

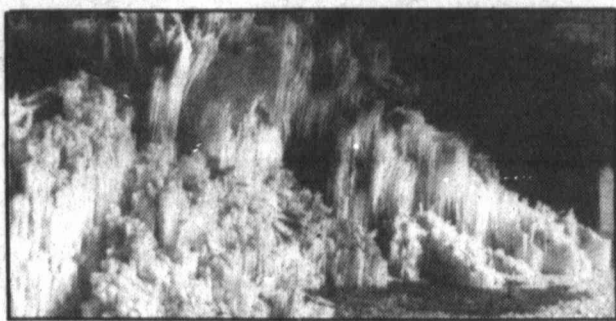
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NEWS DIGEST



Winter Wonderland at Howard College?

Strands of ice hang off the branches of a tree on the Howard College campus Saturday morning. The school's automatic sprinkler system and freezing temperatures combined to create the scene during the night.



Pecans for sale

Betty McChristian grabs a handful of shelled pecans and puts them into one-pound bags before offering them for sale. Bennie's Garden and other growers are in the middle of pecan season.

You Magazine

"You Magazine" is included in today's edition of the Herald. This issue covers everything from Christmas trees to a tour through Canyonlands National Park.



It's that time again

Christmas is just around the corner. Have all you good little boys and girls decided what you want? Let Santa know, through the Herald by Dec. 10.

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Commissioners near making jail decision

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Staff Writer

A decision on building a new county jail was given a shove last week by Sheriff A.N. Standard, who said it's the most important issue facing the county.

County commissioners, who agree a new facility is needed but aren't sure what size it should be, agreed to discuss the issue at a Dec. 6 meeting, but made no promises a decision would be made then.

City officials, who want to close their jail and contract out city prisoners to the county, also anxiously await a decision.

"If we're going to do something, then we need to do something and quit dilly-dallying around," Standard said at a commissioners

meeting last week. "If we don't get something done, we'll regret it."

The current jail is frequently overcrowded and last week had as many as 50 prisoners, two more than allowed by state certification. Female prisoners are housed in the Scurry County Jail.

In addition, the jail here is out of compliance in several other areas, including inadequate recreation facilities, but has been granted exceptions.

"If it hadn't been for the good grace of our jail inspector, we'd have been out of compliance several years ago," Standard said. "Unless we take some kind of action, we'll be held in non-compliance eventually."

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Morales warns Texans to use shopping caution

By PATRICK DRISCOLL
Business Editor

The Christmas shopping season officially began Friday, bringing out shoppers, retail deals - and crooks.

"White-collar criminals are making plans too," cautions State Attorney General Dan Morales. "Consumers should follow one simple rule: If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is."

"Criminals are looking for ways to defraud consumers by mail, telephone and door-to-door. They will offer prizes, awards and the best deals anywhere. They will offer easy loans and low-interest credit cards. The unscrupulous

will siphon off donations meant for charity, and they will rob some of our elderly of their homes and life savings," he said.

Morales offers the following tips.

1. Offers of free prizes or awards cannot require that consumers pay postage, handling, delivery or any other charges to receive the prize.

2. Consumers with no credit or bad credit should be wary of solicitations that guarantee a credit card if they pay a fee in advance. Advance fees are illegal and legitimate credit card companies rarely issue cards to credit risk consumers.

3. Loan sharks offer quick and

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Baldness tough for 3-year-old

By JANET AUSBURY
Staff Writer

Think baldness is a worry strictly for middle-aged men? Three-year-old Keisha Yarbar would tell you to think again, if she had the words.

Keisha's mother, Trisha, said she first noticed her daughter's hair loss in September. "She had a bald spot behind her right ear, and when we would pull her hair back in ponytails, the hair that was stressed would come right out."

Trisha took her daughter to their family doctor and was initially referred to Texas Tech Medical Center in Lubbock. "The doctor wasn't sure what was causing it and gave her a medicine," said Trisha.

When the medicine didn't help, Keisha was then taken to Baylor University Hair Research and Treatment Foundation Center in Dallas. After many lab tests, Keisha was diagnosed as having alopecia areata.

Alopecia areata, according to medical literature given to Trisha, starts with small, round smooth patches on the scalp or elsewhere. The affected hair follicles slow down production drastically, become very small, and grow no visible hair for months or years.

Alopecia is thought to have a hereditary link and may be an autoimmune disorder in which the body forms antibodies against part of the hair follicle. No other disease is necessarily present.

Keisha was ill with pneumonia and bronchitis during her first 18 months, but has been relatively healthy ever since. Her lab tests and blood work were all normal, Trisha said.

One of Keisha's early ear infections developed into mastoiditis, and a large, painful lump formed behind her right ear in almost the same area where her baldness started. Trisha said doctors have not linked the mastoiditis to the development of Keisha's alopecia.

Doctors cannot say conclusively what triggered Keisha's alopecia, nor when her hair will grow back. "They said Rogaine (minoxidil) would make her hair grow, but it's too strong for

someone as little as she is; it would burn her scalp," said Trisha.

Keisha is the youngest child her doctors have seen who has begun to lose already-grown hair. In some cases, said Trisha, children Keisha's age are being treated because they have never grown hair.

The doctors at Baylor initially prescribed a clear gel called Lidex to try to stimulate hair growth on Keisha's scalp. "Her scalp started to bleed because the Lidex was so drying," recalled Trisha.

Next, the doctors tried a hydrocortisone-based lotion called Hytone. The lotion appears to have caused no ill effects for Keisha, and fuzzy dark hair has started growing on the bald spot behind her ear.

"It's not going to match her blond hair," said Trisha, "but I don't care what color her hair grows in as long as it grows!"

However, doctors cannot be sure the hair will continue to grow or that the fuzzy growth will remain.

Keisha's young age makes treatment difficult. "There are cortisone pills and shots they could give, but those are steroids, and she is just too young for that," said Trisha.

In addition to the Hytone lotion, other treatment for the alopecia includes washing Keisha's hair twice a week with a mild baby shampoo, brushing her hair once a day, and avoiding hair care products, ponytails and headbands.

Trisha said other children do not taunt Keisha because of her bald spots, and Trisha's main concern is that other adults realize Keisha's hair loss is not contagious.

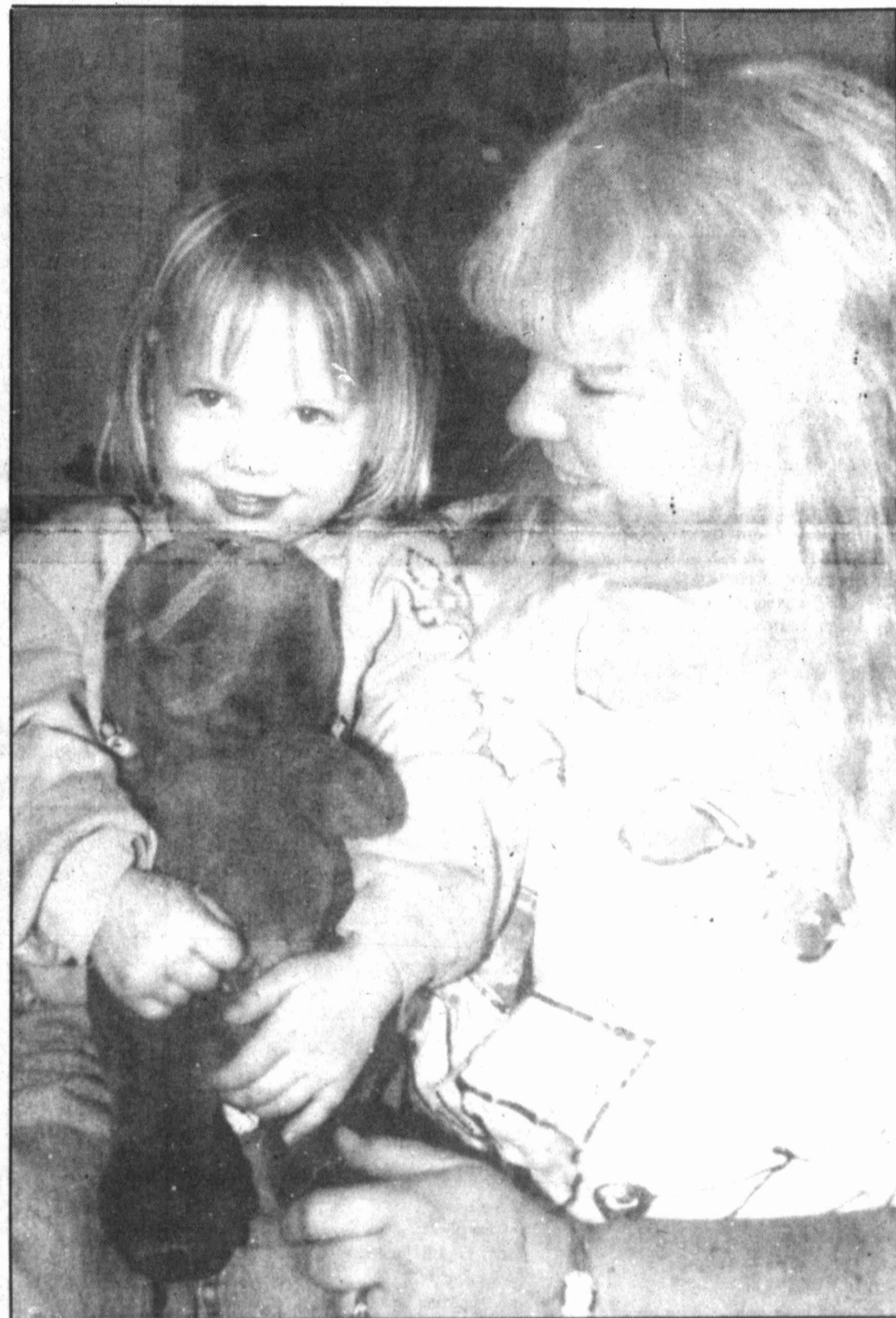
"She doesn't have ringworm or anything like that," Trisha emphasized. "Alopecia isn't contagious."

Keisha takes her hair loss in stride, said Trisha, except for when she sees her hair fall out on her mother's lap while the hair is being brushed.

"Sometimes she'll ask me, 'Mommy, can I have some of your hair?'" said Trisha. "If I could give it to her, I would."

Keisha is healthy and normal except for her hair loss, and although

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Three-year-old Keisha Yarbar poses with her mother, Trisha. Although Keisha has bald spots caused by alopecia areata, she is an otherwise healthy, normal toddler.

Christmas in April gets yule boost from Wal-Mart

By JANET AUSBURY
Staff Writer

It may not be Christmas or April yet, but thanks to Wal-Mart, elderly and handicapped persons needing home repairs will continue to experience Christmas in April.

Debbie Williams, an associate at Wal-Mart, said the store's employees select a charity every Christmas to receive a percentage of the store's profits made from 7-10 a.m. the Friday after Thanksgiving.

This year, associates selected Christmas in April, a volunteer organization that devotes its profits to repairing homes of handicapped people or those over 65 years of age.

"Some of these houses are in terrible shape," said Bill Birrell, a Christmas in April volunteer helping hand out flyers at Wal-Mart on Friday with fellow volunteers Teresa Hodnett, Lupe Rowland, Georgie Newsom and Dorothy Jones.

"We call this 'Christmas in April' because April is a good time for us to go out and do repairs, and to most of these people it's like having Christmas again!" quipped Birrell.

Jones said Christmas in April has been operation for eight years and normally averages about 25 to 35 home repairs a year. This year, Christmas in April repaired 55 homes.

Christmas in April was first established to work on homes the last Saturday in April. "We used to average

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Herald photo by Janet Ausbury

Lupe Rowland, a volunteer with Christmas in April, waits to hand out pamphlets to customers at Wal-Mart Friday morning. Wal-Mart donated a percentage of its sales from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. Friday to the Christmas in April project, after it was selected by the store's employees as their beneficiary for the current holiday season.



Associated Press photo

Shoppers at the Galleria in Dallas peer over the balcony at the giant Christmas tree Friday. The day after Thanksgiving is traditionally the busiest shopping day of the year.

Stores tighten security as they prepare to hear jingle of cash registers

The Associated Press

Retailers this holiday weekend were hoping for another successful — and safe — start of the shopping season for Texans.

Businesses hired extra security as the traditional holiday shopping season began Friday. Retailers hoping for large crowds also anticipated the usual jump in shoplifters, purse snatchers and muggers.

Dallas police plans included dispatching up to four extra squad cars, bicycle officers and horse-mounted patrols at all major malls to try and deal with the vehicle burglaries and muggings.

Cities across the state also reported malls had hired extra security and police departments were on the watch.

"As much as we can, we will try to supplement them," said Arlington police officer Dee Anderson.

Many malls in Houston also were stressing security this year. Baybrook Mall was using patrols mounted on horseback to keep an eye on the parking lots.

Houston's Willowbrook Mall provided escort service after 2 p.m., and the Galleria also provided security escorts. Sharpstown Mall was using door-greeters to welcome shoppers as well as keep an eye on the parking lots.

Stores in the Austin area also have beefed up security.

"We have increased our number of security guards to make sure our shoppers are safe while they shop," said Gary Zoigt, a Target security guard. "This season is always busy for store security."

Randy Neill, client service supervisor for Burns International Security Services, said stores want more security because increased traffic makes their business more susceptible to theft and shoppers don't always take proper precautions. Burns provides security at retail stores throughout the Austin area.

Shoppers can take precautions, he said: keep packages left in the car out of sight and locked in the trunk; use the buddy system; don't go shop-

ping alone; and when shopping late, ask a security guard or store clerk to accompany you to your car.

"One of the biggest problems we have is purse snatching," Zoigt said. "Lots of women leave their purses in the shopping cart while they look around. That's definitely not a good idea."

Barton Creek Square mall management said their security force is in place year-round. Highland Mall officials said they make security adjustments during the holiday season. But most malls and stores were tightened for fear information would give potential thieves an advantage.

Extra employees at the malls weren't all security officials.

"This is our busiest time," said Lynn Blackwell, human resources administrator for the Highland Mall Foley's, which has hired 101 full- and part-time employees for the holiday season.

The Imaginarium toy store in Austin has doubled its staff from eight to 16 people, said manager Mary Berry. Of the store's annual sales, 50 to 60 percent come during the eight-week holiday season, she said.

"Things are great at Highland Mall. We've been experiencing good momentum in sales all quarter," said Gina Bemrose, manager of marketing for Highland mall.

She didn't have a count of the number of people, but said, "compared to last year, it's every bit as strong, if not stronger."

In McAllen, border retailers were expecting higher sales than last Christmas, partly because of passage of the North American Free Trade Agreement, said Roger Stolley, manager of La Plaza Mall in McAllen.

On Dec. 1 last year, Mexican customs officials began enforcing a \$50 limit on items Mexicans could buy tariff-free in the United States and take back across the border.

Deputies teach women self-defense

The Associated Press

KERRVILLE — Punching holes in paper targets with blasts from a 12-gauge pump-action shotgun is not the way a gray-haired, 56-year-old grandmother is expected to spend a Saturday morning.

But deputies with the Kerr County Sheriff's Office say working with gun-toting grandmas and grandpas is part of the job.

"This was my father's shotgun," said the 56-year-old woman, who requested that her name not be revealed. "I inherited it and my husband doesn't hunt, so I wanted to learn how to use it."

"I think it is terrible that people have to be worried (about self-defense), but I think it is a good idea to know how to use a gun if you are going to have one in your house."

Kerr County Deputy Sheriff Brad Alford, who conducted the recent Saturday fall training session for about 30 people, said the popular, twice-a-year self-defense course was formed to develop public awareness about firearms and the law.

"When Sheriff (Frances) Kaiser first started this program back in 1989, we had an elderly woman who called us looking for some help," Alford said. "Her husband had died two years earlier and had always kept a pistol beside their bed for home protection."

"She had left the gun there for two years because she was afraid to move it in case it was loaded."

In addition to helping people become familiar with firearms, the two-day course also covers related



Associated Press photo

Kerr County Sheriff's Deputy Charlie Hicks gives instruction to a Kerrville resident who refused to be identified on how to hold, aim and shoot a revolver. The popular self-defense course was formed to develop public awareness about firearms and the law.

subjects, such as when deadly force is an option.

Chemical-defense weapons such as Mace and pepper sprays also are discussed, Alford said.

"This is more of a safety and awareness course than just something for firearms training," he said.

Participants bring their own guns to the course, and they are advised about appropriate weapons.

"We try to help match the weapon to the person or their situation."

Alford said. "You probably don't want a 90-year-old grandmother packing a .44-caliber Magnum."

Students also learn to clear jammed weapons and the safe methods for loading and unloading

firearms.

"About 60 percent of our students are women and the course is very popular with the elderly. Many of them have never handled a weapon before," Alford said.

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John M. Harlan, Supreme Court Justice, 1971

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Get back on track

Take a public opinion poll in just about any community across this nation and you'll discover that crime is one of the two or three main concerns everywhere.

It therefore came as somewhat of a shock last week to learn that Titus County sheriff's deputies were surprised to discover that the CrimeStoppers program no longer operated locally.

The mere fact that Big Spring's CrimeStoppers program is now defunct is a clear sign that somebody, somewhere, somehow dropped the ball.

Rather than spend a lot of time wondering what happened, however, Howard Countians need to concentrate on recovering the fumble, i.e. doing what needs to be done to reinvigorate CrimeStoppers.

Ask law officers in any community where CrimeStoppers is actively operating. They'll tell you the program is a tremendous aid.

All and the program needs is financial backing ... the criminal element in any community won't inform on its members without financial gain ... and a board comprised of local businessmen and professionals willing to devote a little time to seeing that the program is soundly administered.

That's not too much to ask.

Fanaticism far from a 'guaranteed' right

The Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act, recently passed by the U.S. House of Representatives, sure has the anti-abortion faction howling about their constitutional rights.

What the Constitution guarantees us is the right to peaceable assembly and to protest.

It does not guarantee us the right to destroy someone else's property. That has been a crime in the United States for a long, long time.

It does not guarantee us the right to kidnap or murder people who don't agree with us. Again, that has been a crime in the United States for a long, long time.

Here again we find a cause being hurt by the extremist in the crowd - the extremist who would murder, firebomb or kidnap.

It doesn't matter what your cause, you are still constrained by the law.

For example, no union member likes to see scabs crossing the picket lines. It means their jobs. But, if the scabs are attacked, sure enough, the picketers involved find themselves sitting in a jail cell.

They are guaranteed the right to protest but not the right to beat up someone.

So, unfortunately, a few extremists have brought in the federal government to ensure access to clinics.

Wouldn't it be nice if people could just protest without having to have the police drawn into it? State their purpose, their beliefs without threatening anyone else? And, without hurting their cause?

Extremists, whether they are terrorists or simply people who believe in a cause, hurt their entire purpose.



This date in history

The Associated Press

Today is Sunday, Nov. 28, the 332nd day of 1993. There are 33 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: Fifty years ago, on Nov. 28, 1943, President Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin met in Tehran to map out strategy during World War II.

On this date: In 1520, Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan reached the Pacific Ocean after passing through the South American strait that now bears his name.

In 1895, the first automobile race was held, from Chicago to Waukegan, Ill. The winner was James Franklin Duryea, who won \$2,000 from the Chicago Times-Herald.

In 1919, American-born Lady Astor was elected the first female member of the British Parliament.

In 1922, Captain Cyril Turner of the Royal Air Force gave the first public skywriting exhibition, spelling out, "Hello USA. Call Vanderbilt 7200" over New York's Times



DD Turner

Animal rights extremists, anti-abortion extremists, environmental extremists, extremists of every shape and color do nothing to promote their cause.

Opponents of the bill say it would punish people for peaceable, non-violent assembly.

The only problem with their non-violent, peaceable assembly is they keep people from going about their business by blocking entrance to these clinics.

These clinics, for the most part, serve many purposes other than abortion. They provide birth control, prenatal care, mammograms and pap smears. These services are also being denied and these services help to prolong life or prevent what the protesters are on about.

This is denying someone else their constitutional rights. Can't have it both ways. Constitutional rights are for everyone in this country.

Assembly and protest abortion, animal abuse, the price of tea in China. That is your right.

But, remember, someone else has rights also, which is not your right to step on.

DD Turner is managing editor of the Herald. Her column appears Sunday and Thursday.

Square.

In 1925, the Grand Ole Opry, Nashville's famed home of country music, made its radio debut on station WSM.

In 1942, nearly 500 people died in a fire that destroyed the Coconut Grove nightclub in Boston.

In 1958, the African nation of Chad became an autonomous republic within the French community.

In 1963, President Johnson announced that Cape Canaveral would be renamed Cape Kennedy in honor of his assassinated predecessor. The name was changed back to Cape Canaveral in 1973.

In 1975, President Ford nominated Federal Judge John Paul Stevens to the U.S. Supreme Court seat vacated by William O. Douglas.

Ten years ago: The space shuttle Columbia blasted into orbit, carrying six astronauts and the \$1 billion Spacelab. Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir met with President Reagan at the White House to discuss ways to strengthen U.S.-Israeli military and economic ties.

Five years ago: Major U.S. banks boosted their prime lending rates half a percentage point to 10.5 percent. President-elect Bush announced that Marlin Fitzwater, President Reagan's chief spokesman, was staying on for his administration.

Today's Birthdays: Recording executive Berry Gordy Jr. is 64. Actress Hope Lange is 60.

Thought for Today: "The first duty of love is to listen." — Paul Tillich, American theologian (1886-1965).

THADEUS & WEEZ

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Point Stopping abortion clinic terror

Rep. CONNIE MORELLA For Scripps Howard News Service

Last week the House of Representatives passed the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act, legislation desperately needed to help stop the violence at medical facilities.

By its action, Congress sent a message in no uncertain terms that this nation will not tolerate acts of terror intimidation and violence.

Opponents maintain that this legislation is about stifling protests, about gutting the First Amendment, and about promoting abortion. Nothing could be further from the truth.

The bill is about Kathryn Maxwell of Michigan, who scheduled an appointment for her high-risk pregnancy but was turned away because her doctor's office was blocked. The local police department of Novi, Mich., patrolling outside, said they could do nothing.

The bill is about the firebombing of a Corpus Christi, Texas, clinic that provided a full range of reproductive health care services and also served as an adoption agency. The clinic was burned to the ground.

The bill is about Dr. Pablo Rodriguez, medical director of a Providence, R.I., Planned Parenthood clinic, who wears a bulletproof vest to work at the suggestion of local police. They told him they could not deal with the protesters at his clinic.

The legislation is about more than 556 clinic blockades, 322 clinic invasions, 441 cases of clinic vandalism, 36 bombings, 53 attempted bombings/arsons, 91 death threats, 872 hate letters and phone calls, 82 assaults, 30 cases of stalking, 2 kidnappings, 275 bomb threats, 327 clinic invasions, and one murder that have occurred in this country in little over a decade.

The Freedom of Access legislation will give the federal government the power to act when state and local authorities cannot or will not act to guarantee access to clinics where women, especially poor women, go for a variety of medical services that include birth control, prenatal examinations, mammograms, pap smears and abortion.

While the bill was being considered, we heard from local officials, like the police chief of Manassas, Va., who testified that his town's personnel and budgets have been overwhelmed and exhausted in patrolling blockades. And we heard

from local officials, like the Texas sheriff, a man with strong anti-abortion views, who said he, "would not enforce local laws against blockaders."

In crafting this legislation, Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., and I ensured that the principles of free speech and assembly found in the First Amendment were protected. The bill unequivocally states that "Nothing ... shall be construed to prohibit any expressive conduct (including peaceful picketing or other peaceful demonstrations) protected from legal prohibition by the first article of amendment to the Constitution."

This means that protesters can picket, boycott, pray, sing hymns, wave signs, accost patients and personnel, hand out leaflets, photos, and brochures. But, they cannot do all of the above and also chain themselves to the front door, block someone's entry to a clinic, or invade and forcibly occupy a clinic.

Those who oppose this bill maintain that it is about abortion. Nothing could be further from the truth.

Those who support the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act do so not because they are for or against abortion, but because they are against tactics of terror, coercion, and violence. This bill is about providing access to medical services — prenatal care, pap smears, mammograms — that can literally mean the difference between life and death for many American women.

As an example, earlier this year, arsonists destroyed the Blue Mountain Clinic in Missoula, Mont. The Blue Mountain Clinic provided a number of health care services, including prenatal care and delivery, childhood immunizations, diagnosis and treatment of sexually transmitted diseases, contraceptive services, as well as first trimester abortions.

Seventy percent of the clinic's prenatal patients were low-income women on Medicaid who have been left to scramble for essential medical care in an area of the country that is rural, remote, and medically underserved. Who will provide care for them and their children?

We may never find a common ground for pro-life and pro-choice advocates. But, surely, we can all agree that extremists should not prevail.

Rep. Morella is a Democrat from Maryland and a chief sponsor of the medical access bill.

Counterpoint Protesters have rights also

Rep. JIM BUNNING For Scripps Howard News Service

The Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances Act is bad and misguided legislation. It is probably unconstitutional; a blatant violation of our First Amendment rights.

The Freedom of Access bill is wrong because it singles out one group — people who oppose abortion — and it establishes unduly harsh punishment for them, not for committing a crime, but because of their beliefs and viewpoint.

The Freedom of Access bill would make an individual's pro-life conviction a "thought crime" and it would put a congressional stamp of approval on the pro-abortion side of the debate. It is designed not to prevent violence but to discourage pro-life protests.

The bill is clearly discriminatory from the word go. It targets pro-life activity only.

Throughout our nation's history, many groups supporting a variety of causes have used peaceful protest and civil disobedience to advance their views. But FACE singles out only pro-lifers.

In the 1960s, before passage of the Civil Rights Act, there were sit-ins, pray-ins and protests all around the country. Some were peaceful. Some were not. In some circles, the civil rights movement was not very popular, but Congress did not pass special laws to discourage civil rights protests because of their motivation or because of their viewpoint.

Supporters of this bill and some in the media have tried to convince us that people who oppose abortion are violent and will use any means to further their cause — including murdering abortion doctors and bombing clinics. This is not true.

