

Catholic Church as she takes advantage of warm Wednesday afternoon weather to wash her car. Temperatures later plummeted 50 degrees overnight as a cold front, which is dumping snow in the Northwest, hit the area.

Howard, Jodi Lide and LaWanna Payne, all juniors at Miami High School, are planning to perform in the halftime extravaganza titled "Lone Star Spirit".

ning first place in the National Cheerleaders Association camp in Plainview this summer-"After qualifying as one of the top

squads at camp, the cheerleaders had fund- Notre Dame.

Their sponsor is Kay Thompson who will be on hand at the game between Texas A&M University and the University of - Angela Leggett

Gray County employees to receive bonus, but no raise

By JOHN McMILLAN Staff Writer

ciated.

"We've got a lot of good employees," commented Precinct 3 Commissioner Gerald Wright.

approved payment of a one-time and/or spouses. \$250 appreciation bonus to approxicounty employees, said Gray Coun- added. ty Treasurer Scott Hahn.

In the absence of a pay raise to know that the cost of living, and salaries are divided among several precinct employees, and clerical or Gray County employees for this particularly medical insurance counties, will be paid the percentyear, the Commissioners Court costs, have continued to go up," age of the \$250 bonus that Gray 1989, and a \$50 per month raise, wants them to know they are appre- said Gray County Judge Carl County currently contributes toward effective Jan. 1, 1992, for all employees that they expected an Court in December approved more Kennedy.

cost of insurance premiums for office, including the two extension county employees, Kennedy said agents, will each receive the full Christmas bonus or an end-of-the-Gray County Commissioners married employees must bear the \$250 bonus, Gray County Judge year appreciation bonus to Gray Court on Wednesday unanimously cost of insurance for their children Carl Kennedy said. Part-time

mately 100 employees who have just an effort to say we appreci- corresponding with the percentage year. The bonus will be reflected on that we have not been able to job. the Jan. 15 paychecks to those give you a pay raise," Kennedy

their salaries. Employees of the employees, including elected offi-Even though the county pays the agricultural extension service cials. employees of Gray County will also "The appreciation (bonus) was receive the percentage of the bonus

Precinct 1 Commissioner Joe Wheeley said there have been only Adult probation office employees two pay raises since he began as ly those who have had any kind of employees.

secretarial staff, beginning June 1,

Gray County has not offered a County employees in the 14 years that Kennedy has been county judge, he said.

Asked whether staff morale

"I think the court wanted to do and elected officials will not commissioner in January 1989. medical expense. But people are "As a taxpayer, I'd feel more at that because we have not been able receive the bonus. Employees in the Those raises were a 4 percent raise very thankful to have a job, so I affease saying, 'We're going to pay to give pay raises, and yet we 31st District Court office, whose to Gray County sheriff's deputies, think even if they're hurting, they're them for overtime ...'" than offervery quiet about it ...'

Although Wheeley said he had said. heard a rumor among courthouse bonus.

"I think they'll (county employ- tion. ees) be very appreciative of it,' Kennedy said.

Greene expressed tentative support worked for the county at least one ate your service and we regret of full-time employment of their among Gray County employees has for paying compensation to county been undermined by the dearth of employees who had worked overpay increases, Kennedy replied, "I time, as an alternative to paying a accrued by county employees is a think everyone is hurting, particular- bonus to non-elected county separate issue from the appreciation

ing an across-the-board bonus, he

Greene said the Commissioners appreciation bonus of \$500, than \$11,000 in payments to sher-Kennedy said he does not anticipate iff's employees who won't be condisappointment over the \$250 tinuing with the department and who accrued overtime compensa-

'The people who're going to be working here deserve as much as the Precinct 2 Commissioner Jim people who aren't going to be here next year," Greene said.

> Wheeley, however, said the "problem of excessive comp time" bonus.

Bush sees Somali camp of despair – and hope

President Bush today toured a "A-1 style" to ease the suffering.

Bush" in accented English greeted ber of youngsters struggled for life. their visitor at a facility whose name

MOGADISHU, Somalia (AP) — translates to "Place of Bones." "We're seeing recovery here," refugee center for victims of Soma- Bush told reporters a few hours after lia's years of war, famine and dis- his arrival in the East African nation ease and offered New Year's thanks to visit the troops engaged in Operato American troops for working in tion Restore Hope. "Most of these er. From Somalia - where the Unitchildren, they told me, were literally Children bearing flowers and starving two months ago." In a tent chanting "Welcome President behind him, Bush said, a small num-It was the 25th — and probably



President Bush visits with a Somali woman and her baby today at a refugee center in Lafoole.

final — overseas journey of Bush's presidency, and the itinerary underscored the dramatic changes in the States the sole remaining superpowed States is spearheading an international feeding effort — Bush was flying to Russia to sign an agreement to slash long-range nuclear weapons by two-thirds and push the Cold War deeper into history.

The United States commander-inchief wore a military camouflage hat and shirt with a breast pocket inscription that said "President Bush" as he stepped off his military jet onto the sunbaked Somali tarmac following an 18-hour journey from Washington.

Gunfire reverberated in the capital city hours before his arrival. Security for visit was as tight as U.S. Marines in a country bristling with guns, bandits, cutthroats, assassins and common, garden-variety thieves.

Troops dug gun pits, evicted squatters and seized weapons in the hours leading up to his arrival. Razor wire barriers were strung at sites Bush was to visit.

From the airport, Bush went to the old embassy grounds, where troops gathered in the courtyard greeted him with robust cheers.

"We are very, very proud of you and very, very grateful to each and every said Marine Col. Fred Peck, one of you," he said. "We are very spokesman for the forces of Operaproud of this humanitarian effort."

He noted that the deployment reprethe American military. "You're doing world that have made the United it in A-1 style," he said. "Nobody is surprised at that. Operation Desert Storm showed our country once again that we have the finest fighting forces in the entire world," he said in a reference to the Persian Gulf War.

He plunged into the crowd after his brief remarks, bantering, exchanging a few words and joking. Many of the Marines took advantage of a live television transmission of the event to wave to mom and wish those back home a Happy New Year. Bush's visit included health and arranged to spend two nights. feeding facilities. It is home to an estimated 4,000 refugees, some of them ill, others dying of starvation. Horst Hamborg, an official, said on and the Secret Service could make it ABC's "Good Morning America" that between 1,500 and 1,800 people

were receiving two meals a day with 2,400 calories. "Compared to what I saw about five months ago, those people are now in a rather satisfactory" condition, he said.

Others confirmed the progress, although one doctor said one or two people are dying weekly from starvation.

"I doubt any American president has ever visited a nation in such turmoil and such a state of anarchy,' tion Restore Hope.

sented a different kind of mission for clusters along the streets of the city Dogle. hoping in vain to catch a glimpse of the American president whose orders set a relief operation into motion.

The climate compounded the misery. The airport tarmac baked under Washington. A strong wind off the nearby Indian Ocean cast a pall of dust and sand over the airport.

Bush was spending little more aboard the USS Tripoli, the resounded to the sounds of gunfire. The refugee center selected for amphibious assault ship where he

or, and the U.S. 10th Mountain foreign forces.

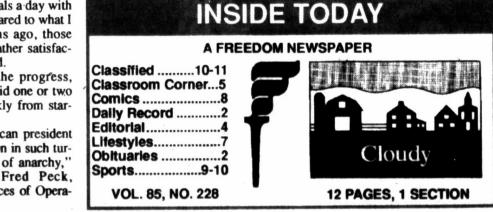
Even so, some Somalis waited in Division's headquarters in Beli

The president arrived after a brief stopover in Saudi Arabia. He made a courtesy call early today on King Fahd at the airport's Royal Pavilion.

"This is also to say goodbye" a blistering sun, with temperatures before Bush leaves office, "and to in the 90s as Bush stepped off his stress the strength of the U.S.-Saudi plane after an 18-hour journey from alliance that defeated Iraq's aggression" in Kuwait last year, said a White House aide who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Just hours before Bush's military than 24 hours in Somalia, much of it plane arrived, Somalia's capital

Much of it was chalked off to skittish young gunmen firing their On Friday, New Year's Day, he weapons just for the hell of it, some will visit American troops and an to misdirected sniper fire at coaliorphanage in Baidoa, an important tion soldiers and some to skirmishes aid distribution point in the interi- between rival gangs out of sight of



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Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to The Pampa News by press time today.

Obituaries

BERNARD JOHN KOETTING

SALINA, Kan. - Bernard John "B.J." Koetting, 69, brother of a Groom, Texas, resident, died Monday, Dec. 28, 1992. Vigil services were at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Ryan Mortuary. Mass was said at 10 a.m. today in St. Mary's Catholic Church with Bishop George K. Fitzsimmons, the Rev. Emil Labbe and the Rev. Louis Mattas officiating. Burial was in Mount Calvary Baptist Cemetery.

Mr. Koetting, born in St. Thomas, Mo., moved to Salina, Kan., in 1968 from Lubbock. He was the owner/operator of B.J. Koetting Construction. He began his metal building construction company in Lubbock and continued in the business until his death. He was also a cattleman for more than 15 years and was a wholesale dealer for Phillips Petroleum Co. for 10 years in Texas. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Sacred Heart Jr./Sr. High School Endowment Board, Salina Moose Lodge, American Association of Retired Persons, the Kansas Livestock Association and the Salina Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors include his wife, Blanche C. Koetting; seven sons, Richard Koetting, David Koetting and Jake Koetting, all of Salina, John Koetting of Newton, Steve Koetting of Ennis, Texas, Keith Koetting of Wichita, and Larry Koetting of Panhandle, Texas; six daughters, Barbara Radnik of San Antonio, Texas, Pat Hayes of Oxford, Brenda Burns of Pierre, S.D., Joyce Balaun of Salina, Beverly Stark of Stillwater, Okla., and Chrissy Bowles of Jefferson City, Mo.; a sister, Agnes Homer of Groom, Texas; and 27 grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to the Sacred Heart Jr./Sr. High School or the Salina Hospice.

BILLIE ROGERS SR.

BORGER — Billie "Red" Rogers Sr., 68, father of a Pampa resident, died Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1992. Services are set for 2 p.m. Saturday in Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Benny Kirksey of Stinnett officiating. Burial will be in Westlawn Memorial Park.

Mr. Rogers, born in Littlefield, was a Borger resident for 40 years. He retired as a gauger from Phillips Petroleum Co. He was a Baptist and an Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Rogers; three sons, James Rogers and Billie John Rogers III, both of Amarillo, and Billie John Rogers Jr. of Pampa; two stepsons, Ricky Eugene Goforth of Amarillo and Floyd Adams of Fort Worth; a daughter, Becky Sharp of Wichita, Kan.; two stepdaughters, Debra Jones of Borger and Cathy Simmons of Fort Worth; two brothers, Quinton Rogers of Mexico and W.C. "Dub" Rogers of . Quanah; a sister, Verna Mae Noel of San Antonio; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30

Hospital

HOSPITAL Admissions Virginia Ellen Carruth, Pampa Ernest Lee Crow, Pampa Tina Raquel Hagerman, Pampa Kiona Kaye Smith, Pampa Thomas F. Haggard (extended care), Pampa Leona Beatrice Hill (extended care), Lefors Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hagerman of Pampa, a boy. To Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Smith of Pampa, a boy.

CORONADO

Dismissals Debra Brittenham, Lefors Destine T. Currie, Pampa Thomas Haggard, Pampa Michelle Renee Tilley and baby boy, Pampa Cameron David Webster, Pampa Dorsey O. Gilmore (extended care), Pampa SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

No admissions or dismissals were reported.

Fires

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

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30 1:35 p.m. — Three units and five firefighters

responded to a grass fire three miles south of Pampa on Texas 70 and three miles west. TODAY, Dec. 31

1:25 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 200 block of Powell.

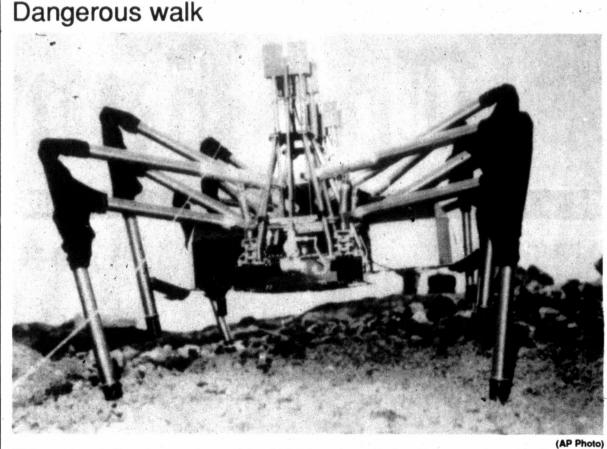
1:32 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 200 block of Lowery.

6:49 a.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the alley of 1300 East Francis.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are	Cabot O&G17 7/8	dn 1/8
provided by Wheeler-Evans of	Chevron	NC
Pampa.	Coca-Cola42 7/8	up 1/8
Wheat	Enron	dn 1/8
Milo	Halliburton	up 3/8
Com	HealthTrust Inc 19 3/8	up 1/8
CON1	Ingersoll Rand29 5/8	dn 1/8
The following show the prices for	KNE	NC
which these securities could have	Kerr McGee45 3/8	up 1/4
traded at the time of compilation:	Limited	dn 1/8
used at the time of compliation.	Марсо	dn 1/4
Ky. Cent. Life	Maxus	dn 1/8
Serfco	McDonald's	up 1/4
Occidental 17 1/4 NC	Mobil	up 1/4
	New Atmos23 1/4	dn 1/8
The following show the prices for	Parker & Parsley13 3/4	NC
which these mutual funds were bid at	Penney's	up 1/4
the time of compilation:		NC
Magellan63.01	Phillips	
Puntan	SLB	up 1/4
T. C. 11	SPS	NC
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock	Tenneco	dn 1/4
Market quotations are furnished by	Texaco	up 1/8
Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.	Wal-Mart	up 1/8
Amoco	New York Gold	
Arco115 1/8 up 1/4	Silver	
Cabot	West Texas Crude	

Sheriff's Office



This undated file photo released by NASA today shows 'Dante,' a spider-like robot belonging to NASA which will descend 700 feet into the crater of a live Antarctic volcano today. If all goes well, the eight-legged machine will pick up soil and rock samples and send back live video.

Powell wants crises response units consolidated under single command

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff believes the military services should Services Committee Chairman Les component served the nation well operate under a single command Aspin, D-Wis., has called for far when dealing with regional crises, according to Pentagon sources.

The sources said Wednesday that Gen. Colin Powell is recom- .12 to nine divisions. mending that such forces be consolidated under the U.S. Atlantic Command in Norfolk, Va. — and not necessarily be commanded by a Navy admiral as is the case now. The report, ordered up by Congress, also envisions the new command taking charge of any U.S. participation in said one source. Powell has from 17 domestic bases.

United Nations peacekeeping missions and overseeing disaster relief efforts, said the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The report has gone to Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and commanders around the world for their comments. It is to be written every three years to provide an updated review of the roles and missions adopted by the various branches of the armed services.

However, Powell's latest version lacks the sweeping revisions endorsed by President-elect Clinton and key Democrats in

Congress, the sources said.

President-elect Clinton's nominee defended the current air defense for defense secretary, House Armed structure, saying each service's air deeper cuts in defense spending than Cheney and Powell want, including holds to Powell's long-stated views reducing the size of the Army from

Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of training and support functions. the Senate Armed Services Committee, has recommended consolidating the air units of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps under the Air Force.

PEDC board OKs pension plan

nomic Development Corp. in a special meeting Wednesday.

Secretary Judy Wood.

Members reviewed a letter from for their retirement.

in the Desert Storm war with Iraq. Instead, the source said, the draft that duplications should be eliminated in such areas as basic flight

The report also includes at least one new proposal likely to draw flak in Congress: According to The New York Times, Powell wants The draft report turns that and to eliminate 10 Air National Guard several similar suggestions aside, jet fighter squadrons operating Zo

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A self-directed pension and prof- Burdett, Morgan and Thomas, an it-sharing plan was approved by attorney firm, regarding an board members of the Pampa Eco- employee benefit plan at the noon meeting.

Miller and Wood will have the The plan was approved for Direc- option of contributing up to 7 pertor Bill Miller and Administrative cent of their monthly income with matched funds from the corporation



Joshua M. Seabourn, 205 W. Harvester, reported criminal mischief to a 1965 Ford.

Jimmy Clark, Route 1, Box 90, reported criminal mischief in the 400 block of North Wynne.

Allsup's Convenience Store, 140 S. Starkweather, reported a theft.

Chez Tanz, 2137 N. Hobart, reported criminal mischief.

Arrest WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30

Penny Cole, 22, 2904 Rosewood, was arrested on two warrants. She was transferred to Gray County Jail and released on bond.

Accidents

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

motor vehicle.

Correction

a.m. today.

The listing on a Pampa Police Department accident report of Jared Brad Ely, 22, 1104 Terrace, as the driver in a Nov. 21 accident in the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway was a mistake, said Pampa Police Detective Terry Young. On Wednesday Young said, "Through our investigation it's been determined he was not the driver." Young said the investigation is continuing.

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the fol-

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30

Lana Stump, McLean, reported a theft from a

lowing incident during the 24-hour period ending at 7

Richards won't pick Republican

Pampa News office sets Friday closing

The business and advertising offices of The Pampa News will be closed on Friday so that employees can enjoy the New Year's holiday with family and friends. An early-deadline newspa-

per will be printed on Friday. Regular business hours will

resume on Monday.

