

'A Black Shining Prince': Malcolm X in fact and in film

By JOHN HORN
AP Entertainment Writer

WEST HOLLYWOOD, Calif. (AP) — It takes more than three hours for "Malcolm X" to unfold on screen.

It took 26 years getting there. Producer Marvin Worth bought the rights to "The Autobiography of Malcolm X" from the black leader's widow Betty Shabazz in 1967. What followed was a Hol-

lywood odyssey like few others. The project attracted a variety of suitors and financiers, and was once planned as a TV miniseries. It was stalled by both political and creative considerations, passing through three studios along the way.

At various times, directors Norman Jewison, Sidney Lumet, Bob Fosse and Gordon Parks wanted to make it. Eddie Murphy and Richard Pryor coveted the story. Writers David Mamet, Charles

Fuller and James Baldwin wrote scripts. The credited co-screenwriter — Arnold Perl — died 21 years ago.

"This story is a long story, an amazing story," said Worth, who produced 1974's "Lenny," about Lenny Bruce, and 1979's "The Rose," a highly fictionalized account of Janis Joplin. "It's been a really interesting trip, I got to tell you that."

Between 1967 and 1990, when director Spike Lee joined "Malcolm X," the entertainment business was transformed. Worth faced a studio system plagued by runaway budgets and insistent on interference, as well as an ever-watchful media and in Lee, a director notorious for his megalomania.

"It's much more difficult now," Worth admitted. "Spike is used to making movies without studios. He is used to making a movie and bringing it in. Because this one cost so much more money (\$42 million) than what he's used to making, the anxiety on the other end was greater. They had hands-on control."

Worth presided over a production whose every step and misstep was judged by reporters worldwide.

"There were 10 movies I knew of that were four times as overbudget as we were, and I never read about them once," said Worth. Indeed, Danny DeVito's "Hoffa" costs \$49 million, way over its planned \$42 million budget, industry sources say.

"I think Spike is a lightning rod. If he's not controversial, everybody likes to make him controversial," said Worth, a Brooklyn native now living in Los Angeles. "Spike shoots from the hip, and says some stuff he doesn't mean. But also, he's quoted as saying things he didn't say. He is a target."

Worth made a 1972 documentary about Malcolm X that was nominated for an Academy Award. Like the

documentary, Worth said, "Malcolm X" is rigidly factual, not veering away from the record.

"There was a concentrated effort to try to be honest here because of the subject you're dealing with," Worth said. "I don't think there's any other way to do it, because what you're dealing with here is, first, a guy who's misunderstood by many people and, second, people who think they know about him use him in any way they want."

Since Lee has an aptitude for polemics and a strong point of view, many people were skeptical about the director's interpretation.

"Before Spike started to make this movie, people were saying, 'Well, he's not going to do Malcolm. He's going to have Malcolm do this, he's going to have Malcolm do that.' He's going to have, not Malcolm," Worth said. "So what we thought is: Let's do what Malcolm did and what Malcolm said."

"What we felt was important, and what I think a lot of people are forgetting, is that a lot of people don't know about this man. They think he's some kind of guy who's saying we got guns and let's shoot all the white people in the world. Most of the world doesn't know about him, including a lot of black kids out there wearing his T-shirts."

"We thought the important thing was to get the message out there."

And get people interested in finding out about him. If you can point and say, hey, this is what the guy said, this is his life, this is the honest truth — you can't argue with it."

Early in his career, Worth managed or booked such musicians as Charlie Parker and Billie Holiday. His film credits include "Where's Poppa," "Patty Hearst," "Flashback" and "Less Than Zero."

He said the typically combative Lee was no special challenge, and the two are friends. He says the finished film is "about 95 percent" the way he wanted it. Not bad at all.

"First of all, we managed to get along," Worth said. "I was prepared to go into this one, and I've had trouble with people. My job is to treat different people different ways and keep my eye on the screen and get the best possible movie."

"I don't stick my neck out with Spike in ways I might stick my neck out with somebody else. That's not bad, that doesn't mean he's a bad guy. But I don't want to win a battle

and lose a war. Spike likes his own way. We all know that."

