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How's that? Memorial **Donation**

Q. How can I make a donation to help bring the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial to Big Spring?

A. Donations can be sent to: P.O. Box 2854, Big Spring. Checks should be addressed to "The Wall," of "The Wall Committee." Keith Gibbons, the Wall chairman, said donations are tax deductable.

Calendar **Jobs**

 Tuesday is the last day for unemployed persons to advertise free in the Big Spring Herald their job skills that will aid in their search for full-time employment. Persons can call the classified department between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. which is the deadline.

Participants are asked to limit their ads to 25 words, and to contact the Herald if the ad helps them obtain a job. WEDNESDAY

 The end of the Sesquicentennial year will be commemorated by the ringing of the First Methodist Church bell 100 times at noon.

• The Senior Citizens will have a New Year's Eve dance at 8 p.m. at Industrial Park building 487. Admission is \$3 per person, and black-eyed peas, cornbread and pie will be servwill play and guests are welcome.

FRIDAY

 The Senior Citizens will have their regular dance at Industrial Park building 487 at 8 p.m. with the Country Jammers Band.

· City offices will be closed today.

Tops on TV Hill Street

The capture of a mass murderer wreaks havoc on the Hill as Davenport worries that she'll have to defend the killer. This episode was written by Pulitzer Prize winning playwright David Mamet. The show starts at 8 p.m. on Ch. 13.

 Witness to Apartheid, at 9 p.m. on Ch. 5.

"Oliver Twist," at 8 p.m. on

Outside Warmer

The high today will be in the low 60s, and a similar high is expected Wednesday. Tonight should be clear, with a low near 30. Skies will become cloudy Wednesday.

Helicopter ambulance service

Emergency care in the Big Spring area will be supplemented by a new helicopter ambulance service from St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock beginning Monday,

Dan Griffis, the project director for "Flight for Life," said the program will involve one helicopter and a 24-hour crew that will include an experienced pilot, a paramedic and a nurse. The helicopter will be able to carry up to two patients, and will serve a 42-county region within a 125-mile radius of Lubbock.

Griffis said the crew will be in **HELICOPTER** page 2A

State hospital ranks low in report

From staff and wire reports

AUSTIN — Of the eight state mental hospitals, Big Spring State Hospital ranks near the bottom in offering its clients rehabilitative therapies, according to a Legislative Budget Board staff

In the amount of staff time spent on clients for occupational therapy, Big Spring State Hospital ranks seventh, according to the report. The hospital is sixth in offering its patients recreational services and is one of only two hospitals that does not offer speech therapy.

Despite the ratings, local officials are confident of the services being provided to its patients.

superintendent, said this morning that he had not seen the LLB

He said, however, that "we do provide the services here," explaining that there is some question concerning how such activities are counted among state facilities.

'We do have a very good program in rehabilitation therapy .. when service is called for, it's provided," he said.

Big Spring State Hospital ranks second in spending for chaplaincy services, but places near the bottom in offering religious counseling to clients, the report said.

At the same time, the local facility has the least expensive phar-

hospitals.

In reviewing support services of state hospitals and schools, the LBB staff, which reviews the performance of state agencies, found inconsistent and inaccurate data that "severely restricts the decision making of the department and the Legislature.'

The staff recommended setting specific standards to measure the facilities in these areas.

Von Rosenberg said that the local facility is in its third year of a of Hospitals, which he said is the best rating possible.

more staff," but he believes that the facility is meeting the standards which have been established for accreditation.

The report also noted wide variances in the cost of pharmacy and laboratory services. It recommended the department provide a centralized package facility for pharmaceutical services.

Big Spring State Hospital has the most inexpensive pharmacy costs at 63 cents per perscription, while three-year accreditation by the Austin State Hospital has the cupational therapy as compared Joint Commission on Accreditation highest cost at \$5.14 per perscription.

Laboratory services range from improvement - it's possible we procedure. Big Spring State lowest staff to patient ratio.

could provide more services with Hospital has the second highest laboratory costs at \$3.62 per procedure

Overall, Big Spring State Hospital's cost per client per day is \$130.79, which ranks fifth in the range from \$107.37 at Kerrville State Hospital to \$165.50 at Vernon State Hospital.

In occupational therapy, Big Spring State Hospital has the lowest ratio of staff members to patients. Patients at Big Spring State Hospital receive 94 hours of ocwith 312 hours at Austin State Hospital, the report said.

In recreational therapy, Big Spr-"I won't say there's not room for \$1.28 per procedure to \$11.35 per ing State Hospital also has the

Robert Von Rosenberg, assistant macy service among the state Bells to toll for conclusion of the Sesquicentennial

From staff and wire reports Some Texans haven't gotten enough of the state's Sesquicentennial and are holding celebrations

right down to the last day - in-

cluding some in Big Spring.

Bells will toll the conclusion of Texas' 150th anniversary of independence at noon Wednesday.

The local Sesquicentennial committee will conduct the bellringing as its final event of the sesquicentennial year, reports Kay Bancroft, a member of the committee.

the First Methodist Church will be rung 100 times as a commemoration of the year's conclusion. Other events originally schedul-

She said that the church bell at

ed for the end of the year have been canceled or were rescheduled for earlier dates

About two dozen people turned out Monday for the dedication of Pioneer Park in Andrews, said Norman Phillips with the chamber of commerce. An even larger turnout is expected for the New Year's Eve Sesquicentennial Ball, she

"The theme is 'spellbound,' ... a fantasy land sort of thing," she explained, adding that those attending are encouraged to wear period-style costumes if they have

'We're hoping that 250 to 300 people will attend," she said. The West Texas city has a population of about 12,500.

Marfa had planned a big gala, but wound up the year's events with an Annexation Day community worship ceremony sponsored by the Ministerial Alliance. It had been scheduled for Monday, but was held a week earlier, said Cecilia Thompson of the Chamber of Commerce.

 $\lq\lq I$ don't know if it was well-attended or not, $\lq\lq$ she said. $\lq\lq I$ haven't received word."

The walls are tumbling on two old, unused buildings (at the right in

this photo) along First Street between Gregg and Lancaster Streets

as part of an Industrial Development plan. The demolition of the

Also rescheduled was a thankyou banquet for participants in Laredo's various civic Sesquicentennial projects. It had been set for Monday but was held Dec. 5, said co-chairman Alicia Cantu.

'It was a great success," she said of the banquet and the border city's events. Laredo's last Sesquicentennial item was Sunday's dedication of the Pan American Highway monument, Mrs. Cantu

Gatesville had planned a Statehood Day celebration Monday, with plenty of speeches and activities. But Ruth Smith of the Gatesville chamber of commerce said several key members of the Sesquicentennial committee had She was optimistic, however,

that the Central Texas city would be ready for the state's Bicentennial in 2036. And, she said, "Maybe we'll do something between now and then.

Uvalde residents were to "end our Sesquicentermial a little later than others," said city tourism director Bill Dillahunty.

'It's been raining all day," he said Monday. So the burying of a time capsule was postponed to Saturday

Kerrville was going ahead with plans for a New Year's Eve party sanctioned by the local Sesquicentennial committee, said member Gus Schreiner.

"We expect 400-600 people," he said, adding that most of those attending are expected to wear current formal or semi-formal clothes.

Plano had planned to hold a community bonfire on Monday. But the event was replaced with a picnic in October.

"That was our last hurrah" for the Sesquicentennial, said Jeanine Harvell in the city parks and recreation department.

Afghans received warmly

FORT WORTH (AP) -Afghan rebels who came to Fort Worth for medical treatment went home with a cache of weapons and money, compliments of people attending a local gun show.

Touring the Gun Sale & Show at the Tarrant County Convention Center on Sunday, six Muiahedeen fighters who are part of a 25-member guerrilla group, received a warm welcome and many gifts.

An announcement that the rebels were in the arena brought applause from several hundred gun enthusiasts.

The rebels were given a .44-caliber pistol, military-style clothing, gloves, socks, sunglasses, baseball caps and \$314 in cash donations, said Aziz K. Budri, a Dallas insurance salesman who served as translator for the group.

Soviet troops invaded Afghanistan seven years ago, and continue to occupy the mountainous southwest Asian country.

"They were received very warmly, " Budri told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "They don't know if it was because they (the dealers) love guns or hate communists, but the people there were very interested in what is happening in Afghanistan.'

He said the rebels acted "like little boys in a toy store" while examining the various arms, including lightweight machine guns and a laser-targeting sight.

"As you know, they love guns." Budri said. "Guns are the most valuable thing. If they had the money, they would have bought the whole place.' The group went to look, not

buy, but three of them purchas-

ed binoculars, which are in short supply among the Mujahedeen, he said. The rebels attended the gun show at the invitation of Dr. Griffin Murphey, a Fort Worth

dentist who treated two for

"They really just enjoyed the heck out of it," Murphey said. 'It was really a moving experience.'

mouth and facial injuries.



Afghan rebels from left, Sharfuddin, Mohammed Noor and Mohammed John look at a replica of a drumfed Thompson submachine gun Sunday at a gun sale and show in Fort Worth. The group is in the Fort Worth area for medical treatment and was invited to the show by a local citizen who believed they might have an interest in viewing the arms to fight against the Russian invasion in their homeland.

Rebel Mohammed Noor, 20, said he liked the handguns he saw because the rebels can conceal them from Soviet troops.

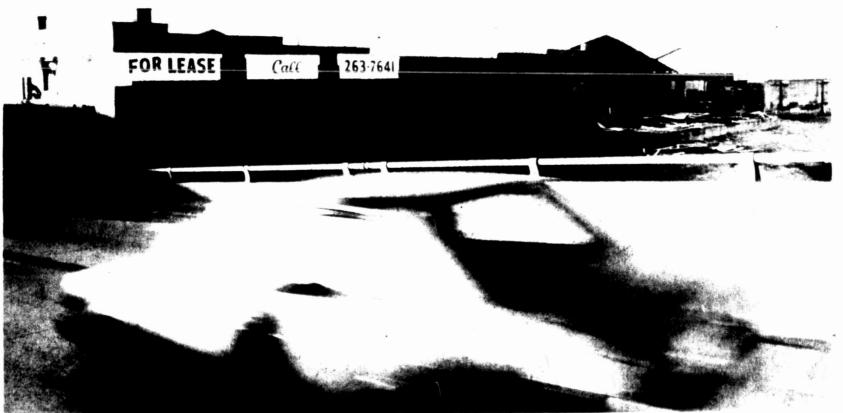
Noor was wounded in the mouth, right shoulder and left arm two years ago when 200

rebels ambushed a Soviet tank

convoy, and was brought to the

United States for replacement of his shattered teeth and to repair a hole in his cheek.

A fellow rebel identified only as Sharfuddin, 22, said, "We can be a small number, and they can be a large number. We ambush them, we kill them, we take their weapons.



buildings, referred to popularly as the "old Saunders buildings," is shown here from the Gregg Street viaduct.

Buildings tumbling downtown

Three downtown buildings will be sold and at least two demolished as part of an Industrial Foundation development plan, according to Johnny Rutherford of the Foundation.

The two "old Saunders buildings" on First Street between Gregg and Lancaster Streets will be demolished and three nearby buildings sold, he said.

