

**ON THE SIDE:**



**Lady Steers win**

**BIG SPRING** — Big Spring's Jennifer Hendleman goes for a lay-up as Evette Housden of Snyder reacts to getting beaten on the play. The Lady Steers won the contest, 69-53. For additional details, see Sports.

**4th candidate files**

**BIG SPRING** — A fourth candidate filed for Precinct 2 Howard County Commissioner before the Tuesday evening registration deadline, County Clerk Margaret Ray said.

James Banks, an antique automobile dealer from Sand Springs, filed as a Democrat with the county clerk's office before the 5 p.m. deadline, Ray said.

Banks joins Democrat challenger John Stanley and Republican challenger, J.D. "Jerry" Kilgore in seeking to unseat incumbent Pct. 2 commissioner Paul Allen. Allen, who has held the post since 1979, has filed for re-election.

Banks entry into the race makes it a tie for the most contested race in the county. Pct. 4 commissioner David Barr also faces three challengers — two Democrats and a Republican — in his bid for re-election.

Ray said no one has filed for county surveyor. It was the only county post that did not have at least one contender.

**Civil cases eyed**

**BIG SPRING** — One of four possible civil cases is likely to be set for trial Monday after none of the five criminal cases set for docket call Tuesday in 118th District Court materialized, District Judge James Gregg said.

Assistant District Attorney William Dupree said he expects pleas on three of the five cases — which range in offenses from driving while intoxicated to burglary of a building — and that the other two cases were unready for trial because the defendant failed to appear and other had just had an attorney appointed.

**The Skipper dies**

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Actor Alan Hale Jr., who played the jovial skipper who led a zany band of castaways on television's "Gilligan's Island," died Tuesday after being hospitalized for cancer.



Hale died at St. Vincent's Hospital, where he had been a patient for about a month after being diagnosed with the disease a year ago, said Bonnie Churchill, a spokeswoman for his family.

The family said Hale was 68, but reference works listed his age as 71.

A Los Angeles native, Hale appeared in 65 movies, but became a fixture on daytime television thanks to the syndication of "Gilligan's Island." The show ran in prime time from 1964 to 1967.

Hale played a charter boat skipper whose craft, the Minnow, was lost at sea and wrecked on an uncharted South Pacific island. The show followed the misadventures of the passengers.

The success of "Gilligan's Island" reruns led to Hale's appearance in a 1978 reunion of the "Gilligan's Island" cast members. The two-part special, which aired on NBC, had the islanders finally rescued, only to be shipwrecked again while on a reunion cruise.

Two more sequel specials aired in 1979 and 1981.

Hale came from a show business family. His father was a matinee idol in silent films and his mother was an actress. The younger Hale bore a strong resemblance to his father, who was often sidekick to Errol Flynn after the advent of talking films.

Hale is survived by his wife of 25 years, Naomi; their four children and his sister, Karen Hale Wookey.

The actor was to be cremated and his ashes scattered at sea by the Neptune Society on Saturday.

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**Local weather**

Forecast for the Big Spring area: Mostly windy today with a slight chance of showers. Tonight, expect partly cloudy and colder temperatures with lows in the 20s. Mostly sunny and cool Thursday, with highs in the mid-50s to lower 60s.



## Vatican puts Noriega in isolation

By **RAFAEL CANDANEDO**  
Associated Press Writer

**PANAMA CITY, Panama** — The new government closed TV and radio stations linked to Manuel Antonio Noriega, whom the Vatican said was being held in "strict isolation" in a room with a broken television set.

A top U.S. delegation led by Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger met today with President Guillermo Endara and other leaders of Panama's new government to begin planning American help for economic recovery.

The U.S. Embassy said Eagleburger would look at ways to help Panama recover from its economic decline, which began largely when the United States imposed sanctions in its effort to drive Noriega from power.

Panama's economy was further battered by fighting during the American invasion and massive looting that followed.

Acting Treasury Secretary John Robson and Mark Edelman, acting director of the U.S. Agency for International Development, accompanied Eagleburger. The embassy



**SAN ANTONIO** — Soldiers cheer as they board a bus at Kelly Air Force Base Tuesday after fighting in Panama.

said the delegation also planned visits to a displaced persons camp, the Panama Canal and to businesses trashed in the looting that followed the Dec. 20 invasion.

Noriega remained inside the Vatican mission, where he sought

refuge on Christmas Eve to escape capture by U.S. forces who ousted him.

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day closed two television stations and 10 radio stations and declared them under "state custody."

Government spokesman Edwin Cabrera said the stations would be returned to their owners if their finances were in order.

One of the TV stations was owned by Carlos Duque, who was Noriega's presidential candidate in May 7 elections that Noriega annulled when international observers said Endara was ahead by a 3-1 margin.

"We don't intend to turn these mediums into propaganda machines while they are under investigation," Cabrera said.

He said the government also returned to its owners three newspaper shut down by Noriega. Noriega's government had seized Critica, Matutino and Le Republica and ran them for its own purposes.

Ramon de Lima, the government's vice minister, said the country's press laws would be reviewed by the legislative assembly because they were "instruments of oppression" under Noriega.

## Fleet vs. pool

How should police handle cars/

**Editor's note:** This is the fourth in a series of articles pertaining to the Big Spring Police Department as a target for budget reductions.

By **RUTH COCHRAN**  
Staff Writer

**BIG SPRING** — The city's financial problems are serious as evidenced by the City Council's lengthy sessions on the 1989-90 budget.

Every department suffered the loss of programs it had hoped to implement. The Police Department particularly felt the slashes in new programs and capital improvements requests.

One area specifically targeted by Mayor Max Green, who has led the fight for a tighter budget, is the department's take-home car or so-called fleet program. Green wants to axe the fleet program and return the city to the pool car program.

Under the provisions of the fleet program, which the department adopted in 1981, each officer is assigned a car, either marked or unmarked. The officer drives that car while on duty, and is allowed to drive it within city limits while off duty as well.

With the pool program, a set number of cars are given to the police department. Cars designated for patrol are used 24 hours per day, with each shift handing over their cars to the next shift.

Proponents of the fleet program say maintenance costs are reduced because a single person drives each car, and, being solely responsible for that car, the person takes better care of it. Cars also last longer in the fleet program, they say.

The fleet program also deters crime, proponents claim, because



more cars are on the streets at any given time, making police more visible.

Opponents say the number of cars needed make the program too costly. Although the cars last longer, annual replacements still must be made and the capital outlay can be a drain to limited city budgets — like Big Spring's.

Mayor Green feels the city can save money by returning to the pool program.

"Right now I'm looking at saving taxpayer dollars and it is my opinion that we can save money by returning to the pooled operation — to the tune of about \$100,000 a year," Green said.

According to figures released by Green, the Police Department could operate with 21 cars, instead of the 49 it has. If each car costs \$16,000, the city's total capital outlay for the pool cars would be \$336,000, Green said.

Using a four-year lifespan, the cars would run up a maintenance bill of about \$25,000 each, he said. Over four years, the entire pool program would run up repair bills of \$525,000, he said.

Coupled with the cost of the cars,

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**Watching traffic**

**BIG SPRING** — Billy Rannels watches traffic drive past as he waits for a tool while assembling the metal frame of a building on Gregg Street Tuesday. The building, across the street from Herman's Restaurant, will house the new Kwik Kar Oil and Lube Center.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

## Bush: Cut heating program for poor

By **ALAN FRAM**  
Associated Press Writer

**WASHINGTON** — The Bush administration wants to cut a program that helps the poor pay their heating bills, sources say, but advocates for the poor say it has been reduced enough already.

President Bush will ask Congress to cut the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program from \$1.39 billion this year to \$1.05 billion for fiscal 1991, congressional sources said Tuesday. The sources said the proposal will appear in Bush's 1991 budget, which he will present to lawmakers Jan. 29.

"This is a program that is terribly inadequately funded already," said Charles Hill, managing attorney for the National Consumer Law Center in Washington.

About 6.1 million American households receive assistance under the program, about one-third the total that qualify for the aid, supporters say. The 1991 fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

Federal energy assistance to the poor, which started soon after the 1973 Arab oil embargo, peaked at \$2.1 billion in 1985 when 6.8 million households were served. It has been cut steadily ever since as it became a favorite target for proposed reductions during the Reagan administration.

"This program has been cut enough over the last few years," said Ed Block, executive director of the National Association of Community Action Programs.



**Puppet practice**

**BIG SPRING** — Children in the language arts enrichment program at Bauer Magnet School were treated to using puppets as part of their studies in theatrics Wednesday morning. Teacher

Sara Beth Reid passed out the puppets to her small group of students, then showed the kids how to operate them. More pictures on Page 2-A.

Herald photo by Tim Appel

## Gregg won't seek reelection as judge

By **PATRICK DRISCOLL**  
Staff Writer

**BIG SPRING** — James Gregg, the 118th District judge, announced on Tuesday he will not run for reelection and will retire next month.

Gregg, who made a formal announcement Tuesday, is retiring even though his term does not expire until the end of the year. His decision not to seek reelection leaves the Democratic primary with no candidates for district judge.

Running unopposed in the Republican primary for that office is local attorney Robert H. Moore III, a Big Spring native and former 118th District attorney. Gregg said Moore probably will be appointed by Gov. Bill Clements to fill the unexpired term.

State Republican and Democratic party officials in Austin reported this morning that nobody else has filed for that office. The deadline was yesterday.

Gregg, who just began his 12th year as district judge, told the *Big Spring Herald* he will retire Feb. 28.

"I'll be 60 in February and I can retire," he said. His birthday is Feb. 18.

"I've been planning this for a year," he said. "I've told all the juries that we've had that this is the last time that they'll see me."

He said Moore will probably be considered by Clements as a replacement to serve out the end of his fourth term which ends Dec. 31. Moore, whose private practice includes counsel to the Colorado River Municipal Water District, said he decided to run after finding out Gregg planned to retire.

"When he made that known I started getting real serious," Moore said. "Frankly if Jim was going to run again, I wouldn't run against him. I knew in advance of my decision that he did not intend

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# Spring board

## How's that?

Q. When and where will the Super Bowl be played this year?  
A. The Super Bowl will be Jan. 28 at the Superdome in New Orleans, La. Kickoff is at 4 p.m.

## Calendar

- THURSDAY**
- Texas Public Employees Association will meet at noon at La Posada
  - C.R.I.E. will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce meeting room.
- FRIDAY**
- Senior citizens dance will be at 7:30 p.m. at the Senior's Center. Cost is \$2.50 per person. Proceeds go to the Senior's Center operations.
- MONDAY**
- Legal Aid Society will not be at the Northside Community Center as scheduled. It will be there Wednesday
  - The City Council PTA will meet at 7 p.m. at the Big Spring High School auditorium. Guest speaker will be Jim Walton, director of educational programs at the Texas State PTA. He will speak on parenting.
- WEDNESDAY**
- Legal Aid Society will be at Northside Community Center at 1 p.m.

## Tops on TV

**Special**

- Candid Camera: Funny Money. Peter Funt, Paul Anka, Allen Funt hosts this special, which takes a hilarious look at the average citizens reaction to money — 8 p.m. Channel 7.

## Sheriff's log

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents Tuesday:

- A person living on Oasis Road reported a theft at his residence.
- Richard Walkup, 38, no address given, was transferred to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice after receiving four years in 118th District Court for revocation of probation.
- Ernest Garcia Jr., 17, 2001 S. Runnels, was transferred to TDCJ after receiving 10 years for four counts of aggravated robbery and one count of theft and revocation of probation.
- Carmen Viasana, 26, 1210 Marijo St., was transferred to TDCJ after receiving 12 years for robbery and parole violation.

## Police beat

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents Tuesday:

- Billy Gene Shubert, 30, 2003 N. Monticello, was arrested and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and public intoxication.
- Vergilio Garcia, 17, 511 NE 10th, was arrested and charged with possession of marijuana under 2 ounces. He was later released on \$1,000 bond.
- A person living in the 1000 block of Stadium reported a burglary. Thieves took a Nintendo game valued at \$100 and game tapes valued at \$175.
- Home Real Estate reported criminal mischief at Coronado Plaza. Damage to windows and doors was estimated at \$1,310.
- A person reported burglary of a building that occurred at a storage unit in the 3300 block of FM 700. Thieves took a cassette player valued at \$70, speakers valued at \$70 and a microphone valued at \$10.
- Big Spring Upholstery, 202 S. Benton, reported a burglary. Thieves took tools and power tools valued at \$145. Damage to a door was estimated at \$20.
- Tonn Cleaners, 911 Johnson, reported a burglary. Thieves took coins totaling \$12, a knife valued at \$45, a cassette player valued at \$80 and a gumball machine valued at \$30. Damage to a safe was unknown.

## Police

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over a four-year period the entire pool program would cost \$861,000, or about \$215,000 each year.

Green's figures for the fleet program show a more expensive proposition. Fifty cars represent an estimated capital outlay of \$800,000, he said.

Estimating that each car will last five years, and that the five-year maintenance bill on each car will total \$20,000, Green figures the maintenance bill for the entire program will total \$1 million.

Combined with the capital outlay for the cars, the fleet program would cost \$1.8 million or \$360,000 each year, he said.

"The unknown that I have not figured out how to measure," Green added, "(is) how much property is being saved because of the visibility. I haven't found a reasonable measure."

According to Green's figures, the city would save about \$145,000 each year by switching from the fleet program to the pool program.

Figures and estimates obtained from the police department paint a drastically different picture, however.

When then-Police Chief Rick Turner asked the city to switch from a pool system to a fleet program in 1984, his department had completed a study of other departments' fleet programs.

Every department contacted, according to a 1983 BSPD interoffice memorandum, cited the fleet program for decreased maintenance costs and increased visibility or police presence. Other departments attributed greater scheduling flexibility, additional response to emergency situations, decreased accident rates, higher morale/productivity/efficiency and added incentive for officers to the fleet program.

One department, according to the memo, reported that with the pool plan, accidents increased, cost per mile increased and cars wore out faster.

According to Police Chief Joe Cook, a vital figure used by Green is not accurate. Green calculated the cost of the pool program using a four-year lifespan for each car. When the BSPD used the pool program, however, cars lasted for one year or at most two years, Cook said.

Cook said the 21-car program was buying from 10 cars to 12 cars each year.

"That means you're getting two years maximum and that's if you're taking extra good care of them," he said.

Cook acknowledged that capital expenditures appear huge with the fleet program but adds, "If you run a fleet program like it should be done, it should be more cost effective."

Using a two-year life span and Green's estimates on maintenance costs, a 21-car pool program would cost the city \$293,000 each year.

If the cars in the entire program lasted one year, the annual cost skyrockets to \$458,000. However, if half the cars last two years, then the annual cost would be about \$371,000.

Other departments have verified that cars last longer on the fleet program and that maintenance costs are less. The Hill Country city of New Braunfels used the pool system until 1984 when it switched to the fleet program. According to Sgt. John McEacharn, the new system has proven itself superior.

"By the time you had 50,000 miles on an automobile it was junk," McEacharn said of the pool system. "It isn't a real cost effective way. Short-term savings end up in a long-term loss."

"We've found capital outlay is high (with the fleet program), but if you figure on a five-year lifespan of a car, the relief in maintenance makes up for it."

McEacharn said the pool system forced the city to replace each car annually, "and we ended up with tremendous maintenance headaches."

With the fleet program, the city replaces half the fleet every two years.

"We get a lot of good comment from the people in the community and we haven't gotten much adverse comment," McEacharn said. "It's an intangible but we feel it's been beneficial if for no other reason than to give a feeling of security to the people in the neighborhoods."

In the Texas Panhandle, the city of Pampa operates with a pool system. Police Chief Jim Larimore said his department leases its cars

from the city. That money helps pay for replacement cars.

Cars had been replaced annually he said, until a tight budget caused problems this year — which could present a problem for Pampa. "They were not useable for police work after one year," Larimore said of the pool cars.

Borger Police Chief Mike Smith said his department uses a combination of pool cars and fleet program cars. "The fleet program is shared by just two officers."

"The officers have the use of the car if it's not being used (on duty)," Smith said. "They're allowed to take it home."

"We feel that by having more cars on the street that we have a higher visibility and that it's an advantage to the city and the citizenry."

Smith said his department would get better service out of each car if only one officer used it, and he said he would like the city to move to a full fleet program.

"The cars last a lot longer when they have just one driver," he said. "We just don't have the finances to do that at this time."

## Judge

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to seek a fourth term."

He said he mailed in his filing application Dec. 15. A Texas Republican Party official in Austin said they received it Friday.

Born here in 1944, Moore graduated from Big Spring High School in 1962 and Texas Tech in 1966. He graduated from the University of Texas law school in May 1969.

He moved back to Big Spring following graduation and began practicing law. He served as district attorney from Jan. 1, 1973, to Dec. 31, 1976, after running unopposed.

After one term as district attorney, he decided not to run again. He said pay and retirement incentives were not enough to make him want to make a career out of it.

Although, he said, "I enjoyed it. I found it very fulfilling."

Despite pay raises, the most recent one being nearly \$15,000 in September, many lawyers in private practice still make more than what a district judge makes, Moore said.

"It's sure not a pay raise," he said of the possibility of him becoming judge. "It's less than what I've made many years."

However, Moore said he would go into the position with the intention of making a career out of it.

"I'm interested in running for the judge's job and hopefully finishing up my career in that job or some other office in public service," he said.

Moore said he will miss his private law practice if he does become judge. "I'm going to hate giving that up," he said.

About one third of his practice involves the water district where he has been general counsel for the

past six years. Criminal law encompasses another large segment of it.

"I do a good deal of criminal practice," he said. "I do little domestic practice."

Moore is on the board of directors of the Dora Roberts Rehabilitation Center and is a former two-term member of the board of directors of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

Since he is unopposed, there will not be a large campaign, he said. There is no campaign manager and his wife Brenda, who is also his secretary and owner of Brenda's Bookkeeping, is his campaign treasurer.

Moore said a lot of the campaigning will consist of being available for gatherings and speeches when possible. "I plan on asking everyone I meet for their support," he added.

Meanwhile, Gregg said he is in the process of moving to Granbury which is about 35 miles southwest of Fort Worth where he was born and raised.

"We bought a place up there six years ago and have been traveling back and forth," he said. "Most of our furniture is already down there."

Gregg came to Big Spring in 1971 as the city attorney. Before that he was the city attorney at Rosenberg for two years.

He said he also did a stint in the Navy. When he got out in 1952, he worked as an air traffic controller. It was while working that job that he decided to go into law and then took a job as a probation officer, he said.

"Big Spring has really been good to me," he said of his stay here. "A lot of good people," he said.



Herald photos by Tim Appel



## Puppet theatrics

**BIG SPRING** — Kristi Simpson (above) kneels behind a table and uses her puppet to see what it would be like behind a puppet stage as part of the arts enrichment program at Bauer Magnet School Wednesday. At left, Vanessa Yanez watches, Jamie Sampley makes the nose on his Arab man puppet wiggle.

## Homestead forms nixed

**BIG SPRING** — The Appraisal District's policy of requiring homestead exemption forms to be signed yearly has been dropped, the district's chief appraiser said Friday.

The new policy will be to carry over each year homestead exemptions on property that has not been sold and where the addresses have not been changed, Chief Appraiser Keith Toomire

said. The only homestead exemptions that will be sent out in the future will be on new addresses and property that has been sold.

Toomire advised anyone whom turned age 65 or became disabled during the year of 1989 to come by the appraisal district's office in the courthouse annex to sign a new homestead application.

## Oil/markets

February crude oil \$23.44 up .55, and March cotton futures 68.55 cents a pound, up .21, at 11:18 a.m. according to Delta Commodities.

Index	Volume	QUOTE	CHANGE	from close
ATT	46 1/2	46 1/2	0	
American Petroleum	75 1/2	75 1/2	0	
Atlantic Richfield	111 1/2	111 1/2	0	
Bethlehem Steel	18 1/2	18 1/2	0	
Cabot	33 1/2	33 1/2	0	
Chevron	68 1/2	68 1/2	0	

Chrysler	19 1/2	19 1/2	0
Coca-Cola	77 1/2	77 1/2	0
De Beers	17 1/2	17 1/2	0
DuPont	125 1/2	125 1/2	0
Exxon	49 1/2	49 1/2	0
Ford Motors	45 1/2	45 1/2	0
GTE	71 1/2	71 1/2	0
Halliburton	42 1/2	42 1/2	0
IBM	99 1/2	99 1/2	0
Int'l Eagle Tool Co	11 1/2	11 1/2	0
JC Penney	75 1/2	75 1/2	0
K Mart	36 1/2	36 1/2	0
Mesa Ltd Prt A	9 1/2	9 1/2	0
Mobil	62 1/2	62 1/2	0
New Atmos Energy	17 1/2	17 1/2	0
Pacific Gas	21 1/2	21 1/2	0
Phillips Petroleum	25 1/2	25 1/2	0
Schlumberger	49 1/2	49 1/2	0
Sears	39 1/2	39 1/2	0

## Deaths

### J.G. Littlejohn

J.G. Littlejohn, 79, Big Spring, died Monday, Jan. 1, 1990 at a local hospital.