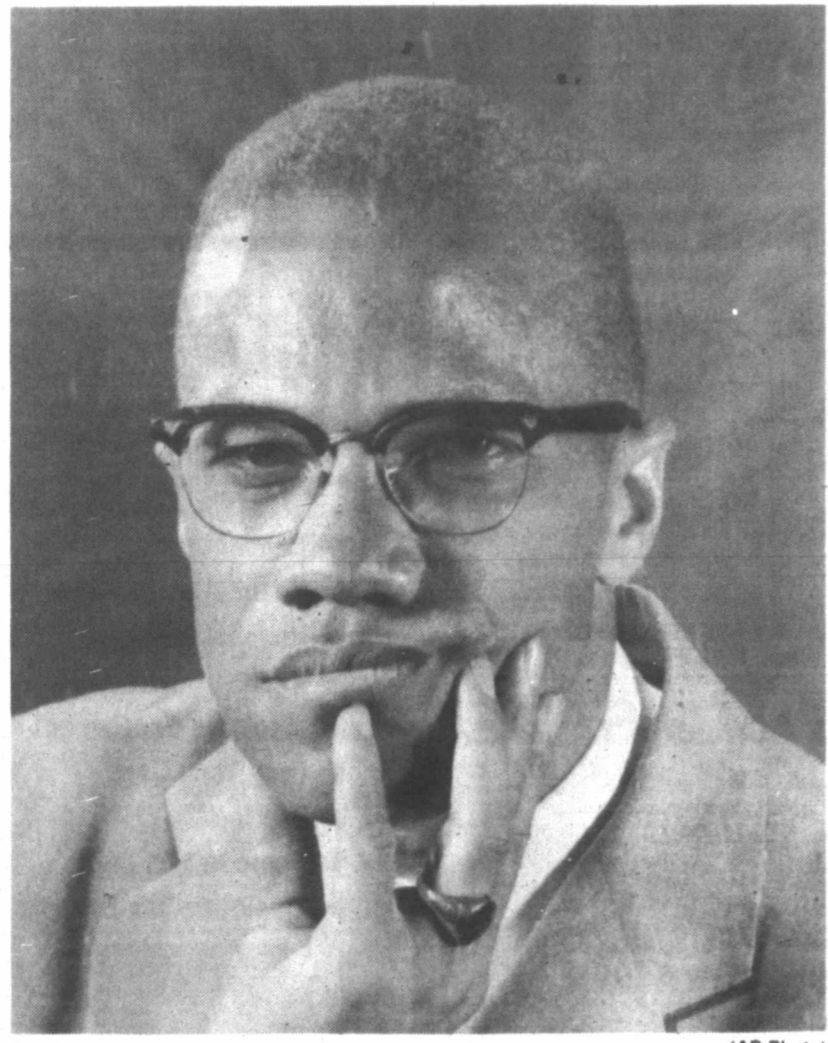
Some people might be surprised that Lee, who has said he prefers to be interviewed by black journalists, would be produced by Worth, who is white. Actually, Lee had no choice: Worth held the story's rights. But even if he didn't, Worth says, it was not a forced match.

"I don't think Spike is anti-white. I don't think he's anti-Semitic," Worth said. "I think he likes to feel — as Malcolm did in the end — that he's a humanist."

After so much work, so many near-starts, and so many disappointments, Worth has yet to relish the completion of one of his life's goals.

"Is it anticlimactic? It hasn't been up to now," Worth said. "It may start to feel that way in a little bit. There's probably going to be a let down."

"I really feel proud of it, and I feel like I've been responsible. There's no lie up there about Malcolm's message or the man."



Muslim leader Malcolm X poses in this 1964 portrait. (AP Photo)

Alice Cooper raises funds to help fan keep home

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — Alice Cooper's fund-raising appearance paid off for a fan about to lose his home, which has a psychedelic paint-job featuring a likeness of the ghoulish rock star.

Framed by a garage door painted to look like a guillotine, Cooper sold his albums, T-shirts and posters on Sunday to help Patrick and Dee Ann Kelly make a \$10,000 payment and avoid foreclosure slated for Dec. 8.

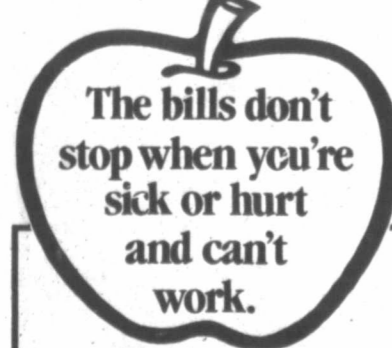
The fund-raiser made at least \$11,300, said his publicist, Tony Marnis.

Cooper's agents notified Standard Mortgage Co. of San Bernardino that enough money was raised to reinstate the Kellys' loan, said Pam Beck, company vice president.

Kelly, an unemployed real estate investor, said he painted the \$258,000 house with the garish designs to show his disgust with Southern California's stagnant economy.

Despite the reprieve, Kelly and his wife aren't sure what they will do next. They don't have jobs and their debts are mounting.

"But I want to thank everybody," Mrs. Kelly said Monday night while waving to motorists passing slowly by to look at the brightly colored tribute. "Alice Cooper fans are the greatest."



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Top Navy official opposes lifting ban on gays in military service

By ROBERT BURNS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Navy's top official said Tuesday that lifting the ban on homosexuals in the military would harm military readiness, and he suggested debate over the issue is undermining morale among sailors.

Sean O'Keefe, the acting Navy secretary, said he could not imagine how President-elect Clinton would be able to fulfill his pledge to permit declared homosexuals to serve in the military without hurting the national security.

"I don't know how that can be sorted through," O'Keefe told reporters at a breakfast meeting. "If anybody comes to a hasty conclusion I think it's going to be very difficult" to maintain order, discipline and morale in the ranks.

He said the public debate already was upsetting many in the Navy. "The reaction out there, at least in the interim — I don't know, maybe downstream it may improve — it really is very, very hard for them to understand," he said.

O'Keefe joins several other prominent military leaders in opposing a change in policy.

Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, has said "it would be prejudicial to good order and discipline to try to integrate" gays. Gen. Gordon Sullivan, the Army chief of staff, says it would create "very difficult management problems."

Clinton said last week that he had set no timetable for lifting the ban on gays in the military and said he would consult with military leaders before acting. He has said the policy change would be accompanied by a strict code of conduct to deal with inappropriate sexual behavior.

The Australian government on Monday formally dropped its ban on homosexuals in the armed services, leaving the United States as one of the few industrialized nations to forbid gays and lesbians from openly serving. The U.S. policy has been in effect for nearly five decades.