A fourth building will continue to be used by the Chamber of Commerce for storage of City Litter Eliminators Are Near (CLEAN) program equipment, he said. Destruction of one of the ancient

within 30 days, and the other shortly after, Rutherford said. Details aren't final on the tenants of the other buildings, but Ruther-

steel buildings should be complete

ford said they will be sold to local

FOUNDATION page 2A

Sam Spikes faces 20 years in prison

LUBBOCK (AP) — After pleading guilty Monday to four of 18 counts of federal bank fraud, former West Texas financier Sam W. Spikes said he was sorry about the financial losses he caused himself and others.

Spikes, 46, admitted that he committed fraud conspiracy, aided misapplication of bank funds, fraudulently wired \$250,000 into his checking account and mailed a fraudulent letter to hinder discovery of the scam.

He faces up to 20 years in prison and fines totaling \$12,000. Judge Halbert O. Woodward will sentence Spikes later

"I'm sorry that the stockholders lost their money," Spikes said in his first comment on the case since he was indicted last June. "I lost all my money, too," he said.

Federal prosecutors alleged that Spikes was the central figure in a complex scheme to pay

off his multi-million dollar debts. The deal involved eight other associates - including his former secretary, to whom he now is married and several financial institutions in West Texas and New Mexico.

Spikes attracted the attention of federal banking officials after the 1984 failures of Security National Bank of Lubbock, First National Bank of Snyder, Brownfield State Bank & Trust and Seminole State National Bank, which Spikes ran or with which he was associated.

Spikes did not estimate his losses, but court records indicate he and his First West Financial Corp. owed about \$7 million, mostly to banks in New Mexico.

He is scheduled to testify next month against former associates Laurence Vineyard Jr. of Dallas, Roy Ryan of Lubbock and Tyrell Barker of Florida

In exchange for Spikes' plea, the government will drop 14 other counts against him and not prosecute him in connection with pending investigations into his banking activities elsewhere in Texas and in New Mexico and

All counts are to be dismissed against his wife, Hellen Spikes, following Spikes' insistence that she was unaware of any wrongdoing.

Bobby McCallister, 46, of Brownfield pleaded guilty earlier Monday to two counts of submitting false personal financial statements in 1983. McCallister faces a maximum of four years in prison and \$10,000 in fines.

Charges are pending against C.W. "Bud" Brooks of Christoval, who allegedly helped Spikes obtain loans from a Colorado institution that Spikes helped Vineyard and Barker buy with loans from an associate's banks.

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Weather

30-Day Precipitation Outlook

Clear tonight with increasing high cloudiness on Wednesday. Lows tonight in the lower 20s in the Panhandle to lower 30s in the Concho Valley, except near 40 in the Big Bend. Highs Wednesday will be near 50 in the Panhandle and in the middle 50s in the South Plains to lower 60s in the Concho and Big Bend valleys.

State

Rainfall triggered in South Texas by an upper level storm system over North Central Mexico is expected to end and give Texas mostly clear skies and mild temperatures for the last day of 1986.

Forecasts called for occasional rain across extreme South Texas to end by tonight.

Millions plan to pray during Hour of Peace

HOUSTON (AP) — Millions of silence at 6 a.m. Several churches people throughout the world will pause for an hour Wednesday to pray and contemplate peace on the last day of 1986, according to organizers of the vigil.

The whole idea is to get people all over the world thinking about the same thing," said Debbie wanted to host the event in the Ward, a spokeswoman for Astrodome, but could not raise the Houston's Transformation.

More than 400 million people in 75 countries are expected to participate in World Peace Day, said Ruth Larkin of the Quatrus Foundation, a nonprofit spiritual awareness center in Austin that acts as census keeper for a loose

network of participants. Musicians, singers and Houston residents will do their part beginning at 6 a.m. at Jesse H. Jones Hall,

Ms. Ward said. The 6 a.m. time corresponds with noon Greenwich time, the only time the entire world is on the same calendar day, she said. Wednesday also is the last day of 1986, designated by the United Nations as the International Year of Peace, said Larry Patton, co-

chairman of the Houston group. At Jones Hall, performances will include a children's choir, ringing

in the Houston area are scheduled to be open for the vigil.

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The non-profit group planned a more festive event for peace because it is not a church organization and wanted to "keep it more open," Ms. Ward said. Members money to rent the stadium

Events honoring the hour are also planned in El Paso, Austin, Corpus Christi, Dallas and San Antonio.

Theologian Randolph Price, who launched the idea for the event in a book he wrote in 1984, The Planetary Commission, said he chose the last day of 1986 because he hoped Jan. 1, 1987 will mark a new age of peace in world history

Ms. Larkin said getting millions of people to "honor peace for one hour has got to have impact."

'Peace is a conscience choice that we make," she said, adding that she believes concentrating on peace will help improve the world's quality of life.

'Some people want to do it with joyful singing, others want to do it with quiet contemplation," she "The idea is to pray, conof peace bells and a minute of template, meditate.'

Deaths

Helen Curry

Services for Helen Curry of 1208 South Nolan St. will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Myers and Smith Funeral Chapel with Dr. Claude Craven, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be at 3 p.m. Wednesday at Ross Cemetery in Baird.

She died early Sunday morning, Dec. 28, at Hall-Bennett Memorial Hospital following a short illness. She was born in Park Springs and married Brandon Curry in Abilene. They moved to Big Spring on Feb. 5, 1942, from Abilene. He precede her in death Dec. 29, 1976. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, and worked at the First **Baptist Church in the Mothers' Day**

Out Program for the past 10 years. She is survived by a son, Kenneth Brandon Curry, of Nederland; a daughter, Mrs. Frank (Lua) Turner, of Freemont, N.C.; six grandchildren; and five great

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home

and Rosewood Chapel 906 GREGG BIG SPRING

Elizabeth Wooldridge, 66, died Tuesday. Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home

grandchildren.

Pallbearers will be Kenny Curry, Prentice Curry, John Turner, Tim Turner, Bill Swindell, and W.O.

The family is at the home of Ken-

Elizabeth Wooldridge

Elizabeth Wooldridge, 66, 10101/2 South Nolan, died Tuesday, Dec 30, 1986, at Hall-Bennett Memoria Hospital after a one-year illness Services are pending at Nalley Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

MYERS&SMITH Funeral Home and Chapel

267-8288

O.T. Brewster, 80, died Sunday. Services were 11:00 a.m. today at First United Methodist Church. Interment followed at Trinity Memorial Park.

Mrs. Brandon (Helen) Curry, died Sunday. Services will be 10:00 a.m. Wednesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Chapel. Interment will be 3:00 p.m. Wednesday at Ross Cemetery, Baird, Texas.

301 E. 24th St., Big Spring

Police beat

No suspects in assault case

A white adult female, unidentified, was sexually assaulted between 12:35 and 1 a.m. Monday on the southeast side of town, police

Lt. Jerry Edwards said a weapon

was used in the assault. He did not identify the weapon. Police have no suspects, he said. The victim was taken to Scenic

Mountain Medical Center with minor lacerations and contusions, police reports stated. • Arson is suspected in the burn-

ing of a vacant mobile home at 3701 W. Highway 80 between Dec. 24-29. The blaze caused \$1,500 damage to a ceiling fan, carpeting, curtains

The mobile home is owned by D&C Sales, 3910 W. Highway 80. Assistant Fire Chief Burr Lea Settles said he is not sure whether the blaze is connected with other recent arson cases.

• E.G. Galvin, 301 N.E. Seventh St., reported the theft of a \$500 color TV, \$500 in assorted clothing and \$800 in assorted jewelry. A wall on the east side of the house was damaged in the theft, which occurred between Dec. 4-29.

 Two landscape paintings, valued at \$300, a wall clock, a \$100 antique black trunk containing bedding, and a \$175 oak rocking chair were stolen Monday from the residence of Michael Covington, 2504 Dow St.

Sheriff's log

Transfer made to Huntsville

Joseph Gilbert Garcia, Jr., 19, of years for a third DWI charge. 510 Donley St., was taken to the **Texas Department of Corrections** facility in Huntsville early this morning by sherriff's deputies. Garcia was sentenced to 30 years for burglary of a residence. Capital murder charges against Garcia were dropped.

• Clarence Hubert Whitsitt, Jr., 27, of 1503 East 3rd St., was taken to the Texas Department of Corrections facility in Huntsville early this morning by sherriff's deputies. Whitsitt was sentenced to four

• Frank Baugus, Jr., 20, of St. Lawrence, was transferred to the county jail Monday afternoon and released on \$500 bond. Baugus was arrested early Monday morning on

• Ruth Pena Hensley, 54, of 1302 Wood St., was transferred to the county jail and released on \$500 bond Monday. Hensley had been arrested on suspicion of driving while intoxicated and failure to drive in a single marked lane

Paso murder charge against Lucas dropped

EL PASO (AP) — A judge today dismissed a capital murder charge against former drifter Henry Lee Lucas, saying "we're all a little

tired" of the proceedings. Prosecutors had asked State District Judge Brunson Moore to drop the charge, saying they had no other choice after Moore refused to admit Lucas' confession into evidence.

Lucas, 50, had been indicted in the May 27, 1983, ax-slaying of 72-year-old Librada Apodaca at her El Paso home.

Lucas gave police confessions to that slaying and hundreds of other killings. He then recanted the con-

tracted under pressure by law enforcement agencies eager to solve It's all cymbalic

Helicopter.

Mary's in Lubbock

hospitals.

by automobile.

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the air within five minutes of a

call, and that a trip to Big Spring

will take approximately one

hour. Griffis said the primary

purpose of the service will be to

transfer patients from a

hospital, such as Scenic Moun-

tain Medical Center, to St.

He explained that St. Mary's

offers certain types of treatment

that is unavailable at smaller

He said a round trip from Lub-

bock to Big Spring by helicopter

takes two hours, but stressed

that only an hour of the trip

would be in transport, as oppos-

ed to a two-hour, one-way trip

emergency services in these

towns. We're not competing

with other hospitals," Griffis

He also said the service would

"It's hard to tell exactly what

the benefits will be, but I im-

agine they will be greater and

be valuable in rural areas

without a nearby hospital.

"It's an extension of the

perform during half-time of the Cotton Bowl.

Ohio State University March Band cymbalist Stephanie Sawaya

practices with the squad at Loos Field in Addison. The OSU band will

crew will only respond to calls

from law enforcement officers,

fire officers, emergency

medical service personnel, and

Scenic Mountain Medical

Center Executive Director Andy

Gramlich said he knew nothing

about the service, but added

that the Big Spring hospital

would be willing to use a

He said the hospital currently

evacuates some patients by

airplane to Lubbock. He said a

helicopter would eliminate

ground transfer from the

hospital to the air strip and from

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Howard County Sherriff A.N.

Standard said he believed the

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Gramlich said.

from the new service

Also today, Moore denied a prosecution motion for the return of some 180 crime scene photos.

''I think we're all a little tired of Moore said as he denied the state's motion for the return of the photos. "I think the time has come to end it. Hopefully, this is the last we're all hear of it for a long, long time.

residents, and will probably be used as warehouse or storage buildings. He doesn't expect local

employment to be generated. The activities are the beginning

The Foundation's plans are only

tion into the Apodaca slaying.

ed with the removal of the building.' Rutherford said he believes many owners of derelict property

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Foundation. Continued from page 1A

at the idea stage, he said. Discussion has included the possibility of assisting people with the destruction of buildings in which "the value of the land would be enhanc-

resources or the incentive to do so.

Lucas' court-appointed attorneys

argued they had no intention of releasing the photographs except possibly to a grand jury which might further probe the investiga-

fessions, saying they were ex-

of an Industrial Foundation plan to upgrade the area, Rutherford said. He added that the plan fits "hand in glove" with the city's recent effort to get valueless, derelict buildings destroyed.

