



(Drawing by Barry Callen)

Merry Christmas

"And there in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and they were sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."

Focalpoint

Action/reaction: Sand will blow

Q. Would there not be less blowing sand and wind erosion if farmers did not cut stalks and plow them under? Does the United States Department of Agriculture recommend other ways of farming that would prevent this?

A. In some parts of the state, cotton stalks must be plowed under by a certain date to prevent the pink bollworm harboring through the winter. Even though this regulation does not prevail here, there is not enough of the stalk left by the time it is defoliated and machine stripped to stop the type of wind erosion we get in West Texas, according to Bruce Griffith, county agent. Griffith said the USDA recommends cover crops and West Texas does not have enough moisture for cover crops. It recommends putting cotton burrs on the land and almost all the cotton burrs have been put out, but there are not nearly enough to cover all of the land on the big West Texas farms. The sand is going to blow until enough rain falls to put moisture back in the soil.

Calendar: Knights' Christmas

SATURDAY
St. Mary's Episcopal, Christmas Eve Eucharist, 11:30 p.m.
First Christian Church, Carols With Candlelight, 11 p.m.
First Presbyterian, Candlelight Service, 7 p.m., sanctuary, Communion, 11:15 p.m. Chapel.
First United Methodist, Service of Carols and Candles, 6:30 p.m., 6 p.m. Organ Christmas music.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, "Children for Christ", 7 p.m.

SUNDAY
Knights Templar Commandry 31 Christmas observance, 8:30 a.m., Masonic Lodge, 219 Main St.

MONDAY
Financial institutions, some businesses, and city, county, state and federal offices will be closed for the Christmas holiday. They will reopen Tuesday morning for business as usual.

Offbeat: All is calm

Through noon on Christmas Eve, the Big Spring citizens were apparently taking the message of "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" seriously.

The sheriff's office had arrested only five drunks on "Christmas Eve's Eve" which is a normal Friday night crowd.

City police had reported three burglar alarms with no burglars, no major accidents, and a group throwing hay in the street that turned out to be happy Christmas carolers.

TV's best: Fiesta Bowl

For the sports fan, the Fiesta Bowl is at 2 p.m. on Channel 7 featuring Penn State and Arizona State. For the children and young at heart, "The Bear Who Slept Through Christmas" is on Channel 2 at 7 p.m. For movie buffs on Channel 7 at 6:30 p.m., Danny Kaye in "Hans Christian Anderson" and at 8 p.m. on Channel 4, "Funny Girl".

Inside: Christmas on Death Row

THERE ARE NO SOUNDS or signs of Christmas on Death Row, which inmates say is not a pleasant place for the holidays or any other day. See p. 12B.

A GROWING number of Americans are venturing out into the cold and snow for winter sports like skiing, and novices can run into trouble if they don't learn about the dangers they may face. See p. 15C.

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Outside: No snow

Weather forecast for Christmas includes cloudy and cooler. Low in the upper 30s tonight with high today in the upper 50s. Winds from the west at 15-25 miles per hour. Christmas weekend to remain dry and cool.



Amid rumors of peace

Pilgrims flock to Bethlehem

BETHLEHEM, Occupied West Bank (AP) — A colorful religious motorcade Saturday rolled through the sun-washed Judean wilderness toward Bethlehem, beginning the traditional Christmas pilgrimage to the town of Christ's birth.

Msr. Giacomo Guiseppe Beltritti, the Roman Catholic patriarch of Jerusalem, donned black robes trimmed with scarlet before leading the slow-moving caravan from Jerusalem down the narrow, winding five-mile road to Bethlehem, and the 800-year-old Church of the Nativity.

Dozens of prelates wearing scarlet sashes across black robes accompanied the patriarch.

After a week of rain, a chill December sun broke through and bathed the route, heavily patrolled by armed Israeli troops on watch against possible Arab guerrilla attacks.

An Arab in medieval garb, a red fez atop his head, led the procession, tapping a silver-tipped staff to announce the patriarch's coming. Israeli mounted police flanked the motorcade in a ceremonial honor guard.

While millions follow the sacred festivities here marking the birth of Jesus, Egyptian and Israeli leaders meet by the Suez Canal on Christmas talking about bringing peace to the troubled Holy Land.

Bethlehem's Manger Square been transformed from its usual parking-lot status into a brightly lit, festive plaza for the thousands expected to listen to carols from a dozen choirs.

The choirs include groups from South Africa, Belgium, West Germany, Scotland, England, Israel and Bethlehem itself.

Hearts 'n flowers

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Hart



Mike Ezzell, the state representative from the 63rd District who fell and broke his wrist in five places trying to step from a chair to a ladder in Snyder recently, says that as many as 50 or 60 seats in the legislature may change hands next year.

If such is the case, Mike would wind up with considerable clout in the lower house, assuming he is returned to office by the electorate. So far, he has no opponent.

How many hard-cover books do you read in a week's time? If you don't zip through 460 every seven days, you can't keep up with the number being published in the United States. That totals out to 24,000 a year.

Most volumes either cater to a small audience or sink without a trace.

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Lisa Thixton home for holidays

Family has hope for Christmas

By MARJ CARPENTER

"Faith, hope and love, these three" — and this Christmas at the home of the Garner Thixton's, the greatest of these is hope.

They have the faith and love in that home. They are clinging to a desperate hope that something will miraculously appear to cure leukemia.

Their daughter, Lisa, 15, has been battling the dread disease since August. "Some day there will be a cure discovered," Mrs. Thixton says matter-of-factly. "We just keep hoping it will be now."

IN THE MEANTIME, the Thixtons have been traveling back and forth to M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston with Lisa for chemotherapy treatments.

Lisa has been there most of the time since September, but came home Dec. 5 for a month. She returns for five days of treatment in January.

"This is Lisa's Christmas. Whatever she feels able to do, we let her do. Sometimes that isn't much. Sometimes she feels like going to a birthday party or something," Mrs. Thixton stated.

"WE LET HER go to school the last day before the holidays because she wanted to see all of her friends."

Lisa is the youngest of five Thixton children. She is a freshman at Forsan High School, where her sister, Lucy, was a state champion sprinter last year, winning first in Texas in the 100-yard dash.

It looked like Lisa was on her way to some of the same honors, having won first in the junior high district last season in the 600-yd. dash.

Lisa has been extremely active all of her life. She had always wanted a horse of her own, but now has to be careful of bruises and bleeding, so this dream has faded. Her real desire in life at this point is a water bed.

However, Santa Claus wasn't sure he was going to be able to swing that, since the family has done well to keep up on hospital bills and other costs.

RIGHT HERE at Christmas, Lisa's sister, Lucy, has pulled the ligaments in her leg and is in a cast and a brother, Tony, broke his leg on the job.

So there are two members of the family in leg casts. Tony joked his sister, "Can't even get much attention around here with a broken leg." Lisa smiled and drew artistic designs on both casts.

The family's love fills the room when they gather together. They have a Christmas rule that nobody can pick up their own packages under the tree and shake them and they better not catch you trying.

A SECOND RULE is that whoever gets up first Christmas morning may open their stocking, but that the packages must wait until all have arrived.

They're all close around. Tony, 22, works in Big Spring, Wesley, 21, recently married. Lisa was a bridesmaid in the wedding. He works for Howard County and also the Forsan School system. There's a school bus sitting out in the front yard that he drives.

Sara, 19, works in Midland and Lucy is a junior in high school.

ALL OF THEM try to help the family out as much as possible.

The family goes to Berea Baptist Church and have a deep faith. They are much closer together than most

families. And this year, Christmas is special to them all. It is absolutely filled with love at the Thixton home.

And hope — they have to have hope, because Lisa has hope and this year at Christmas, she, as the youngest, is the most important member of their family.



CENTER STAGE — This is Lisa's special Christmas this year at the Garner Thixton home so the other members of the family wait while the youngest opens the first package. Lisa is undergoing treatment for leukemia. Seated beside Lisa, center, are, left to right, her sister-in-

law, Betty, her sisters, Lucy, and on the right, Sara and her father, Garner, standing at the far right. The three standing behind are her brother, Tony, her mother and her brother, Wesley.

Carter meets farm strike leaders

PLAINS, Ga. (AP) — President Carter met today with striking farmers and said afterward that "farm prices will have to go up" but meeting their full demands would jeopardize American agricultural exports.

"I sympathize with them — they're good folks," Carter said after talking for more than 30 minutes with a delegation of four farm strike leaders at his home. "They're trying to do things peacefully ... It was a good meeting ... They've

got a really serious problem and we're working in sympathy with them."

He said his secretary of agriculture will meet with leaders of the farm strike from all 50 states on Jan. 4 or 5. It will be the secretary's second meeting with farmers demonstrating for higher prices.

"I think farm prices will have to go up in the years ahead as land becomes less available and the population of the world expands," Carter said. The farmers are demanding full

parity, which they define as price guarantees that would give them a minimum wage.

Asked what was wrong with 100 percent parity, Carter replied:

"It would make it difficult for us to compete internationally on farm exports if prices are much higher than they are now."

But the president said he understood the five-point demand for higher prices that the farm leaders presented as they sat on the sofa and chairs in Carter's living room.

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ANOTHER HOLIDAY IN JAIL — James Caswell, 20, Austin, Minn., is spending Christmas this year in the Olmsted County Jail in Rochester. He was jailed on a charge of unauthorized use of a motor vehicle. Caswell has spent Christmas in various institutions since he was 12.

Cross deleted from paper

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A small cross used in the Christmas edition of a high school newspaper has become the touchpoint of a controversy over the separation of church and state. Protests from a Jewish reporter on the staff of Frontville High School's Pirate Press in St. Louis County led to the blackening-out of the cross on the front page of the paper, which appeared Friday. "I don't believe that the teaching of religion or religious symbols have any place in a public school," said Jay Rothman, a junior, and the only Jew on the paper's staff of 23. The decision to remove the cross was made at the last minute by principal Kenneth Buhlig, who argued that the constitutional doctrine of separation of church and state required it.

Laetrile ruling preserved

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — A federal judge has denied an appeal from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to delay enforcement of a ruling that removes restrictions on importation and use of Laetrile.

The FDA had asked U.S. District Judge Luther Bohanon to delay enforcement of his Dec. 5 order until the case could be heard by the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver. But that request was refused Friday.

Married 70 years today

BENNINGTON, Vt. (AP) — Christmas is also Valentine's Day for Charles and Edith Hunt. They will be marking their 70th wedding anniversary on Christmas Day in their room at a nursing home here.

"It doesn't seem so long," says Mrs. Hunt, 86. "He's been such a good husband."

They were married Christmas Day, 1907, at the Dutch Reformed Church in nearby Buskirk, N.Y.

"It was a Wednesday," recalled Hunt, who is 97. Mrs. Hunt wore a high-collared dress during the two-minute ceremony.

"There were two ministers," he said, adding that back then, no marriage license was required.

Porno war claims life

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The FBI has been called into an investigation of a bomb blast at a downtown massage parlor that killed a female employee and could, police said, signal a power struggle for control of the city's parlors.

"There are a number of things that may be under our purview here," Pittsburgh FBI agent Vincent Ruehl said Friday, after a bomb disguised as a Christmas gift exploded, injuring four other persons.

"The bomb may have been brought in from out of state and of course we're interested in any connection with organized crime," Ruehl said.

"We are trying to piece together whether this is a power play to control the massage parlors or if someone was out to kill the girl in an amorous affair," said Assistant Police Superintendent Stephen Joyce.

The blast, which ripped through the Gemini Spa on the second floor of a downtown building, sent glass and debris raining onto the street crowded with shoppers.

No one outside the building was injured, police said.

The dead woman was identified as Joanna Scott.

Oil, economy themes of Carter's journey

WASHINGTON (AP) — If any themes are threading their way through President Carter's six-country trip beginning Thursday, they are international economic developments and energy problems.

Two of the countries on Carter's itinerary — Saudi Arabia and Iran — account for more than one-quarter of the oil imported each year by the United States. Those two nations play key roles in oil politics and the stability of the Middle and Near East.

For the record

Sgt. Ronald E. Long, identified in Friday's edition of The Herald as the son of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Long, is in fact the son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Long of Big Spring.

Long, who is scheduled to visit his parents here during the holidays, earned the Meritorious Service Award from the U.S. Army.

Vietnam and Cambodia locked in border war

WASHINGTON (AP) — Border fighting between Vietnam and Cambodia is intensifying and may now involve thousands of troops on both sides, State Department officials say.

The officials, who declined to be identified, said Friday the fighting is concentrated in the so-called Parrot's Beak region, Cambodian territory which juts into Vietnam near Saigon.

One official said Cambodia is fighting to reclaim the land which has been the scene of frequent border clashes between the two communist-controlled countries for years.

"It's Cambodian territory, and the Vietnamese are occupying it," one official said. "We've got reports that the fighting is going on and that it's serious. It's not just a couple of squads going

after each other."

He estimated that the fighting could be at the regimental level or higher. In American terms, a regiment would contain about 2,000 troops.

However, the officials declined to provide further details on the fighting. "This doesn't concern us anymore," one official said. "It's between those two countries."

CBS News reported Friday that the Parrot's Beak border conflict had escalated sharply in recent months, with division-sized units involved in the fray. CBS said a Vietnamese division has about 10,000 troops.

CBS also reported that China appears to be playing a mediating role between the two traditional Indochinese rivals and that a full-scale war seems unlikely.

Scientists say booms heard for many years

WASHINGTON (AP) — They were heard last Wednesday and Thursday in New Jersey.

On Tuesday they had been reported as loud explosions by people in Connecticut.

In the past, similar reports had been heard from the Finger Lakes region of New York, Florida, Australia and the Middle East.

The topic each time were unexplained explosions — sonic booms said some people.

Experts at the U.S. Geological Survey here say the mysterious booms heard off the mid-Atlantic coast this week have been common for hundreds of years.

Along the way they have always eluded definitive scientific explanation.

"There is nothing really new in the fact that such sounds have been reported," said James Devine, head of the survey's earthquake

studies.

Devine said the muffled sounds have been known by such names as Guns of the Seneca, Barisal Guns, Jebel Musa Sounds and Mist Puffers. He said they have been particularly prevalent along the East Coast.

Military officials have denied responsibility for the booms. And sonic booms have been ruled out by a number of experts.

While some earthquakes have been accompanied by loud noises and displays of lights, "we have searched our seismic networks and can find no recordings of specific earthquakes that could be related to the (most recent) noise," Devine said.

"Nor would we expect earthquakes of small magnitudes — which might not be detected on the instruments — to be capable of generating such noises," he added.

Deaths

Kate West

Mrs. A.B. (Kate) West, 72, died at 9:15 a.m. Friday at Omaha, Tex. after a long illness.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel with burial in Trinity Memorial Park.

Born Oct. 30, 1905 at Cussetta in Cass County, she married A.B. (Skeet) West July 14, 1935 at Loraine. He died April 6, 1972.

Mrs. West taught school at West Ward School for many years in Big Spring and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church and had lived in Omaha since last October.

Glen Johnston

Survivors include two brothers, Ben Spurger, Silver City, N.M.; Rainey Spurger, Marietta, and two sisters, Mrs. Hall Hooker, Dallas and Mrs. Faye Purde, Naples, Tex. and a number of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday at Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel for Glen Johnston, 50, who died in San Angelo Thursday as the result of injuries received in a wreck.

Burial was in the Coahoma Cemetery. Pallbearers were M.W. Griffice, F.N. Bolding, James Lloyd, Jr., G.W. Shelby, and Mack Selburn.

Speed limit may save 100 lives

By the Associated Press

The nationwide 55 mph speed limit is expected to save as many as 100 lives during the Christmas holiday traffic period, the National Safety Council estimates.



END OF THE SEARCH — Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lancaster are shown here with a \$2 half-gold coin ring which was returned to them by James C. Cherry. Cherry found the anniversary present on the sidewalk at College Park T.G. & Y.

Ring's finder makes Christmas merrier

By CAROL HART

Thanks to James C. Cherry, 1008 Baylor, this Christmas will be a little happier for Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lancaster, 610 Colgate.

To mark the Lancaster's 30th anniversary, Mrs. Lancaster gave her husband a 1914 \$2 half gold piece mounted on a ring. In early December, Lancaster could not find the anniversary present.

The Lancasters were traveling frequently to Tyler, where Mrs. Lancaster's brother is ill. "We were involved with the illness," said Mrs. Lancaster. Because of that, the couple searched the house and yard for the ring, but two weeks went by before they started an ad to find the ring.

The day the ad was published, Mr. and Mrs. Lancaster were called to Austin when their daughter became ill. In the meantime, Cherry had found the ring on a sidewalk near T.G. & Y. in College Park and had begun searching for the owners.

When he saw the ad in the paper, Cherry called the Lancasters, but they were out of town and did not answer the phone. Cherry called their son, Steve, who due to the illnesses in

the family, did not know that the ring was missing. "It must not be Dad's," Steve told Cherry.

When the Lancasters returned from Austin, they again put the ad in the paper. Cherry repeatedly called the house to talk to Jim Lancaster about the ring, but could never get him. He did talk to Steve again, who was answering his parents' phone. Cherry declined to leave his name, because he wanted the owner of the ring to identify it.

So the search for the missing ring continued. Mrs. Lancaster decided to run an ad on Cable TV Channel 10. She and her husband own the local cable television station. Two people called as a result of the TV ad, including a man who had found a similar gold coin ring from around the 1930's, and Cherry.

Thursday night Cherry and Jim Lancaster talked to each other, and Lancaster described his ring. The Lancasters later went to the Cherry home and identified the ring.

"Mr. Cherry was such a nice man," said Mrs. Lancaster. "He would not take a reward. He made my Christmas."

THE RENEWABLE RESOURCE

A tree is God's creation everywhere on earth - including Brooklyn. It's said man once lived in trees. When he climbed down, life never again was to be quite so simple... yet only then did the tree get truly appreciated. For here was food and fuel and shelter. Then a weapon, a tool, a wheel - and transportation. And now it's floors, doors, veneers, piers, baskets, caskets - rubber for gaskets. It's a handle for brooms, shovels, rakes - syrup on pancakes. It's paper and paints - tars, spars, boxes and boxcars - storage bins and bowling pins. It's toothpicks and matchsticks - even plastics - material for distillation, lamination, insulation - windows for ventilation, and a thousand and one other we-can't-do-withouts. Yet few people look at a tree in the same way. To the small boy it's a favorite and strategic place - where you build a treehouse, spot a woodpecker, cut slingshots and fishpoles, hang old tires and climb for fun. To the naturalist it's probing a fascinating world of buds, blossoms, bark, needles, cones and leaves - spectacles of color - and some 1,035 domestic species. (Yet to a baseball player it's as simple as a stick of second-growth ash, sized and shaped to "feel like a million.") To the artist it's inspiration - alone on a windswept hill, timberline patchwork on a mountainside, thick and verdant in a valley. To the homeowner it's beauty and shade and property value - also digging, planting, pruning, edging, feeding and a lot of other weekend work. To the hobbyist and craftsman it's a new bookcase, picnic table, paneled den, plywood shelves - a chance to become downright "immortal". To the timberman it's a bustling big business, measured by cords and board feet. But most of all, a tree remains what it was in the first place - man's ever-lasting friend. For we'd sure be "stumped" for a mighty lot of things in a world without trees!

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Police beat — Domestic argument ends with chase

A call on a domestic ruckus at an address on South Runnels ended Friday afternoon with police chasing a fleeing suspect to 2nd and Birdwell where he was arrested.

Possible charges include drunk in auto, fleeing and eluding law officers, possession of marijuana, failure to control speed to avoid accident, and aggravated rape.

Two other men at the scene were arrested on public intoxication charges.

Juan Ramirez at 104 NW 4th reported an eight track tape player taken from his vehicle Friday afternoon.

Somebody left Dewees Exxon at 6:49 p.m. without paying for gasoline and shortly after midnight, two

men walked away from the White Kitchen without paying \$8.47 for a meal.

The Continental Bus Company reported somebody broke the front door window glass, entered and stole a CB radio, broke into the cigarette machine and possibly stole other items.

Betty Robinson at 1511 Avion reported some miscellaneous items of clothing and jewelry taken at that address, valued at \$64.50.

Shortly after noon Friday, an accident in front of the VA Hospital saw three vehicles involved. Drivers were Scott Davis, Gail Route; Albert Grandstaff, 4115 Muir and Cliton Elliott, Lackland, Tex. Davis, Grandstaff and

Tessie Grandstaff all received minor injuries.

One landlord reported that a tenant had taken the gas heater and later discovered it stored in the garage.

Minor accidents occurred at 10:20 a.m. in front of Foodway when a vehicle driven by Annie Jenkins, Knoxville, Maryland collided with a parked vehicle belonging to Edward G. Mendez, 611 N. Bell.

At 7:33 p.m., at 500 W. Bell, two vehicles collided. Drivers were Rogelo Marquez, 409 NE 10th and Jerry Glen Edwards, Box 391.

At 2:18 a.m. Saturday, a one-vehicle accident occurred on IS 20 off the ramp. Driver was Deborah Houston, 1216 Lindberg.

At 4:25 p.m., at 1606 S. Gregg, a vehicle driven by Juanita Whitley, 611 N. Runnels, was struck by a vehicle that left the scene.

Two juveniles were caught shoplifting at Montgomery Wards Friday afternoon.

At 7:40 p.m., officers cleared the hit and run which occurred at 4:25 p.m. charging Raul Garza, 1906 Runnels.

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Death toll in grain elevator fire now 32

NEW ORLEANS (AP)—A fire broke out early Saturday in three grain-laden silos ripped by an explosion at a grain elevator two days ago, temporarily slowing the search for four persons missing in the blast that has killed 32 persons.

Firemen said they had trouble getting water up to the fire atop the 250-foot tall silos. However, they suspected that cracks in the silos caused by Thursday's blast prevented detonation of the grain dust, which is highly explosive when

pressurized under certain weather conditions.

"It's not going to go anywhere," said Dwight Duay, dispatcher for the suburban Westwego Fire Department. Duay said the fire took about three hours to put out.

When the fire broke out, rescue crews and relatives of victims were moved back to the Mississippi River levee. But because the area being dug out by recovery crews is on another end of the silo complex, the crews soon went back to work, a company spokesman said.

The blast tore the tops off 43 of the silos of Continental Grain Co.'s 73-silo complex on the Mississippi River, just across from New Orleans.

The explosion hurled large slabs of reinforced concrete onto a ground-level laboratory room crowded with employees. Most of the victims were buried in the lab under tons of concrete and twisted steel.

Six of the survivors were in critical condition late Friday.

Originally, Continental officials estimated that there were 25 persons buried in the debris. But it was learned later that seven federal grain inspectors, five painters and a farmer picking up feed also were in the area of the explosion.

Weather Christmas Day will be cloudy, colder

By the Associated Press
Gray skies provided the Christmas Eve backdrop for nearly all of Texas and the weatherman promised another cold spell for northern areas of the state.

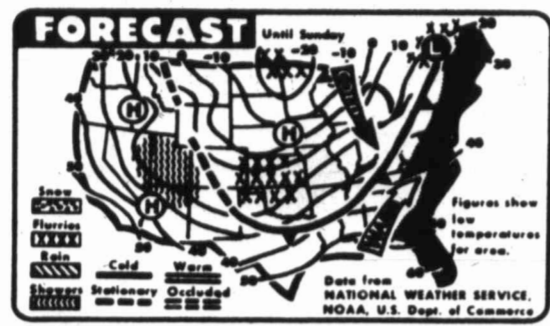
It was partly cloudy only along the coast, where patches of fog hung low in early morning.

Rather brisk winds kept

the central part of the state warmer than usual overnight. The lowest temperature near dawn Saturday was 42 degrees at Junction. Readings elsewhere ranged up to 65 at Beaumont-Port Arthur.

Forecasts promised mostly cloudy weather through Christmas Day, when the dawn was expected to greet a new cold front. It was due to sweep across the state and reach the Upper Texas Coast by Sunday night.

WEST TEXAS: Considerable cloudiness through today. Turning colder north tonight and most of area today. High today 40 north to 75 Big Bend.



WEATHER FORECAST — Rain is forecast along the Atlantic Coast to the eastern Gulf of Mexico. Showers are anticipated in much of the Southwest and snow flurries are predicted for the northern and southernmost Plains states. Temperatures over most of the nation will be unseasonably cold.

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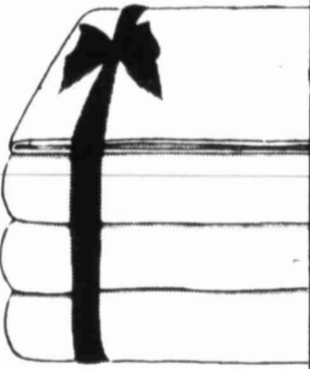
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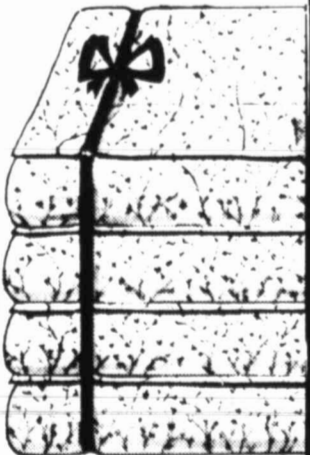
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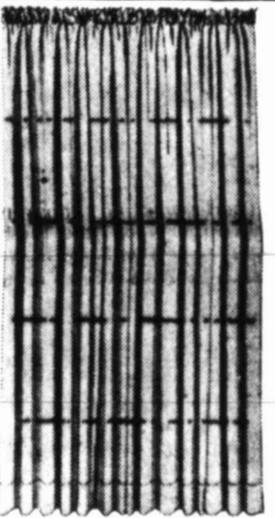


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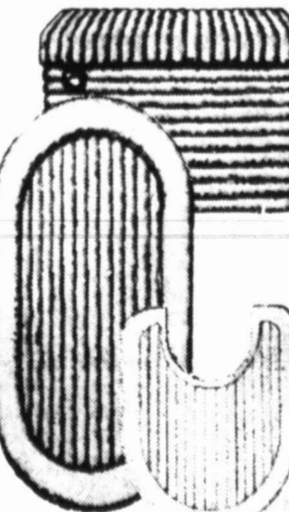
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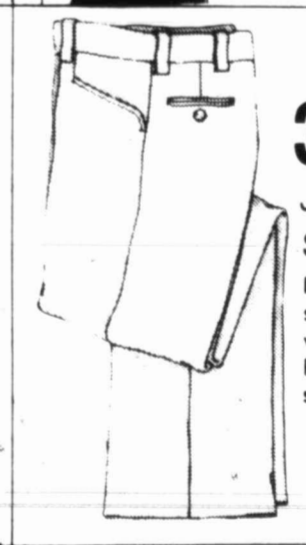
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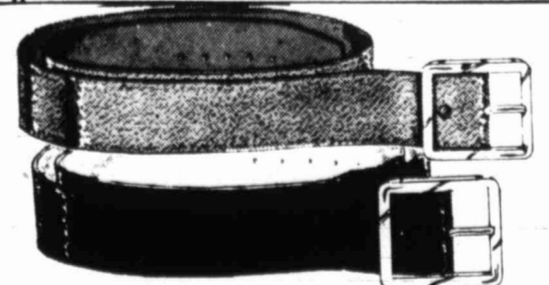
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Publisher's corner

A very special delivery of good cheer

My father, Jeff, worked every Christmas morning of my boyhood, and it is my most treasured Christmas memory.

You see, he was postmaster in a small West Texas town, and he started something that became my family's happiest Christmas tradition.

Each Christmas morning, all six of us would rise long before dawn and have our tree. As soon as our presents were opened and admired just a bit father would load us kids into the car and we would head for the Knox City post office.

The mail truck would arrive that day always with several big mail sacks containing many packages—obviously Christmas presents mailed to family and friends by people who just didn't quite start early enough to

be certain the packages would arrive before Christmas Eve.

FATHER HAD no postal requirement to do anything with that Christmas mail. Indeed, the bundles should have simply sat there until the day after Christmas.

But instead he opened those mail sacks and put the packages in the car. Then we started out on what was probably the U.S. government's most unusual special delivery service.

Father would drive to the addressed houses in and around town, and we kids would deliver them to the door.

I can still remember how good it felt to smile and say, "Merry Christmas," and hand someone a package from a loved one. It was a package they had been looking for but no longer expected to receive for Christmas. The people were so happy that we

kids had difficulty in keeping them from giving us things. We enjoyed delivering the packages so much that we kids scrambled to keep our place in line.

The delivering of those packages took much of Christmas morning—sometimes all morning. But to my family, it was worth every second spent.

The joy on the faces of the old women when packages arrived from their daughters far away made up for missed playing time with new toys. The brightened day of lonely old men when their gift arrived kept us from ever feeling that what we were doing was duty.

TO FATHER and his family, delivering of the packages on Christmas morning was a form of

giving. It was something extra that he could do in his job year after year that made Christmas a bit happier for tens of people in our little town. Our family looked forward to it the same as trimming our tree or opening our gifts.

Father could have stayed home on Christmas mornings. The packages were not paid for special delivery, and his efforts made no money for either the postal service or himself.

But we were more than amply rewarded for our task by the smiles we saw behind every screen door.

So when I think back on all the that Christmas has meant to me, I think of the example given me by my father:

Christmas: A time for a very special delivery of love and good cheer.

—J. TOM GRAHAM



Begin's turnabout

Evans, Novak

WASHINGTON — Despite the appearance of a bare minimum of concessions, Prime Minister Menahem Begin of Israel has in fact modified a lifetime of prejudicial thinking on relations with the Arabs—a development of vast importance forecast by a confidential State Department memorandum six weeks ago.

The memo, drafted for Secretary of State Cyrus Vance before peace talks between Egypt and Israel, traced an evolution in Begin's political thinking that was inconceivable before his election as Israeli prime minister last spring. Written by Mideast experts in the State Department's intelligence branch, the analysis accurately foresaw what even hard-nosed realists in the administration now concede.

THUS, THE PRIVATE sour reaction here to Begin's self-invited visit is sweetening considerably. For the first time since Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's pilgrimage to Jerusalem Nov. 19, the Carter administration's highest officials now see a real chance for an Israeli-Egyptian peace—and a separate settlement for the one million Arabs in the West Bank and Gaza.

The intelligence analysis for Vance predicted Begin would move by stages toward the long-held position of Begin's foreign minister, Moshe Dayan, the Dayan plan encompasses limited autonomy—self-government without military or foreign policy powers—for Palestinian Arabs, vaguely tied to Jordan but with commercial links to Israel.

In the privacy of President Carter's White House office, Begin took the "Mr. Flexible" role played by Dayan in past Labor governments. The prime minister outlined a concept of "autonomy" calling for a regional legislature. But the Israeli army would hold positions throughout the West Bank.

"Begin, the zealot who would never move a millimeter, has moved several millimeters," a diplomat here told us. "In fact, he has already offered the West Bank more autonomous power over their own affairs than the Hashemite kingdom of Hussein ever offered during 20 years of control of the West Bank."

BEGIN'S MILLIMETERS of movement are merely the starting point. He cannot withdraw from them, no matter how Sadat reacts. Rather, the extremely cautious concessions Begin has made—which are not even close to Sadat's demands for West Bank statehood with full sovereignty—must be slowly built upon if the peace momentum is to continue.

Assessments both within the State Department and, to a lesser extent, the National Security Council (NSC) staff see this starting to happen when Sadat and Begin meet in Egypt on Christmas Day. Begin's popularity, these analysts feel, is still waxing inside Israel and he is now irrevocably committed to a pro-peace line, which implies the inevitability of concessions.

Polls taken by Israel's Opinion Research Institute show the prime minister climbing from 55.8 per cent in October to 61.2 per cent in November to 78.3 per cent in mid-December. His greatest strength, over 80 per cent, is among blue-collar, low-income Oriental Jews (responsible for his election) and 18-29-year-old voters.



Heart living infection can be painful

Dr. G. C. Thosteson

Dear Dr. Thosteson: I have been having chest pain and running a temperature for almost seven months. My family doctor sent me to a heart specialist and he told me I had pericarditis. The condition was probably caused by the virus that gave me pneumonia seven months ago.

I am not getting any treatment. Wouldn't antibiotics or diathermy treatment help? I am 52 and all the tests were normal. — Mrs. E. C.

The pericardium is the outer lining of the heart. It comes from two Greek words meaning "around the heart." Pericarditis is inflammation of that lining. The inflammation may cause a slight swelling and abnormal friction with heart movement. Fluid may form in the pericardium—called pericardial effusion. An ECG shows this.

The ailment is usually self-limited—that is, it will run its course without treatment. In fact, for this there is no specific treatment. Being virus-caused, it does not respond to antibiotics and diathermy (heat treatment). Accept your doctor's opinion. It may take several months for symptoms to subside and you should be under observation during this period to determine the state of the inflammation.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: We hear about cholesterol and the fats that cause it in the body. Would a person live a longer and healthier life if she avoided these fats totally? — Mrs. L. J.

Probably not. Fats are not all bad and should contribute a certain portion of the total caloric intake. They add flavor to our food, and are a source of energy important in our daily life. Total fat intake (saturated and unsaturated) should be kept within reason. If a normal person does that, he need not worry about cholesterol or other blood fat problems. My booklet on this subject tells of ways to do this, listing the fat

content of various foods. For a copy, send 50 cents and a stamped, self-addressed envelope to me care of the Big Spring Herald. Ask for "Controlling Your Cholesterol Sensibly."

Dear Dr. Thosteson: How accurate can a doctor be in saying a woman is 18 weeks pregnant? I mean how accurate can medical science be—by X ray or whatever—as to the actual number of days? Can they tell within a week or two just how long the woman has been pregnant? — R. H.

At four months it's no guessing game. Telling how long in terms of weeks is not difficult. But pinpointing the number of days is chancy. A lot depends on the woman's accuracy in reporting the date of her last menstrual period. X ray would never be used for this for fear of harm to the fetus. Physical signs are for practical purposes quite reliable indicators of duration of pregnancy.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: My daughter, 16, is flat-chested. All the other girls make fun of her. Is there any kind of cream I can buy to help her out? — B. L.

There's no cream you can buy to do what nature hasn't done up to this point. You'd do better to point out to her some of the flat-chested beauties found on the covers of some of the glamour magazines. Let it go at that.

Dear Dr. Thosteson: Is it harmless to have a tooth extraction if a person has a heart condition (angina)? I'm referring to the drugs needed for the extraction. — J. M. C.



My answer

Billy Graham

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: I know there are many things wrong in the world today, but on the whole don't you think the world is really getting better and better? — S. S.

DEAR S. S.: It depends on the standard you use. If you only talk about scientific and technological progress, I think we would agree that the world is a better place, in spite of the pollution and other problems we have. There have truly been some startling medical advances in the past few decades. The exploration of space is a remarkable achievement.

However, in other ways our world is no better. In fact, in many ways we are worse off. The same skill that treats cancer with radioactive isotopes can create a nuclear bomb that could kill millions. Virtually every good effect of modern discovery has been offset by a comparable bad effect. We have, for the first time in human history, the ability to wipe

human life off this planet. You see, the basic problem with man is not his lack of education, or medicine, or technology. His basic problem is the human heart. Jeremiah said over 2,500 years ago, "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" (Jeremiah 17:9). His words are just as appropriate today. There is absolutely no sign that the human heart is any less greedy, or jealous, or lustful, or covetous than it ever has been.

I am convinced that only God can change the human heart. Jeremiah also said, "And I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me for ever" (Jeremiah 32:39). Christ came to give us this new heart when we repent of our sins and turn to Him in faith and trust. The real question is not "is the world getting better," but "am I getting better, as I live with Christ each day?"



Went to fire

Around the rim

Walt Finley

Ex-Alpine cowboy, Jay Sanders, is in with another yarn designed just for today.

Billy Carter volunteered to put up a Christmas display on the White House lawn.

A reporter looked out and exclaimed:

"Hey! What's that!" Replied Billy, "That's a Biblical scene."

"What do you mean a Biblical scene," the reporter asked. "Those statues are wearing firemen's red hats."

"Of course," Billy replied.

"Didn't you ever hear that Three Wise men came from a far?"

When You Run, You Learn To Love Your Shoes

Unless you've gone bananas over your feet.

