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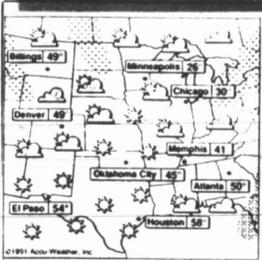
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Weather

Mostly clear skies tonight. The low tonight will be below freezing. Partly sunny Saturday with the high in the 50s.

Thursday's high temperature	45
Thursday's low temperature	34
Average high	52
Average low	26
Record high	80 in 1916
Record low	05 in 1962
Rainfall Thursday	0.02 inches
Month to date	0.20
Normal for Month	0.49
Year to date	00.20
Normal for year	00.23

Courthouse open Saturday for voting

After four days 141 people have voted absentee in the Jan. 19 Howard County Precinct 4 commissioner race and 34 additional ballots have been mailed out, reported County Clerk Margaret Ray.

"It's slow," Ray said Friday morning. In the Nov. 6 election, 555 people had voted absentee. There are 2,945 registered voters in the precinct. The Howard County Courthouse will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday for those wanting to vote, Ray said. The last day of absentee voting is Wednesday.

The Nov. 6 election in the Pct. 4 commissioner's race was declared a tie and voided by a district judge last month following the discovery in November of a computer counting error.

No absentee votes have been cast on another Howard County ballot item. Voters in Pct. 104 and Pct. 105 are voting to decide whether to have a northwest section of Howard County annexed into the Martin County Underground Water Conservation District. Absentee voting began Dec. 31. In Martin County, one person has voted, a county clerk reported.

In the Colorado City Jan. 19 special election 10 people have voted in the district 1 council seat race and 11 have voted in the district 6 race, after four days of absentee voting, a city clerk said.

There are 493 and 429 registered voters, respectively, in those districts. The election was called following the resignations of two council members.

Students prepare for Austin trip

Twenty-one Rannels Junior High School students are preparing for an exciting two days in Austin next week. The kids and eight adult sponsors will march in the Inaugural Parade, tour the capitol and visit the governor's mansion.

Principal Royce Cox said the tours were arranged through Rep. Troy Fraser, who will meet with the children briefly. Students selected to represent the school were chosen at random from a list of those eligible. They are:

Richard Cauble, Phillip Domingues, Junior Gaitan, Chris Haddad, Brian Lelek, Jessie Nunez, Jason O'Brien, Drexel Owusu, Gary Smoot, Richard Thompson, Jennifer Broadrick, Anecia Butler, Amelia Cruz, Heather Duncan, Amanda Hernandez, Bethany Love, Caroline Nguyen, Amanda Reagan, Dorothy Trent, Maria Villarreal, Shannon Woodruff, Katina Palmer.

They will be accompanied by school staff members. The entourage will leave Big Spring at 5:30 a.m. Tuesday, returning about 6 p.m. Wednesday.

Saddam rules out withdrawal

Bush escalates efforts to win war vote from Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush today lobbied intensely for congressional approval to use military force to oust Iraq from Kuwait. The White House said Bush was "taking nothing for granted" and it was unclear whether he had the votes in either chamber.

Bush courted support as the House and Senate resumed debate, with votes likely over the weekend. Sen. Sam Nunn, stating the case against authorizing force, asked, "what guarantees do we have that war will be brief, American casualties will be light? No one can say whether war will last five days, five weeks or five months."

by protesters in the visitors gallery

"There is a real understanding that this is a moment of profound decision . . . affecting . . . the whole planet. There's a sense that this truly matters."

Newt Gingrich

who began chanting "No war for Bush." They were ordered ejected and Nunn resumed his speech, saying, "For the debate to be interrupted with that kind of outburst simply has no place in the Senate nor in our kind of democracy."

Another Democrat, Harry Reid of Nevada, said he would support Bush. "All the evidence shows that the Iraqis are stalling for time while they improve their defenses and attempt to destroy our coalition," Reid said.

Earlier, Bush pressed his case at a breakfast meeting with a large group of House members who braved a snowstorm to attend. White House aides said that more than 100 from both parties, including many undecided, had been invited but the weather cut attendance.

Congressional leaders indicated the president had the most work to do in the Senate, where the Democrats hold a 56-44 majority. ● CONGRESS page 8-A

U.N. mission has European support

The U.N. secretary-general, en route to Baghdad, today picked up European support for what could be the final peace mission to Iraq before next week's U.N. deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait or face a possible attack.

Increasing fears of war in the region prompted the U.S. Embassy in Israel to urge tens of thousands of Americans to leave the Jewish state, which Saddam Hussein has repeatedly threatened to attack if war breaks out.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein reiterated today he will not pull out of Kuwait without a settlement of the Palestinian problem — a linkage of two issues that Washington has repeatedly rejected.

Secretary of State James A. Baker III today told U.S. Air Force pilots in Saudi Arabia that "you will not have to wait much longer" to know if the United States will go to war.

"Just so there is no misunderstanding, let me be absolutely clear: we pass the brink at midnight, Jan. 15," Baker said in a prepared speech that reflected a heightened war mood within the Bush administration.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar met today in Geneva with foreign ministers of the 12-nation European Community before a weekend mission to Baghdad. Before heading to Amman, Jordan, he won their support. ● MISSION page 8-A

Students to face mandatory tutoring

By MARSHA STURDIVANT
Staff Writer

Parents of students attending Goliad Middle School may receive a shock next week when their son or daughter brings home a report stating he or she is failing two or more classes, and will be required to attend the After School Grade Improvement Program beginning Jan. 22.

According to Vice Principal Roland Atkins, nearly 100 of the 700 sixth and seventh grade students received a failing grade in two or more classes this past six weeks. In an effort to help these students, the faculty and staff at Goliad has organized this special tutoring program.

"We've got to make every effort to help these kids the best we can. This will take our entire staff, all 55 of us here, to take care of this and we'll do the best we can," Atkins said.

He said the notices will be sent to parents after the school counselor determines who will be placed in the new tutoring program. All students with averages of 70 or under will be reported to the school principal and counselor, and the counselor will determine who failed two or more subjects and needs the extra help.

Atkins said parents are urged to insist students bring grades up to passing. Also, parents are asked to provide transportation for the students after the program ends at 4 p.m., and to make sure the student attends all the sessions.

"The teachers are real concerned about this situation. We've got to make the students less apathetic. Most parents don't know about (the failing grades)," Atkins said.

Goliad provides voluntary tutoring for students in the morning, but attendance for this program is mandatory for any student failing two or more classes.

A different subject will be offered students each day, he said. Monday will be Language Arts, Tuesday, Science, Wednesday will offer Math tutoring and Thursday

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A litter of lambs

An unusual event occurred at the Western Hills Animal Clinic Wednesday, when a Rambouillet ewe, owned by Tim Tate of Tarzan, gave birth to five lambs. According to Betty Jo Thompson, single and twin births are most common for the Rambouillet breed, with triplets rare. The four

ewes and one buck stand near their mother as they take a break outside in the top photo. Thompson bottle-feeds one of the lambs with a special formula to supplement their diet in the right photo. Barbara Harrington carries three of the lambs to their mother in the left photo.

Herald photos by Tim Appel

Settles' owner fined

By DEBBIE LINCECUM
Staff Writer

Settles Hotel owner Gil Cuadra must pay the city of Big Spring \$10,000 for failing to bring the building up to code standards, Municipal Judge Gwen Fair ruled Thursday.

Cuadra was convicted of six class C misdemeanor charges of city code violation for the building, which officials said is a hazard to area citizens. The Midland real estate developer said the city should "take back" the dilapidated landmark.

As a witness for the city, Assistant City Manager Tom Decell discussed seven actions Cuadra had agreed to take in regard to the building.

According to a letter from Decell sent to Cuadra in October 1989, submitted as evidence in court, the building owner agreed to: secure all openings; block entry from a fire escape; clear a weedy lot adjacent to the building; build a covered walkway in front of the building; construct a 10-foot high fence completely around the building; cover all windows to prevent breakage; and have the roof inspected by a qualified person, such as an engineer.

Cuadra was convicted of all but one charge. He told the court he had secured the fire escape and no one testified to the contrary.

Cuadra said he had made good faith attempts to secure the building as instructed and should not be held accountable for what he believed was the destruction of vandals.

He said he had sent crews to the city 12 times "at least" to board up the openings and windows. He added that the fence, which now surrounds two sides of the hotel, was not completed because his contractor "absconded with the materials"

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BSISD board approves students' trip to inaugural

By DEBBIE LINCECUM
Staff Writer

The Big Spring Independent School District board of trustees approved a trip to Austin for 21 Rannels students and eight staff members at its meeting Thursday.

The students and their sponsors will take part in the Inaugural Parade for Gov.-elect Ann Richards Tuesday. They will spend one night in Austin, so the board amended its budget to include \$2,750 for the trip.

Assistant Superintendent Ron Plumlee said the administration did not think the entire sum would

be needed for the trip, but would cover any unexpected costs that might arise.

In other board business: ● Bauer and Kentwood Elementary schools were honored for their achievement on the TEAMS, a state-mandated skills test. Bauer Principal Jean Broughton said the school's success on the test for four years was the result of a "team effort" among the staff.

Andre Clark, principal of Kentwood, said she credited teachers and parents for her school's achievement. Board president Dan Wise said the awards "exhibit

academic excellence at its best." Assistant Superintendent Murray Murphy said the district had received some of its scores from the TAAS, the new skills test mandated by the state. He said preliminary score reports look "very good," and a full report will be made at the February meeting.

● After an executive session, board members voted to extend the one-year contract of Superintendent Bill McQueary. Member Al Valdes said trustees were very pleased with McQueary's performance over the last year.

"We believe he's been doing an

outstanding job," Valdes said. "He has been clearly outstanding on everything from curriculum to getting along with the board and employees (of the district)."

● A trip to Burleson for Rhapsody Choir members was approved. Travel to the event, a "show choir" festival, will require an excused absence for one day of school.

● The retirement of Cruz Martinez, Anderson Kindergarten Center bilingual teacher, was accepted. She will retire effective Jan. 16.

● Christine Frady of Big Spring

was hired to teach special education at Moss Elementary School. She has no prior experience.

● Jean Ann Kujawski of Garden City was hired to teach fourth grade at Marcy Elementary. She has no prior experience.

● An agreement to join the State of Texas Cooperative Purchasing Program was approved. Plumlee told the board it would save time and money, and would not affect the district's efforts to buy from local businesses.

He explained the district would use the co-op for items it does not

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Sidelines

Joking grad gets last laugh

DALLAS (AP) — A bar exam applicant who tried to introduce some levity into the law has been cleared to practice in Texas after judges ruled his wisecracks on an application were excusable.

Charles Malloy says he was informed Wednesday that he had passed the bar exam, ending an 18-month court battle over his moral fitness to practice law.

"If there's anybody out there that needs a fighter for a lawyer, send them my way," said the 1989 graduate of Southern Methodist University Law School.

A state appeals court told the Texas Board of Law Examiners in August that Malloy had a "spirited bumptiousness" but not a lack of moral character. The panel, forced to test him, then refused to release his scores.

Malloy said he spent at least \$60,000 in attorney's fees fighting the board.

Asbestos suit goes to jury

HOUSTON (AP) — After four months of testimony, jurors today began deliberating a \$600 million lawsuit against 25 companies whose products containing asbestos allegedly injured thousands of workers at the Exxon Co. U.S.A. refinery in Baytown.

Deliberations were expected to take at least a week in the case that involves 209 plaintiffs, all former and current employees at the plant.

Exxon is not a defendant in the suit in State District Judge Don E. Wittig's court, although the 25 defendants include Armstrong, Pittsburgh Corning and Owens Illinois.

John E. Williams, an attorney for the plaintiffs, contends the companies have known of the dangers of asbestos since the 1930s.

The Baytown plant has 90,000 miles of pipe, of which 90 percent is covered in asbestos.

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Insurance staff recommends 23.3 percent hike

AUSTIN (AP) — A consumer group said Texas citizens and lawmakers will be watching the State Board of Insurance as it considers increasing automobile insurance premiums by 23.3 percent, or nearly \$1 billion.

Insurance Board staff members Thursday recommended the increase — the largest in at least 32 years — saying that "without a substantial rate increase, rates will be severely inadequate to cover expenses, pay claims and return a reasonable profit to the companies."

But the Southwest office of Consumers Union criticized the proposal, saying it shows the need for lawmakers to create a system where state regulators would not have to rely on the insurance industry for data in rate cases.

"It is unreasonable to expect consumers, many of whom struggle to pay their automobile insurance bills, to ante up to support any wasteful practices of insurance companies," John Hildreth, director of the Consumers Union, said.

"This hearing will be the true test for the board," Hildreth said. "Consumers will be watching the board's decision. I believe the Legislature will be watching too."

The three-member Insurance Board is scheduled to consider the proposal Wednesday. The staff has recommended the rates take effect May 1.

Auto insurers have recommended a 29.1 percent increase, while the Office of Consumer Protection recommends a 12.4 percent increase.

In addition, the staff recommends a 27.3 percent increase in commercial automobile insurance rates. The insurance industry has requested a 42.1 percent increase for commercial vehicles.

The Insurance Board staff said the passenger auto rates are needed because of an increase in claims and the costs of those claims.

Bodily injury claims rose from 123 per 10,000 insured cars for the year ending March 31, 1989 to 128 per 10,000 insured cars in the year ending March 31, 1990.

The average paid claim for bodily injury increased from \$6,773 for the year ending March 31, 1989 to \$7,375 for the year ending March 31, 1990.

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Speaker: tax hike possible

AUSTIN (AP) — A state property tax is the answer to court demands for fair school funding, said House Speaker Gib Lewis, who gave 50-50 odds that Texas taxes will be raised this legislative session to meet a budget shortfall.

The chance for higher taxes remains the same even if a lottery is approved and the Legislature passes a one-year budget, rather than the traditional two-year plan, Lewis said.

"No matter what, I think you've still got your problem," he said.

To meet the state's obligations through fiscal year 1993, lawmakers need an additional \$4.2 billion.

Gov.-elect Ann Richards, who takes office Tuesday, has said she wants lawmakers to put a lottery proposal before voters by April to boost state revenue.

The one-year budget proposed by Lt. Gov.-elect Bob Bullock would allow time to audit state programs. Lewis expressed some concern about it, saying he wouldn't want lawmakers to spend all the money the first year.

On school finance, Lewis was asked Thursday about a proposal to replace most of the local school property tax with a statewide property levy for education.

"The more I hear about it, the more I'm liking it," said Lewis, D-Fort Worth.



AUSTIN — Texas House Speaker Gib Lewis talks about taxes at a news conference after Thursday's House session.

The Texas Supreme Court scrapped the school finance system in 1989, and lawmakers passed a reform law last year. But a state judge said the law didn't go far enough to change the system, which relies on local property taxes.

Richards wants fast action on lottery, ethics

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov.-elect Ann Richards says ethics reform and creation of a state lottery are so important that she will designate both as "emergency" measures to speed up legislative action when she takes office.

Richards said she will give the items the governor's emergency designation after being sworn in Tuesday. Such a tag allows bills to be passed into law during the first 60 days of a legislative session.

Ethics and the state's money woes were much on the minds of lawmakers who convened for their 1991 session this week.

Dozens of news stories have focused special interest lobbyists trying to influence the Legislature. During 1989 alone, lobbyists reported spending more than \$2.2 million on entertainment and gifts for lawmakers.

"Ethics is a fundamental with me. And the public must realize that his will be an immediate priority for my administration," Richards said in a statement. "The time is right and we need an ethics

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Ann Richards

law with some teeth in it." Richards said that a key element in reforms she wants enacted is creation of a tough new Ethics Commission, with subpoena power, to investigate and enforce ethics laws.

"It has got to have some muscle behind it," she said. With the Legislature facing a \$4.2 billion, two-year budget deficit, some lawmakers say amending the Texas Constitution to create a lottery would help bring in non-tax revenue from a lottery by this fall," Richards said.

Lawmakers have estimated that a fully operating Texas lottery could bring in \$750 million annually. Numerous opinion polls have shown voters favoring a lottery by substantial margins.

House Speaker Gib Lewis said he's willing to move quickly on a lottery but doesn't know whether the House will agree.

"We will probably try to move it as quickly as we can," Lewis, D-Fort Worth, said. "We will probably put it on the fast track if we can." Lottery bills have died repeatedly in the House. Lewis predicted it

Security tightened at Texas facilities

WASHINGTON (AP) — Security awareness is being heightened at nuclear power plants, refineries and petrochemical plants around Texas because of the threat of terrorism if the United States goes to war against Iraq.

In El Paso, FBI spokesman Terry Kinkaid said the agency is on "heightened alert," but has no "direct information" to indicate anticipated terrorist activity in the area.

"We've identified what we would believe would be terrorist targets and have communicated with the executives of those corporations and heads of military installations. We are engaging in drafting contingency plans and preparing for any possible terrorist activity," he said.

On the U.S.-Mexico border, El Paso is home to Fort Bliss, which sent 12,000 soldiers to Saudi Arabia.

Jerry Ree, personnel manager for El Paso Refining Inc., a gasoline production complex, told the El Paso Herald Post that he had been contacted by the FBI. He said his company has added guards and beefed up security.

In Glen Rose, the world situation and the need to note anything unusual are being discussed at the daily plant meeting at the Comanche Peak nuclear power plant, said spokesman Jerry Lee. And in Houston, the Coast

Guard said it was planning enhanced patrols of the Houston Ship Channel, home to a string of major refineries and petrochemical plants, as time appeared to be running out for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait.

Iraqi leader faces a Tuesday United Nations deadline to withdraw his troops from Kuwait.

Border Patrol agents are on the alert for any possibility that terrorists would try to enter the country across the Rio Grande from Mexico.

Meanwhile the state's senior senator warned Texans to "take extra care" until the crisis is over.

"The hatred and animosity that's going to be engendered by our attack on the Iraqi people is bound to be the cause of terrorists' activities — in the United States or anywhere an American goes," predicted retired Navy Rear Adm. Gene R. La Rocque, director for the Center for Defense Information, a non-profit organization that monitors military affairs around the world.

Officials of some agencies in Texas were reluctant to discuss whether they were instituting additional security precautions because of the threat of terrorism. But others, like the Coast Guard and Nuclear Regulatory Commission, said Thursday that security awareness was being heightened.

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Space show delayed until Saturday

MARQUETTE, Mich. (AP) — Storm clouds hugging Earth's surface prompted scientists to postpone releasing a barium cloud into space to create a brilliant blue-green and purple aurora in the night sky.

NASA and Air Force researchers hoped Thursday night's adverse weather would clear by Saturday night so they could try again to release 1 1/2 pounds of barium vapor from a satellite.

After the release 9,300 miles above Earth, a pinpoint of bright green light will appear low in the skies over most of the Western Hemisphere. Within 30 seconds, it will expand to roughly half the size of the moon and turn

purplish-blue. Cloudiness and storms along the East Coast and in the Caribbean, where seven of 13 ground stations tracking the satellite are located, forced scientists to postpone the release.

"I think everybody realizes that had we done it (Thursday night), we would not have got the science we wanted," Richard Howard, manager of NASA's Combined Release and Radiation Effects Satellite program, said from K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base in Marquette.

The first release now is tentatively scheduled for 9:18 p.m. EST Saturday.

Airlines suffered record losses

WASHINGTON (AP) — Increased air travel was not enough to offset higher fuel costs and the effects of a recession at the nation's airlines, where losses climbed to a record \$2 billion last year, industry officials say.

The red ink was more than double the industry's previous record loss, and occurred even though a record 467 million passengers boarded U.S. airlines in 1990, a 3 percent increase over 1989, the Air Transport Association said in a year-end review.

"The airlines are hemorrhaging due to the combined impact of

a recession and dramatically increased fuel costs," said Edward A. Merlis, vice president of the association, which represents most U.S. airlines.

The ATA said U.S. scheduled airlines had losses of \$240 million in the first three quarters of 1990, then took a \$1.7 billion loss in the final quarter of the year as jet fuel prices soared and the economy softened.

Merlis said that in August, when Iraq invaded Kuwait, the price of jet fuel was 63 cents a gallon. In October it was \$1.39 cents a gallon, he said.

Lukens released for counseling



DONALD LUKENS

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Former U.S. Rep. Donald Lukens was released from jail today after serving nine days of a 30-day sentence for having sex with a teen-ager.

The judge who sentenced Lukens agreed Thursday to release the former congressman so he could receive counseling. He was to go to a Washington, D.C., clinic for sex offenders.