O'Keefe said that while he personally supports greater tolerance of homosexuals in society as a whole, the same logic should not apply to gays and lesbians in the military, because working conditions are so different.

"This is not a case of trying to be belligerently discriminatory," he said. "It's a circumstance where we're trying to apply ... a 9-to-5 social tolerance ... to an environment in which we're asking people

to operate that bears no resemblance to a 9-to-5 environment at all.

"What we're asking people to do is be in situations where they're deploying for extended periods of time, living in very, very close quarters and asking individuals to trust each other," he said. "If the element of trust is not there it detracts from the larger objective, which is military readiness for the national defense."

O'Keefe said morale in the Navy

has been hurt by an overall shrinking of the service since the end of the Cold War, and suggested it is being compounded by the homosexual issue.

"It's not so severe as to suggest that the basic objective of what they're asked to go do is threatened by it," he said. "Is anybody happy out there that ... (the Navy) is being used as a public debating society for all manner of societal issues? No."

Anita Baker files lawsuit

DETROIT (AP) — Singer Anita Baker and her husband have filed a defamation lawsuit seeking more than \$1 million against a historic preservation group that protested their demolition of a landmark house.

The lawsuit, filed earlier this month in Wayne County Circuit Court, names as defendants Cityscape Detroit, its former president, Sharlan Douglas, and the group's attorney, Jon Gandelot.

Baker and her husband, Walter Bridgforth Jr., say the group and its officials damaged their reputations in statements made about the demolition of the historic Chene House.

Douglas called the lawsuit "absurd."

"It's not just without merit, it's laughable, it's pathetic," she said Monday.

The house was built about 1850

by the Chene family on land they received from the king of France when the city was under French control in the early 1700s. It most recently had held a restaurant, Little Harry's.

The preservation group fought to save the house after Baker and Bridgforth bought it in 1990. It was torn down in April 1991 to make way for an unspecified project. The site remains a vacant lot.

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Bushes have little use for press these days

By DONNA CASSATA
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Relations between President Bush and the news media, cooling over the past year, have become downright frosty since the election.

Biting comments from Barbara Bush continue to crop up. White House coverage pools fail to materialize. There's almost no contact with the president himself.

Administration officials say the news media showed favoritism in its coverage of the presidential campaign, treating Bush more harshly than Bill Clinton. It's a view the president apparently shares.

In the final weeks of the campaign, he implored voters again and again, "Annoy The Media: Re-elect Bush." He was trying to win votes by taking advantage of the news media's low standing with many people. But there seemed to be a personal edge, too.

"He feels aggrieved, genuinely aggrieved," said Marion Just, a fellow at the Joan Shorenstein Barone Center on

the Press, Politics and Public Policy at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.

Last week, Bush responded angrily to the suggestion that the 1992 political campaign was harsher than any other this century.

"The gloves came off and we went at it hard and that's the way I like it, the way it ought to be, and if The Washington Post doesn't like it, too damn bad," he said.

During the 11-week transition, which Bush has described as too long, the shift in news coverage has moved from Washington to Little Rock, Ark., home of President-elect Clinton.

"The press who used to sit on his porch is now sitting on somebody else's porch," Ms. Just said.

Complaints by the news media about their relationship with Bush are likely to garner little sympathy from the general public.

But early in his administration, Bush courted members of the White House press corps, inviting them to play horse-shoes, taking them along on jogs and chatting with them on Air Force One.

That diminished this year, though Bush still communicated with other reporters during the campaign, conducting interviews with local television stations and appearing on national talk shows.

Bush's normal practice was to take a pool of reporters with him on his official trips and informal excursions. It's mostly for news coverage and always a protective measure in the event something happens to the president.

Since his defeat on Nov. 3, the president has made a midnight trip to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial without reporters and failed to take a press pool to Connecticut when he visited his ailing mother last Thursday. She died later in the day.

On Monday, the day of his mother's funeral in Connecticut, White House reporters traveled to the state on a commercial flight and then hooked up with the presidential motorcade.

Bush did appear briefly in the White House Rose Garden Tuesday for the annual presentation of a Thanksgiving turkey, smiling only slightly as he quipped to the bird, "We're here to serve you."

"I guess the rule is a body watch but

he's been voted out and probably feels 'who cares about my body,'" said Richard Noyes, political tracking director for the Center for Media and Public Affairs.

While Bush has had little to say to reporters — save a brief announcement Friday on a trade agreement — Mrs. Bush has expressed, in a joking fashion, some of the rancor she and her husband apparently feel.

When she introduced Hillary Clinton to White House reporters and photographers crowded on the South Lawn last week, Mrs. Bush added a warning: "Avoid this crowd like the plague."

Earlier, as reporters questioned the first lady about her house-hunting efforts in Houston, she said they planned to build on a 5,280-square-foot lot "that you all have rudely said we can't."

Asked where they would live in the interim, Mrs. Bush responded: "None of your business."

The first lady used to hold special lunch interviews for various news organizations every six months or so early in the administration, and the great popularity she enjoyed was partly a result of

a favorable portrayal from the news media.

During the campaign, Mrs. Bush conducted frequent interviews with local media as she worked to get her husband re-elected.

Recent studies by media watch groups, including those with a conservative bent and others with a liberal leaning, have concluded that the president's rivals received more positive coverage than Bush did.

Some Bush supporters see that as bias, but some other analysts suggest Bush received substantial negative coverage as a byproduct of evenhanded stories about the economy's sluggish performance.