AUSTIN (AP) — Democratic Gov. Ann Richards has declined a suggestion to appoint a Republican to the seat being vacated by Sen. Lloyd Bentsen.

With tongue in cheek, U.S. Rep. Joe Barton, R-Ennis, on Wednesday asked Richards to "cross party lines and appoint a Republican to fill the position."

'We have plenty of good candidates in the Democratic Party, and I think that Joe Barton will discover spokesman Bill Cryer.

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Barton noted that President-elect Clinton named Bentsen his designee for Treasury Secretary on Dec. 10. Since then, Barton said, Clinton has completed filling his Cabinet while Richards has yet to name a replacement for Bentsen.

Richards has said she will make an announcement next week.

'There is no real reason to rush to appoint someone," said Cryer, who said Bentsen's seat will not be vacant until he starts his new that," said Richards' press job in late January or early February.

Lake

· Appointed Precinct 1 Commissioner Joe Wheeley to serve a oneof Commerce board of directors.

Wheeley is currently a member of the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce.

Gray County Judge Carl Kennedy told commissioners he did not want to continue as the county's representative on the board. His one-year term as a representative of Gray County on the board of directors ended in October 1992, Kennedy said

 Took no action on a letter from Gray County Auditor A.C. Malone regarding the compensation policy for county employees concerning Court will take any action. their travel experises

Wednesday that Gray County Commissioners Court offer a per diem

employees at the full amount on he said. receipts they submit to the county from their business-related meals.

Kennedy noted on Wednesday year term as an ex-officio member that the county could continue to of the Greater Pampa Area Chamber offer employees the option of submitting their receipts for compensation at the amount paid if the total for part of the day or the full day exceeds \$10 or \$20, respectively.

> Took no action on a request for taxiway lighting at runway 1735 at Perry Lefors Airport. Although Paul Loyd of the airport board had presented the request at the Dec. 15 meeting of the airport board, the Commissioners Court decided Wednesday that it wants a request officially approved by the airport board before the Commissioners

Gene Barber, consultant engineer Kennedy tentatively suggested on for the airport, told the commissioners Wednesday that correction of transformer problems on the taxirate of compensation for business- way has restored some of the lightrelated meals of \$10 for part of the ing at runway 1735. A portion of the day and \$20 for the full day. The taxiway lighting at runway 1735

county currently compensates remains without lighting, however,

· Heard a recommendation by Wheeley that the Perry Lefors Airport begin keeping records on flight arrivals and departures there. Such records would "show the importance of the airport to this community," he said.

Approved the transfer of \$78,845 from the general account to the salary account; \$98,679 from the Highland General Hospital account to the general account; \$323 from the HGH to the Courthouse & Jail account; \$8,375 from FM&LR to Precinct 1 R&B; \$24,818 from FM&LR to Precinct 2 R&B; \$9,080 from FM&LR to Precinct 3 R&B#; \$12,676 from FM&LR to Precinct 4 R&B; \$87 from FM&LR to the Lake McClellan account; \$2,280 from FM&LR to Precinct 1 R&B; and \$3,200 from FM&LR to Precinct 3 R&B.

· Approved the payment of \$154,976 in salaries and \$55,761 in bills for December.

Approved numerous inter-budget transfers.

It contains recommendations on the redistribution of certain types of military assets" but no major realignment of the military branches, said one source.

Another official said the report "is consistent" with Powell's past calls for some readjustments. "I didn't find a lot of sweeping changes here." Cheney has told reporters he

might let his successor in the Clinton administration deal with the final report and send it to Congress.

City briefs

WATER WELL Service, Doug Kennedy, 665-4088. Adv. BRICK REPAIR, Harley Knutson, 665-4237. Adv.

MOOSE LODGE New Year's Eve Dance to Jack Daniel. Members and guests. Adv. **BABYSITTER FOR New Year's** Eve, call Dawn 665-1303. Adv.

Weather focus

Tonight, cold and mostly cloudy, the low 5-10 degrees, with easterly winds 5-15 mph, switching to the south late tonight. New Year's Day, mostly cloudy and cold with a 20 percent chance of light snow, the high in the upper 20s and southerly winds 10-20 mph. Wednesday's high was 64 degrees; the overnight low was 16 degrees.

REGIONAL FORECAST West Texas — Panhandle:

Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold. Lows 5 to 10 above. New Year's Day, mostly cloudy and continued cold with patchy light snow or flurries. Highs in the mid- to upper 20s. Friday night, partly cloudy and cold. Lows 10 to 20. Extended forecast: Saturday, partly cloudy and warmer. Highs in the 40s. Sunday, mostly cloudy and turning colder. Lows in the 20s. Highs from near 30 to the mid-30s. Monday, partly cloudy and cold. Lows from 5 to 15. Highs from the mid-20s north to the lower 30s south. South Plains: Tonight, cloudy and cold with a slight chance of light freezing rain. Lows in the mid-teens to near 20. New Year's Day, cloudy and cold with a slight chance of light rain or freezing rain. Highs in the lower to mid-30s. Friday night, decreasing cloudiness. Lows in the upper teens to mid-20s. Extended forecast: Sat-

IMAGES HAS the complete line up, skin care, and Lauder for Men. 123 N. Cuyler, 669-1091. Adv.

THERE WILL be a New Years Eve Singing at the First Free Will Baptist Church, 731 Sloan St. Thursday 8 p.m. till Midnight. Refreshments will be served. Adv.

urday, partly cloudy and warmer. Highs in the mid-40s to the lower

Extended forecast: Saturday through Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. High Saturday near 50, in the 50s Sunday and in the 60s Monday. Low Sunday in the 40s to near 50 and in the 50s Monday. Texas Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Temperatures in the 60s. New Year's Day, mostly cloudy and colder with a chance of rain. Temperatures falling into the 60s.

North Texas - Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold. A slight chance of light freezing rain northwest, chance of light rain southeast. Lows 25 northwest to 40 southeast. New Year's Day, mostly cloudy and cool. A chance of light rain southeast. Highs in the mid-30s north to lower 40s south. New Year's night, mostly cloudy and cold with a slight chance of light rain or freezing rain southeast. Lows in the mid-20s northwest to mid-30s southeast. Extended forecast: Saturday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of light rain southeast early. Highs in the lower 40s to near 50. Sunday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows in the mid-30s to the mid-40s. Highs in the 50s. Monday, decreasing cloudiness and colder. A slight chance of snow north early, and a slight chance of rain south early. Lows in the mid-20s to the mid-Friday night, cloudy and cold with a 30s. Highs in the middle 30s to near 40.

50s.. Sunday, mostly cloudy and LOCAL FORECAST

turning colder. Lows in the mid-20s to the mid-30s. Highs from the upper 30s to the mid-40s. Monday. partly cloudy and cold. Lows 10 to 20. Highs 30 to 35. Permian Basin: Tonight and New Year's Day, cloudy and colder with a slight chance of light freezing rain during the morning changing to rain in the afternoon. Lows in the lower 20s. Highs in the mid- to upper 30s. Friday night, mostly cloudy. Lows in

the upper 20s to lower 30s. South Texas - Texas Hill Country and South-Central Texas: Tonight, cloudy and cold with a chance of rain. Rain possibly mixed with freezing rain in the Hill Country tonight. Low near 30 Hill Country to 30s South-Central Texas: New Year's Day, mostly cloudy and cold with a chance of rain. High near 40 Hill Country to 40s South-Central Texas. Friday night, cloudy and cold with a chance of rain. Low in the 30s. Extended forecast: Saturday through Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. High in the 40s Saturday, 50s Sunday and near 60 Monday. Low in the 40s Sunday and Monday. Texas Coastal Bend: Tonight, cloudy and colder with a chance of rain. Low in the 40s. New Year's Day, mostly cloudy and cold with a chance of rain. High near 50. chance of rain. Low in the 40s.

Wednesday's winning numbers are: 3-29-38-39-47-48 LOST FEMALE Yorkshire Terof Estee Lauder fragrances, make- rier cut like Schnauzer with pink collar, has epilepsy, needs medication, answers to Dixie. Reward 665-3823. Adv.

BETA SIGMA Phi New Year's Eve Dance, Thursday, December 31, 9 p.m. M.K. Brown Auditorium, Lost Injun Band, Buffet supper and set-ups. Tickets, 665-5088. Adv.

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School system for prison inmates failing, reports state comptroller

By MIKE ERICKSON Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) - The state prison prison system's education program education system is failing and has not decreased the number of convicts returning to penitentiaries, State Comptroller John Sharp says.

On Wednesday, Sharp released an audit of the \$37 million prison education system that he said, showed that if major changes are not made, "we ought to scrap the whole thing and forget about it.'

Sharp said the Windham their problem, Sharp said. School System, which is the educational branch of Texas prisons, attitude of some people in the prison

State's employees to get paychecks a few days late

rate.

checks for a few days because of an shortfall. effort by the Texas Legislature to save money

expenses.

State employees usually get paid second unless that falls on a weekend

In this case, Friday is New Year's this being a holiday period." Day, a state holiday and then comes the weekend, meaning they won't get their paychecks until Monday, Jan. 4.

"It's comptroller's office spokesman Andy Welch said Wednesday. "The do not get paid until the first working day of the month. With the first being a holiday and the second and the fourth."

There are 226,000 state employ-

The Legislature moved employ- employees is that their checks will ees' payday from the last day of the include an across-the-board & permonth to the first in 1987 to reduce cent raise when they get them.

Schools fight over revenue

AUSTIN (AP) - State employees the number of pay periods that year will have to do without their pay- from 12 to 11, thus averting a budget

is its recidivism rate," Sharp said.

ing for prison educational programs

be tied to recidivism rates, and that

than the Texas Education Agency.

That would increase the account-

"We think that unfortunately the

Since then, state employees who have direct deposit fret about possi-Some say it couldn't come at a ble bounced checks whenever the worse time because of their holiday first of the month falls on a holiday or a weekend.

on the first of every month unless of employees who are in this situathat falls on a holiday. In that case, tion, but we're basically hung out to they are supposed to be paid on the dry," Welch said. "We tried to warn people. A lot of people are just now realizing it. It is doubly unfortunate,

> Lane Zivley, executive director of the Texas Public Employees Association, said his group has received complaints from its members when unfortunate," state their checks have been late.

legislation that will correct it," Zivstate law says that state employees ley said. "The only trouble is, it's going to cost the state money, so it's going to be very tough to do. And I sure don't want to jeopardize insurthe third being Saturday and Sunday, ance or salary increases or anything the first working day of the month is just to make it so that state employees get their paychecks a day earli-

The only consolation for the state

them," Sharp said. "They seem to cational system affects the recidi-"The most telling measure of any take no responsibility for whether or vism rate, which he said was a sign not someone returns to that sys- of their indifference. The audit recommends that fundtem

funding be placed under the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, rather shuffling the decks," he added.

whom don't believe recidivism is had not seen the audit and had no ures. comment.

use of facilities and cutting adminis- the prison system. runs efficiently, but apparently system is, that our job is to accept trative overhead costs, that could the system.

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Popular panda dies

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ling_r was followed in detail, in hopes she two-decade reign as America's only resident female giant panda.

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the National Zoo, found dead of given birth since 1989. unknown causes Wednesday, captured world headlines with her fraginept mate.

Millions of visitors came to gape ing advice, consolation and greetings. at the nation's first and only giant could be counted on to be sprawled out, fast asleep.

Ling died as quietly as the five ill- would be the first panda in the Unitfated cubs she bore, closing out a ed States to raise cubs in captivity.

She bore five full-term cubs, but all died shortly after birth from ees. The 23-year-old star attraction of infections, Morgan said. She had not

Over the years, the pandas' love life was romanticized, scrutinized, anaile love life and hapless romance lyzed, televised, ridiculed. Hundreds with Hsing-Hsing, her sometimes of letters, many addressed to the pandas, arrived at the National Zoo, offer-

Other American zoos have dis- agrees it may have been overpaid about having to relinquish panda couple. On a typical day, the played panda couples for short peri- in Mitchell County taxes last year, money, Hollis said. Instead, he languid, teddy bear-like creatures ods on loan from the Chinese govern- but said it's not fair to even the added, Westbrook built its budget ment. But Hsing-Hsing and Ling-Ling were the only permanent male-female No matter. Zoo officials said they pair in this country, Morgan said. He said the zoo would like to acquire a replacement, but such a decision would depend on relations 'We know that her death will sad- between the Chinese and U.S. gov-

were bona fide celebrities who delivered a subtle yet strong message for wildlife conservation.

den millions of people who saw this emments. popular animal at the National Zoo and learned from her about the plight of giant pandas and other mountain refuges in China. endangered species," said Dr. Benjamin Beck, acting zoo director.

"They didn't do a lot, but (we liked) just to be able to look at them' 240-pound animal was found dead and know they were so rare," said in the pandas' outdoor enclosure by who visited the zoo Wednesday with her 4-year-old daughter.

introduced to the American public amid fanfare as gifts from the People's Republic of China in 1972 when then-President Nixon established ties with the Communist nation.

most popular exhibit, attracting about 63 million visitors since their arrival, zoo spokesman Mike Morgan said.

There are believed to be fewer than 1,000 giant pandas living in

Zoo officials said Ling-Ling's death was unexpected, although at 23 she was old for a panda. The Julia Levinson of Springfield, Va., a keeper assigned to their 3 p.m. feeding, Morgan said.

Ling-Ling and Hsing-Hsing were ously ill with a kidney infection but the courts." was saved with antibiotics.

Morgan said a zoo pathologist will perform an autopsy, but the exact cause of death may not be known for some time. He said Ling-

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Daily Record

Services tomorrow

No services for tomorrow were reported to The Pampa News by press time today.

Obituaries

BERNARD JOHN KOETTING SALINA, Kan. - Bernard John "B.J." Koetting, 69, brother of a Groom, Texas, resident, died Monday, Dec. 28, 1992. Vigil services were at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Ryan Mortuary. Mass was said at 10 a.m. today in St. Mary's Catholic Church with Bishop George K. Fitzsimmons, the Rev. Emil Labbe and the Rev. Louis Mattas officiating. Burial was in Mount Calvary Baptist Cemetery.

Mr. Koetting, born in St. Thomas, Mo., moved to Salina, Kan., in 1968 from Lubbock. He was the owner/operator of B.J. Koetting Construction. He began his metal building construction company in Lubbock and continued in the business until his death. He was also a cattleman for more than 15 years and was a wholesale dealer for Phillips Petroleum Co. for 10 years in Texas. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Sacred Heart Jr./Sr. High School Endowment Board, Salina Moose Lodge, American Association of Retired Persons, the Kansas Livestock Association and the Salina Chamber of Commerce.

Survivors include his wife, Blanche C. Koetting; seven sons, Richard Koetting, David Koetting and Jake Koetting, all of Salina, John Koetting of Newton, Steve Koetting of Ennis, Texas, Keith Koetting of Wichita, and Larry Koetting of Panhandle, Texas; six daughters, Barbara Radnik of San Antonio, Texas, Pat Hayes of Oxford, Brenda Burns of Pierre, S.D., Joyce Balaun of Salina, Beverly Stark of Stillwater, Okla., and Chrissy Bowles of Jefferson City, Mo.; a sister, Agnes Homer of Groom, Texas; and 27 grandchildren.

The family requests memorials be made to the Sacred Heart Jr./Sr. High School or the Salina Hospice.

BILLIE ROGERS SR.

BORGER — Billie "Red" Rogers Sr., 68, father of a Pampa resident, died Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1992. Services are set for 2 p.m. Saturday in Minton-Chatwell Funeral Directors Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Benny Kirksey of Stinnett officiating. Burial will be in Westlawn Memorial Park.

Mr. Rogers, born in Littlefield, was a Borger resident for 40 years. He retired as a gauger from Phillips Petroleum Co. He was a Baptist and an Army veteran of World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret Rogers; three sons, James Rogers and Billie John Rogers III, both of Amarillo, and Billie John Rogers Jr. of Pampa; two stepsons, Ricky Eugene Goforth of Amarillo and Floyd Adams of Fort Worth; a daughter, Becky Sharp of Wichita, Kan.; two stepdaughters, Debra Jones of Borger and Cathy Simmons of Fort Worth; two brothers, Quinton Rogers of Mexico and W.C. "Dub" Rogers of Quanah; a sister, Verna Mae Noel of San Antonio; 10 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Police report

The Pampa Police Department reported the following calls during the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. today. WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30

Hospital

HOSPITAL Admissions Virginia Ellen Carruth, Pampa Ernest Lee Crow, Pampa Tina Raquel Hagerman, Pampa Kiona Kaye Smith, Pampa Thomas F. Haggard (extended care), Pampa Leona Beatrice Hill (extended care), Lefors **Births**

CORONADO

To Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hagerman of Pampa, a boy. To Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Smith of Pampa, a boy.

Dismissals Debra Brittenham, Lefors Destine T. Currie, Pampa Thomas Haggard, Pampa Michelle Renee Tilley and baby boy, Pampa Cameron David Webster, Pampa Dorsey O. Gilmore (extended care), Pampa SHAMROCK HOSPITAL

No admissions or dismissals were reported.

Fires

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

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30 1:35 p.m. — Three units and five firefighters responded to a grass fire three miles south of Pampa on Texas 70 and three miles west. TODAY, Dec. 31

1:25 a.m. - One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 200 block of Powell.

1:32 a.m. — One unit and two firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the 200 block of Lowery.

6:49 a.m. — Two units and three firefighters responded to a dumpster fire in the alley of 1300 East Francis.

