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Cuban pilot, passengers divert airliner to Miami

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MIAMI (AP) — The pilot and passengers of a Cuban airliner leapt for joy and exchanged high-fives after they spiked a crew member's coffee, overpowered the co-pilot and put the plane down in Miami in a dramatic bid for freedom.

"I feel very happy ... to have been able to ridicule the communist system of Cuba," said the pilot, Carlos Cancio Porcel. "It was a very complex maneuver, a year in the planning."

All but five of the 53 people aboard requested asylum when they reached Miami International Airport on Tuesday.

While those fleeing Cuba generally get asylum, the FBI said it was investigating whether the incident violated U.S. hijacking laws. Cuba denounced it as a terrorist act.

The FBI investigation continued today, said Andres Rivero, spokesman for the U.S. attorney's office. All the defectors, except four juveniles released to relatives, were being held by immigration officials. The plane and the five non-defectors remained in Miami this morning, but were expected to head back to Cuba later in the day or Thursday, Rivero said.

It was the second high-profile flight from Cuba in 10 days. On Dec. 19, a Cuban defector and former air force pilot flew back to his

homeland in a small plane, picked up his family and whisked them to freedom in Florida.

In Tuesday's incident, the Soviet-built Aero Caribbean twin-engine turboprop was on a flight from Havana to a resort on Cuba's northern coast when it turned and headed for Miami.

The flight was part of a holiday excursion for pilots, their families and friends, Cancio said. He said all but five on board were in on the plan.

Once in the air, Cancio said, he sent his co-pilot — who wasn't in on the plot — into the cabin, saying he wanted to give another pilot on board some experience in the cockpit. As soon as other pilot went forward, Cancio said, they locked the cockpit door and passengers tied up the co-pilot and a security guard.

The cabin erupted in cheers when Cancio turned the airliner north, he said.

Passengers knocked out the guard with chloroform, said Michael Sheehan, a Customs Service spokesman. Cancio said passengers slipped something in the guard's coffee, then used the chloroform to keep him out.

The guard's hands were tied with rope and his feet were bound with a belt, said Joaquin Delcucto, a paramedic in Miami. The man, 31-year-old Andres Hernandez Ledesma, was treated at a hospital and released.

"He was calling them traitors. He said if he could take them back to Cuba they would be shot," Delcucto said.

Cancio said the co-pilot felt betrayed and "took a swing at me. And as I ducked, I cut myself with my belt buckle."

The Cubans celebrated loudly as they exited the plane, which was surrounded by police officers and federal agents. One passenger, a boy, ripped up his Cuban ID card.

"They were very happy. They were all jumping and giving high fives to each other," said Mario Miranda, a spokesman for the Cuban American National Foundation.

Those who requested asylum were taken into custody by the Immigration and Naturalization Service and moved to a detention center to be interviewed.

The five who asked to return to Cuba were the guard, a flight attendant, the co-pilot and his wife and daughter, said Dan Gelber, a spokesman for the U.S. attorney's office. He said they would be returned as soon as possible.

Cuba's state-run news agency, Prensa Latina, called the incident a "hijacking" and "terrorist act."

"Cuban official sources contacted by Prensa Latina said this new act of international terrorism was the product of a U.S. policy that is geared toward granting asylum for all illegal (Cuban) emigrants," the agency said.

Bush and Yeltsin to hold nuclear weapons summit

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin will hold a Black Sea summit this weekend to sign a historic treaty requiring the destruction of thousands of long-range nuclear weapons.

"This treaty is good for all mankind," Bush said in a Rose Garden announcement. Yeltsin, in remarks relayed by Russian officials, said the START II treaty was the "document of the century."

Bush said the pact would cut long-range nuclear arsenals by two-thirds over the next several years.

The treaty is the most far-reaching accord in the brief history of nuclear disarmament, and the signing summit will cap a breathtaking series of agreements that coincided with Bush's term in office and the demise of the Soviet world.

The pact bans all land-based nuclear missiles with multiple warheads designed to hit several targets simultaneously, and includes these other provisions:

—The U.S. and Russian arsenals of strategic nuclear warheads, now about 20,000 combined, would be pared by about two-thirds by the year 2003, or earlier.

—The most fearsome Russian weapons, heavy SS-18 missiles,

would be eliminated — 154 of them under the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty of 1991 and now the last 154 under START II.

—The United States would retain seabed multiple-warhead missiles, assuring its nuclear supremacy.

The treaty is subject to Senate ratification, and Bush predicted it would be approved.

Bush also said he had kept President-elect Clinton informed on the progress of the treaty negotiations. Clinton has spoken favorably of the accord in general terms, most recently on Tuesday.

Bush called Clinton Tuesday night to discuss the treaty, Clinton spokesman Jeff Eller said today, adding that there had been "a lot of cooperation, a lot of sharing" between the outgoing and incoming administrations.

Bush and Yeltsin will meet in Sochi, on the Black Sea, on Saturday and Sunday. The trip will come at the end of the president's journey to Somalia, where thousands of Marines and other forces are deployed to help expedite the feeding of thousands suffering from the effects of starvation and war.

The president made his comments with Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger at his side. It was

Eagleburger's weekend trip to Geneva for a session with top Russian officials that wrapped up the treaty, months in the making.

Bush said that while the treaty terms have been agreed to, experts for the two sides are working in Geneva to complete the drafting.

Bush and Yeltsin spoke by telephone this morning. The Russian leader issued a statement saying that, in addition to signing the treaty, the two would confer on bilateral and regional issues and "discuss the ways to implement the promises and the potential of the Russian-American relations."

Bush said the treaty was not a "personal achievement ... but I take great pride in this accomplishment because it's a good treaty."

Bush wanted the accord as a final flourish to his arms control achievements, which include the historic START treaty cutting stockpiles by about one-third, and the 1990 East-West accord to reduce tanks and other conventional forces in Europe.

Little more than 24 hours earlier, Eagleburger stood coatless in the chill of Geneva, and said: "We now have, I think, a text that we can put to the two presidents. ... It clearly represents the quality of the new relationship between Russia and the United States."



State Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, addresses the crowd gathered in a public meeting Tuesday at the Pampa Community Building.

Bivins addresses issues

By CHERYL BERZANSKIS
Lifestyles Editor

In a Tuesday public meeting, State Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, highlighted what he believes to be the major issues of the upcoming legislative session.

Topping the list is public school finance reform. Bivins noted that he felt the Legislature in the last session was closer to consensus on the issue than widely reported.

Because of the variety of issues which state lawmakers will face in January, he believes the group may reach consensus quicker. The possibility of Supreme Court control of public education if the June 1 deadline is not met may force resolution.

"The reality is that legislatures don't like to act until they have to," Bivins said to about 40 people gathered at the Pampa Community Building.

In the area of appropriations, Bivins expects ballooning requests in social services, mental health, mental retardation and jail overcrowding. He said many appropriation requests are driven by courts or the Congress of the United States.

On the flip side, Bivins was optimistic about tax increases: "We have a good opportunity to get out of this session without passing a tax bill."

In the economic arena, Bivins feels the Legislature has the opportunity to encourage job growth and foster a pro-business climate in the state. The Amarillo legislator noted that the House of Representatives is predominantly pro-business, while the Senate is dominated by plaintiffs' attorneys who have effectively stifled pro-business bills.

"We've done nothing in the last six years except workers' comp reform to help beleaguered business," he said.

He looks forward to changes in liability laws, trucking regulation and increased access to health care.

Closer to home, Bivins wants to see an energy policy crafted which has as its cornerstone an equalization of severance tax on natural gas, oil and coal. At the present, the severance tax on natural gas is 7 1/2 percent, on oil is 4.6 percent and on coal 0 percent. He favors a change in ad valorem tax methods on minerals. He believes that too much money is paid to reservoir engineering firms by both taxing entities and mineral owners establishing fair market values for minerals for tax purposes.

In the area of criminal justice, Bivins said the crime rate continues to increase and more and more money flows into building prison beds. He pointed out that 12,000 to 17,000 prisoners bound for state prisons are backlogged in county jails.

Recently, he said, the Punishment Standards Commission reported to the state Legislature with suggestions for punishment for truly violent offenders and alternatives for the non-violent.

"There's not enough money in the plan to incarcerate all the prisoners in Texas," he said.

He explained alternatives such as electronic monitoring, boot camp and voluntary surgical castration should be available for offenders.

Bivins intends to introduce a bill offering castration as an option for sex offenders. He pointed out that in Europe, voluntary surgical castration had worked well for sex offenders, who have the highest rates of recidivism, about 80 percent.

Among Europeans surgically castrated, he said, recidivism runs about three percent.

By making castration voluntary, Bivins said, he hopes to avoid the political furor which accompanied the Houston case in which an offender sought and was granted the castration option by a trial judge.

"I don't want anybody to argue it is a means of punishment, but a method of treatment," he said.

While castration would not reduce a sentence, he said: "It is germane to whether they are paroled or not."

Following Bivins presentation, he took questions from the audience. Queries covered funding of West Texas State University, state income tax, home equity lending, veterans' home system, legalization of drugs, insurance rates and the appointment of a new U.S. senator to represent Texas.

Bivins does not believe a state income tax will become reality in 1993, though Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock has called for the implementation of one. Funding cuts, however, may change public perceptions.

"In 1995 you may see a different landscape," he said.

He continued by saying that the taxation structure in Texas needs to be revamped, noting that the service sector — physicians, engineers, architects, attorneys — pay no taxes to state coffers except a license fee.

Bivins offered no candidate for U.S. senator to replace Lloyd Bentsen who is taking a position in President-elect Bill Clinton's cabinet. He said two strong contenders, Henry Cisneros and John Sharp, had withdrawn their names from consideration taking the Democrats "down to the B-team."

There is a strong movement to draft Gov. Ann Richards, he said, while among Republicans contenders state Treasurer Kay Bailey Hutchinson leads.

Holiday schedule set

Some local businesses will be closed Friday to celebrate New Year's Day.

Pampa Independent School District has been closed for the Christmas and New Year's holidays and classes are scheduled to resume on Monday.

The Pampa Post Office will be closed Friday.

City offices will be closed Friday. Gray County Court-

house offices will be closed Thursday and Friday.

The Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce offices will close at noon Thursday and all day Friday to observe the New Year's Day holiday.

Banks and savings and loan institutions are closing Friday.

The Pampa landfill is scheduled to be open on Friday.

Wet-dry vote on tap

LUBBOCK (AP) — A Jan. 23 wet-dry election has been scheduled in three Lubbock County communities where residents favoring the legal sale of beer and wine succeeded recently in a petition drive to force a vote.

Frank Stuart, the county tax assessor-collector, confirmed Monday that a group favoring legalized sales of alcoholic beverages collected 60 more signatures

than were needed to force a package sales referendum.

Stuart said 472 acceptable signatures were gathered from residents in Idalou, New Deal and Abernathy areas, which are in Precinct 3, the area where legal sales could occur if the election passes, force a Jan. 23 election.

The bulk of 2,446 registered voters in Precinct 3 live in Idalou.

Stubblefield to ring in new year with oath

By BETH MILLER
News Editor

Randy Stubblefield plans to kick off the New Year by being sworn in as sheriff of Gray County at 12:05 a.m. Friday in the Gray County Courthouse.

Stubblefield had the idea of having his and his deputies' ceremony as soon as possible after the New Year and 223rd District Court Judge Lee Waters agreed to do the honors.

Most of the newly elected or re-elected officeholders in Gray County will be sworn in during a 9 a.m. ceremony Monday in the third-floor courtroom at the courthouse.

"I decided against waiting until Monday," Stubblefield said today. "Jimmy Free's term of office is over December 31, so we should take over as soon as possible to get the new year started off right."

Stubblefield defeated one-term Sheriff Free in the November general election by capturing almost 70 percent of the votes.

He said he also wanted to be sworn in as soon after the New Year as possible "so we don't have a lapse in law enforcement."

Stubblefield said State Rep. Warren Chisum, D-Pampa, also plans to be sworn in by Waters.

Gray County Clerk Wanda Carter said newly-elected Precinct 1 Constable James Lewis has also indicated he will be sworn in during the midnight ceremony.

Carter said the swearing-in will be in the county courtroom on the second floor of the courthouse. She said any of the officeholders who want to be sworn in early New Year's Day are invited to be at the courthouse by midnight.

"The officeholders can assume their duties when their bonds are filed and the oaths are taken," Carter said.

Stubblefield said he plans to have a small reception at the sheriff's office following the ceremony to provide an opportunity for the newly-hired people to meet the sheriff's office employees who will continue with Stubblefield.

"The families will be there and it will be a good chance for them to meet the other families," Stubblefield said.

Stubblefield said he plans to get started training two new dispatchers

and get the new deputies assigned vehicles during the first few days of office.

The midnight crew will be working, when he assumes office shortly after midnight, and the day shift will go home to report Friday morning. Stubblefield said he and the evening shift will stay at the sheriff's office through the early-morning hours conducting an audit and inventory.

"I really am excited, it's a big step," said Stubblefield. Stubblefield said the following people will be his staff:

Deputies — Roland "Buck" Williams, Bill King, Jimmy Joe McDonald, David Wilk, Ken Minatrea, James Walker, Stan McNutt, Paul Sublett, John Worthington, Lynn Holland Sr., and two others who have not been named.

Dispatchers — Rhonda Kidd, Beverly Goodin, Stacey Danner and Melanie Ray.

Secretary — Sheri Worthington. **Jailers** — J.D. Barnard, David Potter, Tommy Ray, Ed Copeland, Preston West, Diana Cross, Cathy Reed, Rosario Peña and one who has not been named.

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

COOK, Claude Jim — 2 p.m., First United Methodist Church, Canadian.
WILLIAMS, Jack — 2 p.m., First Christian Church.

Obituaries

No obituaries were reported to *The Pampa News* by press time today.

Hospital

CORONADO HOSPITAL Admissions

Juanita Z. Adams, Pampa
 Carl Wesley Creswell, Perryton
 Drucilla Vicky Hargrove, Pampa
 Margaret Ann McGahen, Pampa
 Martha "Lillian" Newsom, Pampa
 Tasha Sheree Ryan, Pampa
 Mattie Leona Fox (extended care), Pampa

Births

To Tasha Ryan of Pampa, a baby girl.
 To Michelle Tilley of Pampa, a baby boy.
 To Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Williams of Perryton, a baby boy.

Dismissals

Sheri Diane Anderson and daughter, Pampa
 Maxine M. Gaines, Pampa
 Ila Joan Holmes, Pampa
 Floyd Elmer McLaughlin, Pampa
SHAMROCK HOSPITAL Admission
 J.C. Roberts, Shamrock
Dismissals
 No dismissals were reported.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.
TUESDAY, Dec. 29

Pampa Police Department reported criminal mischief in the 1000 block of North Sumner.
 Alco Discount Store, 1207 N. Hobart, reported a theft under \$20.
 Joshua Henry, 1021 N. Frost, reported criminal mischief at Alcock and Hobart streets.
 Pampa Police Department reported unlawfully carrying of a .25-caliber automatic pistol in the 1200 block of North Hobart.
 Leigh DeWitt, 2430 Navajo, reported criminal mischief in the 1600 block of Lincoln.
 David L. Smith, 724 N. Dwight, reported theft of over \$20/under \$200.