My ice eatin' aunt, Fannie Everett, observes:

This is the day to give thanks for the turkey, one of the few enjoyable foods that produce no disease in laboratory mice.

PILL-PUSHER Mike Daniels has a couple of observations:

The revival of the movie industry hasn't touched everyone. There are still those who haven't been to a picture show since the theaters stopped giving away dishes.

You don't have to keep telling the old-timers that prices have gone up when they're asked to pay \$38.95 for a dime novel in hard cover.

LEFTY J. O. SHEID JR., who continues to hold a classified position with the Herald, submits a corker—called "one for the money."

Three brothers rented an apartment for \$30 per month. They each gave sister \$10 for a total of \$30 to pay the rent. When the sister went to pay the rent the landlord reduced the rent to \$25 and gave her back \$5. Rather than

trying to divide \$5 equally among 3 brothers she gave each one \$1 and kept the balance of \$2 for herself.

Now it cost each brother \$9 for a total of \$27 which added to the \$2 the sister retained would add up to \$29. What became of the \$1 unaccounted for?

Puzzled? Want answer? So do I. Dear readers, write or wrong let me hear it from you.

THAT TRAVELIN' MAN, Kenneth Hart, fires off three fast shots:

Salesman: So your hired man got married. Wonder what got into him? Employer: Buckshot!

Teacher: Johnny, name two documents that have contributed heavily to our Government. Johnny: Form 1040 and 1040A!

Middle age: The time of life when you'll do anything to feel better except give up what's hurting you.

Thought for today from my pal, anonymous: A wise wife soon learns to manage her husband, but a wise husband never tries to manage his wife.

THAT AD-LIBBER Bob Clark, who has spent more than a quarter of a century doing good things for the Herald, says:

There's one good thing about the season's new TV programs. The synchronization and amplification of their laugh tracks drown out their dialogues.

Ex-barefooted kicker, Eli Guinn, submits a poem for all racer backs in West Texas.

Oranges are oranges. The Hogs are meat. When OU leaves Florida. The Hogs will be beat.

BARBARA WALTERS asked Dolly Parton what she weighs and Dolly answered, "A hundred and plenty." So do I.



Save-cities idea

Jack Anderson

WASHINGTON — President Carter has rejected the urban proposals drawn up by his top aides and has called for new ideas to save the cities.

For months, White House planners have been working on a blueprint to revitalize the nation's decaying cities. The president has been pressured by blacks, liberals and labor to come up with a comprehensive urban plan.

But at a tense White House meeting, Carter told his aides that he was disappointed in their recommendations. He dismissed them sternly as nothing more than a hodge-podge of existing programs. There was no new idea in the whole report, he said. He emphasized that he didn't want to keep pouring federal funds down the same old rat hole.

THE PRESIDENT did not say he was unwilling to spend more money to bail out the cities. On the contrary, he told the aides not to worry about the cost of the program right now. The important thing, he stressed, is to come up with some innovative ways to deliver the aid.

But a debate is raging within the Administration over how the urban aid should be sliced up. Some experts argue that the aid should be targeted at the most depressed cities, such as New York, Detroit and Newark.

However, one official confided: "Everyone here is absolutely convinced that the money cannot be directed just at distressed cities. Politically, we'd get killed. We'd never get it through Congress."

If the urban aid is earmarked for cities with high jobless rates and little growth, it will flow mostly into the older cities of the Northeast and Midwest.

But inside the White House, the planners have decided to share some of the wealth with the newer, more affluent cities of the sunbelt. "The money really isn't needed in the South and West," explained one insider, "but the White House is locked into a political decision to help them, too. That means less money for places like the South Bronx."

Housing Secretary Patricia Harris, meanwhile, is pushing for massive new aid to rehabilitate decaying neighborhoods and build new housing. "Pat Harris is coming around with her huge shopping list," chuckled one expert, "and the budget officials are choking on it."

We have obtained a copy of the urban proposals on the president's desk. They call for a special program "to employ minority youth and adults in weatherization, building rehabilitation and other energy-related activities." Federal tax policies should be changed to "favor private investment in distressed cities," the report adds. Health, education and transportation programs for the cities should also be improved.

Carter hopes to announce his long-awaited proposals in March. BELATED COMMENT: Last month, we revealed that a young recruit had died of medical neglect at the Navy's boot camp in San Diego after a toxic disinfectant made him ill. Navy Secretary Graham Claytor has now ordered a full investigation.

In our report, we quoted Navy documents that linked a disinfectant called Wescodyne to the death. We did not criticize the product but the Navy's mishandling of it.

Through a misunderstanding, we were led to believe the producers of Wescodyne had no comment on the incident. West Chemical Products, Inc., has now supplied us with a comment, which we are pleased to publish.

States the company: "Based on toxicity studies carried out by reputable independent testing laboratories, the various references in your article categorizing Wescodyne as a 'toxic' and 'hazardous' disinfectant are unfounded."

These references, of course, were taken from Navy documents. The company cites "additional studies" which show that even in concentrated form, Wescodyne "is neither a skin nor an eye irritant."

CONTINUES THE statement: "Although your article quotes from documents which suggest that the Navy recruit was suffering from severe liver damage caused by 'the probable repeated exposures at the recruit training command' and that 'it is believed his liver was eroded by Wescodyne, a toxic disinfectant used carelessly at the Navy's boot camp in San Diego,' the symptomatology and pathology described in your article are not supported by any reports of Iodine-Iodophor toxicity."

There was also a question as to whether the disinfectant was properly labeled. Asserts the company: "The labeling and caution statements on the Wescodyne label are totally in conformance with all the requirements of the Environmental Protection Agency."

We also reported several days ago that Philippine exile leader Sergio Osmena Jr., in a sworn affidavit had accused Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos of blackmailing him three times. In a nutshell, Osmena swore that Marcos used his jailed son as a hostage to bring pressure on Osmena to support his dictatorship.

We waited three days for comment from Marcos, and when it didn't come, we used a brief comment from the Philippine embassy instead. But we have now received a long cable from Marcos' office.

"President Marcos," states the cable, "has not authorized any negotiations with Osmena or anything through any intermediary." The cable states that Osmena made the first approach through a Marcos crony named Amelito Mutuc. At Mutuc's suggestion, Osmena called Marcos directly from his haven in the United States and sought immunity to come home, the cable claims.

As for Osmena's charge that his daughter was used as a conduit for a blackmail message from Marcos, the cable acknowledges that Marcos spoke with Osmena's daughter but claimed it had to do with her wish to visit her father and her father's desire for immunity to come home.

A third alleged approach, states the cable, was "not authorized."

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"I may disagree with what you have to say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it." — Voltaire

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WHAT A CHRISTMAS FOR SOMEBODY! — A stack of gaily wrapped Christmas packages stacked in the shape of a Christmas tree are ready for loading into a jet plane in Dallas, Texas. The purchaser of the gifts, all bought at Neiman Marcus store, asked to remain unidentified. The store said the purchases included a \$400,000 string of pearls and a \$100,000 Russian sable coat and were for the man's pregnant wife. They added that the purchaser was a "non-Texan."

\$1 million gift

DALLAS (AP) — Ever see a \$250,000 Christmas Tree? One left Dallas Thursday aboard a private jet bound for New Orleans, complete with \$750,000 worth of "ornaments."

Actually, the 6-foot-high "tree" was a pile of expensive gifts purchased by an anonymous millionaire for his pregnant wife here at Neiman-Marcus.

The presents were delivered to a jet that was rented to fly them to Louisiana and nobody would say who was behind it all.

Keith Nix, a Neiman-Marcus spokesman, said the big spender would not permit the store to identify him "probably for his own protection."

He would only confirm he is not a Texan.

Stowaways AWOL pair go two weeks without food

HOUSTON (AP) — Two U.S. Army enlisted men absent without leave from their post in West Germany since Dec. 5 were in fair condition at a hospital here Friday after they were rescued from a container aboard a cargo ship where they had spent the last two weeks apparently without food or water.

An Army spokesman at Ft. Sam Houston at San Antonio said Randy Boutain and Dennis Feather were AWOL from their post at Crailsheim, Germany. Both men are members of B Company, 1st Battalion, 51st Infantry. The spokesman said no information was immediately available on either man's home town. However, Feather is believed to be from Memphis, Tenn.

Hospital officials said Feather is 25. Boutain is 19. "They haven't told us much and one of them said they don't want to talk to any reporters," said Nursing Supervisor Gladys Thomas. "They were suffering mostly from dehydration but they are improving and up talking now." Both men were initially listed in poor condition.

The containerized cargo ship Economy docked in Houston at 10:45 a.m. Wednesday. The Army spokesman said Feather and Boutain were not found until 3 a.m. Thursday.

Witnesses said longshoremen unloading the ship heard a tapping sound from one of the large con-



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READY FOR CHRISTMAS AND BIRTHDAYS — Born on Christmas eve four years ago the Segura quads of Artesia, N.M. know that Christmas and birthdays mean presents and they are curious to know what's in them. The identical quads are from left, Florencio Jr., Fabian, Fernando and Fermin, children of Margie and Florencio Segura.

For eye enucleation

Morticians being trained

People needing corneal transplants fail to receive the operation because donor cornea must be prepared within 4-6 hours of death and rushed to the nearest Eye Bank. There are few qualified physicians to obtain donor eyes for transplant operations, particularly in rural areas. To

relieve the problem, morticians are being trained in enucleation or the preparation of donor eyes for corneal transplant. In mid-November, the District 2T2 Lions Club cosponsored a two-day enucleation seminar with Texas Tech University School of Medicine departments of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, Anatomy and Continuing Education. The course attracted statewide participation and will substantially assist sight restoration programs according to James Price, M.D., Ph.D., chairperson of the department of Ophthalmology.

Gov. Ray will lead motorcade

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) — Gov. Dixy Lee Ray will lead a motorcade of seven 23-foot leased motor homes to Pasadena Dec. 30 to attend the Rose Bowl game that is pitting the Washington Huskies against the Wolverines of Michigan. An aide said the governor plans to drive "pretty much straight through" so she will be in Pasadena in time to attend two University of Washington social functions scheduled for New Year's Day. He said some members of the party will attend the Rose Parade but that the governor probably won't.

Overpass bids due Jan. 17

AUSTIN — Bids for the replacement of a railroad overpass on IS 20 in Howard County will be received by the State Department of Highways and Public Transportation Jan. 17. The existing railroad overpass bridges at the Texas and Pacific Railroad west of Big Spring presently are 28 feet wide. The proposed project will replace them with 40-foot-wide structures. Joe H. Smoot of Big Spring is the department's engineer in charge of the project under the direction of Abilene District Engineer Roger G. Welsch.

Daily Bread

By Phillip McClenden
Hillcrest Baptist Church
DAILY BREAD

The Wise Men of the day came to salute Him; today we do well to pause and realize that in Christ is wisdom for the solution of all our problems. Wise Men beheld Him. Tiny clenched hands, 30 years later — ruthlessly wrenched open and mailed to a Roman cross for the guilt of the world. Hands too small to reach to touch the noses of the cows; yet one day reach out to the multitudes, unstop deaf ears, open blind eyes, and raise up the dead. Here was the one who had flung the worlds into space and lighted the sun. Here were the eyes as yet unable to follow the swishing tails or swaying heads of the beasts, yet they were later to look upon the masses with compassion.

Here were a little child's feet not yet able to sustain upright, the one who strides through the corridors of the centuries, shedding light into dark hearts, leveling the rough places, straightening the crooked, erasing our sorrows, multiplying our joys, and cleansing us from sin.

He is the master of the sun, and yet dwelt under it. He is themaker of the earth, and lived upon it. The word of God became a speechless Babe.

Emergency energy plan OKed for Texas

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Energy Advisory Council has approved a 70-page plan to handle winter fuel emergencies, and it hopes next month to consider guidelines on how to win deferment of utility bills for poor people.

The plan is a bare-bones set of general guidelines on how various state agencies, and federal agencies, can cooperate.

Detailed guidelines on how the council might help poor people pay their bills, or have them deferred without threat of cutoff, are to be formulated by Jan. 6 by the Department of Community Affairs.

Short of legislation, the council may be limited to urging individual city councils to defer bills for certain customers, as San Antonio did last winter.

The Department of Community Affairs, the railroad commission, the Public Utility Commission and the governor's office will implement the plan.

"In my opinion, we are in better shape to face this winter than we were last year," said Railroad Commissioner Mack Wallace, who headed the seven-member drafting panel of an Emergency Energy Preparedness Committee.

"There are more stored supplies in the Northeast than in 1976. Wallace said severity of the winter will determine need for large-scale

allocations of natural gas, petroleum, electricity and propane from areas of surplus to those of shortages.

"Hopefully, we have the ability to allocate energy from one section of the state to another," said Wallace.

Lamesa to host cotton meeting in January

Eight meetings are scheduled across the High Plains in January to give cotton producers, ginners and other a first-hand look at the achievements of Cotton Incorporated during 1977 and the challenges facing cotton in the near future.

CI is the cotton grower's beltwide fiber company through which producers seek to enhance profit potential with improved marketing, production and handling practices. Producers finance the company by investing a small percentage of each bale's value each year.

One or two top CI staff members will be on hand for each of the meetings, plus some of the High Plains people who serve as Cotton Board members and CI Directors. Opportunity will be given at each meeting for questions or suggestions from those attending.

The kickoff meeting on the Plains will be at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 3 in the Memorial Building, Tulia, followed by a meeting at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, January 5, at the Massey Activity Center, Floydada. Don Marble of South Plains and or CI

Director J.D. Smith of Sudan will chair the Tulia and Floydada meetings. Other meetings and their chairmen are as follows:

Ralls, Caravan Restaurant, 9:00 a.m. Friday, January 6, CI Director W.B. Criswell of Dalou, Chairman; Slaton, American Legion hall, 9:30 a.m. Monday, January 16, Criswell, Chairman; Seminole, Civic Center, 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 17, CI Director Donnell Echols of Lamesa, Chairman; Levelland, Levelland State Bank, 9:30 a.m. Monday, January 23, Director L.C. Unfred of Tahoka, Chairman;

Brownfield, Pioneer Natural Gas Building, 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, January 24, Unfred, Chairman, and Lamesa, Dawson County Community Center, 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, January 25, Unfred or Echols, Chairman. Cotton Board members from the High Plains expected to attend are Dan Davis of Lubbock and L.D. Anderson of Slaton.

Hearts 'n flowers

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A university sociology professor says there is no such thing as a 'bad attitude.'

"When a child talks back to a policeman or older authority," reasons Robert Winstow of San Diego State, "he does it to maintain his status among his friends. It doesn't indicate a negative attitude toward authority."

Birds' nest soup, considered the delicacy par excellence among the Chinese, will qualify for the gourmet's ultimate accolade only if it is made from nests from Niah in Sarawak.

The Puman tribe living there has been hunting such trophies for six centuries but it is now a dying industry. Only five professional collectors are licensed by the Sarawak Museum to harvest swifts' nests from the great limestone caves at Niah, which are located some 500 kilometers northeast of Kuching. The caves contain the major source of birds' nests in Sarawak. All those licensed are ancient men and they are not being replaced.

To get to the nests, the hunters have to scale fragile bamboo poles 120 meters to scrape the nests from the roofs of the caves. Few young men think it's worth the risk. Over the years, several of the stalkers have fallen to their deaths.

The swifts' metabolism, too, may have been changed by insecticide used by farmers — causing the birds to lay eggs with thinner shells. The result: Increased breakage of the eggs. The birds' saliva, which cements the nests to the rocks, is believed to contain traces of pesticides.

The collection of birds' nests dates back to the Ming Dynasty. Most prized have been the pure white bracket-shaped nests of the Collocalia vestita swift.

Birds nest soup is quite expensive, certainly out of the price range of most Chinese. It is highly esteemed among the Orientals who can afford it — a quasi-medicinal food, chemical analysis of which has shown to be a glycoprotein of negligible nutritional value. As it

becomes scarcer it becomes more of a delight to the palate. ★★

Of the 93 men whose feats earned them places in the Pro Football Hall of Fame, not one won the Heisman Trophy.

Even now, there are only three active Heisman players in the NFL who could legitimately be called stars — Roger Staubach, O.J. Simpson and Tony Dorsett.

It's universally conceded that the Dallas Cowboys, for whom Staubach and Dorsett play, have the most efficient organization in football. Their front office operates with military precision. Even their cheerleaders feel the pressure — if they miss a practice they're out.

Several weeks before the 1977 regular season chugged to a halt, Dallas scouts had filled 200 thick black books wherein they jotted down details about the size, speed and character of every prospect — and non-prospect — in college.

Prospects are mailed a slick little brochure entitled "Life With The Cowboys." Howard Cosell can talk about the George Allen mystique and romance with success all he wants. The truth of the matter is, Dallas has become the glamour team with TV viewers and moppets alike.

Do the players like the life? Apparently they do. All but five of the Cowboys live in Dallas during the off season. ★★

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If you have a speaking vocabulary of 4,000 words, you're considered average. Chances are you know another 2,000 words and can use them while writing and can recognize 9,000 words while reading. ★★

One of those who thinks the United States blundered when they refused to take the initiative in Vietnam and eventually settled for a peace with honor" is Sir Robert Thompson, who served as head of the British Advisory Mission to Vietnam from 1961 to 1965. Says Thompson:

"Washington held all the aces in its hand. The loss of will in Congress and the uninformed American public threw the cards away in a desire not for peace but to get out of the war. The matching of defeat from the jaws of victory, while still obscure to many, has not been lost on the decision makers of the world, particularly those on the other side."

There was a time during the Johnson administration the Pentagon was swallowing the Bible daily, telling us how famously our troops were doing in Southeast Asia. Lying and wishing, however, didn't make it so.

The North Vietnamese had the sympathy of the Russians but there are those who reason the Soviets could never have become involved in the struggle, no matter how grave the situation became for the North. The Soviets didn't come away at all well in confrontations with the West in Berlin in 1961 and during the Cuban crisis. ★★

There are legions of women out there who, no doubt, would agree to giving their husbands divorces, if there was some way they could do it without making them happy. ★★

What teen-age daughter today doesn't have her closet full of clothes, yet still spends every available dollar for more? They each spend an average of \$450 annually for their wardrobes. ★★

'Little Joe' and 'Eighter from Decatur' are becoming popular chants in the gambling casinos of Monte Carlo, where once only roulette and baccarat were played.

The tides of tourism from the New World are causing roulette and baccarat to go the way of such diversions as whist and bezique. More and more Monte Carlo tables for dice and black jack are being set up. The gamblers are demanding fast action — they don't want to stand around all night before blowing their bankrolls.

Last year, for the first time, more Americans than French or Italians played the tables in Monaco, where an Irish colleen from Philadelphia became a princess and decided the number she was playing was better than the kind of roulette game Hollywood offers.

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High demands for substitute fuels for gas "could strain the capacity of delivery systems and cause local supply problems. Shortages of natural gas could lead to increased demand for coal and deliveries could be inhibited because of transportation difficulties and frozen coal during extreme cold weather."

Among proposals to coordinate work of the agencies in event of severe

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Halfway house in receivership

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — A state district judge has placed a halfway house for former state mental patients in receivership and ordered the operator and staff to keep their hands off the financial records, the Austin American-Statesman reported Friday.

The newspaper said in a front-page copyrighted story that the unregulated Bellaire House was occupied by more than 40 former mental patients.

The paper reported Monday in another copyrighted story that the house was overcrowded, filthy and had poor food. The story also questioned the handling of the residents' money at the house, which is run by Mildred Brayton, 62, a widow.

The paper said police and district attorney's investigators found more than \$7,500 in small bills at the house Thursday. The paper

had reported that Mrs. Brayton recently bought a \$12,000 Cadillac and an \$8,000 Chevrolet station wagon and paid cash for them.

A statement from Horace "Buddy" Mills, former driver and counselor at the house, was presented in court to State District Judge Jim Dear, the paper said.

"Under Mrs. Brayton's direction and at her insistence, I have endorsed the checks of several Bellaire residents," Mills said.

His statement, the paper said, alleges that residents' Social Security, disability, Veterans Administration and relatives' checks were cashed at least three times a month and all of the money delivered to Mrs. Brayton in small bills.

"Generally checks totaling \$3,000 were cashed the first day of each month," Mills said. "On about the third day

of each month, Robert Sack (another employe) and I took checks totaling an average of \$1,600 to \$1,800 and cashed them and gave the money to Mrs. Brayton."

He said other checks were cashed later in the month and the money turned over to Mrs. Brayton, the paper said.

It added that Mills said if the patients disagreed with Mrs. Brayton "or get out of line or ask about their money," she would threaten to send them back to the Austin State Hospital.

According to the paper, Mills said he was afraid of Mrs. Brayton and was leaving. Her attorney said Mills had been admitted to the state hospital at Wichita Falls.

The paper said it had withheld for nearly a month a three-part series on the dumping of former mental

Parents can't tell which twin is which

GREENFIELD, Wis. (AP) — Michael and Matthew Carrick are identical twins born June 5, 1976, whose parents have lost track of their identity.

To tell them apart, their parents, Robert and Mary Ann Carrick, had special silver charms with the name of each twin pinned to their clothing. "As time went by, we started losing the charms," Carrick said. "Some broke off. We forgot to put them on sometimes."

The Carricks asked the

Greenfield Police Department if it could determine who was who by using the footprints taken of the twins at birth at the hospital.

The authorities tried, but reported that they couldn't determine the correct identity because of the poor quality of the footprints taken at the hospital.

"From now on, the one we think is Michael and the one we think is Matthew will be known as Matthew, and we are going to leave it at that," said Carrick with a sigh.

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Santa Claus arriving the form of checks

WINNSBORO, Texas (AP) — Until this week, it looked like a lean Christmas for several residents of this East Texas town who lost their savings when the Cain Banking Co. folded last January.

But some of the 1,829 checks began arriving Wednesday and bank customers began getting about 35 percent of their money back.

The Cain Bank, one of the state's few remaining private, uninsured lending institutions, collapsed when its owner, Malvin Cain, committed suicide.

The checks are the first distribution of funds recovered by a court-appointed receiver from persons with outstanding loans at the time of the bank's closing. The checks total \$1.3 million of the \$3.6 million a bankruptcy court ruled the depositors lost.

The role of Santa Claus was played by F. Lee Lawrence, a Tyler attorney who was appointed receiver in the matter. It became his task to straighten out the massive paper jumble surrounding \$4.3 million in claims filed by depositors.

"Well, I feel as tired as Santa Claus, anyway," said Lawrence. "We were up 'til one in the morning Tuesday getting ready to go. Then two of our secretaries drove them (the checks) from Tyler to Winnsboro to get them in the post office there so they could get out to the people faster."

"I know they were anxious to get them, especially being the time of year it is."

Catherine Stokes got a check for \$693. It was money she and her son had saved to pay bills on their farm.

"I really didn't expect this," she said. "I hadn't counted on getting back a thing. It's a real blessing."

TESCO withdrawing mortgage bond offer

Texas Electric Service Company today announced that it is withdrawing its planned \$100 million offering of new 30-year first-mortgage bonds.

The bond offering was withdrawn because, in the company's judgment, its AAA bond rating was in serious jeopardy.

"If we had continued with this bond offering, there was a strong probability that we would have lost our top bond rating, and this would cost our customers money," Texas Electric President W.G. Marquardt said.

The decision to withdraw the offering was made after analyzing the effects of the recent Public Utility Commission rate order and after discussions with underwriters and financial consultants, Marquardt said.

The PUC granted Texas Electric a \$44 million rate increase in November rather than the \$79 million requested by the company.

Marquardt said the loss of its bond rating would not only increase the interest cost on the planned bond sale, but also on all bonds

sold in the future. "These increased costs would eventually be reflected in the electric bills our customers pay," Marquardt said.

Texas Electric will substitute a smaller issue of 300,000 shares of preferred stock which will yield approximately \$30 million and will also depend for a time of short-term borrowing, he said.

This action does not eliminate the need to sell new bonds, Marquardt said, but the company hopes it can delay the sale until it has received rate relief that would allow it to keep its AAA rating.

The proceeds of the withdrawn offering were to be used for the company's construction program and to repay short-term loans.

Texas Electric is building lignite and nuclear power plants to reduce its dependence on natural gas. "This is the only way we will have a reliable supply of electricity for our customers at the lowest possible price," Marquardt said.



(AP WIREPHOTO) GRANDDADDY SANTA CLAUS — Glenn Miller, 72, an out-patient for chronic epiphysema, brought laughter to the children confined to the pediatric unit of Little Company of Mary Hospital in Torrance, California, Thursday. Charles McCray, 4, cracks a smile as Santa Claus, portrayed by Miller, bounces him on his knee.

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Charity effort spreads cheer



TOY SHOP — Mrs. Robert Ball right, wife of Brig. Robert Ball, Salvation Army director, stands with Mrs. P. Gautreaux admiring several of the toys on display Thursday at the Salvation Army-sponsored toy shop. Needy families selected Christmas toys for their children at the shop.

Christmas made merry by drive of Salvation Army, volunteers

By CAROL HART
Working on plans designed to make Christmas a little merrier for area residents has been keeping local Salvation Army employees and volunteers busy this season.

Brig. Robert S. Ball, director of the local Salvation Army, said that 218 needy families in Big Spring received Christmas dinner orders that provided the money to buy the makings of a special Christmas meal.

Money for the more than 900 dinners came through the Christmas Cheer fund, jointly sponsored by the Salvation Army and the Big Spring Herald; through the Christmas Kettles, located at Woolworth, the post office and Gibson's; and through a letter appeals program.

MORE THAN \$1,397 was collected through the familiar Christmas kettles, which are manned by Salvation Army employees and area volunteers. Service organizations like the Kiwanis, Lions, Rotary, American Businessmen, Optimist, Key, Civitan and the Salvation Army Advisory Board "helped us so much," said Brig. Ball, in manning the kettles.

As of Thursday, \$2,210 had been collected through the Christmas Cheer fund, and \$2,337 through the letter appeals.

Total earnings were about \$5,945, which is a little short of the over \$7,000 usually budgeted for Christmas projects.

Brig. Ball said that the \$7,000 goal might still be reached, as these totals were from Thursday.

In other projects, 447 children under 12 received toys through the Salvation Army this year. Brig. Ball said the Salvation Army ordered new toys for area children and set up the toys to be selected from Thursday.

The toy shop was opened

from 9:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. for parents to come select toys to give on Christmas. Brig. Ball said that 1,000 new toys were out for selection this year. He also cited area volunteers who helped man the toy shop and assisted parents in selecting toys for their children.

he Salvation Army for making the Christmas programs a success.

THE SALVATION ARMY also ventured into the community to spread a little Christmas cheer. Parties and programs were conducted at the local rest homes, the Big Spring State Hospital, and the Veteran's Administration Hospital, and the Veteran's Administration Hospital.

Employees within the Salvation Army have also celebrated Christmas with parties. Brig. Ball said that parties for the Home League, the Men's Fellowship Club, the Sunbeams, the Girl Guards and the Sunday School children were conducted prior to Christmas.

Brig. Ball expressed deep appreciation to all friends of

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Explorer captured South Pole for the world

KILGORE, Texas (AP) — As a boy, John Herrmann haunted the Galveston docks and watched in awe as the "tall ships" were towed out to sea.

The stocky 12-year-old never dreamed he would some day sail home on one and show the world a wondrous, white wasteland that 40 years later still laughs at man's puny attempts to tame it.

Herrmann, now 85, and his camera were the eyes of a thrilled nation during the second expedition to Antarctica in 1933. The Paramount film "Little America" is his anthology of the 56-man party that endured 16 months on the ice.

"A lot of the things I dreamed about as a kid came true," he said. "I sailed out of Antarctica on a tall ship. Been 'round the world, 15 times across the Atlantic, three times across the Pacific."

The bearded band of explorers led by Admiral Richard Byrd returned home to a hero's welcome in 1935. Congress decorated the men with specially cast silver medals.

Herrmann gave the medal and tattered American and Texas flags to a relative. He's content with the memories and the pleasure of relating his experiences periodically to classes at Kilgore Junior College.

His treasured newspaper Mrs. Hodnett wins doll

Mrs. Merle Hodnett was the winner of a doll given away Friday at the Doll Museum, according to Mrs. Simon Terrazas.

The doll was a King George III doll made by Peggy Nosworth of England. A doll is given away each three months to some person who has visited the local doll museum at 3rd and Gregg.

Blood pressure clinic Thursday

A blood pressure clinic will be held Thursday at the Central Fire Station with blood pressure taken free.

The clinic is sponsored by the Big Spring Fire Department and the American Heart Association.

photos show a ruggedly handsome man swathed in furs, smiling, obviously happy with his lot. But time and the physical strain of a thousand adventures chasing the news of his day have taken their toll.

He walks with steel crutches now — "my sticks" as he calls them. The body is heavier, the hair thinner.

His career is a study in yesterday's headlines. But there were moments when the news pace slowed down and his ingenuity was tested, sometimes with prophetic results.

"In the newsreels, there was never enough news. So we had to have what we called fillers, little feature stories. I was up in Seattle filming with a public relations man at Boeing. Airliners then were just those little eight-seat jobs," he said.

"So I got this guy and said, 'Listen. Let's film a girl serving sandwiches on a plane for a little story. We did. The story hit the newsreels and, well...'"

Herrmann's ability to spot a story within a story earned him a place on Byrd's expedition. The admiral had been preparing for three years for the trip. The "gypsy cameraman" had six days.

The freighter Jacob Rupert left Newport News, Va. and steamed through the Panama Canal over to Easter Island and finally docked in Wellington, New Zealand. On Dec. 12, 1933, they left for the South Pole. It was Herrmann's 41st birthday.

Byrd and his crew sailed south into another world; a dazzling white land of invisible horizons and icebergs the size of mountains.

UTPB signup will be Jan. 9

Registration for spring semester classes at the University of Texas at Permian Basin will be held Monday, Jan. 9, at Howard College in the library of the Horace Garrett Applied Science Building from 6 to 9 p.m.

Classes being offered are two counseling courses and a workshop course. For further information, call Virginia Smith at 7-8360 after Jan. 5.

When the ship could go no further, the men unloaded "everything from needles to airplanes" and trudged 12 miles across the frozen plain to the site of Byrd's first camp in 1929. Portable wooden shacks were erected and quickly buried by the hurricane-force winds and snow.

The Little Americans crawled inside and the four-month-long night of Antarctica settled around them like an icy shroud.

Outside, the temperature ranged from a "heat wave" of 32 degrees to minus 78. In the shacks, it wasn't much better.

"The variation from floor to ceiling was about 70 degrees," said Herrmann. "So you would be sitting there in your fur pants and be stripped to the waist."

Baths were something usually taken only after a voting majority of the "Gray Underwear Club" deemed it necessary for mutual survival. Herrmann had five in a year "and shivered for

three weeks afterward because I washed all the body oil off."

No one was killed on the expedition, but Herrmann almost ruined the record. He ventured out one day alone in violation of camp rules.

"I got lost and tried to follow the damned sun but it was just going around and around overhead," he said waving his arms. "Finally, I saw the radio towers at Little America but I was all in when I got back."

The dangers, however, were secondary to the job at hand and the beauty of their brand new world. Herrmann said he and his comrades all but ignored the mighty "Bear of Oakland" when she arrived to take them home. He simply shrugs when asked why.

"I believe it was five or six hours before any of us went down to see it," he said. "We didn't give a damn whether we came out or not. I don't really know why. Money was no good to us there. It was a barter system. We had been

there so long we got used to it. There's a fascination about the ice."

Herrmann shot 130,000 feet of film from which the movie was made. Six weeks after his return, he was off again, assigned to film the Pacific Fleet on maneuvers. He left Paramount in 1942 and hired out as a cameraman to various film crews until a forgotten hip injury received when he fell through a snow bridge in Antarctica stopped him.

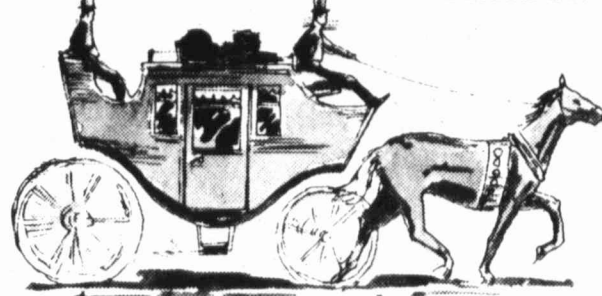
The ex-Navy middleweight opened a commercial studio in New Orleans in 1950 and stayed put for almost 20 years. His wife, Frances, died 10 years ago and he finally closed his shop and came to Texas to live with

his sister. Looking back on a career of almost 40 years, he said

there is little he would do differently. "My orders always were to

go ahead and get your story," he said, "because it don't happen twice."

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HIGH SCHOOL DISPLAY — This nativity scene outside the gymnasium roof, but last year moved it to the front lawn at the school.

U of H bonds now unmarketable

HOUSTON (AP)—A state securities official says the loss of ratings by a private investor service makes University of Houston revenue bonds, in effect, unmarketable.

Moody's Investor Service suspended the ratings as the university continued an

investigation of its short-term investments program. While saying they had not discovered any illegalities, university officials announced the investigation Nov. 29 along with the firing of a financial analyst.

Frank Arnold, State Securities Board deputy

commissioner, said Commissioner Richard Latham was told of Moody's suspension Thursday.

"Due to the wide publicity surrounding the investigation of the University of Houston's short-term investments, Commissioner Latham advised all prospective buyers and sellers of UH revenue bonds to consult their securities dealer prior to transactions in such securities," Arnold said.

Securities dealers, he said, "are cautioned to be diligent in making full disclosure to prospective purchasers."

Arnold said the suspension affects only the secondary bond market or those persons who bought bonds and wish to sell to another investor.

Suspension of a rating is uncommon, Arnold said, adding the normal procedure involves the lowering of a rating.

"But with so many uncertainties facing them, Moody's took this action," he said.

Moody's had rated most of the university bonds A or A-1.

A spokesman for another rating firm, Standard & Poors, said Friday they were aware of the investigation and have asked university officials for additional information.

Standard & Poors has given most of the revenue bonds A and AA ratings.

In addition to the state board, the U. S. Securities & Exchange Commission also is participating in the in-

vestigation. "We have found no evidence of fraud, but if fraud or manipulation of the market is found, the securities commission could have jurisdiction in the matter," Arnold said.

It was revealed Thursday there had been at one time a \$17 million university overdraft at the First City National Bank.

In a prepared statement, the bank said any overdrafts "were properly authorized by responsible financial officials of the university and have since been fully paid."

"The bank has sustained no loss as a result of any of these transactions and still enjoys a satisfactory customer relationship with the university," the statement said, adding that the bank is cooperating fully with appropriate regulatory authorities.

Holiday prayers center in Mideast

NEW YORK (AP) — The prayers of Christmas centered on the region where the day had its origin — and on the efforts occurring there to bring peace.

"Pray for peace in the Middle East at your Christmas services," urged the Rt. Rev. John M. Allin, presiding bishop of the Episcopal Church, citing the talks on Christmas Day between leaders of Egypt and Israel.

Numerous other church leaders called for supplications to God in that cause.

In an appeal set for the start of a televised midnight Christmas Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral, Cardinal Terence Cooke, New York's Roman Catholic archbishop, asks Catholics across the nation to pray for success of the Middle East meeting.

The particular devotions, seeking Divine Guidance for the talks of Israel Prime Minister Menahem Begin and Egypt's President Anwar Sadat, were

described by the archdiocese as an "intervention reserved for special need."

Bishop Allin expressed hope the prayers would continue through the months ahead during expected continued negotiations. Leaders of several Episcopal dioceses were making similar appeals.

The United Presbyterian Church's Mission Council earlier sent cablegrams to the two Middle East leaders, pledging "our prayers that their joint efforts ... may show the way to lasting peace" in that area.

The president of the Rabbinical Council of America, representing Orthodox rabbis, urged prayers in all sabbath services Saturday that the talks bring peace.

However, Rabbi Walter S. Wurzbarger said "we are deeply troubled that in advance of the forthcoming historic meeting" that "our government criticizes publicly Israeli proposals as not sufficiently forthcoming."



