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## How's that? Kate

Q. How many Oscars has Katharine Hepburn won?

A. Four. For her roles as Eleanor of Aquitaine in "A Lion in Winter," as "Marjorie Morningstar," as Mary in Eugene O'Neill's Pulitzer Prize- winning "A Long Day's Journey into Night," and as the mother in "Guess Who's Coming to Din-ner," opposite her long-time lover, Spencer Tracy. The movie was Tracy's last before he died, and Hepburn, when accepting the award, noted that Tracy had not been awarded one and accepted for both of them.

## Calendar: Concert

## TODAY

• The Howard County Community College District trustees will meet at noon at the college. Big Spring High School choirs will present a Christmas concert at 8 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Admission is

WEDNESDAY • The Spring City Dance Club will meet at 8 p.m. at the Eagle's

FRIDAY

• A senior citizens dance will be held at 7:30 p.m. in Airpark building #487.

SATURDAY • The Mariah marching color guard of Big Spring High School will hold a bake sale beginning at 10 a.m. at the Highland Mall.

SUNDAY • The Potton House, decorated for a turn-of-thecentury Christmas, will be open from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

## Tops on TV:

Richard Chamberlain and Rod Steiger star in "Cook and Peary: The Race for the Pole," at 8 p.m. on channel 7. The movie outlines the disputes which broke up the team of Dr. Frederick Cook and Lt. Robert Peary as they were headed for the North Pole. Each claims to be the first there.

## At the movies: Scarface

"Scarface" with Al Pacino debuts at the Ritz along with "A Night in Heaven." "All the Right Moves" stays at the Cinema, showing with "Sudden Impact." "Mr. Mom" returns to the R-70.

## Outside: Colder

The forecast calls for fair skies and colder temperatures today through Wednesday. Highs today will be near 60 with northwesterly winds, 20 to 25 miles per hour and gusty. Winds should decrease to 10 to 15 miles per hour by this afternoon. On Wednesday temperatures should reach the mid-50s.

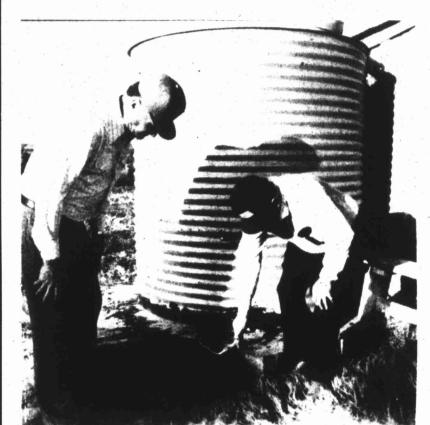




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# Spring Knott arsenic remains mystery



## Taking precautions

DOUBLE CHECKING — Barney Nichols looks at the spout on a tank of water on his land in the Knott community as neighbor J.B. Shockley looks on. Knott residents have been warned not to drink from water supplies after 11 cows died from arsenic poisoning in the community.

## Stanton, Coahoma want grants

By CAROL BALDWIN Staff Writer

Resolutions from Coahoma and Stanton will be among items discussed during a 1:30 p.m. meeting Wednesday of the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission in the Midland Regional Air Terminal in Midland.

Coahoma has submitted an application to the Texas Department of Community Affairs for a planning grant. The city is requesting a total of \$22,000 to develop a water distribution system plan.

A summary of the situation shows Coahoma obtains water from the Howard County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1. The district's September billing to Coahoma was for 11 million gallons. The city's customers were billed for only nine million gallons. This 18 percent loss was attributed to leaks in water distribution mains which city officials say are old and deteriorated.

The proposed water distribution system plan includes an analysis of existing conditions and needs in the system. It also includes a recommended program of distribution system improvements, a detailed cost estimate for proposed improvements, and an analysis of the city's existing water rate structure.

The plan also includes identifying alternative funding sources to pay for proposed improvements.

Stanton has submitted an application to the Texas Department of Community Affairs for \$9,400 to be used for a planning grant under the Texas Community Development

Program. The city proposes to study the south portion of Stanton to determine the needs and possible remedies in the areas of housing rehabilitation, drainage and street improvements, water and sewage improvements and the development of community facilities.

MILTON KIRBY



LARRY DON SHAW ... speaks to NAACP

## By KEITH BRISCOE

**City Editor** KNOTT - State officials intensified their investigation today of high levels of arsenic found in well water here which have this farming community's 250 residents drinking bottled water until the cause and extent of the contamination can be determined

Investigators still are unsure of the source of the arsenic concentrations.

Jed Barker, sanitarian for the state Department of Public Health in Midland, said this morning a preliminary state laboratory analysis of water taken from the well of Bud Hughes showed the arsenic level to be almost twice as high as the maximum safety level established by the federal Environmental Protection Agency.

This finding confirms an earlier analysis completed by Southwestern Laboratories in Midland which showed water from several wells in the area to contain dangerously high amounts of

Barker said he took samples from wells at 25 farms last night and expects chemical analyses by Friday from the state laboratory in Austin. Jack Barton, division manager of Southwestern, said he had never

before encountered such high amounts of arsenic in a water supply. He declined to reveal the findings of his examination, but Mrs. Joe Hughes of Knott said yesterday the Midland Laboratory told some residents their well water contained

arsenic levels as high as 26 parts per million Other well water was determined

to be at or below the maximum safe level, she said. According to Dr. Dale Perrington

of the Texas A&M University Research and Extension Center in Lubbock, ingestion of arsenic at levels of .21 parts per million over a long period can be fatal.

The EPA limit on arsenic levels in water is .05 parts per million, he

Barker said he also took soil samples to determine the source of the arsenic which was identified in the death of 11 cattle here which began dying three weeks ago.

He said the death of the cattle, which consumed extremely high levels of arsenic from a watering tank, may be unrelated to the arsenic discovered in the water

Don Richardson, Howard County Extension agent, said he doubted the contamination came from overuse of pesticide. He said the arsenic may have occurred naturally from geological formations or may have been released from improper use of the chemical in oilfield work.

**Hughes and other Knott residents** said they sprayed their cotton fields in November with arsenic defoliant to kill the plants for early stripping. According to Johnny Broughton

of G.C. Broughton Implement of Big Spring, most area cotton farmers use a defoliant called Hi-Yield,

## **Knott residents** wary of water

By CAROL BALDWIN

Staff Writer Large bottles of drinking water purchased from area stores are a common site in Knott community nomes this week as families fearful of arsenic in their water take precautions to protect their amilies from the poison.

The Knott community covers a vide area of land off U.S. 87 northwest of Big Spring. Long, dusty farm roads connect residents of the close-knit community.

These people knew something was wrong three weeks ago when cattle belonging to the Bud Hughes family began dying.

Marie Nichols and her husband Barney were particulary upset because their daughter, Mrs. Ken Maxwell, lived only a mile from the Hughes land and whatever was killing the cattle could effect the Maxwell family, too.

When autopies performed on the cattle revealed fatally high levels of arsenic in their livers, most Knott residents assumed that "it was localized to the Hughes well. But last week, "everything came to a standstill," Mrs. Nichols said, when health officials were called into the community to test water supplies and the problem was See Knott page 2-A

## Rep. Shaw praises Big Spring's fledgling NAACP organization

## By KEITH BRISCOE **City Editor**

Big Spring's state representative told the local chapter of the NAACP last night that its grass-roots organization represented "the strength of our system and the safeguard of our system.

The NAACP has done more than any other organization to affect human rights and what we believe to be our democratic system," Larry Don Shaw, D-Big Spring, told the three-month-old chapter at its first annual meeting.

Shaw, 30, said American government is at an "exciting crossroad" where "hard battles" and "blood, sweat and tears" will be required to carry on democratic struggles against unemployment, poverty and inferior education.

"To seek anything less, then we as citizens...have let down those who set up this government for us." he said. "I'm seeing signs of hope, a recommitment of people on the local level to see that things get done. Shaw applauded the NAACP's voter registration

which has made us strong. 'We're entering a time of transition, signs that the country is changing," Shaw said. "Changes will bring about not conflict but cooperation.

drives among minorities as enriching "the melting pot

The second term legislator said he welcomed the entry of Jesse Jackson to the Democratic presidential nomination race because "he will focus our problems and provide a role model to our children that anyone of any race can run for office.

Jackson's campaign and the work of the NAACP. Shaw said, will ensure that "more blacks will be registered this year.

The human rights goals of the NAACP, Shaw said, should be applied to our foreign policy, which he described as too often resembling "a John Wayne

He said our "gun boat diplomacy" should be questioned while our economic and political ties to Mexico are strengthened.

"I would have to question some of the governments we have supported," Shaw said in reference to Central America. "You have to ask yourself the question whether they (Central Americans) see a difference between us and the Soviets.

He said our foreign policy in this area often shows 'we're no better than those we call the enemy.

"I do think the world would be a lot better off if Russia and America would go home for a while," Shaw

## O.I.L. remains 'valid tenant'

## By RICK BROWN **Staff Writer**

Oilfield Industrial Lines Inc. remains a "valid tenant" in Big Spring Industrial Park, Air Park Manager Hal Boyd said Tuesday, although the beleaguered company plans to close its plant in about

The City of Big Spring has yet to receive official notification of the plant's closing from O.I.L. or its owner, Kidde Corporation of Saddlebrook, N.J., Boyd

The company's latest rent payment to the city was received in mid-November, making the company's account current and up-to-date, Boyd added.

O.I.L. pays approximately \$31,000 in rent monthly to the city for use of about 25 buildings in the Air Park complex, Boyd said. The figure represents 40 to 45 percent of the income the city derives from Air Park, Boyd said.

There are no provisions for vacating the lease agreement between O.I.L. and the city, which expires Dec.

Boyd said he could not comment on possible legal action which might occur if O.I.L should default on its lease agreement.

Nor could he comment on the possible budgetary impact such a default might have on the city, he said. O.I.L. parent company Kidde Corporation last week issued a press release published in the Wall Street Journal which announced a major divestiture program for the company, John Stilwell of O.I.L Energy Inc. in Dallas said Monday. As part of the divestiture, O.I.L. will be shut down, Stilwell said.

O.I.L. chief operating officer Richard Fackler told employees in Big Spring Friday that the plant would be closed in about three weeks, company human resources director John Rowe said Monday Asked if the closing of O.I.L surprised company

employees, Rowe replied, "You bet." About 18 people remain at the company's Air Park

plant and will work until an oil rig on the grounds is completed and delivered, an O.I.L. employee said



HAL BOYD

## Commissioners decline fraud contract

## By RICK BROWN **Staff Writer**

A proposed contract that would have given Howard County state money for prosecuting food stamprelated fraud cases apparently "died for lack of support" in Monday's County Commissioners meeting, according to County Judge

Milton Kirby. The proposed contract with the State Department of Human Resources would have given the

county \$250 for every uncontested verdict and \$600 for every conviction in fraud-related cases. The county, however, would have received no money in cases with

deferred adjudication verdicts. The proposed contract "died" when no motions of any kind were made concerning the contract after its submission to commissioners by County Attorney Bob Miller during

Monday's meeting.

Miller pointed out after the

meeting that Kirby, the meetings presiding officer, asked for no motions concerning the contract. Kirby said Monday he was oppos-

ed to the state payments because they would "influence the performance of the court."

Kirby was also opposed to the contract because of the clause stipulating money would not be paid in the case of a deferred adjudication verdict. The clause might limit the punishments that are handed

down by the court, he said. Commissioner O.L. Brown said Monday he thought the contract should be brought up before the commissioners again for consideration.

"(The contract) would be a service to the community," Brown said

Miller said last week that he would prosecute the fraud-related cases "whether there is a contract or not.



## Police Beat

## Knives reported stolen

Fred Butler, purchasing agent for Coin Electric at 2500 Candy Lane, told police at 6 a.m. Tuesday that someone entered the business between 5 p.m. Monday and 6 a.m. Tuesday through a small hole in the door on the West side of the building and stole five knives worth \$500, police reports said.

