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Fore!

President-elect Bill Clinton tries out some new golf clubs Saturday. Clinton has been named 'Man of the Year' by TIME magazine.

Help sought in naming festival

A Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce committee is seeking help in naming a festival to celebrate sandhill cranes. The committee is currently working on developing the festival.

Send name suggestions to Marae Brooks, director of Convention & Visitor's Bureau, P.O. Box 1391, Big Spring, 79721 or call 263-7641. The winner will be announced Jan. 6, 1993.

Toys on display through Jan. 23

Toys of Christmas past are featured in Heritage Museum's holiday exhibit, "Marvelous Mechanical Toys." The display of battery and windup toys from the 1940s through the 1960s will be on display through Jan. 23.

Writers for Prime of Your Life sought

Prime of Your Life is looking for writers to contribute articles or columns.

The monthly Big Spring Herald special section is a guide to activities and information for active, experienced senior citizens. It is available, on the last Friday each month in the Herald as well as its advertisers' location.

For more information call Martha E. Flores at 263-7331, ext. 110.



Numbers drawn in the Texas Lottery Saturday night were 23-17-38-26-5-21.

Numbers drawn on Wednesday included 9-12-13-32-37-46. There were no winners Wednesday and Saturday's jackpot was worth an estimated \$5 million.

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Weather

Highs today in lower 60s. Partly cloudy tonight with lows in low 30s. Highs Monday in the 40s. A general warming trend is expected for the remainder of the week. Extended forecast, Page 8A.



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Community, civic leader Marilyn Newsom dead

By JOHN H. WALKER
Managing Editor

Marilyn Keaton Newsom, long time Big Spring civic and community leader, died Saturday at Lubbock's Methodist Hospital.



Marilyn Newsom

Mrs. Newsom is survived by her husband, Don; two sons, Dr. Gary Don Newsom of Lubbock and Kent Newsom of

Big Spring and two grandchildren, Brittany Newsom on Lubbock and Keaton Newsom of San Francisco, Calif.

Funeral services will be held

Monday at 10 a.m. at First United Methodist Church of Big Spring. Officiants will be Dr. William Fleming, First United Methodist Church of Lubbock, Dr. Jordan Grooms, retired Methodist minister from Amarillo, and Rev. David Robertson, pastor at First United Methodist.

She is a former "Volunteer of the Year" for the Big Spring State Hospital and was selected in 1990 as the "Woman of the Year" by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

"This community will dearly miss Marilyn Newsom," said Linda Roger executive vice president of the chamber. "Her commitment to this community... her very love of life and belief in this community and its people are things

we'll not be able to replace."

A native of Big Spring, she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.G. Keaton. Her father was a cotton merchant who moved here in 1923.

Mrs. Newsom's love of music was well-known throughout the community. She performed in the Big Spring High School band under Danny Conley and studied voice with Mrs. James Frazier.

She performed two summers in the Dallas Starlight Opera Series while attending Texas Christian University, where she received a degree in nursing from Harris College.

She returned to Big Spring in 1949 and married her husband, Don.

Mrs. Newsom's commitment to the community and to music grew over the years.

She was active in all phases of music after returning home, including the local music club as well as local musical productions.

She was featured twice with the Lubbock Symphony Orchestra, sang with the Midland-Odessa Symphony and Chorale for six years and was very active in the presentation and fund-raising effort for the annual Living Christmas Tree at First United Methodist Church, performing for the past 12 years.

Mrs. Newsom was active throughout the community, serving on the board of First Methodist, the United Way of Big Spring/Howard County, the YMCA and Canterbury Retirement Center.

She was a member of the 1948

Hyperian Club, the Blue Blazers, and the PTA. She was very active with both Little League and Teen-Age Baseball for 15 years and was also very active in the Ladies Duplicate Bridge Association and had been awarded the Life Master Award from the American Contract Bridge League.

Mrs. Newsom became very active in volunteer work at the state hospital through her music and assumed a more active role as time passed, working on fund-raisers for the patient's Christmas fund and serving as the legislative representative for the volunteer group.

She served as co-owner of Newsom Food Stores in Big Spring and Lamesa and was also active in the management of private business interests as well.

'92 was year of change

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Staff Writer

It was a year the city got a new mayor and new city manager.



Lanny Lambert

cuts by the Big Spring City Council.

Later, Police Chief Joe Cook blamed a rising crime rate on the cuts but not all agreed.

Highlights of city events in 1992:

• Jan. 14, the council gave final authorization for speed limit changes on Gregg Street and FM 700. Speeds of 30 and 35 mph were pushed up to 40 mph on Gregg and several speed changes on FM 700 were unified at 45 mph. New signs were up by the end of the month.

• Jan. 18, a proposed city charter amendment to freeze and protect police jobs based on population and ensure operation of a city jail was defeated 1,642 to 323.

• Feb. 11, city officials signed documents to seek \$7.2 million in loans to upgrade the wastewater treatment plant under mandates by the Environmental Protection Agency. The loan is to be paid by a \$6.50 hikes in monthly sewer rates, to \$10.75. Construction began in December.

• March 24, 12 citizens were nominated to a Citizens Advisory Board, which is designed to handle complaints against the police department. The board began meeting in June, handling a few complaints the first month.

• March 26, a total 390 citizens filled Municipal Auditorium to hear arguments at a public hearing on a proposed state prison backed by city officials, which would have created 317 to 800 jobs. Of those attending, 374 signed a register in favor of the proposal, four signed

1992:
the year in review

City government

against and 12 with no opinion. Of some 10,000 beds distributed across the state by the Texas Board of Criminal Justice the next month, Big Spring was not among communities to get a prison.

• April 28, the council voted unanimously to settle a redistricting lawsuit filed by the League of United Latin American Citizens. The settlement changed the three at-large and three single-member districts to six single-member districts, effective in 1993. Two districts are minority districts, compared to one under the old plan.

• May 2, Councilman Tim Blackshear beat incumbent Max Green in the race for mayor by a vote of 2,037 to 906. Filling Blackshear's vacated seat was Charles Beil, who beat Mike Parker 677 to 644.

• July 30, the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife announced closings of 11 state parks by Sept. 1, including the Big Spring State Recreation Area, unless taken over by local governments or private groups. Operations at 18 other parks were to be reduced or cut.

The park in Big Spring was later pulled off the list following efforts by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, the Big Spring Herald, State Sen. John Montford and State Rep. David Counts. More than 13,000 signatures were collected on petitions circulated by the chamber and presented to the park's board.

• Sept. 13, Police Chief Joe Cook blamed department cuts for a rise in crime. Crime had been decreasing in 1990 and 1991 before council budget cuts eliminated seven of 46 officer positions. Some council members disagreed with Cook.

Thefts, burglaries, robberies, assaults and murders in the second half of 1991, after the cuts, increased 6 percent over the first half of the year. The 760 crimes in the first half of this year is a 3 percent increase over the last half of 1991.

• Sept. 24, the council on a 4-1 vote passed on second and final reading the 1992-93 fiscal year budget for \$24.5 million. It is projected to spend slightly more than the last year. Among the controversial issues was council denial to fund up to \$18,000 for the Spring City Senior Citizens Center or provide repairs to the city building the center uses rent free.

The budget was accompanied by a property tax rate of 66.09 cents per \$100 of valuation. The rate is slightly lower than the year before but will collect 3 percent more in revenues because of increases in property valuations.

The new budget also included a 17-cent water rate hike, to \$1.80 per 1,000 gallons, and a sewer rate hike of \$3.25, bringing the base rate to \$10.75.

• Oct. 1, City Manager Lanny Lambert took office. Lambert, who was city manager of Terrell, was hired from a pool of 125 applicants, of which only 29 were reportedly qualified.

• Oct. 2, Firefighter Jimmy Bertran was fired for allegedly ingesting cocaine on or before Sept. 11 when a city fire truck he was driving was involved in a minor accident that was reportedly his fault. Tests showed he had cocaine in his system. An appeals hearing is set for Jan. 7.

• Oct. 4, the number of fires in the city dropped by a fourth from 1990 and is nearly half that of 1989, figures from the Big Spring Fire Department show. The biggest drops were in outdoor fires. Building fires in the city dropped last year while they increased nationwide.

• Oct. 10, city voters gave the go-ahead to issue bonds for flood control and street paving. The vote was 1,221 to 503 for \$1.4 million for

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Rollin' along

Michael Sutton, 9, of Big Spring gives one of his Christmas presents, a pair of in-line rollerskates, a workout in Comanche Trail Park, Saturday.

Tree collections help composting project

By DEBBIE LINCEUM
Features Editor

When your holiday tree begins to wilt, don't trash it — recycle it.

Thanks to the kickoff of a city-wide composting project, Christmas trees will be collected at three locations now through Jan. 15. They will be transported to a composting facility at the industrial park and ground into mulch for beautification of local landscapes.

Drop-off locations are: The corner of NE 7th and Runnels (behind the Northside Community Center); the 1500 block of FM-700 (corner of Virginia and FM-700); and the vacant lot at 18th and Gregg.

Signs will mark the spots. Trees should be stripped of all decorations.

"We're hoping people will join us in this effort," said Johnny Rutherford, chief financial officer for Mid-Tex Detentions Inc., which is co-sponsoring the effort with the city.

The project's goal is to reduce the amount of organic waste going to the city landfill — and eventually eliminate it from the facility

altogether.

Rutherford said contributing a Christmas tree is a good way to help start the composting project.

"In the long run, it's going to save people money," he said. "We're working to extend the life of the landfill. The longer it lasts, the less expensive the garbage process is."

Local composting of Christmas trees and, eventually, other yard waste, is being funded with a grant from the Texas Water Commission.

"We're going to begin diverting (organic matter) from the landfill to our composting project," Rutherford said. The facility will soon accept clean yard waste and clean construction debris such as wood.

Organizers will experiment with grinding food product waste eventually as well.

After grinding, the debris (then known as mulch) is used as a fertilizer and stabilizer for plants and trees. It could help governmental entities — which often don't spend the money to buy mulch — improve their landscapes.

Cutbacks' effects on BSSH to be learned in January

By GARY SHANKS
Staff Writer

Word is tentatively expected by the end of January on the effects of state cutbacks on the Big Spring State Hospital.

Steven Shon, deputy commissioner for Texas Mental Health and Mental Retardation, visited the hospital Tuesday to discuss the new plan of action for mental health care in Texas.

Shon strongly indicated that cuts should be anticipated, but could not offer figures showing how much individual state hospitals would be effected.

Indications from both TMHMR administration and the Texas Legislature are that \$100 million or more will be cut from the budget state wide. The current budget is \$2.29 billion.

"We're going to have to live with less," Shon said. "Every agency is being targeted for reduction."

"We certainly expect to be cut — that's the bottom line," said

Robert von Rosenburg, hospital administrator. Von Rosenburg indicated early in November that there was serious talk about making deep cuts in the state hospital system.

In the new system, state hospitals will be moved to the background as more funding and responsibility is pushed toward community-based mental health services, Shon said.

This will provide better care as the person is not necessarily removed from his home environment to that of the hospital, Shon said.

Caps on the total capacity of BSSH and other hospitals will be established and each community health care entity will be allotted a given number of beds from this total number. If the community authority then decides it will not use its allotted number of beds, it can then ask that funds for a portion of its allotted beds be diverted from the hospital to itself, Shon said. "They might say 'give me the

money for 10 or 15 of those beds."

But the community authority will not be allowed to exceed its number of funded beds. If more people from a community require hospitalization, the authority must decide who gets the hospital bed or beds and who is removed from the hospital or denied hospitalization — under the new plan, he said.

Shon expects much of the new strategy to be in place by September, von Rosenburg said.

According to Shon, priorities in the new "evolved role of state facilities," would be:

• To provide backup based on community needs.

• Foster more "fluid" boundaries between institutions and community authorities.

• To provide highly-trained, direct-care staff for all aspects of the mental health care system.

• To provide centers for research and training.

Texas

Houston city system may violate state law

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Soliciting funeral business is illegal in Texas, but Houston has an unusual next-of-kin notification system that has allowed funeral directors to push the law into a legal gray area, a newspaper reports.

Harris County is the only county in Texas that widely allows funeral businesses to act as agents of the medical examiner's office, notifying residents when their loved ones have died unexpectedly. The Houston Post reported in a copyright story in Sunday's editions.

Too often, this system pains and confuses grieving friends or family, says Larry A. Farrow, executive director of the Texas Funeral Service Commission.

He said unscrupulous funeral home workers have been known to not-ify family members of deaths and then put the bite on them for business.

Veteran Houston undertaker Larry Hernandez, with Santana Funeral Directors, said most mortuaries on the rotation system handle death notifications reputably — without solicitation.

"I'm not saying some funeral homes haven't done that, but I'm not saying I know who. We do it the legal way," Hernandez told the Post.

The state funeral commission's nine-member board, which regulates Texas funeral homes, has long criticized Harris County's rotation system, saying it invites solicitation.

"If you're a very scrupulous, very honest person, I guess the system could work," Farrow said. "But it leaves the door so far open that it's very easy to slip through and solicit. It's just like the State Bar, we don't want people chasing ambulances."

County officials say the rotation system is run by civic-minded funeral directors who perform an admirable service that saves taxpayers better than \$500,000 each

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**Larry Hernandez
Undertaker**

year.

"And," added Cecil Wingo, chief investigator for the medical examiner's office, "they don't hurt anybody."

The rotation system does more than simply open the door to solicitation, Farrow said.

Last year, for instance, the funeral commission learned that some Houston mortuaries were billing people for taking corpses from the scene of death to the county morgue.

Funeral homes cannot charge a family for driving a corpse to the morgue, because they have not yet entered into a business agreement, Farrow said. That's deceptive, he added, and illegal.

The commission reprimanded a Houston funeral operator last year, after he charged an elderly widow \$150 for taking her loved one's body from the scene of death to the morgue.

Those kinds of billings open the door to further solicitation, said Andy Kahan, Mayor Bob Lanier's crime victims' services coordinator. A funeral home worker who has driven a body to the morgue can use that as an entree; he can tell family members he'll just add that service to the bill, Kahan said. "It's like the old door-to-door sales technique of a salesman asking for a glass of water," he said. "Once you're in the door..."

Wingo said the county would have to buy a fleet of "body cars" and hire as many as 32 people to run the 24-hour service itself. Face-to-face death notifications in a county of 1,777 square miles can be costly.

Texas town hosts Bush for last time

Little evidence of special effort to welcome Bush

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

BEEVILLE — The newspaper headline reading "Happy Hunting, Mr. President" sparked little excitement from the two women glancing at Saturday's front page.

"They're keeping it kind of quiet," one woman told her companion while they looked at the Beeville Bee-Picayune. "They usually make a big deal."

Usually. But this is the last time Beeville one-ups its larger neighbors to the north and south by hosting the president's annual South Texas quail hunt.

It will be a quiet good-bye. Bush, who arrives Sunday, isn't scheduled to make any public appearances. There won't be a community barbecue like last year. And there was little evidence Saturday that the town was making any preparations for the visit by the departing chief executive.

"I would say that (the mood) would be mixed emotions," said Lori Manuel, owner of Beeville Boot and Western Wear.

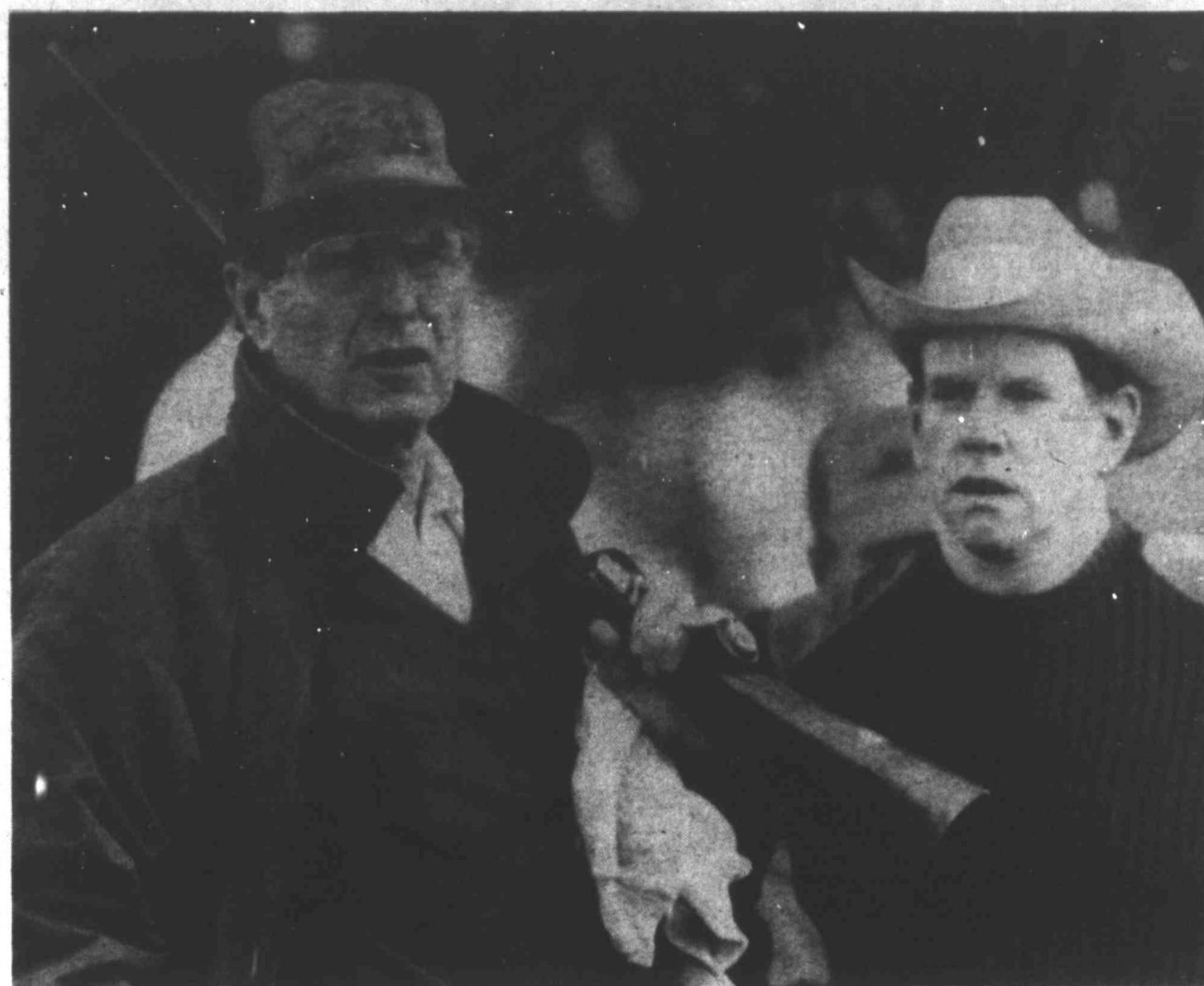
"Everyone is glad to see him," she said, "but sorry that he won't be president anymore."

For 25 years, Bush has come to Will Farish's Lazy F Ranch near Beeville just after Christmas to hunt quail.

His visits as president, of which he missed one because of the Persian Gulf War, "kind of put Beeville on the map," as local restaurant owner Neta Faulkner put it.

And that's meant a variety of things in the community of about 16,000.

For many residents, it's been an exciting event. "It's an honor for Beeville," said a resident named Mary,



President Bush is shown in this file photo on a quail hunt with Houston businessman Will Farish at Farish's ranch near Beeville. The president starts his last hunt at the ranch today.

who declined to give her last name. "Because there are big towns (nearby) like Corpus Christi and San Antonio and every year, he comes to Beeville."

"I found it quite interesting," added Richard Ross of nearby Victoria. "Since he lives in Washington, D.C., he's not someone we can touch or see. Certainly it's interesting."

For merchants, the trips have been a financial boon as Bush's entourage of staff, Secret Service and reporters book hotel rooms, eat out and hunt down souvenirs.

Last year, the Secret Service asked the owners of Saenz Western Wear to stay open late

so they could shop, said store owner Alice Saenz.

"We've been having pretty good business," said Saenz. "We'll be missing that."

For others, the trips were only memorable because of the problems they caused.

Jackie Kandel remembered the backlog last year at the Chase Field Naval Air Station while Bush made his arrival.

"We sat out on the highway for 30 minutes waiting to get on to the base," said Kandel, a former employee of the base, which became a victim of military cutbacks.

Kandel said the closure of Chase Field, which displaced hundreds of workers, the open-

ing of a prison just outside town which provided new jobs and plans to locate other prison facilities at the base has been of more interest to the community than Bush's imminent arrival.

Some said the visits were never really that interesting.

"I never did think about that myself," said Luke Ellis. Though he did note that his grandson once acted as guide for a Bush excursion onto Matagorda Island.

Regardless, the presidential visits will soon be history. Most believe that Bush will continue his traditional hunts. But it will be minus the attention.

Said Manuel: "We enjoyed it while it lasted."

3 Christmas Day slayings hit San Antonio

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN ANTONIO — Three slayings on Christmas Day have pushed San Antonio within one of the city's record of 218 homicides set two years ago, police officials say.

It's the third year in a row that the Alamo City has recorded more than 200 killings.

The apparently unrelated deaths before dawn Christmas Day of Fidenio Andrade, 24; Armando Trujillo, 30; and Enrique Espino, 23, brought the number of 1992

homicide victims to 217.

San Antonio never had 200 slayings in a year until 1990, records show.

Before then, the record was 190 homicides in 1982.

Sgt. Bill Ewell, in charge of homicide detectives on Christmas, said he isn't surprised by the holiday carnage.

Ewell was in charge of detectives 12 years ago on a Christmas when three men were slain between midnight and dawn. In one of those cases, a police canine officer and

his dog cornered a burglary suspect under a house.

The officer shot the suspect to death and set off months of controversy over how police decide when to use deadly force.

Reflecting back Friday over the dozen years since that violent Christmas morning, Ewell said he has seen the violence escalate.

"We have 30 or 40 more homicides a year now," he said. There were 158 slayings in 1980, 59 fewer than already recorded this year.

Ewell said the past 12 years have seen the rise of violent prison and youth gangs.

More often than in past years, Ewell said, gunmen are armed with semiautomatic handguns, equipped with ammunition clips holding nine or more shells, rather than six-shot revolvers.

Lt. Larry Birney, who heads the homicide detail, said killers lately are using more high-powered guns.

"The Saturday Night Special is no longer the weapon of choice," Birney said.

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Nation

Westley Allan Dodd will hang if he gets his wish

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPOKANE, Wash. — If three-time murderer Westley Allan Dodd gets his wish, he will become the first person executed by hanging in the United States since 1965.



Dodd has fought efforts to appeal or delay his Jan. 5 execution. He says he wants to die by hanging because he strangled the youngest of his victims, a 4-year-old, and hanged him in a closet. If granted clemency, the 31-year-old Dodd told the court:

"I will kill and rape (children) again and enjoy every minute of it."

Although the state Supreme Court approved Dodd's request to waive further appeals, the American Civil Liberties Union has said it will appeal on Dodd's behalf.

"This action (hanging) is abhorrent. It's not something a civilized country should do," said Jeffrey Cohen, an ACLU lawyer representing death-penalty opponents.

The last prison hangings in the United States were carried out in 1965 in Kansas, when four murderers were executed. Two of the condemned, Richard Eugene Hickock and Perry Edward Smith, became the subjects of Truman Capote's book "In Cold Blood."

Today, death by hanging remains legal in four states: Washington, Montana, New Hampshire and Delaware.

It's Washington's official method of execution, although condemned prisoners can opt for death by lethal injection. The last hanging in Washington occurred in 1963.

Death by hanging is considered so gruesome that a thin screen will be lowered before the trap door opens on the gallows so witnesses see only a silhouette, said state Corrections Department spokesman Veltry Johnson.

Dodd's mother, Carol Collins, 50, has said she wished her son chose lethal injection.

"I just think anyone given the death penalty should be given a

shot and put to sleep," she said.

Dodd was sentenced to death in 1990 after admitting he strangled 4-year-old Lee Iseli in October 1989, and fatally stabbed 10-year-old William Neer and his 11-year-old brother, Cole, a month earlier.

Dodd said he started molesting youngsters when he was 14. He was sentenced to sex-offender treatment, but said he agreed to it only to avoid jail and continue molesting children.

At Dodd's insistence, trial lawyers said, witnesses weren't called who could have testified that he was well regarded by teachers and relatives, or that his criminal behavior could be related to a troubled childhood.

Dodd's attorney, Darrell Lee,

said Dodd wants to be executed because his crimes were so terrible that it makes him sick to think about them and because he doesn't want to spend the rest of his life in a cell.

Justice Bob Utter, one of the two state Supreme Court justices who opposed waiving Dodd's appellate review on the 7-2 vote, said the court risked sanctioning "state-assisted suicide."

Death penalty opponents have asked Gov. Booth Gardner to commute the sentence to life in prison. Gardner has said he won't intervene.

Prison officials are following a 12-page policy manual for capital punishment that's based in part on military capital punishment pro-

cedures, said Jerry Davis, the assistant prison superintendent.

The execution chamber, at the Washington State Penitentiary at Walla Walla, 300 miles southeast of Seattle, is a two-level room with white walls, a grey concrete floor and large viewing windows.

"The inmate will be brought out of the holding cell, a rope will be put around his neck. There will be an opportunity for last words," Davis said. "A signal will be given and the trap door will open. That's all there is to it."

The rope used for the noose is boiled and stretched to prevent any spring or stiffness. The rope's length is determined using a military chart that determines how far a person must drop for their weight to snap the neck.

Railroad spikes are artsy

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CARTERSVILLE, Ga. — Jim Sensenbrenner knows how to drive home a point with a sense of humor.

From "Who spiked the punch?" (a 12-inch nail driven through a wooden punch bowl) to "They're bluffing, General Custer" (a nail run through an Old West hat) Sensenbrenner turns railroad spikes into novelty items he calls Spike-a-Roos.

"I'm kind of like a cartoonist with nails," the 66-year-old man said. "I'm just an old poet and comedian, letting that side of me come out."

He hammers sports as well as

history. "I told you I could nail that ball," reads the caption next to a spiked baseball. "Great shot, Bill!" consists of a nail driven through an apple — the William Tell story.

Some adult-themed Spike-a-Roos are kept in a room where children aren't allowed without a parent. But many are tame.

"How can he be an exhibitionist when he has nothing to exhibit?" asks the caption above an unadorned nail. "Not tonight, I've got a splitting headache," says a nail with the head split neatly in two.

Sensenbrenner is new to the craft business. A Lockheed engineer for 39 years, he needed something to do in his retirement.

His wife, Michele, hit on an idea at the hardware store.

"I stopped in front of this huge box of nails and all of a sudden this idea popped into my head," Mrs. Sensenbrenner said.

She envisioned a tired, pregnant woman telling her husband, "I'm gonna nail you for this."

"She wanted to take that nail and turn it into a doll, with maternity clothes and all," Sensenbrenner said. "But I said, 'No, let that nail stand alone.'"

They bent the 30-cent nail into the silhouette of a pregnant woman, named her Gertrude and slapped on the caption. Now Gertrude and her mate Harold appear in many Spike-a-Roos.

People in the news

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NORMAL, Ill. — Rapper Ice-T kept a low profile when he went to see his new movie "Trespass" on Christmas Day.

Ice-T, in Bloomington to give a concert Friday night with his band, Body Count, arrived unannounced at the University Cinemas in Normal.

"He just bought tickets for everybody he was with," said Corey Gilbert, a theater employee. "He got nachos and a large Coke and went into the movie."

"Pretty much all of us recognized him on our own," said Gilbert. "I got a piece of paper and got autographs. He didn't say much — he wanted to keep it low key."

AKRON, Ohio — The author of book on Jimmy Hoffa doesn't think much of the film "Hoffa," which stars Jack Nicholson in the title role.

Dan Moldea's 1978 book, "The Hoffa Wars: Teamsters, Rebels, Politicians and the Mob," raised the possibility that Hoffa was involved in a plot to assassinate

President Kennedy.

Moldea says the film, directed by Danny DeVito and written by David Mamet, presents a sugarcoated image.

"Clearly, the movie wants you to like this guy," Moldea said.

"More and more, Hollywood is taking these reality-based films and doing all kinds of magic acts with history to make their characters look good."

Slow American economy slowing flow of immigrants

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — The sluggish U.S. economy is making many illegal immigrants think twice about coming to find work — or at least think harder, researchers say.

"The recession in the United States has overlapped across the border into Mexico. Fewer people are coming on a whim," said Leo Estrada, a University of California, Los Angeles researcher specializing in immigration demographics.

"Part of what we see is the immigrants, the new ones, they appear to be coming with a lot more knowledge of the workplace," he said.

No one knows exactly how many undocumented immigrants cross the Mexican border each year.

The U.S. Border Patrol arrested 1.2 million aliens in fiscal 1992, but estimates that for each arrest at least one immigrant eludes capture, said Steven Kean, spokesman for the

agency's San Diego office.

The number of arrests cannot be used reliably to project the number of individual immigrants because many aliens cross the border regularly and may be arrested more than once a year, said Kean.

The Colegio de la Frontera Norte, a Mexican research institute that counts and interviews immigrants three times a week at five border cities, said evidence suggests the flow of undocumented workers leveled off in 1991 and has remained steady this year.

At the same time, the number of first-time crossers increased about 12 percent, said Jorge Bustamonte, president of the institute.

"It's like the old-timers are becoming disenchanted a little bit," he said.

Besides the recession, Estrada cited beefed-up border security and harsher penalties for people convicted of smuggling aliens across the border as causes for the change in im-

migration patterns.

Fees charged by "coyotes" to sneak immigrants past the Border Patrol have risen from about \$250 per person to \$350 or more since the construction of a new 14-mile-long steel-mesh fence along the border at San Diego and an increase in the number of Border Patrol agents in the area from 800 to 1,100.

Since the fence was completed in August, more immigrants have chosen to cross in Arizona and Texas, according to Border Patrol arrest figures.

Border institute studies indicate the number of undocumented Mexican immigrants in the United States varies from about 1.75 million in the peak month of August to about 800,000 in December.

For immigrants already in the United States, difficult times have pushed thousands, including many here legally, into a mushrooming underground economy of sweat shops, swap meet stands and street vending.

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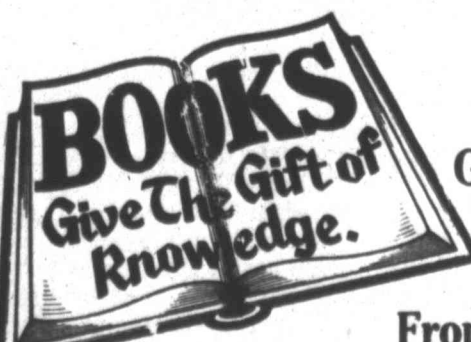
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A smiling face to be recalled

A smiling face was taken from our community Saturday when Marilyn Keaton Newsom, long time Big Spring civic and community leader, passed away.

Marilyn Newsom always had a kind word and a smile for those she came in contact with.

She was always supportive of her community and its many worthwhile efforts. You see, this was her hometown and she loved it and its people.

Marilyn Newsom was one of those rare individuals who helped make a difference in the quality of life in a community.

She was one who would stand side-by-side with you as you worked on a local project — just as she did so many times for the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra and the Living Christmas Tree of the First United Methodist Church.

While her first love was music, her commitment was to the community.

After the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife announced that Big Spring State Recreation Area was to be closed, Marilyn Newsom was one of the many people who manned petition stations in an effort to gain enough support to stop the closure.

And like so many other things she was involved in, that effort was also successful.

A former "Volunteer of the Year" for the Big Spring State Hospital, she was selected in 1990 as the "Woman of the Year" by the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce.

There are so many things to recall about Marilyn Newsom, but perhaps the two things we'll miss the most — her kind word and smile — and the two things we can best remember and, as such, always keep her close to our heart.



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Letters to the Editor

Reader advises to look to God for assistance

I read a paper, and it said they want to teach K-12 about the same sex, living together sexually. Various acts of sexual immorality.

God is mad at this nation already, and you people are too blind to see.

No man is going to find a cure for AIDS, so there is reason to waste the money trying.

Leviticus chapter 18:21-23 (Laws of sexual sin) Acts 7:43, Ex. 22:19

Man alone with himself
Man with another man, or man with beast.

Woman with woman, or woman with beast.