Services were at 4 p.m. today at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel, with the Rev. Bob Lewis, Presbyterian minister, Semolone, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park with military rites by Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo.

He was born Aug. 4, 1910 in Kokomo. He married Mary Jo Nugent March 20, 1946 in San Marcos. She preceded him in death Oct. 5, 1981. He then married Mildred Brasfield Sept. 14, 1984 in Big Spring.

He was a Baptist, a member of the VFW, the American Legion, and the Disabled American Veterans.

He was a veteran of the U.S. Army, serving during World War II. He worked for Civil Service for 44 years. He came to Big Spring in 1956 from San Marcos. He worked at Webb Air Force Base, from 1956 until he retired in 1971.

He is survived by his wife, Mildred, Big Spring; one stepdaughter, Peggy Marie Counts, Roseville, Calif.; three stepsons, Lyle Brasfield, Columbus, Ga.; Kirby Brasfield, Navasota; and Roger Brasfield, Buda; five nieces and three nephews.

### Clara Shanks

Mrs. G.C. (Clara) Shanks, 92, Big Spring, died Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1990 at a local hospital.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel, with Royce Clay, minister of 14th & Main Street Church of Christ, officiating. He will be assisted by the Rev. Don Burrow, interim pastor of College Baptist Church. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born Jan. 14, 1897 in Izard County, Ark. She married Grover C. Shanks Dec. 23, 1917 in Erath County. He preceded her in death Jan. 18, 1970.

She was a member of Prairieview Baptist Church for more than 25 years. She was a member of Temple Baptist Church for 20 years.

She moved to Big Spring from Comanche with her late husband in 1940 to farm in the Fairview community.

She is survived by eight sons, John, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Doyle, Grover C. Jr., and Autov, all of Odessa; Clim, Charlie, Howard and Wade, all of Big Spring; two daughters, Eva May Shanks and Jimmy Burks, both of Big Spring; three sisters, Ima Jean Payne, Pasadena; Willie Lemon and Pearl

### Edna Sikes

Edna Sikes, 83, Ft. Worth, formerly of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1990 in Ft. Worth. Services are pending at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

### Alma Foster

Alma Pauline Rueckart Foster, 92, Big Spring, died Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1990 at a local hospital.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at St. Paul Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Carroll Kohl, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park, under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She was born July 4, 1897 in Big Spring. She married John Foster Sept. 18, 1943. He preceded her in death Feb. 21, 1978.

She was a lifetime member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, where she taught Sunday School for 31 years. She held every office of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League at the local level. She

graduated from Big Spring High School. Her class was the last to graduate from the school when it was located where the Howard County Library is today.

She worked for Millingers for many years as a salesperson and bookkeeper.

She is survived by one nephew, Lynn Rueckart, La Mirada, Calif.; one niece, Diane Plouff, Whittier, Calif.; and several great-nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Bernard, Herbert and Walter Rueckart.

Honorary pallbearers will be all past members of her Sunday School classes.

The family suggests memorials to St. Paul Lutheran Church.

He was born July 13, 1925 in Loraine.

He is survived by his parents, Guy and Ruth Hildebrand, Loraine; three sons, Tommy and David, Big Spring, and Bradley, Sweetwater; one daughter, Madeline Began, Camden, Ohio; two brothers, C.A. Hildebrand, Kermit; Doyle Hildebrand, Colorado City; two sisters, Marie Browne, San Angelo; and Doris Richards, Winters; 12 grandchildren, one great-granddaughter and 12 nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife Nelda, and one brother, Dale Hildebrand.

### Joyce Hildebrand

**SWEETWATER** — Joyce Kyle Hildebrand, 64, Sweetwater, formerly of Big Spring, died Monday, Jan. 1, 1990 at his home.

Services will be Friday at 2 p.m. at Cate, Spencer & Gallagher Funeral Home, Sweetwater, with the Rev. Lee Roy Jones, pastor of First Baptist Church, Burkburnett, officiating.

### Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home

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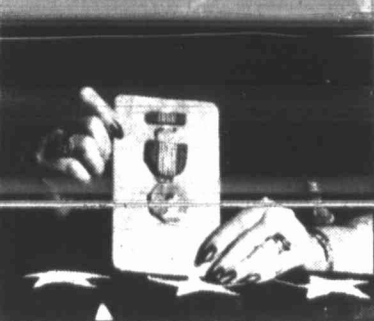
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Medal replaced

SILSBEE — Dora Muckleroy displays the Soldier's Medal she got as a Christmas present from her daughter. The medal replaces one awarded to Donald A. Foster, Muckleroy's brother, for heroism during peacetime in 1939. The whereabouts of the original have been unknown since 1955, so Muckleroy's daughter campaigned for its replacement and gave it to her mother for Christmas.

Overtaken turkeys

AUSTIN (AP) — For about 200 turkeys bound for a Waco slaughterhouse, freedom, like fame, was fleeting. The birds got a brief reprieve Tuesday when the truck towing a tractor-trailer filled with 1,800 turkeys overturned on U.S. 183 southeast of Austin.

The accident marks the second time in 14 months that turkeys from Plantation Foods of Waco have been sent scurrying loose on a Texas highway.

On Nov. 17, 1988, several hundred of its 2,500 birds wandered Interstate 35 after a tractor-trailer driven by another Plantation Foods driver rolled over in a collision.

"It was a mess. Some expired, some didn't," Department of Public Safety trooper Carlos Warren said of the Tuesday accident. "None of them were running around. They were calm and kind of went to sleep in the woods."

Ruben Villasna, the driver, told Warren the accident happened when he swerved to avoid a deer. Villasna, 31, of Smiley, said he got caught on the shoulder of the road and the tractor-trailer overturned when he tried to cut back onto the road.

Villasna, who has been with the company about eight months, was not hurt.

It took workers about three hours to round up the fugitive gobblers.



Cashing in

AUSTIN — W.N. Otwell watches a Republican organization director count the \$3,000 filing fee required to be officially recognized on the voting ballot as a gubernatorial candidate. Otwell, a preacher from Fort Worth, believes women should stay at home and said the fee was ridiculous and that the money should be used to feed, clothe and help those in need.

Body found

BARSTOW (AP) — A West Texas oilfield worker early Wednesday discovered a body along Farm-to-Market Road 519, about 8 miles east of Pecos. Ward County Chief Deputy Jerry D. Heflin says the body may have been at the site only a few hours. The body was found around 2:30 a.m.

No identification was found on the body. The cause of death has not been determined. Foul play has not been ruled out, said Heflin.

The body will be sent to the Bexar County Medical Examiners office for an autopsy, the deputy said.

Clements attacks election ruling

By MICHAEL HOLMES Associated Press Writer

AUSTIN — Gov. Bill Clements says Texas should quickly appeal a federal court order that would require special, nonpartisan elections for 115 state district court judges in nine large counties.

The order by U.S. District Judge Lucius Bunton of Midland would create "wholesale upheaval" in the Texas judiciary, Clements said.

"Not only would this (Bunton's system) be chaotic, it would result in the loss of qualified and experienced judges who are now on the bench," Clements said.

Bunton issued his order Tuesday, saying the special elections were needed because the governor and Legislature have failed to change the countywide judicial election system. The judge previously ruled that the at-large elections discriminated against minorities by diluting their voting strength.

Attorney General Jim Mattox said an appeal was being considered. "We are reviewing his order and will decide what course to follow after the review," Mattox said.

Bunton's election order involves district court judges in Bexar, Dallas, Harris, Travis, Tarrant, Jefferson, Lubbock, Ector and Midland counties.

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The judge said no at-large judicial elections should be held in those counties this year. Instead, he ordered the interim judicial balloting to be based on political divisions within the counties for terms to last four years.

Ron Dusek, spokesman for Mattox, said the judge's plan would take effect unless the Legislature acts before the May special elections to revamp the judicial selection process.

State officials, including Clements, had sought more time. But Bunton said quick action was needed.

"A further delay of implementation of any solution by the Legislature would not be in the interest of justice, would further dilute the rights of minority voters in the (nine) counties in question and would be inequitable and work an even greater hardship on the judges and courts involved," he said.

John T. Garcia of El Paso, Texas

elections would be held the first Saturday in May. Runoff elections, if needed, would be held the first Saturday in June.

Clements said he supported the nonpartisan elections, but said changing to the new election method "would seriously disrupt our judicial system before the U.S. Supreme Court makes the determination of what the law is."

"We must not allow the wholesale upheaval of our judiciary before the U.S. Supreme Court has the opportunity to review Judge Bunton's ruling on the merits of the case," Clements said.

Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby, who presides over the Texas Senate, said he agrees with the need for greater minority representation but also has concerns about Bunton's order.

"About 30 percent of the state's district judges are up for reelection, and this order may cause a large number of them not to seek office. I fear the effect of the loss of this experience," Hobby said.

Mattox voiced disappointment over nonpartisan elections. He said a majority of both the state House and Senate favor elections by party for judges.

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Black candidate

AUSTIN (AP) — Displaying a pair of cowboy boots and tennis shoes, a Democratic judge from Amarillo said he will cover the entire state if he has to in order to win a position on the Court of Criminal Appeals and become the first black in Texas to win a statewide election.

Morris L. Overstreet, the presiding judge of Potter County Court-at-Law No. 1, filed Tuesday for the Criminal Appeals Court, Place 1 seat that is being vacated by Judge W.C. Davis, who is not seeking reelection.

Overstreet, 39, said if elected he would work toward establishing a speedy timetable for disposing of cases at the trial court and appellate level.

He used the Clarence Brandley case as an example of the judicial system moving too slowly.

The Court of Criminal Appeals threw out Brandley's capital murder conviction in December, more than two years after an evidentiary hearing suggested the conviction by an all-white jury was racially motivated.

"There's no reason for the appeals process to take as long as it did in the Brandley case," Overstreet said.

Overstreet also said he favors a mandatory victim notification process in all plea bargain cases.

He said his election in Amarillo, where six percent of the population is black, "shows that I have the ability to appeal to all segments of society."



Baby boom

AUSTIN — Three of Austinite Ron Thompson's daughters gave birth to four boys at Seton Medical Center in Austin late Sunday and early Monday. Pictured are (from left) Joan Thompson

with son Jeremy Andrew, Dr. Chris Seeker (who delivered all four babies), Carol Thompson with Carol's unnamed twins, and Mary Tolson with her son Shane Taylor.

Policeman indicted in killing

HOUSTON (AP) — After hearing testimony from more than 20 people and deliberating for several hours, a Harris County grand jury indicted a police officer in the death of a woman who was killed in a freeway shootout last year.

The grand jury handed down the murder indictment late Tuesday afternoon against Alex Gonzales, who was wounded in the exchange of gunfire that killed 50-year-old Ida Delaney on Oct. 31.

Gonzales, 25, and two other officers were off duty and in a private car early that morning when they pursued Ms. Delaney after she stopped her vehicle, and the officers have said she fired first, according to their attorney.

All three officers testified before the grand jury on the same day last month. Only Gonzales was indicted Tuesday.

1990 Texas political races take shape

AUSTIN (AP) — The 1990 political races took shape today after the deadline expired to file as a candidate for the March 13 primaries.

State party offices were busy Tuesday keeping track of the last minute filing of candidates.

State GOP chairman Fred Meyer said his party would benefit from having U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm at the top of the ballot.

"The decade of the 1990s was characterized by some as the decade of the emergence of the Republican Party in Texas," Meyer said.

"We're looking forward to the decade of the '90s being the emergence of the Republican Party as the majority party of Texas," he said.

But Democratic Party chief Bob Slagle disagreed.

"I think we're going to beat the daylight out of them," he said. Slagle dismissed Gramm's coattail effect, saying, "I hope they're long enough to cover his derriere."

Gramm will face the winner of a Democratic match between state Sen. Hugh Farmer of Fort Worth and Harley Schlanger, a consultant from Houston.

In addition to the filing deadline, the Texas political scene Tuesday was dominated by jabs between two GOP gubernatorial candidates.

Midland businessman Clayton Williams and Texas Railroad Commission chairman Kent Hance



AUSTIN — Candidate filing forms stack up on Mark Hughes' desk at the Texas Democratic Party headquarters in Austin Tuesday, as candidates for the 1990 primary races submit them before the deadline Tuesday.

clashed over consultant, Gary Maloney, who was hired by Hance for \$5,000 to look into Williams' business dealings.

But Carole Keeton Rylander, co-chairwoman of Williams' campaign, said Maloney visited Midland to dig up personal information "that was obviously being gathered in hopes of preparing for a negative, personal attack."

Williams campaign staffers also criticized Maloney, who works for the National Republican Congress-

sional Committee, for taking sides. Maloney said his job at NRCC was unrelated to his visit to Midland and that he told everyone he spoke to about Williams that he was working for Hance.

Reggie Bashur, a spokesman for the Hance campaign, said Maloney's work was "standard campaign research."

Maloney called the ex-wife of one of Williams' top executives and a local chamber Williams drank and used foul language, Ms. Rylander said.

Maloney said the Hance campaign did not ask him to do this, but that he pursued the issue after he said several people told him Williams got drunk at a 1987 birthday party.

"This is the first little droplet of a big bucket of sleaze," said Bill Kenyon, Williams' press secretary.

"Clayton has been known to have a beer or two at times, but he is a man whose life is an open book. His integrity is unquestionable and he invites exploration of it," Kenyon said.

Other candidates in the GOP gubernatorial primary are: Ed Cude, an insurance man from Houston; Tom Luce, a Dallas attorney; Rev. W.N. Otwell, a Fort Worth pastor; Royce Owens, a custodian from Merkel and Jack Rains, former secretary of state from Houston.

On the Democratic side, former Gov. Mark White — who ousted Gov. Bill Clements in 1982 and then

bowed to Clements in 1986 — said he wants to take up residence once gain in the governor's mansion.

White, now an attorney from Houston, faces Jim Mattox, state attorney general; Ann Richards, state treasurer; Theresa Hearn-Haynes, a doctor of law from Houston; Earl Holmes, a retiree from Hawkins; Ray Rachal, a certified public accountant from Stafford; and Stanley Edward Adams Jr., who listed his occupation as "alleged white collar racketeer."

Adams said he is former chairman of a closed savings association, which is suing him in federal court. In a statement, he said, "I am outraged at the unconscionable manner that the economy in this state has been systematically pillaged and looted for the benefit of the Eastern Establishment Banking Dictatorship."

In other political developments: Texas Supreme Court Justice Lloyd Doggett said he will not run for state attorney general in the Democratic primary because he is afraid that those who "sought to discredit the Supreme Court in the past would view this as an opportunity to renew their efforts."

A reasonably well-known name will be on the Republican Party primary ballot. Warren G. Harding Jr. filed to run for state comptroller. His father, Warren G. Harding Sr., is a former Democratic state Treasurer.

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### Free markets still foreign

The word "Soviet" appears on the face of a set of handsome watches in the display case of a local department store. But on the back of the watchbands, the words say, "Made in Italy."

They symbolize one of the problems with the Soviets' moribund economy — their missed trade opportunities.

The Western world is fascinated with Gorbachev and his bold perestroika policies. If the Soviets had an ounce of capitalistic spirit, they would be gearing up their export machinery instead of letting Italy or Japan or Britain reap the profits of Gorbomania.

Instead, the Soviet bureaucracy has unveiled an economic plan every bit as stodgy as the pre-perestroika versions: no price reform until 1991, no glimmerings of a true market economy until 1992, harsh remedies from the huge Gosplan state agency and unrealistic production targets.

No wonder Prime Minister Nikolai Ryzhkov's proposal was described by one dissident Soviet deputy as a "victory for Gosplan."

Given the rising expectations of the Soviet public — and its new ability to express discontent — Gorbachev can ill afford to accept this exercise in procrastination.

Ryzhkov's five-year plan is likely to give them more shortages, longer lines at the stores and even hunger. It's a recipe for salvaging the authority of inept bureaucrats while doing little to jump-start the economy.

If Gorbachev expects his bold political reforms to endure, he must match them with equally bold economic initiatives. That means allowing imports of food and consumer goods and selling Soviet products abroad, so that people will have the hard currency they need to purchase the imports. It means freeing up the internal market mechanism and bringing in expert advisers.

This country also can help. We can grant them favorable trade arrangements, and export some of our surplus agricultural production to get them through this harsh winter.

But Gorbachev is the key. The Soviet president has been good at selling his underlings on accepting free speech. Now, he must sell them on the advantages of a free market.

### DEA chief cuts agent bonuses for good work

By JACK ANDERSON and DALE VAN ATTA

WASHINGTON — Few people confuse Uncle Sam with Santa Claus, especially the people who work for the Drug Enforcement Administration. It was an especially lousy Christmas for the people in the trenches of the drug war.

The agency is in the middle of a plan to cut back on bonus pay for agents who performed above and beyond the call of duty in 1989. The problem is, too many of them did too well and the agency could not afford the \$500 to \$1,000 bonuses each of them earned. As a result, fewer agents found cash awards in

The situation prompted DEA administrator John Lawn to issue a bizarre memo to his managers. "I am greatly dissatisfied with the high number of outstanding (merit pay) ratings and I expect to see immediate improvement," said Lawn's memo, obtained by our associate Stewart Harris.

Yes, you read it correctly. Lawn's peculiar doublespeak did not amuse the DEA workforce. "Really a great way to support, reward and motivate your troops, don't you think," one disgusted DEA insider confided to us.

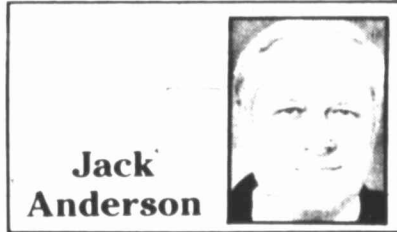
The DEA could use some motivation right now. Bad morale has dogged the agency through its war on drugs. Agency pay has fallen behind the salaries of many local and state law enforcement positions. Lawn, who is known for his heavy-handed management style, hasn't enhanced the romance of working for the DEA.

One DEA agent told us that a third of all the agents will be eligible to retire within the next three years. Those agents could stay on until they are 55, but many say the rewards of fighting the drug war do not outweigh the indignity of working for the DEA.

If the loss of the hard-earned bonus pay was not bad enough, the agents are fuming about the way the tactless Lawn implemented the plan. Rather than coming straight out and telling them that there wasn't enough money, Lawn simply ordered his managers to reduce the merit ratings. The agents were not told until after it was a done deal and the DEA personnel office had finished the paperwork.

The DEA refused to answer our questions about the plan and Lawn's doublespeak memo. "This is an internal management decision and that memo was not intended for public dissemination," said a DEA spokesman. Our request for an interview with Lawn went unanswered.

Lawn left little to the imagina-



Jack Anderson

tion in his memo to the agents in the field. He pointed out that he had been griping about the high number of outstanding performance ratings since last April. And he noted that last year the percent-

age of agents given out by his agency exceeded the numbers at the rest of the Justice Department and government wide.

DEA employees can be forgiven if they wonder whether they are evaluated on how well they perform or how well Uncle Sam can afford to have the perform. If it's the latter, then a job well done begins to lose its appeal.

To bring down the number of high ratings, Lawn, in his memo, ordered his managers in the field to reassess and justify in writing all of the outstanding ratings they awarded this year. The plan then calls for all these written justifications to be bumped up to Lawn's Deputy Assistant Administrator Aaron P. Hatcher III and other top DEA officials for final review.