Stocks

The following grain quotations are	Cabot O&G17 7/8	dn 1/8
provided by Wheeler-Evans of	Chevron	NC
Pampa.	Coca-Cola	up 1/8
Wheat	Enron	dn 1/8
Milo	Halliburton	up 3/8
Com 3.98	HealthTrust Inc 19 3/8	up 1/8
001111111111111111111111111111111111111	Ingersoll Rand29 5/8	dn 1/8
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which these securities could have	Kerr McGee45 3/8	up 1/4
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	Mapco54 1/8	dn 1/4
Ky. Cent. Life	Maxus	dn 1/8
Serfco	McDonald's	up 1/4
Occidental 17 1/4 NC	Mobil62 7/8	up 1/4
The following show the prices for	New Atmos	dn 1/8
The following show the prices for which these mutual funds were bid at	Parker & Parsley13 3/4	NC
	Penney's	up 1/4
the time of compilation:	Phillips	NC
Magellan	SLB	up 1/4
Funtan	SPS	NC
The following 9:30 a.m. N.Y. Stock	Tenneco	dn 1/4
Market quotations are furnished by	Техасо	up 1/8
Edward D. Jones & Co. of Pampa.	Wal-Mart	up 1/8
Amoco	New York Gold	.332.70
Arco115 1/8 up 1/4	Silver	3.65
Cabot	West Texas Crude	

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the fol-

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30

Lana Stump, McLean, reported a theft from a

The listing on a Pampa Police Department acci-

dent report of Jared Brad Ely, 22, 1104 Terrace, as

the driver in a Nov. 21 accident in the 2500 block of Perryton Parkway was a mistake, said Pampa Police

Detective Terry Young. On Wednesday Young said, "Through our investigation it's been determined he

was not the driver." Young said the investigation is

lowing incident during the 24-hour period ending at 7

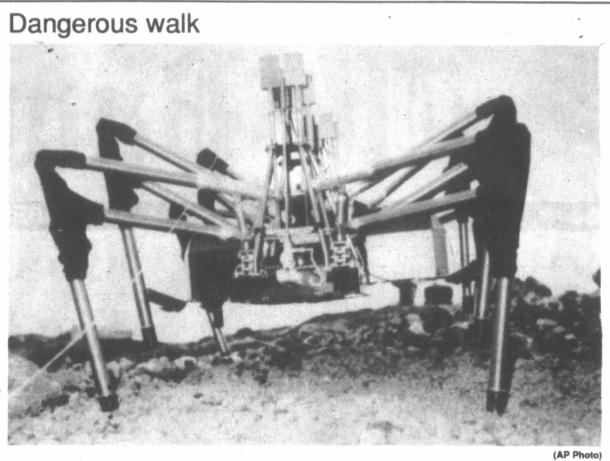
Sheriff's Office

a.m. today.

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motor vehicle.

Correction



This undated file photo released by NASA today shows 'Dante,' a spider-like robot belonging to NASA which will descend 700 feet into the crater of a live Antarctic volcano today. If all goes well, the eight-legged machine will pick up soil and rock samples and send back live video.

Powell wants crises response units consolidated under single command

WASHINGTON (AP) — The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff believes the military services should operate under a single command when dealing with regional crises, according to Pentagon sources.

The sources said Wednesday that Gen. Colin Powell is recom- 12 to nine divisions. mending that such forces be consolidated under the U.S. Atlantic the Senate Armed Services Commit-Command in Norfolk, Va. - and not necessarily be commanded by a Navy admiral as is the case now. The report, ordered up by Congress,

also envisions the new command tak-United Nations peacekeeping missions and overseeing disaster relief efforts, said the sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The report has gone to Defense, Secaround the world for their comments. It is to be written every three years to provide an updated review of the roles and missions adopted by the various branches of the armed services.

However, Powell's latest version lacks the sweeping revisions endorsed by President-elect Clinton and key Democrats in

Congress, the sources said.

President-elect Clinton's nominee defended the current air defense Services Committee Chairman Les Aspin, D-Wis., has called for far deeper cuts in defense spending than reducing the size of the Army from

Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of tee, has recommended consolidating the air units of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps under the Air Force.

several similar suggestions aside, ing charge of any U.S. participation in said one source. Powell has from 17 domestic bases.

PEDC board OKs pension plan

nomic Development Corp. in a special meeting Wednesday.

The plan was approved for Director Bill Miller and Administrative cent of their monthly income with Secretary Judy Wood.

Members reviewed a letter from for their retirement.

for defense secretary, House Armed structure, saying each service's air component served the nation well in the Desert Storm war with Iraq.

Instead, the source said, the draft Cheney and Powell want, including holds to Powell's long-stated views that duplications should be eliminated in such areas as basic flight training and support functions.

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The report also includes at least one new proposal likely to draw flak in Congress: According to The New York Times, Powell wants The draft report turns that and to eliminate 10 Air National Guard jet fighter squadrons operating

A self-directed pension and prof- Burdett, Morgan and Thomas, an it-sharing plan was approved by attorney firm, regarding an retary Dick Cheney and commanders board members of the Pampa Eco- employee benefit plan at the noon meeting.

Miller and Wood will have the option of contributing up to 7 permatched funds from the corporation

Joshua M. Seabourn, 205 W. Harvester, reported criminal mischief to a 1965 Ford.

Jimmy Clark, Route 1, Box 90, reported criminal mischief in the 400 block of North Wynne.

Allsup's Convenience Store, 140 S. Starkweather, reported a theft.

Chez Tanz, 2137 N. Hobart, reported criminal mischief.

> Arrest WEDNESDAY, Dec. 30

Penny Cole, 22, 2904 Rosewood, was arrested on two warrants. She was transferred to Gray County Jail and released on bond.

Accidents

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

Pampa News office sets Friday closing

The business and advertising offices of The Pampa News will be closed on Friday so that employees can enjoy the New Year's holiday with family and friends. An early-deadline newspa-

per will be printed on Friday. Regular business hours will

resume on Monday.

Richards won't pick Republican AUSTIN (AP) — Democratic Gov. Ann Richards has declined a suggestion to appoint a Republican to the seat being vacated by Sen. Lloyd Bentsen.

With tongue in cheek, U.S. Rep. Joe Barton, R-Ennis, on Wednesday asked Richards to "cross party lines and appoint a Republican to fill the position."

"We have plenty of good candidates in the Democratic Party, and I think that Joe Barton will discover spokesman Bill Cryer.

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Barton noted that President-elect Clinton named Bentsen his designee for Treasury Secretary on Dec. 10. Since then, Barton said, Clinton has completed filling his Cabinet while Richards has yet to name a replacement for Bentsen.

Richards has said she will make an announcement next week.

'There is no real reason to rush to appoint someone," said Cryer, who said Bentsen's seat will not be vacant until he starts his new that," said Richards' press job in late January or early February.

Lake

· Appointed Precinct 1 Commissioner Joe Wheeley to serve a oneyear term as an ex-officio member that the county could continue to of the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce board of directors.

Wheeley is currently a member of the Greater Pampa Area Chamber of Commerce.

Gray County Judge Carl Kennedy told commissioners he did not want to continue as the county's representative on the board. His one-year term as a representative of Grav County on the board of directors ended in October 1992, Kennedy

· Took no action on a letter from Gray County Auditor A.C. Malone regarding the compensation policy for county employees concerning Court will take any action. their travel expenses.

Wednesday that Gray County Com-

county currently compensates remains without lighting, however, employees at the full amount on he said. receipts they submit to the county

from their business-related meals. Kennedy noted on Wednesday offer employees the option of submitting their receipts for compensation at the amount paid if the ty," he said. total for part of the day or the full day exceeds \$10 or \$20, respec-

tively. Took no action on a request for taxiway lighting at runway 1735 at Perry Lefors Airport. Although Paul Loyd of the airport board had presented the request at the Dec. 15 meeting of the airport board, the Commissioners Court decided Wednesday that it wants a request officially approved by the airport board before the Commissioners

Gene Barber, consultant engineer Kennedy tentatively suggested on for the airport, told the commissioners Wednesday that correction of missioners Court offer a per diem transformer problems on the taxirate of compensation for business- way has restored some of the lightrelated meals of \$10 for part of the ing at runway 1735. A portion of the day and \$20 for the full day. The taxiway lighting at runway 1735 get transfers.

· Heard a recommendation by Wheeley that the Perry Lefors Air-

port begin keeping records on flight arrivals and departures there. Such records would "show the importance of the airport to this communi-

· Approved the transfer of \$78,845 from the general account to the salary account; \$98,679 from the Highland General Hospital account to the general account; \$323 from the HGH to the Courthouse & Jail account; \$8,375 from FM&LR to Precinct 1 R&B; \$24,818 from FM&LR to Precinct 2 R&B; \$9,080 from FM&LR to Precinct 3°R&B#: \$12,676 from FM&LR to Precinct 4 R&B: \$87 from FM&LR to the Lake McClellan account; \$2,280 from FM&LR to Precinct 1 R&B; and \$3,200 from FM&LR to Precinct 3 R&B.

· Approved the payment of \$154,976 in salaries and \$55,761 in bills for December.

Approved numerous inter-bud-

It contains recommendations on the redistribution of certain types of military assets" but no major realignment of the military branches, said one source.

Another official said the report "is consistent" with Powell's past calls for some readjustments. "I didn't find a lot of sweeping changes here."

Cheney has told reporters he might let his successor in the Clinton administration deal with the final report and send it to Congress.

City briefs

WATER WELL Service, Doug Kennedy, 665-4088. Adv. BRICK REPAIR, Harley Knutson, 665-4237. Adv.

Eve Dance to Jack Daniel. Members and guests. Adv. **BABYSITTER FOR New Year's** Eve, call Dawn 665-1303. Adv.

Weather focus

LOCAL FORECAST Tonight, cold and mostly cloudy, the low 5-10 degrees, with easterly winds 5-15 mph, switching to the south late tonight. New Year's Day, mostly cloudy and cold with a 20 percent chance of light snow, the high in the upper 20s and southerly winds 10-20 mph. Wednesday's high was 64 degrees; the overnight low was 16 degrees.

> **REGIONAL FORECAST** West Texas - Panhandle:

the upper 20s to lower 30s. Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold. Lows 5 to 10 above. New Year's try and South-Central Texas: Day, mostly cloudy and continued Tonight, cloudy and cold with a cold with patchy light snow or flurchance of rain. Rain possibly mixed ries. Highs in the mid- to upper 20s. with freezing rain in the Hill Coun-Friday night, partly cloudy and try tonight. Low near 30 Hill Councold. Lows 10 to 20. Extended foretry to 30s South-Central Texas: cast: Saturday, partly cloudy and New Year's Day, mostly cloudy and warmer. Highs in the 40s. Sunday, cold with a chance of rain. High mostly cloudy and turning colder. near 40 Hill Country to 40s South-Lows in the 20s. Highs from near Central Texas. Friday night, cloudy 30 to the mid-30s. Monday, partly and cold with a chance of rain. Low cloudy and cold. Lows from 5 to in the 30s. Extended forecast: Satur-15. Highs from the mid-20s north to day through Monday, mostly cloudy the lower 30s south. South Plains: with a chance of rain. High in the Tonight, cloudy and cold with a 40s Saturday, 50s Sunday and near slight chance of light freezing rain. 60 Monday. Lowein the 40s Sunday Lows in the mid-teens to near 20. and Monday. Texas Coastal Bend: New Year's Day, cloudy and cold Tonight, cloudy and colder with a with a slight chance of light rain or chance of rain. Low in the 40s. New freezing rain. Highs in the lower to Year's Day, mostly cloudy and cold mid-30s. Friday night, decreasing with a chance of rain. High near 50. cloudiness. Lows in the upper teens Friday night, cloudy and cold with a 30s. Highs in the middle 30s to to mid-20s. Extended forecast: Sat- chance of rain. Low in the 40s. near 40.

IMAGES HAS the complete line of Estee Lauder fragrances, make- rier cut like Schnauzer with pink up, skin care, and Lauder for Men. 123 N. Cuyler, 669-1091. Adv.

THERE WILL be a New Years Eve Singing at the First Free Will Refreshments will be served. Adv.

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20. Highs 30 to 35. Permian Basin:

Tonight and New Year's Day,

cloudy and colder with a slight

chance of light freezing rain during

the morning changing to rain in the

afternoon. Lows in the lower 20s.

Highs in the mid- to upper 30s. Fri-

South Texas - Texas Hill Coun-

LOST FEMALE Yorkshire Tercollar, has epilepsy, needs medication, answers to Dixie. Reward 665-3823. Adv.

BETA SIGMA Phi New Year's Eve Dance, Thursday, December Baptist Church, 731 Sloan St. 31, 9 p.m. M.K. Brown Auditorium, Thursday 8 p.m. till Midnight. Lost Injun Band, Buffet supper and set-ups. Tickets, 665-5088. Adv.

> Extended forecast: Saturday through Monday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. High Saturday near 50, in the 50s Sunday and in the 60s Monday. Low Sunday in the 40s to near 50 and in the 50s Monday. Texas Lower Rio Grande Valley and Plains: Tonight, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Temperatures in the 60s. New Year's Day, mostly cloudy and colder with a chance of rain. Temperatures falling into the 60s.

North Texas - Tonight, mostly day night, mostly cloudy. Lows in cloudy and cold. A slight chance of light freezing rain northwest, chance of light rain southeast. Lows 25 northwest to 40 southeast. New Year's Day, mostly cloudy and cool. A chance of light rain southeast. Highs in the mid-30s north to lower 40s south. New Year's night, mostly cloudy and cold with a slight chance of light rain or freezing rain southeast. Lows in the mid-20s northwest to mid-30s southeast. Extended forecast: Saturday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of light rain southeast early. Highs in the lower 40s to near 50. Sunday, mostly cloudy with a chance of rain. Lows in the mid-30s to the mid-40s. Highs in the 50s. Monday, decreasing cloudiness and colder. A slight chance of snow north early, and a slight chance of rain south early. Lows in the mid-20s to the mid-

MOOSE LODGE New Year's urday, partly cloudy and warmer.



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School system for prison inmates failing, reports state comptroller

By MIKE ERICKSON Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN (AP) — The state prison education system is failing and has not decreased the number of convicts returning to penitentiaries,

State Comptroller John Sharp says. On Wednesday, Sharp released an audit of the \$37 million prison education system that he said, showed that if major changes are not made, we ought to scrap the whole thing and forget about it.'

Sharp said the Windham their problem, Sharp said. School System, which is the edu-

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there by the time I got through with shuffling the decks," he added.

Lane Murray, superintendent of comment

The audit calls for making better use of facilities and cutting administrative overhead costs, that could lion is proposed to be reinvested in the system.

According to Sharp, almost 43 percent of convicts paroled from classes. Texas prisons are back behind bars and the rate is rising.

FRIDAY JANUARY

1:00-5:00 P.M.

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prison system's education program is its recidivism rate," Sharp said. The audit recommends that funding for prison educational programs be tied to recidivism rates, and that funding be placed under the Texas Board of Criminal Justice, rather than the Texas Education Agency. That would increase the accountability of prison officials, many of whom don't believe recidivism is had not seen the audit and had no ures.

"We think that unfortunately the cational branch of Texas prisons, attitude of some people in the prison runs efficiently, but apparently system is, that our job is to accept

State's employees to get paychecks a few days late

checks for a few days because of an shortfall. effort by the Texas Legislature to save money

Some say it couldn't come at a worse time because of their holiday expenses.

State employees usually get paid on the first of every month unless that falls on a holiday. In that case, second unless that falls on a weekend

In this case, Friday is New Year's Day, a state holiday and then comes the weekend, meaning they won't get their paychecks until Monday, Jan. 4.

"It's comptroller's office spokesman Andy Welch said Wednesday. "The state law says that state employees do not get paid until the first working day of the month. With the first being a holiday and the second and the third being Saturday and Sunday, the first working day of the month is the fourth.'

There are 226,000 state employ- er.'

The Legislature moved employ- employees is that their checks will ees' payday from the last day of the include an across-the-board 3 permonth to the first in 1987 to reduce cent raise when they get them.

ile love life and hapless romance lyzed, televised, ridiculed. Hundreds Schools fight over revenue

COLORADO CITY (AP) — A small West Texas school district Nimmo should have warned them Other American zoos have dis- agrees it may have been overpaid about having to relinquish panda couple. On a typical day, the played panda couples for short peri- in Mitchell County taxes last year, money, Hollis said. Instead, he languid, teddy bear-like creatures ods on loan from the Chinese govern- but said it's not fair to even the added, Westbrook built its budget could be counted on to be sprawled ment. But Hsing-Hsing and Ling-Ling books by withholding the money around the expected level of this year. funding. Members of the board of the County Education District, voted 2-1 on Tuesday to withhold \$73,000 of Westbrook's 1992-93 share of CED tax money, according to Don Nimmo, the district's administrator. Westbrook overstated its student than 1,000 giant pandas living in enrollment during the 1991-92 school year, resulting in an overpayment, said Nimmo, who is also superintendent of Colorado City's school district. 'The money was totally spent," Westbrook Superintendent Sonny Hollis said. "We think the authority over this matter is not the CED (but) In 1983, Ling-Ling became seri- the commissioner of education or IOV and peace Burgers A GRVIES Shakes As 1993 begins, our hopes are raised that peace may bless the earth.