• Jimmy Morehead told police at 8:50 a.m. Monday that someone entered the Big Spring Bonded Warehouse at 100 Johnson by breaking a window in the east door and stole a cash box and contents worth \$50,

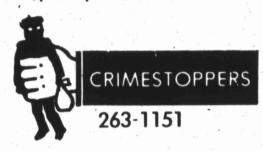
police reports said.

 Vernon Huff of 1507-A Wood told police at 2 p.m. Monday that someone he knows threatened him with bodily harm at 12:45 p.m. Monday, police reports said. Rosita Smith of 1002 N. Main told police at 5:50

p.m. Monday that someone entered her apartment, caused an unknown amount of damage to a television and a light fixture and stole food stamps worth \$125 and \$24 in currency, police reports said.

• Burger Chef employee Terry Lesher of 616 Ridglea told police at 7:20 p.m. Monday that someone broke the side vent window of his 1980 Ford Ranger pick-up while the vehicle was parked on the north side of Burger Chef at 2401 Gregg, police reports said.

• Ross E. Jewett, 21, of 1601 Cardinal was arrested at 11:57 p.m. Monday in connection with traffic warrants, police reports said.



## Sheriff's Log

## Burglary items recovered

Howard County sheriff's deputies during the weekend recovered several items stolen in three separate burglaries that occurred during the last six months

Deputies recovered a cash register stolen June 12 from Williams Grocery on South Moss Lake Road, a radio and silverware taken in a burglary July 11 from the residence of Rod Ware at 604 W. 17th, and a lawn mower taken from the storage shed of Robert Marquez' residence.

Sheriff A.N. Standard said the three incidents were unrelated. Sheriff's deputies have interviewed persons in both the Ware and the Marquez burglaries, he said, but no charges have been filed yet. Deputies decline to release where the items were recovered pending

- Deputies Monday answered a call regarding an unattended death in the county. County Judge Milton Kirby pronounced Mrs. Jackie Rupard, 42, dead at 6:15 a.m. Monday of natural causes. He said Mrs. Rupard died about 4 a.m. in her sleep at her house near Moss Lake Road and East Interstate Highway 20.
- On Sunday, Deputies arrested John Mack Smithers, 27, of 1503 East Third on a Randall County warrant and a Potter County warrant on suspicion of issuance of a bad check. He was released on two \$500 preset bonds
- Servando Rodriquez, 24, of 807 N. Scurry was released Monday after serving 42 days of a 60-day sentence for revocation of probation by Kirby. He was given credit for 18 days for good time.
- Billy Paul Darrow, 38, of 609 W. 17th was transferred to the county jail Saturday on suspicion of driving while license suspended. Darrow was released on \$1,000 bond set by Municipal Judge Lewis Heflin.

## Cheese distribution planned

West Texas Opportunities Director Patricia Lawlis said that cheese, butter and corn meal will be distributed from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday through the Emergency Food Assistance Program at the National Guard Armory, Farm Road 700

Recipients must be approved and certified to receive the commodities. All recipients must have their certification card with them in order to receive commodities. They are also asked to bring a sack to carry

No applications for verification will be taken the day of distribution, Mrs. Lawlis said. The West Texas Opportunities office will be closed distribution day. Business will resume, by appointment only, at West Texas Opportunities, Ventura Building, 1000 11th Place, Room 107, phone 267-9536, on week days.

The program coordinator will be at the Senior Citizen's Center, Industrial Park, for applications and information

To be considered for certification, applicants need to bring proof of all income and proof of identity. Only one card per househould will be issued, Mrs. Lawlis

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## Today's topic -

## Alert sounded on toy phones

NEW YORK (AP) — Cordless telephones, one of the most popular electronic gadgets on store shelves this season, can cause serious hearing damage to careless users, the government's top product safety

Nancy Harvey Steorts, chairwoman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, issued what she called a "consumer alert" Monday as she stopped in New York on a nationwide tour to promote safer

She also praised toymakers for what she called their dedication to safety, while cautioning parents that they bear the chief burden of making certain that toys are safe for the children who use them.

The commission has received numerous complaints and about 20 reports of hearing damage blamed on cordless telephones, Mrs. Steorts said. About 3 million are expected to be sold this year, and all except those of one maker - whom she would not name - ring by making a loud noise through the earpiece.

When a user is holding the phone to his head and is not expecting the loud ring, hearing loss can result,

A user who answers the phone must be careful before placing the phone to his ear to move a switch from "ring" to "talk" to cut off the loud noise, she

Mrs. Steorts praised members of the Electronics Industries Association, a trade group, for agreeing to put warning stickers on the phones.

If the information campaign doesn't work, we'll have to look at some change in the product itself," she said.

In the case of both the telephone and toy industries, Mrs. Steorts said she strongly prefers to seek voluntary action by manufacturers rather than have the commission impose new regulations.

"The toy industry really cares," she said as she stood amid a roomful of products chosen to illustrate various hazards. "The toy industry has worked very closely with us to create a safer marketplace. Toys were involved in 123,500 injuries that re-

quired hospital emergency room treatment in the 12 months ending in September 1982, she said, compared with 146,000 a year earlier. The agency reported 17 toy-related deaths in 1982, compared with about 35 in 1981.

Mrs. Steorts said that despite a decade of regulation, the nature of the toy industry "puts the burden on the parents." A toy that is appropriate for an 8-year-old, like a gun that shoots suction-cup darts,

could kill a 3-year-old if used improperly, she said.

She demonstrated some toys that have been recalled recently - a fluffy stuffed bumblebee with long and potentially strangling strings attached to the wings; a tiny plastic doll with limbs that could detach and choke a toddler; a plastic locomotive



DANGEROUS TOYS - Nancy Steorts, chairwoman of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, displays some toys the commission considers to be unsafe. Steorts said the government has the biggest responsibility for making sure that toys are safe for children.

with a small bell that can break loose and be swallowed.

Even common rubber balloons can choke a child of 3, she said, advising parents to avoid toys with small parts that can get caught in a throat, sharp edges or projectiles unless a child is old enough to aim them carefully.

Stephen Brombeck, a spokesman for the Washington-based Consumer Federation of America, said his group "is more in agreement than disagreement" with the commission on toy

"If industry will voluntarily clean up its act, that's the most efficient way to proceed," he said, adding that toys already are extensively regulated and the commission is reasonably vigorous in

## Knott.

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found to extend outside of the Hughes' property into the water supplies of many Knott residents.

Once the word was out, residents began calling one another to make sure everyone understood not to drink well water until a health department official could test for arsenic in the

One of the first things which came to mind for many people in the community was, "What would we do if the water supply is bad," Mrs. Nichols said. "We've lived 45 years on this place. I don't like the idea of moving because of the

After an initial panic Mrs. Nichols said she and her husband agreed, "We would come up with

some other source" rather than move from their home. 'My husband was born and rais-

ed here," Mrs. Nichols said. "We've never had nothing like Health officials took a sample of

water from the Nichols home Monday afternoon. "They said it'd be Thursday or Friday until we got the reports," Mrs. Nichols said. In the meantime, the Nichols will use their bottled water supply for drinking. However, after running a

preliminary test to test the level of arsenic in water from the Nichols well, the health official told Mrs. Nichols "we could use the water. Everyone's well is showing up at a different level. He left it up to us, but he said he wouldn't be afraid to

But many residents are still awaiting results of more testing and "are still not going to use the water" for bathing or for washing dishes. "I went ahead, but I may be risking," Mrs. Nichols said.

Because the preliminary report from the health official was positive on the Nichols water, "I'm not as upset this morning," she said today. "We're still upset because we don't know definitely what is going on with my daughter and grandkids and nieces and nephews," she said, referring to the Maxwells and the Hughes.

But "I really do feel better today. I think everyone will relax more" now that health officials are investigating. But no one will fully relax "until we get another report" she said.

## Arsenic

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which he said "contains a good percentage of arsenic.

'But it's just not likely to collect in one spot and do that much Broughton said. "They used a lot more arsenic last year, and there was no problem.

Tom Milligan, director of the Department of Water Resources in Austin, said this morning the Knott wells may be connected by a common stream which could be in contact with natural collections of arsenic. He said once arsenic gets into a water supply, "you have a long-term situation.

Perrington said arsenic is found naturally in small elemental arsenides which are the byproducts of lead, copper, zinc and tin. He said arsenides are indigenous to West Texas, but do not occur on a large scale or in great concentration in the Permian Basin

He said the chemical has a cumulative effect in the bloodstream because of its slow excretion properties. Normal human blood contains .20 to 1.0 parts per million of arsenic, he said.

## TESCO given \$72 million hike

dime of that.

AUSTIN (AP) — The Public Utility Commission's first round of major rate cases produced smaller-thanrequested hikes for two companies and continued debate on how to charge customers for the cost of fuel used to produce electricity.

The three commissioners, appointed by Gov. Mark White when the previous commissioners quit under fire from the governor, on Monday gave Texas Electric Service Co. an increase of about \$72 million.

To TESCO's 592,000 customers in West, Central and North Texas, it will mean an increase in their bills of about 7 percent in February. TESCO wanted \$195 million, and company Vice President Ed Watson said an appeal probably would be filed.

West Texas Utilities, which serves 164,000 residents in the northern, western and central portions of the state, wanted \$26.5 million more, but was granted about \$14 million. That increase will mean about 5 percent more on customers' bills.

The TESCO hike includes only a part — perhaps a small part — of the overall increase faced by the companies' customers. TESCO also is looking for \$695 million to cover 1984 fuel costs.

The company is one of the three Texas Utilities firms (Texas Power & Light and Dallas Power & Light are the others) that requested \$1.96 billion for 1984 fuel.

PUC Hearing Examiner Philip Holder recommended granting \$1.9 billion, but the commission voted 3-0 Monday to order Holder to take another look at the

The vote came after Texas Municipal League lawyer

Grace Casstevens complained the system used by Holder encourages careless spending by utility companies because it lets the companies guess how much they'll need.

For more than a year, the commission has been working on a system to replace the fuel adjustment clause that had allowed electric companies to automatically pass fuel costs to consumers. Mrs. Casstevens said Monday that the system allow-

ing projections of fuel costs is "even worse" than the old, automatic pass-through system. "Now the companies have an incentive to spend

more," she told the commission. PUC staff lawyer Marianne Carroll agreed, saying, "The incentive is to overestimate the costs so they will be recovered through rates, and then to spend every

PUC Chairman Al Erwin told Holder to calculate the fuel costs based on a "historic test year" rather than projections. Erwin said the test year data could be tempered by calculations for "known and reasonably predictable changes," such as the end of a fuel contract.

Texas Utilities attorney Robert Wooldridge said the recalculation would reduce the fuel projection by \$32 million.

The debate over a "fuel rule" has been on since White made the automatic fuel adjustment clause a top issue in his 1982 campaign. The 1983 Legislature banned the automatic pass-through.

The commission discussed a new rule for over a year, prompting Commissioner Peggy Rosson to ask Monday, "Is this our 'We really, really mean it' fuel

## Some say he's too Young to retire now

Bill Young says he's going to fish, travel and "see who all I can harass" now that he's retiring after 42

years with the Getty Oil Co. Young, 62, who joined the company in 1941 in Rodessa, La., will officially spend his last day Dec. 31 as a warehouseman at the company's plant 25 miles north of Big Spring near Vealmoor. In honor of his retirement,

his coworkers surprised him with a special party this The 10-year resident of Big

Spring and his wife, Iola, have two children, Phillip Young of Midland and Gail McKinney of Hobbs, N.M.

Before coming to Big Spring, Young was employed by Getty in Eunice, N.M., where he was active in little league baseball and the Masonic Lodge His career with Getty was spent in the manufactur-



BILL YOUNG

## Relatives of sunken ship crewmen file suit

ing division making natural gas products.