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From occupied West Bank

Sadat insists Israel withdraw troops



CHRISTMAS WATCH — An armed British soldier stands guard at one of the security entrances to the Belfast, Northern Ireland, shopping center, as last-minute shoppers head for the holiday-decorated shops, background. The city's shopping area is sealed off by security fences in an attempt to reduce terrorist activity in the area.

ISMAILIA, Egypt (AP) — President Anwar Sadat declared Saturday he will insist on withdrawal of all Israeli forces from the occupied West Bank of the Jordan River, to be followed by self-determination for the Palestinians.

Twenty-four hours before he was to meet here with Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin to talk peace, Sadat gave indirect notice that Begin's reported plan was insufficient.

The plan is said to call for a council of Israelis, Jordanians and Palestinians to

administer the West Bank and Gaza Strip, with the question of sovereignty put in abeyance for five years and Israel presumably continuing to maintain a military presence there.

"We shall insist on the withdrawal of Israeli forces from your land, and after that you shall determine your destiny," Sadat told a delegation of Palestinians from the West Bank.

"Tell them (in the West Bank) that their time of suffering has ended," Sadat

declared. "Peace based on justice is coming. Their long night is about to end."

Referring to radical Arab critics who have called him a traitor for his dealings with Israel, Sadat said, "We shall not heed their barking," a telling insult in the Moslem religion which regards dogs as unclean. "The (peace) caravan shall continue."

Sadat was to review Egypt's negotiating position with his policy-making National Security Council. His remarks to the Palestinians evidently set

the tone for the Christmas summit with Begin, who reportedly will bring important concessions.

Top Jerusalem sources said one proposal is for a council of Israelis, Jordanians and local Palestinians to administer the occupied West Bank of the Jordan River and the Gaza Strip.

The question of sovereignty over the region, captured in the 1967 war, would be left open for five years, at which time it would be reviewed by the council

and possibly put to a vote, they said.

Begin outlined the plan Friday for members of his Likud bloc and the Democratic Movement for Change, his largest coalition partner, and received their endorsement, the sources said.

The prime minister has said publicly he will propose self-rule — with a continued Israeli military presence — for the 1.1 million West Bank and Gaza Arabs now living under Israeli ad-

ministration.

The sources said the council would not be considered a sovereign government, but a kind of joint committee "to work out problems that arise in implementation of a peace agreement."

Such a plan would appear to dovetail with Sadat's stated desire to see a West Bank-Gaza entity linked with Jordan.

Sadat admitted the summit could end in failure if neither side softened its position.

No traditional Irish cease-fire

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — "Good Will To All Men," said the Christmas message sprayed on the window of a store on Royal Avenue, scene of many of Belfast's bombings.

"Fat chance," muttered a British soldier, automatic rifle in hand, as he passed the store with a military patrol.

Security forces in this turbulent province, torn by sectarian feuding and insurrection for more than eight years, are on full alert following a warning by Irish Republican Army guerrillas that they will not observe their usual three-day Christmas cease-fire this year.

Ireland, decided not to give the province's 1.5 million people a Christmas respite this year apparently to counter British pronouncements that the guerrillas are being beaten.

Some IRA sources warned the guerrillas will intensify attacks over the Christmas period. Seven hotels in the province were bombed earlier this week and a dozen stores and businesses have been attacked.

The attacks gave the troops a double headache. Not only must they combat the guerrillas, but with British firemen staging a national strike in a pay dispute the soldiers also have to put out fires started by terrorist bombs.

Hundreds of civilians will have off-duty soldiers in their homes for Christmas dinner. But as in past Christmases, these soldiers have been warned of ambush and boobytrapped "Christmas presents" handed to them in the street.

The hundreds of extremist prisoners in Ulster's jails will have a quieter Christmas than the soldiers who put them there. Prison authorities have notified the families of nearly 700 "special category" inmates in the Maze Prison that 14 pounds of cooked sausages can be sent to each of the 12 compounds.

Each compound, holding about 60 men, also can have 160 mince pies, 160 pastries, 13 Christmas cakes and 20 two-pound Christmas puddings along with one turkey for every 10 prisoners.

Christmas shoppers busily looking for last-minute gifts hardly noticed the soldiers or appeared to heed the warnings from the outlawed IRA's Provisional wing.

They have lived with the bloodshed and destruction, in which nearly 1,800 people have been killed, for so long that the sight of guns and the threat of bombings no longer mean much. Most people will stay at home for Christmas as they have since 1969 when "the troubles" erupted. Traveling outside their own districts can be dangerous.

The IRA, fighting to end British rule and Protestant domination in Northern

Pan American says it will appeal ruling

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pan American World Airways says it will appeal a decision by President Carter which gave a new non-stop flight between Dallas-Forth Worth and London to Braniff Airlines.

Pan American asked the Civil Aeronautics Board to delay the effective dates of the new trans-Atlantic air routes so it would have more time to prepare the appeal.

If the request for a 90-day extension is rejected, the new routes become effective when the president approves a revised order which the CAB expects to submit to the White House in about two weeks.

Carter on Wednesday picked Braniff, a Texas-based airline, over Pan

American for the Texas to Europe route, although the CAB had recommended Pan American.

CAB chairman Alfred E. Kahn said Thursday he strongly disagreed with Carter's selection of Braniff.

Pan Am board chairman William T. Seawell said the decision "appears to have been dictated by the kind of political manipulation that the president promised would not characterize his administration."

Carter had been under heavy pressure from the Texas congressional delegation and from Texas state leaders to grant the route to Braniff. But the White House denied that political considerations were involved in the selection.

Merry Christmas



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Super Bowl aspirants take first step today

Can hero Craig Morton keep Bronco ball rolling?

DENVER (AP) — His "mystery neighbors" once laid out a red carpet over his driveway, and later left a trophy and a bottle of champagne on his doorstep.

Craig Morton never experienced such royal treatment in New York or in Dallas.

But in Denver, Morton is king. He could do no wrong, leading the Broncos to the championship in the National Football League's American Conference West Division and their first playoff berth.

"I haven't had a chance to meet any of my neighbors, we've only lived there six weeks," says Morton. "But they must be awfully nice."

"This whole year has been one of great pleasure in Denver, on the field and off. I'm far more excited about the playoffs this year than about any I took part in in Dallas."

Morton and the Broncos meet the Pittsburgh Steelers at home Saturday in a game that shapes up as essentially a struggle between two of the league's best defensive units.

"Nobody runs on Pittsburgh," says Morton, a veteran of 13 pro seasons. "You have to rely on big plays to beat

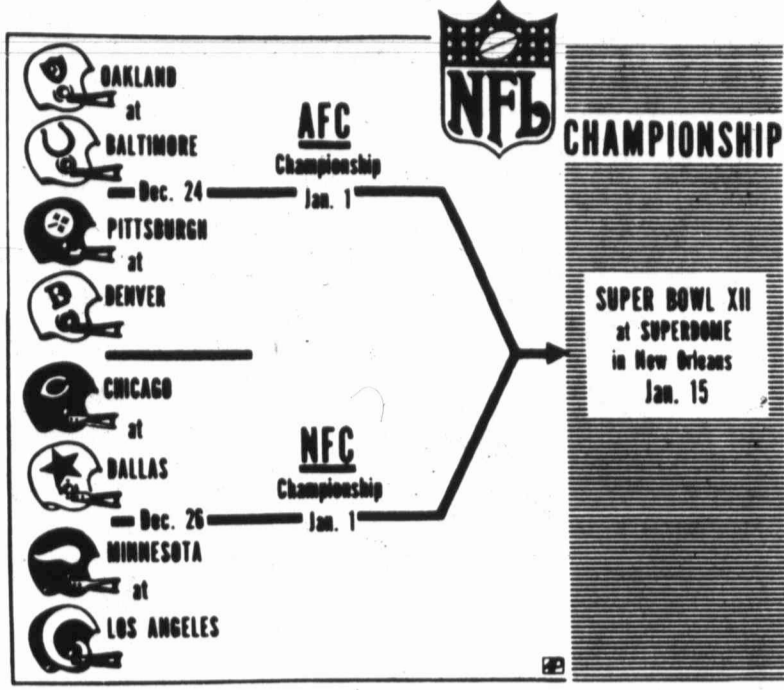
them — like the safety blitz we used to get a touchdown and Rick Upchurch's long punt return for a score when we beat them earlier this year...

Denver's record is 12-2 this season, tying the Broncos with Dallas for the best mark in the NFL.

Defensively, Denver is aggressive and looks for the turnover. But one of the main cogs in its finely tuned defensive machine is ailing, and might not see action Saturday. Randy Gradishar, one of two inside linebackers in Denver's 3-4 alignment, has a sprained ankle. "It'll be touch-and-go with him," Coach Red Miller said Thursday. Godwin Turk will start if Gradishar can't.

Miller, in his first season as a head coach in the NFL after 17 years as an assistant, said the Broncos aren't counting on the turnovers which hurt the Steelers during the season.

"We expect Pittsburgh to play very hard, error-free football," he said. "They're not at all conservative offensively. (Terry) Bradshaw will put the ball up at anytime, anywhere on the field. Their defense, of course, is a force to be reckoned with."



Lydell Mitchell may make difference for Baltimore

BALTIMORE (AP) — With the Oakland Raiders in town and the National Football League playoffs getting underway, the game plan of the Baltimore Colts should satisfy running back Lydell Mitchell this week.

"You enter the game with a positive feeling when you can do different things," Mitchell said. "That's when you get enthusiastic."

Mitchell, with 301 rushing plays and 71 pass receptions during the regular season, never lacks for work during a game. But sometimes it becomes somewhat of a drag for the six-year pro.

"When we don't play the best teams," he said, "we get conservative. We don't want to get too fancy, make a mistake, and give up points. That can give the other team momentum."

"But when we play the better teams, we've got to use a little imagination. You can't run basic things all day, so we put in a lot of things."

Then if one phase of the game plan doesn't work, Mitchell said, the Colts switch to something else. "But it's not like grabbing things out of the sky," he said, "because we'd been prac-

ting them all week."

Mitchell's preparation for Oakland's defending Super Bowl champions, however, has been limited to playbook studying so far this week. He missed practice Wednesday and Thursday because of a severe head cold, but figured he would be at 90 per cent of his strength by today.

To reach the American Football Conference playoffs, the Colts had to overcome a 21-3 second-half deficit and beat New England 30-24 last Sunday. The Raiders, who qualified as the AFC wild card team, also rallied to beat Kansas City 21-20, although the victory wasn't needed to gain the playoffs.

After New England trounced Baltimore 17-3 in midseason, some of the Patriots chided the Colts for having a predictable offense. And, early this week, some of the Raiders said they would rather play the Colts than the Miami Dolphins because it was easier to prepare for Baltimore's attack.

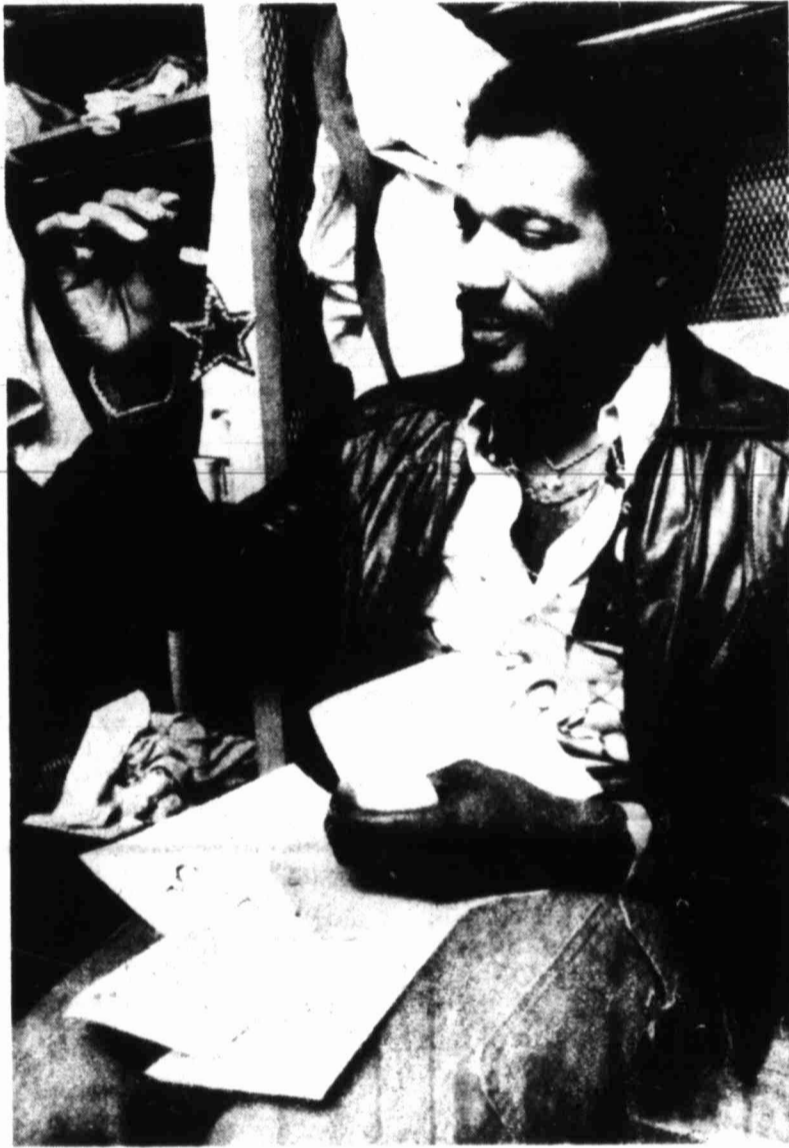
"We know what Oakland is going to do, too," Mitchell said. "They're going to run to the left side. But knowing doesn't mean anything. It's execution that counts."

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A CHRISTMAS TRINKET — Thomas Henderson, Dallas Cowboys linebacker, holds up a blue and white stocking — the Cowboys emblem — that he received from a fan. Henderson goes through his mail each day before practice for the NFC playoff game with the Chicago Bears on Monday.

Payton puts Dorsett into elite class

DALLAS (AP) — Walter Payton has never met Tony Dorsett but would like to shake his hand win or lose AFTER Monday's first round National Conference playoff game between the wild cat Chicago Bears and the heavily favored Dallas Cowboys in Texas Stadium.

Payton, the National Football League's premier runner and heart of the ground-oriented Chicago offense, said "I've never met Dorsett but I'd like to after the game. I've seen him on film."

"He has a unique style. I think in some ways he's a lot like I am. We don't know really what we did on a particular run until we see the films," Payton added. "I don't think Tony has patterned his running style after anyone. It's unique. I've heard he's a super individual that's why I want to meet him."

Dorsett, the All-American from Pittsburgh, gained over 1,000 yards this year in his rookie season for the Cowboys, something only seven other NFL first year players have done.

Payton, who didn't reach the 1,000-yard plateau his rookie season but gained 1,852 yards as Chicago overcame an early sinking spell to capture its last six games, said of Dorsett: "I'd put him in the same class with O.J. Simpson and Terry Metcalf."

Dallas coach Tom Landry has yet to put Dorsett in Payton's class, saying simply "Walter Payton is the best running back in the National Football League."

Payton gained only 41 yards against Dallas when the Cowboys thumped the Bears 31-21 in Texas Stadium last year, but the third-year running back out of Jackson State said "The best I

remember I only played a quarter and a half because of a sprained ankle."

Landry said "Payton is an excellent outside runner, but I believe Tony is more explosive running inside. It's very difficult to keep Payton from going outside. You've got to pursue and fill all the gaps."

Dallas' famed "flex" defense which is designed to stop the run will get a severe test from Payton.

Asked his opinion of the "flex" Payton said "Dallas does well with it because they are very aggressive,

very tough, and amazingly quick."

Dallas is the No. 1 offensive and defensive team in the NFL which is one reason the Cowboys are 10-point favorites in a joust for the right to play the winner of the Los Angeles-Minnesota game for the NFC championship.

Chicago will go into the game crippled. Jerry Muckensturm will probably start for injured Waymond Bryant at right linebacker. Punt returner and wide receiver Steve

Schubert has a severe leg bruise.

However, defensive tackle Jim Osborne of the Bears who missed last week's New York Giant game with the flu, should be ready.

Running back Preston Pearson with a leg bruise and defensive tackle Jethro Pugh with a bad back are the only Cowboy questionables.

A sellout crowd of 65,000 was expected for the 1 p.m. CST kickoff. Chicago doesn't arrive at the game site until Christmas Day.

More Arkansas players out

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — About nine other Arkansas players will not take part in the Orange Bowl game because Coach Lou Holtz decided to exclude three standouts, a lawyer for the three said Friday.

Lawyer John W. Walker of Little Rock said he had told Holtz that approximately 12 players, including the three Holtz has excluded from the game, would not play against Oklahoma in Miami Jan. 2.

Walker would not name the players he said had decided not to play. The exclusion by Holtz applied to running backs Ben Cowins and Michael Forrest and flanker Danny Bobo. Nor would Walker say whether court action may be developing.

Meanwhile, the Arkansas Democrat quoted sources as saying Jimmy Walker, William Hampton, Patrick Martin, Charles Clay, Vaughn Lusby, all starters, George Stewart and three others were the nine additional players who are considering not playing in the Orange Bowl.

Walker's law partner, P.A. Hollingsworth of Little Rock, said earlier Friday that 15 to 20 players were discussing whether to play in the game because the three were excluded from playing.

The word that Walker had said some players had decided not to play in the game because of the exclusion came to light first from Holtz, who issued a statement that Walker had told him 12 players had decided not to play. Walker said later he had told Holtz that the number was "approximately" 12. He said that included Cowins, Forrest and Bobo.

"He (Walker) did not name them, but I have always respected the judgment of my players and will accept their decision," said the statement from Holtz.

"Nevertheless, the Razorback football team will play an outstanding football game on Jan. 2," Holtz said. "If they do not wish to represent the University of Arkansas against Oklahoma, then it is in the best interest of all concerned that they remain at home."

Hollingsworth had said that not playing in Miami was one of the alternatives which has come up in talks between other players and Cowins, Forrest and Bobo.

The game matches sixth-ranked Arkansas, with a 10-1 record and second-ranked Oklahoma also 10-1. Cowins, Forrest and Bobo accounted for 21 of Arkansas' 43 touchdowns this season.

Hollingsworth said Holtz had "completely dealt in bad faith" with the three and that Holtz is either getting bad advice from someone "or he's a mad person who doesn't want his decisions questioned."

Holtz said in a two-sentence announcement earlier this week that the three would not play in the game. He said that to say anything further about the situation would not be fair to the players. The statement did not explain why the action was taken, nor whether the players were affected in any other way.

Walker also refused to say what he knew about the reasons for the action. He said the matter involved other people's rights to privacy.

Walker said that if legal action should be taken, it did not have to be done before Holtz and the Razorback

Tech massacred by Seminoles

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — "What do we do for an encore next year?" Florida State Coach Bobby Bowden asked. "Heck, I don't know. I'll probably get fired."

In only two seasons, Bowden has transformed the Seminoles' football program from a ragtag perennial resident of the infamous "Bottom 20" to a respectable member of the nation's top 20.

With a 40-17 pasting of highly regarded Southwest Conference member Texas Tech in the 32nd an-

nual Tangerine Bowl Friday night, Florida State put the finishing touch on a 10th season and improved its chances of improving on its No. 19 ranking in the final season poll.

"I believe this team is deserving of top 10 ranking," Bowden said. The Seminoles losses came at the hands of Miami (Fla.) and San Diego State. "When the season started I honestly believed the best we could do was a 7-3 record."

Our objective was earning a spot

in the top 20. Then came a bowl bid. We've achieved each of those goals."

When Bowden took over in January 1976, Florida State's football program was most noted for 0-11 and 1-10 records in 1973 and 1974. His first season, the record improved to 5-6.

Now he looks to his young team with cautious optimism about 1978.

With an eye on perhaps a perfect 1978 campaign record, Bowden knows he has two fine quarterbacks in Jimmy Jordan and Wally Woodham.

Jordan, the big play man, tore up Texas Tech, completing 18 of 25 passes for 311 yards in the three quarters he played. He was designated the game's most valuable player. But Woodham, the conservative tactician, accounted for two touchdowns of his own in the 15 minutes he played.

Jordan connected on strikes of 37 and 40 yards in the second and third quarters to break open the game.

Speedster Larry Key, who gained more than 300 all-purpose yards, provided the spark for the display of offensive might with a 93-yard kickoff return in the second period.

Texas Tech	0	3	4	8	17
Florida State	13	11	13	40	44
Fia - FG Cappellin 23					
Tex - FG Mook 24					
Fia - Key 93 run (Cappellin kick)					
Fia - King 37 pass from Jordan (kick failed)					
Fia - Shumann 40 pass from Jordan (kick pass from Jordan)					
Fia - FG Cappellin 22					
Tex - Nelson 44 pass from Allison (pass failed)					
Fia - Overby 15 pass from Woodham (kick blocked)					
Tex - Taylor 21 run (Taylor run)					
Fia - Saunders 44 pass from Woodham (Cappellin kick)					
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First downs	21	22
Rushes yards	44 105	37 136
Passing yards	279	455
Return yards	154	136
Passes	18 28-2	25 35-0
Punts	7 207	3 107
Fumbles lost	3-2	2-2
Penalties yards	3-50	10-130

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS	
RUSHING—Texas Tech—Taylor, 19-63; Allison 13-31; Jordan 4-28; Hadnot 3-15; Florida State, Key 21-83; Lyles 10-36; Stockhill 1-5.	
PASSING—Texas Tech, Allison 17-27-2-243; Taylor 11-26; Florida State, Jordan 18-25-311; Woodham 7-10-114.	
RECEIVING—Texas Tech, Taylor 5-34; Nelson 4-99; Hadnot 4-82; Williams 3-51; Florida State, Key 4-100; King 4-85; Shumann 4-99; Overby 4-44.	

Hollywood worries Pardee

DALLAS (AP) — Chicago Coach Jack Pardee was asked his overview of the Dallas Cowboys this week and the first name he brought up was Dallas linebacker Thomas Henderson, not wonder rookie running back Tony Dorsett.

"A lot of their personnel is better this year than maybe in the past," said Pardee. "I think Henderson gives them a dimension of linebacker they haven't had since Chuck Howley was younger. He's a tremendous player."

The 6-foot-2, 210-pound Henderson has held down the strongside linebacker spot for the Cowboys after spending two years trying to beat out D.D. Lewis on the weakside.

"If I had waited for D.D. Lewis to retire I might be waiting for five years," said Henderson. "It was time I adjusted to a new position. I think I've done alright."

Henderson, who has 4.5 speed in the 40, was the ace of the Cowboy specialty teams until this year when a steady job got him off the beat. He returned a kickoff 97 yards for a touchdown against St. Louis and scored this year on an interception then dunked the ball over the crossbar.

"It's nice, real nice, to get a compliment like that from another coach," said Henderson, a big play artist.

On the strongside Henderson goes against the tight end. Monday he will face Greg Latta in a first round National Conference playoff game in Texas Stadium.

"I went against Riley Odoms of Denver last week and he is 6-5 and 245," said Henderson. "That's tough when you have to deal with a guy like that the whole game."

Henderson said his only weapon against the tight end is "my quickness. I don't try to overpower them."

Henderson also is responsible for the fullback coming out of the back field on passing downs. He was burned for a touchdown pass early in the season then got a roasting from the coaches on film day.

"I'm in a situation where everyone has tabbed me with great ability... they've tabbed me with making the big play... and if I don't do those things then I'm just playing average football," said Henderson. "This is my third year and yet I'm supposed to be perfect all the time."

Henderson has made 53 solo tackles from his linebacker spot this year which makes him a threat to Walter Payton, Chicago's great running back.



BIG IRISH HAT ON SMALL IRISH FAN — Watching closely from under his hat, Chris Amberg, 4, of Dallas makes sure Notre Dame halfback Vagas Ferguson signs his autograph just right before practice in the Cotton Bowl Friday. The Irish arrived in Dallas Friday to prepare for their clash with the University of Texas in the Cotton Bowl Classic Jan. 2.

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Clubhouse confidential: Rich, poor, young, old

ELLIOTT MADDOX will win more games for Mets than Dave Kingman will for Cubs. This is on plus-minus basis, as hockey players are rated. . . . In view of Ellie's fat contract, more money than he ever made by far, it will be difficult for him to prove damage in suit brought against N.Y.C. involving drainage hole he stepped into at Shea Stadium three years ago, twisting knee.

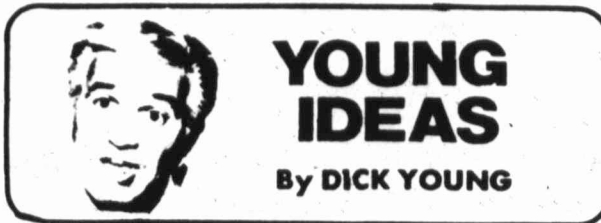
Not that it will do any good, but manager of welterweight Bruce Curry has sent letter of protest to Gov. Carey over scupping his man took against Wilfredo Benitez in recent Garden bout. Curry has signed for rematch, with Feb. 3 as tentative date. Now Garden need only nail down Benitez, who may not want any more of Curry's knockdown sock. . . . Mets have hired a strength coach, Paul Mastropasqua, to help build muscles in spring camp. Mastro, Mr. N.J. in '72, has helped make Jets strongest losers in NFL.

Rich Get Richer Dept.: Champion Portland Blazers, with best record in NBA right now, will have two first-round drafts. They own Buffalo's No. 1 as payment for Moses Malone. Marine Parkway Bridge, joining Brooklyn and Queens, will be renamed Gil Hodges Memorial Bridge as soon as N.Y. State Legislature gives formal approval to plan of Harold L. Fisher, chairman of Triboro Authority. Dedication is set for what would have been Gil's 54th birthday, April 4, and wouldn't it be wonderful touch if he were elected to Hall of Fame by then.

Chub Feeney roughed up by midtown mugger, reluctant to have pix taken of his foxy Irish face at Toots Shor plaque unveiling ceremony. See, Bowie; this wouldn't have happened if you'd let Feeney keep NL offices in Frisco. . . . Maybe reason Mets have weak player development is that they attach so little importance to position of player-development director. They forced the job on Tommy Burgess, who wanted to remain first base coach, and who has since taken coaching job with Bobby Cox at Atlanta. Now, Mets are moping around, playing eenie-meenie-minee-moe to fill this vital post — for which

they pay peanuts. . . . They should grab John Claiborne, bright young exec recently axed in Red Sox purge of O'Connell mob.

HAWKS' BROWN SOME COACH
If Hubie Brown doesn't win another game with Hawks, he should be NBA coach of year. He has them 11-and-7 with lowest payroll in league. Gone are expensive pieces like Lou Hudson, Joe Meriwether and Truck Robinson, while Hubie operates with hungries like Charley Chris, 28-year-old EBA refugee, who towers at five-foot-eight. Desire makes them giants. . . . Nassau Cabelvision lined up healthy customer list few years back by selling Knicks and Rangers games from Garden. Now those events have been dropped, and what happens to clients who signed



contracts on strength of seeing those contests? Sweets' Restaurant, the eno-trills fishery whose elegance is in its cooking, held 135th anniversary, Dec. 19, reviving sports motif of years ago when likes of John McGraw, Babe Ruth, Casey Stengel (the ballplayer) populated place. "Casey was a playboy," recalls Andy Gezell, story-telling maitre d'. Terry Bradshaw on his marriage to skating star Jojo Starbuck: "We're apart just enough to make it exciting."

WBC again demonstrated it has all the guts of a cleaned-out hen. Backed down on demand that Ali sign for Norton by Jan. 5. Now they've given champ til April to meet No. 1 contender, and in April they can be expected to make it

December. They also said that same deadline applies to Leon Spinks if he beats Ali Feb. 15, which is even funnier.

Why doesn't Larry O'Brien cut out nonsense and simply outlaw hand-checking in NBA. It's a mutation that causes inconsistent foul calls and nothing but trouble. Basketball fundamentally is a keep-your-hands-off-me game. . . . Florida baseball camps about to get started for youngsters. Ft. Lauderdale Baseball School, with Giants' scout Nick Shinkoff as evaluator, opens first session, Dec. 18. . . . Gary Dornhoefer punches out ref and gets two-game suspension. That's how NHL champs down on rowdyism?

OLDEST, YOUNGEST. . . BEST?
Unloading of three vet right-wingers leaves Rangers with only three men on squad at 30 or beyond. From oldest team in league they've become one of youngest. Now all they need do is become one of best. . . . James Bailey, 6-foot-9 Rutgers center who unofficially led nation with 88 dunks last season, opened with five donuts against Seton Hall and will try to fatten it up against Columbia at Garden Thursday night. He's delight of rim repairmen. . . . Phil Esposito, 13 years ago broke into NHL centering for Bobby Hull on Hawks' line. Now Esposito has moved past Hull for No. 2 spot on all-time goals list. "Bobby probably will never talk to me again," cracks Esposito. . . . Five years ago, during winter meetings in Hawaii, Gabe Paul traded Graig Nettles from Cleveland to Yankees; then Gabe moved from Cleveland to Yankees. This week, Lords of Baseball again meet in Hawaii, and Gabe is moving from Yankees to Cleveland immediately thereafter. At least Thurman Munson didn't precede him.

The note at the end of Bill Verigan's basketball story the other day said Bob Elmore had been found dead in bed in Rome, a needle in his arm and heroin alongside. Make a million copies of that and hang it in every classroom, every gym in the world. . . . Since Lenny Randle and wife returned from recent trip to Israel, he answers phone with "Shalom." Who does he think he is, the front page of The Daily News?



(PHOTO BY DANNY VALDES)

TUFF LUCK INDEED — The front cast belongs to Lucy Thixton, junior at Forsan High who won first in state in the 100-yard dash last year. She has some pulled ligaments in her leg but hopes to be well for spring competition. The second cast is that of her brother, Tony, who broke his leg at work. The word "Lisa," inscribed on the front of his cast, is his 15-year-old sister, who is suffering from leukemia. Other than that, everything's fine at the Garner Thixton home this Christmas.



ONE OF THE BEST — Drew Pearson, Dallas Cowboys wide receiver, goes over some material in the locker room before start of practice in Dallas. Pearson is probably one of the best ball hawks in the NFL having caught at least one pass in 45 consecutive regular season games. He has caught 48 passes this year.

Wait! Don't forget Scott and Pearson!

DALLAS (AP) — The pregame talk has focused on the runners and the quarterbacks but two of the best wide receivers in the National Football Conference will be on the field Monday in the first-round playoff between the Dallas Cowboys and the Chicago Bears.

One of the prime reasons for Chicago's six-game winning streak and first appearance in the playoffs since 1963 is slippery James Scott, a second-year man out of Henderson Junior College who was born in Longview, Texas.

And there's not a better clutch receiver in the National Football League than Dallas' fluid All-Pro Drew Pearson, who has caught at least one pass in his last 45 games.

Scott caught 50 passes to rank second behind Ahmad Rashad in the NFC and

Pearson snagged 48 passes. "Scott is a great concern to us because nobody really ever hears about him with Walter Payton on the Bear team," said Cowboys super scout Ernie Allen. "There's a tendency to overlook him but you'd better not. They (the Bears) will throw the ball to him and he's a dangerous one-two punch with Payton."

Bears quarterback Joe Avellini has completed three touchdowns passes to Scott, who has amassed 809 yards. Scott averages 16.2 yards per catch and has snagged a 72-yarder.

Pearson's credentials are well known. He's caught some famous touchdown passes — the Thanksgiving Day scoring pass in the last minute of the game against Washington from Clint Longley and the "Hail Mary" bomb from Roger Staubach in the final seconds of a 1975 playoff against Minnesota.

The former free agent from Tulsa also caught a touchdown pass against Pittsburgh in Super Bowl X. Pearson has caught only

two touchdown passes in the regular season — one for 67 yards — but he has averaged 18.1 yards on his 48 receptions.

He was hampered at midseason by a severely sprained wrist which required a cast and uncharacteristically dropped several passes. But Staubach has never deserted Pearson and usually goes to him in a pressure situation.

"Roger knows that I won't let any dropped passes bother me," said Pearson.

Staubach said "Drew and I have played together so long that I don't even have to look and I know where he will be."

There was one situation against the Washington Redskins this year when it was a good thing Pearson was looking.

Washington lined up in a maximum blitz defensive formation. Staubach looked it over, yelled at Pearson, and waved for him to go deep. Pearson did and Staubach nailed him with a perfect touchdown pass.

receiving and third in rushing. The problem is, he won't be able to carry the load not against the opportunistic Raiders' defense — Steelers 14, Broncos 7.

For openers, Denver never has been here before, and if NFL history teaches us anything, it's that the pressure of a first playoff is almost unbearable.

Then consider defense, the aspect of the game that consistently has made the Steelers so good. And consider that that defense will be facing a Denver offense, 12th in the conference, without a rusher or receiver in the AFC's top 15 National Conference.

American Conference
Raiders 27, Colts 14
Start with Ken Stabler, one of the wildest quarterbacks in the league. He threw 20 touchdown passes this season, more than anyone in the NFL.

Then consider Dave Casper, the bruising tight end who seems to be where the ball is — with his hands wrapped around it — no matter who is there with him.

Then consider Mark van Eeghen, the No. 1 running back in the AFC with 1,273 yards.

So Mr. Payton will get maybe half a hundred yards or so. Maybe he'll even break loose for a long gain or two.

And Roger Staubach will shoot so many holes in the Chicago defense, you'll think he's working with a machine gun instead of a shotgun.

That adds up to the AFC's No. 1 offense. . . . and that adds up to an Oakland victory.

The Colts also have a pretty good passer in Bert Jones, who seems to get better when things get hairy. Witness last Sunday against New England — plus his 2,686 yards passing, second in the league.

The Colts also have a receiver and a runner as effective as Casper and van Eeghen. Unfortunately they're both named Lydell Mitchell, first in AFC

Rams 21, Vikings 10
With Fran Tarkenton, Minnesota might be competitive against the Los Angeles defense, whose only weakness appears to be against the pass. But without him, the Vikings will go nowhere fast.

The Vikings' biggest problem is stopping the rush, which is just fine as far as LA is concerned, what with Lawrence McCutcheon in the backfield.

Scorecard

Playoffs

All Times EST
PLAYOFFS
First Round
American Conference
Saturday, Dec. 24
Oakland at Baltimore, 12:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Denver, 4 p.m.
National Conference
Monday, Dec. 26
Chicago at Dallas, 2 p.m.
Minnesota at Los Angeles, 6 p.m.

NBA

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Atlantic Division
W L Pct. GB
Phila. 20 10 .667
N York 16 15 .516 4 1/2
Buffalo 13 16 .448 6 1/2
Boston 10 21 .323 10 1/2
N Jersey 8 25 .242 13 1/2
Central Division
Wash. 11 12 .480
Cleveland 17 12 .586
S. Antonio 17 15 .531 1 1/2
Atlanta 16 15 .516 2
N. Orleans 13 18 .419 5
Houston 11 19 .367 6 1/2
Western Conference
Midwest Division
Denver 18 13 .581
Chicago 18 13 .581
Milw. 18 16 .529 1 1/2
K.C. 13 17 .433 4 1/2
Detroit 13 17 .433 4 1/2
Portland 12 16 .429 4 1/2
Ind. 24 4 .857
Phnix 19 11 .633 6
Seattle 16 18 .471 11
Grn St. 15 16 .484 10 1/2
L.A. 13 18 .419 12 1/2
Friday's Games
New Jersey 103, Buffalo 102
San Antonio 107, Houston 101
Detroit 108, Chicago 107
Atlanta 109, Milwaukee 93
Phoenix 129, Boston 110
Golden State 98, Denver 96
Portland 108, Los Angeles 98
Saturday's Games
No games scheduled

College

Friday's College Basketball Results
EAST
CCNY 74, Queens 57
SOUTH
DePaul 96, Centenary 77
Florida 57.7, Missouri 44
Kentucky 104, Iowa 65
N Carolina 108, Tulane 103
MIDWEST
Nebraska 104, Montana 51.0
Notre Dame 108, St. Joseph's 102
FAR WEST
Arizona 110, Pepperdine 65
Northridge 51.81, San Diego 56
Oregon 51.76, Gonzaga 65
Pacific 90, Colorado S1.86, OT
Rhode Island 87, San Francisco 85
San Diego S1.104, Brigham Young 88
Santa Clara 94, Cal Santa Barbara 86
UCLA 86, New Mexico S1.67
Utah S1.73, Utah 71
Wake Forest 77, Washington 70
TOURNAMENTS
Carolina Classic
Championship
Oklahoma 65, Carolina 48
Consolation
Pennsylvania 88, Southern Cal 71
Utica-Hamilton
Championship
Hamilton 102, Adelphi 93
Consolation
Maine 51.84, Utica 69

Sunday's Games

Buffalo at Cleveland
Milwaukee at Kansas
York Atlanta at Washington
San Antonio at New Orleans
Golden State at Portland
Los Angeles at Seattle, 11 p.m.