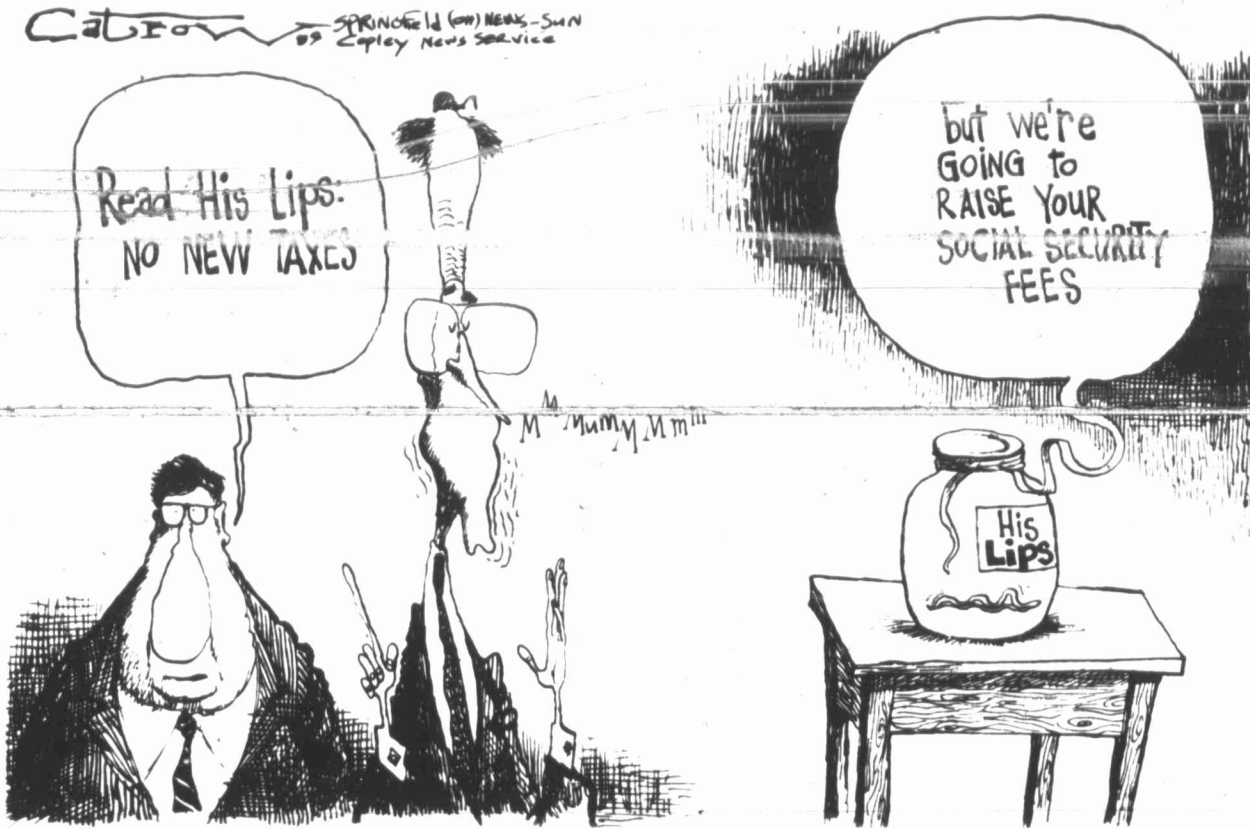
The paperwork alone must be worth a merit bonus in a bureaucracy that apparently values paper over performance.

**NEW ENTREPRENEURS** — A confidential congressional study shows that China, North Korea and Czechoslovakia are emerging as giants in arms sales to Third World countries. Between 1985 and 1989, China surpassed Great Britain, West Germany and Italy in combined arms sales to developing countries. In 1988 alone, China sold \$3.1 billion worth of weapons, most of them to Iran, Iraq and Pakistan. The end of the Iran-Iraq war has cut into the Chinese arms business. Czechoslovakia and North Korea have surpassed West Germany as arms sellers to developing nations in the past four years.

**MINI-EDITORIAL** — Leona Helmsley spoke the wisdom of the '80s when she was sentenced recently to four years in prison. "See what they've done to me," she cried to a friend in the courtroom. Wrong, Leona. You did it to yourself. Here's hoping that the wisdom of the '90s will include taking responsibility for one's own actions.

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### Self-defeating product packaging

By KAREN MCCARTHY Staff Writer

It's a sad fact of life that I can't come to grips with modern packaging.

While I get older and more arthritic, the packaging industry is reaching unprecedented heights toward sealing in freshness, sealing out thieves, safeguarding purity, protecting children and frustrating consumers.

Remember when a couple of aspirins were available with a simple twist of the wrist? A modern aspirin bottle requires a precise alignment of arrows — a task I am forced to delegate to someone with better vision — a knife to pry off the safety seal and a pair of tweezers to remove the cotton stuffing.

It has to be a pretty serious headache to be worth the headache, if you will forgive the pun.

The fact that preventive packaging has gone too far really hit home recently. I had purchased a brand-new bottle of antihistamines and desperately needed one. When I was unable to get the lid off by nor-



Around the rim

mal means, I resorted, stupidly, to the use of a screwdriver to pry with. I used a little too much force, the cap broke, the screwdriver slipped and I managed to gouge my hand pretty badly.

In the process, I spilled 100 pristine pills on the kitchen floor. Instead of sweeping them up and throwing them away, I promptly snatched the pills away from the dogs and put them back in the bottle. I'll take my chances with a few germs over trying to open another bottle of antihistamines.

I have been trying all year to make a positive effort to reduce my personal refuse. (In the United States we average approximately a ton of trash per person per year!) As anyone who visits my house can tell, I don't throw out anything that

can be salvaged. Unfortunately, I can't seem to find a use for the huge pieces of cardboard and plastic that surround my smallest purchases.

I would be willing to tolerate the big packaging if it deterred shoplifters and thereby ultimately cut my costs. But when I bought a light bulb and an entire set of wicker furniture.

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### Opulence often accompanies power

By GEORGE GEDDA Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Four years ago, it was Imelda's shoes that caused the fuss. Now, it's Elena's shoes.

There's something about political power that breeds extravagance, a lesson reinforced by the trappings of wealth left behind last week by fleeing despots in both Romania and Panama.

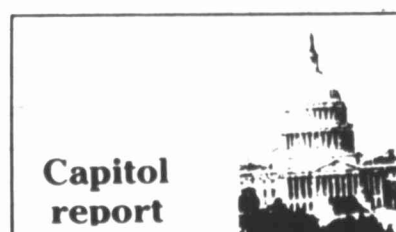
When the Marcoses were forced out of the Philippines, Imelda Marcos' shoe collection — enough for her to change daily for nine years without wearing the same pair twice — was the talk of Manila.

The pattern is much the same nowadays in Bucharest, where Elena Ceausescu boasted a wardrobe featuring shoes with diamond-encrusted heels one day, only to find herself in front of a firing squad before she could say, "Hey, wait a second."

In Panama, Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega also cut few corners in pursuit of the good life. He had an array of houses and apartments in Panama, France and the Dominican Republic, a collection of personal aircraft and three large pleasure yachts — "Macho I, Macho II and Macho III."

"We live in a normal apartment, just like every other citizen," Elena Ceausescu told a military court during her closed trial.

That's not what Romania's new authorities found when they turned up at the Ceausescu residence. Instead of a "normal apartment," they discovered a 40-room mansion



Capitol report

Claude Duvalier, who fled the same month as Marcos, was worth an estimated \$400 million.

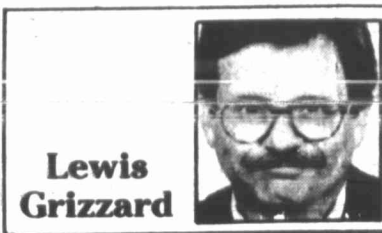
The late Nicaraguan President Anastasio Somoza built up a fortune worth about \$100 million through investments in prostitution, gambling and construction, according to Walter LaFeber, a historian.

The Dominican Republic's Rafael Trujillo controlled 111 companies at the time of his death in 1961 and was worth about \$500 million, says biographer Robert Crassweller. Trujillo once reportedly spent \$80,000 on a gown for his daughter Angelita. Its train was 75 feet long.

The ranks of showy strongmen have diminished lately with the accelerating trend toward democracy. Emperor Bokassa I, who spent \$20 million on his coronation 1976, is a dim memory to his former subjects in the Central African Republic.

But one high-liver who still survives is Mobutu Sese Seko, president of Zaire, a pro-U.S. stalwart in Central Africa whose worth is believed to range between \$3 billion and \$5 billion. He has a number of houses abroad and has 11 palaces in Zaire alone.

Next to the Sultan of Brunei, though, Mobutu deals in small change. The Sultan, with an estimated worth of \$28 billion, has a palace with 1,788 rooms, including more than 200 bathrooms. The Ceausescus' existence almost seemed pedestrian by comparison.



Lewis Grizzard

### Looking back over the '80s

By LEWIS GRIZZARD

The decade of the '80s: a personal retrospective:

The thing I did I regret the most: taking up snow skiing. It cost me a lot of money, time and effort to realize snow skiing was never going to be any fun for me as long as I couldn't do it in Florida while wearing golf shoes.

Number of divorces I got in the '80s: One. Half as many as I got in the '70s.

Worst movie I saw in the '80s: "The Accidental Tourist."

The best: "The Untouchables."

My worst financial move: Purchasing a new house before I had sold the old one. That, and spending good money to see "The Accidental Tourist."

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## Nation

### Friend kills AIDS patient, self

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A close friend of a dying AIDS patient shot and killed the sick man in his hospital bed before turning the gun on himself, authorities said.

The apparent murder-suicide took place Tuesday afternoon in Phil Jenkins' room at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, hospital spokesman Ron Wise said.

AIDS care experts said the deaths demonstrated the vital need for psychological counseling for friends and family members of patients as well as those af-

licted with the disease.

Detectives withheld the identity of the gunman so family could be notified, Wise described him as a very close friend of 35-year-old Jenkins.

Panic struck the fifth floor at Cedars-Sinai after staff, patients and visitors heard three gunshots, witnesses said.

An unnamed hospital visitor who was next door when the shots were fired said a nurse was the first on the scene.



PUERTO CABEZAS — Sandinista officials and religious workers carry a coffin bearing the body of Maureen Courtney, a nun from Milwaukee, Wis., who was killed in an ambush on religious workers in northeastern Nicaragua Monday.

### Elderly motorist held in killings

RIPLEY, Tenn. (AP) — An 82-year-old man charged with murdering two sheriff's deputies who were giving him a lift after his car was wrecked was incoherent when questioned about the shootings, authorities said.

The deputies never suspected that Ule Reynolds of Gary, Ind., whose car crashed in a ditch 60 miles north of Memphis, was a felon carrying a .357-caliber pistol in a shoulder holster, Deputy Sheriff Bill Danley said.

Reynolds was in jail without bail today in adjacent Tipton County on charges of murdering Lauderdale County officers Kevin

Ward, 29, and Bobby Nolen, 55, in their cruiser by shooting them in the back of the head early Tuesday.

"We transferred him to Tipton for both his protection and ours. There are bad feelings about this," Sheriff Milford Durham said.

Durham said investigators were awaiting results of a drug test on Reynolds. An alcohol test came back negative.

"We do this all the time — give people a ride who have trouble," Deputy Sheriff Bill Danley said. "He was not under arrest. They were just giving him a ride."

### Runaway barges jam dam

PITTSBURGH (AP) — The Army Corps of Engineers joined the Coast Guard and state agencies in a search for dozens of barges ripped from their moorings by rushing chunks of ice in the rain- and snow-swollen Monongahela River.

"We've pretty much identified all the vessels that appear to be missing," said John Reed, a Corps spokesman.

At least 55 barges broke away in the 58-mile stretch of river and crashed downstream New Year's Day, including one that leaked 10,000 gallons of gasoline. Another barge holding 420,000 gallons of fuel was pried from a dam Tuesday with its cargo intact.

Thirty of the barges sank, prompting the Coast Guard to temporarily halt river traffic along a 20-mile stretch of the river south of Pittsburgh. Some of the submerged vessels were empty, while others carried coal.



JAMMED DAM

## Contras deny they killed U.S. nun

MANAGUA, Nicaragua (AP) — A spokesman for the Contra rebels today dismissed government allegations the U.S.-backed rebels were responsible for an ambush that killed two nuns, including an American, and injured an American bishop.

The body of Sister Maureen Courtney, of Milwaukee, arrived in Managua on Tuesday night before being flown to the United States.

The attack occurred Monday in a remote area of Zelaya province, 250 miles northeast of Managua, as Sister Courtney and three other church workers drove in a church pickup truck from the town of Rosita to Puerto Cabezas.

"I only know that a mine went off or a grenade and there was heavy shooting afterward," said Bishop Pablo Schmitz of Fond du Lac, Wis. "We identified ourselves, but nobody came to the pickup."

Schmitz, the auxiliary bishop of the port city of Bluefields, told reporters "it was very dark outside" when the attack occurred, so he could not identify the assailants.

Church officials said it was possible the pickup may have hit a land

mine, but Schmitz also suffered a gunshot wound to the left arm. Sister Francisca Colomer, 24, of Nicaragua, suffered wounds in the face and body. Both were hospitalized in Managua and were expected to survive.

Sister Courtney, 42, was of the Sisters of St. Agnes order of Fond du Lac and had been doing missionary work in Nicaragua 15 years. She was believed to be the first American killed in the 9-year-old civil war since Contras killed 27-year-old engineer Benjamin Linder, of Portland, Ore., in April 1987.

The slain Nicaraguan nun was identified as Sister Teresa Rosales, of Santa Marta.

The incident comes at a time of tense U.S.-Nicaraguan relations, which took a turn for the worse after the American invasion of Panama and U.S. soldiers' illegal search of the Nicaraguan ambassador's residence.

Contra military leader Enrique Bermudez said in Miami this morning that he doubted Contras were responsible for the ambush.

"We have not received any report from patrols of that kind of action," he said in a telephone interview. "These type of accusations are normally made by the Sandinistas in order to (wage a) publicity campaign against us."



COURTNEY

## World

### Ceausescu 'evildoers' arrested

BUCHAREST, Romania (AP) — Pledging to punish all "evildoers" from the ousted regime of Nicolae Ceausescu, the new government said it had arrested the entire former leadership and promised to bring all members of the executed dictator's family to justice.

During the night, a soldier was

today, but the attack was a reminder that holdouts from Ceausescu's hated secret police still pose a threat. Tanks and troops defending the revolution remained in Bucharest's streets.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Constantin Girba announced the arrests of former leaders Tuesday at a news conference.

"I estimate there are about 60... all close colleagues of Ceausescu," said Girba.

### Report: Troops may leave Korea

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — The United States and South Korea are near agreement that 5,000 to 6,000 American troops will be withdrawn this year to meet U.S. congressional demands and defense budget cuts a report said today.

Quoting unidentified Korean government sources, the national news service Yonhap said the two governments discussed restructuring of American troops in South Korea, including reductions in connection with a bill sponsored by Sens. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., and John Warner, R-Va.

The U.S. 8th Army headquarters in Seoul refused to comment on the report.

About 43,000 American troops, including the 2nd U.S. Infantry Division, are stationed in South Korea under a mutual defense pact. U.S. troops fought on the side of South Korea after Communist North Korea invaded to start the 1950-53 Korean War.

The congressional bill sponsored by Nunn and Warner requires the U.S. administration to report by April 1 on measures to reorganize American forces in East Asia, including South Korea.

Yonhap said relocating the Marines to South Korea was linked to the long-range idea of maintaining stability in East Asia.

### Soviets rush troops to Iran border

MOSCOW (AP) — The government rushed more border troops to the southern republic of Azerbaijan today to try to stop a rampage by thousands of people along the boundary with Iran, a newspaper reported.

The government daily Izvestia said that more than 4,000 people tore down guard towers and destroyed electronic alarms along the border.

The rioters want southern Azerbaijan to be unified with northern Iran and have threatened to remove all barriers at the border unless authorities remove them, the newspaper reported.

Tass, the official news agency, had said in the first report about the violence Tuesday that the rioters were "high on drugs or alcohol" and did not mention any political motives.

Izvestia, in a report quoting I. Petrovas, head of the KGB's Caucasus border district, mentioned only the political motives and said protesters had been plotting the rampage for weeks.

"Practically along the entire border between Azerbaijan and Iran a complex situation has emerged. This is about 490 miles on land," Izvestia said.



SOVIET TROOPS

## Alaska volcano gushes ash, possibly lava

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP) — Airline flights were canceled and residents marveled at a spectacular light show, as Redoubt Volcano shot ash as high as 40,000 feet in its biggest eruption since wakening from a 25-year sleep.

The Alaska Volcano Observatory said the eruption at 5:50 p.m. Tuesday was Redoubt's biggest since seismic activity began Dec. 13.

Pilots reported a plume as high as 40,000 feet and said lava appeared to be flowing down the

volcano's northwest flank 115 miles southwest of Anchorage, observatory scientists said.

A radio station near Kenai, across Cook Inlet from the volcano, was swamped with calls from people who saw lights in the sky.

"We've had listeners on the air reporting what looked like heated, falling stones," said John Davis of station KSRM. He said people parked their cars near inlet beaches to watch the display.

Geologist Robert McGimsey of

the observatory in Anchorage said it was possible the reported lava flow was a mixture of ash and hot gas. He said scientists would have to wait until daylight to investigate.

The volcano spewed an "extensive ash plume," McGimsey said. Another geologist at the observatory, Don Richter, said late Tuesday night that it appeared most of the ash had settled before reaching populated areas.

Richter said "a number of strong

but less severe (seismic) events" occurred at about 8 p.m.

"It looks like it may keep up this level of explosive activity" today, he said.

The Federal Aviation Administration advised pilots to "continually evaluate operations to and from Anchorage." A number of flights scheduled for Tuesday night and this morning were canceled, and some night flights were diverted to other airports.

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**Inside style**

**Military**

Pvt. 1st Class James N. Alexander III has completed training for water treatment at Fort Lee, Va.

He has also completed airborne training at Fort Benning.



Pvt. Alexander has just been assigned as PVT. ALEXANDER a water treatment specialist in the 407th Supply and Transport Battalion 82nd Airborne Division, stationed at Fort Bragg, N.C.

Alexander is a 1988 graduate of Sequin High School. He is the son of Robert and Janet Arista, Big Spring.

**Weekly workshop**

The Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas, Inc. is offering a weekly group workshop on Thursday afternoons from 4:30-6:00 p.m., beginning Thursday. This group is specifically for adolescents and will help youngsters in their developmental process by focusing on areas such as: discovering more about themselves, increasing self-esteem, developing effective communication skills, improving problem-solving abilities and dealing with relationship issues.

Participants are asked to make a 12-week commitment of their time to better facilitate the goals of the group. Each group will be utilizing relaxation- meditative techniques, fantasy, sensory experience, drawing/painting activities, music, games and role playing as avenues to the path of self-discovery.

The group will be lead by Joan Pace, who recently received her master's degree in counseling from UTPB.

For registration information, please call 563-4144.

**Follow-up clinic**

The VA Follow-Up Clinic at Dyess Air Force Base, Abilene, will be Jan. 11, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. All entitled veterans are encouraged to utilize this clinic.

The services available are limited to an examination by a physician, lab, X-ray, screening, and pharmacy services. Veterans will be seen by appointment only. To make appointments, veterans should contact Dan Garcia, Taylor County service officer (915) 777-1711, Ext. 328 or 329; or the scheduling clerk in Medical Administration Service, at the Big Spring VA Medical Center at (915) 263-7361, Ext. 352. Veterans are requested to report at the time of their scheduled appointment in order to avoid unnecessary waiting time.

To enter Dyess Air Force Base, veterans must use the VA shuttle, located at the old entrance on Military Drive. Parking is available at this site. Veterans will be taken to the clinic by shuttle 15 minutes prior to their scheduled appointment.

Only one family member may accompany the veteran to the clinic in order to reduce congestion in the area. Veterans are reminded that the only days they may gain access to the Base for refill of medications are on regularly scheduled clinic days. If you should have a problem between clinics, please contact the VA Medical Center in Big Spring at the number listed above. If you should need to contact any of the VA staff the lay of the clinic at Dyess, please call (915) 696-4722.

**Daughter won't speak to parents**

DEAR ABBY: My wife, who is no kid, telephoned our daughter (divorced) to find out how she and her children were. Our daughter's response: "In the future, you may call the children any time you want, but do not call me! Good-bye!" Then bang went the receiver!

I am no kid either, and this has been a terrible blow to both of us. This occurred in the holiest season of the year, and we are at a loss to understand why she would do this effort to correct this estrangement has been made — without success. She refuses even to discuss it.

Over the years, we have seen family squabbles, but it has never happened in our family. It's like an explosion, an earthquake, a bridge collapsing — a major catastrophe.

Is this some sort of psychotic behavior? If so, how does one resolve it?

Please, Abby, don't recommend a counselor, minister, rabbi or priest. MISERABLE IN MENLO PARK

DEAR MISERABLE: I know of no way to resolve any type of irrational behavior other than professional help (translation: counseling, or help from a minister, rabbi or priest).

Obviously, if your daughter refuses to discuss the problem, there is nothing you can do about it, but since you are sufficiently upset about the estrangement to have



Dear Abby

sought my help, please accept the following: You cannot change anyone but yourself, so perhaps learn how to accept this unexplainable rejection from your daughter.

DEAR ABBY: A friend of mine fell in love while she was in college. The man was married. She got pregnant, and he arranged for her to have an abortion.

