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**Local weather**  
Forecast for the Big Spring area: Tonight, mostly cloudy with less than 20 percent of measurable rain. Low in the mid 30s. East wind 5 to 10 mph. Thursday, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of light rain.



**ON THE SIDE:**



**Another chance**  
AUSTIN — Former Texas Governor Mark White announced his candidacy for Governor today in Austin. White lost his job to Bill Clements in 1986, whom he had defeated in 1982. White will face Jim Mattox and Ann Richards in the March Democratic primary.

**4 hurt in wreck**  
BIG SPRING — A major two-car accident Tuesday afternoon sent four local people to the hospital.

According to a Big Spring Police Department report, four Big Spring residents were taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center with possible injuries after an accident at the intersection of Lancaster and 10th streets.

The four taken to the hospital by ambulance were: Ruth Ester Akins, 55; Adrienne Barley, no age given; Yolanda Bartley, no age given; and Jamie Bartley, no age given, all of 2524 Fairchild. According to the report, Akins was cited for no drivers license, failure to maintain financial responsibility and failure to yield right of way.

A 1980 Toyota Corolla driven by Akins was northbound in the 900 block of Lancaster when it entered the intersection at 10th street and struck the left side of a 1978 Ford van, the report said. The van, which was westbound on 10th, was driven by Eric Lee Morgan, 21, Midland, who was not injured, the report said.

**Jury duty cancelled**  
BIG SPRING — Jury duty for Howard County Court has been cancelled for the week of Dec. 4 through Dec. 8, a county spokesperson said.

**Dyess AFB chosen**  
ABILENE — Congressman Charles Stenholm announced today, Dyess Air Force Base, Abilene, was one of six sites chosen as an MX Rail Garrison base.

Stenholm confirmed the choice of Dyess as home of America's newest nuclear missile system with the office of Secretary of Defense early today. Stenholm, the author of the Texas congressional letter supporting the Dyess sight, had previously met with Defense Secretary Dick Cheney to advocate locating the missiles in Abilene.

Stenholm said, "The choice of Dyess is further recognition of the historic role of Abilene and West Texas as a fortress of freedom."

The Rail Garrison will result in construction expenditures of \$63.5 million in 1986 dollars and productive peak employment of 533 and 418 permanent jobs once operation begins.

**Gift guide today**

The Christmas 1989 Gift Guide can be found in today's Big Spring Herald.

The guide contains valuable shopping coupons and stories on what's hot and what's not for Christmas this year.

The guide is a supplement to the Herald and the Howard County Advertiser.

## City OKS Beals Creek plan

By RUTH COCHRAN  
City Editor  
BIG SPRING — City Council members agreed Tuesday to continue to support a plan to alleviate flood problems along Beals Creek.

In a regular meeting, the council agreed to notify the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers that the city wishes to continue planning a \$5 million improvement of the flood-prone creek, and that the city intends to use bonds to pay for its share of the project's cost. Tom Decell, public works director, said the council's decision does not yet commit the city to the project financially.

"Whatever you say tonight does not bind you to committing the money," Decell said, although the council eventually must make a commitment or pull out of the project.

According to a Corps of Engineers proposal made in June, the federal government will pay \$3.6 million of the expected \$5 million price tag for an 8,000 foot canal from Channing Street to Owens Street. Corps officials said then that the city would not have to officially commit to the project un-

til February 1991. If an agreement were reached then, the officials said, then the city would have to come up with its estimated \$1.3 million share.

In a related item, the council refused to approve a resolution which would allow a contract between the city and a local engineering firm for testing and evaluation of the wastewater collection system along Beals Creek.

Decell told the council testing is needed to locate leaks in the system that are allowing groundwater to seep into lines. Decell said treating groundwater at the wastewater treatment plant is

would have been beneficial to the Beals Creek project, as well as the city, but that it was not vital.

"It's too early to tell," what we'll do, Decell said. "We'll go back and look at the alternatives."

In other action, the council:

- Awarded a bid for hydraulic powered rescue equipment, the Jaws of Life, to Riggs First Line, Farney, the low bidder at \$8,555.
- Passed the first reading of an ordinance rezoning a 4.75-acre tract in the Banks Addition from heavy industrial to planned development to allow construction of a community living center for outpatients of the Big Spring State Hospital.
- Passed the first reading of an ordinance approving preliminary and final plat of the Vines Subdivision.
- Passed the first reading of an ordinance approving preliminary and final plat of the Banks Addition.
- Passed the second and final reading of an ordinance amending the electrical code.
- Tabled approval of specifications and permission to advertise
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## Windham sentence: 5 months in prison

By BRADLEY WORRELL  
Staff Writer

SAN ANGELO — An ex-Big Spring official was sentenced Monday to five months in federal prison for falsifying reports to the Environmental Protection Agency in 1984, a federal court spokesperson said.

W.W. Windham, water and wastewater superintendent in Big Spring from Aug. 1983 until he resigned Sept. 1984, was given a one-month sentence for each of five violations by U.S. District Judge Halbert Woodward, the court spokesperson said.

Windham was charged with falsifying five monthly wastewater discharge reports in violation of the Clean Water Act. A U.S. District Court jury in September found Windham guilty of all five counts.

During Windham's stay at utilities superintendent, the plant regularly exceeded EPA regulations for the amount of waste and oxygen depleting organisms released back into the water system after being treated, evidence showed.

Windham, who subsequently took a similar job position in Athens after leaving Big Spring, maintained throughout the trial he merely signed reports prepared by other officials at the plant. But the jury ruled that Windham intentionally altered the reports in an effort to make it appear as though the city was in compliance with federal guidelines.



Herald photo by Tim Appel

## Fixing the lights

BIG SPRING — Students of the Big Spring High School electrical trades class have been working on the city Christmas decorations. The classes are getting the decorations ready to be hung on lightposts around Big Spring. Brent Griffin, foreground, John Vega and Michael Payne work to remove broken bulbs from their sockets before replacing them with new lights Tuesday afternoon. Work on the decorations is expected to be completed by Thursday.

## Three plead guilty following drug raid

By PATRICK DRISCOLL  
Staff Writer

STANTON — Guilty pleas were taken Monday in 118th District Court from three of the 12 people arrested in October in what was the largest drug bust in the city's history.

Trials will be set early next year for the other nine who are currently free on bonds totaling \$205,000, Martin County Sheriff Dan Saunders said.

Tony Hinojas, 29-years-old, received a sentence of seven years in the penitentiary from District Judge Jim Gregg for delivery of a controlled substance, a felony, according to Martin County clerk records.

Jeffrey Young, 24, received five years in the penitentiary after pleading guilty to delivery of marijuana, a felony, the records show.

Records in the sheriff's office show that Randall Williams, 19,

received 100 days in jail and \$134.50 in court costs after pleading guilty to possession of marijuana.

Saunders said that Hinojas was arrested Oct. 5 for the sale of heroin. His bond was set at \$50,000 but he was unable to make that and has been in jail since he was arrested.

Hinojas does not have a history of any other arrests or convictions in the county, Saunders said.

Young, arrested Oct. 6, was also in jail since his arrest due to not being able to post a \$25,000 bond, Saunders said. At the time of his arrest, he was on probation for a previous theft conviction.

Williams, arrested Oct. 5, was also in jail since that date with a bond of \$25,000, Saunders said. In addition to his guilty plea for possession of marijuana, he also pleaded guilty to an aggravated assault on a police officer charge

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## Cotton among decade's lowest

By HOLDEN LEWIS  
Associated Press Writer

LUBBOCK — This year's production in the nation's heaviest cotton-growing region is expected to be among the lowest of the decade because of poor weather, officials say.

Rain, hail and cool snaps during the summer and an early fall freeze cut production an estimated 60 percent in the High Plains in the 25 counties surrounding Lubbock, Don Johnson of Plains Cotton Growers said Tuesday.

The High Plains usually produce about 20 percent of the nation's cotton crop, but this year's yield is expected to be only 10 percent, or 1.2 million bales. The High Plains produced 3.2 million bales last year, the best since 1981. The 1988 crop allowed many farmers to get out of debt and buy machinery.

"This is going to end up being if not the lowest, then one of the worst" yields in the last decade, Johnson said.