HOUSTON (AP) — The father of a Texas man who is among 81 crewmen missing since a U.S. oil drilling ship sank in the South China Sea two months ago says some of the missing workers may be alive in Vietnam.

Douglas Pierce, whose 29-year-old son, John, of Stephenville, was working aboard the Glomar Java Sea, said a U.S. government official told him that at least 10 of the 42 Americans and 11 other crewmen are alive in Vietnam. He declined to identify the official.

But Dick Vermeer, vice president of Global Marine Inc., owner of the sunken ship, said "we don't know that information to be true."

Pierce and the family of another crew member have filed lawsuits totalling \$13.5 million against Global Marine, which leased the vessel to Atlantic Richfield Corp.'s Chinese subsidiary.

The Glomar Java Sea sank Oct. 25 during a typhoon. None of the 81 crew has been found.

Global Marine has denied responsibility for the sinking. Pierce, an Austin attorney who once worked for an

oil company, has sued Global Marine for \$8.5 million in Houston federal court. A similar \$5 million lawsuit was filed by Patricia Cates of Midland, wife of crew member Bernard Patrick Cates. Relatives and officials of Global Marine hope crew

members used two hardtop lifeboats to drift westward onto the shores of Vietnam. However, that country has reported it has searched unsuccessfully for survivors. Pierce said he obtained a death certificate on his son in order to file the lawsuit, but he still hopes his son is

"I hope Global will find it less expensive to continue the search than to discontinue it," he said of his legal action against the company.

Pierce said his son had asked for a transfer from the ocean drilling rig because of communications pro-blems between English-speaking crew members and Chinese crew members.

"Obviously things happen very quickly on a drilling ship and communications are vital," the father said. 'For the first time in four years (of offshore work), he was afraid.

Global Marine has filed documents in federal court disclaiming responsibility for the accident, saying it did everything possible to make sure the ship was safe. In Hong Kong, a U.S. Marine Board of Investigation reconvened Monday to hear testimony about the sinking. The five-man board is scheduled to hear more

## Water cutoffs announced

testimony on the sinking in Houston next month.

The water will be turned off on Auburn Street from Baylor to Columbia from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, a spokeswoman for the city Public Works Department

said Tuesday.

The city plans to repair several fire plugs on the street during that time, the spokeswoman said.

## Deaths

## Jackie Rupard

Mrs. Ikie (Jackie) Rupard, 43, died this morn-Sand Springs after a sud-

den illness. Services are pending pending. with Nalley-Pickle Funeral Leidec Home.

## **Josephine** Strickland

STANTON - Josephine Alice Strickland Woody of Stanton died at 1:10 a.m. Monday at Martin County Hospital at the age of 89 after a lengthy illness.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Gilbreath Funeral Home in Stanton with Deral McWhorter, minister of the Stanton Church of Christ, officiating.

Burial will follow at Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Born May 2, 1894 at Buffalo Gap, she was a long-time resident of Stanton and Midland. She was married to Arthur Woody, who died in in 1957.

She is survived by one daughter, Kathleen Lock of Mountain Home; two sisters, Mattie Lee Wills and Lucille Anderson, both of Pheonix, Ariz.; and three grandchildren.

## Cort Leidecker

CARLSBAD, CALIF. -Cort Carlos Leidecker, 28, ing at her residence in son of a Big Spring woman, died Sunday of natural causes. Services are Leidecker was born Feb.

28, 1955 in Glendive, Montana. He later moved to California, where he attended school. He is survived by his

mother, Jo F. Leidecker of Big Spring; his sister, Pat O'Neil, and his brother-inlaw, Vin O'Neil, both of Westchester, Ohio; two nephews, Cort Allen O'Neil and Vinny Paul O'Neil; two aunts, Bobbie Fleener and Nophlet Madry of Big Spring; and numerous cousins in Big Spring.

He was preceded in death by his father, Don C. Leidecker of Big Spring, in



Mrs. Ikie (Jackie) Rupard, 43, died Tuesday morning following a sudden illness. Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle Funeral

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## Taylor checks into hospital

RANCHO MIRAGE, Calif. - Elizabeth Taylor,



undergoing chemical dependency treatments, traces much of her problem to prescription drugs that she has taken over the years for various illnesses, a hospital of-

> ficial says. Eisenhower Medical Center announced Monday that Miss Taylor has been at the facility since Dec. 5, and the hospital spokesman, Cliff Brown, would not predict how long the actress would remain.

The 51-year-old Miss Taylor is undergoing ELIZABETH TAYLOR treatment at the hospital's Betty Ford Center, a facility named for the former first lady for those recovering from

dependency on drugs and alcohol, Brown said. 'She selected the Ford Center because she has great admiration for Betty Ford and believed her problems to be very similar to that experienced by Mrs. Ford in that much of her trouble stems from prescription drugs administered over a period of years to combat her various medical problems,'

Brown said the usual stay at the center is four

Miss Taylor entered St. John's Hospital in Santa Monica, a seaside suburb of Los Angeles, on Nov. 28 for what her physician described at the time as a checkup.

Chen Sam, a spokeswoman for the actress, said in late November that Miss Taylor was having the checkup about two weeks before she planned to leave for Europe. Ms. Sam said Miss Taylor intended to spend Christmas with her children and fiancee. Victor Luna.

## Hope plans Middle East trip

LOS ANGELES — Bob Hope is making a list and checking it twice so he'll be ready to fly to the Mid-

dle East with his usual sleigh full of Christmas entertainment - but whether he'll actually make the trip is still up in the air.

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Hope, who has been entertaining the troops during the holidays since World War II, wants to go, and "it's just a matter of everything being sew-ed up logistically," said his publicist, Ken Kantor.

Kantor said discussions are continuing with the State Department and Defense Department, and



BOB HOPE

a final decision on whether the trip will be made and exactly where the 80-year-old Hope would go is expected by the end of the week, the spokesman

## **Brenner touts hospital**

PHILADELPHIA - Comedian David Brenner takes a serious tone — but only for an instant — in a

ublic service announce ment for the eye hospital where his aging mother's vision was partially restored.

Brenner begins a 30-second television spot by saying, "Even to me some things aren't funny such as impaired

vision. He goes on to tell the story of how his mother, Estelle Brenner, began losing her eyesight until

she was treated successfully at the William Feinbloom Vision DAVID BRENNER Rehabilitation Center of the Eye Institute of the Pennsylvania College of Optometry

"Today she can see television. That's the good news," says the comedian. "The bad news is that she can see I have a big nose.

## Ford still has an Edsel

DETROIT - Ford Motor Co. does too still have an Edsel - Edsel Ford II, great-grandson of auto pioneer Henry Ford - and he's sliding into a different driver's seat.

Ford, 34, has been marketing product plans manager in the Ford Division since December 1980. and before that he was an executive with Ford Motor Co. of Australia Ltd.

Effective Jan. 1, he will be advertising manager of the Ford Division, the automaker announced Monday.

His father, Henry Ford II, is a former Ford chairman and current chairman of the Ford finance committee.



## The news in brief

By the Associated Press

## French patrol fired upon

BEIRUT - Gunmen in a speeding car opened fire on a French peacekeeping patrol on a crowded west Beirut thoroughfare today. The French Defense Ministry said one paratrooper was killed.

The ambush came as President Amin Gemayel called the Lebanese Cabinet into special session to discuss security conditions in Lebanon before departing on a two-day visit to Britain. He was expected to encourage British leaders not to remove their contingent from the multinational peacekeeping force.

In Tripoli, PLO chief Yasser Arafat awaited word as to whether Saudi Arabia and Syria would provide protection for his fighters during their evacuation of the port city.

In Beirut, Lt. Col. Phillipe de Longeaux, spokesman for the French contingent of the peacekeeping force, said four or five attackers fired from a car as the French patrol moved along the Corniche Mazraa during morning rush hour.

The "Voice of Lebanon" radio station said the gunmen, in a light grey Mercedes 200 without license plates, sped from the scene of the attack through a narrow side lane

The Defense Minsitry in Paris said the paratrooper died of wounds received in the attack. It did not identify the soldier and no other information was immediately available. French fighter-bombers raided a base of Iranian

Revolutionary Guards and Shiite Moslem Lebanese

extremists allied with them in east Lebanon's Bekaa Valley on Nov. 17. The air strike was in retaliation for the twin truck bombing attacks that killed 240 American and 58 French peacekeeping troops on Oct. 23. The bombings were believed to be engineered by Shiite extremists

loyal to Iran's revolutionary patriarch Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini. The bombing of the U.S. Embassy in Kuwait Monday and at five other sites in the Persian Gulf nation were also claimed by a group calling itself Islamic Holy War, a shadowy group with allegiance to the Iranian

## Kissinger in Mexico City

MEXICO CITY - Mexican officials said they will remind Henry Kissinger's Bipartisan Commission on Central America that they

oppose military intervention as a means of solving the region's conflicts. The 12-member commission headed by Kissinger arrived Monday night for a day

of talks with top officials here. "We have come to learn about the views of this great country about an area whose future is at least as important to Mexico as to us,'

Kissinger said at a brief airport news conference. The commission's itinerary today included HENRY KISSINGER

meetings with with President Miguel de la Madrid, Foreign Minister Bernardo Sepulveda and Treasury Secretary Jesus Silva Herzog. The group is scheduled to leave for Venezuela on

Wednesday. The trip is a follow-up to a six-nation tour of the five Central American countries and Panama in

Mexico and Venezuela, along with Panama and Colombia, formed the Contadora group last January to seek a peaceful solution to the Central American

The group has proposed a 21-point plan to settle the conflicts, including withdrawal of foreign military advisers and demilitarization of the region.

'We have found them to be a reasonable base for the beginning of discussions," Kissinger said of the proposals.

The New York Times, in a report from Washington today, quoted commission officials as saying that Kissinger had clashed with some Democrats on the panel who favored making new U.S. aid to El Salvador conditional on an end to right-wing death-squad violence.

Herbert Hetu, a commission spokesman, said the group was expected to propose a large new aid program for Central America in its report to President Reagan next month, the Times said. Other commission officials reportedly said the aid package could total several billion dollars over 5 to 10 years.

## Car workers won't back down

PITTSBURGH - Calling contract concessions "a form of suicide by degree," United Mine Workers

President Richard L. Trumka vowed that his union will not surrender 'gains made by our fathers and their fathers before them.

Trumka proclaimed "no backward steps, no takeaway contracts" as more than 1,400 miners jumped to their feet and cheered Monday, the opening day of the UMW's fiveday convention. The delegates then ap-

proved, by unanimous voice vote, a collective bargaining RICHARD TRUMKA committee recommendation to reject any concessions in next year's negotiations

with the Bituminous Coal Operators' Association. The committee, changing past practice at Trumka's request, did not publicly disclose the union's specific contract demands, saying the union did not want the operators and the public to know in advance what would be asked.

Trumka, 34, the southwestern Pennsylvania minerturned-lawyer who took over the 240,000-member union last Dec. 22, faces negotiations with about a third of his 160,000 active members on layoff. The contract, which expires Sept. 30, 1984, is a model for workers mining about 40 percent of America's coal.

"Some people argue that it is better to have a job at a lower wage rate than no job at all. What they fail to understand is that concessions do not guarantee job

security, just poverty," Trumka said. Givebacks "are, for a labor union, a form of suicide by degree," he added.

'Concessions will not put our unemployed members back to work," he said. "They will go back only as a result of increased demand for coal.... This generation of United Mine Workers members does not have the right to willingly give up the contractual gains made by our fathers and their fathers before them.

Trumka also said the UMW will back a presidential candidate who is on the side of unions, working people the poor, the elderly, the sick and "compassion and

"We shall not view neutrality or benign neglect as a pro-labor stand," he said. "That time has passed.