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AUSTIN (AP) - State employees the number of pay periods that year will have to do without their pay- from 12 to 11, thus averting a budget

Since then, state employees who have direct deposit fret about possible bounced checks whenever the first of the month falls on a holiday or a weekend,

"I don't know of any other class of employees who are in this situation, but we're basically hung out to they are supposed to be paid on the dry," Welch said. "We tried to warn people. A lot of people are just now realizing it. It is doubly unfortunate, this being a holiday period."

> Lane Zivley, executive director of the Texas Public Employees Association, said his group has received complaints from its members when their checks have been late.

> "We're going to try to do some legislation that will correct it," Zivley said. "The only trouble is, it's going to cost the state money, so it's going to be very tough to do. And I sure don't want to jeopardize insurance or salary increases or anything just to make it so that state employees get their paychecks a day earli-

The only consolation for the state

Westbrook officials believe





Ling-Ling, seen in this 1989 photo at the National Zoo in Washington, D.C., died Wednesday.

Popular panda dies

two-decade reign as America's only resident female giant panda.

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The 23-year-old star attraction of the National Zoo, found dead of unknown causes Wednesday, captured world headlines with her fragwith Hsing-Hsing, her sometimes inept mate.

Millions of visitors came to gape at the nation's first and only giant

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ling- was followed in detail, in hopes she Ling died as quietly as the five ill- would be the first panda in the Unitfated cubs she bore, closing out a ed States to raise cubs in captivity.

She bore five full-term cubs, but all died shortly after birth from ees. infections, Morgan said. She had not given birth since 1989.

Over the years, the pandas' love life was romanticized, scrutinized, anaof letters, many addressed to the pandas, arrived at the National Zoo, offering advice, consolation and greetings.

were the only permanent male-female pair in this country, Morgan said. He said the zoo would like to acquire a replacement, but such a decision would depend on relations between the Chinese and U.S. governments. There are believed to be fewer Zoo officials said Ling-Ling's death was unexpected, although at 23 she was old for a panda. The 240-pound animal was found dead in the pandas' outdoor enclosure by a keeper assigned to their 3 p.m. feeding, Morgan said. ously ill with a kidney infection but the courts." was saved with antibiotics. Morgan said a zoo pathologist will perform an autopsy, but the exact cause of death may not be known for some time. He said Ling-Ling was the oldest panda living outside China

Happy Birthday

Sweet Sixteen!

Love from Dad,

Mom & Otis

unfortunate," state

out, fast asleep.

No matter. Zoo officials said they were bona fide celebrities who delivered a subtle vet strong message for wildlife conservation.

'We know that her death will sadden millions of people who saw this popular animal at the National Zoo and learned from her about the plight of giant pandas and other mountain refuges in China. endangered species," said Dr. Benjamin Beck, acting zoo director.

"They didn't do a lot, but (we liked) just to be able to look at them and know they were so rare," said Julia Levinson of Springfield, Va., who visited the zoo Wednesday with her 4-year-old daughter.

Ling-Ling and Hsing-Hsing were introduced to the American public amid fanfare as gifts from the People's Republic of China in 1972 when then-President Nixon established ties with the Communist nation.

The black and white, bamboo-eating mammals have been the zoo's most popular exhibit, attracting about 63 million visitors since their arrival, zoo spokesman Mike Morgan said. Zoo officials long dreamed of rais-

ing little pandas, but Ling-Ling turned out to be indifferent to sex and

Hsing-Hsing was a bumbler. Artifi-

cial insemination didn't work, and

Ling-Ling fought with a would-be suitor brought in from a London zoo.

Finally, Hsing-Hsing caught on

and in 1983 they began mating.

Each of Ling-Ling's pregnancies

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Louise Fletcher Publisher

J. Alan Brzys Managing Editor

Opinion A dose of freedom

As colds spread from person to person this soggy December, many people are taking extra doses of Vitamin C as a preventative. Considerable medical evidence for the efficacy of Vitamin C has been compiled by Linus Pauling and others.

It should be a person's own decision whether to take extra doses of Vitamin C or to use some other possible remedy. But in the 1970s, the government tried to make it illegal to sell large doses of this and other vitamins without a doctor's prescription. An alliance of health enthusiasts, libertarians, and small-government conservatives worked to defeat the government action.

But the bureaucracy began menacing vitamin takers again over the past four years. David Kessler, chief of the Food and Drug Administration, pushed his agency to restrict vitamins. He's one outgoing Bush bureaucrat who won't be missed.

As a pre-emptive action against FDA dictates, Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah introduced the Health Freedom Bill in the last Congress.

"In our free society," he explained, "consumers should be able to purchase any food they want ... regardless of whether someone in the federal bureaucracy approves. Unfortunately, however, some people in the government, including some people at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, appear to have unfairly treated dietary supplements and have tried to establish unreasonable regulatory burdens on such products."

Congress enacted only the section of the Hatch bill that postponed FDA regulations of dietary supplements for one year. But the full bill is needed to stop new FDA dictates. Sen. Hatch's office said he intends to re-introduce the legislation in the new Congress.

The Health Freedom Act's most important provisions contend that a vitamin is not a drug solely because it has a high potency; and that a vitamin is not a food additive. This wording exempts vitamins from limits on prescription drugs and on chemicals placed in foods, two areas the FDA stringently controls.

Though they do not share Sen. Hatch's party label, California's two new senators, Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer, should lend strong support to the Health Freedom Bill. Health community

Adventure awaits at the Balkans

When it comes to saving the world, George Bush has adopted the Jacqueline Susann policy: Once is not enough. Hardly had the U.S. Marines hit the beach in Somalia than the president was looking for a fresh adventure abroad, which he found waiting in the Balkans. After months of inaction, Bush has been liberated by his impending exile from office to do all the things he had to avoid during the presidential campaign. Inaction was wise.

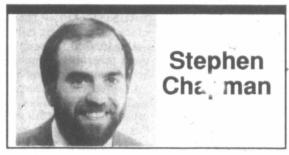
The administration revealed last week that it's ready to begin spilling blood in Bosnia-Herzegovina, started by enforcing a ban on Serbian aircraft to the military effort. Bombing will be effective flights over the country and possibly proceeding to rain bombs on Serbian targets in both "Bosnia and Serbia. Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger mountains around Sarajevo. recommended that the president of Serbia and others be tried as war criminals.

The premise behind the policy is that whenever anyone has need. Americans incur an obligation. We don't. Terrible things are going on in the Balkans. Terrible things are going on in lots of places on the globe, most of which Americans don't feel a responsibility to stop.

Dean Rusk, then secretary of state, justified the Vietnam War by saying, "We can be safe only to the extent that our total environment is safe." By "total environment," he meant the entire world. In fact, 90 percent of the trouble beyond our borders poses no threat to us and requires no response from us.

Bush, however, is prepared to follow the Rusk formula wherever it leads. In Bosnia, the administration can choose from several options that are useful and doable. But the responses that are useful are not doable, and the ones that are doable are not useful.

Enforcing a "no-fly" zone is pointless: The Serbian aircraft violating the current ban aren't engaged in combat operations and contribute little



only against trees and rocks, since the Serbian guns are small, mobile and easy to hide in the wooded

Hitting targets in Serbia itself might induce the government to stop helping the Bosnian Serbs, but having occupied 70 percent of Bosnia-Herzegovina, they can manage fine without the help. Proposing to try Serbia's president as a war criminal will encourage him to keep fighting: Who wouldn't prefer a war to a noose? Any of these steps would invite retribution against United nations peacekeepers now in Bosnia.

The only plausible way to stop the Serbs, reverse their gains and assure the safety of Bosnian Croats cope, we can always take some: Better to send and Moslems is to send hundreds of thousands of ground troops — who would have the assignment of designed for guerrilla warfare than anywhere this side of the Mekong Delta. So far, even the most fervent interventionists are squeamish about that option.

If they are uncertain about what to do, they are in cleansing" is about using terror to force Croats and of such conflicts, and plenty from plunging in.

Moslems to leave, not exterminating them as a people. It's ugly, but it's not the Final Solution.

The interventionists also claim that important U.S. interests are at stake. If Serbia is allowed to triumph in Bosnia, they warn, it may turn to Kosovo and Macedonia. The result could be a broader war involving not only Albania and Bulgaria but also two NATO members, Greece and Turkey. That allegedly would be a danger to our other allies, which are already being destabilized by all the refugees streaming west.

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This speculation shouldn't inspire panic. showdown between Greece and Turkey might be a disaster for them, but not for anyone else. They fought a war over Cyprus in 1974, without any major inconvenience to their neighbors.

Western Europe's refugee problem is also less than meets the eye. Germany, which gets most of them, has admitted about 450,000 refugees this year. That sounds like a lot to Germans, but proportionate to population, it's about 50 percent fewer foreigners than the United States accepts every year.

If other countries in Western Europe would open their doors a crack, the refugees could be spread around to dilute their effect. And if Europe can't Bosnians to America than Americans to Bosnia. The communist victory in Vietnam also created a subduing fierce native guerrillas in a place better humanitarian ni thmare and refugee crisis remember the boat people? — but neither was a sufficient reason for the United States to keep expending American lives to prevent it.

Bosnia is early evidence that without the conno doubt about why to do it: The Serbs, in their straints imposed by the Cold War, the world will be view, are practicing genocide, which the world has a messier place, with plenty of turmoil and bloodan urgent duty to prevent. But Serbian "Ethnic shed. Americans face few risks from steering clear

Today in history

By The Associated Press

Today is Thursday, Dec. 31st, the 366th and final day of 1992. Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 31, 1946, President Truman officially proclaimed the end of World War II.

On this date:

Union.

In 1775, the British repulsed an attack by Continental Army Gens. **Richard Montgomery and Benedict** Arnold at Quebec. Montgomery was killed.

In 1857, Britain's Queen Victoria decided to make Ottawa the capital of Canada.

In 1862, President Lincoln signed an act admitting West Virginia to the

In 1879, inventor Thomas Edison first publicly demonstrated his electric incandescent light in Menlo Park, N.J.



sources told us President-elect Bill Clinton also looks favorably on the bill.

Republicans' and Democrats can come together on this issue to promote health and freedom.

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ome alone at Christmas

NEW YORK — Trying to hail a taxi on a street corner in Manhattan at 5 in the afternoon is like trying to get one buffalo's attention as an entire herd rushes past.

You stand there like an idiot with your hand in the air, and the great yellow procession ignores you and rushes on by.

So I'm 20 minutes into this seemingly futile effort when a blue compact pulls in front of me and stops. There is a sign in the front window that reads: Car for Hire.

I don't know if this is some sort of renegade cab driver or not, but, at this point, I don't care.

I climb in the back seat and tell the man in front where I want to go.

He is an elderly man, wearing a hat and thick glasses. We stop at a light as we go through Central Park.

The driver, who hasn't spoken a word to this point, suddenly says, "It was five months today I lost my dear wife.'

"I'm sorry to hear that," I reply.

"Five months ago today," He repeats. "It's tough, you know, this time of year."

I imagined that it would be. For all the joy and hope Christmas brings to some, It can mean the searing pain of loneliness to others.

"How long were you married?" I ask.

"For 45 wonderful years," the driver answers.

I'm sure I detect his voice breaking.

The man begins to cry. He takes off his thick



glasses and wipes his eyes with his handkerchief. And we're in rush-hour traffic. I'm concerned for my safety, but here's an old man crying over his dead wife a week before Christmas.

He finally stopped crying and put his glasses

back on. "Before she died," he begins again, "she told She had leukemia, you me I would be OK. She had leukemia, you know. She knew she was dying, but I couldn't accept it.

"She pulled me close to her and said, 'You're strong as a bull, you can make it without me.' But it isn't easy.'

"Any kids?" I ask.

He holds up four fingers. And then he starts crying again. And the glasses come off again and outcomes the handkerchief again. This is a terribly delicate situation.

mind off his dead wife and back on the traffic. But what would I talk about, the weather?

"I met her in 1944," he goes on. "Ever heard of Roseland?" "The big dance place?" I ask.

"That's the one. It was big back then. That's where I met her, my wife. I walked in and she was the first girl I saw. She was wearing a white dress. I saw her and I noticed she was looking at me, too, so I walked over, put my fingers under her chin and said, 'Hello, gorgeous.' That's how the whole thing started. I just can't believe she's gone."

"How old are you?" I asked the man.

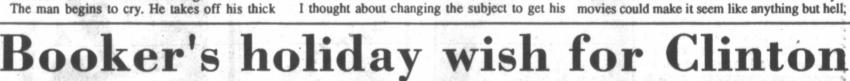
"Sixty-six," he answers. "You're still young," I said, groping to keep up my end of the conversation. "Maybe you will find someone else."

That's what she told me before she died, She said I'd meet somebody else. I believe she's up there in heaven looking down at me now. Maybe she's even trying to find someone else for me." "Could be," I say.

We arrive at my destination. I pay the guy, give him a generous tip, and say, "Hang in there.

"I was doing good until Christmas," He says. His voice broke again. Off came the glasses again. He dried his eyes with the handkerchief again. Then he says goodbye and drives away.

Home alone in New York at Christmas. Only the



During a recent trip to New York City, I found myself with a couple of extra hours on my hands just enough time to allow me to slip away from the city's East Side elegance and visit my friend Booker Malcolm Jackson in his Harlem apartment. I was pleased but not surprised to see that he had written another prayer. After all, Booker writes them as faithfully as Celie wrote hers in "The Color Purple." Still stubborn about his private intercessions, Booker refused to let me read it. But when he left the room, I violated the Eighth Commandment - then asked for forgiveness.

Yo, Lord -

It's me again. I knowed when I woke up this mornin', I had somethin' I wanted to pray to you about. You awful busy this time of the year and jes' may forget who I be. I be Booker Malcolm Jackson, Lord - Booker for Booker T. Washington, Malcolm for Malcolm X and Jackson for Jesse.

I should a cleaned my apartment last night, cuz like that dude say, we gotta have clean hands and a pure heart. Besides, my girlfrin is comin' to visit and have dinner here. Man, that girl can burn.

I didn't get my cleanin' done, Lord, cuz I was watchin' my new main man, Mr. Clinton, at that meeting he be havin' with all them experts.

I din't understan' a word they be sayin'. White folks sure like to use all them big words, jes' like my homey Chuck Stone. He sometimes get all puffed up with words nobody be understandin'.



But Mr. Clinton sure be a big difference over Presidents Reagan and Bush. I don't think Mr. Reagan be understandin' what be happenin'. I know you tried to help him, Lord. But like you say, if we be gettin' wisdom, get understandin', and nobody be gettin' no understandin' when they be sleepin' all the time.

The thing I dug at Mr. Clinton's conference, Lord, was when all these heavy dudes be talkin' and words jes' be flyin' in the air, and then Mr. Clinton suddenly jumped on the man who is the HWPIC (that's head white person in charge, Lord) of the Ford car company — and I knowed Mr. Clinton said it like I got it here, cuz I taped it -"We already are now below 17 percent of our workforce in manufacturing as compared with 28 percent in Japan and 33 percent in Germany."

Now, Lord, you jes' gotta admit that boy was talkin' that talk. And he wasn't even readin' no notes no time!

Know what's nice about Mr. Clinton bein' president? He way smarter than most folks, even if they do call him Bubba.

In school, we teach our chil'ren that if they be studyin' they books hard and get the best grades, they be goin' to the top. That don't happen so much for colored kids, Lord.

But it do happen for lotsa other folks - some without the studyin' part, like Ronald Reagan.

Another thing I like 'bout Mr. Clinton, Lord - and be axin' you to put your arms 'round this man and lift up his eyes to the hills whence cometh his help is that he seem to care a lot more than Mr. Bush or Mr. Reagan 'bout folks who don't look like him.

His cabinet look more like America than the cabinet of any president before him. It ain't perfect, but at least he be tryin' - it's got wimmin and colored people and Spanish people. I jes' hope he don't be forgettin' my Indian brothers and sisters who be here before the rest of us got here.

Lord, this be the time to wish good things for our frins and even our enemies. I wish for Mr. Clinton to open his heart to the poor. And I wish he be a success in tryin' to balance his budget.

And, Lord, this be so important - I jes' hope he remember that we got folks in America hungry, s' like they be in Somalia. Them folks need his help, too - jes' like them folks in Bosnia.

I love you, Lord. I ain't nevah done this before. but - Happy Holidays - and to your son, too.

Classroom Corner

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Book offers tips for helping child have all the write stuff

By JANICE HUGHES Associated Press Writer

Many adults recall that learning how to write was a painful experience. But that's because they were taught the wrong way, according to the authors of "Kids Have All the Write Stuff.'

Writing isn't about spelling and grammar. And it's not just for a few talented kids. It's about being creative and self-confident, something every child can be, says authors Sharon Edwards and

Robert Maloy (Penguin Books). Their new book tries to help parents and teachers understand this of Teachers of English and the youngsters need first is to be and, in turn, inspire kids — from age 2 to 9 — to scribble away, no matter what comes out on paper.

recent interview "Until we redefine writing —

moving it away from spelling, ther's efforts not to dismiss a 2- ries, rhymes and letters. punctuation and composition books year-old's scribbling. everyone will have a problem with it," she said. "Writing is really an idea exchange."