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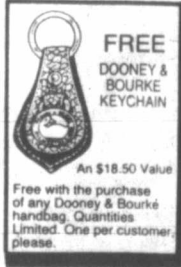
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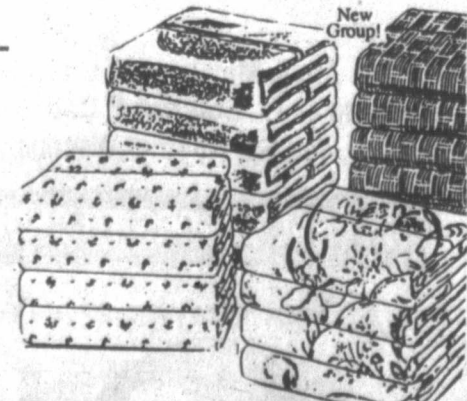
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Study: Aspirin good for dangerous chest pains

By DANIEL Q. HANEY
AP Science Writer

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Aspirin, medicine's humble standby, is as good as clot-busting drugs and high-tech procedures for controlling angina, dangerous chest pain that strikes 750,000 Americans annually, a major study concludes.

The study, conducted on 1,392 patients, is the largest ever undertaken to figure out the best treatment for unstable angina, the No. 1 cause of admissions to hospital coronary-care units.

"The message is that for the vast majority of patients with unstable angina, you can adopt a conservative approach," said Dr. David McCall of the University of Texas, San Antonio.

Aspirin already is widely used to

treat the condition and is a key preventive treatment for new or recurring heart attacks and strokes. The study by Boston researchers showed that the common drugs available in community hospitals work as well as the high-tech treatments offered at large medical centers.

The pain of unstable angina is a particularly ominous sign. The condition often results from a blood clot partially blocking a heart artery, and can lead to heart attack and death.

The pain occurs when the heart muscle fails to get enough blood. It often happens when people climb stairs, become excited or otherwise exert themselves. However, it also may strike when people are doing nothing, and this often means a sudden worsening of heart disease.

To sort out whether medicine's newest tools should become the standard of care, doctors at 46 hospitals in the United States and Canada randomly assigned patients to get conservative treatment with aspirin and other standard drugs, to receive low doses of the clot-dissolving medicine tissue plasminogen activator, TPA, or to undergo angioplasty.

The clot-busting drugs are widely used to treat heart attacks, while angioplasty — a procedure that uses skinny balloons to force open clogged arteries — is a routine treatment for chest pain.

"It remains a major unsettled question, despite a lot of work," said Dr. James Muller of New England Deaconess Hospital in Boston.

The study found that after one year, about 10 percent of patients

had died or suffered heart attacks, regardless of treatment.

The latest findings have important financial implications, too, because they mean that people can get state-of-the-art treatment at community hospitals, rather than being transferred immediately to big medical centers for angioplasty.

"It won't kill you or give you an MI (myocardial infarction, or heart attack) if you are treated at a community hospital by a thoughtful physician," said Dr. Eugene Braunwald of Boston's Brigham and Women's Hospital.

Braunwald directed the study, known by its acronym, TIMI-3. The results were presented at the American Heart Association's annual meeting, which concluded Thursday.

Earlier this week, Dr. Robert

Goldstein and colleagues from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Md., reported the most impressive evidence yet of aspirin's power in people recovering from heart attacks or angina. They found that those getting one aspirin daily had a three-fold reduction in death rates after two years.

Aspirin's major drawback is the possibility it will trigger unwanted bleeding.

In the Boston study, the medically treated patients received aspirin as well as four other drugs — the blood-thinner heparin, nitroglycerin, beta blocks and calcium blockers.

Since clot-dissolving drugs are effective for thwarting heart attacks, many doctors hoped they could successfully break up the clots that cause unstable angina, as well.

However, 11 percent of the patients getting TPA died or suffered heart attacks, compared with nine

percent receiving aspirin and other drugs. The difference was not statistically meaningful.

"This settles the issue of thrombolysis (clot-busting) for unstable angina," Braunwald said. "There is not a shred of evidence in favor of it."

In the comparison with angioplasty, the outcomes were also virtually identical: 10 percent of medically treated patients died or had heart attacks, compared with nine percent receiving angioplasty.

When initial medical treatment failed to stop the pain, patients were sent to get angioplasty. Those getting angioplasty as first-line treatment had less pain and needed to be readmitted to the hospital less often.

"In an era of cost containment, patients can be treated conservatively in community hospitals," said Braunwald. "If they don't do well, they can still be triaged to tertiary medical centers."

All I want for Christmas is ...



A man and child leave New York's FAO Schwarz toy store, already decorated for the holiday season. Toy stores are stocking their shelves this year with familiar names and faces that appeal to baby boomer parents. (AP Photo)

Lincoln manuscript sets record at \$1.32 million

NEW YORK (AP) — A handwritten fragment of Abraham Lincoln's second inaugural address — featuring the words "With malice toward none; with charity for all" — brought \$1.32 million at auction, nearly three times its estimated value and a record for an American manuscript.

Profiles in History, a California dealer in rare manuscripts, bought the manuscript at Christie's recently, said Todd Merrill, a Christie's spokesman.

The price broke the manuscript record set by a Lincoln letter proclaiming he would not repeal the Emancipation Proclamation, which freed the slaves on Jan. 1, 1863. The letter sold in 1991 for \$748,000.

