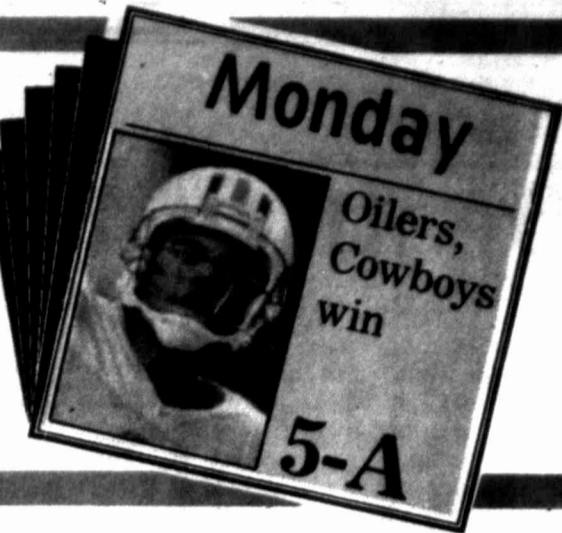




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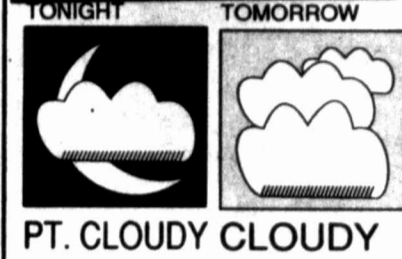
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## Weather



TONIGHT TOMORROW  
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SUNSET 5:55 PM  
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Tonight, fair then increasing cloudiness towards morning. Low in the upper 30s. South to southwest wind 5-15 mph.

Tuesday, cloudy morning becoming partly cloudy in the afternoon. High near 60. South wind 5-15 mph.

New Year's Day outlook, partly cloudy. Low in the lower 30s. High in the lower 50s.

Extended forecast on page 6-A.

## Records

Sunday's high temp.	63
Sunday's low temp.	37
Average high	56
Average low	29
Record high	79 in 1951
Record low	04 in 1983
Rainfall Sunday	0.00
Month to date	3.92
Month's normal	6.49
Year to date	29.89
Normal for year	18.55

## On the side

### Roads closed around state due to flooding

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Department of Transportation reported late this morning that some major highways around the state remained closed by high water.

Runoff from the Brazos River was still flooding low-lying areas in Houston, but no roads were closed, the department said.

Many farm-to-market roads in the Abilene, San Angelo, Waco, Austin, Houston, Atlanta, Fort Worth and Dallas areas were closed, the department said.

### Senior Center planning party for New Year's

The Big Spring Senior Citizens Center, located in Building 487 at McMahon-Wrinkle Airpark, will hold a New Year's Eve celebration from 8 p.m. until midnight Tuesday. The charge is \$5 per person and there will be black-eyed peas, cornbread and dessert at midnight. The public is invited to attend. For more information call 267-1628.

### Ruben Blades seeking office

DALLAS (AP) — Singer Ruben Blades spent last week planning his run for the presidency of Panama, a newspaper reported Sunday.

The election is 2½ years away but Blades has already formed a political party.

His father, Ruben Blades, a retired policeman living in Panama City, said, "The politicians here were taking this a joke, but now they're scared because the boy is rolling."

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## Damages not known from Saturday spill

By MARTHA E. FLORES Staff Writer

The amount of damage and loss has not yet been determined by oil company officials for an oil and gas spill 15 miles north of Big Spring on Texas Highway 350 Saturday.

Physical damage to the well was estimated late Saturday afternoon near \$10,000, said Capt. Tom Woolverton, public information officer for the Howard County Fire Department.

The spill was caused when a Bernstein Oilfield Service Inc. truck ran into a high pressure oil well releasing hydrogen sulfide, natural gas and crude oil, he said.

Traffic on Texas 350 was diverted over county roads to avoid the spill area.

"We did not calculate the amount of gas lost, but the oil lost was minimal," he said. "The oil loss was contained to the spewing when the gas came out."

Tony Burns, Bernstein Oilfield Service representative, said Monday morning. "The well is contained, and the clean up process is in phase. But we do not have a dollar figure on the damage and loss as of yet. Matador Oil Co. in Midland, the owner of the well, and Bernstein are in the process of calculating the loss."

As a result of the incident, four Howard County fire trucks with 18 men, one Big Spring fire truck with two firefighters, Texas Depart-

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Firefighters battle a gas and oil leak Saturday at a tank battery located 15 miles north of Big Spring on Texas Highway 350. The leak occurred when a

Bernstein Oilfield Service Inc. truck ran over a wellhead.

## Brazos River still on rise

RICHMOND, Texas (AP) — Residents here boated feed to inundated cattle, piled their furniture on sawhorses and mostly kept a close eye on the Brazos River as they waited for it to peak — in some spots, at its highest levels in decades.

The river was expected to crest today at about 50 feet, bringing the likelihood of heightened flooding throughout the area near Houston. It will likely take up to 36 hours for waters to recede significantly from the crest.

Mel Speed, Fort Bend County emergency coordinator, said the river stood at 48.8 feet late Sunday. It had risen only .1 of an inch in more than 3 hours, he said at 11:30 p.m. Sunday.

The Brazos crested near Simonton, about 40 miles upstream from Richmond, about 10 a.m. Sunday. There are no measuring devices at that point so Speed was unable to say what the level was, but he said he just knows "it started dropping there."

"It's still coming up but it's just slow," he said. "Luckily, there's no more rain expected. That will help us a whole lot. No rain in the forecast and I hope it stays that way."

Up to 150 people in low-lying areas might have to evacuate, he said. There was some early property damage from flooding in the northwest corner of the county about 45 miles west of Houston.

In that area, at the Valley Lodge subdivision near Simonton, residents said most of the nearly 200 houses were being washed by water — some up to 2 feet.

Steve and Cathy Williams sat with other residents at a nearby convenience store Sunday night.



A nativity scene is submerged in the flood water of the rain-swollen Brazos River on a farm near

Missouri City. The Brazos was not expected to crest until late Monday.

They had fled their home the night before and returned Sunday to find 4 inches of water in their homes from the Brazos, which normally is a half-mile away.

Although they had stacked everything they could inside the house on tables and sawhorses, the Williamses expected \$15,000 to \$30,000 in damage. Like many other residents, they have no flood insurance.

"Everybody's seeing things they've never seen before," Williams said. "This is no river we're talking about. This is a

floating lake."

Flooding caused by days of heavy rain that began last week has killed at least 15 people across Texas, swamped farmland, drowned livestock and caused millions of dollars in damage.

Downstream from Richmond, near Rosharon, the river late Sunday stood at 50.8 feet, surpassing the record flood of 50.7 feet set May 14, 1968. The crest isn't expected there until late today.

Flood records for the Rosharon crossing don't date back to 1957, the worst flood most residents in

this area can remember. At Richmond, the river hit 50.4 feet that year.

At Kraft's Country Store, 11 miles west of Rosharon, Clyde Williams said he was moving several head of cattle out of low-lying areas. He was hoping his family home would be spared.

"The river is about 50 feet from my house and it's rising," Williams said.

Helene Elster and her two sons said the water had surrounded the

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## Bush trip to push free trade

ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE (AP) — President Bush embarked for Australia and Asia today on a 12-day hard-sell mission for American goods, pledging to tell Pacific allies that "free trade is a two-way street."

"If we want to put people to work here at home, we've got to expand trade and to open markets," the president said as he boarded Air Force One for the journey to four nations.

Although initially planned as a goodwill tour, the trip's mission was recast as the U.S. economic recovery faltered and as Bush's approval ratings plunged.

"Let me make very clear the focus of this trip: My highest priority is jobs. I want us to build a foundation for sustained economic growth and an ever-increasing supply of good jobs for American workers," Bush said in a pre-dawn departure statement at Andrews Air Force Base outside Washington.

The president contends that each \$1 billion in new exports means 20,000 new jobs.

Although Bush did not name a particular nation, it was clear that the major target of his remarks was Japan, the source of a \$43 billion trade deficit.

"There are still too many countries where markets are closed to quality American goods and services. There are still too many countries whose consumers want but cannot buy American products," he said.

At the same time, the president did praise the Bank of Japan's move on Sunday to lower a key interest rate by half a percentage point.

A few moments later, the president told reporters aboard Air Force One that the central bank's move to cut its official discount rate from 5 percent to 4.5 percent was encouraging.

"That was a very important step. It was encouraging," he said.

Some Japanese officials have called for easier credit as a way to increase domestic demand for imports.

Bush, asked if he believes that the Japanese would take other measures in response to his trip, said: "We'll be talking to them about a lot of things."

In his airport speech, the president said he wanted to "get a firsthand glimpse of America's economic future, a world in which we will conduct more and more business and trade with partners in Asia, Europe and Latin America."

"We seek no special benefits, no rules stacked in our favor, just open markets: trade that is free and fair," Bush said.

The president is taking with him on the trip executives of 21 American companies, including the Big Three U.S. automakers. He said these officials "are ready to work hard in these markets to blaze a trail other American countries, large and small, can follow."

"My message in each country I visit will be this: free trade is a two-way street," Bush said.

## Russians face varied threats

MINSK, Belarus (AP) — Presidents of the ex-Soviet republics met today to try resolving military and economic disputes that could stall their commonwealth less than a week after the new grouping drove the Soviet Union into oblivion.

On his way into the meeting of the 11 leaders, Russian President Boris Yeltsin said the issues do not pose a threat to the commonwealth, but then urged "Let us work."

A representative of the Belarusian government said no documents were expected to be signed during the session in the western republic. But Yeltsin predicted the leaders would sign a military agreement.

"I hope we'll find a version acceptable to all," the Interfax news agency quoted him as saying as he left Moscow for the capital of Belarus, formerly Byelorussia. The republic borders Poland.

Minsk, where the commonwealth was forged early this month, is also the group's administrative center. Down the street from the House of Foreign Economic Relations, where the leaders met in an ornate

room, was an incarnation of the severe problems facing the newly independent nations as they try to undo damage inflicted by Soviet economic mismanagement. Shoppers were lined up for bread and milk, a daily ordeal for millions of consumers in the shortage-plagued states.

The dismal economy challenges the commonwealth's unity. Russia and Belarus plan to free prices this week in an attempt to put their economies on a market-oriented footing, but other states balk at their taking the step so quickly.

The other states fear the move will draw food and goods away from their territories. Ukraine, the agricultural powerhouse of the commonwealth, reportedly is refusing to sign the commonwealth charter in protest of the pricing plans by Russia and Belarus.

Yeltsin drove another potential wedge among the countries Sunday by announcing that his huge Russian Federation would create a national army of its own.

One of the tasks at today's meeting is deciding whether the commonwealth will maintain a joint military despite moves by

Azerbaijan, Ukraine, Armenia, Moldova — and now Russia — to create separate armies.

Yeltsin said Sunday morning that his Russian Federation of 147 million people, by far the largest of the states left by the disintegration of the Soviet Union, would create a national guard of 30,000 to 40,000 men.

Yeltsin's announcement could be a bargaining chip, or a way to pressure the others, because he continued to speak in favor of a unified military.

"We should agree on unified armed forces, about their structures and coordination, and about unified command over strategic nuclear weapons," Tass quoted the Russian president as saying.

Later, Yeltsin gave a nationwide end-of-the-year address in which he congratulated Russians for avoiding violence in 1991 and urged them to continue to stay calm in the difficult days ahead.

His television address followed reports that two people were killed in angry bread lines in the Siberian city of Kemerovo, and that fighting was continuing in the Georgian capital of Tbilisi and the disputed

Nagorno-Karabakh region of Azerbaijan.

The commonwealth was formed with great fanfare on Dec. 8 by the leaders of the three Slavic Soviet republics — Russia, Belarus and Ukraine.

When those leaders met again in Alma-Ata, Kazakhstan, on Dec. 21, eight more republics joined the commonwealth, effectively ending the Soviet Union. Under pressure from the West, they agreed to put nuclear weapons under a unified command, but left many other prickly military and economic issues unresolved.

A Ukrainian official was quoted Sunday as saying his country wants guarantees it would not come under attack before it dismantles or reduces its nuclear weapons arsenal.

Since then, Mikhail Gorbachev resigned as Soviet president, turning over control of the country's estimated 27,000 nuclear warheads to Yeltsin and the commonwealth's interim military commander, Marshal Yevgeny Shaposhnikov. Today's meeting was expected to decide whether he would keep that post.

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# Texas

## Death of 7-year-old probed

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Investigators today were trying to determine what led to the death of a 7-year-old boy whose body was found in an alley about five miles from his home.

Eloy Melchor was found dead at 8:30 p.m. Sunday, about three hours after he was reported missing.

Police said the boy's body had only minor scratches and facial abrasions and the cause of death was not immediately determined.

"The circumstances are questionable," said police Sgt. Roy

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Thomas. "We have some questions we're trying to get answered."

Detective Rudy Garcia said the case would be classified as an apparent sudden death, pending an autopsy and ruling from the medical examiner's office.

The body was found by a man who drove into the alley behind his house to chase away a stray dog that had been bothering his own

dog, police said.

While police had not determined the exact cause of death, family members had their own ideas. One relative said the youth had been shot, and another said he may have been strangled.

His parents began looking for Eloy, a second-grader, when they realized he had not returned home from getting a soda at a convenience store sometime before 6 p.m.

At least one witness reported hearing the boy shout for help near his apartment complex.

## Police investigating kidnap, homicide

HOUSTON (AP) — Homicide detectives today were investigating the kidnaping and fatal shooting of a Houston woman discovered near death alongside a highway.

Marlin Mouton, 32, had been shot in the head, neck and chest about 6 p.m. Sunday before being dumped out of a black car, police said. She died shortly after arriving at Ben Taub Hospital, officials said.

Before her death the woman told

police she had been abducted and shot by five men while visiting friends in northeast Houston.

Her brother told police he had driven Ms. Mouton to the house where she was visiting a man and a woman while he waited in the car. He said two men drove up, dashed into the house and he heard gunfire.

Fearing for his own safety, the brother drove away and telephoned police. Ms. Mouton and her friends

were gone when her brother returned.

Sgt. Reuben Anderson said several slugs from a .380-caliber pistol, a .25-caliber pistol and a shotgun were found at the house. He said some blood found in the kitchen indicated someone had been hit and dragged out the back door of the house.

The man and woman had not been located by early today.

## French group hedges on high-speed rail

HOUSTON (AP) — A French-backed consortium is trying to avoid regulatory control and hedging on promises a month before it is to negotiate a franchise agreement for the state's \$5.7 billion high speed rail, state officials say.

Texas TGV, the consortium selected to build and run the system, must negotiate a 50-year franchise agreement with the state's High-Speed Rail Authority by Jan. 31 or the project could be scuttled.

"I think many people assume that high-speed rail is going to happen," said Henry Munoz, who is heading the contract talks for the

authority. "That's not true. I think the project is tenuous at this point."

"I have great expectations, but I am frustrated with where we are in the negotiations right now."

Rail Commissioner Bob Krueger says there's less than a 50-50 chance of working out the deal by the deadline.

"I certainly am not confident that we will (meet the deadline)," Krueger said. "But the stakes are so high that I would rather risk the status quo than risk a monumental failure."

The system initially would connect Houston to the Dallas-Fort Worth airport with trains operating

at speeds of 200 miles per hour. The initial line is scheduled for operation by 1998 with later phases linking the train to Austin and San Antonio.

Texas TGV, which is managed by the Idaho-based Morrison Knudsen Corp., has promised to build the system without public funds. The state has agreed to use its powers of eminent domain to help TGV secure the right-of-way for the project.

Texas TGV and the High-Speed Rail Authority have different opinions on the roles of the public and private sector in the project, state officials said.

## Cheaper heart pump developed in state

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A simpler, safer and less expensive heart pump designed by two Texas universities is awaiting federal approval for testing in San Antonio and several other medical centers around the nation.

The device, which could replace those now being used to bypass blood flow during heart surgery, was built as a joint project of the University of Texas Health Science Center in San Antonio and the University of Texas' College of Biomedical Engineering in Austin.

At a meeting in Washington in mid-December, U.S. Food and Drug Administration officials told the developers they were "right on track" for human testing, the researchers said.