Transactions

FOOTBALL
National Football League
PHILADELPHIA EAGLES
Named Carl Peterson as director of player personnel.
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS
Max Colev, offensive backfield coach resigned.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS
Signed Tommy Reamon, running back.

Hockey

National Hockey League
Wales Conference
Norris Division
W T Pts GF GA
Montri 22 7 4 48 128 68
L.A. 16 11 5 37 101 81
Pitts 9 16 7 25 106 132
10 17 4 24 90 103
Wash 6 20 6 18 71 123
Adams Division
Buff 21 7 5 47 123 87
Bstn 21 7 5 47 121 82
Tntno 20 4 44 118 81
Cleveland 10 20 3 23 83 125

Ski report

DENVER (AP) — Colorado Ski Country USA reports the following conditions at major ski areas on Friday, Dec. 23.
A Basin 63 depth, 1 new snow, powder, packed powder, wind packed.
Aspen Highlands 39 depth, 0 new snow, powder, packed powder.
Buttermilk 24 depth, 0 new snow, powder, packed powder.
Copper Mountain 43 depth, 3 new snow, powder, packed powder.
Crested Butte 42 depth, 1 new snow, powder, packed powder.
Eldora 36 depth, 3 new snow, packed powder.
Geneva Basin 50 depth, 2 new snow, powder, packed powder.
Hidden Valley 31 depth, 6 new snow, powder, packed powder.
Keystone 49 depth, 2 new snow, packed powder.
Loveland Basin 50 depth, 2 new snow, powder, packed powder.
Lovind Valley, open on weekends.
Monarch 46 depth, 2 new snow, powder, packed powder.
Pikes Peak, closed this weekend.
Powder Horn 17 depth, 0 new snow, hard packed.
Purgatory 24 depth, 1 new snow, powder, packed powder.
Shuttle 25 depth, 0 new snow, packed powder.
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Danny Reagan

Guess who's back?

Woke Big Spring Steer Head Basketball Coach Tommy Collins from a sound sleep Friday morning. He and his troops didn't get in from Berger until 4:30 in the morning. He sounded extremely relieved to be through with the 36-day road trip the locals have been experiencing. With 15 games under their belts, and all but two of them in enemy territory, the Bovines have to be anxious to play before the home folks again.

The locals are now 3-12 on the season, with Tuesday's game with Brownfield as the last warm-up contest before the loop battles begin Friday. Out of those dozen defeats, the Steers have only been out of four of those games, and five losses were by five points or less. But the record is still 3-12, and not the 11-4 that it could have been.

The Bovines have scored a total of 842 points (a 56.1 average per game), while allowing 962 points—a 64.1 clip—for their opponents. An eight-point spread doesn't mean they're getting blown off the courts, but it does mean something. "It means that we're not shooting well at all," said Collins. "In some phases of the game, we're making great strides, but the percentage from the floor has been poor lately."

Point in fact: After winning the first game in the Reese Tournament last week, the Steers went on to shoot 39 out of 128 in their final two games—a scarce 30 per cent. And they still almost won their second game against Andress, a contest they eventually dropped, 53-50. Just a few more particulars: The worst defeat the locals have experienced was an 83-50 pounding by Dimmitt during the Reese slump. Their biggest margin of victory was a 96-86 offensive display against Brownfield in the second game of the season. The closest defeat was a 50-49 decision to Snyder.

According to Collins, the Steers have developed the rhythm of play and have conquered the basic fundamentals needed to win ballgames. All they need now, obviously, is to break out of the ice that surrounds their basket.

Maybe their time has come to heat things up a bit against Brownfield in Steer Gym, this Tuesday at 8 p.m.

How about a few quickies before we get to the Cowboys and other superstars?

In the near future, footballs in the NFL may be coated at the tips with a metallic substance. A registering device across the field at the first-down or goal-line marker would then send a beam across the field, and anytime the ball crosses the plane of that line, it would electronically be recorded as a first down or TD.

In 1939, the poet Robert Frost said the following at a lecture at Harvard: "Athletics are more terribly real than anything else in education. It's because athletics are for blood, for keeps. Studies are done just for practice."

UT fullback Earl Campbell reportedly went through seven tear-away jerseys in each of his games this season. Cost is \$8 a piece. Counting the Cotton Bowl, that will be 12 games and \$672 worth of jerseys. I think Burnt Orangedom would deem the cost worthwhile.

Ken MacAfee, the Notre Dame All-American, who you will all be seeing against Texas Jan. 2, is not related to George MacAfee, the first pro football player to wear lout-out shoes. But yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

Cop shop whizz kid James "Popeye" Werrell lost more than statehood pride when the Bengals were knocked out of the playoff picture by the Houston Oilers last weekend.

James, whose chagrin has been tempered somewhat by the early appearance of Cincinnati kin Jim, Eloise, Tim and Beauregard, dejectedly states: "I think they should change the name from the Cincinnati Bengals to the Cincinnati Bungles."

Here's the way the Cowboy rushing and receiving stat picture shaped up after regular season:

RUSHING	Att	Yds	Avg	Lg	Td
Dorsett	208	1007	4.8	84	12
Newhouse	180	721	4.0	29	3
Pearson, P.	89	341	3.8	22	1
Staubach	51	171	3.4	33	1
Dennison	12	60	5.0	17	1
Brinson	8	28	3.5	20	1
Pearson, D.	2	22	11.0	11	0
Laidlaw	9	15	1.7	8	0
DuPree	3	9	3.3	7	0
D. White	1	-2	-2.0	-2	0
Johnson	1	-3	-3.0	-3	0
Total	564	2369	4.2	84	21
Opp Total	457	1651	3.6	62	9

RECEIVING	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	Td
Pearson, D.	48	870	18.1	67	2
Pearson, P.	46	535	11.6	36	4
Dorsett	29	273	9.4	23	1
DuPree	28	347	12.4	23	3
Richards	17	225	13.2	50	3
Newhouse	16	106	6.6	41	1
Johnson	12	135	11.3	22	1
Saldi	11	108	9.8	23	2
Laidlaw	5	60	12.0	18	1
Hill	2	21	10.5	12	0
Dennison	1	9	9.0	9	0
Total	215	2689	12.5	67	18
Opp Total	154	1991	12.9	60	14

Pretty impressive, huh? Roger Staubach finished the regular season on a roll as well. He completed 210 passes of 361 attempts, for 2,620 yards (a 58.2 percentage), 18 touchdowns and nine interceptions.

Efren Herrera was the leading Pokes scorer, with 93 points, while T.D.'s 13 TD's put him second with 78. Cliff Harris was the leading interceptor, with five. Butch Johnson returned 22 kickoffs for 536 yards and a 24.4 yard average, and unheralded, but extremely important, Danny White, punted the ball 80 times for 3,171 yards—a 39.6 clip.

The Pokes also led the scoring column, 345-211; the first down category, 272-205; total yards, 4,812-3,213; yards rushing, 2,369-1,651 and yards passing, 2,443-1,562.

The most amazing stat that I can see is fourth quarter scoring. The Cowboys outscored their opposition 93-37 in that final frame. That's the benefit of having a young team. They've still got adrenaline flowing through their young limbs, while the older teams, such as Washington, are just hoping the game will be over before they faint from exhaustion.

You'll notice that this holiday sports section (Merry Christmas!) is chock full of Dallas Cowboy stories. Since I couldn't get all of you a tie, I thought Cowboys the next best thing.

But you'll also notice that in almost all of those stories, the duel between the two super runners—Tony Dorsett and Walter Payton—has been played up big.

Payton, leader in both rushing and scoring in the NFL, had the third highest season gushing total in NFL history with 1,852 yards on a record 339 carries for 14 touchdowns. He averaged 5.5 yards a carry and was no doubt the main reason you who made the playoffs.

Dorsett, of course, only started five games for the Cowboys after sharing the job with Preston Pearson for the first nine contests. He might have equalled or surpassed Payton's record if he had started the entire season. Who'll win the duel? Well, who has the best offensive line? Who doesn't have to worry about getting most of his yardage on his own? Who changed the pronunciation of his name? That's right. Score? Tony 146 yards, Walter 67.

Not quite through yet. Remembering that the Dallas Cowboys are the NFL leaders in both total offense and defense, and that the Bears are only the second leading offensive club in the NFC (about sixth or seventh in the whole NFL) and only 12th overall in NFC defense, you'd have to be crazy to bet on anyone but the Pokes.

Here's the statistical margin between the two clubs after the regular season. Dallas leads Chicago in first downs, 272-247; total yards gained, 4,812-4,655; passing

Bears optimistic about 'no playoff pressure'

DALLAS (AP) — The wild card Chicago Bears, strictly bad news seven weeks ago when they lost a game by 47 points, display their incredible art of survival Monday as 10-point underdogs to the Dallas Cowboys in a first round National Conference playoff at Texas Stadium.

Destiny's unlikely darlings shuffle out of the dressing room for the 1 p.m. kickoff riding a six-game victory streak—and they needed every one of them to salvage a 9-5 record. "Playoff pressure?" said Chicago Coach Jack Pardee. "That's all we've had for the last six weeks. And particularly last week. As far as pressure goes, we've been under it for a long time."

Since Houston put a 47-0 lump on Chicago Nov. 6, Chicago nipped Kansas City 28-27, nudged Minnesota 10-7, mauled Detroit 31-14, survived Tampa Bay 10-0, whipped Green Bay 21-10, and defeated the New York Giants 12-9 in overtime on ice with four seconds to spare.

Meanwhile, the Dallas Cowboys, looking down from their NFC Eastern Division penthouse, whipped Denver 14-6 to tie the Broncos for the best record in the National Football League—12-2.

Dallas yawned its way into the playoffs for the 11th time in 12 years. It's Chicago's first appearance in the NFL playoffs since 1963 when the former "Monsters of the Midway" defeated the New York Giants for the title.

"I'm an eternal optimist and I think we can beat Dallas but we'll have to play our best game of the year," said Pardee. "Dallas should be looking by us to the next opponent. I don't think Dallas will bully us around."

Dallas defeated Chicago 31-21 in a regular season game last year and Pardee said, "I think they're a better team this year. They've got a runner this year that I think the Cowboys have lacked a little in the past."

The "runner" is rookie Tony Dorsett, the Heisman Trophy winner from Pittsburgh who became only the eighth first year man in NFL history to gain over 1,000 yards. He scored 13 touchdowns for the Cowboys,

including a club-record 84-yard run, longest in the NFL this year. Of course, Chicago has pro football's premier ground-gobbler in wonderous Walter Payton, who gained 1,852 yards and menaced O.J. Simpson's alltime record for a season.

"You don't stop Payton, you just hope to slow him down," said Cowboy Coach Tom Landry. "He's the best there is in the National Football League."

Pardee quickly pointed out that "Walter Payton is not going to beat Cowboys. We're going to have to have 43 players contributing."

The survivor of the Dallas-Chicago game plays either Los Angeles or Minnesota for the NFC title. The Bears are an embodiment of their coach.

Pardee survived six-man football at Christoval, Texas, High School to become a standout linebacker at Texas A&M University under Paul "Bear" Bryant.

He played 15 years in the National Football League at Los Angeles and Washington. Pardee beat cancer with surgery then survived the now defunct World Football League as a coach where his Florida Blazers played for him in the final days without pay.

Pardee was an assistant under George Allen of the Washington Redskins and the Bears reflect some of the NFL gospel according to Allen.

"I've retained some of the things I've learned from George," said Pardee, a quiet-spoken man off the field. "We put a lot of emphasis on specialty team play, for example. George

Pardee certainly isn't turning his nose up at the Bears because they are a wild card team. "I remember in 1975 when everyone was upgrading us because we were a wild card team and we made it to the Super Bowl," said Landry.

Landry has a multiplicity of offensive weapons besides Dorsett. Roger Staubach is the No. 2-rated passer in the NFL and wide receiver Drew Pearson has an uncanny ability to make the clutch catch.

Defensively, the Cowboys are healthy but the Bears will miss their two best tackles, Wally Chamber and Roger Stillwell. Chicago hopes injured tackle Jim Osborne can play.

The specialty teams stack up about even although Pardee says, "We've lost some good specialty players. Brian Baschnagel would have to be considered a near super star but he's out for the year. Steve Shubert is hurt."

"Our special teams suffered a little bit. Had they not, as far as I'm concerned, there's not a better specialty team club in the league than we are."

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WAITING FOR THE PLAYOFFS — Harvey Martin, The 6-5, 252-pound defensive end for the Cowboys, who is in his fifth year with the club, takes a well-deserved break during last week's triumph over the Denver Broncos. "Man, he's big!" an unidentified Dallas trainer seems to be saying to himself. The Cowboys host the Chicago Bears Monday at 1 p.m. in the NFC playoffs.

Worster remembers Irish

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Steve Worster, Texas' first Wishbone fullback, says some fans remember only the second of two Texas-Notre Dame Cotton Bowl games and blame him for losing that game.

"I've introduced myself to people, and they've said, 'Oh, you're the player that lost the game to Notre Dame,'" Worster says.

Now the general sales manager for a San Antonio brewery, Worster was blamed for five fumbles in a 24-11 loss to the Irish in the 1971 game, which snapped Texas' 30-game win streak. The Longhorns outgained Notre Dame but fumbled nine times.

The year before, Worster was named the outstanding offensive player in a 21-17 victory. He gained 155 yards on 20 carries.

"Really, I fumbled twice and there were two bad exchanges with the quarterback that I never really got my hands on. All our wins were team wins, and that was a team loss. I had other All-Americans on the team come up to me and say that it was the worst game they had ever played," he said.

No. 1 Texas and No. 5 Notre Dame play the rubber match in the Cotton Bowl Jan. 2.

"This year's Texas team is a lot like the team I was on the first time we played Notre Dame. That year, even after our big win (15-14) over Arkansas, a lot of northern writers didn't think we were the best team. They just thought we were lucky not to have lost any games."

"It's the same way with this year's team. A lot of northerners think the only reason Texas is No. 1 is that they were the only team lucky enough to get through the schedule without any losses. They're like we were. They've got something still to prove," he said.

"What really surprised me about Notre Dame was that they had the most un-sportsmanlike athletes I've ever run across. They were mothers and cussers and the old jayou-in-the-eye-type players."

"The main person I blame for their behavior was the coach, Ara Parseghian. I was astonished at the way he acted."

"After one of my typical five-yard gains, I was knocked out of bounds in front of the Notre Dame bench. All of a sudden, Parseghian comes running up to me and screaming curse words at me at the top of his voice. I just couldn't believe it."

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Dons blasted on the Rhode

By the Associated Press. Bill Cartwright finally made his debut for the University of San Francisco—but he didn't make it good enough.

The Dons needed more from their 6-foot-11 center than just 14 points Friday night, and as a result the nation's 11th-ranked basketball team lost a stunning 87-85 decision to unheralded Rhode Island.

"Obviously Bill isn't completely ready," said San Francisco Coach Bob Gaillard. "We'll just have to keep him running until he is."

Obviously, too, the entire San Francisco team hasn't been ready the past two days. The Dons lost a one-point decision the previous evening to California and, coupled with the loss to Rhode Island, dropped two in a row at home for the first time under Gaillard's eight-year administration.

The Dons, who had a 29-game winning streak last season and lost only two games the entire year, have now dropped three this season already. Part of their problem has been the loss of Cartwright, who broke his left arm in a pickup game before the season started.

James Hardy, normally a forward, has had to carry the load at center for the Dons. Friday night, he scored merely 10 points and generally shot poorly.

In other games involving the ranked teams, No. 1 Kentucky routed Iowa 104-65; No. 3 North Carolina outscored Tulane 108-103; No. 5 Notre Dame hammered St. Joseph's of Indiana 108-72; No. 7 UCLA coasted past New Mexico State 86-67 and Utah State upset No. 17 Utah 73-71.

Rhode Island's Sylvester Williams made a free throw with 14 seconds remaining, then stole a San Francisco pass to clinch the Rams' upset. Williams finished with 12 points while four other Rhode Island players scored in double figures. Winford Boynes led San Francisco with 22 points.

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Detroit Lions pick Cowboys

PONTIAC, Mich. (AP) — They may not be in the same league with Jimmy the Greek, but the Detroit Lions are going with Dallas to win the National Football League playoffs and go to the Super Bowl.

The Lions, who finished the season with a sluggish 6-8 record for third place in the NFL Central Division, played nearly half their games against four of the eight teams that enter the playoffs starting today.

"Dallas has got the best team," said tight end Charlie Sanders.

"I'd pick Dallas over anyone we've seen," chimed in linebacker coach Rollie Dotsch.

"I go with Dallas in the Super Bowl," added defensive end Jim Mitchell.

"It looks like it might be Dallas all the way," was the considered opinion of cornerback Lem Barney. Running back Dexter Bussey seconded the motion.

Who should know better than the Lions just how good Dallas can be? Detroit took a 37-0 drubbing at the hands of the Cowboys not long ago.

But veteran Detroit linebacker Paul Naumoff picks Los Angeles. What about that 37-0 disaster?

"Heck, beatin' us doesn't mean anything," laughed Naumoff.

Reds stop Aeros, 6-2

HOUSTON (AP) — Soviet Coach Boris Majorov says his team didn't play its best game of its current international series Friday night despite registering its most lopsided victory—a 6-2 win over the World Hockey Association Houston Aeros.

"Our players looked a little drowsy out there," said Majorov. "A change of temperature from minus 15 degrees centigrade in Winnipeg to positive 15 degrees centigrade in Houston also had an effect."

Asked to compare himself with Heisman Trophy winner Earl Campbell, Worster said, "There is no comparison. The guy has athletic abilities I never had. I've seen him do some things I could hardly believe. I was basically just a straight-ahead runner. He's got the ability to go outside, inside, anywhere."

(Cont. from "Danny Reagan") yardage, 2,443-1,844 and total points, 345-255. Chicago's only leading column is rushing, 2,811-2,369.

Defensively, there is no contest. The Bears have allowed over 1,000 more yards against them than the Pokes, 4,285-3,213, and have only gotten to the opposing quarterback 27 times, while Harvey Martin and crew have been back there 53 times.

Oh, I almost forgot. Roger Staubach regained the NFC passing leadership over Pat Haden in the final regular season game. Roger's final rating was 87.1, just behind AFC griese's, 88.0 and ahead of Haden's final turn in of 84.4. Get 'em Rog!

Hope everyone of you "good" sports out there have a very Merry Christmas...and maybe even some of you "bad" sports. See you back here Tuesday.

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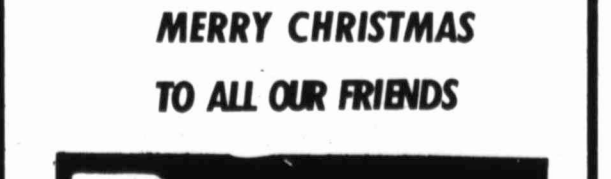


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Trojans and Aggies prep for Bluebonnet

HOUSTON (AP) — Southern California and Texas A&M football teams arrive this week to begin preparations for Saturday night's Bluebonnet Bowl, the second postseason contest between the two teams in two years.

Some 55,000 fans are expected to be on hand for the New Year's Eve meeting in the Astrodome.

Although neither team has appeared in the Bluebonnet Bowl, the two met in the 1975 Liberty Bowl with USC winning 20-0.

USC was to arrive Tuesday night and hold its first workout in the Astrodome Wednesday afternoon. The Aggies will work out at their home stadium in College Station Wednesday and then take buses to Houston. Both teams will work out in the Astrodome Thursday.

Texas A&M Coach Emory Ballard said freshman Mike Mosley will start at quarterback against the Trojans. He said senior quarterback David Walker is not fully recovered from a chest injury.

Mosley, a 176-pounder, directed the Aggies to a 27-7 victory over Houston in the season finale. The Aggies won eight games and lost three.

The wishbone offense of the 17th ranked Aggies is sparked by George Woodard, a 265-pound fullback, and Curtis Dickey, a 9.4 sprinter. Woodard gained 1,107 yards this season and Dickey picked up 978.

The 20th ranked Trojans, 7-4, ended the season fourth in the nation in total offense with a 450.8 yards per game average. Quarterback Rob Hertel passed for 1,897

yards. Split end Randy Simmin caught 36 passes for an average of 20.9 yards a catch. The leading USC rusher is tailback Charles White with 1,291 yards.

USC Coach John Robinson says the Aggies "play a kind of wild defense and can force you to give the ball back."

Ballard said USC is similar to the 1975 team which beat the Aggies in the Liberty Bowl. "They're very talented, well-coached and have a very deceptive record."

Texas A&M won the coin toss and will be the home team in the game set for 7 P.M. CST.

Bailey quits

BROWNFIELD — Jerry Bailey has resigned as athletic director and head football coach at Brownfield High School.

Bailey formerly coached in Artesia, N.M.

Ex-coach symbolizes holiday spirit

The following is an open Christmas card from Paul Wiggins, who was fired as head football coach of the National Football League's Kansas City Chiefs two months ago but today remains a symbol of the spirit and optimism of the holiday season.

"When I was fired, I was bitter and depressed. I think anybody would be. My problem was that in football, like any kind of athletics, you're asked to fall in love. They say, 'This is your team. Make it a winner.' It



STATE RECORD STRIPER — Robert Haas of Sherman is shown here with his state record striped bass caught in the Red River below Denison Dam on Oct. 30. The striper weighed 28 pounds, four ounces and was caught on live bait. Haas' fish is the second state record striper to come out of the area below the dam at Lake Texoma.

becomes your obsession, then your love.

"Maybe I am the sensitive type. I did have relationships with my players that meant a lot to me. Then one day, you're called in and they say, 'Buddy, it's over.' The team you fought for and cared for and put so much emotion in, it's all gone. It was very painful.

"I was fired on Halloween, a Monday. The next Thursday my daughter's friend, a foreign student from Norway, said she wanted to meet someone from Norway. So I asked Jan Stenerud (the Chiefs' kicker from Norway) Everybody.

"I think the people of Kansas City accepted me as the coach. They knew we had a monumental, uphill fight. It was our team, and I mean O-U-R. People were rolling up their sleeves and saying, 'We're coming with you.'

"The tragedy for me is that I just don't think I failed.

"But I do miss it. On the day before I was fired, I would have given \$1,000 for a day off. The day after, I would have given \$5,000 to be back.

"I am a little confused at

what pro football is all about. With all the firings, I just can't believe that many people have done bad jobs.

"I've looked into some coaching situations, including a college situation. (He twice was offered the University of California job.) But I'm not sure I'm ready to go back yet. There are still some scars. I've got to look at people very closely. It will have to be a 100 percent trusting situation.

"At Kansas City we talked about patience when I took the job. If I had known that this season was going to be a killer-be-killed situation, I would have liked for that to have been made a little clearer. At least I wanted to know that I was painted into a corner. If I knew the future was right now, I would have done things differently in terms of personnel. There are a lot of things I'd like to do over. I don't say I'm without sin.

"We had a little bit of problem at Kansas City. We lacked the middle breed of player. We had 34 players on the roster with three years or less experience and we had 11 players who represented the core of veteran leadership.

Weather slows fishing

Blustery and sharp weather slowed fishing somewhat at Lake E.V. Spence during the past week, but striped bass catches continued at a brisk pace. Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Rainwater, Robert Lee, came in with a 20-lb. blue catfish, a new record for the species at Lake Spence. Another consistently good fisherman from Robert Lee, C.C. Weir, boated a 30 1/2 yellow catfish.

Here are some of the reports:

Hillside Grocery and Bait — O.H. Gibbs and Dennis Cox, Hobbs, N.M., two blue catfish, five channel catfish and a 6 1/2-lb. striped bass; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dunham and Party, Hobbs, 25 strippers to 10 lbs. and three white

bass; C.C. Weir, Robert Lee, 30 1/2-lb. catfish; John Page, Robert Lee, 8-lb. yellow catfish, 8-lb. striper and a 2-lb. channel catfish.

Y.J.'s Marina — Milburn Keener and David Jones, Littlefield, 10 striped bass to 7 lbs.; C.B. Tippit, W.M. Arnold, L.V. Booker and family of Odessa, 39 strippers to 5 lbs.; James Green, Odessa, three strippers to 5 lbs.; Randy Coats and Nolan Allen, Odessa, five strippers to 5 1/2 lbs.; Frank Bice and Jim Bice, Andrews, six strippers to 6 lbs.

Triangle Grocery and Bait — Mr. and Mrs. R.C. Rainwater, Robert Lee, four strippers to 8 lbs., three channel catfish to 3 lbs. and a 20-lb. blue catfish.



HARD AT PLAY — Two members of the AFC West champion Denver Broncos take time out during today's practice session for a bit of fun. Left is running back John Keyworth and right is guard Tom Glass with plastic construction cones over their football helmets. The two had a contest to see who could knock the cone off the other's head, but were interrupted by a call from the sidelines and they returned to the warm-up practice for Saturday's Pittsburgh-Denver AFC playoff game here.

Local bowling results

RESULTS — The Head Post over Southwest Tool, 40; Mills Optical over The Perrys, 40; Bennetts Pharmacy over Mitchem Auto, 40; House of Craft over C.C. Trophy, 31; Fina No. 4 over Thornton's Dept. Store, 31; Chucks Surplus over McCann Corp., 31; man's high game and series David Davidson 207 and Tom Daily and Mike Connors 533; woman's high game and series LaVerne Berger 211 and 543; team high game and series House of Craft 846 and 7403.

STANDINGS — Mills Optical, 33.1%; Chucks Surplus, 31.1%; Fina No. 4, 31.2%; Mitchem Auto Sales, 31.2%; C.C. Trophy Co., 28.1%; The Head Post, 28.2%; Bennetts Pharmacy, 26.2%; Southwest Tool, 25.2%; McCann Corp., 24.2%; House of Craft, 23.2%; Thornton's Dept. Store, 17.3%; The Perrys, 14.3%

RESULTS — Sand Springs Builder Supply over Harding Well Service, 8:0; Bob Brock 4 over Lost Cause, 8:0; Super Pickles over Frank Hagen T.V., 6:2; Billy's Trim Shop over Blue Top Pic & Store, 6:2; Fun Bunch over Tune Insurance, 6:2; Gilliland Electric Co. over D.L. Dorland, 6:2; Good Housekeeping over Tally Electric Co., 6:2; 4th Goliad Texaco over Pollard Chevrolet, 6:2; The Final Touch over Little Sooper Mkt., 6:2; Webb Credit Union over Reid Bros. Oil Co., 6:2; Chrane Recreational Vehicle Ctr. tied Fiberglass System, 4:4; Leon's Pumping Service over Bob Brock 19, 4:4; high handicap game and series (man) Ron Miller 235 and 573; high scratch game and series (woman) Barb Vieira 198 and 571; high handicap game and series (man) Clyde Cooley 573 and Wender Payne 654; high handicap game and series (woman) Christin Cooley and Julie Van Dyken tie, 232 and Barb Vieira 655; high scratch team game and series Super Pickles 738 and 3116; high handicap team game and series Webb Credit Union 869 and Super Pickles 2500.

STANDINGS — Super Pickles, 88

RESULTS — Corden over F.O.W.S., 8:0; Coors over Berkeley Homes, Inc., 6:2; Phillips Tire Co. over Cabot, 6:2; R.B.C. Pipe & Supply over Albert's Upholstery, 6:2; Perry's Supply over Texas Electric Service Co., 6:2; State National Bank over West Texas Roofing, 6:2; Coffman Roofing tied Basin Car Wash, 4:4; Price Const. over Firestone Store, 4:4; Campbell Concrete Pearl Dist. over Bernie's Welding, 4:4; high scratch game and series Larry Fryar 254 and 620; high handicap game and series Larry

Fryar 268 and 699; high scratch team game and series Coffman Roofing 957 and Price Const. 2480; high handicap team game and series Coffman Roofing 1098 and Price Const. 3016.

STANDINGS — R.B.C. Pipe & Supply 82.54; Price Const., 80.56; F.O.W.S., 78.58; Albert's Upholstery, 78.58; Perry's Supply, 78.58; Campbell

Concrete Pearl Dist., 76.60; Texas Electric Service Co., 75.41; Corden, 73.63; Phillips Tire Co., 73.64; West Texas Roofing, 70.66; Bernie's Welding, 69.67; Firestone Store, 64.72; Basin Car Wash, 62.74; Coffman Roofing, 54.74; Coors, 55.81; Cabot, 54.82; Berkeley Homes, Inc., 50.86; State National Bank, 48.88.

RESULTS — Big Spring Health Food over City Plan Shop, 3:1; Montgomery Ward pit Leonard's Phar., 2; Ackerly Oil over Tomco, 3:1; Ye Old Pottery split State National, 2:2; Roberts Auto over Coahoma Kitchem, 3:1; Nutro split Ted Ferrell's Ins., 2:2; high team series and game Ye Old Pottery 2110 and Ackerly Oil 728; high ind. series and game Martha Christi 519 and 187.

STANDINGS — Big Spring Health Food, 41.1%; Montgomery Ward, 36.24; Roberts Auto, 36.24; Leonard's Phar., 36.24; State National Bank, 33.1%; Ye Old Pottery Shop, 31.1%; Ackerly Oil, 31.2%; Tomco, 26.34; Coahoma Kitchem, 27.33; City Plan Shop, 24.37; Ted Ferrell's Ins., 21.39; Nutro, 16.1%;

RESULTS — Corden Oil & Chem. over Builders Supply, 8:0; Kentucky Fried Chicken over Coors Dist. Co., 8:0; Smith & Coleman Oil over Republic Supply Co., 8:0; Robertson Body Shop over Jones Construction, 8:0; Shade Western over Pollard Chevrolet, 6:2; A&N Electric Co. over Colorado Oil Co., 6:2; high game and series Gary Hipp 248 and J.C. Self 656; high team game and series Shade Western 1058 and Robertson Body Shop 3020.

STANDINGS — Corden Oil & Chem., 80.48; Builders Supply Co., 76.52; Republic Supply Co., 74.54; Pollard Chevrolet, 72.56; Colorado Oil Co., 67.41; Kentucky Fried Chicken, 66.42; A&N Electric, 62.46; Smith & Coleman Oil, 61.47; Shade Western, 60.48; Robertson Body Shop, 55.71; Coors Dist. Co., 54.74; Jones Construction,

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Ricky Klahr scholarship fund growing

The Big Spring Police Association recently contributed \$100 to the Ricky Klahr fund at Howard College. John Burson, president, and Jerry Pruitt, vice president, made the presentation to Mrs. Johnny Lou Avery.

Detective Burson noted that "The law enforcement officials of the area take pleasure in honoring the memory of one who contributed so positively to the profession, even though

Ricky's life was cut short, he made a big impact of all of us."

Mrs. Avery, in accepting the donation said, "My first contact with Ricky was when he enrolled as a student in law enforcement at Howard College. He impressed me then but the real appreciation came when he struggled so valiantly against the dreaded Hodgkin's disease while continuing to work at the police department. I accept this check on

behalf of Howard College's Ricky Klahr Memorial Fund to be used to help worthy students in the Law Enforcement program. Ricky would be pleased with your gesture of love shown in this memorial."

The Ricky Klahr Memorial Scholarship Fund was established at Howard College on August 3, 1977 to honor the memory of Ricky Klahr and to aid worthy students in furthering their college education. Klahr died at age 24 on August 3, 1977 after a 7-year battle with Hodgkin's disease. He was a police dispatcher and former patrolman with the Big Spring Police Department until his death. He attended Howard College under the Law Enforcement Program.

The following guidelines will be used in administering the funds:

1. The minimum grant per semester will be \$25.00 and the maximum grant per semester will be \$100.00. Recipient will be promised an award for only one semester at a time. Renewal will be considered unless available funds or the student's records prohibit the renewal. The amount of

the scholarship will vary according to the fund balance and amount needed by the student.

2. The student's selection will be made by a committee composed of a representative from the law enforcement officers auxiliary and Mrs. Johnnie Lou Avery.
3. Student applicants must make application through the college's financial aids office. The financial aids office staff will check background information including grades, recommendations, etc., for presentation to the committee.
4. Basic eligibility requirements of scholarship recipients are: (a) must demonstrate moral fitness, (b) must have serious desire for advanced education and have an objective planning conference with the staff of

the college, (c) must have potential to achieve as evidenced by scholastic standing of accepting grades, (d) must be registered as a full-time student at HC, (e) should have financial need as determined by the committee.

5. The student recipient must be enrolled in the law enforcement program.

6. Donations for this fund will be accepted from any interested citizen or group who wish to honor the memory of Ricky Klahr.

The fund was established by the Big Spring State and Federal Law Enforcement Officers Auxiliary.

Members at the time of establishment of scholarship

fund are Mary Jennings, Carol Hutchinson, Sylvia Williams, Edith McMillan, Vickie Grosshans, Yvonne Joyce and Janice Thompson.

HHH won't resign from anything

WAVERLY, Minn. (AP)— "I'm not resigning from anything. I may even join something," was Hubert H. Humphrey's response when asked whether he plans to resign from the U.S. Senate because of his inoperable cancer.

The Minnesota Democrat, who arrived home Thursday, said he planned to be back in Washington within 10 days.



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As an eighteen-year old seeking new hope she had married. While the marriage had endured for nineteen years, there was much less than harmony between her husband and herself. At times there were serious conflicts which were not resolved. Elgin, who was born in the second year of the marriage, grew up responding to the disharmony by developing a protective distance between himself and his parents. He became a loner. Now at age 21, he was unhappy in his marriage, unable to meet the requirements of matrimony, himself unsatisfied.

A short-lived second marriage had produced Sheila, now a beautiful blonde child of 20 months. Facing all these disconcerting realities, Loraine had still one other problem — to earn a living as a salesperson.

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1977 not a good year for consumers

By the Associated Press
1977 brought a new president who had promised to become the "top consumer advocate in the nation." But Jimmy Carter failed to get most of his major consumer proposals through Congress.

The effort to establish an independent agency to intervene on behalf of consumers in the regulatory process was unsuccessful, although supporters say they still expect victory in 1978.

Other consumer-oriented bills that were defeated or not acted upon in 1977 included measures to make it easier for individuals to file class-action lawsuits, to decrease regulation of airline fares and to provide reimbursement for public interest attorneys and expert witnesses who want to testify at federal hearings.

On the plus side, according to consumer activists, was passage of a bill, which takes effect early in 1978, to prevent debt collectors from harassing people, and the Department of Transportation's move to require air bags or some other passive restraint system on new cars by 1984.

Asked to sum up the gains and losses of 1977, Ralph Nader replied: "A lot of higher prices. That's the chief loss." He was critical of Congress for passing legislation which will increase sugar prices and added, "I don't think Carter is paying enough attention to measures in Congress that are increasing prices across the board."

He said he remained confident that an independent consumer agency will be established next year. Nader also said he was encouraged by passage in the House of Representatives of a bill that would make it easier to set up consumer cooperatives and predicted the measure would be passed by the Senate in 1978.

Mark Green, director of Congress Watch, a lobbying organization associated with Nader, said that, on the whole, consumers were "slightly better off" at the end of 1977 than they were at the beginning.

Green said there was a new anti-consumer feeling in Congress in 1977. Part of the reason, he said, is the trend against big government which tends to view all federal agencies, large and small, as suspect; part of the reason is lobbying by big business; and part is the fear among some liberal Democrats that they will face challenges from the right in the 1978 elections.

Esther Peterson, appointed by Carter as his special assistant for consumer affairs, expressed disappointment at the failure to establish a consumer agency — an effort she listed as her prime mission. But she said there were some encouraging signs. Among them, she listed Carter's appointments of consumer advocates including Carol Tucker Foreman, former director of the Consumer Federation of America, as assistant agriculture secretary for food and consumer services, and Michael Pertschuk, former chief counsel of the Senate Commerce Committee, as chairman of the Federal Trade Commission.