Arrests

TUESDAY, Dec. 29
 Paul A. Brown, 20, Denton, was arrested in the 500 block of Harlem on warrant charging criminal mischief over \$20/under \$200. He was transferred to Gray County Jail and released on bond.
 Levone Ray Maden, 17, Liberal, Kan., was arrested on a charge of unlawful carrying of weapon. He was transferred to Gray County Jail and released on bond.

Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Arrests

TUESDAY, Dec. 29
 Ervin Dale Craddock, 30, HCR-2, Pampa, was arrested on a warrant charging violation of parole.
 Michael Ian Robbins, 41, 700 W. Bradley, was arrested on a charge of issuing a worthless check. He was released on bond.

DPS-Arrest

TUESDAY, Dec. 29
 Jackie Dale Mason, 32, 310 S. Houston, was arrested on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Lefors City Marshal-Arrest

TUESDAY, Dec. 29
 Michael Shane Nunn, 18, Lefors, was arrested on a warrant charging failure to appear in court. He was released on bond.

Stocks

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

Wheat	3.09		
Milo	3.34		
Com.	4.00		

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

Ky. Cent. Life	9	dn 1/8	
Serfco	3 3/8	NC	
Occidental	17 3/8	NC	

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

Magellan	62.94		
Puntian	14.70		

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

Amoco	50 1/8	dn 1/8	
Arco	114 7/8	up 1/4	
Cabot	43 1/2	NC	
Cabot O&G	18 1/8	up 3/8	
Chevron	69 1/2	up 1/8	
Coca-Cola	42 7/8	dn 1/8	
Enron	47 7/8	dn 1/4	
Halliburton	28 5/8	dn 1/8	
HealthTrust Inc.	19 1/4	NC	
Ingersoll Rand	29 5/8	dn 3/8	
KNE	28 1/2	NC	
Kerr McGee	44 7/8	up 1/4	
Limited	28	NC	
Mapco	54 3/4	NC	
Maxus	6 3/8	dn 1/8	
McDonald's	49 1/4	NC	
Mobil	62 1/8	dn 3/8	
New Atmos	23 1/8	dn 1/4	
Parker & Parsley	13 7/8	up 1/4	
Pennsey's	77 3/4	up 3/8	
Phillips	25 1/8	up 1/8	
SLB	56 3/4	up 1/4	
SPS	31 5/8	dn 1/8	
Tenneco	40 1/4	dn 3/8	
Texas	59 1/4	dn 1/4	
Wal-Mart	64 1/8	dn 1/8	
New York Gold	332.10		
Silver	3.63		
West Texas Crude	19.95		

Fires

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

TUESDAY, Dec. 29

2:27 p.m. — Two units and four firefighters responded to a call at 2544 Christine. The call was a false alarm.
 3:51 p.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to a medical assist at 513 N. Wells.

Accidents

No accidents were reported during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today.

Calendar of events

PAMPA BRIDGE CLUB

Pampa Bridge Club meets at 10 a.m. Thursday in Room 11 at Clarendon College, Pampa. Contact to arrange for a partner, call Marguerite Ward at 669-7543.



Srey Samoeun, 28, stands with her daughter in a camp for displaced people in Ratanak Mondol in Battambang province. She returned to the camp from Thailand although it was dangerous.

Cambodians return home despite mines and fighting

By PETER ENG
 Associated Press Writer

RATANAK MONDOL, Cambodia (AP) — A day after heavy shells crashed nearby, Cambodians fled by the thousands on ox-carts packed with children, household goods and the new rice harvest.

Their flight stirred up choking clouds of red dust over Route 10. Smoke billowed from a fire on the mountain.

Seeking shelter is nothing new here. This western district bordering Thailand has been a battlefield for most of the past 13 years. But joining this flight were refugees newly returned from Thailand under a peace accord — expecting to start a new life, only to be on the run again.

The U.N. repatriation of 370,000 refugees from Thailand has generally gone well. More than 200,000 have returned since a peace accord was signed October 1991 to end the civil war that began after Vietnam invaded Cambodia on Christmas Day 1978. But a balky Khmer Rouge still clashes with government forces.

United Nations officials counseled the returning Cambodians to avoid Ratanak Mondol, Battambang province. They cited insecurity, minefields, disease. But more than 1,800 came anyway, most to rejoin family, others drawn by word of rich farmland, gem mining, logging.

Some moved into a filthy, crowded camp of displaced people, where half the population of 22,000 live.

"We warned them, damn it! But they still come," said U.N. refugee official Andy Pendleton, punching the air in frustration as he watched the exodus. "They say, 'This is where my father built his house.' They want to be here no matter what."

The people were fleeing an artillery duel between Khmer Rouge guerrillas and Vietnamese-installed government forces. They returned the next day after a feared guerrilla raid never materialized. But later fighting nearby displaced thousands more.

Sergio Vieira de Mello, who directs the repatriation for the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees, recalled repatriating Sudanese refugees and Mozambican refugees, only to see those countries plunge into new wars.

"I just hope I'm not going through a similar nightmare here," he said.

Only a small fraction have returned to situations as unstable as Ratanak Mondol. A week's journey through Battambang and neighboring Siem Reap province and intermingling with officials suggest that most refugees are doing reasonably well but face an uncertain future.

"A lot of the doomsday scenarios that we and others thought would happen have not happened," said Jahanshah Assadi, a High Commissioner official.

But after returning, many refugees have done nothing to prepare for the future. They are uncertain what the future will bring, and say they will wait until next May's general election.

The real test will come when the 400 days of food runs out that the High Commissioner agency provides each returning refugee. For those in the first convoy, that will come in May. With rations, the refugees do not need to find jobs nor go to mined mountains to gather wood to sell.

When the rations are gone, refugees may start wandering or end up as squatters in the cities, said

refugee policy analyst Court Robin-

son. Those rejoining helpful relatives usually have fared best. Vieira de Mello said that even after so many years apart, reunions "seem to be happening almost naturally, as if communication ... had never been lost. The hospitality of relatives has been absolutely remarkable."

At a village in Siem Reap, Liny Than, 32, returned to live with her mother. She used her agency assistance to buy sewing materials and set up shop. Her husband got a U.N. job.

At another village, Thooun Mony, 38, has not done nearly as well. A sick child died soon after they returned. She is separated from her husband and has no income. Rations are fast running out.

"I think about doing this or that but there is nothing to start with," Thooun Mony said.

Repatriation had started slowly. The High Commissioner promised farmland for each returning family but could not deliver. Available land was mined, or unproductive, or too remote. Many refugees placed in U.N. settlements migrated elsewhere.

In May, the agency gave refugees other options, including \$50 cash per adult, \$25 per child. The vast majority of refugees are choosing money and repatriation quickened considerably.

Officials of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees said these refugees were returning to home villages and to the south and east, instead of to crowded western provinces where they had no roots and mistakenly thought they could make their fortune off the land.

Leading index jumps 0.8 percent in November

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government's chief economic forecasting gauge leapt 0.8 percent in November, the strongest gain in 10 months, the Commerce Department said today.

The increase in the Index of Leading Indicators, the second in a row, was a sign that President-elect Clinton will enjoy an improving economy during his first months in office.

Traditionally, economists regard three consecutive movements of the index in the same direction as an indication of economic activity six to nine months in advance.

The November jump, which was in the range anticipated by economists, followed a 0.5 percent advance in October. Before that, the index had declined during three of the previous four months. November's rise was the strongest since a 1.7 percent gain in January.

"It was a solid number. Gains were both good-sized and widespread. It wasn't just a fluke," said economist Robert G. Dederick of Northern Trust Co. in Chicago. "The conditions for future growth are clearly present."

In a separate report, the department said new home sales in November fell 8.3 percent, the worst drop in eight months, to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 565,000 units. That followed an 8.2 percent decline in October, revised up from an initial estimate of a 10.3 percent decline. Economists weren't expecting the

November drop but they weren't overly concerned because the department this year has consistently revised up its initial sales estimates.

In November, eight of the leading index's 11 forward-looking indicators turned positive. In the order of their contribution to the increase, from largest to smallest, they were:

—A 16 percent jump in consumer confidence levels as measured by a University of Michigan survey. The post-election confidence gain was the largest since March 1991, toward the end of the Persian Gulf War.

—An increase in the average workweek from 41.1 hours in October to 41.3 hours in November.

—A 20,000 drop in the weekly average of new unemployment claims to 372,000.

—A 2.5 percent rise in stock prices as measured by the Standard & Poor's 500.

—A slowdown in the delivery times of goods, a sign that businesses were less easily meeting demand.

—An increase in new orders to factories for consumer goods.

—An rise in the backlog of unfilled orders at factories.

—And, an increase in the inflation-adjusted money supply.

Three of the indicators detracted from the index's gain. They were, in order of importance:

—A decline in the prices of raw materials, a sign of lagging demand.

—A decrease in new contracts for

new commercial buildings and business equipment such as computers and machinery.

—A drop in building permits.

The various changes left the index at a seasonally adjusted 150.3, up 3.6 percent from a year ago and 1.2 percent from three months ago.

Despite the latest rise in the leading index and many other positive signs, analysts warn that problems remain in the economy that could make the new year less than prosperous.

Economist Sung Won Sohn of Norwest Corp. said low interest rates, low inflation and growing employment should help foster growth. But he said factors acting as economic drags include a heavy consumer debt load, declining defense spending and moribund commercial real estate markets.

Economist Louis Crandall of R.H. Wrightson and Associates in New York said several new factors should emerge as negatives. Even as the U.S. economy improves, conditions in Europe and Japan are weakening. That bodes poorly for U.S. trade performance.

Also, Crandall said, consumer spending may flag this spring, even though consumer confidence has risen.

Last year, President Bush ordered income tax withholding reduced in a move aimed at pumping more money into the economy. That means this year the refunds that many people count on will be smaller than past years.

Self-described statistician studies Lotto numbers

HOUSTON (AP) — Texas Lotto officials call it coincidence, but there does seem to be something lucky about the number 23.

That number has been plucked from the Texas Lotto machine five times in the past seven drawings, including three weeks in a row. The numbers 38 and 42, combined with 23, were drawn in two consecutive weeks.

David "Bubba" London, a self-described statistician who lives in Allen near Dallas, has been studying the lotto numbers and is circulating an analysis of how the 50 numbered balls have popped up since the lottery's Nov. 14 inception.

London said the pattern of numbers being drawn "defies mathematical probabilities."

"No one is suggesting the lottery is rigged," London told the *Houston*

Chronicle. "Quite possibly the lottery is producing so many of the same numerical results that the machine is just not mixing up the lottery pingpong-type balls sufficiently," he said.

But lottery officials said it is virtually impossible for the drawing to be rigged.

Five sets of numbered rubber balls and two machines are kept under lock and key until the day of the drawing, and a different

machine is used for each drawing.

Before each drawing, there are six test rounds, said lottery spokesman Steve Levine. If a number comes up twice in the test round, a new set of balls is selected.

Levine also said auditors and statisticians have approved the Texas Lottery process, which has produced seven winners in 13 drawings.

Grand jury indicts Pampa teen

AMARILLO — A Potter County grand jury has indicted a Pampa teen on a charge of burglary of a building.

Oswaldo Soriano, 17, of Pampa, and Hector Porras, 17, of Amarillo, were each indicted on a Nov. 17 charge of burglary of a building.

The two teens were indicted earlier by a Randall County grand jury on a capital murder charge. The two are charged in connection with the shooting death of convenience store clerk Gordon William Rutledge, 59, formerly of Pampa and Lefors, on Nov. 17.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST

Tonight, fair with a low in the low 30s and northwesterly winds 10-15 mph. Thursday, mostly cloudy and much colder with a high near 40 with temperatures falling during the afternoon, northerly winds 10-20 mph and gusty. Tuesday's high was 67 degrees; the overnight low was 54 degrees.

REGIONAL FORECAST

West Texas — Panhandle: Tonight, fair with lows mid-20s northwest to lower 30s southeast. Thursday, mostly cloudy and much colder with highs in the mid-30s north to near 40 south. Thursday night, cloudy with lows in the upper teens to the lower 20s. Extended forecast: New Year's Day, mostly cloudy. Highs from the 30s north to the 40s south. Saturday through Sunday, partly cloudy. Lows from the upper teens to the lower 20s. Highs from the 30s north to the 40s south. South Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy with lows in the 30s. Thursday, mostly cloudy. Highs from the mid-40s northwest to the mid-50s southeast. Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s to lower 30s. Extended forecast: New Year's Day, mostly cloudy. Highs in the

40s. Saturday through Sunday, partly cloudy. Lows in the 20s. Highs in the 40s Saturday and 50s Sunday. Permian Basin: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in the mid-30s northwest to the lower 40s elsewhere. Thursday, mostly cloudy. Highs in the mid-50s north to around 60 south. Thursday night, mostly cloudy. Lows in the 30s. Extended forecast: New Year's Day, mostly cloudy. Highs around 50. Saturday through Sunday, partly cloudy. Lows in the upper 20s to lower 30s. Highs in the 50s.

South Texas — Texas Hill Country and South-Central Texas: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Lows in the upper 50s and lower 60s. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. Turning cooler in the afternoon. Highs in the upper 60s and lower 70s. Thursday night, cloudy and colder with a chance of rain. Low in the low 50s. Texas Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low in the upper 60s inland and lower 70s near the coast. Thursday, mostly cloudy with highs in the upper 70s coast to mid-80s inland. Thursday night, mostly cloudy and cooler with a chance of rain. Low in the upper 50s. Extended forecast: New Year's Day, cloudy, windy and colder with a chance of rain. High in the low 60s.

North Texas — Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms turning cooler northwest. Lows 50 northwest to 60 southeast. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a chance of light rain, turning cooler arewide. Highs 53 northwest to 64 southeast. Thursday night, mostly cloudy and cool with a slight chance of light rain southeast. Lows in the lower to mid-30s. Extended forecast: New Year's Day and Saturday, partly cloudy. Highs in the mid-40s to lower 50s. Lows in the lower to mid-30s. Sunday, mostly cloudy and warmer. Lows in the mid- to upper 30s. Highs in the mid- to upper 50s.

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Police: Don't leave home without them

By CLIFF EDWARDS
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO (AP) — Tan from a nine-day Acapulco vacation, a couple were arrested on their return and charged with leaving their young daughters home alone with little more than instructions on when to eat and when to go to bed.

David Schoo, 45, and his wife, Sharon, 35, of suburban St. Charles were charged Tuesday with child abandonment and jailed on \$50,000 bail after police boarded the couple's plane to arrest them on their arrival at O'Hare Airport.

Child welfare officials took custody of the daughters, Nicole, 9, and Diana, 4, after police found them home alone Dec. 21. Nicole had called 911 when a smoke alarm accidentally went off a day after her parents left.

"This is a very bizarre case," said David Clark, administrative chief for the Kane County state's attorney's office. "I've heard some people say that 'Home Alone' only belongs in the movies."

Eight officers paraded the couple through the airport, where travelers lined the corridor and yelled insults. Police Sgt. Jerry Thornton said the couple did not ask about their daughters at the airport, but did ask when they could get their luggage.