Revelation chapter 18:8
Here is how God takes care of nations, that will worship, flags,



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This date in history

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Today is Sunday, Dec. 27, the 362nd day of 1992. There are four days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:
On Dec. 27, 1831, naturalist Charles Darwin set out on a voyage to the Pacific aboard the

money, fables (1 Timothy chapter 1:4, Titus chapter 8:14) and false Gods, Jeremiah chapter 10:1-5, Levi. 18:3, V.14, IS. 46:1-7

What this nation has to do, is burn all the school books, and teach the Bible, in all K-12. And do away, with this trash, that man knows all, and find God, who does.

If you have AIDS, or any sickness, don't look to man for help, look to God.

(Don't take my word or any man's word, on what the Bible has to say get a Bible and read it for yourself, so you can find the truth in God and His Word.) Amen.

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H.M.S. Beagle. Darwin's discoveries during the voyage helped form the basis of his theories on evolution.

On this date:
In 1822, scientist Louis Pasteur was born in Dole, France.

In 1892, 100 years ago, the cornerstone was laid for the Cathedral Church of St. John the Divine in New York City.

In 1900, militant prohibitionist Carry Nation carried out her first public smashing of a bar, at the Carey Hotel in Wichita, Kan.

In 1927, "Show Boat," one of the major works of the American musical theater, opened at the Ziegfeld Theater in New York.

Santa Claus made his rounds, but there wasn't much in his bag of goodies for those worried about America's fiscal health. As President-elect Bill Clinton keeps saying, the current cyclical recovery masks fundamental problems that will be hard to fix. Strangely enough, however, there is actually a present awaiting the president right in the middle of the budgetary thicket.

It cannot be easily grasped, however. Once called the peace dividend, it has all but vanished from public discussion. Too much was expected of it too early after the end of the Cold War. Then, when it failed to materialize, thanks to lack of vision in the White House and lack of leadership on Capitol Hill, it was all but discredited. What hadn't occurred overnight was suddenly believed to be impossible.

There was also the inevitable counterattack from the national security state's cheerleaders. "Serious" people took to explaining solemnly that only a relative handful of dollars could be squeezed from defense spending. To do more was said to threaten national security in a new world whose dangers were more numerous than expected. Despite the collapse of the Soviet Union, the imperial power whose existence had justified massive defense spending for so long, the United States supposedly remained in mortal peril.

The public and politicians have



Hodding Carter III

been conditioned for almost 50 years to respond automatically to such cautionary advice. As a result, it has taken several years for the facts of our security situation to sink in. By now, however, they should be crystal clear. The world is full of danger, as always, but very little of it directly affects America. That which does can be met by force levels far lower than today's.

To put the case bluntly, the current defense budget could be cut by 40 percent to 50 percent without damaging American security.

The Gulf War all but proved the point. Washington put a 500,000-person force into the field against Iraq, stripping the Western European front to do it. With the Iron Curtain down and the Warsaw Pact disbanded, there were no repercussions, conclusive evidence that an old debate had been put to rest. With no credible threat to the east, NATO needs no more than token American force on the Continent, and even that is more as a statement of continuing commitment to the alliance than of any military necessity.

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JACK THE RIPPER'S FOR
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A stunning tribute at Shiloh

SHILOH, Tenn. — Richard Herbert stood erect and motionless in the waxy light of hundreds of candles, a lone sentinel at the trench where the Confederate dead were hurriedly buried in an unmarked grave.

For four hours he remained silent as a wax sentry, wearing the gray and braving the cold, as cars carrying 7,000 people crawled by.

None of them realized that the eerie human prop of Shiloh's spectacular, one-night show of Christmas candles had lost his wife of 30 years in an automobile accident only weeks before.

I didn't know either, until later. But death and beauty were woven everywhere in the white, unearthly candlelight that clear December night. The grounds of the military park were a powerful tapestry — equal parts horror and peace.

For each casualty of the bloody Civil War battle at Shiloh, there was a candle burning in a white sack.

And not until you have seen the glow of 23,746 candles, their shadows appearing to march across the black ground, can you really imagine the scope of the tragedy at Shiloh. There were: Some 6,000 candles lining the road of the 5½-mile tour. Candle clusters that looked like the lights



Rheta Grimsley Johnson

of a city in the infamous Peach Orchard and along a ravine that Union soldiers called the Hornet's Nest. Candles circling Bloody Pond, their number doubled by reflection. A single candle in the woods where Confederate Gen. Albert Sidney Johnston fell.

"The single candle was my idea," says park historian Stacy Allen. He was in charge of the logistical puzzle of placing the candles in optimum viewing spots and getting them burning at the same time. He had the help of about 350 people, many of them volunteers, whose discretion he trusted in placing candles around their assigned monuments.

The park borrowed the idea from a Civil War battlefield park at Antietam Creek, Maryland, last year, but rain delayed the event until after Christmas. This year, on schedule and on Dec. 12, from 4 p.m. until midnight, the public could make the candlelight tour.

The idea, like most good ones, was simple. No reindeer or Santa

performances.

In 1979, Soviet forces seized control of Afghanistan. President Hafizullah Amin, who was overthrown and executed, was replaced by Babrak Karmal.

In 1985, Palestinian guerrillas opened fire inside the Rome and Vienna airports; a total of 20 people were killed, including five of the attackers, who were slain by police and security personnel.

In 1985, American naturalist Dian Fossey, who had studied gorillas in the wild, was found hacked to death at a research station in Rwanda.

Ten years ago: Hundreds of protesters marched on Soviet em-

But if the Red Army has evaporated as a dagger aimed at America's vitals, has something else replaced it? What enemy currently exists to justify the maintenance of a permanent military establishment of over 2 million people? Or of over 1 million, for that matter?

North Korea remains a rogue nation, but South Korea has a tough, well-equipped military force of over 600,000. Why are we still there in division strength? China, that famous bugaboo of 30 years ago, will someday be a formidable military power. It is not one today, nor are its energies currently directed outward. Japan, despite our ill-conceived attempt to force it to significantly increase its military spending, is a military threat to no one.

There remain a baker's dozen or more local and regional conflicts whose outcome is important to the people involved but not to America's immediate security. Unless we intend to invent a new rationale for massive military spending by becoming the world's Lone Ranger, intervening unilaterally wherever the forces of good and evil are engaged, the existence of such wars in themselves should not deter us from cutting back troop levels drastically. It is possible to wish for certain outcomes without feeling duty-bound to attempt to influence them by armed force on each and every occasion.

In purely military terms, the

current defense budget is inapplicable. Given the underlying economic realities whose existence was central to Bill Clinton's victory last November, it is indefensible.

The budgetary fact of life is that there is at least \$125 billion waiting for the new president if he has the political courage to seize it. Those dollars exist in a defense category which, despite recent reductions, remains close to \$300 billion a year, a total beyond the boundaries of necessity or good sense. For reasons of equity and efficiency, the president-elect may feel he must raise taxes on the very rich and cut certain entitlement programs, as he has long promised. But the payoff would be considerably higher if he used his political muscle to divert excessive defense dollars to more productive use. It wouldn't be easy, since they are not actually all sitting there in one convenient package, ready for instant fiscal gratification. Carefully planned reconversion from an economy heavily dependent on defense expenditures must advance in concert with defense cutbacks or the economy could stall out overnight.

But that is the point. If incoming President Clinton decides to funnel those dollars into meeting the infrastructure and deficit-reduction goals set repeatedly by candidate Clinton, it would have a powerfully stimulative effect.



John H. Walker

Here's hoping that you and yours survived the holiday season ... that you got everything you wanted ... that you ate everything you wanted ... and that you are now peaceful and content.

As we near the end of the year, here are some observations:

● Shopping in Big Spring seemed to be up this year over a year ago. Traffic was relatively heavy every time I went into a store.

A strong holiday season can help us take positive steps into 1993. Sales tax rebates paid to the city by the state, despite a severe summer lull, are up over a year ago through October.

In fact, October rebates were 10.65 percent above those for the same period a year ago. Rebate figures for November should be released in the next 10 days or so, and we'll know if the increased sales trend continued into the holiday shopping season.

● While the news that J.C. Penney was closing its store in Big Spring Mall was not the type news a community needs, the news that K-Mart officials have been in town looking at sites is the type you want to hear.

The building once occupied by the Troy, Mich.-based retailer is too small for their new stores, so they would be looking at another location.

A survey conducted by the Texas Press Association in Austin showed that of three major discount retailers — K-Mart, Wal-Mart and Target — that K-Mart had the lowest prices.

A K-Mart ticket of approximately \$95 was \$105 at Wal-Mart and \$107 at Target.

● With the closing of the Record Shop, an effort is being made to once again attract Hastings Records and Books to Big Spring. The retailer was here some time ago, but left.

The market is obviously open for the chain, which operates stores in communities of all sizes — from Lubbock, Amarillo and San Angelo to Plainview and Snyder.

● It won't make an impact on retail sales, but the contract on Wright Fibers is expected to be closed Tuesday.

The textile mill will make cotton bale bagging out of cotton wastes and should find an immediate niche in the marketplace because of the poly bagging it will replace.

Wright will employ 100 persons initially and up to 250 or so in a few years.

The interesting thing about Wright's mill is that it could open up an entirely new industry in our community that would allow us to take advantage of our relatively large, yet unskilled labor force.

Regardless, it is obvious that things are on the upswing ... and it's because of an entire community working together.

John H. Walker is managing editor of the Big Spring Herald. His column appears Sunday and Wednesday. Readers wishing to respond may do so by writing in care of this newspaper.

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Art recovered

Italian police officers carry stolen paintings been taken to the Alps for sale to collectors as well as to be used in trade in drug deals.

Niger holds first vote in 32 years

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NIAMEY, Niger — Despite threats by rebel nomads, Niger held its first open election in 30 years Saturday, a referendum on a constitution that would allow multiparty presidential and legislative balloting next year.

A national democracy conference ousted President Ali Saibou in November 1991 and put transitional Prime Minister Cheifou Amadou in power. Multiparty elections have already been postponed three times.

Saibou, who was forced to call the conference by strikes and protests, retains influence over the military.

Amadou recently dissolved his government, saying it couldn't cope with the problems facing the country of 7 million. A fall in the price of uranium, Niger's main export, has sharply reduced export earnings, and recurring droughts have forced it to import food.

The results of Saturday's vote — the first since independence from France 32 years ago — were not expected before Monday. The ballot was monitored by international observers.

Voter turnout in the predominantly Muslim West African country was low. Many people had to travel great distances to cast their ballots.

In many areas husbands prohibited their wives from voting and tried to vote twice, once for themselves and once for the women, national radio reported. Women represent half of the country's 4 million registered voters.

There was general disorganization at some polling stations and a lack of voting cards. But a threat by the rebels, some of them trained by Libya, to disrupt the voting failed to come off, early reports indicated.

The desert nomads, which comprise 3 percent of Niger's population, want to secede or win autonomy. The have raided government outposts, and government troops are accused of killing hundreds of Tuareg civilians in revenge.

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"Another Beautiful Baby"

Happy "18th" Birthday
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International briefs

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TUNIS, Tunisia — Yasser Arafat has refused to give PLO membership to the Hamas movement because of the Islamic fundamentalist group's insistence that Palestinians pull out of peace talks with Israel, officials said Saturday.

Hamas' conditions for joining the Palestine Liberation Organization were laid out by four Hamas leaders during a lengthy discussion with Arafat Friday night.

Mohammed Nazzari, a spokesman for the hard-line group, told The Associated Press he and his colleagues presented a memorandum called "Program for Jihad," or holy war.

Arafat's response was negative. Nazzari said, adding his group hoped the PLO chairman would change his mind later.

The Palestinians have suspended their participation in the U.S.-and Soviet-sponsored peace talks to protest Israel's deportation of 415 Palestinian fundamentalists from the West Bank and Gaza Strip. But they have kept the door open for resuming the negotiations next year.

Arafat has been struggling with Hamas over leadership of the Palestinians in the occupied territories.

MOSCOW — Fighters of the Abkhazian separatist movement in Georgia shot down a Mi-8 helicopter with a surface-to-air missile Saturday, killing its three Georgian crew, according to a statement from the Abkhazian forces.

Georgian troops had launched an attack with warplanes and helicopters near the Abkhazian town of Ochamchira, it said. The Abkhazians charged that the Georgians dropped cluster bombs and sent Abkhazian hostages to march in front of their advancing troops.

There was no immediate comment from the Georgian side.

Georgia sent its troops into Abkhazia, a resort area along the Black Sea, in mid-August to root out guerrillas backing ousted Georgian President Zviad Gamsakhurdia.

Leaders of the Abkhazian minority said the attack was meant to crush the movement in favor of sovereignty for the region. Hundreds of people have died in the conflict, which also involves Muslim volunteers for Abkhazia from Russia's northern Caucasus.

Elsewhere in the troubled former southern region of the Soviet Union, Russian army troops in Tajikistan found the bodies of three servicemen who were taken hostage, tortured

and killed by Muslim rebels, Interfax reported.

The fighting in Tajikistan has its roots in ancient tribal and territorial disputes. Hundreds have died and tens of thousands of refugees have fled, many into Afghanistan.

CAIRO, Egypt — A Libyan government newspaper Saturday accused the West of plotting the crash of a Libyan airliner.

Al-Jamahiriyah urged Arab states to sever relations with all Western countries in its article titled "Who Brought Down Libya's Passenger Plane?" which was distributed by the Libyan news agency JANA.

The Libyan Arab Airlines Boeing 727, Flight 1103, crashed near Tripoli on Tuesday, killing all 157 people aboard.

The crash coincided with the fourth anniversary of the bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, in which 270 people died.

The United States and Britain indicted two Libyan agents in the Lockerbie bombing and demanded their surrender for trial. Libya's refusal brought U.N. air, arms and diplomatic sanctions that took effect last April 15.

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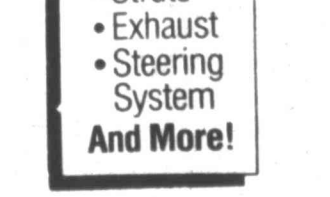
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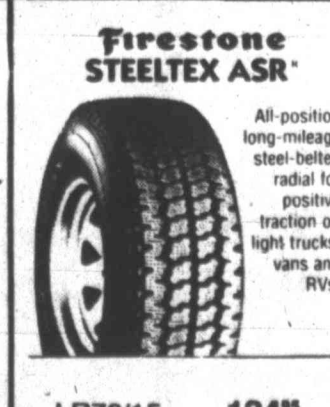
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Year in review

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This year, day by day:

Jan. 1 — El Salvador announces peace accord ending 12-year-old civil war.

Jan. 2 — Russia, Belarus and Ukraine lift price controls to stimulate production. President Ayaz Mutalibov of Azerbaijan imposed direct rule on Nagorno-Karabakh.

Jan. 7 — Yugoslav military planes shoot down European Community helicopter killing five peace observers.

Jan. 8 — President Bush collapses during state dinner in Japan suffering from stomach flu. EC suspends monitoring operations in Yugoslavia.

Jan. 11 — Algerian President Chadli Bendjedid resigns.

Jan. 13 — North and South Korea sign agreement calling for nuclear weapons ban. Serial killer Jeffrey L. Dahmer pleads guilty but insane to 15 mutilation killings.

Jan. 14 — Israel opens peace talks with Jordan and resumes bargaining with Palestinians.

Jan. 15 — EC recognizes Slovenia and Croatia as independent states.

Jan. 19 — Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's coalition government loses its parliamentary majority following pullout of two far-right parties opposed to peace talks.

Jan. 20 — Zhelyu Zhelev wins Bulgaria's first direct presidential election. Two former East German border guards convicted in last killing at Berlin Wall.

Jan. 21 — United Nations Security Council urges Libya to surrender two agents indicted by United States and Britain in bombing of Pan Am Flight 103.

Jan. 23 — U.N. Security Council imposes an arms embargo against Somalia.

Jan. 25 — Russian President Boris Yeltsin says Russia will stop targeting U.S. cities with nuclear missiles.

Jan. 27 — R.H. Macy & Co. Inc. files for Chapter 11 protection from creditors.

Jan. 28 — Leadership of National Liberation Front that won Algeria's independence and ruled for three decades resigns.

Jan. 29 — Bush sends Congress a trillion-and-a-half dollar budget. Yeltsin unveils nuclear weapons reduction plan.

Jan. 31 — TWA files for Chapter 11. U.N. Security Council holds summit of world leaders.

Feb. 1 — Salvadorans mark their first day of official peace in more than a decade. Bush and Yeltsin sign Camp David declaration stating Russia and United States do not regard themselves potential adversaries.

Feb. 4 — Rebel troops attempt overthrow of Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez.

Feb. 5 — U.N. declines deployment of 10,000 man U.N. peacekeeping force in Yugoslavia.

Feb. 6 — C-130 military transport plane crashes into restaurant and hotel in Evansville, Ind., 16 killed.

Feb. 7 — U.S. European Union space probe passes Jupiter.

Feb. 9 — Army-backed ruling council of Algeria declares state of emergency to quell spreading violence.

Feb. 10 — Former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson convicted of raping Black Miss America contestant, later sentenced to six years.

Feb. 14 — Dahmer found to be sane when he killed and dismembered 15 men and boys, later sentenced to 15 consecutive life terms.

Feb. 20 — Billionaire Ross Perot says he will run for president if his name is placed on ballot in all 50 states.

Feb. 24 — General Motors Corp. reports record \$4.5 billion loss in 1991.

Feb. 27 — House approves election-year tax cut for 90 million wage earners.

Feb. 29 — U.N. Security Council authorizes sending 22,000 peacekeepers to Cambodia.

March 2 — All white jury selected in Los Angeles taped beating trial.

March 10 — NATO allies welcome 10 former Soviet republics into special forum giving one-time adversaries chance to discuss security concerns.

March 13 — Earthquake, 6.2 on Richter scale, rocks Turkey, claiming at least 570 lives.

March 15 — U.N. peacekeeping forces begin missions in Yugoslavia and Cambodia. A second strong earthquake hits eastern Turkey.

March 22 — USAir jet crashes into Flushing Bay, N.Y., 27 of 51 people aboard killed.

March 26 — Britain's Prince Andrew, the queen's second son, and wife, the former Sarah Ferguson, separate.

March 29 — Bill Clinton acknowledges publicly that he experimented with marijuana as student.

March 31 — U.N. Security Council imposes sanctions on Libyan air traffic and arms trade.

April 1 — Bush pledges United States will help finance \$24 billion international aid fund for former Soviet Union.

April 2 — John Gotti convicted of murder and racketeering; later sentenced to life in prison.

April 5 — Peru's President Alberto Fujimori suspends constitution and Congress.

April 8 — Arthur Ashe discloses he has AIDS.

April 9 — Manuel Noriega found guilty of drug and racketeering.

April 15 — Sanctions go into effect against Libya for refusing to surrender two suspects in bombing of Pan Am Flight 103. Leona Helmsley begins serving four year jail term for tax evasion.

April 16 — Ban on nearly all abortions in U.S. territory of Guam is overturned.

April 22 — Robert F. Kelly Jr., owner of Charlotte, N.C., day care center, convicted on 99 of 100 charges of sexually abusing children under his care. Guadalajara, Mexico devastated by sewer explosion, more than 200 killed.

April 23 — Quake measuring 6.1 jolts Southern California.

April 25 — Quake measuring 7.0 rocks Northern California.

April 26 — Moscow celebrates first Russian Orthodox Easter in 74 years. Aftermaths measuring 6.0 and 6.7 shake Northern California.

April 27 — Russia and 12 other former Soviet republics win entry into International Monetary Fund and World Bank.

April 29 — Four Los Angeles cops are acquitted of most charges in beating of Rodney King, touching off deadly riot. Exxon executive Sidney Reso disappears, later found dead.

May 2 — U.S. dispatches 4,500 federal troops into northern Los Angeles area after rioting in fire of first apartment building.

May 3 — Impact of short range nuclear weapons crosses border from Ukraine, putting all tactical weapons from former Soviet arsenal in Russian soil.

May 12 — Four Los Angeles men arrested in televised beating of white trucker during riot. Last EC observers leave Bosnia.

May 13 — Bush gives Los Angeles \$600 million loan package for rebuilding. May 14 — Government panel overrules the Endangered Species Act by permitting limited logging in several areas inhabited by northern spotted owl.

May 30 — Vice President Dan Quayle calls TV character Murphy Brown irresponsible for having baby out of wedlock.

May 25 — Johnny Carson retires from "The Tonight Show."

May 26 — United States and four former Soviet republics sign agreement to implement START missile reduction treaty.

May 29 — Bush orders Coast Guard to intercept Haitian refugees at sea and return them to Haiti. Thailand's prime minister, Suchinda Kraprayoon, resigns.

May 26 — Jay Leno takes over "The Tonight Show."

May 27 — Carolyn Warmus convicted of murder of her lover's wife.

May 30 — U.N. Security Council imposes trade sanctions on Serbia and Montenegro.

June 3 — Diplomats from 180 countries open Earth Summit in Rio De Janeiro. Bill Clinton wins Democratic presidential nomination after six-state sweep.

June 4 — Elvis' younger self is immortalized on US postage stamp.

June 8 — Earth Summit delegates approve new U.N. body to monitor compliance with environmental treaties. U.N. Security Council approves sending 60 military observers to Sarajevo.

June 11 — United States announces \$1.4 billion fund to monitor climate change and a plan to assess world's plant and animal species. NASA announces scientists have found evidence seven stars in our galaxy may be orbited by planets.

June 15 — Parliament gives final approval to use of Japanese troops overseas for first time since World War II.

June 16 — Former Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger indicted on felony charges in connection with Iran-Contra affair.

June 17 — Czech and Slovak leaders agree to separate Czechoslovakia. Former Exxon security guard Arthur Seale and his wife, Irene, are charged with kidnapping and murder of Exxon executive Sidney Reso.

June 22 — Supreme Court rules hate crime laws, banning cross burning and similar expressions of racial bias, violate free-speech rights.

June 25 — Shuttle Columbia blasts off on 13-day mission.

June 26 — Navy Secretary H. Lawrence Garrett III resigns in the wake of the Tailhook scandal. Supreme Court rules airports may prohibit religious groups from soliciting donations in terminals; must allow distribution of free literature.

June 28 — Two powerful earthquakes hit Southern California.

June 29 — Supreme Court rules states cannot ban most abortions, upholding core of Roe vs. Wade. U.N. Security Council votes to send 1,000 Canadian peacekeepers to Yugoslavia. Mohamed Boudiaf, head of Algerian ruling council assassinated. Man receives liver transplant from baboon; lives 71 days.

June 30 — Irene J. Seale pleads guilty in kidnapping of Exxon executive. Fidel Ramos is sworn in as Philippine president.

July 2 — Unemployment rate hits eight-year high of 7.8 percent.

July 3 — U.S. military joins international airlift to Yugoslavia. Braniff airlines shuts down for third time in a decade.

July 5 — First U.N. peacekeepers arrive in Somalia to monitor cease-fire in capital.

July 9 — Clinton selects Sen. Albert Gore Jr. as running mate. Israeli Labor Party leader Yitzhak Rabin forms new government.

July 11 — Manuel Noriega sentenced to 40 years in prison. Jury finds Pan Am guilty of "willful misconduct" in terrorist bombing of Flight 103.

July 13 — Bush announces United States will no longer produce plutonium and highly enriched uranium for weapons.

July 16 — Ross Perot drops out of presidential race.

July 17 — Accord for cuts in tanks and other nonnuclear arms in Europe takes effect.

July 20 — Vaclav Havel steps down as Czechoslovakia's president.

July 23 — Scientists announce discovery of virus that may cause AIDS symptoms in people not infected by either known AIDS virus.

July 25 — Italian government sends 7,000 soldiers to Sicily in Mafia crackdown.

July 30 — TWA L1011 catches fire on takeoff at JFK; 291 on board spared.

July 31 — Moscow releases names of 39 Americans imprisoned during World War II.

Aug. 1 — Supreme Court permits Bush administration to continue to return Haitians to Haiti.

Aug. 3 — Russia and Ukraine agree to put Black Sea fleet under joint command.

Aug. 4 — Senate votes to curb nuclear testing; ending it entirely in four years.

Aug. 5 — Federal civil rights charges filed against four police officers acquitted in the beating of Rodney King; they later plead innocent.

Aug. 6 — Bush grants full diplomatic recognition to Bosnia-Herzegovina, Slovenia, and Croatia.

Aug. 7 — House votes to overturn Bush's "gag rule" on abortion counseling at federally funded clinics.

Aug. 12 — United States, Canada and Mexico reach a free-trade agreement. Somalia agrees to let 500 U.N. troops be deployed to protect food shipments.

Aug. 13 — James A. Baker III named White House chief of staff. Seventy-four people are injured when Amtrak train derailed in Virginia. U.N. authorizes use of force to safeguard aid deliveries to Bosnia.

Aug. 17 — Woody Allen confirms that he is in love with Soon-Yi Farrow. Previn, 21-year-old adopted daughter of his lover Mia Farrow.

Aug. 18 — Larry Bird retires from basketball.

Aug. 20 — Republican convention nominates George Bush and Dan Quayle for second term. Quake measuring 7.5 on Richter scale hits Kyrgyzstan.

Aug. 24 — Hurricane Andrew hits Florida leaving thousands without shelter and causing record damage. 55 deaths related directly to storm.

Aug. 25 — Hurricane Andrew thrashes Louisiana coast.

Aug. 27 — Bush orders federal troops to Florida for emergency relief.

Aug. 29 — U.N. Security Council agrees to send 3,000 more relief troops to Somalia.

Sept. 1 — Randy Weaver surrenders in Naples, Idaho, after 11-day siege with federal authorities that killed his wife and teen-age son at their mountain-top cabin.

Sept. 3 — Italian relief plane shot down by ground-to-air missiles outside of Sarajevo.

Sept. 6 — Troops in South Africa fire on ANC supporters near the Transkei homeland, killing 28 and wounding 200.

Sept. 11 — Hurricane Iniki strikes Hawaiian islands of Kauai, Oahu, and Niilau; six dead.

Sept. 19 — U.N. Security Council drops Yugoslavia from General Assembly.

Sept. 20 — Belgian balloonists reach Europe winning first trans-Atlantic balloon race. European union treaty approved.

Sept. 22 — Bush vetoes family leave bill. Veto later sustained by House.

Sept. 24 — Pentagon report on Tailhook scandal finds sexual abuse of women at naval aviators' conventions not rare.

Sept. 28 — Magic Johnson announces he will return to the basketball.

Oct. 1 — USS Saratoga accidentally fires missiles at Turkish destroyer Muavenet in Aegean Sea; five killed, 12 wounded.

Oct. 2 — Prison riot leaves at least 11 inmates dead and 34 riot troops injured in Carandiru Penitentiary in Sao Paulo Brazil.

Oct. 3 — Relief flights to Yugoslavia resume.

Oct. 4 — Israeli El Al 747 cargo jet crashes into suburban apartment complex after takeoff in Amsterdam; 43 dead.

Oct. 5 — For the first time, Congress overrides a Bush veto — the cable bill.

Oct. 6 — Abimael Guzman, leader of Peru's Shining Path guerrillas, convicted and sentenced to life in prison without parole.

Oct. 12 — Cairo suffers quake registering 5.9 on the Richter scale; 550 dead. Nobel Prize in medicine or physiology awarded to Americans Edmond H. Fischer and Edwin G. Krebs.

Oct. 13 — Air France supersonic jetliner sets record for commercial flight for circling globe; 33 hours, 1 minute.

Oct. 14 — Serial killer Andrei Chikatilo is convicted of 52 murder counts in Russia.

Oct. 15 — Gunman opens fire in Schuyler County Department of Social Services Support Collection Unit in Watkins Glen, N.Y.; five dead including gunman.

Oct. 30 — Five American nuns slain in Liberia.

Nov. 2 — Magic Johnson retires second time.

Nov. 3 — Arkansas governor Bill Clinton elected president.

Nov. 6 — Robodoc becomes first robot actively used in this country for surgery; also first linked to computer imaging.

Nov. 11 — Yeltsin says Americans were held in prison camps after World War II and some were "summarily executed" but others still live in his country voluntarily.

Nov. 16 — U.N. Security Council authorizes naval blockade of Yugoslavia.

Nov. 19 — Dorothy Walker Bush, mother of President Bush, dies.

Nov. 20 — Private chapel in Windsor Castle burns.

Nov. 27 — Rebel troops fail in coup attempt against Venezuelan President Carlos Andres Perez.

Dec. 3 — U.N. Security Council approves military intervention in Somalia. Dec. 7 — Hindu-Muslim riot follows destruction of 430-year-old mosque on Sunday; 1,200 dead nationwide.

Dec. 8 — U.S. troops hit beach in Mogadishu, Somalia, beginning Operation Restore Hope.

Dec. 9 — British Prime Minister John Major announces the separation of Prince Charles and Princess Diana.

Dec. 11 — Northeast battered by "greatest northeastern storm of the century."

Dec. 14 — Dr. Alvarez acquitted in Camarena torture-murder case.

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President-elect Bill Clinton jogs with Kirk Hanlin, a member of his staff, in near-freezing weather Saturday in Little Rock. Independent oil producers are hopeful Clinton's administration will be open to an oil import fee.

Oil import fee to be sought

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Some independent oil producers are reviving their campaign for an oil import fee as they sense a new opportunity with the change of administrations.

They want the government to use a variable tariff to set a floor price of \$20 to \$22 per barrel, arguing the move would boost energy security, reduce the federal budget deficit or clean up the environment. The fee's aim would be to deprive the Persian Gulf producers of their ability to take market share from domestic oil, which is more expensive to produce.

President-elect Clinton has given supporters of the fee some encouragement through his discussions of the need to reduce dependence on imported oil. That would represent a shift in philosophy after 12 years of Republican policies that allowed imports' share of the domestic oil market to grow to more than 40 percent.

Clinton surprised the independents when he mentioned an import fee in a recent interview with the Wall Street Journal.

"We still believe it's a good idea," said Craig Goodman, a lobbyist for Mitchell Energy and Development in The Woodlands.

"We feel a crude oil price floor support is critical to preserving the domestic resource base."

An import fee would protect the domestic oil industry from the threat of a destructive new round of price cutting by Iran, Saudi Arabia and possibly Iraq if United Nations sanctions on Iraq's oil exports are removed, said Obie O'Brien, government affairs director for Houston's Apache Corp.

But the import fee suffers from the same unpopularity in a wide range of circles that doomed earlier efforts.

Opponents include congressmen from the states where oil is used to heat homes, industries such as steel and autos that rely on oil in the manufacturing process, petrochemical companies and the major international oil companies.

"There is a very narrow base of support for the policy," said Ed Rothschild, energy specialist for Citizen Action, a union-funded consumer group. "The independents' problem is politically they don't have clout in enough states to generate support."

So far, advocates of the import fee are building support within the

industry. O'Brien said there have been some informal discussions with Clinton's transition team.

Meanwhile, Hazel Rollins O'Leary, the new energy secretary in the Clinton administration, has won nods from some Texans in energy who have known her in previous Washington roles.

"We were acquainted with her under both the Ford and Carter administrations. We found her to be a strong supporter of natural gas," said John Watson, a senior vice president at Mitchell Energy and a former TIPRO president.

Terry O'Rourke, senior Harris County assistant attorney, worked with O'Leary for four years during the Carter administration. O'Rourke was assistant deputy administrator at the Federal Energy Administration — forerunner of today's Department of Energy — while O'Leary was first deputy administrator and later administrator for the Economic Regulatory Administration, which managed energy regulatory and conservation programs.

"She is someone that people like (Mitchell Energy chairman) George Mitchell and other industry leaders will be able to work with," O'Rourke said.

Scams targeting Texas' elderly

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Mail, telephone and door-to-door scams targeting the elderly have become big business in Texas, conning senior citizens out of millions of dollars in life savings, officials say.

"It's a pretty big problem here," Houston police officer Marcella Guidry said. "Senior citizens are very vulnerable and these con artists are very slick."

Nationwide, telemarketing fraud accounts for \$10 billion in investor losses annually. While those over

age 65 make up only 12 percent of the population, they constitute about 30 percent of all scam victims.

One example: Harris County Attorney Mike Driscoll last week warned elderly Houstonians of a newspaper ad offering forms and instructions on property tax deferrals by mail for \$50.