CHRISTMAS DOLL — Ada Parks stands beside the doll her mother gave her for Christmas 80 years ago when her mother knew she was dying.

Pertschuk promptly took aim at television advertising aimed at children which encourages them to eat food containing too much sugar and launched an FTC probe of the ads.

Nader also said he believed the Carter appointees had cracked down on unsafe and unfair business practices.

Virginia Knauer, Mrs. Peterson's predecessor who now operates her own consulting firm, said, "I think we're better off" than at the start of the year. "There's a certain hope" among consumers, she said, noting that housing starts have increased and that some people are buying bigger cars.

"There's been a dearth of legislation," said Mrs. Knauer, who opposes the idea of an independent consumer agency, but she added that "people are more concerned about jobs and inflation that they are about any piece of consumer legislation."

Inflation and unemployment did indeed continue to plague Americans, although the rates went down slightly. Government economists said 1977 retail food prices went up 6.5 percent, compared with a 3.1 percent gain in 1976, an 8.5 percent hike in 1975 and 14.5 percent boosts in 1974 and 1973.

The higher prices occurred despite large grain harvests that left the United States with huge reserves of corn and wheat and caused farmers to complain they could not afford to stay in business.

The villain in the 1977 food picture was coffee. Kenneth R. Farrell, acting chief of the Economic Research Service in the U.S. Department of Agriculture, said in November that "coffee prices alone will account for about half the ... rise in average grocery store prices in 1977. The entire imported foods and fish group will continue over three-fifths of the total."

Coffee prices started rising after a frost in Brazil — the world's biggest producer — in July 1975. Although no actual shortage ever developed, fears that supply would not keep up with demand pushed prices of beans and ground coffee to

record levels. By April 1977, the price of a pound of unroasted beans topped \$3 a pound. By June, retail prices averaged near \$4 a pound and, in some areas, reached the \$5 mark.

Consumers cut back their consumption of coffee and prices started falling. By September, unroasted beans were at the \$2-a-pound mark. Wholesale and retail prices also started to decline, but the drop was much slower. As of November, a spot check of about a dozen U.S. cities showed coffee generally ranged from \$3.29 to \$3.79 a pound in the supermarket.

The question of what to put in the coffee also brought a conflict that touched consumers. The Food and Drug Administration proposed a ban on the artificial sweetener saccharin, used not only in coffee but in diet soda and many other products. The FDA claimed that the sweetener — the only such item on the market — was linked to cancer in animals. After strong opposition from manufacturers, dieters and diabetics, Congress passed legislation preventing any ban for 18 months and requiring a warning label in the interim.

Businesses showed increased interest in 1977 in what consumers think and want. A flurry of studies covered everything from nutritional labels to what people think of the quality of the products they buy.

One of the most comprehensive undertakings was a survey conducted by the Marketing Sciences Institute of Harvard University and Louis Harris and Associates Inc. for Sentry Insurance.

The study showed that there have been improvements in terms of product information, labeling and safety over the past decade, but it also found that 50 percent of those questioned believe they get a worse deal in the marketplace today than they did 10 years ago.

Seventy-seven percent of those surveyed worry about high prices, 69 percent were concerned about the cost of medical and hospital care and 48 percent were upset by the poor quality of products.

The Sentry study found that the issues concerning the general public were not always the same as those which the consumer activists focus on. But it also showed that the consumer activists were in much closer touch with most people's ideas than were senior business managers.

Among other government actions which affected consumers during 1977:

—The Consumer Product Safety Commission banned the sale of children's clothing containing the flame-retardant Tris, which was linked to cancer in test animals. The ban was overturned on technical grounds and an appeal is pending, but manufacturers stopped using the chemical. In September, questions were raised about the safety of a replacement chemical, Fyrol FR-2, and a new investigation was launched. The commission, meanwhile, moved to modify its flammability standards to lessen dependence on all chemical additives.

—The CPSC decided against requiring so-called child-resistant matchbook covers. The agency concluded the regulation would

have imposed severe economic burdens, without reducing injuries.

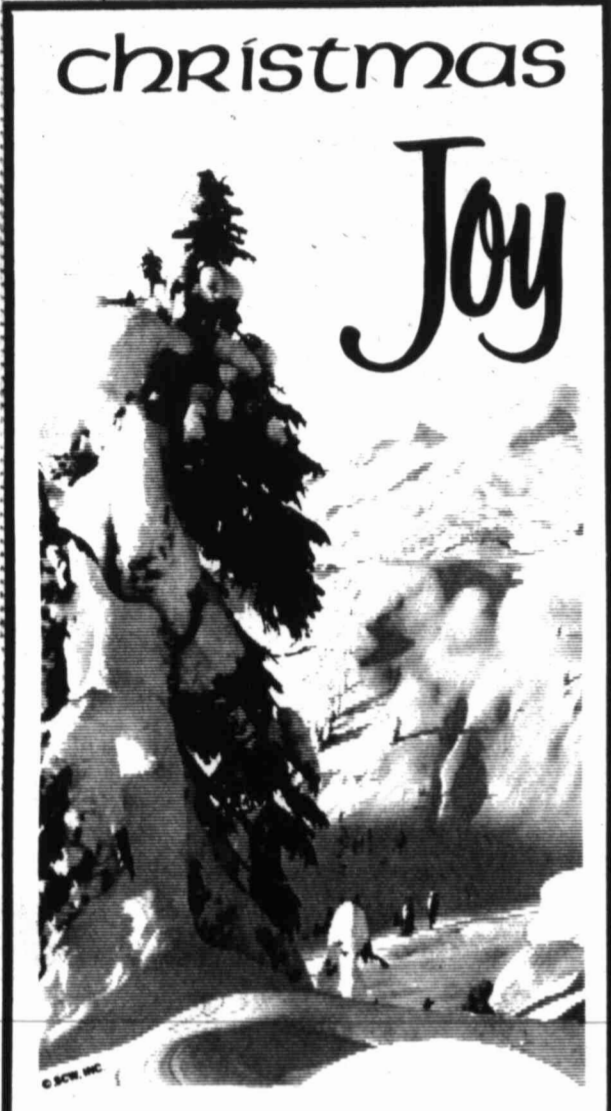
—The Food and Drug Administration ordered that women considering intrauterine birth control devices — IUDs — be given complete and easily understood information brochures.

—Although no formal steps were taken to deregulate air fares, a wide variety of discount fares were approved. The Laker Skytrain, a no-frills, noreservation flight between New York and London began operation in September and prompted some scheduled airlines to offer similar low-cut fares across the Atlantic.

State courts

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Proceedings in the 3rd Court of Civil Appeals.
Motions granted: Calvin Moerbe vs. Henry Turney, to extend time for filing appellant's brief; to reset, and to extend time for filing appellee's brief, Travis.
Harrison Oxford vs. Attorney General John Hill, for leave to file motion for rehearing, Travis.
Charles Parks vs. the board of adjustment of the city of Killeen, to substitute counsel for the board, Bell.
Jess Stockton vs. Parks and Wildlife Commission, to extend time to file statement of facts, Travis.
Motions overruled: Lily Luce vs. Minn Shipp Luce, appellant's third motion for extension of time to file transcript and statement of facts, Burnet.
Paul Hubbard vs. Jeffrey Lagow, appellant's motion for rehearing, Bell.
State of Texas vs. Don Baker, appellant's motion for rehearing, Travis.
Motion dismissed: Travelers Indemnity Co. vs. Phillip Landrum, motion for extension of time to file transcript, Travis.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas Supreme Court proceedings.
Applications: Ivan Langford vs. Karl Kraft, Montgomery.
Writ of error refused, no reversible error: Roy Furr and Don Furr vs. Shelley Furr Hall, Lubbock.
Southwest Title Insurance vs. Robert Plemons, Dallas.
Linda Lee Reed vs. Robert Wormley, Travis.
Jose Sendejar Sr. vs. Alice Physicians and Surgeons Hospital, Inc., Jim Wells.
United Distributing of Texas, Inc. vs. Irving Bank and Trust Co., Dallas.
Motions: Renuing of cause overruled: L.H. Lacy Co. vs. city of Lubbock, Lubbock.
Renuing for applications for writ of error overruled: Midway Protective League vs. city of Dallas, Dallas.
Amoco Chemicals Corp. vs. Dorothea Mae Sutton, Galveston.
Lone Star Gas Co. vs. Arnita Jean Roach, Dallas.
Billy Goldberg vs. Lawrence Fraser, Harris.
Norma Zane Biggs vs. William Biggs, Austin.
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Military

Webb performance

earns honors

RANTOUL, Ill. — Service as an administrative management officer at Webb AFB has earned the second award of the Air Force Commendation Medal for Capt. N. Andrew Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Wilson of 2500 Seminole Drive, Big Spring. Capt. Wilson was

presented the medal at Chanute AFB, Ill., where he is now a section commander with the 3345th Civil Engineer Squadron, a part of the Air Training Command.

A 1956 graduate of Big Spring High School, the captain received his BA degree in 1972 from Texas Lutheran College in Seguin. He was commissioned in 1972 upon completion of Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Tex.

Stanton youth

completes course

Aberdeen Proving Ground — Private Bacilio G. Flores, son of Mr. and Mrs. Silvestre Flores, Route 1, Stanton, has completed a metal body repair course at the Army Ordnance Center and School here.

Pvt. Flores entered the Army in May 1977. He is a 1977 graduate of Stanton High School.

AFB, Tex., is Airman Leslie J. McCurtain, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim T. McCurtain of 712 Willia, Big Spring.

Airman McCurtain attended Big Spring High School.

Sailor completes Indian course

Navy Electrician's Mate Fireman Apprentice Richard L. Ewing Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Ewing Sr. of Box 39-C, Big Spring, recently completed a cruise in the Indian Ocean.

He is serving as a crewmember aboard the combat store ship USS White Plains, operating from Yokosuka, Japan. His ship is permanently deployed in the Western Pacific as a unit of the U.S. Seventh Fleet.

Moore's ship

wins award

Navy Machinist's Mate Second Class Gary L. Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. A.L. White of 1206 East 16th St., Big Spring, has helped his ship win a competitive award.

He is serving as a

crewmember aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Richard E. Byrd, homeported in Norfolk, Va.

His ship was awarded the Navy's Battle Efficiency Award in recognition of its outstanding accomplishments and competitive scores obtained while assigned as a unit of the NATO Atlantic Standing Naval Force.

Rubio finishes

recruit training

Marine Pct. 1.C. Jose J. Rubio, son of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Rubio Jr. of 306 N.E. 10th, Big Spring, has completed recruit training in San Diego.

A 1977 graduate of Big Spring High School, he joined the Marine Corps in November 1976.

Rodriguez lands overseas duty

Marine Pvt. Jesus Rodriguez, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Rodriguez of 1000 S. Gregg, Big Spring, has reported for duty with the 3rd Marine Division on Okinawa. He joined the Marine Corps in March 1977.

Marine given

early promotion

Marine Private 1.C. Gregory G. Clemons, son of Mrs. Mildred Spears of 1000 N.W. 1st, Big Spring, has been promoted to his present rank after graduation from recruit training in San Diego.

He received an early promotion for his superior performance during all phases of the 11-week training cycle.

A 1977 graduate of Big Spring Senior High School, he joined the Marine Corps in February 1977.

Lieutenant earns

navigator wings

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — 2nd Lt. Willie N. Sandoval Jr. has been awarded silver wings from U.S. Air Force navigator training at Mather AFB, Calif.

Lt. Sandoval is remaining at Mather for advanced training.

His wife, Deborah, is the daughter of Mrs. W. Robinson of Garden City.

Big Spring man

returns to U.S.

Marine Pvt. 1.C. Ismael M. Palomino, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Palomino of 314 N.E. Eight, Big Spring, has returned from an extended overseas deployment.

He is serving as a member of the 1st Battalion, Fourth Marine Regiment, which had been stationed on Okinawa.

His unit is the first Marine Infantry battalion to "return home" under a Marine Corps new deployment program. His battalion will now be homebased at the Marine Corps Base, Twenty nine Palms, Calif.

A 1976 graduate of Big Spring High School, he joined the Marine Corps in August 1976.

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SAN ANTONIO — Selected for instruction in the civil engineering mechanical and electrical field at Sheppard

People mover grant unfurled

WASHINGTON (AP) — A grant of \$761,800 to help finance preliminary studies for a downtown people mover system in Houston was announced Friday by Transportation Secretary Brock Adams.

The grant, together with two earlier awards, brings the total federal commitment to \$1.1 million for all work preceding actual construction of the \$41 million system.

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Child of fear successful in U.S.



HAPPY HOLIDAY — Lots of Christmas presents surround 9-month-old Tran Huong Thong and his mother at their home at "Hung Dao," a Catholic Vietnamese fishing "village" transplanted from South Vietnam to the Algiers section of New Orleans. Steady work and close community life have helped the refugees adjust to their new surroundings.

EDITOR'S NOTE — For many of the 140,000 Vietnamese refugees now living in the United States, Christmas 1977 is a time of rejoicing, but for some of them it is just another day. In these two reports, Associated Press Special Correspondent Peter Arnett, who covered Vietnam at war and in peace, looks at two refugee families living in the United States, one successful, the other poor.

IRISH BAYOU, La. (AP) — Once he was one of Dr. Tom Dooley's "children of fear," snatched from his North Vietnamese fishing village by the American medical missionary as the Communists took over in 1954.

He was shipped in a U.S. Navy boat to safer haven in South Vietnam. Twenty years later an

adult Nguyen Duc Doan was fleeing again, picked up at sea from his 90-foot fishing boat by a U.S. Navy ship and with thousands of others, sent first to the Philippines and then to the United States.

Today the stocky 30-year-old Doan still spends much of his time at sea, trawling the rich shrimp waters off the coast of Louisiana in a 30-foot boat he built last year with his own hands.

With the average of \$1,000 he makes shrimping each month, Doan has started to live the American dream, driving to vacations in Florida and Washington, D.C., heaping gifts of clothes and toys on his two children, both born in the United States, and putting some money aside in a savings account.

He is one of nearly 2,500 Vietnamese, mostly Catholics, who have almost

taken over a housing development in New Orleans' Algiers section and transformed it into the village of "Hung Dao," the name of a legendary Vietnamese emperor.

At first it looks like any other middle-class development with its landscaped lawns and neat bungalows.

But the sign that says "beware of children playing" is written in Vietnamese. Lots of cars are parked at curbside and on lawns, an average of two to every housing unit. Pasted in house windows are signs reading "hot toc," barbershop, or "von toc," beauty salon, and others meaning grocery store and repair shop.

Unlike their home village in Vietnam, there is no church as yet at Hung Dao. Mass is said each morning at a small office run by local

Catholics. Sunday services are held in a nearby open field, and are followed by a noisy parade of the participants around the streets.

Christmas is a major celebration among the Catholic Vietnamese in Louisiana. "I pray at mass four times every week to thank God for what he gave me here," said fisherman Doan, "but at Christmas I make ever greater thanks."

"I live with my own people, and we are all happy here," he said.



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No presents for refugee kids

JERSEY CITY, N.J. (AP) — The 10 children of Tran Van Sam are resigned to going without presents again this Christmas.

Against the scornful advice of her teen-age brother, Son, 6-year-old Huong wrote a letter to Santa Claus. She knows Daddy does not believe in Christmas or in presents.

Sam, who came to the United States with thousands of other Vietnamese in 1975, is no Scrooge. He told a visiting reporter that more than half his \$600 monthly wage as a radio assembler went for rent. The remainder, supplemented by food stamps and Social Security for his aged mother, was exhausted on basic necessities. They are just a few dollars away from grinding poverty.

But Sam has other reasons for ignoring Christmas. He is a devout Buddhist, whose most important occasion comes at Tet, or the lunar new year, usually in late January or February.

His one luxury is a room devoted to Buddha. The walls and ceilings are painted bright yellow. Two large stucco statues of Buddha, bought in California, are festooned with colored ribbons. Buddhist flags fly



NO SANTA FOR SAM' KIDS — Tran Van Sam and his wife, left rear, nine of his 10 children and his aged mother pose in the living room of their small frame home in Jersey City, N.J. The Sam family, refugees from Vietnam, will not be getting Christmas presents. They can't afford it, and, as Buddhists, don't celebrate Christmas anyway.

overhead. It is to this room that Sam retreats to meditate with Vietnamese

friends from other New Jersey communities. He is also a strict parent in the traditional Vietnamese sense. His word is law, befitting a former police captain in the coastal resort of Vung Tau.

And the word is no presents. "We are refugees, and we pay the rent first," he said. "And my children are not spoiled. Vietnamese kids are not like Americans. They understand."

The Sam children have their own style of understanding.

Huong's audacity to go direct to Santa is backed up in spirit by her nine siblings who spill all over the narrow three-story wooden frame house at 46 Cottage Street. Huong asked for the "Baby

Burrp" doll she saw advertised on TV. Her sister,

Hai, 9, wants a knitting set. Baseball-playing Minh, 12, wants a bat and ball.

The Americanization of the Sam children goes beyond Christmastime. The five boys aged between 11 and 18 attend Jersey City schools. All have had their share of fistfights and run-ins with other youths testing this lone Vietnamese family in the community.

The family had an unfortunate experience with private enterprise when their first sponsor at Island Pond, Vt., in 1975 worked the parents and the older children in his restaurant from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. six days a week for room, board and \$70 a week.

In Jersey City in the shadows of Manhattan's skyscrapers across the Hudson River, the Sams try to survive the best way they can, as a close-knit family unit.

When asked what they would do Christmas Day, Son, said, "We will probably just sing Vietnamese songs while I strum on my guitar."

But the kids have hopes for next year. As a concession to the new American culture, Sam allowed his children to place a tiny plastic Christmas tree in his Buddhist shrine.

Conoco goes three years without mishap

Continental Oil Company's oil and gas production operations in West Texas have completed three consecutive years without a single lost-time accident.

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Whitman said credit for the record should be shared by all employees in the division.

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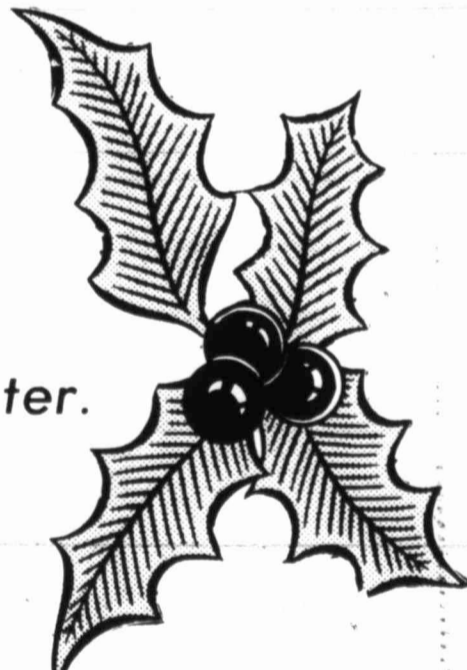
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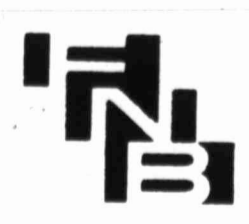
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Meeting helps clear farm trade air

WASHINGTON (AP) — Last week's meeting between Agriculture Secretary Bob Bergland and a European Common Market

leader produced no important decisions but helped underscore the administration's view of how global farm trade should

work. The meeting, held in Brussels with Finn-Olav Gundelach, commissioner of agriculture for the European community, was not a negotiating session, the two leaders said.

But it helped clear the air regarding international wheat negotiations and for the forthcoming final phase of multilateral trade talks in Geneva, Switzerland, next month.

Thirty years ago the United States and 22 other nations set up the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade which was intended to bring more order to world business and gradually result in liberalized trade.

Today, about 110 countries are involved in the agreement. One important subject, when the final phase of current talks begin Jan. 15 in Geneva, will be the place of agriculture in the negotiations.

In the previous "Kennedy round" of talks in the mid-1960s, most concentration was placed on reducing protective tariffs among industrialized nations. However, agriculture was not included in the across-the-board tariff cuts.

Now, however, Gundelach

and Bergland appear to agree that agriculture should be given a higher priority in final negotiations on the agreement.

"These negotiations are more ambitious," Gundelach told a news conference after his talks with Bergland. "They must be. They must deal with our agriculture in a more fundamental manner."

One complaint of U.S. farm officials is that the Common Market countries have persisted in a "common agricultural policy" in which variable levies are frequently used to restrict imports of U.S. agricultural products.

Bergland has said he does not think the Common Market will alter this policy and added that it might be a waste of time to focus on it and other issues which presumably cannot be changed.

Gundelach acknowledged that while "we might have difficulties and even severe difficulties to overcome in the agricultural field, we would both do our utmost to prevent the trench warfare which was taking place between the U.S. and the community on agriculture for God knows how many

years."

The European Common Market countries, despite barriers which limit the entry of some commodities, imported more than \$6.8 billion worth of U.S. farm products in the fiscal year which ended Sept. 30. That amounted to more than 28 percent of the year's total of \$24 billion exported by American farmers.

One of Bergland's prime objectives since he joined Jimmy Carter's Cabinet last January has been to seek policies aimed at leveling what he calls the peaks and valleys of farm commodity prices.

Bergland believes that international commodity agreements can help stabilize U.S. farm prices and generally create a better world food supply and price situation for everyone, including poor countries.

Bergland, in his Brussels news conference with Gundelach, said current talks in London are aimed at reaching a new international wheat agreement.

He added that one of the U.S. objectives is a price system to eliminate some of the wild swings in grain markets which have occurred in recent years.

There also has been suggestions that corn and other feed grains — called coarse grains — ought to be included in the London discussions at the same time wheat is being debated.

Bergland said that "it's possible" that the wheat talks will result in a general type of grain agreement but that discussions on coarse grains should be conducted separately from wheat.

"It may be more practical to conclude one or two separate agreements," Bergland said. "That is a matter which will be negotiated, but the important fact is that we are prepared to entertain such negotiations and receive all legitimate proposals from countries who've a stake in the coarse grain issue..."

But Bergland was adamant that "we think any grain arrangement, including wheat, must contain some discussion and some discipline in the area of price. So it's not a matter of principle involved in that regard. It's a matter of detail. We are not so far apart in that regard."

Toward the end of their joint news conference, Bergland referred again to the wheat agreement negotiations in London:

"We will not sign a wheat agreement that can't work. We have been through that. If a wheat agreement makes no sense economically, then why go through the exercise..."



STRIKING IN STYLE — A Mercedes "600" limousine was parked in line with farm tractors at Plains, Ga. Friday as farmers held a protest rally on poor farm prices and the farmer's strike. The owner, Sam Singer of Lumpkin, Ga., said he is a peanut farmer and is supporting the farmer's strike 100 per cent. "Times are bad," he said, "I've had to get rid of my chauffeur and have not been able to afford another such car since this 1970 model," Singer said.

Most cotton is in Excellent harvesting weather

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — With the continued excellent harvesting weather over western areas of the state, most of the cotton crop is in, and harvesting elsewhere involves only a few fields of soybeans and peanuts and some pecans, says Dr. Daniel C. Pfannstiel, director of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Fall and winter vegetables along with citrus and sugar cane continue to be harvested in the Rio Grande Valley. Vegetables are also moving to market in the San Antonio-Winter Garden area, Pfannstiel said.

Only about 1 percent of the cotton crop still remains in the field. The harvest has been one of the earliest in recent history and compared to the three year average of 81 percent at this time of the season.

The momentum of livestock feeding is increasing in most sections of the state, Pfannstiel said. Declining grazing conditions and cooler weather area putting pressure on stockmen to provide hay and supplemental feed. Good rains are still needed over much of the state to provide runoff water to fill stock tanks.

Small grains continue to suffer from lack of moisture in many counties although those in eastern locations have improved in recent weeks and are providing some grazing for livestock, he said. Dryland wheat in the Plains is particularly suffering from dry conditions, with some stands dying. Reports from district

extension agents showed the following conditions:

PANHANDLE: Cotton harvesting is in the final stages, with yields and quality good to excellent. Irrigated wheat continues to make good progress but that on dryland is in poor shape due to dry soil conditions and high winds. The farm strike has been active in the Lubbock area.

ROLLING PLAINS: Farmers are winding up the cotton harvest, which has

percent complete and is limited to the area north of Lubbock. The crop was one of the best in several years. Irrigated wheat continues to make good progress but that on dryland is in poor shape due to dry soil conditions and high winds. The farm strike has been active in the Lubbock area.

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been one of the best in years. Dry soil conditions are hampering wheat growth and land preparation for next spring's crops. Blowing dust and soil erosion have been widespread due to the dry condition. Grass fires have been common, with one covering several thousand acres of rangeland.

NORTH CENTRAL: Harvest operations are generally complete except for a few fields of soybeans and a few pecan orchards. All small grains have been planted but growth is limited due to lack of moisture. Livestock feeding is heavy. Farmers are preparing land and applying fertilizer and herbicides for next spring's crops.

FAR WEST: All crops are in. The cotton and sorghum harvests were generally good. Livestock feeding is increasing due to colder weather and declining forage conditions. Irrigated small grains are providing some grazing. There is some calving and lambing.

Fisher is new manager of Sonora Warehouse

Officers and directors of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company have announced that Glen D. Fisher, former Texas A & M Extension Economist and Marketing Specialist, has been named manager of the Sonora Warehouse Company.

Fisher, now manager of the R.A. Halbert registered cattle operation near Sonora, was formerly employed by the A & M Extension Service as area Economist and Marketing Specialist in the nineteen county region of Southwest Texas with headquarters at Uvalde.

Fisher will assume the Sonora position on Jan. 1, and will replace Fred Campbell who has managed the Sonora Warehouse since 1969. Campbell has recently accepted the position of manager for the Mohair Council of America.

Fisher is a native of Childress, and grew up on a farm in Crosby county. He received the B.S. degree in agricultural economics from Texas Tech in 1971, and earned an M.S. degree from Oklahoma State University in 1973, majoring in marketing, agri-finance, and ranch management. Fisher, 30 years of age, is married to



GLEN D. FISHER

the former Linda McBride of Sonora, and has a daughter, Tammy, age 3 1/2.

Armer Earwood, president of the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company expressed regrets that Campbell has ended his service with the Sonora Company and said, "The Mohair Council is very fortunate in acquiring the talents of a man with the ability of Fred Campbell."

Earwood also announced that an afternoon coffee and farewell event will be held at the Sonora Warehouse from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. today in honor of Fred Campbell. "It is our hope that everyone in the wool trade as well as our customers will attend this informal affair and give Campbell our best wishes as well as meet our new manager," Earwood said.

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Timber rattler grows scarce

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. (AP) — The eastern timber rattlesnake, more evil in name than in fact, is disappearing from Pennsylvania's remote mountain regions where it once thrived. Overzealous hunters and the snake's undesired bad image have caused a sharp decline in the reptile's population, and a Philadelphia ecologist says it may be time to protect the serpent.

John C. Galligan, who conducted his research on reptiles while working for a master's degree at Penn State University, said recently that laws intended to save the species are often ignored.

"Visitors to wildlife areas wouldn't kill a bear because it's illegal, but they try to kill every rattlesnake they see," he said. "We should protect all wildlife, not just what we consider good animals."

According to Galligan, the rattler's killer reputation is grossly overrated. The snakes are a danger only to those who seek them out or attempt to handle them, he said.

The Pennsylvania Health Department said there had been no snakebite deaths reported in the state for at least a decade.

"The thing that's hurting the snake is its image as a dangerous killer," said Galligan in a telephone interview.

"Right now, we have eight rattlesnake hunters a year in the state. That's helped to publicize the killing of snakes and a lot of people have gotten into that."

There are no records of Pennsylvania's rattler population, so Galligan learned of the reptile's decline through experienced game hunters.

"Every one of the hunters I talked to who has been hunting for over 10 years talked about a great decline in rattlesnakes in the last eight years," said Galligan.

A game warden in Cameron County, home of the well-known annual Sinnemahoning rattler hunt, agrees with Galligan's findings.

"I used to know of 33 good snake dens in the county. Now we have one," said

Norman Erickson, who adds that sportsmen's clubs are reaping huge profits from the hunting events.

"The hunters don't care how they get a snake. I've seen them take jackhammers or gasoline and destroy den rocks that have been in existence for thousands of years."

Galligan claims that thousands of rattlers are accidentally killed during organized hunts, or injured and set free only to die.

One year, he said, over 300 snakes died in pens after a hunt because a buyer couldn't be found.

In most cases, the reptiles

are freed after suffering broken bones, cuts, and mouth rot from milking jaws for venom, he said.

Erickson, who has been bitten and made ill three times by rattlers, also agreed that many snakes set free after hunts die of injuries.

Both men say the snakes should be protected by stricter enforcement of game laws.

"This comes under the jurisdiction of the Fish Commission," said Erickson. "You're supposed to get a permit to hunt snakes, but few people do."



ANGELS WAITS FOR PRINCE CHARLES — TV's famous angels of "Charlie's Angels" waits for the arrival of Britain's Prince Charles recently. His Royal Highness toured 20th Century Fox Studios as he wound up a 2½-day visit to Southern California. Left to right: Jaclyn Smith, Cheryl Ladd and Kate Jackson.

Say, that's tall!

ATLANTA (AP) — When Henry Mullens was 9, he was an average growing boy.

But when he was 10, he began to grow and grow and grow.

And when he was 11, Henry was 7-foot-2.

"They put me under observation," he recalls now, at 62.

At 12, he had grown another inch. Now, wearing shoes and a hat, he's 7-foot-9.

When he was growing up, he said in an interview, there were no bad times — even during a brief span when he grew an inch a week.

"Those were the best days of my life," he recalled. "I was too big for any of the other kids to give me a bad time."

He recalls playing basketball in high school.

"It got kind of monotonous," he said. "In those days, you had a center jump after every basket. All I did was tip the ball to a teammate and then stand under the basket and wait for him to throw it to me. No one else was 6 feet tall. I remember we won one game 38-0."

He also played a little football. "Every time someone tripped me, I made a first down," he said.

But show business beckoned, and Henry was the big third of a comedy dance team, Lowe, Hite and Stanley.

Stanley was 5-11. Henry was over 8 feet tall in his top hat, and Lowe was 3-foot-2.

"No one could impersonate us," said Henry. "The act gave birth to a lot of one-liners."

On Henry's size 22 shoes: "I don't shine 'em. I run 'em through a car wash."

On Maria, his 5-foot-2 wife of 41 years: "She was shopping in downtown Chicago one day and saw a sign in the window that said, 'Giant Sale.' So she went in and got one."

On other giants claiming to be 8 feet tall: "All you got to do to disclaim them is drop them into a swimming pool, fill it up to the 8-foot-level

and they'll all drown."

Henry says he likes being tall.

"I get into a new town and in five minutes someone's buying me a drink and wanting to take me to dinner," he said. "If I was normal-sized, no one would even notice."

Successful year for expansion

Library wraps up

By REBECCA TAYLOR
Reference Librarian

In this last article of an eventful year, we would like to summarize the progress of your library. During 1977, more than 3,000 volumes were added to the shelves, and almost 2,500 new patrons became registered card holders.

Collection development funds from the Texas State Library contributed significantly to the non-fiction titles, especially in the area of science and technology. Many non-fiction titles were purchased from the regularly budgeted county funds.

A list of the dozen new magazine subscriptions reads as follows: "American Poetry Review," "Atlas World Press Review," "Audubon," "Barron's," "Bookviews," "Congressional Digest," "Insurance Salesman," "Luz," "Quest," "School Library Journal," "Vision" (Public TV, channel 13), and for the youngsters, "Dynamite."

Due to already overcrowded shelving conditions, the Howard County Commissioners voted to add two full ranges to the available shelving. The mysteries and westerns were moved to the additional shelves and the biography section took their place on the East wall, while the 900's were extended to cover the South wall, formerly occupied by the biographies. To further ease the problem, all books too large to fit on the shelves properly were moved to a special section at the beginning of the Reference Section and were marked OVERSIZED.

With the closure of Webb AFB, the county had the opportunity to purchase equipment from their library. Some of the items were stored for use when the

basement floor is renovated as a children's library. Those put to immediate use include three mobile book carts and a beautiful brushed aluminum and glass display case with lock.

The case currently holds part of a collection of almost 40 art replicas and educational kits purchased by the Friends of Howard County Library this year. The replicas are available to the public on the same rental basis as the art collection previously provided by the Friends.

Other audio-visual additions have been made in the form of two world globes and a new filmstrip service and projector. One of the globes, purchased by the Library from National Geographic Society, is a standard political globe with a unique attachment for determining times and distances. The other globe is a physical representation including dramatic details of

the ocean floors.

Through the Library's affiliation with the Texas State Library, a new rotating filmstrip library has been made available to supplement the present movie program. To facilitate use of the filmstrip program, a new was also provided. The projector features sound, automatic or manual advance and optional rear screen projection on a built in Screen.

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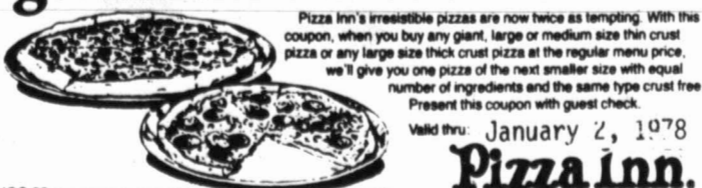
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Christmas is just another day on death row

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP)—There are no sounds nor smells nor sights of Christmas here. There is no tree with blinking lights and shiny ornaments. There are no gifts hidden from prying eyes nor carolers singing the songs of this religious time. There are no scents of pine cones, nor winter breezes, nor baking ginger-snap cookies.

This is Death Row. Christmas here is only one more long day of boredom, of waiting, of hope, for the 67 persons who sit in the tiny cells, isolated from society and even from the other inmates of the prison.

A few steps from Death Row a large banner is stretched across the bars of a security gate. It reads, in red and green letters, "Merry Christmas."

On Death Row there are no decorations, no visible sign that this is the time Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

There will be a special Christmas meal and perhaps, as in years past, a small bag given those awaiting death, containing a few nuts, an apple and an orange.

This will be Doyle Boulware's third Christmas on Death Row. He was to have died Dec. 19, but received a stay of execution and said, "Maybe that was my Christmas present."

"I think of my family this time of the year, of my mother, my brother, my sister. We always tried to be together on Christmas. But here you don't dare dwell on the holidays. There is no use sitting around crying about it," he said.

Boulware, 48, was sentenced to death for the slaying of a Dallas policeman four years ago.

His face is etched with wrinkles and creased with a couple of old scars.

He remembers last Christmas when he took a



DISPLAY OF CHRISTMAS — A Merry Christmas banner hangs in the main corridor of the Texas Dept. of Corrections, Ellis unit for this Christmas season. Ellis Unit is assigned to also house the inmates of Death row.

(AP WIREPHOTO)

package of cigarettes, put a ribbon on it, and, using a string, worked it into the cell next to his.

His neighbor awoke Christmas morning and seeing the package said, "Santa has been here. Ho ho ho."

Boulware, in an interview, said, "We don't talk about Christmas. Sure, there are things that run through your mind, being out, being free, being with the family. But

we don't talk about it. This is not a pleasant place to spend Christmas or any other day."

"I guess Cullen Davis will enjoy Christmas."

Davis is a Fort Worth millionaire who recently was acquitted of murder charges in the slaying of his 12-year-old stepdaughter. He also is charged with the attempted murder of his former wife and the killing of her boyfriend.

"Money, like a million, can

make a difference in where you spend Christmas," Boulware said.

Robert Excell White, 38, is spending his fourth Christmas in the death row cell at the Texas Prison system's Ellis Unit, on the outskirts of the East Texas piney woods.

He is a tall, thin man, looking somewhat like the scarecrow in the Wizard of Oz.

"I got my first Christmas card a couple of days ago. I got none last year nor the year before."

"Christmas? It's just another day to me."

"When I got busted I had a wife in Waco. Up to the day I got busted we lived happily together. I haven't seen or heard from her since," he said.

White was convicted of slaying a Collin County grocery clerk and two teen-

aged customers during a robbery.

"If I had a visitor once every three months," he said, "it would be a lot easier to pull this time."