The inaugural manuscript was found on the first page of a family autograph album, according to Christie's. Locked away in a New York City apartment for decades, it was discovered during a routine estate appraisal.

Signed "Abraham Lincoln," it is

the famous last passage of Lincoln's speech, delivered from the portico of the Capitol on March 4, 1865.

The "malice toward none" passage was Lincoln's attempt to set a conciliatory note for his second term and for the post-Civil War era.

The album is part of the estate of a descendant of Caroline Wright, wife of Joseph A. Wright, a governor of Indiana in the mid-19th century. The manuscript was found with a letter from Lincoln's wife, Mary, to Mrs. Wright.

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Alvin of the Chipmunks thinks he's Billy Ray Cyrus

By JOE EDWARDS
Associated Press Writer

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Alvin of the Chipmunks, famous for his inattentiveness in "The Chipmunk Song," now fancies himself as a Billy Ray Cyrus clone.

He's singing "Achy Breaky Heart." And he's begging Cyrus for dance lessons, though he has trouble getting his feet right. He's even pondering changing his name to Alvin Ray and wonders how long it would take to grow a ponytail like Cyrus'.

It's all included in the new album "Chipmunks in Low Places."

The title is a takeoff on Garth Brooks' song "Friends in Low Places." On the LP, the Chipmunks sing country songs like Cyrus'

"Achy Breaky Heart" and 10 others.

Joining Alvin, Simon and Theodore either to sing or chat are Cyrus and country stars Charlie Daniels, Alan Jackson, Waylon Jennings, Aaron Tippin and Tammy Wynette.

As usual, the mischievous Alvin commands most of the attention on "Friends in Low Places." He doesn't ask for a Hula-Hoop like he did in "The Chipmunk Song," but he does ask Cyrus if women will throw themselves at the trio when they perform "Achy Breaky Heart."

Cyrus, who shot to fame this year with "Achy Breaky Heart," tells the three he's impressed that they have done his hit tune.

"I never dreamed as a kid that

the Chipmunks would record one of my songs," Cyrus says on the album.

Alvin is still stirring trouble, though. On this album he puts glue in mentor David Seville's boots, forcing Seville to wear them everywhere, including the bathtub.

"Alvin is always disobeying Dave, getting into trouble. All kids can relate to that," said Ross Bagdasarian Jr., whose father David Seville created the Chipmunks.

Alvin is pictured on the album cover, resplendent in a huge red cowboy hat, red cowboy boots and giant belt buckle with an A in the middle.

Singing country music is nothing new for the Chipmunks. In 1981, their album "Urban Chipmunk" was a million-seller as a spoofy spinoff on the John Travolta movie "Urban Cowboy."

Actually, the trio are quite versatile. In 1980, the three put out the album "Chipmunk Punk," where they sang tunes by Billy Joel, Tom Petty and others.

And every Christmas season, they resurface with "The Chipmunk Song," which was released in 1958 and quickly sold more than 4 million copies.

"I hardly run into anybody who

didn't have that song in those days," said Bagdasarian, whose California company now markets new Chipmunks' projects. "Over a period of time, it's taken its place as a real holiday tradition along with 'White Christmas' and 'Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.'"

Alvin and the Chipmunks also have been a cartoon series on network TV. They're currently on the Fox network. And in 1987, they starred in their first animated feature film, "The Chipmunk Adventure," now on home video.

The Chipmunks were created by Ross Bagdasarian Sr., also known as David Seville, who played the Chipmunks' human foil. He died in 1972, and his son Ross Jr. and daughter-in-law then carried on the Chipmunks' projects.

The Chipmunks' voices, originally done by Seville, are now played by the younger Bagdasarian and his wife, Janice.

Songs on the new album besides "Achy Breaky Heart" include "Stand by Your Man," "Don't Rock the Jukebox" and "Down at the Twist and Shout."

Alvin, always the nerve center, gets a warning from Jackson to "Don't Rock the Jukebox" with his rock 'n' roll guitar.

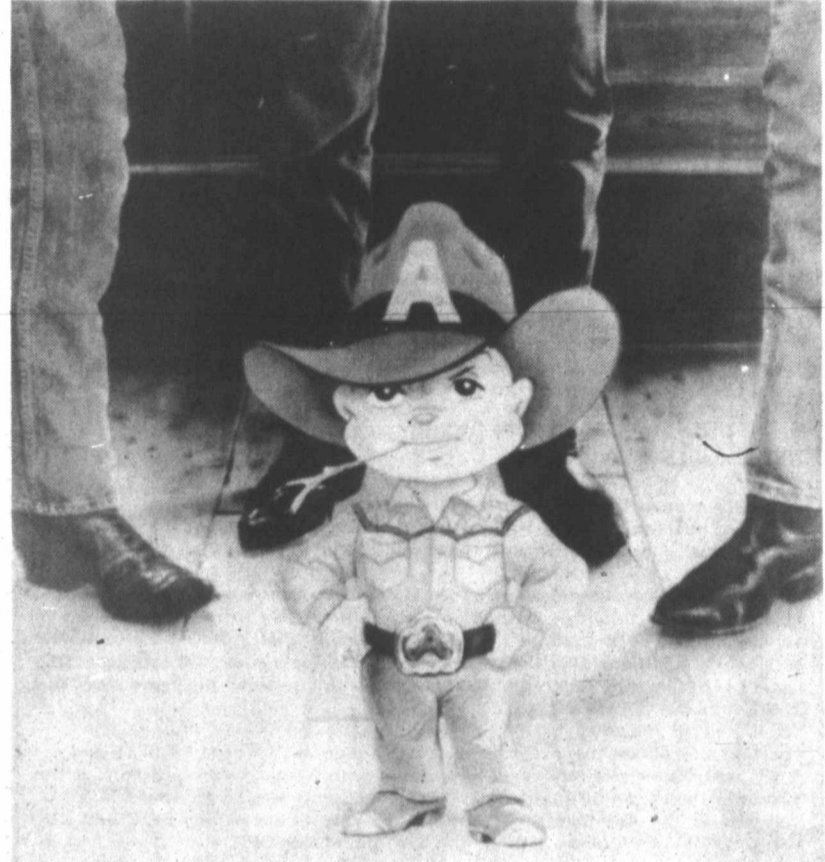
Simon, forever proper, makes Tippin's "There Ain't Nothing Wrong With the Radio" grammatically correct in "There Isn't Anything Wrong With the Radio."

