6	0.600	295	231
y-LA Raiders	9	6	0.600	277	270
Seattle	6	9	0.400	253	252
San Diego	4	11	0.267	260	325
NATIONAL CONFERENCE					
W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-Washington	14	1	0.933	483	200
y-Dallas	10	5	0.667	311	283
Atlanta	9	6	0.600	341	225
LA Rams	3	12	0.200	225	367
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Chicago 27, Tampa Bay 0					
San Francisco 28, Kansas City 14					
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Pittsburgh 17, Cincinnati 10					
Dallas 25, Philadelphia 13					
Atlanta 26, Seattle 13					
Detroit 21, Green Bay 17					
Houston 17, Cleveland 14					
Minnesota 20, Los Angeles Rams 14					
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Weber State quarterback wins Walter Payton Award

HUNTINGDON VALLEY, Pa. (AP) — Quarterback Jamie Martin of Weber State, who led Division I-AA in total offense for the second straight year, won the Walter Payton Award as the division's top player.

Martin, who threw for 4,125 yards and 35 touchdowns, edged linebacker Andre Carron of Northwestern State by three points. The results were announced Monday.

Martin, runner-up in last year's balloting, received 24 of 74 first-

place votes and 91 points from Division I-AA sports information directors. Carron got 19 first-place votes and 88 points.

Holy Cross quarterback Tom Ciaccio finished third with six first-place votes and 28 points.

Martin, a junior from Arroyo Grande, Calif., is the first underclassmen to win the award. He averaged 394 yards per game in total offense, the second-best mark ever in Division I-AA, and led his team to an 8-4 record.

Chris Ault, who guided the University of Nevada to an 11-0 regular-season record, won the Eddie Robinson Award as the Division I-AA coach of the year. Mark Duffner of Holy Cross finished second.

Nevada lost to Youngstown State in the second round of the playoffs.

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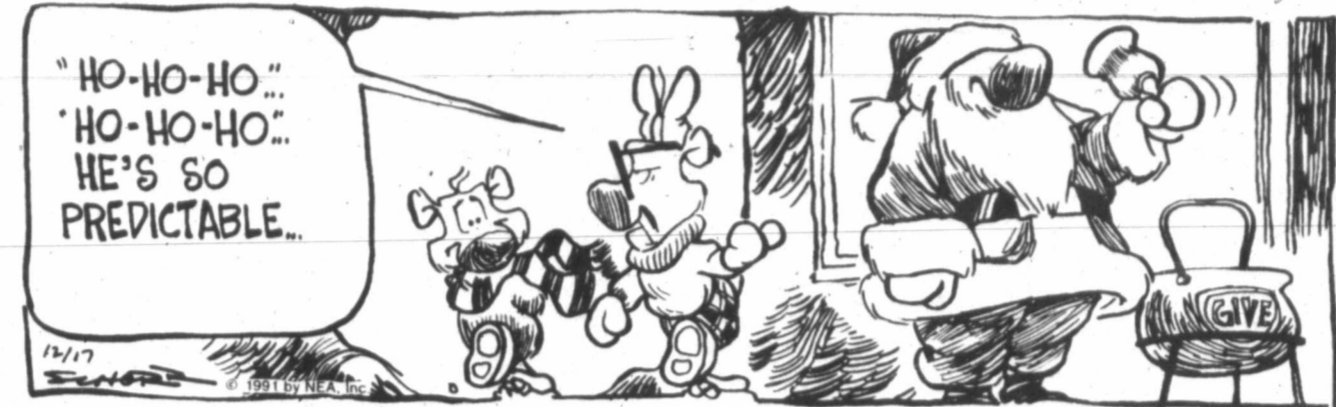
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2 Museums

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HUTCHINSON County Museum: Borger. Regular hours 11 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. weekdays except Tuesday, 1-5 p.m. Sunday.

LAKE Meredith Aquarium and Wildlife Museum: Fritch, hours Tuesday and Sunday 2-5 p.m., 10 a.m. Wednesday thru Saturday, closed Monday.

MUSEUM OF THE Plains: Perritt. Monday thru Friday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Weekends during Summer months, 1:30 p.m.-5 p.m.

OLD Mobeetie Jail Museum. Monday - Saturday 10-5. Sunday 1-5. Closed Wednesday.

PANHANDLE Plains Historical Museum: Canyon. Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, weekends 2 p.m.-6 p.m.

PIONEER West Museum: Shamrock. Regular museum hours 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, Saturday and Sunday.