Texas production is expected to drop 45 percent, from 5.2 million bales to 2.9 million bales, according to the Texas Agriculture Department.

U.S. production is expected to drop to 12 million bales from 15.1 million bales last year, said Charles Bragg, vice president of the National Cotton Council in Memphis. That estimate is up from the U.S. Agriculture Department's forecast a month ago of 11.3 million bales.

## Toots 'roped' into parade

By JOHN McMILLAN  
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — No one will ever accuse the grand marshal for this year's Christmas parade

of campaigning for the position. "I question your judgment," said Toots Mansfield, 75, the former world champion

calf roper. "If that's what you want, I'm happy to be of service."

Asked if parades are important to him, Mansfield said, "Not necessarily. They're nice, though."

Mansfield, who has never served as grand marshal at a parade before, said he does not know what that position entails. "Wave at the girls, I guess," he mused.

The Big Spring Herald will again be sponsoring the Christmas parade, which will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday.

As grand marshal, Mansfield will lead the parade. He will not, however, be displaying his calf-roping skills.

"I don't think Main Street in a parade would be a very good place to perform," he drawled. "In any event, Mansfield's calf-roping days are over. He last roped a calf about 12 years ago, at a rodeo in Big Spring, and his seven world championships occurred from 1960 to 1968. World championships were determined in those days by the total earnings for the year. Mansfield's record was broken in the 1950s, he said, when Dean Oliver of Idaho won the championship eight times.

Calf-roping, one of seven events offered at rodeos, involves lassoing a calf from a horse, dismounting the horse, then hog-tying the calf. The sport of calf-roping originated about 100 years ago in Pecos, according to Mansfield.

"It's not too bad," Mansfield said, when asked if he misses calf-roping. "With any sport, when you get to the point where you know you can't win, then it ceases to be fun... You get over the hill at age 40."

The Big Spring-area rancher said he took up roping steers about two years ago. "Then I finally got too old to do that," he said. "You can do that a little longer than a calf, because it doesn't require as much athletic ability."

Mansfield said he would not

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Herald photo by Tim Appel

## Bundled up

BIG SPRING — Nine-year-old Jonathan Morales, bundled in winter wear, stands on the sidewalk watching traffic as he waits for his sister in front of Goliad Middle School Tuesday afternoon.

Although the temperatures were in the mid-40's, the wind chill factor brought the temperature to below freezing.





# Opinion

"I may not agree with what you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it." — Voltaire

## Herald opinion

### Buyers beware in toyland

In the midst of a holiday shopping spree, it's all too easy to unknowingly grab a gift of death or injury from a toy-store shelf. Eye damage, suffocation, ear injury and hearing loss and other potential tragedies are on sale disguised as the perfect gift for a beloved child. Best intentions can suddenly produce the least intended of results.

Fortunately, the Americans for Democratic Action Consumer Affairs Committee annually issues a pre-Christmas report on dangerous toys. It's a timely reminder of "buyer beware" during the seasonal buying binge that kicked off Friday.

This year's report lists 51 "toys to avoid." Some can burst into flames, cut or explode. Others are improperly labeled or contain small parts invitingly easy for children to eat — and choke on.

The most hazardous are singled out as the "dirty dozen." Among them are Wippersnappers, an exploding toy that can cause hearing loss; Squeaky Ducky, a squeaker toy that has two removable pieces a child can choke on; Bouncin' Babies Cuddly Baby, whose pacifier contains a long stick that can cause injury; Water Balloon Slingshots, which use half-inch surgical tubing to launch water-filled balloons, are said to be responsible for "hundreds, perhaps thousands" of serious injuries.

The report also blames the federal Consumer Product Safety Commission for allowing these dangerous toys to reach the nation's shelves. Indeed, beyond noting the dangers of specific toys, the report should stand as a reminder of responsibility for both parents and government.

Parents, realizing that almost anything in the hands of a child can be dangerous, must be ever vigilant. But federal regulators have to help. The nation's children have placed their trust in both.

### An irresponsible population stand

As global warming comes to be recognized as a threat to the future of mankind because of the disastrous effects it promises to visit on the environment, it is time to think about the population explosion, too. Today's 5.2 billion people are destined to become 10.4 billion in less than 40 years. That's why President Bush's veto of Congress' attempt to restore America's contribution to the United Nations Population Fund is such a disgrace.

A House-Senate conference on this year's foreign aid appropriation bill added language reinstating the American contribution to the U.N. Population Fund. Such money has been withheld since 1985, when President Reagan barred contributions because he feared some of the money might assist China's population-control program, which includes forced abortion. Repeated attempts by Congress to restore the American contribution, specifying that no money could go to China's program, met with firm opposition by the president.

President Bush had a chance to free himself from this wrongheaded policy when Congress finally authorized a resumption of America's \$15 million contribution to the U.N. population program this year. It barred any money from going to China, and specified that the funds be kept in a separate, auditable account to make certain they were used only for voluntary family planning programs.

But the president, trying to appease the hard-right anti-abortion lobby, vetoed the bill, saying, rather disingenuously, "I strongly support family planning programs which do not condone or encourage abortion or coercive measures." What Bush has done is disgraceful; he has denied the U.N. Population Fund the desperately needed monetary and moral support of this country.

### Quotes

"We just tell everybody we hoped and prayed for a little girl and we must have prayed too hard, because now we have three." — Sam Morter, a technical sergeant at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, celebrating the first birthday of his triplet daughters who were born to his wife, Julie, after his vasectomy failed.

### Body language says all the wrong things

By LEWIS GRIZZARD

My body and I had a long talk the other morning.

First, my heart asked, "What's that you're drinking?"

"Coffee," I said, adding, with some degree of pride, "but it's decaffeinated. Caffeine is bad for me, so I've cut it out."

"Uh-oh," said my heart.

"What do you mean?" I asked.

"You haven't heard," replied my heart. "A new study has indicated decaffeinated coffee is made from beans that can cause bad cholesterol. You keep drinking that stuff and my arteries will clog up and we'll buy the farm."

I already had cut down on eggs to help reduce my cholesterol count. Now, I'm told decaffeinated coffee, which I thought was good for me, picks up where the eggs leave off.

"One other thing," said my heart, "you know how you often get up in the middle of the night and go downstairs and eat some raw zucchini?"

"Raw vegetables are good for me," I said.

"That may very well be," said my heart, "but another new study says getting up suddenly in the middle of the night can cause a heart attack."

"So no more midnight raw zucchini?"

"No more," said my heart. My colon piped up.

"What's that you're eating?" it asked.

"Cereal," I said. "I'm doing it for you."

"What's that cereal made from?"

"Healthy grains of corn, I suppose," I answered.

"Uh-oh," said my colon. "What's the problem?"

"You should be eating cereal made from oat bran. It's better for me than what you're eating now."

"Who says?" I asked my colon.

"The people who sell oat bran." I was getting discouraged.

My blood joined in.

"You're not actually going to eat that cinnamon roll, are you?"

"I love cinnamon rolls," I

### Navy's railroad system deemed unsafe

By JACK ANDERSON and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — The Navy recently called a 48-hour stand down — a timeout to contemplate the spate of more than 100 accidental deaths on duty this year.

During that reflection, the Navy should have examined its five weapons stations where rickety boxcars crammed with explosives may be rolling along old railroad tracks toward another peacetime disaster.

The Navy totes tons of missiles, mines and other ammunitions on private railroad lines every day, taking them to ships or warehouses. Internal Navy reports reveal that these railroad systems are not safe, even by commercial railroad standards.

Rail workers at the Earle Weapons Station in Colts Neck, N.J., describe an atmosphere of fear and chaos. They recount harrowing close calls and a chilling lack of safety precautions that they fear will kill them. And they stress that the public is at risk because the Navy's railroad tracks pass through towns and over public roads.

The Navy apparently didn't give its weapons on wheels much scrutiny until Sept. 1, 1987, when one of its trains at the Concord Weapons Station in California plowed into a peace demonstration and severed a man's leg.

A Navy investigation of the weapons transport system followed that incident. Our associate Jim Lynch obtained a copy of the report. It shows a neglected mess of outdated equipment and shoddy oversight:

- Most naval rail cars are at least 35 years old.
- Most of the rail cars roll on cast iron wheels, despite the fact that the Association of American Railroads declared in 1957 that such wheels could fail under heavy loads.
- The rail cars are equipped with old-style bearings that can overheat and trigger fires.