"Simon has always been the intelligent one," Bagdasarian said. "He's a dry wit, always a

couple of steps ahead of Alvin."

Alvin, incidentally, finally got his Hula-Hoop a few years ago on the album "A Chipmunk Christmas."

"We felt the poor kid deserved something after 25 years," Bagdasarian said.



(AP Photo)

Alvin and the Chipmunks go country with their album, 'Chipmunks in Low Places.'

Governor spares 2 turkeys

AUSTIN (AP) — Feathers flew at the Governor's Mansion on Monday as two turkeys got a Thanksgiving reprieve.

Gov. Ann Richards was presented with two live turkeys — a 25-pound tom and 15-pound hen — by the Texas Poultry Federation. She then turned the birds over to schoolkids whose own turkey had been stolen recently.

"There can be few purposes higher than being the centerpiece of this great American dinner," Richards said, noting the holiday being celebrated Thursday. "But these two examples of Texas agriculture do, I think, indeed have a higher calling."

Joining her at the mansion ceremony were about 75 kindergarten pupils from Austin's Gullett Ele-

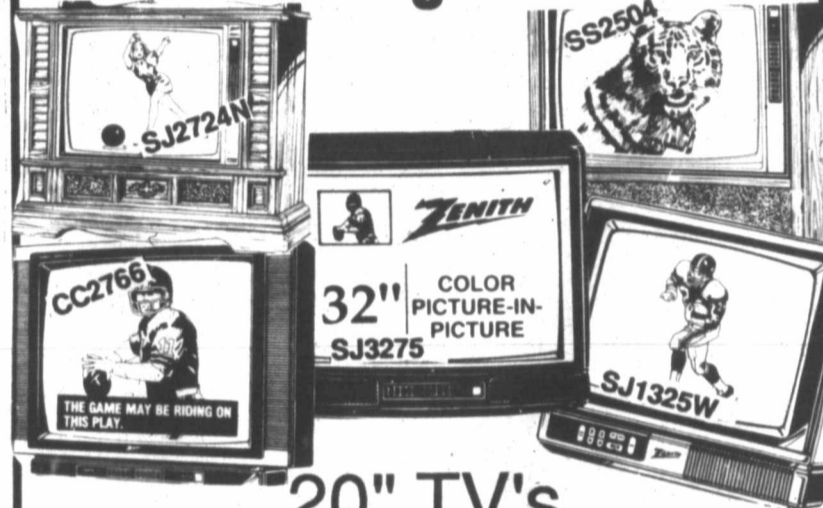
mentary School. Officials said a 50-pound turkey that had been kept in a pen at the school for the children to study was stolen around Halloween.

Richards, who got the turkeys while signing a Texas farm-city proclamation calling attention to the importance of agriculture in the state, said she thought it better to give the turkeys to the kids than try to fill out ethics disclosure forms on the gift.

"I'm not sure they have a box to check for turkeys," she said.

"So it was good for me. It was good for the poultry federation. It will be a great teaching aid for the students at Gullett Elementary. And needless to say, it was a wonderful new lease on life for our two honored guests here."

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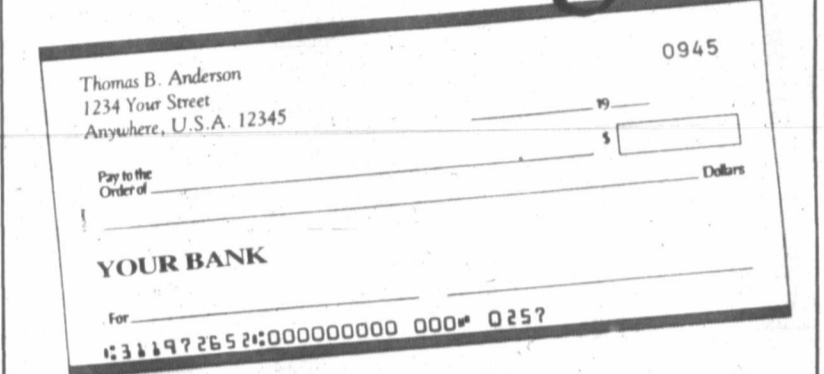