Lukens did not comment to reporters as he walked out of the Franklin County jail and into a car shortly before 8 a.m. At one point, he stumbled over a television crew's electrical cable and angrily stomped on it.



Associated Press photo

Shopping for war

TEL AVIV — British-born Mel MacMahon, his arms full of canned beans, stocks up for war Friday at a Tel Aviv supermarket. He said he began his buying Thursday and "I forgot some things, so my wife sent me down again. I have kids, and don't want to take any chances."

Haitian's rage fueled by years of oppression

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti (AP) — Burned bodies, cannibalism and torched homes give an aura of madness to the capital, but the violence in Haiti this week was anything but random.

Enraged masses were taking selective revenge for a coup attempt that tried to stop the nation's first democratically elected president from taking power.

The form of brutality was shaped by religious values and the pent-up frustration of the poor.

Since 1804, when the slave nation gained independence from France, military dictatorships and brutal despots have ruled Haiti. The oppression has led to extreme poverty, illiteracy and one of the world's highest mortality rates.

"This is what happens when there is no justice in a country," said Louie Dejoie Jr., who came in third in the December elections. "The people take justice into their own hands."

"It's the collective anger of Haitians who reached the limit of their patience with evil people," said human rights activist Jean-Claude Bajeaux.

The regime of Francois "Papa

Doc" Duvalier that took power in a rigged election in 1957 lasted until 1986, when his son Jean-Claude "Baby Doc" fled to France after mass protests.

The family dictatorship had been enforced by thousands of paramilitary thugs called Tonton Macoutes, who were in part responsible for the failure of subsequent attempts at democracy.

In November 1987, Haitians went to the polls en masse but at least 24 were assassinated by Tonton Macoutes backed by the army and the vote was canceled.

A subsequent election in January 1988 was a no-show and the army's choice, Leslie Manigat, was elected in an army-rigged vote. He was overthrown barely six months into office.

So when Haitians went freely to the polls Dec. 16, protected by nearly 1,000 international observers, they voted for radical change.

Their overwhelming choice was the Rev. Jean-Bertrand Aristide, who had won the hearts of the poor through passionate sermons that blasted Duvalier, the army and the Tonton Macoutes.

World

Skulls to be on cigarette cartons

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (AP) — Officials plan to emblazon cigarette cartons next year with drawings of skulls and stories of smokers who died, the National Board of Health and Welfare said Thursday.

"It's difficult to transform medical science to intelligible language to make people understand the health hazards of tobacco," said Margareta Haglund, an official with the board.

Swedish cigarette packs presently carry a brief health

warning in small type. There is no warning on cartons.

Ms. Haglund said a typical cigarette-carton story would be: "Stefan took his first puff in primary school. At 20 he smoked one package a day. Twenty years later he still felt quite healthy. But one afternoon he suddenly collapsed at work. He died before the day was over. The reason: infarct (heart attack). He was 40 years old."

The tobacco industry has a right to appeal the board's plan.

Japanese balloonist fails to cross

TOKYO (AP) — A Japanese balloonist's attempt to become the first man to cross the Pacific alone in a helium-filled craft ended in failure just hours after liftoff today, a project spokesman said.

Japanese coast guard officials found adventurer Fumio Niwa floating in the ocean about 260 miles southeast of Tokyo, said Niwa's spokesman, Takeaki Urayama.

Rough waters, however, had kept rescuers from pulling Niwa from the water as of this afternoon, he said.

Whether Niwa was safe was unknown, as was his reason for ditching the balloon about seven hours after lifting off from

Yokohama, southwest of Tokyo.

"We believe Mr. Niwa is still alive, but we still don't know exactly what happened, and how he is doing right now," Urayama said.

The weather seemed to be favorable, but project officials lost contact with Niwa when he began descending, the spokesman said.

"Until we received the last contact from Niwa, he was flying just fine, it was almost what we had planned," he said.

Inside the tiny 6-foot-tall gondola were satellite communications equipment, an amateur radio and a month's supply of food.

Soviet troops seize two buildings

VILNIUS, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Soviet troops seized the Lithuanian national guard headquarters and the republic's main printing plant today, and 200 nationalists formed a human ring to defend the television tower.

Soldiers used tear gas and fired at employees in the national guard building and over a crowd massed outside the printing plant, witnesses and the Lithuanian government said.

Troops at the printing plant shot one young man in the face and beat at least three other people, said Aidas Palubinskas, a Lithuanian parliament spokesman.



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The cost of reading genes

Medicine's push to understand the underlying genetic causes of disease is colliding with health insurers' efforts to reduce their claims. That threatens the viability of the private insurance systems through which the majority of Americans finance their medical care.

Medical ethicists around the country report that health insurers have begun to deny coverage to people with known genetic markers for diseases, even before those effects cause any health problems. In other cases, individuals avoid medically useful genetic tests out of fear that a positive result might result in the loss of coverage for themselves or their dependents. Although this practice is in its infancy, the ethicists, who have long worried about the implications of medical genetic research, believe the first cases are the harbinger of an era in which discrimination against people with genetic abnormalities could become widespread.

There are now dozens of genetic marker tests that can detect genes that may cause human disease. With scientists around the country busily at work on the Human Genome Initiative, the huge federal project to map all the human body's genetic material, medicine will soon have hundreds more diagnostic tests capable of ferreting out whether otherwise healthy people are carrying genes that predispose them toward particular diseases.

Such information will ultimately improve health care treatment by permitting doctors to identify those carrying defective genes and institute preventive measures. But will it matter if those diagnosed find that such knowledge costs them their health insurance?

The logic of insurance, and the press of health-care costs, drives insurers to try to identify and limit their risks whenever they can. Thus, insurers deny coverage or charge much higher rates to insurance applicants who are sick. To insurance companies, genetic abnormalities, even if they haven't expressed themselves in disease, are just another pre-existing condition.

The danger is obvious: a health-care financing system in which the sick and those with genetic predisposition to particular diseases find themselves unable, either because of price or unavailability, to purchase health coverage — or perhaps even to find a job with an employer who self-insures.

That possibility would defeat the very notion of a health insurance system broadly spreading risks so that care is available to all. Some experts have suggested that lawmakers head off this possibility by strengthening medical confidentiality or with anti-discrimination statutes. But writing reforms that both meet the privacy concerns of individuals and preserve the actuarial soundness of the insurance business would be a tricky business. A broader view is needed. The collision between genetic knowledge and the normal operation of private health insurance is another reason why the United States should create a national health insurance system, paid for and available to all, no matter what's in their genes.

U.S. Forest Service is serious about hats

WASHINGTON — In these days of lawlessness and rampant street crime, it's nice to know that at least one federal law is strictly enforced — the unauthorized wearing of a U.S. Forest Service hat.

Reno, Nev., resident Merrion T. Eaves can testify to that. His hat was grabbed by the long arm of the Forest Service.

Eaves was playing dollar slot machines in a Reno casino last summer when a man approached him and asked him, "Do you work for the U.S. Forest Service?"

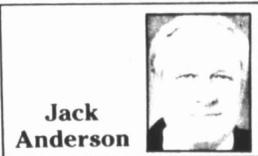
Eaves doesn't, but his hat bore an emblem that looked like a Forest Service logo. Eaves got the hat as a gift from his boss, a hat collector of sorts, and he liked it.

But the man who approached him didn't. He was an area special agent from the Toiyabe National Forest headquartered in Sparks, Nev., and was attending a convention in the hotel where Eaves was gambling. The agent told Eaves he was breaking the law by wearing the Forest Service emblem and that he could go to jail if he didn't surrender the hat.

The agent was telling the truth. Title 18 of the U.S. Code makes it illegal to "possess any insignia of the design prescribed by the head of any department or agency of the United States." The offense is punishable by a fine of \$250 and six months in jail.

Eaves, being a reasonable guy, didn't want to go to jail for a hat, so he turned it over to the agent and went back to playing the slots. But the agent wasn't finished. He launched into an inquisition, asking Eaves where he got the cap and why he was wearing it and whether he had any other items of clothing with a Forest Service emblem.

When the interrogation was over, the agent left with the hat. But the story doesn't end there. The agent was back at Eaves' side in a few minutes with an apology, and the hat. He had



Jack Anderson

thought it over and decided that the hat was not contraband because it was only a knock-off and not the real thing. "As far as I can tell, wearing a facsimile of the emblem is OK," the agent said.

Eaves knew when to hold 'em, and when to fold 'em. He accepted his hat and got out of there. But the story doesn't end there either.

The agent had another change of heart, and no sooner had Eaves arrived home, than there was a knock on his door. Yup. It was the agent in hot pursuit, and he wanted the hat back again. "I made a mistake," he said. "The rule says you can't wear 'any likeness thereof.'"

Eaves handed over the hat again. But, after a few months, the incident began to grate on him, and he wrote to us to see if we could help him get his hat back.

A spokesman for the Toiyabe National Forest told our reporter Paul Parkinson that the agent was just doing his job. "Reno is a Forest Service town. We try to keep a white-hat image around here," Staff Officer David Haney said. "And gambling is no way to do it." Evidently the Forest Service can't afford to have people thinking its agents are sitting around, in uniform, playing the slots. Haney said foresters are good guys. "We do not specialize in being officious bureaucrats here, even though this smacks of it."

The cap caper is far from over. The Forest Service insists it will keep the hat. After all, Title 18 gives the government that right.



The writer's art Of persons, people, less and fewer

The winter assizes of the Court of Appeals are now under way at hand. The clerk will read a complaint from Robert Cochrane of Sarasota, Fla. He objects to the misuse of "people" for "persons." Objection sustained!

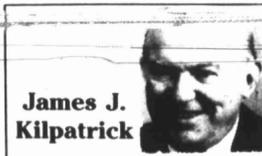
The petitioner makes the point that "people" is a collective noun. Chinese people speak many dialects. By contrast, "person" carries the connotation of individuality: 27 persons were in the audience. A good working rule on usage is to employ "people" for an indefinite number and "persons" for an exact number. To write that three "people" were in an elevator creates a question: If two people get off, does one person remain?

Dr. Charles C. Alling of Birmingham, Ala., asks the court to ban the use of "once" as a conjunction. He objects to such constructions as "Once the bolt is tightened... or... Once Aunt Mame arrives..." It would be better, he contends, to write, "After the bolt is tightened..." and "After Aunt Mame arrives..."

The motion for a conjunction injunction is denied. The plaintiff's examples are quite in order. There are indeed instances in which "after" would be a better choice than "once." But the court finds nothing amiss in the use of "once" in the sense of "as soon as." Once you have finished your spinach, you may have your angel food cake.

James B. Bush Jr. of Willis, Va., asks the court to narrow the meaning of "notorious." He cites the description of a philanthropist who was "notorious for his generosity." The motion to narrow is granted.

"Webster's III" equivocates: The adjective "notorious" may in-



James J. Kilpatrick

months since Aunt Mame disappeared."

John F. Beck of Beaver Falls, Pa., appeals to the court to censure those who speak of a store containing "40,000 square feet of space." His point is that "square feet" is a measure of two-dimensional area, and "space" is a three-dimensional measure commonly designated in cubic feet.

The court will have to think about this one. The petitioner's argument sounds plausible, but in common usage "space" can be two-dimensional: "Leave space on the page for a footnote." On reflection, the court dismisses the appeal, but the court suggests that we write "floor space" when floor space is intended.

R. Dixon Jennings, pastor of the Henderson Presbyterian Church in Henderson, Nev., files a class action on behalf of the clergy everywhere. He sues to ban the use of "reverend" as a noun. He offers in evidence two headlines from the *Las Vegas Review-Journal*: "Las Vegas Reverend With AIDS Tells Plight to Donahue" and "Watergate Reverend Off to New Pastorship."

Aaargh! "Reverend" is no more a noun than "distinguished" is a noun or "honorable" is a noun. Senators do not ask the distinguished from Alabama to yield the floor. We do not nominate a new honorable to Poland. By the same token, we ought not speak of "the new reverend at church." Lots of people and some dictionaries are wrong on this one. The court grants summary judgment to ministers, priests, parsons and other reverend clerics everywhere, and takes a week's recess.

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involve something reprehensible or scandalous, but it may mean nothing more than "the condition of being an object of wide attention." The "Random House Unabridged" does not pussyfoot around: To be notorious is to be "widely and unfavorably known." As synonyms for notoriety, "Random House" offers "ill-repute, infamy and shame." Let us reserve "notorious" for those whose notoriety bears a taint.

Jo Nan Hester of Asheville, N.C., objects to the reckless use of "most," as in, "Oralzap is the toothbrush dentists recommend most." Her impulse is to leap at the TV screen crying, "Most often, you ninny!" The objection is willingly sustained.

From Mrs. William H. Arthur of Orchard Park, N.Y., comes a familiar protest. She rues "the almost constant misuse of 'less' to the exclusion of 'fewer.'" She cites, "Less cars have been sold in 1990 than in 1989." She might also have cited the supermarket irritation of an express line for "10 items or less." Protest affirmed.

The general rule on "less" and "fewer" is not complex. Use "fewer" for things that can be counted. Use "less" for things that can be measured. Fewer cars have been sold; less snow has fallen. Note that the general rule is not an absolute rule. From home to church is "less than four miles." It has been "less than six



Watching Godfather marathon

I haven't seen "The Godfather, Part III" yet. That's because I decided before I saw "Godfather III" I ought to go back and watch I and II to refresh myself on the doings of the Corleones up to where we left them.

So I picked up tapes of the two earlier epics and watched a marathon of Godfathering.

In Godfather I we first learn of the phrase, "Make him an offer he can't refuse."

This means, in the most basic of terms, if Marlon Brando, the Godfather, asks you to do something and you do not comply, be certain to hide your horse.

We also learn that Michael Corleone, the Godfather's youngest son, has no young ones.

That's because he gets hooked up with Diane Keaton, whom I've never considered that attractive. In fact when she played opposite Woody Allen in "Annie Hall" I kept mistaking her for an ugly lamp.

A lot of people get killed in the first Godfather. The Godfather's oldest son succumbs to 19 guys with machine guns hiding in a toll booth.

The Godfather's son-in-law dies when he forgets the oldest rule in gangster movies — never sit in the front seat when there's a guy in the back who knows how to reverse the Heimlich maneuver.

In the end of the first Godfather, the Godfather himself dies. But it's from natural causes. He mumbles so badly that when he complains of chest pains, his doctor thinks he's saying, "My hemorrhoids are killing me, Doc," and fails to order an EKG.

Godfather II picks up with Michael Corleone succeeding the Godfather as Godfather, Jr., who, the minute he takes the oath of office, develops his own noticeable mumble.

In Godfather II, we learn the phrase, "Murmur, fumble, jumble, bumble," which is Michael Corleone mumbling to Diane Keaton. "Get out of my house, you slice of mildewed lasagna."

A lot of people get killed in Godfather II, also — the most noticeable of whom is Michael Corleone's last living brother, Fredo.

Fredo's a wormy sort of character who dresses poorly and gets on Michael's nerves, so Fredo violates yet another rule of gangster movies: never turn your back on a guy with whom you are sharing a fishing boat if he didn't bring along a pole and has never filed a tax return.

At the end of Godfather II, we see Michael sitting alone in his lake house, looking rather depressed because he can't think of anybody else he needs to have whacked.

I don't know what to expect in Godfather III. More of the same, I suppose.

A guy gets choked to death here. A guy gets shot in the eyeball there.

Wilbur threatens to testify against Michael and Mr. Ed pays the consequences.

Regardless, what an appropriate time to bring out such a movie. I was thinking, Christmas Day.

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Letters

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"The kind of war that we're talking about — the kind of mass destruction that we're talking about — does not begin to transform the past evil, but creates another kind of evil that is really difficult to find any justification for." — Presiding Bishop Edmond Browning of the Episcopal Church on the possibility of war with Iraq.

"I can't say this is the display of some kind of dictatorship. This is a simple desire to introduce order, because it's impossible to live under conditions of chaos and anarchy. It's chaos and anarchy that can lead to a dictatorship. That's my answer." — Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze on sending Soviet troops to the seven secessionist republics.

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Shop displays prison 'art'

STARKE, Fla. (AP) — They're not exactly art treasures, but there is a certain creativity in the items on display at Carla's Sandwich Shop just outside the gates of Florida State Prison.

The collection, confiscated from inmates by many of the shop's customers, ranges from a felt-tip pen concealing a razor blade to a Vienna sausage can with a hidden compartment for drugs.

Carla Hawthorne, owner of the

shop and a former correctional officer, hopes to eventually open a law enforcement museum that will show people the kinds of things officers deal with.

"Inmates run a con game on people — mothers, wives, grandparents. Then they come down here and really see what's going on," she said. "They are naughty boys inside."

Among the items on display are a key to a door lock made from a

disposable razor blade and a variety of knives fashioned from pieces of wood, metal and plastic glass. There also are several "zip guns," in which small metal tubes are fashioned into crude weapons in which sulfur shavings from match sticks are used to fire nails.

But not all inmate creations are deadly. Mrs. Hawthorne also has on display toaster ovens made from cigarette package foil and light bulbs.



Associated Press photo

Dog's best friend

MAZEPPA, Minn. — Cheyenne, a retriever owned by Bob Smith of rural Mazeppa, Minn., sits next to a stray rooster recently. Cheyenne

befriended the rooster and surrendered his dog house to it.

Research vessel looks for evidence of global warming

ABOARD THE MAURICE EWING OFF NEW JERSEY (AP) — Scientists aboard this research vessel are bouncing loud noises off the ocean floor and recording the echoes in a search for clues to changes in the level of the world's seas.

Every six seconds a half-dozen air guns fire into the water, sending a deep "thud" penetrating up to 20 kilometers into the ocean floor and bouncing back to the ship's electronic ears.

"We set off an explosion at the surface and we simply listen for the echoes," said Greg Mountain, a Columbia University researcher.

This is the first step in a project designed to determine whether the oceans are rising rapidly, eventually to swamp the world's coastal cities, or merely fluctuating as they have for millions of years.

Scientists believe sea levels changed gradually for most of the last 80 million years, said Ken Miller, a Rutgers University researcher. Old maps of the ocean floor, made for oil exploration, indicate measurable shifts about once every million years.

But in the last 18,000 years, sea levels have risen worldwide by an average 360 feet. Much valuable beach space has been lost in the last few decades.

"Sea level is rising right now," Miller said. "As the greenhouse effect kicks in from man-made fossil fuels, sea level will continue to rise. We need to understand the rates of change."

Greenhouse effect refers to the theory that pollution in the atmosphere is causing the planet to grow warmer.

Miller believes large polar ice sheets began melting 40 million years ago, a process that appears to have been accelerated by man's burning of fossil fuels since the industrial revolution in the 18th century.

To determine how quickly sea level is changing, scientists plan to drill holes into the ocean floor and examine buried layers of soil from the past 40 million years.

The researchers on the 239-foot Maurice Ewing spent most of

This is the first step in a project designed to determine whether the oceans are rising rapidly, eventually to swamp the world's coastal cities, or merely fluctuating as they have for millions of years.

November gathering information for maps to help them decide where to drill. They're looking for layers of sediment that contain clues to climate changes.

"Dating these surfaces tells all about the rise and fall. Our purpose here is to create a data set that will allow us to come back in a few years and drill," said Mountain. Researchers anticipate drilling to begin in 1993 or 1994 after the maps and the data on some 700 reels of tape, each 3,600 feet long, are analyzed and cataloged.

Mountain said researchers are looking for patterns that indicate the presence of ancient — and now buried — shorelines. Sandy layers tend to indicate areas that were close to shore while muddy layers tend to signify offshore areas.

The ship, supplied by Columbia University, had a crew of seven scientists and nine technical support staff for this project. They began their mapping about 80 miles east of Island Beach State Park and finished in Delaware Bay.

Crew members monitor the rows of computer screens inside and maintain the air guns outside around the clock.

When the air guns fire, the echo is picked up along a 1.5 kilometer-long series of hydrophones — underwater recording devices encased in an oil-filled hose stretching out behind the vessel. The instruments distinguish 120 channels, or bands of sound frequency, which are recorded on paper in black lines that look like an elongated fingerprint.

Cow belches may increase global warming

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — Cows will soon be chewing their cud — and burping — for science.

Washington State University researchers exploring the effects of livestock on global warming want to find out how much methane cows and other cud-chewing animals produce when they belch.

Cattle will be fitted with equipment in backpacks to gauge their gas emissions under a \$70,000 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency grant to determine if such methane discharges can be reduced.