The rail crews often work longer than 12-hour shifts. Our sources told us some crews have been on the job for 30 hours straight.

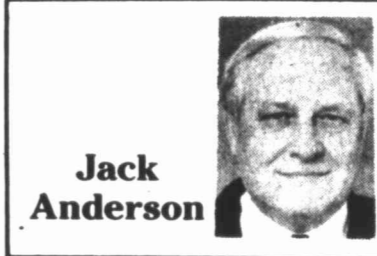
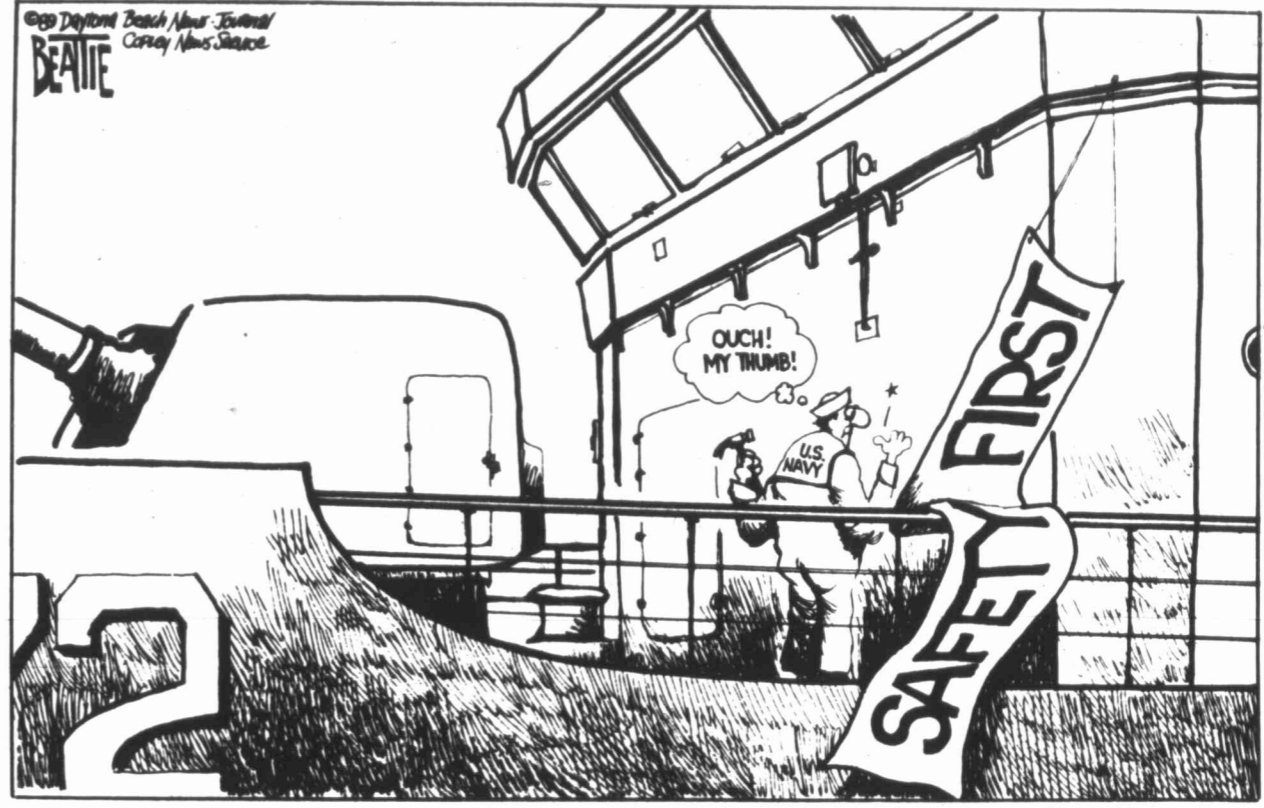
Existing railroad operation manuals are inadequate. Two of the Navy's stations with rail systems did not even have operating manuals.

The Navy claims that more than half of the 42 recommendations in that report have been implemented. A Navy spokesman told us that the Navy had been steadily upgrading its railroad equipment since 1980.

But our sources at the Earle Weapons Station say the improvements are just on paper. One rail worker said he and others are rarely allowed time to test the brakes and other vital train functions. After a long day on the Earle railroad on Sept. 20, one weary engineer filed a report saying, "Stop rushing us before somebody gets killed."

Confidential incident reports from Earle describe some close calls, including the fact that two trains were dispatched toward each other on the same track. Another spine tingler occurred on July 31 when a train with 15 cars — some packed with explosives — nearly rammed a construction truck straddling the tracks at a public crossing.

The construction crew had clearance to replace sections of rail, but the train crew was never



Jack Anderson

told. The track was disconnected when the train barreled toward the truck on a blind curve.

The rail workers' report said the truck had a 19-gallon gas tank and the train was carrying explosives. The crew stopped the train 25 feet from the truck.

We talked to Capt. Walter Migrala, the new commanding officer at the Earle Weapons Station. He told us he was aware of a "couple of complaints" but added that the station had never had an "explosive incident." Migrala has only been in charge at Earle for five months. If he is as sincere as he sounds, safety should improve for the rail workers.

It should be noted that during the Navy's 48-hour stand down, three investigators from the Labor Department's Occupational Safety and Health Administration visited Earle to interview a railroad worker. Migrala told us that OSHA told him Earle was "fairly safe."

### Mailbag

#### Support the Steers

To the editor:

A new "problem" has reared its head here in Big Spring: How are we as a community going to express our pride and appreciation of our Big Spring athletes?

I'm sure many people will not see a solution to be as pressing a need as our desire to bring in new businesses, but perhaps our luck can change with a new attitude. What better way to uplift our spirits and put Big Spring on a Texas map in capital letters than to unite together behind the determined effort of our Steer football team? Perhaps these dedicated young men can show us a thing or two about setting and attaining goals.

Here are some possible answers to our S.O.S. (Support Our Steers) challenge: 1. Proudly wear the school colors of black and gold to work on Fridays and to the playoff games. 2. Every vehicle in town should have bumper stickers and painted windows displaying our accomplishments. 3. Windows and marquees of every business in town should shout out their support. 4. Many towns with spirited tradition such as Brownwood and Mojoland close businesses early for pep rallies and playoff games. We had great attendance at both this past week, but there's always room for one more. 5. Show great

pride and loud exuberance at the game. Be on your feet and show good sportsmanship. This week we'll have "Bold Gold" scarves to wave. (No more bean bottles as we could be cited by UIL for the throwing incidents.) 6. Get really wild and crazy instead of answering the phone with a mere hello, try "Beat Brewer" for a smiling difference.

Everyone enjoys a pat on the back to acknowledge their hard work and our BSHS athletes are no exception. Our tennis team and band have set winning footsteps for our football team to follow. Let's applaud and support them every step on their way to victory. These are "our kids" so show them you're proud of their accomplishments.

DEANNE ADAMS  
Goliad Cheerleading Sponsor  
2104 Cecilia

#### Steers should be big news

To the editor:

Could it be that the editorial staff of the Big Spring Herald is less perceptive about what constitutes page one news than the readers of the periodical? One might think so, after scanning stories you have seen fit to print as lead articles on page one in recent weeks. A case in point is the "junk yard" story you placed above the fold last Monday.

Here we are, trying to rebuild confidence in a community battered in an economic downturn, and we are not maximizing our promotion of one of our most sellable commodities, a winning

football team.

The community is now rallying behind what the records show to be the most successful Big Spring High School football team in 36 years, but the casual reader wouldn't realize it by reading the hometown newspaper. Perhaps you are a bit slow in catching on to the fact that the resident Steers, alone among West Texas teams that won district championships, are poised to enter into competition against the best Central, East and Southeast Texas has to offer. One more win (against Fort Worth Brewer Saturday afternoon in Abilene) and the contemporary standard bearers will have set an all-time school record in a single season.

Coach David Thompson and his staff rank with the very best that the school, in its long history within the sport, has ever had. That would put him in an elite group that includes Carl Coleman, Obie Bristow and Pat Murphy. Thompson brought a district championship to a team that finished 3-4 last year and was picked to finish fourth within the conference by the state's sports pundits.