Horace Mann Elementary

announces honor roll students for

the second six weeks grading period.

room — Shawn Grady, Jonathan

Jennings, Renee Nichols, Ryan Mil-

ligan, Brandi Bradstreet, Starla

Honeycutt, Ryan Ferrell, Rachel

Vangraefachepe, Cody Gracie,

First grade — Mrs. Gerber's

room — Justin Anderson, Brandon

Boyd, Katie Cloud, Adam Cross,

Marcos DeLeon, Tyler DuBose,

Kelly Flaharity, Jordan Jones, Blake

Mangus, Craig Miller, Jamie Mur-

rah, Megan Poole, Sarah Powell,

Chelsie Powers, K'Lee Ratzlaff,

Angela Resendiz, Meredith Rollins,

Curry, Annie Dancel, Casey Dun-

Gayla Steele, Joshua Urban.

Amanda Burden.

Resource room — Ms. Gross'

tice pages

first- and second-grade classes in ject. Amherst, Mass., and others from handbooks for parents.

interest in writing that Edwards' about enjoying something. won the 1990 Good Neighbor Award from the National Council State Farm Insurance Companies. What the kids wrote ranged from

riddles to dinner menus to grocery "We tell kids that if they have lists. There were squiggles and cirjournal between mother and child

doesn't keep them going. That's writers as not so very different One thing that gets kids going is tant," said Edwards, who for the a "Writing Box," the authors say past 17 years has been a demon- ful, more critical about what they in their book. It's a plastic sack, a stration teacher at Mark's Meadow read.'

Honor Roll

Kira Smith, Nicholas Story, Ashley

Second grade — Mrs. Keel's

room - Shay Chapman, Brandon

Dunham, Jason Hillman, Justin

Moler, Ricky Munoz, Jeanie Palma-

teer, Christina Rodriguez, Crystal

Ms. Vice's room - Shawntyl

Baker, Aleshia Bowers, Mark Car-

penter. Brenton Haggard, Michelle

Haley, Kody Kirkland, Jesenia

Miranda, Shaunta Reed, Stephanie

Spotts, Hayden Wade, Matt More-

Craig, Amanda Dyson, Stephanie

Fisher, Dustin Herrera, Nathanael

Holmes, Zachary Kidd, Tiffani

Neef, Joe Resendiz, Joshua Smith,

Ms. Walsh's room - Meagan

Williams, Joey Williams.

lan, Joshua Salazar.

Miss Pepper's room - Stewart Craig Carlson, Kayla Conner.

Pritchett.

basket, or even a shoe box that a Laboratory School, a neighborhood child can call his or her own, and is school run jointly by the local filled with things like notebooks, school system and the University fun-shaped erasers, tape, chalk and of Massachusetts at Amherst. pencils. No dictionaries, no prac- Maloy, who also teaches at the Amherst campus, is the director of Since 1987, several hundred a nationally recognized tutoring children in Edwards' kindergarten, program called the TEAMS pro-

"It's not a big job. It's not about nearby, inner-city areas, were teaching, or sitting down with a given Writing Boxes, along with child and correcting punctuation," said Edwards. "It's about telling The materials sparked such an stories and making up poems -

Edwards and Maloy also tell parents not to focus on spelling. What assured they can convey their own ideas in their own ways, they said.

The book includes a family selfstudy survey, a guide for teachers ideas in their head, they can cles and lines. They also got input and a 30-page annotated listing of write," said Edwards during a from adults. Maybe it was a shared children's books to inspire kids to write; they're organized under topabout a recent trip. Or a grandfa- ics like: personal experience sto-

"I'm not hoping that everyone "Eventually, the pull of the box becomes a writer. Just that they see why adult encouragement is impor- from themselves," Edwards said. "And lets them be more thought-

Watts, Chris Dallas, Jerry Miears,

Fourth grade - Ms. Burrell's

room - Laura Clark, Anita Hacker,

Jessica Morrison, Ana Ragalado,

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Mrs. Hoover's room - Jerrod

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suelo Hacker, Lindsey Hampton,

Aaron Haynes, Jeffry Lofton,

Chelsea McCullough, Heather

Fifth grade - Mrs. Nicklas' room

Drinnon, Joshua Harrison, Tiffany

Boyd, Kim Carlson, Cassie Mead-

Derrick Scarbrough.

ows, Mandy Poole.

Phillips, Shane Story.

Third grade - Mrs. Hinkle's Alan Parker, Griselda Regalado.

Scheffler.

(Staff photo by Daniel Wiegers) Pampa High School students who qualified for all-area band. Musicians earn spots in area band

1992-193 all-area band auditions.

trumpet; J.B. Horton; third chair trombone; Brad Newman, first

On Dec. 3, several "Pride of eighth chair trumpet; Shonie Gar- Ybarra,³third chair French horn; Pampa" band members traveled to land, ninth chair trumpet; Jason Bryan Stephenson, second chair West Texas State University for the Jones; tenth chair trumpet; Micah clarinet; Jennifer Paulson, third Brooks, first chair tuba; Hugh chair clarinet; Heather James, fifth Those earning spots in the band Teng, fourth chair flute; Chris chair clarinet; Jennifer Barker, first are Michael Hunt, first chair eupho- Jaramillo, first chair trombone; chair alto clarinet; Amy Malone, nium; Michael Gandy, first chair Kelley Dewey, third chair trom- first chair E-flat clarinet; Damian bari-sax; Jeremy Roberts, first chair bone; Ryan Bennett, fourth chair Hill, first chair oboe.

These students will travel to

Authors combine humor, science in series

By SALLY WILLIAMS COOK For AP Special Features

She's zany, imaginative, weird, but gentle. She has wild red hair, wears thermometer earrings and shoes adorned with fat little snowmen. so well received is that it's not just a She's a one-of-a-kind science teacher. And her name is Ms. Frizzle.

Ms. Frizzle is the star of Scholastic's Magic School Bus series.

And the bus is truly magical. In the latest book, "The Magic School Bus on the Ocean Floor," Ms. Frizzle's yellow school bus Since then, the two have worked turns into a submarine, a sub- closely together on the series. mersible, a glass-bottomed boat and Tawnie Clem, Jessica Conner,

finally, a surfboard. "Science is a creati

Cole and Degen meet regularly, bounce ideas off each other, and work hard to incorporate a vast amount of material into a small amount of space.

Though the subject matter of the series is geared toward thirdgraders, Cole and Degen receive letters indicating that children of all ages read the books. "Kids elaborately illustrate and write their own 'Magic School Bus' stories and send them to us," Cole said.

For Degen, Ms. Frizzle or "The They have created an adventurous Friz," as she's called by her class, is teacher who has guided her class based on his 10th-grade geometry

trumpet; Jason Etheredge, fourth chair trombone; Maressa Bailey, Odessa Jan. 8-10 to audition for allchair trumpet; Ray Adamson, third chair French horn; Norbert state band.

Joanna Cole. "I saw how you make solar system. the humor character driven, you could have the teacher give a serious lecture, but she could be funny, too."

"The reason this series has been pile of facts," she said. "I took subjects that some kids find boring and made them fun."

When Cole wrote her first book for the series, "The Magic School Bus at the Waterworks," Scholastic brought in illustrator Bruce Degen.

inside the earth and the human body teacher.

rather than about fact," said author and through the waterworks and the



House candidates set campaign spending record

By LARRY MARGASAK Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — House candidates spent record amounts seeking office this year, but unusual circumstances may have played a \$220 million. role, the Federal Election Commission says.

A combination of redistricting and an unusually large number of open seats helped cause a record \$313.7 million in spending for House seats, an FEC report said Wednesday. The figure was a 41 percent increase over spending in the 1990 campaign.

were open this year because of chairman of a film production comretirements, deaths and mem- pany who mainly used his own because Senate races two years

1988.

A total of 843 major party candidates vied for the 435 House seats in 1992, compared with 804 two years ago when House candidates spent

The FEC survey of campaign spending covered Jan. 1, 1991 to Nov. 23 of this year. It included spending and fund-raising amounts for primary and general elections but did not include any figures for primary losers.

The nearly \$5.4 million spent by Rep.-elect Michael Huffington, R-Calif., was the most ever for an indi-Seventy-four House seats vidual candidate. Huffington, the

million.

The old record was set in 1986 by then-Rep. Jack Kemp, R-N.Y., currently secretary of housing and urban development.

Boxer of California led spending for Senate races, disbursing \$10.2 million

Incumbent Republican Sens. Alfonse M. D'Amato of New York and Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania were next, spending \$8.9 million their tough but successful re-election battles.

Only House races can realistically be compared with 1990 spending

pared with 31 in 1990 and 27 in doubled the previous record of \$2.6 different costs for running cam- in 1990. The receipts were up by 27 paigns

Explaining the House spending increase, the FEC report said:

Newly-elected Democrat Barbara in part by congressional redistricting and an unusual number of House incumbent departures and retirements, which caused an increase in the number of challengers and open reported raising \$187 million, seat races.'

The House taking office Jan. 5 will have 110 new members, the and \$8.7 million respectively in result of election defeats as well as retirements, incumbents seeking other offices and deaths.

The report said:

tion in which both California Senate raised, for House races totaled \$311 bers seeking other offices, com- money to win his seat, more than apart involve different states, with million, compared with \$243 million seats were contested this year.

percent from 1990

-Spending for House and Senate seats combined jumped to \$504 mil-"Increased financial activity in lion in 1992, \$113 million more than this cycle may have been influenced in the same period two years ago. The House and Senate candidates raised \$498 million and reported cash on hand of \$67 million.

-In Senate contests, candidates spending \$190 million and having cash on hand of \$14 million.

leader with \$10.3 million, followed by fellow California Democrat Dianne Feinstein with nearly \$8 million. The -Campaign receipts, or money two winners faced an unusual situa-

Sen. Wyche Fowler Jr., a Georgia Democrat who lost his seat in a runoff, received the most political action committee contributions among Senate candidates: \$1.5 million.

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole of Kansas had the most cash on hand, \$1.8 million.

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In the House, Huffington had the most receipts, \$5.4 million, followed by Majority Leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., with \$3.2 million. In surveying campaign receipts for Gephardt captured the most PAC Senate candidates, Boxer was the contributions, \$1.2 million, and spent \$3.1 million, second only to Huffington.

Rep. Charles E. Schumer, D-N.Y., had the most cash on hand among House candidates with \$2.1 million.

Parents remain in jail after leaving kids 'home alone

ST. CHARLES, III. (AP) - Atheir young daughters alone while vacationing in Mexico for nine days.

An attorney for David and Sharon Schoo of rural St. Charles said that would "turn out quite differently" from the public's impression.

ent light, very much so," said attorney Gerard Kepple, declining to elaborate in a brief news conference after a in jail Wednesday after Associate closed bond hearing at the Kane Judge Richard Larson refused to County Corrections Center in Geneva.

Meanwhile, child protection offipeople think, but added that the Schoo case was unusual.

David Schoo, a 45-year-old engineer with a smoke-alarm company, when the facts are known, the case and his 35-year-old homemaker wife, Sharon, face one charge each of felony child abandonment, felony "I think they will see it in a differ- cruelty to children and misdemeanor child endangerment.

The couple spent their second day lower their \$50,000 bonds.

Acapulco. They left Dec. 20, leaving a note telling the children when to go to bed and not to answer the phone, Sheriff John Randall said. They left no hotel or emergency numbers, he said. The day after they left, their 9-

year-old daughter, Nicole, called in Mexico," Ms. Stadelmann said. 911 to report a smoke alarm going off, tipping authorities that she and her 4-year-old sister, Diana, had been left alone.

"Nobody in the neighborhood

The couple was arrested Tuesday knows them very well," said Connie and they wanted their privacy.

Mrs. Stadelmann also said Nicole didn't seem upset that her parents Larson for a preliminary hearing were gone.

"She really didn't talk about her parents too much, just that they were "She was upset about the smoke detector ... She didn't know why it was going off — was her house on fire, was it going to blow up, what was going on?"

The sheriff's department referred declined comment.

The Schoos are to appear before Jan. 5. That's the same day Larson is to hold a custody hearing for the children, who are in the care of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.

Ed McManus, a spokesman for the agency, said his department handled 76,552 cases of child neglect during to adopt the children and to provide the fiscal year that ended June 30.

Cook County Public Guardian judge Wednesday refused to lower cials suggested parental abandon- at O'Hare International Airport after Stadelmann, a neighbor who took the all calls to the Kane County state's Patrick T. Murphy, whose office \$50,000 bonds for a couple who left ment is more common than most returning from a nine-day trip to children in after they had called 911. attorney's office. David Clark, serves Chicago and suburbs, said his "They're real reclusive and secretive administrative chief for the office, office deals with more than 1,000 cases of child abandonment a year.

But "this case is just so different from our typical case," McManus said. "Our typical case would either be

parents who leave their children to go somewhere for a few hours or where parents are drunk or on drugs and they don't know what they're doing."

He said the department has received calls from people offering Christmas presents for them.

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Lawsuits filed vs. chemical company

ODESSA (AP) — Little black flecks peppering Mary Jones' 1991 Chevrolet Camaro brought a \$500 insurance settlement. Ms. Jones says it isn't enough.

Her car was among thousands damaged when a lightning-sparked explosion Aug. 20 spewed chemicals from the Champion Technologies Inc. plant.

Four months later, the fallout continues with a flurry of insurance claims and a pair of lawsuits against Champion.

The explosion forced 4,000 East



Members of the Irish rock group U2 are, from left, Larry Mullins, Bono, Adam Clayton and The Edge.



Odessa residents from their homes near the petroleum business district where Champion manufactures chemicals that prevent rust on oil rigs. Dozens were treated at area By The Associated Press hospitals for watery eyes, itchy skin, sore throats and nausea.

About 3,000 people have filed claims with Crawford and Co. Insurance Adjusters, said Art Stiles, director of Graham Miller Foreign and Domestics in Dallas, a division of Crawford.

Champion has paid "a significant amount of money" for claims on damage to automobile paint, proper- ty damage, business interruption and bodily harm, Stiles said.

"It's important to understand and appreciate that the cause of this loss was a lighting strike to a tank. That doesn't equate to a liability situation," Stiles said.

But Ms. Jones rejected Crawford's initial offer of \$175 to clean her car, which was parked several miles from the explosion. She later unhappily agreed to the \$500 settlement.

Replacing just the roof would cost \$1,300, Mrs. Jones said.

No evidence of the explosion shows outside Champion these days. The 2,800 blackened, bulging barrels that exploded are gone, as are 1,681 cubic yards of contaminated soil, said Glenn Lewis, manager of media relations for the Texas Water Commission.

The agency also disposed of 62,000 gallons of hydrocarbon product vacuumed from the site, Lewis said.

Tests of the soil and groundwater found no further contamination, he said.

Tests of the air showed irritants to the lungs and nasal passages that posed no long-term threat, said Alice Cone, an environmental quality specialist for the Texas Air Control Board.

"It was a mess and it looked tacky," Ms. Cone said. "But it's not that big of a deal.

"You always have a percentage of people who are going to try and capitalize on a situation like this," she said. "I can't make myself believe from a scientific standpoint that that would be the case. But there's always the one that's bona fide, that's legitimate."

Robert Rike and William Thomas McFadden last month sued Champion, alleging negligence. Rike, a police officer, still suffers blurred vision and rashes from working on the scene.

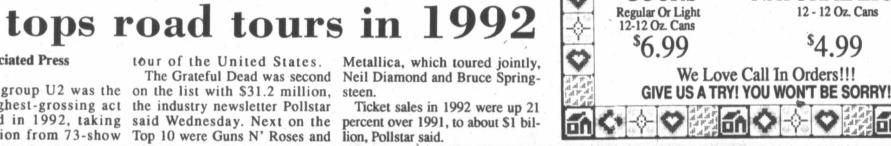
McFadden, who lives near the plant, now has breathing problems he blames on the thick smoke, foul fumes and acid pools Champion leaked that hot morning.

tour of the United States. Metallica, which toured jointly,

The rock group U2 was the on the list with \$31.2 million, steen. nation's highest-grossing act the industry newsletter Pollstar on the road in 1992, taking said Wednesday. Next on the percent over 1991, to about \$1 bilin \$67 million from 73-show Top 10 were Guns N' Roses and lion, Pollstar said.

The Grateful Dead was second Neil Diamond and Bruce Spring-

Ticket sales in 1992 were up 21



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Navajo tree program triumphs over Kit Carson's destruction

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CHINLE, Ariz. - Francis Draper, retired champion steer wrestler, wrestles his four-wheel-drive through miles of rough sand in Canyon de Chelly and Canyon del died. Muerto, mystical lands of ruined dwellings in red sandstone cliffs where his Navajo forebears lived 2,000 years ago. He pulls to a stop at Twin Trails

and looks with pride at the trees thriving in his apple orchard.

They're a living answer to a tragedy that befell the Navajo 129 years ago at the hands of frontier folk hero Kit Carson.

An Army colonel in the fall of 1863, Carson led his troops through Canyon de Chelly, burning hogans, slaughtering livestock and destroying crops, including some 5,000 peach trees.

Carson's mission was to force the Navajos to surrender and be herded into imprisonment at Fort Sumner in eastern New Mexico.

to their homeland. son's devastation, the land remained alerted the school.

nearly devoid of fruit trees. Then an old Navajo woman dreamed that trees would be planted in Canyon de Chelly before she of the exuberant outsiders took

Bill Johnson made her dream come true.

geodesic dome in the Rocky Mountain hamlet of Buffalo Creek, Colo.

A few years ago, he founded the Mother Earth to restore the Navajo trees.

effort, more than 18,000 trees have experience.' been planted on the Navajo reservation. This homeland of the largest Indian nation in the United States is fruit orchard on Walkabout Creek in roughly the size of West Virginia. It Canyon del Muerto. Despite her ini- program to promote agricultural spreads across 25,000 square miles tial uncertainty, she says, "Now I of high, dry land, mostly in north- really want this to work. eastern Arizona.