"We still don't know what the real story is about why they left their kids behind," Thornton said.

In "Home Alone," a suburban Chicago couple accidentally leave their youngest son, Kevin, behind when they leave on a Christmas vacation. "At least Kevin's parents didn't do it deliberately," said Ed McManus, a spokesman for the state Department of Children and Family Services.

Schoo, an employee of a smoke alarm company, and his wife, a homemaker, left for Mexico on Dec. 20, leaving a note telling the children when to eat and go to bed, and not to answer the phone. Sheriff John Randall said. They were not left the name of a hotel or any numbers to call in an emergency, he said.

"For a long time, I was feeling really lonely and wondering what they were doing," Nicole said Monday on TV station WBBM.

"Nobody knew," said Connie Stadelmann, who lives across the street in the Schoos' upper-middle-class neighborhood. "If anybody knew, they would not have been left alone."

Authorities said Mrs. Schoo's mother, Marie Kuzma, had offered to care for the children while the parents were away, but the Schoos assured her arrangements had been made.

David Schoo's mother, Della, said from her home in Aurora that she had not heard from her son during the trip. "I have no idea" why the children were left alone, she said.



Sharon Schoo is led away by police officers at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport Tuesday.

"I'm waiting for the news to tell me."

Child welfare officials at first turned the children over to Mrs. Schoo's mother, but put them in a foster home Tuesday after the woman said she couldn't take care

of them. The Schoos will have to go to court to get them back.

Clark, at the state's attorney's office, said his office has been inundated with calls from people around the country who want to adopt the children or give them Christmas presents.

Sunset year full of poverty, pain

By ROBERT GREENE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — For many Americans, their last year of life is one of loneliness, poverty and physical helplessness, says a government study.

About half need help or special equipment to bathe, dress, walk or use the toilet and more than one-third need help eating, according to a nationwide mortality survey conducted for the National Center for Health Statistics.

More than one in four had been living alone and more than one in six had family incomes of less than \$5,000 and came from households with no property or other assets, the study said.

The 250-page study examined the last year of life for Americans over age 24 who died in 1986. Because the median age at death was 74 years, it yielded a wealth of data on older people.

Isadore Seeman, the 76-year-old researcher who authored the report, said in an interview that the picture it paints is a real, if bleak, one.

"With 50 percent of all adults who die needing help with a daily activity, with the fact that women live longer and suffer loneliness ... there certainly is a strong indication that these are difficult times for people," he said.

More than half of the women who died had already outlived their husbands, many for years, according to the study. Because they lived to older ages, the women needed help more than men in their last year of life.

The statistics, however, are not totally disheartening. For example, people are living longer, and they

can prolong their lives further through exercise.

Only one in six of those who died in 1986, according to the survey, had exercised regularly. Nearly seven out of 10 had exercised rarely or not at all.

At the time of the study, people were less aware of the benefits of aerobic exercise, Seeman said. "Now we do recognize it, so people in their 50s and 60s who are exercising should continue doing it," he said.

The study also confirmed that smokers and drinkers live shorter lives. Cancer and heart disease were among the major causes of death. High blood pressure was prevalent, afflicting at some point in their lives nearly half of the people who had died.

Seeman said people should consider allowing more Medicare spending on preventive medicine. Older people should be vaccinated against flu and pneumonia, and older women should be taught ways to prevent hip fractures, one of the chief causes of mobility problems, he said.

For the study, researchers interviewed the next of kin or another close relative of 17,000 of the 2 million people who died in 1986. Further data was then gathered from hospitals, nursing homes and other health care facilities where the deceased had been.

It was the first such "followback" study by the government since the 1960s and was far more comprehensive than its predecessors.

A study in 1993 will lower the cutoff age to 15 so researchers can gather more information on suicides, homicides and deaths from accidents that are more prevalent among the young.

Clinton arrives for Renaissance Weekend

By MERRILL HARTSON
Associated Press Writer

HILTON HEAD, S.C. (AP) — Renaissance Weekend was supposed to be a period of rest and relaxation for President-elect Clinton, but he soon found out that the world just won't leave him alone.

As soon as he stepped down from his Gulfstream twin-engine jet, reporters hit him with questions about a just-negotiated U.S.-Russian nuclear arms treaty.

He said the accord "sounds good" but that he was not familiar with its details.

"I think the quicker we can get these kinds of positive results, the better. ... So I was fully supportive of making an agreement before I took office, if it could be done," he

said. "Based on what I know, I'm encouraged."

Clinton also said he didn't believe it would be appropriate for him to attend a treaty-signing ceremony.

"I think what I should do is make sure I feel comfortable with it," he said. The president-elect also said he wasn't worried that President Bush and Russian President Boris Yeltsin might have moved too hastily to reach an accord.

Clinton and his wife, Hillary, and their daughter, Chelsea, had to land in Savannah, Ga., some 30 miles from this oceanside resort, because of a low cloud-ceiling at the smaller Hilton Head airport. In fact, the pilot of the Gulfstream made an approach toward the Hilton Head landing strip before

pulling up and heading to Savannah.

Clinton has been described as aides as wanting to keep his five-day stay here as low-key as possible while he and his family join some 500 other families for the informal conferences and recreation that are the hallmark of the Renaissance Weekend. He was expected to remain mostly out of sight for the week.

But as president-elect, he was accompanied closely by a pool of news reporters, including a train of press that followed him along a three-mile beach jog in the late afternoon. Clinton stopped briefly on the beach to talk to passersby. The Clintons are staying in a rented villa in a development known as Palmetto Dunes.

Aide Steve Rabinowitz said the president-elect was paying the rent.

The Clintons were to join others at the opening today of the five-day conference. The invitation-only meeting attracts business executives, government officials and civic leaders from all walks of life. The idea is for the participants to talk about world issues, family life and whatever is on their mind in a relaxed setting.

Their discussions are closed to the press.

For the first time, organizer Phil Lader had to deal with the crush of reporters who are following the president-elect and who are curious about the gathering.

Said Lader: "Please get across, it's not some New Age gathering. There's no crystals."

Jean Harris granted clemency; has heart surgery

By LARRY McSHANE
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Jean Harris, killer of the "Scarsdale Diet" doctor, got the news that she'd been granted clemency just before she was wheeled into the operating room for seven hours of heart surgery.

The 69-year-old former headmistress of an exclusive school for girls could be out of prison in a matter of weeks after almost 12 years behind bars for the 1980 slaying of her lover, Dr. Herman Tarnower.

She awaited freedom while recovering from a quadruple bypass operation at Westchester County Medical Center in Valhalla, where she was listed in critical condition today.

After denying Harris clemency in 1988 and 1990, Gov. Mario Cuomo granted her request Tuesday, citing her "above-average behavioral record" in prison and her work with other inmates.

While in prison, Harris has taught classes for expectant mothers on parenting skills and has worked at the children's center at the Bedford Hills state prison. She has also written three books.

Harris — who suffered a heart attack last week in prison, her second in eight years — learned of the clemency decision from her doctor just before she went into surgery.

"She started crying and was extremely happy," said Dr. Aristide Haravon, her cardiologist.

She was in the intensive care unit. Hospital spokesman Barry Bowman

said there were "no problems noted by surgeons."

The onetime Washington socialite had been sentenced to a minimum of 15 years. The clemency grant makes her eligible for a parole hearing. In most cases, the Board of Parole quickly frees those granted clemency.

The former head of the Madeira School for Girls in McLean, Va., Harris was convicted of murdering the author of the best-selling "The Complete Scarsdale Medical Diet" at the millionaire bachelor's Westchester County estate.

Harris, a divorcee who had had a 14-year relationship with Tarnower, shot him four times after he had taken up with a woman 22 years her junior.

Harris claimed she intended to

commit suicide; the prosecution charged she was bent on murder.

In June, a federal judge denied her request for a new trial.

In one jailhouse interview, Harris said she was sorry about her slaying of the man she knew as "Hy." "Remorse has become an appendage to me. It's like another skin, and I live in it and I always will," she said.

Throughout her time in prison, her support from friends and family never lagged. A petition drive for clemency netted 25,000 signatures.

"We always thought she deserved this (clemency)," said Alice Lacey, acting director of the Jean Harris Defense Fund. Harris hopes to continue her work with children and live in New Hampshire if she is in good health, Lacey said.

States to spend less on AIDS prevention

WASHINGTON (AP) — Local and state health departments across the country may have to scale back their AIDS prevention and education programs in the face of a spreading epidemic.

State officials were warned last month to expect cuts in the amount of federal money available to finance state and local health department programs on AIDS prevention, education, counseling and testing.

Dr. Jocyelyn Elders of Arkansas, president of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials, said Tuesday that state and local programs will be forced to cut back on prevention and surveillance unless their budgets receive additional money.

"If we are sincere about trying to do something about the spread of AIDS we must begin to fund educational activities that will make a difference and reduce the number of people who are becoming infected," said Elders, chosen by President-elect Clinton to become the next surgeon general.

But right now, she said, "we are not reaching the majority of our citizens. ... We don't reach our young people, our poor people, our uneducated people. And that's where we're seeing the greatest spread, where we're seeing the epidemic grow. Every day 5,000 people become infected with HIV and if you prevent just half, look at how much money you'd save."

On a related matter, she said today that "what the AIDS activists should be fighting for is universal health care for everyone and then we would not be targeting health care by disease."

"I'm opposed to opposed to that," she said on NBC's "Today."

But she said that position does not rule out increased financing for AIDS care and research in a Clinton administration.

For every \$1 spent on AIDS prevention, the savings in health care costs is \$30, said Kent Taylor,

spokesman for the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Taylor said the agency will actually provide the same amount of money to states for prevention programs in fiscal 1993 as in 1992 — \$143.7 million. But states will have less money left over from 1992 to use this fiscal year than they had left from 1991.

The amount of so-called carryover money has tumbled from \$20.8 million in 1991 to \$15.8 million in 1992 to an estimated \$9.7 million in 1993, he said.

Taylor said states are finding that they have less money to carry over because they are using their grants more effectively.

At the same time, the AIDS epidemic continues to spread and more than 1 million people in the country are now infected with the HIV virus that causes the disease.

Congress set overall CDC funding for AIDS prevention and surveil-

lance in fiscal 1993 at \$498 million, up from \$477 million in fiscal 1992.

But Congress also earmarked \$27.7 million of the 1993 total for four specific areas: HIV prevention efforts by national minority organizations and minority community-based organizations; organizations for people with hemophilia; HIV and multidrug-resistant tuberculosis prevention; and programs for HIV among women.

That has forced CDC to take \$7 million out of other AIDS programs to cover the difference, Taylor said.

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Opinion

Clinton approach just not working

As Bill Clinton prepared to execute his vaunted, if vague economic agenda, some early post-election glimpses portend more words than deeds.

Maybe that's not half bad, given some of the president-elect's dubious proposals for reinvigorating our nation's economy; still, there's something disturbingly hollow about Clinton's talk show-host approach. His penchant for panels and councils and sounding-board summits seems a bit long on wind.

It's as if he were still running for office rather than planning for it. That became more evident several weeks ago as Clinton named investment banker Robert Rubin to head a new "National Economic Council" to coordinate economic policy. For some reason, Clinton feels a need to add yet another voice to what already is a chorus of economic advisers. Indeed, it's unclear what the council will do that the Treasury Department, the Federal Reserve Board, the Council of Economic Advisers and the White House budget office don't already do.

About the only thing the added hierarchy might do is court yet another set of opinions in Clinton's compulsive quest for a consensus. It will further broaden the Clintonomics catchall to be even more things to more people.

And recently, abstract, self-defining Clintonomics went outright free-form in a two-day, national gabfest at which Clinton and Vice President-elect Al Gore heard from more than 300 leaders from business, academia and elsewhere. Dubbed a presidential "teach-in" on the economy, the nationally televised forum appeared to be more of a public-relations ploy than a policy meeting.

Make no mistake, even such hot-air sessions probably are preferable to some of the economic policies the Clinton camp had been routine during the presidential campaign. We'll take four years of this feel-good, group therapy over proposed boondoggles that include higher taxes and more regulations.

Of course as long as the Clinton camp is talking, it would serve them to ponder the kinds of economic nostrums that invigorated even the moribund economy Ronald Reagan inherited from Jimmy Carter. That means: cut taxes, cut spending, deregulate business and steady the money supply to curb inflation.

Now that would be something actually worth doing, not just talking about.

Trudging toward health care reform

In the matter of health care reform, an old threshold question can be discarded. The question is no longer whether the United States will have some form of national health insurance. The question now is, What form will it take?

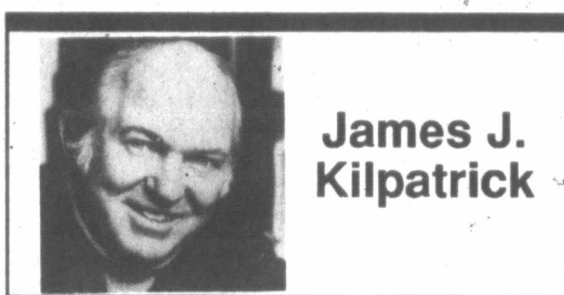
Bill Clinton, as president-elect, has promised to obtain reform of this "monster problem" by mid-summer. His bill will have two broad aims. Clinton will propose measure (1) to control staggering increases in the cost of health care, and (2) to guarantee health insurance coverage to all Americans.

Cost controls? Pharmaceutical manufacturers felt a cold wind when their emissaries had an audience with Clinton's people. Apparently the Clinton camp made no direct threats of out-and-out price controls, product by product, but the manufacturers felt something ominous in the air.

Prescription drugs reportedly represent a fairly small part — about 7.2 percent — of total spending on health care, but that part is a highly visible and painful part. Domestic drug prices have soared in recent years, far beyond the general increase in inflation. As a political matter, the drug manufacturers offer an irresistible target. We may confidently expect that the Clinton bill, whatever else it attempts to do, will give the pharmaceutical industry a very bad headache.

As for other costs, who knows? The doctors protest that their fees have not risen inordinately; their expenses for rent, nursing staff and malpractice insurance have been steadily rising. But somebody has to pay the doctors.

Hospitals plead not guilty; doctors and patients demand the most modern diagnostic equipment, and the equipment costs a fortune. Hospitals are labor intensive. Maintaining a staff of nurses, orderlies and record-keepers strains every hospi-



James J. Kilpatrick

tal's budget. Somebody has to pay for hospital care.

Private insurers say they're not to blame; if our hypochondriac people insist upon buying so much treatment, there's not much they can do about it. Policyholders have to pay for the coverage they buy.

Government agencies, notably those administering veteran care and Medicaid, say they have cut benefits to the point at which they can be cut no more. Taxpayers must foot the bill.

So much for the first part of Mr. Clinton's problem. It will take draconian measures — measures that will be widely resented in one forum or another — to get a handle on costs.

An acceptable plan to achieve universal coverage presents as many difficulties. The latest buzzword on Capitol Hill is "managed competition," an oxymoronic construction in a class with "partial monopoly." Many conservatives will like the idea of competition; it's the idea of management that worries them.