The pro-life movement is overwhelmingly dominated by peaceful, non-violent, deeply spiritual people who value the sanctity of all human life.

These people have a right to an opinion on abortion. People have a right to oppose abortion. I know it is not politically correct, but we still have that right. Accompanying that right is the right to organize and protest peacefully. But the Freedom of Access Act slashes those First Amendment rights to ribbons for people who oppose abortion and them alone.

Yes, we should punish violence,

threats of violence and intimidation. But this bill goes beyond that. It would punish people engaged in non-violent, free speech. It would create harsh new penalties for people who engage in non-violent civil disobedience.

This bill makes no distinction between violent and non-violent protesters. Peaceful protesters are subject to the same harsh penalties as protesters who use force and the penalties are extreme.

The harsh penalties — up to three years in jail and treble damages — are clearly designed to inhibit even peaceful protests against abortion.

Because of the over-broad definitions in this bill, someone who stands praying on the sidewalk outside an abortion clinic could be subject, if they block the sidewalk, to a felony conviction and a year in prison and a \$100,000 fine on the first offense; three years and \$250,000 on subsequent offenses.

Penalties like these, which are totally out of line with reason and have nothing to do with violence, would virtually outlaw anti-abortion protest.

I am confident that this bill is so clearly unconstitutional that it will eventually be struck down by the courts. But it is sad to think how many people will waste years in prison unnecessarily and how many will be financially destroyed before that happens.

This bill comes close to home for me. My wife, two of my daughters and their families are deeply involved in "Operation Rescue." Not one of them poses any threat of violence whatsoever. They are truly peaceful people. They just have strong feelings about abortion. And they are dedicating their lives to bringing an end to abortion. That is not, and should not be, a crime.

My wife and daughters should have the same right to express their beliefs as any other citizen who is willing to take a stand on an issue that is important to them. They should not be made federal criminals because of the motivations or the beliefs behind their actions.

This is bad legislation and it will be a sad day of shame if it is enacted and we criminalize peaceful protest for a single cause, like abortion, just because that cause is not currently politically correct.

Rep. Bunning is a Republican from Kentucky and member of the House Ways and Means Committee.

Zorro returns and this country sure could use him again

Scripps Howard News Service

It may be Culturally Significant that Zorro, masked defender of justice in Old California, is making a grand comeback. Steven Spielberg is doing a movie about the mystery swordsman. Saturday cartoons are on tap and Disney is coloring the

1950s TV series. We could certainly use a man like Zorro today.

Perhaps the alter ego of Don Diego de la Vega could dispel some of the economic gloom that has seized modern-day California — or at least Hollywood — if the productions catch on. As violence sickens society, maybe it's also time for a hero whose weapons are limited to a one-

shot pistol, a sword and a whip — and who uses those with playful prudence. (Rather than run an adversary through, Zorro is apt to cut his belt and make his trousers fall down.)

But perhaps most of all, the Hispanic hero may symbolize the recent warming of Mexican-U.S. relations.

We can even think of a story line: Los Tres Locos — a trio bearing a purely coincidental resemblance to Ross Perot, Pat Buchanan and Ralph Nader — attempt to sabotage ties between Mexico and the United States but are last seen fleeing down an obscure arroyo, fresh "Z"s sliced into their pants seats right underneath the "NAFTA"s.



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Years of work tied to Hubble effort

The Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — After years of work and worry, NASA goes after the Hubble Space Telescope this week to attempt the biggest repair job in space-flying history.

"It's time to go do it," payload commander Story Musgrave said. There's no more underwater training for Musgrave and the three other spacewalkers who will try to fix Hubble's blurry vision and other problems. No more tool checks. No more flight simulations.

And no more time — the countdown was to begin Sunday for a 4:57 a.m. EST Wednesday liftoff of Endeavour. The seven crew members arrived at Kennedy Space Center on Saturday.

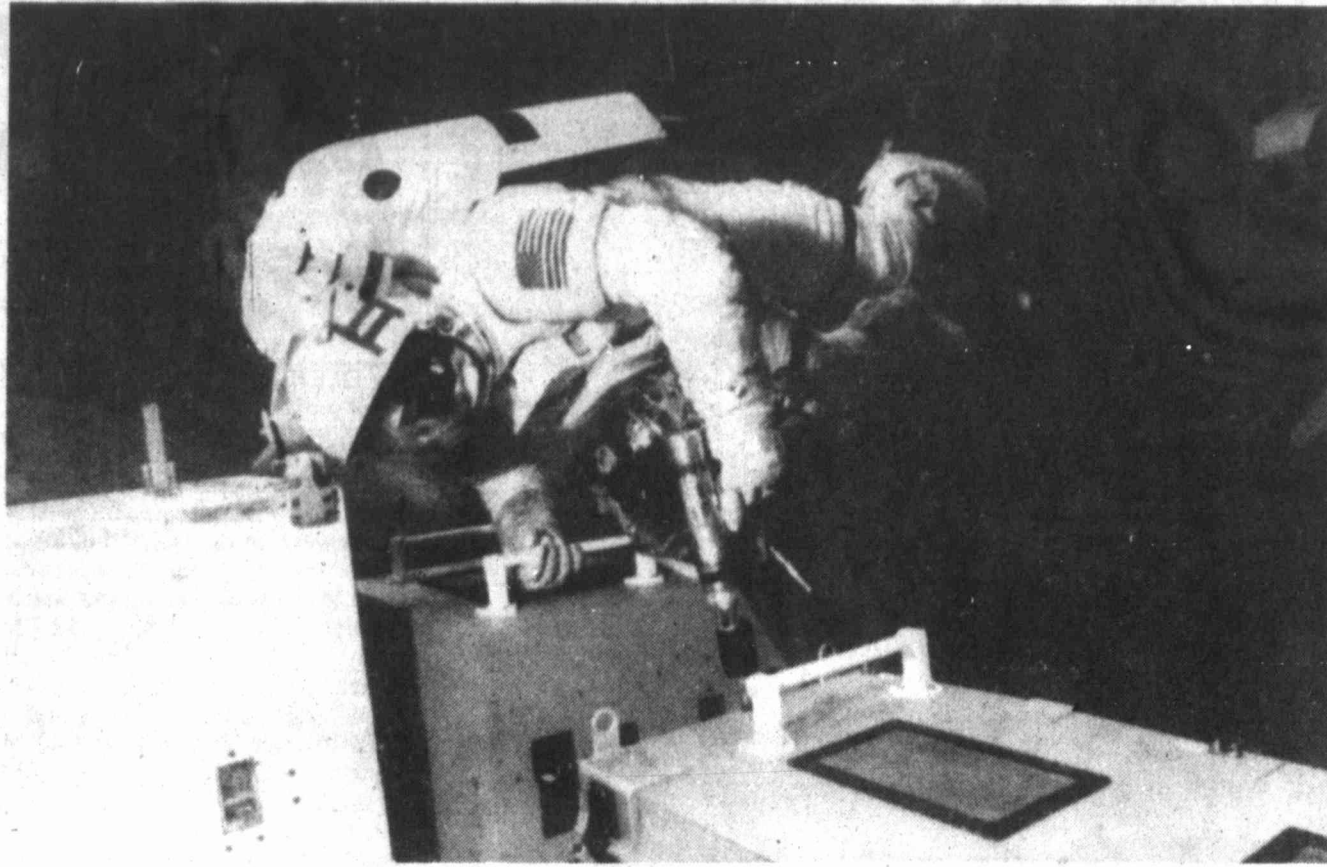
Musgrave, making his fifth shuttle flight, said he's ready, but scared.

"I may have been in the water hundreds of hours. I may have been in the clean room (with the Hubble replacement parts) hundreds of hours. As long as I've been in space, I've been getting ready," Musgrave said. "But like the Olympics, it boils down to a few seconds. You've got one shot at it. It's got to go right."

He paused, then added: "It's better to be scared than overconfident."

Normally bursting with can-do talk, NASA is expressing cautious optimism about the Hubble repair mission, considered the most complex space shuttle flight ever.

The emphasis is on "cautious." Mission planners are already saying they'll be surprised if everything goes according to plan. A record five



Astronaut Jeffrey A. Hoffman practices using a power wrench during an underwater training session in preparation for NASA's next mission. That mission's purpose: to repair the Hubble space telescope.

spacewalks are scheduled for the 11-day flight, but the astronauts could go out twice more to work on Hubble if necessary.

"We have a lot of apprehensions," Hubble program scientist Edward Weiler confided. "This is not like going to grandma's to fix a leaky faucet."

"Don't count us out until the gun

goes off and the game is over," said mission director Randy Brinkley.

NASA always planned a service call to Hubble in 1993, three years after the telescope was launched, but it never expected the need for such extensive repairs.

Hubble is nearsighted because of an improperly ground mirror. Instead of discerning objects 14 bil-

lion light-years away as intended, it can scan only 4 billion light-years with clarity.

Its electricity-generating solar panels shake. Three of six gyroscopes, which help point the telescope, don't work. Both magnetometers have glitches; the wire coils measure Earth's magnetic field to help steer the telescope. The list goes on.

Congressional session topsy-turvy for Texans

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It's been a topsy-turvy year for Texas interests on Capitol Hill.

The just-ended congressional year swung from peaks to valleys — the cheers coming when President Clinton cajoled a skeptical Congress into ratifying the North American Free Trade Agreement; the lows when budget-conscious lawmakers axed the \$11 billion superconducting super collider.

Twenty-six of the state's 32 members of Congress joined an odd-bedfellows coalition that spanned the political gamut from President Clinton to conservative House Minority Whip Newt Gingrich to pass NAFTA.

Touted as a jobs-producer nationwide, the free trade agreement appears poised to offer some of its biggest rewards to Texas — which in 1992 accounted for nearly half of the \$40 billion in U.S. exports to Mexico.

"Except for the SSC, I think everything that happened to Texas was really very good," says Republican Kay Bailey Hutchison, the state's junior senator.

"I think Texas did very well this year and I think we will continue

as we are — keeping in mind that every state is going to be contributing its fair share to budget cuts," she adds.

While NAFTA ended the congressional year on a high note, the 103rd Congress began on somewhat of an ambiguous tone for Texas.

The state entered 1993 pondering the loss of Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, whose move to Clinton's Cabinet as treasury secretary left Texas without the man who had been its protector for 22 years in the Senate. Clinton also tapped former San Antonio mayor Henry Cisneros as his housing chief and South Texas native Federico Pena as his transportation secretary.

Despite his new title and responsibilities, Bentsen was rumored to be watching out for the state's interests — nipping in the bud an early attempt by some in the young administration to kill both the super collider and the even more costly space station.

Gov. Ann Richards turned to Democrat Bob Krueger to fill Bentsen's seat — a position he held only a few months before being drubbed at the polls by Mrs. Hutchison.

Sauce needed for Congress' gander?

In the ever-increasing intrusion of federal government into your private life, next comes "medicine by government."

The President Clintons' Health Security Act, like most promises of something for nothing, sounds good.

Congress must approve it before it becomes law. Surely Congress, representing us, will look out for our interests.

Maybe you'd better sit down for this:

Congress does not live by the laws which it imposes on us.

Congress specifically exempts itself when it passes these laws that are supposed to be "good for us."

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The Age Discrimination in Employment Act ...

The Americans with Disabilities Act ...

The National Labor Relations Act ...

The Occupational Safety and Health Act ...

The Equal Pay Act ...

The Family and Medical Leave Act ...

The Social Security Act ...



Paul Harvey

Congress imposed all these laws on you but none of these laws on itself.

And now the Health Security Act?

Congress, federal employees, retirees and their dependents will NOT be involved; they will continue to be covered BY YOU through their Federal Employee Health Benefits Program.

The watchdog Heritage Foundation is daring to challenge the Congress, to demand that the members of Congress should be required to obey the laws they impose on the rest of us.

Unlike private citizens, a member of Congress can in fact discriminate in hiring on the basis of race, sex, religion or national origin.

Congress has mandated expensive alterations which businesses must pay for in order to accommodate Americans with disabilities — also

expensive safety procedures — yet Congress has no idea what these laws cost because Congress does not live under them.

Rep. John Boehner once invited a team from the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) to inspect his office.

He discovered that if OSHA rules covered Congress, his own office would be fined \$1,500 for each workplace hazard — including carpets with ragged edges and such.

He and colleagues then requested a General Accounting Office audit of congressional offices and discovered 140 violations, which would total a million dollars in fines.

James Madison wrote in Federalist No. 57: "Members of Congress can make no law which will not have its full operation on themselves and their friends ..."

Thomas Jefferson, in his Manual of Parliamentary Practice, says, "The laws should bind equally on all, and especially on those who make them."

But Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell concedes, "Not a single senator believes that; not a single senator wants it."

And yet members of Congress cannot understand why they are held in such low public esteem.

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Attitude makes Stanton ISD special?

Teachers making most from newest methods available

By GLENDA CUMMINGS
Staff Writer

STANTON — It is possible there are many schools as well equipped as those in the Stanton Independent School District, but it is improbable that there are many in West Texas, especially in a town of 3,000 people.

Molly Madison teaches the pre-kindergarten program, which has been in operation for approximately six years and usually has an enrollment of 19-22 students.

"We don't babysit. They are reading before they enter kindergarten," emphasized Morris Williamson, the district's curriculum director.

In kindergarten, they are using the "Right to Read" computer program. Today, they have one kindergarten student reading on a sixth-grade level.

They have several programs implemented, and before the year is over, the students will have written and printed out their stories. They will be compiled into books and will celebrate "Young Author's Day," complete with an autograph party.

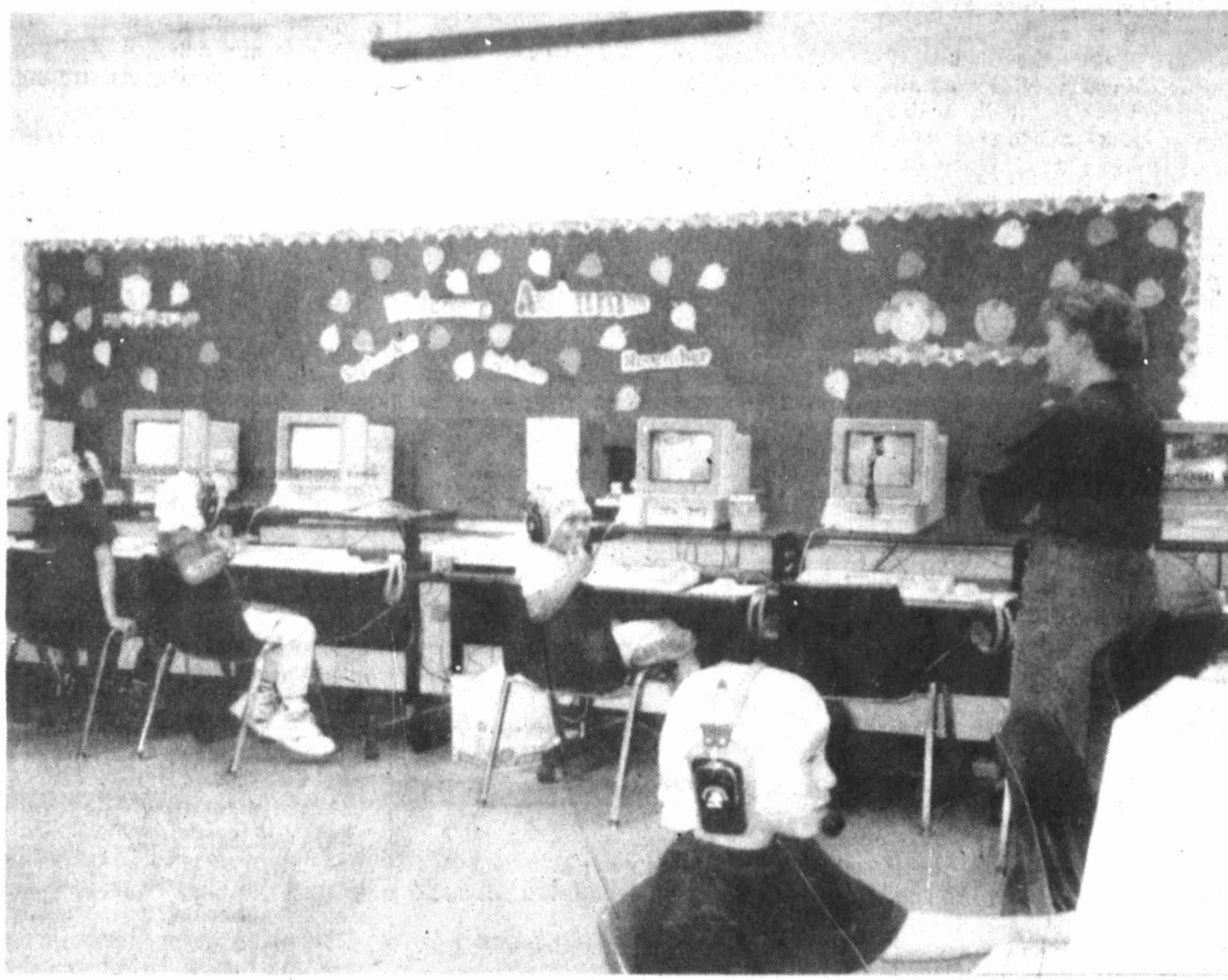
In the Chapter 1 Lab, one student may work on one program and other students on several different programs, thanks to the fileserver's ability to access several programs.

The computers talk, and the students have not only headsets, but also microphones that enable them to pronounce words and hear if they are correct.

The entire elementary school's enrollment comes to the lab at least once a week, to be allowed the same access to the programs as the Chapter 1 students.

The school has a wonderfully equipped science laboratory, complete with a laser disk and a portable lab. The laser disk has a control that allows the teacher to click one switch, scan and answer any question the student might ask pertaining to the subject.

The computer literacy class for the



Students in Stanton Elementary School's Chapter 1 computer lab talk to the computers and hear the computers talk back through microphones and headsets.

Herald photo by Glenda Cummings

sixth and seventh grades also has a laser disk to enable the students to watch the information and the teacher to "float" and help them individually.

This lab is also used to teach adult computer literacy courses in the evenings.

Kay Melville teaches the GED class in conjunction with Howard College. She has been very successful with about nine students receiving their equivalency diplomas during the last two years.

The schools were well equipped for handicapped students with chair lifts for entrance into both gyms. The gyms then have wheelchair parking space for viewing the games.

The schools all have ramps for

entrance access, including the underground school. They have handicapped equipped bathrooms, including extra wide doors and support bars. Both school campuses have handicapped parking in the parking lots and the space at the high school is covered for better access during bad weather.

"I think we have provided well for the handicapped, both for academics and for better enjoyment of sporting events, because we have tried to address every need, including access to the stadium," commented Williamson.

The old gym has been utilized for the elementary physical education

classes, complete with a large chalkboard that teachers encourage the students to use for drawing.

Students at the high school just produced a play called, "How Timely Nick and Betty Brown Formed a Conglomerate," providing experience for the students before University Interscholastic League One-Act Play Contest.

It is very important to the administration and teachers to be able that they be able to provide the very best they can for their students.

"At Stanton, we hire our teachers for three things: experience, knowledge and for their ability to communicate," Williamson explained.

TI-IN Network giving students wider horizons

By GLENDA CUMMINGS
Staff Writer

STANTON — Remember the stories about the Radio School in Australia? The school where the students were on the isolated outback cattle stations, getting their lessons from the radio (meaning the short-wave)?

The Stanton Independent School District has something it believes is even better — the TI-IN Network.

TI-IN, the Texas Interscholastic Instructional Network, is a satellite system with two channels that allows students educational possibilities they've not had previously.

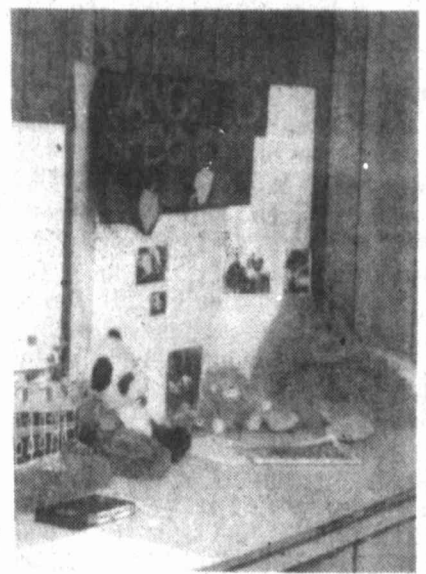
The system began in Texas just more than a year ago, but is now carried nationwide. It allows students to view the lesson live, communicate with the teacher via a 1-800 number and to hear students from all over the United States.

Morris Williamson, the district's curriculum director, receives the lesson plans, worksheets, handouts and the tests for each course. Then teachers may tape the lesson or follow it live, as they choose, and use the prescribed materials for that specific work.

Stanton's elementary students are taking Spanish via the TI-IN. Their lessons are taped, because they had no room large enough for the entire school's enrollment to attend at one time.

Recently, a large screen television was installed at the elementary school in order to facilitate larger audiences.

Stanton and Grady high school seniors have completed the SAT Entrance Exam preparatory course and are now taking the ACT course. Since Grady schools are in the same county, Stanton schools have invited them to attend the sessions.



Display boards prepared by Stanton sixth, seventh and eighth grade students in the Gifted and Talented Program adorn a classroom table.

The system is Williamson's brain child, as are many of the district's other projects.

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Stanton ISD has had several students take Latin as their foreign language, and one student took calculus over TI-IN, because his courses and the school's schedule did not allow it any other way.

One of the students that took some of the TI-IN courses was twice named a National Merit Scholar and is now attending Rice University.

Fina team applications being taken

GLENDA CUMMINGS
Staff Writer

Applications are now being sought for the FINA Team.

High school seniors who are varsity athletes and excel in academics, leadership and community service are invited to apply for the Fina/Dallas Morning News All-State Scholar-Athlete Team, which is sponsored by KDFW-TV, 96.3 KSCS, Southwest Airlines and the Staubach Company.

Over the last nine years, dozens of West Texas high school seniors have been named to the FINA Team.

"Our purpose is to focus attention on the many outstanding high school scholar-athletes who are contributors to their schools and their communities," says FINA President and Chief Executive Officer Ron W. Haddock. "That goal is best served by involving the public in the nominat-

ing process. Clearly, encouraging, recognizing and rewarding excellence and dedication in our youth is a worthy task for everyone."

Nominations from the public are now being accepted. College scholarships of \$4,000 are awarded each year to 12 Texas high school seniors who make the team.

To be eligible, applicants must have a 90 grade average or better, be in the top 10 percent of their graduating class and have a varsity letter in a University Interscholastic League sport.

Nominations should be sent to

FINA Public Affairs, P.O. Box 2159, Dallas 75221, and must include the student's name and address. Nominations may also be submitted by calling 214-750-4111. Each nominee will receive an application form, which needs to be completed and returned by Wednesday, Dec. 15.

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Arafat: Withdrawal dispute bogs down talks

The Associated Press

STOCKHOLM, Sweden — Israel's insistence on redeploying its troops around the West Bank town of Jericho, instead of completely withdrawing them, could wreck the peace talks, PLO chairman Yasser Arafat said Saturday.

Arafat said talks between Israel and the PLO on implementing the Sept. 13 peace accord bogged down

Friday over the question of troop withdrawal, scheduled to begin Dec. 13.

"The other side has insisted on redeployment of the forces, not the withdrawal," Arafat said.

"If this is their plan, this means complete demolishing of what we constructed in the peace talks. This cannot be accepted. If they want to have maneuvers, the maneuvers must be far away from us."

But officials in Israeli Prime Minister

Yitzhak Rabin's office said on Israeli television Saturday there was no sense of deadlock. The talks will resume this week, they said.

Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said Israel and its Arab foes have no choice but to stick with the peace process, despite recent setbacks and bloodshed.

"There is no alternative," Peres told Israel radio in a telephone interview from Albania, where he was visiting. "All the other paths are filled

with mines, with dangers, with uprising. We've paid enough in the past."

Arafat was visiting Stockholm, and made his comments during a visit to the People's Museum, where he took part in a seminar on Jerusalem.

The Palestine Liberation Organization leader also met with Sweden's King Carl XVI Gustaf before flying to Finland, the third stop on a five-day Nordic tour to raise money and investments.

In a closed meeting with Swedish

parliamentarians, Arafat said he was pessimistic about the peace process, according to an official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Arafat said Israelis were arguing over how to define the area of Jericho, and he said there were problems over the fact that Jewish settlers in the occupied Gaza Strip had access to more water than the Palestinians, the official said.

The peace accord provides for Palestinian self-rule in Jericho and

the Gaza Strip, with the final status of the occupied territories to be negotiated within five years.

Talks on implementing the accord have broken down before over the issue of troop withdrawal. Israel wants its troops to protect Jewish settlers in the occupied territories. The Palestinians want a full withdrawal.

Arafat said he learned of the Israeli position from Nabil Shaath, the PLO's chief negotiator at the talks.

Haitian rightists puzzled

The Associated Press

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Jean-Bertrand Aristide's opponents are taking advantage of paralysis in the United Nations' efforts to bring him back, drawing up plans for keeping the exiled president out for good.

As far as they're concerned, Aristide is a goner politically. The options they're considering mainly revolve around whether to leave Aristide in office in exile or hold new elections.

The opposition appeared to win one battle Friday when Aristide's powerless but internationally recognized premier, Robert Malval, told Cabinet ministers he was quitting Dec. 15 as previously scheduled.

Most on the far-right agree that their plans to consolidate power depend on an international oil embargo being lifted, an unlikely prospect at present. The military and civilian far-right say that if the embargo continues, social chaos will result.

Malval's announcement came after a week of meetings with political and community leaders failed to boost his prospects for staying in power. His talks included a session with military leaders who overthrew Aristide in 1991, approved the U.N. plan for his return and then blocked it.

"It is out of the question to bolster an Aristide-designated premier or his government," said Hubert De Ronceray, a three-time presidential candidate for the far-right.

Herard Jadotte, a sociologist and top aide in former military-backed governments, called Malval's decision "the logical conclusion of this week's meetings."