I have good reason to believe that the reporter who covered the Big Spring-Hereford game sadly under-estimated the number of Big Spring people who saw the contest. He placed the head count at 4,000. The seating capacity at Lowery Field, where the contest was played, is 15,000 or 7,500 on either side. Big Spring fans were assigned to the east side and they filled every seat.

Another feat that has escaped the attention of the newspapers has

been the scoring thrust of Neil Mayfield, who does so many things in football so masterfully. Almost without fanfare or newspaper eclat, he has set an all-time Steer scoring record, with 150 points in 11 games. The old mark, as I recall, was held by Tack Dennis of the 1951 club, coached by the forementioned Mr. Bristow — 140 points. Dr. Howard Schwarzenbach was the quarterback on that club, by the way. A 7-0 loss to Sweetwater that year kept us out of the playoffs, although we scored 398 points.

The fans have rallied tremendously behind the current Steers. Let us hope the Herald and its people can display the same sort of enthusiasm.

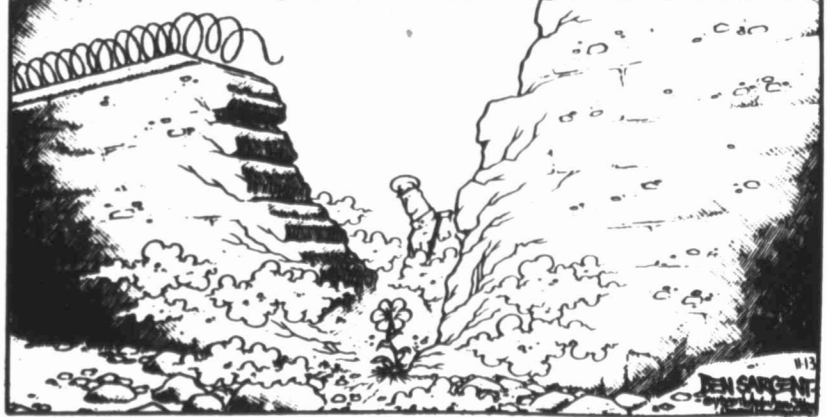
In parting, I would like to pay homage to the players who man the defensive positions for the Steers, especially in the interior line. They have blossomed into one of the best units in Texas Interscholastic League football and showed their true character in the bi-district contest against Hereford last Saturday. They dug in to hold Hereford after the offense had given Big Spring the lead early on. Kudos to the defenders and the coaches who taught them.

OMAR JONES  
Steer fan since 1931  
1902 Thorpe

### Letters

Letters to the editor on issues of general interest always are welcomed by the Big Spring Herald and always are printed if these guidelines are followed:

Letters should be 350 words or less, typewritten if possible, and double-spaced. If not, the handwriting must be legible to reduce chances for mistakes.



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# Nation

## Debris found from missing plane

WESTERLY, R.I. (AP) — Searchers today found the bodies of two dogs that had been on a twin-engine plane missing off Rhode Island but saw no sign of wreckage or the eight people aboard, authorities said.

Authorities held out hope of finding survivors from the New England Airlines plane that vanished Tuesday night on a 17-mile flight from Block Island State Airport to Westerly.

Searchers on land and in boats reported finding various debris, including a radio headset, a shoe, a life jacket, a fire extinguisher and a box of freight believed to have been aboard the plane.

"There's always a chance. That's why we're still looking," said Coast Guard Petty Officer David Breaer.

The flight left at 6:20 p.m. and should have taken no more than 15 minutes, authorities said.

## School bus drivers indicted

CHICAGO (AP) — Sixteen public school bus drivers have been indicted on charges of dealing drugs while taking students to and from class.

"They were doing things other than delivering kids on their routes," State Police Director Jeremy Margolis said Tuesday. "They were delivering dope."

The drivers were among 29 people indicted as a result of a 15-month investigation known as Operation S.K.I.D., or School Kids in Danger, in which State Police posed as workers of bus companies under contract to the Chicago Board of Education.

Police made 55 narcotics buys from bus company employees, most of them drivers, authorities said.

Undercover officers found drivers hopping out of their buses to buy or sell drugs while passengers waited on board, State Police Lt. George Murray said.

Police said that because of safety concerns, they did not arrange any drug deals while students were present.

Seven drivers indicted were found to have criminal backgrounds involving such offenses as aggravated battery, assault and involvement in narcotics.

Cook County State's Attorney Cecil Partee and Margolis called for legislation that would require fingerprinting of all applicants

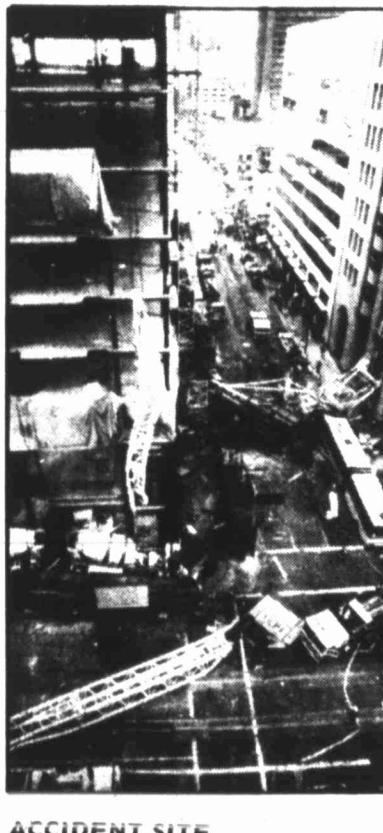
## Five killed when crane collapses

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A crane plummeted from the 16th story of a building under construction Tuesday, flattening a school van, cars and smashing into an office building across the street. At least five people were killed and 21 were injured, authorities said.

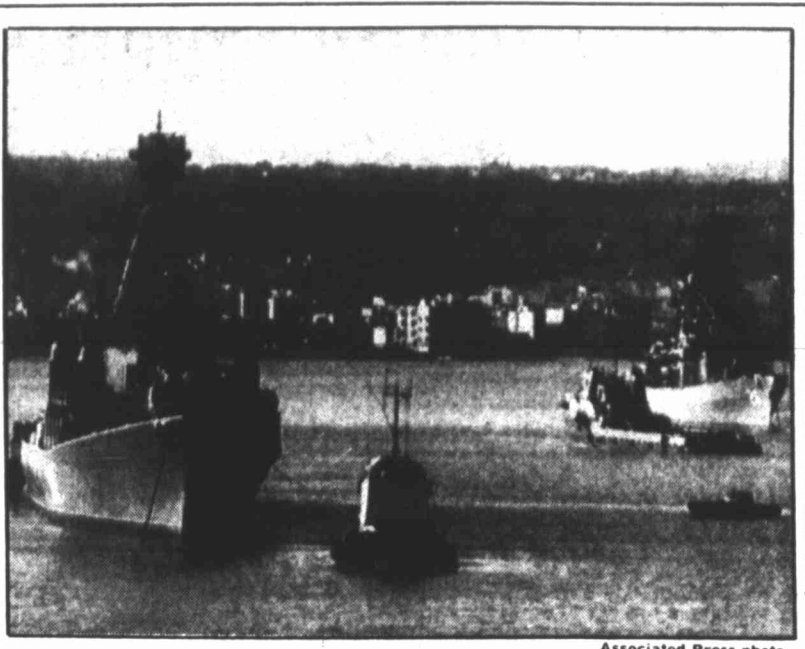
In the aftermath of the accident that rained concrete and twisted steel on one of the busiest intersections in the financial district, a prosecutor said criminal negligence charges twice previously had been filed against the project's general contractor for accidents on Los Angeles construction sites.

There were conflicting statements on what was happening before the crane fell. Fire Chief Fred Postel said it was hoisting steel beams, but the general contractor said the crane was being repositioned from the 16th to the 20th floors.

A piece of the crane at least three stories long dangled from the side of the building under construction two hours after the 8:30 a.m. accident.



ACCIDENT SITE



**Summit ships at anchor**  
MALTA — Tug boats ease a Soviet Slava Class cruiser, left, into position as the USS Balknap rests at anchor Tuesday on the coast of Malta. President Bush and Soviet President Gorbachev will hold joint meetings aboard the ships beginning Saturday.