"Our device (is) primarily for cardiopulmonary bypass, and for shorter term to support someone's circulation for maybe a week or so," said Dr. David Cohen, associate professor of cardiothoracic surgery at the University of Texas Health Science Center

at San Antonio. The device also could be used to keep transplant patients alive until a donor organ is found, Cohen said.

The disposable element on the Texas pump is the sac, which costs about \$3.50.

On one pump currently in use, the disposable element — which must be replaced almost daily — costs about \$300, Cohen said. The new device has been undergoing animal tests in preparation for human trials.

Thomas Runge, who holds joint faculty positions at both universities, has been heading the project.

"A number of graduate students have gotten their master's degrees and Ph.D.s working on this project. This really is a University of Texas pump," said Cohen, who has worked with Runge on the device for four years.

The pump's most important feature is a pulse rhythm nearly identical to a human heart. Pumps currently available use a steady

flow of blood as opposed to the pulsatile pump, which emulates the heart's rhythm.

The FDA recently approved a small pulsatile pump that assists the left chambers of the heart. The idea of pulsatile flow in artificial heart devices and pumps has been controversial.

"Whether we should have a pulsatile or non-pulsatile pump will be the subject of a discussion for a long time," said Dr. Yukihiko Nose, professor of surgery at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Studies at Cleveland Clinic in Cleveland, Ohio — where Nose chaired the artificial-organ program for 22 years before moving to Baylor two years ago — found steady-flow heart pumps just as effective as pulsatile pumps if blood flow was increased slightly.

But Dr. Charles Moore III, head of the heart-transplantation program at Humana Hospital-San Antonio, said many heart surgeons believe pulse flow is better.

## Yard work



On a quiet Saturday afternoon, Buerk Williams took advantage of the clear weather to trim the branches of his tree in the backyard of his home.

## Economy pleases Whitmire

HOUSTON (AP) — Kathy Whitmire is proudest of helping to turn Houston's economy around during her 10 years as mayor and opening the door for other women to lead large cities in Texas.

But she also made national news when she changed her hair style after being compared to Hollywood's Tootsie.

Mrs. Whitmire's tenure ends Thursday when wealthy developer Bob Lanier takes the oath of office. After four easy re-elections, Mrs. Whitmire, 45, finished third in a three-way race last November, failing to make the runoff between Lanier and state Rep. Sylvester Turner.

During her tenure, Mrs. Whitmire presided over a city devastated by the oil bust of the mid-1980s, then took credit for Houston's subsequent economic turnaround. She also appointed the city's first black police chief and Houston's first female police chief.

Political analysts have praised her as a great administrative mayor who moved the city forward on issues such as efficient garbage collection and public transportation.

But during last fall's election, she came under fire for failing to react to increasing crime and for her insistence in promoting the monorail project.

"Houston faced the most serious economic crisis that it's faced in a long time during the years that I've been mayor," Mrs. Whitmire said in a recent interview. "We found at that time that we really didn't have any kind of an ongoing marketing program, we didn't have a very diversified economic base. During my administration we were able to get that marketing program started."

Mrs. Whitmire was first elected in 1981, a 35-year-old widow. After two terms as city controller, she ran as a competent outsider seeking to oust the "good old boys."

"I feel that my commitment to careful money management and businesslike operation in city government is one of the unique things about me. The fact that I have a financial background and a business background and have applied it to city government is something that you don't always find in the political world, and so I do consider that unique," she said.

While known as a business-minded CPA with a technocratic touch, Mrs. Whitmire — Houston's first woman mayor and among the first to head a large Texas city — found herself at the center of much attention over her appearance and her reserved personal style.

In 1982, the 5-foot-tall Houston native who favored serious business suits with bows at the neck was named to Mr. Blackwell's 10-worst-dressed list, tied with her supposed look-alike, the Dustin Hoffman character Tootsie from the hit movie of the same name who also sported big glasses and short curly hair.

Mrs. Whitmire says she didn't mind the comparison, nor making news in The Wall Street Journal when she changed her hair style in 1985.

"I remember telling a reporter during the transition back in '81 that I had been elected by the voters to do a job for them at City Hall, not to provide public entertainment," she laughed.

"But I found out differently, and I suppose after about four years I concluded that public entertainment was part of my job."

Over the years, Mrs. Whitmire adapted to the loss of her privacy and evolved into a polished veteran politician known for her dedication to the job.

"From the time I was first elected (controller) in 1977, I felt like I was combining my work and my play," she has said.

"I never found this job boring, even for one minute," she said. "I was always excited about what could be done for Houston and excited about the progress we made."

"I think what I will miss the most is the opportunity to make a difference on so many issues at the

same time."

Mrs. Whitmire says she has not decided what she will do after an at least month-long vacation, but has no plans to run again for mayor. She hasn't yet decided whether to accept an offer from Harvard's Kennedy School of Government to teach this spring.

She says she may remain active in advancement of the arts in Houston and international trade issues.

"I think I certainly will be heard from in politics," she said. "I am very interested in public issues, and I'm very interested in Houston's future, so I do expect to still be around, and I'm sure that everyone will hear my views in the future, one way or the other."

What she won't miss is the press, and the possibility of regaining some of her privacy.

"Well, let me just say, perhaps a new relationship with the press will be better," she said, laughing. "The press is generally pretty hard on incumbent officeholders."

Perhaps her biggest disappointment is failing to achieve reform of the state's civil service system, a priority since her first term.

"The state civil service laws that control the operation of some 60 police departments and fire departments around the state are really archaic rules that should be changed, because ... they make it illegal to consider whether someone did a good job when it comes down to promotions and pay raises. That's a ridiculous system, and it needs to be changed," she said.

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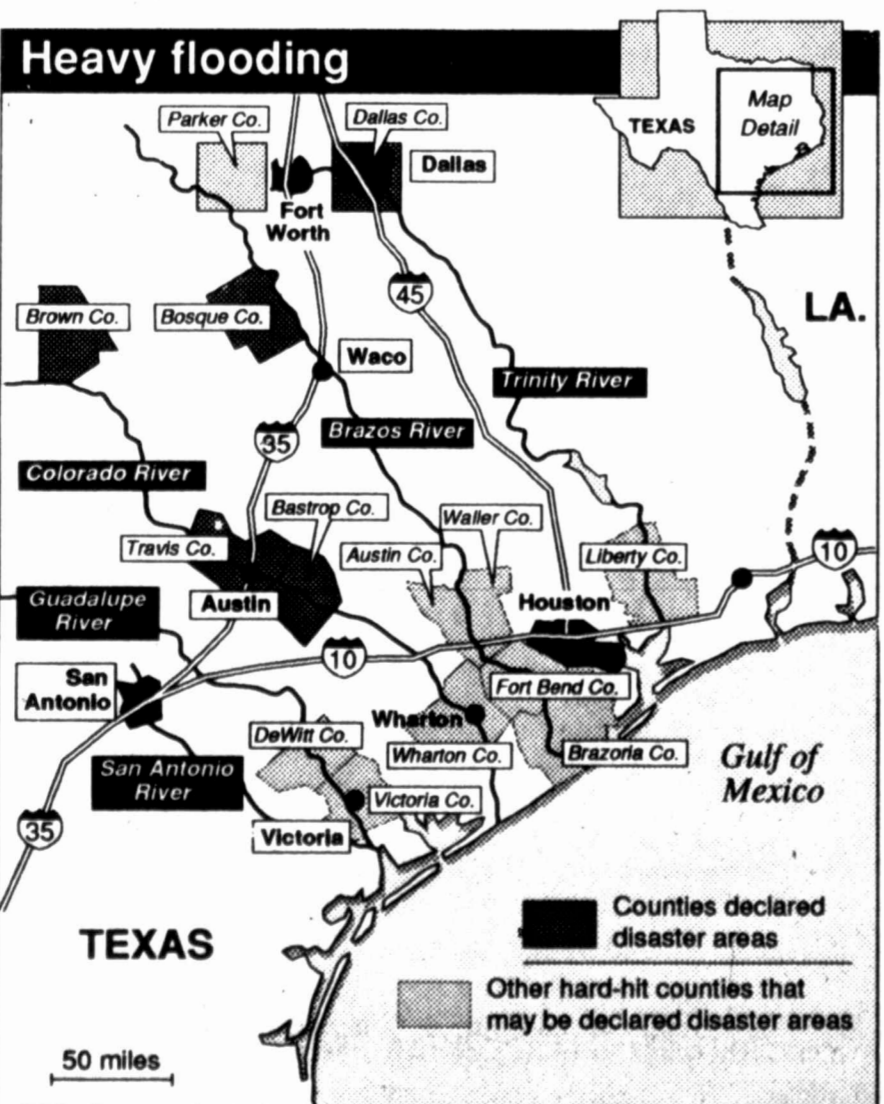
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## Car bomb kills at least 30 in Beirut

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — A car bomb exploded on a crowded street in a poor Muslim neighborhood today, killing at least 30 people and wounding about 120 in the worst such attack in Lebanon in more than six years, police said.

The wounded included former Prime Minister Shafik Wazzan, who was passing through the area in his bulletproof car. Police said Wazzan was hospitalized and later discharged. It was not clear if he was a target of the attack.

The bomb of 220 pounds of TNT destroyed buildings and caused fires near an intersection filled with fruit-and-vegetable vendors and shoppers. A six-foot-deep crater was left on Mamoun Street in the mostly Muslim district of Basta.

It was the bloodiest car bombing

since June 18, 1985, when a blast outside a popular ice cream parlor in Lebanon's northern port of Tripoli killed 60 people and wounded 110.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the bombing, the first since early November and the fourth this year. Such attacks usually go unclaimed in Beirut.

But the blast may have been intended to set back government efforts to reestablish control in Lebanon after 15 years of civil war, said police sources, who spoke on condition of anonymity. It also may have been carried out to protest the Syrian army's presence in Beirut.

Car bombings became common during Lebanon's civil war, which ended in October 1990 with the defeat of rebel Christian Gen. Michel Aoun.



Civil defense volunteers carry away a victim from the scene of a massive car bomb explosion in a Beirut neighborhood Monday. Police said at least 15 people were killed and 25 injured in the worst bombing in more than two years.

## Party endorses Marcos as candidate

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Former first lady Imelda Marcos was endorsed today by her late husband's political party as its candidate for president.

Mrs. Marcos avoided making a categorical announcement that she would run in the May 11 election but told about 300 members of the New Society Movement that "what the people ask me to do, Imelda will do."

The delegates chanted "Imelda, Imelda" after unanimously approving resolutions declaring the widow of President Ferdinand

Marcos as leader of the party and its candidate to succeed President Corason Aquino.

Those who attended the convention were die-hard supporters of Mrs. Marcos, and the outcome of the session was never in doubt.

"What has become of our country?" she asked the delegates in a rambling speech. "People cry in desperation. I have no political agenda but when I see every human being cry, I cry with them. When I see a heart ache, I suffer with them."

## Iran, France settle 12-year dispute

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iran and France have reached agreement on a billion-dollar dispute that had strained their relations for 12 years.

But even as Iran improved its relations with one Western nation, a diplomatic confrontation developed with another when Switzerland closed its embassy in Tehran after Iran refused to let a Swiss diplomat leave the country.

Switzerland had represented U.S. interests in Tehran, so the move cut U.S. diplomatic channels to Iran.

Tehran Radio said the agreement signed Sunday by Francois Scheer, director-general of the French Foreign Ministry, and Iranian deputy foreign minister Mahmoud Vaezi calls for Paris to pay Tehran \$550 million by the end of the year.

## Justice department fighting porn

WASHINGTON (AP) — Liberals call them misguided zealots. Conservatives praise them for attacking the pornography industry.

They're the smut fighters from the Justice Department, and if your business is adult entertainment, you'd better look over your shoulder.

The department's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section of 11 lawyers has targeted for prosecution dozens of producers and distributors of adult videos and magazines, forcing several out of business.

"They're out to destroy us," says

Phil Harvey, whose \$40 million a year mail-order business offers everything from erotic material from Playboy to videotaped sex between consenting adults.

"Three or four crusading zealots" in Washington working with U.S. attorney's offices around the country "can decimate business after business," he says.

"We haven't prosecuted 7-Elevens and Playboy magazine; we're after hard-core pornography," responds the Justice Department unit's chief, Patrick Trueman, a former GOP congressional candidate from Minnesota.

## Slain hostages honored at funerals

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two Americans who met squalid deaths at the hands of Lebanese captors are being honored by their nation's leaders and laid to rest in cemeteries set aside for those who served their country.

Vice President Dan Quayle headed the list of dignitaries at a plane-side tribute planned at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., for Marine Col. William Higgins and William Buckley of the CIA.

The Pentagon said Secretary of

Defense Dick Cheney also would speak at the base.

After the ceremonies, the flag-draped casket bearing Higgins was to be taken to Quantico National Cemetery at Triangle, Va., and that of Buckley to Arlington National Cemetery near Washington.

President Bush, who demanded that the men's remains be returned after the last of the U.S. hostages in Beirut were released, missed the ceremony. He was off today on the first leg of a trade mission to Asia.

## Stampede kills eight at game between rap stars

NEW YORK (AP) — Mayor David Dinkins ordered an investigation into the deaths of eight people crushed outside a set of gymnasium doors in a stampede to get into a charity basketball game put on by rap stars.

The crowd surged into a narrow stairwell leading to the already overcrowded gym at City College in Harlem. Most victims fell down the stairs and became part of a pile of bodies against the gym doors Saturday night.

"It was a cone effect," said rescue worker Sy Collins. "There were bodies on the floor and people were just running over them."

Dinkins on Sunday assembled a task force that included police, fire, medical and university officials. District Attorney Robert Morgenthau also assigned a homicide prosecutor to investigate possible criminal charges.

The mayor said he had no answers Sunday, but he did say the event was oversold. After viewing videotape shot from the bleachers, police said as many as 4,700 people were inside the gym

— 2,000 more than its legal capacity.

The basketball game, a benefit to raise money for AIDS education, featured such rap stars as Big Daddy Kane and L.L. Cool J. as players and spectators.

The college's student government, which organized the event, sold 1,500 tickets in advance and began selling tickets at the door at 5 p.m. The game was supposed to start at 6 p.m. Tickets were still being sold at 7 p.m.

Police, who usually send 10 officers to patrol outside the gym when games are held there, said they sent an extra 20 after learning the advance tickets were sold out and the event had been publicized on radio stations.

When the 30 officers arrived, they found a disorderly crowd of hundreds, said Mario Salvaggi, a patrol chief.

"The crowd was big and uncontrollable. They kept pushing and pushing," said Oscar Davis, 32. "Police finally lost control. The crowd smashed a locked glass door and surged into the stairwell at about 7:15 p.m., witnesses and



Invitations litter an entrance to Holman Gymnasium at City College in the Harlem section of New York early Sunday morning as police officers stand guard. Eight people were crushed or smothered to death and 29 injured Saturday night as rap fans pushed their way into a celebrity basketball tournament.

police said. It was too late for officers to get inside, police said. As emergency workers carried the out injured fans on stretchers, kids in the gym scrambled for

## Rebels are preparing for new assault

TBILISI, Georgia (AP) — Rebels driven from the Parliament say they are marshaling vehicles and more ammunition for a new assault on the mammoth building where President Zviad Gamsakhurdia has been holed up.

Pro-government troops drove the rebels from the building Sunday, took control of a main square and arrested a former minister after both sides ignored a plea for a cease-fire.

The furious power struggle in this small Caucasus nation shows no signs of moving toward a peaceful resolution. Gamsakhurdia is refusing demands that he resign, and remains in an underground bunker in the heavily damaged Parliament, guarded by 500 to 1,000 loyal troops.

Negotiators tried in vain Saturday to call a cease-fire in the fighting that has left the city center in flames and killed at least 53 by Health Ministry count. Unofficial tallies put the death toll as high as 80.

The fighting has left Georgia politically paralyzed as 11 other former Soviet republics work on developing the new Commonwealth of Independent States.

Violence has flared sporadically since September, when several government leaders joined the opposition against Gamsakhurdia,



Residents watch from their homes as other buildings burn in Tbilisi, Saturday. Fighting continued in the Georgian capital despite an attempted cease-fire over the weekend.

claiming he was ruling like a dictator since winning a direct presidential election in May.