Most scientists agree ruminant, or cud-chewing, livestock produce about 15 percent of all methane released into the atmosphere, said researcher Hal Westberg, who is joined in the project by colleagues Brian Lamb and Kris Johnson.

Scientists say methane is contributing to the greenhouse effect — the accumulation of chemicals in the atmosphere believed to be causing changes in the world's climate.

The leading sources of methane are natural wetlands, estimated to account for 20 percent of the gas.

Lamb said he isn't sure if the cow-produced methane is of global importance, but any reductions would help.

"The amount of methane in the atmosphere has increased by 1 percent a year. We need to mitigate that," he said.

Each cow backpack contains a gas monitor connected to a tube placed near the cow's mouth. The first step will be to measure just how much methane the animals belch while they're digesting.

The researchers hope to outfit hundreds of animals by the 3-year project's end, he said.

No research is anticipated on cow flatulence, since it's believed to be a minor source of methane emissions compared to belching, he said.

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Veterans from both sides of Vietnam War meet in peace

BOSTON (AP) — The soldier stood at the memorial marked with the names of Vietnam's valleys of death: Khe Sanh and Con Thien, Hue and Quang Tri, An Loc and Xuan Loc.

Then Nguyen Ngoc Hung lighted a dozen incense sticks and silently faced his fallen American foes, memorialized in the stone of the Dorchester Vietnam Veterans Memorial: Hain, Gormley, Rabinovitz, Kelly, Burt. Husbands, sons, brothers. Seventy-eight of them.

"I said to those men who have died during the war, 'Please lay in peace. The war is over now and I've come a long way for reconciliation.'"

Hung, a North Vietnamese combat veteran, had come half way around the world for solemn ceremonies such as this one, and to drink beer and feast on lasagna and meatballs with his former war adversaries.

Fifteen years after its end in 1975, American veterans of the Vietnam War are shaking hands with the nameless, faceless foes like Hung whom they fought as young men in the jungles of Southeast Asia.

They fought on different sides but now share the common bond of duty to country and the inescapable events of history that first brought them together.

And they hope the healing of wounds among the warriors themselves will nudge the U.S. government into diplomatic recognition of its former enemy, financial aid and the lifting of a trade embargo that is strangling

Vietnam's bankrupt economy. As a new generation of U.S. combat forces maintains its war readiness in the explosive Middle East, many of the boys of Vietnam are finally standing down from a war that has seemed hauntingly unreal to them.

Many are going back to Vietnam in their middle years, sentimental and mellowed by time, needing to retrace the old battlefields that brought them of age. They gather to share the pain of war and to heal its stings with understanding.

And they go with their arms outstretched with hammers to build and medicine to heal instead of rifles to kill.

"There comes a time for healing and I think this is the time," said Mary Stout, a combat nurse during the war who revisited Vietnam two years ago. "I think the people who start it have to be the veterans. They understand what war's about and have a common bond. It comes from serving your country."

Hoping to win diplomatic recognition, the Vietnamese government allowed Hung, a 42-year-old college English teacher who earns \$10 a month, to tour 11 U.S. cities during six weeks in November and December.

The cities were Washington, Philadelphia, New York, Madison, Wis., San Francisco, Santa Cruz, Calif., Los Angeles, New Haven, Conn., Boston, Pittsburgh and Atlanta.

While scores of Americans have been back to Vietnam in recent years to help that country's disabled veterans, who languish in poverty and menial jobs, Hung was the



DORCHESTER, Mass. — Nguyen Ngoc Hung, 42, who tried to kill Americans two decades ago in a jungle half a world away, pays his respects at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Dorchester, Mass., in November. Hung is touring the United States on what he calls a "healing mission."

first Vietnam combat veteran to visit the United States.

He was invited by the Asia Resource Center and the National Network of Indochina Activists, a loose network of people who support recognition of Vietnam and trade with that country.

"I think Mr. Hung was here at the auspices of the Vietnamese government to try to begin to take steps toward reconciliation with our country," said Ms. Stout, president of the 40,000 member Vietnam Veterans of America in Washington, who met with him.

While the VVA does not yet fully support diplomatic relations with Vietnam, it has encouraged the beginning of steps toward that goal with the establishment of a small diplomatic office in Vietnam, rather than a full-fledged embassy.

Some veterans say the United States should hold out until Americans missing in action are accounted for and there is assurance that Vietnam is holding no prisoners. Others feel the MIA-POW issue cannot be resolved without first establishing diplomatic relations.

Hung said the United States was not what he expected.

"I have learned a lot here," he said. "It changed some of the images about America and American people. In the past we thought that American soldiers were professionals. They were trained to kill and they would kill like in the My Lai massacre."

What Hung found were Americans who welcomed him into their homes, drank beer with him, laughed with him and shared war

stories. Americans who were just like him, who had the same fears and joys, whose lives were interrupted by a war that was not necessarily of their choosing.

"I see they are just like me," Hung said. "They suffered enormously because of the killing, so we are just human beings, the victims of the war."

One recent evening Hung and American veterans who had earlier returned to Vietnam gathered in the home of a Boston police sergeant who fought in the same region as Hung. They talked about how Vietnamese and Americans had suffered.

"After the war I came back, rifle in my hand," said Hung. "And when I looked at what the war had done to my country, very, very sad. A million and a half or 2 million people have died. The forests have been destroyed or defoliated and we haven't been able to do very much about it."

Nearly 60,000 Americans died in the Vietnam War; 300,000 more were wounded.

"We had nightmares and we had flashbacks and other bad things," said Hung. Their biggest problem is unemployment, he said. But the Vietnamese veterans, unlike some of their American counterparts, were not plunged into alcohol, drugs and homelessness, Hung said.

"Veterans in Vietnam were given a very warm welcome home," he said.

"Because you won?" asked veteran Paul O'Connell. "No," replied Hung. "Because we were fighting for the country."

Suits are uncomfortable, necessary

MANAMAH, Bahrain — It looks like a horror film costume and feels like a child's snowsuit.

But it comes equipped with antidotes for a variety of chemical weapons and could provide up to 24 hours of protection from nuclear fallout for the person wearing it.

It is the suit and mask carried by Canadian forces deployed in the Persian Gulf for use in case of a chemical weapons attack by Iraq. American forces deployed in Saudi Arabia have similar equipment.

Iraq's arsenal includes chemical weapons, which it used against Iran and rebellious Kurds inside its borders during the 1980s. U.S. and Canadian troops say a similar attack against allied forces in the Middle East is possible should fighting break out.

That's why Canadian Army Capt. Paul Hollingsworth drills

Canadian forces in the use and wearing of the protective gear.

Canadian soldiers are equipped with two packs — one containing the gas mask worn over the head and the other containing the suit, gloves and boots.

The airtight black rubber mask itself fits easily over the head and features holes for breathing and spitting. A canister with charcoal and filters is attached to the side.

The suit itself is designed to fit over regular clothing and is equipped with a baffling array of straps and velcro strips to make it fit tightly.

But Canadians would have plenty of time to don their gear under the graduated alert system they use. As alert stages go higher, Canadian forces are required to either

have their gear nearby or put it on. At the highest state of alert, they

are to put on their masks — a process that should take no more than nine seconds, Hollingsworth said.

"It's not so bad once you get used to it," he said.

That may or may not be true, but in any event the suit, gloves, boots and other gear weigh about six pounds when packed together.

In addition to the suit and mask, the gear also includes antidotes that can be injected or swallowed.

The gear is continuously inspected for leaks and other problems that would render it useless in case of attack, Hollingsworth said.

The stakes are high for any military personnel facing a possible attack by nerve gas, he said. "A couple of lung-fulls of that stuff and you're basically euehred," Hollingsworth said.

East Europe expects mass Soviet migration

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (AP) — Soviet army units enforcing the Kremlin view of life are not new to East Europeans, but the next Soviet invaders may be civilians trying to escape it.

A possible mass influx of Soviet citizens fleeing economic chaos and ethnic strife at home has Eastern Europe, which has its own economic problems, balancing empty pockets against humanitarian ideals.

"A 'poverty wall' must not take the place of the Iron Curtain," Prime Minister Jozsef Antall of Hungary said recently.

Six months ago, the Soviet government promised to ease travel restrictions, but an

emigration law is hung up in the Supreme Soviet legislature. No one can say when the reforms will come.

Similarly, no one knows how many people will leave when new legislation takes effect. Estimates range from the 1990 total of 400,000 refugees to 5 million.

Lev Lyubimov of the Soviet Institute of the World Economy and International Relations said currency restrictions and technical limitations on printing passports and visas probably would keep the number of emigres at about the current level.

Economic and social reforms also might keep Soviets at home.

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Keeping fit SAUDI ARABIA — Rock, a 9-year old German shepherd patrol dog with the U.S. Air Force 67th Special Police Squadron, clings to the sleeve of U.S. Air Force 2nd Lt. Donald Columbus of Livonia, Mich., during a demonstration at a Saudi Arabian airbase this month. At left is the dog's trainer, Dan Guzman of El Paso, Texas, also U.S. Air Force 67th S.P.S.

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Lifestyle

C-City cheerleaders perform in England

Two Colorado City girls had an especially exciting New Year's vacation. Tammie Blair and Bridgett Bridford, two CHS cheerleaders won the privilege of traveling to London, England to march in the Royal New Year's Day Parade. The girls flew from Abilene to Dallas December 28th where they met another group of cheerleaders from the southern states before going on to London. After a long flight they landed in London where they were immediately taken on a tour of the city. The next few days were a whirl of events as Bridgett and Tammie saw and visited firsthand what most of us can only read about.

The girls visited Oxford and Stratford, Castles, the Queen's Jewels, the original Hard Rock Cafe and Shakespear's birthplace. Riding the "tube" (subway) and shopping was also great fun. Everyone had to "get down to business" Dec. 30th. The cheerleaders, numbering approximately 1,500, were divided alphabetically into seven groups. Each group rehearsed a dance routine previously learned at home by video.

Tammie and Bridgett were put together since their names begin with B. There were 100 youths in their group. On New Year's Eve the cheerleaders were treated to a Broadway-type show entitled "Buddy", which was about Buddy Holly's life. Afterwards the group enjoyed a dance with about 3,000 youths in attendance. The show was held especially for the American

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cheerleaders, the dance was for the American bands which marched in the parade.

New Year's Day came early for everyone as they had to get ready for the big event. Our girls' group was placed number seven in the parade which numbered over 100 entries. The excited cheerleaders followed a van complete with huge speakers which provided the music for their routine as they marched along the 2 1/2 mile parade route. The routine was performed seven times before they did it in front of the Royal Family. The girls caught an early flight home the next day. The girls will perform their dance routine at the half time of the varsity boys game.

Couple celebrates wedding anniversary

A celebration of 50 years of marriage was enjoyed by the friends and family of Robert and Helen Chambers Dec. 23. The event was at the First Baptist Church fellowship hall and everyone who has ever known the Chambers were invited. The couple was surprised with a wedding cake — they didn't have one the first time around. Helen was born to M.L. and Demmy Andress April 27, 1924 in Rotan TX. Robert was born to

James and Eula Chambers Sept. 14, 1921 in Malvern, AK. The couple met and fell in love in Snyder, while Helen was still in high school. They eloped and were married in Sweetwater, Tx. Dec. 27, 1940. The marriage remained a secret and Helen continued to live with her parents until her graduation in 1941. Robert was to move back to Arkansas for six months to work, but after only four weeks away from her, the couple decided they had to tell her parents about the marriage because they missed each other so much. Robert and Helen later moved to Colorado City and raised a large family, as well as making many friends. Robert is retired from TU Electric and Helen has worked with the Colorado Independent School District and the First Baptist Church.

The couple have six children, Joann Jameson, Ruidoso, N.M.; David and Anne Chambers, Jal, N.M.; Elynn and Andy Crawford, Grapevine, Tx.; Richard and Linda Chambers, Colorado City; Brenda and Allen Smith, Colorado City; and Randy and Connie Chambers, Colorado City. They also have 22 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren. Robert and Helen now reside in Ruidoso, N.M., where they enjoyed another party for their anniversary Dec. 23th at the First Baptist Church, which they attend regularly.

Reader questions cleanliness

Dear Abby



Seriously, we in this part of the world are a friendly, hand-shaking, hand-holding people. Fine. But let us also become a more hand-washing people. —

ing) a baby in case Daddy doesn't come back.

I do not want to be a single parent — it wouldn't be fair to the child, and it certainly wouldn't be easy for me.

On the other hand, how would I feel if the worst happened, and I lost the chance to bear his child? Please help. — MOM OR NOT

DEAR MOM OR NOT: This is a very personal decision. I, too, am interested in the opinions of those who have lived through that experience and made a choice. Readers?

DEAR ABBY: On returning home recently after being hospitalized, I received a gift of "love" from my friends and neighbors. Their gift did as much for me as my medication.

They gave me a check to pay for a cleaning lady to clean my house twice — and to help pay for the long-distance telephone calls to my children. (There were many.)

I am so grateful for such generous friends, I have resolved to "go and do likewise." — ROSEMARY SANDERS, NORTH FORT MYERS, FLA.

DEAR ROSEMARY: You must be a very special person to have earned such thoughtful and generous friends.

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By ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY: A letter in your column addressed a problem I have worried about for years. It's the practice of joining hands at the table to say "grace" — and then everyone eats.

I support religious freedom and I am not phobic about germs, but every time I have a meal at which we are asked to "join hands" in prayer, I wait a few seconds, and after the "amen," I excuse myself to go and wash my hands. I do this because I could not enjoy my meal wondering whether — or how well — the person beside me had washed, or if he/she had coughed into that hand before holding mine in prayer.

Abby, could we ask the devout among us to reconsider this very unsanitary practice, and rely on our sitting shoulder-to-shoulder to provide the sense of brotherhood they're hoping for?

If I bring this up in my family, I'll be reminded sharply that I am the family heathen.

Abby, please help to spread the word — not disease. — THE FAMILY HEATHEN

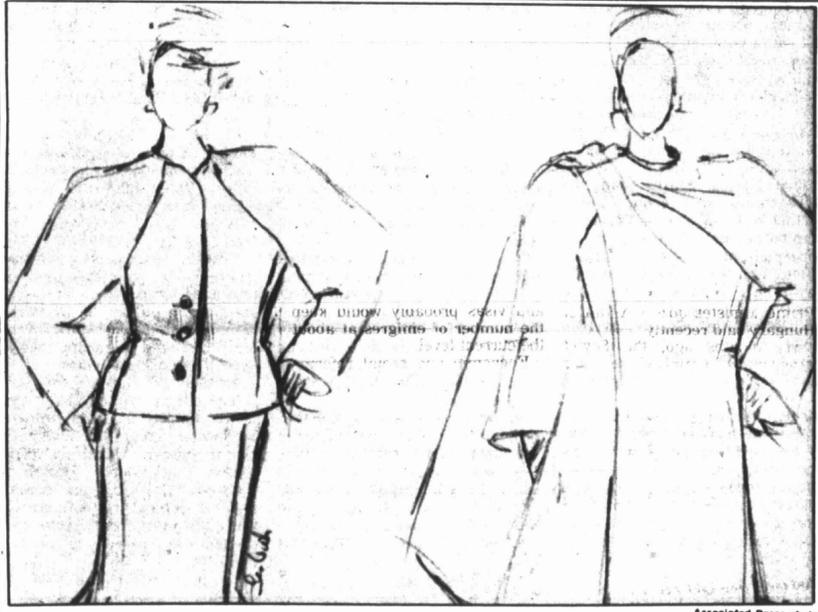
DEAR FAMILY HEATHEN: Sitting shoulder-to-shoulder might be a little too close for comfort. Would you settle for just a token "hooking of little fingers?"

DEAR ABBY: Please tell me that it isn't true that another person out there thinks people are superior to animals. I'm referring to the person who wrote to say that he (or she) was "mortified" to learn that a couple had included their dog in their wedding ceremony. (The dog was the ring bearer.)

Abby, human beings are not superior to animals. In fact, we humans can learn a great deal from animals. When was the last time an elk tossed a cigarette out of a car window and started a forest fire? When did an elephant kill another elephant for his money? And when did a cat give birth to a litter of brain-damaged kittens because she took drugs during her pregnancy? — DANA FROM COLORADO

DEAR DANA: Hear, hear! In the words of that great American humorist, Mark Twain: "Man is the only animal that blushes. Or needs to."

DEAR ABBY: I am a newly married military wife. My husband and I planned to have children in three or four years. However, events in the Persian Gulf and Saudi Arabia have raised some questions. I would like to ask your readers who were in the military during World War II, the Korean conflict or Vietnam their opinions on having (or not hav-



Associated Press photo

Inaugural fashions

Artist's renderings depict the suit and coat to be worn by Governor-elect Ann Richards when she takes the oath of office on Tuesday. Les Wilk, professor of fashion design and designer in

residence at Texas Women's University, and five students created the inaugural outfits for Richards. The outfit will be winter white mohair.

The look in denims is anti-fit

NEW YORK (AP) — The general trend for denims this spring is toward a full, loose silhouette, according to the National Association of Men's Sportswear Buyers, Inc.

The warm-up shape, also called anti-fit, is the denim interpretation of the knits. The drawstring waist is replaced by pleats or a belt. The leg is full cut, extra long and tapered at the ankle.



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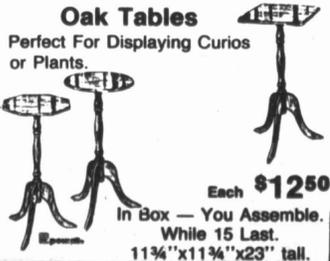
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How's that?

Q. How much postage is required to send mail to service personnel in Operation Desert Shield?

A. According to Mr. Leon, Big Spring Postmaster, letters going to soldiers stationed in the Middle East require only 25 cents postage. This is because mail going there is directed initially to an APO (Army Post Office) address. At that point the Army takes over further transport and delivery.

Calendar

TODAY
 • The Big Spring Model Aircraft Assoc. will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Chamber of Commerce meeting room. Anyone welcome. For more information call 267-3915.

SATURDAY
 • The Big Spring Humane Society will sponsor a rummage sale from 1 to 4 p.m. at West 4th and Galveston. There will be lots of clothing, furniture, books and household items.

• The West Texas Gluten-Free Awareness Support Group for people with Celiac Disease or Dermatitis Herpetiformis, will meet from 7 to 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, Midland.

Police beat

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

• An 18-year-old woman and a 21-year-old woman were arrested on warrants for aggravated robbery.

• The rear window of a vehicle was reported to have been smashed while the car was parked at Washington Elementary School. Damage is estimated at \$200.

• A business in the 1700 block of East Marcy reported a plate glass window had been damaged. Its value is listed at \$500.

• A truck struck some phone lines in the 2600 block of Wasson Road early Thursday. Damage was estimated as \$500.

• An 18-year-old man was arrested for driving while license suspended.

• A 30-year-old man was arrested for failure to appear before a judge.

• A burglary was reported in the 1100 block of Lamar Street. Among items taken were jewelry, beer, a radio and a shotgun.

A burglary attempt was foiled early this morning when four youths were taken into police custody after breaking into the Anthony's store in College Park Shopping Center.

Store manager David Weaver said the four boys entered the store through an air duct vent on the roof.

"They found one loose iron bar and bent it enough to squeeze through and crawl through the vent," he said. "They must have been skinny guys because that was a small space."

Once inside, the would-be burglars set off the store's alarm system shortly after midnight. Big Spring police arrived immediately, Weaver said.

"They (the youths) never got to the burglary part," he said. "Once the alarm started going off, I guess they realized there was no way to get out. The police caught two of them inside and two still on the roof."

The store will prosecute to the fullest extent of the law, Weaver said.

A nursing supervisor confirmed today that one of the youths was a patient at Scenic Mountain Medical Center for injuries sustained in the incident. She would give no further information.

Author clarifies financial position

Big Spring author Richard Hardison, the focus of a recent Herald feature, said he did not leave Houston due to financial difficulties.

"I sold my business," he said. "I was tired of it." He owned a vegetative erosion control company, employing more than 100 men.

He said there was a lot of money due him each month, but developers and contractors were slow to pay.

"Since I had no backup, I just got tired of fooling with it," he said.

For the record

In the outline concerning the recycling skit at Elbow Elementary, the phone number was incorrectly listed.

The correct number is 267-3716.