Officials say senior citizens are easy prey because they tend to be lonely and trusting, and because of handicaps like hearing, vision and other health problems.

Once targeted, the elderly —

some of whom may become confused during a high-pressure sales pitch — are more apt to fall victim to a scam than other segments of the population, said U.S. Postal Inspector Linda Kirksey.

"The demographics tell us we'll have more older people in the future. And people who make their living preying on other people realize this is a market they can tap into," Nancy Snead, spokeswoman for the American Association of Retired Persons in Dallas, told The Houston Post in Saturday's editions.

Commissioners to review applicants for JP position

By GARY SHANKS
Staff Writer

The Howard County Commissioner's Court will meet in executive (closed) session Monday at 1 p.m. to discuss appointments to the post of justice of the peace Precinct 2.

Commissioners have reviewed letters submitted by parties interested in the position. During the executive session, commissioners will conduct direct interviews with applicants for the position.

Former Precinct 2 Justice of the Peace Willie Grant resigned to join her husband in retirement.

The person appointed to serve out the remainder of the term will face re-election in 1994.

During an 11 a.m. executive session, commissioners will review an appeal from a person in the indigent health care system.

During the regular (open) session of the commissioner's court, beginning at 9 a.m., commissioners will meet with County Extension Agent Don Richardson who will be introducing Michael Kelsey, assistant county extension agent.

Other items to be addressed in the regular session include:

- A report from County

Treasurer Bonnie Franklin on the filling of a position in the Road and Bridge department.

- Review of a contract between the county and the city of Big Spring on the Senior Citizen's Center at 47 Similar Drive.

- Approval of a bond for the Howard County Tax Assessor/Collector.

- Review of bids for pickups.
- Discussion of the employee handbook regarding the Road and Bridge department.

- The setting of county holidays for 1993.

- Review and set parameters for Howard County Court for 1993.

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flood control. The vote was 1,207 to 405 for \$1.1 million for paving of 2 to 4 percent of city streets.

Oct. 13, less than two weeks on the job, City Manager Lanny Lambert announced figures to the council that show the city can save some \$100,000 by having city work crews replace water pipes in the Capehart Addition instead of contracting work out. He announced weeks later that the same idea will probably be applied to a Westside street paving project, cutting costs in half. Savings will be used for

other pipe replacement and street paving.

Oct. 16, Bill Kuykendall, 65, was found dead about five hours after he died at his home on Yale Street. He had four bullet wounds to his head and other injuries. His grandson, Justin Curry, 16, turned himself over to police the next day. Curry was charged with murder Oct. 19 and was certified to stand trial as an adult.

Oct. 27, City Manager Lanny Lambert announced a six-month freeze on all city hiring, raises and capital expenditures. It did not affect more than \$500,000 in hirings, raises and job upgrades that went into effect in early October but did affect more than \$500,000 in planned capital expenditures.

Nov. 8, Frances Buck, 85, accidentally died of carbon monoxide poisoning after inhaling smoke from a heating-unit fire at her home.

Nov. 21, the council agreed to refinance \$4.6 million in city debt to save more than \$250,000 over the next 15 years under lower interest rates.

Sheriff's log

A resident along the old Colorado City Road witnessed an unfamiliar vehicle pushing on a garage door in an attempt to gain entry. The garage door was damaged in the incident.

Police beat

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents:

- William Walter Gatlin, 20, of Brownwood was arrested for burglary of a building.

- A convenience store was reportedly burglarized in the 1500 block of E. 4th Street.

- Car windows worth \$280 were reported damaged in the 1300 block of E. 11th Place.

- Clothing and credit cards were reportedly stolen from a home in the 300 block of E. 15th Street.

- A cellular telephone worth \$250 was reportedly stolen during the burglary of a vehicle in the 3200 block of Duke.

- A money bag and contents worth \$105 was reportedly stolen during the burglary of a vehicle in the 400 block of S. Lancaster.

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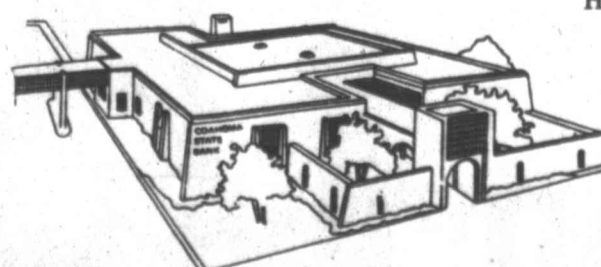
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Helen and J.D., who recently retired from I.U.O.E., have two sons... Jimmy and Douglas. Jimmy and his wife, Judy, have two children, Shane and Shana.

Following her retirement, Helen plans to stay busy with her reading, walking, Cookbook collecting, and she and J.D. are looking forward to being able to spend more time traveling.



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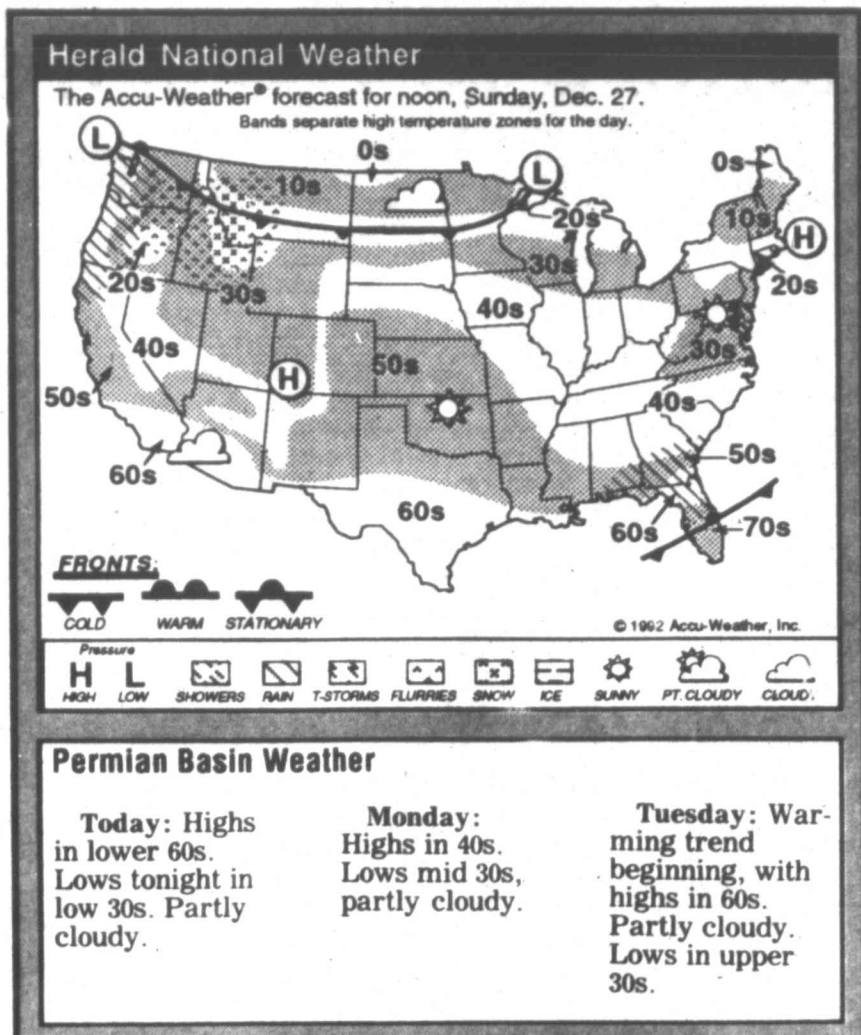
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Deaths

Irene Ratliff

Irene M. Ratliff, 94, San Angelo, died Friday, Dec. 25, 1992 at Baptist Memorial Hospital, San Angelo.

Services were 2 p.m. Saturday at Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel with Dr. J. Earl Dunn of Harris Avenue Baptist Church officiating. Burial was in Lawnhaven.

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Adrianna Elizabeth Johnke, 1, of Lubbock, died at 11:10 P.M., Friday, Dec. 25 at University Medical Center in Lubbock. She is the daughter of Marlin Johnke and Maria Ramirez Johnke. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Memorial Park

Survivors include one son, M.R. "Buddy" Ratliff, San Angelo; three daughters: Ollene Grimes and Joy Evans, both of San Angelo and Eva Harlan, Big Spring; one sister, Mrs. Viola Hill, Graham; 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Rosewood Chapel

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BIG SPRING

Don R. Jones, 62, died Tuesday. Graveside services will be at 1:00 P.M. Monday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Marilyn Keaton Newsom, 64, died Saturday. Memorial services will be 10 A.M. Monday at the First United Methodist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Marilyn Newsom Don R. Jones



Marilyn Keaton Newsom, Big Spring, died Saturday, Dec. 26, 1992, in a Lubbock hospital. Memorial services will be 10 a.m. Monday at First United Methodist Church with Dr. William Fleming, First United Methodist Church, Lubbock, Dr. Jordan Grooms, retired Methodist Minister, Amarillo and the Rev. David Robertson, First United Methodist Church, Big Spring officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She was born in Big Spring and married Don Newsom on Aug. 23, 1949 in Big Spring. She was a member of First United Methodist Church. Her parents were Herbert and Martha Keaton. She graduated from Tarleton State College, Texas Christian University and Harris College of Nursing. She had sung with the Midland-Odessa Symphony Choral, the Lubbock Opera Series in Dallas and also had performed with the Living Christmas Tree at First United Methodist Church in Big Spring for the past 12 years. She was a lifetime member of the First United Methodist Church where she sang in the choir since the age of ten. She had served as president of Big Spring State Hospital Volunteers. Was a past member of the board of First United Methodist Church. She was active in the Big Spring Duplicate Bridge Association. She had also served as volunteer with Amateur and Teenage Baseball for 17 years. She had received the Life Master Award from the American Contract Bridge League and was named Big Spring Chamber of Commerce Woman of the Year in 1990.

Survivors include her husband, Don Newsom, Big Spring; two sons: Kent Newsom, Big Spring, and Gary Newsom M.D., Lubbock; one sister, Margy Ledbetter, Houston; one grandson, Keaton Newsom, San Francisco, Calif.; one granddaughter, Britanny Newsom, Lubbock; and four aunts.

Honorary pallbearers will be Bill Newsom, John Taylor, Charles Beil, Ricky Watkins, James Duncan, Wally Slate, Kimbell Guthrie, Hooper Sanders, Paul Shaffer, Kenny Thompson, Jim Bill Little, C.G. Little and Meador Norman. (Paid obituary)

Don R. Jones, 62, Big Spring, died Tuesday, Dec. 22, 1992.

Graveside services will be 1 p.m. Monday at Mt. Olive Memorial Park with the Rev. Joe Blackshear, pastor of College Park Church of God officiating. Arrangements by Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born July 7, 1930 in Howard County. He was a member of the Church of God. He returned to Big Spring in 1986. He had been working as a derrick hand in the oilfield most of his life.

Survivors include one son, William Jones, Carthage; three daughters: Dorothy Gillespie and Tammy Miller, both of Truth or Consequences, N.M., and Rose Milham, Seattle, Wash.; Jewell Burham, Midland; two brothers: Howard Jones, Texas, and O.L. Jones, Big Spring; and seven grandchildren.

Abrianna Johnke

Abrianna Elizabeth Johnke, 1, Big Spring, died Friday, Dec. 25, 1992 in Lubbock University Medical Center.

Services are pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Arden Marple

Arden Lawson Marple, 87, died Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1992 in Bandon, Ore.

He taught 5th and 6th grade from 1960 to 1970 in Big Spring.

Survivors include his wife, Lura V. Marple, and ten children: Mildred A. Wright and Barbara A. Blackshear, both of Big Spring, Buren A. K. Marple, Arval D. Marple and Dian M. Lacy all of Langlois, Ore.; Betty M. Rogers and Alene N. Lamkin, both of Anchorage, Alaska; Sandra L. Todd, Sixes, Ore.; Karen Y. Mason, Muleshoe, and Kemper A. Marple, Chubbuck, Idaho; one sister, Beulah Ware; 18 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

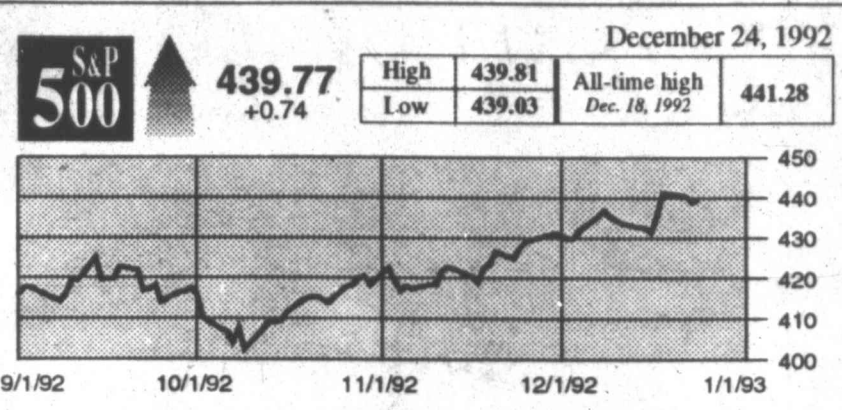
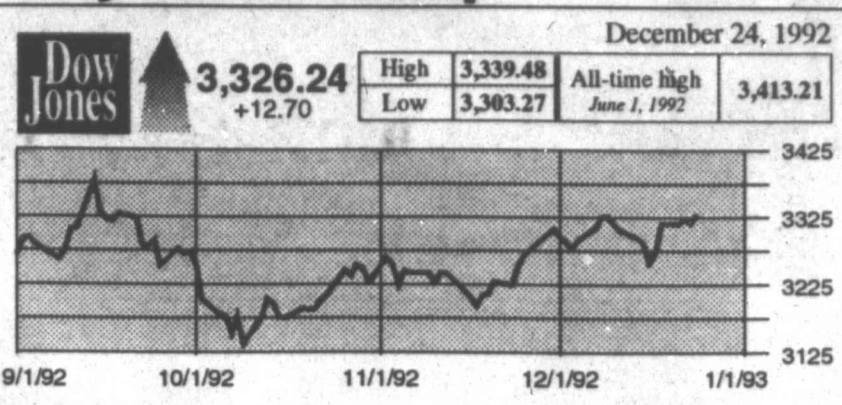
Family suggests memorials be made to Langlois Community Church, 94284 Main Street, Langlois, Ore. 97450.

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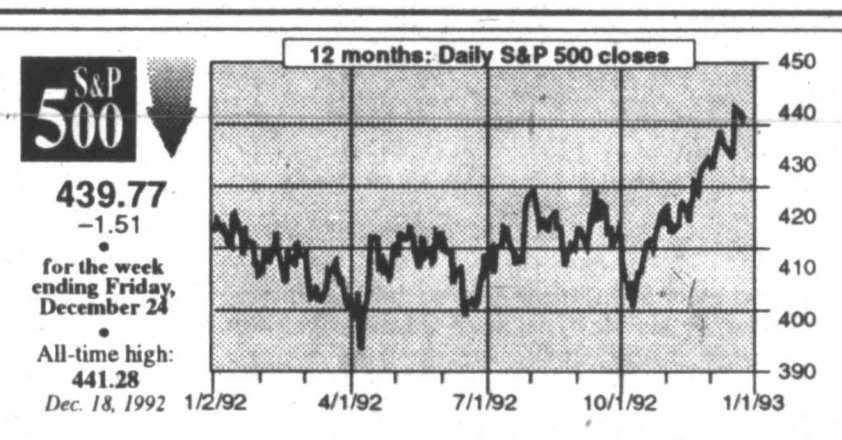
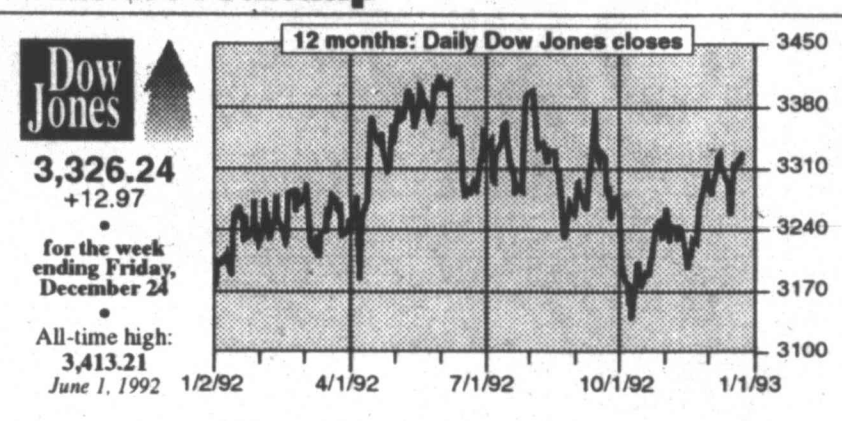
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Mike Butts

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Watch out for NFL schedulers

There's no way around it. You gotta watch these guys like kleptomaniacs at a Toys for Tots collection center.

They're deceptive, they're sneaky. They could make a U.S. Congressman look as innocent as Tiny Tim.

It's those higher ups in the NFL I'm speaking of. Sometime last spring they made public the league's schedule. And right there by the next to last game it says Jan. 31, 1993, Pasadena, Calif.

That, NFL officials want us to believe, marks the time and place of this year's pro football championship game, otherwise known as the Super Bowl. The most hyped sporting event in the history of the universe.

In fact, I'm surprised the buildup hasn't started already. Newspaper stories about third-string linebackers' eighth grade football exploits. TV reports on the emotional stress of caterers over-booked for Super Bowl game-watching parties.

Once again the NFL will assure fans super teams will duke it out in a super game Jan. 31. The league's premiere event. Wrong!

Most years at least half a dozen regular season games provide more drama and competitive play between better teams than does the Super Bowl. It looks like this season will be the same.

And the NFL may tell us the Super Bowl comes on Jan. 31 in Pasadena's Rose Bowl. But this season the real Super Bowl will be played two weeks earlier, probably in San Francisco's Candlestick Park.

On Jan. 17 the NFC decides its champion. And the winner of that game will take a breather in the "Super Bowl" against whichever AFC team limps into Pasadena.

It appears that will be Buffalo. The Bills have looked tough lately, beating New Orleans on the road last Sunday. But they will face so much pressure not to blow their third-straight championship game loss — not to mention the NFC's best team — it's likely they'll be out of the game by the fourth quarter.

Which brings us to the Jan. 17. NFL fans in the know have had that date highlighted on their wall calendars for months.

I don't need to tell fans in this part of the country one of the teams voted most likely to appear in that NFC championship game. The Cowboys need only win one home game against an inferior NFC opponent to reach the NFC final.

And here's a fantasy scenario for Cowboy backers. The Washington Redskins make the playoffs, get past the first round and come to Texas Stadium for round two. At which time Dallas takes back the gift win they handed Washington Dec. 13 with a crushing victory.

Then the Cowboys travel to San Francisco — the scene of their NFC championship loss in 1982 — to battle the 49ers for the NFC crown. Joe Montana — the main man behind Dallas' franchise shattering '82 loss — plays for San Francisco. Dallas sacks Montana 10 or 12 times and Troy Aikman throws a Montana-like, last second, miracle pass to win the game.

As I said, it's only a fantasy scenario. Due to playoff seedings, the Cowboys can't play both Washington and San Francisco in the playoffs. But if they could, it might make for two games truly "super" for Cowboy fans.

Mike Butts is a staff writer for the Big Spring Herald. His column appears Sundays. Readers wishing to respond may do so by writing in care of this newspaper.

R.C. Slocum on the defensive for A&M

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum is on the defensive and worried about his offense following an internal investigation that led to the suspension of star running back Greg Hill one week before the Cotton Bowl.

"I'm extremely disappointed to be in this situation," Slocum said Saturday. "Avoiding this has been more of an objective for me than winning games."

Hill, who rushed for 1,339 yards and 15 touchdowns on 267 carries, was suspended along with backup offensive linemen James Brooks and Darius Smith and backup receiver Percy Singleton, all freshmen, after a school probe revealed NCAA rules violations following a published report.

The Dallas Morning News reported on Dec. 20 that Texas A&M players had received payment for work not done at apartment sites owned by Aggies booster Warren Gilbert of Dallas.

The newspaper said Gilbert, one of the largest operators of public housing in the city, wrote the payments off as maintenance fees at his low-income units. Gilbert, 67, who played for the Aggies in 1946-47, is being investigated by federal authorities for possible misuse of government funds.

The school's investigation revealed that the four players were overpaid at their summer jobs, but found no evidence of exorbitant or year-round payments as alleged in the newspaper article, Slocum said.

"This is in no way an indictment of our program," he said, adding that the university's quick action demonstrates Texas A&M's dedication to complying with NCAA regulations.

Texas A&M president William Mobley said the school also found no evidence of institutional improprieties, and Slocum said he doubted serious sanctions would result.

Slocum said the school will ask the NCAA to restore the players' eligibility on an individual basis, but will make no effort to have them reinstated in time for the Cotton Bowl on Jan. 1, where fourth-

ranked Texas A&M (12-0) will face No. 5 Notre Dame (9-1-1).

Slocum said the Aggies have been hurt both physically and psychologically by the suspensions.

He said sophomore wide receiver Wilbert Biggens, who played running back in high school, would switch to the backfield to back up Rodney Thomas, who gained 856 yards and scored 13 touchdowns on 154 carries this year.

Slocum said he also would consider activating freshman tailback Leeland McElroy, who has red-shirted this season.

"I will this week visit with Leeland and Leeland's parents and say, 'In the event that we lost Rodney, would you want to trade Cotton Bowl exposure for a year's eligibility?'" Slocum said.

Slocum said he was sure the pay inquiry wouldn't hurt his program's renowned recruiting efforts. The Aggies will have nine scholarships to offer.

"There'll be nine guys in this state that believe in Texas A&M and believe in R.C. Slocum and believe in what we are doing and believe Corey Pulling and all those guys when they come to visit and ask how we're doing our business," Slocum said.

Slocum, hired in 1989 to clean up the Aggies program after Jackie Sherrill departed amidst a swirl of rules improprieties, owns a 39-9-1 coaching record and a squeaky-clean reputation at Texas A&M.

The Aggies football program was placed on two years' probation on Sept. 9, 1988, and major violations found within five years of that date could result in the "death penalty."

But Slocum said he was certain that wouldn't happen.

"I would venture to say there is not a major football program in this country that has spent as much time and paid as much attention to rules compliance as Texas A&M," he said. "We are what we say we are."



Associated Press photo

Craig Heyward of the New Orleans Saints barrels over Mo Lewis of the New York Jets for a touchdown during the third quarter of Saturday's NFL game. The Saints won, 20-0, to earn home field advantage for the NFC Wild Card berth.

Saints home for playoffs as Jets gladly exit season

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — The New Orleans Saints came, conquered and went home for the playoffs.

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The New York Jets, undermanned and overwhelmed, gladly said goodbye to 1992.

Sam Mills ran a team-record 76 yards with a fumble and the Saints defense recorded its first shutout of the season in a 20-0 victory Saturday. New Orleans (12-4), second in the NFC West, will be at the Superdome next weekend for a wild-card playoff game against either Philadelphia or Green Bay.

"I don't have a preference," coach Jim Mora said. "Anytime you get in the playoffs, you have the 12 best teams in football and a formidable opponent."

Craig Heyward scored on a 2-yard run in the third quarter and Morten Andersen made 27-yard and 36-yard field goals into a brisk wind, giving him 20 straight successful kicks.

"We ended up with 12 wins and made sure we're playing at home next week," Mora said. "I'm very proud of these guys."

It wasn't all artistic for the Saints, however. Dalton Hilliard fumbled on their first play from scrimmage and Bobby Hebert was intercepted three times, once at the New York 1 by Mo Lewis.

But the Jets, minus nine injured starters and without any running backs who were with them in November, were no match for a playoff-bound team. They had some chances early, then seemed to lose interest while the Saints — as sloppy as they were — dominated the se-

'Getting humiliated 12 times, I think, that would be it, if that is going to motivate us. Seeing how it feels to play in front of 20-25,000, being out of the playoff chances with about 10 games to go — I think that should motivate everybody.'

Marvin Washington
Jets player

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"We got on each other while we were inside at halftime," Heyward said. "Then we got it going."

New York finished what began as a year of promise with a 4-12 record. A playoff qualifier last season and 5-0 in the preseason, the Jets expected to challenge in the AFC East.

Instead, the third year of Bruce Coslet's coaching regime turned dismal, disastrous and then tragic. The Jets lost their first four games, were ravaged by injuries and, on Nov. 29, lost defensive end Dennis Byrd to a broken neck that left him partially paralyzed.

"Getting humiliated 12 times, I think, that would be it, if that is going to motivate us," Marvin Washington said. "Seeing how it feels to play in front of 20-25,000, being out of the playoff chances with about 10 games to go — I think that should motivate everybody."

On Saturday, New York controlled the ball for 13:09 of the first period and trailed 7-0 after the quarter. Mills knocked the

ball out of Browning Nagle's hands as the quarterback set up to pass, picked it up and rambled 76 yards to score his first NFL touchdown.

"It felt like the longest run ever," Mills said. "I was just running and hoping there were no receivers around to catch me. 'I was running scared. When you run that far, you'd better get in.'"

Mills was chased much of the way by center Jim Sweeney.

"I better get separation from a center," the Pro Bowl linebacker said. "The first few yards, he was right there and I looked back and saw him right there. I think that gave me the extra burst."

"At first, I thought if the center catches me, I'll never hear the end of it."

Sweeney had little chance of reaching Mills.

"I was breathing so hard the fog was pushing him away and clouding my vision," Sweeney said. "So I couldn't see when to dive for him."

Andersen's first field goal came with 33 seconds to go in the half. Heyward eased into the end zone to make it 17-0 in the third quarter, capping a 65-yard drive in which he had a 22-yard run.

Andersen defied the strong wind and minus-2 wind-chill conditions to kick a 36-yarder early in the fourth quarter.

It was the first shutout loss by the Jets since they fell to Buffalo 37-0 on Dec. 23, 1989.

Nagle, playing on a twisted knee that saw him leave the game three times, could not get anything going. Even when the Jets threatened, they'd make an error and not score — typical of this season gone sour.

"Maybe it's good for us," the second-year quarterback said.



Associated Press photo

Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum keeps watch over practice in Dallas Saturday afternoon. The Aggies, who received news that four of their key players have been ruled ineligible, played Notre Dame in the Cotton Bowl on New Year's Day.

HC basketball teams started year nationally ranked

Editors Note — This is the first of a three-part series reviewing 1991's highlights in area sports. Part two is scheduled to appear Monday, followed by part three on Tuesday.

By STEVE BELVIN
Sports Editor

The top news in January was the Howard College Lady Hawks and Hawks basketball teams. The No. 7 nationally-ranked Lady Hawks defeated the No. 4 team in the nation, New Mexico Junior College, 80-68 at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. The Hawks, ranked 19th, were defeated by No. 5 New Mexico Junior College 91-77.

Another big event at Dorothy Garrett was the return of former Howard Hawks basketball coach Steve Green after accepting the head coaching job at Midland College. Midland defeated the Hawks 90-83.

In the high school field, Forsan got some good news with the latest UIL realignment. Forsan dropped from Class AA to Class A.

February started with Garden City head football coach Sam Scott

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accepting the job at Wink. In five seasons at Garden City, Scott's teams compiled a 43-16 record, going to the playoffs four seasons.

The Lady Hawks continued to roll in basketball action. Ranked No. 10 at the time, Howard defeated No. 1 NMJC in Hobbs, N.M. 82-67.

At Big Spring High School, Steers All-State defensive back Nick Roberson signed a scholarship agreement with Abilene Christian University.

Two local teams clinched league basketball titles, the Howard College Lady Hawks and the Big Spring Lady Steers. Howard clinched the WJCAC with a 57-40 win over Frank Phillips. The Lady Steers clinched District 3-4A with a 74-27 win over San Angelo Lake View.

In baseball action, the defending

national champion Howard College Hawks began their season with 7-6 win over Vernon Regional Junior College at Jack Barber Field.

In swimming action, the Big Spring Steers finished second in the district swim meet behind Pecos. The Lady Steers finished fourth.

Late in the month the Lady Hawks basketball team reached their highest ranking of the season, climbing to number three in the nation.

The Big Spring Lady Steers were defeated in area basketball play 72-38 by eventual state champion Canyon Randall. Big Spring finished the season with a 21-8 record.

The Hawks basketball team missed the junior college playoffs as they finished fifth in the conference with a 9-7 record, 22-8 overall.

In high school area basketball play, the Forsan Buffalo-Queens were defeated by Haskell 48-45. The Coahoma Bulldogs beat Marfa 73-70 in bi-district play.

In other basketball news, Lady Steers coach Ron Taylor was named 3-4A Coach of the Year and Lady Steers post player Teveyan Russell was named Most Valuable Player.

Leslie Fryar and Casey Cook were first team all-district selections.

The Big Spring Steers placed three players on the 3-4A All-District first team: Rod White, Shanne Jones and Gerald Cobos.

The big news of March was Howard College baseball coach Bill Griffin winning his 1,000 game when Howard beat Panola 16-4 March 14 at Jack Barber Field.

This was followed with the announcement of Griffin's future induction into the Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame.

In basketball news, the Howard College Lady Hawks had their season end with a 59-57 loss to Odessa College in the semifinals of the JUCO regional tournament. Howard finished with a 26-6 record, ranked No. 8 in the nation.

Chadwick was named Coach of the Year in the WJCAC. Lady Hawks Kathy Mangram, Desiree Wallace, Yolanda Wells and LeKisha Wiley were first team all-conference selections. Mark Davis was the Hawks only first team pick.

The Coahoma Bulldogs were defeated by Stamford, 74-71, in area basketball play. The Stanton

Buffalos were defeated in the first round of the regional tournament by defending state champion Abilene 61-49.

The Crossroads Country Honor Roll basketball team was released, and Stanton's Doug Gordon was named boys Coach of the Year and Forsan's Johnny Schafer was named girls Coach of the Year. The boys MVP was Kenny McCalister of Stanton and the girls MVP was Russell of Big Spring.

Russell was also a third team pick on the Texas Girls Coaches Association All-State team. Forsan's Jenny Conaway was a third team pick on the Class AA all-state team.

Klondike's Cheri Franklin was a first team pick on the Six-Man All-State basketball team. Borden County's Melody Harrison was a second-team pick and Klondike's Channa Cope made honorable mention.

April started with some good news at Howard College, followed by some bad news. The good news was Chadwick received the Converse National Junior College Coach of the Year Award. The bad news was the resigning

of Griffin as athletic director and baseball coach. Griffin resigned to accept coaching duties at Northeast Texas Junior College in Mount Pleasant and work as a consultant with the Louisville Bat Co. Howard also announced a proposal to eliminate assistant coaching jobs and the athletic directorship. Later college administrators decided to keep the positions.

In golf action, the Steers finished third in district competition and the Lady Steers finished seventh.

Lady Steers junior tennis player Kristen Sevey made school history by becoming the first female at BSHS to advance to regional tennis play. Sevey earned the honor by finishing second in district singles play.

The Lady Steers won their second consecutive district track championship by scoring 164 points. The Steers finished second behind San Angelo Lake View.

The month ended with Big Spring's White signing a basketball scholarship agreement with Abilene Christian University.

At the Coahoma all-sports banquet, Brent Elmore and LaTisha Anderson were named Athletes of the Year.

Raiders dim Redskins playoff hopes

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Vince Evans' finest day in ages left the Los Angeles Raiders with something positive to contemplate during the offseason and left the Washington Redskins needing a whole lot of help to make the playoffs.

Evans, replacing an injured Jay Schroeder, hit Tim Brown with a 3-yard touchdown pass with 13 seconds remaining Saturday to give the Raiders a 21-20 victory over Washington on Saturday.

The loss leaves the Redskins (9-7) depending on Minnesota beating Green Bay on Sunday to make it into the postseason. The Raiders (9-7) previously fell out of contention for postseason play.

Washington held a 3-0 halftime lead before Evans went to work, connecting on 15 of 22 passes for 214 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

The 37-year-old Evans set up his own last-minute heroics when he hit Willie Gault with a 50-yard pass to the Redskins 8. After two Marcus Allen runs moved the ball to the 3, Evans had his third-down pass broken up by Wilber Marshall before he hit Brown a split second before being flattened by an onrushing lineman.