Washingtonians have just concluded an annual rite of competition for health insurance. Federal employees may choose among a dozen different plans. Blue Cross/Blue Shield has a program of

course, but so do many other carriers. The Mail Handlers' Union, for example, promises "great high option dental benefits." The Postmasters' Benefit Plan promises "wellness" benefits for all ages.

Federal employees have a window every year, between Nov. 9 and Dec. 14, in which they can shift from one carrier to another. The *Washington Post* reports that only about 5 percent of the covered workers actually shift their coverage, but the option plainly has an economic effect. Under the spur of competition, the carriers offer a wide variety of protection.

In 1993 the government will pay \$1,675 for an employee's basic individual coverage, \$3,630 for a family. Those who want more will pay more from their own resources. Some want chiropractic coverage. Some want pharmaceuticals. The approach makes sense.

The Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank, has been pushing a program that is modeled in part upon the federal employees' plan. A number of moderate Democrats are promoting the "Jackson Hole Plan," which would require all carriers to accept all applicants without regard to pre-existing medical conditions.

To this day, Clinton has not made it clear how he would handle the estimated 35 million Americans who have no coverage at all. They may be too young for Medicare, too well off for Medicaid. As part-time employees, they may be excluded from employer plans.

Clinton has not asked for national health insurance in the British or Canadian pattern. No one knows exactly what he will request, but this much is certain: It won't come cheap, and somebody will have to pay.

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 30th, the 365th day of 1992. There is one day left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

Seventy years ago, on Dec. 30th, 1922, Vladimir I. Lenin proclaimed the establishment of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

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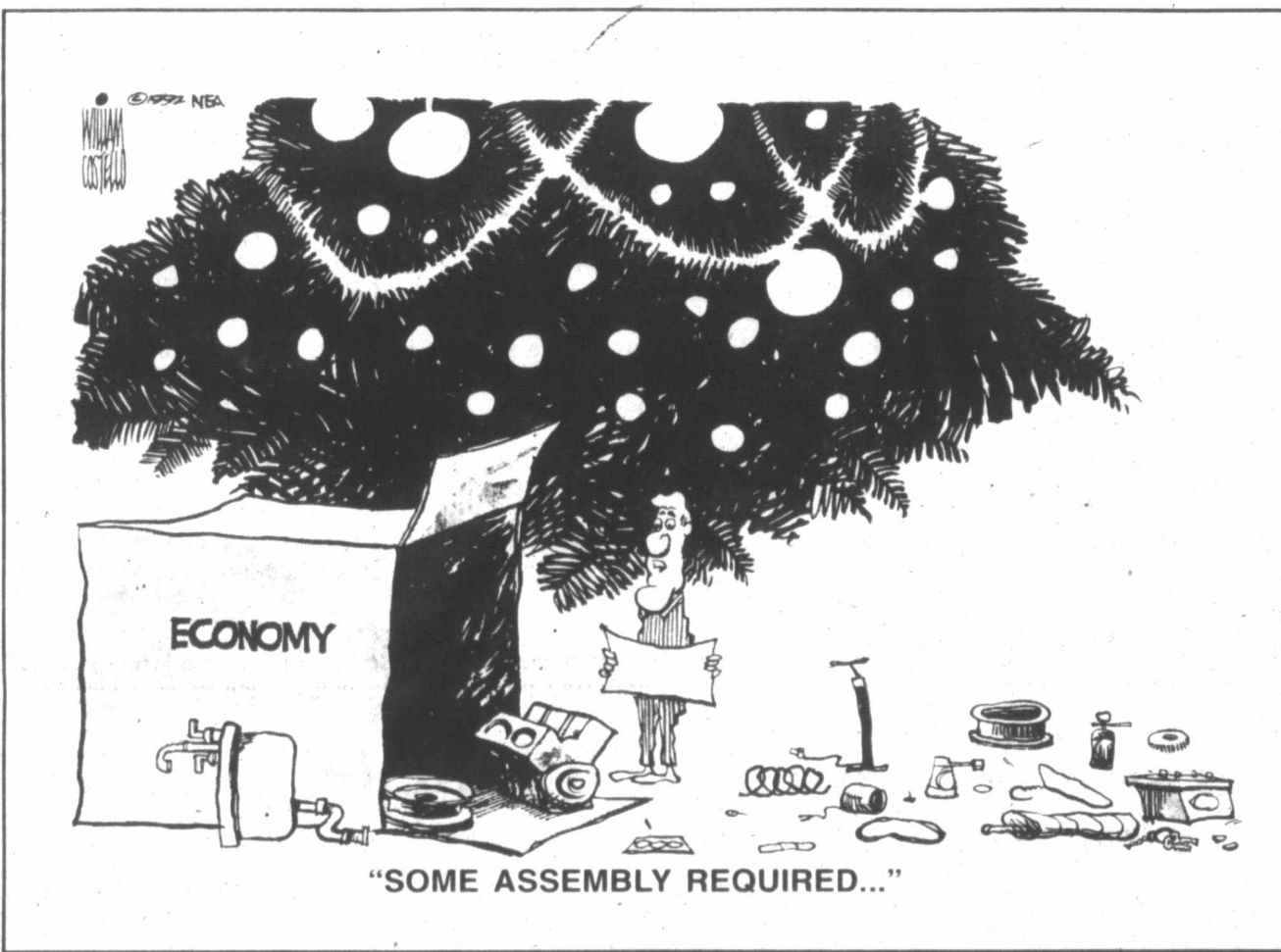
In 1853, the United States bought some 45,000 square miles of land from Mexico in a deal that became known as the Gadsden Purchase.

In 1894, suffragist Amelia Jenks Bloomer died. She had gained notoriety for wearing in public a short skirt and baggy trousers that became known as bloomers.

In 1903, about 600 people died when fire broke out at the Iroquois Theater in Chicago.

In 1911, Sun Yat-sen was elected the first president of the Republic of China after the fall of the Chinese dynasties.

In 1936, the United Auto Workers union staged its first sit-down strike, at the Fisher Body Plant No. 1 in Flint, Michigan.



Neighbor, I never knew ye

It seems but a year — it must have been three — that new neighbors moved into the suburban house just north of us.

One day, gardening, we introduced ourselves over the back fence; nice young couple with three small children.

It would be good to have children in the neighborhood again; so many were grown and gone.

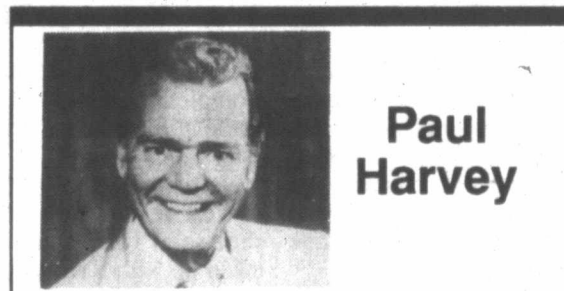
Over the months since, Angel and I have watched with admiration as the new neighbors groomed the old shrubs and flowers and planted some new ones.

Artfully, they concealed an unattractive exterior with sculpted fill and lovely flowers. They had a pool installed for the youngsters and landscaped around that.

Coming and going, I would wave from our driveway to either or both of the folks next door as they perspired over some new planting or otherwise brought new life to the neglected old house.

Somehow, in the frenetic pace of our respective professions, we never did get together socially. Yet, when they vacationed for a few days elsewhere, we missed them.

Now we really will.



Paul Harvey

I just learned that our neighbor has been transferred by his employer to somewhere in the East, and number 1041 is "for sale" again.

Neighbor, I never knew ye! Then I'm thumbing through the *Chicago Sun-Times*, and the caption at the top of page two jumps at me:

"Where Have All the Neighbors Gone?" it asks.

And writer Tom McNamee details how in large corporations where union executives are more "numbers" than "names," they are casually transferred with such regularity that realtors now have given a special name to the "transferee markets."

On-the-move corporate executives, careerists in

the industry, now come and go as predictably as military personnel used to.

In suburbs that have become "transferee markets," mobility rates involve a major segment of the populace.

In most, 60 percent of residents change homes every five years.

There are resort areas of the United States where it has been assumed that death and/or divorce would limit occupancy of any house to an average five years, but now there is similar instability in most all suburbs.

Moving around has become the American way, as surely as our nation's earlier agriculture-oriented population stayed put.

Bernard Beck, Northwestern University sociologist, notes that technological advances have made it all the easier for people to disentangle themselves from a neighborhood, further discouraging neighborly relations.

For one thing, he says, "There's seldom anybody 'at home' anymore with time for neighborliness."

I heard him describing me. I sure hope I know what I'm doing.

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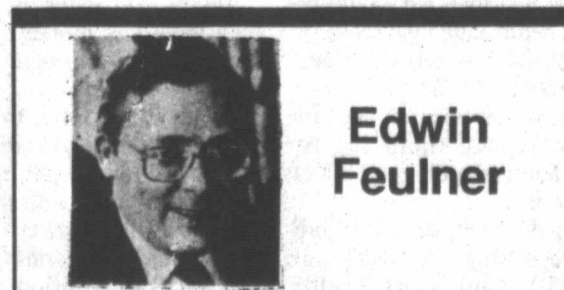
As soon as Bill Clinton takes his seat in the Oval Office he will be asked to honor a United Nations resolution to end the United States' decades-old economic embargo against Cuba, Canada, France, Spain, and other critics of U.S. policy toward Cuba say America has given Fidel Castro's 30-year-old totalitarian dictatorship the cold shoulder long enough.

Nobody's pining for Castro. They're angry about the Cuban Democracy Act of 1992, which tightens the U.S. embargo by prohibiting foreign subsidiaries of U.S. companies from doing business with Cuba, and punishes other countries that do so.

But what I'd like to know is this: How would these countries deal with Cuba if that nation had placed a potential nuclear time-bomb only a short distance from their shores?

In the small Cuban town of Juragua, 250 miles south of Miami, low-paid technicians have planted the seeds of a nightmarish nuclear harvest — Cuba's first two nuclear reactors.

Now 90 percent complete, the Soviet-designed reactors are similar to the ones recently shut down in what used to be East Germany because of construction and design problems. After first pledging to stop helping the Cubans build the reactors, Russia has recently agreed to resume cooperation. Even if these reactors were built exactly as



Edwin Feulner

designed, they would not meet minimum U.S. standards for safety.

But their construction so far has been slipshod, says Vladimir Cervera, a Cuban defector and senior engineer who oversaw "quality control" at the facilities. Pipes for the cooling system — the most critical area of the reactor — have been weakened by bad soldering and heat damage. At least 15 percent of the pipes in one safety audit were defective, Cervera says. They were installed anyway.

By contract, if a single weld in a U.S. reactor has even a suspected defect, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission stops all operations until the weld is proven safe.

If the Cuban reactors become operational, they will pose a threat not only to Cubans but to Ameri-

cans: The 1986 Chernobyl disaster made it horrifyingly clear that contamination from a nuclear accident can travel hundreds of miles, leaving a killing cloud in its wake.

Some may be tempted to brush aside such a scenario as anti-Castro fuming. But in democracies, nuclear power plants must be built according to strict safety standards and contain numerous back-up systems to guard against accidents. Not so in communist Cuba. And only simpletons would believe that the Castro regime ever will reveal the full range of construction and design flaws in the Juragua reactors.

Curiously, U.S. environmentalists — quick to condemn nuclear facilities here — haven't said a word against the Cuban reactors. They ought to hang their heads in shame. The Juragua reactors are a bona fide menace by any reasonable standard. Perhaps their silence is not so curious: environmental activists at the Earth Summit in Rio gave Castro's anti-American diatribe lively applause.

When Bill Clinton takes office he should demand an immediate halt to construction of the reactors and pressure Russia and all other industrialized nations to deny Cuba the aid and technology needed to finish the plants. And he should not allow U.N. whining to dissuade him from keeping the pressure on Mr. Castro.

Lifestyles

Rumsey, not Fulton, may have created steamboat

By ELLEN HOFFMAN
National Geographic

SHEPHERDSTOWN, W.Va. — "My God, she moves!" exclaimed Maj. Gen. Horatio Gates, formerly of Gen. George Washington's Continental Army.

"Yes," echoed Maj. Henry Bedinger, standing at Gates' side. "And when she moved, the destiny of the world, too, moved."

So goes an eyewitness account of the demonstration Dec. 3, 1787, of the first successful steamboat by its inventor, James Rumsey, on the Potomac River at Shepherdstown, about 75 miles northwest of Washington, D.C.

Rumsey's boat was about 50 feet long and carried 2 tons of rocks and eight women passengers to prove its river-worthiness. It made history by steaming against the current at a speed of about 3 knots.

On a gray and drizzly Sunday this fall, 205 years later, about 100 spectators gathered here on the banks of the Potomac to observe a colorful ritual: re-enactment of Rumsey's demonstration.

This time the boat — a wooden, half-size replica named the Rumseian Experiment that resides in a shed on the grounds of the local museum — was only 23 feet long. Its passengers were one woman and five men, all dressed in period costume.

"This time no one shouted, 'She moves!'"

On the contrary, the main accomplishments of a long, frustrating day were negative: repairing the mast that broke as the Rumseian Experiment was trucked out of its shed; and pumping and bailing out enough water to keep the boat from sinking while the crew tried without success to start its obstinate engine.

"This was built to be a dry boat, to be in a museum," Jay Hurley, a local blacksmith, shop owner and craftsman, sheepishly tells National Geographic. "It dries up when it's not in the water. Eventually the seams will seal up. Normally when boats are launched, they stay in the water."

Hurley was the prime mover in getting the 5,000-pound wooden



(National Geographic Photo)

A woman and five men float a steamboat without steam, on the Potomac River on a 205th-anniversary outing. The boat is a replica of the first successful steamer, invented by James Rumsey in 1787.

replica built — a challenging task, because the inventor left no plans — for the 200th anniversary of Rumsey's demonstration in 1987.

Since then, he says, the Rumseian Experiment has been in the water between 20 and 30 times. Occasionally the engine starts.

With other Rumseian Society members, Hurley has crusaded, unsuccessfully so far, to replace Robert Fulton's name with Rumsey's in the history books as the inventor of the steamboat.

The controversy goes back about 200 years and involves three primary figures in the United States: — Rumsey, who built homes for George Washington in nearby Berkeley Springs, W.Va. (then known as Bath), and was superintendent of Washington's Potomack Navigation Co., created to promote boat traffic on the new nation's waterways.

— John Fitch, a competitor of Rumsey's who also built a steamboat in the 1780s.

— Fulton, an engineer who bought a boiler from an English company and installed it in the Clermont, which he launched in 1807 on the East River in New York City, spurring creation of the

commercial steamboat industry.

"The steamboat," explains John Fryant, a steamboat model-maker whose handiwork is on display at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, "was like many other great inventions, not just the product of one mind. Fulton got the credit because he built the first commercially successful one. But he wasn't much of an inventor. He had money, and he was able to buy the best equipment of the time — and it worked."

Even Hurley, one of Rumsey's strongest proponents, admits: "When we say Rumsey invented the steamboat, we say it to get people's attention. For example, in 1785, apparently a Frenchman ran a steamboat on the Seine River for 15 minutes, but the machinery was so cumbersome that it beat itself to pieces and sank out of sight."

Two innovations made Rumsey's invention what Hurley calls "the first practical steamboat." They were the water-tube boiler and the principle of jet propulsion.