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Voyager crew 'heroes'

LOS ANGELES — The names of Voyager pilots Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager belong on the rolls of aviation pioneers, President Reagan said in honoring the crew and designer of the first airplane to circle the globe without stopping or refueling.

"The flight of the Voyager brought us back to the days of those magnificent men in their flying machines," Reagan told the pilots and designer Burt Rutan on Monday before awarding each of them the Presidential Citizen's Medal in a ceremony at the Century Plaza

"You reminded us all that aviation history is still being written by men and women with the spirit of adventure and derring-do," the president said, calling the flight "an inspiration to all Americans.

NCPA founder dead

WASHINGTON — John T. "Terry" Dolan, a founder of the National Conservative Political Action Committee, died after a long illness at

Brent Bozell, a spokesman for NCPAC, quoted in today's edition of The Washington Times, said the immediate cause of death was congestive heart failure.

Dolan died Sunday "We loved Terry deeply and our grief is beyond measure," Dolan's family said in a statement Bozell read to The Times. "We take consolation in knowing that for the last six months and on the day of his death, Terry's

family was with him constantly. The newspaper did not say where Dolan

Dolan co-founded NCPAC, which gained prominence with the election of President Reagan in 1980. The political action committee funneled nearly \$2 million into Reagan's successful campaign.

As one of the New Right's spokesmen, Dolan spoke out in favor of school prayer, a reduction in the size of the government and anti-abortion issues. He also strongly criticizof being "co-opted by the liberal establishment." ed Republican politicians, whom he accused

Murder charge dropped

NEW YORK — Police fearing further racial violence beefed up patrols in Howard Beach today after a judge dismissed murder charges against white youths in an attack on three black men that has sparked two retaliatory

Criminal Court Judge Ernest Bianchi threw out murder, manslaughter and assault charges Monday against the three teens after the two surviving victims of the Dec. 19 attack in the white neighborhood refused to testify.

Bianchi substituted reckless endangerment charges against Jon Lester, Scott Kern and Jason Ladone, leaving no one charged specifically with the death of Michael Griffith, who was hit and killed by a car as he fled a



Fort Worth firefighters work to control a two-alarm fire caused by an explosion that occurred approximately 10:45 p.m. in a two story housing complex located across the street from Texas Christian University.

TCU fire

Cause of explosion unknown

FORT WORTH (AP) — Fire investigators began an investigation at dawn today to determine the cause of an explosion that triggered a two-alarm fire and demolished a small apartment building near the Texas Christian University campus.

No one was injured in the explosion late Monday night, authorities said.

Fire department spokesman Butch Hall said arson investigators would begin their investigation at dawn today. The building was guarded during the night while investigators waited for daylight to begin their probe.

Hall said the explosion, which occurred at about 10:30 p.m. Monday, destroyed the north end of the Bellaire Villa Apartments.

The structure, a two-story white frame and stucco complex located across from the TCU football stadium parking lot, caught fire after the explsion.

All residents of the building were accounted for by late Monday, spokesman Charlie McCafferty said. Damage to the building was "considerable," of-

ficials said in declining to give an estimate of the "(The explosion) felt like everything was being

lifted like in the movie 'Wizard of Oz,'" said Toni Newton, who lives across the alley from the explosion scene. "Everything was swaying, even the light There was evidence found in a preliminary in-

vestigation that the cause may have been a natural gas explosion, said Fire Capt. Bill Dunkin.

"It appears to be natural gas," Dunkin said, "because of the way the walls were pushed out." Breck Harris, a spokesman for Lone Star Gas Co.,

said company crews found no gas presence at the "We have not found anything or any natural gas

underground anywhere near the site," Harris told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

There have been two explosions in the downtown area of Fort Worth this year, including one Dec. 8 that leveled a row of shops and broke out windows in a four-

Tom Sharp, 22, and his wife, Marie, said they heard the explosion and rushed to the scene to help a handicapped tenant escape from his second-story

"It felt like a lightening crash," Marie Sharp said. "It shattered several of my windows. I thought it was the end of the world."

"It was so loud," Tom Sharp said, "it felt like two or

World

By Associated Press

Iran talks see progress

THE HAGUE, Netherlands - U.S. and Iranian negotiators in The Hague have made progress toward return of \$507.7 million in Iranian funds held at the New York Federal Reserve Bank, an informed Iranian source

Officials from the New York Federal Reserve Bank, the U.S. Treasury Department, the Iranian Central Bank and the Iranian government arranged a second straight day of talks this afternoon at the Iran-U.S. Claims Tribunal.

The two sides met for 31/2 hours Monday. Tehran has linked return to Iran of all its assets blocked in America to Iran's possible intercession on behalf of American hostages

Kremlin rejects greetin

MOSCOW — The Kremlin rejected a U.S. request for an exchange of televised New Year's greetings by President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev because superpower relations have deteriorated, a Soviet official said today.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov, without giving specifics, also said Soviet officials plan to "democratize" society

Last year, a taped address from Reagan was broadcast on New Year's Day at the beginning of the Soviet television news program Vremya (Time). A message by Gorbachev was shown on U.S. television.

Macmillan dead at 92

LONDON - Harold Macmillan, who as prime minister from 1957-63 presided over a golden period of prosperity at home and the breakup of the British Empire abroad, died after a short illness. He was 92.

With relatives by his bedside, Macmillan died at 6:20 p.m. Monday at his Birch Grove House home near Haywards Heath, south of London.



HAROLD

F. Kennedy said it was Macmillan's perseverance that made possible the unprecedented Nuclear Test Ban Treaty signed in Moscow by Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union on July 25. He became leader of the Conservative Par-

The late President John

the Soviet bloc and presiding over the granting of independence to British colonies, including Ghana, Nigeria and Kenya. Kennedy treated Macmillan with almost filial regard and after Kennedy's assassina-

ty and Britain's 46th prime minister in the

wake of the Suez crisis of 1956. He emerged as

a world statesman, improving relations with

tion in November 1963, Macmillan spoke of

him as "my close friend and associate."

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Communication needed to cope

The recent emphasis on basic learning skills and the corresponding improvement in standardized test scores have prompted numerous optimists to proclaim that the tide of mediocrity is receding among the nation's schools.

If that's the case, then why are so many American students unable to communicate effectively?

That distrubing question surfaced again recently when a federal report disclosed that most American students are woefully inadequate in written expression.

The national survey included writing samples from 55,000 students in the fourth, eighth and 11th grades in public and private schools. It found that a majority of youngsters lack the communication and critical-thinking skills needed in an advanced society.

Although the survey was a national one, we believe the conclusion accurately describes the situation in Howard County and Texas as well.

We recently saw some letters written by local eighth graders, which were brought to our attention by their proud teacher. The need for the students to spend more time learning grammar and spelling and practicing the art of putting their thoughts on paper quickly became obvious.

Some of the reasons for the glaring communication deficiencies cited in the survey are readily apparent. Students don't read as much as they used to. Teachers don't require students to write nearly enough, and competent writing instructors are in short supply.

Excuses abound as to the baleful state of writing skills among today's students.

Teachers blame parents for not reading to their children or encouraging them to write at home. Parents complain they are busy and their children spend

too much time in front of the television.

Many students, meanwhile, say they have trouble putting thoughts on paper.

Such buck passing ignores the question — especially when there is plenty of blame to go around. The blunt truth is that clear and concise writing, like most acquired skills, demands simple dedication.

In order to write well, one must read extensively, master the fundamentals of grammar, and — most important practice, practice, practice.

Moreover, clear writing can only come from clear thinking, which always has been a goal of education.

Writing skills, just as those in any other craft, are developed as a result of attention to detail, which must begin in the early grades.

The skills should be honed by dilligent educators who ensure that their students are able to think and express themselves clearly *before* they are promoted.

All secondary teachers — not just English teachers — must require good writing of their students.

Such devotion to detail at one time was commonplace in most American classrooms. A return to this bygone standard is essential if students are to develop the communication skills that will enable them to cope with an increasingly com-

Affair may not be God's will

DEAR DR. GRAHAM: For several years after a broken engagement I was so disillusioned with people I felt I could never fall in love again. But now I have met this wonderful man at work, and I am sure God must have brought us together because our love is so deep. He is married and has a family, but if God brought us together, don't you think it would be right for us to get married? -

DEAR T.E.: I do not doubt you have strong feelings for each other but that does not mean God brought you together. In fact, it would be wrong in God's eyes for what guarantee do you have that he you to be responsible for breaking up this man's home.

God has made it very clear in His Word, the Bible, that in His perfect plan the marriage vow is not to be broken. God, after all, gave marriage to us, and He intended marriage to be a permanent relationship between a husband and his wife. The Bible says, "Therefore what God has joined together, let man not separate" (Matthew

Don't deceive yourself, either, into thinking you can enjoy lasting happiness and security in this kind of relationship. After all, if this man is willing to sneak around behind his present wife's back and carry on a relationship with you --



Billy Graham

will not do the same to you

The marriage vow should be one which binds you and your husband as long as you both live — but if one or both of you do not take it seriously, it will not last

Hard as it may be for you to face it, the only right thing for you to do is to break off this relationship. God loves you, and He has the right person in your future if it is His will for you to marry.

Don't ruin your life by turning your back on His will. Instead, commit your life to Christ, and then ask Him to help you do what is right and to yield your future - including your marriage — to Him.

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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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Prison officials accused of petty retaliation for criticism

By JACK ANDERSON and JOSEPH SPEAR

WASHINGTON - Officials at the Petersburg (Va.) Federal Prison Camp have not taken kindly to criticism to their institution by inmate George Hansen, a former Republican congressman from Idaho.

Unfortunately, the bureaucrais have apparently wreaked their petty revenge not only on Hansen, but on innocent bystanders: his fellow prisoners and their wives.

Hansen, an arch-conservative convicted of failing to report certain transactions on his required financial disclosure form, began serving a sentence of five to 15 months last June at the prison camp near Richmond.

An unregenerate maverick, Hansen declined to curry favor with prison authorities by remaining silent about the prison conditions he considered disgraceful. He wrote letters and memos, called us repeatedly on the phone - and authored a magazine article with the provocative title of "American

Gulag. Hansen wasn't surprised when prison officials cut short the visiting hours of his wife, Connoe, who had spent hours on the road driving down from their Northern Virginia home for the family reunions that are an important part of any prisoner's life.

After all, Hansen had challenged the system — and he figures that's what got him in trouble in the first place, while other members of Congress who bungled their financial disclosure forms were let off the hook

It's not that Hansen didn't resent the treatment given his wife. She had driven three hours for a Thanksgiving Day visit, and was ushered out by the captain of security himself at 11:15 a.m. roughly four hours before the normal departure time.

"The place was not at all overcrowded," the ex-congressman told us, "and no opportunity was ever given for volunteers to leave." That was bad enough. But what

nie left, including a mother and her children who had been there for less than two hours, and who had also driven the same three-hour trip from the Northern Virginia area as Connie.

Jack Anderson

really outraged Hansen was that

'they terminated a small handful

of others from Virginia after Con-

Hansen believes the others were sent away early as a cover for revenge against him.