## U.N. group ignores U.S. threat to cut funding

ROME (AP) — A United Nations group today ignored U.S. threats to cut its funds and voted overwhelmingly to help the Palestine Liberation Organization teach Palestinians how to grow food in Israeli-occupied territories.

Only the United States and Israel voted against the resolution, which was introduced by a group of Arab countries at the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization's governing conference.

Ninety-six countries voted in favor and 14 abstained.

Earlier this week, the State Department threatened to cut funds to the agency if the measure passed.

Gerald Monroe, the U.S. representative to the organization, demanded a roll call vote and told the conference it "should not allow this precedent by presenting highly political issues."

"If that occurs, the FAO will cease to be effective."

An Israeli delegate said his country supported giving technical assistance to the Arabs in the occupied territories "but why does it have to be in collaboration with the P.L.O., a very political organization."

A PLO representative said, "We were trying to depict reality in the occupied territories. ... I do not wish to talk about politics."

The resolution expresses opposition "to the Israeli confiscation of Palestinian land and expropriation of Palestinian water resources."

It calls on the food organization to provide "the Palestinian people with the assistance necessary for their economic development in close cooperation with the Palestine Liberation Organization."

The assistance could include such things as studies of soil, water and food storage, as well as suggestions on how to improve food-growing skills.

The resolution also asks that the agency include Israeli-occupied territories in future programs "and in line with the present cooperation and coordination between the Palestine Liberation Organization and other U.N. agencies."

The resolution also calls for free access by U.N. staff members to occupied Palestinian territory.

The State Department said Tuesday that Agriculture Secretary Clayton Yeutter had written to the FAO director-general, Edouard Saouma, a Lebanese, to say that there was considerable concern over the issue in Congress and the administration.

The United States, as in other U.N. agencies, is assessed 25 percent of the food organization budget, set last week at \$568.8 million for the next two years.

# World

## Gandhi resigns after election losses

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Rajiv Gandhi resigned as prime minister today, having failed to lead his Congress Party to decisive victory in elections for a new Parliament.

President Ramaswamy Venkataraman accepted the resignation but asked Gandhi and his Cabinet to remain in office until a new government is appointed, the presidential palace announced.

Gandhi's resignation had been expected and is a formality that clears the way for the opposition National Front alliance to try to form the next government — provided Venkataraman asks it to do so.

The president normally would ask the party that won the most seats to attempt to form a government, but the constitution does not specifically require this.

Lawmakers from the National Front scheduled a meeting later today to choose the man they claim will be the next prime minister.

## Syrian troops on maximum alert

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Tank-led Syrian forces took up combat positions facing troops of Gen. Michel Aoun in and around Beirut today in apparent preparation for an attack to drive him from the presidential palace.

Aoun has refused to cede the palace to the country's newly elected president, who fired Aoun on Tuesday as Christian army commander.

The general ordered his 20,000 soldiers on maximum alert and fortified his defenses around the 310-square-mile Christian enclave.

Aoun does not recognize President Elias Hrawi, a Maronite Catholic like himself, and pledges to keep up his efforts to drive Syrian troops from Lebanon. Syria, the main powerbroker in Lebanon, supports Hrawi.

Moslem and Christian military sources said the Syrians deployed T-55 tanks in Beirut and T-62 tanks in the mountainous fronts.

Dozens of Soviet-designed T-55 tanks rolled into the slums of south Beirut Tuesday night, taking up combat positions opposite Aoun's forces, said one military source, speaking on condition of anonymity.

"It's a significant buildup, the kind of measures that precede a major battle."

## Former gymnastics star defects

BUDAPEST, Hungary (AP) — Nadia Comaneci, the Romanian gymnast whose unprecedented perfect scores at the 1976 Olympics made sports history, has fled to Hungary and asked for asylum, the state-run MTI news agency reported today.

The terse report said Comaneci, who retired from gymnastics in 1984, applied for political asylum after fleeing across the Romanian-Hungarian border on Tuesday before dawn.

Comaneci was quoted as saying she had been denied permission to work abroad as a coach or even travel, in spite of numerous offers and invitations. She has been planning a coaching and refereeing career.

An estimated 25,000 Romanians, most of them ethnic Hungarians complaining of discrimination, have fled to Hungary in the past two years seeking refuge from chronic hardships under the regime of President Nicolae Ceausescu.

Comaneci, 27, an ethnic Romanian, astounded the world as a petite, solemn 14-year old, turning in a series of perfect 10 scores and winning three gold medals at the Montreal games.



NADIA COMANECI and winning three gold medals at the Montreal games

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**Record talkers**

LAURINBURG, N.C. (AP) — Students at St. Andrews Presbyterian College have set a world record for nonstop arguing, debating topics from aquaculture to Gummi Bears and Jell-O, school officials say.

The St. Andrews Parliamentary Debate Society passed the previous record for non-stop debating — 100 hours and six minutes — at 8:42 p.m. Monday, said school spokesman Steve Skinner.

As the buzzer sounded, members of the audience stood on their chairs and cheered. Debaters sprayed each other with champagne, then took a permitted break before debating some more. They kept going to 11:30 p.m.

The previous record — according to the Guinness Book of World Records — was held by Vassar College.

The debate on solutions to world hunger began at 9:30 a.m. Thursday. Along with discussing funding, aquaculture and redistribution of food, they debated Gummi Bears, Jell-O and Gatorade as possible solutions.

Under the Guinness rules, a five-minute rest was allowed for each hour of debate. Two witnesses had to be present at all times, excluding the four debaters. The entire debate was filmed, Skinner said. The debaters were allowed one hour of sleep a day, usually from 5:30 a.m. to 6:30 a.m.

**Inflated advertising**

ROSWELL, Ga. (AP) — City Council members are fed up with giant gorillas looming over their city, but they plan to use the law rather than squadrons of fighter planes to bring down the ersatz King Kongs.

The council tentatively approved an ordinance Monday that would prohibit enormous inflated gorillas or any other oversized inflatables for promotions or advertising. It would reduce their size to about 3 feet, not very threatening to Fay Wray.

"We don't need a 20-foot gorilla on the side of Highway 9," said council member Jerry Cutrer. "It's an eyesore, and it's distracting to motorists and potentially dangerous."

Council member Jane Prueitt said that on one recent weekend, the strip of state Highway 9 through the Atlanta suburb was overrun with "monster things."

Businessmen defended the balloons.

"There are some that are ugly, but a lot of them aren't ugly — it depends on which one you get," said Jud F. Carswell, who has used the inflatables at his car dealership. "If neighboring towns allow it, it's going to be tougher" to attract business.

**Skunkbusters**

GAYLORD, Mich. (AP) — Business stinks for Tom Boughner. But the man who runs "Skunkbusters" wouldn't have it any other way.

"It started out kind of as a big joke," Boughner, a former sheriff's deputy in Otsego County in northern Michigan, said of his family business. "We were having big problems with them here."

When Boughner found out the Department of Natural Resources doesn't make skunk calls, he decided he would do it. At first he picked up the skunks for free.

"It started more or less as a community service, helping people who couldn't get help anywhere else," he said.

In four years, Boughner estimates, he's removed as many as 100 skunks from beneath houses, inside barns and a variety of other places. Once he evicted 17 skunks from the yard of a lawyer.

Another time he had to shove — from the front, of course — a skunk stuck in a basement window.

**U.S. Greens formulating platform for national party**

NEW YORK (AP) — A variety of activists on environmental, health, education and finance issues are drafting a political program to create a national Green political party as early as next year, organizers say.

Modeled after Green parties in Europe, the party would seek to build nationwide policy on environmental and social issues that it says get inadequate attention from the Republican and Democratic parties.

But Green planners are divided on whether their new party should make an early run at national office, traditionally almost impossible for American third parties, or first concentrate its efforts on capturing local and state offices.

The Green Committees of Correspondence, a federation of about 200 groups nationwide, mailed a 36-page list of proposed stands to 3,500 people this fall, said Jim Richmond, coordinator for the group's national clearinghouse in Kansas City, Mo.

The Greens, as they call themselves, plan to ratify the final platform at a September 1990 meeting in Boulder, Colo. Meanwhile, the 200 groups are planning regional meetings to debate stands on 19 issues, including land use,

water, social justice, energy, health, education and finance.