"Rumsey's boat pumped water through a channel along the keel, creating a jet stream out the back," explains Bill Warren Mueller, editor of Steamboating magazine.

"That's what moved it. Any other steamboat, then or now, has a propeller or a paddle wheel."

Thomas Jefferson dubbed Rumsey "the most original and the greatest mechanical genius I have ever seen." Modern experts in the history of technology, some of whom spoke at the 200th-anniversary event in 1987, also have recognized Rumsey's accomplishments, which included numerous patents for mechanical innovations.

But his steamboat design was never replicated or produced on a large scale.

Continually searching for funds to further his inventions, Rumsey went to England in 1787 shortly after demonstrating his boat in Shepherdstown. Two weeks before he was to demonstrate a new 100-foot steam-powered launch on the Thames River, he collapsed while addressing an artistic and scientific society in London. He died a day later.

His large boat, the Columbian Maid, did sail on the Thames, but its supporters were unable to convert it into a successful commercial venture.

Starting 20 years later and continuing until after the Civil War, steamboats transported freight and passengers on America's inland waterways.

"Rumsey was ahead of his time, and his type of boat might have been a success if he'd been able to use modern materials," including stronger iron and steel needed for a high-pressure boiler, Fryant suggests.

Today only five commercial steamboats, all excursion craft, actively ply major U.S. rivers: the Delta Queen, the Mississippi Queen, the Natchez, the Julia Belle Swain and the Belle of Louisville.

Mueller of Steamboating magazine estimates that there are a total of 500 to 1,000 steamboats in the United States, most of them about 25 feet long and built by hobbyists.

Folks in Shepherdstown take steamboating more seriously than most. A monument to James Rumsey overlooks the stretch of the Potomac where he made history.

Frank Phillips College sets spring registration

Frank Phillips College will conduct registration for the Spring 1993 semester Tuesday through Thursday. Students will register alphabetically according to the following schedule:

Last names begin with A-F: 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Tuesday; G-L: 1-6 p.m., Tuesday; M-R: 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Wednesday; and S-Z: 1-6 p.m. Wednesday.

Open registration will be conducted from 8-11 a.m. on Thursday. This includes students registering for evening classes and those who miss their scheduled times may register from 8-11 a.m. on Thursday.

Students with questions concerning registration times or procedures may call 274-5311 for information.

Students who will be entering Frank Phillips College for the first time are encouraged to report to Room 4 of the Administration Building for an orientation session at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Students who are not exempt from the TASP test must take the FPC Assessment Test either 1:30 p.m. Tuesday or 7 p.m. Wednesday. Both will be administered in the Main Library, and must be completed prior to registration.

Students with questions concerning registration times or procedures may call 274-5311 for information.

U.S. mail priority for Somalia troops

SAN ANTONIO — American Somalia troops United States mail from home has received a "holiday cheer" jump start for its overseas mail delivery before New Year's Day. With the humanitarian mission of air cargo space that was being reserved for food, supplies and troops on the move — the U.S. mail has now been added as a priority cargo to have daily U.S. troop mail call added, along with "chow call" for the 28,000 expected U.S. Army and Marine service personnel

deployed to Somalia.

Those interested in sending letters to troops can get names and addresses of American troops in Somalia by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to "Operation Restore Hope Pen Pal Network," care of "Uncle Sam" Rohde, 7300 Blanco Road, Suite 76, San Antonio, 78216.

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Son's racing hormones may sweep him away

DEAR ABBY: My problem is my 16-year-old son. "Ryan" is a wonderful young man — everything a mother could ask for in a son: handsome, smart (honor student) and an all-around great guy. He seems to be obsessed with a 16-year-old girl I'll call Beth. When he is not at her house, he's on the phone with her. I finally told him that he had to be off the phone by 11 p.m. — of course, by that time he's already been on the phone for at least two hours!

I can't understand what they can talk about for that long. I know they talk about marriage, but Ryan has such a bright future. I can't see him tying himself down to this one girl — at age 16.

There seems to be such an intense physical attraction — Beth hangs all over him, sits on his lap, and he can't understand that kind of behavior is not acceptable in public. I am so afraid that he will mess up his life with an unplanned pregnancy. We've talked about it, and he keeps assuring me that he isn't doing anything "wrong."

Abby, I realize that he is human and he could get carried away and ruin his life. It's happened to other terrific kids, and I'm worried that it might happen to him.

His father and I have been



Dear Abby

Abigail Van Buren

divorced since Ryan was 3, and his father has since remarried. His support checks help, but Ryan rarely sees him, so he's no help. Have you any suggestions?

RYAN'S MOM

DEAR MOM: If you and Beth's mother aren't friendly, I suggest you become friendlier, because you have a common problem. Limiting the time Ryan and Beth spend together will help, but it's not the total solution.

Keep the lines of communication open so your son will be open and honest with you.

Discussing birth control with young people who are on the verge of becoming sexually active does not necessarily give them the green light, and when

hormones are raging, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

DEAR ABBY: I laughed out loud when I read about that idiotic woman from Beloit, Wis., who is "proud" of her 13 sets of wind chimes. She said, "Someone else must also like wind chimes because a thief stole three sets from my porch!"

Wake up, Beloit! That "thief" is probably a neighbor whom you have driven to the brink of insanity with the relentless, irritating sounds of your stupid wind chimes.

A neighbor in our suburban neighborhood apparently thought everybody on the block should enjoy the racket of his large metal cowbell that would wake me up in the middle of the night when the winds were gusty.

I politely asked that it be taken

down. After two weeks of no response to my polite request, I sneaked over there in the middle of the night and jammed a rag in the bell to silence it.

Finally, the cowbell was removed. Peace at last. Thank God!

STEVE HORNER, APPLE VALLEY, MINN.

DEAR STEVE: Now, a word from another reader concerning wind chimes:

DEAR ABBY: Congratulations to the bird lady in Beloit who has 13 sets of wind chimes, fine wind ornaments and a bird feeder on her front porch. May the bluebirds of happiness "decorate" her deck chairs.

GRANDMA IN CEDAR RAPIDS

Beta Sigma Phi

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Pampa chapters of Beta Sigma Phi will sponsor their annual New Year's Eve Dance at 9 p.m. Dec. 31 at M.K. Brown Auditorium. Lost Injun Band will play. The evening

includes a buffet and set-ups. Tickets are available by calling 665-5088.

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All other DEADLINES will remain at their regular times. We appreciate your cooperation and wish you and your friends a safe and happy holiday.

The Pampa News

Comic Page

The World Almanac® Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 Drive out
- 6 King of birds
- 11 Milk protein
- 13 Exclaim (2 wds.)
- 14 Son of radio
- 15 Imitate
- 17 Between Vt. and Me.
- 18 Own (Scot.)
- 20 — Dinsmore
- 21 Ripen
- 22 Star Wars princess
- 24 Flee (sl.)
- 25 Addict
- 26 Evaluate
- 28 Pressed down
- 30 Sneer
- 32 Tide type
- 33 Slight curve
- 35 Insects
- 37 Albert —
- 38 Sleep stage
- 40 Aromatic

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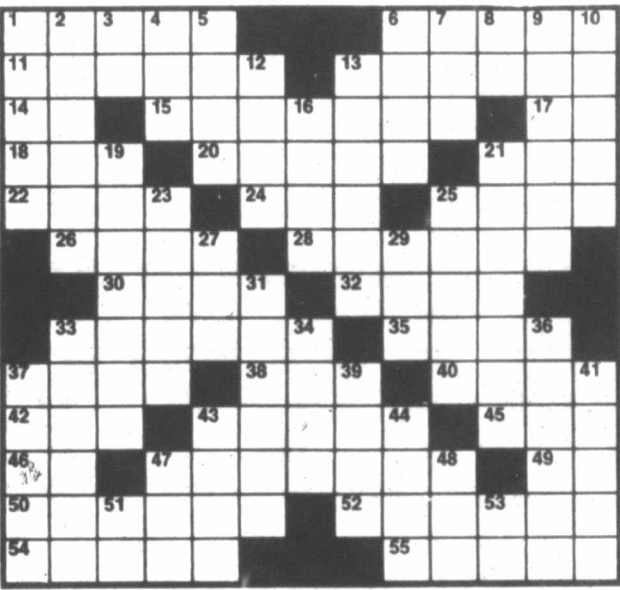
- 1 Outer
- 2 Musician — Cugat
- 3 Addition to letter
- 4 Wide shoe size
- 5 Citrus fruit
- 6 Art deco illustrator

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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ACROSS

- 7 Affirmative
- 8 Proceed
- 9 Moved forward suddenly
- 10 Anesthetic
- 12 — and void
- 13 Alligator's kin
- 16 Future LL.Bs. exam
- 19 Famous waterfall
- 21 Free from bacteria
- 23 Once upon —
- 25 — down
- 27 Recede
- 29 — culpa
- 31 Creepily
- 33 Pamper
- 34 Renovate
- 36 Curve ball
- 37 Groups of people
- 39 Row of stables
- 41 Boxer — Holmes
- 43 French for "she"
- 44 Actual
- 47 Soul (Fr.)
- 48 White House initials
- 51 Guido's low note
- 53 Robert — Niro



WALNUT COVE

By Mark Cullum

It's been kinda nice going without television for a week...

We just sit in the den and talk to each other like a real family.

It's been kinda nice...

Of course, we still get up every 30 minutes and go to the bathroom... Give it time...

ARLO & JANIS

By Jimmy Johnson

A BUNCH AT THE OFFICE IS PUTTING TOGETHER A WEEKEND!

WHAT DO YOU SAY?

NOPE!

OH...! EVERY YEAR YOU'RE THE SAME WAY!

IF GOD HAD MEANT US TO SKI, HE WOULDN'T HAVE GIVEN US KNEES!

ECK & MEEK

By Howie Schneider

EARTHQUAKES, HURRICANES, TORNADOES, VOLCANOES, BLIZZARDS... AND NOW HUGE ASTEROIDS HEADING TOWARDS EARTH...

WHAT'S LEFT?

B.C.

By Johnny Hart

NEVER GET IN LINE FOR ANYTHING WHERE THE GUY IN FRONT OF YOU IS WEARING A STOCKING MASK.

MARVIN

By Tom Armstrong

DON'T TELL MY HEART... MY ACHY BREAKY HEART...

I'VE GOT A BETTER SONG

QUIT BUSTIN' MY EARS... MY ACHIN' BREAKIN' EARS...

ALLEY OOP

By Dave Graue

THEY CAN'T JUST GO OUT AND SHOOT DOWN A MAIL PLANE!

DON'T BET ON IT!

THEN THEY HAVE TO BE STOPPED ALLEY! WE'LL GO TO THE AUTHORITIES!

WITH WHAT? IT'D BE MY WORD AGAINST A WHOLE ROOM FULLA GUYS! THEY'D LAUGH US RIGHT OUT TH' DOOR!

NO, MARGARET IF ANYBODY'S GONNA STOP THOSE TOADS, IT'LL HAFTA BE US!

SNAFU

By Bruce Beattie

"Wouldn't you know it. It's my turn to shovel the driveway!"

"Mommy! Will you get PJ out of my room before he messes everything up?!"

THE BORN LOSER

By Art and Chip Sansom

HEY, LOOK, GLADYS! STAR LIGHT, STAR BRIGHT, FIRST STAR I SEE TONIGHT...

I WISH I MAY, I WISH I MIGHT, HAVE THE WISH I WISH TONIGHT...

UH, BRUTUS... BEFORE YOU GET TOO CARRIED AWAY...

THAT'S A 747, NOT A STAR!

PEANUTS

By Charles M. Schulz

IT'S PRETTY COLD OUT... YOU'RE SURE YOU WANT TO GO FOR A WALK?

OKAY, I'LL GET THE LEASH...

IF I'M LUCKY, NO ONE WILL SEE US...

MARMADUKE

By Brad Anderson

"Would you please put a limit on your partying?"

WINTHROP

By Dick Cavalli

WHAT DO YOU THINK IS MANKIND'S GREATEST INVENTION, SIR?

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CALVIN AND HOBBS

By Bill Watterson

DO YOU NEED NAILS POUNDED INTO ANYTHING?

UM, NO...

YOU SURE? I'VE GOT THE TOOLS RIGHT HERE! LOTS OF NAIL SIZES! I'D BE HAPPY TO DO IT!

NO THANKS, NOT TODAY.

OK, WELL, LET ME KNOW IF YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND.

MM-HMM...

MOM WANTED A GIRL I JUST KNOW IT.

DID SHE NEED ANYTHING SAWED?

FRANK AND ERNEST

By Bob Thaves

AUTO SALES

SEATS ARE OPTIONAL.

GARFIELD

By Jim Davis

JON GOT ANOTHER FERN

YOU HAVE TO ADMIRE HIS PERSEVERANCE

AND PITY HIS STUPIDITY

Astro-Graph

by bernice bede osol

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you fail to finalize something today that you could have finished, chances are it is going to be left undone for quite some time. Keep this in mind when you confront the matter. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you to understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Subdue inclinations today to prejudice events and people in a negative manner. If you persist in thinking dark thoughts you could make this a very gloomy day indeed.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be very selective regarding your playmates today if you are planning some type of fun activity. Be sure that all involved are compatible with one another.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be doubly tactful today in any involvements you may have with people who are in positions of authority. They will have the upper hand, not you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It could be unwise at this time to prematurely discuss your plans with others. Wait until you're in a definite "go" position before you talk about your intentions.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This is not the right day to poke your nose into situations that are none of your business. There is a chance that your curiosity could draw you into another's complicated affair.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be open to the views and suggestions of associates today, but, by the same token, don't think everything they have to say is the wisest. Use your own judgment as well.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Guard against tendencies today to criticize the efforts of others who are working on something about which you have only slim knowledge. They could be right.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Think twice before becoming involved in an enterprise or project today that is managed by another, because you could be held personally accountable if things go awry.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) This is not a good day to bring up an issue that you and your mate don't agree on. Instead of resolving the matter, it could make it much worse.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Attitude is very important today where your productivity is concerned. If you look upon things as difficult and distasteful, it will severely cramp your industriousness.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Spending lots of money today is no assurance that you'll be guaranteed a good time. In fact, expensive activities might turn out to be the least fun of all.

Sports

Fresno State shocks Southern Cal

By KEN PETERS
AP Sports Writer

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — The fired-up Fresno State Bulldogs, playing what coach Jim Sweeney declared the biggest game in the school's history, upset No. 23 Southern Cal 24-7 Tuesday night in the Freedom Bowl.

"beat them bad," and were playing them only because it was a bowl game, adding that USC would never schedule Fresno State.

The Bulldog defense held Johnson to seven completions in 18 attempts for 95 yards, sacked him three times and intercepted him three times.

Sam Watson and Brian Porter had the other interceptions for Fresno State.

Neal added 75 yards on 19 carries, and Naigle carried 11 times for 54 yards. Trent Dilfer completed 13 of 28 for 165 yards with no interceptions.

USC's leading rusher, Estrus Crayton, carried 19 times for 79 yards, but the Trojans were unable to move the ball on the ground with any consistency.

Southern Cal played the second half without wide receiver-return man Curtis Conway, who suffered a strained right knee in the second quarter.