RIVER Valley Pioneer Museum at Canadian, TX. Tuesday-Friday 10-4 p.m. Sunday 2-4 p.m. Closed Saturday and Monday.

ROBERT'S County Museum: Miami. Summer hours, Tuesday-Friday 10-5 p.m. Sunday 2-5 p.m. Closed Saturday and Monday.

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104 Lots

FRASHER Acres East-1 or more acres. Paved street, utilities. Balch Real Estate, 665-8075.

105 Acreage

1.6 ACRES unimproved acreage, \$3750. Gas and electric available in alley. MLS 1504L.

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121 Trucks For Sale

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14r Plowing, Yard Work

Lone raft



(AP Laserphoto)

A life raft from the Salem Express ferry, which sank leaving more than 400 people missing, floats off the coast of Egypt Monday as an Egyptian naval ship searches for survivors. The engineer of the ferry denied any accusations of widespread negligence on the part of the ship's crew.

Maxwell Communication files for Chapter 11 protection

By COTTEN TIMBERLAKE
Associated Press Writer

LONDON (AP) — Maxwell Communication Corp., one of the late Robert Maxwell's public companies, has filed for bankruptcy court protection in the United States, where the bulk of its revenue is generated.

Meanwhile, Maxwell's two sons declined to appear voluntarily today before a parliamentary committee investigating allegations that pension fund money from Maxwell companies was siphoned off to prop up the family's tottering empire. The committee said Kevin and Ian Maxwell would be compelled to testify Jan. 13.

Most of the alleged financial manipulations are said to have occurred before Robert Maxwell died mysteriously six weeks ago, but Kevin Maxwell also has been linked to questionable loans since his father's death.

Maxwell Communication's chairman, Peter Laister, said in a statement that the problems that led the company to file the bankruptcy

court petition in New York on Monday "relate principally to the burden of debt."

John Coyle, a spokesman for the company, said today that the company had liabilities totaling \$2.4 billion, but he did not have a figure for its assets. He said that excluding debt payments, the company's U.S. business produced an operating profit of \$225 million on revenue of \$1.25 billion in the United States during the fiscal year ended March 31.

A spokeswoman for the company, Sally McElwreath, had said earlier that the bankruptcy court filing was only for the London-based holding company and did not extend to any of its operating companies, which include the book and information company Macmillan Inc. and Official Airline Guides.

Maxwell Communication is one of two public companies controlled by the Maxwell family. The other is Mirror Group Newspapers, also based in London.

Trading in the stocks of both companies has been suspended since Dec. 2.

The publishing magnate's business empire has been engulfed in allegations of financial improprieties following his Nov. 5 death. His naked body was found in the sea off the Canary Islands where he had been sailing on his yacht.

The chief allegation is that pension funds from Mirror Group were improperly diverted to meet loan payments and other debts of other Maxwell companies.

Government investigators are also looking into allegations that firms controlled by Maxwell were involved in illegal transactions to prop up share prices in publicly traded Maxwell companies.

In London on Monday, an affidavit read in the High Court said that an executive of the privately owned Maxwell Newspapers purchased stock in Maxwell Communication and Mirror Group while receiving a loan from another private Maxwell company.

The investment firm that handled the purchases became suspicious and sought legal advice, the affidavit said.

The executive was identified as Sheldon Aboff, vice president, treasurer and a director of Maxwell Newspapers, which owns New York's Daily News.

The affidavit was produced at a hearing attended by Kevin and Ian Maxwell involving legal efforts aimed at recovering Maxwell

companies' pension funds. The court last week ordered the Maxwell brothers to surrender their passports until they disclose what they know about the missing pension money.

Kevin Maxwell has invoked his right to silence, his lawyer, Michael Briggs, said.

Kevin and Ian Maxwell requested Monday that the court return their passports so Kevin could travel to New York on Thursday to work on the rescue of the Daily News and so Ian Maxwell could visit his American in-laws. The court agreed to hear arguments on the request Wednesday.

The brothers' assets remain frozen indefinitely as a result of Monday's hearing.

Much of Maxwell Communication's debt was incurred in 1989, when Maxwell bought Macmillan and Official Airline Guides.

Until recently, Maxwell executives had insisted the company would be able to meet a \$750 million interest payment due next fall without any problem.

In addition to Macmillan and Official Airline Guides, Maxwell Communication owns a 50 percent interest in Macmillan-McGraw Hill School Publishing Co., a joint venture with McGraw-Hill Inc. that is the leading U.S. educational publisher for elementary and high schools.