"It's activists and just regular folks of all stripes who are concerned what direction this planet is

headed in," Richmond said of the 4-year-old group.

Born from the remnants of Vietnam war protesters and the environmental and anti-nuclear movements that appeared in the 1960s, the largely white, well-educated Greens are far behind European parties with the same name, said writer Brian Tokar, an organizer.

Tokar, a toxic chemical and energy consultant, said the U.S. and Canadian Green movements have been held back by the political systems in each country.

Many European countries use a system of proportional representation in parliamentary elections, which allows even small parties to get into Parliament if they win a minor percentage of the vote nationwide. Fringe parties have a harder time under the U.S. and

Canadian systems, which elect representatives by district.

European Greens, united by polluted rivers and forests dying from acid rain, won 30 seats this

economic policy that is not harmful to the United States or the world.

—Decentralization, bringing decision-making back from the federal and state level to local com-

**"European Greens are basically defined by four pillars." Those are: ecology, social responsibility, community-oriented democracy and the non-violent movement.**

unities and the people whose lives it affects.

—An end to oppression based on race, sex and economics.

—Focusing on how the nation can work in harmony with the world community and nature.

"The centerpiece is to rethink our relationship to the earth," said John Rensenbrink, professor of political science at Bowdoin College in Maine, another organizer.

Issues such as the destruction of the Earth's protecting ozone layer are related to any number of government decisions in areas of energy, health, education and finance, he said.

A handful of people guide the group, which opposes the concept of hierarchy. Decisions are made by committees of representatives, and a national leadership probably will not be chosen until the U.S.

year in the 475-seat European Parliament.

West Germany has the largest Greens contingent — 42 of the 519 federal parliamentarians. They also are in the legislatures of Belgium, Italy, Austria and the Netherlands.

"European Greens are basically defined by four pillars," said Tokar. Those are: ecology, social responsibility, community-oriented democracy and the non-violent movement — where they are often seen demonstrating against nuclear missiles.

"Greens in this country strongly embrace those principles, but we've sought to elaborate on them," Tokar said from his Plainfield, Vt., home.

The draft political program emphasizes:

- Creating environmental and

Greens jump into politics, he said.

As they continue to organize, Greens are forming clubs at universities and have state organizations in Michigan, California, Georgia, Maine, Wisconsin and Massachusetts, Rensenbrink said.

However, the would-be political party is hindered by divisions on several issues.

—Green principles call for restraining capitalism where it harms the environment or community life. But conservative Greens, who joined to fight pollution, believe in a national economy driven by relatively free capitalism, Tokar said.

—Greens members debating the proposed national platform are leaning toward a pro-choice abortion stance — but some members are anti-abortion, said Richmond and Rensenbrink.

—Some Greens want a national party to organize on the state and local level, while others want to field a national candidate, Greens leaders said.

While the Greens are closest ideologically to liberal Democrats, Democratic National Committee spokeswoman Ginny Terzano said her party is not worried.



**Making hams of themselves**  
PASADENA, Calif. — Steve Lausch, center, demonstrates his technique as part of the "Hibachi Drill Team" during the Fourteenth Pasadena Doo Dah Parade Sunday. An estimated 50,000 people turned out to watch a parade that boasts few rules, with no queen or no formal judging.

**12,000-year-old artifacts unearthed**

SANGER (AP) — Archaeologists working near Ray Roberts Lake are carefully unearthing Paleo-Indian artifacts that are believed to have been untouched since they were left by the ice age about 12,000 years ago.

The site has been carefully guarded and the dig being conducted by the University of North Texas has been funded by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Paleo-Indian hunters, known as the Clovis people, pursued ice age mammoths, camels, bison and horses nearly 12,000 years ago. They are considered to be the first inhabitants of the western

hemisphere.

The site just east of this Denton County town is believed to be the oldest, best-dated and best-preserved example of the Clovis culture in the southern plains, according to a statement issued by the corps.

Corps officials have declined to discuss details of the digs until a press conference scheduled for Thursday at the site.

Charles Finsley, curator of earth science at the Dallas Museum of Natural History said the discovery is significant.

"It's rare to find material this old," Finsley said. "This is a

wonderful discovery. I hope at some point we are able to exhibit the materials because it is compatible with what we do."

Excavation at Ray Roberts Lake began in 1980.

The lake was built as a water supply source for Dallas and Denton. It also is designed to provide recreational opportunities and to foster wildlife preservation.

The dam was closed in 1987 to begin holding water.

Dr. Reid Ferring is leading the team of archaeologists from the University of North Texas leading the excavation.

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# Move over apples

## These sweet, crunchy concoctions are American as pecan pie

Though pecan pie has its origins in the deep South, its popularity stretches from coast to coast. In fact, this sweet and simple classic stands among apple and pumpkin as one of America's favorite pies.

For pecan pie lovers nationwide, the Karo corn syrup test kitchens have created a panoramic sampler of regional pecan pie recipes. From southern traditional; brimming with plump pecans, to a cranberry-studded New Englander's delight, the versatile pecan pie can assume an exciting new personality with each addition of native ingredients.

Whether you're "at home" with a classic or want to create some regional appeal, pecan pie is a convenient anytime dessert. For a traditional pie, simply team corn syrup, eggs, sugar, margarine, vanilla and crunchy pecans with a single crust and bake.

To help with your holiday baking, this week's Recipe Exchange features recipes for the pecan pie lover.



Pecan pie stands among apple and pumpkin as one of America's favorite pies.

**EASY-AS-PIE CRUST**  
 1 1/4 cups flour  
 1/4 tsp. salt  
 1/2 cup corn oil margarine  
 2 tbs. cold water

In medium bowl, mix flour and salt. With pastry blender or two knives, cut in margarine until fine crumbs form. Sprinkle water over flour mixture while tossing with fork to blend well. Press dough firmly into ball. Fit loosely into 9-inch pie plate. Trim and flute edge. Fill and bake according to recipe.

**CLASSIC PECAN PIE**  
 3 eggs, slightly beaten  
 1 cup sugar  
 1 cup light or dark corn syrup  
 1 tbs. butter or margarine, melted  
 1 tsp. vanilla  
 1 cup pecan halves  
 1 unbaked (9-inch) pie shell

In medium bowl, stir eggs, sugar, corn syrup, margarine and vanilla until well blended. Stir in pecans. Pour into pie shell. Bake in 350 degree F oven for 50 to 55 minutes or until knife inserted halfway between center and edge comes out clean. Cool on rack. Makes 8 servings.

**California Pecan Pie:** Stir 1/4 cup sour cream into eggs until blended.  
**Kentucky Bourbon Pecan Pie:**

Add up to two tablespoons bourbon to filling mixture.

**APPLE BRANDY PRALINE PIE**  
 Praline topping (recipe follows)  
 1/4 cup sugar  
 3 tbs. flour  
 1/4 tsp. salt  
 3 eggs

**CRANBERRY PECAN PIE**  
 3 eggs, slightly beaten  
 1 cup light or dark corn syrup  
 2/3 cup sugar  
 2 tbs. butter or margarine, melted  
 1 cup coarsely chopped pecans  
 1 tbs. grated orange peel  
 1 unbaked (9-inch) pie shell

In medium bowl, stir eggs, corn syrup, sugar and margarine until well blended. Stir in cranberries, pecans and orange peel. Pour into pie shell. Bake in 350 degree F oven about 1 hour or until knife inserted halfway between center and edge comes out clean. Cool on rack. Makes 8 servings.

**PRALINE TOPPING**

**PIE BARS**  
 Crust:  
 3 cups flour  
 1/2 cup sugar  
 1 cup butter or margarine  
 2 tbs. grated orange peel  
 1/2 tsp. salt

**Filling:**  
 4 eggs, slightly beaten  
 1 1/2 cups light or dark corn syrup  
 1 1/2 cups sugar  
 3 tbs. butter or margarine, melted  
 3 tbs. orange-flavored liqueur  
 2 1/2 cups chopped pecans

Grease bottom and sides of 15x10x1-inch baking pan. In large bowl, combine flour, sugar, margarine, orange peel and salt. With mixer at medium speed, beat until mixture resembles coarse crumbs; press firmly and evenly into pan. Bake at 350 degree F oven for 20 minutes. Meanwhile, prepare filling. In large bowl, stir eggs, corn syrup, sugar, margarine and liqueur until blended. Sit in pecans. Spread evenly over hot crust. Bake in 350 degree

**ORANGE PECAN**  
 1 cup coarsely chopped pecans  
 1/4 cup flour  
 1/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar  
 2 tbs. butter or margarine, softened

In small bowl, combine pecans, flour, brown sugar and margarine. Mix with a fork until crumbly.