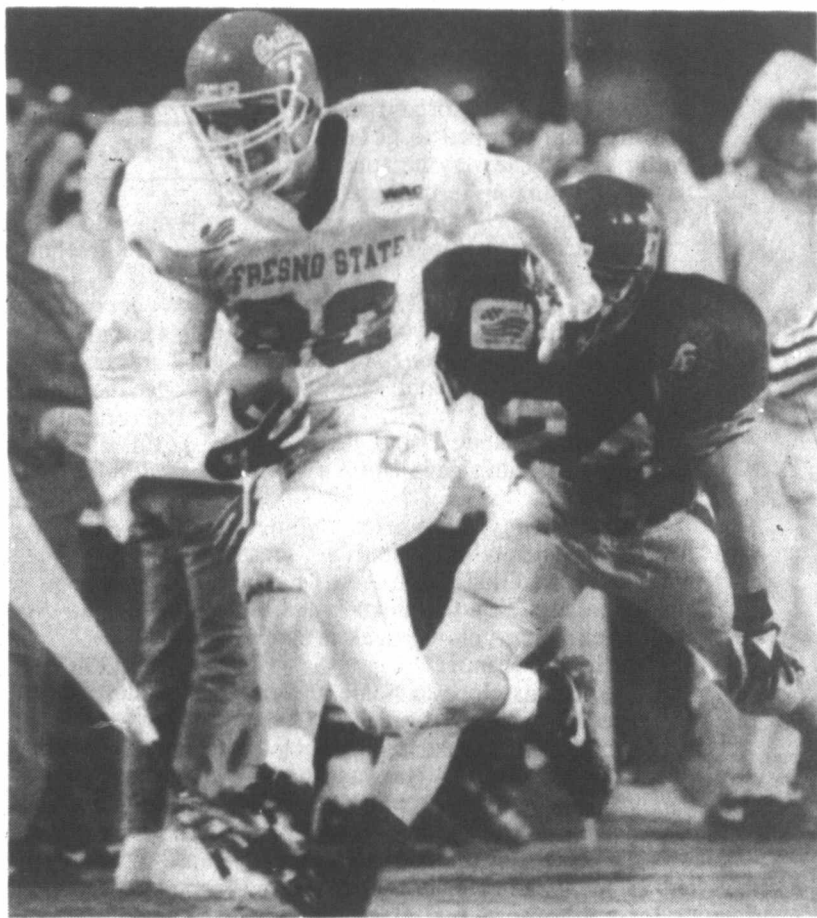
Although it rained heavily before the game and sprinkled at times during it, the field at Anaheim Stadium was covered until gametime and the players had no trouble with their footing on the grass.

Watson came up with a big defensive play for the Bulldogs early in the fourth quarter.

With USC on the Fresno State 44, Johnson lofted a long pass downfield and Watson stepped in front of the receiver at the goal line, came down with the ball and weaved his way back to the Fresno State 27.

After falling behind 7-0 in the second quarter, the Bulldogs responded with a 70-yard drive capped by Neal's 1-yard touchdown run.

The Bulldogs gambled on fourth-and-7 at the USC 33, and Dilfer threw to Tydus Winans for 10 yards



(AP Photo)

Fresno State end Marty Thompson takes off for a 21-yard gain after catching a first-half pass in Tuesday night's Freedom Bowl.

and a first down to keep the drive alive.

Following a scoreless first quarter, Southern Cal got on the board when Deon Strother dove high over the line for a 1-yard touchdown early in the second period.

Conway's 22-yard punt return to the Fresno State 49 gave the Trojans' good field position, and Crayton's 13-yard run to the 5 put USC in scoring position.

The Bulldogs missed a chance to take the lead early, when USC's Jason Oliver blocked a 37-yard field goal try by Mahoney on Fresno State's second possession.

The Bulldogs' only failed attempt on fourth down came in the third quarter, when Neal was stopped for no gain on fourth-and-one at the USC 29.

Southern Cal finished the year with four losses in its last five games.

Freedom Bowl

The victory by the Bulldogs (9-4) over the favored Trojans (6-5-1) in the first football game between the schools was no fluke.

The Bulldogs' defense, which ranked 98th in the nation by allowing an average of nearly 30 points a game this year, limited the Trojans to 183 yards of total offense.

Nose guard Zack Nix, middle linebacker Chris Peters and end Nick Serfas spearheaded the Fresno State defense.

The Bulldogs' offense, which led the nation in scoring for the second straight year, averaging 40.5 points a game, scored on a 1-yard run by Lorenzo Neal in the second quarter, a 43-yard field goal by Derek Mahoney in the third and put the game away with a pair of touchdowns in the final 3:25, on a 2-yard run by Anthony Daigle and a 5-yard run by Ron Rivers.

Fresno State drove 65 yards to Daigle's score, then, after James Burton's interception of a Rob Johnson pass, quickly went 56 yards to Rivers' score with 1:11 remaining.

Rivers gained 104 yards on 19 carries for the Bulldogs, who rolled up 405 yards of total offense.

USC quarterback Johnson said earlier that Trojans wanted to put the Bulldogs in their place and

Washington State withstands second-half Utah rally

By ARTHUR H. ROTSTEIN
Associated Press Writer

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Drew Bledsoe passed for a Washington State-record 476 yards and Aaron Price kicked his second game-winning field goal this season at Arizona Stadium as the No. 18 Cougars withstood Utah's second-half comeback for a 31-28 Copper Bowl victory Tuesday night.

Chris Yergensen's 20-yard field goal attempt with 3:19 remaining was wide left after the Utes had reached Washington State's 5-yard line on a 70-yard pass play from Frank Dolce to Sean Williams.

Bledsoe broke his school record of 413 yards while throwing touchdowns of 87 and 48 yards to Phillip

Bobo as the Cougars amassed 636 yards' total offense.

Signor Mobley recovered a fumble by Utah's Henry Lusk after a pass reception and returned it 9 yards to the Utes' 21-yard-line to set up Price's field goal with 5:08 left.

Copper Bowl

Price, son of Washington State coach Mike Price, kicked a tie-breaking and game-winning 47-yard field goal here against Arizona early in the season.

He missed a 42-yard tie-breaking attempt after Dolce had pulled Utah into a 28-28 tie with a two-point conversion pass to Scott Murry after Pierre Jones' 8-yard run with 9:35 gone in the third quarter.

Dolce completed 21 of 40 passes for 315 yards and two touchdowns, including a 49-yarder to Henry Lusk.

Bledsoe, who completed 30 of 46 passes, led the Cougars to a 21-0 first-quarter lead and what appeared to be a romp in the making.

Bledsoe, a 6-foot-5 junior, had 300 first-half passing yards and gave the Cougars a crucial lift just before halftime.

Bledsoe found Bobo open over the middle, and the speedy wide receiver outran his coverage for a 48-yard score with 31 seconds to go in the second quarter.

The play came 2:20 after Utah pulled within 21-14 on Keith Williams' 25-yard touchdown run.

It took the Cougars all of 1:35 to score on Shaumbe Wright-Fair's 3-

yard run in the first possession.

Less than 3 minutes later, Bledsoe and Bobo connected on a school-record-tying 87-yard pass play.

Before the end of the first quarter, Wright-Fair had his second touchdown, on a 3-yard run, the Cougars had a 21-0 lead and 242 total yards on offense and an apparent romp under way.

Dolce hit Sean Williams for a 10-yard touchdown in the second quarter, and Keith Williams added a 25-yard run.

Bobo set up the first score with a 38-yard reception to the Utah 3.

The long pass to Bobo equaled an 87-yard scoring play from Bob Newman to Jack Fanning in 1957.

Familiar teams matched in NFL playoffs

By BARRY WILNER
AP Sports Writer

The new year brings the new season in the NFL — and some familiar matchups.

The playoffs begin this weekend with four rematches, starting in Minnesota, where the struggling defending champion Washington Redskins play the Vikings. Washington won 15-13 at the Metrodome on Oct. 25, but the Skins lost three of their last four and backed into the postseason when Minnesota beat Green Bay.

"People will rate us the big underdog, I think. We've just lost our last two and we've got a lot of guys hurt," coach Joe Gibbs said. "I'm fired up about getting in. We've got a shot, and that's what you play for."

The other NFC game has Philadelphia at New Orleans. The Eagles, undefeated at home this season, won the opener at the Vet against the Saints, also 15-13.

"It doesn't matter where we play or who we play," coach Dick Kotite said. "The best thing to do is realize the atmosphere and do something about it. You can change the atmosphere of any stadium by having some success."

In the AFC, Houston visits Buffalo on Sunday after Oilers pounded the Bills 27-3 Sunday night. The two-time defending conference champion Bills have been ravaged by injury, with Jim Kelly suffering a sprained knee ligament at Houston and Cornelius Bennett missing the game altogether. Bruce Smith, Thurman Thomas, Darryl Talley and Don Beebe also are not healthy.

"We have to deal with reality rather than a hook," Buffalo coach Marv Levy said. "We have to play the Oilers better than we did, we can't keep giving them big plays offensively and defensively."

The other AFC game is Saturday, with San Diego at home against Kansas City, which beat the Chargers twice this year. But San Diego has won seven straight and took its first division crown in 11 years.

"We fought hard all year to accomplish what we've accomplished," San Diego defensive star Junior Seau said after his team overcame an 0-4 start to make the playoffs, an NFL first.

AFC East champion Miami and AFC Central winner Pittsburgh have byes, with the Steelers holding the overall conference homefield edge. San Francisco has that in the NFC and, like Dallas, is idle this week.

"It feels pretty good," Dolphins tackle Jeff Dellenbach said. "Having a week off is going to do the team a lot of good. At this point everybody has a lot of bumps and bruises. This will give everybody a chance to heal up."

Redskins at Vikings
In their first meeting, Chip Lohmiller, who went to the University of Minnesota, kicked a 49-yard field goal with 1:09 remaining to beat the Vikings. Washington held Minnesota to 218 yards on offense, with 1,000-yard rusher Terry Allen getting only 51.

But the Skins figure to be undermanned. Receiver Desmond Howard separated his left shoulder and is out for the season. Cornerback Darrell Green has a bruised heel, running back Earnest Byner a sprained back, tight end Terry Orr a knee problem, receiver Art Monk a strained back, and Ricky Sanders, who sprained an ankle last week, did not play in the finale.

Eagles at Saints
Herschel Walker ran for 114 yards and scored once, while Randall Cunningham hit 18 of 25 passes in the season-opener. New Orleans, which did manage six sacks, had

only eight first downs.

"They did a good job with us the first time, but we'll be at home and we've been playing pretty well," Saints linebacker Ricky Jackson said. "We're going into the playoffs with a positive attitude."

That isn't so easy considering that the Saints, in the playoffs for the fourth time, never have on a post-season game. The Eagles failed in the first game of the playoffs the last three years.

Oilers at Bills
Houston made the postseason for the sixth straight year with its overwhelming victory on Sunday night. Conditions will be vastly different in Buffalo, of course, but these Oilers have shown resilience and played well on the road.

Besides, the Bills could be severely handicapped by injuries. And the Oilers' defense is dangerous.

"We feel we have four Pro Bowlers on the line," said Lee Williams after the Oilers had seven sacks against the Bills. "But we weren't overwhelmed by their Pro Bowlers. Hopefully, we can have the same kind of success next Sunday."

Chiefs at Chargers
Kansas City broke out of a mini-slump by routing Denver to get into the playoffs. Now, the Chiefs face the league's hottest team. But San Diego might not have quarterback Stan Humphries, who separated his left shoulder in a closing win over Seattle.

In the season-opener, Dale Carter had a 46-yard punt return for a TD and Kevin Ross went 99 yards with an interception in a 24-10 win. The Chiefs had five sacks and three interceptions.

In Week 10, Nick Lowery's 36-yard field goal with 54 seconds to go lifted the Chiefs, who had six sacks. Since then, the Chargers haven't lost.

Pampa continues to roll in Fort Worth Lions Club tourney

FORT WORTH — Dwight Nickelberry tossed in 25 points and Lamont Nickelberry added 15 as the Pampa Harvesters rolled to a 75-52 win over Fort Worth Arlington Heights in Tuesday's second round of the Lions Club Holiday Tournament.

Memphis 72, Clarendon 71
Clarendon outscored Memphis 25-20 in the fourth quarter but fell just short, losing by one. Larry Johnson and Jay Runnels combined for 37 points in the victory.

Basketball

The Harvesters, who opened the tournament Monday with a 112-39 win over Azle, meets Waxahachie at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the winner's bracket. Waxahachie, which has a 3-7 record, defeated Saginaw Boswell, 86-79, Tuesday.

Pampa, now 11-3, broke away from Arlington Heights (8-9) late in the first quarter and built an 18-point bulge, 37-19, at halftime.

Seivern Wallace added 10 points to Pampa's scoring attack while Duane Nickelberry had nine points. Coy Laury and Justin Collingsworth had eight points each.

Dwight Nickelberry, the lone returning starter for the Harvesters, had three 3-point goals. The 6-1 senior leads Pampa in scoring at 23 points a game.

Everett McCray led Arlington Heights with 11 points and Thomas Holmes had 10.

The championship finals are scheduled for Thursday night.

Area Roundup

BOYS

Silverton 74, McLean 49
Junior Ramirez and Lance Holt combined for 39 points, leading Silverton over McLean. The Tigers got 16 points from Christian Looney and 12 from Tom Pennington.

Groom Tournament First round

Shamrock 37, Valley 29
Valley led 9-4 at the end of the first quarter, but Shamrock came back, scoring 13 points in the final quarter to advance to the quarterfinals.

Second round

Memphis 53, Shamrock 37
Jason Hughes and Brian Brown scored 14 points each as Memphis won easily, advancing to the semifinals against Groom today.

GIRLS

Groom tournament First round

Valley 47, Shamrock 46
Valley outscored Shamrock 20-12 in the fourth quarter. Angie Pointer and Katy Browning combined for 29 points in the victory.

Clarendon 60, Memphis 31

Angie Kepley and Ashley Knopp scored 16 points each for Clarendon as they won easily over Memphis. Memphis plays Shamrock today in the loser's bracket.

Groom 44, White Deer 24

White Deer got off to a slow start and couldn't recover as Groom's Misty Homen and Sandie Conrad combined for 26 points in the victory. White Deer meets Clarendon today in the loser's bracket.

Second round

Valley 62, Clarendon 39
Katy Browning scored 27 points as Valley advanced easily to the semifinals against Groom today.

Sports notebook

Former PHS football coach to be inducted into PSHOF Jan. 24

Former Pampa High football coach Tom Tipps will be inducted into the Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame next month in Amarillo.

Tipps will join Gerald Myers of Borger and Joed Forbus of Happy as the newest members of the PSHOF.

Induction ceremonies are scheduled for 2 p.m. Jan. 24 in Amarillo College's Ordway Auditorium.

Tipps, a native of Quitaque, became the Harvesters' most successful football coach, compiling a 54-17 record from 1947-53. He coached the Harvesters into the playoffs three times.

Tipps left Pampa for Texas A&M in 1953 where he became an assistant under head coach Bear Bryant. Tipps later became an assistant coach at the University of Washington and was with the Huskies in three Rose Bowls.