# Weather $ext{-}$ The Weather For 1 a.m. EST Rain Snow Tuesday, December 13 Showers Flurries

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By the Associated Press

West Texas - Mostly fair through Wednesday. Colder tonight and cooler Wednesday. Highs 48 Panhandle to near 60 south and near 70 Big Bend valleys. Lows 25 Panhandle to 32 southwest. Highs Wednesday 45 Panhandle to 58 southwest and 68 Big Bend valleys.

## Front lowers temperatures

A cold front blew into Northwest Texas before dawn today, bringing the promise of cooler temperatures and scattered showers and thunderstorms.

A weakening warm front extended southeastward through East Texas and the upper coast before dawn, while a cold front advanced to the South

Cool, damp conditions prevailed in East Texas, while dry, westerly winds gusting up to 25 mph rushed into West and Southwest Texas. Northerly winds gusting to 30 mph rushed into the Panhandle and South Plains, sending the mercury into the 30s.

Readings in the 40s and 50s prevailed over most of the state before dawn. Temperatures hovered in the 60s and lower 70s in sections of South Texas and the Lower Rio Grande Valley

Low clouds extended from the upper coast into Central and North Texas, while blowing dust reduced visibilities to about six miles in the Abilene area. Light showers were noted in far North Texas, while patchy light rain dampened the Panhandle.

The forecast called for the cold front to move rapidly through the state, leaving behind clear skies and cool temperatures. Showers and thunderstorms were expected to develop over East and Southeast

Elsewhere in the U.S., the latest in a chain of storms added up to a foot of new snow to the record accumulations in the Rockies today while another blow punished the Northeast with tricky icy or flood-building rains.

About half a foot of snow snarled traffic across much of the eastern Dakotas, Minnesota and western Wisconsin, where a blast of Arctic air pushed temperatures into the single digits. Some snow fell as far south as Oklahoma.

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## Cigarette named as cause for UT fraternity house fire

AUSTIN(AP) - A fraternity house fire that killed a female stuent and injured six other people was started by a smoldering cigarette in one of the rooms, a fire official says

One of the two people who were in the room apparently dropped the cigarette onto a couch, where it eventually ignited the Sunday blaze that destroyed most of the building, Fire Capt. Danny Stamper said Monday

"It smoldered until it had built up some pretty intense heat. We know there had to be intense heat for the fire to spread so quickly," said Stamper.

The fire killed Margo Helen McFee, a 19-year-old business major from San Antonio. Ted Pestorius, of Barrington, R.I., was in stable but serious condition today at Brackenridge Hospital. The blaze, which broke out about 6:15

a.m., destroyed 22 of the 28 rooms in the two-story Lamdba Chi house west of the campus, fire officials said. It took two hours to find Ms. McFee's

body in the charred ruins, Stamper said.

Pestorius, the fraternity brother who lived in the room, tried to carry her to safety but could not because of the heat and smoke, he said.

Two of Pestorius' fraternity brothers were treated and released from the hospital. Dan Whitworth suffered a cut hand and Mike Ford was cut on the back, hospital officials said.

Two firefighters were treated at the scene for smoke inhalation, and a third was treated at the hospital for a sprained ankle suffered when siding fell on him, officials said.

Firefighters said a strong north wind hampered their efforts to extinguish the blaze. The fire was brought under control by 8 a.m. by 70 firefighters using 16 pieces of equipment.

Fraternity member Jay Menna of Houston said "a lot of guys just bailed out of the windows" when the alarms sounded

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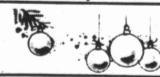
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# Title IX versus a private school

The U.S. Supreme Court is determining whether the federal government may impose antibias sanctions against Grove City College. The private school of 2,200 students in western Pennsylvania has offended federal officials merely because it has refused to sign a form certifying it does not practice sex discrimination.

Clearly, the government has overstepped its bounds in going after Grove City. Title IX of the 1972 Education Act prohibits sex discrimination by any school receiving federal funds. But nobody has complained that Grove City, which has an approximately equal number of male and female students, practices discrimination of any sort. Moreover, Grove City receives no federal aid and has refused all federal assistance since its foun-

Nevertheless, such factors don't matter to enforcers of Title IX. These over-zealous officials have found a target to bear the brunt of their ire at Grove City. A small minority of Grove City students who receive federal aid to help finance their education may become innocent victims. The issue before the Supreme Court is whether the government is empowered to cut off aid to 140 students if Grove City refuses to sign the form.

Thus the government, merely to extend bureaucratic authority over a private institution that wants as little involvement with the government as possible, is willing to severely penalize students who have done nothing illegal.

President Reagan, who says he opposes unnecessary government intrusion, ought to order officials of his administration to drop the ill-founded court case against Grove City College. If the administration persists in harassing Grove City, the Supreme Court should rule in favor of the little school that is courageously fighting for its principles and freedom.



## Around The Rim

By CAROL HART BALDWIN

## Press time

Many people are turning against the press these days. ABC's "Nightline" recently aired a program about the media and featured several of its critics speaking out against some atrocities of the press.

Whether you're Ted Koppel of ABC news or the single employee of a one-man operation at some weekly paper, there are going to be critics of the job you do, and these critics should be given time to express their opinions. Newspapers and television and radio deal with the public in everything that they do. There are going to be conflicts on both sides

Programs such as "Nightline," which examine hostilities toward the press, are important because it gives the public a chance to put in their two cents worth. However, the public should be aware of the problems the press encounters.

Naturally, since I draw my paycheck from a news organization, I'm supportive of the press. But there are legitimate gripes from people who have been in controversial situations which get a lot of media play. Sometimes, a little understanding on both parts would be the key to a better relationship

between the press and the source. We in the press have a few complaints of our own. Lately I've heard people complaining about how pushy the press has become. Put yourself in the position of a

reporter for a few minutes. First,

White House, Washington, D.C. 20500.

you hear about a newsworthy item which sounds like it will have a certain amount of impact upon your audience Second, you must get enough

background and gather enough facts to substantiate the story. People don't want to talk to you or they'll talk without telling you who they are. Others are willing to talk and want to know what you've found out. You know there is a story and you feel it is the public's right to know the story and you begin to get frustrated and you get a little aggressive or pushy. There are reporters who step out

of line and who confuse a story which should be printed with others which should not. But most press organizations have a strong back-up system. Stories don't just come up in our head and fall instantly into the paper. We must clear what we write through others such as editors who serve as watchdogs. Sornetimes we get censored and sometimes we are asked to get more information. It is a system of checks and balances which is often

The press has taken a lot of blame lately and some of it is justified. But the alternative to an aggressive press is one which is a puppet and which prints only good news and positive statements. Unfortunately, the world isn't all good news and positive statements

"But that's outrageous. "It certainly is and believe me, "In what way?"

**Art Buchwald** 

A Pentagon auditor charged in a

document made available the other

day that the armed forces pay

outrageous prices for weapons

because the officers in charge of

procurement are hoping when they

finish their careers to get a job with

the defense contractor they are

Those who play along with the

defense industry are rewarded with cushy positions when they leave the

service, and those who gave the

contractors a hard time need not

apply for a job when they retire.

The average retirement age for a

middle ranked officer is 43, so

whether they like it or not, military

officers in charge of procurement

have a bigger stake in their futures

than in saving their government

This is how the scenario is played

"Colonel Druthers, we have a

"But you said you could produce

'We overestimated the strength

WASHINGTON - While bombs

are exploding in the Middle East, a

The new Argentine president,

Raul Alfonsin, will face one of the

most important decisions of any

world leader during his six-year

term: whether Argentina will pro-

duce the first Latin American

Can the Argentines do it? They

The most recent CIA report on

Argentina's nuclear capability,

classified "Secret," estimates that

the Argentine government could

have a bomb by the end of next year

if the project were given top priori-

ty, and in three years without a

crash program. By 1986, Argentina

will have all the necessary material

and production facilities on its own

U.S. intelligence agencies were

caught by surprise recently when

Adm. Carlos Castro Madero,

longtime head of the Comision Na-

cional de Energia Atomica, an-

nounced that the commission had

already developed the technology to

make enriched uranium - a crucial

tion campaign that if he discovered

the military was actually construc-

ting a nuclear bomb, he would have

it dismantled immediately. Some

analysts suspect Castro Madero's

announcement was a last-minute ef-

fort by the outgoing military regime

to undercut Alfonsin's promise by

generating public support for the

Alfonsin vowed during his elec-

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time bomb is ticking in Argentina.

And it has nuclear ingredients.

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the back to push the sleds along."

pany to build for you.'

\$1,700,000 apiece.

dealing with.

the chairman is furious about it. He's fired the manager of the dogsled program.

The title comes with the job

'Who is taking his place?'' 'We're looking for somebody now who will bring it in somewhere near the price I just told you. We'd like a person familiar with the weapon carrier, preferably a retired military officer who knows procurement and is willing to work his heart out for \$150,000 a year, plus bonuses and stock options. Of course the person would have to live

in California, but we'll pay all his moving and living expenses for the "I've been working on the military side of this program for three years. I pushed this program through singlehandedly and I'll never make general when I tell our

budget people about the overrun.' "What happens when you don't

get your star? "Then I'll have to retire and find

'Maybe we could help you."

"The law says I can't work on any military program I've been involved with while I was in the service.

'We have other military weapons programs you could handle. Our chairman is looking for good

"That's very kind of you, but I've checked your figures on the dogsled

project and they're out of line.

"You charged us for a million dollar chalet in Aspen.

"We have to test the dogsled

somewhere. "And twelve million dollars for a

private Gulfstream III airplane. "How are our research people going to get to Aspen? By the way, when we're not using it on the dogsled project the plane is available for our other program managers and

their families. "I'm going to have to show these expenditures to my superiors before I okay them.

"Colonel, you don't look like a whistle-blower to me. If there is one type of person our chairman won't hire it's a whistle-blower. He's told me time and time again, 'I'd rather have 10 retired military officers who can't read a balance sheet to one rotten apple who knows how to run a cost-effective program.'

"I gather then if I don't go along with your figures I don't get a job. "I didn't say that. But the last colonel who complained about cost abuses in one of our weapons pro-

grams is now selling shoes at "Are you sure you can bring these dogsled armored vehicles in at

\$1,700,000?" You have my word for it, Mr.

Vice President. "Vice President?"

"Didn't I tell you? The title comes

## of the dogs and underestimated the weight of the armor they had to pull. So we had to add an engine in

## Mailbag

## Taxpayer grateful for paper editorial

To the Editor: I said I'd never write the Editor of the Big Spring Herald as it seems it never did any good, but I felt I had

I would like to congratulate you on your editorial of December 11, 1983. I appreciate your standing up for the taxpayer of Big Spring. I hate to say this has been a long time coming but Thank you. About the council members

voting themselves another two years - wrong 100 percent wrong. The City of Big Spring may never have another city council. They (the members) may just keep extending themselves. If they can do it once and get by with it, whose to say they can't do it again. There is no doubt a lawsuit would

reverse this decision and will probably be filed. I would appeal to the city council to reverse their decision to save the taxpayer the expense of a lawsuit. This would be the right thing for them to do.

Whenever your right to vote is taken away from you it will not be long until all your constitutional rights will be gone

**CHUCK CAWTHON** 904 W. 3rd

## Neighbors thank a helpful cop

To the editor:

On behalf of the tenants of the 1500 blocks of Sycamore and Wood streets, Big Spring, I would like to say thank you to Mr. Fred Pace, head of the Crime Prevention Program with the Big Spring Police Department, for his enthusiastic help in instituting a Neighborhood Watch Program. His valuable suggestions are greatly appreciated.