The Los Angeles comeback, which began with just 1:57 remaining, followed a one-yard touchdown run by Ricky Ervins that gave Washington a 20-14 lead.

That score came after Rypien, who finished the day 15-for-29 for 304 yards and a touchdown, hit Art Monk with a 43-yarder to the Los Angeles 1. Two plays later, Ervins scored.

The Raiders had gone ahead with a 67-yard touchdown drive that featured five passes for 48 yards by Evans that set up Nick Bell's 5-yard touchdown run with 4:03 remaining.

The Raiders took a 7-3 lead with 3:39 remaining in the third period when Evans threw his first scoring pass, a 41-yarder to Alexander Wright.

The Redskins got a break on the



Los Angeles Raiders running back Nick Bell (38) is swarmed by a host of Washington Redskins during third quarter action at RFK Stadium in Washington Sunday afternoon.

ensuing kickoff when Todd Bowles recovered Jeff Jaeger's onside attempt at the Los Angeles 49. Two plays later, Monk, running a stop and go pattern down the left sideline, made a dramatic catch, bobbling the ball four times before

hauling in a 49-yard scoring pass. That made it 10-7.

As it has all year, Washington's defense created another scoring opportunity on the next Raider drive when Tim Brown fumbled as he was hit by defensive end Fred

Stokes on an end-around. Linebacker Andre Collins scooped the ball up and returned it 40 yards to the Los Angeles 6-yard line. Three plays later, Lohmiller kicked his second field goal of the day, a 22-yarder.

Oilers, Bills game features two running backs that want the ball

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Buffalo's Thurman Thomas and Houston's Lorenzo White are hybrid NFL running backs.

They run when they can, catch a pass now and then and do whatever is necessary to keep the offense moving. Their run-catch skills fit nicely into game plans and help break open games.

Thomas' ideal game is to have 40 rushes and catch one pass per game. Houston's Lorenzo White longs for his workhorse college days when 40 carries per game were common.

But they've adapted to the offenses that will try to outscore each other in the Astrodomes Sunday night. Thomas has learned to catch passes and White has learned to block.

Buffalo (10-4) will be assured of the AFC Eastern Division title

and the home field advantage throughout the playoffs if it beats the Oilers. Houston (9-6) is in the playoffs as a wild card entry.

Thomas and White could play a big part in the outcome.

"You have to be a receiver as well as a runner," Buffalo coach Marv Levy said. "I think a back that can catch, in today's game, is a notch above even the finest of runners."

Thomas has been the league's premier total yardage hog for the past three years, leading the league in total yards. Thomas has five straight 100-yard rushing performances and the Bills are 27-2 when Thomas gains 100 yards.

"He's been magnificent," Levy said. "He's an extremely intelligent player. He learns his assignments and the changes you make and pass schemes and complementary routes as well or better than any back I've ever been

around."

White is held in similar esteem by Oilers running backs coach Frank Novak.

"He looks to me like he's ready to play early in the game," Novak said. "He starts well right away and as the game goes on he gets stronger too. But maybe because he's getting a lot of contact early in the game."

White seldom blocked or caught passes as a college tailback at Michigan State. It's a necessity in the run-and-shoot.

White battled for playing time through his first four seasons.

"Thurman came into a situation where they needed a runner right away," White said. "For me, I had to wait. Finally, they had to make a choice last season and they chose me."

Lucky for the Oilers they did. White has gained 1,160 yards rushing and caught 55 passes.

Chiefs coach not real happy to see Elway

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Marty Schottenheimer, meet John Elway.

Sorry, he'd rather not. He's met him before.

"I think John Elway has a little Marty Schottenheimer doll that he sticks pins in," says Schottenheimer, whose Kansas City Chiefs play Elway and the Broncos on Sunday with the winner getting the AFC's last playoff spot and the loser going home.

It didn't have to be this way for

the Chiefs, who had only to beat the New York Giants last week to qualify. Instead, the Giants beat the Chiefs 35-21 and left them to play the Elways, to whom Schottenheimer has lost 9 of 10 career games, including some in the most painful manner.

The only other playoff opening is in the NFC and will be filled by either Washington or Green Bay.

Both Denver and Kansas City enter their showdown with momentum working against them.

Denver (8-7) is 1-6 on the road

and had lost the four straight games that Elway missed with a shoulder injury. But then they just squeezed by Seattle (2-13) 10-6 — at home, no less.

Kansas City, of course, has the Schottenheimer-Elway jinx. Elway threw two touchdown passes in the final two minutes to beat the Chiefs 20-19 in their first meeting. It also has the memory of last week's dismal game in the Meadowlands, where the Chiefs fell behind 35-7 and never challenged.

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Rainbow Classic will be good show

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

HONOLULU — This year's Rainbow Classic could be material for a "Twilight Zone" script.

A college basketball fan falls asleep in late December, wakes up, sees the pairings sheet and is sure it's March and not the week after Christmas.

Four teams with numbers in front of their names are among the eight in the four-day tournament that starts with an opening-round doubleheader on Sunday night.

In order, No. 2 Kansas, No. 5 North Carolina, No. 6 Michigan and No. 17 Nebraska are in the field for the 29th edition of the oldest tournament in the youngest state. The last three are in the same bracket.

On Sunday night, Kansas plays Jackson State and Hawaii faces Fordham. On Monday night, Michigan and Nebraska play,

followed by North Carolina and Southwestern Louisiana.

The semifinals are Tuesday night, with the championship game on Wednesday night.

"This is much like the NCAA round of 16," Michigan coach Steve Fisher said Saturday. "We expect to see terrific basketball here with four teams that can go deep into the (NCAA) tournament."

Last year's NCAA tournament provided the last field this strong when the East Regional was made up of No. 1 Duke, No. 6 Kentucky, No. 17 Massachusetts and No. 19 Seton Hall. At least that winner earned a trip to the Final Four.

Proving his stead as a coach, Fisher also managed to find something that makes this tournament run seem even tougher than just the possibility of facing Nos. 17, 5 and 2.

"Don't forget, there will also be

three games in three days here," Fisher said. "In the NCAAs, you play two games over a weekend and then get a few days off. So there is very little preparation time here."

Almost makes the Indiana-Purdue swing in the Big Ten look like a weekend off.

Jackson State, Kansas' opening opponent, came up with its biggest win ever last Wednesday night when the Tigers beat No. 24 Tulane 92-84 in New Orleans. Guards John Taylor and Lindsey Hunter, who had 29 and 28 against the Green Wave, are the strength of the Southwestern Athletic Conference team.

Unfortunately for those who love upsets, Kansas' strength is also in the backcourt with Adonis Jordan and Rex Walters on of the best combinations in the country.

The Rainbow Classic has been surpassed in recent years as far as national recognition goes by the Maui Invitational, the 9-year-old upstart tournament with the ESPN deal and a Division II host held on the neighboring island.

Until this year, the Maui Invitational was held around Thanksgiving, but the NCAA's new scheduling restrictions forced the eight-team tournament back to pre-Christmas dates. Top-ranked Duke won the tournament easily, over a field which had only one other ranked team, No. 9 Oklahoma, although Memphis State was eighth in the preseason poll until it lost three straight games after a knee injury to sophomore forward David Vaughn. The rest of the field was Brigham Young, Louisiana State, DePaul, Stanford and Chaminade.

Lucas gets immediate respect from Spurs

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES — John Lucas should be exhausted two games into his first NBA coaching job with the San Antonio Spurs.

The man never sits down. He stalks the sidelines, needles referees and yells strategy as the Spurs come down the floor.

Even Lucas' predecessor, Jerry Tarkanian, rested between raves. "George Gervin's always teasing me about that," Lucas said. "He says I'm just like I was as a player: talkin' and movin'."

Lucas' credentials won him immediate respect among the Spurs when he replaced Tarkanian, who was fired Dec. 18. He played 14 years in the NBA for six different teams, including San Antonio. Last season, he was the owner and coach of the Miami Tropics of the USBL.

To 27-year-old David Robinson, Lucas has "been around forever and forever."

"I don't care how well you relate to people, if they don't respect your coaching ability, then you're in a

lot of trouble," Robinson said.

Tarkanian's record of 625-122 in 24 college seasons was impressive, but the former UNLV coach struggled to adjust to the pro game.

"He might have taken a whole year before he really got comfortable and got a grasp on timeouts — when to call it, when to control the flow of the game — the strategic things a coach has to do," Robinson said.

"With John coming in, everybody immediately respects his knowledge of the pro game and respects him. That's probably been the biggest change."

Tarkanian complained to Spurs owner Red McCombs about the team's need for a point guard. Reserve Avery Johnson may be the answer. He had 11 assists in 33 minutes Friday as San Antonio defeated the Los Angeles Clippers 103-94.

"John's given our guards more confidence to do the things they can do," Robinson said. "John has given us a little bit more direction and I think that's helped us."

The victory moved the Spurs

above .500 for the first time this season, and made them 3-0 since Tarkanian's departure. They visit the Lakers on Saturday night.

According to Lucas, unity is the Spurs' biggest liability.

"Basketball's not our problem, playing together is our problem," he said. "We should be further along than we are with the schedule we had, so they owe me four more road wins before we can slack up and lose a little bit of concentration."

Lucas has boosted the Spurs' confidence and expanded the role of forward Sean Elliott. He connected on his first six shots against the Clippers and finished with 32 points. In his previous two games, he scored 41 and 23 points.

"My jumper's felt really good the last couple weeks — like it's supposed to feel. I feel in rhythm, the ball's leaving my hand good, it's got good arch on it," Elliott said.

"When we're running the ball guys are trying to look up the floor and get me the ball a lot more than what I have in the past."

Lucas is having a positive effect on rookie Lloyd Daniels, whose drug and alcohol problems nearly wrecked his chance at a pro career.

Tarkanian recruited Daniels at UNLV, but he never played after being arrested at a crack house near the Las Vegas campus.

Daniels got another opportunity with the Spurs courtesy of Tarkanian. But it was Lucas who helped Daniels kick his addictions at Lucas' recovery center in Houston. Lucas is a former addict, too.

"With John, everyone respects him as an intelligent man," Robinson said. "He knows, he's been there. He's kind of brought this team together a little bit more."

The coaching change and a flurry of roster moves have unsettled the Spurs.

"Luke's inheriting a team that was under .500. We've been struggling to be .500 all year, we're not used to that," Elliott said. "We're used to being at the top of the division, challenging for first place."



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Dean of Texas sports writers dies

W.L. "Putt" Powell, who became the dean of Texas sports writers during a 62-year career with the Amarillo Globe-News, died Christmas Eve at a hospice after a two-year bout with cancer. Powell was fundamental in founding the Texas Sports Writers Association.

Nets surprise Cavaliers

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

RICHFIELD, Ohio — Early morning flights, bad room service, hostile crowds. The things that make life on the road difficult for most NBA teams don't seem to bother the New Jersey Nets, after they beat Cleveland 119-114.

The victory was unexpected for a couple of reasons: The Nets had not won in Richfield since March 15, 1986 — a string of 14 regular-season and two playoff games — and the Cavaliers were riding a seven-game winning streak.

Derrick Coleman led New Jersey with 30 points and 13 rebounds. Chris Morris finished the job by scoring 10 of his 18 points in the last 4:10.

Kenny Anderson scored 26 points

on 11-of-16 shooting and added 10 assists for the Nets. Petrovic scored 21.

Brad Daugherty scored 28 and Mark Price and Gerald Wilkins each had 18 for Cleveland.

Jazz 108, Celtics 92

In Salt Lake City, Utah, John Stockton hit four 3-pointers, including three during an 11-2 third-quarter run that helped the Utah Jazz to a 108-92 victory over the Boston Celtics on Saturday.

Boston had closed to 58-55 with 9:45 left in the third quarter after a layup by Reggie Lewis when Stockton and the Jazz poured it on. The Celtics got no closer than nine points thereafter.

Stockton finished with 18 points, 12 assists and five steals.

Sports briefs

The Fort Worth Cowtown Marathon and 10 K runs are Feb. 27. Both runs end and finish near the historic Cowtown Coliseum, 121 E. Exchange Ave., site of the world's first indoor rodeo. Starting time is 8:30 a.m. for the marathon and 9 a.m. for the 10 K.

Race day headquarters at the coliseum will host a sports fitness expo, and at 4 p.m. a roundup and awards ceremony. Awards will be given in a number of categories. Each marathon finisher receives a trophy.

Early registration for the marathon is \$18 and \$12 for the 10 K. After Feb. 22 fees are \$25 and \$15 respectively.

For more information call (817) 735-2033.

The YMCA is having signups for winter basketball, volleyball and racketball leagues.

The youth basketball league, for boys and girls ages 6-12, begins Jan. 9 with a basketball clinic. Fee for members is \$22 and non-members is \$35. The first deadline to sign up is Dec. 18. After that, a \$5 late fee will be charged. Final signup deadline is Jan. 6.

Deadline for the men's four-on-four basketball league is Jan. 13.

Registration fee is \$60 per team.

Deadline for the recreational (no spiking) volleyball league is Jan. 15. Entry fee is \$60 and games will be played on Thursday night. The power league deadline and fee is the same as the recreational league. Games will be played on Thursday nights.

Deadline for the racketball A,B,C and D doubles league Jan. 12. Fees are \$15 for one league and \$20 for two leagues.

For more information call the YMCA at 267-8234.

A course in hunter education is scheduled for Jan. 13-16 at the conference room of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce at South Gregg and Third Streets.

The instructor is Boyce Hale. Preregistration is \$5 per student, payable at registration. Registration will be at the sporting goods counter in Wal-Mart.

Classes Jan. 13-15 are from 6-10 p.m. Saturday, and Jan. 16 from 9 a.m. until noon live firing takes place at the Western Sportsman Club, 10 miles west on Highway 176.

aSWEETWATER — A benefit celebrity quail hunt has been scheduled Jan. 8-9 for the baseball program at Abilene Christian University.

Rich Rhodes, mayor of Sweetwater, is coordinating the celebrity quail hunt on leases near Sweet-

water for native West Texas quail. The guided hunt is limited to the first 30 hunters at a donation of \$1,000 each. Three paid hunters will hunt with a celebrity in a group of four.

Some of the celebrities scheduled to hunt are Hall of Fame pitcher Ferguson Jenkins, Texas Rangers manager Toby Harrah, Rangers catcher Geno Petralli and LA Raiders punter Jeff Gossett.

LUBBOCK — The first annual South Plains Sports Medicine Symposium will be Saturday, Jan. 23 from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. at Lubbock Plaza Hotel (3201 South Lopp 289).

The Symposium is directed to individuals involved in competitive and recreational athletics. Fee is \$35 and \$30 for students with valid ID cards. For more information call Becky E. Adameitz.

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ATLANTA — Success has its price, and fans of the two-time defending National League champion Atlanta Braves are being asked to pay it. Not all are happy about it.

Some fans are complaining that the team raised ticket prices and discontinued a 20-game ticket package that allowed about 9,000 people to see the team for \$200 or less in 1992. The package also gave

fans an option to buy playoff tickets.

"I just don't think they do the ordinary fan right," said Dorothy Nunn, a 75-year-old fan from Fayetteville, Ga., who bought the 20-game package last season. Being a 20-game subscriber allowed Ms. Nunn to see her first World Series Game last October.

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y-Buffalo	11	4	0	.733	278	256	6-2-0	5-2-0	7-4-0	4-0-0	5-3-0
y-Miami	10	5	0	.667	324	268	6-2-0	4-3-0	8-3-0	2-2-0	4-3-0
Indnpls	8	7	0	.533	195	285	4-4-0	4-3-0	6-7-0	2-0-0	5-3-0
NY Jets	4	12	0	.250	220	315	3-5-0	1-7-0	4-8-0	0-4-0	3-5-0

Central	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
x-Pittsburgh	10	5	0	.667	276	212	6-1-0	4-4-0	9-2-0	1-3-0	4-1-0
y-Houston	9	6	0	.600	325	255	4-3-0	5-3-0	8-5-0	3-1-0	3-3-0
Cleveland	7	8	0	.467	259	252	4-4-0	3-4-0	5-6-0	2-2-0	3-2-0
Cincinnati	5	10	0	.333	257	343	3-4-0	2-6-0	4-7-0	1-3-0	1-5-0

West	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
y-San Diego	10	5	0	.667	304	227	6-2-0	4-3-0	8-5-0	2-0-0	4-3-0
Kan. City	9	6	0	.600	306	262	6-1-0	3-5-0	7-4-0	2-2-0	5-2-0
Denver	9	6	0	.600	280	234	6-1-0	3-5-0	7-4-0	1-3-0	4-3-0
LA Raiders	6	9	0	.400	228	261	5-3-0	1-6-0	5-7-0	1-2-0	4-4-0

National Conference	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
x-Dallas	12	3	0	.800	382	229	6-1-0	6-2-0	4-0-0	8-3-0	6-2-0
y-Philadelphia	10	5	0	.667	334	235	7-0-0	3-5-0	3-1-0	7-4-0	5-2-0
Washington	9	6	0	.600	290	234	6-1-0	3-5-0	2-1-0	7-5-0	4-4-0
NY Giants	6	9	0	.400	296	347	4-4-0	2-5-0	2-2-0	4-7-0	2-5-0

Phoenix	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Central	4	11	0	.267	240	325	3-4-0	1-7-0	0-2-0	4-9-0	2-6-0
x-Minnesota	10	5	0	.667	347	242	4-3-0	6-2-0	3-1-0	7-4-0	6-1-0
Green Bay	9	6	0	.600	269	269	6-2-0	3-4-0	3-1-0	6-5-0	4-3-0
Chicago	5	10	0	.333	281	334	4-4-0	1-6-0	1-3-0	4-7-0	3-5-0

Detroit	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Tampa Bay	5	10	0	.333	267	308	3-5-0	2-5-0	2-2-0	3-8-0	3-5-0
West	4	11	0	.267	240	325	3-4-0	1-7-0	0-2-0	4-9-0	2-6-0
x-San Fran	13	2	0	.867	407	230	6-1-0	7-1-0	3-1-0	10-1-0	6-0-0
y-New Orleans	12	4	0	.750	330	202	6-2-0	6-2-0	3-1-0	9-3-0	4-2-0

Atlanta	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
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Los Angeles Raiders at Washington											
Sunday's Games											

Cleveland at Pittsburgh, noon	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
Denver at Kansas City, noon											
Green Bay at Minnesota, noon											
Indianapolis at Cincinnati, noon											
Miami at New England, noon											

Sugar Bowl hoopla starts

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW ORLEANS — The week of hoopla and hard work began Saturday as No. 2 Alabama began practice for its national title game against No. 1 Miami in the Sugar Bowl.

Miami was scheduled to arrive later Saturday.

An underdog to win the championship in the New Year's night game, Alabama's defense will have to do what it's done all year and the offense will have to keep pace with the Hurricanes, coach Gene Stallings said Saturday.

"I don't think you shut down a team like Miami," Stallings said. "They'll score 17, 20 points. Offensively we have to match them."

Alabama's defense ranked No. 1 against the run and in total defense this season.

This season Alabama held seven opponents to under 50 yards rushing and allowed only 660 running yards all season for an average of 55 yards a game. In three of its last four games the Tide held LSU to 22 yards, Auburn to 20 yards and Florida to 30 yards.

"We don't have a bad defense," Stallings said, tongue in cheek. "We might not have played Miami, but we have played some pretty good teams."

Alabama is making its 45th bowl appearance, a national record. The Crimson Tide also is also looking for their 12th national title.

Miami leads the nation in consecutive victories with 28, Alabama is second with 22.

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and series (woman) Ruby

Purser, 235 and 614; hi sc.

team game J & D Garage, 648;

hi sc. team series Rocky's,

1914; hi hdc team game and

series Photo Magic Studio, 833

and 2375.

STANDINGS — Rocky's,

82-54; Photo Magic Studio,

80-56; Arrow Refrigeration,

78-58; J & D Garage, 66-70;

Quail Run, 64-72; Fifth Wheels,

60-76; Coahoma Beauty

Center, 60-76; 2 Mini Acres,

54-82.

DOUBLE TROUBLE

RESULTS — Dorothy's Cafe

over Edwards Upholstery, 6-2;

Alley Cats over Wrecking

Crew, 8-0; Shaffer & Com-

panies over Hooters, 6-2;

Pocket Seekers over Red

Mesa, 6-2; Fun Bunch over M

& M Computer, 8-0; Cops and

Dogs tied Would Be Miracles,

4-4; Pinkies over Choate Com-

pany, 8-0; hi sc. game (men)

Charlie Campbell, 224; hi sc.

series (men) Guy Burrow, 594;

hi sc. game and series

(women) Evelyn Williams, 211

and 580; hi sc. team game and

series Edwards Upholstery,

609 and 1742; hi hdc game

(men) Fred Van Steenbur, 235;

hi hdc series (men) Donnie

Jones, 655; hi hdc game

(women) Barbara Shortes,

237; hi hdc series (women)

Evelyn Williams, 649; hi hdc

team game and series Edward

Upholstery, 747 and 2216.

STANDINGS — Shaffer &

Company, 94-42; Pinkies,

87-49; Alley Cats, 82-54; Red

Mesa, 78-58; Fun Bunch, 70-64;

Edwards Upholstery, 70-64;

Cops and Dogs, 60-68; Wreck-

ing Crew, 60-68; Would Be

Miracles, 64-72; Dorothy's

Cafe, 59-77; Pocket Seekers,

58-78; Hooters, 58-78; Choate

Company, 54-82; M & M Com-

puter, 62-94.

LADIES MAJOR

RESULTS — Barber Glass &

Mirror over Laconesa Cul-

ters, 8-0; Team Hughes over

Frame Busters, 6-2; Miss

Royale over Rocky's, 6-2; Ar-

row Refrigeration over Hall's

Aircooled, 8-2; S & H Floor

Covering over KC Kids, 8-0;

Pretty Things over Sassy

Ladies, 6-2; Campbell Con-

crete over Tom Boy Shop, 6-2;

E P Driver Ins., over

Vanessa's, 8-0; hi sc. game

and series Rocky's, 4-4; hi

sc. game and series Sam Gon-

zales, 257 and 652; hi hdc

game and series Junior

Barber, 269 and Sam Gonzales,

685; hi sc. team game and

series Burgess Automotive 744

and 2113; hi hdc team game

and series Fred's Septic Ser-

vice, 859 and Tough As Nails,

2442.

STANDINGS — Trio Fuels,

79-49; Bojangles, 78-50; Coors,

77-51; Burgess Automotive,

72-54; Bob Brock Ford, 64-62;

Tough As Nails, 64-62; Just

Showing Up, 60-60; Fred's Sep-

tic Service, 52-74; Two Ballers,

48-72; Pin Breakers, 34-94.

series (women) Ursula

Gomez, 146 and 487; hi sc.

team game and series Per-

main Research, 673 and 1836;

hdc game and series (men)

Wally Franklin, 255 and J.M.

Ringener, 726; hi hdc game

and series (women) Ursula

Gomez, 264 and Betty Clark,

575; hi hdc team game and

series Wei Tech, 853 and 2439.

STANDINGS — Moms &

Dads, 86-50; Nitty Gritty,

72-54; Permian Research,

70-64; Fifth Wheels, 69-67; Wei

Tech, 68-60; Bowl-A-Rama,

68-60; Crazy Eight, 54-82;

Millers, 49-79.

CAPROCK

RESULTS — Bojangles over

Coors, 8-0; Irin Fuels over Two

Ballers, 8-0; Just Showing Up

over Pin Breakers, 6-2; Tough

As Nails over Bob Brock Ford,

6-2; Burgess Automotive split

Fred's Septic Service, 4-4; hi

sc. game and series Sam Gon-

zales, 257 and 652; hi hdc

game and series Junior

Barber, 269 and Sam Gonzales,

685; hi sc. team game and

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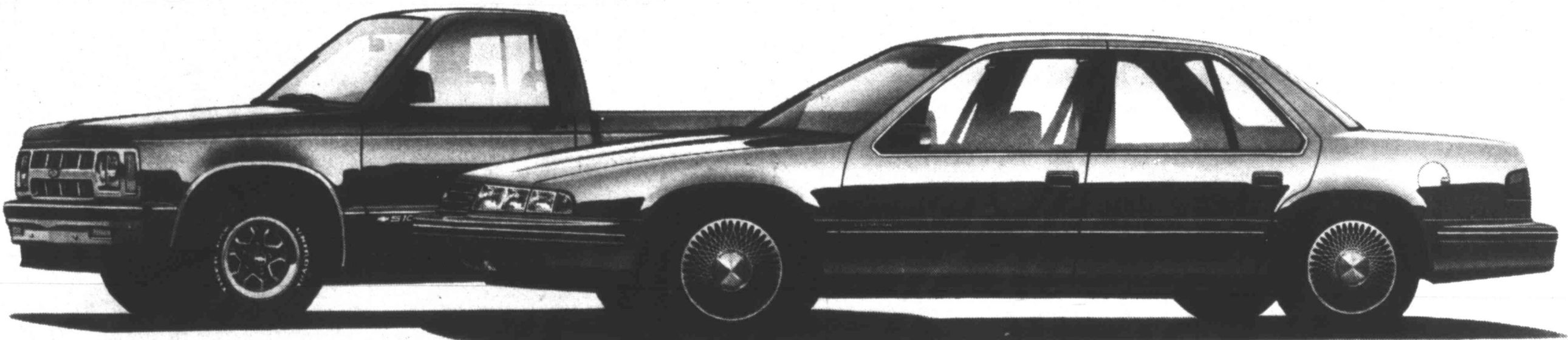
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Especially for kids and their families

The Mini Page

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By BETTY DEBNAM



"A Visit from St. Nicholas" is better known as "The Night Before Christmas." It was written by Dr. Clement Moore of New York City as a present to his children on Christmas Eve in 1822.



'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house
Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there.



The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugarplums danced in their heads;
And Mamma in her kerchief and I in my cap,
Had just settled our brains for a long winter's nap —
When out on the lawn there rose such a clatter,
I sprang from my bed to see what was the matter:



Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.
The moon, on the breast of the new-fallen snow,
Gave a luster of midday to objects below:
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer;



With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name —
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now, Prancer and Vixen!
"On! Come! on! Cupid, on! Donder and Blitzen;



"To the top of the porch, to the top of the wall,
"Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all!"
As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So, up to the housetop the coursers they flew,
With a sleigh full of toys — and St. Nicholas too.

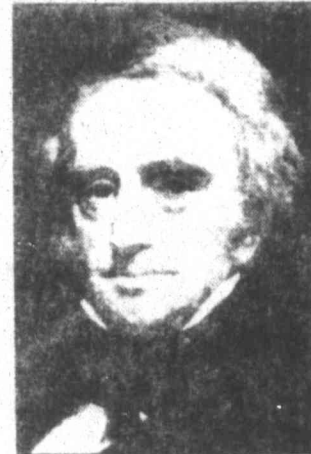
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Meet Clement Moore, author of our favorite Christmas poem



What a treat!
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You can imagine how pleased the Moore children were when their father read "A Visit From St. Nicholas" to them on Christmas Eve back in 1822.
Dr. Clement Moore knew what kids liked. He had nine of them!
After Dr. Moore read the poem, a relative copied it and took it to a newspaper editor in Troy, N.Y. The paper printed it in December 1823, but did not give the name of the author.

It was not until 15 years after it was first written, in 1837, that it was printed giving Moore's name as the author. The poem was in a book with other poems by him.

Dr. Moore was born in 1779 in New York City. He became a language teacher at a college for men studying to become Episcopal ministers. He died in 1863.

Kids of long ago knew a lot about Santa before Dr. Clement Moore wrote his famous poem.

They knew he dressed in fur and arrived through the chimney. But how did he travel?

Dr. Moore was the first to fill in the details about the sleigh and eight tiny reindeer.

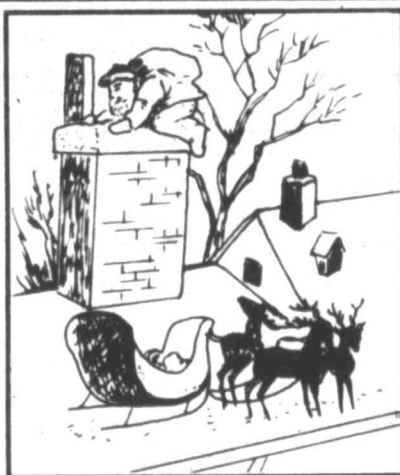


'Twas The Night Before Christmas

'Twas the night before Christmas. It was dark, except for the moon. It was quiet and the moon was going down quickly. There wasn't much time left. The stockings were hung. The tree was lit so brightly that you could see a piece of black paper. My bed was hot and shaky, and I knew that St. Nicholas soon would be there. Dad was in his bed with Mom. Soon I heard a thump! thump! thump! I got out of bed. I looked up the chimney, hoping he was there. I hid behind the tree. I said, "Could it be?" I grinned my biggest grin. I saw his bag all full of toys. I hoped lots of them were mine! First he filled our stockings, then he did the tree. Finally, he went up the chimney. I looked through the door and saw eight tiny reindeer. One of them had a red nose. Off like a flash they went. That was the best Christmas I'd ever known.



by Trey Kuykendall
Elbow Elementary — 2nd Grade



And then in a twinkling I heard on the roof,
The prancing and pawing of each little hoof;
As I drew in my head, and was turning around,
Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound.



He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot:
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack;
His eyes how they twinkled! His dimples how merry —
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry;



His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.
The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath.
He had a broad face and a little round belly
That shook when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.

BASSET BROWN THE NEWS HOUND'S CHRISTMAS TRY 'N FIND

Words about Christmas are hidden in the block below. Some words are hidden backward or diagonally. See if you can find: CHRISTMAS, DECORATE, CANDLES, TRIMMINGS, SANTA CLAUS, TREE, WREATH, ANGEL, GIFTS, SNOW, GIVE, SONGS, TINSEL, FAMILY, SLEIGH, MANGER.

T'IS THE SEASON TO BE JOLLY!

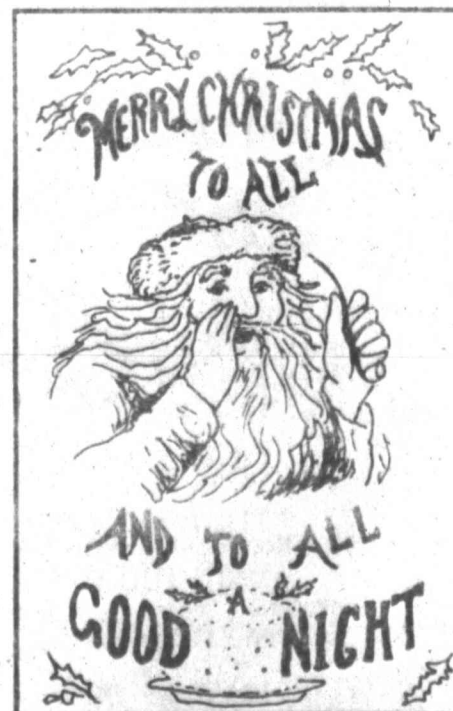
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He was chubby and plump — a right jolly old elf;
And I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself.
A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread.
He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings: then turned with a jerk,



And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.
He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle:
But I heard him exclaim ere he drove out of sight,
"MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL, AND TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT!"



This art is based on a Christmas booklet first published in 1846. Thomas Nast, a famous political cartoonist, is thought to have been the artist.

Mini Spy . . .

Mini Spy and her friends are visiting Santa Claus. See if you can find:

• ear of corn
• reindeer head
• kite
• tooth
• word MINI
• caterpillar
• sailboat
• letter B
• butterfly
• book
• puppy
• letter F

• flashlight • fish • bell • sock

Fun activities for you and your family

A MINI PAGE TO-DO

- Draw lines connecting the rhyming words.
- Act out the poem as someone reads it.
- Make up a poem about Christmas Eve at your house.
- Ask a partner to call out one of the rhyming words. See if you can think of the word it matches.

What was "in" for the kids of 1992? Read next week's Mini Page and find out!

How to draw a Santa

Look through the headlines in your local paper. Can you find any words that you know a rhyming word for? Cut and paste several of these words on a sheet of paper. With a partner, see how many rhyming words you can list for each word.