My friend is now happily married and has a beautiful child. She would like to return to the church she was raised in, but she was told by a priest that the Catholic Church will never forgive an abortion. Please let me know if this is true. — HER FRIEND IN ST. LOUIS

DEAR FRIEND: According to a spokesman for the Los Angeles Diocese, the priest was incorrect. Tell your friend that she may return to the church and she may attend all the sacraments. She should also be told that the Catholic Church has established an office to help women who are dealing with

this problem. It is called "Project Rachel." Your friend should contact her local diocese for the address and phone number of this group.

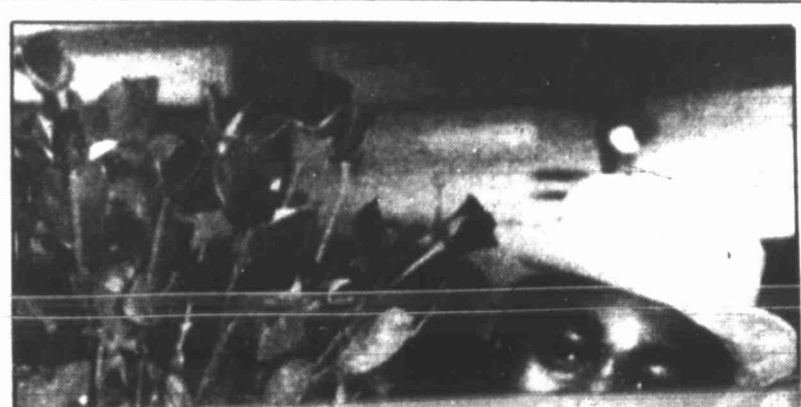
DEAR ABBY: For your information, the inventor of the flush toilet was not Thomas Crapper, but rather a nameless Minoan (a native of ancient Crete) who lived some 4,000 years ago. In modern times, the device was

by a British inventor named Alexander Cumming.

"Biographies" of Mr. Crapper as well as a German named "Titzleiter," the alleged inventor of the brassiere, are classic hoaxes that are remarkably convincing. However, the names of the inventors are obviously fakes. — GUY H. DORITY, HILO, HAWAII

DEAR GUY: According to The Dictionary of Misinformation by Tom Burnam, there was indeed a Thomas Crapper (1837-1910), a sanitary engineer who invented the valve-and-siphon arrangement that made the modern toilet possible. If any reader has additional information, write me. We'll flush out the truth.

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Kelly dies

American fashion designer Patrick Kelly, who died Monday in Paris, holds a large bouquet of roses in this July 28 file photo. Kelly, whose real age is not available, died of bone disease and a brain tumor, his company said. He is the only American to be a member of France's Chambre Syndicale of Ready-to-Wear and Couture.

**Center to offer 11-week course**

The Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas Inc. is offering two 11-week groups, morning and evening, to help individuals understand the symptoms of co-dependence and the negative effect it has on their lives.

The group is designed to help

healing. The evening group begins Monday at 7:00 p.m. The morning group begins Jan. 10 at 10:00 a.m.

Cost will be \$25 per session. The facilitator for the group will be Dr. Norman D. Godfrey, executive director of the Center.



Associated Press photo

**Preferred garments**

NEW YORK — A red sequined gown worn by Marilyn Monroe in the 1953 movie "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes," left, and Yul Brenner's costume from "The King and I" are shown at Sotheby's in New York where they were recently sold at auction. The evening dress with the daring slits fetched \$14,300 at the auction of Hollywood memorabilia.

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# Food

## Reviving breakfast

Americans are reviving family meals — especially breakfast. "In fact, families can easily make breakfast the main meal of the day," said Beth Groebe, registered dietitian for The NutraSweet Company.

A good breakfast, she explained, has both physical and emotional benefits for the entire family.

"Children need breakfast for proper physical development and growth," Groebe said, "but adults benefit, too." She pointed out that recent studies indicate a good breakfast can even help adults lose weight because they are less likely to overeat at lunch and dinner.

Also, psychologists suggest that the family's emotional support system is typically stronger when everyone makes time to be together for meals.

But busy schedules can often shove meal times aside. To remedy this, families are finding that breakfast can be coordinated more easily than other meals because everyone starts the day at home.

Breakfast can be even more enjoyable by using Sugar delight Light Cane Sugar, a new sugar sweetener blend. With this product, families can enjoy their time together and all the great breakfast favorites, including french toast, muffins, fruit spreads and fruit butters — yet, eat less than the usual amount of sugar.

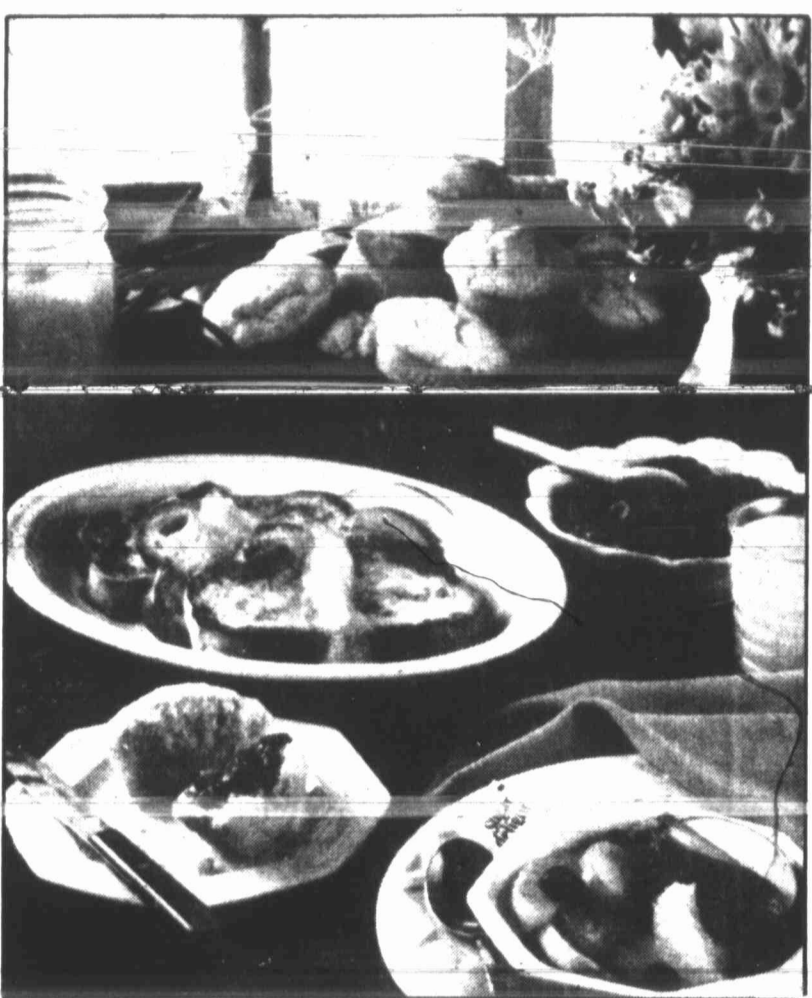
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The recipes and menus below show how to sprinkle Sugar delight, cook with it and even microwave with it in a variety of breakfast ideas.

For additional recipes or nutritional information, write: The NutraSweet Center (BF), P.O. Box 830, Deerfield, Ill. 60015, or call toll free 1-800-323-5316.

### MENU

- Miniature Corn Muffins
- Strawberry Spread
- Low-fat plain yogurt with Strawberry Spread or sprinkled with Sugar delight
- MINIATURE CORN MUFFINS**
- 1 1/2 cups flour
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup oil
- 1/2 cup baking powder
- 1/2 cup salt
- 14 packets Sugar delight Light Cane Sugar



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- 4 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 1/4 cups milk, 2 percent
- 2 eggs
- 6 tablespoons melted butter or oil
- Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. In a mixing bowl, combine flour, cornmeal, Sugar delight, baking powder and salt. In a separate mixing bowl, combine milk and eggs; stir in melted butter or oil. Stir wet ingredients into dry ingredients until combined but still lumpy. Pour mixture into greased miniature muffin pans. Bake up to 15 minutes; remove from muffin pans, serve warm. Makes 3 dozen. Serving size: 1 muffin.
- Nutrient information per serving:
- Calories.....65
- Protein.....2 grams
- Fat.....3 grams
- Carbohydrates.....9 grams
- Diabetic exchange: 1/2 bread, 1/2 fat

### MENU

- Unsweetened cereal sprinkled with Sugar delight
- Skim or 1 percent milk
- Grapefruit sweetened with Sugar delight
- Whole wheat toast with Strawberry Spread or Pear Butter
- STRAWBERRY SPREAD**
- 1 16-ounce package frozen, unsweetened strawberries
- 18 packets Sugar delight
- 5 teaspoons cornstarch
- 1 tablespoon water
- 1/2 cup lemon juice
- Thaw strawberries in microwave-safe glass bowl; do

not drain. In a separate mixing bowl, stir Sugar delight and cornstarch in water until dissolved; stir in lemon juice. Pour mixture into strawberries, mixing well. Microwave on high until mixture thickens, 3 to 5 minutes. Makes 32 servings. Serving size: 1 tablespoon.

Nutrient information per serving:

- Calories.....12
- Diabetic exchange: Free
- MENU**
- French toast (made with whole wheat bread)
- Pear Butter
- Skim or 1 percent milk
- Unsweetened fruit juice

### PEAR BUTTER

- 1 pound fresh pears
- Dash of cloves
- 1/4 teaspoon ginger
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 8 packets Sugar delight
- Peel and core pears. Cut pears into small pieces. Place in a microwave-safe glass bowl and cover. Microwave on high for 30 minutes. Mash pears. Microwave mashed pears uncovered until pears reach spread consistency, 5-20 minutes. Mix cloves, ginger, cinnamon and Sugar delight into cooked pears; if necessary, return to microwave until boiling. Pour pear butter into an 8-ounce jar; refrigerate or freeze. Makes 24 servings. Serving size: 2 teaspoons.
- Nutrient information per serving:
- Calories.....13
- Diabetic exchange: Free

### CARROT SALAD

- Carrots (6 medium)
- Apples (3)
- Celery (2 stalks)
- Salad dressing (1/2 cups)
- Salt and pepper
- First, peel the carrots and apples and grate them. Chop the celery and combine all the ingredients with the salad dressing. Salt and pepper to taste. If you want to get a little fancier or company is here, throw in a few nuts or raisins. Oh, go ahead! Be a dare devil, throw in both, live dangerously. You'll enjoy it. Happy New Year!

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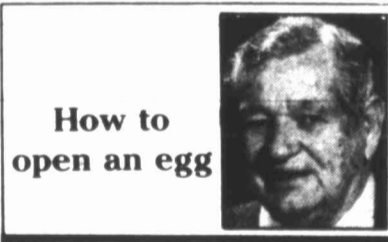
## Papa Joe's turkey and ham casserole

By PAPA JOE REED

Christmas is past, but the turkey is still here. Everyone talks about leftover turkey and how tired they are of turkey hash, of turkey sandwiches and cold turkey. I can sympathize with them. It seems every Christmas, we have the same old problem; how to fix leftover turkey so that everyone will still enjoy it. This year I have solved that age old problem. Let's fix turkey so different that the family will think it's a brand new dish. Let's take that leftover turkey and some leftover ham and have a:

### TURKEY & HAM CASSEROLE

- Turkey (1 1/2 cups, cooked and diced)
- Ham (1 1/2 cups, cooked and diced)
- Onion (1 medium, chopped)
- Green Pepper (1 cup-chopped)
- Oleo (1/2 cups)
- Oregano (1 teaspoon)
- Salt (1/2 teaspoon)
- Black olives (3/4 cups, sliced)
- Noodles (2 1/2 cups, cooked)
- Apples (2 cups, pureed)
- Butter (2 tablespoons, melted)
- Paprika



How to open an egg

First, you saute the onion and the green bell pepper in butter until lightly browned, then you add the olives, salt and oregano and heat thoroughly. Next, place 1/2 cup of the noodles in the bottom of a well-buttered casserole dish. Now mix the turkey and ham and place with the onion, pepper and olive mixture on top of the noodles. Now spoon the apple puree over the top. Next, toss the remaining noodles in the 2 tablespoons of melted butter, then place on top of the apple puree. Sprinkle with paprika and bake in a 375 degree oven for about 30

minutes. There you have a great dish the family will enjoy and won't be fussing about having to eat left over turkey. By the way, this recipe will serve about six people. For a simple, but tasty salad to go with the turkey and ham casserole, let's fix a:

## The French and food — a love affair

PARIS (AP) — Catch a Frenchman in an unguarded moment — on a park bench, at his desk staring out the window, or waiting for a bus — and likely as not he'll be thinking about food.

Food, the creation of dishes, the art of cooking, the physical pleasure of eating and the ritual that surrounds it are perhaps the most important elements of French culture.

One of the year's highlights is the annual publication of the Michelin red guide, which awards one to three stars to restaurants especial-

ly deserving of gustatory attention. The 19 three-star eateries in France are objects of veneration for many.

Top chefs, critics and food historians agree that France's excellence in the culinary art is largely due to geographical accident.

"All of the agriculture of temperate countries is represented here," says Bernard Naegellen, director of the Michelin red guide.

"And I think it's that, the great variety of agricultural products, meat, game... that has given the

French the habit of eating well." Emile Jung, the Strasbourg chef whose restaurant Le Crocodile is the latest to achieve three-star status, also attributes quality to France's "geographic situation" and stresses local produce.

"Look at the variety of meats butchers here can furnish, the variety of fish," he says. "We have virtually everything in France. Each province has its own gastronomic history and specialty. This diversity makes for variations in cooking, in the way foods taste."

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## The luck of the Irish not with Notre Dame

By STEVE BELVIN  
Sports Editor

Four months later, the collegiate football season is over. A new national champion has been crowned, and I'm still shaking my head in amazement.

The Miami Hurricanes have won their third national championship in seven years.

The Hurricanes won the closest-ever race for numero uno in college football, barely nosing out the Fighting Irish of Notre Dame.

Miami (11-1), which beat Alabama 33-25 in the Sugar Bowl Monday night, received 39 of 60 first-place votes and 1,474 points. Notre Dame, (12-1), which beat top-ranked Colorado 21-6 in the Orange Bowl, had 19 first-place votes and 1,452 points.

Voting in the AP poll is based on a 25 points for first, 24 points for second, 23 points for third, and so on. The voting is done by prestigious sports writers throughout the country, supposedly equally divided up into the four regions of the country.

Needless to say I'm not one of those certain prestigious writers who gets a vote, but if I did, it would go to the boys in South Bend, Ind. I can't see myself not voting for Notre Dame, which has lost one game in the last two years. The Fighting Irish lost to Miami, and that was their downfall.

The fact I'm banking my vote on is that Notre Dame lost to Miami on Miami's home field, and for the past two years, without a doubt, Notre Dame has played the toughest schedule of any major college school.

Notre Dame has the opportunity to play powerful foes because it's an independent — a school that does not play in a conference. Ironically, so is the University of Miami.

There's no way you can tell me that UM's schedule was even close to the caliber of teams on Notre Dame's schedule. Check this out: Eight of Notre Dame's opponents were at one time or another Top 25 teams (Virginia, Michigan, Michigan St., Air Force, USC, Pittsburgh, Penn State and Miami). All except Air Force were in the Top 25's final poll. And don't forget this — five of ND's first six games were on the road.

That meant the Irish played road games against Virginia, Michigan and Air Force during that span. Add the others, and you've got one doosy of a schedule. I'd say the average Top 25 team would do well to go 8-4.

On the other hand, the Hurricanes played more home games (five), compared to the Irish's four, and their schedule doesn't compare. The 'Canes had to play powerhouses like Wisconsin, California, Missouri, Cincinnati, East Carolina and San Diego State — I'm only kidding.

True tests for Miami came in the form of Michigan State, Pittsburgh, Florida State and Notre Dame.

But the telling blow was the 27-10 win over Notre Dame. That's all the pollsters could see. Never mind that the Fighting Irish stayed No. 1 most of that time, and had to knock off legitimate contender after contender, before they met Miami. Never mind that the game in November was played on Miami's home turf. Never mind that the Fighting Irish beat previously unbeaten and then No. 1 Colorado on a neutral field.

I think the Irish were a victim of being too good for their own good.



Steve's stuff

## Lady Steers whip Snyder

By STEVE REAGAN  
Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — Big Spring Lady Steers were shaky at times but, in the end, the Big Spring Lady Steers had too much inside muscle for the Snyder Lady Tigers to handle.

Gisila Spears scored 24 points, Tevayan Russell 15 and Jennifer Hendenman 12 to lead the Lady Steers to a hard-fought 69-53 victory over Snyder in Steer Gym Tuesday night.

The win improves Big Spring's record to 14-6 for the season and 3-1 in District 4-4A, good for third place in the standings. Snyder, led by Evette Housden's 15 points, falls to 8-7 for the season and 1-3 in district play.

Russell did the damage early for the Lady Steers, picking up all but two of her points in the first half, while Spears tallied 10 of her points in the decisive fourth quarter that saw Big Spring withstand a Snyder rally to ice the contest.

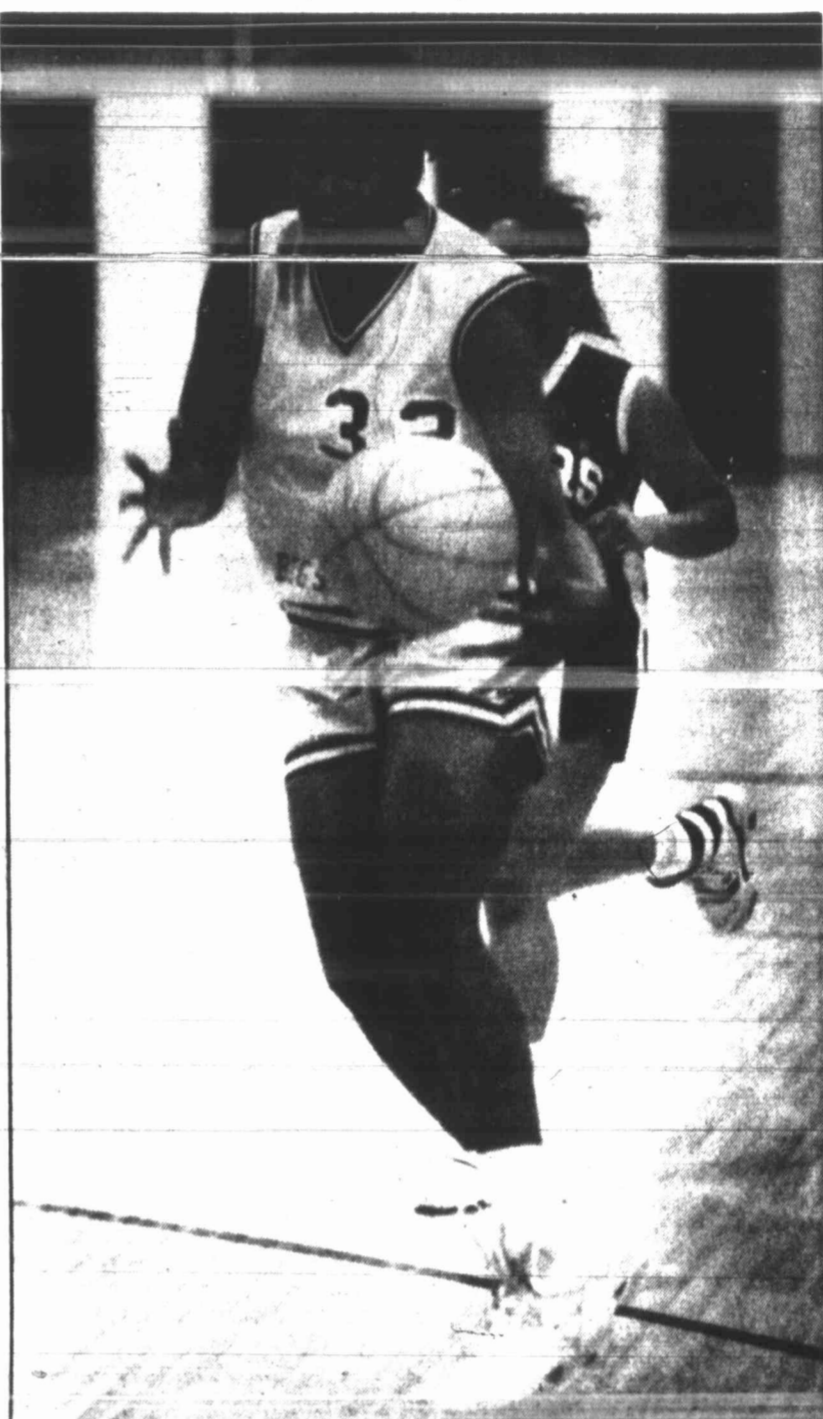
Big Spring entered the final quarter with a comfortable 52-40 lead, but free throws by Anne Osburn and a three-point play by Robbie Brazier cut the Lady Steers' lead to seven with 7:24 left in the game.