Stenholm endorses resolution allowing war

Herald Washington Bureau
 WASHINGTON—Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas, has endorsed a bipartisan resolution that would give President Bush the authority to make war on Iraq, saying it is the last hope to convince Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to withdraw his forces from Kuwait without war.

While the resolution is only one of several being debated in the House during the next two days, Stenholm said the American public understands that war may ultimately be necessary to stop Iraq from seizing a key position over the supply of Persian Gulf.

"Letting him keep Kuwait would be like putting a loaded gun to our own heads. We'd just be waiting for him to pull the trigger," Stenholm said.

The collapse of U.S.-Iraqi negotiations on Wednesday ap-

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Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas



parently galvanized support in Congress for the Bush administration strategy, although both the House and Senate are expected to debate several competing resolutions on Friday and into the weekend.

Both House Speaker Tom Foley, who opposes giving the administration a "blank check" to make war, and House Minority Leader Robert Michel called the upcoming debate a "matter of conscience" and that

party members would not be pressured to hold ranks.

Stenholm said he believes it is crucial for the United States and the United Nations coalition in opposing Iraq to use war if necessary to end Hussein's expansionist ambitions.

"I think the comparison between Hussein and Adolf Hitler has been overworked, but the historical perspective is very compelling. We have to stop Saddam Hussein now

or the cost will only be higher later," Stenholm said.

The House is expected to debate three resolutions during the next 48 hours: the bipartisan resolution that would essentially give Bush war authority; a proposal from Rep. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., that would assert that only Congress can declare war; and a resolution from Rep. Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., that commits the nation to the economic embargo with the possi-

ble threat of military action — with congressional approval — at some future date.

Rep. Dante Fascell, D-Fla., and other supporters of the bipartisan approach said it would give Bush explicit authority to implement the United Nations resolution calling for Iraq to withdraw from Kuwait. Fascell said the resolution would allow Bush to order a military strike after Jan. 15 without a constitutional showdown with Congress over war-making powers.

Michel, R-Ill., said the resolution had strong support among Republicans and with a sizable number of Democrats, it was likely to pass the House.

"No one wants war any less than I do but I think it is wise to give our president a strong vote of support and maybe that will convey the message to Iraq that it must withdraw," Michel said.

Congress

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Senior Democrats there were backing an alternative calling for extended reliance on economic sanctions to drive back the Iraqis. GOP leaders appeared to be stalling for more time to defeat it, and still had not introduced the president's version this morning.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, told reporters he hoped the president's supporters, if they feared a loss, would not use the Senate rules to block all action. "Filibuster... should not be used by anyone" on an issue so important, he said.

Asked why Bush had only invited House members to today's breakfast, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said: "We don't have the House now. We're working on both houses. We take nothing for granted."

Bush had met with 17 senators Thursday, lobbying furiously the seven Democrats among the bipartisan group in attendance. In addition to his personal lobbying, he was sending national security experts to Capitol Hill today to make his case.

House Speaker Thomas S. Foley, D-Wash., said today he would vote for the alternative resolution. He quarreled with those who said supporting the president's version was anything less than a declaration of war.

"It would be a strange argument that all we're doing here is arming the president with the last diplomatic quiver," he said.

Under a United Nations deadline, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has until Tuesday to quit Kuwait or face possible attack by a U.S.-led multinational force.

In the House, leaders of both parties, including those opposed to the president, had predicted success for a resolution authorizing Bush to use military might to free Kuwait.

Bush lost at least one Senate Democrat Thursday. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen of Texas announced his

support for a resolution calling on the president to give economic sanctions and diplomacy more time.

The non-binding measure, sponsored by Mitchell and Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Armed Services Committee, asserts that if and when the time comes for force, only Congress can grant approval.

"General (Dwight) Eisenhower spoke about the courage of patience, and I think it's time for that. This is not just a test of manhood. This is a test of judgment," Bentsen said.

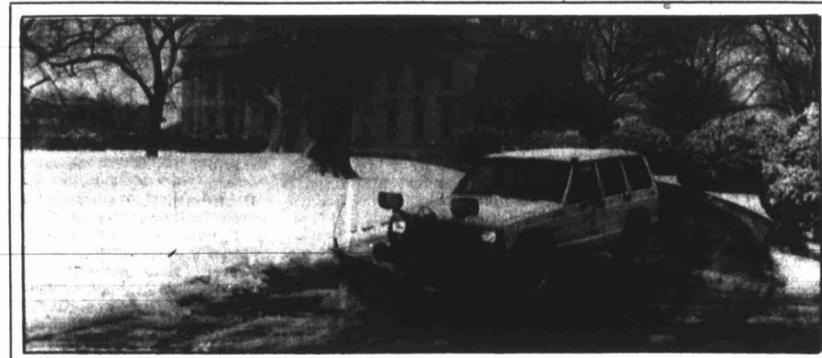
The debate, described by several lawmakers as the most important of their lives, was carried live on public television and produced a heavy influx of telephone calls to the Capitol that overloaded the switchboard.

"There is a real understanding that this is a moment of profound decision... affecting... the whole planet. There's a sense that this truly matters," said House Republican Whip Newt Gingrich of Georgia.

House GOP Leader Robert Michel, a decorated infantryman who was wounded during the Battle of the Bulge in World War II, argued Bush's case that force is the only answer to wrest Kuwait from Iraq.

"Those of our generation know from bloody experience that unchecked aggression against a small nation is a prelude to international disaster," the Illinois lawmaker said in an impassioned speech on the House floor.

An ABC-Washington Post poll reported Thursday that 68 percent of 511 American adults surveyed Wednesday night believed the United States should attack Iraq if it doesn't get out of Kuwait by Tuesday. That was an increase from 58 percent a month earlier. The likely margin of uncertainty in the poll was 5 percentage points.



Snow in Washington
 WASHINGTON — A snow-plow-equipped truck cleans the snow off the driveway at the White House early Friday morning after a winter storm hit the Washington area overnight.

Mission

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for his plan for a U.N. peacekeeping role in the gulf region if Iraq pulls out from Kuwait.

German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said: It is alone in the hands of Saddam to clear the way for a settlement by getting out of Kuwait." Perez de Cuellar, who left New York late Thursday for Paris, Geneva and Amman, said he was not bringing a specific plan to Saddam when he arrives in Baghdad on Saturday. But he said he was exploring U.N. supervision of a simultaneous pullout of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the U.S.-led forces arrayed against the Iraqis in the Persian Gulf region.

"Once the withdrawal is agreed upon I think I will propose the participation of the U.N. force, I mean U.N. peacekeeping operations," Perez de Cuellar said.

Saddam's defiant speech came before hundreds of Muslim scholars attending a conference in Baghdad. He said he was certain of victory because his armed forces had "combat experience, unlike

the Americans using military manuals."

His information minister also denied foreign news reports that Saddam may wait several days past the Tuesday deadline before announcing his support "in principle" to leave Kuwait.

The U.S. advisory for Americans to leave Israel and the occupied territories was the latest in a series issued in the region because of fears of Iraqi attacks. The U.S. Embassy in Israel authorized more than 200 dependents of embassy employees were authorized to depart at government expense.

Bush is sending Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger to Israel soon to reassure its leaders about U.S. support in case of an Iraqi attack and to coordinate positions if war breaks out, officials in Washington said.

In other developments: Saudi Arabia pledged today to bear 40 percent to 50 percent of the military costs for the multinational buildup in the gulf. U.S. and Saudi

officials refused to name a price tag on the contribution.

An eight-ship U.S. Navy amphibious task force has entered the gulf and will be followed in the next few days by the aircraft carrier USS Midway, the U.S. Central Command said today in Saudi Arabia.

The United States and the Netherlands will send Patriot surface-to-air missiles to Turkey to help bolster its defenses in case of border clashes with Iraq, a Dutch official and NATO sources said today. The agreement to send the missiles — the most sophisticated air defensive missile in the American arsenal — came five days after Belgium, Italy and Germany dispatched 42 NATO jets to Turkey to defend its southern border with Iraq.

The International Energy Agency, representing the United States and 20 other major oil-consuming nations, today announced a plan to release 2 million barrels of oil daily from government reserves if a war reduces world supplies.

Settles

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and money."

"It's a very emotional thing," he said, testifying on his behalf. "You rely on people to do certain things for you and... then you get disgusted. He was as much our contractor as the city's."

Cuadra claimed that because the contractor was recommended by a city official, that the city was participating in the project. Decell said the city did not act as agent or participate in the work of property owners.

He said he thought the city had assisting him briefly in work on the fence, then "washed its hands" of the situation.

Calling the citations a "communication problem," Cuadra said he had been misled by the idea that Code Enforcement Officer Leland Graves was his contact with the city. He said he believed Graves was approving the work as it was completed, and was aware each time the building was secured.

"I've relied on you for advice and guidance... to see whether I'm complying with these things," he told Graves.

As a witness for the city, Graves

explained that his job was to inspect buildings for code violations. He said that the Settles, as of a Wednesday inspection, did not meet code requirements.

Cuadra said he did not receive several pieces of correspondence regarding the hotel. The original letter, citing the agreement and listing the required actions, was given to him personally by Martha Calvio, secretary to Decell.

Other letters were sent to an address in San Antonio and returned to the city. Cuadra said the city knew he was living in Midland.

The developer said he does not think he is being treated fairly. "Why is it that over the course of the last year you've not done what the city usually does and gone on and brought in another contractor?" he asked. He said after the trial that "the city forecloses on people all the time. Why haven't they done that here?"

When asked why the city had not foreclosed on the Settles, Decell said foreclosure requires the agreement of all taxing entities, not just the city.

"He's the owner of a building,"

Decell said. "He has responsibilities." He added that the city has "made a commitment that we would clean up the community."

Decell said complaints against Cuadra will continue until he completes the required work. Paying the fines, he said, will not end the developer's responsibility.

"Until it is abated, the building is still in violation (of city codes)," Decell said.

Cuadra said it was never his intent "to create a hazard" with the building. He said he had tried unsuccessfully to give the building to several groups and organizations, including Howard College and Housing and Urban Development, as well as attempted to devise plans for using the structure to benefit the city.

Cuadra said he does not regret buying the abandoned hotel, on which he apparently owes about \$125,000 in taxes.

"Real estate is all timing," he said. "It's always a gamble."

The hotel owner said he was not sure if he would pay the fines levied by the judge.

"We'll see," he said.

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purchase locally due to lack of supply, such as audio-visual equipment.

The board accepted a resolution establishing a records management program. The program is mandated by state law, and will determine how long certain documents are kept by the district.

Bids approved by the board

Court docket

Filings in Howard County courts indicate the following:

• Clark Lowery, 33, 2608 Central Drive, was charged in Howard County with harrasing a woman.

• Steven Randall, 29, 411 Edwards, was charged in County Court with violation of a protective order, using and threatening physical force.

• Edward Ramirez Gallardo, 30, 1202 Lamar Avenue, was charged in County Court with driving while

were:

• About \$250,000 worth of cafeteria food from 12 suppliers.

• Bailey Electric of Big Spring was approved to work on contract for the district with various projects during a one-year period.

• Marquez Fence Company was approved as supplier for a \$3,000 fence project at the baseball field.

The board will meet Jan. 24 at noon.

license suspended.

• Gary Gay Bradley, 36, PO Box 1702, was charged in County Court with driving while license suspended.

• Esperanza Pedro, 29, 307 W. Fifth Street, was charged in County Court with driving with no insurance, second offense.

• Karen Ann Statham, 27, 906 Aylesford Street, was charged in County Court with no insurance, second offense.

• Stacy Lynn Mann, 25, 1503 S. Johnson Street, was charged in County Court with no insurance, second offense.

and had previously lived in Ackerly.

Survivors include two sons: Francisco Vidales Jr., Odessa; and Salvador Vidales, Seguin; three daughters: Solata Pena, Florida; Juamita Villareal, Midland; and Frances Cruz, Big Spring; one brother, Geo Vidales, Lubbock; one sister, Christina Salazar, Mexico; 60 grandchildren, 50 great-grandchildren, and 10 great-great-grandchildren.

Lyle Shepperly

Lyle Shepperly, 67, Big Spring, died Friday, Jan. 11, 1991, at his residence. Services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Deaths

Francisco Vidales Sr.

Francisco Vidales Sr., 96, Odessa, father of a Big Spring woman, died Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1991.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Friday at Trinity Memorial Park with the Rev. Patrick Walsh officiating, and under the direction of Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors.

He was born Sept. 12, 1894, in Mexico. He was a Catholic and was a self-employed farmer. He moved to Odessa in 1983 from Lamesa,

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 Funeral Home and Chapel
 267-8288
 301 E. 24th St., Big Spring

Nalley-Pickle & Welch
 Funeral Home
 and Reswood Chapel
 906 GREGG
 BIG SPRING

Oil/markets

February crude oil \$29.95, up 24, and March cotton futures 76.25 cents a pound, up 38; cash hog \$1.30; highland of \$2.00; soybean futures steady at 79.50; February live hog futures \$3.50, down -15; February live cattle futures 74.42, up 5 at 11:15 a.m., according to Delta Commodities.

Name	CURRENT QUOTE	CHANGE from close
ATT	39 1/2	+ 1/2
American Petroleum	77 1/2	- 1/2
Amoco	48 1/2	- 1/2
Atlantic Richfield	120 1/2	+ 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	14	- 1/2
Celb	28 1/2	- 1/2

Tutoring

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 is scheduled for Social Studies work. All the session begin at 3:30 p.m. and end at 4 p.m.

Helen Gladden, curriculum director for the Big Spring Independent School District, said, "Our schools are always looking for unique methods to help our students pass. We have state mandated tutoring for every child who has failed. With this, we'll pinpoint one subject area and be able to help those students."

"We also have state mandated

Oil/markets

Chevron	71	- 1/2	Sun	29 1/2	- 1/2
Chrysler	12 1/2	- 1/2	Texas	37 1/2	- 1/2
Coca-Cola	44 1/2	+ 1/2	Texas Instruments	38 1/2	- 1/2
De Beers	18 1/2	- 1/2	Texas Utilities	37 1/2	- 1/2
DuPont	33 1/2	+ 1/2	Unocal Corp.	24 1/2	- 1/2
El Paso Electric	4	+ 1/2	USX Corp.	28 1/2	- 1/2
Exxon	50 1/2	- 1/2	Wal-Mart	29 1/2	+ 1/2
Ford Motors	25 1/2	- 1/2	Amcap	9.40-10.19	
GTE	28 1/2	- 1/2	I.C.A.	14.02-14.88	
Hillburton	40 1/2	- 1/2	New Economy	18.27-19.38	
IBM	107 1/2	- 1/2	New Perspective	9.99-10.40	
Int'l Eagle Tool Co.	170-350		Van Kampen	15.24-16.03	
J.C. Penney	44 1/2	+ 1/2	American Funds U.S. Gov't	13.50-14.17	
Mesa Ltd. Pri. A	3	- 1/2	Pioneer II	15.18-16.59	
Mobile	58 1/2	- 1/2	Gold	396.75-391.50	
New Atmos Energy	14 1/2	- 1/2	Silver	4.13-4.16	
Pacific Gas	25	- 1/2	Non quotes courtesy of Edward D. Jones & Co., 219 Main St., Big Spring, 267-2501. Quotes are from today's market, and the change is market activity from 3 p.m. the previous day.		
Phillips Petroleum	24 1/2	- 1/2			
Schlumberger	51 1/2	- 1/2			
Sears	25	- 1/2			
Southwestern Bell	52 1/2	- 1/2			

Howard wins shootout at Dorothy Garrett

OC no match for Hawks' inside game

Lady Hawks soar to victory in second half

By STEVE REAGAN
Staff Writer

It may have been the ugliest win the Howard College Hawks have had this season, but their coach couldn't be prouder.

With their run-and-gun offense stymied by a tenacious Odessa defense, the Hawks resorted to a patient attack featuring inside men Johnny McDowell and Cecil Pittman. The result was a workman-like 87-74 Howard victory at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum Thursday night.

Pittman and McDowell led all scorers with 24 and 20 points, respectively. Mike Williams added 13 and Antonio Valiengo 11 for Howard, now 18-0 overall and 4-0 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play.

The Wranglers, who fell to 11-5 and 1-2 with the loss, were



Howard College Hawks sophomore forward Cecil Pittman (44) hauls down a rebound away from Odessa College's Calvin Sinkfield as Howard guard Ritchie Campbell looks on during first half action Thursday night.

Green said of OC. "They play as good a man defense as anybody in this league."

"The Wranglers took advantage of a Howard dry spell to grab the early lead. The Hawks, acting as if they were rusty from their month-long layoff, went more than five minutes without

a point and OC responded by taking a four-point lead with 12:40 left in the first half.

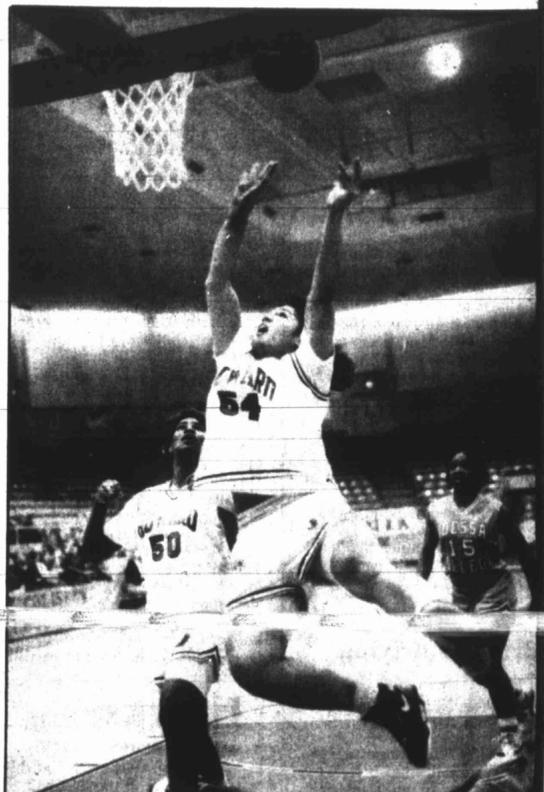
The Hawks temporarily regained the lead behind five straight points from Pittman, but the Wranglers responded with six unanswered points of

By STEVE BELVIN
Sports Editor

It matched the No. 3 in the nation against the No. 4 team, and it was everything it was cracked up to be. The Howard College Lady Hawks played a dominating second half and came away with a 55-53 win over the Odessa College Lady Wranglers Thursday night.

The win gives the No. 3 Lady Hawks a 17-0 overall record and 4-0 conference mark. It was the fourth-ranked Lady Wranglers' first loss of the season in 17 tries. OC falls to 2-1 in league competition.

Howard had to overcome a 32-21 halftime deficit to net the win. Keying the comeback were guards Kim Robinson and Cindy Williams, who combined for 19 second half points. Both played strong overall games, working



Howard College Lady Hawks sophomore post player Mulu Tosi (54) goes to the basket over an Odessa College Lady Wranglers player as Howard's Yolanda Wells (50) and Odessa's Laquatra Parker (15) trail on the play.

contest with 16 points; Woodard scored all six of her points in the first half, and Wilson scored nine of her 12 points in the first half.

Post player Mulu Tosi came off the bench to keep Howard within relative striking distance. The 6-foot-2

sophomore scored all nine of her points in the first half. Tosi, Cindy Williams and Robinson scored all but two of Howard's first half points.

CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Howard	4-0
South Plains	4-0
Frank Phillips	2-1
Western Texas	2-2
Midland	2-1
Odessa	1-2
NMMI	1-3
NMJC	0-3
Clarendon	0-4

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Monday
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hard on the boards and keying a strong second half defensive effort.

While Howard dominated the second half, it was OC's defense that dominated the first half. Combining an aggressive man-to-man defense, along with a trapping press, OC controlled the tempo in the first 20 minutes of play.

Howard turned the ball over 15 times in the first half. Keying OC's defense were the quick hands of Shaun Thomas and Michelle Reynolds. Reynolds also helped in the scoring department in the first half, along with Rene Woodard and 6-foot-5 post player Twanda Wilson. Reynolds finished the

Smith Offensive Rookie of Year

DALLAS (AP) — The consternation among the coaches over Emmitt Smith's absence from the Dallas Cowboys' training camp last July was as thick and sultry as the rainy weather.

"We've got some running backs here who want to play, and if Emmitt wants to, he'd better get to camp," said Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson.

Smith didn't get to training camp, but he signed just before the regular season started and was so productive he was named the NFL's Offensive Rookie of the Year on Thursday by The Associated Press.