In 1970, he became a college scout for the Dallas Cowboys and then a pool scout for an NFL combine for eight years. Tipps was scouting solely for the Green Bay Packers when a heart attack in 1987 forced him into retirement.

Tipps, now 75 years old, and his wife, Frances, live in Arvada, Colo.

Myers, 58, gained national recognition as the head basketball coach at Texas Tech University in Lubbock for 20 years. He was an all-state guard at Borger and was a star player for the Red Raiders, becoming the school's first All-Southwest Conference athlete in any sport in 1958. He's still the school's record-holder in free throw percentage (86.9%).

Forbus was one of the top offensive linemen to ever play at West

Texas State University in Canyon. During the early 1940s, Forbus was a three-year starter at WT, which compiled a 22-7 record during that period.

Sports show will air through remainder of 1992-93 school year

Jon Heidtke, Home Sports Entertainment assistant general manager, has announced that the Southwest regional cable sports network has reached an agreement with Alamo Rent A Car to extend the airing of *Alamo High School Extra* through the remainder of the 1992-93 school year.

Alamo High School Extra, a weekly show devoted entirely to Texas High School football during the fall, will expand during the spring to include highlights and news reports of all University Interscholastic League sports, beginning Jan. 20 at 6:30 p.m.

Craig Way will continue to host the show, which will remain in its regular weekly time slot of Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. with replays changing to Fridays at 3 p.m. Stacy Jacobs, a feature reporter during the show's fall edition, will move to a co-host role with Way.

The show, produced by Jeff Watts Productions, also will continue to use 18 correspondents from throughout the state who will file reports from their respective regions.

"The positive response we've received from viewers from all over Texas has been overwhelming," Heidtke said. "We felt it was necessary to extend the show throughout the spring and highlight other popular sports, such as boys and girls basketball, track and field, and baseball. Whether it's golf or tennis, we will be there to give viewers the most informative information."

Steelers' Cowher named NFL Coach of the Year

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Pittsburgh Steelers coach Bill Cowher needed just one season to accomplish what predecessor Chuck Noll never did in 23 seasons: win the NFL Coach of the Year award.

Noll, who retired a year ago, remains the only coach to win four Super Bowls but was never named coach of the year, a fact that Cowher almost couldn't believe.

"Don't tell me that," he said. "You'll make me feel bad."

Cowher — at age 35, barely a year older than some of his players — again has Pittsburgh feeling good about a team was a dynasty in the 1970s but has been mostly a disaster since, making the playoffs only once from 1985-91.

Cowher, the second youngest coach in the NFL, received 29 of 79 votes from a nationwide panel of media members to edge San Diego's Bobby Ross, who got 20.

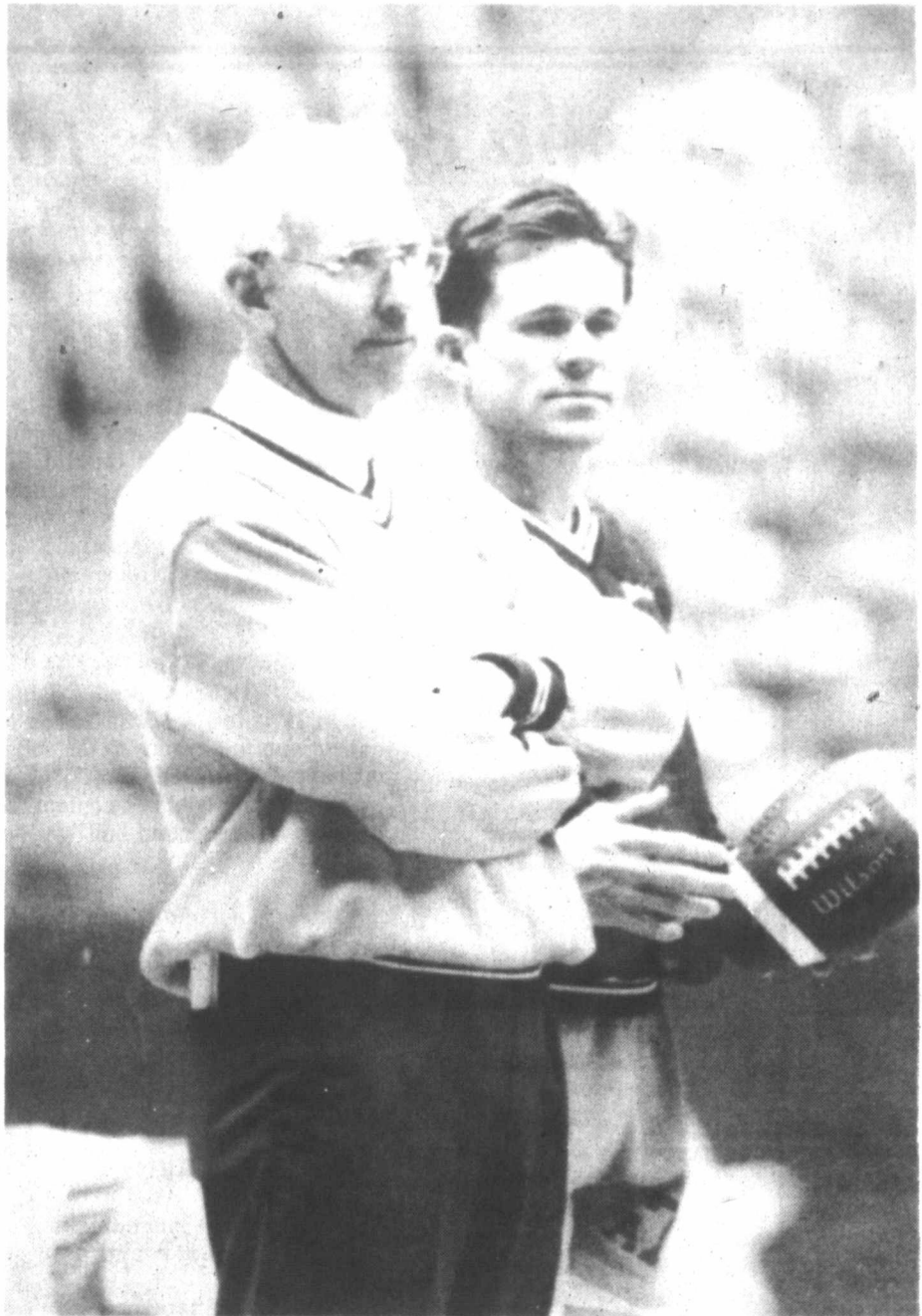
A Pittsburgh native, Cowher took basically the same team that was 7-9 in 1991 to an 11-5 record, the AFC Central Division championship and the top seed in the AFC playoffs.

The Steelers enjoyed their best season since 1979, when they were 12-4 in the last of their four Super Bowl seasons. Only four other times in their 60-year history have the Steelers won as many as 11 games in a season.

Cowher, formerly the Kansas City Chiefs defensive coordinator, came to Pittsburgh last January talking of winning championships and restoring the Steelers to an elite status in the NFL.

"The thing that impressed everybody was that he knew just what he wanted and where he was going," said Steelers president Dan Rooney, who chose Cowher over Dallas Cowboys defensive coordinator Dave Wannstedt.

A&M's Pullig was heavily recruited by Irish



Texas A&M head coach R.C. Slocum (left) and son, Shawn, watch from the sidelines during a workout Tuesday in Irving.

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
AP Sports Writer

DALLAS (AP) — Corey Pullig just said "no" to Notre Dame coach Lou Holtz and the Texas A&M freshman quarterback expects the Fighting Irish to be gunning for him in the Cotton Bowl on New Year's Day.

"I wouldn't be surprised if coach Holtz had his team pumped to go after me," Pullig said. "The way he acts he could have my picture up in the dressing room or something."

"But I can tune things out. He's not going to distract me."
Pullig, a strong-armed kid from Deer Park High School who won the A&M starting job at mid-season, was recruited heavily by UCLA, Miami, Notre Dame and A&M.

After visiting Notre Dame, the 6-foot-3, 205-pound Pullig gave Holtz a verbal commitment.

"I changed my mind after I visited A&M," he said. "Both schools are great with strong traditions. But I felt I had a chance to start as a freshman at A&M. With Rick Mirer coming back at Notre Dame, I had no chance."

"Also, it was close to home and my parents could come see me play."

So, Pullig had to make that lonely telephone call to Holtz. "He wasn't very happy," Pullig said. "I won't tell you exactly what he said."

Pullig has been the missing ingredient in an A&M offense that sputtered under sophomore Jeff Granger, who couldn't get the passing attack started.

"Corey came in and made some plays and we were able to open up our offense," said offensive coordinator Bob Toledo. "He has great poise for a young man. He's smart and has an extremely strong and accurate arm."

Notre Dame players say they wish Pullig had joined the Fighting Irish after seeing him on film.

"He has all the skills and tools to be great," said Notre Dame safety Jeff Bur-

ris. "I think he is one of the upcoming players in the game."

Linebacker Demetrius DuBose said "I already think he's a great quarterback. He has tremendous talent."

DuBose added "we need to give him an experience he can remember for the long run. We hope to help his learning process."

Cotton Bowl preview

Holtz said he hated to see Pullig get away. He saw him as the heir apparent to Mirer.

"We recruited him hard," Holtz said. "He's just an excellent young man, with a good arm and poise. He also finds a way to dodge the blitz."

"I'm certainly not surprised by his success. I'd say A&M has done a beautiful job of developing him."

Pullig was thrown into the Disneyland Classic game against Stanford in August but made so many mistakes he lasted only one series. Granger eventually led the Aggies to a 10-7 victory.

"I wasn't ready, I had some learning to do," Pullig said.

Pullig entered the SMU game after Granger was injured and started the last four games against Louisville, Houston, Texas Christian and Texas.

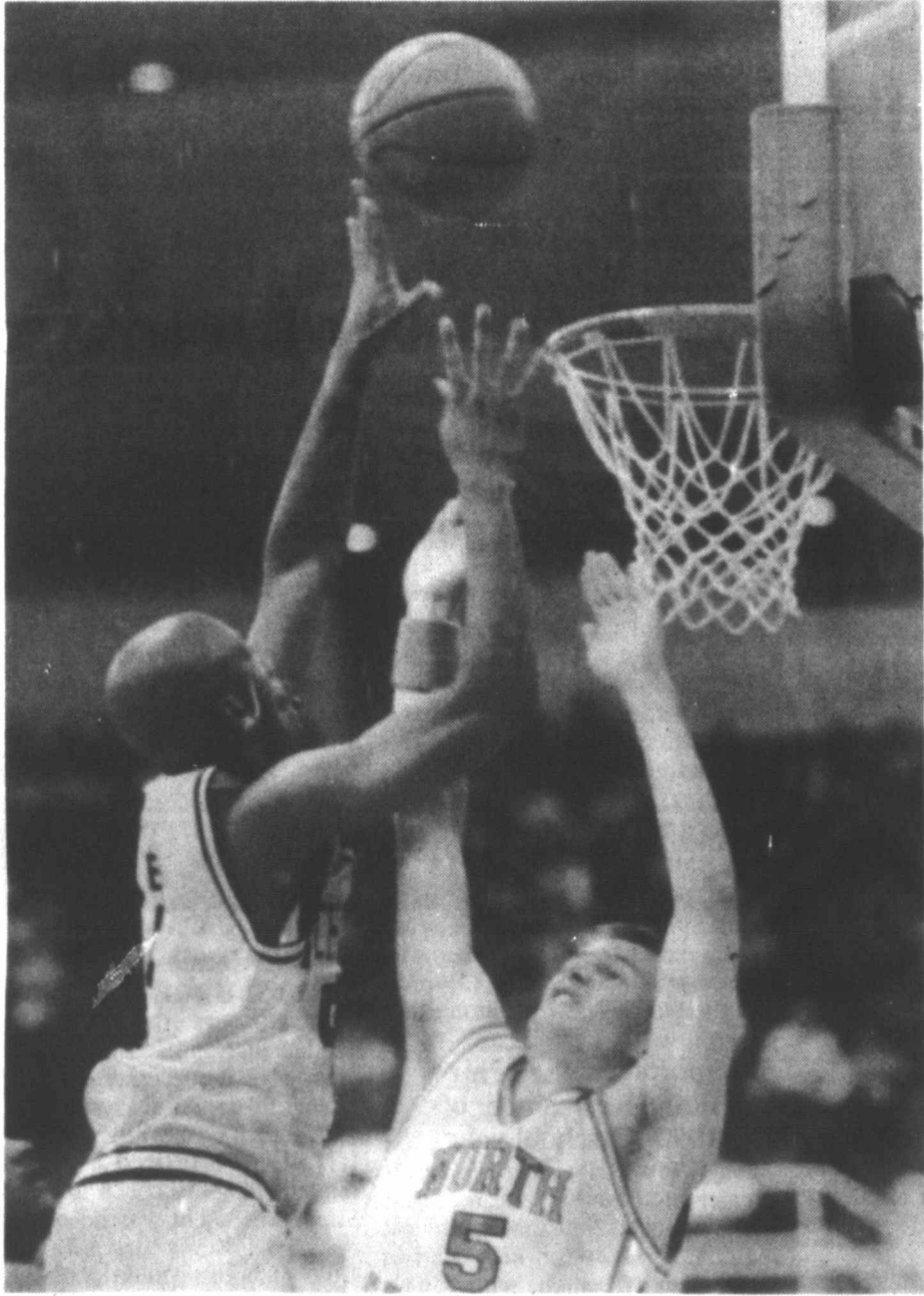
The Aggies averaged about 35 points a game under Pullig's leadership as he completed 50 percent of his passes for 953 yards.

"People are saying I'll have a lot of pressure on me but I don't see it that way," Pullig said. "I have a lot of great talent around me. I've been in tough situations before. I don't want it to sound arrogant but in this day and age you have to be confident or you shouldn't be playing."

After the game, Pullig said he will try to find coach Holtz and shake his hand.

"I'm sure he'll probably be over it by then," Pullig said.

Rose lifts Michigan past North Carolina in Rainbow Classic



Michigan's Glen Rose (left) hits two of his 22 points against North Carolina Tuesday in the Rainbow Classic. Henrik Rodl tries to block Rose's shot.

By JIM O'CONNELL
AP Basketball Writer

HONOLULU (AP) — Jalen Rose made two miracle plays in the final 35 seconds of No. 6 Michigan's 79-78 win over No. 5 North Carolina in the semifinals of the Rainbow Classic on Tuesday night.

One he does all the time, the other was a first.

The first play was one of desperation that turned into a reverse alley-oop layup by Chris Webber. The second was also of desperation, a rebound jumper at the buzzer that made a winner of Michigan (8-1).

"We hung in, played hard and got lucky," Michigan coach Steve Fisher said. "We got big-time plays from our big-time players, Rose and Webber, and that's what they're supposed to do."

Derrick Phelps had given North Carolina (8-1) a 76-75 lead with 1:15 left with two free throws. Michigan, which had no timeouts remaining, worked the ball down to Rose at the baseline and his short jumper was off the mark. A scramble for the rebound ensued and it was heaved toward halfcourt. Rose, sensing the shot clock was working down, heaved the ball toward the basket from near the midcourt circle. Webber, who finished with 27 points, converted it in his usual spectacular style.