Spears canned a free throw and Stephanie Smith added two to put the Lady Steers up by 10 at the six-minute mark, but Housden and Dessie Ware countered with baskets to bring the Lady Tigers to within 55-49 with less than five minutes remaining.

After that, however, the roof caved in on Snyder. The Lady Tigers had most of their players positioned inside, hoping for offensive rebounds. This strategy left them vulnerable to the transition game, and Big Spring exploited the advantage with deadly accuracy.

Fast-break baskets off of Snyder misses proved to be the game's deciding factor, as the Lady Steers outscored the Lady Tigers 14-4 the rest of the way to secure the win.

The fourth-quarter fireworks contrasted sharply to the first half, which saw the Lady Steers gain control early. Peggy Smith canned a three-pointer on Big Spring's first possession, and Spears, Russell and Hendenman contributed points as the Lady Steers raced to a 15-5



BIG SPRING — Big Spring Lady Steers post player Tevayan Russell (32) heads downcourt during first quarter action Tuesday night at Steer Gym against Snyder.

first-quarter advantage. Russell took over in the second quarter, scoring eight straight points to lead the Lady Steers to a

32-19 advantage at intermission. Foul trouble probably played a key role in helping the Lady Steers get back in the game during the se-

### DISTRICT 4-4A STANDINGS

Sweetwater	4-0
Big Spring	3-1
Lake View	2-2
Snyder	1-3
Andrews	1-3
Fort Stockton	1-3
Monahans	0-4

Tuesday's games  
Big Spring 69, Snyder 53, Sweetwater 91, Lake View 49, Pecos 61, Monahans 27, Andrews 52, Fort Stockton 45.  
Friday's games  
Pecos vs. Sweetwater, Fort Stockton vs. Snyder, Big Spring vs. Monahans, San Angelo Lake View vs. Andrews.

cond half. Hendenman, Russell and Stephanie Smith were whistled for their fourth fouls during this time, forcing them to the bench for most of the third quarter.

The Lady Steers took advantage of the girls' absence, reducing Big Spring's lead to single digits midway through the third. Hendenman returned to the contest, however, and scored six points to give Big Spring a 12-point lead heading into the final eight minutes.

After the game, BSHS coach George Martin said he was pleased with his team's efforts, but added that the Lady Steers will have to reduce their turnovers — Big Spring gave the ball away 23 times — if they are to contend for the district title.

"I've always said that this is a game of mistakes and a game of turnovers," Martin said. "When we get a turnover, we can't turn around and give the ball right back to the other team."

The Lady Steers will return to action Friday when they travel to Monahans to take on the Lady Lobos. Game time is 6 p.m. for the junior varsity and 7:30 for the varsity.

JV loses  
The Snyder JV squad outscored its Big Spring counterpart 17-5 in the final quarter to down the Lady Steers, 42-39 Monday night. Tessa Olague scored 12 points and Veronica Ross 10 to lead Big Spring.

SNYDER (53) — Liz Greathouse 3 0-7, Teena Brazier 1 7-9, Robbie Brazier 3 2-8, Debbie Martinez 0 0-0, Anne Osburn 2 2-4, Annette Ramos 0 0-0, Evette Housden 7 1-15, Dessie Ware 1 1-3, Dana Fenton 1 1-3, Mande Henry 0 0-0, Betsy Taylor 0 2-2.

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## HC Lady Hawks get tough test against No. 1 Kilgore

By STEVE BELVIN  
Sports Editor

BIG SPRING — The Howard College Lady Hawks jump right into the fire as they come off the Christmas break.

Coach Royce Chadwick's team, which is No. 7 in the nation with a 15-1 record, faces its sternest test in the College Tournament.

At 2 p.m. Thursday, the Lady Hawks will square off with Kilgore, the No. 1 team in the nation.

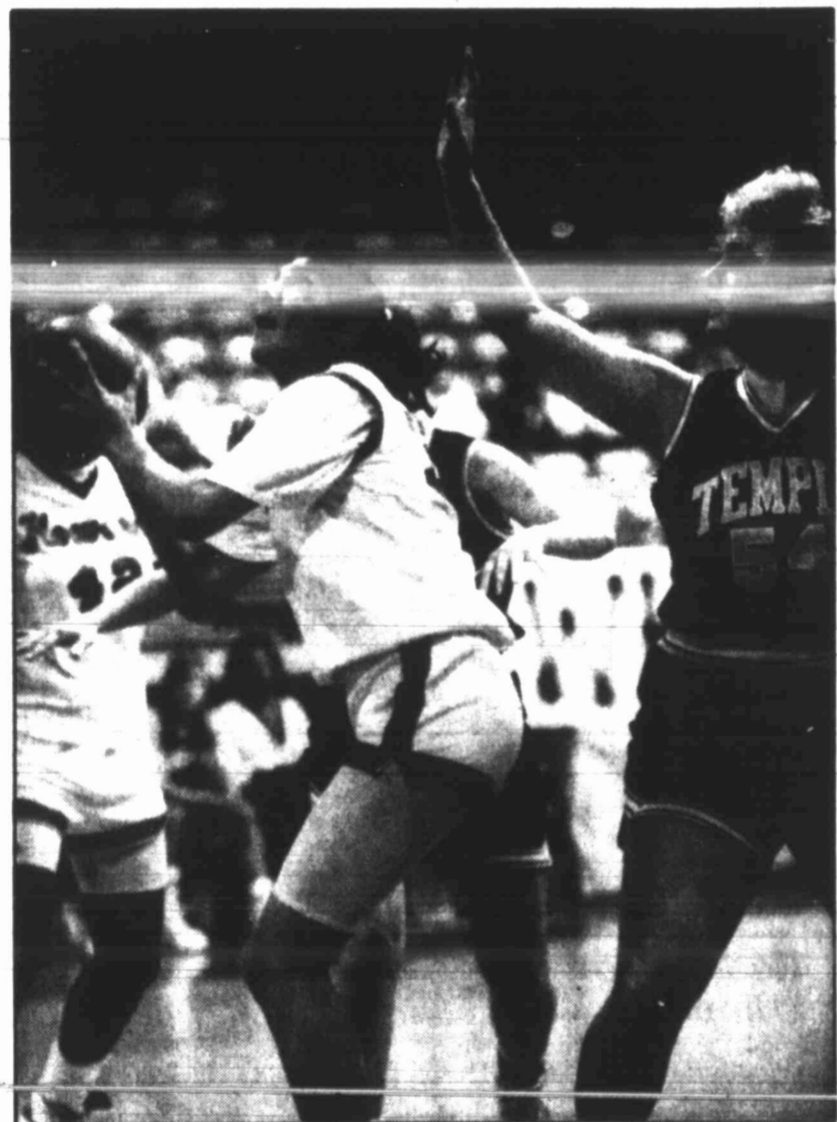
It is the opening game of the tournament. The Lady Hawks are in a particularly tough bracket, because the following game at 4 p.m. pits Western Texas against Central Arizona. Central Arizona, 12-1, is ranked No. 2 in the nation. Its only loss was to Odessa College in a Florida tournament over the Christmas holidays.

The other half of the bracket pits Trinity Valley against Dallas Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) at 6 p.m., and Odessa College at Western Oklahoma at 8 p.m.

The Lady Hawks haven't played since Dec. 7, when they beat Odessa College 67-52 in conference play.

The Lady Hawks began practice Monday, and coach Chadwick says it's evident his team hasn't played in a while. "After the first two practices, I can tell we're not in very good shape," said Chadwick. "We've had 25 days off since the last time we played, and it's going to take some time to get back into shape."

"What we're really shooting for is New Mexico (New Mexico Junior • Lady Hawks page 2-B



Howard College Lady Hawks post player Ana Carroll (with ball) has been one of the leaders for the Lady Hawks this season. Thursday the No. 7 Lady Hawks will play No. 1 Kilgore in the opening round of the Odessa College tournament.

## Packers mentor Coach of the Year

GREEN BAY, Wis. (AP) — He watched calmly from the sidelines as his team struggled to become a contender, enduring four one-point wins, two agonizing instant replay reviews and countless comebacks.

And when his Green Bay Packers had done all they could — finishing 10-6 for their best record since 1972 — he watched on TV as Minnesota beat Cincinnati 29-21 to oust his team from the playoffs in the final minutes of the regular season.

But through it all, Lindy Infante was the same — calm, methodical, confident and team-oriented. The same was true when he was named today as the NFL Coach of the Year

Year by The Associated Press. "I think it's an honor for everybody here and I'm certainly honored to be voted to that position, but I think it should reflect what everybody did here and not one individual," Infante said Tuesday afternoon upon returning to Green Bay after vacationing in Mexico and Florida.

In balloting by a national media panel, Infante received 23 votes, edging out Denver's Dan Reeves who finished with 17½ votes and San Francisco's George Siefert with 16.

Also receiving votes were Bill • Coach page 2-B



LINDY INFANTE

## Bad second half dooms Steers

SNYDER — The Big Spring Steers found the going tough in the second half and found themselves on the short end, dropping a 52-39 decision to the Snyder Tigers here Tuesday night in 4-4A basketball action at Scurry County Coliseum.

This defensive duel was tied after one quarter of play, and Big Spring led 25-19 at the half, on the strength of junior post player Louis Soldan. Soldan scored seven of his game-leading 16 points in the last three minutes of the half, including a three-pointer at the buzzer.

But the Tigers came back, using their pressing defense and getting offensive punch from forwards Tracy Brazier and Lee Hamilton, who finished the contest with 13 and 16 points respectively.

### DISTRICT STANDINGS

Pecos	2-0
Snyder	2-0
Monahans	1-1
Andrews	1-1
Lake View	1-1
Sweetwater	1-1
Fort Stockton	0-2
Big Spring	0-2

Tuesday's games  
Snyder 52, Big Spring 39, Pecos 62, Monahans 43, Andrews 72, Fort Stockton 48, Sweetwater 75, San Angelo Lake View 63.  
Friday's games  
Sweetwater vs. Pecos, Snyder vs. Fort Stockton, Monahans vs. Big Spring, San Angelo Lake View vs. Andrews.

Big Spring got into foul trouble in the second half as point guard Chris Cole and forward Mike Williams were saddled with their fourth fouls in the third quarter. Cole fouled out in the final three minutes of the

game. The loss drops Big Spring to 0-2 in district play and 1-15 overall. Big Spring has now lost 14 in-a-row. Snyder goes to 9-9 overall and 2-0 in league play.

In junior varsity play Snyder nipped Big Spring 62-55. The Steer JV is now 1-1 in league play and 2-9 overall.

Big Spring will be in action Friday when it hosts Monahans. Junior varsity action starts at 6 p.m., followed by varsity play at 7:30.

SNYDER (42) — Gooden 0 0-1, Ross 1 0-8, West 2 3-7, Brazier 6 1-13, Hamilton 3 9-16, Clay 2 3-7, totals 17 16-27-52.  
BIG SPRING (39) — Chris Cole 5 0-11, Louis Soldan 6 3-16, Rod White 2 0-4, Junior Lopez 2 0-4, Mike Williams 2 0-4, totals 17 3-7-39.

SCORE BY QUARTERS  
Big Spring 8 17 8 6 39  
Snyder 8 11 17 16 52

## Montana NFL's MVP

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A little over a year ago, Joe Montana was battered and benched. He feared the San Francisco 49ers were phasing him out after 10 years and five operations on his knee, shoulder, elbow and back.

Over the dead body of owner Eddie DeBartolo. The 33-year-old Montana played like a quarterback entering his prime for the 49ers this season, not like one ready to watch Steve Young at home on TV.

On Tuesday, Montana won one of the few major honors that had escaped him when the Associated Press named him the NFL's Most Valuable Player. And that's not the only evidence that pro football's player of the 1980s may be around for much of the '90s, as well.

The 49ers rode Montana to the league's best record (14-2) this year as he put together the finest all-around passing year in league history. He orchestrated four fourth-quarter comeback victories, had a sixth season of 3,000-plus passing yards to tie Dan Fouts' league record, and at one point threw 150 passes without an interception.

Montana, completing a near-record 70.2 percent of his passes for 26 touchdowns and a career-low eight interceptions, also was an easy winner of the AP's Offensive Player of the Year award.

Despite missing three games and part of three others due to rib, elbow and ankle injuries — he was carried off the field on a stretcher



San Francisco 49ers quarterback Joe Montana (16) was named the National Football League's Most Valuable Player.

against New England on Oct. 22 — Montana completed 271 of 386 passes for 3,521 yards. His statistics produced a rating of 112.4 in the NFL's complex quarterback grading system, surpassing the previous high of 110.4 accomplished by Milt Plum of the Cleveland Browns in 1960.

His completion percentage ranks third in NFL history, behind Ken Anderson's 70.5 and Sammy Baugh's 70.3, and only three dropped passes in the 49ers' final game against Chicago deprived him of that mark.

In balloting by a national media panel, Montana received 62 votes

to six for Green Bay quarterback Don Majkowski. The only other player to receive a vote was Minnesota defensive tackle Keith Millard with two.

Montana, the NFL career leader in quarterback rating (94.0) and completion percentage (63.9 percent), is a two-time Super Bowl MVP and was an overwhelming choice this fall as AP Pro Football Player of the Decade. Despite six selections to the Pro Bowl, five as the NFC starter, and a previous NFL passing title in 1987, he had never been the league MVP.

"It's a great honor," Montana said at the 49ers' training camp in Santa Clara, where the team is preparing for Saturday's home playoff game with the Vikings. "There were a lot of players around the league who had good seasons, and to be singled out is rewarding."

"These types of awards are always unexpected. ... It's a personal award, but it is also a team award. This award also means our team had a good season, which is the most important thing."

Jerry Rice, selected MVP and top offensive player in 1987, was a distant second as offensive player this year, trailing Montana 50½ votes to eight. Majkowski had six and running back Christian Okoye of Kansas City had 2½.

It is a series of remarkable rallies that stand out most from Montana's season.

**Inside Sports**

**Curry talking to KU**

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) — Bill Curry, whose three years as the Alabama football coach have been anything but a smooth ride, was in Lexington today to meet with University of Kentucky officials about the job given up by Jerry Claiborne.

Coach Curry is in Lexington, said Mike Ellis, a spokesman for the University of Alabama. "Other than that, I don't know anything."

Neither the Crimson Tide athletic director Hootie Ingram, nor the school president, George Sayers, was immediately available for comment.

Curry's visit to Kentucky came just two days after Miami defeated Alabama 33-25 in the Sugar Bowl. Curry coached the Crimson Tide to a 20-2 record this season and a share of the Southeastern Conference title.

Curry, who previously coached at Georgia Tech, is quoted in today's Atlanta Journal-Constitution as saying other schools, which he declined to name, have contacted him.

Newton received permission last Thursday from Alabama athletic director Hootie Ingram to interview Curry. Along with Claiborne, who retired as UK coach on Nov. 28, the two visited with Curry before Monday's game.

Five current candidates already have interviewed for the Kentucky job — former Pittsburgh coach Mike Gottfried, Eastern Kentucky coach Roy Kidd, Tampa Bay Buccaneers assistant Richard Williamson, Northern Illinois coach Jerry Pettibone and Houston Oilers assistant Doug Shively.

**Malone top player**

NEW YORK (AP) — Karl Malone of the Utah Jazz was named NBA player of the week after averaging 33.3 points, 11.7 rebounds and 6.0 assists in three games.

Malone made 66 percent of his shots last week. He scored 39 points on 16-for-21 shooting in a 133-118 victory over Golden State, scored 28 points against Portland and 33 against Miami.

**Clippers finally win road game**

By The Associated Press  
It has been a long, cold road for the Los Angeles Clippers, so it's fitting that their woes ended in Minnesota.

The Clippers, who lost their first 10 road games this season, defeated the expansion Minnesota Timberwolves 87-79 Tuesday night in the first of an eight-game road trip against the Eastern Conference.

It was only the eighth victory in the last 100 road games dating back to 1987.

With the eight-game swing we're on, I don't consider it a swing, I consider it a safari," Clippers coach Don Casey said. "The oh-for, we had to get rid of it. Imagine the headlines if we lose: 'Clippers lose 11th in a row to an expansion team.'"

Charles Smith hit two straight baskets to break a late tie and the Clippers — who are 10-6 at home — held the Timberwolves to 30 points in the second half on 20 percent shooting.

Tony Campbell scored 31 points and Tod Murphy had a team-record 20 rebounds for Minnesota, which has lost 12 of its last 13 games and has the league's worst record at 6-24.

After a steal and drive by Pooh Richardson pulled Minnesota into a 77-77 tie with 3:15 to go, Smith hit a 10-foot fadeaway jumper. Smith then made a twisting drive with 2:07 left for a four-point drive.

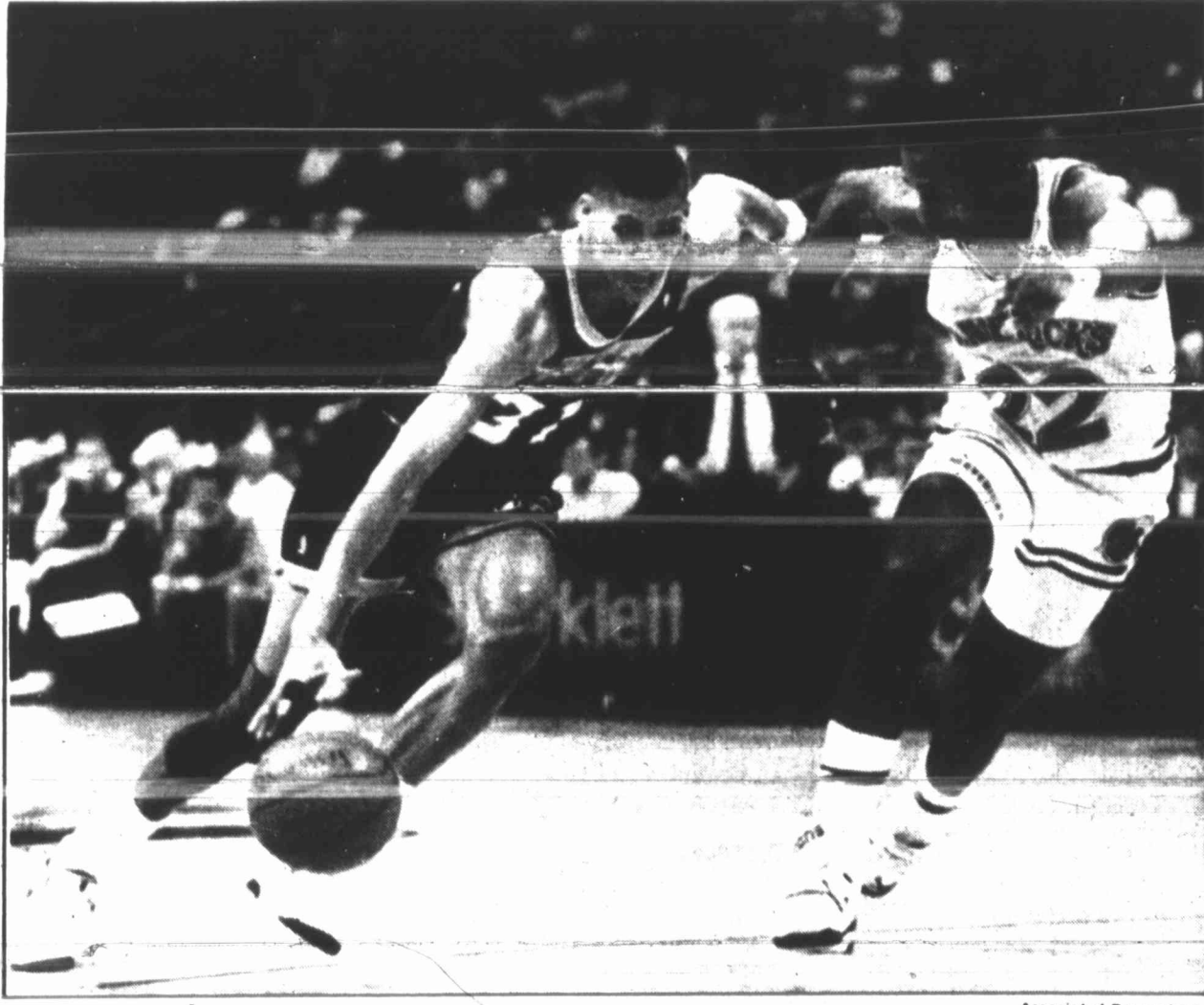
Danny Manning's no-look pass led to Benoit Benjamin's dunk and an 83-77 lead, and Minnesota didn't challenge again.

Benjamin scored 20 points, Smith 19 and Ron Harper 16 for Los Angeles.