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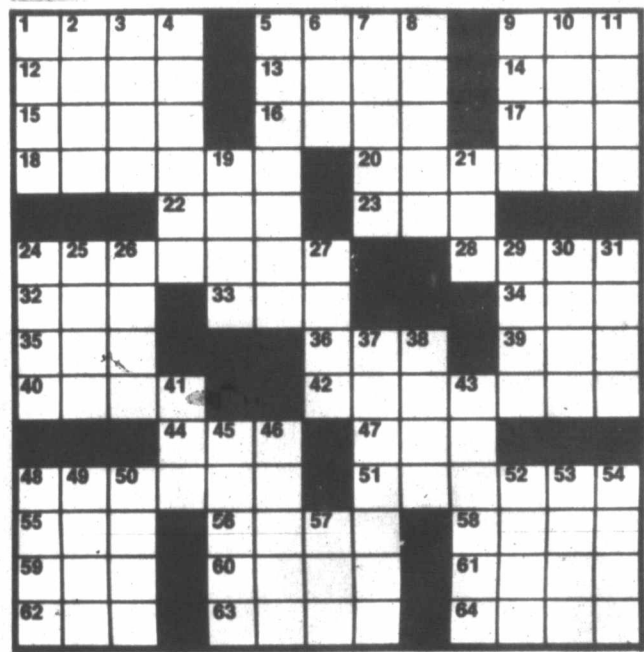
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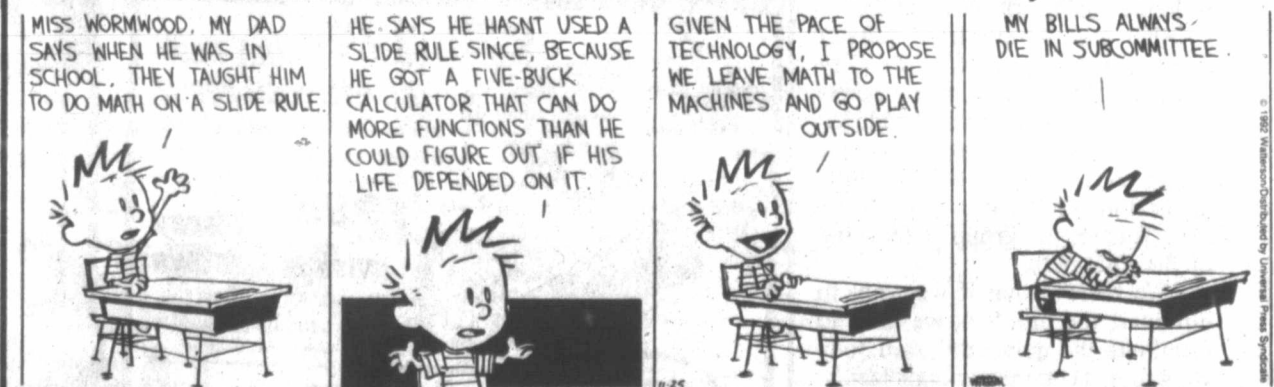
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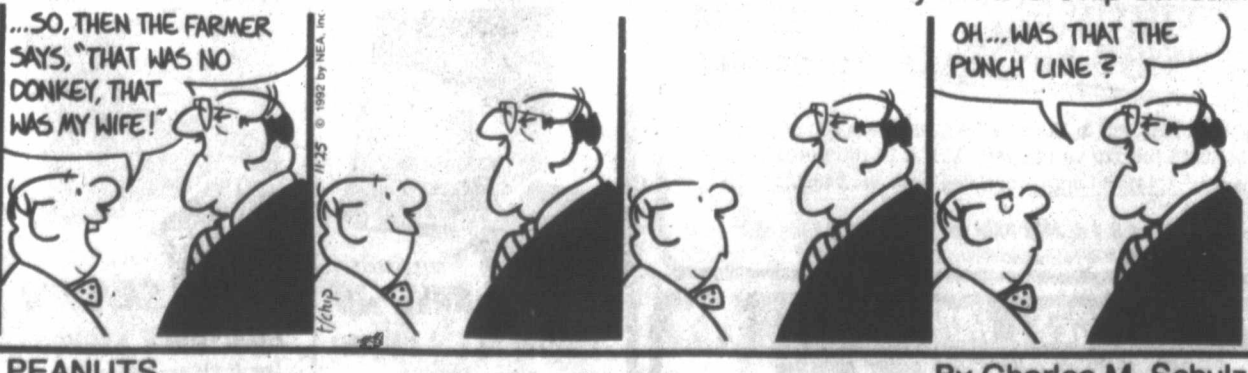
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Astro-Graph

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Instead of magnifying your virtues and minimizing your faults today, you might amplify the less attractive aspects of your personality and ignore your nobler traits. Watch this. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Allow yourself ample time and space to maneuver today, because endeavors that usually come easily for you may be fraught with unforeseen complications.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Treat serious matters with the respect they deserve today. Don't let them become oppressive, but, on the other hand, don't dismiss them with a chuckle, either.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Strive to be realistic today where your hopes and expectations are concerned. If your optimism is unfounded, there is a chance you might be disappointed.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't rely too heavily upon Lady Luck today to help fulfill your ambitious objectives. She might be betting her chips on something or someone who directly opposes you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Try to keep your perspective in proper proportion today. There's a chance you might be inclined to focus on the smaller picture and ignore the larger view.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today you might be inclined to tempt the fates in areas where the odds are stacked against you. Pay heed to your common sense, not your impulses.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Usually you're a rather shrewd horse trader, but today you might make an agreement that benefits the other party much more than it does you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you make a mistake where your work is concerned today, don't try to hide or cover up your error, because this could lead to complications you'd never anticipate.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Temporarily postpone purchasing luxury items if they don't fit comfortably into your budget. They'll still be there when your wallet has more breathing room.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) For the sake of expediency today you might make a promise to a loved one that you know you won't be able to fulfill. It's better to say "no" than to pledge what you can't deliver.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Boasts or exaggerations you make today will have a hollow ring and, with the exception of yourself, no one is apt to believe them. Tell it like it is.