But Gamsakhurdia, an ardent nationalist, still appears to have

the strong support of rural and working class Georgians. A former aide said he thought Gamsakhurdia had about 2,000 supporters willing to defend him.

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# Opinion

## Other opinion

### Punishing and isolating Libya

Three years ago Pan Am Flight 103 was destroyed over Scotland by a bomb planted by agents of the Libyan government. The terrorist attack killed all 259 passengers on the plane and 11 persons on the ground in the town of Lockerbie. Nine months later, a French airliner was bombed over Niger, killing 170 passengers. Once again, Libyan agents were responsible.

To date, Libyan leader Col. Moammar Gadhafi has escaped responsibility for these crimes. But a campaign now under way by the United States, Britain and France would hold Libya accountable under United Nations auspices and thereby deter future acts of state-sponsored terrorism.

The U.S.-led effort by the three nations centers on a proposed Security Council resolution that would impose an array of sanctions on Libya. The most stringent of these would be a global embargo on purchases of Libyan oil. Such a ban would be difficult to enforce because oil is a fungible commodity on the world market. Thus, the embargo's success would depend on virtually all nations supporting it.

But several other effective actions could be ordered by the Security Council to punish Gadhafi. One is a ban on all international flights to and from Libya, coupled with an embargo on sales of aircraft, spare parts and the technology needed to support the country's commercial air service. In addition, the Security Council could impose a prohibition against the sale to Libya of military hardware or civilian technology that has military applications. Another idea is to freeze all Libyan assets in foreign banks.

A sustainable campaign to isolate the Libyan regime would signal the U.N.'s determination not to tolerate international terrorism.

At the same time, U.N. sanctions might induce a degree of cooperation from Libya in the cases of the two documented airline bombings.

Last month, the United States and Britain indicted two Libyan intelligence agents for their part in the Lockerbie attack. But Gadhafi has refused to honor U.S. and British requests for extradition of the agents. Libya also has ignored demands from Washington and London that it pay compensation to the families of the bombing victims. A lifting of the U.N. sanctions could be made contingent upon Gadhafi's compliance with these terms.

The evidence of Libya's complicity in the airline bombings is beyond dispute. If the world community is serious about controlling state-sponsored terrorism, it will give its support to a strong U.N. policy to punish and isolate Libya for its reprehensible attacks against innocent civilians.

San Diego Union

### In election year, I'm playing a Pat hand

I realize the 1992 presidential election is nearly a year away and there hasn't been a primary or even a sex scandal yet (See Gary Hart: Monkey Business) but I'm ready to announce my choice to occupy the Oval Office next term.

Lewis Grizzard



Pat Buchanan. Because he's a Republican? No, David Duke is a Republican but I'm not endorsing him for president. I'm endorsing David Duke for former Nazi of the Year. As far as I know no other former Nazi made it to the finals of a governor's race in 1991 as did Herr Duke.

Because Pat Buchanan is a columnist and I'm a columnist, and it's the first time in my life anybody has run for president with whom I can identify.

I'll just do the winners: Truman was short, Ike was a general, Kennedy was a blue blood, Johnson was a rancher, Nixon was paranoid, Ford was clumsy, Carter was a peanut farmer, Reagan was an actor and Bush attended Yale.

I'm tall. I was never even in the Army. My mother taught in a public school. I don't care anything about horses or cows. I'm not paranoid; I got this twitch from being married too many times.

I've got good balance. Peanuts give me indigestion. I once acted on a television sitcom and never got asked back, and I don't trust anybody who attended an Ivy League school.

But Pat Buchanan. He's a member of my tribe. He has stared at the blank page, felt the emptiness of walking across the creative desert and has prayed the columnist's prayer: "Lord grant me my daily idea and forgive me for yesterday's."

Here is a man who can form an opinion on any subject in a heartbeat. Who can then reverse that opinion mid-column when he realizes the opposite opinion is easier to espouse.

Here is a man who realizes if someone steals from him it's

plagiarism, but if he steals from someone else it's research.

Pat Buchanan has dealt with editors who do not see the greatness in each phrase he writes. Who knows the pain of seeing his brilliantly constructed last paragraph whacked off in the composing room just because he ran a few lines past the space allotted to his column.

Who has awakened in a cold sweat after having a nightmare that 14 of the papers who carry his column have been taken over by the American Civil Liberties Union and have dropped him.

Here is a man who feels what he writes and writes what he feels. At least three times a year. Here is a man who detests facts. They can be so bothersome. (See Bush: Recession.)

Pat Buchanan, as all columnists, knows how public ridicule feels and knows how to deal with it — tell yourself everybody else is wrong and you are absolutely correct as always.

Pat Buchanan has approached deadlines with a sudden attack of mush-of-the-brain, a character builder if ever there was one.

Who has been introduced at a speaking engagement as "the popular communist," and who has carried on anyway. Who has received letters from people who think they are Jesus and who has been recognized in public as, "aren't you the sleezebag who writes for..."

Be a Pat-Backer. In your heart you know he at least thinks he's right. (See Goldwater: 1964 Landslide Defeat.)

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## Television welcome in courtrooms

It was an ordeal for Willie and a worse ordeal for Patti, but the nation's most publicized rape case had its up side. Millions of TV viewers benefited from their first real-world look at a criminal trial.

James J. Kilpatrick



Television is here to stay in our courtrooms, and a welcome development it is. Forty-five of the 50 states now permit some TV coverage — 25 of them in their trial courts, another 20 in their appellate courts. Federal courts in six districts are in the midst of an experiment that promises to open federal jurisprudence.

We've come a long way since the intolerable circus that fouled up the Texas trial of Billie Sol Estes in 1962. Estes was a high-rolling swindler who had gained national notoriety. Relatively speaking, TV was in its infancy then. At the pretrial proceedings in Tyler, as the Supreme Court would observe, "cables and wires were snaked across the courtroom floor, three microphones were on the judge's bench and others were beamed at the jury box and the counsel table." TV crews and still photographers disrupted the proceedings.

Things were a little calmer when the trial itself began in October, but even so, the cumulative effect was to deny Estes the "judicial serenity and calm" to which he was entitled. By a vote

of 5-4 the Supreme Court reversed his conviction. Chief Justice Warren, in a concurring opinion, denounced TV coverage as "desecration of a courtroom."

Warren was so upset by the very idea that he employed one of the few exclamations ever to appear in his opinions. He feared that TV "not only offers a temptation to judges to use the bench as a vehicle for their own ends, but offers the same temptation to every participant in the trial, be he defense counsel, prosecutor, witness or juror!" Some of these functionaries "undoubtedly" would play to the TV audience.

It hasn't happened that way at all. In West Palm Beach, the TV camera was a quiet spectator. No cables were snaked across the courtroom. The microphones were the same microphones regularly in use. None of the participants showed the slightest indication of playing to the audience. The result was that viewers got a

sense of the real thing. We heard riveting testimony from Patti Bowman, the accuser, and from William Kennedy Smith, the accused. Viewers could yawn through the tedious testimony of various expert witnesses. We saw a highly competent judge, determined to see that no error on her part would result in a mistrial.

We saw a prosecuting attorney both her case with irrelevant and repetitive questions. Every law student in the land could learn from Roy Black's cross-examinations.

This is the way it ought to be. Some judges — especially federal judges with lifetime tenure — get it in their swelled heads that the courtrooms belong to them. They dwell in the intoxicating clouds that hover atop Olympus. No mere taxpayers allowed! In point of fact the courts, including especially the U.S. Supreme Court, belong to the people who pay for them. We ought to have the same access to the courts that we have to Congress and the executive agencies. All this highfalutin talk of the "majesty of the law" is piffle. Chief Justice Rehnquist puts on his pants just like the rest of us.

Thanks to Court TV, a new program developed by Merrill Brown, Steven Brill, Fred Graham and others, cable viewers

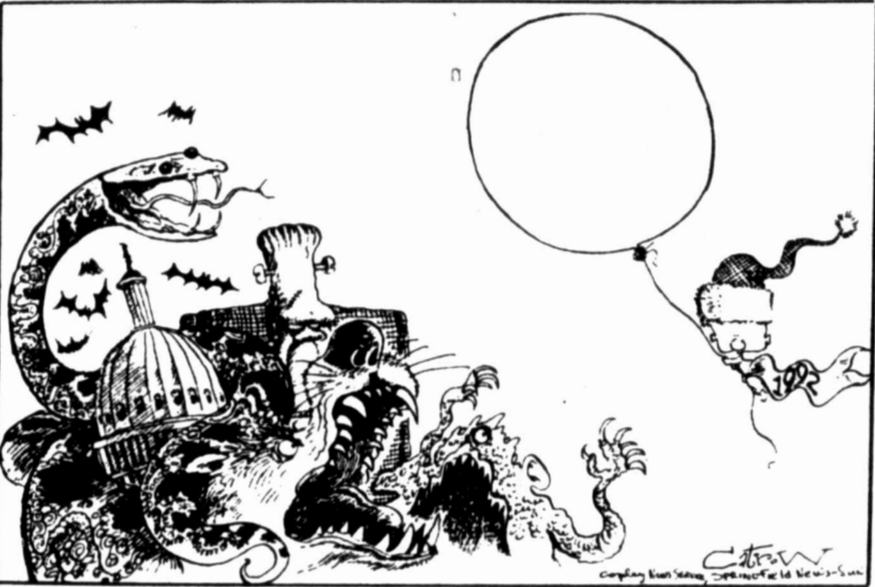
in subscribing cities have had an opportunity in recent months to see 70 trials in whole or in part. About three-fourths of these have been criminal trials, one-fourth civil trials. They have covered a spectrum from product liability to police brutality. No complaints have been heard that TV coverage in any way has violated due process of law.

Following the Smith trial, a few viewers complained that the testimony of the principal characters was too explicit for family viewing. Some complained that the defendant was treated unfairly because his name and face were shown, while Patti Bowman's name was bleeped and her face was masked.

I would reject both complaints. Sleaze is sleaze. Boys will be boys and girls will be girls. This is the way the world is. Those of us in the media have some decency left. We were not going to identify the accuser publicly. Since the trial she voluntarily has come forward.

It might be cynically said, now that the trial is over, that no one gained but the lawyers. Not so. All of us who watched the trial on TV benefited from seeing justice well served.

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## Making New Year's resolutions to help nation

The United States must have layout artists and jingle writers all over the world portraying our nation as a shining land where dreams come true. Of course, some people don't buy it, just as everyone doesn't buy Tide, but some do.

Betty Johansen



Haitians are loading down flimsy boats in a desperate bid to reach U.S. soil. One man was quoted as saying, "I'd rather die at sea than die in Haiti."

A November story in the *Herald* told about Vietnamese whose neighborhood was destroyed by American bombers Dec. 26, 1972. At the time of the raid they were full of grief and rage toward Americans. But today a new refrain is heard in Hanoi, "America is No. 1," accompanied by a thumbs-up sign.

Of course, the U.S. is a shining land compared to the grinding poverty in which millions of people live. But our prosperity could end and, for many, it already has.

But most Americans seem to live in such a Never-Never Land that I almost feel obligated to prove our good times could crash down around our ears. However, I don't have time or space so, if you don't believe me, pick an empire and read about it. Notice what happens when morals deteriorate as they are deteriorating in this country today.

If I were dictator of the United States, I would do something about our moral decline. I would decree that all parents must make a 1992 New Year's resolution to teach their children three lessons:

● **Integrity.** I define integrity as always doing the right thing, even if you're sure no one will ever know what you did.

The case of Dr. Abu Hayat is a perfect picture of many people's

approach to integrity. Hayat, an abortion doctor, had his license suspended after he botched an abortion and a baby was delivered without an arm, according to Associated Press stories.

Of course, decapitations and mutilations occur legally in this country every day, as long as they are done in the dark, within a woman's uterus, as an abortion. But let the evidence come to light and people are horrified.

Charles Keating has become a symbol of the lack of integrity in our country. He stole millions of dollars. But all over our nation, average citizens steal from employers by goofing off on company time or calling in sick when they want to sleep in. Some lie on income tax returns. They are stealing money, but worse, they are stealing from their own vanishing pool of integrity.

And unfortunately, children learn from watching adults. They learn much more of what we do than what we say. Unless we change the lessons we are teaching them, this country is bound to crumble.

● **Responsibility.** Being responsible has to do with being accountable or dependable, being committed. It means doing things you don't want to do.

A favorite motto of recent generations is, "If it feels good, do it." Among some church-goers that same sentiment is expressed,

"We're not under law; we're under grace," which seems to them to mean, "I can do anything I want to." I don't agree that "if it feels good" is an adequate standard of behavior, and I don't agree that grace means I can do anything I want to do.

Computers are very legalistic machines; that's why they're so valuable to us. We can depend on them. They don't vary their output on the basis of capricious feelings.

I have learned that I can't afford to make excuses. If my tendency to self-indulgence finds it can get away with one excuse, it will come up with others. And so, whether it's going to work or to Sunday school or to any other responsibility, I'm likely to come share my contagions because I'm afraid of getting in the habit of making excuses for myself.

In an interview with Dr. James Dobson, former Cowboy Head Coach Tom Landry, speaking about his days as a football player, said, "It used to take me six weeks of hitting before the pain wasn't there... before you could really survive the blows that you get in football."

We can't let our kids get the idea that life is supposed to be soft, that they don't have to do anything unless it feels good. Softness loses football games. It also loses countries. Ask the Romans.

● **Vive la difference.** Webster defines this French phrase as meaning, "Long live the difference (between the sexes.)" For once, I agree with the French. Our nation's trend toward a unisex society is not only unhealthy. It can be absolutely ridiculous.

According to an AP story from New York last month, a judge overturned the convictions of 10

women who had exposed their breasts in public. The judge said that "legally classifying women's breasts as different from men's breast is a violation of the state and U.S. constitutions."

They say justice is blind. Maybe they're right.

I think we would do our next generation a favor if we clued them in on the fact that neither male nor female is superior to the other, but we are different. And we will be happier if we accept and enjoy those differences.

So is it too late for this country? That depends on us.

In the interview with Dobson, Landry told about the lowest point in his career. It came after a defeat to St. Louis by a score of 38-0. Don Meredith and Howard Cosell were doing the play-by-play and Landry said, "We lost even Don that night."

"The next morning... that was the lowest football team I'd ever seen... nobody loved us except the people in that room. I'll guarantee you nobody in Dallas did."

The Cowboys were three games behind with five left in the season, and the next game they lost was with Baltimore in the Super Bowl. They lost it in the last play of the game when Baltimore kicked a field goal.

"What turned it around?" Dobson asked.

"Just character," said Landry. "Character turns things around..."

Character can turn a football team around. And it can turn a nation around. No, it's not too late for the United States if we can re-establish the character that made us great.

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Sports

# Wild card weekend kind to Texas teams

## Youthful Cowboys overcome Chicago

CHICAGO (AP) — So much for playoff experience.

The young Dallas Cowboys, making their first playoff appearance since 1985, scored their first playoff victory since 1982 Sunday by defeating the Chicago Bears 17-13.

The Cowboys advanced to the second round to play the NFC Central champion Detroit Lions next Sunday in the Silverdome.

The Cowboys parlayed a fumble and a blocked punt into 10 points in the first half, put on a 75-yard touchdown drive in the second half that ended with Steve Beuerlein completing a 3-yard pass to Jay Novacek and stymied the Bears with repeated goal-line stands for their sixth straight victory.

Playoff experience made little difference since 35 members of the Cowboys had never played in a postseason game. Most of the Bears were playoff hardened.

"They ask us, 'This bunch hasn't been to the playoffs before, and Chicago has playoff experience, doesn't that give them an advantage?'" Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson said.



Dallas' Isaac Holt (30) breaks up a pass intended for Chicago wide receiver Wendell Davis during the second quarter Sunday at Soldier Field in Chicago. The Cowboys beat the Bears 17-13.

"But I didn't feel it gave them an advantage. Our guys have played some very big games on the road and games where some people felt we were overmatched. Going to RFK and beating Washington, going to Philadelphia and beating Philadelphia. I think that prepared us to come here to Soldier Field and to play Chicago."

And how.

Tony Hill recovered a Jim Harbaugh fumble and Ken Willis kicked a 27-yard field goal for a 3-0 lead. The next time the Bears had the ball, Darrick Brownlow blocked a Maury Buford punt and Ken Norton recovered. Four plays later, Emmitt Smith, who rushed for 105 yards on 26 carries, scored

18 passes for 180 yards. He never was sacked or even rushed for that matter.