"We had a nice lead (49-38 a minute before halftime) and everybody was playing well, but we made some bad decisions and they cut a double-digit lead to a single," Minnesota's Sam Mitchell said. "We didn't do what we had done in the first half. The defense did, but the offense was ugly. I know we're a better offensive team than that."

Suns 113, Knicks 99  
Phoenix killed two New York winning streaks with one victory.

Kevin Johnson scored 11 of his 26 points in the fourth quarter for the Suns, who snapped the Knicks' nine-game winning streak overall and handed them their first loss of



DALLAS — Indiana Pacers guard Reggie Miller (left) tries to move past Dallas Mavericks guard Rolando Blackman during second half action at Reunion Arena Tuesday night. Miller scored 36 points, but Dallas won the game 110-106.

the season at Madison Square Garden after 12 straight victories.

Eddie Johnson scored 22 points and Jeff Hornacek 20 for the Suns, who have won three of four road games after losing their first seven away from home.

Gerald Wilkins had a season-high 30 points and Patrick Ewing 21 for the Knicks, whose nine-game winning streak matched the Los Angeles Lakers for the longest in the NBA this season.

Warriors 133, Jazz 120  
Golden State took a 70-50 lead as Terry Teagle scored 36 of his career-high 44 points in the first two periods against Utah.

Teagle, who played all 48 minutes, made 14 of 16 shots from the field in the first half. At one stretch, Teagle made 12 straight

field goals.

The Jazz, who got 29 points from Karl Malone, outscored the Warriors 12-4 to start the second half, cutting Golden State's lead to 74-62. But the Warriors built the lead back to 20 on a 3-pointer by Mitch Richmond with 3:29 remaining in the third quarter and went into the fourth period with a 107-82 advantage.

Chris Mullin had 26 points and Richmond 22 for Golden State.

Trail Blazers 119, Heat 95  
Portland handed Miami its seventh straight loss behind Clyde Drexler's 25 points and Kevin Duckworth's 24.

The Trail Blazers led 54-48 at halftime, then hit 13 of 17 field goals and outscored the Heat 41-25 in the third period as Drexler scored 15 and Duckworth 13 in the

quarter. Drexler connected on six of seven field goals in the period.

Glen Rice led Miami with 16 points.

Mavericks 110, Pacers 106  
Dallas snapped the Pacers' five-game winning streak as Rolando Blackman scored 29 points and led a 26-8 run to open the game.

Blackman scored nine first-quarter points and added 10 in the fourth quarter to help Dallas survive an Indiana rally.

Sam Perkins had 24 points and Derek Harper added 23 for Dallas, which has won five of six games. Reggie Miller scored 36 points and Detlef Schrempf 23 for Indiana.

Pistons 115, Magic 113  
BHL Laibbeer had 26 points and Detroit scored 15 of its last 17 points from the free-throw line to hold off Orlando.

**Inside Sports**

**Gilbert replaces Chang**

NEW YORK (AP) — Brad Gilbert will replace injured Michael Chang on the United States Davis Cup team that will play Mexico next month, the U.S. Tennis Association announced Wednesday.

Gilbert, selected by captain Tom Gorman, has played in three Davis Cup series. In 1986, he won both singles matches against Mexico. Later that year, he lost two singles matches against Australia. And in 1989, he won both singles matches against West Germany.

Chang, the 1989 French Open champion, is sidelined with an injured left hip.

The Americans play Mexico Feb. 2-4 in the first round of the 1990 Davis Cup at Carlsbad, Calif.

**Bowl date may change**

EL PASO (AP) — The John Hancock Bowl, despite its new name being disliked by El Pasoans, did well in television ratings, which has bowl officials considering moving the game date to New Year's Day.

The game, in which the Pittsburgh Panthers beat the Texas A&M Aggies 31-28, drew overnight ratings of 5.9 percent and 16 shares, an improvement over the 1988 rating of 4.8 percent.

According to A.C. Nielsen measurements, these figures indicate that 5.9 percent of the total U.S. population watched the game. That equals 16 shares, or 16 percent of all TV sets that were on at that time throughout the nation.

The complete national ratings will not be available until later this week. In the complete ratings, each ratings point represents 921,000 homes.

"At this time, I can't see adding an eighth bowl game on New Year's Day, but it's worth looking into," Mahoney said in a telephone interview from his home in Boston.

New Year's Day bowl games are considered more prestigious than games played on other days. El Paso's bowl game, formerly known as the Sun Bowl, was played on New Year's Day from its origination in 1935 until 1958.

**Coach**

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Parcells of the New York Giants (5), Art Shell of the Los Angeles Raiders (4), Kansas City's Marty Schottenheimer (3-2) and Pittsburgh's Chuck Noll (1).

The 49-year-old Infante came to Green Bay in 1988 from Cleveland, where he served as offensive coordinator, but the Packers finished 4-12 that year, failing to grasp his complex passing offense.

In the off-season, the Packers studied Infante's game plan, acquired several Plan B free agent veterans and signed rookies Tony Mandarich, Chris Jacke and Jeff Query to bolster their roster.

And guided by three Pro Bowl selections — quarterback Don Majkowski, receiver Sterling Sharpe and linebacker Tim Harris — the Packers beat arch-rival Chicago twice, upset the 49ers in San Francisco and posted an NFL record four one-point wins before falling just one victory short of their first playoff berth in seven years.

The Packers were eliminated

from the playoffs when Minnesota beat Cincinnati last Monday. Although the Vikings and Packers were both 10-4, Minnesota won the NFC Central with a better division record.

"Well it was a lot better than the year before when we were way out of it going into the last few minutes," Infante said. "At least this year we were competitive with the exception of maybe two football games."

But the road wasn't easy. Ten of their games were settled by a total of 21 points.

The Packers rallied from 24-7 to spoil New Orleans' 31-24, but needed an inconclusive replay review to affirm Jeff Query's game-winning touchdown catch.

In the first game against Chicago, the Packers beat the Bears 14-13 after a replay official overruled a line judge who had said Majkowski was over the line of scrimmage when he threw a last-second touchdown pass.

freshman guard Kim Robinson has been leading the Lady Hawks, averaging 16 points and nine rebounds. She is followed closely by sophomore post player Shannon Lawson, who's averaging 15 points and eight rebounds. Sophomore wing Linda Waters is averaging 11 points and seven rebounds. Chadwick also praised the play of sophomore post Ana Carroll, who scored 19 points in her last outing against Odessa College.

For the remainder of the season, the Queens will be without sophomore reserve point guard Candice Boyd, who went back to California for personal reasons. "She was just homesick," said Chadwick.

**Lady Hawks**

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College, Jan. 11 Thursday. If we look against Kilgore like we've looked in practice, we're in for a long game. Kilgore is 16-0 and they beat Odessa by 26 and 18 points. Nobody's really played them close.

"They pretty much play like Odessa — they press, get it and go. They've got a lot of ability; they're about 10 deep. We've lost some of our timing and coordination over the holidays. It's hard to overcome natural ability like Kilgore has.

"We're really putting little emphasis on this game. We've done no scouting — we're just going to play," concluded Chadwick. Going into the tournament.

**Lady Steers**

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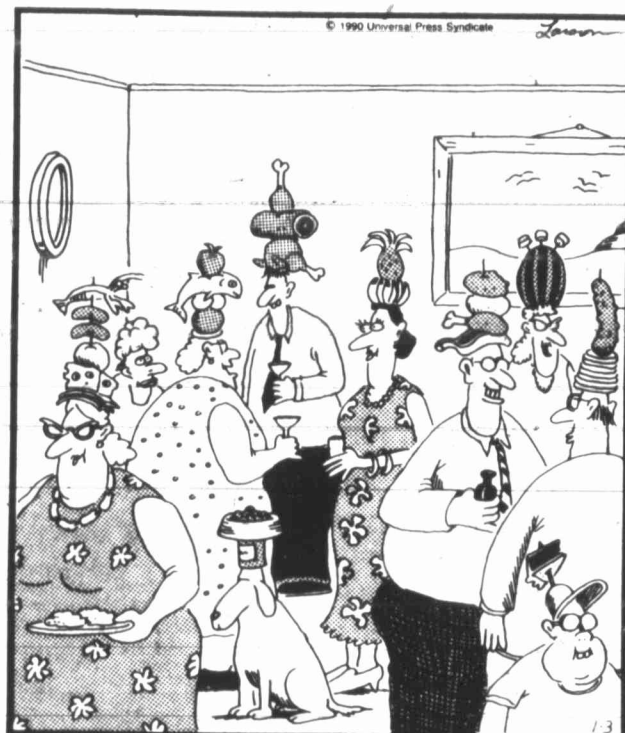
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Hoyas make believer out of B-College

By The Associated Press
John Thompson insists he isn't a believer. Not yet.

Jim O'Brien is a believer. And how.
Thompson's No. 3 Georgetown Hoyas smashed O'Brien's Boston College Eagles 83-53 Tuesday night to run their record to 10-0 for the season.

That's the best team that I've ever coached against, O'Brien said.
The Hoyas (12-1) opened the game with a 24-8 run and made it 42-20 at the half in roaring to their 23rd straight home victory.

"I thought he (Ford) came out loose and ready to shoot the ball," Missouri coach Norm Stewart said.
In the second half, we got careless and lost our concentration.

Jamal Coleman came off the bench to score 15 points on 7-for-11 shooting in 25 minutes of play for Missouri.
He also hit his first 3-pointer of the year.

The Governors (5-7) didn't reach 30 points until the 12:14 mark of the second half.
Greg Franklin led Austin Peay with 17 points.

No. 11 LSU 124, Texas 113
Chris Jackson scored a season-high 51 points and helped LSU hold off a second-half Texas rally.
Jackson's point total tied Southern Methodist's Gene Phillips for the most ever scored against the Longhorns.

Philips scored 51 against Texas on March 2, 1971.
Jackson scored eight points in the first 3:29 of the game as the Tigers (7-1) raced to a 16-3 lead and held a halftime margin of 63-49.

The Longhorns (7-2), who never led in the game, rallied to within 84-83 with 9:42 left in the game, but got no closer.

Jackson, whose previous high this season was 37 points against Southern Mississippi, hit eight of LSU's next 10 points to put the Tigers back in command.
We have a lot of talent on this team, and I think we're capable of playing like this every night, Jackson said.

Stanley Roberts controlled the inside and scored a career high 26 points for the Tigers.
Lance Blanks scored Texas' first eight points of the second half and led the Longhorns with 32 points.
Travis Mays added 30.
No. 12 Georgia Tech, 86, Marist 77

Ohio, pulled off a minor upset with a 115-113 victory over No. 25 Loyola Marymount.

No. 7 Missouri 84, Austin Peay 48
Travis Ford, starting for the injured Lee Coward, hit his first five shots, including three 3-pointers, and went on to lead the Tigers with 18 points.

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I almost didn't play him, Georgia Tech coach Bobby Cremins said.
Thank God I did. I was glad to see him hit those 3-pointers.

Marist (6-3) finished the game with a 14-1 run.
Andy Lake, who led Marist with 16 points, had eight in the late rally.

No. 16 St. John's 93, Connecticut 62
Jayson Williams scored 25 points and Boo Harvey had 20 points and 10 assists as the Redmen (12-2) opened their Big East schedule with their seventh straight victory.

Connecticut (10-3, 0-2) had a three-game winning streak snapped.

The margin of victory was two points short of St. John's largest in Big East play, a 97-64 win over Seton Hall in 1980.

St. John's took command early as the Redmen turned an 11-8 lead into an 11-point margin with an 8-0 run.
Two fast break baskets ended the run with 14:08 left in the first half.

The Redmen made the game a rout with a 14-2 run to start the second half that turned a 48-32 lead into a 62-34 advantage with 16:24 to play.

No. 19 Arizona 71, California 70
Wayne Womack made six free throws in the last 62 seconds of overtime as the Wildcats held off California in a Pacific-10 game.

Womack, who led Arizona (6-2, 1-2) with a career-high 21 points, tied the game at 68, but the Wildcats ahead by one with 24 seconds remaining and iced the game with two more free throws eight seconds later.

Cal (9-3, 0-1) tied the score in regulation 63-63 with 58 seconds left on Brian Hendrick's free throw after his layup pulled the Golden Bears within one point.

The win extended Arizona's home-court winning streak to 38, currently the nation's longest.

Hendrick, a 6-foot-8 freshman, led all scorers with 23 points and added 10 rebounds.

Dennis Scott scored 26 points, including 13 straight early in the second half, to lead the Yellow Jackets (9-0) past Marist.

Playing without No. 2 scorer Brian Oliver, who missed the game because of an ankle injury, Tech led 40-24 at the half.

With Tech leading 58-44, Scott, who was playing on a sore ankle, hit a pair of 3-pointers to start his 13-point run.
The scoring continued into a 24-14 surge that put the game away for Georgia Tech.

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College Roundup

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Womack, who led Arizona (6-2, 1-2) with a career-high 21 points, tied the game at 68, but the Wildcats ahead by one with 24 seconds remaining and iced the game with two more free throws eight seconds later.

Cal (9-3, 0-1) tied the score in regulation 63-63 with 58 seconds left on Brian Hendrick's free throw after his layup pulled the Golden Bears within one point.

The win extended Arizona's home-court winning streak to 38, currently the nation's longest.

Hendrick, a 6-foot-8 freshman, led all scorers with 23 points and added 10 rebounds.

Final Top 25
BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
The Top Twenty Five teams in the final 1989 Associated Press college football poll, with first place votes in parentheses, season records, total points based on 25-24

Table with 5 columns: Rank, Team, Record, Points, Wins-Losses-Ties. Top entries include Miami Fla, Notre Dame, Florida State, Colorado, Tennessee.

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Others receiving votes: Mississippi 69, Duke 59, Syracuse 52, Fresno St 35, Oregon 26, Hawaii 11, Florida 8, Georgia Tech 2, N Carolina St 2

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# Names in the news

**SALT LAKE CITY (AP)** — Chemists B. Stanley Pons and Martin Fleischmann, who concocted a controversial cold fusion experiment in a kitchen, are at it again. This time, the results won't be questioned. Neither will they be the subject of a new race to harness the power of the sun and stars.

Pons and Fleischmann, who earlier this year rocked the scientific community with claims they'd achieved a sustained fusion reaction in a flask, annually turn their attention from laboratory research to the kitchen.

The menu at their holiday open house this year consisted of nearly 60 different foods and beverages.



B. STANLEY PONS FLEISHMANN

**DALLAS (AP)** — Country music star Clint Black said he got the audience at Carnegie Hall in New York to loosen up at a recent concert, but there was one small snag. The crowd at the stately concert

hall seemed to enjoy his singing and made it seem "like Austin on a Saturday night," he said.

One man even left a note on the window of his private bus that was parked on the street just outside Carnegie Hall. It read: "Yo, Clint, loved the show."

One problem though: The man was a city policeman, and he also left behind a ticket for illegal parking. Black told The Dallas Morning News in an interview published Friday.

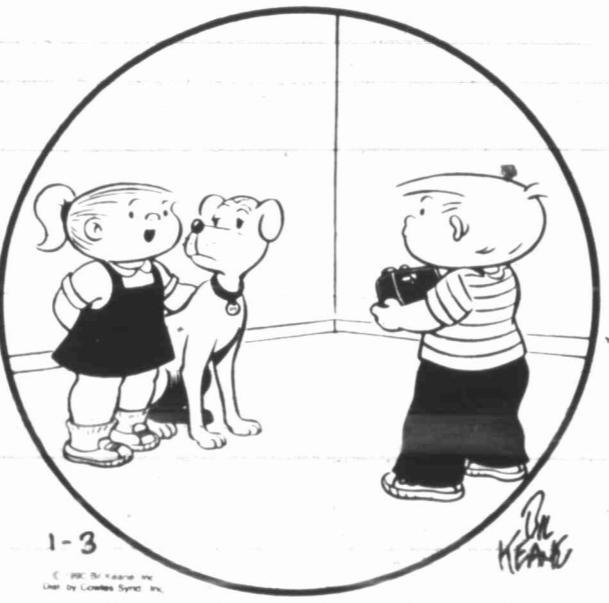
Black is the first country male artist in 15 years to have his debut single reach the No. 1 spot. His third single, "Nobody's Home," was released in November.

## DENNIS THE MENACE



"MR. WILSON, COULD YOU STEP ON THIS? I WANT TO SHOW JOEY HOW THE NEEDLE SPINS AROUND."

## THE FAMILY CIRCUS



"If you take a picture of me with Barty, you can call it 'Beauty and the Beast.'"

# Jeanne Dixon's Horoscope

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 1990**

**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE:** inventor Louis Braille, first U.S.-born saint Mother Elizabeth Seton, actress Dyan Cannon, boxer Floyd Patterson.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Show more initiative and you will beat out your competitors. Romantic vibrations are strong. Your desire to show your feelings knows no bounds. Exercise restraint.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Listen to your strong inner voice and you cannot miss. Stress is reduced by the arrival of an overdue check. Your mate or partner has a surprise in store for you. Be creative.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Use this quiet day to catch up on business chores you have been postponing. Answer mail and return phone calls. Something new and different will turn your life around. Keep your eyes open.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Do not go overboard in the self-indulgence department. The business picture is brighter. Come down out of the clouds and a romantic relationship will grow more meaningful.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Work seems more demanding now. Eliminate outmoded methods. Time-saving fax machines and computers let you make better use of office personnel. Study stock market tips carefully before investing.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Do not put all your eggs into one basket. Research all the angles before making new investments. Your professional relationships will be in the spotlight for the next few days. Use diplomacy.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Good fortune will be yours when you finally make an important decision. Adverse influences disappear; you draw closer to your loved ones. Cooperation is easier to obtain when you give a little.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You win respect when you wield your authority without abusing it. If you feel uncomfortable about a fam-

ily situation, confront someone. A romantic interlude clarifies your feelings.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Seize an opportunity to boost your financial fortunes. Sensitive matters require you to keep your lips sealed. You will understand the wisdom of discretion very soon. A child shares a secret.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): An unexpected visit by a member of the opposite sex could upset your romantic partner. Welcome a unique opportunity to upgrade joint investments. Keep a close eye on the overall financial picture.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Do not expect too much today and you will not be disappointed. Cooperative ventures begin to pay off in hard cash. A family member offers encouragement when you have doubts. Call a good friend.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): If you have the urge to change residences or jobs, begin a systematic campaign. Update your resume. Get in touch with former employers who can help you. Self-improvement boosts your confidence.

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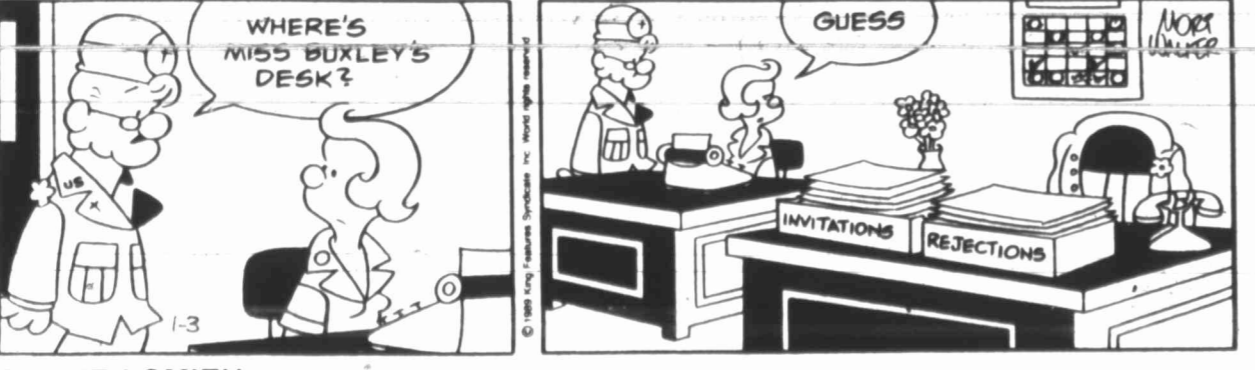
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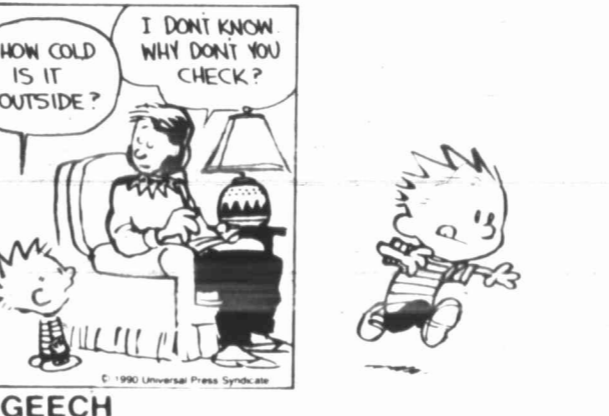
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## Pecans are of good quality

By DON RICHARDSON  
 County Extension Agent

The 1989 West Texas Regional Pecan Show was the best ever. Pecan quality was very good despite difficult growing conditions. Due to the recent weather conditions the number of Howard County exhibitors was down but Lee Freeze topped Howard County's entries in the Mahan division with a second place entry. Andrew Wilson captured a third place in the Variety Seedling division. Congratulations to these and the other exhibitors from Howard County. This is a reflection of a lot of hard work and good management practices done at home throughout the year. Garden checklist for winter:

- Place orders for seeds this month so you will have them available when you are ready to plant. By ordering early, you will be certain of getting the varieties you want.
- In our area planting is often delayed until February or early March for trees and shrubs.
- Continue to set out hardy bedding plants such as pansies, violas, stock, snapdragons, and dianthus. Don't forget to mulch them.
- Prepare beds and individual holes for planting in January and February. Use composted manure, pine bark, and similar materials mixed with existing soil.
- Protect your lawn from excessive winter damage by providing irrigation during dry periods.
- Plant those spring flowering bulbs if you haven't already done so.
- Prolong the life of Christmas gift plants by providing proper care. Check to see if the pot wrap has plugged up the bottom drainage. Don't overwater. Keep out of drafts from heating vents and opening doorways. Fertilizer is seldom needed the first few months.