TRINITY KING Apt. Manager **Ventura Corporation** 



## Billy Graham

## Can God solve money problems?

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: We are in financial difficulties and I just don't see any way out of them. It looks like we are even going to lose our house because I can't keep up the mortgage. How can I pray so that God will maybe get us out of this? —

DEAR W.L.C.: I cannot guarantee that God will automatically get you out of your financial problems all at once, although he can show you the right way to deal with them if you will let him. But you need Christ in your life - not just because of your immediate financial problem, but because you also have spiritual needs that only he can meet. That is why I urge you first of all to open your heart by faith to Christ and invite him into your life as your

Savior and Lord. Then realize that God loves you, and he is concerned about every area of your life - including this problem. You can commit it to him in prayer, asking him to help you discover his will and trusting him to lead you. That does not mean God will answer your prayer in exactly the way you think he ought to; sometimes God allows things to happen to us that we might never choose for ourselves, and he can use those situations to teach us and draw us closer to himself. The Bible says, "Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you" (1 Peter

Also seek practical help about your financial problems from someone you can trust. (Perhaps your pastor can suggest someone or a community agency.) If you need to be more disciplined in your spending, for example, they might help you make whatever adjustments are necessary.

I know this is not an easy time for you, but God can use it in your life to make you a better person and draw you closer to himself — no matter what the outcome may be.

## Jack Anderson

nuclear bomb.

sure can.

soil.

## Argentina goes after the bomb

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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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From sources in Buenos Aires, classified intelligence reports, and CIA, State Department and con-

nuclear effort.

gressional sources, my associates Dale Van Atta and Lucette Lagnado pieced together the story of Argentina's ambitious — and unsettling hope of joining the nuclear club.

There are two ways to make a bomb: with enriched uranium or plutonium. The CIA has been most concerned about Argentina's plutonium program. Plutonium can be manufactured by reprocessing the fuel rods in nuclear reactors, and Argentina already has two nuclear power plants in operation. A third will be finished by 1987, a fourth is in the design stage, and two more are planned. By the end of the century, the country will hve six nuclear plants.

Argentina has refused to sign either the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty or the Treaty of Tlateloco, which bans nuclear weapons in Latin America

But so far, the Argentine nuclear plants cannot be used to make plutonium because the fuel rods are imported under contracts forbidding reprocessing into plutonium. If the Argentines decided to go to plutonium route, they would be breaking the contracts and there would be serious international repercussions.

Even if they haven't been secretly squirreling away plutonium for weapons — as some sources suspect the Argentines will be able to reprocess fuel rods at their Ezeiza atomic plant by 1986, giving them the ability to produce a nuclear bomb without dependence on foreign suppliers.

Meanwhile, Adm. Castro Madero's announcement of Argentina's enriched-uranium success

constitutes an embarrassing failure by U.S. intelligence agencies. Only three weeks before his statement one intelligence source stated positively that "the Argentines can't use enriched uranium for a bomb because they don't have a program for it.'

Although most sources suggest that Argentina has not seriously been trying to build a bomb but is pursuing its nuclear energy program as a matter of prestige, the Reagan administration is concerned at the possibility of a Latin Amrican nuclear power.

A secret White House directive has ordered U.S. intelligence agencies to "maintain close contact with the Argentine nuclear program and be alert to all possible ways of influencing Argentina to pursue a course which would not lead it to the point of developing a nuclear explosives capability."

CHUCKLE OF THE WEEK: The CIA evidently recognizes the image problem of its anti-Sandinista guerrillas in the Nicaraguan Democratic Force. Many are former supporters of the unpopular dictator Anatasio

So the CIA-backed FDN has resorted to a sort of psychological warfare to improve its standing with the Nicaraguan populace. In early November, FDN planes 'bombed'' the town of San Juan de Limay with plastic bags stuffed with pencils, bars of soap, FDN but-tons and leaflets for the grownups and yo-yos for the kids.

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## Pipeline backers seek Texas buyers

GILLETTE, Wyo. (AP) — The proposed ETSI coal slurry pipeline, after losing its prime market in Arkansas, is seeking utilities in Texas as buyers of Wyoming coal, a company official says.

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Energy Transportation Systems Inc. should have "a pretty good idea in the next three months" whether it will be successful in getting contracts in Texas, ETSI spokesman Earl Evans said this past week.

If ETSI is successful in its quest for contracts in Texas, pipeline construction could begin in 1985, Evans said. But if ETSI is not successful, the project would probably be "shelved" until contracts are signed, he said.

"We have to have contracts before we can build," Evans told The Gillette News-Record in an interview from his office in Houston. ETSI also is negotiating with utilities in Oklahoma and Kansas, Evans said, but getting into the Texas market is the key to

The slurry pipeline, which has been in the discussion and planning stages for more than a decade, originally contemplated a 1,400-mile pipeline from Gillette in the heart of Wyoming's Powder River Basin coal fields to Arkansas, with a possible extension into Louisiana.

But in August, Arkansas Power & Light Co. signed a long-term contract for coal hauling with the Chicago and Northwestern and Union Pacific railroads. ETSI had been counting on Arkansas Power & Light as a major customer. Evans said.

The pipeline concept emerged in 1973 as an

alternative to rail transportation of coal, a major expense for utilities. Coal would be crushed and mixed with water to form a slurry solution which could be pumped by pipeline to power plants. The coal would then be allowed to settle out of the water and would be dried and burned.

Burlington Northern currently is the only railroad serving the Powder River Basin, but completion next year of C & NW's "connector line" from the coal fields to the Union Pacific mainline near Joyce, Neb., will give those two railroads a chance to compete with Burlington Northern.

Evans said if ETSI is able to tap the Texas market, the pipeline might end up being 1,800 miles long

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## Probe implicates developer

DALLAS (AP) — A savings and loan chairman made a personal profit of \$14.5 million on a land deal with condominium developers who got a \$32.8 million loan from the savings and loan a month earlier, the Dallas Morning News reported in a copyright story.

The News said Sunday that state and federal lending regulators are investigating whether Spencer H. Blain Jr., chairman of Empire Savings & Loan of Mesquite, violated conflict-of-interest regulations.

Real estate closing records show Blain sold a 66-acre tract of land in Rowlett, which he had bought six months earlier for \$1.47 million, to two developers for \$16 million, the News reported.

The developers, Clifford R. Sinclair and Ken Cansler, bought the land from Blain in February, paying him \$14.9 million in cash and \$1.1 million in property, the News said.

A month before that transaction, Empire Savings approved a \$32.8 million loan package in which Sinclair and his firm, Kitco Developers Inc., netted more than \$25 million in cash, sources told the News.

The paper said Blain was paid out of the same escrow account into which the cash from the loan deal was deposited.

"The question of conflict of interest probably arises any time a person of status in the financial community involves himself in a business deal," said Blain's attorney, William M. Ravkind. "If he is in any way crossways with the regulations, he will do everything he can to correct the situation." Blain was unavailable for comment.

That package is one of several financial transactions under investigation by the FBI, Texas Savings and Loan Department and the Federal Home Loan Bank, sources told the newspaper.

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The money that Empire lent to 39 investors in the transaction went to the same bank account from which Blain was paid for selling his land, according to a letter written by a title company manager. The letter from Jane Nix of Dallas Title Co. in Rowlett was sent to the Federal Home Loan Bank in response to federal inquiries.

In a Sept. 17, 1982 letter to federal authorities, Blain wrote: "The book-keeping practices involved in this transaction concerned me because, if read the wrong way, someone could conclude that there was a conflict of interest in this sale because of the other and separate loan transactions of Empire Savings & Loan during the same month."

Attorneys for Cansler and Sinclair were unavailable for comment.

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## Mom is to thank for wedding gift

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I had all their wedding gifts on display at my home together with the cards of the givers, and I promised to pack them all up and keep them until they returned so they could write their thank-you notes. They received about 250 wedding gifts.

Well, I don't know where my head was, Abby, but I collected all the gift cards and put them in a large envelope - then I packed up the gifts!

It suddenly occurred to me they won't know which cards came with which gifts! What should I do? THOUGHTLESS MOTHER

DEAR THOUGHTLESS: In acknowledging a gift, one should make some reference to "the beautiful ice bucket" or the "lovely salad bowl," but unless somebody writes or telephones each giver to find out what was given, your daughter and her husband will have to thank them all for the "lovely gift" and let it go

Yur gigantic goof, however, serves a good purpose. It will remind all brides to make a list of each gift together with the name of the giver as soon as it is received.

DEAR ABBY: What should a lady do when she approaches a male friend and she notices that his zipper is down? This happened to me in a hotel lobby where I was meeting a friend for lunch.

I didn't have the nerve to say anything to him about it, so we both sat all through lunch with his zipper open. Naturally I didn't enjoy the lunch very much because I kept thinking that maybe I should tell hiom.

Well, when we finished lunch and he took the napkin off his lap, he said, "Oh, Lord!" Then he zipped up his

My question: Should I have told him when I first noticed it? And if so, how? ON THE SHY SIDE

DEAR ON: Yes. You should have whispered in a

quiet and confidential manner, "Please check your

Dr. Donohue

## Acne flares up with activity

DEAR DR. DONOHUE: Our son plays hockey and we have observed that his acne gets worse, particularly on his body, during this time. Does sweating cause flare-ups? — Mrs. K.K.O.

Many times acne will flare up with athletic activity. Hockey players and others who must wear constrictive equipment are particularly prone to this. The friction from such equipment contributes, as does the close contact with other players. And for some youngsters the psychological stress of competition is a contributor. Sweating is another factor.

Wearing clean, absorbent underclothing is about the only suggestion I can make. The other factors seem to come with the territory See the booklet "Controlling Acne, Blackheads and Pimples" for other tips. Other readers may order a copy by writing me care of the Big Spring Herald, enclosing a stamped, selfaddressed envelope and 50 cents.

The booklet "Dizzy Spells" discusses loss of balance, vertigo and nausea, Meniere's disease and labyrinthitis. For a copy write to Dr. Donohue in care of the Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 11210, Chicago, IL 60611.

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## **BSSH** busy with Christmas activities

Today is a busy day for patients at the Big Spring State Hospital, according to Kathy Viccinelli, Volunteer Services Coordinator. The day began with parties and entertainment at 10 a.m. and will close with a dance from 7 to 9 p.m. in the gymnasium.

Hundreds of area volunteers are giving time and resources to furnish refreshments for parties on all units, and many more will volunteer to help with the parties.

'We've been busy with Christmas since the Christmas appeal letters went out in August," Ms. Viccinelli noted. "The tree lighting Thursday night, December 1, opened the Christmas season, but there is no doubt that this is the single best effort of volunteers to entertain our patients during the entire

Men's and women's service clubs, school groups, social clubs. churches, and individuals in Big Spring, Stanton, Post, Colorado City and Ackerly, all are con tributing refreshments, time and talent to make the parties into memorable occasions for all the patients.

Ms. Viccinelli noted. Activities for the day began with parties for medical and surgical patients on Unit II and geratric patients on Unit 10. In addition to refreshments, the patients on Unit 10 will be entertained by the Choir from the Federal Prison, making one of its two appearances for the season. The Music Therapy Department of Big Spring State Hospital will furnish entertainment

for Unit 11. Following festivities and parties on hospital units, there will be dancing for those patients wishing to attend from 7 to 9 p.m. in the gymnasium.

"This is the second year that the Shady Mitchell Show will be the featured entertainment at the dance," Ms. Viccinelli said. "We are most for

## **Homemakers** entertained by pre-schoolers

Jack and Jill Pre-School students entertained the **Howard County Extension** Homemakers Council with Christmas Carols during the Council's Christmas party, Dec. 5.

Santa Claus presented gifts and candy to the children and members exchanged gifts.



this caliber volunteer their time and talent to play for us again. The patients had such a good time at last year's dance that the band

tunate to have a band of back again, and we are glad to have them."