The tree planting is done primari-The freezing 300-mile trek, ly by high school students. Johnson, known as the "Long Walk," still the organization's president, was haunts today's 200,000 Navajos. teaching at a high school in Ever- supervisor and a delegate to the fruit trees - but conserving water Thousands of their ancestors died on green, Colo., in 1985 when a former Navajo Nation's Tribal Council, the walk or at the fort before an student, James A. Mischke, now a tells National Geographic. 1868 treaty permitted them to return professor at Navajo Community

College in Shiprock, N.M., heard er Earth, Shirley says, "I feel that we

Canyon de Chelly. Navajo wariness trees to every Navajo. awhile to dispel:

Toward the end of their stay, the Navajos. He has helped involve students and their adult advisers them at all levels, and a few months Johnson, 59, is a weathered for- were invited to a community song mer fighter pilot who lives with a and dance. They were the only non- Chinle, as the program coordinator. white wolf-dog named Nickel in a Navajos there. A tribal spokesman greeted them in English, then spoke in his native tongue.

nonprofit organization Trees for crying," Johnson recalls. "It meant the apples, peaches, apricots and so much to have somebody there for pears from the new trees can be no reason other than to give them Since 1986, the first year of the trees. It was quite a powerful blessing on Earth. They can bring

Millie Roanhorse and her husband, John, now cultivate a small

Navajo leaders concur. "Before Kit Carson, we were self-sustaining. One reason was the orchards," Joe include not only planting trees -Shirley Jr., an Apache County evergreen windbreaks as well as With a boost from Trees for Moth-

More than a century after Car- about the old woman's dream and have a better chance of standing on our own two feet. I'm not sure we're The next spring, 23 Colorado looking at making money per se. youngsters planted 2,000 trees in We're looking at giving a couple of

> Johnson's ultimate goal is to turn Trees for Mother Earth over to the ago hired a Navajo, Wanda Clark of

Ethelou Yazzie, community service coordinator for the Navajo Nation's Tselani-Cottonwood Chap-"Before he was through, he was ter, praises the program. Materially, traded. "Spiritually, the trees are a food, herbs, seeds."

At Window Rock, Laura Wauneka, director of New Dawn, a Navaio-administered, federally financed self-sufficiency, says, "Somehow these programs fit very nicely together."

Johnson's intermediate goals through new catchment systems and saving energy with solar-heated hogans

reservation.

This spring he expects 16 groups anything we meant to do," he says. of students from California, Col- "We didn't know the trees were orado and Arizona to plant another going to have this power. Every kid 8,000 trees. In two years, he hopes who's been down here has walked to see trees in all parts of the vast away with a new attitude. They like themselves and are proud of them-

"This has meaning far beyond selves."



One of the oldest ruins on the Navajo reservation in northeastern Arizona, Mummy Cave, took its name from bodies found there. The Anasazi occupied the site from about A.D. 300 to 1300, but other humans lived there 2,000 years ago.

How did Saturn get its rings?

By 3-2-1 CONTACT Magazine **For AP Special Features**

got its rings. From Earth, using the nail - others are bigger than a most powerful^o telescopes, house!

record. They are made up of pieces of ice and icy rocks, mixed with bits of ash and dust. Some of the No one is really sure how Saturn chunks are as small as your finger-



Navajo Francis Draper shows his apple orchard in Arizona's Canyon del Muerto to Wanda Clark of Trees for Mother Earth. High school students have planted more than 18,000 trees on the Navajo reservation.

Year is filled with highs, lows, hellos and goodbyes

DEAR READERS: What a year this has been! George and Barbara are out, and Bill and Hillary are in; First Dog Millie will be replaced by First Cat Socks.

Folksy billionaire Ross Perot made a run at the presidency. (Actually, he made two runs, but who's counting?)

1992 was a royal pain in the throne for Queen Elizabeth. **Prince Charles and Princess** Diana are living apart in His and Her castles; Prince Andrew and "Fergie" have also parted. Princess Anne, 42, ended her marriage to Capt. Mark Phillips to marry 37-year-old Timothy Laurence, who once served as her mother's equerry (Mumsy says she's delighted!).

Meanwhile, a wing of Windsor Castle caught fire (no insurance? no kidding!). Speaking of flames, there

was a race riot in Los Angeles; and floods, earthquakes, tornadoes, volcanic eruptions and famine struck around the globe. Sen. Bob Packwood of Ore-

gon may be sent packing due to stambourine and could spend his next 28 years behind bars. Annette Bening snagged perennial bachelor Warren Beatty after presenting him with a daughter; actor Richard Gere was bagged by supermodel Cindy Crawford; and Madonna launched a much-hyped, overpriced book titled "Sex," which was banned in Ireland.

Johnny Carson retired after 30 years. Enter Jay Leno. Good luck in his slot opposite the popular Arsenio Hall. Candice Bergen won an Emmy for "Mur-phy Brown" after Veep Dan Quayle criticized her for shame**Dear Abby**

Abigail Van Buren

lessly portraying an unwed mother.

"Roseanne" is still No. 1, but hubby Tom Arnold's new series, "The Jackie Thomas Show," took a critical drubbing. (Dear

Lord, please save my favorite, "Homefront.")

The revival of "Guys and Dolls" is a smash on Broadway. Tammy Faye Bakker tearfully announced her divorce from TV evangelist Jim Bakker, who was caught with his duke in the

Nelson and Winnie Mandela eparated in South Africa. Sexologists Virginia Johnson and William Masters filed for divorce. Ditto Barbara Walters and Merv Adelson. Liza (with a **Z) Minnelli and Mark Gero are** also kaput; and the judge ordered "Good Morning America's" Joan Lunden to pay her ex \$18,000 a month in temporary alimony.

Hotel Queen Leona Helmsley is doing a stretch in the "big house" for tax fraud and for "creative bookkeeping." (Even Alan Dershowitz couldn't save her.)

Country and western star Garth Brooks became a father. Whitney Houston married Bobby Brown (both Grammy winners). Pop singer Paula Abdul wed actor Emilio Estevez. Sen. Ted Kennedy married attorney Victoria Reggie; his ex, Joan, published a book on how to enjoy classical music. Former Beatle Paul McCartney turned 50.

Death claimed: Dame Judith Anderson; Alex Haley, author of "Roots"; S.I. Hayakawa, professor and former GOP senator from California; British comedian Benny Hill; Wal-Mart's Sam Walton, listed in Forbes as the richest man in America; child psychologist Dr. Lee Salk; California's senator and former song and dance man George Murphy; the legendary Marlene Dietrich; TV star Chuck Connors ("The Rifleman"); German **Chancellor Willy Brandt; Paul** Henreid, who played one of the leads in "Casablanca"; Eric Sevareid, journalist-broadcaster, whose career spanned five decades and five continents.

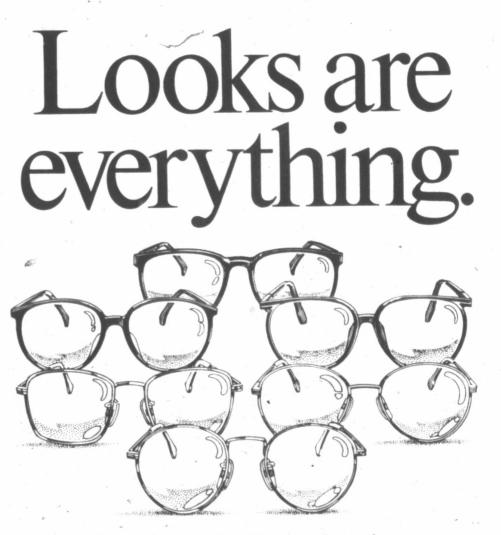
Outgoing President Bush ordered U.S. troops and food to Somalia as a humanitarian gesture.

Pray for peace, and good health for President-elect Clinton and Vice President-elect Gore.

Abby shares more of her favorite, easy-to-prepare recipes. To order, send a long, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby More Favorite Recipes, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.) astronomers can see as many as six rings around Saturn.

ing Saturn.

No one is sure how they got there. Some scientists think the But when the spacecraft Voyager rings might be dust and rocks that I reached Saturn in November never clumped together to form a 1981, it sent back pictures. Never moon. Others think that the rings before had Saturn been seen so might be the leftovers of a moon clearly. The pictures showed that that broke apart while orbiting the there are thousands of rings orbit- planet. These pieces, they say, could have circled the planet until From a distance, the rings look gravity pulled them into a ring like the grooves in a phonograph shape. Talk about going in circles!

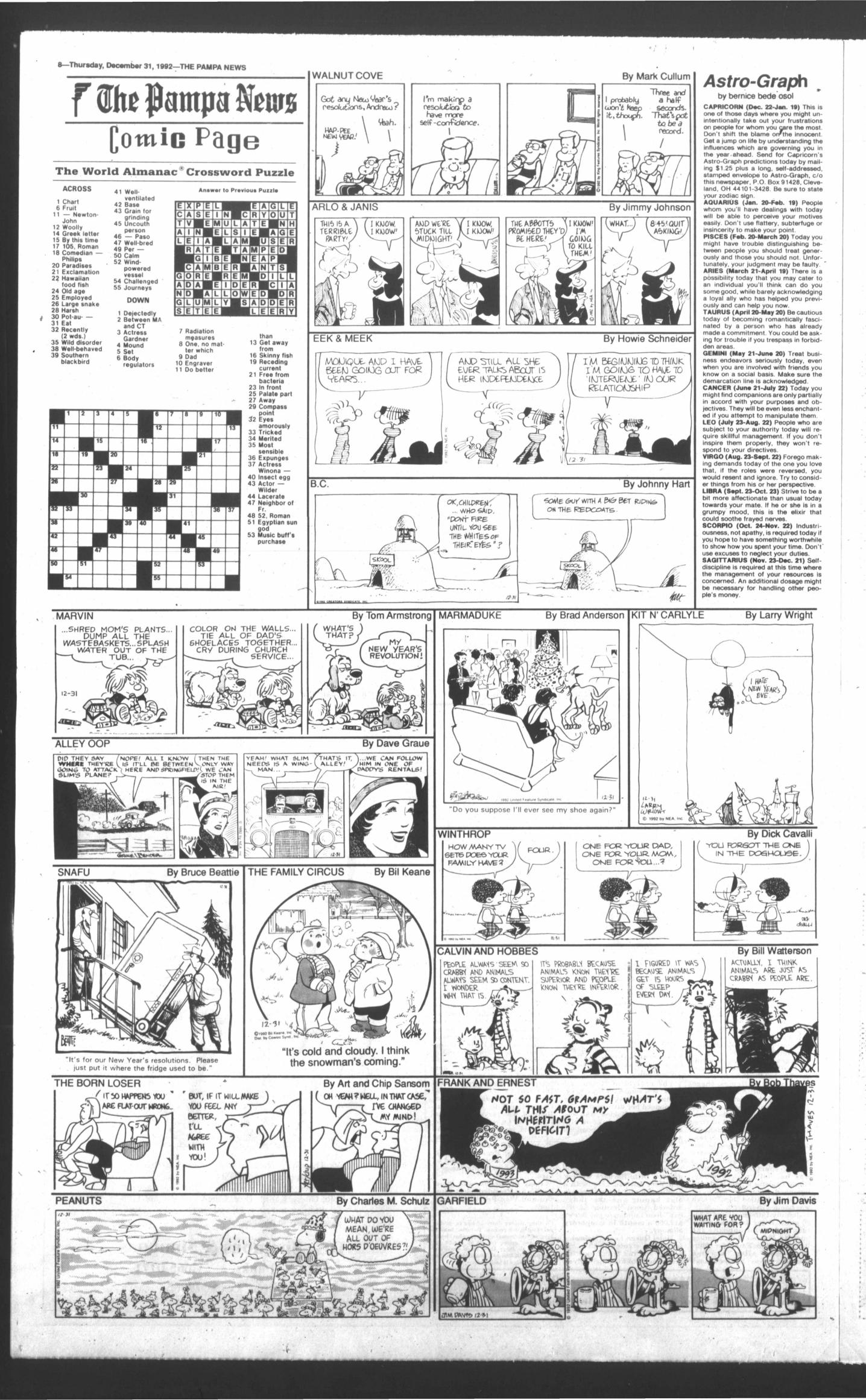


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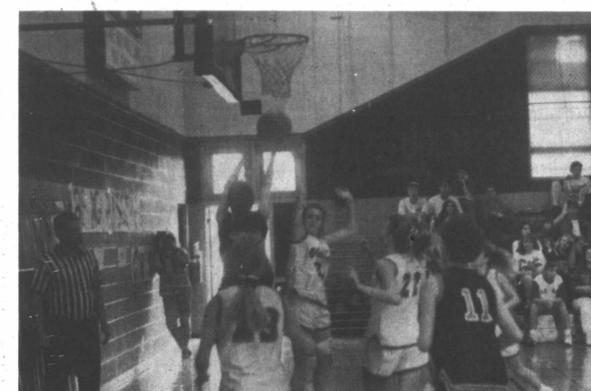
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(Staff photo by Dan Fromm) Groom's Sandie Conrad goes up against Valley's Kacey Fuston.

Mighty Memphis tames Tigers in Groom tourney semifinals Tigerettes advance to championship game

By DAN FROMM Sports Writer

Groom's boys basketball coach Jay Lamb hopes that a tough schedule during the first part of the season will help prepare his team for district play

the Groom tournament. Lamb said afterwards, "They're an amazingly talented team and they executed their game plan perfectly. They caused us to turn the ball over and got a lot of easy points.

Memphis is 10-2 and head coach Jay Harris agreed with Lamb's comment. "That's the best we've played in about the last five games," he said afterwards. Both teams started a little slow and it was 8-8 with two minutes left in the

Late in the first quarter, the Tigerettes led 9-7 and were having trouble getting the ball to Babcock. Freshman Sandie Conrad came in off the bench for Groom and scored six points in the second quarter. "We were forced to make

some offensive adjustments," The Tigers lost to Memphis 73- O'Dell said. "Sandie was able to" 41 yesterday in the semifinals of hit some shots from the outside and that opened up the middle for Karen.'

Babcock scored 21 points in the game and was 7-8 from the free throw line. Sophomore Misty Homen added 15 points. It was the second time this season Groom had beaten the Lady Patriots.

"We played better than I expected we would after the Christmas break," O'Dell said. "We only had

one practice and it didn't seem to bother us too much.' Groom tournament roundup

> Boys Second round Clarendon 73, Valley 62

Shamrock 39, White Deer 30

Semifinal

Clarendon 65, Shamrock 60

Girls Second round Shamrock 38, Memphis 30

White Deer 52, Clarendon 47

Semifinal Shamrock 42, White Deer 34 Harvesters surge into finals of **Lions Club Holiday Invitational**

hachie in the semifinals.

The Harvesters meet the winner Laury, 10. between Daniel Htgh School of Albany, Miss. and Fort Worth early, zipping off to a 25-0 lead. Eastern Hills at 7:30 p.m. tonight for the championship.

Pampa won last year's tournament, defeating Cleburne, 76-61, in the finals.

Dwight Nickelberry paced Matt Finney and Justin

FORT WORTH - The Pampa points against Waxahachie, each, Shelby Landers, four and Harvesters surged into the finals including a half-dozen 3-point Rayford Young, three. of the Lions Club Tournament goals. Lamont Nickelberry folwith a one-sided 109-54 win lowed with 17 points while ket with less than two minutes to Wednesday night over Waxa- Duane Nickelberry had 15, go in the fourth quarter that broke Seivern Wallace, 14 and Coy the 100-point mark at 101-51. It

Pampa put Waxahachie away At halftime, Pampa led by 32, 56-24

Aaron Webb was high scorer Azle, then bounced Fort Worth for Waxahachie with 14 points. Others scoring for Pampa were

Pampa's scoring assault with 34 Collingsworth with six points season. Waxahachie drops to 3-8.

written him at times, too."

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It was Landers' breakaway baswas the third time this season that the Harvesters have scored over 100 points.

Pampa opened the tournament Monday with a 112-39 win over Arlington Heights, 75 52, in the quarterfinals on Tuesday.

The Harvesters are 12-3 for the

Florida State goes after consecutive victory record in Orange Bowl tilt

By JOE MACENKA AP Sports Writer

MIAMI (AP) — As Florida State's Bobby Bowden tries to set an NCAA record for consecutive bowl victories, he finds his pen pal

standing in the way. Friday night's Orange Bowl matches Bowden's Seminoles against the Cornhuskers of Nebraska's Tom Osborne, the man to whom Bowden said he is closest in college coaching.

"I don't really run around with Fiesta Bowls. any of them. But I feel like Tom is probably as close to a coaching compatriot as anybody I know,' Bowden said. "I think his and my beliefs are a lot alike beyond football. You know, there are some people you just feel comfortable with. Well, I feel very comfortable with Tom.

To get an idea of how comfortable, just check the two coaches' mail

Several days after Florida State's Oct. 3 loss to Miami, Bowden who wrote to express his condolences.

"Before that," Bowden recalled, "Florida State had never gone to a will be seeking its eighth straight school the magnitude of Nebraska and won. It was like we were just going up there to lose again.

"That was a monumental win for its 24th consecutive bowl appear- us. It was the first time Florida State drew the attention of the nation as a school that might get into the ranks of the elite.

Florida State's upset didn't prevent Bowden and Osborne from developing a bond that has led to them sharing strategies over the years. Their most recent meeting was after Florida State's 41-17 victory over Nebraska in the 1990 Fiesta Bowl. Osborne went to Tallahassee for several days to meet with Bowden and his assistants.