On the Saturday after Thanksgiving, the same thing happened, Hansen told us. His wife again was ushered out early, even though she had not been the first visitor to arrive, and again no volunteers were solicited to relieve the supposed overcrowding. "Saturday's scene had one extra

cruel touch of insensitivity beyond the Thanksgiving happening,' Hansen told us. "Another mother, from Washington, D.C., ... was sent away after only 112 hours." The excon-gressman is convinced that this, too, was done to disguise the fact that prison authorities were trying to punish their outspoken

"This young black woman, who supports herself and her family by working in a restaurant, had adjusted her schedule, hired a sitter for her three children, bought a ticket and ridden a bus for three hours to visit her husband for his birthday — their first visit in six months," Hansen told us.

"The expense didn't matter,"

Hansen said. "The distance didn't matter. The six months' time since the last visit didn't matter to the captain. He said the woman could sit it out in the administration building until her bus left for Washington four hours later.

The ex-congressman, who is scheduled to be paroled this week, gave us further evidence of petty retaliation against others that he believes happened because of the prison authorities' displeasure over his public complaints.

For example, four inmates who became his friends have been reassigned to low-paying jobs in recent weeks, he said. One had been cited for meritorious performance ed because prison officials thought - erroneously - that they were 1?" sources of information for him.

Footnote: A prison spokesman said, "There have been no acts of retaliation directed against Mr. Hansen or any others as a result of his contacting the news media." He added: "We do not feel the media is the appropriate forum for responding to Mr. Hansen's allegations."

REAGAN'S DILEMMA: Our mail on the Iranian affair is divided. Some believe President Reagan is up against a totally unscrupulous adversary and, therefore, cannot fight back with Marquis of Queensberry rules.

Others insist that the president must not abandon the principles and ideals that have characterized America. How do you feel? If you agree the president was right in dealing with Ayatollah Khomeini's people at their level, dial -900-210-3280. If you think the president was wrong, dial 1-900-210-3284.

The telephone company will bill you 50 cents for the call. Or simply write the number of your choice on the back of a postal card and mail to Peoples Poll, P.O. Box 2300, Washington, D.C. 20013.

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Art Buchwald

Santa Claus had better watch out

By ART BUCHWALD

Santa Claus was aghast when he picked up his newspaper and read the headline, "NORTH POLE SCANDAL - SANTA DELIVERS TOYS TO NAUGHTY CHILDREN."

The story read, "After he condemned naughty children in the strongest terms and vowed he would see they never got any toys, it turns out the North Pole was secretly supplying bad kids with everything from G.I. Joe helicopters to spare parts for Barbie dolls. The world was rocked by the news that Santa would advocate one toy policy and pursue another.

There had been a leak, and Santa was furious. He called in Rudolph, chief of the Christmas staff, and wanted to know what he was to say when asked about the botch-up.

Rudolph said, "We'll tell them that by supplying toys you were hoping to win over all the bad kids in the world to our side so they would become moderate naughty children instead.

Santa was red-faced. "How could it have leaked out to the press?'

"I have no idea, sir. We've never had a leak from the North Pole before.

'Well, I want to get to the bottom of this. If children think they can be good or bad and still receive the less than four months earlier, same presents I'll lose my Hansen believes they were punish- credibility. Now this is my first question. I wasn't involved,

> "No, sir. You were in the dark as you always are. But whoever released the story was trying to stab you in the back.

Santa said, "The first thing we have to do is find out who is telling the truth. I suggest we all take toy lie detector tests.

"That is a good idea, sir. I assume you want all elves wired

"I'm also talking about the

reindeer. "It's hard to get reindeer to pass a detector test, sir, because they

always lie through their teeth.'

"I'm appalled that anyone would believe I would negotiate with naughty children. Mrs. Claus said they mean to get me in the popularity polls, which show 99.5 percent of the public think I am doing a good job. Now people will say that if Santa knew about the naughty child policy he was stupid, and if he didn't know about it he was a dummy.

"That's why we have to protect the name of Santa Claus at all costs. Here is a list of the elves who had access to the naughty children file. I have North, South, East, West and Poindexter.

"Who is Poindexter?" "He is a reindeer who was sup-

posed to give you intelligence on who has been good and who has been bad in 1986. It's quite possible the elves and the reindeer were working together. "How's that?"

"This business started after a certain moderate child named Archie Archibald, age 5, refused to go to bed and was holding his mother hostage in the kitchen. When the mother said he would not get any toys for Christmas, Archie put his head in the garbage compactor. At this point members of the North Pole, without your knowledge, offered Archie any toys he wanted in exchange for letting his mother go.

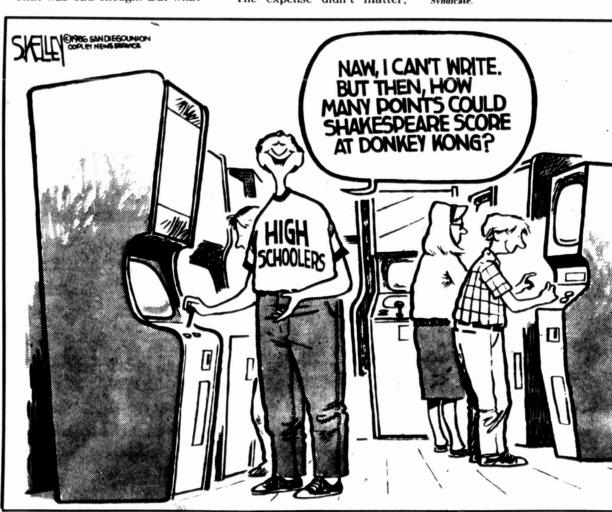
"Unfortunately the word got out that you were willing to give in to blackmail and that you were sending a message to kids that it doesn't matter if you are naughty or nice at Christmastime.

"Why wasn't I made aware of this change in my blackmail

"Because Mrs. Claus told us never to bring you bad news." "But what do I do now whent hey

ask me if I will continue delivering presents to bad children?'

What a should say, sir, is that you have always been against giving presents to naughty children, but at the same time you had to do what you did so the bad kids wouldn't jump ship for Toys-R-



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Lifestyle

East Texas designer seeks national audience

Lufkin Daily News

DIBOLL (AP) — Ted Cheavens knew he was onto something when his wife, Michele, took one look at his drawing of chickens in hornrimmed glasses and said, "That's pretty sick."

He said, "I know I'm doing things right if she says it is sick. That's her way of saying, 'You've got something there.'

The bespectacled chickens have since found a home on the back of a group of T-shirts that he is marketing nationally and he says, "That will probably be the hottest thing I'll have this year."

The 20-year-old Diboll artist and Pat McCann II of Lufkin have a business agreement to work together on marketing the shirts, he said.

The chicken idea lead to additional ideas for the group of six designs that appear on the back of the new, 100-percent cotton Tshirts. Cheavens said he thought about different ways that humans try to dress up animals and went from there with the idea of animals in human settings.

The collection includes the chickens, a bewildered-looking bunny with floppy ears wearing a too-large suit and a rumpled tie, a cheerful dog skimming the water on a slalom ski, a skunk hanging on for dear life as he takes an unexpected ride on a skateboard, a large pink fish with big, pursed lips and half-closed eyes bearing down on a hapless, hooked worm, and "Johnny," an innocent-looking guy with a flat-top, looking out at the

"The market we are trying to appeal to is the surfer, beach-related market. This type of subject matter — skateboards and surfing — is

By VALERIE CULP WILKERSON stores now," Cheavens said. He added that skateboards and surfboards, "Just go together like cookies and milk." He has been a skateboarding enthusiast since the early 1970s.

His shirts have the same format as large, successful brands such as Ocean Pacific, he said, with the designs printed on the back and his logo on the front. "The difference in mine is that they are all cartoon-

oriented," he said. His logo is an artistic version of 'Cheavens' drawn symmetrically and using "e's" that are three little squares stacked on top of one

Cheavens said it is possible that his shirts could lead him into the big time. "I think this could turn into a million-dollar operation easily, really easily, because I've seen it done. But I'm not expecting it."

He said he is not expecting wealth nor seeking it. "My main concern is not wealth. I really just enjoy drawing. I appreciate and enjoy abstract art, realism, cartoons, stick figures, anything. The Lord has gotten me to this point where I have perfected my drawing enough to do it professionally.

"I am a Christian. I want to please Christ in everything I do, more than anything ... Money is not my prime concern at all."

One thing that is of concern to him is to be able to continue drawing as his profession. "I just want to draw the rest of my life," he said. "I used to spend my spare time drawing. Now I spend my spare time doing something else because I spend full time drawing.'

Diversification is his strategy. "I do all types of artwork. I've illustrated one book, "Child of the Sun," a novel written by my grandfound in just about every type of father, Dr. Frank Cheavens; and I store. It is not just sold in beach am working on illustrating one now campaign ideas in a cartoon for "Texas Tux," and it is hanging in



Ted Cheavens shows some of his artistic creations at his home in the east Texas town of Diboll. The 20-year-old artist is working on creating

Get Into Heaven?

by Bill Troth, pastor of Believer's mat, and he draws caricatures. Bible Church, called "How Can I One caricature to his credit is a depiction of Temple-Eastex executives. An example of his work He has designed animal that is on public display currently character note cards that are is a 6-foot by 4-foot acrylic on canavailable at Shelf Image in Lufkin, vas piece featuring many men he is working on retail advertising dressed in tuxedos. It is called

a line of t-shirts which he hopes will appeal to the surfer, skateboard and beach-related market.

the library at Angelina College. "If none of this works out, I still would like to get my stuff syndicated," he said. He has an idea for a comic strip that he has been toying with for some time.

"I'm riding too many horses at one time," he said. "I would like to see any of these sweep the others

Ted said he is thankful for the encouragement he has received from his family. "I was never discouraged about artwork. In fact, I learned more about art from my father (who sculpts and paints) than I've learned from anybody.'

Remembrance of past is not part of man's present

IRRITATED

DEAR ABBY: I grew up in a small town where I did my share of growing up the hard way. I made a lot of mistakes, but none that hurt anyone except myself. Nevertheless, I do regret some of those mistakes.

I am now a grown adult with a that I travel occasionally back to my hometown on business. I have a good reputation among my coworkers, but here's the problem: I have a couple of old "friends" in my hometown who always have to say in a crowd, "Oh, I knew him back when..." and then they recite a story I'm not particularly proud

The reaction of others ranges from raised eyebrows to obvious surprise. How do I handle a situation like that? I've tried to get the



message across that that was a long time ago, but they don't seem to want to give up their irritating

What's a respectable comeback, and how can I get these "friends"

DEAR IRRITATED: Take these "friends" aside and privately tell them seriously and earnestly that their constant dredging up of past incidents of which you are not particularly proud causes you embarrassment, and you would consider I didn't now a soul, and was bored it an act of kindness if they would not do it again. Let them know that you are serious. I am betting they will respect your request. But if they don't, then pointedly avoid, whenever possible, these meanspirited (and probably envious) 'friends.''

DEAR ABBY: Do you want to hear the joke of the century? I'm 39 years old, 5 feet 8 and weigh 155 pounds. My husband, Archie, is 53 years old, he's exactly my height and weighs 165 pounds. Here's the

clincher. He recently got an invitation to his high school class reunion and he says he is not taking me unless I lose 20 pounds!

I have been to his other class reunions and I was always the youngest and slimmest wife there. stiff while Archie spent the whole time talking about old times with all high school friends.

Should I tell him to go by himself? Or should I try to lose 20 pounds in three weeks?