Vernon McManus, 35, said, "About all you have to look forward to on Christmas is watching the football games on television."

McManus, a former star linebacker at Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas, and then a high school and college coach, was sentenced to death for the slaying of a wealthy Baytown couple, the parents of his girlfriend.

He said, "The boredom is unbelievable. You can't put it into words. There is nothing to look forward to here. You do the same thing every day."

"The worse thing you can do to a person is to lock them

up. That in itself is punishment for any crime. It's like locking yourself in the bathroom, only there is no shower. Try living in your bathroom for awhile, two feet from a stinking commode and there you eat,

and sleep and drink."

In other sections of the sprawling Texas prison system, there will be some Christmas programs, and a few carols sung, and a few gifts exchanged.

Judge orders new trial or release of Sellars

HOUSTON (AP)—A federal judge formally ordered Friday that the state release Calvin Sellars from prison or begin proceedings for a new trial within 45 days.

U. S. District Judge Finis Cowan said a confession attributed to Sellars and introduced into evidence in his 1965 trial would have been thrown out of court if the trial judge had known two Houston police officers had perjured themselves.

Sellars received a death sentence upon conviction on charges of having participated in the 1964 torture-robbery of Mair J. Schepps, a wealthy Houston tobacco and candy merchant, and Mrs. Schepps. The sentence was commuted to 99 years in prison in 1972.

Cowan announced his ruling last week and said he

would release his written opinion within seven days.

The opinion said the then-State District Judge John Onion allowed the confession into evidence only because of perjured testimony by Robert Schallert and J. E. Hodges, who were then Houston policemen. Onion is now a judge on the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals.

At a hearing two weeks ago in Huntsville, Schallert denied intentionally lying at the 1965 trial when he testified he and Hodges did not scare Sellars to coerce him into confessing. He said, however, his trial testimony was not true.

"This case, like many, simply boiled down to a swearing match between Sellars and his family on one hand and the police on the other," Cowan said.

"If the jury had known that officers Schallert and Hodges were perjuring themselves, the results may have been considerably different."

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December rivals June as month for marriage

By EILEEN MCGUIRE

Married in the month of June, life will be one honeymoon. When December's snows (or dust) fall fast, Marry and true love will last.

If wedding announcements submitted to the Herald are any true indication, December runs a close second to June as the most popular month for romances to culminate in the exchange of wedding vows.

Last June saw 37 couples that we know of finalize their love compared to 20 weddings which took place this month.

June is the traditional month for weddings. Romance has long been associated with the blossoming of nature in the spring. It is also practical for couples who are attending school to begin their adjustment to married life when finals and graduation are over.

According to folklore, the belief that June is the happiest month for marriage dates back to the days of ancient Rome. In fact, the month of June was named for Juno, wife of Jupiter, patroness of the young and goddess of marriage. According to the Romans, prosperity was sure to come to any man and happiness to the maid who wed in June.

In Scotland, however, Dec. 31 is the most popular day for weddings for a variety of reasons. The whole world

celebrates on Dec. 31 and by the time the newlyweds awake the following morning, they will have been happily married for a year. Another benefit is that you will never forget your anniversary.

Our reports tell us, however, that December is chosen as the month to marry for less romantic reasons. For students, the Christmas break offers an excellent opportunity to marry and honeymoon before classes resume.

Another reason given is the fact that most of the family is already assembled at Christmas time, thereby insuring a more complete audience for the ceremony.

White is the traditional color for bridal gowns and yet it is a tradition that dates back only to the late 18th century. White is, of course, a symbol of purity and innocence dating back to ancient Greece but it didn't become fashionable for the wedding gown until the Victorian era.

Today, the tradition remains intact according to the December issue of Seventeen Magazine. In a survey of 420 girls aged 15 and over who are currently engaged or planning to be engaged within the next six months, Seventeen found that more than 90 per cent planned to wear the traditional white gown and be married in a formal ceremony and 83.3 per cent

planned a church or synagogue wedding.

In the same survey, 92 per cent said that they had or would receive an engagement ring, indicating that formal engagements are also still popular.

In the days of Rome, the only ring that lower classes were permitted to wear was the wedding ring, lending an aura of esteem and honor to the gold band. Among Anglo-Saxons, the ring was given to the bride, along with other gifts, as a pledge, just as it is today. The circular band, without end, is the symbol of eternity and endless love and everyone knows that "a diamond is forever."

Wed on Monday, always poor,
Wed on Tuesday, wed once more,
Wed on Wednesday, happy match,
Wed on Thursday, splendid catch,
Wed on Friday, poorly mated,
Wed on Saturday, better waited.

Despite the above warning, Saturday is the most popular day for local marriages to take place and evening ceremonies outnumber those that take place any other time of the day with afternoon rites running second.

In the 17th century, morning weddings were discouraged as the bridegroom was apt to appear unshaven and solvly after an all-night round of bachelor parties. By the same token, evening weddings were strictly taboo as the wedding party frequently, clergymen noted, took the newlyweds off by sheer force to the ale-house.

Pearls are often chosen by modern brides to be sewn into their gowns and veils as an accent. According to legend, however, pearls are the symbol of tears and for every pearl that a bride wears, her husband will give her reason to weep.

Something old,
Something new,
Something borrowed,
Something blue,
And a sixpence (or new dime)
in the shoe.

Tradition deems that the bride should wear "something old" that has belonged to a happily married woman in order to insure a transfer of luck to the new bride. "Something new" is the wedding gown, shoes, or other apparel. That which is "borrowed" must be an object of gold to insure wealth and good fortune.

"Something blue" symbolizes true love and the "sixpence" or new dime must be worn in the heel of the left shoe to guarantee wealth and prosperity. At one time it was "a lucky penny in the shoe" but inflation neglects no aspect of life, including the wedding ceremony.



MRS. DAVID ANTHONY FOWLER
... nee Lillian D'Ann McGuire

In ancient Rome, the bride carried a bouquet of three wheat ears in her left hand as a symbol of fertility. In England, some time later, the bride wore a caplet of wheat upon her head, carried wheat ears in her hand and was showered with whole kernels of dried wheat and corn upon leaving the church.

The first recorded use of rice as the symbol of fertility was in England in 1872. To this day, white rice, denoting purity and fertility is thrown upon the couple as they leave the church and to throw it properly, one must make sure that it is thrown over the bride so that some of it falls in her bosom.

The honeymoon is a traditional part of the wedding which is still engaged in by newlyweds. Due to obligations of jobs and school, the traditional two-week honeymoon is often shortened to a weekend or one week. The most popular spot for area couples to honeymoon is Ruidoso, N.M., with San Angelo and Lubbock running close behind.

Anglo-Saxons honeymooned for a month and believed that the first to fall asleep on the wedding night would be the first to die. Also, the morning after the wedding night, it was the bride's privilege to ask her new

husband for any sum of money she desired and his obligation to pay the price.

And remember, when the honeymoon's over, and the arguments begin, when the husband gets mad, if he takes off his hat and turns it around, peace will be restored at once.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Steven Dean Marshall, Dr. and Mrs. Don Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. Roger S. Rivera, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Clark, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Mullins, III, Mr. and Mrs. John Warren Dean, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Everett Breck Hulse, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wayne Hise, Mr. and Mrs. Steven J. Waggoner, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Dee Railsback, Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Allen Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Dickie Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Edward G. Rodriguez, Mr. and Mrs. David Anthony Fowler, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Wilkerson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carroll, III, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Don Holladay, and 1st. Lt. and Mrs. Bill E. Lashlee as they began their married life by sharing their first Christmas together.

Wedding
stories inside



MRS. BILLY DON HOLLADAY
... nee JUDY McCORMICK



MRS. EDWARD G. RODRIGUEZ
... nee JO ANN PEREZ



1st LT. AND MRS. BILL E. LASHLEE
... nee RITA SUE PRIBYLA



MRS. DICKIE HULL
... nee SUSAN MCCOLLUM

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BUT, HOW'D HE GET THERE? — You can't fool these kids. Those reindeer must be around here somewhere was the initial concern of Jack and Jill students when Santa made his grand entrance Wednesday. It may seem impossible, but not one of these kids was naughty this year. Mothers?

Santa visits Jacks and Jills on first day at new school

By EILEEN McGUIRE

"We Love Kids" is the motto of Jack and Jill Preschool, Kindergarten and First Grade and new signs bearing that message will soon be on display at the newly constructed school building at 1708 Nolan.

After six anxious months of watching their new "home" being constructed, Jack and Jill students spent their first day in the building Wednesday welcoming in the Christmas season.

The special guest, of course, was Santa Clause who made his grand entrance after First Grade teacher Charlotte Majors built the kids up with a Christmas story of the birth of Jesus and Assistant

Principal Charlene McKinnon led the tots in Christmas carols.

"Hey Santa," one little boy greeted the jolly gent. "Where's Rudolph the Rednose Reindeer?"

After all the children promised that they had been very, very good this year, Santa unpacked his bag of goodies to be passed around and the children had a chance to remind Santa of their lists. Several of the kids even had the honor of having Santa tie their shoes.

Jack and Jill, celebrating its 17th year of operation, will be having a formal open house to which the public and parents are invited to attend from 3 to 5 p.m., Jan. 22. Among the features of the

new building are a huge gymnasium to enable the children to practice for the yearly Little Olympics regardless of the weather and 8 1/2-foot baskets geared to five and six year old basketball champs.

The massive playground of 4" concrete overlaid with astroturf will consist of all new equipment and include swings, slide, merry-go-round, jungle-gym, trapeze, tunnels, house-tops, tread boards, and sand-box.

Enclosed in a 6-foot chain-link fence, the playground will also include a 30 by 60 foot skate board park and astroturf-covered tornado shelter.

Landscaping will feature a dozen live oak trees and until grass is feasible, wheat.

The children will be deposited beneath a veranda which covers the drive leading up to the door.

Inside, classrooms for two-year-olds, three-year-old "Redbirds", four-year-old "Bluebirds", Kindergarten and First Grade have been designed with ample restrooms placed at strategic points and coatrooms with joining classrooms.

Children will be served breakfast, lunch and afternoon snacks in the tiled dining room adjacent to a large, modern kitchen complete with two range tops, two ovens, two dishwashers, washer and dryer. Inside-outside carpeting will warm little feet throughout the building and a three-car garage will house the two buses and station wagon keeping them in tip-top shape for outings.

One large room off of the gymnasium will provide plenty of free-for-all space for tots during playtime, music, puppet shows and films.

Currently caring for and teaching 145 children, the new school is licensed for many more.

Completely finished in time for the Spring semester which begins Jan. 3, Principal Arah Phillips and faculty are looking forward to showing off Big Spring's newest asset at the Jan. 22 open house, so be sure to drop by.

According to Miss Phillips, "Nowhere in Big Spring is there a better place for children than here."

Photos by
Danny Valdes



GEE, SANTA, IS THAT REALLY YOUR STOMACH? — The little girl in the lower left hand corner checks out her own condition while other Jack and Jill students stare in awe at the "bowlful of jelly." It'll take a lot of cookies to satisfy that appetite.

Stork club

MALONE-HOGAN HOSPITAL

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sandy D. Owen, 1000 W. 38th, Odessa, a girl, Carrie Virginia, at 2:22 a.m., Dec. 15, weighing 4 pounds, 10 1/2 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bolton, 1614 Cardinal, a girl, Jamie Marie at 10:03 a.m., Dec. 16, weighing 7 pounds, 5 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Odom, Star Route, Lamesa, a girl, Cheri Elaine, at 7:29 p.m., Dec. 18, weighing 7 pounds, 4 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Brown, 2500 Central, a boy, David Scott, a 10:36 p.m., Dec. 18, weighing 6 pounds, 9 1/2 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Demers, 2614 Lynn, a boy, Jason Michael, at 9:38 a.m., Dec. 19, weighing 7 pounds, 11 1/4 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George R. Kellerman, 47 Chanute, a boy, Donald Michael, at 1:42 a.m., Dec. 21, weighing 9 pounds, 13 ounces.

MEDICAL ARTS CLINIC HOSPITAL

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe R. Rodriguez, Box 322,

Coahoma, a boy, Raymond Lee, at 5:40 a.m., Dec. 19, weighing 7 pounds, 2 ounces.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Billy

Reed, Star Route, Knott, a boy, DeLynn Garrett, at 1:24 p.m., Dec. 21, weighing 8 pounds.

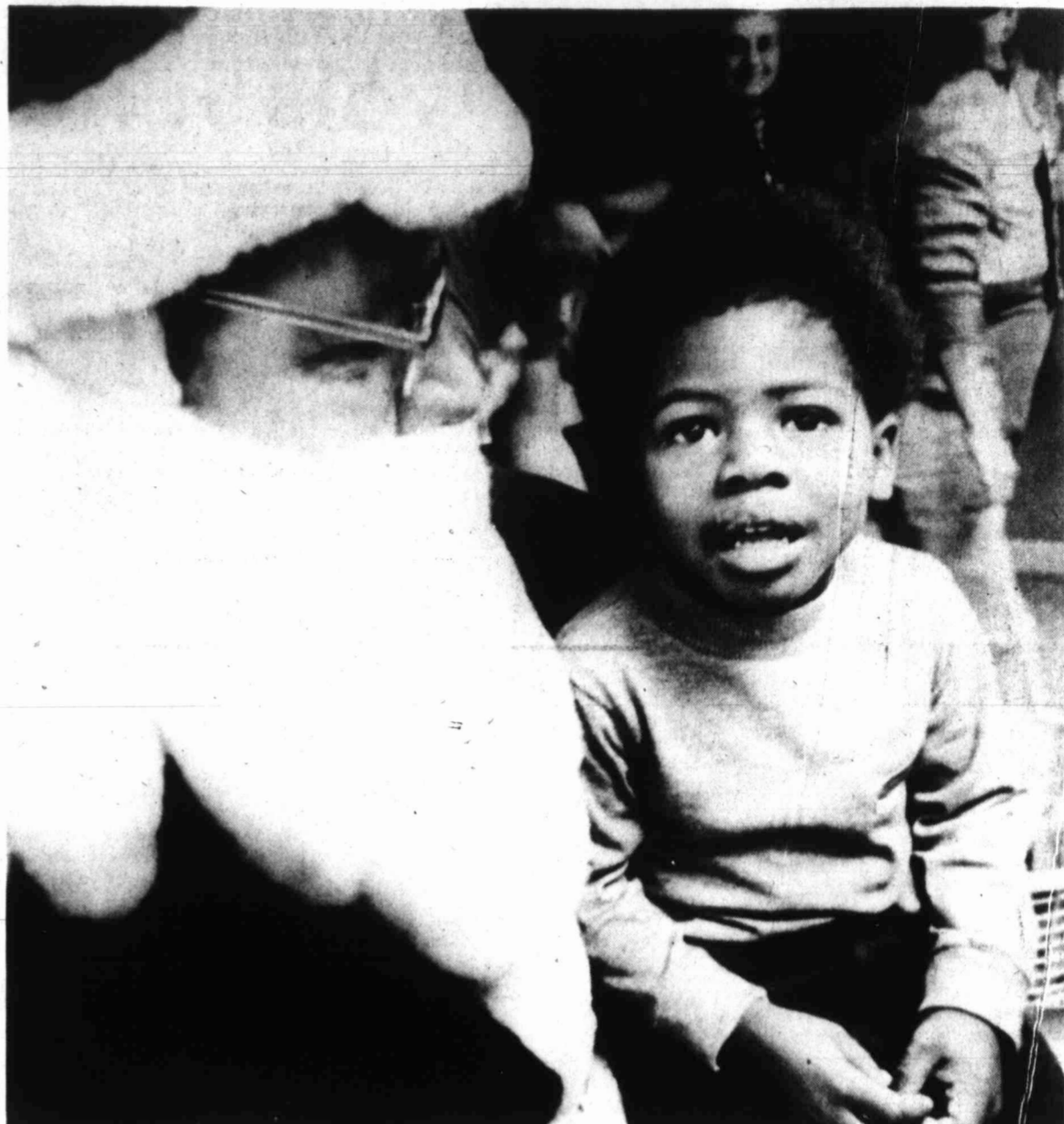
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Mrs. Wilson celebrates 82nd birthday on Christmas day

Mr. and Mrs. B.R. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Barton and Mr. and Mrs. Van Barton are expecting several guests to spend the Christmas holidays with them. They are Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Brown and Ruth Minor Fort Worth; Beulah Mae Russel Lewisville; Capt. and Mrs. John Olson, Darryl, Deborah and Jennifer, Abilene; Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Wilson and Stephen, Big Spring; Mr. and Mrs. M.L. Weston, Micheal and Stephanie of Santa Fe, N.M.; Mr. and Mrs. Russel Wilson; Almoregordo, N.M.; Lovera Hughes, Hobbs, N.M.; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mueller, Melissa and Angela, Hobbs, N.M.; Raymond Earl Hughes, Sonia and Stacy, Odessa; and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Olson, Pampa, Fla. The group will celebrate

Mrs. B.R. Wilson's 82nd birthday on Christmas Day. There is to be 33 people in all. Lois Smith is expecting her granddaughter Lynda Lowery and her fiance Roger Leider Dec. 26. They live in Cypress. Dec. 21 she is expecting her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lowery, children Janet, Teresa, Carol and her boyfriend, David Sours all of Cypress. The men plan to go hunting while here. Her son, his wife and children, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Smith S.C. Route, Amy and George will be among the guests also. The group plans to go back to Cypress Dec. 24 and Mrs. Smith will go home with them. She plans to stay until after New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Volger and her husband were also guests. Their home is in Patricia. Mac Robinson of Seagoville, and their children Tammie, Pamela, Kenda and Amy to spend Christmas with them. The Overtons are also expecting Mrs. Overton's niece and nephew, Keith and Carolyn Kennedy. They are students at Baylor University at Waco. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kennedy and are Missionaries in Kenya, Africa. Mr. and Mrs. C.V. Wash are expecting their son Danny and children home from Waco for Christmas. Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. A.J. McCall were cousins of Mr. McCall's, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Zackrey, Midland. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Volger and her husband were also guests. Their home is in Patricia.



AND I WANT — Santana Paschell makes certain that Santa doesn't get his wish list confused with someone else's. Naturally, he's been a good boy all year and is looking forward to the payoff Christmas morning.

Newcomers

They arrived in time for Christmas

Newcomers to Big Spring for the week of Dec. 10 through Dec. 16 are:

Eston and Dian Hunter from Jacksonville, Fla. He is a minister for the Highland Church of God, and they have two sons, Jeff, 14, and Greg, 12, and a daughter, Julie, 10. Decorating, landscaping and music are their hobbies.

R.V. and Irene Thomas from Akron, Ohio. He is a retired truck driver and they enjoy fishing, hunting and sewing.

Larry and Kaylene Farthing from Muskogee, Okla. He is a minister for Big Spring Christian Church. Their children are Tracy, 12; Jason, 10; and Marcia, 5. They like to sew, golf and play tennis.

Thomas Lee and Pat Sproul from Odessa. He is self-employed at Tom's Truck Tire Service and they enjoy softball, reading and sewing.

Valcee and Bettie Cox from Seagraves. He is an American history and government teacher at Big Spring High School. She also teaches at the senior high school. They have a daughter Amy, 9 and a son, Allen, 6. Ham radio, crocheting and handcrafts are their pastimes.

Earis Dunn from Colorado City. He is employed by Highwood Products. Baseball, soccer, fishing, hunting and reading are his hobbies.

Patsy Henry from Seminole. She is an accountant for Clyde Hollingsworth. She has two daughters, Judy, 16 and Tanna, 15. She enjoys reading and swimming.

Betty Dollahite from Longview. She is an L.V.N.

at the Veteran's Administration Hospital, and likes to read.

Doyce and Jana Haney from Post. He is employed with Halliburton Co., and they like to water- and snow-ski and decorate their home.

Iris McNeil from Midland. She does missionary work for the Methodist denomination, and enjoys people, church work, sewing and reading.

Grover and Martha Stephens from Midland. He is retired from the postal service and they enjoy collecting rocks and wood-working.

Travis Melton from Brownwood. He is a welder and likes to fish.

Philip and Diann Thurmond from Amarillo. He is employed as minister for Christ Fellowship Center, and they have a daughter, Tiffany, 6, and a son, Paul, 8. They enjoy golfing and sewing.

Steve and Mary Langston from Houston. He is employed with Hoyle Nix

Western Band and they enjoy music, crafts and sports.

Mickey and Patsy Lofton from Comanche. He is county supervisor with the Department of Agriculture Farmers' Home Administration. They have a daughter, Andrea, 2 months old, and they like to fish, garden, sew, paint and do

needlepoint.

Eligio Viasano from Lamesa. He is retired, and likes sports.

Jerry and Joyce Hardin from San Angelo. He is employed by the National Motor Club, and they have a daughter, Michelle, 4, and a son, Wesley, 1. Cooking, reading and sewing are their pastimes.

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Creep's girlfriend needs mental boost

By ROBERT WALLACE, Ed.D. Copley News Service

Dear Doctor:
My best girl friend is dating a creep who treats her like dirt. I think she is out of her mind to keep seeing this guy but nothing I do seems to influence her.

Last night my boyfriend and I were double-dating with my girl friend and the creep when they got into an argument and the creep took off. My boyfriend and I had to take her home. Is there anything that I can do to help her?

Melissa, Piqua, Ohio

Dear Melissa:
As you have already found out, it doesn't help to tell your girl friend that she is crazy to continue seeing the creep. Instead, tell her all the good things about herself that you

value. A boy who treats her like dirt will undermine her self-esteem, so she will need a mental boost. Give her total support during her difficult relationship.

Dear Doctor:
My major problem is my mother. Whenever I get something nice or expensive, mother won't let me wear it wherever and whenever I want. She is always afraid it will ruin or lose it. If I receive a nice blouse, mother refuses to allow me to wear it to school. I can only wear it on Sunday to church. For my birthday my parents bought me an expensive watch, but again, mother won't let me wear it to school. Can you help me convince mother that I am responsible? I am 14.
Leslie, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Leslie:
You might be asking for the impossible. At 14, many parents still consider their offspring as irresponsible children no matter how responsible the teen may be. Talking to mother has done no good, so in your situation you need third-party help — Dad. Ask dad to talk to mom. If you are given a chance, make sure you are responsible.

Dear Doctor:
My dad is a cruel man and my mother and I are terrified of him. He doesn't drink and he brings home money, but that is all I can say that is good about him. Both mother and I have been beaten and threatened by him constantly.

Now mother has come to the point where she wants a divorce, but she is afraid it will be traumatic for me. Mother talked to our minister and he said a divorce is out of the question because wedding vows are sacred. I'm confused and don't know whether to encourage mother to leave or to stay because of the sacred wedding vows. Please help me.

Dear Confused:
Mother and you should leave the home regardless of what your minister says. Sure it will be traumatic for you if your parents are divorced, but the emotional damage suffered by one in your position is worse than the trauma.

Questions may be sent to Dr. Robert Wallace, Copley News Service, in care of this newspaper. Please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Perez-Rodriguez rite held Saturday morning

Jo Ann Perez and Edward G. Rodriguez were united in marriage at 11 Saturday morning in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Father Bernard Gully performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jose A. Perez, Albuquerque, N.M., and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Concepcion Rodriguez, Rt. 2, Box 130, Coahoma.

The couple stood before an altar adorned with a basket of light blue, pink and white carnations on either side. The bride wore a white gown with a stand-up collar and a sheer neckline accented with a stand-up collar of Chantilly lace completed the look. The gown was enhanced with a skirt forming a full princess silhouette and a long train. A fingertip-length veil of bridal illusion trimmed in Chantilly lace fell from a crown of pearls.

She carried a matching pearl bouquet accented with intertwined white ribbon. Maid of honor was Rosa C. Franco, and matron of honor was Sara Davila. Bridesmaids included Mrs.

Joe Davila, Mrs. Jesus Gutierrez, Odessa, Mrs. Juan Gonzales, Mrs. Thomas Uranga, Mrs. Freddie Gutierrez, Racheal Baragan, Mrs. Henry Sotello, Mrs. Oscar Perez, Bangs, Mrs. Joe Martinez, Terry Ellis, Tekarkana, Mrs. Luis Gaitan and Mrs. Bernardo Garcia.

Joe Davila, Big Spring, was best man, and groomsmen were Jesus Gutierrez, Juan Gonzales, Thomas Uranga, Freddie Gutierrez, Oliver Del Bosque, Henry Sotello, Oscar Perez, Joe Martinez, Luis Gaitan and Bernardo Garcia.

Ringbearer was Sylvia Gaitan, Big Spring.

After the wedding Mass ceremony, there was a

dinner in the Immaculate Heart of Mary School cafeteria hosted by the groom's parents. Mexican food, punch, champagne and coffee were served. The bride had a three-tier white cake adorned with doves, bells and bows.

The bride is presently a senior at Big Spring High School and plans to graduate in May. She is employed part-time at Immaculate Heart of Mary School as a secretary, and plans to attend Howard College after her graduation. The groom is a 1976 graduate of Big Spring High School and is presently employed by A & K Construction in Coahoma.

The couple will make their home at Sandra Gale Apartments No. 55,

MARCH NUPTIALS — Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Langley, 2700 Crestline, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jamie Jo, Midland, to Gary Bruce Anderson, Midland, son of Mr. and Mrs. H.O. Anderson, Tulsa, Okla. The couple plans to be married March 18 in the First Christian Church, Big Spring, by the Rev. Bill Smythe.

1st Lt. and Mrs. Lashlee are on way to Georgia

A candlelight setting was used for the exchange of vows by Rita Sue Pribyla and 1st Lt. Bill E. Lashlee at 6:30 Friday evening in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Stanton. The Rev. Tito Sammut of University Parish, Lubbock, officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pribyla, Star Route, Tarzan, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A.E. Lashlee, Abilene.

The couple were united before an altar adorned with candelabras entwined with holly, greenery and poinsettias.

Mrs. Jimmy Robertson sang the wedding selections, accompanied by Mrs. Roy Koonce at the organ.

The bride was attired in a ivory velvet caftan-style gown featuring a hood, and carried a cascade of white roses, stephanotis and streamers.

Maid of honor was 1st Lt. Virginia Pribyla, Tarzan, presently stationed in Nebraska, sister of the bride. Bridesmaid was Nancy Pribyla, Tarzan, presently of Lubbock, sister of the bride.

Lacy Cook, Odessa, niece of the groom, was flower girl.

The bride's attendants wore gowns of the same style as the bride in cranberry red, and carried ivory roses.

1st Lt. John Lopez, Abilene, was best man, and Scott Lashlee, El Paso, brother of the groom, was groomsman. Capt. Don Hagle, San Antonio, and 2nd Lt. David Pribyla, Tarzan, brother of the bride, were ushers.

Ring bearer was David Dawkins, Gadsden, Ala., nephew of the groom, and candlelighters were Kyle Kitto and Tracy Pugh, both of Midland.

A reception was held at the American Legion Hall following the ceremony. The bride's table was draped with red satin overlaid with white lace.

A spiral arrangement of red flowers and white tapers centered the table, and a crystal punch service was used. The three-tier cake was topped with white bells and doves. Serving at the table were Emily Griffith

and Peggy Hayes, both of Lubbock.

The groom's table was draped with ecru lace over dark green satin and held a three-tier chocolate cake and a silver coffee service. Serving was Brenda Robertson of Tarzan.

Guests were registered by Sandra Loudon of Stanton, and the wedding dance music was provided by Martin County Plowboys.

The bride is a graduate of Flower Grove High School, and has a B.S. degree in home economics from Texas Tech University. She has just ended a two-year tour with the Peace Corps in Liberia, West Africa.

The groom is a graduate of Abilene High School, and has a B.S. degree in park administration from Texas Tech University. He has just finished a three-year tour in Germany with the U.S. Army.

The couple will make their home in Ft. Benning, Ga.

Westbrook news

Christmas festivities planned

Members of the Ruth Sunday school class of First Baptist Church observed their annual Christmas social Wednesday evening after prayer services at the home of Mrs. T.A. Whitesides.

Mrs. Floyd Rice presented the devotional from Luke, second chapter, verses 11, and John, third chapter, verses 16-17. Mrs. Rice concluded the thoughts by reading "Five Poems For Christmas" by Mary Lorraine Duke. Mrs. Homer Rice worded the prayer.

Gifts were given the class teacher, Mrs. Johnny Shackelford, and associate teacher, Mrs. Altis Clemmer. Both were unable to be present.

Refreshments of members' favorite dishes were served to those present. Mrs. Robert Chambers, Mrs. L.M. Dawson, Mrs. Gerald Rollins, Mrs. Floyd Rice, Mrs. W.E. Smith, Jr., Mrs. Maxey Ware, Mrs. Bob Manning and visitors Mrs. William Conaway, Mrs. Joe Fuentes, Miss Julie King,

and Mrs. Lenda Lentz and the hostess, Mrs. Whitesides.

MR. AND MRS. W.A. BELL accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bell and Mrs. John Bell to Monahans where they visited the Bells' sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vance Armstrong.

Spending the Christmas holidays with the W.A. Bells will be all their children for the first time in six years. They are Mr. and Mrs. Craig Seng Stock of Fullerton, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bell and sons, Brad and Carey of Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sloans and Brian of LaFeria. Mr. and Mrs. Don Taylor and sons David and Greg of Dallas.

Recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Taylor of Westbrook and Mrs. Jewell Smith of Claxton Lodge in Colorado City were Mrs. Donna Wood and son Dennis of Dyess AFB in Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nichols of Knott.

MEMBERS OF THE J.O.Y. Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church observed their annual Christmas social Dec. 16 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rex McKenney at 6:30 p.m.

The traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings as served to 15 members. The Rev. Bob Manning presented the devotional on the "Ten Commandments of Christmas." Mrs. Manning worded the prayer.

Gifts were presented the pastor and wife, Rev. and Mrs. Manning, the class teacher, Mrs. McKenney, and the associate teacher, Mrs. W.A. Bell. Gifts were then presented each member by Mrs. McKenney. Members and guest exchanged gifts.

Attending were Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Ranne, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Sweatt, Mr. and Mrs. Royce Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. W.D. Whitesides, the Mannings, Mrs. Lee Shaw and hosts, Mr. and Mrs. McKenney.

McCollum, Hull marry Thursday

St. James United Methodist Church in Abilene was the setting for the Thursday, 6 p.m. ceremony uniting Susan McCollum and Dickie Hull.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Weldon McCollum of Loraine. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hull, 2311 Allendale, and the late Hazel Hull.

Officiating at the double-ring ceremony was Rev. Ronnie Hamby, stepbrother of the groom.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was attired in a Victorian-style gown trimmed with Chantilly lace. She wore a matching veil of illusion and Chantilly lace and carried a bouquet of white roses, mint carnations, English ivy and baby's breath.

Melinda McCollum of Loraine, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor attired in a silk dress of mint green and white lace. She carried a nosegay of matching mint carnations and baby's breath.

Following the ceremony, the groom's parents hosted a steak and champagne dinner at the Town Crier Restaurant in Abilene. The wedding cake, decorated with tiny green roses and champagne glasses, was served from a lace-covered table featuring a centerpiece of mint carnations and wedding candles.

Special guests attending were from Loraine, Colorado City, Westbrook, Big Spring and Abilene.

The bride is a graduate of Loraine High School and is presently attending the School of X-Ray Technology at Malone-Hogan Hospital.

A graduate of Big Spring High School, the groom is presently attending the University of Texas of the Permian Basin where he is earning a BA in accounting and Odessa College where he is earning an AAS in respiratory therapy. He is also employed part time as a respiratory therapist at Malone-Hogan Hospital.

Following a wedding trip to Ruidoso, N.M., and Juarez, Mexico, the couple will make their home at 1425 E. 6th.

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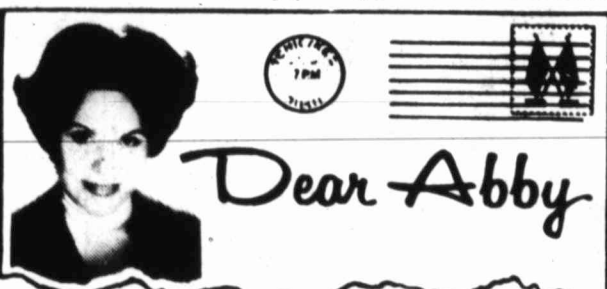
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SURVIVOR OF THE BRITANNIC — Sheila Mitchell, 86, holds a piece of a chair she has kept since the day 60 years ago when she was aboard the hospital ship H.M.H.S. Britannic, sister ship of the ill-fated Titanic, which went down in the Aegean Sea during World War I. Mrs. Mitchell, a nurse at the time, examined the remains of the Britannic recently while resting on her belly inside a tiny research submarine.

Holladays take week-long honeymoon to Biloxi, Miss.

The former Judy Pat McCormick and Billy Don (Doc) Holladay are on a wedding trip to the Gulf Coast following their marriage at 7:30 Friday night in the Church of the Nazarene. The Rev. Mac Hollingsworth performed the ceremony. The bride, a resident of Big Spring, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irland F. McCormick, Ocean Springs, Md., and the groom, also of Big Spring, is the son of Jack Holladay, Miami, Fla., and is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wood of Big Spring.



Dear Abby

Someone's Stealing! Must Be Reported

DEAR ABBY: My mother is in a nursing home. She is 88 and partially senile, but at times she is very sharp. I have brought her new nightgowns, underwear, robes and sweaters, and even had name tapes made and sewn into her clothing. But the next time I visit her, they are nowhere to be found. The last time I was there I looked in her drawer and she didn't even have a change of underwear!

I asked the head nurse what happened to my mother's clothes, and she said she didn't know. I then went to the superintendent and asked her, and she said, "Even the bed sheets disappear around here!"

Abby, either the patients steal from each other or the help steals, but I can't prove anything. What should I do?

HELPLESS

DEAR HELPLESS: Report the nursing home to your State Department of Health and demand an investigation. Nursing homes must meet certain standards in order to be licensed, and none may operate without a license. Reasonable security for the patients and their property must be provided.

DEAR ABBY: A few months ago I had a small dinner party to which I invited my husband's boss, whose wife was out of town.

At the last minute, just to balance my table (and because I felt sorry for her), I invited Juliet, a young friend who had recently lost her husband.

To make a long story short, my husband's boss and Juliet "discovered" each other and a torrid romance developed. Abby, I never dreamed she would look twice at a married man, and I didn't think he was the type to cheat on his wife.

Now the man has left his wife and is seeing Juliet, and I am being blamed for getting these two infidels together. I swear I had nothing of the kind in mind when I invited them to my home. How can I convince the small-minded people in this little town that I am entirely innocent of any wrongdoing?

INNOCENT

DEAR INNOCENT: There is no way to have predicted that you husband's boss would play Romeo to your friend Juliet. Ignore the talk and don't try to establish your innocence.

DEAR ABBY: My niece, who lives in New York, recently married an Italian man and moved to Italy. I was unable to attend the wedding, but I sent them a pair of expensive sterling silver candlesticks.

A friend has now informed me that I imposed a very expensive burden on the young couple because they will have to pay a stiff duty on my gift that may even match the price of the gift! I feel terrible about this, and hope to make it up to the young couple in some other way.

In the meantime, you could do a real service by letting others know about the high duty on gifts sent to Italy—especially since the recipients must pay the duty.

UNCLE SAL

DEAR SAL: I am informed that wedding gifts may be imported to Italy free of customs if the bride is marrying an Italian citizen who, after the ceremony, will reside in Italy permanently.

The wedding gift must be sent to Italy not later than six months after the wedding date. The marriage license and certificate of residence must be shown for exemption.

DEAR ABBY: Friends of ours just had a baby. Neither one of them smokes, but the proud papa felt obligated to pass out cigars to his friends in honor of the occasion. My husband always accepts cigars from new fathers although he never smokes them.

This seems like such a waste. Do you know of another way of sharing one's joy on the birth of a child?

STUMPED

DEAR STUMPED: I'm stumped, too. But if anyone suggests a suitable alternative, I'll pass it along.

If you feel left out and lonely, or wish you knew how to get people to like you, my new booklet, "How To Be Popular: You're Never Too Young or Too Old," is for you. Send \$1 along with a long, self-addressed, stamped (24 cents) envelope to Abby, 132 Lasky Drive, Beverly Hills, Calif. 90212.