"When we have talked and swapped ideas," Bowden said, "we've had no idea when we'd be playing each other again. But you take your chances with something like that.'

All the shared information hasn't done much for either coach's fortunes against Miami's Hurricanes. Orange Bowls — all to the Hurricanes - and Miami has become an almost perennial spoiler for Florida State's national title hopes.

Third-ranked Florida State (10-1) bowl victory, one more than UCLA won from 1983-89. No. 11 Nebraska (9-2) is making

ance, but the Cornhuskers have lost their last five. The postseason skid began with a 31-28 loss to Florida State in the 1988 Fiesta Bowl.

Overall, Florida State is 4-2 against Nebraska after winning the last two games, the '88 and '90

Osborne said he has become an admirer of Bowden for his ability to run a clean program and to make inseason adjustments pay off.

"I guess the thing I like most about Bobby is he's been good for college football," Osborne said.

A reporter asked it it's enjoyable to coach against someone you admire and consider a friend. "It's no fun at all," Osborne

deadpanned. Osborne discovered that when the

two teams first met, on Oct. 4, received a letter from Osborne, 1980, in Lincoln. The Cornhuskers Nebraska has lost its last three were ranked third and Florida State was 16th.

Bowden's Seminoles went home

"He sent me a nice note, and I appreciated it," Bowden said. "I've with an 18-14 victory.

first quarter. That's when the Cyclones press started working. It was 14-8 at the end of the first quarter and 35-12 at halftime.

"I think we caught them off guard when we started in a zone defense," Lamb said. "But that's something we still need to work on."

Lamb also feels his team needs to work on breaking the zone, which was apparent in their loss to the Cyclones. "The press hurt us bad," he said. "We are very inexperienced at guard." The Tigers have two sophomores and one first-year senior who share time at the position.

6-foot-4 sophomore Wes Hall had another good outing against the Cyclones, scoring 27 points, but Lamb said he is trying to get Hall to be more aggressive on the boards.

Groom, 5-7, plays Clarendon today and if they win will have a rematch against Memphis in the tournament finals.

In the girls bracket, Groom beat Valley 50-36, advancing to the finals tonight. The Tigerettes improved to 13-2 with the victory. After the game, Groom coach Terry O'Dell said he was very happy with the way his team played.

O'Dell rested leading scorer Karen Babcock for most of the second half, which made some of the younger players step up. "I wanted to see what this team can do when she's not in there," O'Dell said. "One of these days they might have to play without her if she gets into foul trouble, so this was good practice for them."

By OWEN CANFIELD

AP Sports Writer

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) inside for Oklahoma, Texas only stood an outside chance of beating the Sooners.

Sallier dominated inside Wednesday night, scoring 24 points - 18 in the second half — and grabbing 15 rebounds in leading No. 15 Oklahoma to an 85-76 victory in the championship game of the All College Tournament.

As he did in a first-round victory over Alaska-Anchorage, Sallier started slowly and then came on Oklahoma (9-1) won its sixth trying to guard Sallier, and had to

(Staff photo by Dan Fromn

Groom's Wes Hall (41) goes to the boards against a Memphis defender in tournament action Wednesday night.

OU dominates Texas inside for 85-76 victory

straight All College title.

'Texas made a couple good plays Once Bryan Sallier got it going against Alaska-Anchorage in the second half. "I told myself I had to PHS wrestlers take fourth go down and establish myself on the blocks.

"I hadn't been hitting my turnamound jump shot all year. Coach has been on me about that. I hit a couple last night and was able to get a few down tonight."

Oklahoma led by six at halftime but Texas (5-3) scored the first four sion. points of the second half and the

game stayed close from there. Sallier started asserting himself 6 after the break. He scored 12 1/2 minutes into the second half, straight points during one three- asking for the ball inside and getting minute stretch, then added four free, it. Albert Burditt picked up two throws in the final 5 1/2 minutes as fouls in just over two minutes while

play the final 5:15 with four fouls. "This is one game Bryan, being down the stretch," said Sallier, who from Texas, will always be ready had scored all 18 of his points for," coach Billy Tubbs said.

in Colorado Tournament

The Pampa High School wrestling team competed in a tournament in Holly, Colo. during the holiday break and finished fourth.

Chris Whitney placed first for the Harvesters in the heavyweight divi-

Others placing for Pampa were Chad Chairez, second; Josh Calfy, fourth: Donnie Middleton, fourth and Tyler Kendall, second.

Pampa takes on Palo Duro on Jan. 4 in McNeely Fieldhouse with the match tentatively scheduled to start at 7 p.m.

Michigan captures Rainbow Classic title

HONOLULU (AP) - So what managed four points as Eric Pauley opening-weekend matchup this seadid you do over the Christmas vaca- missed down low and Richard tion? The Michigan Wolverines can Scott missed a layup ahead of the answer that with what's most proba-field. bly a piece of college basketball history.

try's best teams Wednesday night beat us.' with an 86-74 victory over No. 2 Kansas in the championship game of the Rainbow Classic.

That followed their buzzer-beating 79-78 victory over No. 5 North Carolina and an 88-73 victory over No. 20 Nebraska. Not a bad three days in the 50th state for the sixthranked Wolverines.

days. I don't know if anybody's done that," said Chris Webber, who was named MVP after scoring 16 points and grabbing 11 rebounds in the final. "We're proud having gone through it, but it's the most tired I've been in a long, long time. I feel like I've taken a beating."

And with good reason. Michigan (9-1) took command against Kansas (9-1) in the second half as Jalen Rose, the man who beat the clock against North Carolina, took control despite playing with a left wrist — his shooting hand — that he had in a splint all day after hurting it Tuesday night when he crashed into a television

Kansas closed within 45-40 just over four minutes into the second half on a 5-0 run, all by Rex Walters, who led the Jayhawks with 16 points.

table.

After a free throw by Eric Riley, Rose found Webber with a lob pass for an alley-oop dunk, not as spectacular as the desperation one from near midcourt the two combined on in the final 35 seconds against North Carolina, but a nice one just the same.

Rose then scored in the lane after forcing a turnover and Michigan had a 10-point lead with 14:07 to play.

"My wrist is a little sore right now and I'll get it X-rayed when I get back," said Rose, who had 25. points and six assists. "It was a little sore but as the game wore on it warmed up a little bit and I forgot. about it."

The closest Kansas would get the rest of the game was 54-49, despite Michigan going scoreless for over three minutes after taking a 63-51 lead with 8:01 to play on a hook shot by Webber.

During that stretch, Kansas only

"We were outscored, outplayed and outcoached," Kansas coach They capped off 72 hours of fac- Roy Williams said. "They did ing and beating three of the coun- everything that they had to do to

> Including making free throws, a nemesis for the Fab Five in its two seasons of college basketball. The that's being competitive," Rose Wolverines made 14 of 16 in the said. "I'd rather be No. 1 at the final 4:09, including a 6-for-6 effort end.' from Rose.

has had in its two years together ed his left shoulder in the opening were both to Duke - last season's two minutes against North Caroli-"Three Top Twenties in three NCAA championship game and an na.

son that cost the Wolverines their No. 1 ranking. "Losses help you, but there's your pride and that's more than

learning," Webber said. "That game helped us, but I still didn't want to lose it.

Does Michigan deserve another shot at being No. 1?

"Everybody wants to be No. 1,

Michigan played without starting The two biggest losses this team forward Ray Jackson who dislocat-



(AP Photo)

Michigan's Chris Webber (center) leans over Kansas' Adonis Jordan who falls to the floor during a scramble for a loose ball Wednesday night.



Looking ahead to '93

Happy 1993! In the tradition of good intentions, we have several New Year resolutions that will probably last until the first temptation

First, be it resolved that sometime during 1993 I will again be able to wear my favorite brown jacket --with the zipper closed. Why was it so hard to gain weight when I was a 175 pound football player in high school? Why is it now so difficult to lose a miserable fifteen, pounds?

Second, I have promised my banker and my wife that I will end my quest for the magic fishing lure. I will no longer stop at every bait and tackle shop during family vacations. But habits that have taken twenty years to form cannot be easily broken. The prospect of separate vacations in 1993 are a real possibility. I'll let you know how long this resolution lasts.

Third, 1993 has been declared the Year of Foreign Fishing. The prestigious Board of Directors from Anglers Anonymous has mandated that every loyal American must make the sacrifice of fishing the waters in a foreign country. Because of the extraordinary efforts of Southwest Outdoors, the waters of Alaska will qualify as foreign. Every loyal citizen should begin preparing for a grueling trip to Alaska or Canada in pursuit of arctic char, king salmon, or huge northern pike. Another option is a trip to a Lake Guri in Venezuela where world record peacock bass and powerful prehistoric payara are common.

Fourth, I hope you will join with me as we contact our elected officials during 1993. The cost of hunting and fishing in Texas has seen some dramatic increases (63%) during the last couple of years. One result of these price increases is that the number of hunters and anglers has decreased. Wouldn't it be nice if the boys in Austin could postpone increasing the cost of going fishing and hunting. If they want more of our money, let them show how the fishing and hunting will improve. How about letting hunters and anglers vote on the proposed increases? Now I AM dreaming.

Fifth, we resolve to share with you some opportunities to have more fun in the great outdoors. Next year will see great changes in the world, but nothing will ever be more fun than waking up to the sound of chirping birds and the faint aroma of last night's camp fire. Quietly pulling the covers over your head and getting a few more minutes of sleep is wonderful until one of the kids asks, "Daddy, what time do the fish wake up?"

We'll be here every week and hope you will join us. 1992 was a great year but I have a feeling that 1993 will be even better.

Hawaii hammers Illinois with triple option

By BERNIE WILSON AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO (AP) - Rack up another one for the WAC. Hawaii, in a mainland bowl for the first time, gave Illinois a blast of the triple option and the Western Athletic Conference a shot of respect with a 27-17 victory in the Holiday Bowl Wednesday night.

The Rainbow Warriors (11-2) capped the best season in school history 24 hours after WAC-mate Fresno State upset Southern Cal 24-7 in the Freedom Bowl.

"They were talking this 'What's the WAC stuff?"" Hawaii's Travis Sims said after rushing 29 times for 113 yards and two touchdowns. "At the end, we gave it to them. We asked, 'What's this Big Ten stuff?'

Holiday Bowl

"We showed the Big Ten, we showed everyone. Last night, Fresno State showed what the WAC is all about."

It was another disappointment for the Fighting Illini (6-5-1), who lost their third straight bowl game and fourth in their last five.

Hawaii feels a lack of respect mainly because its home games get over when the rest of the country is asleep.

"People go to bed and give up on us," Sims said. "I don't really care, as long as we don't give up on ourselves."

Sims hammered up the middle for scores of 6 yards and 1 yard. Quarterback Michael Carter, the game's offensive MVP, completed 6 of 16 passes for 115 yards and gained 105 yards on 21 carries.

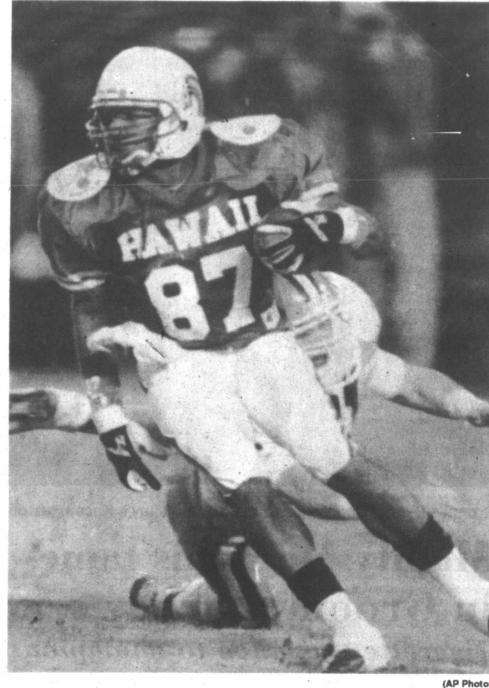
"They deserve a national ranking," Illinois coach Lou Tepper said. "I was impressed by their offense."

Sims scored at the end of two long, crunching drives. After Chris Richardson was short on a 52-yard field goal try early in the second quarter, Hawaii moved 65 yards on 11 straight running plays to tie the score at 7, with Sims scoring on a 6-yard blast with 8:09 left before halftime.

Trailing 10-7, the Rainbow Warriors took the second-half kickoff and went 80 yards in 13 plays, all rushing except for a 14-yard pass from Carter to Cy Hirota. Sims scored the go-ahead touchdown from the 1 on a second effort that carried him around two defenders.

That drive consumed 5:31, and Illinois had the ball for only six plays and three minutes in the third quarter.

"I think we played at the pinnacle of our game tonight," Sims said. "You could see it in their eyes - they were very confused. The triple option is very difficult to defend. When you throw in the passing game, they were surprised. That was our quadruple option.



Hawaii receiver Derrick Branch turns the corner after making a reception in the Holiday Bowl.

Oilers looking for an edge in wild-card playoff clash with Bills

By MICHAEL A. LUTZ AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Over the past five Bowls. But can they handle those brutal second round while the Bills got better playfirst-round playoff games?

That's what Houston defensive end Sean game in Buffalo's Rich Stadium where the titles and setting up a rematch. Oilers have lost for 16 years.

"We've been in this position probably and beat Buffalo," Jones said. "Then there's lar season finale and they do expect a dogmore than them," Jones said. "We've been no reason we can't go up and beat Pitts- fight in the rematch.

those are the toughest games. The Super Two victories would put the Oilers in the flooked easy Sunday," Dishman said. "They they'll defend what we did," Pardee said. Bowl is usually such a blowout because the AFC Championship game for the first time have the home field and their fans and "For us, we have to get some changeups on tougher games are played earlier."

years, the Buffalo Bills have won four divi- trips to the playoffs, playing in a first-round in the playoffs, beating the Bills infused by not repeating as AFC Central Division the Bills as a guidepost for what the Oilers sional titles and played in the past two Super game each time and never getting past the them with confidence. off positioning because of their success.

an edge for Sunday's AFC wild-card playoff ing Buffalo's string of AFC Eastern Division play, nobody can beat us."

since 1979. The Oilers have made five low-voltage Although the Oilers must play on the road

"Before the playoffs we thought Buffalo over Buffalo was their best game of the season. was unbeatable," cornerback Cris Dishman

The Oilers are back for a sixth playoff said. "We proved they weren't. We were 146 passing yards, and produced four turnovers, well we can win," Pardee said. "If they Jones asks as he tries to help his team find after beating the Bills 27-3 on Sunday, end- ready to play and when this team's ready to two of them leading to scoring drives.

"There's no reason we can't go up there as easily as they did in Sunday night's regu- expects a different game on Sunday.

nermal level; black bass are good to 4 pounds

6 ounces on spinners, jigging spoons and jigs

striper are slow; crappie are good on minnows fleaflies and Little Fishes in 8-10 feet of water white bass are excellent to 2 1/2 pounds on jig ging spoons, slabs and some topwaters; cattist

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9 pounds under birds on Hellbenders; crappi

good in the 2 1/2 to 3 pound range on shrin

CANYON: Water clear, 69 degrees, norma

level; black bass are slow to 4 1/2 pounds or

Rattle Traps and topwaters; striper are slow to 8 pounds downrigging as well as with large min-nows and goldfish; crappie are fair to 1 3/4

pounds on minnows and jigs in 40 feet of wate white bass are fairly slow trolling Phanton Lures and Rattle Traps; catfish are good to

pounds on chicken livers, rabbit livers, worm

and shrimp; rainbow trout are good below the

FAYETTE: Water clear, 67 degrees, normal level; black bass are good to 8 1/2 pounds early

in 1-8 feet of water on spinners, topwaters

worms and live water dogs; crappie are slow

catfish are good to 8 pounds on rod and ree

baited with liver, slab minnows and live wate

dogs. GIBBONS CREEK: Water clear, 60 degrees

mostly within the slot; crappie are slow; catfis

are fairly good in the 3-4 pound range. LIMESTONE: Water murky, 54-56 degrees, 18

inches low; black bass are fair to 5 pounds on Jawtec Big Bite Jigs with Wacky Craw black and

blue trailers, Bulldog spinners and Lunker

Lures; crappie and all other fishing slow due t

SOMERVILLE: Water dingy, 58 degrees, norm

level; black bass are slow; striper are slow crappie are good to 17 fish per string on min-nows and jigs in 6-7 feet of water; white bass are slow; catfish are slow due to lack of fisher

STILLHOUSE: Water clear, 67 degrees, 1 for

above normal level; black bass are good to 16 inches on worms and minnows; striper are slow; crappie are fair on minnows in 14-21 feet of

water; catfish are good to 21 inches on trotline

TRAVIS: Water clear, 59 degrees, 1 foot below normal level; black bass are good to 8 1/4

pounds to 48 fish per boat per day on black jigs Mel'ow Pepper worms and live minnows

Guadalupe bass are good to 15 inches on th same baits; striper are slow; crappie are fair i

20 feet of water around boat docks with min

WACO: Water fairly clear, 50 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair to 6 pounds on cranks;

striper are fair; crapple are fair on minnow white bass are slow; catfish are fair in number.