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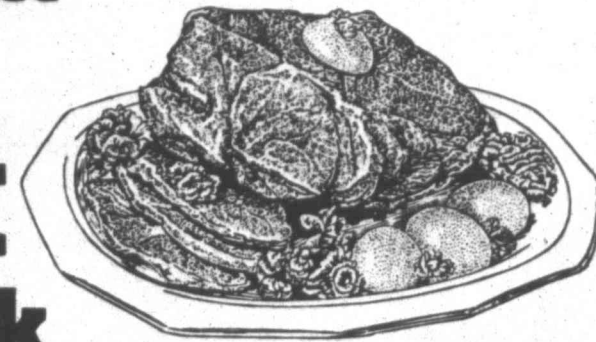


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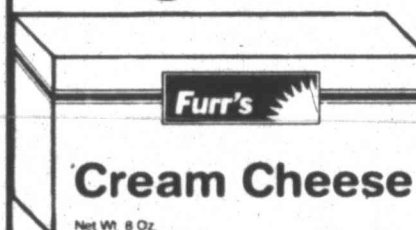
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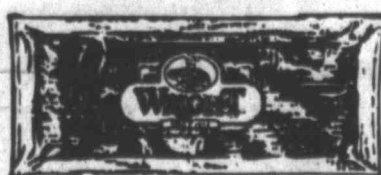
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Outdoors

Finding the right fit for those outdoor activities

By MARILOU BERRY
The Evansville Courier

Fitness enthusiasts have opened their front doors and discovered the "new gym" in the great outdoors.

Last year, Mother Nature beckoned over 4 million rock climbers, 5 million skiers and snowboarders, 18.5 million

hunters, 23 million runners and a whopping 46 million fishermen.

Outdoor adventurers push themselves and their equipment to the limit, and today's high-performance activewear meets the test.

While skiing is still winter's most popular sport, snowboarding is hitting new heights, claiming over 1.5 million devotees last year.

Part of the popularity of both skiing and snowboarding is due to technological advances in equipment and apparel. Today's skis are stronger, lighter and more responsive. Flexible supportive boots in adjustable, multirelease bindings are helping to reduce injuries on the slopes.

While ski wear has always been stylish, today's high-performance

gear is as functional as it is fashionable.

Along with sleek lines and bold colors, skiers demand lightweight protection from the elements. It's delivered to them via today's state-of-the-art fibers and fabrics.

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easy-moving Lycra spandex provide both comfort and an aerodynamic edge. Turtle-necks, gloves, hats and underwear of hard-working Thermax fabric channel away perspiration while keeping a layer of warm air next to the skin.

Those same fabrics are used in profusion to give comfort and performance edges to those who pursue other outdoor activities.

Heavy, uncomfortable hunting and fishing outfits are now out of season in 1992. The newest and most popular gear utilizes high-tech fabrics to give the wearer freedom of movement, as well as good looks.

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Experts say those resolutions can be steps toward new you

Resolving to lose weight? Quit smoking? Develop a positive attitude?

Many people will try to change in some way for the new year.

They'll resolve to work harder at their jobs, give more time to their families, or jog three times a week. They'll begin the year a changed person — giving up the bad habit and embracing the new one with gusto.

But a few weeks later, many people are back at what they gave up. They can't quit smoking, can't lose that extra 20 pounds, can't keep that vow to eat healthy.

Some local experts said New Year's resolutions don't have to be a lost cause. They can be

tions, set their goals really high," she said. "But in behavioral changes, the most important thing is to make small changes.

"As you become comfortable with that change, make another change. Over the long term, you'll see the effect."

Cook and Nabors gave these pointers for would-be self-improvers during the upcoming holiday:

- Don't make too many resolutions.

"It's not going to be easy to change, so the fewer the better," Cook said. "Concentrate on what you really believe you can change."

- Don't give up if, occasionally, you revert to your old habit.

"A lot of times a behavioral change sounds good, but when it comes time to make the change, the commitment is not there. The longer you stick with it, the easier it will get," Cook said.

- If the resolution is serious and health is a factor — such as losing weight, or recovery from an addiction such as alcohol or drugs, seek help.

"Making a real behavioral

counselor or a physician."

- Keep a positive attitude about the change. Don't approach it negatively or think of it as drudgery.

"With any resolution, there has to be patience," Cook said. "Look for small improvements."

- Get the support of your family and friends.

Be good to you

Nabors said possibly the best New Year's Resolution of all is to give yourself a present.

"We all need to be good to ourselves," she said. "If you are good to yourself, it comes out in every area of your life."

From the Mental Health Association of Oregon, here are some ways to be good to yourself for the new year:

- Break a bad habit; if just for today.

- Walk to the nearest park.
- Take a rainy day nap.
- Tell someone you love him or her.

- Learn something new.
- Pay a compliment.
- Return something you've borrowed.

- Take a different road home.
- Visit a lonely person.
- Send a card to someone for no reason.

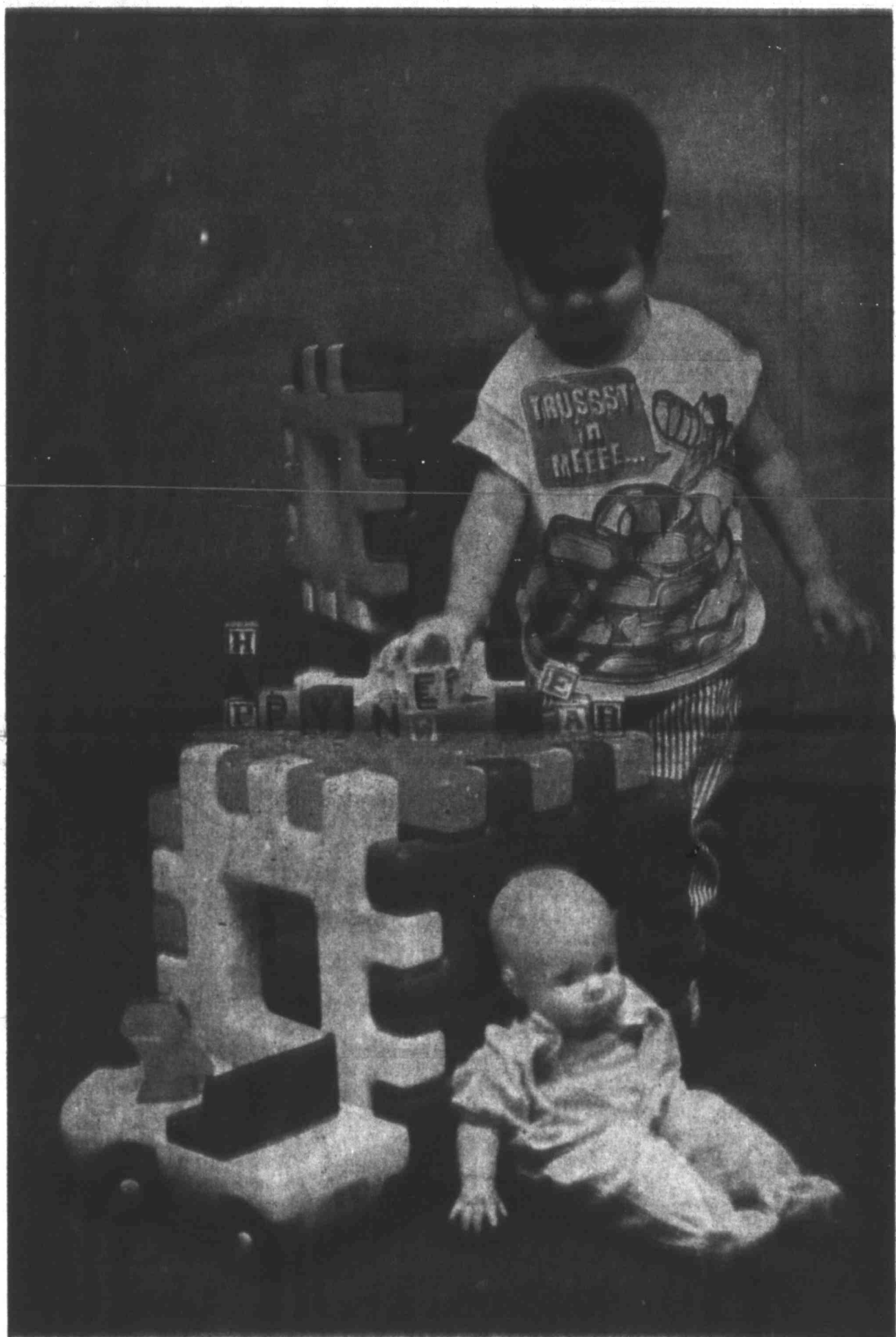
- Allow yourself to make a mistake.
- Lie on the grass.
- Talk to a pet.

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Alcohol not required Counselors offer help for celebrations

For those trying to start 1993 free of dependence on alcohol or drugs, New Year's Eve celebrations present a new set of challenges.

From champagne served at midnight to holiday party punch — alcohol is part of many traditional celebrations. But local substance abuse experts said it doesn't have to be.

Experts said those in recovery do have choices, and to change a pattern of alcohol and drug abuse — the new year may be a good time. But it won't be easy.

"Holidays are very hard for people in recovery," said Diane Click, executive director of Recovery Solutions.

"Alcoholics and addicts have to treat it as just any other day. They're taking it one day at a time," said Pew Broughton, director of the Big Spring VA Medical Center's substance abuse treatment program.

When the party season is in full swing, Broughton recommends following the rule from the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous. "The rule is not to avoid a place



Toasting the new year is a tradition for many. But does it have to be with alcohol? Local substance abuse treatment experts said help is available for people who want begin the new year chemical-free.

where there is drinking if we have 'any legitimate reason for being there,' she explained. "A person in recovery should consider whether he has any legitimate social, business or personal reason to go."

Click said there is "no such thing as 'just say no' for addicts. 'Alcohol and drug abusers can't say no," Click explained.

"They need help doing it."

She emphasized people who want to resolve to give up drinking or drugs for the new year should seek professional support.

For the already in recovery, the experts suggest a few tips for holiday parties:

Broughton recommends asking the host about the content of the punch.

She said hosts should always provide non-alcoholic drinks at parties. Once the party starts, be sure the guests know what they're drinking: Many mixed punches contain alcohol, although it may be obvious to the taste, Broughton advises.

For those who want to ring in the new year without alcohol, many Alcoholics Anonymous groups will sponsor some sort of holiday celebration, so contacting them is a good place to start.

"People who are going to drink over the holiday, I'd remind them that they don't want to begin the new year in jail," said Click. "Don't drink and drive, whatever you do."

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In the photo illustration, Big Springer Edward Vasquez, 3, helps readers find a holiday message in blocks.

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Anniversaries

The Parkers

Leo and Nell Parker will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception on Dec. 27, 1992, from 2-4 p.m. at the Philadelphia Primitive Baptist Church.

He was born in Corpus Christi and she was born in Westbrook. They met in a Westbrook restaurant on May 11, 1942, and married on Dec. 28, 1942, in Colorado City.

They have two daughters and sons-in-law: Dolores and Marco Westmoreland, and Dena and Jack Howard. They have four grandchildren, one grandson-in-law, and one great-grandchild.

During their marriage they have lived in Abilene, Sterling City, Westbrook, Coahoma, Otis Chalk and 31 years in Big Spring.

Before they both retired, he worked as an oil field gauger for 39½ years with Cosden and she was a hairdresser for 26 years, owning her own shop for 20 years.

They are members of Primitive Baptist Church and she is a member of Happy Crafters Club.

Their hobbies include: He does volunteer work as a carpenter's helper on their new church, fishing and hunting; she does arts and crafts, sewing and crocheting.



LEO AND NELL PARKER

They both enjoy visiting their children and grandchildren.

About their marriage the Parkers said, "We both try to do our share. We have faith in God, love and trust in each other, this giving us 50 wonderful years of marriage."

Hosts for the party will be their daughters and their husbands; their niece; and grandchildren.

They invite their friends to attend the reception. No gifts are requested.

The Davises

James and Pauline Davis celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception Dec. 20, 1992, at 22nd and Austin St. Church of Christ, Colorado City.

He graduated in 1942 and went directly into the Army Air Corp. After training, he married Pauline Tucker in Hobbs, N.M. on Dec. 24, 1942. They have lived in Colorado City since 1951.

Their children are Cheryl Ann Davis Moore and Jimmy Richard Davis. They have five grandchildren and one great-grandchild. They are members of the Church of Christ.

The party was hosted by their children and grandchildren.



JAMES AND PAULINE DAVIS

Newcomers

New residents of Big Spring welcomed by Joy Fortenberry and the Newcomer Greeting Service recently include:

Robert and Lynn Brooks, and daughter, Rebecca, 3, Placentia, Calif. He is a minister of music.

Karen Ray, Carbondale, Ill. She works at the Federal Correctional Institution.

John Vasquez and Dawn DeLe Santos, and sons: Eddie, 6, and Manuel, 8, Abilene. They work at HEB.

Alan and Cindy Hamilton, son, Jeff, and daughter, Jennifer, Clovis, N.M. They work at Furr's Supermarket.

Dennis and Irma Farley, son, Nathan, 14, and daughters: Iris, 10, and Heather, 3, Jesup, Ga. He

works at the Federal Correctional Institute.

Mike and Jena Fields, son, Joshua, and daughters: Michelle, Kari, Jessica, Jennifer, and Amanda; Rosco, works at Furr's Supermarket.

Dean and Pat Thomas, son, Stephen, and daughters: Amy and Tara, and grandson, Justin, Topeka, Kan. He works at the VA Medical Center.

Joel and Tina Bradley, daughter, Rebecca, 4, and son, Joel, 1, Waco. He works at HEB.

Don and Teresa Hart, Denver City. He works at Highland Pump Co. Ramon and Susan Vasquez, and daughter, Azure, 16, San Angelo. He works for Exxon in Forsan.

Briefs

Tall Talkers discuss holiday

Tall Talkers Toastmasters Club met Tuesday, with table topics led by Shelley Hacker. Each member was given a chance to speak on the topic of the day, which was

Christmas. Best table topic speaker was Lanelle Witte.

Bailey Anderson was voted best speaker. His speech was titled, "Life and Death of a City." Best evaluator was Reeves Moran.

The goal of Tall Talkers is to educate people to become better leaders and communicators. Contact Anderson, 267-3008 for information.

life! Deadlines

Deadlines for submissions to the Sunday, Jan. 3, life! section are as follows:

Weddings, engagements, anniversaries: Tuesday at noon. Must be written on Herald's form, available at the office, 710 Scurry, or by mail to out-of-town residents by calling 915/263-7331.

Stork Club — Wednesday at noon. Published as space allows, using information on Herald form.

Military — Wednesday at noon. Accepted in writing from family members as well as the branch of service.

Deadlines will return to normal for the Jan. 10 edition.

Disaster brings holiday truth

We dreamed of a white Christmas. We got a white nightmare. Some say it will be known as the storm of the century. A snowstorm by which other snowstorms will be compared.

Schools, businesses, and roads have been closed for days. Fire trucks and ambulances are hopelessly snowbound. Jackknifed tractor trailers block highways. Electric wires are down, phones out of commission and roofs collapse under the weight of the snow. Makeshift emergency shelters are made of church basements, fire halls and school gymnasiums.

The calamity hit in the midst of the Christmas season. Any other year, we would have been concerned with shopping, baking, gift wrapping, decorating, tree trimming and parties. This year we have other priorities. This morning, as the snow still pounded down, we began digging out.

On my street, we worked individually until reaching the road that connected our homes, then we joined forces and worked as a neighborhood. You'd have thought it was the Fourth of July instead of December. The street was filled with men, women, children and dogs.

After just a short time, the men formed little groups; talking and assessing the situation. One by one



Christina Ferchalk

they drifted away, called to the phone, called by nature. None returned. Older children were told to watch over the younger children, and younger children to watch over the dogs. The women kept on digging. We dug pathways to the homes of the elderly. We dug out fire hydrants and each other's cars.

As we dug, we did what women have always done while they worked. We talked, laughed, swapped recipes and secrets. We began sentences with, "Remember the time..."

We were long time neighbors, long time friends. We were housewives, mothers, working women. We were in our 20s, 30s and 40s. We were all on the bottom end of the economic yardstick, facing the slimmiest Christmas in years. But we'd share, we'd trade, we'd give; we'd see each other through the hard times.

Over the years, we had dug each other out of circumstances much deeper than any snowfall.

We kept on digging. From time to

time one of us would go inside, strip off frozen clothing, put on dry and brew a cup of tea. Outside again, the steaming cup would be passed from lip to lip. As we dug, pushed, and eventually freed one car after another, we'd squeal, "We did it! We did it!" and hug each other.

I never "high-fived" a woman in my life, but I did today.

It was almost twilight when we finished. We defrosted around my kitchen table, still congratulating each other. It had been a good day.

Tonight, as winds howl and the seemingly endless snow still falls, Christmas lights twinkle against my window. Every member of my family is safe and warm inside the nest. Some of the children play cards with their father. The girls and I fashion bows for the tree from a spool of lace.

Just a short time ago, I moaned at the injustice of life. Christmas this year would be bleak. It only took a natural disaster, an act of God, to get my head screwed on straight again.

Those of us blessed with home, health, family and friends have it all. Anything we don't already have, we really don't need. This special, almost magical time of the year is with us once again, and once again it will be good.

Christina Ferchalk is a columnist for Thomson News Service.



DATE SET — Jennifer J. Allen of Nicholasville, Ky. and Robert Keith Boggs of Lexington, Ky. will be married on April 17, 1993, at Coahoma Church of Christ. She is the daughter of Sallie N. Law of Nicholasville, Ky. and Pete Allen of Coahoma. He is the son of Bob and Helen Boggs of East Point, Ky. Buddy Weaver will perform the ceremony.



WEDDING PLANS — Laura Conaway and Dwayne Bradbury will be married Jan. 23, 1993, at Westbrook Baptist Church. She is the daughter of Travis and Jo Conaway. He is the son of Gary and Sue Bradbury. The Rev. Claude Craven of Trinity Baptist Church will perform the ceremony.

Have a favorite recipe you'd like to share with our readers? Mail it in or bring it by the Herald office — 710 Scurry.

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Insights into Tiny Tim

Scholar, physician discovers child's illness

By J.R. MOERINGER
Scripps Howard News Service

Tim, the crippled boy in Charles Dickens' masterpiece "A Christmas Carol," always has been inseparable in the imagination from his little crutch and his life-threatening illness. But one of the great unknowns in literature has forever been, What ailed him?

Now, two experts say they know, and one of them is Dr. Donough O'Brien, a retired Denver pediatrician with a British background and an astonishing Dickensian accent to match.

Treating a character from Dickens' 1843 classic was not originally O'Brien's idea but that of Dr. Donald Lewis, 41, an assistant professor of pediatrics at the Medical College of Hampton Roads, in Norfolk, Va.

"The whole thing started off four or five years ago," Lewis said from his Virginia home. "My wife and I were watching a film version of 'A Christmas Carol,' and Penny looked over at me and said, 'So what was wrong with Tim?'"

Lewis told his wife that Tim probably had cerebral palsy or muscular dystrophy, but then he wondered, what was wrong with Tim? The book never says.

Thus began a scholarly detective story, beginning with an explanation of Dickens' text for clues and symptoms and ending with some dense research into medical remedies and theories available to 1840s doctors.

When Lewis finally discovered Tim's disease a few months ago, he was alone in the dusty basement of an old medical library.

"I just sort of sat there and smiled," he said.

Tim was suffering from distal renal tubular acidosis, a rare but treatable kidney disease.

It wasn't until a few days ago, however, that Lewis received a letter from O'Brien, and the theory was splendidly confirmed.

O'Brien read about Lewis' research in a medical journal and thought it intriguing.

"Oh, a long time ago I worked in one of the small children's hospitals in the poorer part of London," O'Brien said.

A pharmacist at the hospital often described treatments very similar to the one Lewis speculated Tim's doctors would have used, and this gave Lewis the solid support of a virtual witness.

"It sort of corroborated everything I'd thought," Lewis said.

Lewis said the search for Tim's disease became a passion partly because it so captivated his students whenever he gave a lecture on the subject.

A sign of the times: Lewis said whenever he delivers his "Tim"

'Returning from church, Bob Cratchit tells his wife with a trembling voice that he thinks Tiny Tim is getting stronger, more hardy. But (Bob's) trembling and begins to cry, and this tells you the opposite is true.'

Donald Lewis, researched Tiny Tim's illness

lecture, someone invariably suggests that Tim was beaten by his parents, Bob and Mrs. Cratchit.

By reading and re-reading the book, however, Lewis was able to find four distinct symptoms that Tim actually demonstrated:

— He was short, which some

pediatricians call "failure to thrive," a term Dickens would undoubtedly have loved.

— He was a cripple, but more so on one side of his body than the other. (The single crutch.)

— He was weak, and getting weaker. "Returning from church, Bob Cratchit tells his wife with a trembling voice that he thinks Tiny Tim is getting stronger, more hardy," Lewis said. "But (Bob's) trembling and begins to cry, and this tells you the opposite is true."

— He was going to die. The Ghost of Christmas Present tells Scrooge. Knowing Tim's disease was both potentially fatal and curable (the book says that after Scrooge reforms, Tim does not die) and using the four symptoms Dickens had described, Lewis went to the 19th century medical handbooks to see how his predecessors would have treated Tim.

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How you can start a reunion tradition

Have you been to a family reunion lately? If not, you could be the one to start a family tradition.

The winter doldrums following the end of the year are a great time to get your family involved in planning a reunion. Reunions take several months to a year to plan, so January is a good time to start working on a reunion scheduled during the summer, when the kids are out of school.

Family reunions are increasingly popular. Thousands of Americans across the country attend family reunions every year. Family reunions reinforce a sense of belonging, family continuity and family pride.

Interaction between generations increases respect of both younger and older family members for each other. Younger family members can gain a new sense of worth, while older family members may experience renewed purpose.

Most family reunions are informal eat and chat gatherings. Some include family business meetings, especially those that have a family group which sponsors the reunion every year and has monetary and everyday decisions to make.



Naomi Hunt

Your family might especially enjoy a dance, auction or entertainment. The possibilities are endless.

Several main steps are involved in planning a successful reunion:

- Select a date and location convenient to most family members.
- Decide on an appropriate facility at which to gather.
- Make sure everyone understands what food or other items to bring and what costs will be involved.
- Organize a central gathering time and focus for the reunion.
- Send out notices early.

Summer dates are usually best for reunions. Families can plan vacations while children are out of school. The weather may be hot, but will still allow outdoor activities. Choose the date sufficiently far in advance for all family

members to make plans. Depending on the location you choose, you may need to check to see when facilities are available before setting the reunion date.

Prepare and plan reunion activities with all ages in mind. Races and outdoor activities can occupy the young at heart if weather permits.

Make rain plans in case of poor weather. A family member may agree to paint faces or tell stories to children. Older family members may enjoy indoor activities such as board games or sharing family photos.

Getting ready for the reunion could include some work on family history. Making a simple chart which shows common ancestors will provide entertainment for everyone. Many younger family members do not have the "common knowledge" about family history that older members take for granted. Even blank family tree structures posted on the wall will be fun to fill in with a various family information.

Making a family video is another idea. Have one or more

"reporters" from the family develop some simple questions about family history and then interview family members on camera during the reunion. This helps people to remember who is who and have a record of family history to watch later or pass on to others not able to attend.

The gathering time of the reunion might feature a family talent show or family storytelling time. Most reunion organizers recognize winners in categories like oldest family member, youngest family member, and family member who has come the farthest distance.

During the gathering time, recognize different branches of the family by naming ancestors and having their descendants stand up.

Most important of all, provide plenty of time and a comfortable setting for informal get acquainted and get reacquainted activities so you can sit back and enjoy the results of your efforts. Then ask someone else to plan the event next year to make sure it becomes a family tradition.

Naomi Hunt is Howard County Extension Agent — Home Economics.



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Four of a kind

Jim and Laura Hollock of Portland, Ore., hold their newly born quadruplets, from left, Benjamin, Jacqueline, Clinton and Christina. The babies were the first four-of-a-kind born at the hospital's neonatal unit in 13 years.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Remain open to new ideas today. Work with the tried and true, and evaluate what is important to you. An affectionate manner brings about a better rapport with a friend. Make an important long-distance call. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy. *****

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Make a firm commitment as to how much you want to take on. Discussions with a partner make a considerable difference in the outcome of a situation. You get acclaim for a job well done; take your bows graciously. Tonight: Visit with friends. *****

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Your mind might be in tune to a different drummer. Go with your ideas and dreams for now. Remove barriers to your thinking. Tonight: It's up to your imagination. *****

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Touch base with your deeper needs today. Discussions with a partner revolve around a positive domestic situation. Express your love and caring more openly. Keep the good vibes flowing. Tonight: Be with your favorite person. *****

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Others clearly seek you out and desire your company. Evaluate another's rigid attitude. Be open to a loving gesture and use the moment to explore feelings. Tonight: Go with the winds of fate. *****

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Re-evaluate your work with an eye on finding more satisfaction, yet continuing an upward financial spiral. Discussions with a family member add a new point of view. Join with a friend to continue the holiday celebrations. Tonight: Walk the line of moderation. *****

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You get into the whimsical tone of the day. A loved one who cares deeply expresses affection in an unexpected manner. Make plans for an afternoon outing with a loved one. Let discussions be animated. Tonight: The more the merrier. *****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Continue at a slower pace than normal. Be open to others, as several animated discussions are likely today. Ideas flow about security, real estate and a potential investment. Tonight: Do what makes you feel best. *****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Share your ideas with friends and loved ones. Make time to go out and browse through a favorite store or art gallery. Then join a friend for a late-afternoon snack. Your warmer side comes out. Tonight: Yip the night away. *****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A conservative approach works wonders for the budget. A respected friend gives you input that helps you sort out your feelings. Take some time to drop a thank-you note or letter in the mail. Tonight: Stay home and order a pizza. *****

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You are up for nearly anything today. Your spirit of adventure soars and triggers your creativity. Be more tuned into your softer self and express your caring, as well as desires, to a loved one. Tonight: Just wave your magic wand. *****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You might not want to divulge the nature of an intimate discussion between you and another. Realize you might be taking a negative outlook unnecessarily. Tonight: Have a loving chat. *****

IF DEC. 27 IS YOUR BIRTHDAY: Expect to be full of ideas this year, many of which will serve to advance your career and standing in the community. Your innate understanding of others will help you augment your income. Tap into your creativity. You'll gain self-confidence and be able to express yourself clearly. Others will be drawn to your magnetism. AQUARIUS adores you. *****

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Cindy, great indoor dog, black and white longer coat with brown markings, small, 10 months old, obedient, loves people, female.

Gidget, small terrier mix brown wiry coat with black saddle, docked tail and floppy ears, quiet and calm, loves people, good indoor female.

Luther, doberman mix, black short-haired coat with tan German markings, docked tail, large and tall, good active watchdog, neutered male.

Aquarius, striking black and white border collie, soft, long black coat with white blaze up face, paws, chest and tipped tail. She is intelligent and attentive, loves water.

Opie, golden retriever mix, large and tall, 12 months old, long gold-red coat with blonde face, feathered tail and floppy ears. Great with kids, neutered male.

Midnight, very large black lab, solid black short-haired coat with active and good-natured personality, young, neutered male.

Mandy, sheltie mix, black brown and white, long-haired coat and pricked ears. She is small and bouncy, loves people, young, spayed.

Elizabeth, beautiful longhaired tortoise-shell cat, downy soft fur of muted gold and grey. Gentle, kind, box-trained, spayed.

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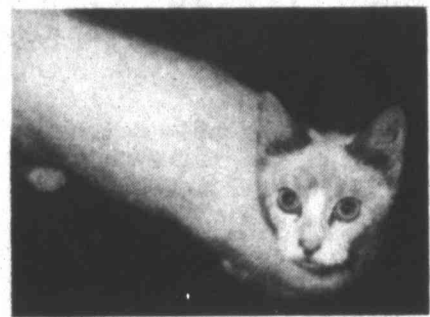
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ATTENTION CALENDAR USERS: Let us know if your regular listings will change for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Calendar

Today

- Bingo offered by the Lions, Elks, and Main Street Club, Monday-Friday, 6:30 p.m. Saturday, 1 p.m., and Sunday, 2 p.m., at the Lions Club, 1607 E. Third.

- The Salvation Army will have a dinner for area needy at 5:30 p.m. at their building, 308 Aylford, Monday through Friday.

- Toys of Christmas Past are featured at the Heritage Museum's holiday exhibit. Toys from the 1940s-60s will be on display through Jan. 23.

- Eagles Lodge Sunday Matinee from 4-8 p.m. Music by Top Draw. Join us and bring a friend.

Monday

- There will be gospel singing at 7 p.m. at the Kentwood Center on Lynn Dr. Everyone welcome. For information call 393-5709.

Tuesday

- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St. has free bread and whatever else is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

- Christian Home Schooler's will be taking a tour of the library and then seeing some movies down stairs at 2 p.m. For information call Donna at 267-8851.

Wednesday

- Big Spring Senior Center will have ceramics class from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

Thursday

- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St. has free bread and whatever else is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

- Big Spring Alliance for the mentally ill will meet at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Mental Health Center, 4th & Runnels. For information call 267-7380.

- Eagles Lodge will have a New Year dance. Music by Solid Country, 8:30 p.m. - till? Make your reservations.

Friday

- Friday night games of Dominoes, Forty-two, Bridge and Chickentack from 5-8 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn Dr. Public invited.

- Spring City Sr. Center will have a Country/Western dance from 7:30-10:30 p.m. Public invited.

Saturday

- Maximum payout Bingo at 6:30 p.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1009 Hearn.

- American Legion Post #506 will have a shuffle board tournament at 2 p.m. Draw partners. 3203 W. Hwy. 80.

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- Howard County Youth Horsemen will meet at 7 p.m. at the Youth Horsemen Arena Clubhouse. For information call Paula Perry at 393-5617.

Tuesday

- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St. has free bread and whatever else is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

- Christensen-Tucker VFW Post 2013 will meet at 7 p.m. on Driver Rd. For information call 267-5290.

- Coahoma Senior Center Project Group will meet at 11 a.m. at the Coahoma Community Center, 306 North Ave. Visitors welcome. For information call 394-4439.

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Tribute to BZ, who's out following his dreams

I'm extremely lucky. Our two sons love each other.

They are best friends. When they were growing up, our older son, Kevin, learned to play guitar. Frequently I requested him to play "Stairway To Heaven," the Led Zeppelin song of the late '70s. He did a credible job on it.

When his little brother BZ (Brian Zack) was about eight years old, he started playing guitar, too.

While Kevin was content just to strum his guitar around the house, BZ wanted to do more with the instrument, perhaps even earn money with it.

Kevin, now 28, went to college for four years, got a degree in telecommunications and works in television production. He is married, has a son and is making good money. His wife is finishing work on a Ph.D. They live in a Dallas suburb and recently acquired the symbol

of adult life, a lawn mower.

BZ, now 24, is not quite ready to settle down. He is following his longtime dream to make money as a guitar player.

When BZ was just entering high school, he and some buddies formed a band. They acquired some amplification equipment and did an occasional gig, mostly for schools.

They used to practice in our backyard. The neighbors were extremely tolerant. It wasn't long before they were sounding like a real band.

BZ started taking private lessons in classical guitar from an exceptional teacher who encouraged BZ to work hard on his music because he had real talent.

After high school, BZ went to McLennan Community College in Waco to study music. One member of the band went there, too. Soon



Tumbleweed Smith

they organized a band called First Floor and started playing around Waco at places like Chelsea's. They discovered they were pretty good and began to develop a following.

In addition to their studies and performances, members of the band were practicing about five hours a day individually. They were working hard. All the money they made went right into buying more equipment.

Sometimes they'd pull up to a club in \$25,000 worth of vehicles, unload \$15,000 worth of equipment

and instruments and get paid \$500 for five hours of work. The \$500 of course, had to be divided among the five band members.

But this is typical of starting musicians.

After two years in Waco, BZ enrolled in the University of Texas. To his dismay, not a single credit from his two years at McLennan was acceptable. So he started over as a freshman. He decided to pursue an engineering degree because he heard engineers made \$30,000 a year.

But engineering was not to his liking, so he became a music major, with a specialty in classical guitar. The university was just beginning a classical guitar sequence and the teacher only accepted twelve students.