Malval was to meet Aristide this week in Washington. Aristide had persuaded Malval to stay on after the failure of the U.N. plan, which was to have brought Aristide back to Haiti by Oct. 30.

Aristide's opponents are airing two broad options for holding onto power, both of which presuppose backing by Haiti's powerful military:

— Under army pressure, the Parliament declares Aristide incapacitated — unable to serve in office — for a period of time, perhaps to the scheduled end of his term in 1995. Parliament then designates a new premier, as it did in 1992 when it appointed Marc Bazin.

— Aristide remains president in exile but, under international pressure to resolve the crisis, designates an opposition premier to replace Malval and run the country.

As another option, some far-rightists advocate wiping the slate clean — overhauling the 1987 constitution under which Aristide was elected, eliminating his legal claim to office, and holding a new presidential vote.

De Ronceray said this option is unrealistic. He has proposed applying a constitutional provision to declare the presidency vacant and swiftly holding new elections.

Malval spokesman Emile Jean-Baptiste said declaring Aristide temporarily incapacitated was unacceptable.

But Frantz Robert Monde, former vice president of the lower house of Parliament, said Wednesday that both he and the military supported declaring Aristide incapacitated while leaving him in office.

Emmanuel Constant, co-leader of an increasingly powerful far-right pressure group, felt Aristide should be declared incapacitated permanently.

His Front for Advancement and Progress of Haiti, or FRAPH, includes civilian police auxiliaries, former soldiers and former members of the Duvalier dictatorship's Tonton Macoute private militia.

If that option fails and the international community refuses to suspend the embargo, the Front would support wiping the slate clean, he said.

In the meantime, Malval's government is nearly bankrupt, and he has been unable to control ministries filled with bureaucrats hired by the military-installed governments that followed Aristide's ouster.

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Donation

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about 29 houses on that one day," recalled Hodnett.

Now that the organization has increased its number of volunteers to approximately 600 and has collected more money for repair supplies, the organization operates year-round. Local merchants often donate repair supplies at cost.

"We spend anywhere from \$50,000 to \$75,000 on home repairs," said Jones. "All the money we collect goes strictly for supplies. The repair workers are all volunteers."

People eligible for Christmas in April home repairs are at least 65 or handicapped, on a verifiable fixed income and must own their home,

said Newsom.

She added that basic repairs, installation of bathroom rails for the handicapped and winterization of homes are among the services provided by Christmas in April.

The organization may do quite well this year. According to Williams, more shoppers were at Wal-Mart Friday than at last year's post-Thanksgiving sale. "We had people waiting outside the store at 7 a.m.," she commented.

Homeowners wishing to contact Christmas in April for repair assistance may call 267-6095 or write to P.O. Box 2326, Big Spring, Texas 79721-2326.

Keisha

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some illness are present in extended family members which could possibly have a link to alopecia, no family members have ever experienced alopecia themselves.

"My older daughter Porsha and I both have full heads of hair," said Trisha. "I've asked all the family and nobody can remember any family member ever having this."

Doctors have told Trisha that Keisha may lose 50 percent of her hair, and in some cases the hair falls out completely and then grows back. But there are no guarantees on how the alopecia will progress or correct itself.

"Right now, we take her to Baylor about every two months and we're in contact with her doctor every two weeks," said Trisha. "We need to let her doctor know anytime she's sick or on antibiotics."

Keisha's next doctor appointment is Dec. 13. More lab tests will be performed on her, and Trisha hopes doctors will notice improvement in her condition or have some idea when Keisha's hair will grow back. For now, all they can do is wait.

As for Keisha herself, she is occupied with a typical toddler's concern: what she wants Santa to bring her for Christmas.

"A Barbie," she said.

Caution

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5. Charitable solicitations increase at this time of the year. Some are fraudulent. For help, contact the Better Business Bureau, in Midland at 563-1880, or the Office of the Attorney General, (512) 463-2100.

6. Do not buy merchandise from the back of a van or trunk of a car. It may be stolen.

7. Do not give your credit card

number or checking account number to anyone, especially over the phone, if you have not determined whether the business is reputable. One way to check and/or discourage illegal activity by phone is to ask for a company name and telephone number and say you'll call back.

Of 31,000 complaints to Morales' office in fiscal 1992-93, the 10 most common involved telemarketing, loan brokers, direct mail advertising, used car dealers, auto repairs, debt collection agencies, credit reporting agencies, specialized auto repair, mortgage companies and landlord-tenant disputes.

The office collected \$257.9 million in restitution for Texas consumers last year. Of that, mediation brought \$7 million, court orders \$946,081 and settlements and multi-state actions \$250 million.

Jail

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The perennial question faced by commissioners is how many beds a new jail should have. Each bed will add \$25,000 to \$30,000 to construction cost.

"That's the biggest catch now, how big we're going to build it," said County Judge Ben Lockhart.

A recommendation in May from a city/county committee was to build a 200-bed facility and rent out at least half the space to other overcrowded counties. A consultant hired last year said only 74 beds are needed locally.

The \$3.8 million construction cost could be paid at \$300,000 annually for 20 years but as much as \$700,000 annually could be profit after operating expenses are deducted, or the loan payout could be reduced to 10 years or so. Since no tax increase would be needed, voter-approved bonds wouldn't be required.

The idea was nixed by commissioners because there are no guarantees that overcrowding statewide, caused by crowded state facilities, will continue.

"There might be a little of that for three, four or five years," said Precinct 3 Commissioner Bill Crocker. "To depend on that to pay out a jail in 10 years or less is not right thinking."

Standard disagrees and said that \$1 billion in bonds for new state facilities, passed by voters earlier this month, will take care of Harris County overcrowding but not much else. Prisoners in Harris County are represented in a federal suit complaining of overcrowded conditions.

"I don't see any relief in my lifetime," Standard said of state overcrowding. "It (new jail) will pay itself out in 10 or 12 years ... It's a good business venture."

A more recent proposal from a city/county negotiating committee calls for a 96-bed facility for \$2.5 million to \$3 million, with expansion options.

That would take care of current needs, said Standard, who instead recommended an 150-bed unit expandable to 250. Hangars at the old Howard County Airport could be renovated. Projections from the consultant, he said, are "incorrect."

"One hundred beds is not a very prudent thing for the future," he said. "If we had a jail today, we could fill 100."

Crocker said he wants more research to predict future prisoner

flow from probation, parole, courts and police.

"I don't want to overspend, but yet I don't want to underspend," he said. "We desperately need some factual information from the different sources."

Another option is to contract prisoners out to other counties. It could be paid for with state money paid to the county for backlogged state prisoners.

Standard cautioned that local officials would still be liable for prisoners housed elsewhere. "Liability goes with inmates."

There's agreement, although reluctant on the part of some, that a new facility will be needed.

"It's inevitable we're going to have to build one," said Pct. 4 Commissioner Bobby Cathey, who doesn't believe voters would pass a bond issue to finance one. "Financially, we can't afford one but the state's going to force it on us."

Commissioners could move a little closer to making a decision next week.

"I don't know if we'll make a decision but we're going to see if we can arrive at a little better number," Lockhart said.

City officials continue waiting.

"Whatever they decide we'll accept," said City Manager Lanny Lambert.

Deaths

Ruth McCreless

STANTON — Ruth Beatrice McCreless, 88, of Stanton died Friday, Nov. 26, 1993 in Martin County Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Services were held Saturday afternoon at First United Methodist Church in Stanton, with the Rev. Perry Hunsaker, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Evergreen Cemetery under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home.

She was born March 14, 1905 in Hood County and moved to Stanton 65 years ago from Merkel. She married J.D. McCreless Jan. 17, 1940 in Antom. He preceded her in death June 27, 1960.

She was a homemaker and a member of First United Methodist Church in Stanton.

Survivors include a step-daughter, Kathleen Lewis, Stanton; two nieces; two nephews; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Phyllis Damm

1954 in Midland, and was a member of Midland's First United Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife, Bettye, Midland; a son, Ralph B. (Monte) Osborne III, Big Spring; two daughters: Susan Parsons, The Woodlands; and Janet Burge, Midland; and two sisters: Maureen Davis, Winters; and Reba Wheeler, Abilene.

Services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, with the Rev. Ray Johanson, Grace Lutheran Church, officiating, with assistance from the Rev. Kenneth Patrick, First Baptist Church of Big Spring. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She was born June 22, 1940 in Clarendon and graduated from Clarendon High School before moving with her family to Amarillo. While in Amarillo, she was employed by the American Quarterhorse Association.

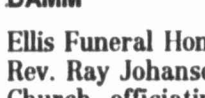
Later, she moved to Big Spring, where she worked for the Texas Employment Commission, Missouri-Pacific Railroad and Kenneth Boothe, CPA.

She married Gerald E. Damm Jan. 6, 1990 in Midland.

She was preceded in death by her father, Dale R. Hill, in December 1989.

She is survived by her husband, Gerald, Midland; two daughters: Kim Phinney, Big Spring; and Kelli Wiggington, Tahoka; her mother, Marie Hill, Clarendon; a brother, Bill Hill, Canyon Lake; two grandchildren; a niece and a nephew.

The family requests that memorials be sent to The American Cancer Society, 2304 Wadley, Midland 79705, or Grace Lutheran Church in Midland.



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Ralph Osborne

Ralph B. Osborne Jr., 79, of Midland, died Thursday, Nov. 25, 1993 at his home.

Services were held Saturday afternoon at Glass Chapel at First United Methodist Church, Midland, with the Rev. Mark Alexander, associate pastor, officiating, with assistance from the Rev. Jim Williams, First Church of the Nazarene. Burial followed at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

He was born April 2, 1914 in Kaufman County and was raised in Winters, where he graduated from Winters High School. He attended Draughan's Business College, where he studied accounting, before returning to Winters and joining Winters State Bank.

In 1939, he moved to Midland and was one of Midland National Bank's first seven employees. During his career, he worked for an oil company and owned a rental business and Osborne Texaco in Midland before retiring in 1977.

He married Bettye Milner Nov. 24,

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- Criminal mischief was reported in the 4000 block of Dixon.
- A citation for failure to control vehicle was issued after a motor accident in the 700 block of Creighton.
- Theft was reported in the 400 block of Johnson.
- Theft was reported in the 1200 block of East 11th Place.
- Domestic disturbance and assault were reported in the 400 block of Dallas.
- Tommy Joe Hogan, 49, was arrested for driving while intoxicated.
- Theft was reported in the 900 block of Willis.
- Theft was reported in the 1100 block of North Lamesa.
- Dewey Ruben Sirratt 36, was arrested for public intoxication.
- Theft was reported at Eighth and Gregg streets.
- Citations for failure to yield right of way and failure to maintain financial responsibility were issued after a motor accident in the 700 block of East 15th.
- Theft was reported at West Texas Welders Shop, 605 E. Second. Five gallons of safety gas valued at \$60, eight chain boomers valued at \$320, 100 feet of chain valued at \$200 and a cylinder cart valued at \$100 were reported taken.

Sheriff

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

- Jerry Don Watkins, 20, was arrested on DPS warrants for speeding.
- Deemond K. Armstrong, 79, was transferred to the Howard County Jail by the Big Spring Police Department for driving while intoxicated.
- Benito Paradez, 29, was transferred to the Howard County Jail by the Big Spring Police Department for driving while intoxicated.
- Juan Valencia, 33, was transferred to the Howard County Jail by the Big Spring Police Department for driving while intoxicated and fleeing to elude.
- Phillip Don Lesley, 21, was arrested for speeding and failure to appear.

Lotto

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Sunday, November 28, 1993



Dave Hargrave

Quick! Someone complain!

Pardon me while I pick a sliver of turkey out of the gap between my teeth.

OK. Now I'm ready. Sorry for the graphic opening, but it's this kind of mundane on-your-fourth-leftover-turkey-sandwich-in-four-hours experience that gets you thinking about what's wrong with life. What's wrong with that turkey you ate? What's wrong with Bob Saget on America's Funniest (Though They're Not So Funny The Ninth Time Around) Videos? What's wrong with Don King's hair?

Or, if you are a sportswriter - what's wrong with sports?

(Of course, you might ask, what's wrong with life? or what's wrong with the world? or something important. But who's going to listen to you. You're just a sportswriter, remember?)

President Clinton...oops! Dave, you're just a sportswriter, remember?

Let's stick with sports. What's wrong with sports? Anyone? Anyone?

That's been a problem for me lately, say in the past year or so. In my line of work, you're supposed to complain every so often about something or other, but those pet peeves have been hard to find.

The Associated Press college football poll is a notable exception. Things that used to irk the hair off my forehead just don't anymore.

Like that darned designated hitter. I used to refuse to watch American League games because of that infernal rule. Then I started haunting minor league ball parks, where the DH is the norm. Then I started comparing DH games and DH-less games.

It won me over. Don't let drinks drive, and don't let pitchers bat. I pay for ESPN, and I want to see hitters hit instead of pitchers bunting or striking out.

Then came the three-pointer in college basketball. I wrote tons of columns about my disdain for the trey. It was too close to the basket. It took the big man out of the game. It made teams fire at will instead of work for the good shot.

But now I wouldn't trade it for the world. The trey makes watching and playing the game more exciting than it was before.

And that 45-second shot clock (now the 35-second clock)? I hated that too, at the time the NCAA installed it, but can anyone say it has had any effect on the game? Other than teams like Princeton, nobody needs 45 seconds to find a good shot.

If they do, they ought to find another sport. Maybe chess, for instance.

Why is it that, as I get older, tradition seems to be less important to me? Shouldn't it be the other way around?

Back in 1985, Major League Baseball expanded the league championship series from best-of-5 to best-of-7.

I've never been more opposed to something than I was to that. I was just a high school kid struggling with trigonometry, but I knew a best-of-7 playoff would be just the beginning of evil.

Evil, meaning expansion teams and expanded playoffs and wild cards. Just the thought of those things scared the pine tar out of me.

Now all of those things have happened, and they don't bother me at all. In fact, expanding the playoffs is one of the best things baseball has done in a long time.

What happened to me? Where did I change?

At least I still have some pet peeves to enjoy. Like the epic NBA and NHL playoffs. When a league's playoffs last about two months, and most of the teams make it to the first round, what's the point of watching before, say, the semifinals. Better yet - why play a regular season?

And that darn football poll. I love the AP Poll because it gives me something to hate. Everyone needs something to voice frustrations at. I use the poll.

Oh, well. I'm sure I'll find some new pet peeves soon. Maybe after I get out of this leftover-turkey fog.

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Expansion hopefuls await NFL decision

By The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Six weeks after it chose Charlotte as its 29th franchise, the NFL is set to try again to find No. 30.

It may be harder now to settle on the second 1995 expansion team than it was in October.

Just as it was the first time, St. Louis, deserted by the Cardinals in 1987, is the favorite over Baltimore, deserted three years earlier by the Colts. Jacksonville and Memphis also remain in contention.

"We think we're still the favorite," said Stan Kroenke, the principal owner of the St. Louis group. "We

feel we have the best setting, the best stadium and the best market."

But things have changed since that first meeting, when the owners unanimously decided on Charlotte to begin play as the Carolina Panthers, then adjourned because there was no clear consensus on a second city.

The crystal ball is even dimmer now, particularly since some of the losers might bid for some antsy existing franchises, such as the Patriots, Rams and Bengals.

The ostensible reason for adjourning the first time was because St. Louis had just changed ownership groups to one headed by Kroenke, a shopping mall developer and heir to the Wal-Mart empire. Some owners

said they wanted to check out Kroenke.

Now it's Baltimore with new ownership. The official entry, favored by Maryland Gov. William Donald Schaefer, is a one headed by Alfred Lerner, a minority owner of the Cleveland Browns. It is one of three from that city, but seems to hold an edge over the previous favorite, headed by Leonard "Boogie" Weinglass and including movie director Barry Levinson.

All that is part of the maneuvering. By bringing in Lerner, Baltimore got someone with ties to the NFL's influential old-line owners, specifically Art Modell of the Browns. Modell, Dan Rooney of the

Pittsburgh Steelers, Wellington Mara of the New York Giants and Leon Hess of the New York Jets often tend to lead a voting bloc that could sway others.

For more old-line ties, there's Robert Tisch, the Giants' co-owner who headed one Baltimore group before buying in New York. And George Young, the Giants' general manager and one of the NFL's most respected executives, is a Baltimore native with long-standing ties to the city.

Many owners think of Baltimore as a city with far more football tradition than St. Louis, and Baltimore is taking advantage. "When I think of St.

Louis, I think of Ozzie Smith," Weinglass said at the last meeting.

But St. Louis countered last Tuesday by starting negotiations to bring into Kroenke's group Walter Payton, the NFL's all-time leading rusher with the Chicago Bears, who had been part of the city's earlier ownership group.

"We hope Walter will come on board after St. Louis is awarded a team," Kroenke said. "Walter is a unique man and he would make a valuable contribution to our group. There are a number of areas I'm sure where Walter could contribute."

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FSU wins battle of Florida

By The Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Florida State survived The Swamp on Saturday and set up a probable Orange Bowl showdown against Nebraska for the national championship.

Charlie Ward threw for 446 yards and four touchdowns and the top-ranked Seminoles withstood a furious fourth-quarter rally by Florida to beat the No. 7 Gators 33-21, snapping their 23-game home winning streak.

Barring a surprising change in the polls, the Seminoles (11-1) will play No. 2 Nebraska (11-0) in the Orange Bowl on Jan. 1.

West Virginia (11-0) feels it deserves a shot at Nebraska because it is the only other undefeated team eligible for a bowl. But Florida State was ranked ahead of the Mountaineers in the polls last week and will probably stay that way when The Associated Press and USA Today-CNN release their new rankings Sunday.

The major bowl matchups are determined by the bowl coalition poll, which combines the media and coaches' rankings. In last week's coalition poll, Nebraska was No. 1, Florida State was No. 2 and West Virginia was No. 3 — 162 points behind the Seminoles.

Despite a 17-14 victory over No. 11 Boston College on Friday, West Virginia will have a hard time making up that gap.

Florida (9-2) will go to the Sugar Bowl if it beats Alabama next week in the Southeastern Conference championship game. If the Gators lose, they will probably play in the Gator Bowl.



Florida quarterback Danny Wuerffel (7) tries to pick himself off the ground as members of the Florida State defense celebrate a first-half sack Saturday in Gainesville.

Florida State, which suffered its only loss at Notre Dame two weeks ago, held a 13-7 lead over Florida at halftime before a record crowd of 85,507 at Florida Field. But the Seminoles took command in the third period, taking a 27-7 lead on two TD passes from Ward to Kez McCorvey.

McCorvey was wide open in the end zone on both catches, a 7-yarder with 11:27 left in the period and a 16-yarder with 21 seconds remain-

ing. Florida pulled to 27-21 in the fourth quarter on two TD passes by Terry Dean — a 13-yarder to Willie Jackson and a juggling, 31-yard reception by Jack Jackson. But Florida State put the game away on a 79-yard touchdown pass from Ward to freshman Warrick Dunn, who caught a short pass at his own 30 and raced untouched into the end zone with 5:28 left.

It was the first home loss for Florida since 1989, when the Gators fell to Florida State 24-17. It also the first home loss for Florida coach Steve Spurrier, who had been 23-0 at the field he nicknamed "The Swamp."

The victory was the 238th for Florida State coach Bobby Bowden, tying him with Woody Hayes for fifth on the all-time list.

Couples pockets \$90,000 for Skins putt

By The Associated Press

PALM DESERT, Calif. — Arnold Palmer did everything but win a skin while Fred Couples sank a 5-footer worth \$90,000 Saturday in the first half of golf's Skin Game.

Couples' ninth-hole birdie provided the bulk of the \$150,000 he won over the front side at the Bighorn Golf Club. But the principal drama in the four-man, two-day event over 18 holes occurred one green earlier. And it was an exercise in frustration for the 64-year-old Palmer and his legion of fans.

Palmer misread an 8-foot putt for a birdie that would have been worth \$60,000. He did some muttering after the putt broke out of the hole, dropped his putter and then stalked after the ball, his face filled with anger.

"I won't have many chances like that. I should have made it," said Palmer, a replacement for the suspended John Daly.

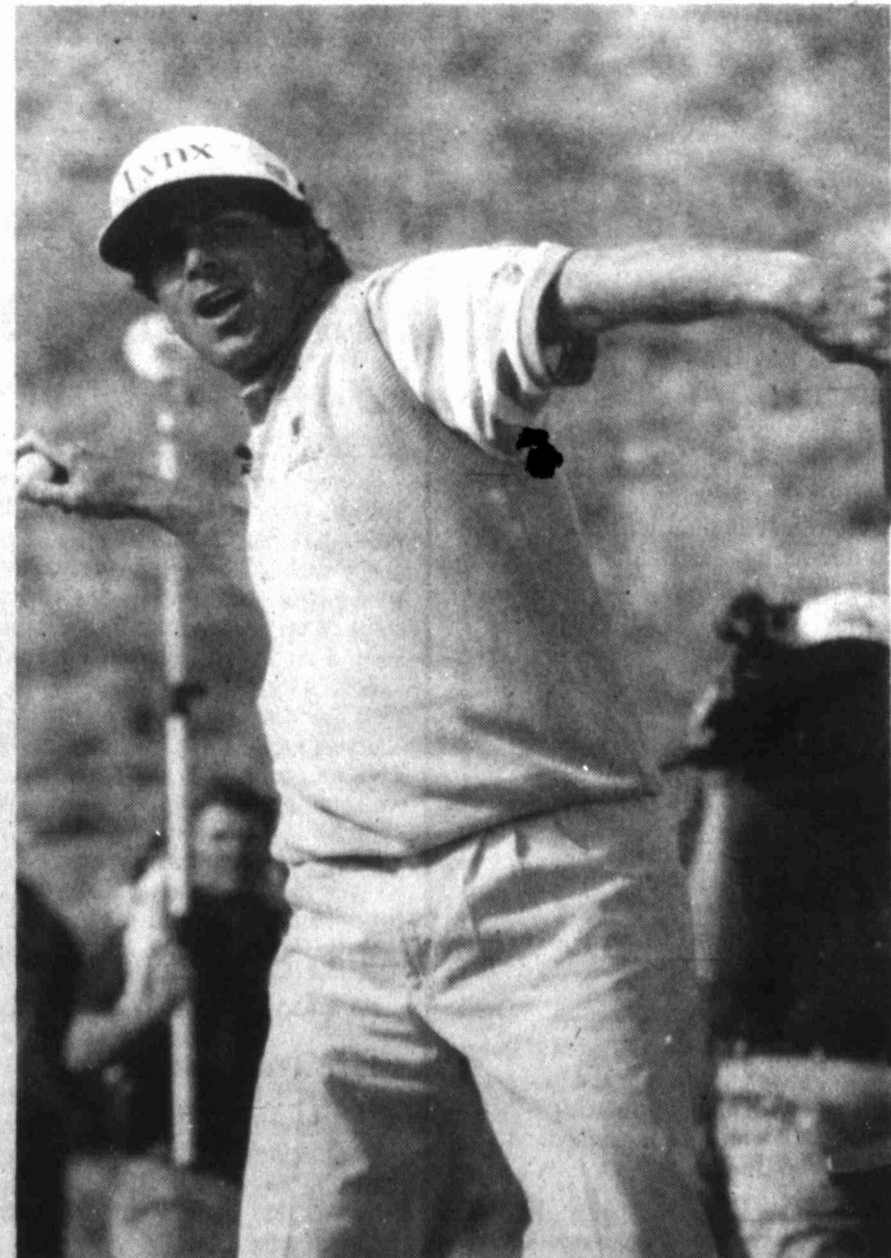
"I misread it," Palmer said. "It looked like a pretty straight putt and I tried to shove it in. I should have lagged it."

The putt broke left and out of the hole, resulting in a first-day shutout Palmer was trying to avoid against three opponents who had not been born when he started winning PGA Tour titles in the 1950s.

Even CBS announcer Vince Scully muttered an embittered "dammit" — off the air — after Palmer missed the putt.

Payne Stewart, who has won the last two Skins Games, gained three skins worth \$60,000 while Paul Azinger, troubled by an ailing back, came up empty.

"Honestly, in my heart, I didn't think I'd be able to play today when I woke up this morning," Azinger said.



Fred Couples throws his ball into the gallery after sinking a 15-foot putt for birdie on the sixth hole that earned him three "skins" worth \$60,000 during the opening nine holes of the Skins Game Saturday in Palm Desert, Calif.

The final nine holes, with \$330,000 at stake, will be played Sunday with Azinger and Palmer trying to avoid a shutout, Couples in the money lead

and Stewart looking for a third consecutive victory.

"I took advantage of some good shots early," Stewart said. "When you've won some skins, it enables you to relax and free-wheel it."

"Yeah, I free-wheeled it right out of bounds a couple of times," Couples said.

But he more than made up for those lapses with a 15-foot birdie putt worth \$60,000 on the sixth hole, and the little one on the ninth that put him in the lead.

"It's a putt you're going to make 99 out of 100 times, but in the Skins Game, in this format, the nerves take over," he said. "Somehow, I managed to shake it in."

Perhaps his biggest putt of the day was to save par and halve the seventh hole, when Palmer appeared on the verge of winning with a two-putt for par.

Couples hooked his tee shot into a lateral hazard, took a penalty drop and then hit his 8-iron third shot within about 30 feet. Stewart and Azinger also fouled up shots, while Palmer was on in two with an 18-footer for a birdie.

Couples, however, dropped his long par putt and Palmer took two to get down.

Stewart won \$40,000 with a wedge to two feet on the second hole, and another \$20,000 with a little chip to three feet for birdie-4 on the third.

Palmer scored two birdies for the day, but halved the first with Couples and the fifth with Azinger.

"Except for the putt on the eighth, I'm not too disappointed with the way I played," he said. "I just didn't play good enough to win a skin."

By The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — It was Butler's home game, but the majority of the capacity crowd wore the colors of visiting Indiana.

The folks in the red shirts went home stunned.

Butler didn't allow a field goal in the final nine minutes Saturday as it upset No. 11 Indiana 75-71 — its first victory over the Hoosiers since 1958.