WHITNEY: Water clear, 52 degrees, 3 feet low largemouth bass are slow to 5 pounds in 12

22 feet of water on deep running cranks; small mouth bass are fair to 6 pounds on deep run

ning cranks; striper are improving, some limi caught early this week in the 5-8 pound range 20-30 feet of water on Mann Shadows ar

shad, some larger fish to 16 pounds caught u

river; crapple are fair on minnows and jigs Cedar Creek; white bass are fair with goo

numbers of undersized fish; catfish are slo with channels to 4 pounds on frozen shad.

ATHENS: Water clear, 49 degrees, normal level; black bass are good through 4 pounds on L'il Georges in 17 feet of water; crappie are fair to 1 pound and more on minnows and jigs; catfish

NORTHEAST

nows; white bass are slow; catfish are slow.

baited with homemade bait and worms

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and shad.

they're in a do-or-die situation."

The Oilers (10-6) disappointed themselves champions but they agreed their 27-3 victory can accomplish.

Despite the familiarity of having just be good enough.

The Oilers didn't expect to beat the Bills played each other, coach Jack Pardee

what we didn't do so well." Pardee holds up Houston's victory over

"There shouldn't be any doubt in our

The defense had seven sacks, held the Bills to players minds that if we go in there and play keep playing that well in the playoffs it will

There is also a downside. "When you beat a team soundly like we

'The next time around they'll know a lot did, they'll be more fired up and they'll have more about us and there'll be a lot more more respect and it's a playoff game,'

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in the first round a lot and they haven't and burgh.

"It's not going to be easy just because it guesswork and soothsaying about how Pardee said.

Sports scene

Basketball HOW TOP 25 FARED By The Associated Press How the top 25 teams in The Associated Press ollege basketball poll fared Wednesday: 1. Duke (8-0) beat Boston University 106-62. Next: vs. No, 15 Oklahoma, Monday. 2. Kansas (9-0) vs. No. 6 Michigan. Next: vs. Wichita State, Wednesday, Jan. 6. 3. Kentucky (8-0) beat St. John's 86-77. Next: vs. No. 4 Indiana at Louisville, Sunday. 4. Indiana (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 3 Kentucky at Louisville, Sunday. 5. North Carolina (8-1) vs. Hawaii. Next: vs. ornell, Monday. 6. Michigan (8-1) vs. No. 2 Kansas. Next: vs. Eastern Michigan, Saturday. 7. Seton Hall (11-1) beat James Madison 87-66. Next: vs. No. 23 Connecticut at the Meadow ands, Monday. 8. Iowa (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. Central Connecticut State, Saturday. 9. Arkansas (8-1) lost to Northeast Louisiana 87-78. Next: at Southern Methodist, Monday. 10. Georgetown (6-0) at UC Irvine. Next: at Miami, Saturday. 11. UCLA (8-2) beat Cal State-Fullerton 90-82. Next: vs. Houston, Saturday. 12. Syracuse (8-1) lost to Boston College 94-93, OT. Next: vs. Vilnova, Saturday. 13. Purdue (8-0) did not play. Next: vs. Butler, Saturday. 14. Georgia Tech (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. VMI, Saturday. 15. Oklahoma (9-1) beat Texas 85-79. Next: vs. Lamar, Saturday. 16. UNLV (4-0) vs. Hofstra. Next: vs. Cal State-Fullerton, Saturday. 17. Michigan State (7-1) beat Washington State 77-61. Next: at East Tennessee State, Sat-18. Florida State (8-3) beat South Florida 94-73. Next: vs. Florida, Saturday. 19. California (5-2) lost to Cornell 74-54. Next: vs. Texas Southern, Sunday. 20. Nebraska (8-3) beat Fordham 79-55. Next: vs. Eastern Illinois, Saturday. 21. Cincinnati (5-1) did not play. Next: vs. South Alabama, Saturday. 22. Arizona (4-2) beat West Virginia 75-74. Next: vs. Rhode Island, Saturday. 23. Connecticut (6-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 7 Seton Hall at the Meadowlands, Monday. 24. Vanderbilt (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. labama, Saturday. 25. Brigham Young (7-4) did not play. Next: vs. Texas-El Paso, Saturday. NBA STANDINGS By The Associated Press All Times EST EASTERN CONFERENCE **Atlantic Division** w Pct. GB L 9 .667 -12 .571 2 1/2 New Jersey 16 11 .542 3 1/2 17 .414 7 13 12 Philadelphia 17 .320 8 18 .308 9 1/2 Washington 20 .28610 1/2 **Central Division** 21 17 14 14 13 15 464 8 15 444 8 1/2 15 423 9 12 11

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Giants fire Handley, no successor named By TOM CANAVAN chartreuse cranks; crappie are slow; catfish an **AP Sports Writer** BELTON: Water clear, 56 degrees, 4 feet abov

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. Coughlin said: (AP) — The man who succeeds had: a honeymoon.

Bowl victory over the Buffalo Bills progressed."

playoffs.

It never happened. The team tumultuous year marked by incon- Wannstedt is no different." sistency, fan dissatisfaction and Young said a list of potential coaches.

Young to fire the 48-year-old Han- dates.

conference where he was the only ence.

ficult to follow such as successful adjustment.

coach." easier, Young said.

moon period, a period of rebuild- don't know if Ray was." defense has to be revamped."

The question, though, is who will be asked to do it?

ed that Boston College coach Tom of job it is," Young said. Coughlin, a former Giants assistant . Handley never fit that mold. He defense over schemes new coordiare the leading contenders.

a top candidate.

Fla., where Boston College was preparing for Friday's Hall of Fame Bowl against Tennessee,

"If and when there is contact, I Ray Handley as coach of the New will decide on that matter at the York Giants is going to have some- proper time. I came here (Boston thing that his predecessor never College) to win a national championship. None of this is going to Handley never had a grace peri- diminish what we're trying to do od after taking over when Bill Par- down here. I'm very happy with cells resigned following the Super the program and the way it has

in 1991. He inherited an aging Cowboys owner Jerry Jones team and everyone expected him to refused to say whether he has continue to get the Giants to the given other teams permission to talk with Wannstedt.

"Most assistant coaches in the went 8-8 in his first year and NFL hope they can be head coachslipped to 6-10 this past season, a es someday," Jones said. "Coach

bickering between players and successors is being compiled, but The combination was enough to particularly Parcells. He also said convince general manager George he has not contacted any candi-

dley on Wednesday with a year In choosing Handley 19 months still left on his contract. The coach ago, Young varied from his previwas told of the decision Monday. ous coaching selections. In choos-"When I came in here, there had ing Ray Perkins and Parcells, he been no success for a long period had picked men with previous pro of time," Young said at a press or college head coaching experi-

speaker. "I think we've had so Handley has only been a high much success since then that the school head coach and an assistant expectations are so much greater. in the college and pro ranks. While Simms late in the 1990 season and press is great, and that makes it dif- seemed to struggle making the

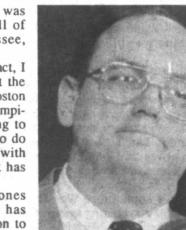
"Some guys are meant to be linebacker Pepper Johnson, one of "Now there has to be a honey- Handley's most vocal critics. "I

ing," Young said. "We have two Young said Wednesday he handled the quarterback situation young quarterbacks and the knows what he wants from his next poorly, coach.

No immediate successor was maladjusted and somewhat of a in his first season in 1983. named, although it has been report- masochist, because that's the kind

under Parcells, and Dallas defen- had problems communicating with nator Rod Rust was installing, consive coordinator Dave Wannstedt the players and media. He also tinued woes with the media, and an took over a team that might have early November injury that sidelined There have been reports that Par- had its last hurrah in 1991.

Contacted Wednesday in Tampa, became the head coach when Par- ing with them.





cells unexpectedly resigned. "He didn't have two full years," he refused to comment on anyone, Young said. "He didn't have a long time. I think coming in after the Super Bowl, he might have had three years.

"Other guys who take over a team that's down have more time. They (Handley and his staff) didn't have the time.

From the outset, Handley ran into problems, particularly with his quarterbacks.

Handley opted for Jeff Hostetler, :who replaced an injured Phil : The scrutiny of the public and he had tremendous knowledge, he led New York to its Super Bowl win over Buffalo. It was not a popular move, and questions about a possible quarterback change Following Handley should be head coaches," said Giants plagued the coach throughout the season.

The Giants finished 8-8. After the season, Handley admitted he

Things just got worse this season "I'm still looking for someone as the Giants compiled their worst thick-skinned, who is somewhat record since Parcells went 3-12-1

There was another quarterback controversy, a rebellion by the Lawrence Taylor for the season.

cells might be asked to return, but Time was against him from the The fans, who got on Handley's sources close to the former coach start. Handley was named the case in 1991, greeted him with told The Associated Press that Par- Giants' offensive coordinator after chants of "Ray Must Go" at home cells has not been contacted by the the Super Bowl win in an effort to games. There were complaints in team and does not consider himself keep him from leaving for law the locker room by players who school. Three months later, he felt Handley was not communicatPAMPA

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U.S. seeks legal answers in Cuban air defection

By ERIC HERMELEE Associated Press Writer

MIAMI (AP) — Nearly 50 Cubans who fled to Miami aboard a commandeered airliner were released to jubilant relatives and the tricky legal questions raised by the dramatic flight.

The major issue is whether Tuesday's defection constitutes a hijackviolating international law if it gives the Cubans asylum.

The plane was on a flight from people aboard when the pilot and pilot and steered the twin-engine der said. turboprop to Miami.

return the airliner.

Four children were freed by U.S. detention center Wednesday to an cent verdicts. enthusiastic welcome while they await a formal decision on their a terrorist act. request for asylum.

and two children were on the plane.

Caridad Garcia. "We couldn't stay it. anymore.

Flor Valera, who lives in the United States, welcomed her 31-year-old niece, Amalia Arocha Gonzalez. "I to God. I feel so, proud ... Let's go ed. home, let's go home.'

Cuban defectors are almost autoing. If so, the United States risks matically given asylum, but U.S. government lawyers are divided over what to do about the incident.

Havana to a Cuban resort with 53 United States would be required tyranny. under international law to prosecute passengers drugged a government or extradite those involved, State security guard, overpowered the co- Department spokesman Joseph Sny-

The United States undertook that who didn't ask for asylum and to though Cuba is not a signatory, Snyder said.

immigration officials on Tuesday, Cubans in 1980 for hijacking a ments." and 44 adults were released from a Cuban fishing boat resulted in inno-

'This is a clear act of hijacking," 'It's a miracle of God," said Jose said Ariel Ricardo, spokesman for Tomas, a Cuban exile living in Miami the Cuban Interest Section in Wash- renounced the agreement after a who was shocked to learn his wife ington. "This type of criminal bomb blew up a Cuban jetliner off activity is rejected by the interna- the coast of Barbados.

"The Cubans are suffering too tional community. In all countries, much on the island," said his wife, there exists legislation that prohibits

The president of the Cuban American National Foundation, a powerful lobby in Washington, sent a letter to U.S. Attorney Roberto Marfriends while U.S. officials took up left her in the country when she was tinez expressing "grave concern" a baby," Valera said. "I give thanks that the refugees would be prosecut-

In a letter to U.S. Attorney General William Barr, Rep. Robert G. Torricelli, D-N.J., wrote that the diversion wasn't a hijacking since the plane had remained under its pilot's If it is deemed a hijacking, the control in a "flight to freedom from

> Federal prosecutors said the FBI was investigating to determine what laws might have been broken.

One veteran immigration attorney who often represents Haitian On Wednesday, Cuba sent a crew commitment in a 1970 agreement refugees, Ira Kurzban, said of the to Miami to pick up the five people and is obliged to abide by it even flight: "I think there's no question that there was a hijacking here and there's no question that (there was) a Still, efforts to prosecute three violation of international agree-

In 1973, the United States and Cuba signed an anti-hijacking agree-Cuba has condemned the flight as ment specifying that hijackers would either be sent back or prosecuted on the spot.

But in 1976, Fidel Castro

Boutros-Ghali warns off military action

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina (AP) — U.N. Secretary-General besieged populace by opposing Hurd, to rethink their options. Western moves toward intervening militarily in Bosnia's defense.

Boutros-Ghali, who said his visit was to show solidarity with beleaguered Sarajevans, sent a letter to the U.N. Security Council express-Ing his "grave concern over the growing momentum for military action in the area."

Western nations on the council, led by the United States, are moving toward using U.S. and allied warplanes to make sure Serbs honor a U.N. resolution barring them from military flights over Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Boutros-Ghali, wearing a blue peace-keeper's helmet, emerged from a Russian-built Antonov plane that landed today despite freezing fog at Sarajevo's U.N.-controlled airport.

The airport, often caught in fierce cross-fire between Bosnian govern-

The failure of peace efforts has caused even staunch opponents of attempts by Lord Owen, the Euro-Boutros Boutros-Ghali arrived in foreign intervention such as pean Community special mediator, Sarajevo today after angering its Britain's foreign secretary, Douglas to negotiate a settlement.

In Belgrade, the Yugoslav army chief of staff, Gen. Zivota Panic predicted Western military intervention would only "spread the war." He said his Serb-dominated army was preparing to repel any foreign military intervention.

Yugoslav President Dobrica Cosic claimed Serbs besieging Sarajevo were facing a major assault. U.N. ready to attack Serb rebels.

Serbian officials rebuffed new

Owen on Wednesday presented Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic with a proposal on keeping Bosnia unified, though decentralized. But Karadzic turned it down, asking: "Why did we have a war if Bosnia should stay unified?" Belgrade radio reported.

War started in Bosnia after the Muslim and Croat majority voted for independence from Yugoslavia officials have speculated that up to in February. The Serb minority 10,000 government troops were rebelled and has captured two-thirds of Bosnia's territory.

boots, scented fingernails, powdered wine and checkered clothing will be hot in 1993, while country music is on its way out, says "The American Forecaster Almanac."

can cuisine are among other trends to that's had a little life in them." watch in '93, according to Denver writer-prognosticator Kim Long. Long's 10th annual almanac will disk only, an example of Long prac-

ticing what he preaches. the electronic arena," he says.

On the job front, those in demand in '93 will include home health and medical assistants. Occupations can be sprinkled on salads, soups in decline are farming, bookkeeping, and entrees, the Forecaster reports.

DENVER (AP) - Used cowboy word-processing and garment-mak- Other culinary trends: food from the ing, the Forecaster says.

In fashion, expect used cowboy boots to make a splash.

'The fashion statement is, 'I've been doing this for awhile,' " Long Nostalgia for the '70s and Domini- says. "The idea is to find a pair

Checkered clothing will reappear as part of a revved-up pre-World War II fashion look that will include appear for the first time on floppy houndstooth and seersucker, the Forecaster says.

"I talk about the future, so it will be fashionable. A new kind of seems the perfect format — to be in fingernail polish releases a scent that lasts longer than conventional perfume.

Powdered wine, with zero alcoaides, paralegals, physical therapists hol, is emerging as a condiment that

Dominican Republic and the Mediterranean, it says.

Long says a '70s nostalgia craze that began with platform shoes will continue in '93 with disco music, longer skirts and straight hair.

The bloom will be off country music in '93. The sale of country music, normally about 10 percent of all music sales, will peak at 15 percent and then decline, Long says.

"It won't go away — it just won't Long says scented fingernails also be such a big, over-hyped popular deal," he says.

Long says his best 1992 predictions were the demise of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles and easy-listening radio, and the popularity of platform shoes.

Long, 44, sold 5,000 copies of the Almanac last year.

Author Kim Long holds a computer floppy disk containing his latest edition of 'The American Forecaster Almanac'.

Forecaster says 1993 trends

to include used cowboy boots

ment forces and Serb besiegers, was calm today, as was the rest of the capital.

Boutros-Ghali's caution has angered Sarajevans.

On Wednesday, a group of Sarajevo intellectuals issued a statement bitterly condemning the the secretary-general as having signed "a great number of futile U.N. resolutions which were used to shamelessly deceive Sarajevo and Bosnia-Herzegovina for nine long months."

The intellectuals characterized his visit as "an attack on the only thing we still have after nine months of suffering - our dignity."

Bosnians, who are badly outgunned by their Serb foes, are especially incensed at the U.N.'s unwillingness to exempt them from an arms embargo imposed on all warring parties in former Yugoslavia.

Nine months of fighting in Bosnia has killed at least 17,000 people and devastated Sarajevo and other cities.

The secretary-general on Wednes-day urged the West to hold off any decisions on using force to try to stop the war until a meeting Saturday in Geneva between leaders of Bosnia's warring factions.

"Let us give another chance to the peace process," Boutros-Ghali told a news conference at U.N. European headquarters.

Boutros-Ghali was met at the Sarajevo airport by U.N. force commander in Bosnia, Gen. Philippe Morillon of France, and given a guard of honor by half a dozen Egyptian U.N. soldiers.

The temperature was about 1 degree Fahrenheit, and Sarajevans could be seen scouring nearby streets on their daily search for scarce firewood and food. An estimated 380,000 people are trapped in the capital by Serbian forces.

U.N. officials say people are already dying from exposure as a bitter Balkan winter has gripped the city.

The United Nations has kept Sarajevo fed since June via a crucial air-lift. But war-weary residents expected tougher U.N. action against the Serbs.

"Pléase stop defending us your way," the intellectuals' statement to Boutros-Ghali said. "We are getting exterminated."

Lt. Gen. Satish Nambiar of India, commander of 23,000 U.N. peacekeepers actoss former Yugoslavia, backed Boutros-Ghali's appeal for more talks but acknowledged that international patience is growing thin.

"There is a tolerance level which will break, and it is quite close to the breaking point," he told The Associated Press.