MIFFED IN D.C. DEAR MIFFED: Since when is a person's weight a factor in such matters? If you want to go to his reunion, go. But if I had a husabnd who ignored me while he talked to only his old friends, I'd stay home. (P.S. Your weight is your business.)

suggest a diplomatic way to keep friends from kissing me on the mouth when they greet me? Not only is it unsanitary, it really nauseates me. I recently married and thought that would put an end to this disgusting practice, but it I have a friend who lightly kisses

DEAR ABBY: Could you please

the top of my hand in a very elegant manner. How I wish all men would do this instead of going right for my mouth! PROVOKED IN PEACHTREE

DEAR PROVOKED: Give the would-be kisser the straight arm while turning your head — sharply. And should you encounter any resistance, say, "Not on the mouth,

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Department knew of suicidal man

EL PASO — The double murderyoung sons surprised officials at take his children away the state Department of Human ing the death of his wife and loss of Wilson said. his job.

Aaron, 19 months.

Eddie Wilson, the Department of Human Services program director for children's protective services in El Paso, said the department first contacted Perry Oct. 7, when a complaint saying the boys were being neglected was filed.

"We opened up a protective services case," Wilson said in a press conference Monday. "We helped him deal with being a single parent, the death of his wife and being unemployed.

"At first he was leery of us," he suicide of Dale Perry and his two said. "He thought we were there to

But toward the end, Perry was Services, who thought Perry was cooperating with a department putting his life back in order follow- caseworker and making progress,

'All indications said everything Police said Perry, 40, set fire to was all right," Wilson said. "We his home on Christmas Day, killing were talking to him regularly and himself and his sons, Ian, 4, and he was really trying to keep his family together. He was starting a

Wilson said the boys lived away from Perry for eight days, but as the holidays neared he wanted his children back.

By then Perry was "getting back in touch with life," Wilson said. 'He was volunteering at church, looking for work. Everyone said he

was all right, being responsible." Wilson said Perry had hinted at suicide, but never threatened to injure the children, Wilson said.

Suit filed in television arrest case

woman who claims she was defamed when she was arrested during a television program is suing reporter Geraldo Rivera, two production companies and law enforcement officers for a total of \$30

Terry G. Rouse also contends invasion of privacy, false imprisonment, malicious prosecution and conspiracy in the state district court action filed Monday.

The lawsuit stems from Ms. Rouse's arrest Dec. 2 during a drug bust broadcast on a two-hour special, "American Vice: The Doping of a Nation." A cocaine possesafter her arrest was thrown out by

HOUSTON - A 28-year-old a state district judge after she spent two days in jail.

> "We have discovered that this particular entertainment program was seen by over 15 million, so we have asked for \$2 per person on that. We have asked for \$30 million in exemplary damages," said Mary Heafner, Ms. Rouse's

Rivera, his production company, Maravilla Productions Co. Inc., the program's syndicator, Tribune Entertainment Co., as well as Harris County Sheriff Johnny Klevenhagen, sheriff's Sgt. W.F. Kessler, County Attorney Mike Driscoll and his assistant, John W. sion charge filed against Ms. Rouse Mahoney, were named as

she enjoyed," Mrs. Hoelscher said.

When Miss McNair was selected

as the poster child at age 4, she got

the chance to meet governors,

astronauts, Hollywood stars and

"She was supposed to be the na-

tional poster child," said Mrs.

Hoelscher. "But she had to decline

After that annual MD fund-

raising drive ended in 1967, Miss

McNair went back home with her

parents, Veda and Winfred McNair

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because of the amount of travel.

the president, her sister said.

She wasn't strong enough.'

MD victim dies at 25 after active life

 $CORPUS\ CHRISTI-A\ woman\ philosophy,\ but\ what\ she\ could\ do,$ selected as Texas' Muscular Distrophy Poster Girl in 1966 has died after struggling against the debilitating muscle disease for 25

Her duties as a poster child allowed Viki Dee McNair, who died Sunday, to meet and pose with such celebrities as President Lyndon Johnson, astronaut John Glenn and John Wayne.

"The doctors told us she wouldn't live to be 10," Miss McNair's sister, Patricia Hoelscher of El Campo told the Corpus Christi and I have to give credit to the way my parents cared for her."

'I don't know if she had a Christi.

Shareholders OK airline merger

Corp. is to become the nation's merger's effects. People Express largest airline company after will continue flying under its own shareholders of financially ailing name for the next few months, ac-People Express Inc. agreed to cepting tickets and booking flights Texas Air's \$115 million buyout as usual, said company spokesman

The shareholders' vote on Mon-Houston-based Texas Air's fourmonth effort to buy the discount airline. It marked the eventual end of People Express, which introduced no-frills cheap fares when it began flying five years ago.

All that remains is to sign the papers, officials said.

Airline industry analysts said the deal saved People Express from bankruptcy and that shareholders about a third of them People Express employees - had little choice but to approve the merger.

"It was just a matter of salvaging what little they can," said investment firm of Philadelphia.

NEWARK, N.J. — Texas Air Air travelers will hardly feel the

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West Texas man picks homemade guitar

By LARRY ZELISKO

Abilene Reporter-News BEATTIE (AP) — Boyd Butler has been making music for 60 years and making guitars for 13.

'This has a soft, mellow tone,' he says, picking up a classic guitar he built. "You can play it all day and it won't hurt your fingers.' He retired from peanut farming

here in Comanche County in the fall of 1973. Soon afterward, he built his first guitar. "I had always done woodwork. I

just decided I wanted to try it building a guitar). I ordered a 'How To' book and took it from there. Butler says, "You can order

tops, sides, necks, all pre-cut and pre-sanded. I tell them that's not building a guitar — that's running an assembly plant."

Butler, 76, learned to play the guitar at age 16. He took nine lessons at 25 cents apiece and also taught himself to play from chord

"Back when I was just a kid, there was no radio, nothing to entertain us. So after supper, when it was cool, we would sit on the porch and I would play the violin 'til dark.'

His brother, Roy, convinced him to trade the violin for the guitar.

"I'll never forget the first dance I played," he says. "The people stepping in time with the music made a whomp, whomp, whomp sound. After I went to bed, I could still hear them. I heard that whomp, whomp, whomp all night long.'

He entertained in the area in his younger days. "I played at the last dance hall in Comanche when the City Council shut it down," he says. "Church members kicked up a fuss so it was shut down.

His dancing days stopped when he married. He and his wife, Trudie, have been together 45

He sold the first guitar he built to a Navajo woman, who has played it on albums of Indian songs. His favorite guitar is adorned with inlay of pearl, nickel shaped into stars and silver taken from a Mex-"Everything she could do, she ican peso. He is asking \$1,000 for the instrument.

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Boyd Butler plays on his homemade guitar recently in Beattie. Butler, 76, learned to play he guitar at age 16. He took nine lessons at 25 cents apiece and also taught himself to play from chord books.

several different types of wood. He millimeters larger than most guitars. has built and trimmed guitars using bois d'arc, Honduras mahogany, spruce, cottonwood, rosewood, padauk, walnut, and even mesquite.

He cuts his own wood, and sands cow bones for the saddles and nuts takes him about two months to build a guitar and another two weeks to apply the 12 to 16 coats of

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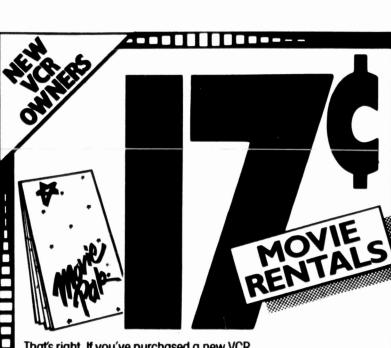
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Sports Vols winners in Liberty Bowl

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Tennessee wide receiver Joey Clinkscales showed Minnesota's defenders that speed truly is the ultimate weapon, as he raced past the Gophers for a pair of touchdown catches to lead the Vols to a 21-14 Liberty Bowl victory.

Clinckscales pulled in an 18-yard pass from sophomore quarterback Jeff Francis in the first quarter Monday night to give the Vols a 7-0 lead and then broke a 14-14 deadlock with 11:21 remaining with a 15-yard scoring catch.

The Vols, who won their final five games to finish the season at 7-5, had squandered a 14-3 halftime lead before Clinkscales' gamewinning catch.

"After Minnesota scored, our backs were against the wall. The defensive back (Matt Martinez) was in a bump-and-run. I just beat him to the outside and tried to hold my position. If I could choose a way to go out, this would be the way I'd go,'' Clinkscales said.

Martinez said the speed of Clinkscales and Tennessee's other receivers forced the Gopher defense to be wary of the long pass all night.

"They had a lot of speed out there and we had to honor that," Martinez said. "He (Clinkscales) had a lot of speed. The one thing Tennessee had was all-around good speed. That was their big plus.

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They had four guys who could sprint.

Francis, who completed 22 of 31 passes for 243 yards to earn game MVP honors, also connected with fullback William Howard for a 23-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter to give the Vols a 14-0

Minnesota's only first-half points came on a 27-yard field goal by Chip Lohmiller with eight seconds remaining, but the Gophers squandered four other scoring opportunities.

In the first quarter, Lohmiller missed a 42-yard field goal attempt and, in the second quarter, the Gophers were held on the Tennessee 6-yard line and fumbled the football away in Tennessee territory twice.

"That was a big key," said Gopher Coach John Gutekunst, whose team, a member of the Big Ten, ended its season 6-6. "We missed the field goal, fumbled twice and got the ball into fourdown territory and didn't score.'

Minnesota came alive in the third quarter, as quarterback Rickey Foggie and tailback Darrell Thompson got the Gophers' wishbone offense moving.

Minnesota drove 88 yards on its first possession of the third quarter, with Foggie capping the drive on an 11-yard keeper around



Minnesota's Darrell Thompson (39) is caught between Tennessee's Verthe Liberty Bowl in Memphis, Tenn. Monday night. non Bass (left) and Bryan Kimbro (right) during Tennessee's 21-14 win in

with 136 yards on 25 carries, ran for left in the quarter. a two-point conversion run to cut
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Thompson, who led all rushers Tennessee's lead to 14-11 with 6:30 13:23 remaining in the game on

But Francis geared up the Ten-Lohmiller's second field goal, a nessee offense for the five-play, 66-yard winning march.

Associated Press photo



Los Angeles Rams running back Eric Dickerson, shown here in a recent file photo, was named the NFL's Offensive Player of the Year. Dickerson led the NFL in rushing with 1,821

Dickerson gets NFL honor

NEW YORK (AP) — Eric Dickerson of the Los Angeles Rams, who set an NFL rushing record with 2,105 yards two years ago but lost out on the off-season honors to Miami's Dan Marino, was named today the NFL's Offensive Player of the Year by the Associated

Dickerson led the NFL with 1,821 yards rushing, the third time he's gone over 1,800 yards in his four years in the league. That represented 37.6 percent of the Rams' total offense of 4,837 yards as Los Angeles earned a playoff berth with a 10-6 record.

That was enough to give him a margin of two votes, 27-25 over Marino, who came on strong to nearly duplicate his record-setting season of 1984.

Wide receiver Jerry Rice of San Francisco received 13 votes; running back Joe Morris of the New York Giants got 7; and quarterback John Elway of Denver, tight end Todd Christensen of the Los Angeles Raiders, and quarterback Ken O'Brien of the New York Jets had one each.

Dickerson started fast and was ahead of his record-breaking pace of two years ago at mid-season. But the emergence of rookie quarterback Jim Everett took some of the load off him and he finished the season well-

"People expect me to get 1,800 yards," he said. "But I'm not physically tired. I'm, not beat up. I'm in real good shape. I put a lot of hard work into what I do.