The Shady Mitchell show features Mitchell on steel offered right then to come guitar, drums and electric Mitchell.

piano to round out the combo. Mitchell and his group record for the Hereford Productions label, and guitar and Don Tolle on fid-their albums include dle. There are also a bass several songs written by

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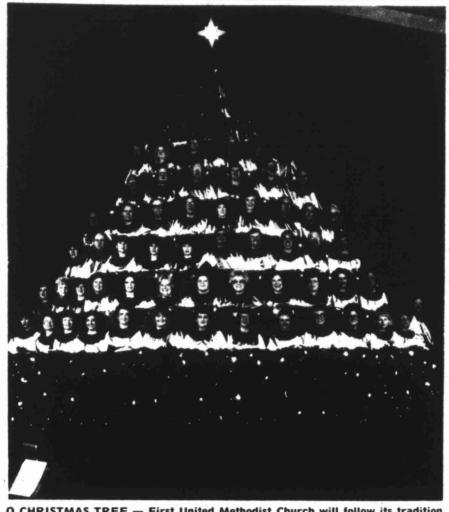
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O CHRISTMAS TREE — First United Methodist Church will follow its tradition again this year by presenting "The Living Christmas Tree." The event is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Saturday through Monday at the church's sanctuary. It will be directed by the Rev. John Wilson, minister of music. Tickets may be picked up at

## Church's gift to Big Spring is Living Christmas Tree

By RHONDA WITT **Lifestyle Writer** 

The First United Methodist Church will present its gift to the Big Spring community, the Fifth Annual Living Christmas Tree, at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday and Monday in the church's sanctuary.

The program will focus on the Christmas story in the Bible. As people enter the church, bell ringers will be playing from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m.

The pre-tree program will be a selection from James Leisy's musical, "Scrooge" based on Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol". The program will be directed by Tim Haynes, drama instructor at Howard lege. Scrooge will be played by Haynes, while Jon David Hunter will play the part of Tiny Tim.

"Scrooge' deals with the real meaning of Christmas and that is why we selected it," said John Wilson, music minister at First United Methodist Church.

The Living Christmas Tree will be composed of an 80-voice choir from area churches. "We sent out invitations to every singer in the community that we thought would enjoy something like this, Wilson said. A selected group of area 4th, 5th and 6th graders will be singing in "Scrooge" and the tree.

Singers are required to make 75 to 80 percent of the rehearsals, "but most make all the rehearsals. They are really a committed group." An all day practice was held Nov. 19, and singers will practice each night from Dec. 12 to

A 42-piece orchestra composed of professionals from the Big Spring, Midland and Odessa will accompanied the singers. The event will be interpreted for the deaf by Carla Releford and Danny Campbell, Saturday night. A nine foot card, made

by Dee and Carl Riherd, will be on either side of the tree. The cards will be traditional tableau of Mary, Joseph, shepherds and kings.

Tickets will be distributed to prevent overcrowding, Wilson said. The sanctuary will comfortably

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# Visions of

Christmas past

When Ebenezer Scrooge was visited by the Ghost of Christmas Past, he was reminded of the happiness he found in those long-ago days.

Today, we can find that same sort of happiness when we remember our favorite Christmas. Christmas stories from our past can spread the spirit of the holiday by sharing them with others.

This year, The Big Spring Herald is asking readers to send in their stories about "My Most Memorable Christmas." Herald staff members will select the best stories and publish them in the Lifestyle section on

Your story doesn't have to be about the "perfect" holiday that was plentifully supplied with food and gifts. It may be a story of when money and gifts were scarce but love was abundant. Or when something major happened that makes that Christmas stand out in your mind. Maybe the Christmas tree caught fire, or Santa brought a brand new baby to the

We would love to read your stories. Please submit them by Dec. 17. Drop them by the Herald or mail to "My Most Memorable Christmas," Lifestyle Department, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720. All stories become the property of The Big Spring Herald and cannot be returned.

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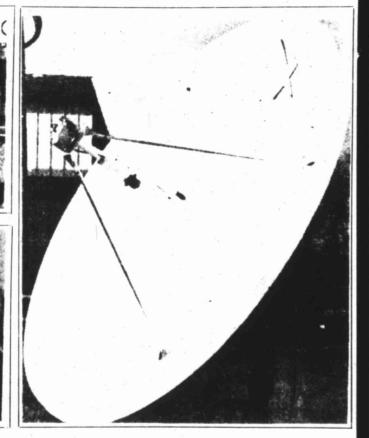
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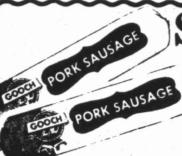
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## Nevada nuke test scheduled

LAS VEGAS, Nev. (AP) A major undergound nuclear weapons test has been scheduled for Wednesday at the Nevada Test Site northwest of Las Vegas, the Department of Energy announced

DOE spokesman Chris West said the test, codenamed Romano, will have an explosive yield of 20,000 to 150,000 tons of TNT. The department does not give a more specific range.

Some people outside the test site may feel a slight tremor immediately after the detonation, particularly if they are on the upper levels of high structures where motion is magnified,

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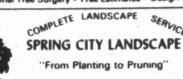
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## **Nuclear protesters** arrested in Boston

BOSTON (AP) — More than 50 protesters were arrested this morning at a hotel where a missiles conference was scheduled, and 300 more continued marching outside, watched by dozens of police officers.

Police Superintendent John Geagan said about 40 demonstrators were charged with disturbing the peace after they sat on the sidewalk outside The 57 Park Plaza hotel in the sleet and rain. About 15 others were charged with trespassing after they got through police lines and sat in the lobby and elevators, he said.

Police "were rough on the demonstrators they arrested ... slinging them around and into wagons," said Rudy Paster of Bedford, a worker for Campaign Against Euromissiles and Mobilization for Survival. But he said officers didn't use their nightsticks.

Geagan said he didn't think officers used unnecessary force. "Some of them (demonstrators) thanked us for being so gentle with them." he said.

A two-day conference, "New Trends In Missiles Systems & Technology," was scheduled at the hotel today and Tuesday.

The protesters said the conference was sponsored by TMSA, The Technical Marketing Society of America. About 15 mounted police officers, their horses blanketed against the weather, formed a line in front of the hotel lobby.

An additional 50 or so helmeted officers were on foot, and there were several police cruisers and at least 25 motorcycles at the downtown hotel.

Paster, who directed pickets outside the hotel, said he thought they would return Tuesday.

## **Doctors** debate artificial hearts

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) - A University of Utah health panel was meeting Monday to discuss whether to let Barney Clark's doctor make a second implant of an artificial heart.

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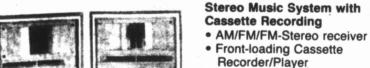
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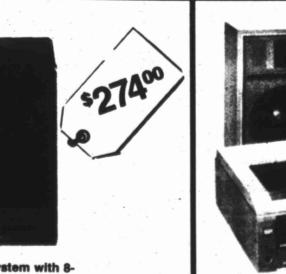


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## Lady Steers' b'ball

The sport of basketball is an art all by its own. Some teams play it better than others and some teams have a certian flair of playing the game; sometimes they might not always be successful but they still have that

The Big Spring Lady Steers fall into the category of not always being successful but flavor adding flavor and spice to the sport.

If you local fans have not been to see these young ladies play then you are missing a treat. Not very many followers have not been showing up to the home games because you can seat the entire crowd in a couple of sections of Steer Gym.

Now I know that their games are scheduled when Monday night football comes on, but take it from me, their contests are a lot more pleasing to view than watching the Rams blast the Falcons or listening to Howard Cosell call somebody a monkey.

The thing that impresses me most about this year's squad is the intensity and exuberance the players and coaches display. It seems when they are on the hardcourt their is no other place they would rather be, with that kind of attitude combined with the talent on the team the odds are very good the Lady Steers will win a lot of games and possibly make it to the playoffs.

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player

The squad currently has 7-6 record which includes a third place finish at the Crane tournament and a fourth place finish at the Andrews tourney. How can I predict a possible playoff berth for a squad that plays a td

Well they have already defeated two district opponents in Odessa High and Permain and lost a close game they should have won to Midland. Midland, Midland Lee and San Angelo are supposed to be three of the top teams in the district, so my thinking seems perfectly logical to me.

Adding to my logic is the fact that the Lady Steers have played some not-so-easy opponents and have withstood the test well. They had heart-breaking losses to Andrews 69-68 and Lubbock Dunbar 64-62 at home. Who knows— if a few more fans had showed up to cheer them on it could have made a big difference.

Critics say the root of all good teams is a good coach — although I might have argue that point if we were talking about Guy Lewis and the Houston Cougars. The Lady Steers' "root" is second year coacn Annette Fowler who was a pretty good basketball player in her hey-day at Michigan State.

Fowler is a coach that knows how to install confidence in her players. If they fail she is quick to urge them to try again. She is somewhat quite spoken but she has her ways of getting her point acrosssometimes very quick.

She also can keep her head in tense situations. Recently in a game in which her team lost by a very close margin on several occasions the time-keeper let the clock keep running when it was supposed be off. After the contest Fowler calmly walked up to the person and told them her team sure could have used those additional seconds, instead of chewing their head off like a lot coaches would have.

Well the official let Fowler have a piece of their mind going into hysterics on how hard it was to keep the clock just perfect and how Fowler shouldn't be on their back. After the offical had got everything off their chest coach Fowler strolled away — but she had proved her point and kept her cool.

And it seems the Lady Steers are proving their point on the court. Taking a look at the Lady Steer squad one would think they could hardly be contenders. How can you win with a center that stands 5-7 flanked by two forwards who are the same height?

What Paula Spears, Monette Wise and Tris "Trell" Clemmons lack in height they make up in hustle and determination. Each night they go out and face opponents who stand three-five inches taller but these three don't mind mind mixing it up underneath.

Then there are guards Debra Rubio and Alice Lopez who just as soon pick the opposition's pocket as look at them. Throw in Adrianne Allen, Tina Smith. Tanya Hollis. Janna Matthews, Debbie Donelson, Kathy Porras and Teresa Smith and you have a team that can give you a run for your

So if you want to see some good, fast paced hoop action; go out and check out the Lady Steers — you'll be glad you did.

## Stenerud kicks Tampa Bay

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Jan Stenerud knows what he plans to do, but won't

Bart Starr, meanwhile, is not about to encourage Green Bay's 39-year old placekicker to call it quits after 17 National Football League seasons.

"He's a pro, a winner, a clutch player. He's all the cliches we could stand here and conjure up," Starr said Monday night after Stenerud kicked four field goals to beat the Tampa Bay Buc-caneers 12-9, keep the Packers' playoff hopes alive and rewrite the NFL record

Stenerud, who climbed past George Blanda into first-place on the NFL's alltime field goal list, was coy about his retirement plans after delivering a game-winning 23-yarder 5:07 into overtime.

"I know what I'm going to do, but I'll announce it at the appropriate time — at the end of the season, whenever it is,' said Stenerud, who also converted attempts of 35, 32 and 23 yards and hiked his career total to 338, three more than

The victory boosted the 8-7 Packers into a first-place tie with Detroit in the NFC Central Division, and Starr's club has two possible avenues to the playoffs.

A triumph over Chicago combined with a Tampa Bay upset of Detroit next Sunday would give the Packers their first division crown since 1972. Green Bay also is in the running for the NFC's second wild card spot, and could get it if it beats the Bears and the Los Angeles Rams whip the New Orleans Saints.

The Bucs, meanwhile, dropped to 2-13 before a Tampa Stadium crowd of 50,763, and Coach John McKay looked no further than a missed extra point and 35-yard field goal attempt for the

Bill Capece's fourth-quarter effort after Jack Thompson gave Tampa Bay a 9-3 lead with a 4-yard scoring toss to Adger Armstrong, hit the left upright. The field goal try, five minutes later, was low and to the left.

"Gentlemen, I lost the football game

by being stupid enough to think that we could kick a field goal," said McKay. 'Any questions?

'We will not kick a field goal next week if we are on the 2-yard line, the 1-yard line, none," McKay added. There will be no more kicked field goals by the Bucs this year, no matter what the score is, no matter what the

game is. "It's over. I'm tired of being crucified," the Tampa Bay coach concluded. "God bless you and Merry Christmas.'