F oven for 25 minutes or until set. Cool. Makes 48 bars.

**OATMEAL PECAN PIE**  
 4 eggs  
 1 cup sugar  
 2 tbs. flour  
 1/2 tsp. cinnamon  
 1/4 tsp. salt  
 1 cup light or dark corn syrup  
 2 tbs. butter or margarine, melted  
 1 tsp. vanilla

1/2 cup quick oats, uncooked  
 1 cup pecan pieces  
 1 unbaked (9-inch) pie shell

In large bowl, beat eggs lightly. Beat in sugar, flour, cinnamon and salt until smooth. Stir in corn syrup, margarine and vanilla until well blended. Stir in oats and pecans. Pour into pie shell. Bake in 350 degree F oven for 50 minutes or until puffed and set. Cool on wire rack. Makes 8 servings.

### Tips for sweet success

- To combine pecan pie filling ingredients, simply stir. Overbeating with a hand or electric mixer can create a hard, sugary crust that covers the pecans.
- Bake just until set. To test for doneness, insert knife between center and edge; blade should come out clean.
- To prevent a soggy crust, don't poke holes in the pastry; bake pie in lower third or oven. If using a commercially-prepared frozen crust, pour filling into frozen crust and bake on a preheated cookie sheet.
- Light or dark corn syrup or a blend of both can be used for the filling. Light is the traditional choice, resulting in a "lighter" taste and color. Dark corn syrup creates a richer molasses-like taste, a darker color and a firmer texture.
- Pecan pie can be fully prepared in advance. To store, cool thoroughly and cover with foil or plastic wrap. Keep up to two days at room temperature (always refrigerate fruit or cream-based variations), up to one week in the refrigerator or up to three weeks in the freezer.

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## Tired of turkey? Fix this 'Golden Beef Pie'

By PAPA JOE REED  
 I know you're probably tired of turkey by now and I bet you thought old Papa Joe was going to come through with leftover turkey recipes. How wrong can you be. It's time for a change from turkey, so we will have today a "Golden Beef Pie." This is another one of those one dish meals that I like so much. You will need the following ingredients for:

**GOLDEN BEEF PIE**  
 Bread crumbs (1 cup)  
 Milk (1/2 cup)  
 Ground beef (1 lb.)  
 Egg (1, well beaten)  
 Onion (2 tbs., grated)  
 Salt (1 tsp.)  
 Worcestershire sauce (1 tbs.)  
 Tomato sauce (2 tbs.)  
 Butter (2 tbs.)  
 Onion (1/2 cup, chopped)  
 Corn (1 pkg., frozen)  
 Tomatoes (1 cup, strained)  
 Basil (1/2 tsp.)  
 Cheese (Parmesan, 1 tbs.)  
 Bacon (1/2 cup, cooked, crisp and crumbled)

Preheat your oven to 350 degrees F. Now soften the bread crumbs in the milk and add the meat, egg, grated onion. Season with salt and pepper and mix well. Line the bottom and sides of a pie dish with this mixture and bake in the oven for about 45 minutes. Now cook the 1/2 cup of chopped onions in butter until brown and add the rest of the ingredients and simmer for 15 minutes. Fill the pie crust with this mixture and return to the oven to

**How to open an egg**

heat through. You can garnish with onion rings or tomato slices, or egg slices. As I've said before, be creative.

To go with the beef pie, we will need a salad. Today I have a weird one. It's a broccoli salad and anybody that eats broccoli is supposed to be weird. But if broccoli is prepared properly, it is a tremendous dish, loved by all. You will

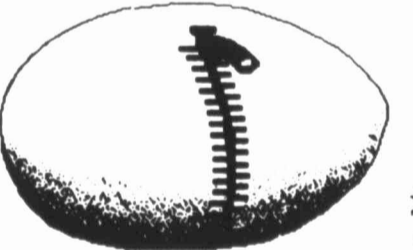
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**BROCCOLI SALAD**  
 Broccoli (1 large bunch)  
 Olive oil (6 tbs.)  
 White wine (3 tbs.)  
 Mustard (1 tsp.)  
 Garlic (1 clove)  
 Parsley (1 tbs.)  
 Sugar (1/4 tsp.)  
 Egg (1, hard boiled)  
 Salt and pepper

Cook the broccoli in boiling salted water for about 10 minutes, or until the stems are soft but not falling apart. Now drain and mix all the other ingredients except the egg and mix thoroughly and put over the broccoli, making sure it's well covered. Chill and serve on a bed of chopped lettuce with the chopped hard-boiled egg sprinkled

on top. Not only delicious, but a beautiful salad to serve with the Golden Beef Pie.

Papa Joe's kitchen tip: Did you know a that few tablespoons of sugar and cinnamon slowly burned on top of the stove will hide unpleasant cooking orders and will make your family and neighbors think you've been baking all day?



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**Noyes addresses club**

Howard County Lioness Club met Nov. 20 at Wesley Methodist Church, with Kay Clark, president, presiding.

Bob Noyes, District 2A1 governor, addressed the club and announced the Howard County Lioness Club was the strongest and one of the most active clubs in the district. It is ahead of all the clubs in the points contest, he noted.

Noyes noted the club's four most important projects, including the Lions Camp at Kerrville, the Leader Dogs, an international school in Ohio that has celebrated 50 years of service; the eye bank, where applicants can receive up to \$500 for special needs; and Lions Club International Federation, which supplies help and relief in times of disasters.

Fellowships to honor a Lion or Lioness are through the Melvin Jones Fellowship for \$1000, or the Texas Foundation for Fellows for \$500. Money is used for Texas projects.

Marguerite Thompson reported on the Cabinet meeting she attended at Buchanan Dam; Nan Howard reported she attended and went on the boat cruise down on Lake Buchanan. They presented the club with a certificate for being nominating outstanding club at Lions International.

Clark and Madeline Boadle reported on the family whose father has cancer we have been aiding. His treatments have been completed and there were pictures to view of the family.

Boadle reported on the "Just Say No" Club, has 17 active members, ages 6 to 8 years old.

Leta Kirby, treasurer, reported she paid for medicine for a school child as requested by Lioness and school nurse Helen Crandall.

**Center Point Club**

Five members and one guest attended the Nov. 20 meeting of the Center Point Homemaker Extension Club at Furr's Cafeteria.

Members discussed the council's Dec. 11 Christmas party. Members will serve refreshments Dec. 14 at the Big Spring State Hospital.

The next meeting will be a pot luck luncheon Jan. 9 at 11:30 a.m. at Kentwood Older Adults Activity Center, 2805 Lynn Dr. New officers will be installed during at this time.

**Well-chosen gifts show you care**

DEAR READERS: Well, it seems as though we just finished polishing off the Thanksgiving leftovers, and it's time to start shopping for Hanukkah and Christmas gifts again.

Because it's been such a tragic year for those who lost their homes in Hurricane Hugo or the San Francisco quake, you may want to spend less on gifts in favor of sending money to the American Red Cross. And now we have another concern — the poor and homeless.

However, if you plan on sending holiday gifts, let me tell you what not to give Aunt Bessie or Grandpa who doesn't get around much anymore.

Forget the cologne, after-shave and dusting powder. Chances are, they have several unopened boxes gathering dust on their closet shelves.

Grandpa doesn't need another paisley necktie, and Grandma doesn't want any more bracelets, brooches or earrings. With the price of groceries going through the roof, older people who live alone on fixed incomes would appreciate a basket of practical goodies. How about small tins of tuna, chicken and ham? Also, crackers, instant coffee, tea, soup mixes and cookies.

People who live in confined quarters do not need more "things," so don't send music boxes or bric-a-brac. And don't send articles of clothing unless you're sure the size is right. Leisure (or "warm-up") suits are comfy and easy to launder. Older folks love them.

Some truly useful gifts: an assortment of postcards, some lined stationery with envelopes and a generous supply of postage stamps. And enclose some felt-tip pens.