Dickerson has never missed a game beause of an injury in his four NFL seasons although he missed three at the start of the 1985 season when he held out.

"People think I'm just a flashy runner, that I just run outside," he said. "But I'm tough. I get hit more than my share, but wet

Dickerson may have received the ultimate compliment earlier this season when Dallas Coach Tom Landry was asked to compare his own star running backs, Herschel Walker and Tony Dorsett.

"Dorsett has great moves and great speed and can run right around you," Landry replied. "Walker has great speed and great power and can run right through you and

"Eric Dickerson can do both."

Lady Steers win tourney opener

LUBBOCK — The Big Spring jeopardy. Big Spring got good scoring production from guards pressive start in the 28th Annual ABC Caprock Holiday Tournament, defeating Dimmitt 69-46 Monday afternoon.

The win propels coach C.E. Carmichael's troops to a Tuesday morning data with Abertal Page Clawson and Katrina Thompson, who scored 19 and 12 points respectively.

In other girls tourney action it was: Brownfield 57, Lubbock Estacado 31; Canyon 68, Lubback Corner 32, Lubbock Corner 32, Lubboc Lady Steers got off to a imment, defeating Dimmitt 69-46

Carmichael's troops to a Tuesday, morning date with Abernathy, a 55-39 winner ever. Friona The 16-team tournament will conclude Wednesday night. The Abernathy contest will be a good test for the Lady Steers, now 13-1 for the season. Abernathy is the defending Class AA state champions.

As usual, forward Teresa Pruitt paced Big Spring with 28 points. The Lady Steers jumped out to a 23-8 first quarter lead and their lead was never in

bock Cooper 32; Lubbock Coronado 77, Odessa Permian 54; Lubbock Dunbar 56, Andrews 53; Abernathy 55; Friona 39. BIG SPRING (60) - Teresa Pruitt 12 4 8; Kathryn Burrow t 0 2; Sheri Myrick 0 0 0; totals 29 11 69.

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Hawkeyes to test improved Aztecs

SAN DIEGO (AP) — In tonight's Holiday Bowl, the Iowa Hawkeyes face a San Diego State team that may well be the most improved club in the country, Iowa Coach Hayden Fry says.

respect for the Aztecs," Fry said at a kickoff luncheon on the eve of the football game between the two 8-3 teams "With a new coaching staff and a

"Certainly we have every

new environment, it's truly remarkable that they could adjust and adapt and make the progress they have," Fry said.

San Diego State Coach Denny Stolz said Fry was just being diplomatic with his praise of the Aztecs' improvement.

"What he meant to say is that we stunk in the first half of the season," Stolz quipped.

The 19th-ranked Hawkeyes, making a sixth straight bowl appearance, are favored by seven points over the Aztecs, whose seniors are experiencing a championship season for the first time in their career at the school.

San Diego State, which had three straight losing seasons going into 1986, won its first Western Athletic Conference title with a 7-1 league record in Stolz' first year as Aztecs

The game at 61,000-seat San Diégo Jack Murphy Stadium is a sellout and will generate a payout approaching \$700,000 to each



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San Diego State comes into the game off four straight wins, including a 10-3 victory over Brigham Young that gave the Aztecs the WAC title for the first time since they joined the league in

In winning the title, the Aztecs made the most dramatic form reversal in the WAC's history, rebounding from a sixth-place finish last year and breaking BYU's 10-year hold on the conference title.

Iowa was ravaged by injuries, losing seven starters at various times. But the Hawkeyes' makeshift lineup produced wins in all three of their non-conference games and was good enough for third place in the Big Ten behind Rose Bowl-bound Michigan and Ohio State.

The Hawkeyes got a lift from the recovery of senior quarterback

Mark Vlasic. He returned from an early-season shoulder injury to rally Iowa to a 30-27 triumph over Minnesota in the regular-season

Fry said fullback David Hudson, who hasn't played since suffering a leg injury in the third game of the season, is expected to be ready for the bowl game.

The Aztecs are relatively healthy, but will be without starting wide receiver Anthony Conyers, who was declared out of the game after testing positive for cocaine during an NCAA-drug screening program earlier this

Both San Diego State and Iowa move the ball well through the air. Vlasic passed for 1,234 yards and nine touchdowns and was leading the nation in passing efficiency before suffering the shoulder injury in a 69-7 victory over Texas-El

Paso on Sept. 27. San Diego State quarterback Todd Santos, a junior, already is the all-time passing yardage leader at a school that has produced such quarterbacks as Brian Sipe, Dennis Shaw, Don Horn and Craig Penrose.

Because both teams pass well San Diego State averaged 251.5 aerial yards a game to Iowa's 228.1 Fry said he expects a wide-oper affair.

"I think bowl bowl games really bring out the best in both teams,

Bruins hoping for more bowl success

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — UCLA Coach Terry Donahue doesn't know why his Bruins have performed so brilliantly in postseason action each of the last four seasons. He just hopes the tradition continues

"I really can't explain it," said Donahue, whose team will face Brigham Young tonight in the third Freedom Bowl at Anaheim Stadium. "We've just peaked at the end of the year.

"The Rose Bowl games just have been great games for us. I just hope that we can keep it going. The big thing when you're in a postseason game is your attitude, your willingness to work, whether you want to win the game badly enough.

UCLA brought a streak of four victories in New Year's Day bowl games into the 1986 season — three victories in the Rose Bowl and another in the Fiesta Bowl. Among those victories was a 45-28 trouncing of favored Iowa in the Rose Bowl last Jan. 1.

The streak won't be extended this year - New Year's Day is Thursday. But Donahue believes the Bruins will be ready for a New Year's Day effort against the

by nature," he said. "I think we can play a good game.'

Anaheim, California Dec. 30, 8 p.m. EST UCLA **Brigham Young**

55,000 was expected.

UCLA finished in a tie for second place in the Pacific-10 Conference with a 5-2-1 record and was 7-3-1 overall. Brigham Young went 6-2 to finish second in the Western Athletic Conference and had an overall mark of 8-4

The Cougars had won or shared the WAC championship for 10 straight years before being supplanted by San Diego State this

In BYU, the Bruins will meet a team known for its explosive offense in recent years but one that appears to be more defenseoriented this season. The Cougars "I think that we're competitive allowed an average of only 278 yards per game.

"They've played great defense Kickoff time is 5 p.m. PST. The all year long," Donahue said. "Up 15th-ranked Bruins were listed as until the last couple games, until 14-point favorites. A crowd of about they were able to settle on a new

quarterback, they weren't as productive on offense as they'd been. Sophomore Bob Jensen replaced

senior Steve Lindsley at quarterback for the Cougars late in the year. Jensen completed 11 of 20 passes for 258 yards and one touchdown in a 23-3 victory over Air Force on Dec. 6 to earn BYU its Freedom Bowl berth. "Bob Jensen is going to be a good

one, but it hasn't all been the quarterback," BYU Coach LaVell Edwards said of his team's difficulties on offense. "We just hadn't jelled. 'The thing that hurt us more

than anything else offensively were turnovers. I don't know if we've ever been on the minus side in turnovers. We must have been minus

The game will be the third between the schools. The previous two were decided by a total of five

In 1983, UCLA quarterback Steve Bono set a school record by passing for 399 yards, but the Cougars had 535 yards in total offense in winning a wild 37-35 decision at the Rose

The Bruins evened the series in their season-opener last year, defeating the defending national champion Cougars 27-24 at Provo, Utah. Running back Gaston Green, who rushed for 1,139 yards this year, scored the winning touchdown with 1:02 left.

Baylor quarterback having fun running show by himself

HOUSTON (AP) — Baylor quarterback Cody Carlson had fun sharing the quarterback position with Tom Muecke for four years because the team

Now he's having more fun without the shuttle

because the team is still having success. "I would have liked to do this for four years," said Carlson, who led Baylor to an 8-3 record this season and a spot opposite Colorado in Wednesday's

Bluebonnet Bowl. 'But it's easy to look back now and say things like that," Carlson added. "I wouldn't change my decision to go to Baylor and compete against Tom Muecke. But this year was very enjoyable, being the

lone starter."

Baylor compiled a 21-13-1 record with the Carlson-Muecke shuttle system and played in the 1983 Blubeonnet Bowl and the 1985 Liberty Bowl.

This season, Carlson finally got his chance to solo and he adjusted quickly. The Bears rallied from a 4-3 start with four consecutive victories and the reward was a second appearance in four years in the Bluebonnet Bowl.

"It was a big change physically and mentally for me to have to prepare for a full game," Carlson said. "After that first game at Wyoming, I was really

Sharing the quarterbacking position with Muecke

was made bearable by success, Carlson said.

"If I had gone to a school with a highly recruited quarterback and never played, then I might have thought about what might have been," Carlson said. "But it was fairly easy. Everything has worked out well in the end. A lot of things that could have happen-

"I learned a lot of patience with the shuttle. We always had success with the system and that made it

easier to accept. Carlson completed his college eligibility as the SWC's No. 5 ranked quarterback in total offense with 5,835 yards. He is ranked seventh with 366 completions, sixth with 5,411 net passing yards and ninth

with 705 pass attempts. Each figure is a Baylor career record.

Colorado Coach Bill McCartney fears Carlson's experience.

'When you play against a fifth-year quarterback that's been to the floor as much as Carlson, that's what concerns me the most," McCartney said. 'Those guys have a way of doing what needs to be

yards per game total offense with a balanced attack 2,250 passing yards and 2,577 yards rushing.

The Bears ranked fifth in the nation with 438.8

"I don't know what else this offense could do,"

By The Associated Press

After two lopsided losses and a poor first half against the Atlanta Hawks, the Cleveland Cavaliers got tired of being kicked around.

'You don't keep kicking a dog that's down, Cleveland rookie Mark Price said after the Cavaliers edged the Hawks 107-106 Monday night. "I think the Hawks might have had an idea that we would be their stepping dog."

Cleveland lost by 19 and 24 points in its previous two games against Atlanta, which has the best record in the Eastern Conference at

The Cavaliers also trailed 64-55 at halftime Monday night, but rallied by holding the Hawks to 42 points in the second half.

'I'm really happy with the way are kids hung in there," Cleveland Coach Lenny Wilkens said. "In the second half, we just wanted to tighten up the defense. We covered up whenever they would get a guy open and we began to allow them only one shot.

In other NBA games, it was New Jersey 122, Milwaukee 117; Washington 125, Golden State 105; Utah 109, San Antonio 101; and Boston 119,

Phil Hubbard's free throw put Cleveland ahead of Atlanta with three seconds left, 12 seconds after Dominique Wilkins tied the score 106-106 with a three-point shot.

It was only the second basket of the half for Wilkins, who still led the Hawks with 25 points. Hubbard, who scored 18 points, held Wilkins to 2-for-10 from the field in the final two periods after he went 6-for-10 in the first half.

"Phil's positioning was real good. He didn't just let Dominique do whatever he wanted to do." Wilkens said. "Phil's a smart player. He's a blue-collar worker. He will fight you on the

Rookie center Brad Daugherty, who missed Cleveland's previous game with back spasms. came back with 19 points and 12 rebounds in 40 minutes against Atlanta.

"I figure if people want to pay good money to come and see us play, then we owe them a good effort," Daugherty said. "I was hurting a little bit but that is part of playing in this league.'