When BZ went to sign up for the course, he was told it was full. He told the person at the registration

desk that he had already been accepted into the class. "I'll show you how good I am," BZ said. He took out his guitar and demonstrated his talent in the crowded registration hall. "OK," the person said. "You're in."

While working on this degree, BZ joined two bands in Austin: Culture Shock and Necessary Noise. He played lead guitar and wrote most of Culture Shock's original music. He supplemented his income by working at a music store, teaching guitar and playing classical guitar at weddings.

He finished work on his degree and has just moved to Seattle, following his dream. I wish him well.

Bob Lewis of Big Spring, also known as Tumbleweed Smith, is a speaker, author and broadcaster who produces literary sketches of people and places in Texas.

Religion

'Home Alone' better for kids than sequel

By TERRY MATTINGLY
Scripps Howard News Service

It's the holiday movie season, and the faithful are flocking to see a story of family, forgiveness and friendship — accompanied by probable compound fractures.

"Home Alone 2: Lost in New York" may or may not match the success of "Home Alone," with its awesome domestic gross of \$285 million. Most critics are saying that writer John Hughes has photocopied his 1990 smash, only with a change in scenery.

Both movies share this plot: a precocious boy is separated from his family in a Christmas-trip snafu. He gorges himself on sugar and media and then foils bandits by building a maze of homemade traps.

But the sequel lacks a key element that made "Home Alone" so heartwarming — a layer of Christian symbols that meshes with the season.

"Clearly, 'Home Alone' is a two-level movie," said Jim Davis, religion writer for The Sun-Sentinel newspaper in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. "Yes, 'Home Alone' is fun and there's a lot of action for the kids.

"But, on another level, it also worked as a kind of parable. ... This time, they turned the plot down and the violence up and they seemed to take out the heart. ... They settled for a one-level film. It's just another trip to the bank."

Cynthia Astle of The United Methodist Reporter adds: "For Christian parents ... 'Home Alone 2' poses some serious moral and ethical hazards that make it questionable entertainment for their children." In place of the first film's "faith message," the sequel features "disturbing themes of deception and violence."

Few in the Hollywood establishment noticed the religious symbolism in "Home Alone." One critic did.

"People are so hungry for anything that is even vaguely respectful of religion," said Michael Medved of "Sneak Previews." Almost alone among recent films, "Home Alone" included a "sympathetic scene that takes place in church. ... The church is not altogether a bad place, for

once."

The "Home Alone" hero is Kevin McAllister, a cute suburban super-kid played by pint-sized actor Macaulay Culkin. First, he is stranded as his family rushes away to spend Christmas in Paris. In the sequel, he boards the wrong plane and ends up in New York City instead of in Florida with his family.

In "Home Alone," Kevin wishes his family would vanish, and it does. Later, he takes down a family portrait and whispers, "I'm sorry. I didn't mean it." Later, he makes the sign of the cross and says grace over a meal of microwaved macaroni and cheese.

In the movie's pivotal scene, Kevin seeks sanctuary in a church, while children sing "Fall on your knees, oh hear the angel voices." In a nearby pew is his family's scary neighbor, who turns out to be a kind man who also is home alone. "This is the place to be when you're feeling bad about yourself. ... You're always welcome in church," says the neighbor.

Kevin admits he has been a "bit of a pain" lately.

"How you feel about your family is a complicated thing," says the old man. "Deep down, you always love them. But sometimes you forget you love them. And you can hurt them, and they can hurt you."

The neighbor admits that he hasn't spoken to his son in years. Kevin urges him to seek forgiveness, and they both learn a lesson. Later, the neighbor's family is reunited, with Kevin watching. It is the movie's emotional high point.

"Home Alone 2" is relentlessly commercial. Kevin does, however, befriend a homeless woman. She tells him that good deeds erase bad ones and gives him some vague advice: "Follow the star in your heart."

"It's just not the same and people are going to sense the difference," said Davis. "In 'Home Alone,' Kevin faces some tough questions. Why did he act like a brat? Why did he hurt his family? Why does he regret what he did? ... It was important, and very symbolic, that he worked things out in a church."

Prediction: Drastic grocery change

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Food retailing and packaging in the nation's supermarkets will undergo drastic changes by the year 2000, predicts an industry analyst and consultant.

According to Milton Merl, a specialist in the retailing and packaging goods field, the industry trend will be toward a wider variety among fewer competing brands, with more individual store brands



Holiday tamales

Josie Lopez of Corpus Christi, spreads masa on corn husks before filling them for tamales. Josie learned to make the holiday treat from a grandmother. The family made 45 dozen to last through the holiday season.

Black-Jewish accord urged

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Declaring black-Jewish relations have fallen to their lowest point in history, Reform Judaism urges "healing the wounds that have been opened by the sad events of the recent past."

Black-Jewish tensions have smoldered for months over incidents in the Crown Heights section of Brooklyn.

In a resolution by its policy-making board, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations urged both blacks and Jews to "condemn extremists in their midst" and undertake "additional programs of dialogue and

conciliation."

The Rev. Jesse Jackson encouraged the action, telling the Jewish group: "We have common enemies and we are vulnerable when divided. But we are a powerful force for good when we work together toward the goals we share."

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The ASSOCIATED PRESS

LUFKIN — The U.S. Forest Service says anglers can give themselves a lasting gift by donating their Christmas trees for recycling into fish homes.

Donated trees will be weighted and sunk in lakes and ponds to provide cover for smaller fish species, said Alan Newman, supervisor of the National Forests and Grasslands in Texas. Some of those smaller fish, in turn, will become food for bigger fish, he said.

"Not only does the program benefit fish and fishing, it's a whole lot better use for Christmas trees than filling landfills," Newman said.

Forest service offices in East Texas will begin accepting trees, which should be stripped of decorations, on Dec. 28.

U.S. Forest Service Christmas tree recycling centers:

Lufkin: Angelina Ranger District, 1907 Atkinson Dr., Dec. 28-Jan. 8, contact Alfredo Sanches (409) 639-8620.

Crockett: Neches Ranger District, East Loop 304, Dec. 28-Jan. 31, contact Ranger Sten Olsen (409) 544-2046.

Decatur: LBJ National Grassland, Farm-to-Market Road 730 South, contact Ranger Ben Harbour for dates and locations (817) 627-5475.

Honey Grove: Caddo National Grassland, Route 2, contact Paula Sparker for dates (903) 378-2103.

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Truth about spreading germs

DEAR ABBY: Please comment on what seems to have become a national bad habit — people licking their fingers to turn pages, pick up papers, open plastic bags and countless other daily activities. I have seen people wet their fingers with saliva to pick up coins and before typing on a keyboard! (I've been grossed out more times than I can count.)

Abby, please check with your medical experts to find out just what these people are spreading with their saliva (colds, herpes, etc.). Am I being too sensitive, or are these people truly a health menace to themselves and others? If they are, please print your reply, as I would like to send copies to some of the offenders. — **SICK OF LICKERS IN CALIFORNIA**

DEAR SICK: Moistening one's finger to turn a page, etc., is in much the same category with the mom who tastes the soup, then puts the spoon back into the soup. Assuming the soup taster (or the page turner) does not have highly contagious diseases, I wouldn't worry too much about it.

According to Gary Richwald, M.D., of the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services, most viruses are too fragile to be



Dear Abby

transmitted by people licking their fingers before turning a page or picking up a coin. Cold viruses are most easily transmitted, but even they would most likely not be transmitted in that way. A virus usually requires a warm, moist surface to survive; and sexually transmitted viruses require much closer personal contact than the behavior about which you are concerned.

DEAR ABBY: I am a senior citizen on a fixed income. Three months ago, a friend came for a visit. He weighs more than 300 pounds. Always before, he has sat down on my couch very gently. This time, however, he came in and just fell down hard on the couch. He proceeded to laugh and make a joke of it when he discovered that he broke my couch! The couch was only a year and a half old, and

there was no reason for him to plop himself down that hard.

I asked him to replace the couch. At first he agreed, then he changed his mind and said he had spoken to his lawyer and was told that he was not responsible for replacing it.

I then talked to a lawyer myself, and he told me that I had grounds to take the man to small claims court because guests are responsible for damage, as they are obligated to show reasonable care for other people's property.

Abby, what do you think I should do? Take him to small claims court or forget it? — **TICKED OFF IN TENNESSEE**

DEAR TICKED OFF: Ordinarily, I'd advise you to take your lawyer's advice, but if you value your friend's friendship, you would be wise to forget it. After taking a friend to small claims court, your friendship would be history.

"How to Be Popular" is an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person. To order, send a long, business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054.

Disco grandma's quiet, happy

The Associated Press

CROSSVILLE, Ill. — "Disco" Beulah Kershaw achieved stardom more than a decade ago with a homespun love song that put her on charts and got her on national television. Then, she disappeared.

Nowadays, the singing grandmother lives quietly — well, maybe not so quietly — in the small southern Illinois community she has called home since 1950.

"I've always said I'm too stupid to be anything but happy," said Kershaw, 77. "My records have been played in Japan, and a guy in Texas just paid me \$100 to do a video. And I still got a briefcase full of poems that need to be typed."

Kershaw hit the big time in 1978 when her song "A Woman in Love" topped the playlist of Chicago radio station WLS for two weeks.

The tune, which goes, "A woman in love, a woman in love, never underestimate a woman in love," also won Kershaw an invitation to NBC-TV's "Real People" show, where she appeared five times between 1982 and 1984.

"She's a very charming lady and very exciting to watch," said Gary Necessary, the show's associate producer. "We're very fond of her and we hear from her once in a while."

At one time, there were Beulah fan clubs in Florida, New Jersey and Nevada. Tourists flocked to her mobile home, which doubles as a store selling her records, poems and photos.

"College students used to come here to buy my records by the carloads," said Kershaw. "But I don't hear from them anymore."

Despite her fall from the charts, Kershaw's spirits remain high. She said she has cut about eight records and earned \$50,000 from reruns of "Real People."

She holds court in a cluttered living room dominated by a piano, an organ and reel-to-reel recording equipment. "Ms. Real People," as she calls herself, writes poetry and composes music whenever she is inspired by — what else? — real people.

"Ninety percent of my poems are about real people. Why, my song 'My Reward for Loving You is You Divorcing Me' is based on a



Associated Press photo

Beulah Kershaw holds her dog in the yard of her home in Crossville, Ill., recently. "Disco" Beulah skyrocketed to stardom in 1978 when a Chicago disc jockey played her song, "A Woman in Love" which sold more than 2,000 copies. She was also on TV's "Real People."

friend's true story in Mount Carmel," Kershaw said.

Among Crossville's 940 residents, Kershaw seems well respected, if a little misunderstood.

"Everybody's heard of Beulah," said village president Delbert Brown. "She's kind of eccentric,

but as far as I know, she's a good person."

When Kershaw isn't writing poetry or composing music, she's encouraging middle-age wannabes like Peach Ingram, who's hoping for her own break into stardom.

"Beulah always pushes me to do the best I can," Ingram said.

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Religious-ethnic conflict 'serious'

The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Assessing 1992's main religious developments, the dean of Vanderbilt University Divinity School says the rise of religious-ethnic conflict is "clearly the most serious thing we're seeing."

Joseph C. Hough said the conflict is most evident in emergence of neo-Nazism in Germany, in Slavic republics of the former Soviet Union and in India, but is simmering elsewhere, including the United States.

He cited these other developments:

— Approaching showdown over lesbian and gay ordination in Protestant churches.

— Ethical questions surrounding physician-assisted suicide by the terminally ill.

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Survivor recalls strength

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Her name is Miya Rodolfo-Sioson and for a few, fleeting days, she held the nation's attention, not for her accomplishments or her activism, but for her terrible misfortune.

She was the sole survivor of a murderous spree at the University of Iowa that left six people dead, including the gunman.

The public chapter of her story faded quickly. But in the year since, there has been a private epilogue, a tale of a victim of violence starting over, learning to cope without the use of her arms and legs, to live and thrive in a world of loss and limitation.

"I don't think I'm that brave," she says. "Most people, given the situation like mine, would pull through, too. It's either do that or you just die. . . . There's ALWAYS something worth living for."

For her, it's her passion for human rights struggles in El Salvador; she plans a trip there next spring to help film a documentary. And it's her studies; she's taking two Spanish courses toward her second undergraduate degree.

"She has always been determined," says her mother, Sonya, a former professor. "That has been enhanced. It's as if she said, 'So you throw a big rock in my path. You think I'm not going to climb it? I'm going to climb it!' She's got her chin in her air."

"She's really taken hold of the reins," her mother says. "She's well on her way to making something of her life."

But it will be far different from what Rodolfo-Sioson had planned before that November day in 1991 when she faced the rage of a stranger, a disgruntled doctoral student determined to kill those he believed had denied him a \$2,500 academic prize.

She was not in his plans. She was working in a temporary job, a cruel coincidence she has accepted with surprising equanimity.

But Year One as a quadriplegic

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Miya Rodolfo-Sioson

survivor of University of Iowa shooting spree

has not, of course, been as easy to accept.

Call it a period of adjustment.

No longer can she be the fiercely independent soul who, as a 7-month-old baby, snatched the spoon from her mother so she could feed herself. Or the fastidious student who, when growing up, would do her school papers over and over until they were precise and neat enough to meet her standards.

Now, others — including three housemates — brush her teeth, wash her face, comb her hair. They dress her, feed her, put her in bed and lift her out. They take her notes in class.

They are the doers, she's the director, and that sometimes rankles her, even though she once worked as a personal attendant for disabled students.

"I'm still a perfectionist," the soon-to-be 25-year-old student says with a shy smile. "Nobody who works for me is going to be as compulsive about things as I am, so I'm going to have to let things slide sometimes and let them do it their way."

No longer can she be the young woman in a hurry. Her close friend, housemate and personal-care attendant, Jacque Gharib, recalls that before the shooting, Miya often was the first to phone her in the morning, the last at night, brimming with ideas.

The impatience of youth has been tempered by a new reality. Trips to a class in a van must be scheduled. Some places, such as loud bars, are off-limits; her soft voice, weakened by her paralysis, is barely audible.

No longer can she enjoy cycling and dancing, perform occasionally with a local Palestinian dance troupe.

"Not being able to hug people bugs me sometimes," she says, sitting erectly, her long hair flowing down the back of her chair. "You feel like there's a barrier between you and some people."

But Rodolfo-Sioson focuses on positives and possibilities.

"I can still do a lot," she says.

"It's not like I was a great athlete or a great dancer where I would

have been devastated. I have always been first and foremost a student and an activist. My physical disability doesn't preclude that."

Her 3½ months at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago put it all in perspective. She envied patients there who could use their hands. But she was grateful, too, her disability had not affected her mind.

"My intellect is the same," she says. "That makes a BIG difference."

In Year One, she quickly mastered the sip-and-puff system in which she blows air into a straw-like device that guides her motorized wheelchair.

She learned to use a keyboard system with a mouthstick for homework and letters — hundreds of people from around the world wrote her — and a voice-activated electronic unit that allows her to turn on the TV, radio and appliances.

She rehearsed boarding planes at the airport.

She overcame her worries about maneuvering her wheelchair, her fears of falling off the lifts of buses and vans, her irritation at having people stare at her.

"She has a lot of talent and a lot of desire," says her friend, Gharib. "She works at something until she gets what she wants."

"All (disabled) people, to go on, they have to demonstrate a tremendous resiliency of the human spirit," says Mary Lohse, her physical therapist in Iowa. "She has done that."

But Miya has been depressed, too, early on and at the anniversary of the shooting.

It will never be over for her. Though she doesn't recall being angry — "I just kind of left that to my mom and other people who wanted to blame somebody" — forgiveness is another matter.

"It's hard to say whether I would be able to forgive him or not because he's dead, but I think I could," says Rodolfo-Sioson, who received a letter of apology from Gang Lu's sister.



Clinton's cook

Eliza Jane Ashley prepares a pound cake at her home in Little Rock Friday. Now retired, she was the cook for the Governor's Mansion while

Bill Clinton was in office. Her recipes and recollections from seven Arkansas governors are in her book, "Thirty Years at the Mansion."

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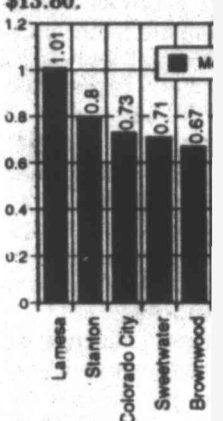
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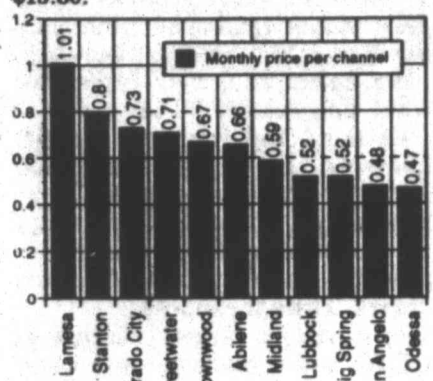
Local cable TV rates to increase in February

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

Big Spring Cable TV will adjust rates Feb. 1, announced Manager Larson Lloyd.

Rising costs in several areas are the reason for the adjustment, with the overwhelming cost increases attributed to higher license fees paid to program suppliers for basic services like CNN, ESPN and others, Lloyd said.

Charges for the company's 12-channel "limited" service will increase 55 cents a month for the first outlet, to \$12.50. Outside the city of Big Spring the new rate is \$13.00.



Cable television rates in area. Big Spring's rate will increase to 58 cents per channel Feb. 1.

Thirty-three-channel "full" service has a new rate of \$19.25 a month for the first outlet. Outside the city of Big Spring, this rate is \$20.55 a month. The new rates do not include sales taxes. All other cable rates will remain the same.

Lloyd said a study of area cable rates has been made and Big Spring Cable's rates are "fortunately still low compared to those in the state, and also compare extremely well to the costs of other forms of entertainment available in our area."

He noted Big Spring Cable TV paid close attention to customer satisfaction and wants to remind customers that Big Spring Cable TV continues to provide service calls at no additional charge.

Further information on the rate adjustment will be available in local newspaper advertising and on the back of upcoming cable bills, Lloyd said. Customers who pay cable bills 12 months in advance can still pay current rates and save an additional 5 percent if they act by Jan. 21.

Customer service representatives would be pleased to explain the adjustments for customers who visit the office at 2006 Birdwell Lane or call 267-3821, Lloyd said.

Employer tax rates to drop in upcoming year

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

"Texas employers can breathe a sigh of relief because their tax rates are not going to escalate significantly," Mary Scott Nabors, commissioner of the Texas Employment Commission, said of 1993 rates.

"This has been a trying year. The state's economic woes have caused thousands of businesses to downsize and the result has been massive layoffs throughout Texas. Employment prospects have been so bleak that unemployment benefits have been extended on an emergency basis numerous times. These factors have greatly concerned Texas employers about their 1993 TEC tax rates," Nabors said.

The maximum rate that could apply to any Texas employer in 1993 will be 6.35 percent, up from last year's rate of .63 percent, according to Nabors. The lowest rate any business will experience next year will be .35 percent, up from .3 percent in 1992.

The new rates become effective Jan. 1.

Employers should begin receiving their individual tax rate notices the second week of February. Payment will be due for the first quarter of 1993 in April.

"Employers in Texas pay taxes for every employee's first \$9,000 in wages. Depending on an employer's tax rate, that amount could vary from a low of \$31.50 per person to a high of \$571.50 per person," Nabors said. There are more than 333,000 tax-paying employers in Texas.

The Texas Employment Commission administers the Texas Unemployment Compensation Act and provides services to both employers and employees statewide.

Happy New Year

Looking back

1992:

the year in review

Business & Industry

By GARY SHANKS
Staff Writer

The year has seen considerable innovation in and around Howard County, as entrepreneurs and other businessmen struggled to excel in the harsh economic climate of 1992.

Major factors influencing the current Big Spring economy include the introduction of H-E-B Grocery Store, which employs more than 130 personnel, and the loss of about half of Howard County's cotton acres.

Effecting the future of the local economy are such diverse factors as:

- Pending closing of a deal with Wright Fibers Inc. of Decatur to build a local textile plant, expected to employ 100 people initially with as many as 500 in the future;



Crowds jam H-E-B Grocery Store's new store on Gregg Street on opening day in October.

- Cutbacks at the Big Spring State Hospital will add to job losses.

- Pending Free Trade Agreement with Mexico, which some say will have a positive effect on the West Texas economy as well

as the state overall.

- Mandatory and voluntary environmental upgrades at the Big Spring Fina Refinery may effect its profitability.

- Conoco NG&GP's new Sterling County plant employs

only about 11 people, but most reside in Big Spring.

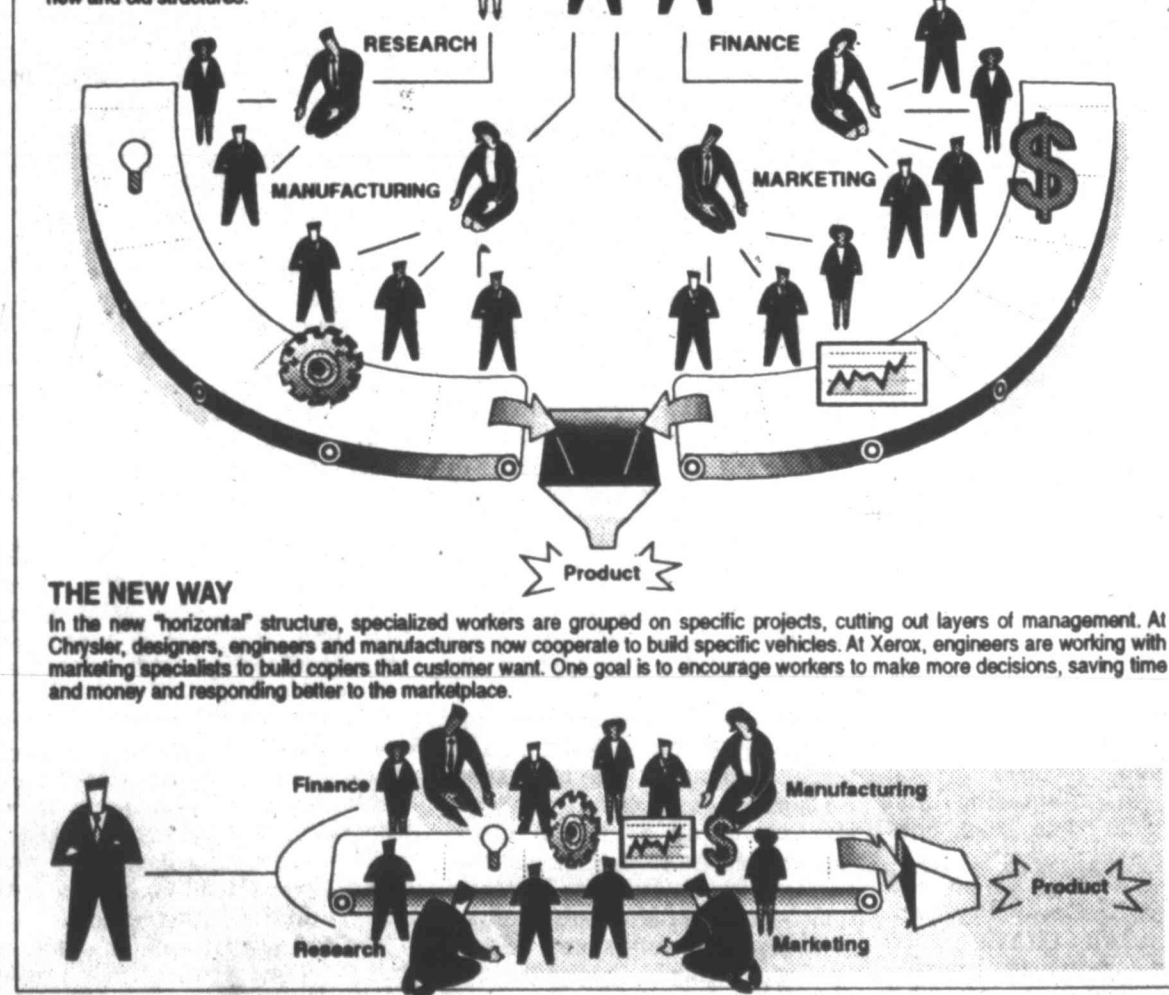
Economic development efforts have come from several areas.

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Companies dismantle hierarchies

The new corporation

For the first time in decades, the basic structure of the American corporation is changing. The need for a leaner, faster, more efficient style was clear in 1992, when corporate pillars such as General Motors and IBM cut thousands of jobs and lost billions of dollars. A lot at the new and old structures.



Source: McKinsey & Co., AP research

AP/Floss Toro

By STEFAN FATSIS
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK — General Motors Corp. slashes tens of thousands of jobs and ousts the chairman.

IBM spends more than \$11 billion to streamline and its stock sinks. Sears, Roebuck & Co. abandons non-retailing businesses amassed over 20 years. American Express Co. loses nearly 1 million card customers and the chairman steps down.

On the surface, 1992 appeared to be a disastrous year for corporate America. Fortune 500 pillars performed a bloodletting that was steady, extreme and unprecedented.

But the headlines masked a positive trend emerging at the corporations whose troubles spilled into public view. At dozens of other companies seeking to compete in the 1990s, change is in full force.

From the biggest manufacturers down, U.S. companies are radically redesigning themselves, spending hundreds of millions of dollars on consultants and scrapping time-honored management methods viewed as obsolete.

What's out at the new corporation is the hierarchy that has characterized American business since the Industrial Revolution. What's in are small business units, empowered workers and customer-driven processes.

The restructurings — occurring quietly at household names such as Xerox, Motorola, Chrysler, General Electric, AT&T and others — reflect how long-brewing ideas about management have entered the mainstream workplace.

More important, though, the changes demonstrate how American companies that for years seemed oblivious to foreign challengers or customer com-

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Setting goals and determining how to reach them is key to any organization, including chambers

It is said that people who don't know where they are headed will get there in no time. This statement is also true for chambers of commerce.

The chamber which wanders without direction is the chamber that gets there — but without accomplishments.

The key to any organization, is to set goals, determine how to reach them and then set out to accomplish them. The result is a program of work packed with power.

The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors have approved the 1993 Program of Work. Several additions and

changes will be scheduled the first of January.

Twenty-one committees will be working on specific goals for the betterment of Big Spring/Howard County.

Four of these committees are new and they are Membership Relations, Dora Roberts Convention/Community Center, Tourism Steering Committee and the Minority Involvement Planning Committee.

The Membership Relations Committee will be a combination of our women's division, the Blue Blazers, and our public relations division, Yes for Big Spring Group.



Linda Roger

Within this group we will have Blue Blazers and Red Coats, who will be the Chamber's public relations at the banquet, luncheons, ribbon cuttings, and grand openings, along with the Blue Blazers hosting the annual women's conference.

This entire group will conduct

this year's membership drive, which will go back to personally contacting prospective new members.

The Dora Roberts Convention/Community Center committee will oversee the renovations and management of this center. Clyde and Beverly McMahon Jr. will chair this committee.

Jeff Morris has already begun his new group, the Tourism Steering Committee. This group is working on an all encompassing long range tourism plan for Howard County.

The Minority Involvement Planning Committee will be coor-

dated by Kent Newsom and Arnold Uribe. Their prime purpose is to bring together minority business owners and managers to form long range goals for our growing minority businesses.

Next week, we will review other committees that complete our Program of Work for 1993.

The only way we can improve our community is for each of us to exert the time and efforts toward one of these goals.

Linda Roger is executive vice president of the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce. Her column appears each Sunday.



Dan Wilkins

There's no right or wrong answer on load funds

The debate continues: no-load mutual funds versus load mutual funds. There is no right or wrong answer. The fact is that both types of mutual funds have pluses and minuses.

Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine recently tried to solve the load dilemma in an article titled "Load Vs. No Load: The Facts." Its conclusion was that, "assuming you select funds wisely," investors have a better chance of more total return with a no-load fund. That means that if you are lucky enough to pick one of the 10 top funds for next year and that fund happens to be a load fund, it would probably have a better total return if the cost of buying the fund were eliminated.

The top funds in two categories — long-term growth and government securities — for the latest 12-month and 5-year periods were listed, and the magazine illustrated how they would have performed without loads.

Three quick flaws in this analysis are: 1) few of us have personal access to a Kiplinger research reporter, 2) no one can forecast what next year's top funds will be, and 3) if you are a prudent investor who buys funds for the long term, short-term results are a minor consideration.

When you buy a load fund, a portion of the sales charge (load) goes to the broker/dealer who represents this fund (and typically many other funds). For that fee, the broker/dealer introduces you to the fund, explains the fund and is obligated to see that it meets your objectives. The load further obligates the broker/dealer to continue servicing your account for as long as you own the fund.

It is your responsibility to select a broker with integrity and a reputation of servicing what he or she sells. The fee you pay to buy the fund does not guarantee this.

Kiplinger does recommend that you not "be an absolutist on the load/no-load debate." Other considerations include:

1. View commissions in the context of all expenses.
2. The longer you plan to be in a fund, the less you need to be concerned about the sales charge (load).

"Front-end loads are a pittance when spread over many years," says the magazine.

Finally, Kiplinger advises that investors who don't have the time, willingness or expertise to evaluate funds in depth should seek a financial adviser who can help them choose.

How then should you view the load/no-load controversy? If you are confident in your own financial decisions and have a reasonably good track record, load funds might offer you an unnecessary service. On the other hand, if you study the more than 3,000 different mutual funds offered to the public and are overwhelmed, perhaps you should follow Kiplinger's advice and select someone who can help you choose.

Financial Focus is a reader service of Edward D. Jones & Co., 219 Main St., 267-2501. Local investment representative is Dan Wilkins.

New Year's holiday is not a time to rest on laurels

Sometimes I feel one of the greatest luxuries I could experience would be to have the time to really be caught up on things and relax for just a short while, but I suppose we would tend to stagnate if that happened on a too regular of a basis! The year 1992 is ending, from our office standpoint, anyway, with major events and happenings right up to the last minute and plans already underway for the big events of 1993 to start up right away!

The 4H Christmas Party last week was a huge success. Thanks so much to all the volunteer leaders and parents that helped put it together! Early the next morning was the first Annual Howard County International Junior Livestock Show that the Seniors 4H Club members hosted, and did a very professional job in handling all the events. Members of Howard College's Livestock Judging team helped put the placings on the class win-

ners and determined the showmanship winners.

The final reports for those serving on our county Extension Study Group Committee (the folks who helped develop the county's Extension Long Range Plan) got their final copy of the "Discover Extension In Howard County" edition for 1992, shortly before New Year's Eve as did the 4H families with their final edition of the monthly 4H newsletter.

The final days of 1992 will be spent in Odessa this year at the Annual Sandhills Hereford and Quarter Horse Show where a number of 4H members have livestock projects entered there.

The year 1993 will kickoff with final preparations for the Second big West Texas Ag Expo. Plans have been made for a super event to highlight the agricultural industry here in Howard County at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum January 8-10. The Chamber of



Don Richardson

Commerce's Agricultural Committee will host the Agricultural Appreciation Dinner and Program to kick things off on Friday evening, Jan. 8, in the East Room of the Coliseum. Senator Bill Sims will be guest speaker for this event. Saturday will once again open the weekend with outstanding agricultural exhibits from throughout the area with the latest in technology and equipment on display. Throughout the weekend concurrent educational programs will be held for all persons with many different interests ranging from cotton producers to ranchers and home gardeners. Agricultural

Producers will have the opportunity to obtain continuing educational credits applicable to their Texas Department of Agriculture private pesticide applicators licenses at two events on Saturday and at the same time get the latest information on many cotton production practices and brush control. Stock show enthusiasts can get the latest update on these events on Sunday afternoon by Dr. Frank Craddock, livestock specialist from San Angelo as well as the latest information on the rapidly developing meat goat industry in West Texas.

City, County and other governmental employees needing such TDA credits for Commercial/Non-Commercial pesticide licensing can obtain one-hour credit on Sunday afternoon with a special session on laws and regulations in handling and storage and disposal of pesticides by an official with the Texas Department of Agriculture.

A special natural fabrics style

show will be a highlight for everyone on Saturday afternoon with a special address by State Representative David Counts.

Included on Saturday's presentation on cotton production will be Charles Stickler, Extension Agronomist from Ft. Stockton, who will give us an up-date on the results of cotton demonstrations in our area in 1992 and also some information on grain sorghum, black-eye peas and Sesame. He will also discuss the production of colored cottons in our area, a relative new practice with some limitations but attractive prices received this past year for those growing it.