Another suggestion: a variety of greeting cards for all occasions. They might want to send someone a nice birthday, anniversary or graduation card. Don't forget get-well cards, condolence cards and "congratulations on the new baby" cards.

Should you be tempted to recycle a lovely, but useless, gift still in its original box, make sure the card to you is not still in the box.

Never give a pet to anyone unless you are absolutely certain that person wants a pet and is able to care for it properly. And if you want to make a hit with someone who has a pet, send a little holiday gift (a tin of dog or cat food) along with a gift for its master.

Don't give wine or liquor to people unless you are sure they imbibe. A thoughtful idea: a gift subscription for a magazine or newspaper you know they will en-



Dear Abby

DEAR PARENTS: It's her money and her choice, and if she goes broke, it will be her problem. I know you mean well, but back off, folks.

DEAR ABBY: The story about the 33-year-old woman driver applying mascara, missing a turn, hitting a curb and turning over, killing herself, breaking her son's arm and leaving four young children without their mother, reminded me of two incidents I witnessed on a trip to San Francisco.

Driving down Highway 101 near Sausalito, a woman in the car ahead of me was combing her hair, applying lipstick and eye shadow while driving 60 miles an hour!

The next day, on Rodeo Avenue in Sausalito, I came upon a woman in a car parked in the traffic lane of the street. I stopped behind her and saw her take off her bra without removing her blouse, put the car in gear and move down the street! — CALIFORNIA OBSERVER

DEAR ABBY: In a recent column, you said that both men and women need to hear that they are needed, wanted and loved.

I'd like to submit the following proverb I read somewhere many years ago that might help solve this eternal man-woman misunderstanding.

"Men must give love to get sex. Women must give sex to get love." — CARL H. YOUNG, ALLENTOWN, PA.

DEAR CARL: I believe that both men and women give sex to get sex, but in order to get love, they must both give love.

Abby's favorite recipes are going like hotcakes! Send your name and address, plus check or money order for \$3.50 (\$4 in Canada) to: Abby's Cookbooklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

joy. Candy, nuts and fruitcake make beautiful gifts for people who aren't counting their calories, but have a little compassion for those who are, and lead them not into temptation. Also bear in mind that some older folks have difficulty chewing nuts and caramels.

Another good idea for those living alone on a fixed income: a gift certificate for some kind of service such as window washing, carpet cleaning, taxi rides, barber shop, beauty parlor or dinner or lunch at their favorite place. And (don't laugh) a gift certificate entitling them to a trip to the podiatrist. Because medication is no small item these days, a gift certificate from the neighborhood pharmacy would be very much appreciated. Trust me.

Holidays can be depressing for people who are alone — loneliness is the ultimate poverty. So if you know someone who could use an outing, give him or her the best gift of all: an invitation to have a meal with you and your family.

If you "ain't" givin', you're not livin'. Love to you and yours, Abby

DEAR ABBY: Our daughter works very hard as a part-time waitress. She's putting herself through college, and we are very proud of her. We were very upset to learn that she bought her boyfriend a matched set of golf clubs for his birthday. She used most of her savings on this expensive gift and now she's practically broke.

How can we get through to this stupid girl? — HER PARENTS IN NEBRASKA

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| 12 AM | Hard Copy          | NBA Today         | Speedweek       |                        |                   |                     |                      |                       |                    |                    |                       |                       |                     |                   |                       |                        |                       |                    |                   |

# Names in the news

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. (AP) — Former White House chief of staff Donald T. Regan paid \$400,000 for a two-acre lot in Williamsburg's exclusive Kingsmill community and plans to build a home there, a spokeswoman says.

Court records show Regan and his wife, Ann B. Regan, paid cash for the wooded land in a sale that was closed Nov. 17.

The Regans have arranged to have a house built on the lot by June, said Kathleen Reid, executive assistant to Regan. They are selling their home in Alexandria but will keep a house in Sarasota, Fla., she said.

Regan served former President Reagan as Treasury secretary for four years before taking over as chief of staff for two years. He resigned in



REGAN \*FLAV February 1987 following a bitter dispute with Nancy Reagan.

Flav was to appear as part of an anti-drug program Monday at North Central High School.

The program was canceled after Principal Charles Roach watched Friday's edition of the ABC News program "Nightline," in which a discussion of racism in music included a clip of Public Enemy member Professor Griff calling Jews wicked. The rap artist later apologized.

"Based on the controversy associated with Public Enemy, the convocation in my opinion was not going to be a positive experience."

The Rev. Charles Williams, president of Indiana Black Expo, which sponsored the anti-drug program, said he was disappointed and that Roach's decision bordered on racism.

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — A principal decided to cancel an anti-drug talk by rap artist Flavor Flav at a high school after seeing another member of the group Public Enemy on television.

## DENNIS THE MENACE



"He's a good singer. He just doesn't know any songs."

## THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"Bone" doesn't rhyme with "none."

# Jeanne Dixon's Horoscope

THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 30, 1989

**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE:** author Mark Twain, Winston Churchill, producer Dick Clark, actor Robert Guillaume.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Wait a while before reintroducing an old idea. Stay in close touch with a long-time friend. Your career may take a backseat to family duties. A financial windfall is possible.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Bank more money, even if your deposits are small. You should think twice before OKing travel plans. Tackle tasks with vigor, then reward yourself for a job well done.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Enjoy the privacy you have early today and use it to outline an interesting program of work. Seek legal advice before signing contracts. An out-of-court settlement works to your advantage.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): A visit or telephone call will result in much good will. Run an important errand. The personal touch will work wonders! A message mix-up could disrupt a special relationship.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Adopting a more relaxed attitude will help you make the right decisions. To avoid embarrassment, double-check the details of a project. A chance encounter could lead to renewal of an old relationship.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You are driven by impulse rather than reason today. Recognize your limitations and you will do just fine. Romance enjoys highly favorable influences. Financial worries are relieved.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Use subtlety to get what you want. A casual get-together with friends will make this a memorable day. A good time to approach someone about a job or financial backing.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may have to cope with a tricky, confidential matter today. Go by the book. This marks the start of a period

of great promise. A close relationship will require careful nurturing to survive.

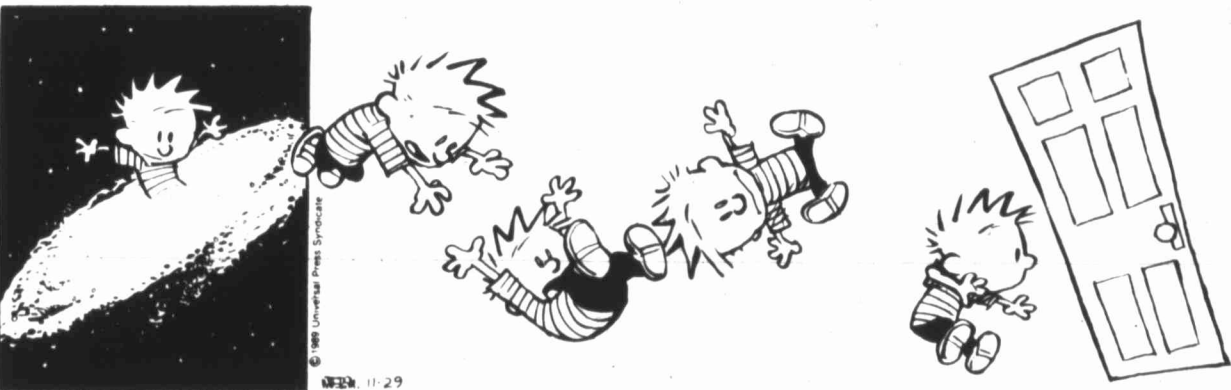
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Travelers could encounter problems today. Confirm your reservations. A family relationship improves. Make the best of a difficult situation. A close friend comes through for you once again.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Expect changes in the workplace. Do your research diligently and you will do your work more efficiently. Take advantage of a golden opportunity to increase your knowledge.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Self-improvement projects enjoy highly favorable influences today. A discerning newcomer could play a major role in your future. Follow up a stockmarket tip; you could reap a tidy profit.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): The newspaper could give you an important job lead. Follow up! Revise your resume. "Brown bag" your lunch to save money. Offer to take an older person to the doctor or grocery store.

## CALVIN AND HOBBS



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