"Coaches have their opinions about being in training camp, but in the long run it could fatigue you a little," Smith said. "I don't know if I'll survive camp this year or not."

Smith, the 17th pick in the first round of the 1990 draft, received 33 of the 80 votes cast by sports writers and broadcasters who cover the NFL. Another runner, Johnny Johnson, the seventh-rounder for the Phoenix Cardinals, was a close second with 29 votes.

"I feel very honored," said Smith, who barely played in the first two games of the season as he tried to get into shape. "For me, coming out of college and not achieving the Heisman ... this made it a big honor for me to be rookie of year."

"It shows someone else feels you have the capabilities of becoming a leading player."

Smith, an All-American at Florida, where he rushed for 3,928

yards and 36 touchdowns in three seasons, passed up his senior season to enter the draft. He was the second running back taken behind Blair Thomas of the New York Jets.

While Thomas was rushing for 620 yards and did not receive a vote for Offensive Rookie, Smith got 937 yards and 11 touchdowns. He was the focal point of a revitalized ground game and offered a balance to the passing of Troy Aikman.

After carrying just twice for two yards in the opener against San Diego and only six times for 11 yards against the New York Giants, Smith took off. Against Washington, he had 17 carries for 63 yards and a touchdown.

The Giants shut down Smith the next week (12 for 28, one score), but he had his first 100-yard effort the next week, gaining 121 on 23 runs and scoring once.

He didn't have another big game for a month and, after getting just 40 yards on six attempts against San Francisco, Smith complained he wasn't getting enough work.

"I want Emmitt to get the ball more, too," Johnson said.

Smith had no fewer than 14 carries in each of the remaining six games. In a Thanksgiving Day upset of Washington, he had a season-high 132 yards on 23 runs. Against Phoenix, Smith gained 103 yards and scored four times.

"He is going to be a big-time player," Johnson said. "He might have been hurt a little by no training camp. It took him a little while to get into the offense."



Dallas Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith, shown here in this file photo, was selected as the National Football League Rookie of the Year by the Associated Press.

Smith has some goals for 1991.

"I'm a big goal-setter and I definitely had a goal of achieving 1,000," he said. "But I knew the odds definitely were against me. If some way we could have gotten the ball in my hands more, I could have achieved it. I didn't really start getting the ball until

midseason.

"I had to cry little bit for it."

Also getting votes were Indianapolis quarterback Jeff George, the top pick in the draft, with eight; Miami tackle Richmond Webb (six); Pittsburgh tight end Eric Green (three); and Tampa Bay kicker Steve Christie (one).

Chicago Bears safety top defensive rookie

NEW YORK (AP) — If Mark Carrier feels like thumbing his nose at the critics who questioned his being selected sixth in the 1990 NFL draft, he has more ammunition today — the Defensive Rookie of the Year Award.

Carrier, who led the NFL with 10 interceptions, was chosen by the Chicago Bears and immediately signed a five-year, \$4.2 million contract.

The selection was criticized by many observers who said Carrier, a safety from Southern Cal, belonged in the lower part of the opening round. The Bears even admitted a major reason for drafting Carrier so high was his willingness to sign immediately.

But Carrier proved those naysayers wrong as he easily won the balloting by 80 sports writers and broadcaster who cover the NFL. He got 72 of the votes, while linebackers James Francis of Cincinnati received 7 and Junior Seau of San Diego got 1.

"Individually, it is one of the greatest awards I can receive, outside of being named to the Pro Bowl," said Carrier, who did, in-

deed, get voted to the Pro Bowl by his peers, a rare honor for a rookie. "If someone had mentioned this earlier in the season, I'd have been surprised. At this point, I'm not surprised. I knew when the season was over I had a good chance."

Carrier made a strong impression in training camp. Ditka, who rarely praises young players, said he was pleased with Carrier's "football intelligence and his willingness to work to learn and improve."

Chicago's secondary was one of the most improved areas on a team that went from 6-10 to 11-5 and won the NFC Central. Carrier was a centerpiece of that unit from the beginning.

"Early signing was the No. 1 thing," he said. "Getting in camp on time and getting a big chunk of learning the system was a big factor."

"I made the right decision. It took away a lot of pressure. There were no negotiations and it let my teammates know that I was ready to play right off the bat. I had a chance to grow with the other players and get familiar with them."

Carrier said he had extra incentive to break the club record of nine interceptions, which he did in the 15th game of the season, against Tampa Bay.

49ers, Bills, Raiders and Giants picked to win

By DAVE GOLDBERG
AP Football Writer

To hear Joe Gibbs talk, there's no point for his Washington Redskins to fly west and play the San Francisco 49ers.

"I thought we played well when we played them the first time and they took us apart," Gibbs says of his team's 26-13 loss in San Francisco the second week of the season.

"They have a great offense, a great defense, they're very tough to

beat." The oddsmakers agree, making the 49ers eight-point favorites for Sunday's NFC playoff game.

The 49ers have been playing just well enough to win 14 of 16 games this season, with eight victories decided by less than a touchdown. But they're still the champions, and it can be argued that the regular season was like a series of exhibitions for them as the 49ers just about clinched the NFC West by midseason.

Moreover, the Redskins played

what may have been their Super Bowl last week, avenging a regular-season thrashing in Philadelphia and getting Buddy Ryan fired in the process.

How much of their game did they leave at Veterans Stadium?

Two more points: — Joe Montana threw for 390 yards the last time against a vulnerable secondary.

— The up-and-down Mark Rypien was up last week for the Redskins, meaning ... 49ERS, 27-17

Miami (plus 6½) at Buffalo

Another rerun — the Bills, with Frank Reich at quarterback, beat the Dolphins 24-14 in Buffalo three weeks ago, which is why this game is back in the snow instead of the sunshine.

That may be enough for the Bills, who remain the best-rounded team in the AFC.

Reich may be back this week, or it may be Jim Kelly, who has been cleared by the doctors but doesn't feel great.

In any case, barring another Dan

Marino miracle finish — a lot less likely in Buffalo weather than in Miami — the result shouldn't change much, Kelly or Reich. The Dolphins are vulnerable to Thurman Thomas and the Bills should be able to stuff Sammie Smith.

BILLS, 23-16

Chicago (plus 6½) at New York Giants

This could be a snoozer — watch Jeff Hostetler and Mike Tomczak hand off and the defenses stuff Otis Anderson, Rodney Hampton,

Neal Anderson, et. al.

The difference? The Giants stuff a little better the game is at Giants Stadium and the Bears don't play particularly well on artificial turf.

GIANTS, 13-10

CINCINNATI (plus 6½) at LOS ANGELES RAIDERS

And yet another repeat — the Raiders won 24-7 the first time, a game in which Boomer Esiason was hobbled with a groin pull. That's

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Sidelines

Lady Steers on road tonight

The Big Spring Lady Steers will play the Pecos Lady Eagles in district basketball action tonight at 7:30 in Pecos. Big Spring, 3-15 overall and 2-2 in district play, is coming off a 71-53 loss to San Angelo Lake View Tuesday night. Pecos, 3-1 in league play, defeated Fort Stockton 71-46 Tuesday.

Steers hosting Eagles tonight

The Big Spring Steers will host the Pecos Eagles in district basketball action tonight at 7:30 in Steer Gym. The Steers, 1-2 in district play and 7-14 overall, are coming off a 84-75 loss to San Angelo Lake View Tuesday night. Fort Stockton beat Pecos 80-71 Tuesday. The Eagles are 0-3 in league play.

Pistol shoot set for this Sunday

The Western Sportsman Club will have a centerfire pistol shoot this Sunday at 1:30 p.m. The shoot is open to the public and women and junior shooters are welcome. The club is located nine miles west on Highway 176 (Andrews highway).

Lewis charged with drunken driving

HOUSTON (AP) — Olympic gold medalist Carl Lewis was arrested early today on drunken driving charges and was being held at a police station lockup.

"As far as I know there have been no problems with Mr. Lewis," Sgt. Ralph Gonzales, a police spokesman said late this morning. "He is very distraught about all of this."

The sprint champion was pulled over about 2 a.m. today by officers on the west side of the city. Lewis, 29, was the driver of a car carrying four men.

One of the men also was arrested after becoming belligerent during the traffic stop, police spokesman Kevin Robertson said.

Authorities said Lewis, who did not resist arrest, was taken into custody after failing a field sobriety test.

Another test administered at the police station put Lewis' blood-alcohol content at 0.12. In Texas, the legal intoxication limit is 0.10.

Robertson said Lewis likely would need about \$800 to post bond.

The police spokesman said Lewis' Audi was pulled over at 2:05 a.m. near the city's Galleria district after officers in a patrol car saw the Audi make a turn, strike a curb and blow out both right-side tires, disabling the car in the middle of the street.

One of Lewis' companions, identified as Andre McMillan, became irritated when police told him to stay away while they administered the sobriety test to Lewis at the scene and was arrested on charges of public intoxication and resisting arrest, Robertson said.

Win

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was the game best known for Rod Jones running down Bo Jackson from behind at the end of an 88-yard run.

Naturally, the Bengals are hobbled again — James Brooks will play with a dislocated thumb and Anthony Munoz and Bruce Reimers, two staples of their offensive line, are hurting.

Sam Wyche thinks his Bengals are playing better than ever. He also doesn't think they're inconsistent.

He's the only one.
RAIDERS, 24-14.

Last Week: 3-1 (spread); 2-2 Straight Up.
Season: 115-109-2 (spread); 144-82 (straight up)

Kings score only 59 points

By The ASSOCIATED PRESS

It was of little consolation to Sacramento coach Dick Motta that his Kings were two points better than the NBA record for futility.

"I would have hated to see the lowest-scoring game," Motta said Thursday night after Sacramento was beaten by Charlotte 101-59.

Only the Milwaukee Hawks scored fewer points — in a 62-57 loss to Boston on Feb. 27, 1955, at Providence.

"What went wrong? Shooting, passing, dribbling. It was all ugly," Motta said. "I just wanted the floor to open up so we could just disappear."

The Kings shot 29.7 percent, had two 12-point quarters and went 9:16 into the fourth quarter before scoring a basket in that period. The Kings had three baskets in the final quarter and their 22 for the game was the fourth-lowest total in league history.

When it became obvious that the Kings would not surpass their own franchise low — set since the shot clock was introduced in the 1954-55 season — of 69 points, Motta decided a goal was needed.

"I really wanted us to get to 60," he said. "That's why I called a late timeout."

"I told them to get to 60. We couldn't even do that."

Elsewhere, it was Indiana 129, New York 122; Washington 122, the Los Angeles Clippers 110; San Antonio 117, Orlando 111; Houston 156, Denver 133; and Golden State 113, Seattle 103.

The Kings' franchise low of 69 was set by the Cincinnati Royals against Detroit on Jan. 10, 1959. The NBA does not recognize record lows set prior to the adoption of the shot clock.

Sacramento also set a franchise low for the first half with 27 points.

NBA

the Kings and their 12th consecutive on the road, where they are 1-16 this season.

"I've never had a worse experience in the NBA," said Antoine Carr, who led the Kings with 21 points and 11 rebounds. "We've got to do whatever we can to make sure this never happens again."

"This team has got to look itself in the mirror. We can look like we did tonight or we can never let this happen again. I never want this to happen again in my NBA career."

Johnny Newman led the Hornets with 29 points.

"Since I have been here we have not had a game like this," Charlotte coach Gene Littles said. "Our bench just kept scoring and Sacramento got frustrated."

Charlotte's starters outscored Sacramento's 61-23.

Sacramento, which has scored only 225 points in its last three games, missed 11 consecutive shots during a 12-1 Charlotte surge in the first quarter.

After Wayman Tisdale pulled the Kings to 8-6 on a short jumper with 8:13 to play in the opening period, Sacramento went 7:27 without a basket. The Kings didn't score again until Travis Mays made a technical free throw with 3:59 remaining.

At that same time, Tisdale, the Kings' leading scorer, strained a ligament in his right foot. He did not return.

Newman hit his first eight shots for 18 first-half points as the Hornets, who had lost 14 of their previous 16 games, shot 50 percent.

Spurs 117, Magic 111

David Robinson matched his career high with 43 points and added 12 rebounds and 10 blocked shots to lead surging San Antonio by

injury-riddled Orlando.

Orlando, 1-17 on the road, was without two of its three leading scorers, Terry Catledge and Scott Skiles. The Magic got 23 points from Dennis Scott and 18 from Nick Anderson.

Willie Anderson had 19 points for the Spurs, winners in 14 of their last 17 games.

Rockets 156, Nuggets 133

Houston, playing without leading scorer Akeem Olatunji, spotted hapless Denver a 15-point lead, then roared from behind with a 94-point second half.

That was three points short of the league record for a second half, set by Atlanta in 1970.

Vernon Maxwell had 26 points, Kenny Smith 25, Otis Thorpe 24 and Buck Johnson 23 in Houston's first road game since Olatunji sustained an eye injury a week ago.

Pacers 129, Knicks 122

Reggie Miller scored 12 of his 21 points in the fourth quarter as Indiana won on the road for only the second time this season.

Indiana, 2-16 as a visitor, overcame Patrick Ewing's 42 points and a season-high 27 from Maurice Cheeks to hand the Knicks their 11th loss in 18 games at Madison Square Garden. Chuck Person had 24 points for the Pacers and Micheal Williams 22.

Bullets 122, Clippers 110

Bernard King scored 45 points and Harvey Grant a career-high 34 as Washington continued its domination of Los Angeles.

King took over the NBA scoring lead at 31 points per game with his seventh 40-plus effort of the season.

Warriors 113, SuperSonics 103

Mitch Richmond scored 32 points and Tim Hardaway got 9 of his 23 to key an 18-3 fourth-quarter spurt by Golden State.

The Warriors beat the Sonics for the fourth straight time in the last two seasons.



FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Arkansas' Todd Day (10) looks for room around Texas' Joey Wright Thursday in first half Southwest Conference action.

Shortest Razorback leads way to victory

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — Arlyn Bowers has been working on his shot. On Thursday night, it showed.

Bowers, at 5-10 the shortest player on the court, scored 16 of his 20 points in the second half as No. 2 Arkansas held off Texas 101-89. Reserve Ron Huery also scored 11 of his 13 points in the second half, while Oliver Miller sank the first nine shots he took for the Razorbacks.

Arkansas (14-1) improved to 3-0 in the Southwest Conference. Texas (7-5) dropped to 2-1 in the SWC.

"Arlyn Bowers did it all," Arkansas coach Nolan Richardson said. "They left him open for some reason and he knocked down the jump shots. He also hit some big free throws."

Bowers made four straight free throws in the final 10 and Huery

made both ends of a one-and-one after Texas had narrowed a 16-point deficit to 88-83 with 2:40 remaining.

"Ron Huery did another great job in a utility role," Richardson said. "He was 5-of-7, scored 13 points and had five rebounds. I would like for him to shoot a little more but he's given us great effort every game."

Bowers said the opportunities simply came in this game.

"They went to a zone and coach told us to get it into 'O' (Miller) and try to get their big men into foul trouble," Bowers said. "The last couple of games I haven't been shooting much but I've been working on my shot. As well as I was playing and since my shot was falling, I really felt in control. When I penetrated, I'd either shoot or dish it off to Eric (McMillan) or Rodney (Dent)."

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Hawks

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their own to lead by five at the halfway point of the first half.

"I wanted to call time out and put in our extra-point team," Green said of the dry spell. "We couldn't penetrate their three-point line. We could not hit a shot, and I attribute a lot of that to it was a big game."

After Kevin Washington gave the Wranglers a 19-14 lead with 10 minutes left in the half, the Hawks erupted for 11 straight points to gain the lead for good.

First, Harvey Petty nailed a jumper, then blocked Washington's shot and fed McDowell on the other end for

two more points. Pittman connected on a lay-in, Valiengo hit a three-pointer and McDowell sank two free throws to give Howard a 25-19 lead with 7:46 left in the half.

The two teams traded baskets the rest of the way to intermission, and the Hawks led, 42-33 at halftime.

Whatever rust the Christmas break may have deposited on the Hawks was shaken off early in the second half when Howard erupted for 12 unanswered points to take a 58-37 lead with 14 minutes left in the game.

"We broke out with a couple of

steals and made a couple of easy baskets," Green said of the run. "I think that was the difference in the game. We built that lead and were able to hang on."

The Wranglers responded to the Hawks' run with one of their own, whittling the lead down to nine points at the 9:46 mark. But Howard got its scoring machine back in gear, built the lead back up to 15 at one point and coasted the rest of the way for the win.

"Johnny and Cecil both had outstanding games," Green said of his inside duo. "They neutralized their big guy (6-foot-10 Rodney Dent, who was

held to six points) and we played defense about as well as they did."

"Cecil had a better night tonight," Green added. "I knew he'd have a good game because he's been our best player in practice since Christmas. Johnny is an all-American player and proved it tonight. He's a 6-foot-4 player with 200 pounds of heart."

The Hawks' game was broadcast on the nation's public television network when they host Frank Phillips at 8 p.m.

ODESSA (74) — Wylie Henley 0 2 2 2;

Kevin Washington 1 2 2 4; Charles Evans 0 0 0 0; Tony Martin 4 4 4 17; Jessie Henderson 2 1 2 5; Calvin Sinkfield 7 2 2 16; Robert Shannon 2 3 4 9; Nathan King 2 2 2 4; Anthony Murray 4 1 3 9; Rodney Dent 3 0 0 4; totals 27 17 23 74.

HOWARD (87) — Ted Berry 0 0 0 0; Harvey Petty 2 2 2 4; Gregg Jeffery 0 2 2 2; Chad Caddell 0 0 0 0; Ritchie Campbell 3 0 0 4; Antonio Valiengo 3 3 4 11; Johnny McDowell 5 10 14 20; Dexter Abrams 1 0 0 2; Mike Williams 5 1 1 13; Cecil Pittman 10 4 5 24; Vernon Broughton 1 1 4 3; Danny McMillan 0 0 0 0; totals 36 23 32 87.

HALFTIME — Howard 42, Odessa 37. THREE-POINT GOALS — Martin, Shannon 2, Valiengo 2, Williams 2; TOTAL FOULS — Odessa 25, Howard 22; FOULED OUT — Henley; TECHNICAL — Broughton.

Lady Hawks

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Chadwick. "They shut us down. We had no offensive continuity, because their defense took us out of the game. I don't think the press hurt us that much, because Kim Robinson is really a very good ballhandler. We would do things like get to halfcourt, pick up the ball, and make a bad pass."

But in the second half, it was Howard's defense that changed the game, coupled with the fact that Wilson and Thomas got into foul trouble.

Howard started its comeback five minutes into the second half after Reynolds scored on a drive inside and followed with a baseline jumper, giving OC a 38-27 lead. After Howard missed a shot and OC rebounded, Robinson got a steal and Williams hit a jumper on the other end.

This was followed by a steal by Julie Lempea, who took it all the way, scored and was fouled. She sank the foul shot, completing the three-point play and cutting the margin to 38-32. A few moments later Williams nailed another jumper and the lead was four at the 13:12 mark.

OC came back with a basket and Howard then scored three

straight baskets, capped off when Robinson got a defensive rebound and took it the length of the court. The score was tied 40-40. Howard took its first lead of the game, 42-40, when Robinson hit a short baseline jumper at the 10:22 mark.

Odessa slowly regained the lead and went up 50-46 on a layup by Laquatra Parker with 3:52 left.

Robinson made a foul shot and Desiree Wallace got a steal which resulted in two free throws by Lempea, cutting the deficit to 50-49. Wilson answered with a basket but Robinson came back and made two free throws, cutting the lead to 52-51.

Following an OC miss, Robinson fed Wallace off the break for an easy two, putting Howard ahead 53-52 with 2:20 left.

Howard scored its last points of the contest when Robinson managed to come out of a double team and find Williams under the basket for an easy two. Howard led 55-52 with 1:40 left. OC's final point came on a free throw by Fletcher with 1:33 remaining.

OC got the ball back when Tosi missed a shot. OC's Thomas missed an outside shot

and teammate Rene Woodard rebounded, but was called for double-dribble. Howard then ran out the 30-second shot clock on its next possession. Lempea shot a air-ball and teammate Kathy Mangram rebounded and missed on an attempt. OC rebounded but time ran out as the Lady Wranglers tired to get the ball downcourt.

OC coach Ken Hefner said he wanted a timeout after Mangram's miss. "In girls basketball you can call a timeout from the bench," said Hefner. "I tried to call a timeout and the lead referee is supposed to be looking. He never looked at me."