Immediately on the heels of our Expo will be the annual Howard County Junior Livestock Show on January 14-16, officially. Throughout the days previous to those, 4H and FFA members and their parents and leaders will be busy preparing the facilities and the animals for this big event.

Plans right now look for this show to be a very competitive one and will highlight the livestock project year for many of these youngsters involved with these programs. Additional details of this major community attraction will be highlighted in a future article.

With only about a week's break following the local livestock show, the major junior livestock show season kicks off with Ft. Worth and El Paso, followed closely by San Antonio, Houston and finally, San Angelo. A lot of big changes, some very controversial, will be featured at this coming year's show season and we are anxious to see how these turn out.

So with this kind of schedule facing us in the very near future, we wish for each and everyone of you a most happy, prosperous and healthy new year!

Don Richardson is the agricultural extension agent for Howard County. His column appears each Sunday.

Year end

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Keeping Howard County residents employed and productive is the primary push of Moore Development for Big Spring Inc. Working closely with Howard College's Business Development Center, assistance has helped several small businesses to form as well as the \$5 million Wright Fibers project.

Wright Fibers will be the biggest success of Moore Development when the deal is sealed this week or next. The biggest success so far is American Limestone of Dallas, which opened a block-cutting operation in October, employing four now but expected to employ up to 25 by the end of next year.

Tourism is being pushed with success through the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's Convention and Visitors Bureau.

According to Chamber figures, the average visitor spends \$47 per day in Big Spring — in addition to lodging. That money then rolls over an average of five times within the community as local businessmen use it to pay workers and purchase supplies and workers then use it to purchase from local businesses.

Tourism spending in Howard County increased 9.11 percent, to \$20.33 million, in 1991 over the year before, the Texas Department of Commerce reported. That's more than any larger county in an 110-mile radius.

The 4,021 tourists that visited here in 1991 year beginning Oct. 1, as reported by the Visitors Bureau, is a 150 percent increase over the year before.

Entrepreneurs have made some strides and innovations locally.

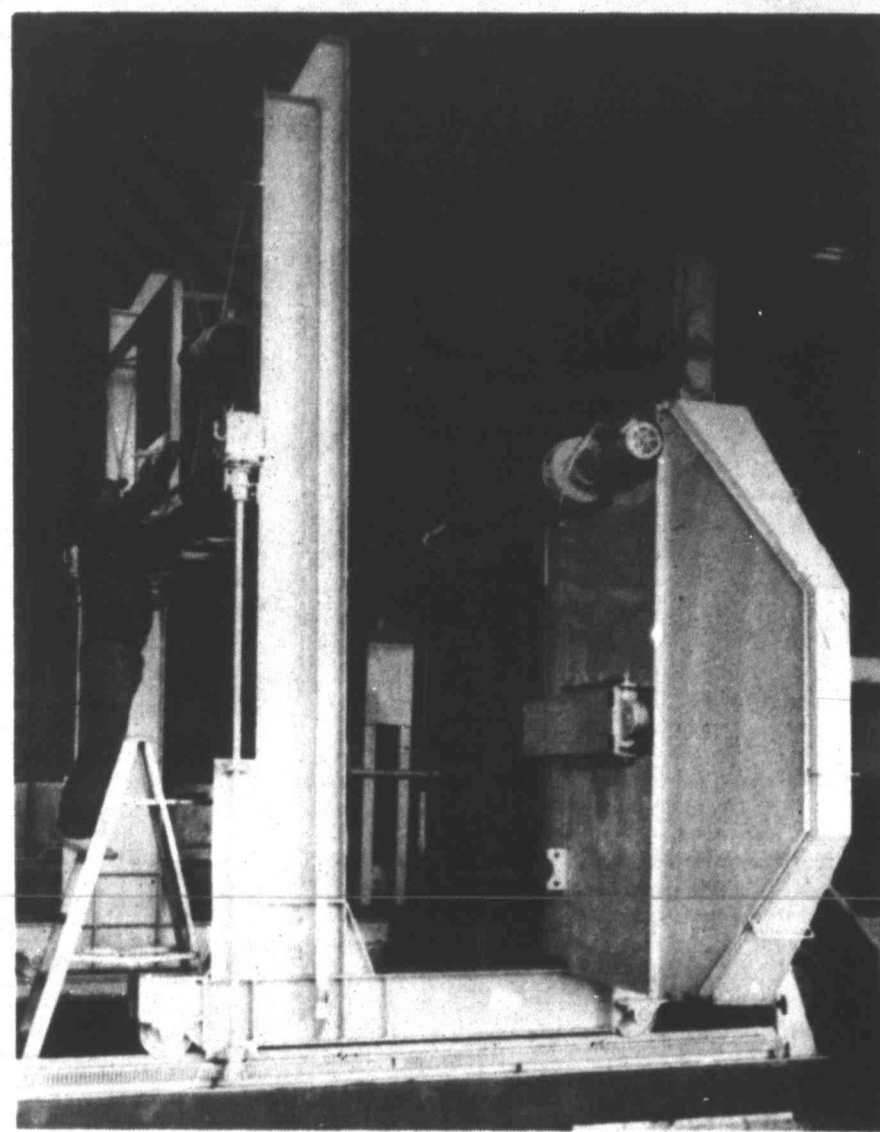
Building a profitable business from invention is almost commonplace for entrepreneur John Freeman, owner of Freecom Inc. In 1992, the latest of these businesses, HwyCom Inc. (co-owned by Freeman) received a state contract for more than \$150,000 worth of its innovative, safe highway signs.

Gaining some help from Moore Development, Andy Wostal now owns and operates his own business, Andy's Bullets. Although small, the manufacturer produces lead-alloy projectiles for sale across the U.S., bringing dollars into Big Spring.

New rules from the Environmental Protection Agency and other entities, although a burden to some, have been a boon to entrepreneurs who seize a newly opened market. Pack Rat Containers of Andrews and Medi-Waste Disposal Inc. of Lubbock are such companies, providing their waste-disposal services in Howard County.

While new regulations are forcing Fina to spend millions to keep the refinery in operation, the effect of closing refineries too small to make the changes may open new markets for the refinery's oil and chemical production. Plant Manager Jeff Morris said earlier this year.

According from Herald surveys in June, July and August, Big Spring fuel prices have been brought more into line with those of other



Herald photo by Tim Appel

A limestone-cutting saw purchased by Moore Development for Big Spring Inc. to induce American Limestone of Dallas to open an operation here, creating four jobs for now but up to 25 by the end of next year.

West Texas communities. This is of benefit to those businesses dependent on motor vehicle transportation.

New businesses and services available in Big Spring include Dr. Dana Speer Phillips' new gynecological practice, Chrysler

products are again available at Otto Meyer's new Big Spring Chrysler, Plymouth, Dodge, Jeep, Eagle Inc., Nails By Diane opened its doors at 114 W. 2nd, Coahoma-based Beth Ann's opened a Big Spring store at Scurry and 20th Street, Subway Sandwich Shop, and a number of small restaurants.

Corporations

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Whatever the buzzword, a key goal is getting workers and managers to find better ways of generating ideas, managing technology and information, and cooperating toward a common goal.

Gone is the familiar postwar company embodied in books like William H. Whyte's 1956 corporate classic "Organization Man," and the 1960 film "The Apartment," in which Jack Lemmon plays ladder-climbing insurance clerk C.C. Baxter, who works "on the 19th floor, Ordinary Policy Department, Premium Accounting Division, Section W, desk 861."

Today's new company is more like Xerox Corp., which a year ago shattered its hierarchy. The office copier pioneer has replaced four huge divisions grouped around tasks like manufacturing and marketing with nine lean ones organized around products.

Factory workers at Xerox have designed their own assembly lines, recommended changes to manager, even managed construction of a new cafeteria. Midlevel engineers are training in marketing and finance. Suppliers

are helping plan products. Xerox is one of the boldest of the new management thinkers. People like its chairman, Paul Allaire, and John F. Welch, the forward-looking General Electric Co. chief, are leading a pack of executives implementing change before times turn sour.

Chrysler Corp., which received a billion-dollar government bailout in the late 1970s, is winning management raves for its "platform teams" that unite all the people who build a car.

At the old Chrysler, designers, engineers and manufacturing managers worked independently, rejecting or modifying plans passed around. Now engineers specializing in engines work on specific vehicles with engineers specializing in electronics. They in turn team up with design, finance, purchasing and manufacturing experts.

"We no longer wait for senior management to sign off on a piece of trim or the angle of a roof," said Tom Kowaleski, a Chrysler spokesman for production and manufacturing. "The role of senior management now is not to make the final decisions but to make sure the decisions the team is making are ones that fit in with the vision of the company."

Chrysler has created six platform teams — Jeep truck, minivans, large cars, small cars, special projects and long-range projects — and reduced product development to about three years from four and a half years. Its new LH line, the first mass-produced under this team concept, has been praised widely.

Such decentralization has two important components: training and trust. Consultants say companies carefully must develop the skills workers need to function in a cooperative environment.

In the rush to "downsize" at the end of the 1980s, many businesses didn't identify what they wanted newly empowered workers to do. The team concept itself is about 20 years old, but until now was rarely part of a broader management and culture shift.

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Xerox is one of the boldest of the new management thinkers. People like its chairman, Paul Allaire, and John F. Welch, the forward-looking General Electric Co. chief, are leading a pack of executives implementing change before times turn sour.

Chrysler Corp., which received a billion-dollar government bailout in the late 1970s, is winning management raves for its "platform teams" that unite all the people who build a car.

At the old Chrysler, designers, engineers and manufacturing managers worked independently, rejecting or modifying plans passed around. Now engineers specializing in engines work on specific vehicles with engineers specializing in electronics. They in turn team up with design, finance, purchasing and manufacturing experts.

"We no longer wait for senior management to sign off on a piece of trim or the angle of a roof," said Tom Kowaleski, a Chrysler spokesman for production and manufacturing. "The role of senior management now is not to make the final decisions but to make sure the decisions the team is making are ones that fit in with the vision of the company."

Chrysler has created six platform teams — Jeep truck, minivans, large cars, small cars, special projects and long-range projects — and reduced product development to about three years from four and a half years. Its new LH line, the first mass-produced under this team concept, has been praised widely.

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Such steps amount to a rejection of the classic management philosophy that big is beautiful. American Telephone & Telegraph Co. once employed 1 million people, IBM half a million. Eastman Kodak Co. employed more than 30,000 people at one site in Rochester, N.Y., which is run like a small town.

Management thinkers say bigness, over time, deindividualized the American worker, leading to higher absenteeism, turnover and accidents. The combination of standardized practices and huge size also slowed work and created tremendous inefficiencies.

"You lose speed and build in increased costs by building in this overhead," said Edward E. Lawler III, director of the University of Southern California's Center for Effective Organizations. "What you do is create another level of management that causes trouble and slows the organization down."

That structure evolved after World War II, when big made sense as companies grew rapidly. Technology was limited; people manipulated simple, specialized machines like typewriters and slide rules. Markets were highly regulated and almost exclusively domestic. The labor force was mostly low- or semiskilled.

None of that applies anymore. In the last decade, executives and investors have demanded greater efficiency. That was behind Sears' decision in September to sell its financial services units and concentrate on retailing, where the 106-year-old mail-order titan has fallen behind upstarts such as Wal-Mart Stores Inc. and Kmart Corp.

The challenge for an organizational designer is maintaining size where it's useful — such as in purchasing supplies or raising capital — and creating small units where appropriate — as in core operations or customer relations.

Motorola Inc. has been working several years to achieve that balance, decentralizing to accelerate decision-making and fostering creativity by encouraging debate and dissent on thousands of small work teams.

At the electronics company's Government Electronics Group in Scottsdale, Ariz., about two-thirds of 5,300 employees work in teams. One area, supply management, has eliminated several management layers and redefined its primary task: managing supply not just on orders and price, but on the costs of bad quality, delays and unproductive work.

It does that with 30 percent fewer employees, who carry cards stating: "Our fundamental objective and everyone's overriding responsibility is total customer satisfaction."

GE has used foresight and innovation to flatten its management structure companywide. CEO Jack Welch has cut employment from 400,000 in the 1980s to 275,000 today, while increasing revenues to \$60 billion from \$27 billion and nearly tripling profits to \$4.4 billion.

At GE's electric motor plant in Tell City, Ind., two of four levels separating manager and hourly employee have been eliminated. Workers accompany managers on

customer visits — almost unthinkable in the old system. Inventory, quality, speed and costs all are down at the 400-employee plant.

"We want more from our people," plant manager Don McCracken said. "We don't want just their backs and their arms. We want their minds."

Getting employees to change, however, requires establishing new expectations and rewards. Lower-level workers have to adapt to responsibility. Managers have to adjust to leading teams, not giving orders. Titles mean less.

As part of a larger program at AT&T, senior managers are rated by subordinates on about 30 specific behaviors. Then they discuss the findings. The first executive rated was chairman Robert E. Allen.

In the old corporation, reward meant promotion. In the corporation of the future, it may mean tougher challenges or leading projects — as well as higher pay.

"You need to pay people by the contribution they make, not level or status," said Rosabeth Moss Kanter, a Harvard Business School professor and author of "The Challenge of Organizational Change." "And you need to give them a stake in the company."

"The hierarchy has not just been a hierarchy of reporting," she said. "It's a hierarchy of career progress."

At Xerox's factory in Webster, N.Y., a tote board records whether workers on specific products are meeting goals for quality, safety, cost and delivery. Meeting targets can mean up to \$350 in quarterly bonuses. Managers, too, are rewarded based on performance.

Such incentives encourage workers to improve. Xerox union employees have redesigned their floor layout to bring parts closer to the assembly line. A four-hour supply of parts has reduced clutter — and costs.

Xerox's unionized workers say that in an era of intense competition, cooperating with management has been in the best interests of both sides. Workers in other industries have reached similar conclusions.

"Ten years ago we could have been out of business," said Charles Young, a trouble-shooter at Xerox's Webster plant, who has been with the company 27 years. "If we didn't change something, we wouldn't be here today."

For top executives, seminar training is inevitable to persuade them change can be effective and that others can be trusted to make decisions.

Xerox's top brass bonded on an Outward Bound sailing trip in the Chesapeake Bay. IDS Financial Services Inc., a financial planner owned by American Express, sent senior executives to the Pecos River Conference Center in Santa Fe, N.M., where they climbed mountains and ascended telephone poles.

"It was a watershed event," said Steve Kumagai, a sales executive who is heading the Minneapolis-based company's "IDS 1994" project to redesign its core business.

"One of the ways we always thought we were reducing risk was by controlling decisions ourselves," he said. "We learned we were our own worst enemy in that regard."

Companies also are learning change is gradual. IDS executives visited more than 40 companies to study innovations, from Ben & Jerry's Homemade Inc. to the Aid Association for Lutherans. They catalogued 1,200 ideas in a database.

From it, IDS has designed a structure that simplifies financial planning for customers and field representatives. The company is testing it in three states.

"To be able to show companies that it can work, you have to show them it will happen over time," said John Hofferter, director of manufacturing consulting at KPMG-Peat Marwick. "You have to teach them that change is good vs. change is bad."

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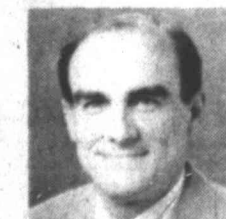
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Water district in black

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

The Colorado River Municipal Water District is going to complete the year well within the black.

Through November it had a net revenue of \$7.8 million, \$1,230,109 over budget projections, 19.63. Little over 70 percent of this, however, was in a receivable from Fina Oil Co. for purchase of potential storage in the district's non-potable Red Draw reservoir, the balance in budget under-runs.

Through the first 11 months, income totalled \$14 million, up \$681,964 due to the receivable mentioned. Of total revenues, \$13 million came from sale of water — which was almost precisely on target. Recreational income of \$176,259 was 21.41 per cent ahead of budget estimates.

Operating expenses of \$6.6 million were \$452,567 under budget, or 6.43 per cent. Of this, \$3,444,988 was for electric energy, or 67.75 per cent of operation-maintenance. Recreation expense was \$281,958, 2.90 over budget and administration and general expense \$1,256,151, 2.41 under budget.

Water sales for the 11 months stood at 14.3 billion gallons, about three-quarters of a billion gallons under the same period a year ago. This did not impact income all that much, because rates are predicated more on fixed charges than on revenue. Lake Ivie was lapsing at the spillway with over 553,000 acre feet in storage, or 99.58 percent full; Lake Thomas had 67,446 acre feet, 33.07 percent. Lake Spence 219,900 acre feet, 44.99 percent.

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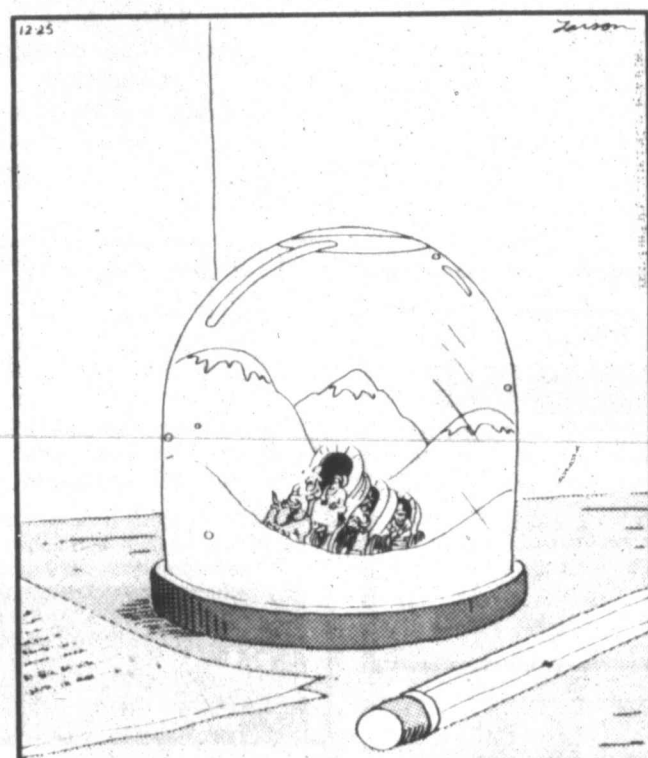
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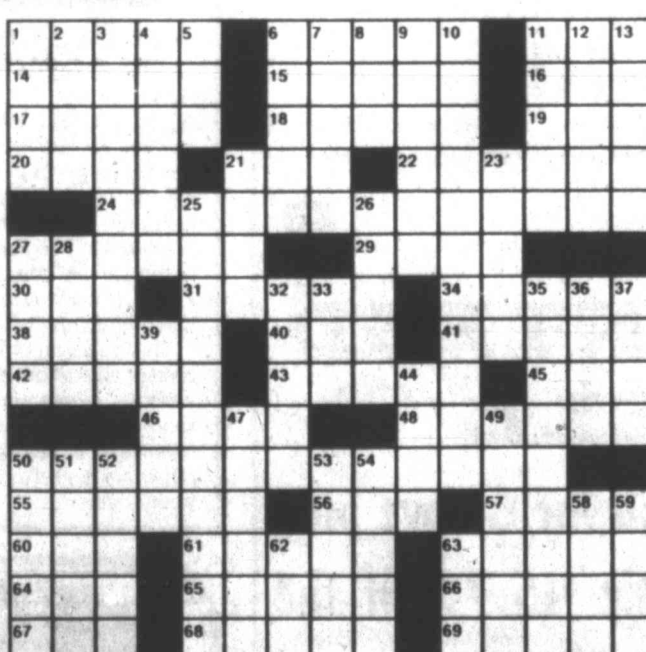
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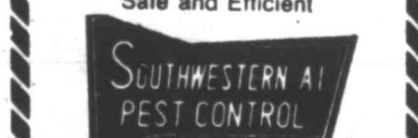
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This contract is subject to all appropriate Federal
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bidders will not be discriminated against on the
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to this invitation, and in consideration for an
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minimum wage rates as provided by Law, are
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the Texas Department of Transportation,
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1992's deaths

Deaths crossed many lines

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Farewell to champagne music,
to the man who put that gap-
toothed smile on Alfred E.
Newman's face, to the last sur-
vivor of "Casablanca's" tarmac.

So long to Lola-Lola, to the man
who put the bat in every Little
Leaguer's hand, to Watergate's
determined jurist.

Goodbye to all who left us in 1992.
Sometimes, it seems that we all
belong to some kind of planetary
Last Man's Club — that year after
year, one by one, we must witness
the passing of the people who wrote
the story of our times.

We are left with memories of
beloved cornballs like Lawrence
Welk and Bert Parks. And
memories of Alex Haley, who
taught blacks and everyone else
that they had roots. And memories
of M.F.K. Fisher, who loved food
and words.

Some were actors on the world
stage, like Menachem Begin,
Israel's terrorist-peacemaker;
Alexander Dubcek, the star-
crossed advocate of Czech
liberalization; Willy Brandt, the
father of détente.

But others were actors on the
world's stages: Marlene Dietrich,
the Blue Angel's Lola-Lola; Sandy
Dennis, who took us up the down
staircase; Freddie Bartholomew,
Little Lord Fauntleroy; Chuck

Connors, the Rifleman; Dame
Judith Anderson, Robert Morley,
Vincent Gardenia, Jose Ferrer,
Cleavon Little, Dick York.

Some are remembered perversely:
Shirley Booth was a fine ac-
tress, but for posterity she is Hazel,
a sitcom maid; Nancy Walker was
a superb comic, but to many she re-
mains a waitress who pushed
paper towels; Sterling Holloway
was a veteran comedic actor, but
in the end he was the voice of Win-
nie the Pooh.

Others are remembered for brief
and shining moments. Paul
Henriod will always be Victor
Laszlo, who won Ingrid Bergman
in "Casablanca"; Alfred Drake
will always be the baritone voice
that ushered in a new musical era
with "Oh, what a beautiful MORN-
ing" in "Oklahoma."

And still others were behind the
scenes. Cinematographer Nestor
Almendros caught light on film;
Richard Brooks directed "Elmer
Gantry" and more; Satyajit Ray
made universal films in India.

Then there were "Brady Bunch"
dad Robert Reed, showman-
songwriter Peter Allen, scene-
stealing British character actor
Denholm Elliott, "Psycho" star
Anthony Perkins. They shared
talent and celebrity and one more
thing — AIDS, the affliction of the
age.

In the face of AIDS and so much
more, laughter is precious. We lost
a lot of laughter in 1992.

William M. Gaines made every
kid a smart aleck with his Mad
magazine. Sam Kinison made
anger funny. Benny Hill made eyes
(and more) at any shapely blonde.
Lou Jacobs made merriment as
one of America's great circus
clowns.

And Hal Roach made hilarity on
celluloid, creating Harold Lloyd,
Laurel and Hardy, and Our Gang.

Music, too, faded out — from
modern masters John Cage and
William Schuman to saloon singer
Sylvia Syms, from lyric soprano
Dorothy Kirsten to country per-
formers Roy Acuff and "King of
the Road" Roy Miller to rock
drummer Jeff Porcaro, from
bluesman Willie Dixon to Charles
"Honi" Coles, who sang with the
taps on his feet.

Mary Wells will never again sing
"My Guy"; Eddie Kendricks will
never again sing "My Girl."

Other voices were lost to the ages
in 1992: broadcasters Eric
Seavard and Hughes Rudd. Red
Barber put us in the cabbird seat to
hear the exploits of ballplayers like
Eddie Lopat and Sandy
Amoros, who also died this year.

Sports also lost Lyle Alzado, the
fearsome linebacker who blamed
his brain cancer on steroids. And
baseball executive Carl Barger.
And Carl Stotz, who invented Little
League in 1939.

Sam Walton merely invented the
nation's largest retail chain, Wal-
Mart, and built the nation's largest
personal fortune. Daniel K. Ludwig
built ships, and an enormous for-
tune, as well.

Others built careers in public
service. John J. Sirica ad-
ministered a stern justice during

the Watergate scandal; Irving R.
Kaufman was a well-respected
federal judge, but he went to his
grave cursed by those who feel he
railroaded Julius and Ethel
Rosenberg, executed as atomic
spies.

Also gone: North Dakota Senator
Quentin Burdick; two eccentric
former U.S. senators from Califor-
nia — song-and-dance man George
Murphy, and semanticist-
university president S.I.
Hayakawa; and Millicent Fen-
wick, the pipe-smoking representa-
tive from New Jersey who in-
spired Doonesbury's Lacey
Davenport.

And Philip Habib, the career
diplomat who helped arrange the
Camp David peace talks.

And James E. Webb, the man
who led NASA's surge to the moon.

There were so many others, from
so many walks of life: German
Green leader Petra Kelly, writers
Isaac Asimov, Allan Bloom and
Laurie Colwin, painter Francis
Bacon, Sinatra pal Jilly Rizzo,
Princess Diana's father, President
Bush's mother, mobster Anthony
"Fat Tony" Salerno, editor
William Shawn, JFK conspiracy
prosecutor Jim Garrison,

Salvadoran right-winger Roberto
d'Aubuisson, psychologist Lee
Salk, and Earl Scheib, the king of
low-cost auto paint jobs.

And Superman.

He alone will return.

Death list

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

They left their mark in art, science,
business. They merged Laurel with Hardy,
bossed an organized crime gang, built the na-
tion's most successful retail chain, brought
baseball to life for radio listeners.

A roll of notable men and women who died
in 1992:

JANUARY

Shizuo Takano, former Japanese elec-
tronics company executive who led the
development of VHS video cassette recorders.
Age 66, Jan. 19.

Jose Ferrer, stage and film actor who won
an Oscar in 1950 as Iphigenia, long-nosed
Cyrano de Bergerac and was nominated for
his portrayal of the painter Henri de Toulouse-
Lautrec. Age 80, Jan. 26.

Willie Dixon, the Chicago bluesman whose
songs helped make stars of generations of
rock musicians — including Elvis Presley,
Jimi Hendrix and the Rolling Stones. Age 76,
Jan. 29.

FEBRUARY

Irving R. Kaufman, judge who condemned
Ethel and Julius Rosenberg to death for pass-
ing atom bomb secrets to the Soviet Union.
Age 81, Feb. 1.

Bert Parks, who for a quarter-century
serenaded the newly crowned Miss America
with the song "There She Is." Age 77, Feb. 2.

Alex Haley, Pulitzer Prize-winning writer
whose book "Roots" told the story of the black
experience in America and inspired people of
all races to search for their ancestors. Age 70,
Feb. 16.

Dick York, who played a stressed-out ad-
vertising executive "Bewitched" by his wife and
spent his final years helping the poor. Age 63,
Feb. 20.

Jean R. Yawkey, a onetime fashion model
who married a wealthy businessman-
sportsman and became majority owner of the
Boston Red Sox. Age 83, Feb. 26.

S.I. Hayakawa, the semantics professor
whose showdown with student protesters led
to a short U.S. Senate career. Age 85, Feb. 27.

Earl A. Scheib, the gravel-voiced television
entrepreneur who promised to paint "any car,
any color." Age 85, Feb. 28.

MARCH

Sandy Dennis, who won an Oscar as a
whispering wife in "Who's Afraid of Virginia
Woollf?" and back-to-back Tony Awards. Age
54, March 2.

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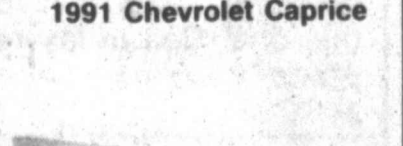
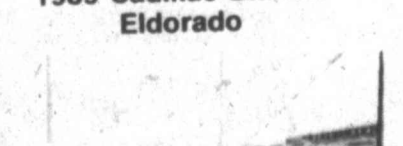
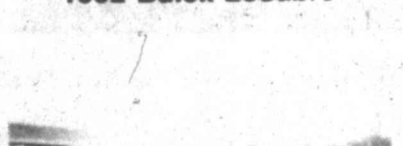



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Menachem Begin, a Polish Jew who was wanted as a terrorist during Israel's fight for independence but later won a Nobel prize for making peace with Egypt. Age 78. March 9.

Richard Brooks, the gruff, hard-boiled director of the dramas "The Blackboard Jungle" and "In Cold Blood" and Oscar-winning screenwriter of "Elmer Gantry." Age 79. March 11.

Nancy Walker, whose long acting and directing career included playing the mother on television's "Rhoda," the housekeeper on "McMillan and Wife," and Rosie the waitress on paper towel commercials. Age 69. March 25.

James Edwin Webb, who directed the National Aeronautics and Space Administration during its crucial years of expansion and achievement in the 1960s. Age 85. March 27.

Paul Henreid, who played the stoic resistance fighter who walked away with Ingrid Bergman in the film "Casablanca." Age 84. March 29.

APRIL

Sam Walton, who built Wal-Mart into the nation's biggest retail chain and became one of America's richest men without losing his penchant for pickup trucks and bargain haircuts. Age 74. April 5.

Isaac Asimov, whose nearly 500 books ranged from science fact to science fiction foretelling an era in which mankind and benign robots spread across the galaxy. Age 72. April 6.

Daniel Bovet, a Swiss-born pharmacologist who discovered the first antihistamine and won the Nobel Prize for medicine. Age 85. April 8.

Gale McGee, a Wyoming Democrat served nearly 20 years in the Senate and also was ambassador to the Organization of American States. Age 77. April 9.

Sam Kinsion, preacher-turned-bawdy comic known for his shock-effect screeches. Age 38. April 10.

Sammy Price, the "King of Boogie Woogie" piano who toured from Dallas to Paris and jammed with jazz giants Lester Young and King Curtis during a seven-decade career. Age 83. April 14.

Neville Brand, a real-life war hero who made an acting career out of playing tough guys in movies such as "Stalag 17" and "Birdman of Alcatraz." Age 71. April 16.

Johnny Shines, a guitarist and singer who gained fame late in life as one of the creators of the "Delta blues" sound. Age 76. April 20.

Grand Duke Vladimir Kirillovich Romanov, the heir to the Russian throne. Age 74. April 21.

Benny Hill, plump, bug-eyed British comedian known for his naughty double entendres and mimicry. Age 67. April 20.

Satyajit Ray, the Oscar-winning Indian filmmaker whose movies such as "Pather Panchali" and "The Chess Player" drew worldwide acclaim. Age 70. April 23.

Francis Bacon, whose disturbing paintings of humanity in despair fetched millions and ranked him among Britain's greatest 20th-century artists. Age 82. April 28.

Olivier Messiaen, who drew inspiration from Oriental music, birdcalls and deep religious faith in becoming one of France's leading 20th-century composers. Age 83. April 28.

MAY

Lee Salk, renowned child psychologist and author of eight books on family relationships. Age 65. May 2.

George Murphy, a Hollywood song-and-dance man who served one term as a U.S. senator from California in the 1960s. Age 89. May 3.

Mariene Dietrich, the Berlin-born film legend whose husky voice and smoldering eyes seduced audiences for more than four decades on stage and films such as "The Blue Angel" and "Morocco." Age 96. May 6.

Robert Reed, who trained as a Shakespearean actor only to gain fame as the father of TV's "The Brady Bunch." Age 59. May 12.

Lyle Alzado, who took anabolic steroids to build himself into a fearsome football player and later blamed them for his fatal cancer. Age 43. May 14.

Lawrence Welk, the "wonderful, wonderful" champagne music-aster who struck up his band with "ah-one, an' ah-two" for a generation of TV viewers. Age 89. May 17.

Philip Habib, a career U.S. diplomat who helped arrange the Camp David summit and led the American delegation at the Vietnam peace talks. Age 72. May 25.

Tony "Big Tuna" Accardo, reputedly the longtime head of the Chicago mob and a former associate of gangster Al Capone. Age 84. May 27.

Karl Carstens, popular president of West Germany from 1979 until 1984 despite his Nazi past. Age 77. May 30.

JUNE

Robert Morley, witty British actor and playwright, known for title role in "Oscar Wilde" on stage and screen and Academy Award-nominated role as Louis XVI in "Marie Antoinette." Age 84. June 3.

Carl Stutz, who founded Little League baseball more than a half century ago as a diversion for his nephews. Age 82. June 4.

William M. Gaines, whose *Mad* magazine pokes fun at everyone and everything and made "What, me worry?" a catch phrase. Age 70. June 3.