- Take advantage of good weather to prepare garden beds for spring planting. Work in any needed organic matter and have beds ready to plant when needed.
- Don't forget those tulip bulbs in the refrigerator. They can be planted any time this month if they have received 60 or more days of chilling.
- Want to start cuttings of your favorite Christmas cactus? As soon as it has finished blooming, select a cutting with four or five joints, break or cut it off and insert the basal end into a pot of moderately moist soil. Place it in a cool, shaded area. The cuttings should be



Ask the agent

rooted within three to four weeks.

- Don't spare the pruning shears when transplanting bare-rooted wood plants. Cut the top back at least 1/2 to 2/3 to compensate for the roots lost when digging the plant.
- Take advantage of bad weather and holiday time to study seed and nursery catalogs as well as good gardening books.

Recycle Christmas trees: After Christmas, don't make your last gift one that goes to the dump. Instead of throwing your Christmas tree away, figure out a way to recycle it to benefit the environment and save space in landfills. Many communities, faced with limited room in their landfills, are collecting trees and shredding them for use year round as mulches and soil stabilizers. The idea makes perfect sense.

One Christmas tree occupies the same amount of landfill space that eight shredded trees would. And if shredded trees are used in landscaping, that's better yet because they don't wind up in the landfill at all. A project like this saves a tremendous amount of landfill space. For example a city of about 70,000 people saved 1,000 cubic yards of landfill space last year. That's equivalent to over 160 dump-truck loads. Along the Texas coastal area, 4-H club members will be collecting trees to use as sand dune stabilizers.

Christmas trees have been successfully used along beaches to rebuild dunes, which serve as barriers to the sea surges created by hurricanes and storms. The dunes protect the inland property from contamination by salt water. The fragrant foliage of Christmas trees can be stripped from the branches and snipped into small pieces for potpourri. Branches can be used in floral arrangements. To restore the fragrance, add a little oil of cedar or pine.

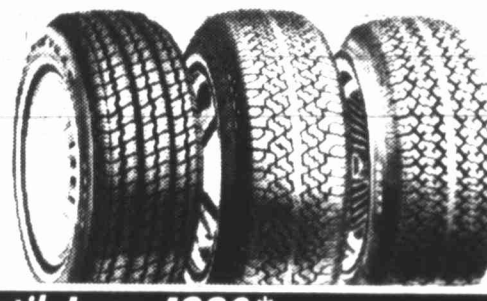
A Christmas tree standing in the garden or backyard could serve as a bird sanctuary during winter. Orange slices can be used to attract birds seeking shelter. Trees stacked to form brush piles at the edge of a field or forest can provide shelter for such small animals as rabbits and birds. Another option is to use trees as brush and nesting areas for fish in small lakes.

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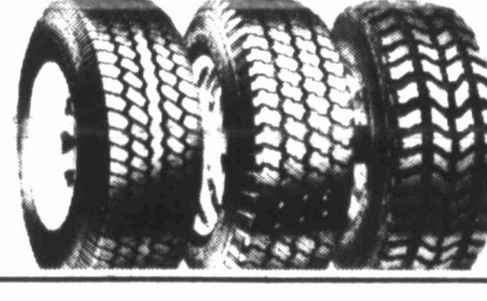
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## Budget talks dominated 1989 for city of Big Spring

By RUTH COCHRAN  
 Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — The Big Spring City Council started 1989 where it seemed to spend most of its time — talking about the budget.

The council, which then was headed by Mayor A.C. "Cotton" Mize and included Councilman

terstate 20. In April, Mize surprised the city and the state when he and Big Spring State Hospital Supervisor Robert Von Rosenberg helped remove a long-festering thorn from

eventually fizzled when state prison officials passed up Big Spring/Howard County in favor of Abilene. The choice was a crushing blow to the community, which had offered the state an almost incredi-

cutting them. The council, on a 4-3 vote, eventually made due with a bare-bones \$16 million budget. Green ramrodded a tiny 3-cent tax increase through the council despite the wishes of the over-

The councilwoman rounded up help and began going door-to-door for signatures. More ugly accusations were spread as some city workers said they were actively discouraged from signing the

of the subsidy increase. Rural/Metro pledged to continue operating in Big Spring despite the losses it claimed it was sustaining.

In October, it was money, money, more money — but where do we find it? The City Council began planning bond elections and a sales tax increase election as the city searched for revenues to meet the pressing demands of deteriorating streets and water systems, as well as underfunded police and fire departments.

Things took an exciting turn down at the police department in mid December. After a year of drug bust after drug bust — including the department's first for the drug crack — and other accomplishments, the department added one blot to its record.

An 18-year-old prisoner being held for questioning managed to run out the front doors of the station. The man, Juan Hagen Samora, was caught about 24 hours later, but not before he taunted and teased the police department about his escape.

The council managed to end the year quietly, actually finding some money for the city coffers. The council considered refinancing some old bonds but decided to hold off. Meanwhile, in the waning days of 1989, they passed an emergency measure allowing them to collect taxes on certain properties otherwise exempted. The prompt action prevented the city from losing more than \$55,000 in 1990.

**In April, Mayor Cotton Mize surprised the city and the state when he and Big Spring State Hospital Supervisor Robert Von Rosenberg helped remove a long-festering thorn from the city's side. The pair helped the city and the state renegotiate revision of a long-standing contract between the two to provide water to the state hospital.**

### City of Big Spring 1989 Year in review

D.W. Overman, made revisions to its 1988-89 budget and spent several meetings extolling the virtues of "buy at home."

Things heated up in March when Mize decided to seek a second term, facing challenger Maxwell Green. Overman bowed out of city government and Tim Blackshear found himself running unopposed for Overman's seat on the council.

The council's attention switched from elections to prisons later in the month when the group gave tentative approval to continue negotiation with U.S. government officials for a federal prison/detention center.

the city's side. The pair helped the city and the state renegotiate revision of a long-standing contract between the two to provide water to the state hospital.

The 50-year-old contract allowed the hospital to purchase water from the city at a fixed rate — forever. The new contract negotiated viable rates for water and waste water; it also pledged that the city would make certain improvements to the hospital's water and waste water system.

Mize's elation was shortlived — a month later he was defeated in city elections by No Tax Max. The new mayor promptly leaped into city politics, throwing his support behind the city's and Howard County's second attempt to secure a state prison.

The prison effort, which produced a surprisingly coordinated effort between the city and county

ble incentives package. The city turned to more pressing problems in June when the council gave tentative approval to a flood relief plan for Beals Creek. The \$5 million project, to be done in conjunction with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is expected to relieve chronic flood conditions along the creek.

The council continued to pledge its support for the project throughout the remainder of the year, but the final half of 1989 was taken up almost entirely with that dreaded animal: the budget.

Council members fought, fussed and sometimes cursed as they scrutinized the budget line by line for what seemed like months on end.

Depending on their mood, they added programs and equipment to the police and fire departments then cut those a week later — then added them again before finally

whelming majority of citizens who flooded the council chambers. The issue was so divisive that one councilwoman's daughter, Michelle DeAnda, felt compelled to attempt a recall election for Green because he wasn't providing adequate funds for the police and fire departments.

As DeAnda began collecting signatures, ugly insinuations and rumors sped through the city. Rumors asserted that Councilwoman Pat DeAnda had put her daughter up to it. Others were sure that city management had encouraged Michelle DeAnda.

It became a moot point when city officials realized Michelle DeAnda's petitions were invalid because they had not required her to gather some necessary information from those who signed. Pat DeAnda took matters into her own hands by filing the next application for a recall election against Green.

petitions. Meanwhile, a Big Spring woman attempted to file an application for a petition against DeAnda, but her effort failed as she didn't live in DeAnda's district.

Eventually, DeAnda's effort failed too, as she claimed to have fallen about 200 signatures short of the necessary 900. Her campaign wasn't without a price though. DeAnda said she received hate-mail centered mostly on her Hispanic heritage.

With the recall petitions finally resigned to the trash bin, the City Council again turned to money matters. Rural/Metro Corporation, the private ambulance company serving the city and county, asked for a 25 percent increase in its annual subsidy, as well as rate increases.

The service eventually got its rate increases, but the council would approve only a small portion

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# Abby suggests changing



Dear Abby

DEAR READERS: My New Year's column has become an annual tradition since 1973. These New Year's resolutions are based on the original credo of Alcoholics Anonymous. I have taken the liberty of using that theme with some variations of my own:

Just for today I will live through this day only, and not set far-reaching goals to try to overcome all my problems at once. I know I can do something for 24 hours that would appall me if I felt I had to keep it up for a lifetime.

Just for today I will be happy. Abraham Lincoln said, "Most folks are about as happy as they make up their minds to be." He was right. I will not dwell on thoughts that depress me. I will chase them out of my mind and replace them with happy thoughts.

Just for today I will adjust myself to what is. I will face reality. I will correct those things that I can correct and accept those things I cannot correct.

Just for today I will improve my mind. I will not be a mental loafer. I will force myself to read something that requires effort, thought and concentration.

Just for today I will do something positive to improve my health. If I'm a smoker, I'll make an honest effort to quit. If I'm overweight, I'll eat nothing I know to be fattening. And I will force myself to exercise — even if it's only walking around the block or using the stairs instead of the elevator.

Just for today I'll do something I've been putting off for a long time. I'll finally write that letter, make that phone call, clean that closet or straighten out those dresser drawers.

Just for today, before I speak I will ask myself, "Is it true? Is it kind?" And if the answer to either of those questions is negative, I won't say it.

Just for today I will make a conscious effort to be agreeable. I will look as good as I can, dress becomingly, talk softly, act courteously and not interrupt when someone else is talking. Just for today I'll not improve anybody except myself.

Just for today I will have a program. I may not follow it exactly, but I will have it, thereby saving myself from two pests: hurry and indecision.

Just for today I will have a quiet half-hour to relax alone. During this time I will reflect on my behavior and get a better perspective on my life.

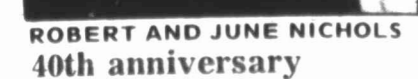
Just for today I will be unafraid. I will gather the courage to do what is right and take the responsibility for my actions.

Just for today I will do something for the world, but I will realize that as I give to the world, the world will give to me.

Have a happy, healthy new year — and to ensure a happy new year for everyone else, if you're driving, don't drink, and if you're drinking, don't drive. — LOVE, ABBY

P.S. Pray for peace!

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ROBERT AND JUNE NICHOLS 40th anniversary

Robert and June Nichols of Knott celebrated their 40th anniversary with their family today at the La Posada restaurant.

The event was hosted by their five children and their spouses. They are Bruce and Terrie Nichols, Terry and Jannett Brown, Keith and Gwen Nichols, Ann Newell, and Martin and Leslie Nichols. Also helping celebrate were the couple's 13 grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Nichols were presented with an anniversary gift and served cake after lunch. Congratulations.

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• Born to Mr. and Mrs. Deland Savell, 106 Lockhart, a son, Preston Loren Savell, on Dec. 25, 1989 at 2:08 a.m., weighing 7 pounds 7 1/2 ounces, delivered by Dr. Farquhar. Grandparents are Thomas Savell, 1203 Runnels; and L.M. and Frances Caselman, Fort. Preston is the baby brother of Samantha, 13 months.

## Former Big Spring police officer convicted

By BRADLEY WORRELL Staff Writer

BIG SPRING — The 118th District Court didn't see as many civil and criminal cases in 1989 as the previous year, but it was still a busy year by all accounts.

In mid-November, trial began for a former Big Spring police officer charged with voluntary manslaughter in connection with the shooting death of his wife. After nearly a week of testimony, former officer Dennis Dunn was found guilty by a district court jury of manslaughter and sentenced to 16 years in prison.

Dunn's father accused the Herald and the district attorney's office of being biased against Dunn because he had been a police officer until his dismissal after being arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

Dunn had argued in court that he loved his wife and that her shooting in April 1988 was a tragic accident. But District Attorney Rick Hamby charged Dunn was a "bad cop" who thought he could get away with murder.

Shooting victim Carlye Dunn's family seemed pleased with the jury's guilty verdict. "We just decided to let God prevail on this, it just hurt us so bad. Now maybe we can go on with our lives again," Mrs. Dunn's father, Jimmy Gatlin had said.

Dunn is currently serving the 16-year sentence in the Texas Department of Corrections in Huntsville.

In other major events in the district court in 1989:

• In February, a \$1.7 million suit against the city was tried in 118th District Court.

Ten individuals and businesses sued the city for losses they suffered Aug. 30, 1986, when heavy rains and a partial breach in the Comanche Lake Dam flooded some low-lying southern sections of the city. The plaintiffs charged flooding was due to negligence by the city, while officials claimed the flood was an act of God.

After about two weeks of conflicting testimony about the cause of the flood that damaged homes and businesses, jurors were unable to reach a verdict in the case and it ended in a mistrial.

Plans were in the works to change the location of the next trial when the case was secretly settled

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out of court. The Herald learned about the secret settlement in October after learning 118th District Court Judge James Gregg had disposed of the case.

The Herald obtained details of the settlement under the state Open Records Act.

In May, a suit was filed against an unidentified priest at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church by an also unidentified married couple. The couple, referred to only as "A" and "B" charge that the priest, known in the suit as "X," was responsible for destroying the couple's marriage by attempting to seduce the wife.

The suit charges that the priest took advantage of a special relationship he had with the woman because he was counseling her at the time.

Judge Gregg said recently that there have been no new developments in the case and he will probably dispose of the case by the end of the year.

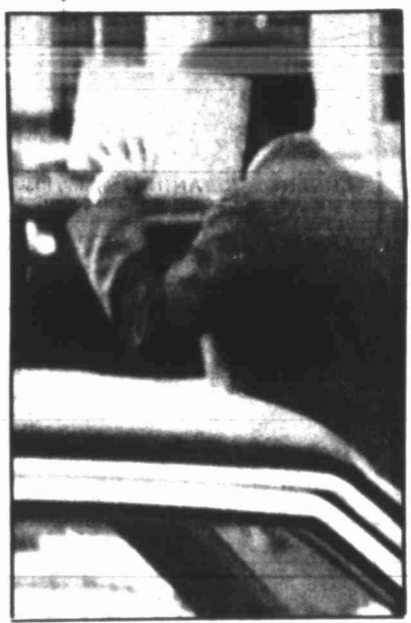
Convicted murderer Pamela Newton pleaded guilty to murder in May in a plea-bargained agreement and was sentenced to 48 years in prison.

Newton was one of four people initially charged in connection with the death of long-time radio personality C. Vance Kimble, victim of a shotgun blast to the chest. Kimble's death was apparently part of a burglary, and several items including two vehicles were discovered missing by authorities.

The Newtons and Michael Hodnett, also indicted for capital murder, were arrested in New Orleans, La., after Pamela Newton allegedly attempted to use one of Kimble's credit cards. The three were later extradited to Howard County. A fourth man was also extradited from Florida but charges were dropped against that person.

The Herald subsequently learned the county spent more than \$96,000 on Newton for her incarceration, 24-hour matron service and attorneys fees during her 415-day stay in county jail.

And Newton's brother, Patrick Newton, pleaded guilty in October to burglary of a habitation and was sentenced to 25 years in prison. Patrick Newton was initially indicted on a charge of capital murder. He is currently serving his



BIG SPRING — Dennis Dunn hides his face as he goes to court, charged in the killing of his wife.

sentence.

118th District Court jury convicted and sentenced Willie Dearing, a man whose age and place of origin were never fully determined, to 18 years in prison in connection with the sexual assault of a local woman. Assistant District Attorney William Dupree, speaking about the sentence, said at the time that the jury's decision reflects the attitude, "our community will not stand for this."

Dearing is currently serving his sentence in the TDCJ in Huntsville. Dearing has appealed his conviction; no response has been issued from the Court of Appeals in Eastland.

Convicted murderer Frankie Hernandez was denied his appeal in October for a new trial after his conviction in 118th District Court. The Court of Appeals in Eastland affirmed the district court's ruling after rejecting each of the defendant's grounds for a new trial.

Hernandez is currently in state prison serving a 50 year sentence for his part in the murder of Grand Prairie resident Noe Perez.

Leslye Schulze — found guilty in July in county court of 10 misdemeanor counts, including resisting arrest and fleeing to elude after leading police on a 28 minute chase through the city — resurfaced in the news when she was charged and pleaded guilty to felony

criminal mischief in connection with the Sept. 22 fire that destroyed a downtown office.

Prosecutor Dupree said it did not appear Shulze — who apparently lived in a converted apartment building — was guilty of arson, but said she could still be held responsible for her part in starting the fire.

The blaze apparently began after Shulze threw several things at her boyfriend, including a Coleman lantern, which apparently started the fire after striking a wall, Dupree said.

Shulze was sentenced to 10 years probation and ordered to pay \$100,000 in restitution.

And personnel in the district attorney's office made news of their own without appearing in district court. District Attorney Rick Hamby was charged and pleaded no contest in municipal court to a charge of assault by threat in April.

Hamby was charged after then-Movies Four Theatre Manager Stan Feaster charged Hamby had told the theatre manager he would beat him up.

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Hamby, in a Herald interview, agreed he made the threat because he believes Feaster made Hamby's son the object of public ridicule. Hamby's 13-year-old son was attending a show at the time, but other details about the incident are sketchy.

Hamby was fined \$50.

And Assistant District Attorney Dupree also made the news in February when his federal court date was set in a lawsuit against local Department of Public Safety.

Dupree was stopped in May 1987 by a local trooper and charged with driving while intoxicated and possession of a controlled substance — despite Dupree's insistence they were vitamin pills. Laboratory tests eventually confirmed the pills were, in fact, vitamin pills and the charges were dismissed.

Dupree and his wife then sued the trooper and THP Department Sgt. Frank Woodall, alleging that the charges resulted in libel and slander against the assistant district attorney. Dupree did not seek specific monetary compensation but filed for punitive damages.

U.S. District Judge Halbert O. Woodward decided the case in March, but the U.S. district court's decision was sealed, preventing details from being known to the public.

### Humane society

The Big Spring Humane Society, located at 4200 Wasson, has many cats and dogs available for adoption, including the following:

- Tar Baby, black dachshund-mix female, spayed;
- Gigi, a fluffy tan collie-mix female, spayed;
- Bear, a short-haired German shepherd-mix female, spayed;
- Samatha, an old English sheepdog, spayed;
- Penny, an Australian shepherd/springer spaniel mix, female, spayed;
- R.C., a boxer-mix female, spayed;
- Mandy, a border collie-mix female, spayed;
- Lady, pretty-much collie, female, spayed;
- Jackel, an Australian shepherd-

mix, unusual color, male, neutered;

Jake, a bird dog who would be a great family pet, male, neutered.

Alexander, a chinchilla Persian cat, registered male, call 167-1910 to make an appointment to see him.

Shelter hours are 4 to 6 on Saturday and Sunday, 2 to 6 during the week. Come by and look.

# Tidbits



By LEA WHITEHEAD  
Staff Writer

A relative of several local residents was featured recently on TV's "Entertainment Tonight."

Randy Fuller, cousin of Sherry Wegner and nephew of J.H. and Mattie Fuller, was recalling his musical career in the 1950s. He was guitarist with the Bobby Fuller Four. The life and times of Bobby Fuller is the basis of a movie in which Randy will have a part.

The band started out in El Paso, hitting the big time with its recording of the country western tune, "I Fought the Law," appearances on TV's "Shindig"; and hits in movies of the beach-and-bikini genre.