"Our players really believed that they could win," Butler coach Barry Collier said. "Without question, Travis Trice's leadership and determination was evident throughout the Fieldhouse."

Trice, playing his first season with the Bulldogs after sitting out a year following his transfer from Purdue, made a 3-pointer and three free throws in the final 2:13 to hold off the Hoosiers. He had 24 points to lead all scorers.

"I felt great the whole game. I never was really nervous," said Trice. "I stayed aggressive, that's probably the biggest piece ... kind of pushing it into the defense, keeping the defense on their heels."

"Butler came right out and played better than we did, played harder than we did," Indiana coach Bob Knight said. "They just carried that through the entire ball game. They played excellently defensively. I think they took us out of a lot of things."

"When we started believing, and our pressure picked up on defense, that made all the difference in the world," Trice said. "We got a couple of steals, a couple of easy baskets ... Once you start believing, there's nothing you can't do."

Indiana (0-1) took a 60-59 lead on a 3-pointer by Pat Evans with 9:07 to play, but the Hoosiers then missed their final 12 field goal attempts.

A tip-in by T.J. Perry put Butler (1-1) ahead to stay 66-65 with four minutes remaining. Alan Henderson, who missed six foul shots in the final 11:05, then missed two free throws. Jermaine Guice's 3-pointer gave Butler a 69-65 lead with 2:43 left.

Damon Bailey, who led Indiana with 23 points, got Indiana within two by sinking two free throws with 2:30 left, but a 3-pointer and a free throw by Trice gave the Bulldogs a 73-67 advantage.

Evans, who had 19 points, was fouled attempting a 3-pointer with 1:09 to go and hit all three free throws to revive Indiana's hopes of holding off the Bulldogs, who lost their opener to Cincinnati 90-72 in the opening round of the Preseason NIT.

But when Indiana got the ball back, Evans and Sherron Wilkerson both missed 3-point attempts. Henderson split a pair of free throws with 12.8 seconds left and Trice sealed the victory by making two free throws with 8.5 seconds to go.

Guice had 19 for the Bulldogs, who hit on 11 of 21 shots from 3-point range. Trice had seven of the 3-pointers.

"At Purdue, I wasn't really known as a shooter. I don't know what their scouting report said as far as how to defend Travis Trice, but I found myself receiving a lot of backscreens. That's something we worked on a lot in practices," Trice said.

Henderson had 13 points and 14 rebounds for Indiana, but was 5 of 12 from the free throw line. John Taylor contributed 14 points and 12 rebounds for Butler.

Indiana, which defeated the Bulldogs 90-48 last season, leads the series 33-11.

The teams battled on nearly even terms through the first half, which ended with Butler holding a 38-37 edge. There were 10 lead changes and five ties in the first half. Butler opened the biggest lead of the game at 14-7, but Indiana responded with nine consecutive points to take a 16-14 lead.

Basketball player first American to play in Russia

By KEVIN McNAMARA
Providence Journal

As the world watched the horrifying sight of Boris Yeltsin and the Russian rebels squaring off in Moscow in early October, basketball player Tony Turner wondered what all the excitement was about.

Like many others around the world, Turner was glued to CNN at the time. Unlike everyone else, Turner lives just a short ride away from the Russian White House in Moscow. Turner is there as a pioneer, the first American ever to play in the Russian Championship Basketball League.

The former Providence College player arrived in Moscow on Sept. 20 and played for his team, Spartak, the next day. Two weeks later, Turner switched on his television and saw tanks and bombs flying as Yeltsin successfully took over the parliament building, or White House.

"I went outside and looked around

for smoke or something but I didn't see or hear anything. I couldn't believe it was going on a couple miles away," Turner said.

Eric Fleisher, Turner's agent back in New York, quickly called and said if the trouble escalated Turner should immediately jump on a plane. Spartak team officials sensed Turner, the easy-going Georgia native who starred at Providence College last season, might be disturbed by tanks, bombs and tear gas and quickly rushed to his apartment.

"Once the team heard about it, they didn't want me to get worried and leave because they didn't think I'd come back," Turner said. "They said they'd fly me somewhere while everything cooled off. They offered to send me to Rio de Janeiro. That sounded pretty good right about then."

Spartak sent a car to Turner's apartment and took him to a bridge where the frenzied crowds and the White House were visible.

"They took me on a ride and we saw the fighting but people were still walking around, going to work," he said. "People were watching it like they were watching a game. I saw it all but felt very comfortable. I think the media blew it out of proportion."

Yeltsin's supporters regained control of the parliament building and put down the revolt led by his former vice president, Aleksandr Rutskoi. When the worst violence since the Bolshevik Revolution was over, an estimated 142 people were dead.

Turner stayed in Moscow but quickly became lonely. Former PC center Steve Wright originally joined him on the Spartak team, but officials weren't happy with Wright's production. Wright lasted two weeks and left Moscow before the trouble began on Oct. 3. The team began a search for another American big man but Turner had other ideas.

"They asked me who we should get and I knew we didn't need another

big guy. We needed a point guard who could get me the ball," he said.

Turner contacted Chuck Evans, a high school teammate from College Park, Ga., who averaged 13 points and eight assists at Mississippi State last year. Evans jumped at the chance to reunite with Turner. The two 22-year-olds moved in together and have all the comforts of home. Their contracts include the apartment, a maid, driver, someone to hit the grocery store, and utilities.

"All I really pay for is the phone bill," Turner said.

That bill is substantial. Turner is recently engaged to Liz Huaman, a graduate student at Salve Regina University in Newport, R.I. But even with a few calls a week to Rhode Island, Turner isn't scraping for cash. He's guaranteed \$40,000 for the six-month season and could make another \$10,000 to \$20,000 if the league does well.

From the moment Turner first arrived in Moscow, he's been a

celebrity. Gawking Russians stop him on the street and at restaurants for autographs. Spartak officials shuttled Turner from one press conference to another during his first few weeks in Moscow and even now reporters from the New York Times and Sports Illustrated have requested interviews.

He was a huge hit on the court, averaging over 25 points in an eight-game exhibition season that saw Spartak competing in the Russian League's top division. Regular season play begins in December and lasts until April.

As a final preparation for the season, Spartak is currently on an American tour. Led by Turner's 26 points, Spartak beat Air Force last week, 91-87. Two nights later, Turner poured in 32 points and Evans added 24 but Spartak lost to Colorado, 126-107.

Soon the team will return to Moscow. Turner said he enjoys the city, especially now that Evans is

around. With Spartak's gameplan revolving around Turner, the basketball will take care of itself.

"The competition over there is better than I thought it would be," Turner said. "The big guys are very big and have skills but the talent and intensity isn't the same as the Big East — but I didn't expect it to be either."

After graduating from Providence last June, Turner began his pro career in Italy. Problems getting the money his contract promised led Turner back to the States and he played in the Atlanta Hawk rookie camp.

The Hawks expressed some interest in Turner attending the team's training camp but then the chance to be a pioneer in Russia came up. With guaranteed money and a chance to make history, even strife-ridden Moscow was too good to turn down.

"I still don't want to give up my dream (NBA) but the Hawks will be there every year," Turner said.

Can anybody really figure out the polls?

By CHUCK CARLSON
Thomson News Service

Tom Osborne, despite living and working and apparently liking it in Nebraska, has it right.

The University of Nebraska football coach is tired of talking, tired of thinking, tired of dealing with those damnable college football polls.

He's not the only one.

His Cornhuskers are ranked No. 1 in the CIA or TNT or IBM poll while in the KKK or ICBM or IRS or JFK poll, they're No. 2.

Meanwhile, Florida State is tabbed No. 1 in the KFC or YMCA or L-1011 poll while Notre Dame, which was No. 1 in the DMV or the FDR or the Toys R Us poll, is now all the way down to No. 4.

We think. Is Florida State the best team in the country? Is West Virginia? Is Nebraska or Florida or Wisconsin or Tennessee or Central Dubuque State Teachers College?

So many polls. So many numbers.

So many people roaming around with no lives whatsoever.

Hello out there? Is anyone listening? Does anyone care?

Do you know that none of this matters? Has that dawned on anyone anywhere?

Sadly, the answer is probably no. Loren Tate, sports editor of the Champaign (Ill.) News-Gazette, also had it right.

A longtime voter on the Associated Press poll, he up and quit this week because, in his words, he simply didn't know much about the teams he was voting for.

What a shock. It seems inconceivable that a writer living on the windswept prairies of central Illinois wouldn't have intimate and complete knowledge of the football teams at Clemson, North Carolina, Arizona and Texas A&M.

But it's always been that way both in the Associated Press (which is voted on writers and gasp — sportscasters) as well as the USA Today-CNN poll (voted on by coaches).

Can't you just see a coach in that poll, less than 24 hours after dragging his team through an emotionally draining game of his own, sitting down, pursing his lips thoughtfully and deciding if he's going make Virginia Tech or Kansas State No. 22 that week.

What a joke. And the voters know it.

Their scientific way of voting? "Who did I vote for last week?" they'll ask. "OK, keep it the same but drop Ohio State down a notch."

Yet week in and week out, college football junkies hang on every word. And if Hometown Tech drops from No. 5 to No. 7 in the BFD poll, suicide hotlines in that town are busy for a week.

It would be nice to think that no one pays attention to any of the polls, including the staggeringly sanctimonious "coalition" poll, a combination of all the polls and the supposed barometer by which to judge talent.

But people do pay attention. Even coaches who say they don't pay attention to them pay attention to them.

There is something mystical, almost mesmerizing, about polls, about seeing your school's name there and realizing that the program has arrived.

But they just don't matter. They never have and never will.

Anyone who has watched college football this season knows perfectly well that the best football team in the land is Florida State.

Argue it all you like and claim whatever you want.

If Florida State needs a poll to prove it's the best, that's just one more reason to abolish the whole miserable system.

(Carlson writes for The Post-Crescent, Appleton, Wis.)



Then and now
Dallas defensive tackle Leon Lett has twice made glaring mental mistakes on nationally televised football games. In the top photo, he has the ball stripped by Buffalo's Don Beebe while prematurely celebrating a touchdown in Super Bowl XXVII Jan. 31. In the bottom photo, he inadvertently dives for a loose ball after Dallas blocked a late Miami field goal try Thursday in Texas Stadium. Miami recovered the ball and kicked the winning field goal as time expired.

NASCAR: The year that was

Thomson News Service

ATLANTA — Some impressions of the 1993 NASCAR Winston Cup season:

—The foundation for the sport is cast in concrete, not sand. That's obvious when a huge, overflowing crowd shows up at Atlanta Motor Speedway for the season finale with the championship virtually in Dale Earnhardt's pocket.

—Glance around at Major League Baseball ballparks in late September. There are more echoes than cheers with the home team out of the race and polishing golf clubs. What a credit to the sport when its fans don't wave white flags, give up on the season, and stay home.

—Rusty Wallace didn't wave a white flag, either. They just waved checkered flags at him. Wallace's relentless push to catch Earnhardt in the points race dimmed the memory of the deaths of Alan Kulwicki and Davey Allison. Sure, 1993 will still be remembered as the season Winston Cup lost two of its stars, but at least Wallace and Earnhardt gave us something else to think about.

—The sport could ill-afford to lose Allison and Kulwicki, two of its premier performers. Four drivers won 24 of the season's 30 races. That's not a good balance of power.

—Part of the problem is drivers who play it safe and tuck it in. At the midpoint of the season, several drivers just concentrated on staying in the top ten and top five.

The sport needs more stars. Dale Jarrett may be ready to break through. We'll see. Kyle Petty? Who knows. You figured he'd be in the mix, but he's still second-tier in this book.

Jeff Gordon may emerge in a year or two. But I wish he'd get rid of his attitude that he's bothered by the attention he received for being a rising star. The guy acts like a brat.

The next guy to join the elite of Earnhardt, Wallace, and Mark Martin will be Ernie Ivan. One of the top drivers on the circuit, and a guy who will go right to the front, Ivan is paired with a terrific Robert Yates racing team. The early line on next year has Earnhardt, Wallace, and Ivan as the team to beat.

—Dale Earnhardt's boss, Richard Childress, has every right to call Earnhardt the best driver in Winston Cup history. He won't do it.

The reason is Richard Petty. Perhaps it would be different if Petty didn't have any class or the universal respect of Winston Cup fans. Childress won't lift Earnhardt to the same throne.

"There is only one King," Childress said. "Dale Earnhardt is one of the great drivers in the sport, so let's leave it at that. Call him one of the greats."

—If this were baseball, Earnhardt would be the leader in saves. That's why he wins championships. The guy can take an ill-handling car and keep it in contention.

Namath's guarantee, while great drama, still considered bad form among players

By DAVID WILLIAMS
Scripps Howard News Service

It was January 1969. Dateline, Miami. Quarterback Joe Namath, three days before leading the underdog New York Jets into Super Bowl III against the Baltimore Colts, stepped up to a podium to accept an award as the American Football League's top player.

"There was a nice response," Namath said. "Then as it died down, a voice came out: 'Hey, Namath, we're going to kick your you-know-what.'"

Namath knew what. He also knew he was tired of hearing that kind of talk, tired of hearing about the mighty Colts and the NFL's dominance of the AFL.

He wasn't too impressed by the betting line. The Colts were favored by almost three touchdowns.

"I said, 'Whoa, you wait a minute. Wait a minute. You guys have been talking now for going on two weeks. And I'm tired of it. Hey, I've got news for you. We're going to win the game. I guarantee it.'"

Those words shook the world. Sadly, they didn't change it. Twenty five years later — as Namath and underdogs everywhere celebrate the silver anniversary of the Jets' championship season and 16-7 Super Bowl triumph, the words still strike us as shocking.

Dangerous and dumb, too. Despite Namath making good on his guarantee, it still is considered bad form and even worse strategy to say, "We're going to win the game. I guarantee it."

Believe it if you can, but don't dare say it.

"What I had said was not good football sense," said Namath, who learned this fact of life from coach Weeb Ewbank.

"He was very upset, and understandably. He explained that he had the Colts and we had the Colts, and the media had the Colts in a situation that he liked as an opposing coach. He felt like they could be overconfident."

In other words, let sleeping dogs lie.

Namath said something in his discussion with Ewbank that deserves to be remembered even more than his guarantee: "Well, Coach, if they need clippings to get fired up, they are in big trouble."

together now — "If they need clippings to get fired up, they are in big trouble."

Namath, MVP of Super Bowl III, and his championship teammates were honored Sunday at the New York Jets-Cincinnati Bengals game. There were lots of laughs, many stories told and retold, and much said about the immortal words: "I guarantee it."

It's disappointing to think how few people take the path Namath blazed. The player who speaks his mind on victory or defeat is considered foolhardy. Don't rattle the opposition, players are told, don't rattle any cages.

In short, be humble and polite. This is good football strategy? Better, it seems, to tell the world of your confidence, as Namath did. Better to let teammates know you believe in yourself, and in them. Doesn't anything less give rise to doubt?

Rare, though, is the quarterback who fits the Namath mold. Which is why we still applaud Namath, a quarterback who talked big and backed it up.

He prompted us to ask, "Who does he think he is?" and then played a game that provided the answer: Super Bowl champion.

(David Williams is a columnist for The Commercial Appeal in Memphis.)

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Cowboys have time to lick wounds

Briefs

By The Associated Press

IRVING — The Dallas Cowboys don't play again until Dec. 6 — and it's a good thing.

Their 16-14 Thanksgiving Day loss to the Miami Dolphins was one of the toughest in club history.

Coach Jimmy Johnson said, "It's the most disappointing loss I've ever had." And that includes coaching stints at Oklahoma State and the University of Miami.

Facing the Super Bowl champions will be a difficult stretch of games after they play host to the Philadelphia Eagles on Monday night before a national television audience.

Dallas beat Philadelphia 23-10 earlier in the season and Emmitt Smith had a club record 237 yards rushing on 30 carries.

"We lost our first two games, won seven straight, then lost our last two games," said Johnson. "I think we'll be fine, but we do have a tough

stretch. We have three of our last four games on the road."

The Cowboys play at Minnesota and the New York Jets, come home to meet Washington on the day after Christmas, then play the New York Giants Jan. 2 in the Meadowlands in a game that could decide the NFC East title.

Dallas beat the Giants 31-9 in an earlier meeting, but New York now has a half-game lead on the Cowboys.

Of some comfort to Dallas is the knowledge that it plays well after Thanksgiving games. Dallas has a 19-6 record on games after the holiday.

There's also good news for the Cowboys on the injury front. Both quarterback Troy Aikman and Smith came out of the game in good physical shape.

"My hamstring is still a little tender, but considering the condition of the field with all the ice and every-

thing I'm fine," said Aikman, who felt good enough to make a trip to Los Angeles Friday night to appear on the Jay Leno show.

Smith got through the game without aggravating his bruised thigh.

Johnson has at least one tough battle ahead of him before the Dec. 6 game: trying to get his team to forget Leon Lett's Thanksgiving Day blunder.

Lett's mental mistake on a blocked field goal allowed Pete Stoyanovich a second-chance field goal that gave Miami the victory.

"I feel bad for him, but he will overcome it," said Johnson. "He's a big, big part of this football team and will be as long as I'm coach of the Cowboys."

With three Dallas players waving their arms for nobody to touch the ball after a blocked 41-yard field goal attempt, Lett burst through two Dolphin players and hit the ball with his foot as he tried to recover it.

The Dolphins got the live ball on the 1 with three seconds left, and Stoyanovich kicked the game winner from 19 yards away.

"It was as bizarre a day as I have been in," Johnson said. "It was the worst weather I have been in. I hate snow and ice. It was very disappointing."

Johnson said teammates were trying to console Lett but that "he was so devastated he didn't hear anybody say anything."

Lett also pulled a blunder in the Super Bowl as he returned a fumble. He held out the ball just as he was about to cross the goal and Don Beebe batted it out of the end zone for a touchback.

"Poor Leon," Aikman said on the Leno show. "He has the biggest television audience possible for his mistakes."

Hawks take victory at Kansas tourney

HUTCHINSON, Kan. — Kavossy Franklin led six Howard College players who scored in double figures as the Hawks bounced Rose State, 101-86, at the Hutchinson Basketball Tournament Friday night.

Kavossy scored 29 points to lead the Hawks, now 8-2 for the season. Other Howard players in double figures were: Che Chapple, 17 points; Jerard Billingsley and Spencer Stewart, 14 points; Tony Brown, 13 points; and Tavares White, 12 points.

Stephenville bounces Mustangs from playoffs

ABILENE — Brandon Stewart ran for two touchdowns and passed for another as the Stephenville Yellowjackets defeated Sweetwater 46-21 in a Class 4A regional playoff game at Shotwell Stadium Saturday.

Stewart, who ran for 139 yards on 13 carries and completed 5 of 9 passes for 86 yards, scored the game's first touchdown on a 1-yard run. After Sweetwater's Tyrone Amos tied the game on a 6-yard scoring run, the Yellowjackets ran

off 39 unanswered points to gain firm control of the game.

Sweetwater, runner-up in District 3-4A, ended its season with an 8-4 record. Stephenville, now 13-0, advances to play Andrews at a site and time to be determined.

In other playoff action involving area teams, District 3-4A champion Andrews defeated Brownwood 27-14, Abilene Cooper defeated Haltom City 41-6 and Lewisville downed Midland Lee 44-30.

Lady Raiders beat Stanford

LUBBOCK (AP) — Michi Atkins scored 29 points Saturday as defending national champion Texas Tech beat sixth-ranked Stanford 72-68.

The 14th-ranked Lady Raiders (2-0) have now beaten two teams ranked higher. They defeated No. 2 Vanderbilt in their season opener.

The Lady Raiders built a 31-19 first-half lead but led only 32-29 at halftime and struggled to stretch that lead through the first 10 minutes of the second period.

The Lady Raiders stayed in front until the final 9:21, when Bobbie Kelsey tied the score at 53-all. After that, there were six ties and Stanford (0-1).

SPORTS EXTRA

FOOTBALL

Playoff scores

Temple 15, Richardson Lake Highlands 9
Euleus Trinity 42, Lubbock Coronado 8
Piano 20, Spring Westfield 0
Aldine Eisenhower 31, Altief Elak 12
Cuero 63, Port Isabel 8
Crawford 21, Alvord 14
Andrews 24, Brownwood 17
Bartlett 15, Flatonia 3
Southlake Carroll 35, Vernon 7
Converse Judson 63, Eagle Pass 7
Abilene Cooper 41, Haltom City 6
Stephenville 46, Sweetwater 21
Boyd 26, Clifton 9
Corpus Christi Calallen 23, New Braunfels Canyon 14
La Porte 28, Houston Madison 12
Lewisville 44, Midland Lee 30
Tatum 40, Commerce 12

College scores

EAST
Boston U. 27, N. Iowa 21, 2OT
Indiana, Pa. 38, New Haven 35
Rowan 37, Wm. Paterson 0
Wash. & Jeff. 28, Frostburg St. 7
SOUTH
Florida St. 33, Florida 21
Georgia Southern 14, E. Kentucky 12
Marshall 28, Howard U. 14
Mississippi St. 20, Mississippi 13
North Alabama 45, Hampton U. 29
SW Louisiana 21, Louisiana Tech 17
Southern U. 31, Grambling St. 13
Tennessee 62, Vanderbilt 14
Troy St. 42, Stephen F. Austin 20
MIDWEST
Mount Union 30, Albion 16
North Dakota 54, Mankato St. 21
Penn St. 38, Michigan St. 37
St. John's, Minn. 47, Wis.-LaCrosse 25
Youngstown St. 56, Cent. Florida 30
FAR WEST
Brigham Young 47, Texas-El Paso 16
Delaware 49, Montana 48

Div. II playoffs

All Times EST
First Round
Saturday, Nov. 20
South Regional
North Alabama 38, Carson-Newman, Tenn. 28
28
Hampton U. 33, Albany State, Ga. 7
West Regional
Texas A&M-Kingsville 50, Portland State, Ore. 15
UC Davis 37, Fort Hays State, Kan. 34
Midwest Regional
Mankato State, Minn. 34, Missouri Southern State 13
North Dakota 17, Pittsburg State, Kan. 14
Northeast Regional
New Haven, Conn. 48, Edinboro, Pa. 28
Indiana, Pa. 28, Ferris State, Mich. 21
Quarterfinals
Saturday, Nov. 27
South Regional
North Alabama 45, Hampton, Va. 20
West Regional
Texas A&M-Kingsville 51, UC Davis 28
Midwest Regional
North Dakota 54, Mankato State, Minn. 21
Northeast Regional
Indiana, Pa. 38, New Haven, Conn. 35
Semifinals
Saturday, Dec. 4
Sites TBA
North Alabama (12-0) vs. Texas A&M-Kingsville (7-0)
North Dakota (10-2) vs. Indiana, Pa. (12-0)
Championship
Saturday, Dec. 11
At Florence, Ala.
Semifinal winners

NFL standings

All Times EST
AMERICAN CONFERENCE
East
Miami 9-20
Buffalo 8-20
N.Y. Jets 6-40
Indianapolis 3-37
New England 1-19
Central
Houston 6-40
Pittsburgh 6-40
Cleveland 5-50
Cincinnati 0-10
West
San Francisco 7-30
Denver 6-40
LA Raiders 6-40
Seattle 5-50
San Diego 4-60
NATIONAL CONFERENCE
East
N.Y. Giants 7-30
Dallas 7-40
Philadelphia 4-60
Phoenix 3-37
Washington 2-80
Central
Detroit 7-40
Green Bay 6-40
Chicago 6-50
Minnesota 5-50
Tampa Bay 3-37
West
San Francisco 7-30
New Orleans 6-40
Atlanta 4-60
LA Rams 3-37

West
Kansas City 7-30
Denver 6-40
LA Raiders 6-40
Seattle 5-50
San Diego 4-60
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Dallas 7-40
Philadelphia 4-60
Phoenix 3-37
Washington 2-80
Central
Detroit 7-40
Green Bay 6-40
Chicago 6-50
Minnesota 5-50
Tampa Bay 3-37
West
San Francisco 7-30
New Orleans 6-40
Atlanta 4-60
LA Rams 3-37

Olivet Nazarene 88, Heidelberg 84
Third Place
Berea 83, Anderson, Ind. 71
Chicago Christian College Tournament
Championship
Trinity, Ill. 80, Judson 66
Florence-Park Inn Classic
Championship
Francis Marion 68, Longwood 54
Third Place
High Point 89, St. Leo 78, OT
Park Inn Classic
Championship
Phila. Pharmacy 81, Ursinus 66
Third Place
St. Joseph's, N.Y. 62, Gwynedd Mercy 60
San Juan Shootout
Consolation Bracket
American U., P.R. 68, Wright St. 61
Coppin St. 86, Pacific U. 77
EXHIBITION
Illinois 109, Kiev Basket 69
Ohio U. 105, Athletica in Action 88

2. Kentucky (1-0) beat No. 7 Louisville 78-70.
Next: vs. Tennessee Tech, Wednesday.
3. Arkansas (0-0) did not play. Next: vs. Murray State, Monday.
4. Duke (0-0) vs. Northeastern. Next: vs. Citadel, Wednesday.
5. Michigan (1-0) did not play. Next: at Cleveland State, Monday.
6. Kansas (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 8 Temple, Wednesday.
7. Louisville (0-1) lost to No. 2 Kentucky 78-70. Next: vs. Michigan State, Saturday.
8. Temple (0-0) did not play. Next: at No. 6 Kansas, Wednesday.
9. Minnesota (2-2) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi Valley State, Monday.
10. Oklahoma State (1-0) did not play. Next: at Southern Methodist, Sunday.
11. Indiana (0-1) lost to Butler 75-71. Next: vs. No. 2 Kentucky at Indianapolis, Saturday.
12. California (1-1) did not play. Next: at Texas Southern, Wednesday.
13. Georgia Tech (0-1) did not play. Next: vs. North Carolina A&T, Tuesday.
14. UCLA (1-0) beat Loyola Marymount 115-77. Next: vs. UNLV, Saturday.