"I thought he was really gutsy," Wilkens said of Daugherty. "I kept asking him if he was hurting and he said he was OK. But I still kept a close eye on him because most young players will say they are fine regardless.

Atlanta led 73-57 with 8:52 left in the third period, but Cleveland outscored the Hawks 50-33 the rest of the way.

Celtics 119, Kings 102 Larry Bird had 27 points and 11 rebounds as visiting Boston handed Sacramento its worst defeat of the season.

Kevin McHale scored 20 points, the 28th consecutive time in which he has managed at least that many. Center Robert Parish added 24 points and 11 rebounds and Dennis Johnson had 22 points for the Celtics.

Boston outscored the Kings 29-17 in the third period to extend a nine-point halftime lead to 93-72. The Celtics led by as many as 28 points in the fourth quarter.

Joe Kleine scored à season-high 17 points for the Kings, including 11 in the second period. His previous high for an entire game was nine.

Bullets 125, Warriors 105 Washington got 35 points and 11 rebounds from Moses Malone and outscored visiting Golden State 37-14 at the free-throw line.

The Bullets led by 19 points in the first period before the Warriors rallied to cut the deficit to boards and he doesn't give away anything 70-69 midway through the third quarter. Malone

then scored seven points during an 11-2 spurt that put the Bullets in control the rest of the

Terry Teagle came off the bench to lead Golden State with 28 points. Jeff Malone had 23 for Washington.

Nets 122, Bucks 117

Mike Gminski had 27 points and 17 rebounds, both season highs, and scored nine points in the final 5:35 as host New Jersey outlasted Milwaukee,

The Bucks cut a nine-point deficit to 103-101 on a three-point play by Jerry Reynolds with 6:06 to play. But Gminski scored four consecutive points and Dwayne Washington added a free throw 20 seconds later, giving the Nets a seven-point lead, and Milwaukee never got closer than five points the rest of the way.

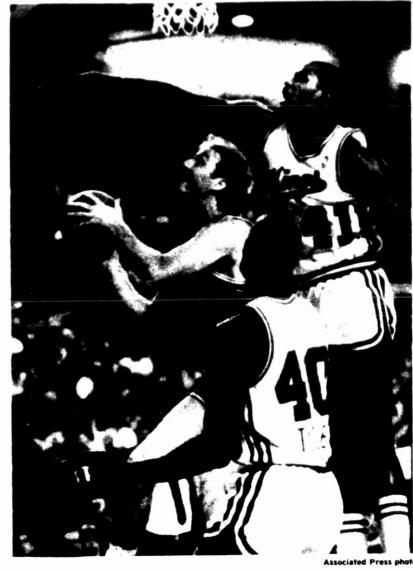
New Jersey, which has won four of five games after a 4-20 start, also got 24 points from Orlando Woolridge and 21 from Tony Brown. Sidney Moncrief and Ricky Pierce each had 21 points for Milwaukee

Jazz 109, Spurs 101

Utah completed the best month in franchise history, as John Stockton had 15 assists and scored nine of his 14 points in the fourth period against San Antonio.

The Jazz, 12-1 in December, outscored the Spurs 24-7 at the free-throw line, but led only 102-98 with 1:33 remaining. Stockton then had a three-point goal and another basket in Utah's next two possessions to put the Jazz ahead by

Bobby Hansen led a balanced Utah scoring attack with 18 points, and rookie Dell Curry had a season-high 17. Johnny Dawkins led San An-



Boston Celtics forward Larry Bird (33) goes up for a shot as Sacramento Kings' LaSalle Thompson (41) defends. Kings forward Terry Tyler (40)

No. 4 Tar Heels dump No. 2 Boilermakers

By The Associated Press Prdue Coach Gene Keady thought his second-ranked Boiler-

basketball polls when they met No. 4 North Carolina.

And the fact that his North Carolina counterpart Dean Smith could find fault with the play of his Tar Heels after they had a 25-point lead en route to a surprisingly easy 94-81 victory Monday reinforced Keady's feelings about the rankings.

College Roundup

"I've said all along that I didn't believe the polls," Keady said. "We beat some young teams early and we needed to play a team like North Carolina to find out how good we are. We played like we practiced.

With senior guard Kenny Smith North Carolina advanced to a showdown tonight with Southern Towson State in the other semifinal game of the Dallas Morning News tournament.

"I thought we were sharp until late in the game," Dean Smith said. "Then the coach got a little cocky with about six minutes left and a 25-point lead. I was disappointed with that stretch.'

In other games involving ranked teams, it was No. 1 Nevada-Las Vegas 104, No. 9 Navy 79; No. 3 Iowa 105, Cal-Irvine 103; Texas-El Paso 87, No. 5 Auburn 82; No. 10 St. John's 62, No. 18 Georgia Tech 53; Ohio State 79, No. 12 Kansas 78 in overtime; No. 14 Temple 80, Georgia Southern 61; No. 17 Pittsburgh 114, Arkansas 82, and No. 20 Duke 80, Appalachian State 50.

With a tournament record crowd of 15,605 watching at Reunion Arena, North Carolina, 9-1, dominated Purdue, 7-1, after the first 10 minutes.

North Carolina took a 46-34 halftime lead after Purdue led 23-20 with 10:05 to play in the first half. The Tar Heels scored 10 straight points to pull away from the Boilermakers, who committed 14 turnovers in the first 20 minutes.

J.R. Reid and Dave Popson scored 14 points apiece, and Jeff Lebo had 13 for North Carolina.

Doug Lee, who hit three threepoint shots, led Purdue with 21 points. Everette Stephens added 17 and Todd Mitchell had 14.

No. 1 Nev.-Las Vegas 104, No. 9 Navy 79

With senior guard Mark Wade dishing out a school-record 21 assists, the Runnin' Rebels, 11-0, led by as many as 35 points in winning the UNLV Holiday Classic.

After leading 49-34 at the half, the Rebels blew the game wide open in the second half with man-to-man defense that forced numerous Navy turnovers.

Navy center David Robinson led all scorers with 29 points.

Freddie Banks poured in 25 and Armon Gilliam added 23 for the Rebels before a UNLV record crowd of 20,321. Navy fell to 5-2.

No. 3 Iowa 105, Cal-Irvine 103 Iowa got six points from Ed Horton in the final 2:06 to overcame a

12-point deficit and win the Anteater Classic.

Horton was fouled while scoring makers could learn a thing or two on a strong move to the basket and about the accuracy of the college sank the free throw to give Iowa a 101-98 lead, then hit two more free throws with 1:40 left.

Iowa raised its record to 12-0, matching the best start in school

Roy Marble, who led Iowa with 28 points, 23 in the first half. B.J. Armstrong and Brad Lohaus had 20 points apiece for Iowa, including three three-point field goals.

Scott Brooks scored 30 points for Cal-Irvine

Texas-El Paso 87, No. 5 Auburn 82 Getting 20 points apiece from Mike Richmond and Chris Sandle, the Miners upset the Tigers to win the Sun Bowl tournament.

The Miners, 8-2 15 points on free throws.

Jeff Moore scored 20 points for 8-1 Auburn and Mike Jones added 18 and Frank Ford 16.

Quintan Gates added 19 points for Texas-El Paso.

scoring a career-high 23 points, No. 10 St. John's 62, No. 18 Georgia Tech 53

St. John's, led by Mark Jackson Methodist, a 79-65 victor over and reserve Matt Brust, staged a 10-0 run at the start of the second half and went on to win the ECAC Holiday Festival for the third straight year.

"I don't want to do anything to dampen the victory, but the season starts Sunday," said St. John's Coach Lou Carnsesecca, in a reference to the Big East Conference game at Villanova.

St. John's, 9-0, trailed 29-28 at halftime, but took advantage of Tech turnovers in the second half. Brust had two steals, one basket and set up Jackson for a basket. Jackson had a steal and another goal during the spree. Duane Ferrell led Georgia Tech,

6-3, with 16 points.

Ohio St. 79, No. 12 Kansas 78 Keith Wesson's tip-in of Curtis Wilson's 32-foot shot at the buzzer gave the 8-3 Buckeyes the upset

victory that dropped Kansas to 6-3. Keith Pritchard, who scored 21 points, hit an 18-foot jump shot to give Kansas a 78-77 lead with 11 seconds to go. But Ohio State inbounded the ball, crossed the midcourt line and called time out with three seconds left to set up the winning play.

Dennis Hopson scored 28 points to lead Ohio State, and Wilson wound up with 23. Cedric Hunter led the Jayhawks with 23 points.

No. 14 Temple 80, Georgia

Southern 61 Temple got 20 points from junior guard Howard Evans and routed Georgia Southern to advance to tonight's championship of the Blade Classic against host Toledo, which beat Air Force 77-60

Mike Vreeswyk added 15 points for 10-1 Temple while Anthony Forrest had 16 points for 6-3 Georgia

No. 20 Duke 80, Appalachian St. 50 Center John Smith scored 14 points to lead a balanced attack as Duke won for the seventh time in eight games.

The Mountaineers, 2-5, shot just 27.3 percent in the first half, committing 19 turnovers.

Danny Ferry and Kevin Strickland added 12 points each for Duke, and Billy King chipped in 10. Center Jerry Holmes led the Mountaineers with a game-high 17



On the move

Texas forward Andrea Lloyd (25) moves around Tennessee center Karla Horton (55) in the women's college championship game between the two teams in Miami Monday night. Texas upset top-ranked Tennessee 88-74.

Virginia Tech to test NC State in Peach Bowl

ATLANTA (AP) - After threestraight 3-8 seasons, North Carolina State posted an 8-2-1 mark this season. First-year Coach Dick Sheridan admits he would have settled for that in the spring but now, 'I'm very disappointed at the two games we lost."

You get greedy," Sheridan said Monday as the 18th-ranked Wolfpack prepared for Wednesday's Peach Bowl game against Virginia Tech, 8-2-1.

A capacity crowd of nearly 60,000 is expected at Atlanta-Fulton County Stadium to see the 1 p.m. EST game, which will be nationally televised by Mizlou.

The game will be Bill Dooley's last as Virginia Tech head coach. Dooley is leaving following the school's decision to remove him as athletic director. Dooley sued the school and the parties reached a \$3.5 million out-of-court settlement.

As for N.C. State's "so-called turnaround," following the string of 3-8 seasons, Sheridan said the "biggest thing was attitude.'

Sheridan, who guided Furman of Division I-AA to six Southern Conference championships while posting an eight-year record of 69-23-2, credited the team's success to his assistant coaches and winning games early.

State opened with a victory over East Carolina, then tied Pittsburgh before beating Wake Forest and Maryland for a 3-0-1 record. What could have been a devastating loss, 59-21 to Georgia Tech, was followed by victories over North Carolina, Clemson and South Carolina. Then came the other loss, 20-16 to Virginia. The regular season concluded with triumphs over Duke

and Western Carolina

Dooley, 131-91-3 in 20 years of college coaching — nine years at Virginia Tech and 11 at North Carolina — is 1-7 in bowl games, including an 0-3 record in the Peach Bowl. This will be his third bowl game, and second Peach assignment, with the Hokies.

Dooley was asked repeatedly on Monday what the game meant to him personally.

North Carolina State's offense is keyed by All-Atlantic Coast Conference quarterback Erik Kramer, who completed 145 of 277 passes for 2,092 yards and 14 touchdowns

VPI quarterback Erik Chapman threw for 1,627 yards and 10 touchdowns in connecting on 113 of 222 attempts. The Hokies boast a ground game led by Maurice Williams and Eddie Hunter. Williams ran for 1,029 yards and six TDs while Hunter had 872 yards and six scores

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Aggies, Mustangs reach title games

By The Assocated Press

Southern Methodist University and Texas A&M have moved into the championship games of holiday college basketball tournaments after a night when Southwest Conference teams were 3-3 against outside competition in six different tournaments.