Martin Goodman, whose Marvel Comics publishing company brought the world such characters as Captain America and Spider-Man. Age 84. June 6.

William France, the father of stock car racing and founder of the Daytona 500. Age 82. June 7.

William G. McGowan, who as founder and chairman of MCI revolutionized the telephone business. Age 64. June 8.

Eddie Lopat, part of the pitching corps that led the New York Yankees to five consecutive Arthur C. Lundahl, a CIA aerial-photography expert who detected missile sites on Cuba, touching off the 1962 Cuban missile crisis. Age 77. June 22.

Sandy Amoros, the former Brooklyn Dodgers outfielder whose dramatic catch of a fly ball helped his team win the 1955 World Series over the Yankees. Age 42. June 27.

JULY

Eric Sevareid, pioneer CBS newscaster known for his eloquent commentaries. Age 79. July 9.

Herbert Cornelius Kenny, who sang with the original Ink Spots group during the 1940s and early 1950s. Age 77. July 11.

George Arena, who claimed to have originated the priming, blond wrestling villain "Gorgeous George" and battled others in court for rights to the name. Age 84. July 16.

Mary Wells, Motown Records singing star whose party style graced such '60s hits as "My Guy" and "You Beat Me To The Punch." Age 49. July 26.

Anthony "Fat Tony" Salerno, the scowling, cigar-chomping former boss of New York's Genovese crime family who ended up dying in a federal prison. Age 80. July 27.

Joe Shuster, artist who teamed with writer Jerry Siegel in the 1930s to create the Superman comic book hero. Age 78. July 30.

Lord Cheshire, Britain's most decorated World War II pilot who later set up homes for wounded former servicemen around the world. Age 74. July 31.

G. Harrold Carswell, retired federal appeals court judge who was nominated to the U.S. Supreme Court by President Nixon, then rejected by the Senate in a bitter political battle in 1970. Age 72. July 31.

AUGUST

Wang Hongwen, textile mill worker turned Communist Party official who as one of the infamous Gang of Four led the Chinese Cultural Revolution. Age 58. Aug. 3.

John Anderson, tall, craggy-faced character actor who was a snooking used car salesman in Alfred Hitchcock's "Psycho" and who appeared on Broadway and television. Age 69. Aug. 7.

The Grand Ayatollah Abul Qasim al-Khoei, spiritual leader of the world's million Shiite Muslims. Age 95. Aug. 8.

John Cage, avant-garde composer who used everything from juke boxes and radios to star charts and computers to expand the definition of music. Age 79. Aug. 14.

Tony Williams, the original lead singer of The Platters whose renditions of "Only You" and "The Great Pretender" propelled the R&B group to stardom in the 1950s. Age 64. Aug. 14.

John J. Sirica, the federal judge who presided with toughness and fairness over the Watergate trials that led to the fall of Richard Nixon's presidency. Age 88. Aug. 14.

William Taylor, Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. chairman known for his non-political pragmatism and toughness. Age 53. Aug. 20.

SEPTEMBER

Joseph L. Rauh Jr., a respected champion of civil rights and liberal causes. Age 81. Sept. 3.

Sen. Quentin Burdick of North Dakota, who followed his father to Congress and over three decades earned a pork-barrel reputation for his unabashed pursuit of federal funds. Age 84. Sept. 8.

Nathan E. Cook, last surviving veteran of the Spanish-American War era, who lied about his age to get into the Navy at 15 and saw action in the Philippine Insurrection in 1901. Age 106. Sept. 10.

Jim Nabie, lead tenor for the tight-harmony vocal group the Ink Spots for 47 years. Age 72. Sept. 12.

Rep. Ted Weiss, a passionate liberal who as a Democratic congressman from New York championed causes from civil rights to the impeachment of President Reagan. Age 64. Sept. 14.

Anthony Perkins, whose performance as the murderous mama's boy in "Psycho" gave the screen one of its most memorable moments.

Age 48. Sept. 12.

Millicent Fenwick, the former New Jersey congresswoman who inspired the Donesbury character Lacey Davenport and was known for her high ethical standards and outspoken, stylish manner. Age 82. Sept. 16.

Bernice Gera, who became the first woman umpire in pro baseball in 1972 and then retired after just one game after a minor league manager screamed that she "should have stayed home peeling potatoes." Age 61. Sept. 23.

Willard F. Rockwell Jr., former chairman of Rockwell International Corp. Age 78. Sept. 24.

Paul Tully, political director of the Democratic National Committee and veteran of presidential campaigns by Edward Kennedy, Gary Hart, Walter Mondale and Michael Dukakis. Age 48. Sept. 24.

Retired four-star Army Gen. James Alward Van Fleet, who led combat campaigns on D-Day, at the Battle of the Bulge and in the Korean War. Age 100. Sept. 23.

Ralph Manheim, a prolific English translator of major works by authors including Gunter Grass and Bertolt Brecht. Age 85. Sept. 26.

John Richard Seitz, a baseball fanatic who turned his passion into APBA board games that thousands enjoy. Age 77. Sept. 26.

OCTOBER

Bruce Vorhauer, the inventor of the Today contraceptive sponge, who made millions and ran for the U.S. Senate but later fell on hard times. Age 50. Oct. 1.

Denholm Elliott, the veteran British supporting actor in films who often outshone the stars around him. Age 70. Oct. 6.

Eddie Kendricks, the Temptations singer whose clear falsetto punctuated such hits as "My Girl," "Get Ready" and "The Way You Do the Things You Do." Age 52. Oct. 5.

Ernest Volwiler, a former Abbott Laboratories president who helped develop "truth serum" and the sleep-inducing drug Nembutal. Age 99. Oct. 3.

Allan Bloom, whose 1987 best seller "The Closing of the American Mind" attacked academic faddism on American college campuses and shaped the debate over political correctness in the classroom. Age 62. Oct. 7.

Willy Brandt, the former West German chancellor whose overtures to the Soviet bloc bridged the East-West chasm and sped rapprochement between the two Germanys. Age 78. Oct. 10.

Hughes Rudd, a television newsman whose witty commentaries enlightened listeners during a 27-year career at CBS and ABC. Age 71. Oct. 13.

Actor John Hancock, who co-starred in the new TV comedy, "Love & War," and played a tough-minded judge on "L.A. Law." Age early 50s. Oct. 13.

Actress Shirley Booth, who won two Emmys as the bossy maid Hazel in the 1960s TV comedy of the same name and Tony and Oscar awards for stage and screen versions of "Come Back, Little Sheba." Age 94. Oct. 16.

Petra Kelly, charismatic founder of Germany's Greens party and a central figure in European peace movements. Age 44. Oct. 19.

Red Barber, sportscaster known as the "Old Redhead" whose lucid, folksy descriptions of Brooklyn Dodgers and New York Yankees games earned him a spot in Baseball's Hall of Fame. Age 84. Oct. 22.

Jim Garrison, the pistol-packing prosecutor who was accused of recklessly pursuing a conspiracy theory of the assassination of President Kennedy but was later lionized in the film "JFK." Age 70. Oct. 21.

Cleavon Little, an award-winning actor of stage and TV who was most remembered as Bart the black sheriff who cleans up a town of bumbling rednecks in the smash film comedy "Blazing Saddles." Age 53. Oct. 22.

Laurie E. Colwin, a short story writer, food essayist and author of novels such as "Goodbye Without Leaving" and "Family Happiness." Age 48. Oct. 24.

Jerome Andrews, an American pioneer of modern dance whose partners included Martha Graham. Age 84. Oct. 26.

Roger Miller, who topped the charts in the mid-'60s with witty, finger-popping hits like "King of the Road" and later wrote the music for the Tony Award-winning Broadway show "Big River." Age 54. Oct. 25.

Sir Kenneth MacMillan, who revived the tradition of full-length ballet in Britain as principal choreographer of the Royal Ballet. Age 62. Oct. 29.

Manuel Antonio "Tony" de Varona, who was prime minister in Cuba's last freely elected government and was forced into exile four times during his struggles against dictators. Age 83. Oct. 30.

Joan Mitchell, American painter whose canvases were a synthesis of expressionism and impressionism. Age 66. Oct. 30.

NOVEMBER

Hal Roach, the pioneering movie producer who launched the careers of Harold Lloyd, Laurel and Hardy, Our Gang and other classic comedians. Age 100. Nov. 2.

Hanya Holm, a modern-dance choreographer who later turned to Broadway and created the dances for such popular musicals as "Kiss Me Kate" and "My Fair Lady." Age 99. Nov. 3.

Jan H. Oert, whose discoveries on the origins of comets and the movement of the Milky Way made him one of the 20th century's leading astronomers. Age 92. Nov. 5.

Alexander Dubcek, the former Czechoslovak leader whose failed 1968 attempt to loosen the tight Communist grip on his nation became known as the "Prague Spring." Age 70. Nov. 7.

Jack Kelly, who played Bart Maverick, brother to James Garner's Bret in the popular television series "Maverick." Age 65. Nov. 7.

Chuck Connors, the towering, steely-eyed actor who played a quick-draw homesteader on television's "The Rifleman" during the 1950s and '60s. Age 71. Nov. 10.

Harry B. Cunningham, retailing executive who opened the first Kmart department store three decades ago. Age 85. Nov. 11.

Charles "Honi" Coles, the elegant tap dancer on Broadway and with bandleaders such as Count Basie and Cab Calloway. Age 81. Nov. 12.

Louis Nipper, who owned the Cincinnati Reds when the "Big Red Machine" won World Series titles in 1975 and 1976. Age 89. Nov. 14.

Dorothy Kirsten, lyric soprano known for roles in operas such as "Madame Butterfly," "Girl of the Golden West" and "Tosca." Age 82. Nov. 18.

Dorothy Bush, who instilled the spirit of competition in her son George and lived to see him elected president. Age 91. Nov. 19.

John Foreman, producer of such movies as "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid," "The

Man Who Would Be King" and "Prizzi's Honor." Age 67. Nov. 20.

Diane Varsi, actress who was nominated for an Academy Award for her first screen appearance as Lana Turner's troubled daughter in "Peyton Place." Age 54. Nov. 19.

Bobby Russell, who wrote such pop hits as "Little Green Apples," "Honey" and "The Night the Lights Went Out in Georgia." Age 52. Nov. 19.

President Lyndon B. Johnson, the country's ruler since the Communist takeover in 1975. Age 71. Nov. 21.

Sterling Holloway, comic actor and the cartoon voice behind Winnie the Pooh, the Cheshire Cat and the snake Kaa of "The Jungle Book." Age 87. Nov. 22.

Roy Acuff, whose fancy fiddle playing and stirring songs such as "The Wabash Cannonball" earned him the title "the king of country music." Age 89. Nov. 23.

Emilio Pucci, the aristocrat of Italian fashion known for bold and colorful designs and his "palazzo pajama" pants. Age 78. Nov. 29.

Blanchette Ferry Hooker Rockefeller, widow of John D. Rockefeller III and mother of Sen. Jay Rockefeller. Age 83. Nov. 29.

Randall Duell, who designed amusement parks such as Six Flags over Texas and Astroworld after a successful career as a Hollywood art director. Age 89. Nov. 29.

Robert Shayne, who acted with the likes of Katharine Hepburn and Ethel Barrymore in a movie, television and Broadway career that spanned 40 years. Age 92. Nov. 29.

DECEMBER

Tony Cuesta, who once served Fidel Castro but then spent much of his life trying to overthrow the Cuban leader through his group Comandos L. Age 64. Dec. 2.

Former Syrian President Nureddin Atassi, who was ousted and jailed for 22 years by Hafez al-Assad. Age 63. Dec. 3.

Rudolph Zimmermann, a World War II German test pilot who flew one of the world's first rocket-powered aircraft. Age 71. Dec. 4.

Richard J. Hughes, a former New Jersey governor and state Supreme Court chief justice who wrote the landmark 1974 Karen Ann Quinlan on the care of comatose patients. Age 83. Dec. 7.

William Shawn, the longtime editor of The New Yorker who provided a nurturing home for writers such as John Updike, James Thurber and E.B. White. Age 85. Dec. 8.

Vincent Gardenia, the Italian-born character actor who had a long career on stage, television and in films like "Moonstruck" and "Bang the Drum Slowly." Age 71. Dec. 9.

Carl Barger, who left the helm of the Pittsburgh Pirates baseball team to run the fledgling Florida Marlins. Age 62. Dec. 9.

Edward "Moose" Krause, former Notre Dame athletic director who helped bring glory to Fighting Irish teams for three decades until his retirement in 1981. Age 79. Dec. 11.

Ricky Ray, the hemophiliac Florida boy who with his two brothers waged a valiant fight against AIDS and public rejection. Age 15. Dec. 13.

Cornelius Vanderbilt Whitney, a business magnate, horseman and international socialite who was the scion of two of America's most aristocratic families. Age 93. Dec. 13.

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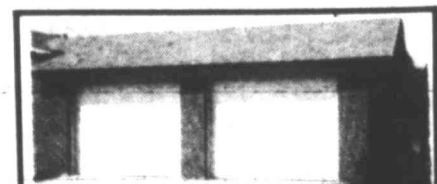
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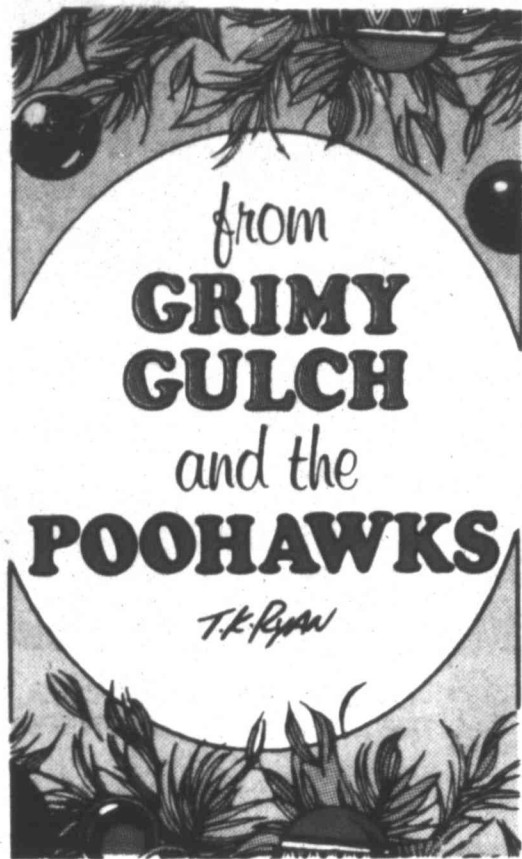
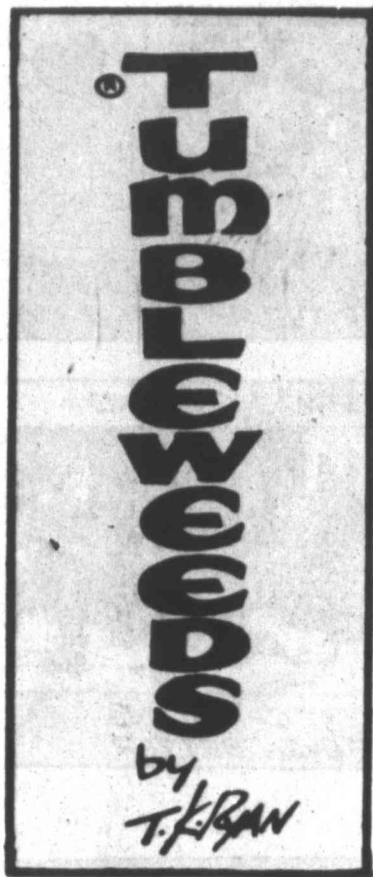
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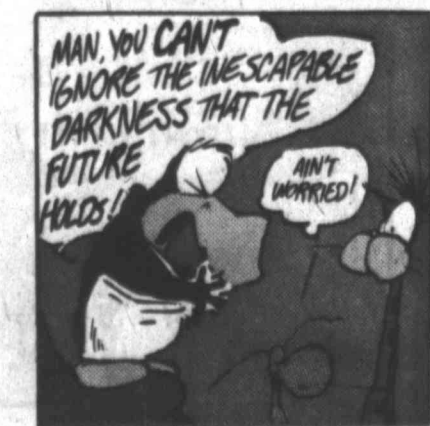
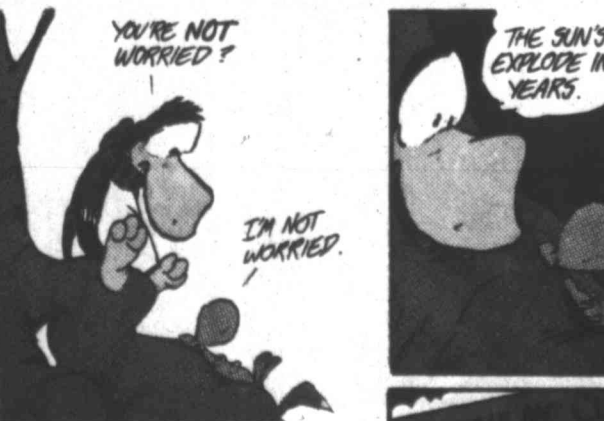
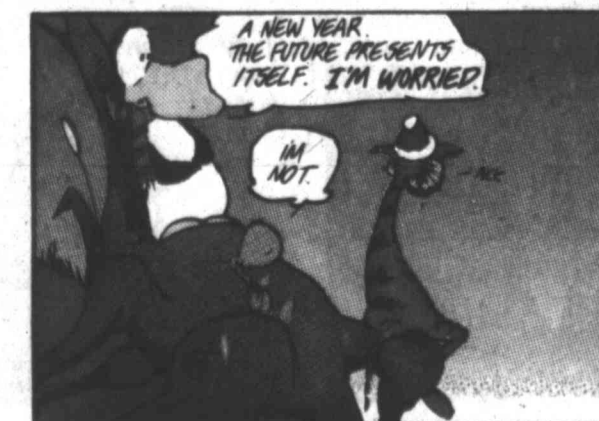
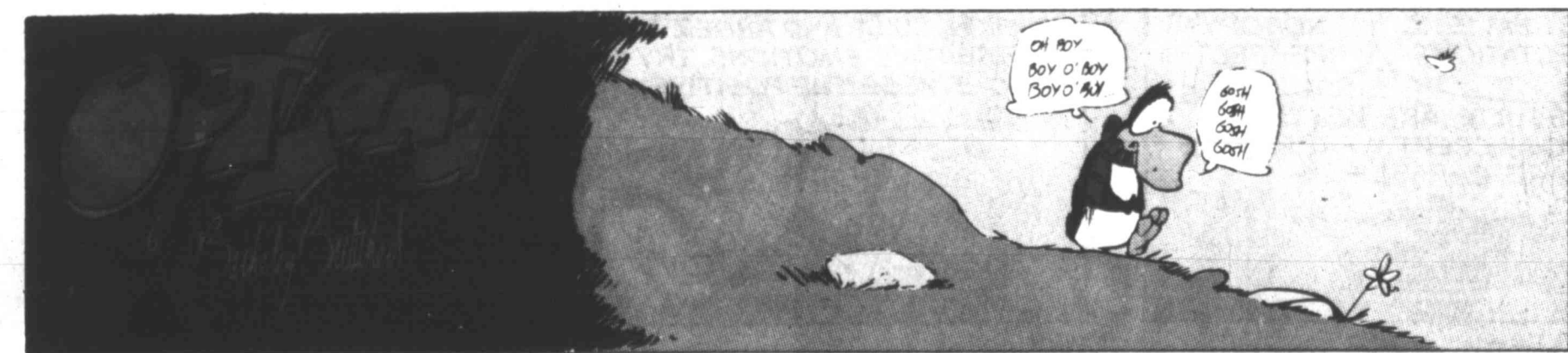
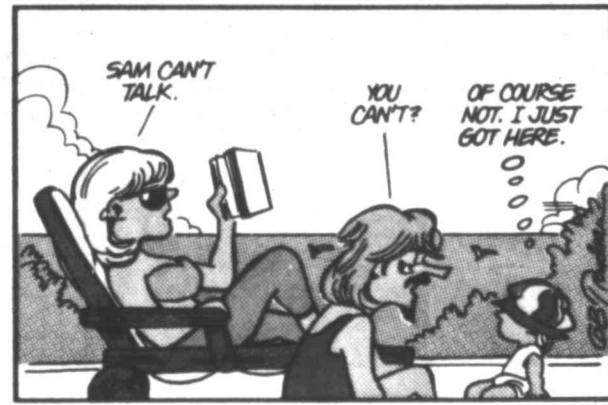
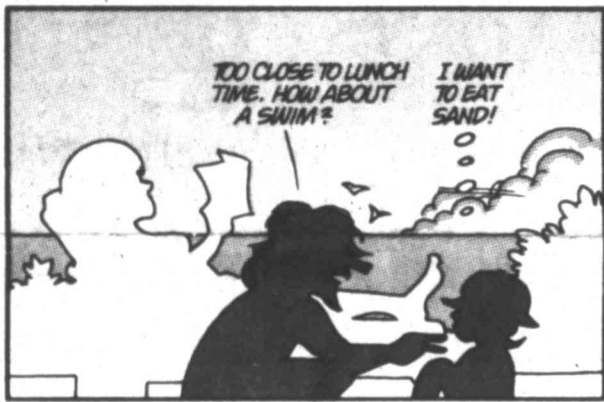
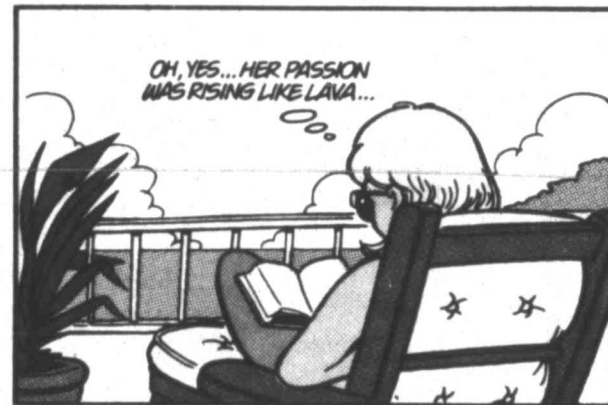
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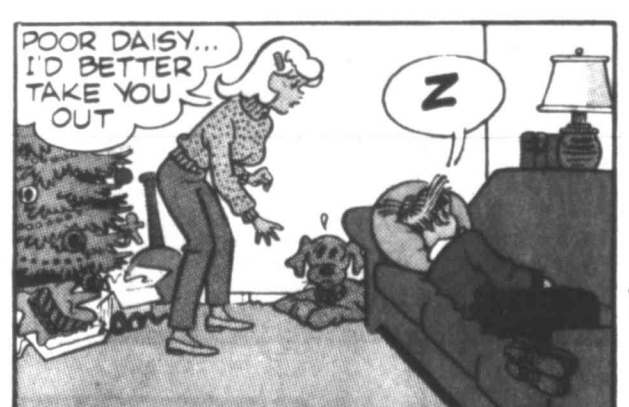
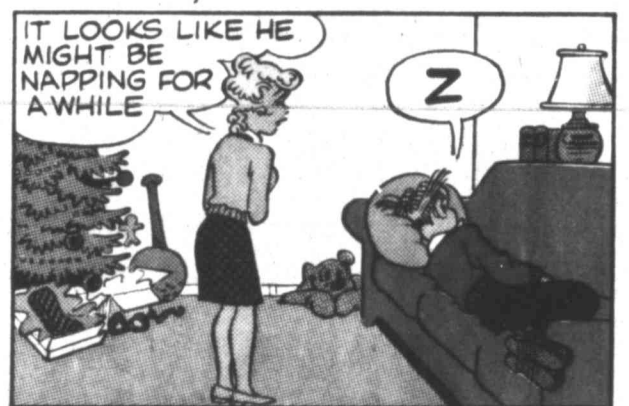
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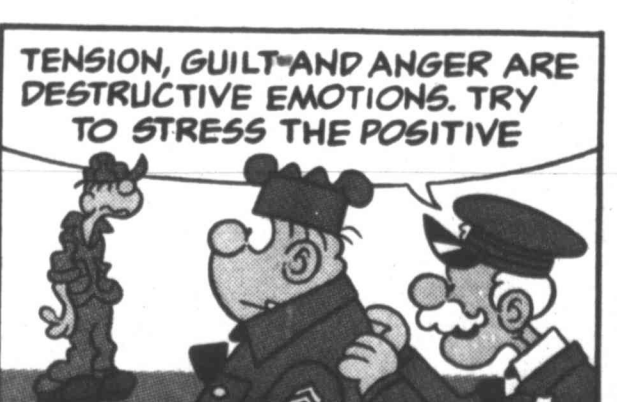
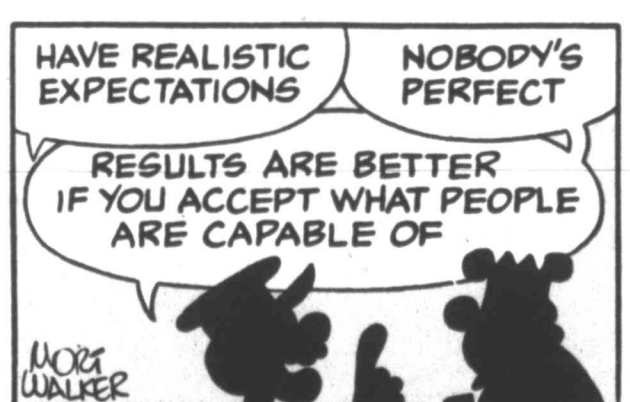
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HI & LOIS



WALKER
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OPING...
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STEAD OF
KNOCKING
M DOWN,
OULD THEM

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ST READ
BOOK

son! I didn't
U ever

I've never
so much stuff
e room I
T WANT!

B.C.
BY
JOHNNY HART

DO YOU BELIEVE
HOW DARK IT IS
TONIGHT?

I'LL GET MY
FLASHLIGHT.

WHAT'S A
FLASHLIGHT?

YOU'LL SEE.

AH, HERE IT
IS.

CLICK

GREAT ZOT...

Y-YOU SUCKED UP ALL
OF THE DARKNESS!

NUTS! I GOT THE
BATTERIES IN
BACKWARDS!

NANCY
BY
JERRY SCOTT

READY, NANCY?

I GUESS
SO...

HERE GOES
NOTHING!

WOO! YIPES! OOH! OOH! GASP!

EEEEEEK!

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WHEW!

WE'RE STILL AT THE TOP
OF THE HILL... WHAT ARE
YOU YELLING ABOUT??

THE SEAT
WAS COLD

The
FAMILY
CIRCUS

By THE KEANE

WHERE
DID YOU
GET THOSE
BEAUTIFUL
EYES?

THEY
CAME WITH
MY HEAD

KNOW
WHAT PJ
IS GRANDMA?
YOUR
BABY GRAND!

YEAR-END
REMEMBERIES

DON'T
WORRY, MOMMY.
IF DADDY FORGETS
TO BUY COOKIES,
WE'LL REMIND
HIM.

THIS
DELEGATION
CASTS FOUR
VOTES FOR
PIZZA FOR
DINNER!

WHENEVER
WE PLAY STORE
DOLLY GETS TO
BE THE DOOT-
DOOT LADY!

DOOT! DOOT!

DOGS ARE THE
BEST PILLOWS 'CAUSE
THEY'RE ALWAYS WARM
AND SOFT.

NOT!
NOT!

MAKES
PERFECT
SENSE TO ME.
NOT!

Gasoline
Alley

Once, I dreamed I was preaching and when I woke up...

...I found I really was!

Instant world communication is a wonderful thing!

There's radio, TV...

...satellites and telephones!

Just think! If phones were
invented in biblical times...

...nothing would have
been written down!

St. Paul would have let his fingers do the
walking and called the Corinthians long
distance!

He could've faxed it!

HAGAR
the
horrible
by
DIK
BROWNE

MERRY
CHRISTMAS
KITTY CAT!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

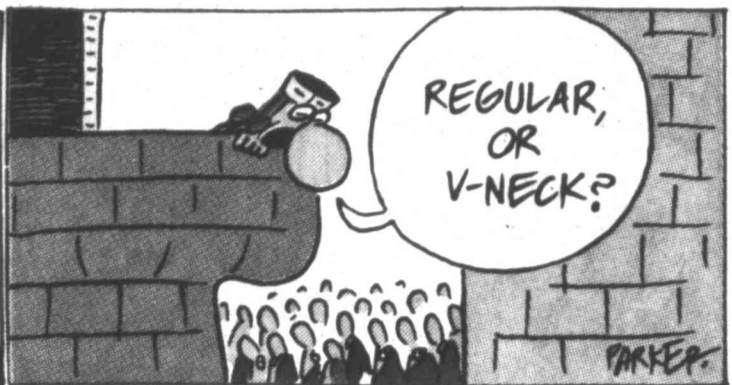
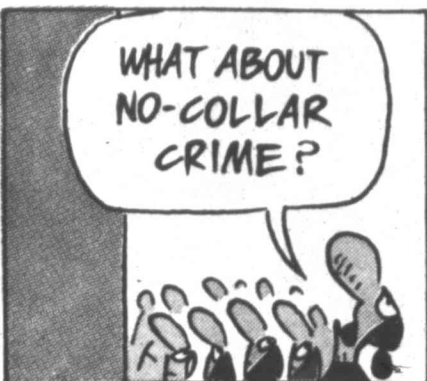
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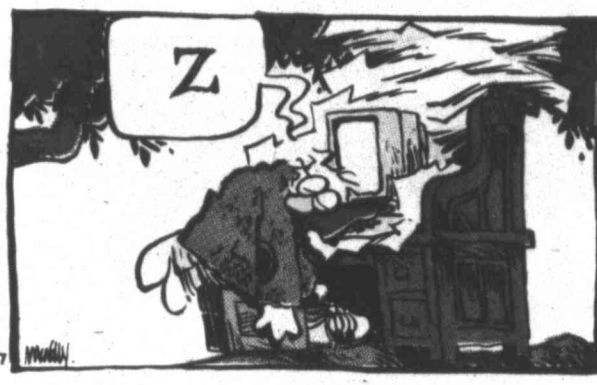
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PARKER & HART

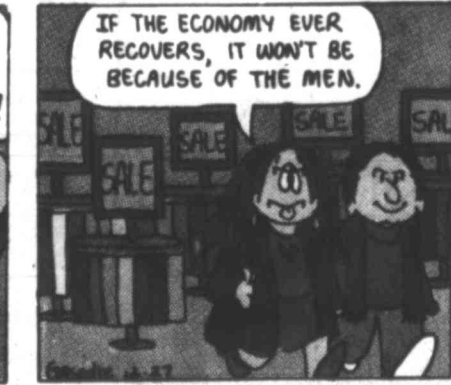
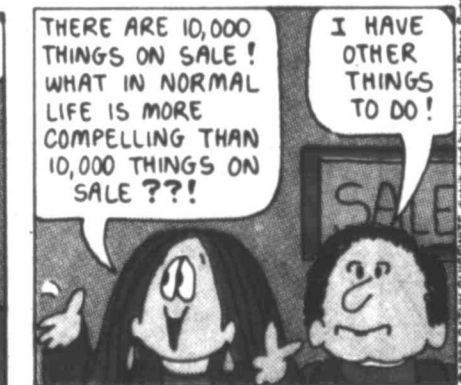
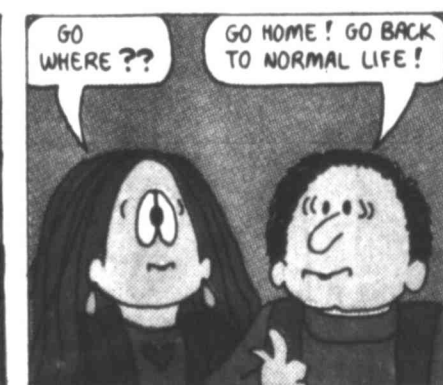
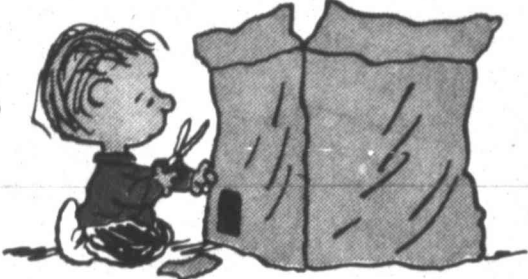


SHOE
BY
JEFF MacNELLY



PEANUTS.

by SCHULZ



BARNEY GOOGLE and SNEEZY with FRED LASSWELL