"This team is awfully young and you have to learn to win," said Beuerlein, who was acquired for a fourth-round draft choice from the Los Angeles Raiders. "Now we believe we can win anytime we step out on the field."

"We had no pass rush, none at all," said Bears coach Mike Ditka. "Even when we blitzed, we had none. If the quarterback is not harassed, then he should have a good day."

Then the defenses took over.

Three times the Bears were inside the 10-yard line, and all they could come away with was three points on a 19-yard field goal by Kevin Butler with :15 left in the half to cut the lead to 10-3.

The Bears got back into it with a 43-yard field goal by Butler midway in the third quarter, but the Cowboys countered with a 75-yard drive and the Beuerlein touchdown pass to Novacek for a 17-6 lead.

"Learning to win is the secret," said Beuerlein, who completed 9 of

## Oilers placate fans with win over Jets

HOUSTON (AP) — The Houston Oilers beat the New York Jets and made points with their fans.

Ernest Givins caught two touchdown passes from Warren Moon and the defense made three impressive stands, two inside its 10-yard line, leading the Oilers to a 17-10 first-round playoff victory Sunday.

"I wouldn't say it was our best football game, but we overcame a lot of things, the disappointment of playing this week and a lot of controversy," Moon said. "We really needed this for a lot of reasons."

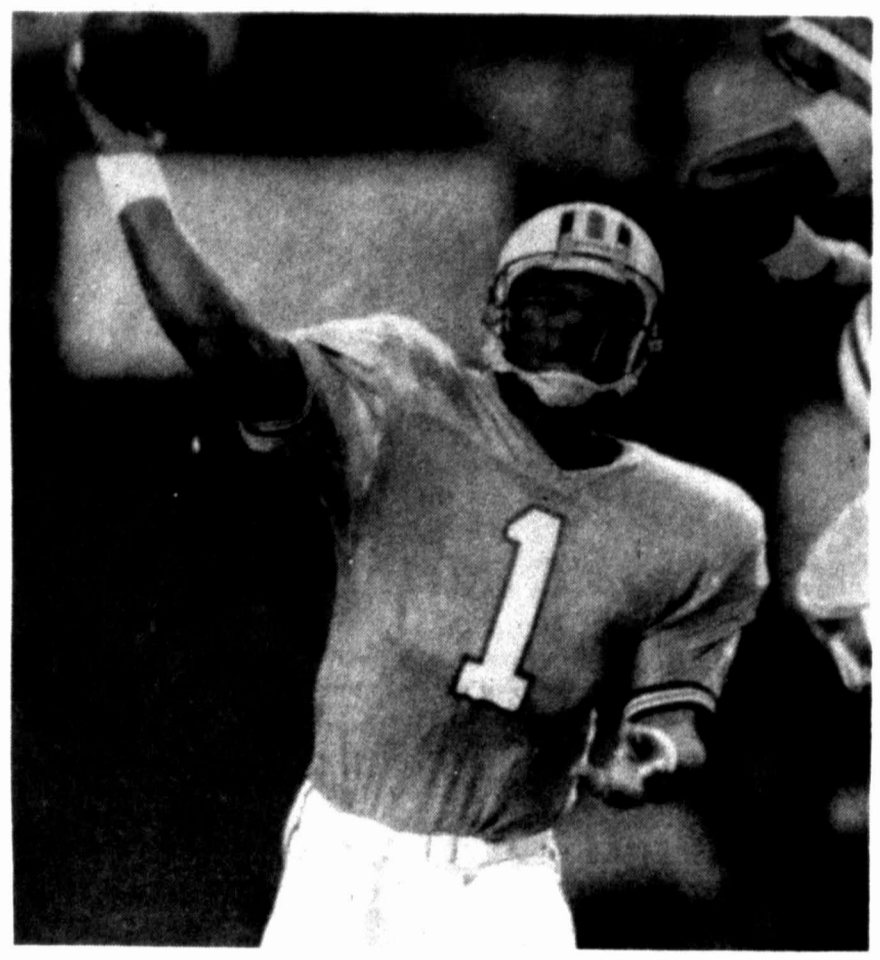
Houston's victory pushed the Oilers (12-5) into the second round of the playoffs Saturday against the AFC Western Division champion Denver Broncos and eased the fans' memories of three losses in their final five games.

"There had been a give-up attitude around town," Moon said. "We could have easily lost that game because of the way things went for us this week. Guys were really down and out this week."

Defensive end Sean Jones called Oiler fans front-runners and Ernest Givins said he didn't care what the fans thought. Houston's late-season power failure, similar to playoff fizzes in recent years, irritated anxious fans and they said so on sports talk shows throughout the week.

But all was forgiven by the record crowd of 63,328, who witnessed thrills from the first drive of the game until the final play, when Bubba McDowell intercepted his second pass of the game and lateraled to teammate Cris Dishman, risking a costly fumble.

"Don't give me the third-degree on that one," McDowell said sheepishly. "I heard Dish call my name and there wasn't anyone around. I'm sure I'll hear from the



Houston quarterback Warren Moon looks for a receiver during fourth quarter action Sunday against the New York Jets. Houston defeated the Jets 17-10 in the AFC Wild Card game.

coaches on Tuesday."

The Oilers scored on their first drive of the game for the first time since their season opener when Givins caught a 5-yard pass from Moon, curling into the back of the end zone.

"Our receivers did a good job of catching the ball," Moon said. "They've been taking the big hits all year. They know it's coming. They know they're little, but they do it anyway."

In the second quarter, Givins used the same route, catching a 20-yarder from Moon and helping the Oilers to a 14-10 halftime lead.

"I felt the last couple of weeks I've been playing very shabby," said Givins, who caught six passes for 83 yards. "Today made up for it. I haven't been playing up to my expectations, so this made up for it."

Givins, penalized earlier in the year for doing a touchdown dance called the "electric glide," did a shortened version of it after each touchdown without being flagged for excessive celebration.

"After the first touchdown, he (official) told me to watch it, so I toned it down the second time," Givins said.

## Bowl roundup

### Gator Bowl

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Gary Gibbs and Cale Gundy talked openly about Oklahoma's game plan all week long, and Virginia still couldn't stop it.

"Nobody believed us," Gibbs said Sunday night after the 20th-ranked Sooners, in a departure from tradition, threw first and ran second to dominate the No. 19 Cavaliers 48-14 in the Gator Bowl.

"We told everybody all week we were going to throw the ball more," the Oklahoma coach said. "When (game plans) work, they are all good."

Gundy threw for a school-record 329 yards and Mike Gaddis rushed for 104 yards and three touchdowns to pace the triumph before a crowd of 62,003, smallest for a Gator Bowl game since 1966.

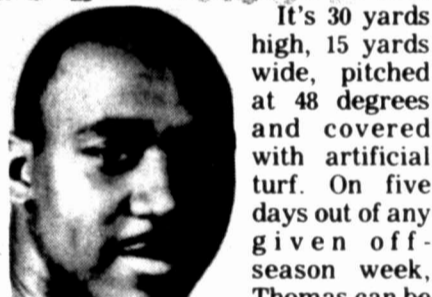
Oklahoma (9-3) finished with 618 yards total offense and had a Gator Bowl-record seven touchdowns against one of the nation's stingiest defenses. Virginia (8-3-1) allowed only 10.8 points per game during the regular season.

"Nobody back home thought we'd throw 30 times and I wasn't sure we would either," said Gundy, who completed passes to nine different receivers and threw to tight end Joey Mickey twice for touchdowns.

"We've got the type of offense that no one can come out and stop unless we stop ourselves," said Gundy, who averaged only 117 yards passing per game during the regular season.

## Thomas NFL offensive player of the year

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Tom Williams calls it Big Mama. Thurman Thomas calls it The Hill.



THOMAS found it flat with his footsteps. "Thurman didn't really like that hill," said Williams, owner of The Hill and the Houston sports

rehabilitation complex that surrounds it. "But he always comes back to The Hill."

Next time, Thomas can pause, if only briefly, for a view from the top. By winning this year's AP NFL Offensive Player of the Year award, Thomas has earned the right to be King of The Hill.

Thomas credits The Hill, and Williams' rigorous workouts, for helping him become the NFL's combined yardage leader the past three seasons and a focal point in the Bills' league-leading offense.

"I just feel better about myself," Thomas said when asked why he devotes so much of his time away from football to keeping himself

ready to play. "If I come up here to camp and I'm five pounds overweight, that's a lot to me. I want to come in and feel right. I don't want to come in and go on a diet for 2-3 days to try and lose five pounds. I want to come in and I want to feel right."

Thomas isn't alone on The Hill. Hundreds of NFL players have used the facility built by Williams, a former track and football coach at Grambling.

But Williams said Thomas, a Houston native, is among the first to come out once the season is over.

"He's usually in here around the first of February."

It's a regimen that pits Thomas

against The Hill, the weights and the track every weekday, usually for about five hours a day.

"You run up it 15 times and come back down. Then you turn around and you backpedal up it 15 times and come back down. Then the last one is you go zigzag all the way up and kind of zigzag all the way back down," Thomas explained.

"It's three sets of 15, and it's a continuous thing, you don't stop. That's why sometimes when you start, it's going to take an hour," he said.

After a few weeks, Thomas said the workout should take no more than a half hour.

### Independence Bowl

SHREVEPORT, La. (AP) — An interception by Georgia cornerback Chris Wilson on the final play of the Independence Bowl was most appropriate.

Wilson was the fifth Georgia defensive back to pick off a pass Sunday as the No. 24 Bulldogs defeated Arkansas 24-15 in the 16th annual game.

"It's more enjoyable when we are able to spread the wealth around," said Bulldog senior cornerback Chuck Carswell, who had a second-quarter interception.

"Our defense, especially the secondary, deserves a great amount of credit."

Two of the interceptions against Arkansas sophomore

Wade Hill led to touchdowns as Georgia had a 24-7 lead just three minutes into the second half.

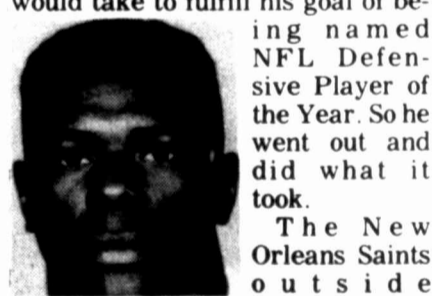
Andre Hastings, the game's offensive MVP, gave the Bulldogs (9-3) a 14-0 lead when he beat Orlando Watters for a 27-yard score. The TD was set up by Ralph Thompson's interception of a John Allen deflection and 16-yard return to the 24.

Early in the third quarter, George Wynn picked off Hill at the Georgia 47.

Hastings, who had four catches for 94 yards, took a reverse handoff on the next play. He followed a wall around the left end and raced untouched 53 yards for a TD on his only carry.

## New Orleans' Swilling top NFL defender

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Pat Swilling thought he knew what it would take to fulfill his goal of being named NFL Defensive Player of the Year. So he went out and did what it took.



SWILLING today in voting by 82 media members and conducted by The

Associated Press. Swilling, who led the NFL with 17 sacks and had 60 tackles, six fumbles forced and two recovered, intercepted a pass and knocked down four, received 27 votes.

That easily beat Philadelphia's Seth Joyner (18) and Reggie White (16). Swilling is the first Saint to win the honor.

"It means a lot, being in such a small media market, getting the recognition," Swilling said. "I knew I would have to put up the numbers even to be considered, but I was just hoping I'd get an opportunity one of these years to be

Player of the Year.

"It's hard to get that recognition. You have to play your butt off, and I feel I've done that."

He did that even though he was often double-teamed and, in recent weeks, triple-teamed.

"Early in this season, Pat made a lot of big plays for us in pass rush — also in coverage, but mainly in the pass rush area — with sacks, causing fumbles with the sacks that we recovered deep in the opponents' territory," Saints linebackers coach Vic Fangio said. "He stopped drives when teams

had us deep down in our own territory.

"Since then, teams have tried to make sure that he can't do that by assigning more than one man to him, which has cut down on his individual productivity as far as getting the big play in the sack area."

"We've had to move him around a little bit to camouflage where he's going to be. That's not always easy to do."

Stopping Swilling never has been easy. This year, especially when the Saints were getting off to a 9-1 start, it was impossible.

### Liberty Bowl

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Air Force is beginning to claim the Liberty Bowl as its own launching pad to gridiron success.

The Falcons (10-3) became the first team to win consecutive Liberty Bowl games Sunday night with a 38-15 victory over Mississippi State.

According to fullback Jason Jones, the propulsion for the Falcons' best season since a 12-1 mark in 1985 came when Air Force topped Ohio State 23-11 in last year's Liberty Bowl.

"A 38-15 victory over a good football team like Mississippi State is good for us. It's a momentum-builder for next year, just like beating Ohio State built up speed for this year's success,"

Jones said.

The impressive win over the Southeastern Conference Bulldogs (7-5) should push the Falcons, of the Western Athletic Conference, into the Top 25, according to quarterback Rob Perez, the Liberty Bowl MVP for the second consecutive year.

"We stuck the ball down their throats and won the game pretty handily. If we're not a Top 20 team now, I don't know who is," said Perez, a 1,100-yard rusher during the regular season who gained 114 yards on 26 carries and scored once Sunday night.

Air Force, which put the football in the air only twice, ran the ball 69 times for 318 yards and took 37:34 off the clock.

## Spurs down Orlando; Bucks stop Houston

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — After losing 13 straight and 18 of their last 19 games, the last thing the Orlando Magic needed to contend with was the dominating presence of San Antonio Spurs center David Robinson.

Robinson was so intimidating Sunday night that he forced Orlando to bench its hottest shooter.

With Robinson controlling the inside play with 25 points, 16 rebounds and five blocked shots, Terry Catledge had to watch from the sidelines as San Antonio pulled away with a 17-8 run in the final 4½ minutes for a 96-87 victory.

"You're not going to get a lot of layups in there with Robinson patrolling," Orlando coach Matt Guokas said. "You have to make jump shots or make dishes off drives."

That meant Catledge, who has hit 57 percent of his shots in the 14-game losing streak, was out and Jeff Turner, a perimeter shooter, was in for most of the fourth quarter.

"I guess he (Guokas) was looking for matchups," Catledge said. "He felt we had the threat of the

outside shot with Jeff in there."

Turner scored 10 points, including six of Orlando's last eight. Catledge had eight points and eight rebounds while being used sparingly.

San Antonio broke away from a tie at 79 with 4:33 to play by scoring eight unanswered points.

"We did some really great things when we had to," Spurs coach Larry Brown said. "David played like he was the best player in the league in the fourth. We just didn't give them any easy shots. That was as good a fourth quarter as we have had all year."

Cleveland," Ellis said. "(Against the Cavaliers) we came out a little flat, not ready to play."

"We came with a little more intensity tonight and executed our offense down the stretch. We got good shots, hit the boards. This was the difference."

The Bucks trailed the Rockets, who came into the game with a 7-6 road record, almost from the start. Milwaukee erased Houston's 59-49 halftime lead and pulled to within 80-79 with a 9-0 run, sparked by two long shots by Ellis, in the closing minutes of the third quarter.

"We know what we need to do to win games," Ellis said. "The bottom line was we just didn't come prepared to play (the other night)."

Otis Thorpe, who finished with 21 points for the Rockets, sank two free throws, giving Houston their last lead at 92-90 with six minutes left.

Ellis immediately tied the game for the fifth and last time in the fourth quarter when he hit a jumper from the left corner. He then sank two long jumpers for a 96-92 lead with 4:15 to go.