Women's scores

EAST
California, Pa. 78, Alderson-Broaddus 77
Clarton 77, Dowling 63
Connecticut 103, Colgate 45
Edinboro 78, Mansfield 65
Fairfield 85, Brown 81
Fordham 88, Iona 46
George Washington 107, Coppin St. 42
Indiana, Pa. 88, Gannon 76
Mass.-Lowell 86, Bryant 79
Middlebury 51, Wesleyan 42
Paca 73, Concordia, N.Y. 50
Pittsburgh 66, Duquesne 50
Rowan 79, Montclair St. 60
St. Peter's 80, Md.-E. Shore 45
Scranton 104, Catholic U. 61
Seton Hall 95, Monmouth, N.J. 59
Siena 66, Cent. Connecticut St. 58
Vermont 85, Dartmouth 59
Wm. Paterson 70, Rutgers-Camden 50
Yale 59, Wagner 51
SOUTH
Belmont 122, Va. Intermont 45
George Mason 104, Winthrop 40
Johnson C. Smith 96, Virginia St. 79
Mars Hill 83, Davidson 82
Maryland 82, American 48
Old Dominion 78, South Carolina 69
Pfeiffer 86, Barber Scotts 82
Radford 85, Appalachian St. 83
Virginia 92, Penn 66
William & Mary 106, Harvard 63
MIDWEST
Kansas St. 69, Detroit Mercy 56
Xavier, Ohio 72, Wis.-Green Bay 49
WEST
Ark.-Monticello 78, Henderson St. 52
Texas Tech 72, Stanford 68
FAR WEST
New Mexico St. 70, New Mexico 55
S. Utah 64, Wyoming 61
TOURNAMENTS
CableVision Classic
Second Round
Evansville 69, Princeton 65
Nebraska 68, Pepperdine 50
Hampton Thanksgiving Tournament
Championship
Hampton U. 77, Shaw 49
Consolation
Christopher Newport 69, Elizabeth City St. 66
Hawkeye Classic
First Round
Iowa 68, Laurentian 53
Carnegie-Mellon Thanksgiving Tournament
First Round
Carnegie-Mellon 54, Kings, Pa. 43
John Carroll 77, Allegheny 61
S.C. Spartanburg Invitational
Third Place
Wofford 84, Limestone 60
Tartar Classic
Championship
Wis.-Parkside 67, Wayne, Mich. 58
Third Place
Ind.-Pur.-Indpls 80, Spring Arbor 79
EXHIBITION
B.K. Strickland 71, Illinois 63
Latvia 84, Ohio U. 66

Transactions


BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
UTAH JAZZ—Waived Dave Jamerson, guard.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS—Waived Anthony Wallace, running back. Signed Charles Washington, defensive back.

AP top 25

How the top 25 teams in The Associated Press' college basketball poll fared Saturday:

- 1. North Carolina (3-1) did not play. Next: vs. Hawaii, Wednesday.

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Expansion

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But just those complications could block St. Louis. And NFL owners, being a generally impatient group, might get antsy if things go much beyond Wednesday afternoon — the meetings start Tuesday morning.

So by then, if they're up to a 20th ballot or so ...

Look for Jacksonville or Memphis to get into the picture.

Payton had been courted by other cities. Mike McCaskey, owner of the Bears, pushed for Payton's inclusion, suggesting his team's vote was dependent on it.

Commissioner Paul Tagliabue, who officially has no vote on expansion,


has suggested from the start that the cities include one new one and one old one. That would seem to rule out Jacksonville and Memphis.

But Jacksonville in particular could become a factor if St. Louis and Baltimore deadlock.


That could happen.

St. Louis has cleared up a couple of loose ends since the last owners' vote.

In addition to adding Payton, the bid gained when James Busch Orthwein, who owns the New England Patriots, offered to sell his share of the lease on the city's new indoor stadium to Kroenke's group for \$1.



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Mader wins World Cup slalom

By The Associated Press

PARK CITY, Utah — Guenther Mader of Austria struck a blow for all-around skiers on Saturday by besting the world's two best giant slalom skiers in a tight and tense World Cup ski race.

Mader, the 29-year-old leader of the Austrian team, completed two runs down the 1,607-meter Willy's Run course in 2 minutes, 0.61 seconds. He beat Italy's two-time Olympic GS champion, Alberto Tomba, by a mere .02 seconds, and left Norway's Kjetil Andre Aamodt, the World Cup giant slalom champion, .12 seconds behind.

Mader has worked hard to develop his skills in all four Alpine racing disciplines, a battle that usually means sacrificing victory for consistent top 10 finishes. Marc Girardelli of Luxembourg, the world's best all-arounder, won an unprecedented five World Cup overall titles with that philosophy, and it has also served Mader well.

The diversity he seeks in training and competition actually gave him the edge on Saturday. He struggled a bit on the steep upper portion of the course, but on each run used his downhill's gliding ability to make up precious hundredths of seconds on the flats heading into the finish.

"It's very difficult to ski all events because Austria has so many specialists ... and you always have to qualify in all events," said Mader, who last year pulled away from the team so he could pursue his all-around training with a personal coach. The effort paid off with a fourth-place finish in the overall standings.

"This year we decided to go back to the team and we had very good preparation, very good training for this year, especially in Chile, where I did a lot of downhill and super-G training, and here at Beaver Creek (Colo.)."

"I have a quiet mind with the team and all the coaches this year, and I



Austrian ski racer Guenther Mader shows his winning form as he races down the World Cup Giant Slalom course on the way to victory at Park City, Utah Saturday.

think you can see it in the results." Tomba, who failed to finish the season-opening GS at Sölden, Austria, last month, was happy with his effort, even if it did fall a tad short. "Mader is really in top form in giant slalom and he deserved to win here," Tomba said. "I skied pretty well in the second run but not as well at the bottom, where Guenther had a very good race. If tomorrow I had a second in the slalom, I would feel very happy. I'm looking for a top-three place."

Just missing the top three was

Franck Piccard of France, winner of the race at Sölden. He settled for fourth in 2:00.85 and retained the lead in the World Cup GS and overall standings with 150 points. Mader has 145 and Aamodt, third in both races, has 120.

Aamodt, who figures to be Girardelli's strongest challenger for the overall title this season, had much the better of it on Saturday. Girardelli finished only 21st, 2.13 seconds back of Mader, and has 60 points after the two events.

With the 1994 Winter Olympics at

Lillehammer, Norway, only two months away, Aamodt spends more time answering questions about the future than about each day's race.

"I think I have the ability to think about my own skiing and nothing else," Aamodt said. "That could help me also in Lillehammer to win a gold medal, which is my goal this year. I don't know which event; it's the same difficulty to win each event."

Steve Locher of Switzerland rounded out Saturday's top five in 2:01.27, a mere .02 faster than his teammate, Michael Von Gruenigen.

Mountaineers win, but lose title chance

By The Associated Press

Things don't look promising for West Virginia.

The undefeated Mountaineers can blame the writers, blame the coaches, blame the system, blame anybody they want. The fact remains that they probably will not get a chance to play in a head-to-head matchup for the national championship.

No. 1 Florida State beat No. 7 Florida 33-21 Saturday, almost assuring a No. 1 vs. No. 2 matchup between the Seminoles and Nebraska in the Orange Bowl Jan. 1.

"I'm too old to be angry," West Virginia coach Don Nehlen said. "Our problem is we started from nowhere, and when you have to start from nowhere you have to prove to everybody you belong. If you start at the top, you have to prove you don't belong. There's a big difference."

It won't be official until the polls are released Sunday, but the No. 5 Mountaineers appear destined to climb no higher than No. 3 in the bowl coalition poll — a combination of The Associated Press and CNN-USA Today polls used to facilitate a No. 1 vs. No. 2 matchup on New Year's Day.

West Virginia was 162 points behind the No. 2 Seminoles in last week's coalition poll — a margin that will be very difficult to overcome.

"Can West Virginia slip up there? As long as you vote, anything can happen," Florida State coach Bobby Bowden said.

Nehlen aired his thoughts on the matter immediately after his team rallied in the fourth quarter Friday to beat Boston College 17-14 and end the regular season 11-0.

"It would be a crime for this team not to have the opportunity to play Nebraska," he said. "This team has won every game, including four against bowl teams. We should play Nebraska for the national championship."

It'd be hard to find anyone in his state who would disagree.

"Look at Nebraska's schedule," Nehlen said Saturday. "I think they played three top 20 teams and I'm not sure they played a top 5 team."

Nebraska coach Tom Osborne seemed to be wishing for a Nebraska-West Virginia game in the Orange Bowl.

"Ideally, you'd like to play another school from a similar climate

that plays on AstroTurf and has the same logistics problems of getting everybody transported down there," Osborne said Saturday. "But if we don't play West Virginia, it isn't going to happen."

Bowl selections will be made next Sunday, and West Virginia figures to play either the Southeastern Conference champion — Florida or Alabama — in the Sugar Bowl or Texas A&M in the Cotton Bowl.

The picking order between those two bowls will be determined by which team has the higher final regular-season ranking — Texas A&M or the SEC champ, to be decided next Saturday.

West Virginia will not play in the Fiesta Bowl because the Big East champion is contractually obligated to play in the Orange, Cotton or Sugar bowls.

In other Top 25 games Saturday, No. 6 Tennessee crushed Vanderbilt 62-14 and No. 14 Penn State beat No. 25 Michigan State 38-37. No. 9 Miami played at Memphis State Saturday night.

On Friday, No. 2 Nebraska beat No. 16 Oklahoma 21-7, No. 13 North Carolina beat Duke 38-24 and No. 19 Arizona beat Arizona State 34-20. No. 8 Texas A&M beat Texas 18-9 on Thursday.

Tenn. 62, Vanderbilt 14

At Knoxville, Tenn., the Volunteers scored enough points to become the highest-scoring team in school history. Tennessee (9-1-1, 6-1-1 SEC) ended the regular season with 471 points, an average of 42.8, breaking the old mark of 41.6 set in 1914. Charlie Garner rushed for 151 yards and a touchdown and James Stewart rushed for three touchdowns. Tennessee scored on three consecutive offensive plays during one stretch in the second quarter. Vanderbilt (4-7, 1-7) was outgained by 299 yards in the last game on artificial turf at Neyland Stadium. Grass will be installed before next season.

Penn St. 38, Michigan St. 37
At East Lansing, Mich., the Nittany Lions trailed 37-17 with 2:54 left in the third period, then rallied to score the game's final three touchdowns. The last, with just over 11 minutes remaining, came on a 48-yard pass from Kerry Collins to Bobby Engram. The Nittany Lions (9-2, 6-2 Big Ten) kept their hopes alive for a bid to the Citrus Bowl. Michigan State (6-4, 4-3) appears headed to the Liberty Bowl against Louisville.

Cuban softball pitcher defects to United States

By The Associated Press

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — It was Odalys Hernandez's last game for Cuba's national softball team. But her teammates didn't know that.

Hernandez pitched Cuba to a 10-1 victory over Colombia in a regional championship series, giving up only four hits and being congratulated by teammates as she walked off the field. Then, quickly, she met a friend and fled in a waiting car.

While on the mound, "I tried to think only of the game. It was very sad," the 28-year-old Havana native told The Associated Press at a San Juan restaurant Friday afternoon, hours after she formally applied for political asylum in the United States.

She was the 11th Cuban athlete or official to do so during the Central American and Caribbean Games here, reflecting a rush this year even by the elite athletes, academics and politicians to flee Fidel Castro's Communist nation. Under a Cold War act of Congress, nearly all Cubans who can make it to American shores get U.S. residency.

Hernandez had been a member of the Cuban team since she was 18 years old. She had won three of Cuba's seven victories so far, and had competed several times before in the United States, in tournaments in Oklahoma and St. Louis.

This time, she defected. She didn't tell her mother or father, and hadn't even decided for sure before contacting a Cuban exile earlier in the week.

"I had been thinking of this for a while, given the situation in Cuba, but my decision was sudden," she said. "I was looking for a little bit of liberty, which doesn't exist in Cuba."

Businessman Andres Martinez, a member of a small right-wing exile group, was happy to oblige her, setting up her escape Thursday night from the ballpark in the San Juan suburb of Guaynabo. He accompanied her to the restaurant Friday and said he was helping her get established in this Spanish-speaking U.S. commonwealth, where she wants to make her new home.

Cuban officials have complained to competition organizers, saying the exiles are seeking to discredit the Castro government by luring the athletes away. The exiles even rented a small aircraft to urge the athletes to defect, listing a telephone number for them to call. They say at least 16 members of the 881-member Cuban delegation defected by late Friday, although not all have yet sought asylum.

Hernandez did not specify how she contacted Martinez and was reluctant to describe her life in Cuba.

Among delegation members who have defected are two medal-winning bicyclists, father-and-son members of the archery team, a diver, a bowler, a sharpshooter, the No. 2 security official and a photographer for Cuba's Institute for Sports.

The Cubans have upgraded security since the defections began, Robert Bowles, assistant district director for the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, told the AP.

The defections come despite attempts by President Fidel Castro's government to retain its star athletes by allowing them to keep a bigger share of the purses. Some Cuban athletes, such as cyclists, boxers or baseball players, can get rich quickly when they enter professional competition.

National title game likely to pit Nebraska vs. FSU

By The Associated Press

Florida State and West Virginia both want to play Nebraska for the national championship in the Orange Bowl. Only one will get the chance, however, and it probably will be the Seminoles.

Top-ranked Florida State (11-1) staked its claim Saturday by beating No. 7 Florida 33-21 in Gainesville, where the Gators had won 23 in a row. No. 5 West Virginia (11-0) made its case Friday with a 17-14 victory over No. 11 Boston College.

Both teams have strong arguments. Florida State may have played the toughest schedule in the country, while West Virginia is the only undefeated team besides No. 2 Nebraska (11-0) that is eligible for a bowl.

But Florida State appears to have the inside track because of its position in the bowl coalition poll, a combination of The Associated Press media and USA Today-CNN coaches' rankings that determines the major bowl matchups.

The Seminoles were No. 2 in last week's coalition poll, 162 points ahead of No. 3 West Virginia and 68 points behind No. 1 Nebraska. Despite West Virginia's comeback victory over Boston College — the only team to beat Notre Dame this year — it will be difficult for the Mountaineers to pass Florida State when the new polls are released Sunday.

West Virginia coach Don Nehlen said it would be "the biggest crime ever perpetrated on a college football team" if his Mountaineers didn't get to play Nebraska for the national title. But Florida coach Bobby Bowden declined to lobby for his team after Saturday's win.

"I don't have to say anything," he said. "I'll let them vote whatever they think. ... People saw us play. We

were on television enough times this year."

If Florida State plays Nebraska in the Orange Bowl, West Virginia probably will meet Texas A&M in the Cotton. The Sugar Bowl would then match Notre Dame against the winner of next week's Southeastern Conference championship game between Florida and Alabama.

UCLA will play Wisconsin in the Rose Bowl if the Badgers beat Michigan State in Tokyo next week. If Wisconsin loses, Ohio State will play UCLA.

Other likely Jan. 1 matchups are Arizona-Miami in the Fiesta; Tennessee-Penn State in the Citrus; Boston College vs. LSU or Virginia in the Carquest; and Michigan-North Carolina State in the Hall of Fame.

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Cleveland punter on his guard

By The Associated Press

The Cleveland Browns, struggling to end a two-game losing streak, head into Atlanta this weekend to face a team that loves to block punts.

Browns punter Brian Hansen had two kicks blocked in the last three weeks, and special teams coach Scott O'Brien fully expects the Falcons will try for more on Sunday.

Although they have not yet blocked a punt this season, the Falcons rush the punter hard 64 percent of the time, more than almost every team in the league, O'Brien said. When Falcons coach Jerry Glanville was the head coach of the Houston Oilers, he was known for his special teams, and he has the same reputation with Atlanta.

"Blocked kicks usually lead to points and change the tempo," O'Brien said. "On the other side, you have to cover the returners — and they're all good in this league — so you're always battling the double-edged sword. You always work hard at punt protection, but apparently we have to work harder."

The Falcons also have Tony Smith, who leads the league with 730 yards in kick returns and has an 8-yard punt return average, ninth in the NFC.

In other games Sunday, it's Buffalo at Kansas City, Pittsburgh at Houston, New Orleans at Minnesota, San Francisco at the Los Angeles Rams, Denver at Seattle, Phoenix at the New York Giants, Tampa Bay at Green Bay, Philadelphia at Washington, the New York Jets at New England and the Los Angeles Raiders at Cincinnati.

On Monday night, San Diego is at Indianapolis.

The weekend began with Thursday's game, when Miami beat Dallas 16-14 and Chicago took Detroit 10-6.

Cleveland's Hansen knows he's under the gun. He leads the league with a 45.8-yard average, yet he also is the only punter in the league to have two punts blocked.

"The snaps were perfect both times," he said. "The bottom line is, if I get my hands on the ball, I have to find a way to get the punt off."

The reasons underlying the blocked punts in the Browns' last two games were different, making O'Brien's task complicated. Reggie Rivers rushed straight up the middle to block the punt in the Denver game, while Bubba McDowell ran in from the outside on Hansen's left.

"It's hard to point out one guy who is responsible for a punt being blocked, because normally you find out more than one thing usually went wrong," O'Brien said. "What it boils down to is you have to block one-on-one, no matter what type protection you're doing, and you have to execute when it's your turn."

"You have to stress the communication, which leads them to their assignments, which gives them the execution," he said. "Our breakdown has been the execution of our assignments — not the communication. We need to block better. We also have to be able to help the center."

Communication may not be the root of the problem, but it's not likely to be easy in the Georgia Dome if the fans are loud.

"I know Atlanta is going to come at us," O'Brien said, "not just because we've had two punts blocked, but because that's their mentality. The blocks just make it more appealing."

The Chiefs will look more appealing with Joe Montana at quarterback. It looks like he's sufficiently recovered from a hamstring pull to start against Buffalo.

"I would expect to (start), unless something drastic happens," Montana said. "But there's no telling."

Problems with his wrist and hamstring have caused the highest-rated passer in NFL history to miss five entire games and parts of two others. So far in his first season in Kansas City, he has played only 14 of 40 quarters.

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Moon still stinging from early benching

By The Associated Press

HOUSTON — The past won't go away for Warren Moon.

It's been five games and five straight victories since Moon, a proud five-time Pro Bowl selection, was benched for the first time in his pro career. He could say it doesn't bother him anymore.

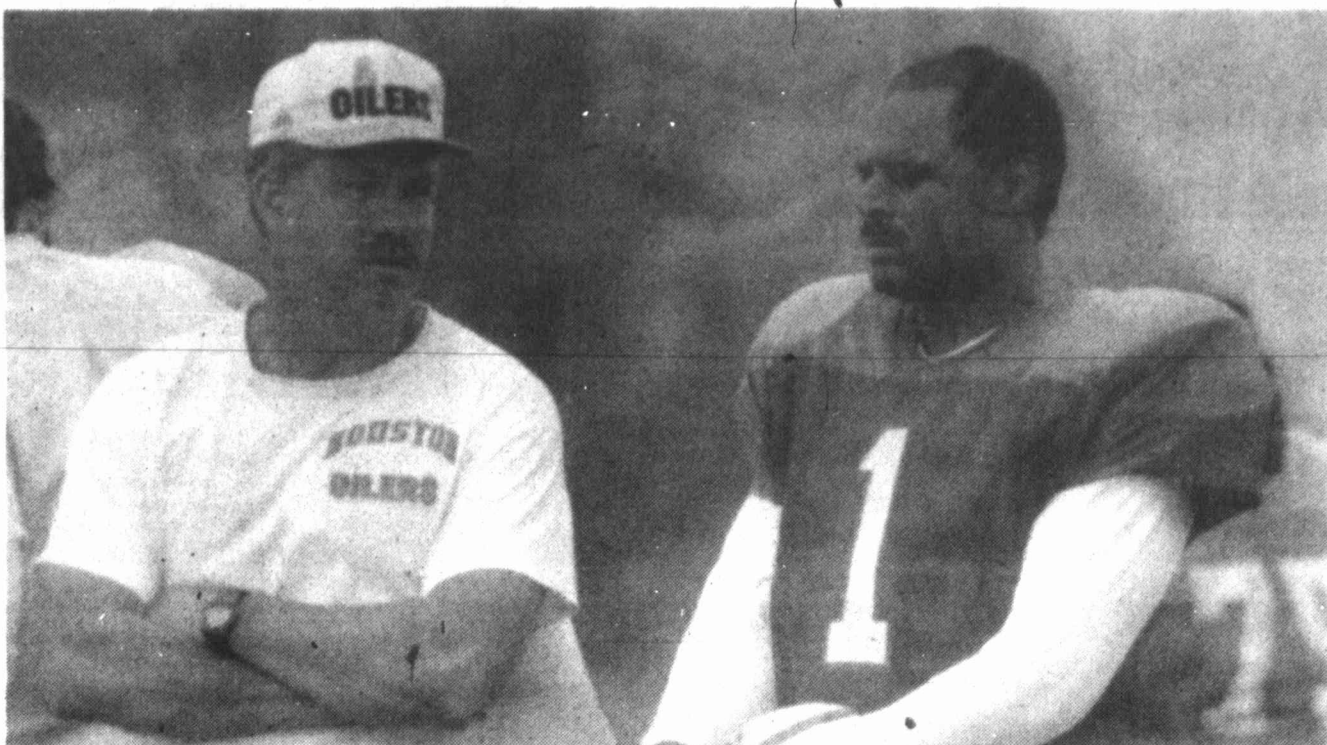
But it does. "I think about it every day," Moon said. "It's something I know could happen again and something I don't want to let happen again. I'm not going to take anything for granted."

Moon struggled individually early this season while the team seemed ready to fall apart collectively. Moon had his worst start as a quarterback and the Oilers were 1-4.

There was controversy between the coordinators, Kevin Gilbride on offense and Buddy Ryan on defense, over practice time. There were contract hassles, holdouts, injuries.

Then, in an effort to shake up the team, coach Jack Pardee told Moon that Cody Carlson would start against New England on Oct. 17. Carlson was injured in the second quarter and Moon was back in the starting lineup.

When Moon looks back on all that's happened this season, he thinks his worst moment came when Pardee called him into his office to



Houston offensive coordinator Kevin Gilbride, left, talks to quarterback Warren Moon during team practice Wednesday in Houston. The Oilers face Pittsburgh Sunday in the Astrodome.

tell him he'd been benched. "The actual day he told me he was going to make a change was the worst," Moon said. "I don't know if I expected it. I didn't know what he was going to tell me, I had an idea what he would say, but not for sure. When he told me, it was a shock."

Now they've got a five-game winning streak going into Sunday night's game against Pittsburgh in the Astrodome, with a chance to take the AFC Central Division lead. But he knows the boos can return at any time. "I've been through it here before,

just not as bad," Moon said. "I've had a bad game where everybody wanted to tie me up and ship me out of town. But I had a three-game stretch (this year) and it lasted a little longer than I was used to. It made it worse than it's ever been."

Moon has completed 118 of 181 passes for 1,136 yards, a 65.2 percent completion rate, thrown 11 touchdown passes and five interceptions.

"I never took position for granted," Moon said. "Maybe being benched was a wakeup call, but I really don't think I'm any different. I prepare the same way; my physical ability is the same."

Hitting bottom was the real wakeup call for the Oilers.

"All of a sudden everybody was at the same level," Moon said. "We had two things to do. We could throw in the towel and say the season's over, or we could band together and become a football team, and that's what we did."

"When you're down, we're not thinking, 'How many passes am I getting, or how many touchdowns am I going to throw?' It's what can we do to get out of this?"

Moon is more accustomed to hearing cheers instead of boos. The compliments are starting to return, even from the opposition.

Steelers cornerback Rod Woodson knocked Moon out of the game with a concussion in their last meeting, but he still had high praise for the Oilers quarterback. Woodson watched Moon's struggles earlier in the season and admired the quarterback's ability to stay the course.

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Injury epidemic has NFL stars, officials concerned

By The Associated Press

The NFL is a hurting league this year. It just can't seem to keep its stars healthy.

Dan Marino, Randall Cunningham, Steve Emtman and Jim Lachey barely got going this season before they went to the sidelines. Joe Montana can hardly get going with Kansas City. Last Sunday, the New York Jets played without three of their last four No. 1 draft picks. Drew Bledsoe, the top overall choice this year — Emtman held that distinction in 1992 — missed five starts with a knee injury.

The NFL does not keep a running count of injuries, so it's impossible to compare the extent this season compared with past years. But the quality of the injured players this year is evident.

Just nine of the 28 teams have had their starter at quarterback, the glamor position of professional football, for every game. Some of those starters — Buffalo's Jim Kelly, San Francisco's Steve Young — have been banged up nearly all season.

"The ideal situation would be to have all your players and never have anybody hurt and play all the games at home and never have to worry about crowd noise or weather," Dolphins coach Don Shula said. "But it doesn't work that way."

No, it doesn't. The Dallas Cowboys got to be Super Bowl champions largely by keeping key people healthy. And when Troy Aikman injured his hamstring on Nov. 7, the Cowboys were lucky enough to find Bernie Kosar available.

But when Emmitt Smith hurt his thigh last Sunday, Dallas was minus its two biggest attractions. Not coincidentally, the champs lost to Atlanta.

"When you have no Troy and no Emmitt, you can become average in a hurry," coach Jimmy Johnson said.

Actually, the Cowboys have been one of the least-injured teams in what has been a disastrous year for several NFL clubs. Philadelphia and Washington have been ravaged this season. Phoenix, while not a playoff contender, has been unable to make progress because so many key players are sidelined. San Diego, the 1993 AFC West champion, has faltered behind faulty blocking.

"We're minus five linemen who were playing there last year. That's a huge difference," Chargers coach Bobby Ross said. "We're missing our whole right side of our line."

Before they lost to the Rams last Sunday, Redskins coach Richie Petitbon noted that starting guard Mark Schlereth became the fourth offensive lineman placed on injured reserve this year.

"Right now on the offensive line, nobody is playing in their original position," Petitbon said. "On defense, both ends are out and now a tackle is out."