"We had a lot of foul trouble, Shaun and Twanda were on the bench. We never ran our offense in the second half. We got no execution and we knew they (Howard) would execute. That's the way it is when good teams play good teams; it comes down to execution. We made too many mental errors; we didn't do a good job. We didn't come out intense in the second half."

Chadwick said he wanted to get the ball inside when Lempea shot the air-ball. "We wanted to go inside to Yolanda Wells and

make something happen, but Julie ended up having to take the shot. That was a big rebound Kathy Mangram got."

"We were being too cute offensively in the first half. We went back to the things we know how to do well. We played power basketball."

Howard hosts Frank Phillips Monday at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum at 6 p.m.

HOWARD (55) — Julie Lempea 1 2 3 3 5; Kim Robinson 6 15 3 4 15; Desiree Wallace 2 3 0 0 4; Yolanda Wells 1 4 2 7 6; Cindy Williams 7 16 2 3 16; Mulu Tosi 4 7 1 2 9; Kelly Williams 0 1 2 2 2; Kathy Mangram 0 2 0 0 0; totals 21 50 13 16 55.

ODESSA (53) — Melanie Fletcher 2 7 2 8 7; Rene Woodard 3 8 0 0 6; Michelle Reynolds 7 15 0 0 18; Shaun Thomas 3 6 0 0 5; Twanda Wilson 4 7 4 4 12; Laquatra Parker 3 8 0 0 4; Lorna Ware 0 1 0 0 0; Stephanie James 0 2 0 0 0; totals 22 51 4 14 53.

Halftime — Odessa 32, Howard 21. Turnovers — Howard 23, Odessa 20; Three Pointers — Odessa (Reynolds 2, Fletcher 1); rebounds — Howard 29 (Robinson 8, Wells 5, C. Williams 5); Odessa 33 (Woodard 9, Wilson 9); Steals — Howard (Robinson 4, C. Williams 4, Lempea 2); Odessa (Reynolds 4, Thomas 2); Assists — Howard (Robinson 8, Lempea 3); Odessa (Reynolds 5, Woodard 3, Parker 3); Blocked Shots — Howard (Robinson 1, Wells 1, Wallace 1); Odessa (Wilson 2).

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Peace focus of many local prayers

By NANCY PATRICK
For the Herald

Individuals and groups in Big Spring are actively involved in praying and working for peace in the Middle East. A random survey showed that area churches are having special services and periods of prayer in regular services during which focus is placed on the Persian Gulf Crisis. Some peace efforts have begun with private citizens also.

Living Water Church is staying in close contact with a serviceman from their congregation who is stationed overseas. Each Sunday morning special mention is made of the need for God's guidance in this world conflict. On Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. Home Care groups meet in seven different homes across the city for prayer, and prayers are offered for a solution to the Mid-East situation.

Rev. Royce Clay of the 14th and Main Church of Christ is "praying that the difficulties will be resolved without bloodshed." Their congregation is staying in touch with the young people who are over there and being supportive of them and their families.

The Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church has a list of names of people from Big Spring who are serving in the armed services.

Prayers for peace are at the top of the list during the intercessory prayer time at each mass, even during weekdays. "There is an ongoing awareness and prayers are offered for safeguards and the welfare of service men and women and their families," said Father Patrick Walsh.

Father Walsh also said that a special Mass is being said for peace at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Sunday at 10 a.m.

This week services with emphasis on peace were initiated at the Veteran's Administration Medical Center. At noon each Monday, Wednesday and Friday employees may gather for a brief service. The services, which are held in the chapel on the main floor, are open to non-employees who would like to share this time. A list of names of relatives of employees who are serving overseas will be posted on the chapel door.

First Church of the Nazarene will host an All Night Prayer Vigil this weekend. From 6 p.m. Friday until 6 p.m. Saturday participants have been invited to enter the sanctuary and spend as much time as they would like in an atmosphere of openness toward peace.

Cynthia Weeks, church secretary at St. Mary's Episcopal Church,

said their congregation is becoming more involved each day in prayer and concern for service people deployed to Saudi Arabia. "We want them to have a constant reminder that they are not forgotten. They must be feeling uneasy and unprepared even as we do," she said.

James Willborn, pastor of Wesley Methodist Church, replied to the survey question about how his church is relating to the Middle East Crisis. "This has not been a major topic for discussion. Personally, I go along with our country's leadership." A prayer team meets every Monday in the pastor's home and national and world issues as well as local ones are included in the prayers.

Unity House of Prayer continues its 6 to 6:30 a.m. prayer service for peace.

On Wednesday nights all over Big Spring congregations come together for prayer. Womens groups meet regularly each week to focus on the need for divine guidance in world affairs. An appeal is being made by a local woman for the citizens of Big Spring to pause around noontime to concentrate and pray for peaceful settlement of the turmoil in the Middle East.

Local KBYG disc jockey Richard

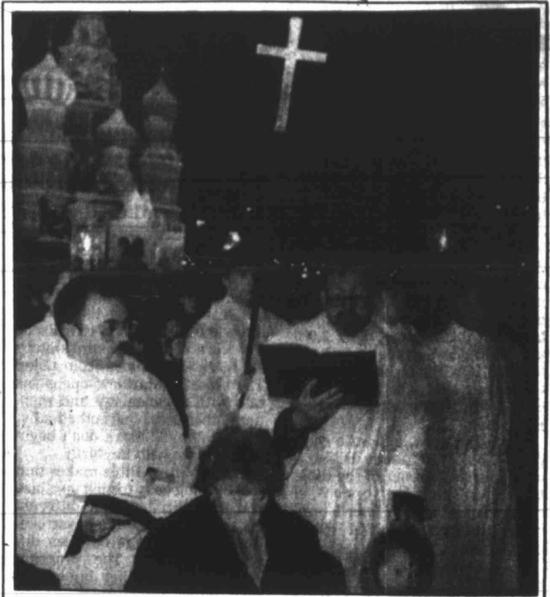
Forsythe has been playing Lee Greenwood's song, "God Bless the U.S.A." each day between 3 and 3:30 p.m. Forsythe says he is going to be doing that until our service people come home.

At Big Spring High School Amy Parrish, a junior, as president of the Veterans Awareness Organization, stated that the group participated in the Love from Home efforts before Christmas. In an effort to call student attention to the Middle East situation, VAO observed Desert Day when attire suitable for desert wear was worn. This organization is leading the student body in observing a moment of silent prayer focused on the Persian Gulf crisis.

Love from Home, led by Mary Price, is still active in keeping our service people in mind. Their activities at Christmas enlisted many people in actively doing something to encourage the troops deployed to Saudi Arabia.

Senior citizens at Canterbury North, also, are continuing their care of service personnel by sending C.A.R.E. packages.

The brief survey conducted the early days of this week indicates a growing concern and active involvement by Big Spring citizens in the U.S. participation in bringing peace to the Middle East.



Russian Christmas

MOSCOW — A priest leads a prayer in front of the Kremlin, left, in Moscow Sunday night as about 1,000 people gathered to celebrate on the eve of the Russian Christmas. According to the Orthodox Church, Christmas fell on Jan. 7.

Mainline churches issue call for peace

NEW YORK (AP) — To prevent war in the Middle East "will take a miracle," church leaders say. But that region of Jewish, Christian and Muslim origins "is the cradle of miracles," they add. A new "miracle must be acted and prayed into being."

This urgent plea for peace has grown sonorous among mainline churches as the Jan. 15 deadline approaches for United Nations-approved use of force to oust Iraq from invasion-seized Kuwait.

In some religious circles, there is a modified counterpart to this rising church crescendo against military resistance to the aggression. But major church leaders raise the outcry.

Push negotiations, they plead, and they've summoned members and congregations across the country to fasting, prayer and every feasible means of public action to "find a way out of certain catastrophe."

"We are marching toward war," said 18 church leaders in late December, including heads of most larger denominations, but "war would be a disaster for us all."

On the other hand, more conservative, evangelical churches and some Jewish organizations show a less fixed attitude about the options, leaving room for the possible need of force.

Robert P. Dugan Jr. of Washington, public affairs director of the National Association of Evangelicals, said it has not acted formally on the matter, but "in my opinion, evangelicals by and large support the president's policy."

President Bush's position and that of the United Nations has been that Iraq's Saddam Hussein must withdraw from Kuwait, or face force to compel it.

"We're hopeful that the conflict can be resolved without bloodshed," Dugan said. "But I don't think you'll find evangelicals necessarily totally opposed to military action per se."

"We're still hoping for some solution other than war, and we applaud the president for trying every other way before firing a shot."

The position resembled that of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, which says that if other reasonable means fail to dislodge the aggressor, the "use of military force is an acceptable moral option."

Albert Vorspan, UAHC senior vice president, said economic sanctions might eventually induce Iraq to leave Kuwait, but he still would have his "frightening chemical, biological and potential nuclear" arsenal.

It would enable him "to terrorize and blackmail all the nations in the region — with Israel first on the tyrant's hit list," Vorspan said.

He said those opposing any use of military force to remove that threat and restore Kuwait's sovereignty "must understand that resistance to evil is a moral imperative, as old as the Bible."

However, mainline Christian denominations, Protestant, Eastern Orthodox and Roman Catholic, have mounted broad opposition to any resort to arms. Catholic bishops said it could violate classical criteria of a "just war."

While they all have condemned Iraq's aggression and praised Bush's enlistment of U.N. support and international economic sanctions against the onslaught, they decry using force.

"War will not liberate Kuwait, it will destroy it," the 18 church leaders said after a December trip to the Middle East, including Iraq. "War will not save us from weapons of mass destruction, it will unleash them."

"War will not establish regional stability, it will inflame the entire Middle East. War will not resolve longstanding conflicts, it will explode them wider and deeper."

Avoiding war is not "only a question of right and wrong," they said. "It is also a matter of life and death. The unspeakable loss of lives, especially innocent civilians, would be unacceptable on moral grounds."

Episcopal Presiding Bishop Edmond Browning, who met afterward with fellow Episcopalian Bush to give him the church leaders' conclusions, said he hoped prayer and public pressure may sway him against war.

"I really had a sense there is still a struggle within him," Browning added. "He was trying too hard to find something to justify war."

United Methodist Bishop Melvin G. Talbert of San Francisco, the denomination's chief ecumenical officer, said, "Neither George Bush nor Saddam Hussein seem likely to blink." But Talbert added: "There will be no winners in a gulf war — only losers."

The Rev. Joan B. Campbell of New York, general secretary of the National Council of Churches, which sponsored the trip, said the church leaders want an international conference to seek an overall peace settlement.

That would include the Israeli conflict with Palestinians. Rabbi A. James Rudin of the American Jewish Committee said favoring such linkage "plays directly into the hands of Saddam Hussein."

The Rev. Emilio Castro of Geneva, general secretary of the World Council of Churches, said it opposes such linkage. He said on a New York visit: "We cannot accept the linking of solutions to one problem to a solution to all problems."

Methodist weekly suggests 1990 is 'Year of Religion'

DALLAS (AP) — The United Methodist Reporter, a national weekly based here, suggests that 1990 be titled "The Year of Religion," and cites these reasons for it:

- Conclusions in both religious and secular media that churches in Eastern Europe supplied much of the impetus for reforms that swept away five decades of communist rule in that area.

- Release of South Africa's anti-apartheid leader Nelson Mandela

from prison largely due to lobbying by church leaders worldwide, dramatizing the Christian role in seeking an end of apartheid.

- Outbreak of the Persian Gulf crisis focused worldwide attention on Christian-Muslim relations and the power of religious faith as a vital source of cultural identity and tension.

- Major cover stories in four national magazines spotlighted increasing concern about spiritual matters among Americans.



PEORIA, Ill. — John "Jack" Ryan stands in front of a mural called "The Last Supper" at the Catholic Worker House in Peoria, Ill. Ryan is suing the FBI for religious discrimination.

Pacifist agent sues for old job

PEORIA, Ill. (AP) — A lawyer for a former FBI agent told a federal judge Thursday the government was wrong to fire his client in 1987 after he became a pacifist and refused to carry a gun or investigate peace groups.

"This is not an insubordination case," said Arthur Greenberg, the attorney for Jack Ryan.

"We're dealing with an accommodation case. Did the government make a reasonable effort to accommodate his religious beliefs. They did not. They could have easily," Greenberg said.

Ryan, 52, was fired Sept. 11, 1987, for insubordination after refusing to investigate the peace groups. He is suing in federal court seeking reinstatement.

Opening arguments in the bench trial before U.S. District Judge Harold Baker began this morning.

Ryan, who turned in his gun as a convert to pacifism, recognizes the FBI faced problems in trying to find a place for him after 21 years in the agency. But he says the government should not have fired him solely because his religious beliefs conflicted with his job.

James A. Lewis, the assistant U.S. attorney defending the FBI,

acknowledged the religious issues but said Ryan's position put an undue hardship on the bureau.

"The FBI should not be required to accept... an agent who, as a peacemaker refuses to follow his weapons training," Lewis said in his opening argument.

He said Ryan's religious beliefs made it difficult to impossible for him to do his job.

But Ryan said earlier this week that the situation was more complicated.

"I refused to investigate a case based on my religious beliefs," he said. "They agree I had a religious motivation but they say it would create an undue hardship on the agency to accommodate my religious beliefs. I think it's a case of religious discrimination."

"The FBI can and should accommodate my religious beliefs and non-violent posture."

Ryan's stand against what he calls FBI harassment of anti-nuclear groups and peace organizations has cost him.

The firing from his \$50,000-a-year job came 10 months before he was to retire. He would have been eligible for his full FBI pension, \$28,000 a year. Instead, he must wait 10 years until he turns

62 to claim a pension of \$20,544.

Appealing his dismissal to the Merit Systems Protection Board absorbed most of Ryan's savings. In adopting a more simplified lifestyle, and to pay bills, Ryan sold his family home and his beloved 26-foot sailboat.

He has separated from his wife of 24 years, Peggy, blaming stress from the firing as a factor. The ordeal also has eroded his relationship with his 12-year-old son.

"It's probably been the toughest on him," Ryan said. "Sure, I miss my boat because it's something I really enjoyed. But I can live without it. My son is caught in between because he doesn't understand."

Ryan, who once studied for the priesthood, lives in a room of the old rectory of the former St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, near a big public housing development. The inner-city parish was dissolved, the church sold and the priests' quarters turned into the Catholic Worker House homeless shelter.

"This is not a case I have to win. If I don't get reinstated, that's OK. I don't need the pension," Ryan said. "I'm fine right here."

Married priests could fill vacancies

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Archbishop Timothy Sheehan would ask the pope's permission to ordain a married man before allowing parishes to decline due to a growing priest shortage.



In a pastoral letter Tuesday, Weakland said he saw "no other way out of this difficult situation." But he also said seeking Vatican permission to use married men as priests, and then only in parishes lacking priests, would be a last resort.

Pope John Paul II has repeatedly rejected suggestions the church ordain married men to counter a sharp decline in the number priests.

Yet the Vatican recently acknowledged two married priests in Brazil were ordained after they vowed to be celibate. The pope on rare occasions has also allowed married Episcopal priests who converted to Catholicism to become priests in the United States.

Weakland's statement drew immediate praise from those who advocate changing the policy of mandatory celibacy established in the 11th century.

The Rev. Thomas Reese, a Jesuit who has written about Catholic leadership in this country, said Weakland's statement would spur important discussion.

"This is very significant because he's the first major American bishop to articulate that there is no other solution to the need for priests than to ordain married men," he said.

Others said it was a bold move for Weakland, who recently was barred by the Vatican from accepting an honorary doctorate from a Swiss university because of his remarks on abortion. Weakland has invited Catholic women to share their views on abortion.

"Rembert's a smart guy," said Terry Dosh, a Catholic historian who left the priesthood to marry and served as director of Corpus, a U.S.-based group with 11,000 members that advocates married priests.

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Bible study is just a keystroke away

By LARRY BLASKO
Associated Press Writer

At Christmas, many gather to read "And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from Caesar Augustus, that all the world should be taxed."

That's how the Apostle Luke begins his account of the birth of Jesus in the King James version of the Bible, the one many of us love for its poetry of language as much as for its message. But just because the message is 2,000 years old doesn't mean you have to read it with the ink-on-paper technology that was already ancient when the star visited Bethlehem.

From BibleSoft, a Seattle company, comes PC Study Bible, a computerized version of the Bible that offers multiple versions, a concordance and a word processor, for \$149.95 on IBM PCs or compatibles.

But the Bible on a PC? Isn't that, well, sacrilegious?

No lightning bolts pierced me

If you want to know what the Bible says on a general topic, the software has a computerized Nave's Topical Bible that operates by subject category rather than specific word.

when I loaded the program, but I did learn something that I may have known but hadn't realized: The core of the Christmas story as we retell it comes from Luke. The Apostle Matthew opens his tale with a genealogy and mentions the birth parenthetically, while John and Mark don't begin their stories with the birth.

The PC Study Bible makes that sort of thing easy to pick up, since you can flip between different books of the Bible at a keystroke. You can also page between different versions. The program comes with the King James and New International Version, and

sending in the registration card gets you the American Standard Version for free.

There's no copy protection, but if you're tempted to steal, you can ask the concordance, which lets you enter a word — "thief" for example — and pops up the Bible verses that contain that word.

If you want to know what the Bible says on a general topic, the software has a computerized Nave's Topical Bible that operates by subject category rather than specific word.

The software has a built-in word processor and notepad. They're OK if you don't have your

own but not something I'd like to use extensively. You can save files in the standard ASCII format that most other word processors accept, so it's no big deal.

Installation is easy, and the software is menu-driven. It has a screen display divided into windows that allow help and such to appear as needed. The provided manual is accurate and straightforward. Minimum hardware requirement is two floppy disk drives, but the length of the various texts strongly suggests a hard disk, since each version of the Bible takes 1.5 million characters alone.

Beyond the devout, the software should come in handy for those who write for a living since the automatic search features can whip up an appropriate biblical reference while those who use the printed text are still thumbing pages.

For more information, BibleSoft, 22014 7th Avenue South, Suite 201, Seattle, Wash., 98198. Phone 206-824-0547.

Church briefs

Mass dedicated to peace, troops

A special Mass will be celebrated Sunday at 10 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1009 Hearn.

The Mass will be dedicated to praying for peace and for the servicemen and women serving in Saudi Arabia.

A church spokesperson said the public is invited to attend.

Arizona, Utah and Nevada. For more information phone 267-7047.

Majority of Texas delegates Methodist

Twelve of the 27 members of the Texas delegation to Congress members are members of the United Methodist Church.

The religious affiliations of House and Senate members were reported in the "Congressional Yellow Book".

There are four Roman Catholics, three Baptists, three Presbyterians, two Episcopalians, one Christian Scientist, one Lutheran and one Jew to fill out the rest of the delegation.

In the Senate, Democrat Lloyd Bentsen is a Presbyterian and Republican Phil Gramm is an Episcopalian.

Ten of the 19 Democrats and two of the eight Republicans in the delegation are United Methodists.

During the last eight years, members of the United Methodist Church have filled the most seats in the Texas delegation.

Representatives (by district): 1. Jim Chapman — D, United Methodist; 2. Charles Wilson — D, United Methodist; 3. Steve Bartlett — R, Presbyterian; 4. Ralph M. Hall — D, United Methodist; 5. John Bryant — R, United Methodist; 6. Joe L. Barton — R, United Methodist; 7. Bill Archer — R, Roman Catholic; 8. Jack Fields — R, Baptist; 9. Jack Brooks — D, United Methodist; 10. J.J. "Jake" Pickle — D, United Methodist; 11. Chet Edwards — D, United Methodist; 12. Pete Geren — D, Baptist; 13. Bill Sarvalus — D, United Methodist;

14. Greg H. Ludeman — D, United Methodist; 15. Eligio "Kika" del la Garza — D, Roman Catholic; 16. Ronald D. Coleman — D, Presbyterian; 17. Charles W. Stenholm — D, Lutheran; 18. Craig A. Washington — D, Episcopalian; 19. Larry Combest — R, United Methodist; 20. Henry B. Gonzalez — D, Roman Catholic; 21. Lamar Smith — R, Christian Scientist; 22. Thomas D. DeLay — R, Baptist; 23. Albert G. Bustamante — D, Roman Catholic; 24. Martin Frost — D, Jew; 25. Michael A. Andrews — D, Episcopalian; 26. Dick Armey — R, Presbyterian; and 27. Solomon P. Ortiz — D, United Methodist.