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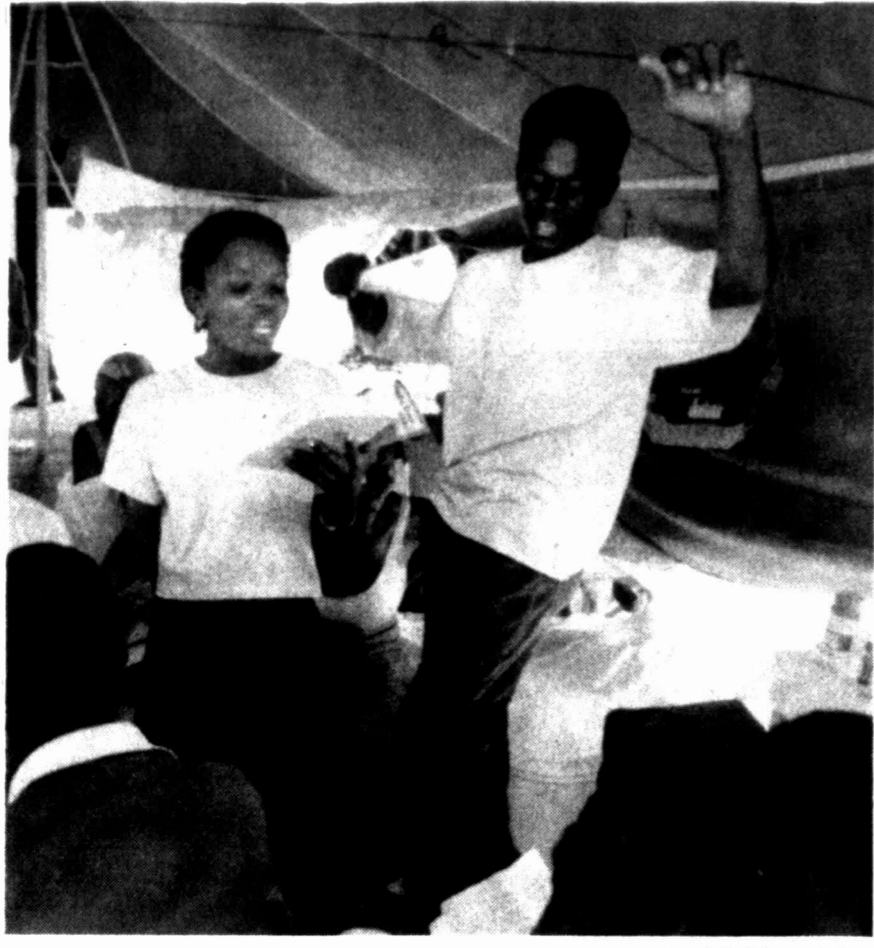
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Haitian refugees sing hymns and pray in creole under one of the hundreds of tents where they live in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, Saturday. After fleeing army terror in Haiti and risking their lives on the Atlantic, the U.S. is threatening to return them to Haiti.

## Haitian boat people are bored and bitter

GUANTANAMO BAY, Cuba (AP) — Boredom and bitterness afflict the Haitian boat people parked in a dusty makeshift camp at the U.S. naval base here.

The refugees, most of them young single men, spend much of their time commiserating in small groups. Virtually all say they fled Haiti to escape marauding soldiers in the wake of a bloody coup. Their greatest fear is getting shipped back.

"Ever since the coup, the soldiers have been like enraged, shooting all over town to put fear in us," said Innocent Matelier, 33, of the west central town of Marchand Dessalines. "I was afraid to leave."

The Haitians fled after the military on Sept. 30 ousted President Jean-Bertrand Aristide, the country's first popularly elected president. The Coast Guard intercepted the fleeing Haitians this month in waters between Haiti and Cuba.

Many are barefoot and scantily dressed, some only in shorts. Nineteen tons of food, clothes and toys donated by New Yorkers were delivered by the New York Air National Guard on Saturday and should be distributed to refugees this week. Base residents already have donated clothes and shoes.

The 6,500 Haitians, including 270 children, sleep on soldiers' cots in dozens of olive-green military tents, all arranged in neat rows surrounded by 4-foot-high razor

wire. The camp sits in a corner of this 45-square-mile base in the hot, dry southeast corner of Cuba. The rest of the base is home to roughly 6,500 U.S. servicemen, their dependents and workers.

Dozens of people sitting on cots in one tent clapped hands and sang hymns in Creole during a Roman Catholic service Sunday led by a young woman reading songs written on a piece of paper.

Haitian music from cassette recorders echoed across the camp. Women hung laundry on tent ropes. Some men played dominos. Many sprawled on cots gazing emptily.

Haitian women cook the food: two hot meals and one meal of cold military rations per day. But many complain breakfast often consists only of plain rice.

Refugees say they've had little or no contact with U.S. relatives. When reporters and New York state lawmakers visited the camp Saturday, dozens of refugees handed them slips of paper with names and phone numbers of relatives, and messages saying they were alive and well.

Military authorities say they try to make the Haitians feel as comfortable as possible, and the refugees appear to have no physical needs. The sick are treated in a 70-bed field hospital. Single men are in areas fenced off from families and all have access to running water and showers.

# Incumbents face tough races in '92

WASHINGTON (AP) — The mix of a sour economy, a dim public view of Congress, a flurry of retirements and reapportionment are creating a perilous brew for both parties as they approach the 1992 House elections.

"It's the biggest high-risk high-wire act we've seen in a long time," said Larry Purpuro, communications director for the National Republican Congressional Committee.

"There is the re-election of a popular president at the same time as redistricting, something we've not had in 20 years. And we're seeing the height of anti-Congress sentiment and a teetering economy. It's going to be a real roll of the dice for everybody."

In many ways it is a crucial year. The Democrats, who have dominated the House since 1954, hold a 268-166 advantage going into the elections, a gap Republicans have only seen widen in the past three elections.

A best-case gain of 30 or more seats for the GOP could give them, in alliance with conservative southern Democrats, the kind of working majority in the House they

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had in the early 1980s. Gains in the single digits would only pile on more feelings of futility about Republicans ever regaining majority status.

"They have been looking forward to this year for a decade," said Charles Cook, a political analyst and newsletter publisher who focuses on Congress. "They need every break they can get."

The redrawing of congressional districts, something that happens each decade after the census details population shifts, won't be complete until well into 1992. Results so far point to at least modest gains for Republicans with 13 states forced to give up seats and eight other states absorbing them.

"There is no question that there's a net gain" for the GOP in redistricting, said one Democratic operative. "I don't think it will do us any great harm in the big picture."

But the relatively small net change as seats move from the declining Northeast and Midwest to the Sun Belt masks greater turmoil.

In many locales two incumbent lawmakers will be thrown into the same district to fight it out, assuring that one won't be there for the 103rd Congress.

The remapping process also seems sure to bring greater numbers of black and Hispanic lawmakers to Washington. As

many as 20 new minority districts are being designed in states like Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina and Texas.

Redistricting has hastened retirement for some. Rep. Walter Jones, D-N.C., is clearing out at age 78 to make way for someone new in a district newly drawn with a black majority. And Rep. Frank Annunzio, D-Ill., is retiring rather than face a showdown with House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Dan Rostenkowski, into whose district he was dumped.

Some veterans also may be enticed to call it quits because this is the last year they can leave and retain the right to convert to personal use any money left in their campaign kitties.

And all this on top of an unusually vile year for Congress. The scandal of check-bouncing at the House bank, assorted ethics investigations and a lackluster legislative record combined to make the Capitol dome a symbol of disgust.

Discontent with Washington means some incumbents who normally would sail solo in the primaries may face challenges.

## Brazos rising

Continued from page 1-A family's mobile home and flooded two outbuildings.

"We're just going to wait it out, see what it does," Mrs. Elster said. "The only thing I'm worried about is my TV and stereo."

Perhaps the only one really enjoying the flood, Mrs. Elster said, was the family's pet duck, Curly. "He's having a ball," she said. "He's playing and swimming and teasing the dogs and cats."

In rural south Fort Bend County, Melissa and Kirt Hasselmeier and four of their friends boated in to check on their house off Sawmill Road, part of which had disappeared into the Brazos. The couple's 10 acres had become a knee-deep swamp, and the water was just inches from their house.

The Hasselmeiers have been staying with relatives in Sugar Land near Houston for a week.

"We just wanted to make sure everything was OK and get some clothes," said Mrs. Hasselmeier. "We should have no big problems."

Speed said county shelters were

empty Sunday because evacuees were able to stay with relatives or friends. The flooding could strand thousands of others whose homes were not in danger because many flooded streets would remain closed for up to two days.

"So far we've been real lucky, no injuries or deaths. There are two homes that have some moderate damage, but most of it has been mild," Speed said. "A lot of the people (in low-lying areas) had

already moved their furniture and pulled their carpets up. They listened to the warnings."

Also Sunday, Trinity River Authority officials increased the amount of water released from the Lake Livingston Dam to 81,400 cubic feet per second, keeping the level of the Trinity River in the city of Liberty at 29 feet, 5 feet above flood stage, said Jim Mitchum, Liberty County emergency management coordinator. Mit-

chum said a normal discharge from the dam is 15,000 cfs.

Most of the flood waters were expected to be released from the dam within the next five days.

Flooding in the county east of Houston was affecting about 3,500 people living near the Trinity, he said.

"The sky is supposed to be clear for the next few days. It's easier to feel good when the sun is shining," Mitchum said.

## Police beat

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

- A 17-year-old Big Spring man was arrested for public intoxication in the 900 block of East 16th.
- A 42-year-old Lubbock man was arrested for public intoxication.
- A 52-year-old Big Spring man was arrested for driving while

## Oil/markets

February crude oil \$18.84, up 8, and March cotton futures 59.44 cents a pound, up 16, cash hog was 50 cents lower at 38 cents even; slaughter steers was 50 cents higher at 49.50; February live hog futures 39.40, down 17; February live cattle futures 71.35, up 63 at 10:35 a.m., according to Delta Commodities.

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Amoco	48 3/4	-1/4
Atlantic Richfield	102 1/2	-1/4
Bethlehem Steel	13 1/2	+1/4
Cabot	33	+1 1/2
Chevron	48 1/4	nc
Chrysler	13 3/4	+1/2
Coca Cola	79 3/4	+1/2
De Beers	28 1/2	+1/2
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Pepsi Cola	33 1/2	nc
Phillips Petroleum	23	nc
Schlumberger	61 1/2	-1/2
Sears	35 1/2	+1/2
Southwestern Bell	62 1/2	-1/2
Sun	28	+1/2
Texas	28	+1/2
Texas Instruments	30 1/2	-1/2
Texas Utilities	41 1/2	-1/2
Unocal Corp.	22	+1/2
USX Corp.	36 1/2	-1/2
Wal-Mart	57 1/2	+1/2

intoxicated.

• A 51-year-old Garden City man was arrested at Wal-Mart for theft over \$20.

• A 28-year-old Big Spring man was arrested for driving while intoxicated. A passenger in the vehicle was arrested for public intoxication.

• A window worth \$175 was reportedly damaged in the 1800 block of Johnson.

• A Big Spring woman was taken to Scenic Mountain Medical Center for sutures following an instance of family violence in the 300 block of Tulane.

• A fender worth \$200 was reportedly damaged with rocks in

the 2200 block of South Monticello.

• Beer worth \$57 was reported stolen from a business in the 300 block of South Owens.

• A vehicle window worth \$350 was reported damaged in the 2600 block of Apache.

• Tires worth \$150 were reportedly slashed in the 1500 block of Sycamore.

• A microwave oven, TV, stereo and other merchandise worth \$820 were reported stolen following the burglary of a residence in the 400 block of North Gregg Street.

• Baseball cards valued at \$10 were reported stolen from Wal-Mart.

### Weather Preview

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## Headed for the Rose Bowl Parade



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Rose Parade volunteer decorators apply floral decorations to larger-than-life figures of students at computers on the Vons Company's

float "A New Generation of Discoveries" in a tent at the Rose Bowl Sunday.

## Deaths

### Nora Hambrick

Nora Hambrick, 66, Nacogdoches, formerly of Ackerly, died Saturday, Dec. 28, 1991, in a Lubbock hospital.

Services were 10 a.m., today, at Ackerly Baptist Church with the Rev. Allen Reed, pastor, First Baptist Church of Nacogdoches, officiating. Burial will be in Ackerly Cemetery under the direction of Branon Funeral Home.

She was born Dec. 9, 1925, in Delwin. She was a resident of Ackerly for 54 years before moving to Nacogdoches. She worked at McWhorter and Early Law Firm and Kenco Water Works in Nacogdoches. She was a lifetime member of the Baptist church.

Survivors include two sons: Randy Hambrick, Lubbock, and Reggie Hambrick, Ackerly; two daughters: Terrye Wilks, Lamesa, and Shara Dee Gohorn, Nacogdoches; her father, Curtis White, Ackerly; two sisters: Freda Clement, Big Lake, and Hallie Gillespie, Ackerly; and eight grandchildren.

### Donald Keaton

Donald B. Keaton, 66, Stanton, died Sunday, Dec. 29, 1991, in Midland Memorial Hospital after a short illness.

Services will be 3 p.m., Tuesday, in the First Baptist Church with the Rev. Tim Swihart, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

He was born April 7, 1925, in Hagler, Ark., and moved to Stanton 39 years ago from DeWitt, Ark. He married Mary Belle Johnson on April 5, 1957, in Stanton. He was retired from Mobil Oil Corp. and was a contract pumper for M.W.J.

Co. He was a veteran of World War II and was a member of the American Legion. He was a member of the First Baptist Church where he served as a Deacon and a worker in the Sunday school.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Belle Keaton, Stanton; his mother, Virginia Keaton, Stanton; two daughters: Sybil North, Stanton, and Imogene (Mrs. Joe) Weatherby, Midland; one brother, Bernie A. Keaton, Midland; one niece and several nephews.

Visitation will begin 6 p.m. today, in Gilbreath Funeral Home.

Family suggests memorial to the Cal Farley's Boys Ranch in Amarillo; the American Cancer Society; the First Baptist Church in Stanton or your favorite charity.

### Roberta Voight

Roberta K. Voight, 69, Clyde, formerly of Big Spring, died Sunday, Dec. 29, 1991, in an Abilene hospital.

Services will be 2 p.m., Tuesday, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. James Welborn, pastor, Wesley United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Olive Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She was born March 29, 1922, in

Houston. She married Charlie Voight on Aug. 2, 1942, in Big Spring. She was a member of the Wesley United Methodist Church. She lived in Big Spring from 1961 until 1980. She had lived in Clyde the last three years. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include her husband, Charlie Voight, Clyde; two daughters: Charlotte Rainey, Lubbock, and Katherine Young, Abilene; two sons: Walter Voight, Lubbock, and Charlie Voight Jr., San Antonio; one sister, Florene Kohanek, Shallowater; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers.

Her grandsons will serve as pallbearers.

### Allen Kinman

Allen L. "Smokey" Kinman Sr., 70, Big Spring, died Sunday, Dec. 29, 1991, in a local hospital.

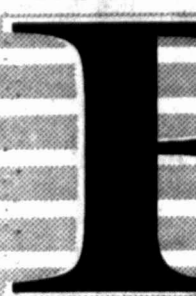
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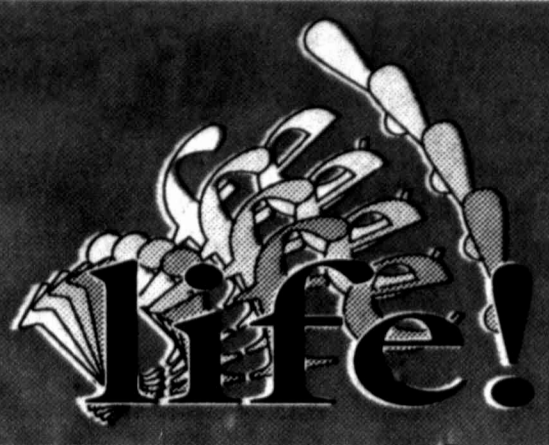
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# Oldies are goodies on Super Seniors radio

RIDGEWAY, Ontario (AP) — Don and Meegan Hildebrand drove from Los Angeles to Toronto, scanning the radio dial all the way, and never found any decent music. A couple of years and an interrupted retirement later came Super Seniors Network.

Great music from the 1920s, '30s and '40s, corny patter, off-color jokes, riddles and brain teasers have resulted in spectacular weekend ratings for CKTB radio in St. Catharines and led to plans for broadcasting across Canada next year.

Forty-seven percent of Canadians are over 50, and 11 percent are over 65, but you'd never know it by listening to the radio, Hildebrand says. Stations spend all their time chasing after kids and advertising agencies are 99 percent controlled by young people who ignore the enormous seniors market, he says.

"They see us as a stereotype: drooling idiots who have bought everything they are going to buy, only moving between the television and the hospital and costing society a fortune," Hildebrand, 60, huffs.