So it's not just the absence of big names such as Marino (torn Achilles tendon), Cunningham (broken leg), Emtman (knee) and Lachey (yes, another knee) that make an impact. Here's a look at how injuries have affected the various NFL teams.

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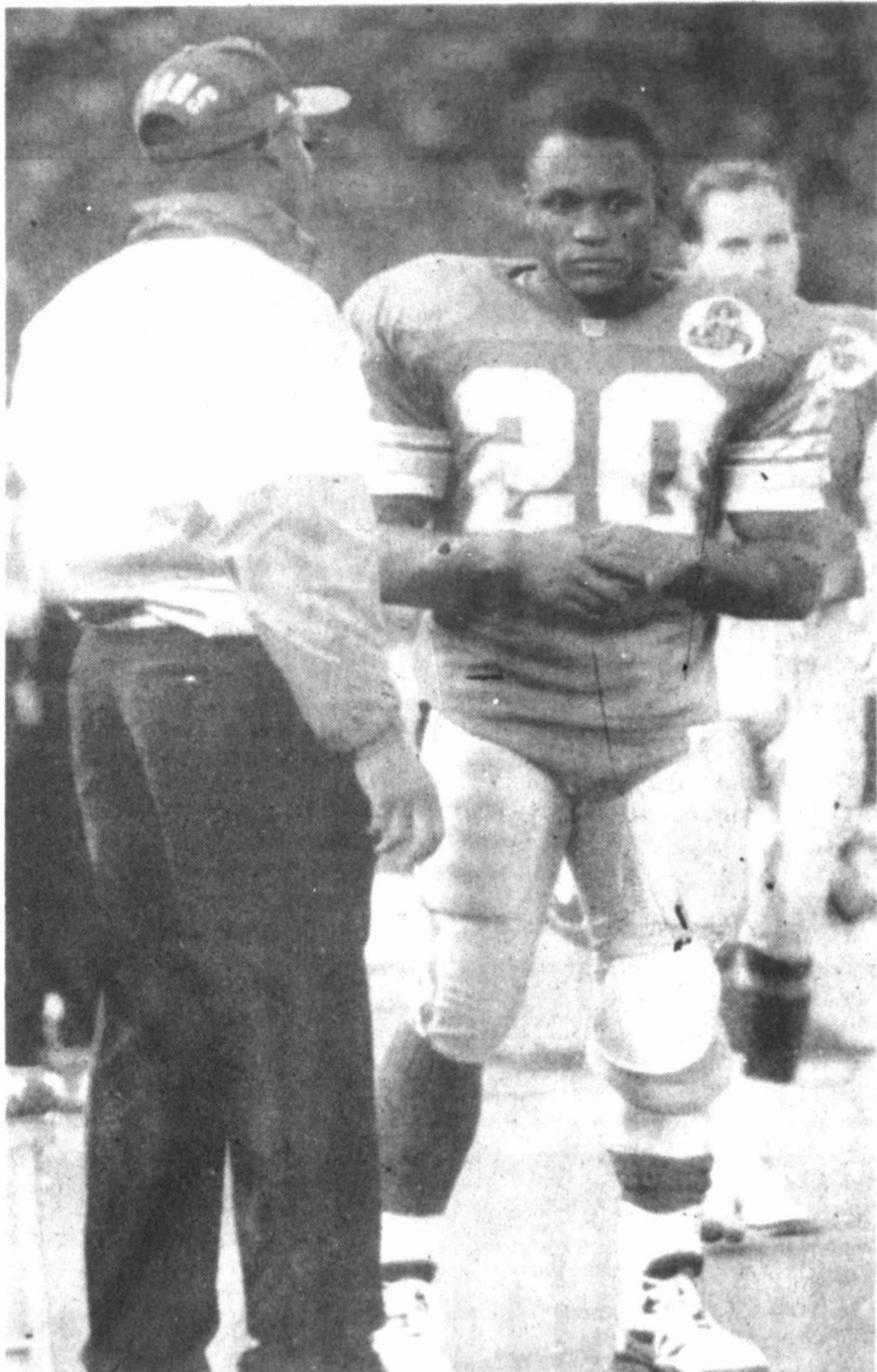
Start with most of the NFC East, which has two tiers now: the Cowboys and Giants tied for the lead, the Redskins and Eagles and Cardinals floundering.

When their best offensive player, tackle Lachey, went out with a season-ending torn knee ligament last August, the Redskins should have read it as an omen. After that, both lines were ripped apart by torn ligaments and cartilage and broken bones: quarterback Mark Rypien (knee) missed two games and later was benched; and only the running backs and receivers escaped relatively unscathed.

"It sounds like a joke, but if anybody has a warm body, we'll play them right now," Petitbon said. Washington is 2-8 and headed for its worst season in decades.

Philadelphia started with four straight wins but lost Cunningham in the middle of the fourth. Top receiver Fred Barnett also went down that week and the Eagles haven't won since.

In all, 16 Eagles have missed a total of 66 games; 10 starters missed a combined 34 starts. All four players on the defensive front — Clyde Simmons, Tim Harris, Keith Millard, and Andy Harmon — have lost time



Associated Press photo
Detroit's Barry Sanders (20) chats with assistant trainer Robert Thomas after Sanders injured his knee in the third quarter of the Lions' game with Chicago Thursday. Sanders will be out 3-5 weeks with the injury.

or simply played injured. The deep passing game has died and the defense ranks near the bottom against the run.

The Cardinals have lost three players for the year with knee injuries, including 1991 top pick Eric Swann, who was developing into a superb defensive tackle, and '93 No. 1 Garrison Hearst. Phoenix claims Swann deliberately was injured by, of all teams, the Eagles. Hearst never got to boost the Cards' running game.

Seven newcomers expected to have the greatest impact — free agents Steve Beuerlein, Gary Clark, John Booty and Chuck Cecil, and high draft picks Hearst and offensive linemen Ernest Dye and Ben Coleman — all have missed action. With Beuerlein and Clark out and the line in flux, the passing attack sputtered.

San Diego, known for its power rushing and overpowering defense, has been weakened by the offensive-line woes. Its defense has been ordinary.

Quarterback Stan Humphries, who guided the Chargers from an 0-4 start to the division title last year, missed six starts with a bruised throwing shoulder. Replacement John Friesz has been mediocre.

The Rams were 2-2 when DE Robert Young sprained knee ligaments. Then they lost five straight as their pass rush disappeared.

Also hurt were tackle Jackie Slater (shoulder), guard Tom Newberry (knee) and cornerback Robert Bailey (knee), bringing the Rams down to three healthy cornerbacks.

In a strange way, one injury may have destroyed Cleveland's season. When Vinny Testaverde separated his right shoulder on Oct. 24, it meant Browns coach Bill Belichick had to turn to Kosar. That led to his cutting Kosar and the fans turning on Belichick.

It also appears to have led to the demise of the Browns, who otherwise have been relatively injury free.

HURTING

Marino, the Indestructible Man with 145 straight starts at quarterback — nobody else was close — tore his Achilles tendon without being hit in Cleveland on Oct. 10. Yet, Miami has lost as many games (one) as it has backup QBs (Scott Mitchell) since.

The Dolphins are down to third-stringer Steve DeBerg, the oldest player in the league, who was cut by the Buccaneers earlier this month.

But how long can the Dolphins survive minus Marino and even Mitchell? And center Jeff Uhlenhake (knee)? And with a banged-up John Offerdahl at linebacker?

And how long can the Chiefs challenge with Montana spending more time behind assistant coaches in the press box than behind center?

Montana hurt his wrist in the opening win at Tampa and Dave Krieg, uncomfortable in the new 49ers-style offense, lost 30-0 at Houston the next week.

Krieg has done OK — Kansas City is 3-2 in his starts. But it is not a championship team with Krieg and without Montana.

'93 NFL injury list

NEW YORK (AP) — Some key injuries through the 12th week of the 1993 NFL season:

SEASON ENDING

Terry Allen, rb, Minnesota (knee)
Chip Banks, lb, Indianapolis (shoulder)
Fred Barnett, wr, Philadelphia (knee)
Randall Cunningham, qb, Philadelphia (broken left leg)
James Campen, c, Green Bay (hamstring)
Wendell Davis, wr, Chicago (patellar tendon in both knees)
Lawrence Dawsey, wr, Tampa Bay (knee)
Vaughn Dunbar, rb, New Orleans (knee)
Steve Emtman, lb, Indianapolis (knee)
Mike Gann, de, Atlanta (shoulder)
Garrison Hearst, rb, Phoenix (knee)
Joe Jacoby, ot, Washington (hamiated disc)
Marvin Jones, lb, New York Jets (hip)
E.J. Junior, lb, Seattle (knee)
Jim Lachey, ot, Washington (knee)
Darryll Lewis, cb, Houston (knee)
Dan Marino, qb, Miami (Achilles tendon)
Bret Maxie, ss, New Orleans (knee)
Chris Miller, qb, Atlanta (knee)
Lorenzo Neal, rb, New Orleans (right ankle)

Brian Noble, lb, Green Bay (knee)
Rufus Porter, lb, Seattle (Achilles tendon)
Mark Schlereth, g, Washington (knee-flu-nerve reaction)

Mike Sherrard, wr, New York Giants (left hip)
Ron Solt, g, Indianapolis (shoulder)
Eric Swann, de, Phoenix (knee)
Jeff Uhlenhake, c, Miami (knee)
Eric Williams, dt, Washington (hip)
GAMES MISSED
Troy Aikman, qb, Dallas (hamstring) two games.
Don Beebe, wr, Buffalo (hamstring) two games.
Nick Bell, rb, Los Angeles Raiders (hamstring) four games.
Steve Beuerlein, qb, Phoenix (knee) three games.
Bennie Blades, s, Detroit (fractured ankle) six games.
Drew Bledsoe, qb, New England (knee) four games.
Gary Clark, wr, Phoenix (groin) six games.
Reggie Cobb, rb, Tampa Bay (knee) three games.

Andre Collins, lb, Washington (knee) three games.
Eric Curry, de, Tampa Bay (ankle) 2-4 weeks.
Barry Foeter, rb, Pittsburgh (ankle) one game.
Mel Gray, lr, Detroit (knee-ankle) four games.
Rodney Hampton, New York Giants (knee and ankle) four games.
Joel Hilgenberg, c, New Orleans (knee) five games.
Kent Hull, c, Buffalo (knee) two games.
Stan Humphries, qb, San Diego (right shoulder) six games.
David Klingler, qb, Cincinnati (Back) two games.
Charles Mann, de, Washington (knee) five games.
Wilber Marshall, lb, Houston (knee and ankle) six games.
Keith McKeeler, te, Buffalo (knee) eight games.
Jim McMahon, qb, Minnesota (left shoulder) three games.
Scott Mitchell, qb, Miami (shoulder) one game.

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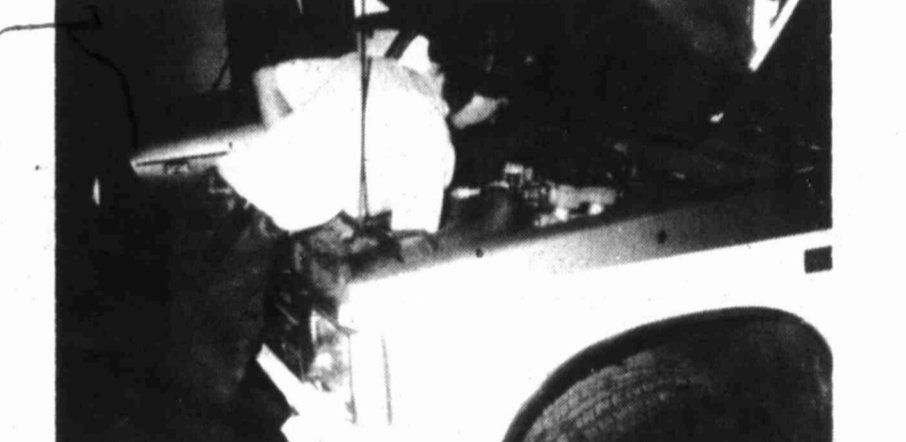
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•Maximum Prize Bingo is offered at the Lions Building, Monday-Friday at 6:30 p.m., Saturday at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., and Sunday at 2 p.m. 1607 E. 3rd Street. Lion's Lic. #12372690748, CIA Lic. #17521878011, HARC Lic. #3008084854.

•St. Thomas Catholic Church offers bingo at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday and Sunday. Lic. #3-00-786055-1.

•Bingo at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, 1009 Hearn, Fridays and Saturdays beginning at 6:30 p.m. Lic. #1751274202. Maximum payout.

•American Legion Post #506 will have a Shuffle Board Tournament at 2 p.m. on Saturday. Entry fee is \$2. Draw for partners 3203 W. Hwy. 80.

Monday
•There will be gospel singing at the Kentwood Center on Lynn Drive at 7 p.m. 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.

•Want to learn to square, line & country/western dance? Join Big Spring Squares from 7-9 p.m. at Squares Corral on Chaparral Road. For information call 263-6305.

•The Big Spring Senior Citizens Center will have ceramics classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

•Christian Homeschoolers will have Rec Day from 3-5 p.m. For more information call Stacy at 267-3518.

•There will be a reception honoring Virginia Whitten and the unveiling of her latest painting at the Heritage Museum, 6-8 p.m.

Wednesday
•West Texas Legal Services offers legal help on civil matters at the Northside Community Center for those unable to afford their own attorney. For information call 1-686-0647.

Thursday
•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright St., has free bread and whatever is available for area needy from 10 a.m. to noon.

•Big Spring Senior Citizen Center offers art classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited. And bingo from 12:45-1:45 p.m.

•The Genealogical Society of Big Spring will meet at 7:15 p.m. in the Howard County library conference room. Visitors welcome. Enter through west entrance. Doors must be locked after meeting begins.

•LULAC #4375 will meet at 7 p.m. at the Howard County Courthouse. For information call Nina at 267-2740.

•Masonic Lodge #1340 will meet at 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster.

•Howard College Nighthawk Jazz Band Fall concert, 7:30 p.m. Cafeteria area in Student Union. Free admission.

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 Senior Center will have a Country/Western Dance from 8-11 p.m. Area seniors invited.

•The Spring City Senior Center will have free fashion painting classes from 7:30-10:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

•Big Spring Model Aircraft Association will meet at 7 p.m. in the Bridge room of Days Inn. For information call 263-6148 after 5 p.m.

•The Big Spring State Hospital will have an Arts & Crafts Fair from noon-5 p.m. at the new activity, therapy building. For information call Mary Jan Phillips at 264-4248.

Saturday
•Spring City Senior Center will have a Country/Western Dance from 7:30-10:30 p.m. Area seniors invited.

•The Big Spring Squares will dance at 8 p.m. in the Squares on Chaparral Rd. For information call 393-5693 or 267-7043.

•Come see the Living Christmas Tree today and tomorrow at 7:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church.

Sunday
•There will be a musical by the King's Kids of College Baptist Church at 7 p.m.

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Section B

A KINDERGARTEN FEAST



Herald photos by Tim Appel

Clockwise from top left: Pilgrim Cicily Hernandez and Indian Megan Mills enjoy a lunch together in the Anderson Kindergarten Center lunchroom; Jessica Bravo, Courtney Rodriguez and David Marquez sit on the floor and sing Indian songs; teacher Phyllis Bruton leads the Pilgrims and Indians in a song; Joshua Yanez and Zac Chesworth play an old guessing game with a nut; after a long day, the feathers on Sam Deleon's headdress hang low from the band.

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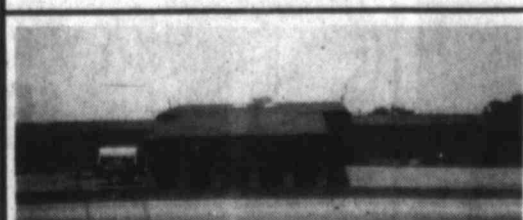
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Weddings

Sullivan-Dennis

Wendy Sullivan and John Dennis, both of San Angelo, were married on Nov. 27, 1993, at College Hills Baptist Church. Emmett Corker, youth pastor of Hillcrest Baptist in San Angelo, performed the ceremony.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Josh Sullivan, San Angelo, formerly of Big Spring. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dennis, Amarillo, and Laura Dennis, Albuquerque, N.M.

Instrumentalist was Pepper Sullivan. Vocalists were Clayton Watkins and Carl Lackey.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Matron of honor was Melanie Brewer.

Bridesmaids were Nancy Luna, Greenville; Kristi Givens, San Angelo; and Christa Sullivan, San Angelo.

Flower girl was Mandy Harrison, San Angelo. Ringbearer was Kevin Platte, Wilson.

Best man was Charlie O'Rear, Lewisville.

Groomsmen were Lynn McFadden, San Angelo; Dwayne Dennis, Amarillo; and Spencer Damont, Abilene.

Ushers were Jovan Vosburg, Caleb Vosburg, and Luke Vosburg, all of



MRS. JOHN DENNIS

San Angelo.

Candlelighters were Haley McFadden and Lizbeth Vosburg, both of San Angelo.

The bride is a 1990 graduate of Central High School, San Angelo. She currently works at River Crest Hospital.

The groom is a 1984 graduate of Tascosa High, Amarillo; and a 1990 graduate of Texas Tech with a master's in fishery management. He currently works for the Texas Parks & Wildlife Inland Fisheries in San Angelo.



Anniversaries

Caffey

Ralph and Ladie Fred Caffey will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Dec. 4, 1993, at Baptist Temple Church, Fellowship Hall, with a reaffirmation of vows at 2 p.m. Their daughters will host a reception from 3-5 p.m.

Ralph was born in Truby, Texas. Ladie was born Ladie Fred Crain, in Trent, Texas.

Ralph first saw her in a college history class at Hardin Simmons University and said, "That's the girl I'm going to marry." They were married on Dec. 7, 1943, by Roy Young at the home of the bride's parents in Trent.

The Caffeyes have three daughters: Linda Russell, Midland; Deborah Heath, Sykesville, Md.; and Dianne Haun, Fort Worth. They also have six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Hoped to attend the event is Daisy Caffey, Ralph's 100-year-old mother.

During their marriage they have lived in North Carolina; New Mexico; and pastored in Texas, California, North Dakota and Minnesota.

Ralph is a southern Baptist minis-



RALPH AND LADIE FRED CAFFEY
ter, currently pastoring at Airport Baptist Church. Ladie Fred is a retired teacher.

In the wedding vows there are five words: "For better or for worse", they have tried to stay true to that. They claimed the promise in Romans 8:28 and that has proven true throughout their 50 years together.

During free time he enjoys gardening and she enjoys doing crafts and reading.



Engaged



Sheila DeAnn McHugh and Blain Rondal Connor, both of San Angelo, will exchange wedding vows on Jan. 8, 1994, at West Side Baptist Church in San Angelo. Brother Bob Johnson, pastor, will perform the ceremony. Her grandparents are Robert and Geneva Honeycutt, Coahoma. His mother is Barbara Connor, Ballinger.



Stork Club

Scenic Mountain Medical Center: Andrea Lopez Cansino, Nov. 20, 1993, 4:02 a.m.; parents are Hector and Silvia Cansino. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ponciano Cansino; and Mr. and Mrs. Francisco Lopez. Clara Michelle, Nov. 17, 1993; parents are Todd Russel and Denise Smith.



Newcomers

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

Sonny Clark; Stephenville. He works at Blume Tree Service.

Raul and Anita Gonzales, sons: Raul Jr., and Eddie, and daughter, Priscilla; Fort Worth. He works at Castaneda Bros. Construction.

Wade and April Folmer, and daughters: Janice and Shelby; Winnisboro. He works at Well Tech.

Carolyn Cruz; Brady. She works at the Texas Department of Health.

Mike and Susan Hawkins, and son, Austin; Coca Beach, Fla. He works at Power Resources.

Robby Hankins; Bridgeport. He does oil field work.

Tim Allshouse; Washington, Ill. He works for BSISD

Bobby and Brenda Bradshaw, sons: Nathan and Garrett, and daughter, Emily; Abilene. He works for Grim & Bradshaw Engineering.

Buddy and Dennese Kelsay; Brownfield. They work at Howard College.

Richard Saxton; Pecos. He works for the US Postal Service.

Round Top: Where a dream came true

We stayed in the Texas room of the Round Top Inn in Round Top, the smallest incorporated city in Texas. It has a population of 81.

In the beautiful hills around the little town, people from Houston and Austin have been buying property and refurbishing the old buildings scattered over the land. They are doing what others before them have done in this place.

For years Henkel Square in Round Top has been a Mecca for architectural students to learn about Texas primitive buildings and furniture. The wooded acres contain a dozen or so old structures which have been brought back to life by people who believe in preservation.

The Winedale Institute just outside Round Top is a place where museum curators go for advanced courses in folklife. Student actors perform Shakespeare in a barn that seems perfect for theater.

Concert Pianist James Dick's Festival Hill complex features masterful craftsmanship which will attract visitors for centuries to come. His concert hall seats a thousand people and sometimes it's full.

Retired bankers and other people of wealth have antique or general stores in town. Gourmet meals are served at the Round Top Cafe.

Houston realtor Sandy Reed and her husband Ted had a weekend place at nearby La Grange and were looking around for other property when they noticed a city block for sale in Round Top. The land had some old buildings on it. Sandy stopped in to look at it one day and inquired about the price. She ended up buying it and decided to turn it into a bed and breakfast.

Shortly before Sandy found the place, her brother-in-law, Chris Travis, had a dream. He dreamed that Sandy bought a place on a hill that sloped down to a small lake. The land had huge oak trees all around, one with stone steps leading up to it. Some old buildings on the place were once businesses and residences. His dream came true.

When Sandy brought her family to



Tumbleweed Smith

see the property, Chris nearly jumped out of the car. "This is the place I dreamed about," he said. The old buildings, the trees and the lake were easy enough to spot. But what about those steps leading up to one of the oak trees? Sure enough, at the base of one of the huge oaks, among its gnarled roots were some concrete slabs that formed steps. They decided right then that Sandy had indeed made the right move in buying the place.

One of the old buildings was a cigar factory, with the bins still in good shape. Another was a house where the main cigar maker lived. There was an old garage on the place and a small stone building that was used for storing herbs.

Sandy and Ted decided to do most of the work themselves. They hired Chris, a contractor, to oversee the job. He sat up his office in the cigar factory. They brought in another old building and made it into two guest rooms. They called it the Texas house and it is decorated appropriately. One end of the house they brought in was removed and made into an office. The garage became a community room.

"I did all the windows myself," says Sandy. "Taking all the panes out, cleaning them and putting them back was great therapy."

The Bed and Breakfast is doing fine, filled most all the time. Sandy and her family have moved their permanent home to Round Top, returning to Houston only a couple of days a week to tend to her business, which has 65 agents and is showing a 40 percent increase over last year. "It does better without me," says Sandy. She's very happy.

Jacqueline Bigar

FOR TODAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1993

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You feel out of sorts in the morning, possibly over a financial matter. By evening the problems will have been talked through and you will feel reconnected. Consider buzzing around your neighborhood today. Tonight: Have dinner in a favorite restaurant. ***

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You need to assess the damages of a recent activity. It is not clear what the long-term ramifications will be. For advice, check in with a boss or parent. Communications concerning money will go smoothly. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow. ***

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You feel that you might have gotten up on the wrong side of the bed today, but that's not the case. Once you get started, things improve rapidly. Stay sensitive to your alternatives. Tonight: As you like it, finally. ***

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Feel like disappearing? Not a bad idea. If you can forge a more positive outlook, you will be able to get a handle on a problem. Do some soul-searching. Tonight: Catch up on mail. **

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You might have made an expensive error concerning a partner recently. Now is a good time to straighten out the mess. Sacrifice for a loved one. Friends group around you. Tonight: Playtime. ***

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You feel pressured by a demanding authority figure, but that is not the proper reaction. Try a different approach. As the matter progresses you will see better alternatives. Tonight: Drop in on a parent. **

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Use your energy to clear up a morning misunderstanding. You see certain problems from a clearer vantage point. Go for a drive in the country. Tonight: Try something different. ****

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Today's emphasis should be on creating a better rapport with a partner, who has been acting contrary of late because of a family member. One-to-one relating with the other person doing most of the talking - will work. Listen carefully for important clues. Tonight: Be a duo. ****

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Let others choose the activities today. A misunderstanding in the early hours is of no concern. Ease up and enjoy the day. An awareness of your true goals will help you. Tonight: Be a party animal. ****

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You feel pushed to the max today. It's time to tighten your purse strings. Get an early start working on a project that needs to be finished by tomorrow. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep. ***

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You have been feeling sorry for yourself. Today, you focus more on your potential. Look to positive changes, more fulfillment and a greater sense of well-being. You've got what it takes. Tonight: Be a lover. ****

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Rather than court trouble, stay home today. Another appreciates your thoughtfulness. A sense of connection deepens between you and a loved one. Tonight: Make a favorite dinner. ***

IF YOUR BIRTHDAY IS NOVEMBER 28, 1993: Concentrate on your relationships in the year ahead and try to understand how you might be hurting another inadvertently. You will sense a real push and pull with others - a tendency to give too much or too little. If single, you will have many choices, but now is the time to get your life more in balance. You are completing a cycle that began 10 years ago. Look to positive changes, possibly through yoga or therapy. Watch out for a married person of the opposite sex. GEMINI adores you.

THE ASTERISKS (*) SHOW THE KIND OF DAY YOU'LL HAVE: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

Deadlines

This week, deadlines return to normal: Wedding, engagement and anniversary forms are due Wednesday noon for Sunday publication. Stork club, military, who's who and this 'n' that deadlines are Thursday at noon. Call 263-7331, ext. 112 for information about forms and style requirements.

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VA reaffirms commitment to fight AIDS

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is reaffirming its long standing commitment to meeting the challenges of treating Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) patients in support of World AIDS Day Dec. 1, 1993. This year's World AIDS theme is: A Time To Act.



Pat Atkins

White, R.N., at 263-7361.

DISABLED VETERANS TO RECEIVE INCREASE IN BENEFITS

VA recognizes AIDS as the health crisis of this century and has long directed its resources toward treatment, research, and education. We are committed in our efforts to treating AIDS patients with care and compassion and pursuing a possible cure.