"I don't blame him . . . I can't remember when I last made one," said Capece, who hit a 22-yarder in the second quarter but is only 10 of 23 on the season. "I guess he's just a little ticked off, and that's understandable.'

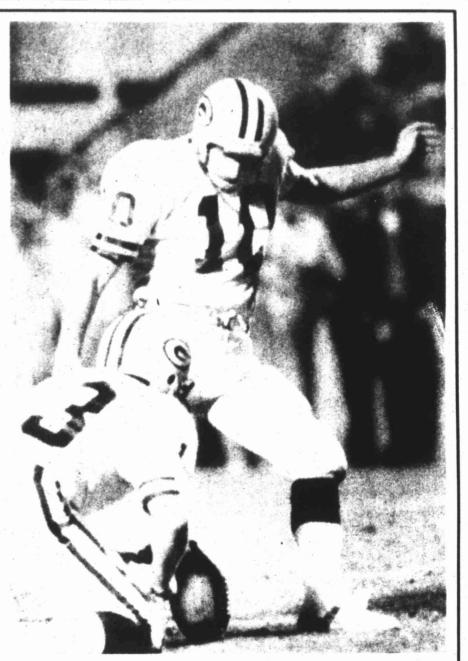
Green Bay quarterback Lynn Dickey - who engineered the 11-play, 65-yard drive leading to the winning field goal as well as a 10-play, 65-yard march that forced the overtime - struggled, despite a 278-yard passing performance.

He became the fifth man — and second this season - in NFL history to throw for 4,000 yards in a season, boosting his total to 4,196, nine more than Kansas City's Bill Kenney, who reached the plateau Sunday.

The New York Jets' Joe Namath, San Diego's Dan Fouts and Cleveland's Brian Sipe are the others who have thrown for 4,000 yards. Fouts, who has done it twice, set the NFL record of 4,802

"I struggled tonight to say the least," said Dickey, who was intercepted three times and never got the Packers' explosive offense cranked up. "Nothing came easy, nothing was in sync.'

Except for Stenerud, who is 338 of 509 - 66.4 percent — lifetime as a field goal kicker, and 59 of 73 - 80.8 percent since joining the Packers in 1980 after 13 seasons with Kansas City.



GAME WINNING SCORE-Green Bay Packers' place-kicker Jan Stenerud kicks the game winning field goal in Monday night's game against the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in Tampa, putting the packer Blanda.

ahead by three points in overtime play. 12-9.Stenerud broke George Blanda's NFL record kicking 338 field goals in his 17-year-pro career, three more than

## **Top Twenty** standings

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## Campbell trade rumor negative

HOUSTON (AP) - The Houston Oilers and New Orleans Saints are dismissing a radio report that has running backs Earl Campbell of Houston and George Rogers of New Orleans traded as part of a threeteam National Football League deal that also involves the Philadelphia

CBS Radio reported Monday night during its broadcast of the Green Bay-Tampa Bay contest that Campbell, the all-time leading Oiler running back, would move to New Orleans and the Saints would send running back George Rogers to the Eagles. The Eagles, in turn, would give the Oilers their No. 1 pick in the college draft.

'That rumor was in Pro Football Weekly two weeks Oiler spokesman Greg Stengel said today. "I don't have any comment. It seems kind of funny to

"Stupid," "irresponsible" and "inconsiderate" were among the mildest terms New Orleans Coach Bum Phillips used in describing the trade

Campbell earlier this season told the Oilers he

wanted to be traded. According to the CBS report, the Oilers were unhappy with the Heisman Trophy winner from the University of Texas because of demands to renegotiate his contract.

## Midland holds off Lady Steers, 43-42

MIDLAND - The Big Spring Lady Steers had an "ice cold" first half as they were defeated by district counterpart Midland 43-42 in non-district action.

It marked the second time this season that the Buldogettes had defeated Big Spring this season. In an earlier meeting the Midland school downed the Lady Steers 52-45.

Big Spring was playing

without the services of guard Debra Rubio who was averaging 14 points per game. It was clearly obvious that BSHS missed her services as they connected for only 10 points in the entire first half, as Midland bolted to a commanding 26-10 first half



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Lady Steers fought back the charge as she scored all



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TRIS CLEMMONS .. contributes 10 points

The Lady Steers made

their last run at the the

in the second half.

scoring department by Monette Wise 11 and Trish "Trell" Clemmons 10. The loss puts BSHS's record at 7-6 for the season.

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Midland (43) — Pam McDonald 1 0 2; Sharla Hines 3 0 6; Darla Smith 2 0 4; Angie Shaw 1 0 2; Denise Lanz 4 10; Delia Knapp 22 6; Norma Green 10 2; Teresa Robinson 4 1 9; Jackie Jones

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OVER THE TOP — Howard College forward Al Holland goes high for the two; handed stuff Monday night at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum

## Hawks down NMJC, 78-61

Hawk-Queens win shoot-out with NMJC

The Howard Hawks ended their first part of the season on a winning note as they downed New Mexico Junior College by a score of 78-61

The win leaves the Hawk's record at 4-0 in conference play and 12-1 for the season. The Hawks and Hawk Queens won't be in action again untill January 12.

NMJC had the Hawks on the ropes in the first half as the vistors led 33-31 at the half. "We just weren't sharp in the first half," said Hawk coach Mike Mitchell. "I don't think we were mentally prepared, the kids were antispating the upcoming Christmas break.

But the Hawks must have forgot about their vacation as they went to work in the second half. NMJC scored the first three baskets and led 39-31, but then the hawks

rallied behind a couple of steals by Dwight Harris who ended up with 23 points and Jerry Stroman who scored 20 points. James johnson added two buckets and the Hawks regained the lead 41-39 with 12 minutes remaining.

From then on Howard would never trail again as Stroman. Harris, Johnson and Al Holland put the vistors away.

"Defensively our game piked up in the second half," said Mitchell. "We played much better," he concluded.

Johnson chipped in 14 points while Stroman added 12 rebounda and Holland scored 13 points and pulled down 8

The Hawk-Queens also won their game by a score of 108-96.

## 'Pokes face long haul

IRVING (AP) — After the worst regular season loss in their history to the Washington Redskins, the Dallas Cowboys have resigned themselves to another long haul on the National Football League playoff road.

Defending Super Bowl champion Washington crushed the Cowboys 31-10 Sunday and can salt away the National Conference Eastern Division with a triumph Saturday over the New York

"It was our worst game in a long time and we were playing for the championship," said Dallas Coach Tom Landry. "It's hard to figure because this game meant a lot.

Dallas, which has lost three consecutive NFC title games on the road, will play at San Francisco next Monday night, knowing what challenge is ahead.

If Washington beats the Giants, Dallas will play a wild card into the playoffs as the home team on Dec. 26. A victory over San Francisco then would not matter only in that it would give Dallas a 13th victory, most in club history

If Washington loses and Dallas defeats the 49ers, the Cowboys would be NFC champs because of a better division

"I have a lot of confidence in our team in the big games and we'll just have to wait and see how we react," Landry said. There was talk that the two teams may meet again later in the playoffs.

"That would be fine but they'll have to come to our place and play in the mud,'

said defensive back Darrell Green.

Washington quarterback Joe Theismann, who had two touchdown passes against the Cowboys, said, "If we do what we have to do we will play them again but I'm not worried about it. It will get here soon enough."

Landry said, "It has been a long time

since we played like that. It's surprising when you get dominated like that. Dallas rallied from a 23-3 halftime

deficit to beat Washington 31-30 in September but suffered a complete offensive breakdown in the second half this time after trailing only 14-10.

The Cowboys also lost their cool with a frustrated Tony Dorsett getting an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty for throw the ball into Darryl Grant's face mask

"Dallas is human," Landry said. "You think we're not human out there.'

Dorsett, held to only 34 yards on 14 carries, said of his loss of temper, "It was poor judgment on my part, more than anything. It was a hit I thought was a little

"It was just frustration. I apoligized to him (Grant) after the game.

Dallas was held to an official 33 yards rushing, lowest in its history.

Dorsett said now Dallas was going to have to win the NFC title game the hard

"What that does is make us have to play one extra game," Dorsett said. "If we're able to survive two games in the playoffs before we play them, then fine. They were just a much better team than we were. "They just completely outplayed us."



UP- Hawk Queen forward Alex Provencio goes up high over a NMJC defender for a rebound in Monday night basketball action at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum The Hawk Queens got the best of their opponents with a

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## Local Basketball Roundup

Forsan, sands split

FORSAN- Forsan and Sands split victories in basketball action Monday

The Forsan girls placed three players in double figures to down Sands 58-31. Cathy Thurman and Kristi Evans paced the winners with 14 points each., as they are now 7-3 for the season. Sands (4-4), was led by Lisa Iden's 11 points.

Chris Wiggington bombed in 29 points as Sands (3-4) downed Forsan (4-6), 57-48 in the boys' game. Brad Jenkins scored 19 for Forsan.

Forsan (58) — Lorri Roman 2 0 4; Cherly Boyston 0 1 1; Lana Nicols 5 0 10; Bonnie Martin 2 0 4; Kristi Evans 7 0 14; Tina Sterner 4 19; Traci Panter 1 0 2; Cathy Thurman 5 4 14; totals 26 6 58 Sands (31) — Sandra Franco 0 3 3; Lisa Iden 2 7 11; Sherry Perry 2 0 4; Kris Marshall 2 2 6; Michelle Bays 2 1 5; Melissa Robertson 0 2 2; totals 8 15 31 Halftime — Forsan 31 Sands 1

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Wall drops C-City

WALL— The Colorado City Wolves boys (4-3) were defeated by the Wall Hawks

54-47 Monday night. Don Randle, Dennis Rivera and Armonado Rivera all scored eight points for the Wolves.

Golaid "A" wins

Goliad hoopsters split their contests with Brownfield Monday night.

The "A" team defeated Brownfield 22-6 behind Tami Wise's 12 points, Janna Johnson was cited for good defensive

The "B" team lost to Brownfield 24-8 as Tara Jones led the Golid scoring with points. Aretha Isaiah and Melanie Payne were credited with having good defensive games.

Steers frosh nip Snyder

SNYDER—The Steers freshmen squads won one and lost one against Snyder Monday night.

## Area basketball

The "B" team lost by a score of 45-36. Chad Walsh scored 11 points and Robert Summer hauled down 8 rebounds.

The "A" team won by a score of 48-47 thanks to the winning free throw by Cedrick Banks with five seconds remaining. Banks was the leading scorer with 17 points while John Olson scored 9

## Vilas hearing begins

Gillermo Vilas began testimony in the \$400,000 Volvo Grand Prix bonus 13 days hearing to determine whether the tennis early. star took illegal payments in a tournament last year.

Either Vilas, himself, or his manager, Ion Tiriac, was expected to undergo questioning by a panel following the last testimony Monday of representatives of the Men's International Professional Tennis Council (MIPTC).

Marshall Happer, adminstrator of the Pro Council, testified Monday that the MIPTC had asked Vilas to play in the tournament at Rotterdam, Netherlands,

NEW YORK (AP) - The side for and, as an inducement, gave him his

Happer testified that he called Tiriac in order to get the Argentine star to play in the March 1983 Volvo Grand Prix tournament after top seeds Bjorn Borg of Sweden and American Jimmy Connors withdrew at the last moment.

When Vilas reportedly asked for and was paid \$60,000 appearance money to play at Rotterdam, the Pro Council, on Happer's recommendation, fined him \$20,000 and suspended him for one year.



Information about your changing telephone service from Darlene Gifford. Community Relations Manager

## What will and won't change

With the separation — or "divestiture" — of AT&T now less than a month away. I'd like to use this column to review what will and won't change about your Southwestern Bell Telephone service come January.

Actually, the biggest change for many customers will simply be who will provide which services. The way you use your telephone won't change at all.

However, since customers no longer will be able to take care of all their telecommunications needs from Southwestern Bell Telephone, it's important to know where to go for a particular need.