Time-saving hints

Working mothers can lessen workloads

In some families, working mothers have been able to minimize their own work load by involving other family members in kitchen chores. They have been successful in exposing various family members to the creative aspects of cooking. Dad and other family members develop one or two "specialty" meals with little or no interference from Mother. A little praise, plus some supportive suggestions encourage continued efforts.

Time constraints prohibit the working mother from spending much time shopping for food. Statistics show that 53 per cent of working women prefer to shop only once a week. While this may sound like an over-worked platitude, the extra minutes spent planning a weekly menu and shopping list may be the best time investment a working mother makes. If menus and shopping lists are pre-planned, other family members can assume some of the shopping duties and meal preparation. This will minimize extra trips to the supermarket or neighborhood convenience store, and meals can be carefully planned to assure good nutrition.

By determining what foods are generally eaten away from home, working mothers can compensate with complementary foods at home. Chances are, fruits and vegetables will be important items to concentrate on. Supplement smaller portions of meat and bread with larger portions of vegetables and fruits. In meatless meals, use vegetables for the main courses. Serve fruit for dessert, in salads and as snacks.

Assume that there will be snacking and plan for it. After all, since Mother spends more hours outside the home, there may well be times when dinner will be delayed. The availability of nutritious, no-preparation snacks will contribute to overall good nutrition. Fresh fruit, cold cereal, celery or carrot sticks and other similar low-calorie relishes, milk and low-calorie soft drinks.

The decline in breakfast consumption is a major concern. Studies with school children consistently point to the need for this meal. However, due to contemporary lifestyles, it's hardly reasonable to suggest an old-fashioned family-style breakfast. Rather, there is a need to make simple, but nutritious, breakfast foods available. Fresh fruits and fruit juices, hot or cold vegetable juices, whole grain or fortified cereals, peanut butter, cheese, cold sliced meat, yogurt, milk, cocoa made with milk or the super convenient breakfast beverages.

The psychological need for involvement in food preparation is an individual problem that must be solved by each working mother. For the most part, mothers and their families must come to grips with the reality that mother is trading time in the kitchen for her own personal fulfillment and for increased family income. For some, one way to compensate is to set aside time each week for real personal creativity. Make this a special occasion when Mother employs her skills in bread baking, in preparation of a favorite gourmet dish or a glorious dessert.

Female brain has a vexum

"Within the brain of every woman there is an area which I call the vexum. It is in this area that the nastiness of a woman is created." — Dr. R. Richter — from the Virginia Slims' Book of Days.

People control own stability, security

COLLEGE STATION — People can choose their feelings and enjoy stability and security, instead of allowing other people to influence them. Jenny Reinhardt, a family life education specialist, says, "Our thoughts determine our feelings."

"By choosing our thoughts, we can decide how to feel."

"When we realize this, we also know that other people cannot determine what we feel," she says.

It is only when we choose to give up, or never decide what we think, that we threaten our stability and security. To allow others to influence how we feel is to be disappointed and frustrated, she explains.

"Mentally healthy individuals accept the choice to choose their thoughts and feelings," the specialist adds.

Miss Reinhardt is with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, The

As income and education increase... factors which correlate with women's employment outside of the home... awareness of nutrition and the use of consumer service information increase. However, it's unlikely that working mothers have much time to devote to the nuances of nutrition. Probably the easiest and most effective way to maintain good nutrition is to buy and serve the foods recommended in the basic four food groups.

What's more, most children will have learned something about the basic four food groups at school... from nursery school through the high school years... and this should lighten the working mother's teaching task.

For working mothers (and for those who work only at home), here's a refresher course in a nutshell about the foods in the basic four groups:

Milk Group — Foods in this group include dairy products. Milk, cheese, ice cream, yogurt, cottage cheese are all good examples. The recommended amounts that a person should eat each day vary according to age and other factors. Children under 9 should drink 2 to 3 cups of milk per day (a cup equals 8 ounces); children 9 to 12, 3 or more cups; teenagers, 4 or more cups. Milk isn't only for children. Adults should drink 2 cups per day; pregnant women, 3 or more cups; nursing women, 4 or more cups. Any food in the Milk Group may be substituted for milk as long as enough is eaten to get the same nutrition as in one cup

of milk. The important thing is to eat enough food from this special group to get a good supply of calcium and other vitamins, minerals and protein.

Fruit-Vegetable Group — This food group, which supplies us with a wide assortment of vitamins and minerals, includes all fruits and vegetables. It is important to eat four or more ½ cup servings of either fruits or vegetables each day. Also, one of these servings should be a citrus fruit rich in vitamin C, such as oranges, lemons, grapefruit or tomatoes. Another of the four servings should be of a dark-green leafy vegetable, like spinach or a dark-yellow vegetable like carrots. Both are rich sources of vitamin A.

Meat Group — Foods in the meat group are all good suppliers of protein. They are beef, pork, lamb, veal, poultry, fish and variety meats. They also include eggs, dried peas, dried beans, nuts and peanut butter due to protein content. A good diet includes two or more 3-ounce servings daily.

Bread and Cereal Group — Enriched, whole grain or restored breads and cereals, baked goods made with enriched or whole grain flour, enriched macaroni, spaghetti, noodles, rice and cornmeal are part of this food group. Four or more servings should be allowed each day, as these foods are rich with carbohydrates. A single slice of bread, one ounce of ready-to-eat cereal, or one-half to three-quarters cup macaroni, spaghetti or rice, equals one serving.

Knowing these facts, any homemaker is capable of planning nutritious meals at home or away. When

mealtime is near, remember the Basic 4 and be sure that your family eats well every day. When eating at home, supply those foods such as fresh fruits and some vegetables, which may not have been included in meals eaten outside of the home.

One easy way to have every member of the family become familiar with the four food groups is to post photographs of the foods or a printed list on a kitchen bulletin board or on the refrigerator door. The challenge becomes a habit.

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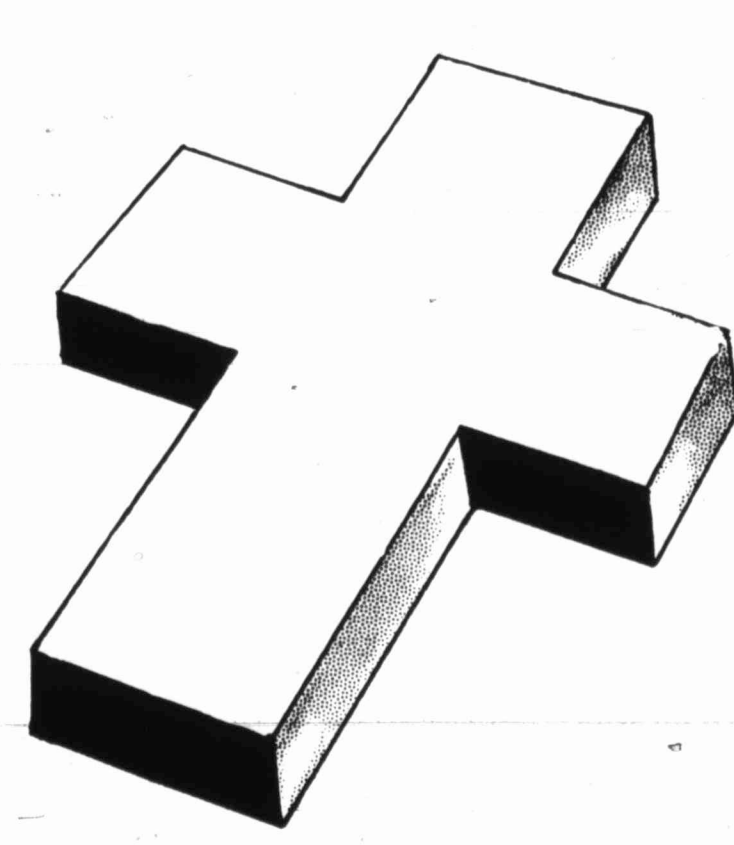
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Winter petroleum demand slow so far

HOUSTON (AP)—Many consumers may not agree, but the 1977-78 winter season got off to a slow start in terms of demand for petroleum products. The American Petroleum Institute reports that November weather was 9 percent warmer than normal and 25 percent warmer than last year. As a result, domestic demand dropped to 17.5 million barrels a day, the lowest monthly average for the year. November demand was 1.4 million barrels below November 1976. Fuel oil requirements accounted for practically all the demand decline.

Soviet Union has much undiscovered oil pockets

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Soviet Union has nearly as much undiscovered oil in a single deposit as the United States has altogether, the U.S. government estimates, but the Russians will have a devil of a time getting the precious liquid out of the frozen earth. The deposit, known as the West Siberian Basin, covers an area twice the size of Alaska. But it lies hundreds of miles from Soviet industry and refineries and nearly half of it sits above the Arctic Circle, the U.S. Geological Survey said in a report Sunday. Even if there were pipelines to carry the oil west to populated European Russia, drillers would have large problems with the delicate soil that covers the permanently frozen Siberian subsoil. Survey estimates show the Siberian deposit holds at least 480 billion barrels of oil and 300 trillion cubic feet of natural gas. Best estimates of total U.S. undiscovered

The effects of the Russians entering the oil import market could sharply intensify U.S.-Soviet political rivalry in the Mideast, the CIA predicted. The diminished supply would hurt Russia's eastern European allies, especially Hungary, which is paying its oil import bill with the U.S.S.R. by contributing heavily to building the Soviet pipeline under construction from the Urals to Siberian fields. The Soviet satellites depend on the Soviet Union for 75 percent of their supply, with Romania the only one with any oil production of its own. Russia's dwindling supply also will affect some western European NATO countries that draw on Soviet refining, currently the largest of any country in the world.

February demand for fuel oils exceeded 8.6 million barrels a day, some 1.9 million or 26 percent above the year earlier level. Total demand for petroleum products the first 11 months of 1977 averaged a record 18.2 million barrels a day. This was 6.2 percent above the 17.2 million average for the same 1976 period. Despite the November cutback, January-November requirements for fuel oils averaged 6.3 million a day, nearly 600,000 barrels or 9.8 percent higher than in 1976. By contrast, motor gasoline demand over the 11 months averaged 7.1 million barrels a day, only a 2.6 percent increase over the same year earlier period. In its November report, the Institute said domestic

Wildcat scheduled in Glasscock

A wildcat and an outpost are scheduled in Glasscock County, another wildcat in Mitchell County, a prospect in Martin County, and a prospector in Borden in the oil patch this week. Florida Gas Exploration Co., Midland, will drill the No. 1-49 Foster Ranch, a 10,000-foot wildcat in Glasscock County 2 1/2 miles north and slightly west of Wolfcamp oil production in the Clyde Reynolds field, approximately 2 1/2 miles northeast of the Garden City (Fusselman gas and oil, and Strawn and Pennsylvania oil) field, 2 1/2 miles southwest of a 7,950-foot failure and ten miles northeast of Garden City. Location is 660 feet from the north and east lines of 49-38-W&NW.

The Garden City field produces from the Fusselman at 9,740 feet from the Strawn at 8,349 feet and from the Pennsylvania at 8,238 feet. PENNZOIL CO. will drill the No. 2 L.C. Clark, 3/4 mile west-northwest and the same distance west-southwest of Fusselman production in the Garden City field, surrounded by Fusselman gas production in the Garden City, South field and ten

BTA OIL PRODUCERS, Midland No. 7-C 7412, JV-S Mustang, in 2-7-University Lands, Martin County Ellenburger prospect, surrounded by Dean production in the Lacaff multipay field and Spraberry production in the Spraberry and Trend Area 2 1/2 miles northeast of the Ellenburger opener and lone producer from that pay in the Block 7 multipay field and 20 miles northwest of Lenorah, swabbed six barrels of oil and 15 barrels of water in five hours. Recovery was from open hole at 13,215-218 feet, which had been acidized with 250 gallons. Testing continued. Earlier, it tested through Ellenburger perforations at 12,217-13,218 feet, which had

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EHRLICHMAN LEAVES FOR CHRISTMAS — Watergate figure John D. Ehrlichman relaxes after getting in a car in front of the Federal Prison Camp at Safford, Arizona Friday morning. Ehrlichman was leaving on a furlough and is to report back to prison Dec. 27. There is no report on where Ehrlichman will be staying for the holidays. Ehrlichman is scheduled for parole April 27, 1978.

Author still going

'Rudolph' one of Yule's big hits

NEW YORK (AP) — Some people call him "Mr. Christmas of the Music World." Man of a thousand tunes, he wrote one simple song almost 30 years ago that swept through the world in a wave of instant success.

Today, at 68, songwriter Johnny Marks is still composing. And his simple little song, "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer," remains one of Christmas' biggest hits and a staunch bit of cherished Americana.

"I'd write it again without changing a note," says Marks, who finished the piece in 1949 — 10 years after the idea came to him — and sent it off to country-Western singer-actor Gene Autry.

"Autry didn't want to record it at first," Marks recalls. "I felt it didn't fit his image like the song, 'Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer.' But his wife heard 'Rudolph' and got him to do it."

The original Autry record has now passed the 10 million

mark as Columbia's Records' all-time best seller.

"Rudolph" isn't Marks' only yuletide hit to sell more than a million records. Others are "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day," first recorded by Bing Crosby in 1956, "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree," which became a Brenda Lee hit in 1960, and "A Holly, Jolly Christmas," which Burl Ives recorded in 1963.

Autry's no-frills rendition of "Rudolph," which he introduced at a show in Madison Square Garden,

remains Marks' favorite version out of more than 450 others recorded by such stars as Bing Crosby, Perry Como and John Denver.

The musical tale of the snny-nosed reindeer and Marks' other scores continue to reach millions through television specials. ABC broadcast "Rudolph's Shiny New Year" with Red Skelton, and CBS telecast "The Tiny Tree" with Buddy Ebsen and Roberta Flack.

Last month, CBS ran "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" for that show's 14th consecutive airing.

E. Howard Hunt marries teacher

MIAMI (AP) — Watergate conspirator E. Howard Hunt has been married to Georgia schoolteacher Laura E. Martin. It was the second marriage for each.

Hunt, 59, and the bride, in her early 30s, exchanged vows in a brief civil ceremony performed by Dade County Judge Joseph Nesbitt at Hunt's home in northeast Miami.

Only a few close friends and family members attended.

Hunt was paroled from federal prison Feb. 23 after serving 32 months for his part in the June 1972 break-in at the Democratic Party's national headquarters. He was a lookout in the bungled burglary.

Hunt's first wife, Dorothy, was killed in a 1972 jetliner crash in Chicago. He has four children by that marriage and one grandson.

Born in Mount Vernon, N.Y., and raised in New York City, Marks attended Colgate University where he took every available music course, despite disapproval from his father, a consulting engineer.

"My parents didn't approve of songwriting. It wasn't a real profession — and you certainly didn't send your son to college to be a songwriter," Marks says.

His son, Michael, 28, is a lawyer. Another son, David, 22, is in law school. His daughter, Laura, 26, is a student at New York University.

None aspired to musical careers, according to Marks.

"It's been a good career, even back in the early days when I played the clubs at night and spent afternoons on the bench in publishers' waiting rooms hoping for a chance to plunk out my tunes."

Ex-resident is sworn in by husband

SAN ANGELO — During recent commissioning ceremonies here, 1st Lt. Joe D. Wilson swore his wife, 2nd Lt. Edna "Chico" Wilson into the Air Force. Pending training in the administrative field, the female lieutenant Wilson will serve on a joint-spouse assignment with her husband at Goodfellow AFB.

Lt. Edna Wilson, a Big Spring, native, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rutilio "Curley" Guevara of 701 Settles St. She became interested in the Air Force while working at a store in Big Spring.

"I met a lot of military people from nearby Webb AFB," she said, "and I was always impressed by the way they acted. That's what got me interested in thinking about the Air Force."

When Lt. Wilson attended Angelo State University in San Angelo, she entered the two-year Reserve Officers' Training Program. It was there she met her husband-to-be, who is the deputy chief of Training Services in the USAF School of Applied Cryptologic Sciences at Goodfellow AFB.

After graduating with a psychology degree, the swearing in process was the next step. "It was very nice to be sworn in by my husband," the newly-wed confirmed. "Now we're really an Air Force family."

Beverage panel frowns on Billy

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — He may be just plain ole down home Billy to his friends, but to the state Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Billy Carter is a celebrity, and that's bad news for Billy Beer.

Virginia prohibits the sale of any beer bearing an endorsement from "any prominent living person" on its label. Beer distributors wanting permission to distribute the new brand bearing the name of President Carter's brother, tried to convince the ABC that Billy is not prominent.



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Gasoline will cost more during holidays

Motorist driving in Texas during the Christmas and New Year's holiday period will pay more for gasoline than they did last Thanksgiving, and they'll find about two-thirds of the state's service stations closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

These facts were revealed by a survey of 252 Texas service stations conducted by the American Automobile Association. The survey showed an average price of 61 cents per gallon for full-service regular gas, compared to an average price of 60.7 cents per gallon on Thanksgiving. The average full-service price of unleaded gas has also increased, from 63.7 cents a gallon to 63.9;

and the average price of premium fuel dropped slightly, from 65.7 cents a gallon to 65.6.

The survey showed that motorists can save as much as a dollar a tankful by buying at self-service facilities. The average self-service prices are 55.7 cents a gallon for regular, 59.5 for unleaded and 61.2 for premium.

With both holidays falling on a Sunday, when many stations normally are closed anyway, an unusually large number of stations will be closed both days. The survey indicated that 67 per cent will close on Christmas Day,

and 65 per cent will close on New Year's Day. But fewer than 5 per cent will be closed either the day before or the day after the holidays.

AAA recommends that motorists who must drive long distances on Christmas Day or New Year's Day drive on the top half of their tanks to avoid possible supply problems.



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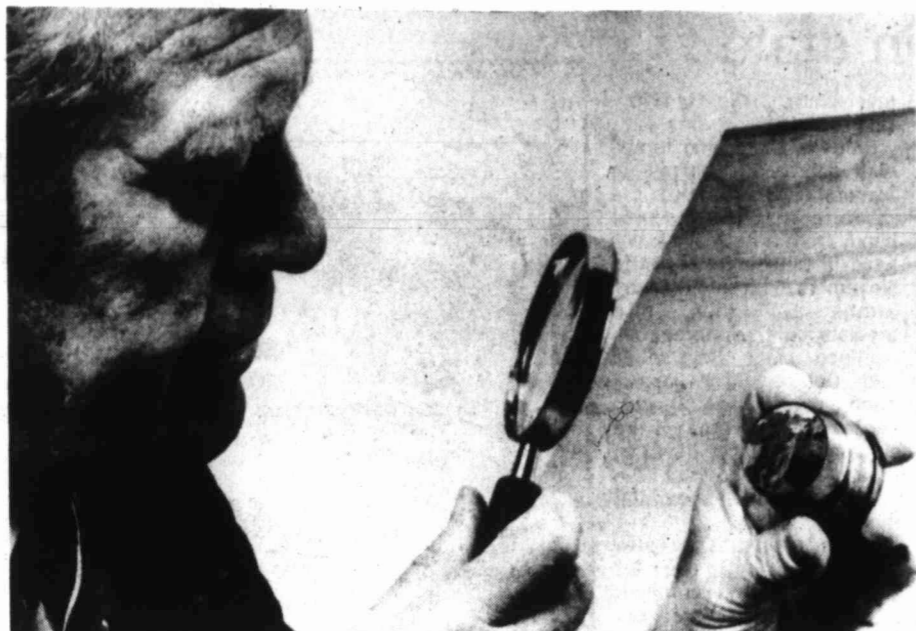
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THE DIE IS CAST — Former President Gerald R. Ford examines die depicting the late John F. Kennedy ordering the blockade for Cuba, one of 100 events being commemorated in a series of medallions on the history of the U.S. Presidency. Ford selected the events and will edit literature that will accompany the medallions. Medals are being struck by the Franklin Mint, Franklin Center, Pa.

Highway Commission OKs 20-year plan

The State Highway and Public Transportation Commission has approved a 20-year Project Development and Control Plan for highway planning and construction.

The new realistic system-oriented program will be flexible and revisable while at the same time being controllable. The plan contains a five-year construction schedule, a five-year development schedule and a ten-year advance planning schedule.

In general, projects will be selected to improve and optimize the total highway system. Heavily travelled routes connecting the various metropolitan population centers and commercial and industrial areas will receive top consideration.

Commission approval for construction is restricted to projects in the first five years of the Plan. Projects in the second five years are approved for planning only and the last ten years of the Plan is composed of projects necessary to complete the statewide system but does not constitute any commitment by the Commission at this time.

The 20-year plan does not include the following type of projects which will continue to be programmed periodically as needed:

A. Rehabilitation or reconstruction projects on existing highways. These are programmed every two years based on priorities at that time.

B. New Farm to Market highways which are programmed each year after

consultations with county commissioners courts.

C. Urban projects within the City of San Angelo. These projects are selected every two years from the overall Urban Transportation Plan after consultation with city officials.

Safety and Betterment projects which include seal coats, asphaltic concrete overlays, and structure widening. These projects are programmed each year based on needs at the time.

District Engineer D.R. Watson of the State Department of Highway and Public Transportation (DHT) emphasized that the Plan will be reviewed and updated periodically as travel patterns and conditions necessitate needed changes in the transportation system of this 13-county area of the State.

Projects in Glasscock County on which construction will commence within the next five years include:

R.M. 3093, a new Farm to Market Road extending from R.M. 2401 West of St. Lawrence Southeast to the Reagan County Line.

State Highway 137 from the Midland County Line Southeast to State Highway 158. Work consists of improving the grade line and drainage in certain locations, widening, strengthening and resurfacing travel lanes, and paving shoulders.

Mrs. Wallace in hospital

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — Cornelia Wallace, in the midst of a divorce battle with Gov. George C. Wallace, has been admitted to a Montgomery hospital in satisfactory condition.

The hospital won't provide details, but Mrs. Wallace's lawyer, Ira DeMont, said she was suffering from "mental and physical exhaustion" when she was admitted Thursday.

Mrs. Wallace, 38, is scheduled to give an oral deposition to Wallace's attorneys next Tuesday in connection with the divorce case. Trial in the case is scheduled for Jan. 4.

Tributes pour in for HHH

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The tributes to Hubert Humphrey keep on pouring in. And the latest is from former President Richard Nixon: a \$1,000 donation to the Hubert Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota.

John Whaley, project director for the institute, said Thursday that so far as he knew, the donation was not solicited by anyone associated with the institute's fund-raising effort.

Through a "press" aide, Humphrey said, "I was most grateful to the former president for his helpfulness and his interest."

Comment from capital

Fire marshal in soup

By JIM DAVIS
Harte-Hanks Austin Bureau
AUSTIN — State Fire Marshal Charles Meadows ended 1977 in controversy and apparently is facing the same prospect for early 1978. Meadows was successful in getting his power back four months ago after spending 10 months as fire marshal in name only.

The State Board of Insurance, which oversees his office, stripped him of power in November 1976 because of his alleged lack of administrative skills. But when Hugh C. Yantis Jr. became board chairman in September, he quickly got the board to reinstate Meadows.

The joy of reinstatement was brief, however. An attempt by Meadows to fire five employees who had prospered during his down period brought the whole messy office fight into the open.

Two legislative committees now are looking into the operation of the office. Compromises were reached with four of the employees Meadows wanted out, but one was fired. He was Jim Cummins, former manager of the fire safety inspection section.

Cummins is appealing his firing to the board and, much to the dismay of all on Meadows' side, requesting a hearing open to the public — and the press. The hearing is scheduled for Jan. 5.

The Austin rumor mill puts powerful State Rep. Bill Healy of Paducah into the fire marshal controversy.

Word is that Healy got Hugh Yantis his job as Insurance Board chairman and got Yantis to reinstate Charles Meadows to full powers as fire marshal.

Yantis says this is silly. But Healy did have a finger — if not a whole hand — in the Meadows reinstatement.

Yantis says Healy is an old friend and called up to congratulate him on his appointment as board chairman. The chairman says Healy did suggest there were some problems in the fire marshal's office that he might want to look into. That was all.

Meadows said at a legislative committee hearing recently that Healy was an old friend from his days as a fire chief in West Texas.

"A shocking experience" was the way just about everyone described the swearing-in ceremony of Mary Jane Body, newly elected state representative for Austin. It all happened in the House of Representatives, where static electricity was built on people walking across the rug in the heated hall.

Every handshake or hug was accompanied by a spark.

A Texas Ranger investigation into alleged sexual misconduct between some employees and students at the Giggings State School is the object of a disclosure request under the Texas Open Records Act.

Wilson E. Speir, Department of Public Safety Director, has asked the attorney general's office for an opinion on whether the investigation papers must be made public.

The request for information from the DPS was made by an Austin attorney. Often newspapers use attorneys to file such actions.

The Joe Christie for U.S. Senate campaign in Austin has made a definite move upward — from the seventh floor of the International Life Building to the eighth. The move to a bigger office was necessary because of growth in the campaign staff, according to a campaign aide.

State Capitol guards got a gift from the legislature this year but it was opened slightly before Christmas.

A guard often has to be on duty at the back of the building for security and to oversee numerous deliveries.

Legislators in the 1977 session included an appropriation for the State Board of Control to put up the small guardhouse. The back entrance faces north and during a recent norther a guard was seen smiling and warm in the new little building.

Friendship Force flight

ATLANTA (AP) — Chip and Caron Carter will head a Friendship Force exchange involving 425 people between Hartford, Conn., and Tel Aviv, Israel, in January.

The flight will originate in Tel Aviv on Jan. 24, and will return to Israel with 425 Americans, including President Carter's son and daughter-in-law.



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BANG IN THE NEW YEAR — Mrs. Mike Faulkner shows off some celebration wares on sale at the fireworks stand next to the U.S. 87 South grocery. These

fireworks will be on sale through New Year's Day so young and old can show their glee at the beginning of another year and the end of a holiday season.

Herds thin in state

AUSTIN — Texas livestock producers will ring in 1978 with the thinnest herds in years, but indications are that the recent heavy culling has eased a bit, Agriculture Commissioner Reagan V. Brown said today.

Brown reported that the number of cattle and calves marketed through auctions statewide last month was down 18 per cent from October, when some of the heaviest runs in recent years took place. Cattlemen, wary of wintering over large herds on drought-stressed pastures, marketed over 1,002,000 head in October, Brown said, compared to 821,000 head sold during November. He noted that slaughter of grass-fed cattle has slackened up, but feedlot placements are up in the face of lower feed grain prices.

"Many experts are predicting that we have hit the bottom of the cattle cycle, and that the lower numbers will mean higher prices through most of 1978," Brown stated.

Sales of sheep and lambs also decreased sharply in November, Brown said.

"Sales were down 52,000 head, from a high of 120,000 head in October to 68,000 in November," he said. "Many lambs are going into feedlots, but this number has declined since September and October. The recent good prices for feeder replacements may be sustained if sparse herds in other states cannot meet the demand in the upcoming months."

Brown noted that hog sales slackened off by 10 per cent since October, and remained at the same level as November of last year.

Goat sales, at 16,000 head, were down 62 per cent from October, but were seven per cent above November 1976.



Merry Christmas!

Here's an old-fashioned greeting from all of us to all our friends!

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Decorations, toys may cause accidents

Precautions should be taken during the holiday season to prevent accidents that occur because of decorations. Children and adults were the victims in many accidents related to

trees, lights, ornaments and toys during the Christmas season a year ago.

There are several precautions that can be taken to prevent such accidents. When purchasing a

natural tree for the season, it is important to remember to keep it moist. The holder should be filled with water until the cut line is covered. The water should be kept at this level.

The tree should be set a distance from any heat source, and should be disposed of when it becomes dry.

Metal trees can become the source of serious shocks if electric lights are attached. Sharp metal edges may cut the cord insulation, or the metal needles might touch an electrically charged component.

When dealing with tree and outdoor lights, the cords should be checked periodically for frayed wires, loose connections, broken or cracked sockets and spots where bare wire is exposed.

Extension cords should not be overloaded. More than three sets of lights on any extension cord will overload it.

Tree ornaments that are

breakable or have small detachable parts should not be placed on lower branches where small children or pets can reach them and knock them off. Trimmings used on trees and around the home should be non-combustible or flame-resistant.

Some decorations which may be harmful if eaten pose a hazard for young children. Such things should be kept out of the reach of children.

When buying toys, people should look for labels that give age recommendations or safety information, such as "Not Recommended for Children under Three."

Toys that have sharp edges, small parts, or sharp joints should be avoided. Examine toys periodically. Broken toys should be repaired, and toys that cannot be fixed should be thrown away.

Hotel building race develops

SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — Three developers are battling to build major new hotels in downtown San Antonio, where officials say at least 2,500 new rooms are needed to meet demand for conventions and tourists.

No ground has been broken yet, and at least one of the proposed new hotel developers is expected to drop out of the contest.

There has been much talk in recent years about building new hotels in downtown San Antonio. Since 1973, more than \$100 million in projects with more than 3,800 hotel rooms have been announced, but none has gotten past the drawing board phase.

The last new downtown hotel was the Hilton Palacio del Rio, built for the 1968 HemisFair.

The city's impressive convention center, its scenic River Walk, historic missions including the Alamo and generally mild weather make it an attractive convention site.

But efforts to bring in major conventions have been stymied by a shortage of quality hotel space downtown.

The major projects vying now for downtown sites:

—Omni International Inc. of Atlanta, which announced plans Dec. 9 to build a \$25 million, 500-room hotel as the focal point for a major downtown redevelopment project.

—A Texas joint-venture partnership of Concord Properties and Mariner Interests, which is in the final planning and financing stages for a \$20 million, 500-room Marriott Motor Hotel on property it wants to lease from the city.

—A third downtown hotel project, which hasn't been officially announced yet. It would be managed by

Stouffer Hotels, would contain 700 rooms and cost \$39 million.

The Marriott deal is tied to the city's final approval of a tentative lease agreement that would allow developers to lease, at a favorable rate, city-owned property.

But Omni says it won't build if the city approves the Marriott deal.

"For the record, we will not build the Omni if another hotel starts in 1978," and Omni project spokesman told the City Council this week. "We don't think San Antonio can stand two quality hotels in 1978."

The Omni project also is contingent on the federal government's approval of \$7.5 million in redevelopment grants which the city would use to link its Alamo Plaza with the River Walk. The Omni, which would be part of the overall project, would provide private capital the city needs to win approval for the grant program.

Without the Omni development, the city can't get the federal funds it wants for the redevelopment.

Convention and Visitors Bureau statistics show a general decline in conventions, number of delegates and number of rooms nights this year in San Antonio.

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TOY WARS — Halk Gazarian, 11, from Caracas, Venezuela, who now lives in New York, tries out a toy "force wand," an illuminated toy sword inspired by the film "Star Wars," during a visit to the toy department of Bloomingdale's, a New York City department store. In the background are a number of other toys inspired by the current popularity of "space opera" type films.

Great-grandfather creates star dragon

LOS ANGELES (AP) — One of the bright new stars of the holiday movie season is named Elliot. He's a dragon, the creation of a bearded, 43-year Disney veteran named Ken Anderson.

Anderson doesn't look it, but he's a great-grandfather — "and I wasn't even so good as a grandfather," he quips. He was ready to retire from Disney Productions a year or so ago when executive producer Ron Miller tossed a challenge at him: help put a full-sized dragon on the screen and make him perform with human actors.

"Why not?" Ken Anderson agreed. After all, he had been fielding challenges for Disney since 1934, when he joined the swelling group of artists Walt was collecting to make "Snow White" and other features. Newly married and inspired by the imagery of the "Silly Symphonies," Anderson thought the studio might be an interesting place to work. Walt Disney learned

Anderson had been an architect and assigned him to devise new ways to photograph cartoons. Since then he has been dazzling with his versatility, creating everything from cartoon characters to Disneyland attractions.

"I had finished doing the characters for another feature, 'Catfish Bend,' and was about ready to retire," said Anderson. "Then Ron gave me an original story that he said Walt had been interested in."

"It was about a boy and his dragon, but the dragon never appeared to anyone. The village had to keep making up excuses for all the damage that happened — a freak storm or something. The dragon came into the story only in the boy's dream, and then he was just a storybook dragon with no intimation of personality."

"I was really on a spot. I felt I shouldn't be critical of something both Walt and Ron had believed in. I could have drawn a dragon out of any book, but I decided to operate on the ploy that Elliot appears to those who are in need of his help."

From 9 a.m. until noon one morning, Anderson made a series of sketches for his concept of the star of "Pete's Dragon." Ron Miller and co-producer Jerome Courtland saw the result and were charmed. Miller convinced Anderson to stay on and direct the young animators who would bring Elliot to full, fire-breathing life.

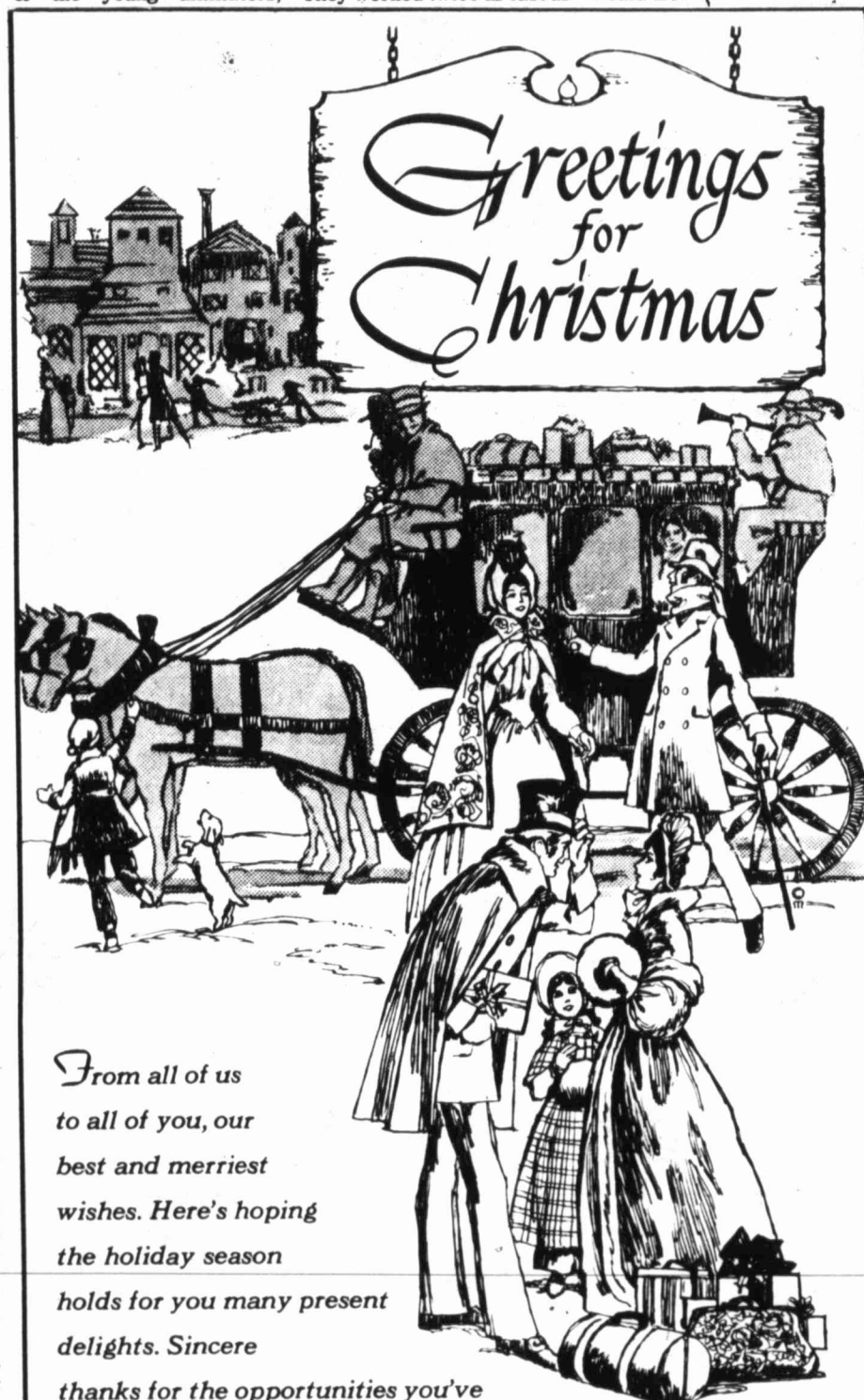
It wasn't easy. Elliot was to appear throughout the movie, doing scenes with Helen Reddy, Mickey Rooney, Red Buttons, Shelley Winters and Jim Dale. The scale had to be diminished so Elliot's face would not seem too huge in his many scenes with young Sean Marshall, who plays Pete.