DAVID AND ROXANNE SWANN
Parenting seminar to be offered

"Guarantee Your Child's Success," a parenting seminar based on "scriptural principles for raising children," will be sponsored by Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane, Sunday and Monday.

The seminar will be conducted by David and Roxanne Swann, Clovis, N.M., in three sessions: Introduction and Session One, 10:30 a.m. and Session Two, 6 p.m. Sunday.

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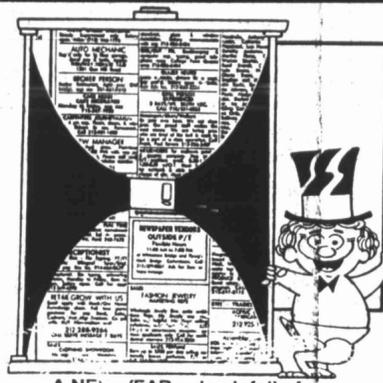
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Help Wanted 270

PART-TIME WAITRESS needed. Must be able to work split shift. Apply in person. Red Mesa Grill, 2401 Gregg.

ASSEMBLERS: Excellent income to assemble products from your home. 504-646-1700 DEPT. P-2174.

HOMEWORKERS: OUR guide lists hundreds of company addresses, their products, and benefits for home assembly. Excellent income, no experience necessary. Money back guarantee. Call 1-915-267-4129 for recorded details. Ext. 245.

HOME TYPISTS, PC users needed. \$35, 000 potential. Details. (1)805-687-6000 Ext B-8423.

RECEPTIONIST WANTED with excellent clerical skills. Some computer experience preferred. Send resume to P.O. Box 3709, 79721.

EXCELLENT WAGES for spare time assembly. Easy work at home. No experience needed. Call 1-205-835-2223. Ext. 208. Open 24 hours.

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Jobs Wanted 299

CLEAN YARDS and alleys, haul trash, trim trees, clean storage sheds, odd jobs. Call 263-4672.

WILL DO all kinds of roofing, shingles, tar. Will give free estimates. Do patch up leaks. 263-5336-Juan.

GENERAL HOUSECLEANING. Reasonable rates. Call 267-6943.

Child Care 375

CHILD CARE after 5:00 p.m. and on weekends. Call 263-3367 after 4:30.

MIDWAY DAY CARE CENTER
\$8 daily per child
18 months - 1 year olds
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SNOOPY'S PLAYHOUSE has two fulltime openings ages newborn and up. Ask about our New Year's Special. Call 263-7507, 507 E. 14th.

Farm Equipment 420

ONE (1) SINGLE belt Maison Terracer. Call 353-4739 for more information.

Grain Hay Feed 430

ROUND BALES of hay grazer for sale. Delivery available. \$25. Steve Fryar, 398 5238 or Neil Fryar, 398-5544.

20% RANGE CUBES \$4.95 a bag or \$187.00 a ton. Howard County Feed & Supply.

Livestock For Sale 435

BRADFORD LIMOUSINE cross bulls, also limousine bulls. Approximately 1 year old. Mark Nichols 1-687-2211.

Horses 445

WANT TO BUY!! Horses of all kinds!! Will be in Big Spring every Monday. Call Tommy Rush 915-365-2032, 365-3411.

HORSE & TACK Auction, Big Spring Livestock Auction, Saturday, Jan. 12, 1:00 p.m. Everybody welcome to buy, sell, or visit.

FOR SALE (1) two year old Sorrell Gelding. Call 263-4281 ask for Kim.

FOR SALE (1) Yearling Stud Colt. Show potential. Call 263-4281 ask for Kim.

Auctions 505

SPRING CITY AUCTION Robert Pruitt Auctioneer, TXS 079-00759. Call 263-1831/263-0914. We do all types of auctions!

Dogs, Pets, Etc 513

SAND SPRINGS KENNEL. AKC Rat Terriers, Chihuahuas, Pomeranians, and Chows. USDA Licensed. 393-5259

BIRD DOG pups to give away. 1/2 English Pointer. 399-4310.

CHOW PUPPIES for sale, \$65. Call 267-2296.

AKC REGISTERED Sheltie puppies, for sale. Call 263-0780 or 263-2781.

Pet Grooming 515

IRIS' POODLE Parlor. Grooming, indoor kennels heated and air, supplies, coats, etc. 2112 West 3rd, 263-2409-263-7900.

Musical Instruments 529

PIANO FOR sale. Wanted: responsible party to assume small monthly payments on piano. See locally. Call credit manager 1-800-447-4266.

BEAUTIFUL 84 year old Schaeff, upright cabinet grand piano, \$350 or best offer. Call after 5:00 p.m. 267-7707.

Household Goods 531

Refrigerator, range, freezer, sofa, coffee table, Dearborne heater, table, chairs, washer/dryer, TV, microwave, Secretary. 267-6558.

Garage Sale 535

REMEMBER, YOU can still place a Sunday "TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY" Ad. Our office is open until 6:00 p.m. this evening and from 8:00 a.m. until Noon tomorrow.

GARAGE SALE 1100 S. 21st St. 1984 CR 250 mc. 3 wheeler, house goods. Call 267-7707. Friday & Saturday only.

MOVING SALE. 531 Scott, Saturday, 9:30-1:30. Furniture, linens, clothing, a little bit of everything!!

INSIDE SALE, Saturday & Sunday, 12:00-2:00. 414 Westover. Stove, refrigerator, table and chairs, kids clothes 4-8, lots miscellaneous. 267-7685.

Produce 536

NOW BUYING pecans, shelled pecans for sale, \$4.00. Also honey for sale. Bennie's Pecans, 267-8090.

Misc. For Sale 537

CUSTOM MADE draperies fabric, drapery, hardware. Alterations or new linings where practical. Phone 263-2522.

HOMEOWNERS insurance gone up? Have you received a notice that the company you have now is pulling out? Contact A.J. Pirkle Insurance, 267-5053.

Misc. For Sale 537

HAVE SOMETHING to sell for less than \$100? Put a "BIG 3 AD" in the Big Spring Herald Classified!! Requirements: One item per ad, 15 words or less, 3 days for \$3.00. NO G.A.R.A.G.E. SALES. EMPLOYMENT OR COMMERCIAL. Come by and see Debby!!

B & L DAILY Soft Clear Contacts, \$29.00 per pair until January 20. Dr. prescription required. Hughes Optical, 263-3667.

BLACK AND gold Labradors, for sale. Also 1988 Softail Custom Harley Davidson. 263-0951 or 704 Birdwell.

MOVING - MUST sale large size mattress, box spring, frame, stereo, large storage boxes and desk. 264-0150.

1968 CHEVY PICKUP. Also, shop anvil and miscellaneous shoeing tools. 267-1525.

BUY LIVE rattlesnakes. We pay top prices. 915-737-2403.

ANTIQUE WALNUT dining table with 4 fiddle back chairs, \$600. 2 brass twin beds with mattress, boxsprings and spreads, \$300. High Oak antique bed with mattress and boxsprings, \$400; Oak dresser, Oak highboy, \$395 each; Oak washstand, \$195 and miscellaneous items. By appointment only. 267-3274 or 263-0265.

DINETTE SET. Spanish style table with 4 chairs. \$100.00. Call 264-4246, ask for Rosa.

SOFA, CHAIR set, \$150; refrigerator, \$110; dining table, \$30. Call 263-1290.

FOR SALE: two commercial refrigerators, 1 2 door, like new \$750. 1 4 door, like brand new, \$1,250. Call 267-2061.

40 GALLON HICKS Oceanic aquarium. Full set up for \$150. 263-5330.

Lost & Found Misc. 539

LOST - GOLD diamond necklace with pave' diamond center with baguettes encircling like a sunburst. Reward offered. Please call 399-4466 or 267-7613.

LOST - GREYHOUND bus ticket, Coos Bay Oregon to New York City. David Williams, 644 Tarheel, Coos Bay Oregon. Call 263-7936.

Telephone Service 549

TELEPHONES, JACKS, install, \$22.50. Business and Residential sales and services. J. Dean Communications, 267-5478.

COM SHOP HOLIDAY SPECIAL - Buy novelty phone, regular price, jack in stalled 1/2 price. 267-2423.

Houses For Sale 601

THREE BEDROOMS. Double garage. 1 1/2 baths. Nice neighborhood. Good condition. Carpeted. Built in oven/range. 267-2070.

NOTHING DOWN! Nice 2 bedroom, reasonable payments. Refrigerated air, garage, pretty carpet, good roof. Call 1-915-263-1738. ERA, 267-8766.

3705 PARKWAY, NOTHING DOWN! Just pay closing cost on this beautiful 3 2 2 home, fenced. Assumable VA Loan with qualifications. Has stovetop kitchen, lots of extras. Call ERA Reeder Realtors, 267-8266 or Marva, at 267-8747.

HIGHLAND: Multi level, den, fireplace, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, formal living/dining, breakfast, gameroom, pool, sprinklers. Appointment, 264-0206.

WESTERN HILLS, large custom-built, 7 years old, 3 2 2. Storage buildings, large closets. 263-4171.

REWARD *REWARD *REWARD

This is a reward ad for the current verifiable addresses for the following persons:

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Ask for Stan

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263-1284 263-4663

Jean Tate 263-2433
Shirley Burgess 263-8729
Joe Hughes 353-4751
Peggy Jones 267-7454
Doris Huijbregtse 263-6525
Kay Moore/Broker 263-8873

CALL US FOR ASSISTANCE
IN ACQUIRING
HUD OR VA PROPERTIES

3203 DUKE - INSTEAD OF
WISHING, LOOK AT THIS darling three bedroom, two bath home with fireplace, garage and fenced yard. The freshly painted interior and new dishwasher make this home extra special. \$41,250.

2506 EAST 24TH - OWNER BEING
TRANSFERRED, HELP!!! This four bedroom, three bath home has all the extras for modern living. Fenced yard, above ground pool, fireplace, formal living and dining. Call today to preview. \$87,500.

2712 REBECCA - THE GOOD
HOUSEKEEPING AWARD SHOULD GO to the owners of this immaculate four bedroom, three bath home with private yard, fireplace and patio room. Kenwood area. \$72,000.

McDONALD ROAD - THE SPACE
PLACE. WANT TO STRETCH AND GET AWAY FROM IT ALL? BE MINUTES FROM TOWN? If so, give us a call today to see this three bedroom, two bath country home with double car garage, one bedroom, one bath apartment and large work area on one acre. \$65,000.

SOUTH MOUNTAIN AGENCY

801-B E. FM 700
REALTORS 263-8419

Vickie Purcell 263-8036
Becky Knight 263-8540
Darlene Carroll 263-2329
Liz Lowery 267-7823

MARJORIE DODSON, GRI
Owner/Broker 267-7760

Houses For Sale 601

REDUCED 2 BEDROOM bargain with separate dining, pretty kitchen, nice size bedrooms. Very clean. ERA, 267-8266; Loyce, 263-1738.

OH!...SO...Very Nice! Absolutely worth your (10)oking. Charming Capecod with magnificent, bay-windowed bedrooms. Spacious family area and wood burning fireplace. Delightful, window surrounded breakfast room. Beautiful bath, country kitchen. Central heat /air. Good location. Only \$25,000. Also big savings on furnishings. McDonald Realty, 263-7615; Sue Bradbury, 263-7537; LaVerne Hull, 263-4549.

DRASTIC REDUCTION!! 3 1, refrigerated air, central heat, swimming pool, near school. \$29,000. Call 263-6346.

LOW DOWN and assume loan on this special 4 2 2 with extra carport, new paint inside and waterwell with in ground sprinkler system. Call Carla Bennett at 264-7713 or ERA Reeder Realtors at 267-8266.

HOME FOR sale. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. See to appreciate. Priced to sell. 606 W. 3rd, Stanton. 1-756-2623.

BARGAIN: PAID 14 out of 30 years on house. 3 bedroom 1 bath. Den, fireplace, large laundry room. Payoff is \$13,800. Buyer pays all closing. Call after 6:00 p.m., 267-6228.

EXTRA SPECIAL. Extra family member 3 2 2 plus efficiency apartment. \$30's. Doris, 263-6325 or Home Realtors.

FOR SALE by owner. 4 bedroom, 1 bath, new roof, new furnace, separate garage with automatic door opener. Metal storage building and concrete cellar in back. 263-3286, after 5:00 p.m.

RENT TO OWN, first month down. Taxes and insurance in the payments. Several houses. \$150 a month - \$300 a month. 1 bedroom to 4 bedroom, 2 bath. Warranty on basic services. 264-0159.

Manufactured Housing For Sale 611

FUQUA INFORMATION Center: For Home Sales Information and Factory Visits. 1-800-899-3744 Midway.

THERE'S NO Home Like It: before selecting your new home. Visit The Fuqua Factory. It's worth it!! 1-800-899-3744 Midway.

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2 LOTS FOR sale. All mobile home hook-ups. In Forsan district. Call 263-5467.

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\$99 MOVE-IN. No deposit. Electric water paid. Nice 1, 2, 3, bedrooms. Some furnished. HUD approved. 263-7811.

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1 TO 5 P.M.
SAT./SUN.

FOUR BDRM - Large roomy house with dining area, den and utility room. Great location in quiet neighborhood near schools and within walking distance to shopping center. Save on utilities with storm windows and ceiling fans. Owners transferred and must sell this month. Asking \$35,000.

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263-8402

Furnished Apartments 651

NICE ONE bedroom apartment, \$245 \$150 deposit. Also one, two bedroom mobile homes. \$195-\$225. No children or pets preferred. 263-6944/263-2341.

FURNISHED. EXTRA clean, good location, efficiency garage apartment. Carpeted, mini-blinds. Gas and water paid. References plus deposit. Call, after 7:00, 267-4923; weekends anytime.

ROOM FOR rent. Monthly \$180. All bills paid, including cable, refrigerator. 901 West 3rd, inquire Room 22.

Unfurnished Apartments 655

1,2,3 or 4 bedrooms with 1,2,3 or 4 bath. Attached carport, washer/dryer connections, private patios, beautiful courtyard with pool. Heated by gas and gas is paid. Furnished or unfurnished. Lease or daily/monthly rentals.

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267-6500

ONE, TWO and three bedroom apartments. Washer/dryer connections, ceiling fans, mini-blinds. Rent starts at \$260 month. Quail Run Apartments, 2609 Wason Road, 263-1781.

ALL BILLS PAID Two Bedroom - \$279

Rent based on income
Stove, Refrigerator, Ref. Air
Carpeted, Laundry Facility
Adjacent To School
Park Village Apartments
1905 Wason
267-6421

EHO.

HILLSIDE PROPERTIES. 2 & 3 bedroom homes with own backyard! Kitchen appliances furnished ceiling fans, washer/dryer connections, lots of storage! Newly painted inside and out, lawn service provided. Families with children welcome. 263-3461.

Furnished Houses 657

BILLS PAID. Low Rent. Two/ three bedroom, furnished/unfurnished, drapes, fenced yard. HUD approved. 267-5546, 263-0746.

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ONE BEDROOM, nice and clean. Tub/shower, carpet and drapes. No children, no pets. \$150 a month, \$50 deposit. Inquire at 802 Andre.

Unfurnished Houses 659

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SUNDANCE: ENJOY your own yard, patio, spacious home and carport with all the conveniences of apartment living. Two and three bedrooms from \$275. Call 263-2703.

NICE 2 BEDROOM, 1 bath with carport and storage. HUD approved. Call 267-7650.

RENT TO OWN, no down, \$200 month. Westside, 3 bedroom, 2 bath. 715 Anna Street and 800 Lorilla. Give deed in 12 years. 264-0159.

3 BEDROOM HOUSE. Forsan school district, stove, refrigerator, water, sewer and trash furnished. 263-4335.

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2 BEDROOM 1 bath, carpeted, range, fenced yard. 2400 Main Street. \$225 a month, plus deposit. 915-235-3505.

TWO BEDROOM one bath, 1701 Young. \$210 a month, \$100 deposit. 263-6062 or 267-3841 after 5:00.

FOUR BEDROOM: one and a half bath at 4221 Hamilton. \$330, month. 263-6062 or 267-3841 after 5:00.

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Housing Wanted 675

SINGLE MATURE woman wants to rent small apt/house or bedroom with private bath in someone's home. Non smoker. 263-1006, after 4 p.m.

Drive carefully.

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Katie Grimes, Broker, GRI 267-3129
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appreciate, many amenities. ... \$69,900 3 BR - new carpet, paint, ... \$13,000
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REMODELED - 3 BR, 2 bath, \$22,000

Business Buildings 678

FOR RENT car lot 810 E. 4th, \$150 month, \$100 deposit. Call 263-5000.

WAREHOUSE WITH offices on 5 acres fenced land on Snyder Hwy. \$500 month plus deposit. Call 263-5000.

FOR LEASE: Office and showroom, 1307 S. Gregg. Excellent location for retail business. Call Westex Auto Parts, 263-5000.

FOR LEASE: warehouse with offices 5600 sq. ft. on 2 acres of fenced land. Excellent location for truck terminal. Snyder Hwy. \$700 month plus deposit. 263-5000.

FOR LEASE: Building at 907 E. 4th, 9:00-5:00. 263-6319; after 5:00, 267-8657.

Office Space 680

12 ROOM OFFICE building with large shop and fenced acre on US-87 South. Call 267-7900.

FURNISHED - 900 SQUARE FEET. (can be unfurnished) 4 rooms, refrigerated air/heat, carpeted, plenty parking. Ready for telemarketing or any kind of business. Centrally located, 307 Union, between 3rd and 4

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The County of Howard, Texas, will hold a Computer Accuracy Test, as required by Sec. 127.091 to 127.100 of the Texas Election Code, to ascertain that it will accurately count the votes cast on punch-card ballots for the Special Election to be held January 19, 1991.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT. Conoco Inc., 10 Denta Drive West, Midland, TX 79705 has applied to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12867, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711.

NHL Standings

Table with NHL Standings, including columns for Conference, Division, Team, W, L, T, Pts, GF, GA. Includes sub-sections for Wale Conference, Adams Division, Campbell Conference, Norris Division, Smythe Division, and Thursday's Games.

SCOREBOARD

Table with NFL Standings, including columns for Team, W, L, T, Pct., GB. Includes sub-sections for Central Division, Western Conference, Midwest Division, Pacific Division, and Thursday's Games.

NBA Standings

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NFL Playoffs

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Transactions

BASEBALL American League TORONTO BLUE JAYS—Agreed to terms with Pat Borders, catcher, on a one-year contract. National League CINCINNATI REDS—Agreed to terms with Glenn Braggs, outfielder, and Gino Minutelli, pitcher, on one-year contracts.

PGA Tour

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Scores Thursday after the first round of the \$1 million Tucson Open, played on the 7,010-yard, Par 34-36-72 Starpass course and the 7,148-yard, Par 34-36-72 Tucson National.

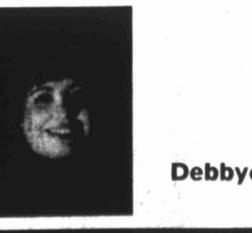
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Bush increases effort to win war vote

President taking 'nothing for granted'

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush today lobbied intensely for congressional approval to use military force to oust Iraq from Kuwait. The White House said Bush was "taking nothing for granted" and it was unclear whether he had the votes in either chamber.

Bush pressed his case at a breakfast meeting with a large group of House members who braved a snowstorm to attend. White House aides said that more than 100 from both parties, including many undecided, had been invited but the weather cut attendance.

Congressional leaders indicated the president had the most work to do in the Senate, where the Democrats hold a 56-44 majority.

Senior Democrats there were backing an alternative calling for extended reliance on economic sanctions to drive back the Iraqis. GOP leaders appeared to be stalling for more time to defeat it, and still had not introduced the president's version this morning.

Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell, D-Maine, told reporters he hoped the president's supporters, if they feared a loss, would not use the Senate rules to block all action. "Filibuster... should not be used by anyone" on an issue so important, he said.

Asked why Bush had only invited House members to today's breakfast, White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said: "We don't have the House won. We're working on both houses. We take nothing for granted."

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Perez de Cuellar confers in Europe

(AP) The U.N. secretary-general, en route to Baghdad, today picked up European support for what would be the final peace mission to Iraq before next week's U.N. deadline for Iraq to leave Kuwait or face a possible attack.

Increasing fears of war in the region prompted the U.S. Embassy in Israel to urge American citizens to leave the Jewish state, which Saddam Hussein has repeatedly threatened to attack if war breaks out.