SMU moved into the finals of the Dallas Morning News Classic with a 79-65 victory over Towson State Monday night. Texas A&M took an easy 80-60 victory over Lehigh to enter the finals of the Connecticut Mutual Classic at Hartford, Conn.

SMU will face North Carolina, a 94-81 winner over Purdue, in the finals at Dallas tonight. Texas A&M faces Hartford in the finals of in El Paso.

the tournament in Connecticut. Houston edged Vanderbilt, 73-72, in the consolation finals at the Sugar **Bowl Tournament in New Orleans**; Iowa State edged Texas, 58-57, in the consolation game at the Sun Bowl Classic in El Paso; Arizona whipped Texas Tech, 53-40, in the championship game of the Fiesta Bowl Tournament in Tucson, Ariz., and Pittsburgh blasted Arkansas, 114-82, in a semifinal game of the Rainbow Classic in Honolulu.

Terry Williams scored 19 points to lead SMU to the victory over

Towson State The Mustangs, 8-2, held a 44-33

halftime lead. Kato Armstrong had 15 and John

Colborne scored 14 for SMU.

and pulled down 16 rebounds as Texas A&M defeated Lehigh at Hartford, Conn. Todd Holloway had 13 points. Darryl McDonald scored 15 and

John Trezvant scored 21 points

Winston Crite had 14 for the But the performance left A&M coach Shelby Metcalf less than

'We were a bit sloppy and I wasn't happy with our ball control. They battled us and positioned us well in rebounding," said Texas well in rebounding, said Texas

A&M Coach Shelby Metcalf. "We

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Rolando Ferreira's 19-foot jumper with two seconds remaining gave the Houston Cougars a 73-72 victory over Vanderbilt in the consolation finals of the Sugar Bowl Tournament at New Orleans. Greg Anderson scored 27 points

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Vanderbilt is now 10-3. Houston is

Guard Curtis Aiken scored 37 points as Pittsburgh used a blistering fast break to turn back Arkansas, 114-82 in a semifinal game at the Rainbow Classic.

Pittsburgh, 7-2, took a 53-20 halftime lead and led by as many as 41 points several times in the se-Arkansas was led by guard Ron

Huery with 26 points, followed by Philip McKellar with 19 and Keith Wilson with 15. Tom Shafer scored 24 points and sparked a late rally as Iowa State

edged Texas, 58-57, in the consolation game at the Sun Bowl Classic Shafer scored on two free throws In other games Monday night, with 2:47 remaining to sneak Iowa State to within one point of Texas. then he gave the Cyclones its nar-

> row victory on a feed by Terry **Woods at 1:46.** A desperation shot by Patrick Fairs bounded off the rim with 10 seconds left as the Longhorns fell a

> Dennis Perryman had 19 for Texas and Raynard Davis added

Iowa State is 6-4 and Texas is 7-6. Fairs was named to the tournament all-star team.

Sean Elliott scored 23 points as the University of Arizona defeated Texas Tech University 53-40 in the Scott Johnson scored 16 points, championship game of the Fiesta **Bowl Classic at Tucson.**

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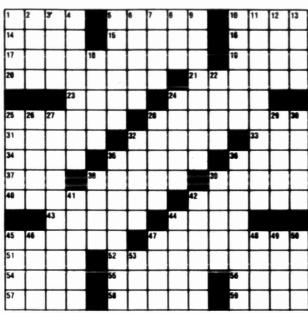
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LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) A fine day to arrange your future activities and make them more streamlined for

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) You can bring the new year in with a bang and have a wonderful time with your family and friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) It is best to entertain at home this evening so that you can be with kin and good friends. Don't forget neighbors.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Make phone calls to those who are out of town and wish them a happy New Year. Attend a party tonight.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) It would be wise to study into your books and know where you stand. Plan a productive new year.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Think and plan what is wisest to do in the future. Spend the evening with good friends for a good time.

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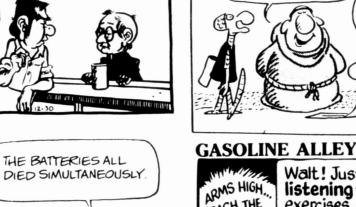
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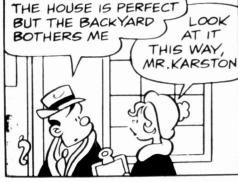


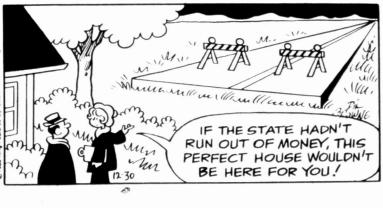












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teson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph R. Matteson of 4210 Calvin St., Big Spring, has been decorated with the Air Force Achievement Medal in England.

The Achievement Medal is awarded to airmen for meritorious service, acts of courage, or other accomplishments.

Matteson is an administration specialist with the 496th Reconnaissance Technical Squadron.

Debra L. Hubbard, daughter of Charles H. and Ora I. Jones of Lamesa, has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of senior airman.

Hubbard is a law enforcement specialist at Dyess Air Force Base, with the 96th Security Police

Maj. Larry W. Wiggins, son of Leona L. Wiggins of Snyder, has been decorated with the second award of the Air Force Commendation Medal at Randolph Air Force

The Air Force Commendation Medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or merirtorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Air

Wiggins is chief of Air Force sports and fitness with the Air Force Military Personnell Center. His wife, Dede, is the daughter of G.D. and Dorothy Everett of Stephenville.

Airman Jeffrey S. Reed, grandson of Gladys M. and George C. Clinton of 2407 Alabama, Big Spring, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base.

During the six weeks of training

Airman 1st Class Karen K. Mat-mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits sity, Lubbock. toward an associate degree through the Community College of

the Air Force. He is a 1985 graduate of Big Spring High School.

Air National Guard Airman 1st Class Penne L. Ball, daughter of Army Lt. Col. and Mrs. Eldon K. Ball of Lamesa, has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base.

During the six weeks of training the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human relations. In addition, airmen who com-

plete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force

The airman is the granddaughter of Clara B. Ball of Lamesa.

She is a 1980 graduate of Lawrence North High School, Ind.

Marine Pfc. Terry D. Steelman, Snyder, recently completed the Automotive Organizational **Mechanics Course at Marine Corps** Service Support Schools, Camp Le-Jeune, N.C

During the 16-week course, Steelman was taught the technical knowledge and functional skills to efficiently perform inspections, diagnostic tests, adjustments, services and repairs to tactical motor transport equipment under gar-

rison or field operating conditions. A 1985 graduate of Snyder High School, he joined the Marine Corps Reserve in October 1985.

Navy Midshipmen Darryl G. the airman studied the Air Force Hammonds, son of Frank V. and Coahoma High School.

Spring, recently reported for duty with Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps, Texas Technical Univer-

He is a 1986 graduate of Christ Fellowship Christian School.

Airman Robert F. Riddell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Riddell of 2601 Albrook, Big Spring, has graduated

from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base. During the six weeks of training the

airman studied the Air ROBERT F. RIDDELL Force mission, organization and customs and received special training in human

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Monte Waters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Waters of Odessa, recently enlisted in the U.S. Air Force's Delayed Enlistment Program (DEP), according to MSgt. Al Molinar and Air Force representitive in Odessa.

Airman Waters will enter active duty Feb. 24, 1987 and has selected the Security Specialist career area for training after completing the Air Force's six-week basic training

According to Sgt. Molinar, the delayed program is for qualified applicants who have reserved an Air Force job or received an Air Force assignment.

Waters is a 1984 graduate of

Politics top '86 Texas story

By KIT FRIEDEN

Associated Press Writer dominated by Bill Clements' dramatic comeback win over Gov. Mark White in a bitter cam- allowed to participate in sports paign, was voted the top state or other extra-curricular story of 1986 by Texas Associated Press newspaper editors and broadcasters.

White's defeat after his 1982 surprise ouster of Texas' first Republican governor since Reconstruction may have ended a successful public career that began in the 1960s.

Another Democrat, Supreme Court Justice Raul Gonzalez, appointed to the bench by White, became the first Hispanic ever to win election to a statewide office in Texas.

Tied to the falling political fortunes of White were the issues that ranked next highest among the state's top stories.

Voted second was the Texas Legislature's tax increase and spending cuts to stave off a projected \$2.8 billion budget deficit. The tax hike was pushed by

In third place was news from the oil patch, as prices plummeted, throwing thousands out of work, shutting companies down across the state and leading to the state's painful budget crunch.

The economy was blamed by some for White's failure to get reelected, as was his push for teacher competency testing, a development that was voted fourth. Thousands of the state's teachers took exams to prove they could master the basics and, although more than 95 percent passed, they launched an aggressive campaign against went beyond the state, the reper-

member voters was the con- disaster had many Texas links,

tinued fallout from another largely because of Houston's education reform, White's con-DALLAS - Texas politics, troversial no-pass, no-play rule, which requires students to pass all their classes before being activities.

Finishing sixth was Texas' connection to the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger, which took the lives of all seven crew members

Although the Challenger story

Here are the top 10 Texas stories of 1986, as chosen by the state's Associated Press member newspapers and broadcast stations:

•1. Texas Politics — Mark White ousted by Bill Clements in a bitter campaign, other races 2. Texas Legislature raises

taxes, cuts spending in special sessions to ease budget shortfalls • 3. Oil industry in turmoil as

prices fall, unemployment rises 4. Teachers take TECAT competency tests •5. No-pass, no-play rule and its continuing repercussions in

Texas schools ● 6. Texas' connections to the space shuttle Challenger

explosion • 7. The Sesquicentennial ●8. Texas prison system

overcrowded, many inmates released • 9. Voters approve interstate banking; pari-mutuel betting to

be on 1987 ballot 10. Texas Panhandle chosen as finalist for nuclear waste dump site

cussions surrounding the in-Ranking fifth among AP vestigation into the Jan. 28

Johnson Space Center.

Rounding out the top 10 were the state's year-long Sesquicentennial celebration, voted seventh; the prison crowding problem, eighth; voter approval of interstate banking with plans for a November 1987 vote on parimutuel betting, ninth; and the selection of the Texas Panhandle as one of three finalists for a nuclear dump site, 10th.

More than 10,000 events were staged across the state to mark Texas' 150th birthday party, and state officials estimate 40 million people vacationed in the state in

The state's prisons were overflowing with inmates, prompting the early release of many and creating one of many campaign issues for Clements, who now plans to meet with a federal judge over the issue.

The approval of interstate banking already has rocked the state's financial community with the recent merger plans of Houston's Texas Commerce Bancshares and Chemical New York Corp., followed by a proposed in-state merger of two Dallas banks. More mergers are being predicted by industry analysts.

In addition to the banking actions, the Legislature also granted voters the right to decide on pari-mutuel betting for horse and dog racing. That vote will come next November.

The selection of Deaf Smith County in the Panhandle as a site for storing high-level radioactive waste prompted an outcry from the farming region. The matter temporarily has been put on hold, but opponents are using the time to rally their troops.

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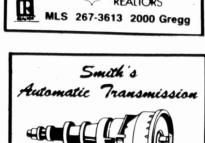
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