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Politics, power and sex: Historic and combustible mix

WASHINGTON (AP) — First there was Brock Adams. Then there was Daniel Inouye. Now there is Bob Packwood. Multiple allegations of sexual harassment have ended one career and cast a shadow over the other two.

The combustible mix of politics, power and sex has kept congressional ethics panels busy investigating conduct that ranges from indiscreet to improper to outright illegal.

Few lawmakers have been hardy enough to weather such storms. But some do.

The latest furor arose this weekend when Republican Packwood was accused of making unwelcome, uninvited, unreciprocated sexual advances against 10 women from 1969 to 1989.

Without going into specifics, he said he was sorry if he had caused any discomfort or embarrassment.

The Senate ethics committee will

decide when Congress convenes next year whether to investigate a claim by Inouye's barber that he molested her 17 years ago. A state legislator in the Democrat's home state of Hawaii said she had received calls from nine other women with similar complaints.

Inouye has denied all the allegations.

Packwood and Inouye were re-elected this month. Short of an ethics investigation forcing them to step down, they are safe for six years — plenty of time for scandals to fade and voters to temper their judgments.

Adams didn't put his reputation to the test. Several women — including the daughter of a family friend — accused him of fondling or drugging them. The Washington Democrat gave up his plans to run this year for a second Senate term.

Another senator caught in a scandalous web is David Durenberger, R-Minn., the target of a paternity lawsuit. The woman who filed it charges he raped her nearly 30 years ago. Durenberger says any contact was "consensual" and has agreed to take a paternity test.

Durenberger has other problems — he separated from his wife seven years ago amid rumors he was having an affair with an aide, and since then has been denounced by the Senate for financial misconduct. Plus, he's up for re-election sooner rather than later, in 1994.

"He has a pattern of perceived and actual unethical behavior," said

James Thurber, a congressional expert at American University. "That adds up to problems. He seems to be vulnerable. A lot of money will go to his opponents."

Another Hill career shadowed by a sexual incident also ended this year. Rep. Gus Savage, D-Ill., wrote a letter of apology to a Peace Corps worker who said he made advances in the back seat of a car while he was in Zaire. Savage had other problems as well — terrible attendance, anti-Semitic and anti-white views — and voters finally kicked him out in a primary this year.

Two gay Democrats from Mas-

sachusetts — Reps. Gerry Studds and Barney Frank — have survived sex scandals, and Democratic Rep. Floyd Flake of New York has won two elections since a woman accused him of firing her from their church because their extramarital affair had ended.

More often the scandals are fatal, leading political psychologist Stanley Renshon to wonder: "How do you explain the fact that people who have such high ambitions are willing to take a real flier and risk those ambitions for sex?"

Among those who did just that in recent years were former GOP Reps. Bob Bauman of Maryland, Dan Crane

of Illinois and Donald Lukens of Ohio. Encouraged by others' stories, women are coming forward at an increasing rate to tell their own. It's a wave that probably won't be repeated down the line, predicted Renshon, head of the political psychology program at the City University of New York Graduate Center.

"It's partially because of a new generation coming in and partially because being forewarned is being forearmed," he said. "There are enough cases of people who have run into big trouble to make anybody but the most thick-skulled appreciate the risk."

Hoosier splendor



(AP Photo) A holiday festival market in Union Station in Indianapolis is where many Indianans celebrate and shop. The Romanesque hall also is venue for a New Year's Eve gala.

Price of typical Thanksgiving dinner costs \$2.64 a person

By The Associated Press

The average price of a traditional Thanksgiving dinner will be about \$2.64 a person this year, a nickel more than last year, the American Farm Bureau Federation said.

Feeding a Thanksgiving dinner of turkey and all the trimmings plus dessert and a beverage to 10 people will cost \$26.39, the Farm Bureau

estimated, based on a survey of prices in big and small cities in 28 states and Washington, D.C.

The price of dinner for 10 in 1991 was \$25.95 and \$28.80 in 1990.

The hypothetical meal used for the survey consisted of turkey and dressing, sweet potatoes, peas, rolls, cranberries, pumpkin pie with whipped cream, a relish dish, milk and coffee.

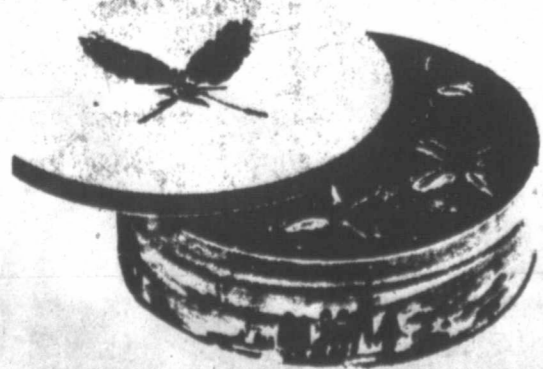


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