"The schedule for animation was back-breaking," Anderson said. "The picture had been set with the Radio City Music

Hall for this Christmas and it had to be delivered in time. Fortunately, Don Bluth, one of the young animators,

came aboard as director, and he did a tremendous job. "All of the young crew did. They worked twice as fast as

we older animators could have. On 'Pete's Dragon,' you had to be young or you would die."



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Rougher than it sounds

Good winter exercise--jump rope

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The sting of sleet on my face stiffened my resolve: jogging would have to wait for spring.

But I needed exercise to keep my waistline tire properly deflated during the long Minnesota winter. A doctor once told me the best exercise was a push away from the table, but frankly, I love to eat.

In the summer I can compensate by riding my bike to and from the doughnut shop three blocks away. For the winter, I've always wanted one of those exercise bikes but the \$125 price tag has always made that dream a short one.

Then, while thumbing

through an aerobics handbook, looking for an easy, cheap way out, I spotted it. A jump rope. Ten minutes of the old hop, skip and jump was a solid three points on the chart — equal to running a mile in 10 minutes.

At the sports store I found manufacturers had anticipated my interest. No less than seven types of ropes were on display, to the left of the slim gym, on the shelf over the executive dumbbell.

At the bottom of the line, for \$1.95, was a string of hard plastic tubes on a thin rope. Much too noisy. For \$6.95, there was a deluxe rope with the swivel hidden in the handle. The Muhammad Ali-

endorsed Rope a Dope sold for a smuch as \$8.95 for the leather model.

On top of the heap, for \$10.95, was the "professional skip rope," with leather rope and ball-bearing handles.

I settled for the \$3.50 model made in Taiwan, featuring "wooden swivel handles and an 8-foot-6 heavy weight cotton jumprope" which promised to develop the body through "coordination and stamina."

On the back of the box I was advised to wear comfortable clothing that doesn't restrict circulation. "Pick your time," it said, warning of exercising immediately after a meal.

"If you haven't jumped

rope since you were a kid, don't worry," the box assured.

I was ready. Rope in hand, I read on:

"Grasp the handle of your jump rope with your thumbs extended down the handles. Stand in an erect position, ankles nearly touching. Your elbows should be slightly bent, with the rope hanging slack behind your heels." So far, it was easy.

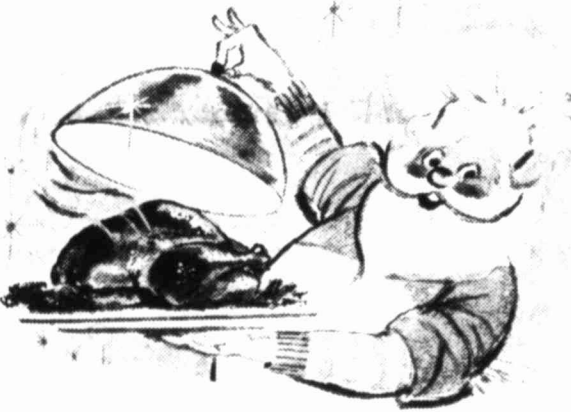
"Now, with a small circular movement of your arms, swing the rope forward over your head and jump over it. Jump from foot to foot as if running in place." The instructions concluded.

The rope arched over my head and collapsed onto my shoulders just as I leaped over nothing. But after a few false starts, I got the rhythm, confidently on my way to the count of 50, at what the box called the first week's "warm-up" rate of one jump per second.

At the count of 16 I missed. The next try collapsed at 14. By this time I was aware of my pulse and my labored breathing. I wasn't even close to 50, and the 25 "regular" exercises of two jumps per second still lay ahead.

I handed the rope to my daughter, made a few notes on my progress, and wondered: Do you suppose the leather-rope-with-ball-bearing-handle is any easier?

Holiday Greetings



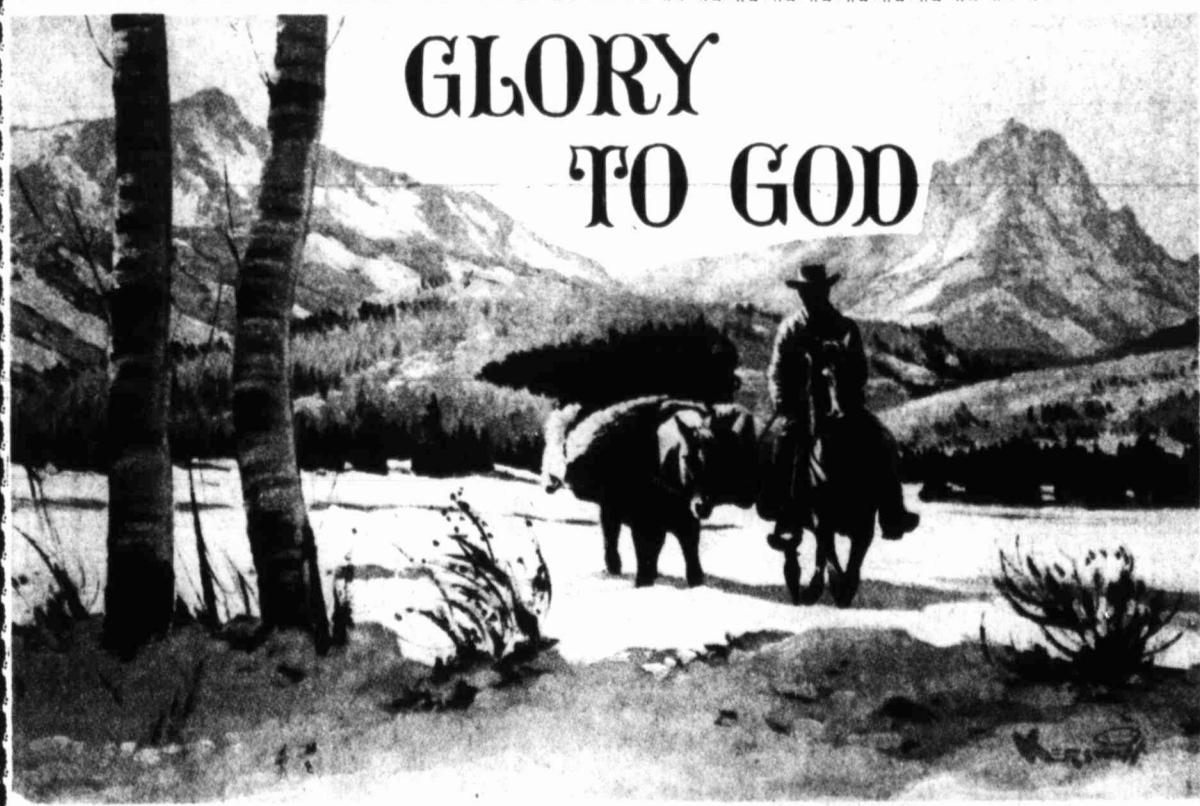
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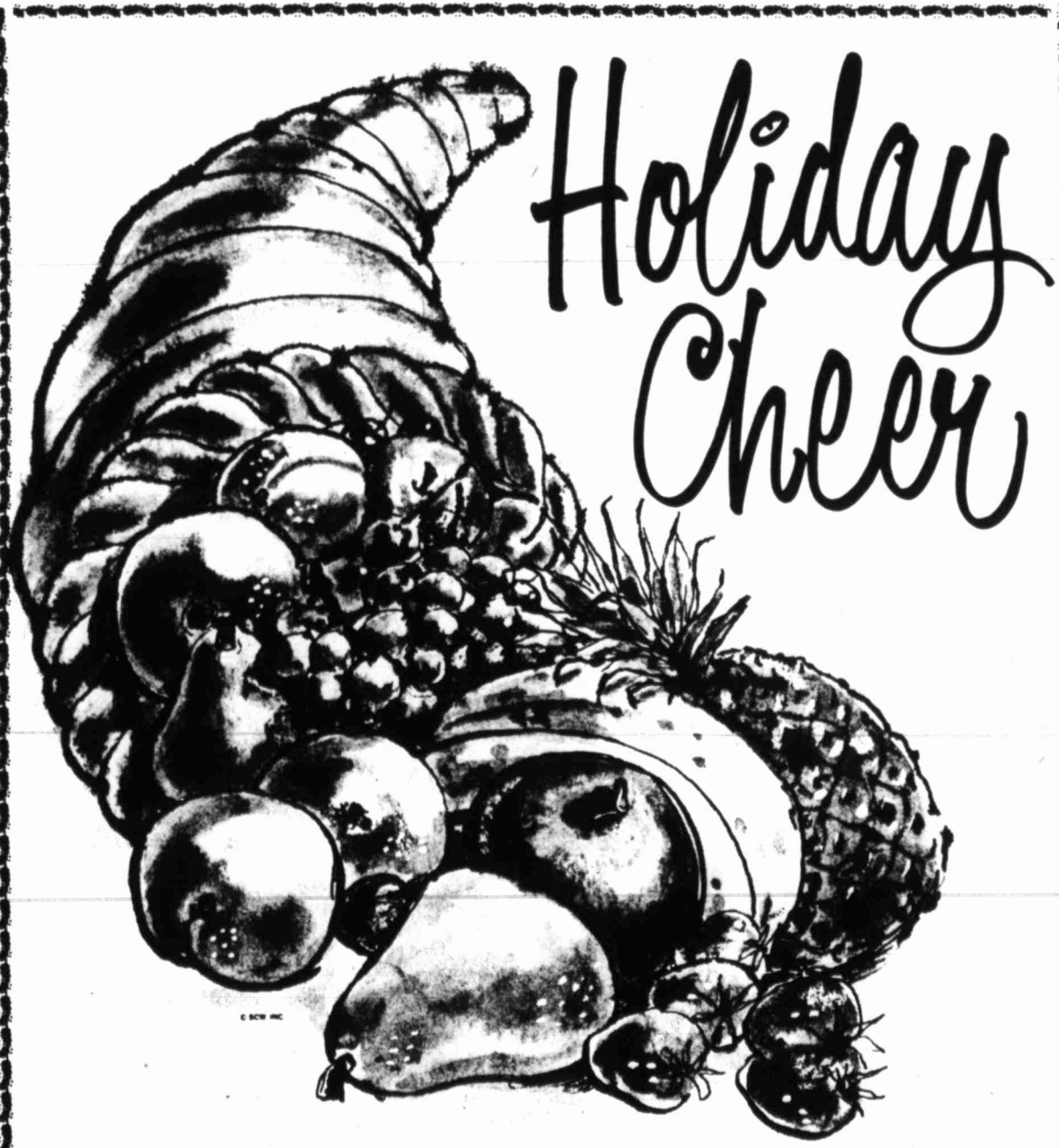


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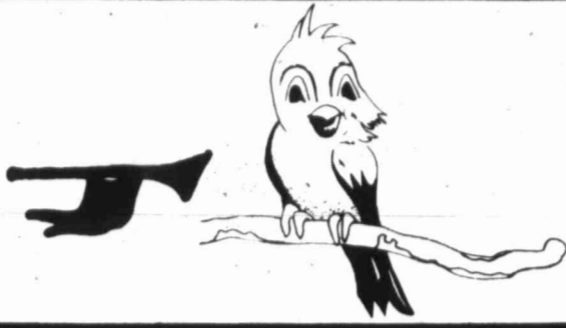
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Sparkling clean 3-bdrm, 2 bath, partial brick, central heat-ref. air. Garage. Qualified Vet can assume loan.

SEE TO APPRECIATE:
2 bdrm, lg den, total electric, ref. air, garage, fenced yd with storage.

LOTS OF ROOM:
In this 3-bdrm brick. Lg kit with dining rm. Small apt or storage in rear.

NEAT & CLEAN
2 bdrm, carpeted, garage, fenced yd with storm cellar.

\$11,500.
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ECONOMY HOME:
2-bdrm, lg living rm, din, fenced yard with grapevines and fruit trees.

Houses For Sale A-2

Hear Ye!

Christmas is the sound of bells, the laughter of children, the glow of candles and the scent of pine. Christmas is the job of families and the happiness of friends. We hope your Christmas has love, warmth and laughter. You have given us a wonderful Christmas throughout the year with your continuing patronage.

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COOK & TALBOT
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Thelma
J. W.
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ARE YOU DREAMING OF A RIGHT CHRISTMAS? Here's your chance on this brick home in excellent condition. 3 bdrms, shag carpet, carpet & fenced yard. Ref. air and central heat all for only \$12,000.

A BAUBLE OF A BUSINESS—Established cycle shop in most-wanted location. Can be Mom & Pop operation. Get 3 dealerships, good will, inventory all at one reasonable price.

CUT YOUR OWN GREENERY from your wooded acreage in Silver Heels. Select building sites with tremendous view. Come take your choice.

LIKE LITTLE TIN SOLDIERS—3 rentals in a row. All rented & bringing income for the New Year. Yours for only \$11,440.

STOCKINGS HUNG BY THE STUCCO will brighten both stucco and brick. 3-2, ref. air, brick patio 2 c.

GIFT WRAP THIS COZY COTTAGE—only \$5,000 total for this 2-bedroom, sturdily built. A real bargain.

SCROOGE WOULD LOVE—2 bdrms, 2 baths, 2 living areas, 110,000. Choice location. **SOLD** 2 buildings with lots of possibilities.

HOLLY & MISTLETOE will look great on the front door of this Park Hill, 3 bedroom with double garage. Big fenced yard storage building, quiet street, large rooms. Priced right at \$20,000.

TOAST YOUR TOE before the w-b fireplace of this brand-new brick on 1/2 acre. Ref. air, 3-2, beautiful cabinets & storage. Double carport. Get away from it all, but enjoy the conveniences of city living. Coahoma schools. A steal at \$45,000. Call now.

A WISE MAN will recognize the value of this 10 acres north of City. Quiet and pretty location with lots of trees. Price includes 3 bdrm, brick home with lots of extras. Thirties.

GREET SANTA at the door of 2 bdrm carpeted home. Owner is putting a fresh coat of paint on your. Close to College—\$12,900.

SANTA'S PRICE is less than \$10,000 for more than 20 acres w. 2 good wells & septic tank—Forsan School District.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS can be spent relaxing in your own cabin on Lake Colorado City. Completely furnished and lots of water front—Owner wants offer.

OUT OF SANTA'S BAG and just for you. Three bd, huge living room and dining room with brick fireplace covering entire wall, garage. Also 2 bd apartment in rear. All on 1 fenced acre in Forsan School District.

COUNTRY CHRISTMAS—Enjoy all seasons of the year in a nice 3 bd home on 3 acres close to town. Good well, total electric, new central air and heat. Under 20 thousand.

CHIMING FOR SANTA to come down. Three bdrm, 2 1/2 bath brick home. Located in beautiful Western Hills on extra large lot. New central heating, ref. air, double garage.

DEAR SANTA—If your wish list includes a big, beautiful, nearly new home, 27 acres close to town, good strong wells, then this 3 bd, 2 bath w. double, carport brick home is your answer.

JINGLE OUR BELL to see this neat 3 bdrm brick on Drexel. 2 baths, den, sep. living room, carpeted throughout. All for only \$22,500.

GIVE YOUR FAMILY the home they deserve at a price you can afford. Kenwood Brick with pretty remodeled kitchen, 3 bdrm, 2 baths, den, living room, garage. Under 30 thousand.

YULE LOVE this 3 bdrm, home in Forsan School District. Ref. air, big rooms and a sep. apartment make this a great investment. Call us to see!

EVEN MRS. SANTA would love this cute home at a great price. Only \$14,000 buys this 3 bdrm, in convenient location.

WINTER WEATHER won't be a problem in this snug brick in Washington place. Extra large living-den, Country kitchen. Two bedroom, 1 1/2 baths, garage & storage. Nice orchard. Corner lot. \$26,000.

THE ULTIMATE GIFT—Elegant 4 bedroom, 3 bath, formal living room, separate dining, massive den with wood burning fireplace. Spacious master suite features walk in closets and well appointed bath. Over 3,000 square feet of luxury living. In North Piestar.

BE CENTISBLE—Choose this neat 3 bedroom or 2 bedroom and large den for only \$450 down plus closing. Already FHA appraised. Pretty carpet, good storage, fenced. Near College Park.

SANTA'S LITTLE HELPERS have been busy decorating this special buy on Lloyd St. Three bedrooms, paneled den, garage. All new paint and decor. Just \$15,000, so call today! Only \$9,900.

IT SPARKLES! Neat 2 bedroom in Sand Springs, completely remodeled. Warm wood tone paneling. Nice kitchen. Only \$9,900.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE will shine for the large living den in this roomy 2 bedroom with enclosed porch. Extra large kitchen with good storage. In quiet neighborhood on East Side. Only \$18,000.

CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY—Well built, solid brick home with 3 bedroom, 2 bath on 4 acres just minutes from City. Beautiful grounds, many extras. Just reduced to \$48,500. A lasting gift for the whole family.

BAH! HUMBUG! to rent receipts. See this 3 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath in Marcy School District. Built in oven, range, pantry, garage. Nice yard. Total \$19,500.

CHRISTMAS PACKAGE—10 acres on North FM 700—less than \$10,000 total.

WRAP THIS UP—Val Verde Estates. Lovely building sites. 3 acres on corner.

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WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS

7777	SANTA'S HELPERS NEEDED: Make offer on this frame home and redo and remodel! This could be your bargain for the yr.	1006 NE RUNNELS
14,500	HANG HOLLY HERE: 2 bdrm w. aluminum siding. Nice hardwood floors.	310 NW 11th
14,500	MARY'S BEAUTY CENTER: 5 chairs, all equip. and inventory. Bldg. leases for \$125 mo.	207 W. 9th
16,000	THINKING OF opening your own small business. Here's a perfect location. Corner 50x140 lot w. small stucco bldg.	1013 JOHNSON
19,000	A PERFECT SMALL BUSINESS for one who is interested in gift items and pottery. Established business. All stock incl. Shop rents for \$125 mo.	NR. DOWNTOWN
19,500	"THE CHILDREN WERE NESTLED." We can have you moved and settled in before Xmas. This darling stucco home has been appraised and is nicely painted on inside.	1302 MAIN
110,000	"A PARTRIDGE IN A PECAN, almond, mulberry or plum tree." This cute 2 bdrm is nestled among all. Located on dead end st.	1614 CANARY
112,500	START THE NEW YEAR in this cute 2 bdrm (could easily be 3) lots of parking. Fenced front and back yard. Many trees.	1109 MULBERRY
113,500	HOLIDAY PARTIES in large game rm. 3 bdrm, frame w. brick trim. Blt in over-range. 1326 sq ft. You'll have it.	901 DOUGLAS
113,850	TIE A BIG RED BOW around this one for your family! Owner will carry papers on 2 bdrm that is clean as a pin. New paneling in bth, and new floor covering in kit & bath.	1310 DONLEY
113,500	PREPARE A DELICIOUS TURKEY in this pretty kit w. a spot for everything. Really nice cabinets. 2 bdrm, (master is 14x22). Concrete tile floor. Carport.	1113 MULBERRY
117,300	GROW POINSETTIAS in your own greenhouse. Dandy 3 bdrm, 2 bth, single car gar. New 40 gal. water heater.	4107 Mulr
119,900	CRACKLING FIRE on Christmas morn in roomy den w. frpl. So many special features, unable to name them all. 3 bdrm, stucco in Coahoma School Dist. Cent heat & ref. air. Blt in o-r & dshwr. in kit. Dining rm.	SAND SPRINGS
126,000	CHRISTMAS FANTASIA—Imagine yourself in this lovely 3 bdrm, 1 1/2 bath, decorated w. utmost taste. Den open to elec. push button kit. Special break area. Its a dream that could come true. Call for app.	COAHOMA
128,000	WE WOULDN'T TRY TO SNOW YOU! You'll love this Wash. Pl. home. If completely finished, would have over 2400 sq. ft. lvg. space. Finished area include 3 bdrm, lvg. dining, den and bth. in kit. Cent. heat & ref. air. Washer, dryer, & ref. stay. Game rm. and 1 bth. to be completed.	1108 MT. VERNON
133,000	THIS IS THE STAR ON TOP OF OUR TREE! A brand new listing that impresses! 2 bdrm, 2 bth. Large den opens to kit. and dining. Perfectly delightful throughout. Dble. detached ggr., corner lot, lvg. manicured, landscaped yd. w. concrete tile floor, curved patio and gas grill. Won't last!	1301 WOOD
137,500	SERVICE STATION Bldg., all equip. & stock. Good location. Established business.	SW PART OF TOWN
143,500	A SPECIAL ONE for Christmas is this 4 bdrm 2 bath brick home on 1 acre in Sand Springs. Extra acre in back may be purchased. Pretty built-in kitchen Total Elec. This home sparkles! Only 2 years young.	No. 13 Val Verde
148,500	SLEIGH BELLS & CHRISTMAS CAROLS would sound so clear on this 10 acre setting. And the added plus is a beautiful brick home w. 3 bdrm, 2 bath. Huge den. Blt in kit. Sep. lvg. rm. and dining. Will present any reasonable offer.	N. OF COAHOMA
154,000	HANG YOUR STOCKING by this lvely, corner frpl. in roomy, den w. vaulted ceilings. This big brick home sets on 10 of Silver Heels loveliest acres. 4 bdrm, 2 bth. New paint throughout. 2250 sq. ft. Tot. elec. w. new heating & ref. air units. Screened porch. Water well producing 10 gpm.	CALLIHAN RD.
161,000	CHRISTMAS MAGIC—But seeing is believing!! A fantastic brk. home w. 3331 sq. ft. under roof. 4 bdrm, 2 1/2 bth. On 10 acres—(10 additional acres can be purchased if desired for \$12,000) New 80 gal. water heater. Oven-range, dshwr., dpl. in pretty kit. Cathedral ceilings. Many, Many extras.	SILVER HEELS
ACREAGE		
11,500	Buy one acre or 17. Good bldg. sites for home or industry.	MIDWAY RD.
12,100	1 acre tract. Sand Springs. Restricted.	VAL VERDE
12,200	77 acre tract. Sand Springs. Restricted. (1.68x200)	VAL VERDE
12,300	217.8x200 lot. Sand Springs. Restricted.	VAL VERDE
14,000	7 acres. Wilson & Derrick Rd. Lvg., rolling, wooded.	OFF MIDWAY RD.
14,300	4.33 acres. Sand Springs. Restricted.	VAL VERDE
19,000	20 acres Lvg. bldg. site. Good water well, Septic tank, mobil home hook ups. Stable, crib and storage bldg. Beautiful view.	TODD RD.
122,600	10 acres. 5 acre frontage. 2 good water wells. Has been cleared.	TODD RD.
137,000	58.22 acres. Partially in cultivation.	ANDREWS HWY.

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NEW LISTINGS -- FHA

3707 Calvin	Total	Down
4407 Connally	\$18,900	\$400
4102 Dixon	\$14,750	\$450
3234 Drexel	\$20,800	\$600
1509 Oriole	\$17,550	\$550

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START THE NEW YEAR with this country delight in the City. 3 Br 2 Bath, Brick. \$32,000.

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SINGLES OR NEWLY WEDS 2 Br and den. \$13,500.

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CLOSE TO COLLEGE 3 Br 2 bath, carport, storage house. \$15,800.

PANELED DEN WITH FIREPLACE. 2 Br lots of cabinets, built-in china cab., carpeted, garage, storage. \$22,500.

BUSINESS LOTS on Gregg. 5 To 40 ACRES — Homesteads.

SILVER HEELS — 10 acres, paved, water well. 2 1/2 ACRES — Good building site.

Silent Night



Greetings and Best Wishes for a wonderful Christmas Season. May you find peace and contentment throughout the years to come.

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Lodges C-1

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Employment F

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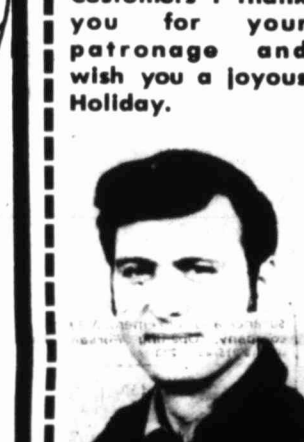
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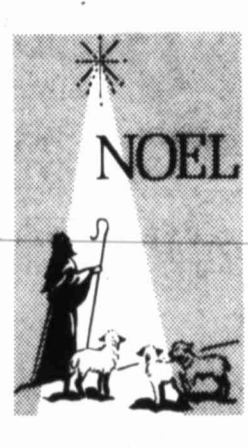


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Beware of winter sports dangers

By the Associated Press
A growing number of Americans are venturing into the cold and snow for winter sports like skiing, and novices can run into trouble if they don't learn about the dangers they may face.

Ski Industries of America, a trade association, estimates that as of the 1975-76 skiing season, there were almost 4.7 million hard-core skiers — who ski more than 12 days a year. There were another 3 million occasional

skiers. Consumers spent an estimated \$539 million on ski clothing, equipment and footwear and another \$1.8 billion on transportation, lodgings, snow tires and lift tickets.

The majority of the skiers — about 6 million of them — go in for Alpine skiing, swooping down slopes of varying degrees of difficulty. An increasing number of people, however, are trying

cross-country or touring skiing, which has become popular only in the past decade. Numerous commercial recreation areas cater to skiers, snowmobilers and other sportsmen. Most of the federal National Forest land also is open for winter travel, although there are some restrictions. General recreation maps and other information are available from regional offices of the

U.S. Forest Service or from district rangers. The U.S. Ski Association also has eight divisional offices which can provide lists of guidebooks for specific areas of the country.

According to the government, the number one killer of outdoor recreationists is hypothermia — subnormal temperature of the body. It is caused by exposure to cold and is aggravated by wet weather, wind and exhaustion. Most hypothermia cases develop in air temperatures between 30 and 50 degrees. It is not the cold alone which is the problem; it is the combination of cold and water.

There are two stages — simple exposure and actual hypothermia. Warning signals of danger include prolonged or violent shivering, vague speech, memory lapses, drowsiness and stumbling. By the time you reach the second stage, you may not be aware of what is happening, since cold will have reached the brain, depriving you of judgment and reasoning power.

Without treatment, you can fall into a stupor, collapse and die. A hypothermia victim should be treated immediately — even if he or she claims to be feeling fine. If you are out in the wilderness, rather than at a resort or commercial recreation area, there may not be a doctor available. Get the victim out of the wind and rain and strip off all wet clothing, the Forest Service advises. If the victim is conscious and aware of his surroundings, you should give him warm drinks, then get him into warm clothes and a warm sleeping bag.

Hollis, Okla. cowboy named rookie of year

DENVER, Colo. — Rookie of the Year honors for 1977 have been nabbed by Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association bareback rider Jimmy Cleveland of Hollis, Okla. The 27-year-old latched onto \$20,735 during the regular season to top the first-year money winners. He was awarded a hand-tooled saddle and \$1,500 buckle.

Cleveland came on strong at the end of the season, winning almost \$17,300 from the first of June through the end of November. He qualified for the National Finals Rodeo in 10th place in bareback riding after pocketing \$17,245 in that event. His season earnings were padded by \$2,280 in bull riding and almost \$1,000 in steer wrestling.

Cleveland cracked the thousand-dollar mark by only twice during the 1977 rodeo year, taking \$1,586 out of bull riding at Albuquerque, N.M. and

collecting \$2,811 in bareback riding at Cheyenne, Wyo. He picked up three day-monies from the ten-go-round Finals, where the world championships are determined solely on cash won at that rodeo. Competing against others in the "top 15" in his event, Cleveland wound up with \$3,610 and sixth place in the world championship ranks.

Top bucking stock of the 1977 NFR also were named at the contest. Earning top honors for saddle broncs was "Short Crop," owned by Reg Kesler of Missoula, Mont. Bob Aber of Beach, N. Dak., had his stock earn double awards; "Top Hand" was judged top bucking bull at the NFR, while "Double Jeopardy" was tabbed the number one bareback horse.

New members of the PRCA Board of Directors were selected by the membership during the first week in December. Dale Smith of Chandler, Ariz., was re-elected as president of the Denver-based organization. Ellen Backstrom of Wickenburg, Ariz., became the first woman ever to be seated on the board, stepping in as contract business representative. Others selected include Bobby Brown, Adrian, Texas, saddle bronc rider; Larry Dawson, Gruver, Texas, steer wrestling; Jim Moore, Balmorhea, Texas, steer roping; Bob Cook, Clements, Ca., stock contractor representative.

Division Leaders: SADDLE BRONC RIDING — J.C. Bonine, Hysham, Mont., \$7,453. BAREBACK BRONC RIDING — Jack Ward, Springdale, Ark., \$6,987. BULL RIDING — Don Gavy, Mesquite, Tex., \$6,527. GRA BARREL RACING — Jackie Jo Perrin, Antlers, Okla., \$3,610. CALF ROPING — Jim Gladstone, Cardston, Alta., \$7,166. STEER WRESTLING — Tom Ferguson, Miami, Okla., \$7,882. TEAM ROPING — David Motes, Fresno, Ca. and Dennis Motes, Mesa, Ariz., \$8,322. ALL AROUND COWBOY — Tom Ferguson, Miami, Okla., \$10,749.

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Parent meets with trustees

LAMESA — A parent of a third grader and the Lamesa school board were closeted for two and a half hours Monday evening preceding the regular meeting.

The executive session, which was requested by North Elementary principal Lee McCallister, involved Mrs. Clyde Parks. No action was taken following the closed discussion.

In regular session, the board recommended improvements in their auditing procedure, and passed several policy amendments, including purchasing changes.

PUBLIC NOTICE
INVITATION FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF LOW RENT HOUSING PROJECT
The Housing Authority of the City of Stanton will receive proposals from interested Builders and Developers to design, develop and construct 15 units of low rent housing on a Turnkey basis, for ultimate purchase by the housing authority. Proposals will be received at the Housing Authority Office, 408 E. Carpenter, Stanton, Texas until January 23, 1978. Proposals will then be considered and evaluated by the Housing Authority of the City of Stanton. The Housing Authority reserves the right to select a Builder/Developer based on the best site, design, and amenities offered. The Authority also reserves the right to reject any and all proposals. The composition of the project will be as follows: Semi-Detached Family 2 1/2 Br., 4 1/2 Br., 4 3/4 Br., 1 4 Br. Semi-Detached Elderly, Handicapped or Disabled 4 1 Br. Units. The design of the project must comply with the latest Minimum Property Standards. HUD Forms, Guidelines, etc. will be available in the office of the Local Housing Authority. SIGNED: MARY PRUDIE BROWN, Chairman. SIGNED: JOSEPHINE JONES, Secretary. DEC 18, 23, 25, 31, 1977

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When I see a Christmas tree, I always compare it to our own, on which we put four generations of decorations and add a couple new ones every year. The tree keeps getting bigger and bigger and we soon may have to move outside.

The poinsettia makes me think of South Texas where I grew up and where the poinsettias grew six feet tall in the front yard.

My first Christmas that I was completely away from my parents was in 1950 when we moved to Pecos. Near Christmas one day, my husband came home and found me crying and asked me what was the matter. I hated to admit that at the ripe old age of 24, I was homesick, so I sniffed, "There aren't any poinsettias out here in West Texas."

The angel reminds me of Lonnie Winterrowd in Pecos. The sophomore class there had a nice tradition of having a live Nativity Scene outside on the high school lawn the day of the Christmas band concert.

One year it got down to eight degrees with ice and snow everywhere. The girl who was to be the angel and stand on top of the impromptu stable was told by her mother that she "could not." So Lonnie Winterrowd dressed like an angel and stood on the stable. When I went to get a picture, he stood up there shivering and also played like he was crying when he saw I was going to take a picture. I stood out in that snow and laughed and I still think of him whenever I see a Christmas angel.

Christmas bells and music — I love them. I like hearing the chimes and I loved getting a chance again to sing in "The Messiah" — when the First United Methodist choir let a few of us heathens join them for the event. And while I was writing this column, the Big Spring High Band came in to the newspaper office and played a mini-concert.

How wonderful to share their music all over Big Spring at the Christmas season.

When I think of mistletoe, I

think of the time I climbed up in the mesquite tree in South Texas to pick some fresh and the limb broke. As I came crashing down, I was hollering, "I've got the mistletoe."

When I think of outdoor Nativity Scenes, I think of the old Chicano woman in Pecos who crocheted a dress for the Christ child and one night dressed the naked babe who was in the manger outside the chamber office.

When I think of Santa Claus, I think of this huge crowd trying to mash Santa Claus down in front of the Big Spring courthouse the first year I came here. One of the local civic clubs gave poor Santa a little sack full of candy to pass out to hundreds of children. He ran out of candy and the crowd literally stampeded "Old St. Nick."

When I think of Christmas plays, I think of one in 1961 in George Washington Carver Elementary in Pecos. They called me at the newspaper and said nobody had ever ventured down to their

school to take a picture of the Christmas program. That was in the days of civil rights and freedom buses and riots. I told them I'd be there.

The night of the program, it was snowing and sleeting. The street to the school was muddy. I literally slid down that street with my young son beside me on the front seat of the car. We got out and walked through the mud into the small wooden school.

When we opened the door in silence, I knew Christmas had arrived. The place was packed and people were stacked up to the windows. Down front was a Nativity Scene and a group of angels singing "Silent Night" and on either side were two boys dressed like wooden soldiers in bright red suits.

I don't know what they had to do with the Nativity but the whole thing struck me as being Christmas — really Christmas.

And it's Christmas again today. Hope you enjoy your memories as much as I do mine — when I'm out ridin' fence — at Christmas.

4 million CB licenses issued during '77

WASHINGTON (AP) — CB radio license applications began leveling off in the last year, but the government still issued nearly 4 million licenses in 1977.

Preliminary figures from the Federal Communications Commission show more than 3.5 million licenses were issued through November, and the FCC expected to grant another 250,000 in December.

That means nearly 11.5 million CB stations now are licensed, compared to 7.5 million at the end of 1976.

While the licensing rate may be dropping, it is still considerably higher than it was when the CB boom began several years ago.

It took 16 years — from 1958, when the CB service as we know it was created, to 1974 — for the FCC to issue its first million licenses.

Then, within eight months, it recorded its second million; three and a half months later, its third million. By Dec. 31, 1976, it had licensed more than 7.5 million stations including a record 5.5 million that year alone.

Industry estimates indicate there may be as many as 25 million CB sets now in use, including one in every

nine cars. After this weekend, it will be illegal to sell 23-channel radios, new or used. But don't throw away your old set because the government ruling does not affect your use of it on the air.

The FCC ordered 23-channel sets removed from the marketplace in an attempt to eventually eliminate those sets more likely to interfere with television and other home electronic entertainment equipment.

The result has been a drastic drop in the price of 23-channel radios as dealers attempted to get them off their shelves by the year's end. According to the FCC, about the only use permitted of unsold units is for spare parts.

It will be nearly impossible to enforce, but the FCC ruling also prohibits individuals from selling their old 23-channel sets to their neighbors down the street.

But, again, the ruling does not mean you can no longer talk on your old 23-channel set. As long as it's operated legally, the FCC says, go ahead and racket-jaw to your heart's content.

Season's Greetings

Christmas is the sound of bells, the laughter of children, the glow of candles and the scent of pine. Christmas is the joy of families and the happiness of friends. We hope your Christmas has love, warmth and laughter.

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If you want to call on Christmas Day, the manager said, the best time is between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.

"Since Christmas falls on Sunday this year, holiday discount rates will apply all day Monday, December 26," Hurt said. "The regular low weekend rate will apply from 11 p.m. Friday until 5 p.m. Sunday. And One-Plus rates are lower than operator-assisted calls regardless of the hour."

The manager said more than 2.6 million long distance calls will be placed in Texas this year, and a record 15 million interstate calls are expected nationwide.

"In our area of Texas we expect a 10 per cent increase over last year's long distance volume," the manager said. "To accommodate the anticipated increase the Bell System is adding circuits to its network and assigning additional operators."



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