From the first patient in a New York VA medical center who displayed a rare case of pneumocystis carinii pneumonia in 1979, through the identification of AIDS in 1982, through the recent expansion of the Centers for Disease Control's definition,

In addition to being the largest single source nationwide for direct care to AIDS patients, VA also is a leader in the field of AIDS research. To provide an added dimension to VA's AIDS and HIV-infection research, the department established four research centers located at VA medical centers in New York; San Diego; Atlanta; and Durham, N.C.

Since AIDS education is a VA training priority, conferences during fiscal year 1993 brought together practitioners for information updates and the exchange of effective HIV/AIDS-related treatment strategies. As part of President Clinton's recent mandate, VA is enhancing its AIDS education and prevention programs by developing mandatory AIDS training for employees in administrative positions as well as those in medical centers.

For further information you may contact Infection Control Nurse Les

- VA will be authorized to offer supplemental benefits to higher income veterans for an added premium.

- VA's resource base becomes a combination of federal appropriations and revenues.

- Comprehensive and supplemental benefits for service-connected and low-income veterans will be ensured by VA appropriations.

- VA will receive health alliance payments, enrollee premiums, copays, and deductibles and retains all third-party collections.

- Restrictions on receiving Medicare payments for enrolled higher-income veterans will be lifted.

- VA can borrow from a federal revolving fund to assist with health plan start-up costs.

In separate addresses to senior managers of VA health-care facilities this month, VA Secretary Jesse Brown and White House health care adviser Ira C. Magaziner discussed the department's proposed new role under the Health Care Reform plan.

Both Magaziner and Brown stressed that VA would need to become competitive with private health care providers in order to succeed.

Under current law, VA is required to follow eligibility guidelines, mandated by Congress, to determine whether individual veterans can receive care at its 172 medical centers, 128 nursing home care units, and more than 362 outpatient, community and outreach clinics. Under the President's health-care reform proposals, all veterans will be eligible to enroll in a VA health plan if one exists in their state or region.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING CEREMONY

The annual VA Christmas lighting

will be held this year on Dec. 6 at 6 p.m.

Following the ceremony, you are invited to join together in the main lobby to sing Christmas carols, enjoy refreshments, and visit with Santa. Hope to see you there!

VA SALUTES THE MEN AND WOMEN OF NATIVE AMERICAN DESCENT

The VA joins in the observance of National American Indian Heritage Month during the month of November 1993.

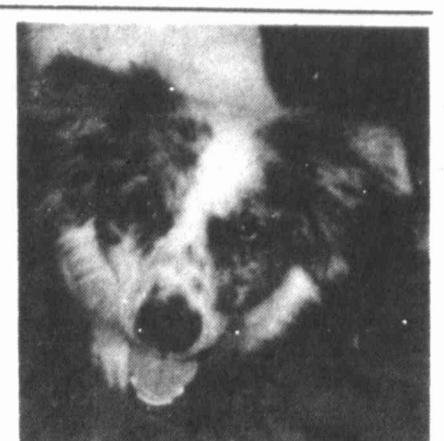
This observance provides the opportunity to reflect on the rich history and the contributions of America's native peoples. Before the arrival of Christopher Columbus, America was the home to generations of Native Americans. The different tribes that inhabited this land had a culture rich in social order.

Native American governments developed principles of freedom of speech and separation of powers in government that serve as the democratic cornerstones of this country.

VA salutes the men and women of Native American descent who continue to distinguish themselves in the Armed Forces.

A big West Texas welcome to the following new staff members: David Grosse, RN, and Coralee Warren, LVN, Nursing Service; Arthur C. Perschke, III, and Johnny L. Emerson, Dietetic Service; Tonya M. Seely, Dental Service; Benjamin Douglas, Engineering Service; Abel Castro, Environmental Management Service; and Melanie Gressett, Canteen Service.

Pat Atkins is the Public Affairs Officer and Patient Representative at the Big Spring VA Medical Center. She can be contacted at 264-4839.



"Petro" adorable and very curly purebred cocker spaniel. Blonde coat with docked tail and brown eyes, neutered male.

"Waco" striking husky mix, black coat with light cream mask and markings, ears up, large spayed female.

"Samantha" cute basset hound mix, long, chubby and short, white shorthaired coat with black and brown markings.

"Ike" small purebred beagle, white shorthaired coat with black and brown markings, floppy ears and long tail, friendly neutered male.

"Wyoming" collie mix, longhaired coat of sable and black with white chest and markings, pricked ears and long nose, large neutered male.

"Shelby" young border collie, longhaired coat with white chest, feet and blaze up face, rust eyebrows, good natured spayed female.

"Luke" LARGE and broad rottweiler mix, black coat with tan german markings, longer fur and black tongue, young neutered male, good with people, very bored at shelter.

"Stripe" longhaired kitten, black coat with white mittens and stripe up face, around 10 weeks old, male.

"Goliad" very pretty Siamese mix kitten, gray/blue points with pale blue eyes, shorthaired neutered male, around 5-6 months old.

"Savannah" gorgeous tortoise shell cat, black and orange spotted coat, half of face is black and half is orange. Gentle spayed female.

Pictured is "Bear", an Australian shepherd mix. He has a white longhaired coat with gray mottled markings. He has one blue eye and is a smaller dog. He is a very friendly and young neutered male. \$45 covers neutering, vaccinations and rabies shot.

"Georgette" small longhaired tuxedo cast, black fluffy coat with white markings and whiskers, very feminine and sweet, spayed female.

KITTENS! From calico, brown tabby, Siamese, tuxedo to orange and white, we have adorable kittens waiting for a home. Please come see.

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Free, 5 month old pups, mom is small, black shorthaired coat with brown markings, male and female, call 267-5304.

? Who's who

Larry Salvato; Bill Barber.

In order to be nominated, students must have completed at least the second year/quarter of their program, demonstrated solid academic ability, participation and leadership in academic and extracurricular activities, accomplished citizenship and service to TSTC Sweetwater and possess potential for future achievement.

UTPB Who's Who

ODESSA - Locals were among 30 students from The University of Texas Permian Basin were selected to be included in the 1994 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Students named this year include: Shelley Chate, Terri J. Newton and Cherie Nobles, all of Big Spring.

Campus nominating committees and editors of the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

Sims joins concert

ABILENE - A local student was part of the Hardin-Simmons University Chorale of the School of Music that presented a Chorale Concert Nov. 19. Director was Dr. Loyd Hawthorne, professor of Music Education and Choral Director.

The undergraduate ensemble that primarily sings on campus and in the local community included Jon Sims of Big Spring among the basses.

Locals nominated

Two local students were among those nominated by Texas State Technical College-Sweetwater, for Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges, a nationally-recognized organization for students attending two-year institutions of higher education.

This year's nominees include: Automation/Robotics Technology,

Support Groups

The following is a list of support groups available to Big Spring residents throughout the week. To add a listing or make a change, call 263-7331, as for Kimberley.

VOICES, a support group for victims of sexual abuse, incest, rape, date rape, and any other crime of indecency. For information call Rape Crisis/Victim Services at 263-3312.

MONDAY
•Al-A-Teen will meet at 7:30 p.m., 615 Settles.

•New Phoenix Hope group of Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 8:30 p.m., at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

•Recovery Solutions, Inc., alcohol/drug support group for men and women will meet 6:30-8 p.m., 309 Main, Suite 7. For information call 264-7028.

•The Salvation Army will have a drug education program at 7 p.m. at the Salvation Army building, 308 Alford.

•Turning Point A.A. will meet from 8-9 p.m. at St. Mary Episcopal Church, 10th & Goliad. This meeting is open to all substance abusers.

TUESDAY
•On the first Tuesday of each month a group called Support for MS and Related Diseases meets at 7 p.m. at Canterbury South, 1700 Lancaster. Public invited. For information call Leslie at 267-1069.

•Adults Molested as Children will meet from 5:15-7 p.m. For information call the Rape Crisis/Victim

Services at 263-3312.

•Family Support Group for current and former patients and families will meet at the Reflections Unit at Scenic Mountain Medical Center, at 6 p.m. For information call Scott

Augustine at 263-0074.

•Al-Anon will meet at 8 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Diabetic support Group for all seniors. 2 p.m. at Canterbury south. For information call 263-1265.

•Compassionate Friends, a support group for parents who have experienced the death of a child will meet the first Tuesday of each even-numbered month at 7:30 p.m. in room 113 of the Family Life Center Bldg., First Baptist Church, 705 W. March. Enter by the SE door. For information call 267-2769.

WEDNESDAY
•Gambler's Anonymous will meet at 7 p.m. at St. Stephens Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. For information call 263-8920.

THURSDAY
•The Permian Basin Regional Council on Alcohol and Drug abuse is offering a community re-entry group meeting at noon, at 905 N. Benton. For information call 263-8920.

•Support Group for battered women will meet at 2:30 p.m. For information call 263-3312 or 267-3626.

•New Phoenix Hope group of Narcotics Anonymous will meet at 8:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 1001 Goliad.

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Christina Ferchak

A mother salutes breakfast

Recently our local school system began offering breakfast to the kids in addition to lunch. No doubt this program was brought about by a group effort, but there had to have been one individual who came up with the idea in the first place. I don't know the name of this person, but I wish I did. I'd give that certain someone such a kiss; a big, wet, sloppy one. The school breakfast program may not be a major deal to some people but it certainly has put the right spin on my life.

For years eating breakfast was a major area of contention around our house. I have always maintained that a child who leaves for school on an empty stomach is breaking his mother's heart. My kids believe, however, that any food consumed before 8 a.m. will adhere to the lining of the digestive tract for a week to 10 days.

Every morning I'd beg, "C'mon, eat, just a little something." I'd be told, "Okay, stop nagging me, I'll eat. But I'll only throw it up in English class, and then the kids will laugh at me, and the janitor will give me dirty looks cause he has to clean it up, and the teacher will send me to the nurse, and the nurse will call you, and you'll have to come and get me, and somebody else will have to bring my homework home, only they'll forget, and I'll get yelled at the next day for not having my work done, and I won't be allowed to go out for recess, but for cryin' out loud if it'll make you happy, I'll eat!"

It hardly seemed worth the effort but I kept trying. I'd buy four different kinds of cereal. One box would be emptied 20 minutes after I brought it in from the car. The other three would grow stale on the shelf. I even offered to cook.

I can barely manage to maneuver a teabag into a cup first thing in the morning, yet I was willing to operate a stove top for those kids.

Over the years I've fried a mountain of eggs, always knowing full well they'd be left to congeal on the plates. I've flipped stacks of pancakes, realizing they wouldn't be drenched in syrup until the very moment the bus was heard coming down the road.

There seemed to be no solution to the problem. Then the school started serving breakfast and suddenly breakfast is the best part of the day. My kids actually sit around and discuss the menu.

They don't talk about it to me, of course. It's understood that I am to be kept in the dark about any and all matters pertaining to school. But the kids talk freely in front of the cat, and the cat tells me...everything.

So I know all about the delightful choice of cereals, the scrumptious breakfast pizza, and the out of this world scrambled eggs with cheese sauce.

I also know about the other side of the coin. The cat tells me that biting into the toast is like playing Russian roulette. Some days the toast is just fine, other days it's made from bread left over from the Last Supper. One kid swears she held the toast at nose level and let it fall to her plate. It crashed, burned and disintegrated into dust.

I'm so glad the cat told me about the toast problem. It just so happens I make great toast, have always made great toast, and my kids know it'll feel vindicated.

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Ashe memoir among new library books

New books available at Howard County Library this month include:

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He describes the full emotional shock of discovery in 1988, in the aftermath of a brain surgery, of his infection with AIDS - an infection that was traced back to a transfusion after a heart by-pass operation in 1983. He tells about the burden of race he felt throughout his life, about the comfort he found in religion and in his spiritual life, about his passionate devotion to his wife and daughter, about the people he has known, about himself. This is a story of a life too soon ended - a memoir that will endure.

"THE FIVE GOLD BANDS" by Jack Vance. Earth lacked the secret of the interstellar space drive. So when it turned out that the galaxy was chock full of wealthy planets and haughty aliens who had the star drive, it made our native world a backward place indeed.



Betty Condray

Paddy Blackthorn wasn't about to stand for this so he set off to steal the secret of interstellar flight from the powerful Shauls - who nabbed him and dumped him on a barren planet as punishment. It was there that Paddy acquired the five gold bands that contained in code the very data that the Shauls had sought to conceal. Paddy's job was to keep the bands in his possession until they can be deciphered thus setting off the greatest manhunt in galactic history.

"LOOKING FOR THE AARDVARK" by Sherry Tepper. Denver-based interior designer and sometime amateur sleuth, Jason Lynx is still in a funk following difficult discoveries about his own past when his old school friend Bruce Norman persuades him to go to Santa Fe and look into the murder of Bruce's half brother, Ernie Quivada.

A self-styled preacher and relentless evangelist, Ernie yearned to do good but could only see evil. This had earned him more than a few enemies among all strata of the complex local society, any one of whom might have slit his throat in order to curtail his unwelcome religious exhortations. Norman thought that he had the

case wrapped up following a second murder in Oklahoma but upon his return to Santa Fe, the search for Ernie's slayer takes a cruel twist. Jason learns a bitter lesson about possessiveness, paranoia, and demented piety - and comes to understand that there are instances when homicide is justified, perhaps even a moral imperative.

"WESTERN VENGEANCE" by Don Hepler. Watt is a man bent solely of vengeance for a ghastly wrong done to his family by rancher McKnote and his men. When he encounters young Rachel struggling for survival in the prairie he knows that he cannot abandon her to die. He does not tell her of his terrible mission or that four lawmen are pursuing him for a crime he did not commit. A deadly blizzard threatens the life of the entire group and they band together in order to survive. But What's quest for McKnote continues and culminates in an even more dramatic showdown.

"PUSHING MURDER" by Eleanor Boylan. Christmas finds Clara in the hospital as a result of bad hors d'oeuvres at the opening of a friend's new mystery book shop. A poisoning attempt at the hospital, however, convinces Clark and her family that the mishap at the party was no accident, but attempted murder!

She had not been involved in any cases lately but she figured that someone will need her services in the near future. Surely enough, an old friend suddenly appears on the scene seeking Clara's help and a web of

ancient deceptions and greed ensnares both women, involving them in a deadly game of extortion and murder.

Clara directs the investigation from her hospital bed and to her sorrow, she discovers that the spirit of Christmas is proof against only the chill and is not strong enough to protect them all from the malice of one ambitious man.

"BRAZOS DREAMER - A STORY OF MAJOR ROBERT S. NEIGHBORS" by Gene Shelton.

A former Texas Ranger and honest Indian agent, Major Neighbors is a Texan caught between two cultures in the turbulent years between the Mexican and Civil Wars. The westward expansion is relentlessly pushing the frontier toward California, and driving the peaceful agricultural Indians from their settlements. Trapped between the advancing white man and their historic enemies the fierce Comanches, these agrarian tribes face extinction by either starvation or attack.

Stepping into the cross fire of prejudice and politics, Neighbors makes dangerous enemies: unscrupulous traders selling whiskey to the Indian myopic army officers who refuse to make distinctions between tame and while tribes, and the settlers whose fears are cruelly exploited. As the Brazos heats up for a major Indian war, only Robert Neighbors stands between the native Texas tribes and the threat of total destruction.

Betty Condray is a member of Friends of the Howard County Library.



BLACKSHEAR

Seaman Apprentice Cassidy A. Blackshear recently graduated from boot camp at the Naval Training Center in San Diego, Calif.

The 1993 graduate of Forsan High is the son of Dealy Blackshear and Mrs. Pat Vines; and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Blackshear. He will now attend 19 weeks of additional training at the Fleet Anti-submarine Warfare Training Center in San Diego.

Marine Lance Cpl. Daryl S. Hurst, whose wife, Tami, is the daughter of Daniel and Mardelle Wise of Big Spring, recently completed the Legal Services Specialist Course, Administration School at Camp Pendleton, Calif.



Big Spring High School senior Kendra Carey recently made the all A honor roll.

Her name was omitted from a list provided to the Herald from the school.

Callers can't tell which end is up

By KATHERINE SELIGMAN
San Francisco Examiner

Heard about the lady who wanted to know if her Thanksgiving turkey was edible after her cat batted it around the attic while it was up there thawing?

What about the guy who defrosted his bird by dressing it in a T-shirt, slipping in a brick and plopping it into a pot of water?

It's that time again. And the army of home economists at the nation's turkey-advice hot lines have heard them all.

"All the ladies who work here are professionally trained," said Jean Schnelle, head of Butterball's Turkey Talk Line, where you have to attend what's called Butterball U, before you can be a turkey phone jockey.

"They are patient and sweet by nature and training. When one lady called to ask what she should do with leftovers that were green and slimy, the home economist just kept her poise."

Advice lines run by Butterball, the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Foster Farms are jammed with questions from the turkey eating public. The National Turkey Federation estimates we ate 75 million birds this Thanksgiving.

And many of us still don't have the faintest idea how to cook them, according to hot-line operators. Butterball, which considers its advice service the "grandmother" of the toll-free turkey lines, expects at least 230,000 calls in November and December. The USDA thinks it will weigh in with about 20,000. Foster Farms will get about 2,400 a month during the holidays.

The most commonly asked questions: how to thaw a turkey; the proper cooking temperature; how to use a meat thermometer; and how to achieve that perfect brown exterior without making the interior taste like cotton.

There are always people who want to know if they should take off the plastic wrapper (yes), if the turkey that's been in their freezer the past year is still good (it depends) and whether they can just put the turkey on a rack and turn on the oven (use a pan if you don't want to start a fire).

Butterball and Foster Farms - as well as some grocery chains like Safeway - give out recipes. The USDA considers its job primarily food safety, so it doesn't offer cooking advice - except, if you're desperate,

a pamphlet called "Talking about Turkey."

Business has burgeoned on all the lines in recent years. Whether that is due to the public's love affair with 800 numbers or a greater ignorance of basic cooking skills is anyone's guess.

Most of the hot lines report more calls about food safety (no, don't eat the leftovers when they go green), possibly due to a growing awareness of healthful eating habits and ways of preparing food.

They also are getting more calls from men. An operator at the USDA said her male callers want detailed information.

"Many times when men cook they are a little more elaborate in their recipes than women, so their questions reflect this," she said.

Schnelle put it less delicately: "The people who make you hoot with laughter are few and far between and often they are men. They come up with creative ways of doing things."

Frequently, she said, they call to give advice rather than ask it. "Men don't like to ask for directions, you know," she said.

Like the guy who called from a golf course the other day with a stuffing epiphany. He was going to fill his turkey with apples and pineapples.

Or the guy who came up with the brick and T-shirt method of defrosting (frozen turkeys float, he discovered, so he needed a way to submerge his fowl).

To be fair, it was a woman who called Foster Farms to ask which side is the breast (the round side) and the all-time oddest question: Which shaker is for salt and which for pepper? (huh?)

Schnelle has been with Butterball, operated out of Downers Grove, Ill., since the hot line opened in 1981 with just a handful of home economists. Now there are 48, working out of an office the size of a basketball court.

Every year there is a waiting list of people who want to answer the phones.

"One of our ladies always says the first day of the talk line is the happiest day of the year," Schnelle said.

Schnelle herself is a woman who not only loves her job, she unabashedly loves turkeys: "The shelves in her office are crammed with her personal collection of stuffed, ceramic and fabric gobblers."

"I think I was doomed - that's the wrong word - destined for this job," said Schnelle. "I was always fascinated by turkeys. I remember visiting a turkey farm when I was 3 and I've always enjoyed them."

So much so that after working a 10-hour day on Thanksgiving she will go out to a restaurant for a big turkey dinner with her husband. Then on the weekend, she'll cook a bird of her own.

"I can't stand not to have the leftovers," she said.

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A community news column

'Nutcracker' set

Cultural Affairs of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a local production of "The Nutcracker" performed by Ballet Lubbock.

Performance is set for Dec. 11 at 8 p.m. at the Municipal Auditorium in Big Spring, Texas. Ticket Prices are \$7 for Adults, \$5 for seniors and students. There is no admission charge for children 10 and under, but they must be accompanied by an adult.

Advance tickets may be purchased at the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce, 215 W. Third Street. Reservations may be made by calling the Chamber of Commerce at 263-7641. Tickets will also be sold at the door, based on availability only.

Unveiling Tuesday

Big Spring artist Virginia Whitten will be honored at a reception and unveiling for a new painting Tuesday, 6-8 p.m. at the Heritage Museum. The unveiling is presented by the Cultural Affairs committee of



Virginia Whitten, shown with one of her other paintings, will be honored at an unveiling for her latest work, "Memory Meditations," Tuesday, 6-8 p.m. at the Heritage Museum.

the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce, Conventions and Visitors Bureau and museum.

The public is invited to attend. Whitten will be available to sign her other work for local admirers, and

500 limited edition prints of her latest work will be unveiled along with the painting.

Christian resort holds Bakker's influence

By The Associated Press

FORT MILL, S.C. — Jim Bakker is long gone from New Heritage USA, but the new owners can't erase his memory from this rolling 2,200-acre Christian resort.

The resort, 18 miles south of Charlotte, was built in the 1980s with donations from Bakker's "Praise the Lord" television ministry. The ministry disintegrated after allegations of fraud and an extramarital affair by Bakker.

Bakker is in the fourth year of an eight-year sentence at a minimum-security work camp in Jessup, Ga. for defrauding investors in the resort.

The new owners want to distance themselves from the past. Ask management about Bakker, and the answer is curt. "That's been left behind," said Billy Athey, human resources manager. Athey is more interested in talking about new construction.

The Malaysian investors who paid \$42.5 million for the resort and reopened it 1 1/2 years ago recently broke ground on a golf course and more residential construction is planned.

What was envisioned by Bakker as a theme park and retreat for his Assemblies of God followers is now a non-denominational resort that hosts religious conferences.

"We're trying to cater to a whole new Christian circle," which includes reaching out past Bakker's evangelical focus, said the Rev. Charles Denton, director of ministries. "We're trying to forget the past."

But Bakker's presence keeps creeping in, looming like the unfinished 22-floor hotel and condominium complex behind the stately Heritage Grand Hotel.

And for the holidays, the new owners have decided to resurrect one of Bakker's most popular offerings: two miles of glittering Christmas lights, 18-foot toy soldiers and a North Pole scene.

It's a concession to the popularity of Bakker's vision, but that's as far



Elissa Fody, co-owner of Tis the Season Inc., a gift shop at New Heritage USA, talks with a reporter recently there. Resort visionary Jim Bakker is long gone from the place, but his legacy remains.

as it goes.

"The original idea was a good one. Unfortunately, greed got in the way," said Elissa N. Fody, taking a break from her Christmas shop at the mall-style Main Street to bask outdoors on a November day.

The new owners talk about their own vision in news releases that promise "a management team which is committed to doing what is biblically right and morally responsible."

They describe the resort as a place for all Christians "to recharge their spiritual batteries, to be refreshed by the Lord."

But Athey won't elaborate or talk about differences between the new ownership and Bakker's reign.

Many of the 400 people who moved into the single-family homes in what was then Heritage USA were drawn by Bakker when his television show and resort were spiritual and financial powerhouses, and many would like to see him return, Ms. Fody said.

But not her. "I'm not a Jim

Bakkerite. If he came back, I would be gone like a shot," she said. Bakker was convicted in 1989 of defrauding 116,000 investors who each paid \$1,000 for an annual three-day stay at the resort, good for life. His ex-wife, Tammy Faye, has married again, to a Kansas contractor who builds religious facilities.

Pieces of Bakker's grandiose vision remain — the unfinished fake castle that was to be the world's largest Wendy's, and the Water Park, still packed on summer weekends.

The first year and a half has had its fits and starts. A large Easter show fizzled at the box office. A new, \$3 parking fee was dropped.

Now the Malaysians, who invested \$20 million in the resort since buying it, want to charge for the Christmas show, which was free when it drew 1.5 million visitors at its peak in 1986.

In the television studio that was the center of Bakker's empire, state-

of-the-art technology sits side by side with dusty sets from Bakker's days.

Instead of beaming Bakker's PTL programming to the world, the studios now produce videotapes that explain the Bible with computer graphics and animation, part of Bruce Wilkinson's ministry, based in Atlanta.

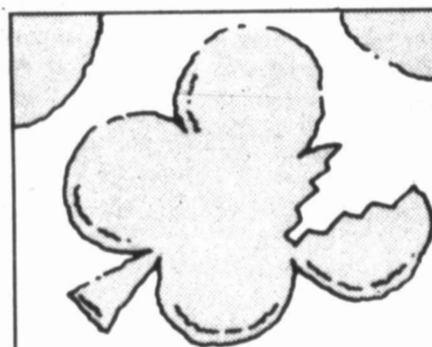
A changing roster of ministers offer spiritual respite every weekend.

The silence on Bakker is like a cover-up, said Tony Victoria, 60, of Wilmington, N.C., who spent a few days at New Heritage with his RV before heading farther south. He was trying to find the home of Kevin Whittum, the handicapped teen-ager that Bakker built a house for.

He asked resort staff for two days, and nobody knew. He found it himself — renamed Victorian Manor, a bed and breakfast inn.

Forgetting Bakker is impossible, said Lawrence Liggins, 60, a New Yorker attending an Abundant Life Tabernacle gathering.

"How can you help it? You think about him and Tammy Bakker and what they had. But the man had a vision. God gave him his vision," Liggins said.



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Junior Leadership

Program educates youth about community

By MICHAEL KELSEY
County Extension Agent

Several weeks ago, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in cooperation with the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce began the Fall schedule for the Big Spring Junior Leadership program.

As you remember, the program is designed to expose juniors in Howard County high schools (Big Spring, Coahoma, Forsan and Sands) to the different industries and businesses within our community. By allowing these young people to see the different commercial enterprises and governmental agencies within our community, it also gives them the opportunity to investigate career options within these various industries.

The leadership group, with members from the Big Spring and Coahoma school districts, has had five meetings. The first meeting was an orientation to the program, where the purposes and objectives were explained and the participants were asked to identify the best meeting time for their schedules. The group also learned the different educational services and programs areas that the Texas Agricultural Extension Service provides to our county.