"I heard the bench yelling the clock was going down and I saw Chris and he was pointing up so I threw it up and he got it," Rose said. "I knew he was going to get it. He does it every day."

The Tar Heels called a timeout with 25 seconds left and Donald Williams drove right by reserve guard Dugan Fife and scored with 13 seconds left for their last lead of the game.

Jimmy King's baseline jumper with two seconds left fell off the rim and into Rose's hands and he converted the short jumper for the victory.

"Jimmy makes that shot nine out of 10 times," Rose said. "But in a game of this magnitude you always have to think miss

and the ball came off toward (North Carolina center Eric) Montross and me and I was just so focused on the rim. I was a little lucky, too."

Rose said it was the first time he ever won a game at the buzzer.

"I've hit some game-winning shots but not that late and not in a game of this magnitude," he said.

Rose finished with 22 points. Phelps led North Carolina with 15 points, Montross had 14 points and 10 rebounds and George Lynch had 12 points and 16 rebounds.

"The end was a little quirky in that it wasn't your typical final shot," North Carolina coach Dean Smith said. "They played awfully well. They're very quick. We felt a lot of their errors came as a result of our defense and their defense is better than they're given credit for."

"It was a great game to watch if you didn't care who won."

Michigan will meet the winner of the other semifinal between No. 2 Kansas and Hawaii in Wednesday night's championship game, their third game in as many nights against a ranked opponent.

"We want to complete the journey and come out with the same enthusiasm and fire," Fisher said.

The game was sloppier than expected between the two highly-ranked teams, but the final seven minutes lived up to all the expectations as the lead changed hands six times.

The Tar Heels started the second half with an 11-4 run after trailing 40-36 at the break.

Michigan's Juwan Howard turned the ball over trying to make a lob pass inside and on the break downcourt by the Tar Heels, Webber was called for a technical foul. The reason wasn't apparent, but the two free throws by Derrick Phelps put North Carolina on top 45-44, its first lead since 12-10.

"We played extremely well, but we're still not running on all cylinders," Smith said. "As disappointing as this is, I can say we're proud of our comeback."

OU wins opener in All College tourney

OKLAHOMA CITY committed seven turnovers (AP) — Bryatt Vann scored 19 points and Bryan Sallier got all 18 of his in the second half when No. 15 Oklahoma pulled away to beat Alaska-Anchorage 102-70 in the All College Tournament.

The Sooners (8-1) will play in the finals Wednesday night against the winner of Tuesday's late game between Texas and Weber State. Alaska-Anchorage (7-4) will play the loser of that game.

Oklahoma had just a nine-point halftime lead over its Division II opponent, and after a 3-point by the Seawolves' Justin Cammack, led only 52-46 with 14:42 left.

But then six players scored during a 20-6 run that gave the Sooners a 72-52 lead. The Seawolves

committed seven turnovers and hit just three of 11 shots during the seven-minute stretch.

Alaska-Anchorage outscored Oklahoma 18-3 from 3-point range, but the Seawolves committed 31 turnovers and shot only 41 percent.

Sallier had 13 rebounds to go with his 18 points. Angelo Hamilton had 17 points and Jeff Webber had 16 for the Sooners. Andre Boudreaux led Alaska-Anchorage with 20 points.

Oklahoma got six points from Webster in a 10-0 run that gave the Sooners their largest first-half lead, 32-19, with 7:03 to play. After a timeout, the Seawolves scored 10 straight — Craig Vaughn and Cammack started the run with 3-pointers — to get within 32-29.

Pigskin Predictions

GAME	BRZYS	MILLER	STRATE	WIEGERS
Kansas City at San Diego	Kansas City	San Diego	Kansas City	Kansas City
Houston at Buffalo	Houston	Houston	Houston	Houston
Philadelphia at New Orleans	New Orleans	New Orleans	Philadelphia	Philadelphia
Washington at Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota
Boston College vs. Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	Boston Coll.	Boston Coll.
Texas A&M vs. Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Texas A&M	Notre Dame	Notre Dame
Ohio State vs. Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia
Penn State vs. Stanford	Stanford	Penn State	Penn State	Stanford
Syracuse vs. Colorado	Colorado	Colorado	Colorado	Syracuse
Michigan vs. Washington	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Washington
Nebraska vs. Florida State	Florida State	Florida State	Florida State	Florida State
Alabama vs. Miami	Alabama	Miami	Miami	Miami
LAST WEEK	8-4 .667	8-4 .667	8-4 .667	6-6 .500
SEASON RECORD	143-61 .701	130-74 .637	135-69 .662	125-79 .613

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(AP Photo)

Navy entomologist Lt. Rafael Del Vecchio displays a large spider he recently captured at the military camp in Baidoa Tuesday.

Battle of titans in a foxhole

BAIDOA, Somalia (AP) — He doesn't know how it got into the drawer of his field desk. But the colonel figured it was a joke, one of those black-rubber bugs.

As he reached for it, the 4-inch scorpion stirred, sparing him from becoming the first scorpion-sting casualty of the Baidoa campaign.

Their worst worry may be the renegade gunmen who have terrorized this country, but the Marines in Somalia are fighting their biggest battles against an army of insects. And they're badly outgunned.

From tiny ticks to jumbo praying mantises, from pastel polka-dotted moths to black-and-white zebra-striped bees, the Marines are on the defensive against what at times seems like most of the world's 1-million-plus known insect species.

Some have found favorites, too, like the 8-inch millipede observed by Lance Cpl. Chuckey Monroe. "All those legs. What coordination!" marveled the Marine from Wellsville, Ohio.

As Lt. Rafael Del Vecchio explained: "This is Africa, folks. The bugs are big."

The Navy man should know. He's an entomologist — insect biologist — brought in to command the counter-attack.

He has his own favorite big bug: a huge black, yellow and iridescent spider bagged by some intrepid SeaBees. The unidentified arachnid, its body the size of a man's thumb, its sturdy legs covering a few inches of territory, now scrambles around inside a plastic bottle, glowering occasionally at its new master.

"I want to call up the Smithsonian and see if they'll take her," said the proud Del Vecchio, a San Diego native.

The web it weaves is "stronger than nylon," he said, and he speculated that his new pet could probably make short work of any small bird that flew into its trap.

Del Vecchio's real mission here is a critical one: identifying insect threats and protecting against them.

Malarial mosquitoes are the main problem. The troops coat themselves with repellent and down regular doses of anti-malaria pills, and Del Vecchio's preventive medicine unit sprays the entire camp daily with pesticide.

The Medical team reports no symptoms of malaria yet among the troops in Baidoa.

The troops have rounded up and taped up a cardboard sheet-full of some of the nastier creatures as part of a "know the enemy" campaign.

The lieutenant isn't the only student of insects here. Out in the foxholes on the Baidoa airport perimeter, Monroe and other Marines are fast becoming amateur entomologists. They've also become fans of, naturally enough, soldier ants.

To test the ants' prowess, their Echo Company squad decided to put them up against some Somali heavyweights: a centipede, some spiders, and finally a scorpion. The ants devoured them all, although it took them a while to outwit the scorpion's defenses. They began by tearing its pincers off.

"You can see we've got a lot of time on our hands," laughed Cpl. Jorge Guzman of Newport Beach, Calif.

One squad member was impressed enough to preserve one of the big ants in an empty tabasco sauce bottle from his rations. Another's got a scorpion stashed away, to make a pendant back home.

Back at the command post, meanwhile, Lt. Del Vecchio is eager to move on into other fascinating areas.

"I'd like to get a look at some of the poisonous snakes here," he said. There's the black mamba, the Egyptian cobra, spitting cobra, puff adder....

U.S. troops, Secret Service ready for Bush Somalia visit

By REID G. MILLER
Associated Press Writer

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — American troops and Secret Service personnel rushed today to prepare for the New Year's visit of President Bush to one of the most chaotic, lawless towns on earth.

Razor wire barriers were being strung at the sites Bush will visit in Mogadishu, sandbags were being placed around new gun pits and machine gun posts, and Marines were extending and tightening their control.

"We are very concerned about the president's security when he visits here," said Marine Col. Fred Peck. "I doubt if any American president has ever visited a nation in such turmoil and such a state of anarchy...."

"We are doing everything we can to assure his safety."

Neither the military nor the Secret Service would elaborate on their plans.

The warlords who are vying for control of Mogadishu and a strongman accused of massacring hundreds of rivals have accepted invitations to U.N.-sponsored talks next week, an agency spokesman said today.

The spokesman, Farouk Malwali, described the Jan. 4-5 conference in Addis Ababa, the capital of neighboring Ethiopia, as an "informal preparatory meeting" to set the date for a late-winter conference on reconciliation.

Warlords Gen. Mohamed Farrah Aidid and Ali Mahdi Mohamed will attend the meeting, as will Col. Omar Jess, an Aidid ally. Diplomats and aid workers say Jess ordered the massacre of up to 200 members of a rival clan before U.S. troops took over the southern city of Kismayu last week.

In Mogadishu on Tuesday, American troops seized a six-story building known as America House across the street from the former U.S. Embassy, a ransacked, partially destroyed compound now housing Marine headquarters.

Bush is to visit the embassy shortly after his arrival at midday on New Year's Eve and Marines who have been subjected to erratic sniper fire from America House,

once the home of embassy employees, decided to clear it out.

"We have been sniped at from that location on many occasions," Peck said.

Peck said a small cache of weapons was found in America House, including a recoilless rifle, a number of rifle propelled grenades and ammunition.

A much larger cache was seized in northeastern Mogadishu, an area newly patrolled by Marines north of the line that divides the city into fiefdoms controlled by two rival warlords.

Peck said that cache contained two 105 mm howitzers, ten .50-caliber machine guns, two missile launchers, ten 80mm mortars and many smaller weapons.

Somalis on the streets of the capital were eager to welcome the U.S. president.

"The world is talking about Somalia now," Hussen Ali Omar, 21, a math teacher, said Tuesday. "Somali people are optimists. Bush is trying to help the Somali people."

"Bush is the president of Somalia now," said Mohammed Abdi Farah, 25, who said he was a former clothing salesman.

In one of his last foreign policy decisions as president, Bush ordered U.S. troops to lead an international military force to get food past looters in Somalia, where civil war and drought have combined to kill 350,000.

About the only people who aren't either expectant or happy about the Bush visit are the bandits largely forced underground in the towns where U.S.-led troops have set up positions.

But the tougher foreign military presence didn't discourage banditry altogether.

A vehicle hired by the U.N. Children's Fund was stolen at gunpoint along the city's dividing line. The Somali owner showed up later at the UNICEF office to demand compensation with a hand grenade in one fist.

"The craziness continues," Mark Stirling, the agency's local chief, laughingly told a reporter as they watched Somali employees talk the man into giving up the grenade.

Military planes dropped 100,000 leaflets on all parts of Mogadishu on Tuesday warning residents that looting, killing and the display of almost any kind of weapon "will not be tolerated."

The leaflet warned that anyone aiming or pointing a weapon at the troops in Somalia will be shot, the leaflet said in what Peck called "a rather direct message going out to Mogadishu."

Bush was to arrive Thursday at Mogadishu's international airport, now a sprawling military base, aboard an Air Force C-141 cargo plane from Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

He was to be greeted there by Marine Gen. Robert Johnston, the commander of the multinational force in Somalia, then be whisked by helicopter to the former embassy, where he was to informally talk to Marines.

The president also was to visit a hospital run by the International Committee of the Red Cross before spending New Year's Eve aboard the U.S.S. Tripoli off the coast of Mogadishu.

On New Year's Day, Bush was to visit American troops and an orphanage in Baidoa, an important aid distribution point in the interior, and the U.S. 10th Mountain Division's headquarters in Bel Dogle.

Israel to let 10 deportees return

JERUSALEM (AP) — Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin said today that 10 Palestinians deported in error to Lebanon could return to Israel immediately.

The Foreign Ministry said it proposed to U.N. envoy James Jonah that the other 405 ousted Palestinians go to a third country. Rabin said he would welcome such a solution, but no country has offered asylum.

Israel has suggested this from the outset of the 2-week-old deportee drama. Lebanon has insisted the only solution is to repatriate the men, marooned in a freezing no man's land between Lebanese and Israeli lines in southern Lebanon.

There was no hint of a breakthrough in talks with Jonah on providing food, fuel and medicine to the deportees.

Rabin told reporters after the meeting that any of the 10 men who were mistakenly deported should go to an Israeli-controlled crossing point and "we will receive them."

He said he doubted six of the 10 would even try, however, because they face trial and long prison terms in Israel. They have been deported for no longer than two years.

Bassam Siouri, 16, of Hebron, the youngest deportee and one expelled in error, "will be brought back safely home," Rabin promised. Siouri was picked up for painting graffiti on a wall.

At their camp today, Siouri said he could "hardly wait to go back home."

"I'm happy for myself and sad for my colleagues," he said. "I miss my mother and father."

But others, like cousins Jawad and Iyad Zein el-Dine of Nablus, had not decided whether to return.

"I'm afraid if I return they will give me a long jail term," said Jawad, 18, a student.

Spokesman Abdul-Aziz Rantisi said camp leaders met today and decided it was up to the 10 deportees to choose whether they wanted to return.

Jonah was dispatched to the region to try to end the standoff between Israel and Lebanon over who is responsible for the men, deported two weeks ago from the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip after Muslim fundamentalists killed six Israeli troopers.

Israel claims Lebanon is responsible because the men are on Lebanese soil, but Beirut has denied

responsibility because the men were foisted on them.

The deportees have supported Beirut's refusal to take them in, and several have said they will not budge until permitted to return home.

Jonah returned to Israel after a one-day trip to Lebanon, where leaders refused any aid to the Palestinians.

The International Committee of the Red Cross had proposed that Israel let through a medical convoy and Lebanon let through food trucks simultaneously. Israel had agreed to the proposal, but Lebanon, insisting it will not become a dumping ground for the deportees, on Tuesday rejected the plan.

Rabin today said Israel would agree to the plan if it is raised again. He called for international pressure on Lebanon to change its position.

The men were reported running low on food and fuel, and most prayed inside their tents to avoid the wind and temperatures in the 20s.

"It was one of the worst nights we've had since we came here," said Aziz Dweik, one of the expelled men.

Another of the Palestinians, Mohammed Jawdeh Abu Shalbak, became a father Tuesday, the family said today. His healthy, 6 1/2-pound daughter was initially named Iman, which means "belief" in Arabic.

But after an Associated Press reporter in Lebanon informed him about the birth of the child, he asked that her name be changed to Iman Hamas, and the family agreed.

Hamas is the name of a Muslim fundamentalist group that rejects Israeli statehood and has claimed responsibility for the slayings of the troopers.

Beirut radio stations said Jonah is seeking to transport the deportees to a third country, possibly the Netherlands or Norway. But the two countries have issued separate denials of the report.

Jonah was expected to leave later today for U.N. headquarters.

In a speech to Jewish jurists Tuesday night, Rabin repeated Israel's determination not to let the deportees back unless "unless there is a complete change and all the (Palestinian) groups decide to maintain peace — no violence, no terror — during the peace negotiations."

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