"We keep the restaurant business in business. We own the big cars and have the cash to buy them. We keep the travel industry in business. What would the cruise business be without seniors?"

The Hildebrands, along with 80-year-old Arthur Jolley, started on a rock station, CKTB, with a four-hour Sunday-morning program — a time slot that's "the armpit of radio," Hildebrand says.

They started in February 1989. The Bureau of Broadcast Measurements' first ratings were 500 listeners per quarter-hour. "Three months later were

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**Don Hildebrand disc jockey**

pulling 4,000 with no advertising and no promotion," says Hildebrand, who has 42 years' experience in broadcasting.

The next six months it doubled to 8,000, and the station manager started to pay attention. Super Seniors now pulls 22,000 listeners in southeastern Ontario in that awful Sunday-morning spot.

The station added an old-time comedy program with tapes from Amos 'n' Andy shows, Jack Benny and Red Skelton. It followed that with "Make-Believe Ballroom," which features bands and soloists, extending through the afternoon. The seniors programming became so popular it moved into Saturday with the "Dancing Days" show. Now, practically the entire weekend is filled with old-timer's fare.

Jolley brings firsthand history and anecdotes and contributes to the conversational chatter on a range of subjects of interest to older audiences. A former builder who spent 10 years in the Ontario Legislature, Jolley was "quite a



Art Jolley, left, Meegan Hildebrand and Don Hildebrand, right, broadcast their Super Seniors radio program recently from the studios of CKTB in St. Catharines, Ont. The Hildebrands hope to network the show, aimed at senior citizens, throughout Canada.

bon vivant in the old days, a wonderful man," Hildebrand says.

Mrs. Hildebrand, who won't reveal her age, chooses all the music.

Born in California to a show business family, she describes herself as "the original Valley Girl." Though she learned to dance at 3 and traveled in a vaudeville act with her family, she was new to

radio in 1989. On the radio, the Hildebrands are protective of their audience.

"We don't want our listeners subjected to any scams," Mrs. Hildebrand says. "We will not run an ad until we are sure it is what it says it is."

Each insurance company, banking service, even restaurant, is personally checked out by

Hildebrand. Consequently, listeners have an enormous amount of trust in the trio.

"If somebody gets cheated, we talk about it on the air," says Hildebrand.

The Hildebrands can provide a full weekend of seniors programming for any radio station that wants it — it can even be adapted to an American audience, he says. They

have a federal license to network programs by satellite, and the goal is to provide 40 hours a week. By spring, the Hildebrands hope to be broadcasting in every major market in Canada.

But that's too big a job for CKTB. "We're hard at work on completing our own studios and when they're done, look out Charlie Brown, here come the seniors all across Canada."

## Holiday stress and the elderly

WASHINGTON (AP) — Over the holidays, the music speaks of comfort and joy. But the reality can be vastly different for older Americans.

"It's the collision between the stresses of season, shopping, travel and so forth, that gets you down," said John Ogram, a psychiatrist who practices at Mount Vernon Hospital in suburban Virginia.

At the same time people are forced to cope with these added stresses, the inclination is to want to think and act more as children, Ogram said, "thinking of childlike wishes and fantasies that everyone will get together and have peace and harmony."

"There is a colliding of these forces as people grow increasingly frustrated," he said. "The holidays can be a time of disillusionment and conflict."

The elderly are often more prone to this than others, because they tend to have greater expectations of getting together with family or resolving conflicts that may be

years old, he said.

Coping begins with recognizing what is happening when wishful thinking meets reality, he said.

"I ask people to take stock of that, to realize that that process is happening and to realize that not everyone will get along" at a family get-together.

"Older people should look at their role in the family, that of maintaining tradition and imparting wisdom rather than buying everyone gifts and taking care of people," suggested Ogram.

Also, he added, "they need to realize that the family will be running around and have less time before holiday" so they may get less attention than at other times of the year.

Many older people are on fixed incomes, Ogram noted, so "we urge them to avoid buying expensive gifts and to concentrate on personal things like cards and baking, if they can do that, things that remind people of warmer parts of the tradition."

"At the same time they should look at what they can do to take care of themselves, to not get overextended, get enough rest and nutrition," he said.

Thoughts of loved ones who have passed away are natural during the holidays, but Ogram urges that older people try not to dwell on losses.

"This is a time to connect up with areas where they can provide a benefit, lots of schools have elderly people come in and tell children what Christmas was like in the past," he noted.

There generally are church organizations, schools and groups willing to incorporate older people at this time of year, he added.

Before the holidays, as people anticipate the special events, there is a decline in suicides and hospital admissions. "But immediately after the holidays it tends to increase a little bit. That has to do with expectations ... when one realizes you didn't accomplish what you wished you would."

## Older singles turn to dating services and personal ads

DALLAS (AP) — Lorraine Nordone's late husband used to say that she could walk down the street or step onto an elevator and make a new friend.

"The last two years, though," she says, "I've noticed men aren't turning around to look at me anymore."

She pauses. "It's very hard saying that."

Mrs. Nordone, who is 60, wouldn't mind being married

again. But finding a date — much less a spouse — isn't easy at any age, especially for someone over 55.

Places where younger singles meet just don't work for those in their 60s or older. Health clubs? No, thanks. Church? Ms. Nordone's is too small, and most members are married. Parents Without Partners? Her children are grown. Bars?

"Too ugly," she says. But she and a growing number of other single seniors are neither giving up hope nor waiting around to be set up with someone's cousin. Instead, they're taking steps they wouldn't have dreamed about in their early courting days.

Steps like joining a dating service or placing a personal ad. "I think they're lonely," says Pat Walker, who handles personal ads for The Richardson News and other area newspapers published by D.F.W. Suburban News. The Senior Singles per-

sonal ads started three months ago and get a good response, she says.

"They want someone to go dancing with, to go to dinner with so they don't have to go to Luby's (cafeteria) alone. We try to help them find each other. That's the whole point."

Lenoir, who asked that her real name not be used, has placed personal ads in several publications. She feels in control this way, she

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**Mrs. Tye widow**

Walker says he knows there are other single senior men, but they don't get out as much as women.

"I tell you what it is — fear of rejection," says Walker, who started MASS as a way for senior singles to get together in group situations.

"They probably were married to a woman for 30 years. She's the only woman they ever talked to, danced with. They don't know how to converse. The proof of the pie is to go into Kroger or Skaggs in the morning, and there sit a bunch of old fogies sitting around a table drinking coffee."

Zella Case, co-owner of Someone Special Inc., recently started a special division of the dating service for seniors. She offers men past 60 a membership at half the usual \$295 fee.

But she cautions that she won't put up with older men looking for someone more than five years younger. She tells them, "Go to the bars and look rich."

"We don't take all the (senior) ladies," says Mrs. Case, who has started Someone Special 23 years ago. "If their expectations are too high, and they think they'll get names every month like the younger girls, they wouldn't be happy here."

"We say, 'But if you wait until we have someone for you, we'd love to have you.' They say, 'You're not very positive,' and I say, 'No, but I must tell you the truth.'"

She told Marion Tye not to build up her hopes, recalls Mrs. Tye. But the Irving woman decided to take her chances.

"Being single is a lonely way of life, believe me," says Mrs. Tye, 67, who has been widowed twice. "I think it's worse when you're older. My experience of having met different people in our age group...there are so many people out there who need somebody."

Granted, the odds don't favor single senior women. According to March 1990 U.S. Census estimates, there are 4.9 million single men over 55 — and 14.9 million single women.

But men, too, say it's tough out there. Fred (who asked that his real name not be used) is 73 and lonely.

"It gets discouraging," he says. "Looking for the right one."

Metroplex Area senior Singles (MAAS) has 67 members. Only six are men. Founder Tom

will meet 6-7 p.m., First United Methodist Church, room 101. Anyone welcome. Child care available. Use back entrance at Gregg St. parking lot. For information call 267-6394.

Co-Dependents Anonymous will meet 7 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center, fourth floor.

West Texas Legal Service offers legal help for civil matters (disability, divorces, adoptions, etc.) for those unable to afford their own attorney, Northside

Community Church. For information call 1-686-0647.

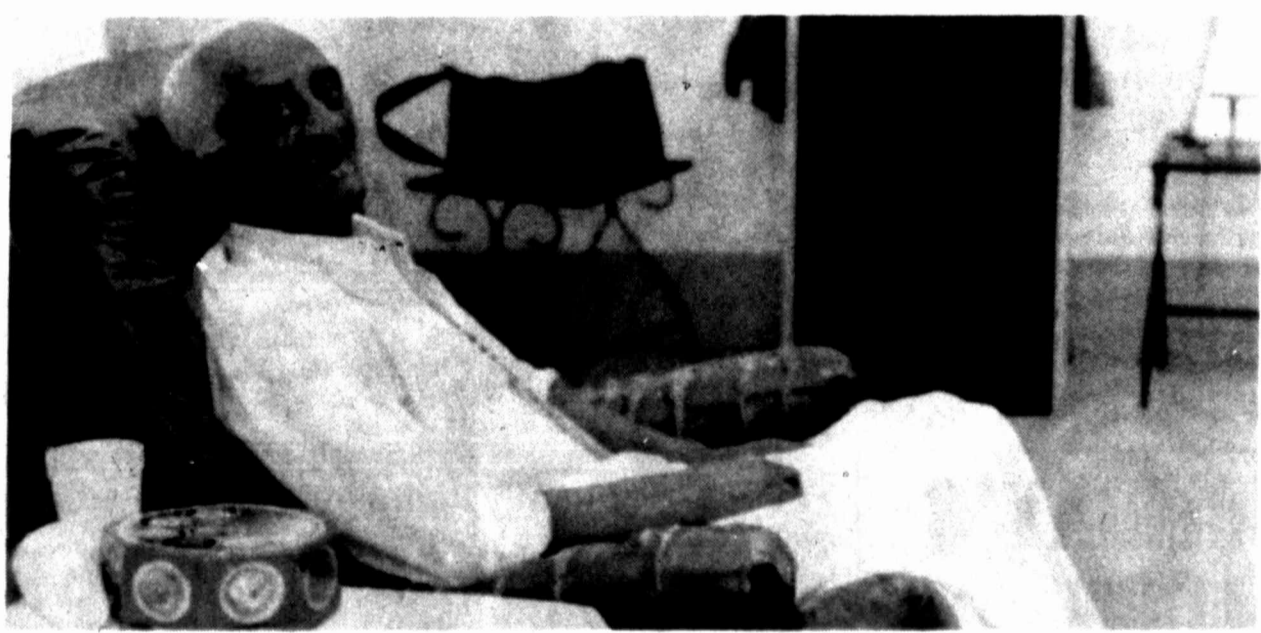
Recovery Solutions, Inc., Womens Support Group, will meet 6:30-8 p.m., 307 Union St. For information call 264-7028.

THURSDAY

L.U.L.A. of Big Spring Chapter #4375 will meet 7 p.m. at the Howard County Courthouse. For information call Nina at 267-2740.

Texas Public Employees Association will meet noon at La Posada.

## Centurion celebrates



Jackson Pollock sits in his favorite lounge chair recently during his birthday party at Central State Hospital in Milledgeville, Ga. where he is staying. Pollock's birthday was actually Dec. 25, when he turned 125 years old according to Social Security records.

## Spring board

### How's that?

Q. In 1972 what Texas zoo became the first in the nation which a white rhino was born?  
A. According to Texas Trivia, it was the San Antonio zoo.

## Calendar

### TODAY

- The Coahoma ISD Tax Office will be closed Jan. 1-3, 1992.
- Al-A-Teen will meet 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.
- Recovery Solutions, Inc. will meet 6:30-8 p.m., 307 Union. For information call 264-7028.
- There will be gospel singing 7 p.m., Kentwood Center on Lynn St. Everyone welcome. For information call 393-5709.
- Howard County Youth

Horseman will meet 7 p.m., Howard County Youth Horseman Arena Clubhouse. For information call 263-6458.

### TUESDAY

- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St., has free bread and whatever's available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.
- Recovery Solutions, Inc., Mens Support Group, will meet 6:30-8 p.m., 307 Union St. For information call 264-7028.
- Al-Anon will meet 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

AMAC (Adults Molested As Children) will meet 5:15 p.m., Saint Mary's Episcopal Church library, 1001 Goliad. Anyone interested must call first- Dr. Federman or Dawn Pearson, 267-8216.

Compassionate Friends, a support group for parents and grandparents who have lost a child through death will meet 7:30 p.m., First Baptist Church, room 113. Use S.E. entrance.

### WEDNESDAY

- The Divorce Support Group

### Love for sale



An elderly woman sits out on a Moscow street recently asking five rubles, about five U.S. cents at present commercial exchange rate, for her kitten. Fixed income pensioners, who on the average receive one to three hundred rubles a month, are expected to be hardest hit by proposed price increases to take effect in the next few days.

## Plight of the rural elderly

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Money is especially tight for the country's rural elderly, who also find that health care is more expensive and harder to get than in the city, Agriculture Department researchers reported today.

Rural elders are spending, on average, all of their after-tax income, and have less to spend than their city and suburban cousins, said a study released at USDA's annual outlook conference.

Rural households also spend more for health care and health insurance, said the report by F.N. Schwenk of the Agricultural Research Service's family economics research group.

"The income of rural older households was 75 percent of that of their urban counterparts; rural expenditures were 81 percent of urban counterparts," the study said.

For rural households, expenditures accounted for 99 percent of after-tax income, while for urban households it was 95 percent.

The average before-tax income

of rural older households was \$15,367, compared with \$20,422 for urban counterparts, the study said. Almost two-thirds of elderly rural households reported household income of less than \$15,000, compared with less than half of all urban households.

And while the rural elderly have less to spend, they have to spend more on health care. Schwenk's study said 14 percent of the rural elderly household budget goes to health care, compared with 11 percent for urban households.

Health insurance also costs the rural elderly more, but the study. But that may be because they were more likely to have been self-employed or employed by small firms where health insurance was not included as part of the retirement benefits.

According to another study by Carolyn C. Rogers, a demographer with USDA's Economic Research Service, the non-metro elderly are more likely to have certain chronic

conditions, such as arthritis, than their metro counterparts. But health care services are less available to them.

"The non-metro elderly were less likely to use formal health services — physician visits, hospital stays and nursing home care. Central city elderly used both community and health services to a greater extent than either non-metro or suburban elders," Rogers said.

"This suggests that indeed there is a gap between the non-metro elderly's need for care, based on their poorer health status, and the availability of services to meet this need."

Rural areas, the report said, have fewer health resources and services and a lower ratio of doctors, nurses, pharmacists and other health care personnel.

In 1989, about 66.2 million people were living in rural areas. Twelve percent were 65 or older.

## Men reluctant to talk of some health problems

NEW YORK (AP) — A recent Gallup Poll found that most men were reluctant to discuss with their doctors health issues such as impotence, prostate problems and depression.

The poll found almost half the men surveyed did not know warning signs for colorectal or prostate cancer — the second and third biggest cancer killers of men over 50; lung cancer is No. 1.

Obstacles to conversations between doctors and patients and the dismaying lack of knowledge constitute major risk factors for older men for many diseases, including heart disease, cancer and hypertension.

There is a disparity in life expectancy between men and women — some seven years — and this disparity is due in part to factors we can do something about.

Older men need to increase their knowledge about the health risks they face, and overcome both embarrassment about discussing health problems and the feeling that it's not masculine to worry

about health.

There's more to prevention than physical examinations or tests.

It has to do with the establishment of a doctor-patient relationship, with counseling, with evaluation and management — all aimed at improving the quality of life for older men.

When should you consider taking a treadmill test, which provides an audit of your cardiovascular system?

While you're on the treadmill, a specialist checks your blood pressure and uses an electrocardiogram to monitor your heart.

A treadmill test is recommended if:

— You are 40 or older and are planning to begin a strenuous exercise program.

— You have risk factors for coronary artery disease (smoking, a family history of heart disease, overweight, etc.)

— You have a chronic disease such as high blood pressure or diabetes.

— You have experienced chest pain or pressure, unusual shortness of breath or heart irregularity.

Ultrasound usually is regarded as a tool of the obstetrician for keeping track of the health of a fetus.

But gynecologists also have started using it to examine the ovaries and uterus in older women and detect problems earlier than ever before.