With that in mind, here's a breakdown on how divestiture will (and won't) affect you:

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Between now and the first of the year, you have the option of buying single line and one-party telephones in your home that you now lease from Southwestern Bell Telephone. If you decide to continue leasing your telephone sets, ownership of this equipment will be transferred to AT&T January 1. Of course, you'll still have the option of purchasing new telephone equipment from a variety of suppliers. In fact, Southwestern Bell Corporation has formed a subsidiary, Southwestern Bell Telecom, which will market telecommunications equipment for multi-line busi-

ness customers beginning next year. The company also is considering entering the single-line business and residence telephone markets.

## Repairs

If you continue to lease the telephone(s) now in your home. repair of those sets will be performed by AT&T. Telephones purchased from Southwestern Bell Telephone before the end of this year also will be serviced by AT&T beginning in January, but you'll be charged for those repairs if your set is out of warranty.

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## We want you to know

If you have other questions about divestiture, feel free to contact me at the address below. Or, call Southwestern Bell's tollfree number for divestiture information — 1 800 555-5000 - anytime between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

At Southwestern Bell Telephone, we believe the more you know about what will and won't change with divestiture, the easier this transition will be

Remember, if you have something to talk about, don't hesitate to give me a call at 267-5098 or drop me a line.

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By LOUISE COOK **Associated Press Writer** Your chance of buying a house in the next 10 years could depend on a changing and complicated part of the financial world called the secondary mortgage market.

It's full of nicknames, like Fannie Mae, and acronyms, like CMOs. And it ultimately affects millions of Americans.

Investors in the secondary market help provide money for mortgages; they can't solve all the housing problems of the future, but they can

The secondary market goes back to

the post-Depression era when the Roosevelt administration was trying to encourage long-term housing loans to prevent a repetition of the foreclosures that had swept the country. The problem was liquidity, the flow of money. "The banking industry was still in turmoil," said Howard Kane of the U.S. League of Savings Institutions. Money wasn't coming in fast enough to meet the demand.

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In 1938, the Federal National Mortgage Association, now known as Fannie Mae, was founded. The new agency bought mortgages from lenders who.used the money to make

new loans. The lenders continued to service the original mortgages, collecting payments — which were forwarded to Fannie Mae — and taking care of homeowners' problems. Fannie Mae pooled the money it got and made more new loans

In the late 1960s the government got worried about how many mortgages it was buying. Fannie Mae was turned over to private shareholders, although the government kept a say in the way it operated. Subsequently, the agency, which generally had been restricted to Federal Housing Authority and Veterans Administration loans, was authorized to buy conventional mortgages as well.

At the same time, the Government National Mortgage Association or Ginnie Mae was formed so the government could keep control over the liquidity of FHA and VA loans, Kane said.

Ginnie Mae didn't buy loans. It guaranteed them. Kane explained: Suppose savings and loan "A" in California has plenty of money available for mortgages but low demand; it wants to invest, but can't. Savings and loan "B" in Florida has the opposite problem: high demand and low liquidity. "B" would like to sell its loans to "A." But there are a lot of legal hurdles involved in selling the loans across state lines.

Kane continued: "Ginnie Mae said, 'We'll take those FHA and VA loans you have out there. We'll take a look at them to see if they're good loans. If they are, we'll issue a certificate which says that you may issue securities which are backed by those loans and those securities will be guaranteed by the U.S. government...' Rather than sell the mortgage itself, the S&L that needed the cash would sell these securities and take the cash and make more mortgages.





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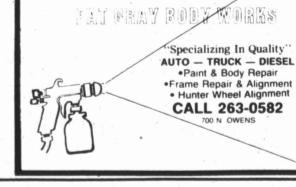
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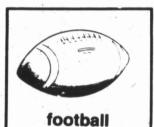
National Basketball Association SAN ANTONIO SPURS—Cut Kevin

Villiams, guard.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS—Ac quired Henry Williams, cornerback, on waivers from the Los Angeles Rams and placed Miles McPherson, cornerback, on the injured reserve

United States Football League
WASHINGTON FEDERALS—Resigned Joel Patten, offensive tackle.
Mike Corvino and Scott Facyson, tinebackers, and Eddie Jackson, defensive tackle. Added Greg Jones, running back, to the roster.
HOCKEY HOCKEY

National Hockey League HARTFORD WHALERS—Recalled Gerry McDonald, defenseman, from Binghamton of the American Hockey

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**Bowl Games** 

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Saturday, Dec. 10
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At Shreveport, La.
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Saturday, Dec. 17
California Bowl
At Fresno, Calif.
Northern Illinois, 9-2, vs. Fullerton

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Thursday, Dec. 22 Hall of Fame Bowl At Birmingham, Ala West Virginia, 8-3, vs Kentucky

Friday, Dec. 23 At San Diego, Calif. am Young, 10-1, vs. Missouri

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7-4, 9 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 24
Sun Bowl
At El Paso, Texas
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Methodist, 10-1, 3 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 28
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Penn State, 7-4-1, vs. Washington,
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Thursday, Dec. 29

Liberty Bowl

At Memphis, Tenn.

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Friday, Dec. 30
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lowa, 9-2, vs. Florida, 8-2-1, 8 p.m.
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7-4-1, 8 p.m. Monday, Jan. 2 Cotton Bowl At Dalles Georgia, 9-1-1, vs. Texas, 11-0, 1:30

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## Mexicans honor Guadalupe virgin

MEXICO CITY (AP) - Tens of thousands of Mexicans — some dancing joyfully in the streets, others crawling long distances on their knees - visited the Basilica of Guadalupe Monday in an annual devotion to the Virgin Mary.

Dec. 12 is the day Mexicans believe the Virgin of Guadalupe made the last of four miraculous appearances on a hill just yards away from the basilica,

Affection for the mother of Jesus Christ is so allencompassing in this overwhelmingly Roman Catholic country that church officials in the past have issued warnings against excessive displays of devotion.

Still, a team of volunteer medics reported Monday morning they have offered assistance to people walking for miles on their knees and one person wearing a crown of thorns.

One and a half million Mexicans are expected to have visited the basilica by the day's end. Some 12 million pilgrims visit the church every year, says Monsignor Guillermo Schulenburg, abbot of the basilica.

Maria Zocorro, 26, began walking on her knees about half a mile from the basilica, "fulfilling the promise" that Mexicans make when they believe the Virgin has worked a miracle for them.

"I lost my child last August and I prayed to the Virgin that we would find her," Zocorro said, speaking of her two-year-old daughter. "And then it happened that we found her. The Virgin has worked various miracles for me and that is why I love her so much.'

Zocorro walked on her knees along an asphalt median strip, as three relatives laid blankets, towels and clothing in her path. Zocorro came here by car from her hometown of Olinala, 130 miles (210 km) south of Mexico City.

Devotion to the Virgin Mary is a Mexican tradition ingrained over that last four centuries. "It is a devotion so deeply rooted that there is hardly a family that does not keep something that reminds them of the Virgin - a medallion or a scapular," said the Rev. Francisco Ramirez Meza, spokesman for the Mexican Conference of Bishops.

Volunteer paramedics with Pandilla International, a rescue group, predicted about 50 people would injure themselves during the course of the day by their physical sacrifices to the Virgin.

The most common injuries are to the knees and to the hands, because many people use their hands to support themselves as they walk and some walk barefoot for many miles," said Carlos Antonio Sanchez, 28, a volunteer with Pandilla.

offered help to a man who was wearing a crown of thorns and walking on his bare knees three miles away from the basilica. He refused help. Sanchez said.

Sanchez said he and his team of medics Sunday night

The abbot of the basilica said the vast majority of Guadalupe pilgrims do not go to physical extremes that once were more prevalent.

'Whether it's because people are better educated or because they are less religious, I can't say for certain. But there fewer of these external acts of mortification," Schulenburg said. The "Virgen Morena" - dark-complexioned Virgin

- was a force that helped to unite culturally the Spanish conquerors and the Aztec Indians of old Indians were among the most devout of the original believers in the Virgin of Guadalupe, who is said to

have appeared four times during the month of December to an Indian convert named Juan Diego. Monday, the Aztec tradition of Mexico was on full display. Groups of Indians dressed in traditional cloths

and headdresses danced and made music in the streets and in the front yard of the basilica. The basilica of Guadalupe is a large, modernistic

structure with a circular interior that accommodates about 12,000 people. It is part of a complex of five chu ches in northeast Mexico City, sitting just yards away from the Tepeyac Hill where the Virgin Mary is believed to have appeared to Juan Diego.

Completed in 1976, it replaces the older basilica that dates back to 1695.

The centerpiece of the new basilica is a cape that bears from top to bottom in highly contrasted colors an image of the Virgin. Believers say the cape belonged to Juan Diego, and that the image miraculously appeared as Diego visited a bishop who wanted proof of the alleged apparitions.

Scientific examinations of the cloth have not

disproven the claims of Guadalupe devotees. "The real miracle," said Schulenburg, "is in the mere fact that this piece of very common cloth has survived all these years; that the faith in the appearances has survived all these years and that no one has been able to offer a worldly explanation for what happened."

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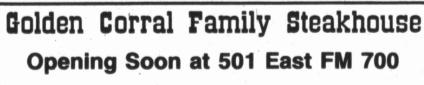
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President Reagan asks Iran to curtail terrorism

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ding tall," he said at the

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"Our days of weakness are

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The president said "I

trying to help?" he said.

On other topics:

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Nonetheless, "the

Reagan said.

President Reagan says he said, "We must have a because we seek war. In-Iran's government must visible showing of our deed, we hope it will 'curb and curtail' pro-Iranian terrorists like Lebanon to perform their those who claimed responfunction." sibility for suicide bombings against Americans in

Kuwait and Lebanon. Reagan reiterated that his administration believes there are 1,000 terrorists, many of them Iranians, assembled in the Middle East to conduct suicide attacks such as Monday's at the U.S. Embassy in on in many government Kuwait and the ones that killed 240 U.S. and 56 French peacekeepers in Beirut on Oct. 23.

"If this is an Iranian group that claims that this is part of a holy war and this is being done in the interest of the government of ing done in their name," Reagan said Monday in an many government prointerview with the Daily

News. A group called Islamic
Jihad, or Holy War, has
claimed responsibility for

"Well, isn't it logical to the attacks in Kuwait and on the Marines, and for the bombing which caused 63 deaths at the U.S. Em-

bassy in Beirut in April. Reagan said the United States will not be forced out of Lebanon by terrorist attacks such the bombing in Kuwait.

"I wish that some of those who are weakening in their resolve would recognize they're weakening precisely because that's (the goal of) those who are committing the assaults on our forces.' Reagan said. "They feel that if they can make enough trouble, that we will withdraw.'

The United States is "not about to be drawn in.... No, there's not going to be a war," Reagan said in the interview aboard Air Force One, enroute from Washington to New York, where he spoke at a luncheon for Medal of Honor

Reagan also said it would "a step forward" if Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat, who has been trapped in Tripoli, were allowed to leave Lebanon peacefully.

Reagan said he would 'leave to the military'' the

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safer location. In any case, said, "We do none of this multinational force in preserve peace.

"Let us pray to God," Reagan added, "that our waging of peace today will on the statement by White bring a tomorrow in which we have no need to call upon courage in the field of people eat in private, battle.

But he warned, "the price of freedom is high. If we turn a blind eye and a kind of cheating that goes deaf ear when totalitarian regimes brutalize the programs, such as welfare. hopes and dreams of people, we demean the valor of every person who struggles is hungry that's one person for human dignity and too many, and something freedom."

Reagan spoke to about half the 259 living recipients of the Medal of Honor. Their organization Iran, then I think that Iran distorted the meaning of presented him with its has a responsibility to curb what he had said," Reagan Patriots Award, gien for and curtail these things be-said. Meese "probably was the first time to a trying to point out" that president.

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