U.S. Embassy spokesman Don Coffman estimated the number of Americans in Israel and the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip at between 70,000 and 100,000.

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein reiterated today he will not pull out of Kuwait without a settlement of the Palestinian problem — a linkage of two issues that Washington has repeatedly rejected.

U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar met today in Geneva with foreign ministers of the 12-nation European Community before a weekend mission to Baghdad. Before heading to Amman, Jordan, he won their support for his plan for a U.N. peacekeeping role in the gulf region if Iraq pulls out from Kuwait.

German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher said he hoped the U.N. chief's mission would make Iraq "aware that the world community thus opens the possibility for a peaceful solution before the Jan. 15 deadline."

"It is alone in the hands of Saddam to clear the way for a settlement by getting out of Kuwait," he added.

Perez de Cuellar, who left New York late Thursday for Paris, Geneva and Amman, said he was not bringing a specific plan to Saddam when he arrives in Baghdad on Saturday. But he said he was exploring U.N. supervision of a simultaneous pullout of Iraqi troops from Kuwait and the U.S.-led forces arrayed against the Iraqis in the Persian Gulf region.

"Once the withdrawal is agreed upon I think I will propose the participation of the U.N. force, I mean U.N. peacekeeping operations," Perez de Cuellar said. He was responding to questions about what U.N. peacekeeping role he envisaged.



SAUDI ARABIA — F-16 fighters from the South Carolina and New York Air National Guard sit side by side at "Camel Lot" air base in central Saudi Arabia Thursday. The recently built base is the largest in the Gulf theater, and has not been formally named.

Weather

Mostly clear skies tonight. The low tonight will be below freezing. Partly sunny Saturday with the high in the 50s.

Thursday's high temperature	45
Thursday's low temperature	34
Average high	52
Average low	26
Record high	80 in 1916
Record low	05 in 1962
Rainfall Thursday	0.02
Month to date	0.70
Year to date	00.20
Normal for year	00.23

GISD trustees meet Monday

The Grady Independent School District board of trustees will hold its regular meeting Monday at 7 p.m. at the board room, according to GISD Superintendent Gerald Singleton.

The trustees will discuss the minutes from previous meeting and the following topics on the agenda:

- Audience with individuals or committees making a report or request.
- Approval for payment of bills.
- Superintendent's report.
- Consider shortened bell schedules for Feb. 28, March 22, April 11 and May 24.
- Consider Update 38 and TAAS test results.
- Consider school calendar for 1991-92 school year; Superintendent's contract; dumpster service with W.D. Anderson; and discuss restrooms at football field.

FBC offers teacher training course

Beginning Sunday at 5 p.m., the First Baptist Church will begin a 13-week video teacher training course called Excellence in Teaching, according to church official Rick Montgomery.

"There will be a learning workbook that can be purchased for \$5. This class is for prospective as well as existing teachers. We encourage any and all to take part in this training opportunity," Montgomery said.

"There will be a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for those who want to take the course. Please sign up if you wish to take advantage of this excellent training opportunity," Montgomery added.

After the completion of the course, the individual will be certified to have completed the series. The instructor for the video series will be Jack Terry of Fort Worth.

For more information contact Rick Montgomery at 756-2831.

College chairman resigns position

DALLAS (AP) — The chairman of Paul Quinn College will relinquish leadership of the Texas conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in the wake of his conviction on felony drug charges, elders and educators say.

Paul Quinn officials scheduled a news conference today to announce the changes.

Robert Lee Pruitt's position with the AME Church automatically made him chairman at Paul Quinn. But his conviction prompted AME bishops to hold an emergency meeting in Washington, D.C. Wednesday.

Cancer patient gets last wish — diploma

GRAPEVINE (AP) — A cancer patient's yearning to graduate from high school came through on Sunday hours before his death.

Eric Thomas Sippel's quest was a noble one, administrators at Sippel's high school said Thursday. "He wanted his high school diploma so desperately," Grapevine Assistant Principal Juneria Berges said. "I was just very thankful that we got there."

After learning of Sippel's condition, Grapevine High School administrators rushed an honorary diploma to the 18-year-old's bedside Wednesday, just three hours before he died of brain cancer.

His parents, Linda and Richard Sippel, were at his side most of the day. The younger Sippel died around 6 p.m. after his condition suddenly worsened.

"The overall emotion was just one of relief that Eric's ordeal had come to an end," said Dr. Douglas MacAskill of Southlake Medical Clinic. "It had really become apparent that it had come to an end."

Sippel's parents, contacted at their home Thursday, did not want talk about their eldest child, saying instead they had to catch a plane



Just saying no
VILNIUS, Lithuania — Lithuanians stand in front of a Red Army armoured vehicle as soldiers arrive to take over the main printing house Friday. Soviet troops took over the national defense building, TV tower and press center.



Restoring a goddess
GALVESTON — Robert Jensen, left, and Greg Emerson work to give the goddess Victory a new shine at Farmers Copper Works Wednesday. The 70-year-old statue, which usually sits atop the Texas Heroes Monument, was dismantled last year. The restoration should be completed in March.

Woman's estate providing money to rural libraries

ABILENE (AP) — Several small West Texas libraries were surprised to learn they are the recipients of thousands of dollars allocated in the will of a deceased Southeast Texas woman.

"It's a wonderful gift," said Joann Norman, head of the City-County Library in Munday. "I thought we might have to match the funds, but this is an outright gift for books."

Catherine Dumraese, who died in 1981, set up her will so that income from her oil and gas holdings would go to libraries in towns with fewer than 7,000 residents, said David Oldham of Houston, attorney for the estate.

After moving near Columbus, about 70 miles west of Houston, Mrs. Dumraese frequently visited the small town's public library and found it lacking. Her experience in Southeast Texas initiated her concern for rural libraries.

"Catherine didn't want to build buildings or pay salaries or anything else," Oldham said. "She wanted to put books in libraries."

Eight libraries in the north half of the Big Country Library System have been chosen to receive money from the Dumraese estate.

The Anson and Cross Plains libraries are receiving \$7,500 each, while libraries in Aspermont, Clyde, Jayton, Munday, Rotan and Stamford are getting \$5,000 each.

"We try to spread this money around and do as much good as possible for the libraries in the state," Oldham said.

Librarian Jo Warren of the Clyde Public Library said, "There is so much the library needs. We desperately need more large-print books for our older readers."

"I think it's wonderful that someone cares enough to promote the welfare of small libraries," Cross Plains Librarian Billie Loving said the gift was a "godsend" and that her top priority is to buy non-fiction books for fourth-through eighth-graders.

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Spring board

How's that?

Q. How much postage is required to send mail to service personnel in Operation Desert Shield?

A. According to post office officials, letters going to soldiers stationed in the Middle East require only 25 cents postage. This is because mail going there is directed initially to an APO (Army Post Office) address. At that point the Army takes over further transport and delivery.

Calendar

Basketball

TODAY

• Stanton H.S. vs Forsan; all teams; away; beginning at 5 p.m.

• Grady H.S. vs Klondike; home; starts with j.v. girls at 5 p.m.

Tops on TV

• Dallas. LeeAnn gains control of Ewing Oil and sets out to destroy J.R., and Carter McKay becomes the prime suspect in the Dancer murder. 8 p.m. Channel 7.

• America's Most-Wanted. 9 p.m. Channel 3.

• 20/20. 9 p.m. Channel 2.

Texas personnel called to duty

DALLAS (AP) — Almost 2,000 Navy reservists have been called to active duty, while hundreds of medical specialists at a Texas Air Force base will be deployed to Europe in support of Persian Gulf troops.

The announcements came Thursday as the U.N. secretary-general set off on a peace mission, proposing a supervised Iraqi pullout from Kuwait. Other peace efforts also intensified five days before the U.N. deadline for Iraq to give up the emirate or face possible war.

The Navy called 1,868 reservists to active duty, including some from Texas units.

Medical specialists assigned to Wilford Hall Air Force Medical Center at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio will be deployed to a military contingency hospital in Europe, said Bob MacNaughton, Wilford Hall director of public affairs.

It is the first deployment since Iraq invaded Kuwait of troops from Wilford Hall, the Air Force's largest hospital.

Troops to be deployed include doctors, nurses, medical technicians and medical support personnel.

The first of the hundreds to be deployed would leave Sunday from Kelly Air Force Base, MacNaughton said. He would not reveal the exact number of troops to be deployed or where they are being sent.

MacNaughton said additional Wilford Hall personnel have been alerted and may be deployed later.

He said the deployment is not expected to prompt a cutback in services at the 1,000-bed hospital.

The military said 25 Texas Naval Reserve units were among 333 units activated Thursday in 42 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Guam.

The activation was one of the biggest for the Navy since the start of Operation Desert Shield in August. Reservists called to active duty include the first to be assigned to combat ships in the Persian Gulf crisis.

Most Navy reservists put on active duty in recent months have been assigned to non-combat roles with medical service or construction units in the gulf area.

Reservists dispatched to the Gulf area include members of an F-16 strike fighter squadron based at Ft. Mugu, Calif., and members of a San Diego reserve unit that will serve aboard the aircraft carrier USS Ranger, which is in the Indian Ocean, said Navy spokesman Lt. Greg Smith.

Other reservists called up Thursday are from units assigned to active-duty units specializing in such things as anti-submarine warfare, combat naval aviation and mine warfare.

Call-ups are a sign that the Navy is "broadening the capacity" of the ships and carriers already assigned to Desert Shield, Smith said.

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Gulf crisis puts pressure on food aid to Egypt

WASHINGTON (AP) — War clouds in the Persian Gulf are putting more pressure on food aid earmarked for Egypt in the coming year, according to a new analysis by the Agriculture Department.

Egypt is a large but fragile market for American farmers. Most of the yearly shipments involve aid programs or export subsidies.

"Additional food will be needed to feed returning workers and their families fleeing from Iraq and Kuwait," the department's Economic Research Service said in its report.

Before the Aug. 2 invasion, an estimated 1.3 million Egyptians lived and worked in Iraq and Kuwait.

Since then, the report said, approximately 350,000 workers have left Iraq, and that could rise to about 900,000 by the end of 1991 if the gulf crisis persists.

Analysts said Egypt will lose foreign exchange as fewer workers send money home, tourism declines and tolls from the Suez Canal, already down, continue to drop.

"Egyptian officials claim remittances will be down \$1.1 billion

Farm scene

from the yearly average of \$3.5 billion," the report said. "Increased petroleum export earnings will partially offset these losses."

But the report added that the larger petroleum revenues will not stretch across the losses because Egypt is a small oil producer and has only limited prospects of increasing output soon.

Egypt's food and money problems will probably be eased somewhat by stepped up food aid by donor nations.

"In response to Egypt's strong diplomatic and military stance against Iraq," the report said, "Saudi Arabia, the United States, Japan and the European Community have pledged significant assistance in 1990-91."

Those pledges were said to be in the range of \$6.6 billion to \$7.1 billion for the year.

"Furthermore, the United States has canceled interest payments of \$660 million on outstanding military debt for 1990-91, and has forgiven the entire \$7.1 billion

debt," the report said.

On balance, analysts said Egypt's capacity to import food "would be roughly unchanged by a prolonged Iraq-Kuwait crisis, and may even be enhanced if significant donor concessions are forthcoming."

Even so, the report added, the needs of returning workers will boost food aid requirements this year and even more sharply in 1992.

Current estimates put U.S. farm commodity exports to Egypt at about \$800 million in the fiscal year that last began Oct. 1, up slightly from 1989-90 but still well below the \$953 million of 1988-89.

The decline from two years ago was attributed to Egypt's financial problems, including its ability to repay short-term loans guaranteed by USDA under a longstanding export credit program called GSM-102.

But officials said greater use of some other assistance programs, including Food for Peace and the Export Enhancement Program, or EEP, is expected to help Egypt finance its imports in the current fiscal year.

An additional 500,000 metric tons of U.S. wheat flour has been approved for sale to Egypt under EEP, which provides subsidies to exporters for designated commodities to help keep the United States competitive in certain markets.

The new EEP allocation, announced Thursday, is in addition to earlier concessions under the subsidy program. As of Jan. 3, Egypt had bought more than 7.8 million tons of wheat and 1.5 million tons of flour under EEP arrangements.

Egypt also is a large U.S. client of the Food for Peace aid program. Under Title I of Food for Peace, also known as P.L. 480, a recipient country can get long-term credit with low-interest payments over 40 years and an initial grace period of up to 10 years.

Of a total \$522.5 million allocated to 25 countries this year, Egypt qualified for \$150 million, the largest share.

Farmers increase output

WASHINGTON (AP) — Con-

sumers had fewer fresh market vegetables last year, but farmers increased their output of vegetables for processing, an annual review by the Agriculture Department said.

Production of fresh vegetables dropped 2 percent from 1989 because of a reduced acreage for harvest, the report said. As a result, prices rose.

Harvested acreage increased in 1990 for broccoli, celery, sweet corn and onions but failed to offset declines for other crops. The reduced crops included the big-ticket produce items, tomatoes and lettuce.

Overall, commercial production of fresh vegetables and melons was valued at \$3.62 billion, up 13 percent from 1989.

The output of vegetables grown for processing increased 6 percent in 1990, the report said. Total value of production was placed at \$1.48 billion, up 7 percent from 1989. Crops included snap beans, sweet corn, cucumbers for pickles, green peas and tomatoes.

President

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Bush had met with 17 senators Thursday, lobbying furiously the seven Democrats among the bipartisan group in attendance. In addition to his personal lobbying, he was sending national security experts to Capitol Hill today to make his case.

House Speaker Thomas S. Foley, D-Wash., said today he would vote for the alternative resolution. He quarreled with those who said supporting the president's version was anything less than a declaration of war.

"It would be a strange argument that all we're doing here is arming the president with the last diplomatic quiver," he said.

Under a United Nations deadline, Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has until Tuesday to quit Kuwait or face possible attack by a U.S.-led multinational force.

In the House, leaders of both parties, including those opposed to the president, had predicted success for a resolution authorizing Bush to use military might to free Kuwait.

Bush lost at least one Senate Democrat Thursday. Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, of Texas, announced his support for a resolution calling on the president to give economic sanctions and diplomacy more time.

The non-binding measure, sponsored by Mitchell and Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Armed Services Committee, asserts that if and when the time comes for force, only Congress can grant approval.

"General (Dwight) Eisenhower spoke about the courage of patience, and I think it's time for that. This is not just a test of manhood. This is a test of judgment," Bentsen said.

The debate, described by several lawmakers as the most important of their lives, was carried live on public television and produced a heavy influx of telephone calls to the Capitol that overloaded the switchboard.

"There is a real understanding that this is a moment of profound decision... affecting... the whole planet. There's a sense that this truly matters," said House Republican Whip Newt Gingrich of Georgia.

House GOP Leader Robert Michel, a decorated infantryman

who was wounded during the Battle of the Bulge in World War II, argued Bush's case that force is the only answer to wrest Kuwait from Iraq.

"Those of our generation know from bloody experience that unchecked aggression against a small nation is a prelude to international disaster," the Illinois

speech on the House floor.

An ABC-Washington Post poll reported Thursday that 68 percent of 511 American adults surveyed Wednesday night believed the United States should attack Iraq if it doesn't get out of Kuwait by Tuesday. That was an increase from 58 percent a month earlier. The likely margin of uncertainty in the poll was 5 percentage points.

Congressional proponents of the resolution supported by the president said their measure was tantamount to a declaration of war.

The resolution cites Iraq's Aug. 2 invasion of Kuwait, Baghdad's nuclear and chemical weapons programs and the international consensus against Saddam, concluding that Bush should be authorized to use military force.

Backers of Bush dismissed the opposition's contention that sanctions should be given time to take effect.

"Such a policy is not just an uncertain trumpet to the men and women in our armed forces. It is a veritable brass choir of indecision, doubt and confusion," Michel said.

The argument was bolstered by CIA Director William Webster's contention that even if sanctions remain in place for six months to a year, the embargo would not force Iraq from Kuwait.

Bush's supporters warned that Congress cannot undercut Bush after the United States spearheaded the international coalition against Saddam.

"The president has made his decision... We need to back him," said Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, D-La., who attended the White House meeting.

Sen. John Warner of Virginia, ranking Republican on the Senate Armed Services Committee, also expressed concern over the implications.

"If we crack, if we blink in the Congress, it gives Saddam Hussein the out he wants," Warner said.



Associated Press photo

Protective measures

SAUDI ARABIA — Air Force Sgt. Robb Perik, right, helps members of the Department of Defense combat press pool fit chemical masks during a class at a Saudi Arabia hotel Friday.

The civilian media combat pools, composed of reporters and photographers, were formed to cover U.S. military engagements.

Additional rain, sleet expected

(AP) More flooding of river basins and other low lying areas was expected today in South and Southeast Texas from a winter storm that also threatened to bring sleet and fog to northern regions and the Panhandle.

Additional light rains should fall in East Texas today as a cold front collided with a low-pressure trough pulling moist air from the Gulf. Up to 8 inches of snow fell in some sections of Northwest Texas on Thursday.

Adrian, Vega, Dalhart and Hereford were among the areas hardest hit by snowfall, said the National Weather Service.

Several vehicle rollovers and fender-benders occurred in Dalhart during the storm, police there said.

The snow also wreaked havoc with Amarillo drivers, said police Lt. Brad Lancaster. About 5 inches of snow fell in Amarillo.

Storms forced some evacuations,

Interstate 40 had to be shut down for about an hour (Thursday) because of a wreck," said Lancaster. "The first major snow always slows things up considerably."

He said the Panhandle usually endures a couple significant snowfalls a year.

"This is just a good ol' fashioned West Texas snowstorm, causing a little havoc on the roads and forcing some events to be canceled," said Lancaster.

"For the most part, the drivers have really slowed down. We haven't had that many accident reports. The moisture will be good for the farmers."

Rains continued in Austin a day after a daylong downpour drenched the area. Totals ranged from less than 2 inches in some parts of Austin to 8 inches near Elgin, just east of the city.

Storms forced some evacuations,

sent school children home early, and triggered a flurry of traffic accidents. But no serious injuries were reported.

"I was sure of rain, but I wasn't looking at 4 to 5 inches," said National Weather Service meteorologist P.J. Louis in Austin.

"There was no mention of something this heavy. No one talked about heavy rains, nothing like this."

The Elgin, Bastrop and Manor school districts east of Austin sent children home early because of flooding on roads.

Heavy rains caused extensive flooding in East Texas, forcing the closure of several county roads near Elkhart. Flooding also occurred along the Neches, Angelina, Sabine and Sulphur rivers in East and Northeast Texas. Those rivers should crest above flood stage sometime before Saturday.

Gulf

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ed in a resolution of the gulf crisis. Saddam's defiant speech came before hundreds of Muslim scholars attending a conference in Baghdad. He said he was certain of victory because his armed forces had "combat experience, unlike the Americans using military manuals."

His information minister also denied foreign news reports that Saddam may wait several days past the Tuesday deadline before announcing his support "in principle" to leave Kuwait.

The New York Times today reported Iraq would ask for an international peace conference that includes the Palestinian dispute in Israeli-occupied lands, and also seek negotiations with Kuwait. The report quoted Arab diplomats.

The U.S. advisory for Americans to leave Israel and the occupied territories was the latest in a series issued because of fears of Iraqi attacks in the region. The U.S. Embassy in Israel authorized more than 200 dependents of embassy employees were authorized to depart at government expense in a widening of regional travel advisories.

The advisories already include Algeria, Morocco, Pakistan, Tunisia, the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates.

Bush is sending Deputy

Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger to Israel soon to reassure its leaders about U.S. support in case of an Iraqi attack and to coordinate positions if war breaks out, officials in Washington said.

In other developments:

• The bellicose Iraqi statements sent oil prices in London up from earlier lows today. North Sea Brent Blend, the most widely traded international oil, for February delivery was quoted at \$25.90 a barrel after Saddam's comments, up from \$25.25 earlier in the morning.

• Saudi Arabia pledged today to bear 40 percent to 50 percent of the military costs for the multinational buildup in the gulf. U.S. and Saudi officials refused to name a price tag on the contribution. Secretary of State James A. Baker III, who met in Riyadh with Saudi officials, said only that he was satisfied with the results from his request for more Saudi financial help.

• An eight-ship U.S. Navy amphibious task force has entered the gulf and will be followed in the next few days by the aircraft carrier USS Midway, the U.S. Central Command said today in Saudi Arabia. An additional 18-ship amphibious task force will arrive in the northern gulf shortly to join other forces which are part of Operation Desert Shield, the military said.

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