In the normal post-menopausal patient, especially if she is not on hormone replacement, the lining of the uterus is very thin. With ultrasound, it looks like a line made with a white pencil.

If the ultrasound shows an abnormally thickened or an irregular appearing lining, that may be the first clue that something may be wrong. Previously, bleeding often was the only thing the gynecologist could go on to detect an abnormality.

## Post holiday blues time

The condition has been around for a long time, but now a new name has been coined for a health problem that is more prevalent after the Christmas/New Year holidays than any other time of the year. It's called "PHS" and it stands for Post Holiday Syndrome.

If your back or neck hurts, you are suffering fatigue, have an upset stomach and are generally feeling "down," you may be a victim of PHS, which affects men as well as women and people of all ages.

While PHS may sound like just another health acronym, (not associated in any way with PMS), it is a very real and painful condition that not only slows people down, but also often lays them up. It is one of the primary causes of increased absenteeism and time off from work during the winter months, says Frank A. Hoffman, DC, Board Liaison to the Diagnosis and Internal Disorders Council of the American Chiropractic Association (ACA).

According to the chiropractic leader, the condition is primarily a structural health problem brought on by stress and overindulgence. In most cases no particular incident can be singled out as the cause, as it is the result of a combination of excesses.

Dr. Hoffman said, "The holidays

are a very stressful period for most people, much of it self-imposed. They break their normal routine and try to pack too many activities and far too many physical demands into too short a period of time. Most people find themselves strained beyond their normal physical abilities, which is the major cause.

Dr. Hoffman gave as examples the tension-driven need to shop for gifts within a narrow time frame; the fatigue of travel, handling suitcases and carrying tired children; the tendency to lift awkward objects as furniture is rearranged, toys assembled and festivities planned.

"There are an unlimited number of unique physical strains that tax even the most physically fit person. Add that to the emotional strain, too much food and drink, too little rest, and too little attention to sensible health and safety guidelines, and you have the makings of PHS (Post Holiday Syndrome)."

The doctor of chiropractic said the subtle and slow-to-develop conditions brought on by Holiday abuses in themselves are detrimental to health, but in addition people become careless. Pushing too hard while being hurried can also lead to serious accidents.



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FURRS SUPERMARKET in College Park Shopping Center is now accepting applications for inventory clerks, stocker, cashier and deli clerks. Interview times are Dec 27, 28 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm, Dec 30, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, Jan 2, 3 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

BABY SITTER wanted Monday, Friday, 7:30am - 5:30pm. Call 399-4787 after 6:00pm.

**Lost- Pets 516**  
FOUND: OYD Siamese female cat. Vicinity of Lloyd Street. Call 263-4419.

LOST: DOG in Silver Heels. Mid size male, Terrier mix blonde, collar & tag. Answers to "Snaps." Call 264-0414.

LOST REWARD child's pet Brown Chihuahua from 1000 E. 12th. Wearing blue collar, answers to Rusty. Call 267-1873 or 263-5433. Please return, owner is 5 years old.

LITTLE GIRL'S part dachshund brown puppy lost in Kentwood area in November. Wearing thick black collar. 263-0942 or 263-0934.

**Computer 518**  
COMMODORE 64C computer, disk drive, Okidata 120 printer, mouse, joystick, Geos operating system, Cadpak 64, flight simulator II, Chuck Yeager's flight trainer, misc. Books and software. Call: 263-4966 after 6:00pm.

**Household Goods 531**  
LARGE SELECTION of guaranteed used refrigerators and all household furniture. Braitham Furniture, 2004 W. 4th. 263-1469.

REFRIGERATOR, LIVING room suit, washer/dryer, dining table & chairs, executive desk, sofa, microwave, color TV. 267-6558.

**Miscellaneous 537**  
CHIMNEY CLEANING & repair Register for our firewood giveaway. Free inspections. Call 263-7015.

HAIR CLINIC 2105 South Gregg. Hair cuts, \$7. Perm waves, \$20. 25 years experience. Ask for Betty. 267-1444.

RETIREMENT CLOSING sale. ART sup. plus, 25% off. Craft supplies, 40% off. Cross stitch supplies, 50% off. Hitch N Post Arts & Crafts.

MESQUITE FIREWOOD for sale. Cord or half cord. 264-0624, after 5:00 p.m.

COMPONENT STEREO - speakers. See to appreciate. 204 Circle Dr. or call 263-3744 after 4:00 p.m.

19" T.V. with remote. Needs no repairs, good condition. \$100. Call 263-5704.

**Want To Buy 545**  
WANT TO buy Easy Glider and Exercise bike. Please call 267-6212.

**Telephone Service 549**  
TELEPHONE JACKS, install, \$22.50. Business and Residential sales and services. J. Dean Communications, 267-5478.

**Houses For Sale 601**  
HOUSE: 1,932 SQUARE feet. Good condition. For information call 267-5460.

HOME FOR sale by owner. 603 Washington. For information call 263-7000.

\$315 TOTAL MOVE in 3 bedroom, 2 bath, dishwasher, central heat & air, completely redecorated. 602 E. 17th. (806)796-0069.

RENT TO OWN first month down 1, 2, 3 bedroom houses. Also 4 bedroom, 2 bath. 264-0510.

ASSUMABLE 3 bedroom 1 1/2 bath, double garage, nice neighborhood, close to schools. Or call lease for \$550. month. Call Carla Bennett 263-4667 or ERA Reeder Realtor 267-8266.

OWNER HAS just reduced the price on this three bedroom two bath brick home in the Kentwood area. Beautiful rock fireplace in den, large utility, formal living area, bay window dining and huge fenced yard. Was \$44,500 now \$39,000. Call Vicki Walker 263-0602 or Home Realtors 263-1284.

**Buildings For Sale 603**  
Blemished 8x8 and 8x10 buildings. SAVE MORGAN 563-1807.

12x24 with double doors damaged. MOR GAN 563-1807.

FOR SALE: Ritz Theater building, land, parking lot and equipment. Ready to go. Serious only please. 267-6450.

**Farms & Ranches 607**  
IMMEDIATE SALE or rent 152 acres of great farmland, Northern Howard Co. Luther Gayhill area. Contact Roscoe (915)267-8335.

**Out of Town Property 610**  
FOR SALE: 12x70 3 bedroom, 1 bath, clean, new cabinets, \$4,000. Terms possible. 263-7982.

**Furnished Apartments 651**  
FURNISHED one bedroom apartment, two bedroom house, and mobile home. Mature adults. No children or pets. Call 263-6944 or 263-2341 for more information.

ROOM FOR rent. All bills paid, including cable, refrigerator. Weekly or monthly. 901 West 3rd. Inquire room 22.

NICE, CLEAN apartments. Right price. 3304 W. Hwy 80 or 267-6561.

## YEAR-END TAX SAVING SPECIALS

★ ★ ★ TRUCKS ★ ★ ★

1990 FORD F150 SUPERCAB LARIAT — Desert tan, 302 V-8, loaded local one owner with 31,000 miles. \$13,995

1990 FORD F150 SUPERCAB LARIAT 4X4 — Cabernet red white tutone, 47,000 miles, extra clean local one owner loaded. \$13,995

1990 NISSAN PICKUP — Cherry red, 5 speed, air, cassette, local one owner with 17,000 miles. \$7,995

1990 NISSAN PICKUP — Dark red, 5 speed, air, local one owner with 27,000 miles. Bedliners, cassette. \$7,995

1990 FORD AEROSTAR XL MINI VAN — Charcoal/red tutone, fully loaded, local one owner with 24,000 miles. \$10,995

1989 CHEVROLET C-1500 SILVERADO — Sandlewood, loaded, local one owner with 46,000 miles. \$9,995

1989 NISSAN PICKUP — Charcoal gray, air, cassette, extra clean, 43,000 miles. \$6,995

1989 FORD F150 — Texas/Oklahoma pkg., blue, 6 cyl. air, 5 speed, local one owner with 32,000 miles. \$8,495

1989 CHEVROLET C1500 — Blue, 305 V-8, automatic, local one owner with 44,000 miles. \$7,995

1989 GMC 1500 L.E. SIERRA — Red/silver tutone, 350 V-8, loaded, locally owned with 57,000 miles. \$8,995

1989 FORD F150 LARIAT — Tutone brown, extra clean, loaded one owner. \$6,995

1988 FORD UNIVERSAL CONVERSION VAN — Tan 302 V-8, loaded, local one owner with 48,000 miles. \$11,995

1988 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN SILVERADO — White/blue tutone, 350 V-8, fully loaded, local one owner 53,000 miles. \$12,995

1985 FORD F150 SUPERCAB LARIAT — Tutone brown, 351 V-8, fully loaded local one owner with 51,000 miles. \$6,995

★ ★ ★ CARS ★ ★ ★

1991 LINCOLN TOWN CAR — White with blue leather, loaded with 13,000 miles. \$19,995

1991 LINCOLN TOWN CAR — White with leather, loaded with 6,000 miles. \$20,995

1991 LINCOLN TOWN CAR — White with cranberry leather, cranberry vinyl top, loaded with 12,000 miles. \$20,995

1991 FORD THUNDERBIRD — Steel blue frost, fully loaded with 10,000 miles. \$12,995

1991 MERCURY SABLE G.S. — Medium mocha, loaded with 9,000 miles. \$12,995

1991 FORD PROBE GL — White with red cloth, loaded with 12,000 miles. \$11,495

1991 FORD TEMPO GL 4-DR. — Silver, loaded with 10,000 miles. \$8,995

1991 MERCURY SABLE GS — Dark red, fully loaded with 10,000 miles. \$12,995

1991 FORD MUSTANG GT — Blue, 302 H.O., loaded with 9,000 miles. \$12,995

1991 FORD ESCORT GT — White, automatic, loaded with 14,000 miles. \$8,995

1991 FORD ESCORT LX STATION WAGON — Blue, automatic, loaded, 11,000 miles. \$7,995

1990 MERCURY TOPAZ GS 4-DR. — Red, loaded, local one owner with 20,000 miles. \$6,995

1989 CHRYSLER CONQUEST TSI — White with leather, loaded local one owner with 42,000 miles. \$8,995

1989 MERCURY COUGAR L.S. — Blue, loaded, local one owner with 26,000 miles. \$9,995

1988 FORD MUSTANG GT — Blue, 302 H.O., loaded, 5 speed, local one owner with 52,000 miles. \$7,995

**BOB BROCK FORD**  
Drive a Little. Save a Lot. TDY 267-1614  
BIG SPRING, TEXAS • 500 W. 4th Street • Phone 267-7424

**Financial 300**  
FREE GOVERNMENT grants. Call 24 hour recorded message 713-993-0255 ext 8.

**Jewelry 394**  
MANS Ict DIAMOND ring. \$650. Call 267-7507 or 263-4088 after 6:00pm.

**Farm Equipment 420**  
HARRELL SWITCH PLOW 6 bottom on land with plow packer hitch 1 year old. \$6,995. 915-354-2360.

SPEED KING Spring tooth Harrow. 34ft., excellent condition. See at Walker Tractor Company in Big Spring.

**Farm Land 426**  
ACKERLY, 160 acres, Austin Stone Home, 3000 square feet, mint condition, trees, three barns, another small home. Call Bryan Adams (512)261-4497.

**Livestock For Sale 435**  
BEQ GOATS for sale, \$25 each. Call 267-7865.

**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**  
FOR SALE: Female Registered Lhasa Apso 1 year old. 263-6504.

SAND SPRINGS KENNEL, AKC Toy Poodle puppies, Christmas special, \$100. Shots & wormed. 393-5259.

**Pet Grooming 515**  
IRIS' POODLE Parlor. Grooming, indoor kennels, heated and air, supplies, coats, etc. 2112 West 3rd. 263-2409. 263-7900.

**Quality Used Cars**  
1991 GEO METRO — 1.6 liter, 4 speed, A.M.F.M. cassette, 100,000 miles. \$4,995  
1988 CHEVROLET EXTENDED CAB — 1 ton dually, 454 engine, automatic, transmission, power windows, loaded, black with red interior. \$13,995  
1988 CHEVROLET BLAZER — A.M.F.M. cassette, fully loaded, 4 cylinder, automatic. \$17,995  
1989 FORD EXTENDED CAB — 1 ton dually, automatic, loaded truck. \$11,995  
1988 NEW CAB — 1 ton dually, automatic, X.T. pkg. loaded. \$11,995

**JIMMY HOPPER**  
1629 E. 3rd 267-5588

**INSECT CONTROL**  
Safe and Efficient  
SOUTHWESTERN A PEST CONTROL  
2008 Birdwell 263-6514

### Cars For Sale 011

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1979 CHRYSLER NEWPORT. Good mechanical shape, good tires, radio, 19 mpg. \$950. 267-4613.

383 Chrysler 75 Caddy motor, or car, for parts, Koenig Utility bed. 263-0955.

FOR SALE: 1971 VW, good condition. Call 267-1120.

**WESTEX AUTO PARTS**  
Sells Late Model Guaranteed Recondition Cars & Pickups

'89 Dodge Spirit ES. \$4,750  
'89 Pont. LeMans LE. \$2,850  
'86 Chevy pickup. \$3,450  
'84 Cadillac Seville. \$3,450

Snyder Hwy 263-5000

**Pickups 020**  
1991 RED F 150 with tool box and a lot of chrome. Call 573-7315.

1988 RED DODGE 4x4 Dakota with 20,000 miles. Call 267-6664.

FOR SALE: 1985 Ford 1/2 ton pickup 4x4, 1982 Chevrolet 1/2 ton with or without propane systems. Need work. Make offer 399-4369.

Look For Coupons in the Herald and save money!

### THE Daily Crossword by Tom Guarro

ACROSS

- Port — Egypt
- Wild animals
- Cal.-Nev. border lake
- Ruin
- Memo letters
- Not concealed
- At all
- Chin. staple
- Distributed
- Hawaiian sight
- Bread
- Building addition
- Victory sign
- Excessive amount
- Ex GI
- Colony
- matriarch
- Bring home the —
- Opportunity
- Resources set aside
- Eur. capital
- Ground grain
- Parched
- Poker variety
- Gam or
- Tushingham
- Old dance
- Treacherous action
- Exclude
- Does gardening
- Affirmative
- Not around here
- Ceremonial
- reply
- Call a — (tell it like it is)
- M. Jordan's domain
- Paper unit
- Spindle
- Come afterward
- Land measure
- Meadows
- Navigate
- Glue
- Ms Adams

DOWN

- Glove material
- Smithy item
- Utopian
- Col. bldg.
- Deep red
- Parentetical remark
- number (speed ratio)
- Fencing sword
- Walk unsteadily
- Hall
- Cardialgia
- Paris airport
- Major ending
- Kiln
- Spy
- Picket sign word
- Sorcery
- Completely
- Major or Minor
- Author Bagnold
- Whirpool
- Overseer
- Movie dog
- Meeting place
- Math type
- Understand
- Young girl
- Bed canopy
- Transmitted a signal
- Desire
- Sent info in a way
- A Stevenson
- Della of song
- Tops cake
- You — say!
- Kind of horse
- Art —
- Ashen
- Regret bitterly

12/30/91

**Saturday's Puzzle Solved:**

RIMS ABOVE NETA  
URAN LABEL NMAN  
COLORWHEEL NEXT  
ENTREPRENEURIA  
KAYS SPIRY  
BOWERS WATERWAY  
OPALS RAPID NIRE  
DEYS SONIC KEIAS  
WRE SHITED STIEGE  
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WILES NARR  
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POEM DANISYWHRELL  
ELEEE ENTIA ARES  
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Furnished Apartments 651

HOUSES/APARTMENTS/Duplexes. 1-2 3 and 4 bedroom. Furnished, unfurnished. Call Ventura Company, 267-2655.

SANDRA GALE Apartments. Nice clean apartments. The price is still the best in town. Call 263-0906.

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LEAUTIFUL GARDEN COURTYARD
Swimming Pool - Private Patios - Carpets - Built-in Appliances - Most Utilities Paid. Senior Citizen Disc.

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LOVELY NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLEX
Carpets - Swimming Pool - Most utilities paid - Furnished or Unfurnished - Discount to Senior Citizens.

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1 BEDROOM DUPLEX furnished. Bills paid. Good condition. 1803 Lancaster. Deposit required. 263-4139, 267-2900.

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FURNISHED 1 bedroom duplex. Washer/dryer furnished, no bills paid. 109 E. 16th. Call 263-7456.