Ex-owners of renowned jewelry firm sentenced to prison on fraud charges

PARIS (AP) — Jacques and Pierre Chaumet, world-renowned jewelers accused of defrauding creditors and wealthy customers of \$300 million, were sentenced today to prison terms.

The brothers' highly publicized, three-week trial, involving testimony from several aggrieved socialites, ended Oct. 23, but sentencing was deferred until today.

Jacques Chaumet, 64, considered the firm's financial expert, was sentenced to two years in prison. His brother, Pierre, 63, known as the creative force of the 200-year-old family business, was sentenced to 18 months in prison. Both were fined \$95,000.

Chaumet's main offices and flagship store are in the posh Place Vendome in Paris, across from the Ritz Hotel. There are also stores in New York, Lon-

don, Brussels and Geneva.

Jacques and Pierre Chaumet are the ninth generation of a family that had controlled the firm since its founding in 1780. Chaumet jewelers crafted Napoleon's "Crown of Charlemagne" — now on display at the Louvre — as well as gems for Queen Victoria and countless other figures of European nobility.

The firm filed for bankruptcy in June 1987, after government investigators determined it was \$300 million in debt. In July 1987 it was taken over by the bank Investcorp.

The trial provided a rare glimpse into the normally closed world of wealth and privilege.

Minnie de Beauvau-Craon, a princess, described how the brothers sold her 31-pearl necklace worth \$180,000 after she had given it to them "for safekeeping only," a family practice for generations.

European Community approves food aid to Soviets

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — European Community finance ministers have approved \$256 million in food aid to help the Russian cities of Moscow and St. Petersburg survive the harsh winter already setting in.

The ministers of the 12-nation trading bloc decided Monday that half the assistance would

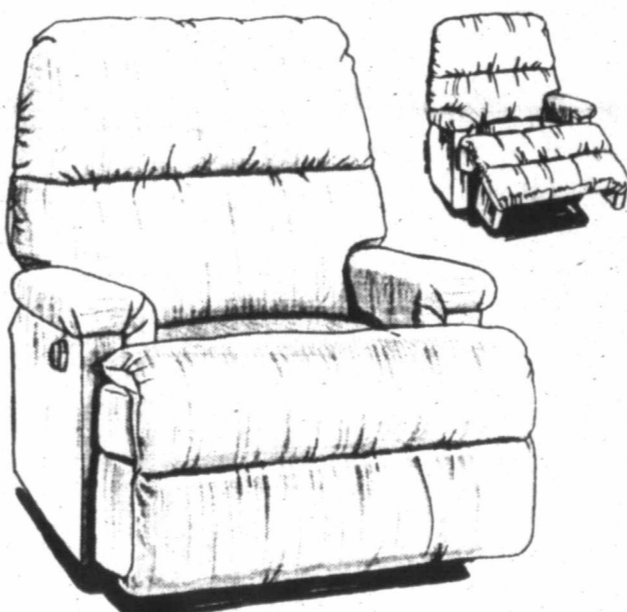
be shipped immediately.

The remainder would need approval of the European parliament, the community's legislature, likely in January, officials said.

The ministers also decided to send advisers to Moscow and St. Petersburg to discuss distribution of the aid.

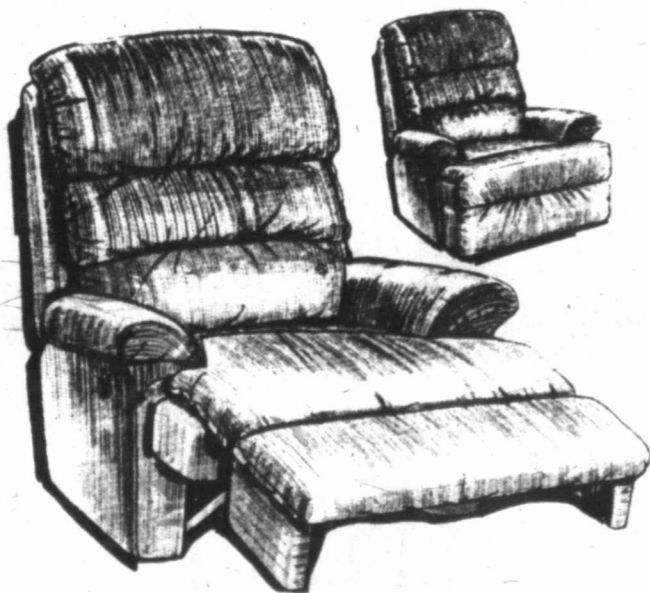
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