While still in his 20s, the charismatic Bobby was murdered in Hollywood, a case that was never solved. Sometimes compared to the persona of Elvis Presley, says Sherry, the music industry ranks him with such unfulfilled talents as Buddy Holly and Ricky Valens.

Randy, who is still a band musician, will play himself in the movie to be produced by Disney Productions.

Guests for Christmas weekend in the Myra Robinson home were her children and their families.

Ann and Doug Compton, with Ben and Zachary, came in from Dallas, and Myra and Dr. Ronny Crowover, with Scott, Luke, John and Daniel, were here from Denton.

Joining the visitors for a family Christmas dinner were Mike and Monika Robinson, with children, Manfred, Sieglide, Heidi, Wolfgang (Wolffy), and Reinilde.

Emily Boyd, daughter of Ernest and Sue Boyd, is returning to London, England, today after a Christmas visit here and in Dallas.

Emily, who moved to London only six weeks ago, handles meetings and social functions for Westminster Bank. She reports that she found a flat in the middle of the theatre district and has

already attended a performance by the London Philharmonic Orchestra.

The Boyds' other daughters — Susan Pasley with Ryan and Rachel, Arlington, and Carol Boyd — rounded out the family gathering.

ing to visit Emily in London next Spring. "It's an opportunity we can't pass up," Sue says.

Jack and Fern Alexander's holiday guests came from Decatur, Dallas, Arlington and Denver City.

Visitors were their children and grandchildren — Don and Helen Alexander, with Blake and Brett, Decatur; Mike Alexander with Stacey and Amy, Dallas; Mark and Carolyn Alexander, Arlington; and Beverly Thomas with Ryan and Gregg, Denver City.

Dr. John and Sherri Key with Richard, and Ray and Norma Alexander, with Kim and Christy, shared the visit.

Former resident Paula Green drove in from Ft. Worth to pick up her mother, Helen Green.

They went on to Plainview to spend the holiday with Helen's other daughter, Lynn, and her husband, Gayland Goddard.

Bob and Marie Brannon made a pre-holiday trip to Houston to visit daughter Diana, then brought her home for a family Christmas reunion in Lubbock.

Hosts were Marie's brother, R.B. Dean and his wife Selma.

Other family members sharing Christmas dinner were the Joe Deans and Sara, Ft. Worth; Larry and Linda King with Blair and Christi, Levelland; Roger and Kathy Gresham, with Stephanie, Chelsea and Robin, Amarillo.

Ludie and A.J. Dean were other Big Spring residents in Lubbock for the holiday — but unfortunately Ludie was confined to the hospital.

"That's why we planned the celebration in Lubbock," Marie says. "So Ludie could see everyone."

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## For Fina employees, safety pays

BIG SPRING — Everyone knows the old saying that safety pays, but Fina Refinery employees will soon discover how literal the saying actually is.

Jeff Morris, manager of the refinery since June, recently announced a safety incentive program that will award safety minded individual and groups of employees with gift certificates ranging from \$10 to \$10,000 in value.

These certificates could then be redeemed at area businesses for goods and services of comparable value, Morris said.

The idea for the incentives, Morris said, was developed in June by the refinery's central safety committee, composed of representatives from all areas of the complex.

"The response so far has been very positive," he said. "The safety performance has been good, although there have been no perfect performances yet."

The first 90-day period for groups to be awarded the certificates expires Jan. 1, and Morris expects several groups to receive the awards.

The refinery manager is working in conjunction with the Greater Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce in obtaining a list of area merchants who will participate in the program.

Chamber vice-president Wayne Moore said 50 stores were participating at the present time, and the response so far was "very positive."

A list of participating merchants will be presented to Morris in a few days, Moore said, adding that the merchants will be contacted on how they will be reimbursed.

### Ambulance name change

BIG SPRING — Effective January 1, Rural/Metro Corporation's Big Spring ambulance operations will change their name to American Medical Transport (AMT), company officials have announced.

The name change will occur as part of a corporate-wide consolidation of Rural/Metro's ambulance operations under one easily identifiable name that more accurately reflects the nature and national scope of Rural/Metro's ambulance service, which now operates in four states.

As a result, Rural/Metro's Big Spring ambulances will be repainted with a bright blue AMT acronym and logo, which is extremely visible and easily recognizable on the white ambulance units.

In celebration of the name change and the Yuletide holiday spirit, AMT offered a "Home for the Holidays" ambulance transportation program in order to help some Big Spring community members celebrate the holidays with their loved ones. Through the "Home for the Holidays" program, AMT donated medical transportation to certain bedridden patients of local long-term care facilities who are capable of going home for the holidays but are unable to do so because of a lack of appropriate transportation. The donated medical transportation took place on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

"We're changing our name, but everything else will remain the same," said Brenda Whatley, Area Manager for Rural/Metro-AMT.

"No operational changes will result from the name change, and AMT will continue to provide professional, high quality medical transportation service in keeping with Rural/Metro's high standards of excellence."

## Business beat

"The faces you will see on our ambulance units will be the same," she continued. "Our ambulance units will be exactly the same, too, and so will our specialized medical equipment. AMT employees will still own the business. And as employee owners, their future still depends on providing Big Spring residents with professional, high quality service."

"That means our paramedics will be able to respond to emergencies quickly — with better skills, genuine caring and professional courtesy — to ensure the best medical skill and patient care available."

Rural/Metro ambulance companies presently provides pre-hospital care and ambulance transportation to over 50 communities in four states with more than 100 ambulances.

Locally, Rural/Metro-AMT provides exclusive ambulance service to Big Spring through a contract with the City of Big Spring and the surrounding Howard County. The company presently operates four ambulances from its station at 600 E. FM 700 in Big Spring.

## Oil/Gas

**BORDEN COUNTY**  
Wildcat drilling action is scheduled in Borden County by Midland independent operator Kevin O. Butler. Located about 13 miles north of Gail, the well will be known as the No. 2 Clayton Johnson Drill site in the T&PRR Survey Section 22 Block 31, with total depth projected to 9,000 feet.

Operating out of Dallas, EP Operating Co. has staked location for the No. 1 Canon "36" in Borden County's Jo Mill (Spraberry) Field. The 8,100-ft. test is located 11.5 miles southwest of Gail in the T&PRR Survey Section 36 Block 33.

**MARTIN COUNTY**  
An Oklahoma City operator is preparing to make hole for a projected 12,650-ft. Martin County wildcat 19 miles northwest of Tarzan. Designated as the No. 1 Breedlove, the explorer well is in the Briscoe CSL Survey Labor 3 League 257 Kerr-McGee Corp. is the operator.

Martin County's part of the Spraberry Trend will see more developmental drilling when the No. 1 Dove "G" is spudded about 13 miles southwest of Tarzan.

## Driver proud essays

The first annual "Driver Proud" essay contest, sponsored by Rip Griffin Truck/Travel Centers, will reach its close at midnight Jan. 15, 1990.

Open to professional drivers, participants are asked to tell the judges in 300 words or less why they are proud to be a driver.

"It gives the driver an opportunity to make a positive statement about his or her profession. It is looking forward to a lot of creativity and good ideas from this contest. It's our way of extending some deserving recognition to those we serve," said B.R. "Rip" Griffin.

Entries must be postmarked by Jan. 15, and sent to Rip Griffin's Driver Proud Contest, P.O. Box 10128, Lubbock, 79048.

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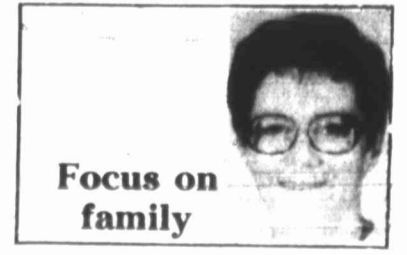
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## Strengthening your family's communication skills

By NAOMI HUNT  
County Extension Agent

It seems to be universally accepted that strong families have effective communication skills. But what does the term effective communication really mean?

Communication skills are often confused with verbal skills, or the ability to use language well. Although the two are related, they are by no means the same.



**Focus on family**  
Highly verbal families do not necessarily communicate more

effectively than less verbal ones. In fact, too much verbalization is often a barrier to effective communication. The goal of effective communication is not necessarily agreement, but understanding. When good communication occurs in a family, members are both expressing their own needs, ideas, wishes, and feelings and responding to the needs, ideas, wishes, and feelings of others.

Family members feel that they are heard; that it is OK to share private thoughts and feelings; and there is confidence that working together will lead to a solution, not a stand-off. For some families, good communication seems to come naturally, but for most it is the result of hard work. Like every other skill, effective communication is to a great extent learned. It is acquired

through patience and practice. Good communication involves both verbal communication, or that which we do with our words, and non-verbal communication, or that which we do with our bodies. Good communication involves not only talking, but also effective listening. Although the principles of effective communication are relatively simple, applying them is not always easy.

However, families who put in a conscientious effort will notice significant improvement in their families' communication patterns. Communication skills have to do with our ability to reach out to others. Good communication is both expressiveness, or stating your own needs, ideas, wishes, and feelings, and responsiveness, reacting to the needs, ideas, wishes of others.

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# BUSINESS & INDUSTRY REVIEW

Edited by Lea Whitehead

## Nichols family owns, operates heating/cooling service firm

When you want to get your money's worth, you can usually rely on family-owned and operated businesses. And if you're putting your money into heating and cooling systems, Nichols Air Conditioning & Heating Service Co. is the one to call.

The company is owned and operated by Willie and Joyce Nichols and their son, Allen. Willie and Joyce established their business in 1979 at a location on Dealy Road, south of Big Spring. Allen joined them eight years ago.

Nichols Air Conditioning & Heating Service Co. offers sales, service and installation of cooling and heating equipment for commercial and residential use. The firm is an authorized Trane dealer, backed by Fields & Co., Lubbock distributor.

Among local commercial service contracts handled by the Nichols are State National Bank — a 100-ton chilled water system — Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Permian Distributing ("very critical"), Fort-San Independent School District and Texas Employment Commission. To mention a few.

"On large jobs a Trane factory consultant is

available to us," says Willie. "We have access to all types of equipment, and in most cases can do overnight delivery. And we service all makes and models."

The company provides fast, efficient service calls with two radio-equipped trucks, and they maintain an inventory of parts.

The elder Nichols is a 1963 graduate of the Commercial Trades Institute, Chicago. He was employed as a Carrier mechanic in Dallas, later joining civil service as an air conditioning and heating mechanic at Webb Air Force Base and Goodfellow Field in San Angelo.

Both Willie and Allen have undergone extensive specialized training, such as service training and field mechanical training for major equipment manufacturers. Both hold advanced certifications such as certified heat pump mechanics.

Joyce serves as dispatcher and bookkeeper. The combined total experience they can put to work for you is 46 years! Phone Nichols Air Conditioning & Heating Service Co. at 263-3705.



Nichols Air Conditioning & Heating Co., operating in Howard County for the past 10 years, is family-owned and operated. Pictured are Allen Nichols, left, and his father, Willie Nichols, beside the firm's two radio-dispatched trucks. For service, call 263-3705. Another family member — Willie's wife, Joyce — is the dispatcher.

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## The year in review

# County commissioners fought to balance the budget in 1989

**By BRADLEY WORRELL**  
Staff Writer

**BIG SPRING** — Budget concerns and charges of attempts being made to "dismantle" the sheriff's department dominated the Howard County Commissioners Court in 1989.

In August, county commissioners working on the upcoming year's budget reluctantly approved a 3 percent property tax increase for fiscal 1990.

The tax hike is expected generate \$113,000 more for the county, particularly important now as the county's surplus fund has shrunk in recent years from more than \$2 million to a fraction of that amount.

Commissioners went on to approve a \$6.3 million budget, but not without exchanging some heated words in the process.

Discussion turned to argument when County Judge John Coffee and County Commissioner Bill Crooker suggested cutting a position from the sheriff's department to help pay for other proposed county programs, including a computer system for the county attorney and county judge, and an investigator for the county attorney's office. Coffee said the computer would help update the offices and the investigator would help in the payment of uncollected fines.

That proposal brought an angry reply from County Commissioner David Barr, who charged the two were "running down the sheriff again."

Sheriff A.N. Standard charged his department was under budgetary attack by Crooker and Coffee, the only Republicans on the commissioners court, and suggested Coffee wanted the county at-

torney's office to have an investigator so that the county judge could have the services of a "bodyguard."

Coffee later replied, "I don't know what he means by that."

Commissioners eventually chose to approve both items, for a total of \$38,846, without eliminating the deputy position.

But the focus again turned to the sheriff's department and the possible cutting of one person from the staff later the same month when commissioners debated the merits of funding the 911 program.

While commissioners wrangled over whether to spend \$25,000 to support the 911 system, the possibility of cutting the position of the evening sheriff's dispatcher was brought up as a way to fund the 911 system.

Coffee argued that the elimination of the dispatcher would help reduce a duplication of services because a 911 dispatcher could perform the same responsibilities as a sheriff's dispatcher. He argued the loss of the position "wouldn't cripple the sheriff's department."

Standard disagreed, saying that a sheriff's dispatcher performs many duties and that dispatching by another agency for the sheriff's department had been tried before and failed.

"The service was poor, poor to terribly poor," he said.

Standard charged Coffee and Crooker are not committed to strong law enforcement. He praised Commissioners Barr, Allen, and Brown, who he said "defend against" attempts to dismantle this office." The three commissioners all vetoed the suggestion of cutting the position of sheriff's deputy.

What role, if any, those

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disagreements will have in the upcoming state and county elections is uncertain.

Positions up for election in November are: district judge; district clerk; county judge; county clerk; county treasurer; county commissioner for precincts 2 and 4; justice of the peace for pct. 1, place 2, and pct. 2; county tax assessor; and county surveyor.

Incumbent County Judge Coffee is currently facing two Democratic challengers for the post, former Big Spring Mayor A.C. "Gotton" Mize and Sheriff's Deputy Ben Lockhart. Coffee, who was appointed to the post following the death of the late Milton Kirby in February, is currently unopposed on the Republican ticket.

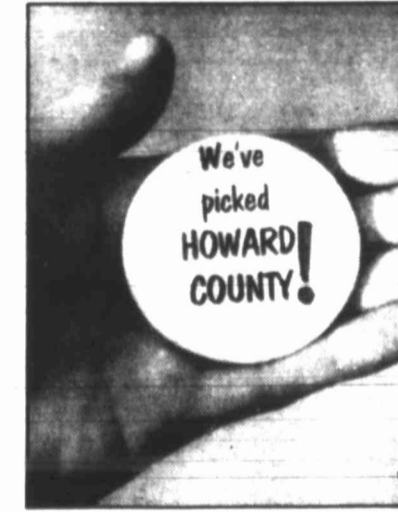
Commissioners Allen and Barr, District Clerk Glenda Brasil and Pct. 2 Justice of the Peace Willie Grant also have challengers in their bids for re-election.

Several other noteworthy events also occurred in 1989.

• In June, it was disclosed that the Howard County Jail was out of compliance with state-mandated jail standards and could face closure unless corrective steps are taken.

The due date for corrections to be made is Jan. 1, but the jail has failed to receive notice of compliance with the state codes or allowed exemptions as of Friday.

• In July, board members of the Howard County Consolidated Ap-



**Big Spring** — County officials printed buttons pushing Howard County as a site for one of the proposed Texas state prisons in October. Area civic leaders and others throughout the county wore the buttons to promote the area to a visiting prison site selection team.

praisal District found themselves involved in two separate lawsuits over appraised property values.

Dallas-based E&P Operating filed a \$5.5 million lawsuit in 118th District Court against the appraisal district and the appraisal review board, charging that the value set by the ARB was inflated.

About the same time Bramalea Shopping Centers, which owns the Big Spring Mall, filed a similar suit in district court charging the value placed on the property by the ARB was \$1.5 million too high.

A settlement was reached with Bramalea in November, but the suit with E&P remains unresolved.

Also in July county officials led a coalition of other agencies, in-

cluding the city, the chamber of commerce and the industrial foundation, in an attempt to attract a state prison to Howard County. Although unsuccessful, the attempt drew the community together in the effort.

In late August, county officials also concentrated on the possibility of locating a private prison in Howard County. The county eventually signed a tentative contract with Private Prisons of America Limited (PPAL) to allow the private prison business to build and operate a 1,025-bed facility.

The proposed facility could be used to house minimum security inmates from the county and possibly the state, other states and the federal government.

However, in the most recent interview Frank Powell, chief executive officer for PPAL, said financing for the \$30 million project has yet to be completed. The proposed Howard County facility is slated to be in operation by April.

• In October, an anonymous letter informed the Herald that the sheriff's department was being investigated by a federal watchdog agency for alleged sexual discrimination when the department chose not to hire a prospective female jailer.

The candidate for the job, Wilma Arbuckle, said in an interview that she filed a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission because she was denied a position as jailer over two less qualified candidates because of her sex.

The EEOC, in a letter to Arbuckle, agreed there was reason to believe sexual discrimination had occurred without specifically mentioning any action the agency would take.

Arbuckle is currently a corrections supervisor at the Big Spring Correctional Facility.

• In November, controversy arose over access to county clerk records deemed by local officials to be sensitive.

The controversy pitted a St. Lawrence private investigator, who said he could use the information to fight white collar crime, against the county clerk's and county attorney's office, who argued that the information is not a part of public record.

Private investigator John McMaster argued he had an informal opinion from the state Attorney General's office which allows him to view the general index in the county clerk's office which lists births and deaths, including those of illegitimate and adopted children.

But County Attorney Hardy Wilkerson argued that the attorney general's opinion was flawed and questioned McMaster's motives for wanting the information. The information McMaster wanted is "not supposed to be found," he said.

• And there was some time for levity during the commissioners meetings and at courthouse gatherings. In March, Commissioner Brown drew a few chuckles in a commissioners' court meeting by suggesting U.S. Senator Phil Gramm, R-Texas, who was preparing to visit the area, and Stephen Spielberg's creation E.T. shared something in common besides a love for Reeses Pieces.

The common denominator? Their looks, according to Brown. Brown said the resemblance was particularly noticeable because Gramm has "a big head with round eyes" and points his finger just like E.T.

# A good time to look back

By ROBERT WERNSMAN  
Publisher

A year to remember. Elsewhere throughout today's newspaper you will find references to the news of 1989. In all candor I have to admit a weakness for this type of review. The year-end editions of newspapers, news magazines and wire service reports help remind us of many of the activities that made news.

The irony of reading of some January or February happening is that at the time we might have thought we'd never forget it occurred — yet eight or ten months later we have to rock our consciousness to remember that it was *this year* that it happened.

Members of the editorial department of a newspaper are probably as guilty or more so of this as anyone.

There have been countless times that we've been called inquiring about "that story you ran in the paper about..." Believe me, we're not trying to be less than helpful when it's impossible to locate such a story.

The frustrating part of it is that we likely have a vague recollection of what the caller is referring to, but producing a newspaper six days of the week and reading an avalanche of information in one form or another besides makes it pretty difficult to recall just when the article about the poisoned Treaty Oak in Austin appeared in the newspaper.

With all that information passing through these offices, it is all the more enjoyable to reminisce about the year we've just experienced. It's hard to imagine that we will soon go through another 12 months like we've had this year, especially when you consider the strides of democracy being made across the globe.

Could another 12 months match these?

Of course, 1989 has meant changes — on a somewhat smaller scale — elsewhere, including the *Big Spring Herald*.

We have a big responsibility in this regard. By the nature of the market we have a virtual monopoly when it comes to the printed report for this community and the entire Crossroads Country. As a result, everyone involved in producing the *Herald* plays a big role in seeing that Big Spring is served and served well when it comes to the delivery of news.

It's not a role that's taken lightly around here, nor should it be.

We're working to produce an improved newspaper for your consumption; improved in a number of respects.

One of the delights about being in the business we're in is the quick turn-around of a new product. We are in a position to react swiftly to changes in technology and style, while at the same time delivering a quality, news-filled product to your home.

But, as we can implement a change one day and realize it with a refinement the next, there are few industries that can allow such a degree of opportunity for improvements every day.

From a personal standpoint, 1989 has been a year of both great change and great stability.

There has been change from a year ago in the sense that 12 months ago the *Herald* was without a managing editor or an advertising manager; it was a collective effort during a time of transition, and one that proved most educational for yours truly. It's an education I prefer to avoid again any time soon.

Since then we have seen development and improvement among personnel in each of the departments that write, sell, compose, produce, deliver and account for this newspaper. I say that without reservation.

And have you noticed one other change? Your newspaper — and hands, face and clothing — are cleaner, thanks to low-rub ink we began using a week ago.

By the same token 1989 was the first year since 1986 that we did not have a change of publishers. That made me, and my hungry cats, happy in number of ways.

So what does 1990 hold for the *Herald* and its readers? A pledge of continued efforts to improve your hometown product.

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