Unfurnished Apartments 655

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ALL BILLS PAID
RENT BASED ON INCOME
Two Bd. \$325/3 Bed. \$385
Stove, Ref., Ref. Air, Carpet, Laundromat

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EHO.
NO DEPOSIT. Nice, 1-2-3 bedroom apartments. Electric, water paid. HUD approved. 263-7811.

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FALL SPECIAL
ALL BILLS PAID
All 100% Section 8 assisted
Rent based on income

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EHO.
\$300+ monthly, utilities paid, unfurnished 2 bedroom mobile home. Coahoma Schools, Sand Springs. Yard maintenance and trash pickup provided. 394-4006.

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CLEAN, ATTRACTIVE 2 bedroom duplex. \$175, no bills paid. 1605A Lincoln. 267-7628.

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Unfurnished Houses 659
HUD ACCEPTED. All bills paid. Two and three bedroom homes for rent. Call Glenn 263-0746.

\*\*\*\*\*
SUNDANCE: ENJOY your own yard, patio, spacious home and carpet with all the conveniences of apartment living. Two and three bedrooms from \$285 and up. Call 263-2703.

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TWO BEDROOM house, Coahoma school district, available the 1st. Furnished or unfurnished. 399-4709.

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NICE TWO bedroom house for least. \$285 month, \$150 deposit. No bills paid, HUD approved. 263-3514, 263-8513.

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THREE BEDROOM, one bath unfurnished home. \$400. Call (915)235-1386, leave message.

Business Buildings 678

FOR LEASE: Building at 907 E. 4th, 900-500. 263-6319; after 5:00, 267-8657.

FOR LEASE: Warehouse with offices on 2 acres of fenced land on Snyder Highway. Excellent location for trucking operation. \$600 a month plus deposit. 263-5000.

Office Space 680

SUITE B. Three large offices, computer room, coffee bar, refrigerator. Utilities paid. Phone system. 263-2318.

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Money-Saving Coupons every Wednesday
Big Spring Herald

Manufactured Housing 682

GAIL PO... m, one bath mobile home. RENTED... yr. Well water furnished. \$75 deposit, \$225 month. 267-2889, 267-1945.

Lodges 686

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STATED MEETING, Big Spring Lodge #1340, AF & AM, 1st and 3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m., 2102 Lancaster, Carl Condray, W.M., Richard Knous, Sec.

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STATED MEETING Staked Plains Lodge No. 598 every 2nd and 4th Thursday 7:30 p.m. 219 Main, Ricky Scott, W.M., T.R. Morris, Sec.

Happy Ads 691

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Personal 692

GET CASH today on your income tax refund check. No waiting. Bring 1040, W-2's, 10 and 55 card. 700 N. Lancaster, M.F., 9.5.

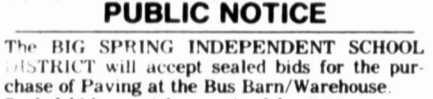
Too Late To Classify 900

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT the Professional Services Directory for new and established services in the Big Spring area. It runs daily in the Classified section of the Big Spring Herald.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

THE BIG SPRING INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT will accept sealed bids for the purchase of Paving at the Bus Barn/Warehouse. Sealed bids must be received by 2:30 p.m., on February 4, 1992, at the Business Office of the Big Spring Independent School District, 708 11th Place, Big Spring, Texas 79720. Bids will then be opened and read aloud. Bids received after the stated time will not be considered and will be returned unopened.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY
THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HOWARD
By virtue of a writ of execution issued out of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said Court on January 26, 1992, in favor of HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL and against BIG SPRING ASSOCIATES AND MERCANTILE NATIONAL BANK, ET AL, in the case of HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL v. BIG SPRING ASSOCIATES, ET AL, No. 7-3169 in said Court, the undersigned did on the 13th day of December, 1991, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., levy upon the following real estate lying and being situated in Howard County, Texas, as the property of said Big Spring Associates and Mercantile National Bank.

PUBLIC NOTICE

At a public meeting held on December 17, 1991 the Glasscock County Underground Water Conservation Districts Board of Directors made the decision to make amendments to Rules (3) Three and (7) Seven. These amendments are as follows:

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AP top 25

How the top 25 teams in the Associated Press' college basketball poll fared this week:
1. Duke (5-0) did not play.
2. UCLA (7-0) beat Cal State-Fullerton 86-80; beat Oral Roberts 113-62.
3. Oklahoma State (10-0) did not play.
4. Kansas (8-0) beat Southern Mississippi 109-76; beat Temple 97-73.
5. Connecticut (8-0) beat Fairfield 89-59; beat Central Connecticut State 112-58; beat Furman 87-68.

College scores

TOURNAMENTS
ASU-Tribune Classic Championship
Arizona St. 81, Northwestern 62
Third Place
Brown 86, Creighton 79
Albertson's Holiday Classic Championship
Boise St. 86, W. Michigan 64
Third Place
Hotstra 75, Air Force 70
All-College Tournament Championship
Oklahoma 78, Texas Christian 73
Third Place
Morehead St. 87, Coastal Carolina 73
Bentley Holiday Tournament First Round
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SportsExtra

NFL playoff bracket

Table showing NFL playoff bracket for American Football Conference and National Football Conference. Includes teams like LA Raiders, Houston, New York Jets, Kansas City, Atlanta, and Dallas.

Dallas-Bears

Dallas 10070-13
Chicago 0337-17
First Quarter
Dal-FG Willis 27:7.55. Drive: 41 yards, 8 plays. Key plays: Hill recovery of Harbaugh fumble on Cowboys 49; E.Smith 18 run.

Jets-Oilers

New York Jets 01000-10
Houston Oilers 0703-17
First Quarter
Hou-Givins 5 pass from Moon (Del Greco kick), 9:19. Drive: 80 yards, 16 plays. Key plays: White 1 run on 3rd and 1; Moon 24 pass to Jeffries on 3rd and 13.

Independence Bowl

Georgia 14370-24
Arkansas 0708-15
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Women's scores

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N. Carolina St. 62, Connecticut 59

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Third Place

Colonial City Classic
Championship
Baldwin-Wallace 78, Ohio Dominican 59
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LeMayne 91, Bridgeport 88
St. Michael's 81, Sacred Heart 78
Dolphin Holiday Tournament
Championship

Fordham 77, St. Joseph's 66
Eagle Alumni Classic
Championship

Massachusetts 73, Iowa St. 53
Third Place
Fairfield 74, Harvard 60
Hoosier Classic
Championship

Armstrong St. 97, West Georgia 85
Third Place
Tenn. Temple 81, Ala.-Huntsville 75
Lobo Invitational
Championship

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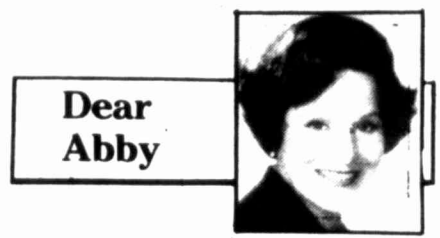
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Memories of anniversary trip clouded by guilt

DEAR ABBY: Six years ago, my husband and I went to the Netherlands to celebrate our 35th wedding anniversary. We had planned and saved for the trip for many years. Another married couple, our best friends, were going with us. My mother had had several operations for cancer, but her doctor said she could live another six months to a year.



weekend side trip and missed the telephone message giving us the news, so I missed my mother's funeral. A day has not gone by that I haven't wept bitter tears and asked God to forgive me. My mother had sacrificed so much for me, and I wasn't even there to pay my last respects.

help others. Have you any words of comfort for me? — SORRY AND SAD DEAR SORRY: This "serenity prayer" has helped many who have tormented themselves with recrimination about something they have or have not done. It's the prayer for Alcoholics Anonymous. I hope you will commit it to memory, and use it often: God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, Courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference. DEAR ABBY: When my dog "Robert" died, I received an

unusual memorial from a friend. It was such a good idea, I want to pass it along. A donation was sent in Robert's memory to the Companion Animal Fund of the College of Veterinary Medicine, Iowa State University. The purpose of the fund is to support pet health research, and to purchase critically needed surgical and diagnostic equipment. Other colleges of veterinary medicine must have similar funds. I also received memorials to the local humane society — a good idea, too. — ROBY KESLER, CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA DEAR ROBY KESSLER: In a sense, donations of this kind return to pets some of the physical and emotional benefits they so generously bestow upon all of us. How rewarding to know that research in your pet's name will not only help to perpetuate his memory, but possibly lengthen the lives of other pets as well.

Jeane Dixon

FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1991 HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: The more independent you are, the more successful you will be. Relocating is a strong possibility in 1992. Special assignments in late spring could require your working overtime or traveling abroad. July will bring happy romance. A new career alliance can boost your earnings next September. Seize any opportunity to increase your professional knowledge and express your individuality. By this time next year, you should be sitting pretty where your finances are concerned. CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DATE: actors Anthony Hopkins and Ben Kingsley, singer Donna Summer, cosmetics magnate Elizabeth Arden. ARIES (March 21-April 19): A deal that seemed to be in the bag could suddenly be awarded to someone else. Avoid recriminations. Influential people could be caught in an uncompromising position. TAURUS (April 20-May 20): It may be time to pass the torch. Better to do it sooner than later! You can create your own good fortune now. Do not be immediately trusting of a new business partner. GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Get your shopping and household chores done early today. There is no need to spend a fortune celebrating tonight. See the New Year in with friends and family. Romance is favored. CANCER (June 21-July 22): Attention to detail pays off in small and big ways. Check billing statements for errors. Romance could be part of the evening's plan. See the old year out with longtime friends. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Good news sends your spirits sky-high. Provide plenty of good food if hosting a celebration tonight. If going out, choose a designated driver. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You feel like cutting loose and having fun. Take a cab or ask a friend to drive you home if a celebration gets out of hand. An interesting proposal is proffered tonight. LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Welcome the New Year in quietly, surrounded by your family and friends. Your self-confidence will grow as 1992 gets under way. Remember the joys of the past but refuse to dwell on a loss. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Open new lines of communication in the New Year and a parent-child relationship will improve. A last-minute invitation sounds surprisingly appealing. Patch up a quarrel. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A relative could play cupid tonight. Dress to impress but act discreet. You could be the life of the party without even trying. Guard against eating or drinking too much. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Keep your promises even if planning a blow-out celebration. A neighbor or relative may try to pull a fast one. Stand up for your rights. Romance moves into high gear this evening. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): A telephone call brings stupendous news, giving you cause to really celebrate tonight. A small gathering holds more appeal than a large bash. Think more about other people's needs. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Amazing revelations flood your psyche today. You would benefit from spending some time alone meditating. Later, share your thoughts with your mate. Loved one's reaction will surprise you. Greet the New Year with optimism!

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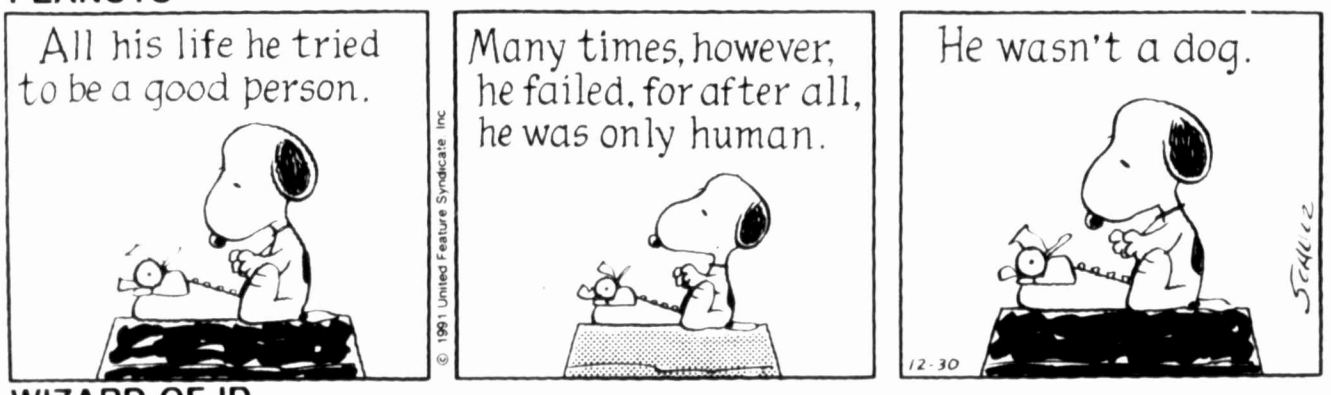
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CALVIN AND HOBBS



Readers can write to: Dear Abby at P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069.

PEANUTS



All his life he tried to be a good person. Many times, however, he failed, for after all, he was only human. He wasn't a dog.

HI & LOIS



I HAVE TO RETURN THIS NINTENDO GAME. WAS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH IT? I GOT IT FOR MY SON, BUT MY WIFE WON'T LET ME KEEP IT. YOU'RE LUCKY... I GOT MY KID ONE OF THOSE REMOTE-CONTROL AIRPLANES... AND MY WIFE MADE ME LET HIM PLAY WITH IT! MOTHERS ARE LIKE THAT.

WIZARD OF ID



YOU GOT A LETTER FROM THE WIZARD'S CONFERENCE. WILL THERE BE ANY WITCHES THERE? NO... IT'S FOR HUSBANDS ONLY. YESSIR... HUSBANDS ONLY... GUBB... GUBB...

HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



GREAT! THE CAR BATTERY IS DEAD AND I'VE GOT TO GET TO THAT MEETING. TAKE MINE.

BLONDIE



I'D LIKE TO EXCHANGE THIS PERFUME. WHAT'S THE PROBLEM WITH IT? LOOK AT MY HUSBAND! HE WON'T LEAVE ME ALONE WITH IT! LOTS OF WIVES WOULD ADORE A SITUATION LIKE THAT. YES, I KNOW. BUT HE'S SUPPOSED TO BE AT HIS OFFICE.

B.C.



THE INVITATION JUST SAID 'YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO A COOKOUT - 3 TO 9 - DEC. 30 - DRESS CASUAL'

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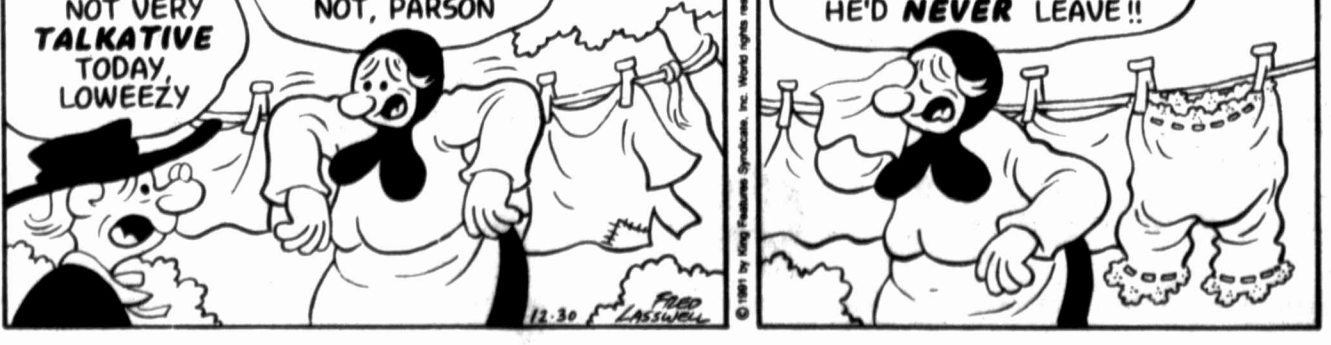
LOOK OUT! THERE'S A ROUGH ROAD AHEAD. MY COMPLIMENTS TO THE JEEP FACTORY.

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IT'S OBVIOUS THESE PEOPLE WERE GATHERERS. HOW CAN YOU TELL THAT? THERE'S A PILE OF DEPOSIT CANS IN THAT CORNER OVER THERE.

SNUFFY SMITH



YOU'RE NOT VERY TALKATIVE TODAY, LOWEEZY. UH -- I GUESS NOT, PARSON. WHEW!! I THOUGHT HE'D NEVER LEAVE!!

GASOLINE ALLEY



We fixed your truck, Slim! No charge! Aw, Fellers! You shouldn't! We figured you couldn't pay anyway!