The second meeting focused on the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce. The group met at the Chamber where Ben Bancroft, President of the Chamber, explained the roles and functions of the organization.

Agriculture, the largest economic income industry in Howard County was the spotlight of the third meeting. The group learned the importance of agriculture to our county and community. They started in Larry Shaw's cotton field in Knott where they assisted the Extension Service with a cotton variety result demonstration by hand harvesting fifteen plots of cotton. The Knott gin

was also a scheduled stop where "Skinny" Higgins, gin manager, explained and showed the ginning process from module to bale. The group then stopped at the Big Spring Livestock Auction managed by John Borchardt, where they learned about the beef industry and the process of getting a t-bone steak to your plate.

The fourth meeting was held at the Federal Prison where the group toured the facilities. Richard Sanders, who coordinated the tour, showed the group every aspect of life within the prison system. Charlie Marmolejo, coordinator of the camp, explained the possibilities of choosing a career within the Department of Corrections.

The fifth meeting focused on the media. The group began at the Big Spring Herald where Glenda Cummings explained the process of producing a paper. Advertising, circulation, reporting, graphics along with other departments were toured. The group then met at the Chamber where Linda Choate, TV commercial producer, gave a hands-on demonstration of producing a television commercial. Linda also gave some insight on pursuing a career within the TV industry.

The Big Spring Junior Leadership group has seen a large portion of the industries within our community and county. Plans are now in place for programs including the police station, county government, the state hospital, Fina and other important industries and enterprises.

The Extension Service is honored to be involved in coordinating this program with the Chamber of Commerce. We sincerely hope that all youth of our community and county will actively take part in learning about different career options and opportunities. We encourage you to call or come by if you have questions concerning the program.

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FRIDAY - Chicken fried steak; corn; brussel sprouts; rolls; fruit; and milk.

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TUESDAY - Cinnamon; milk; juice.
WEDNESDAY - Cereal; milk and juice.
THURSDAY - French toast; bacon; juice and milk.
FRIDAY - Hot cakes; syrup; sausage; milk and juice.

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MONDAY - Hamburgers; french fries; lettuce; tomatoes; pickles; cake; milk.
TUESDAY - Chicken strips; mashed potatoes; gravy; green beans; jello; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Beef & cheese enchiladas; salad; pinto beans; corn bread and fruit.
THURSDAY - Chicken fried steak; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; jello and milk.
FRIDAY - Pizza salad; butter corn; cookies and fruit.

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MONDAY - Sugar and spice donuts; sausage; fruit; whole or low-fat milk.
TUESDAY - Waffles; syrup; ham; juice; whole or low-fat milk.
WEDNESDAY - Cereal with fruit; toast; whole or low-fat milk.
THURSDAY - Eggs and toast; jelly; juice; whole or low-fat milk.
FRIDAY - Maple syrup and sausage flap wrap; whole or low-fat milk.

COAHOMA LUNCH
MONDAY - Chicken fried steak with gravy; creamed potatoes; blackeyed peas; hot rolls; whole or low-fat milk.
TUESDAY - Enchiladas or beef tacos; salad; Spanish rice; pinto beans; cherry crisp; whole or low-fat milk.
WEDNESDAY - Stromboli with stew; carrot and celery sticks; fruit; whole or low-fat milk.
THURSDAY - Frito pie or meatloaf; fried okra; sweet peas; light bread; banana pudding; whole or low-fat milk.

FRIDAY - Burrito; french fries; salad; fruit; whole or low-fat milk.

ELBOW SCHOOLS
BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Rice; cinnamon toast; juice; milk.
TUESDAY - Sausage; biscuits; juice; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Oatmeal; toast; juice; milk.
THURSDAY - Texas toast; peanut butter; juice; milk.

FRIDAY - Breakfast burritos; juice; milk.
ELBOW LUNCH
MONDAY - Spaghetti with meat sauce; salad; fruit; garlic bread; milk.
TUESDAY - Pizza; new potatoes; salad; fried okra; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers; fries; salad; pickles; fruit; milk.
THURSDAY - Cowboy stew; blackeyed peas; fruit; corn bread; milk.
FRIDAY - Oven baked chicken; mashed potatoes; broccoli; peaches; milk.

FORSAN SCHOOLS
BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Doughnuts; juice; milk.
TUESDAY - Waffles; bacon; juice; milk; butter; syrup.
WEDNESDAY - Ham and eggs; biscuits; juice; milk.
THURSDAY - Sausage and egg on a bun; juice; milk.
FRIDAY - Cereal; toast; juice; milk.
FORSAN LUNCH
MONDAY - Pizza; corn on the cob; salad; spice cake; applesauce; milk.
TUESDAY - German sausage; pinto beans; whipped potatoes; sliced bread; peaches; milk.
WEDNESDAY - Hamburgers; french fries; salad; pickles; onions; cookies and cream; milk.
THURSDAY - Soup; sandwiches; potato chips; crackers; banana pudding; milk.
FRIDAY - Chicken pattie; gravy; whipped potatoes; green beans; hot rolls; jello and fruit; milk.

GARDEN CITY SCHOOLS
LUNCH
MONDAY - Chicken Dinosaur; mashed potatoes; green beans; hot rolls and milk.
TUESDAY - Chili w/beans; cheese sticks; cole slaw; crackers; peanut butter bar and milk.
WEDNESDAY - Baked ham & cheese sandwich; salad; peas; fruit and milk.
THURSDAY - Goulash; fried okra; black-eye peas; crackers; brownies and milk.
FRIDAY - Chili dogs, cheese; French fries; carrot sticks; fresh fruit and milk.

BIG SPRING SCHOOLS
(Elementary)
BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Honey bun; cereal; orange juice; whole or low-fat milk.
TUESDAY - Pancake; syrup & butter; cereal; apple juice; whole or low-fat milk.
WEDNESDAY - Sugar & spice donut; cereal; grape juice; whole or low-fat milk.
THURSDAY - Pancake & sausage-on-a-stick; apple wedge; whole or low-fat milk.

FRIDAY - Nutty bar; cereal; fruit punch; whole or low-fat milk.

LUNCH
MONDAY - Corn dog, mustard; whipped potatoes; English peas; hot rolls; chilled pineapple; whole or low-fat milk.
TUESDAY - Italian spaghetti; corn; spinach; hot rolls; chocolate pudding; whole or low-fat milk.
WEDNESDAY - Burrito & salsa; fluffy steamed rice; cut green beans; hot rolls; peach cobbler; whole or low-fat milk.
THURSDAY - Chicken pattie, gravy; mashed potatoes; broccoli; hot rolls; fruit gelatin/whipped topping; whole or low-fat milk.

FRIDAY - Chili dog; French fries, catsup; pinto beans; butter cookie; apple wedge; whole or low-fat milk.
(Secondary)
BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Honey bun; cereal; orange juice; whole or low-fat milk.
TUESDAY - Pancake; syrup & butter; cereal; apple juice; whole or low-fat milk.
WEDNESDAY - Sugar & spice donut; cereal; grape juice; whole or low-fat milk.
THURSDAY - Pancake & sausage-on-a-stick; apple wedge; whole or low-fat milk.
FRIDAY - Nutty bar; cereal; fruit punch; whole or low-fat milk.

LUNCH
MONDAY - Corn dog, mustard or Salisbury steak; whipped potatoes; English peas; hot rolls; chilled pineapple; whole or low-fat milk.
TUESDAY - Italian spaghetti or German sausage; corn; spinach; celery sticks; hot rolls; chocolate pudding; whole or low-fat milk.
WEDNESDAY - Burrito; salsa or roast beef; gravy; fluffy steamed rice; cut green beans; carrot sticks; hot rolls; peach cobbler; whole or low-fat milk.
THURSDAY - Chicken pattie; gravy or stew; mashed potatoes; broccoli; hot rolls; fruit gelatin/whipped topping; whole or low-fat milk.
FRIDAY - Chili dog or tuna salad; French fries, catsup; pinto beans; coleslaw; cornbread; butter cookie; whole or low-fat milk.

WESTBROOK SCHOOLS
BREAKFAST
MONDAY - Cheese toast; juice; milk.
TUESDAY - Biscuits, bacon, juice and milk.
WEDNESDAY - Cinnamon rolls, juice and milk.
THURSDAY - Oatmeal, toast, jelly, juice and milk.
FRIDAY - Cereal, juice and milk.

LUNCH
MONDAY - Chicken nuggets, gravy, creamed potatoes, English peas, biscuits, butter, syrup, honey, milk.
TUESDAY - Hot dogs, baked potatoes, lettuce wedges, peas, milk.
WEDNESDAY - Spaghetti with meat sauce, fried okra, black-eyed peas, garlic bread, Jell-O and milk.
THURSDAY - Nachos, Mexican salad, corn, fruit bar, milk.
FRIDAY - Hamburgers, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, pickles, fries, goodie bar and milk.

Graduation brings tense family situation

DEAR ABBY: I am a boy who has been reading your column since I was 11 years old, and I have learned a lot from it.

I am now a senior in high school and I am looking forward to my graduation next spring. However, it will bring up a few family problems.

I would like to invite my grandparents (my mother's parents), who have been divorced 15 years and still cannot stand each other. Whenever they meet, they get into a fight. My own parents are also divorced. My mother and her mother are very close, but I can't invite just my grandmother without upsetting my grandfather.

Abby, I cannot imagine graduating without having both grandparents there. As much as I have looked forward to my graduation, I have also dreaded it because I knew that eventually this problem would arise.

I am signing my name, but please don't use it, as I don't want to embarrass anybody. Just sign me ... A KID FROM ARKANSAS

DEAR KID: You are a very considerate, warmhearted young man. If your relatives can't get along with each other, it's THEIR problem. Invite whomever you want to your graduation, and if they choose to decline, for whatever reason, it's their loss and their problem — not yours.

Congratulations. I predict that you will go far. Another "kid" from Arkansas recently made it. Good luck, and God bless you.

DEAR ABBY: About the waitress



Dear Abby

who wrote concerning children who misbehaved in restaurants, I have a solution that I personally used.

When I was a waitress in college, a mother brought in her herd. While she read a book, two of her children chased each other around the table and a toddler threw Cheerios all over the floor. This was very annoying to the other customers, not to mention the wait staff. So I turned to another waitress nearby and said (loudly enough to be heard by the mother): "I hope someone doesn't run into one of those kids and spill hot coffee on them ... remember last week when that little girl was burned all over her face?"

The mother promptly ordered her children to go sit in their chairs, and stay there.

Of course, there never was any "little girl who had her face burned," although this could very well have been a true story. Servers often carry heavy trays that are balanced on their shoulders, and they are not looking at knee-level for children running around. If parents are too worn out to discipline their children, they should stay home.

I constantly get compliments on my 3-year-old daughter's behavior, and I

even brag on her publicly so she'll know how proud I am of her. — C. WINGO, COPPELL, TEXAS
 DEAR C. WINGO: I am sure you are speaking for many waitresses and waiters. Thanks for writing.

DEAR ABBY: Over the years, while traveling, I have had several occasions to stay as a guest in the house of someone I did not know well — the parents of my traveling companion, friends of a friend, a household of roommates, etc. Sometimes these stays have lasted two or three days.

My question: What constitutes an appropriate thank-you to one's host in this situation?

Is a thank-you card sufficient, or is one expected to leave or send a gift? I have very little money and try not to spend it on non-essential things, but I would like to acknowledge the host's generosity in a correct way. Please advise. — GUESSING GUEST

DEAR GUEST: If you are staying longer than one night, a small gift is appropriate, and it need not be expensive. To save money on shipping costs, you can either take a gift with you or buy something during your stay — flowers, a box of candy or a small plant.

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Black velvet fashion expo

Body Fashion

By The Ass

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Black velvet is the one bodysuit to buy this year if you can only have one, fashion experts say. This one is by Lynn LaCava.

Bodysuit:

Fashion's latest is (gasp!) comfortable

By The Associated Press

If you're bent on slipping into something comfortable for the holidays, consider a bodysuit with a long wrap skirt or evening pants.

"A bodysuit stays down, and it doesn't ride up, gap or wrinkle," says Patti Cohen, a vice president at Donna Karan. "That's the main reason for it. You put it on along with your stockings, and you're almost dressed."

"It's the modern blouse of the '90s," designer Josie Natori says.

Panne or smooth velvet, sheers, glittery knits and embroidered lace are the top holiday looks, according to Karen Bromley, speaking for the Intimate Apparel Council, a trade association in New York.

There's a price and style for nearly every budget and figure, too. Pick an \$11 basic style from Kmart or, for \$645, you can have Donna Karan's bugle-beaded cold shoulder version.

For those with figures that need to be flattered, not flaunted in styles that fit the torso like a second skin, there are fuller silhouettes called bodyblouses. But what all styles have in common is one-piece construction with a snap crotch.

"Bodysuits are hot as a pistol, and the real story is the fabric and the treatment," says Kathy Smith, intimate apparel market manager for Du Pont in New York. "Manufacturers have extended the bodysuit concept further with luxurious fabrics and interesting treat-

ments such as poet's blouse ruffles, lace trim, buttons and hardware, which dress them up and give them a real holiday look."

But if you're buying only one, black velvet is the one to buy.

"Black velvet is a ready-to-wear trend, more popular this year than ever before," Bromley says, "and it's created a new opportunity for bodysuit manufacturers to catch the trend for holiday."

Not only is black up-to-the-minute, it's versatile.

"It never fails," Natori says. "It works with any wardrobe, and for holiday it's the most logical."

Natori's collection, which includes bodysuits in stretch lace, stretch velvet, fishnet, chiffon and chenille, ranges from \$36 to \$500, with most prices under \$100.

LaCava Lingerie in New York, with prices from \$60 to \$100, concentrates on styles embellished with gold metallic embroidery, re-embroidered lace or, perhaps, sheer mesh sleeves.

"We are very conscious of having merely the illusion of sheerness, because the bodysuit should be able to be worn on its own without cover-up," says Lynn LaCava, president. "And we like sleeves, which are forgiving for the figure."

Donna Karan's collection, from \$300 to \$650, includes surplus wrap fronts, V-necks, spaghetti straps, tank tops and turtlenecks, in silk, cashmere and stretch netting.

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- Entry forms for the Birthday Sweepstakes Contest will appear in the Herald each day. Additional entry forms will be available at the participating merchants. No purchase is necessary. A person may become a contestant by depositing their entry form with the participating merchants or delivering their entry form to the Big Spring Herald, 710 Scurry St., P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, TX 79720. All entries being forwarded by mail must bear sufficient postage. The Herald takes no responsibility for any lost or misdirected entries.
- During the first 50 days of the Herald's 54 day contest, the Herald will publish 2 birthday dates as chosen by random draw from all entries received in the advertisements of 2 participating merchants on the Birthday Sweepstakes page each day. The value of each of the birthdates published will be \$10.00. The final week of the contest will be known as Grand Prize Week; Tuesday and Wednesday of this week (December 21, 22) the two birthdates published will have a value of \$25.00 each, on Thursday (December 23) the two birthdates published will have a value of \$100.00, Friday, December 24, the final day of the contest one birthdate will be published. The value of this number, know as the Grand Prize Birthdate, will be \$250.
- All entries drawn during the contest, up to and including December 24, will be returned to the draw drum the day following the publication of the birthdate number.
- The holder of the Birthday number published in the Herald's Birthday Sweepstakes Contest from October 24th to December 24th, must call the Big Spring Herald at 263-7331, by no later than 5:30 p.m. on the 7th business day following the publishing of the winning number. Contest Department hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday. The contest office is not open on Saturdays, Sundays or Statutory holidays. Upon reporting a winning Birthday, the holder of the number will be advised of the steps to follow to claim the prize. Published Birthday numbers reported to the Herald following the close of the contest department on the 7th business day following publication of the number, will not be accepted and will not be eligible to claim a prize.
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- If a successful winner receives 6-day home delivery of the Big Spring Herald, by carrier, motor route delivery, or mail, the prize money awarded to that person shall be DOUBLED. The winner must be receiving home delivery the day the winning number appears in the Herald.
- It is not necessary to purchase the Herald to participate in the contest. Live birthday numbers will be posted in the main business office of the Herald, 710 Scurry St., and copies of the Herald are available for inspection during regular business hours.
- Published birthday numbers will not be given out over the telephone.
- By playing Herald Birthday Sweepstakes contest, contestants agree to accept these rules and to allow publication of their name and address and/or picture within the Herald. The decision of the judges appointed by the Herald will be final and binding.
- Anyone 18 years or older can play the Herald Birthday Sweepstakes contest except employees and their immediate families (residing with them) of the Big Spring Herald and Thompson Newspapers Corporation.
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Jeremy Gonzales reaches high with a squeegee to clean the inside windows of the new Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant on Gregg Street last week. The old restaurant closed Nov. 21 and the new location opened for business Saturday.

Starting a business

"Starting Your Business Workshop," meets at 1 p.m. Thursday at the Center for Energy and Economic Diversification at U.S. 191 and FM 1788. Among topics are developing a business plan, evaluating skills, and discussing various financial concerns. Fee is \$20 per person. Call 567-5502.

It's sponsored by the Small Business Development Center of UT Permian Basin, area chamber of commerce and colleges.

Leadership exchange

Mayor Tim Blackshear, Mayor Pro Tem Ladd Smith, council members Charles Beil and Stephanie Horton, City Manager Lanny Lambert, Fire Chief Frank Anderson and Acting Police Chief Jerry Edwards were in San Antonio recently for the annual Texas Municipal League Annual Conference and Exhibition. The four-day meeting provided workshops and a chance to exchange ideas and solutions with other leaders.

Farm show in Abilene

The Second Annual Big Country Farm and Ranch Show at the Taylor County Fairgrounds in Abilene is Feb. 16 and 17. Agri-business companies from throughout the United States will be displaying products and services. Admission is free. Call (612) 894-8007.

Tourist spending more

The Texas travel and tourism industry grew by an estimated \$800 million, or 5.9 percent, from 1991 to 1992, according to Texas Travel facts. Last year, travel expenditures were \$21.4 billion, up from \$20.6 billion. Of that \$18.8 billion was domestic spending while international spending was \$2.6 billion.

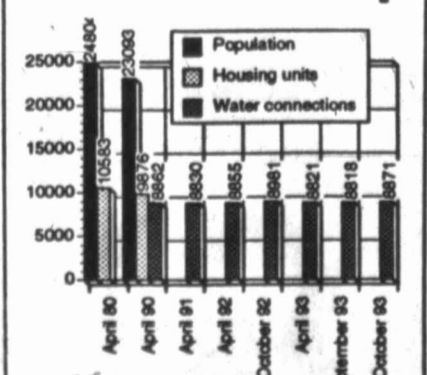
Horizontal drilling up

The Texas Railroad Commission granted 62 permits for horizontal wells statewide last month, reflecting a slight increase from the previous month. By comparison, 56 permits for advanced technology wells were issued in September, 47 in August and 52 in July.

Eye on the economy



'Water meter connections up



City water connections in October, an indication of population, bounced back up some but remained below the same month last year.

SOURCE: CITY OF BIG SPRING HERALD GRAPHIC

Greetings

Welcome to Christmas

By DD TURNER
Managing Editor

A pent-up feeling of anticipation is ready to blow as local merchants get ready for the Christmas shopping season, which officially began Friday.

Already, merchants are seeing more optimism from consumers checking out merchandise.

"We are expecting it to go well," said Steve Smith, manager of Radio Shack at Big Spring Mall. "There is more confidence in the consumer as they see growth coming to the city."

Part of the confidence is rooted in the expectations of 500 to 1,000 jobs coming to Big Spring in 1994. Another portion is the slow, but sure, growth being felt in the nation's economy.

Tammy Watt, manager of Big Spring Mall expects to see about a 2 to 3 percent increase in sales at the mall. She attributes this partly to consumer confidence and to a bigger variety of stores at the mall this year.

With Wal-Mart Stores Inc. purchasing Highland Mall as the site of their new supercenter, many of the merchants there moved into the Big Spring Mall.

"We have a bigger variety of shops than before which is all real positive," she said.

Blum's Jewelers Inc. is one store making the move from Highland to Big Spring Mall and they are already feeling the benefits from increased foot traffic.

"The traditional Friday, Saturday and Sunday after Thanksgiving is not that big for us but the rest of December is important," said Greg Brooks, manager of Blum's. "In the two weeks we have been here, we have seen more foot traffic than at Highland."

Tim Nelson, manager of the current Wal-Mart store across the street from Highland, said consumers seem to be in a "brighter mood. It's just my observation but the general public seems to be in a better mood."

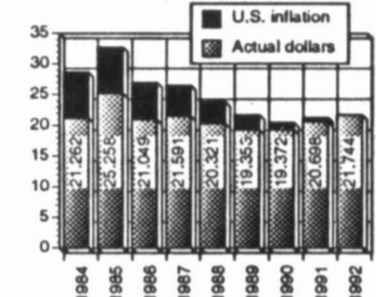
One thing Brooks is hoping to cash in on is a "pent-up purchasing desire," that has been building due to people not spending as much over the year.

Kim Madry, manager of the Kid's Shop, said she expects a good turnout for Christmas, especially after a recent open house at Big Spring Mall.

Watt said a style show, in conjunction with the open house, drew about 200 people. "That's



Wearing a Christmas sweatshirt to get into the swing of the holiday season, Betty Gossett looks at several items of clothing as she was shopping at Beall's in the Big Spring Mall Friday morning. The three days after Thanksgiving is usually the busiest shopping days of the year for retailers.



Reported retail sales for Big Spring in detail, shown in millions, of which half to two thirds is for October through December. Trends follow annual figures and indicate merchants will have the best Christmas season in half a decade.

SOURCE: STATE COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE HERALD GRAPHIC

one of the best showings we have had and it makes us very optimistic."

Also expressing optimism for the upcoming Christmas season was Jeff Raley, manager of Dunlaps near Highland, and LuRue Cluck, manager of Connie's Fashions Inc. downtown.

"We expect better, it's picked up slowly but there is a lot more confidence out there," said Jimmye Burk, manager of Pandora's Closet on FM 700.

But, one thing most local merchants are counting on is Big

• Please see SHOPPING, page 9B

It'll be rough for U.S. retailers this season

The Associated Press

The nation's retailers have weathered a long, tough year. And now comes the really hard part: the Christmas shopping season.

As stores open today for the traditional start of the season, they'll be trying to lure choosy, budget-minded shoppers with bargains, special services and bonuses. Retailers know they may have to struggle to bring in sales.

But the economy has strengthened and consumers are signaling their willingness to relax and spend a little. Chances are the season will turn out better for many stores than it appeared a few months ago.

Most of the gifts are likely to be bought in the last 10 days before Christmas, but shoppers will still pack the stores this weekend. Some got a jump on the season on Thanksgiving, as Kmart opened its stores.

Many retailers were also opening earlier than usual today with special deals for early shoppers.

Some department stores offered push toys at reduced prices for shoppers spending a specific amount, and others supplied gift wrap and other services.

But what consumers really want are discounts, and they'll get them. The recession made mark-downs a way of life for stores, and price cuts are built into their holiday budgets.

Predictions for how the season will turn out have become a Christmas fixture, partly because the holidays are no longer the guaranteed money-maker they once were. Christmas 1992 was the first good holiday season for the retail industry in four years.

But the accounting and consulting firm Arthur Andersen said after surveying consumers that Americans are very confident and three-quarters will spend the same or more than they did last year.

But America's Research Group, a consumer research firm, says 40 percent of Americans are uneasy about the economy and will spend less on gifts this year.

Organized labor thinking twice about rejecting NAFTA supporters

Congressional Quarterly

WASHINGTON — Organized labor's friends on Capitol Hill are urging union leaders to think twice about threats to withhold campaign support from members who voted for the North American Free Trade Agreement.

"My counsel to them is don't let the current anger spoil your judgment," said Rep. Pat Williams, D-Mont., a strong labor supporter who voted against NAFTA. "To have House members who are occasionally helpful is better than having some that will never help you. Don't throw the baby out with the bath water."

Labor fought hard to kill the trade

pact, which it believes will greatly accelerate the loss of jobs to Mexico, where wages are much lower. Despite its intense lobbying campaign, however, several Democrats who received hundreds of thousands of dollars in campaign contributions from labor's political action committees voted for NAFTA.

While angry labor leaders might want to punish friends who voted for NAFTA, Williams says they should be careful in picking fights. "There's a risk factor in targeting someone and seeing them succeed," he noted. "That's why they will target few if any."

At least some of organized labor already is reaching out to friends in Congress who strayed on the NAFTA

vote. "I had a labor fund-raiser within 12 hours of the vote," said Rep. George Brown, who voted for NAFTA. "They know I'm one of the best friends they've got."

The AFL-CIO has given Brown vote ratings of more than 90 percent the last two years. During the 1991-92 election cycle he pulled in nearly \$200,000 in campaign contributions from labor, which helped him survive a close race with 51 percent of the vote.

Brown said that not everyone in organized labor was equally distressed about NAFTA. Union members who are public employees, such as Postal and Treasury employees, or firefighters, are not in danger of losing their jobs to Mexico.

Young college graduates facing some tough times, study says

It's a popular idea today that young college graduates are having a hard time finding good jobs. There may be something to it.

An article, published in the August issue of the Department of Labor's Monthly Labor Review, supports the general impression that the job market did deteriorate for young college graduates during the 1990-91 recession.

"Joblessness among college-educated men aged 16 to 24 who were not in school rose sharply from nearly 5 percent in 1988 to almost 8 percent in 1991, and the jobless rate for women rose from almost 5 percent to slightly over 6 percent," according to a recent U.S. Census Bureau study.



The types of jobs available are also changing. The proportion of young persons with college educations entering high-paying occupations - executive, administrative, managerial and professional specialty - fell from 53.6 percent in 1989 to 48.4 percent in 1991.

At the same time, the proportion entering technical, sales, and administrative support - including clerical -

occupations rose from 33.4 percent to 38.2 percent.

The study, which compares monthly data from Current Population Survey, annual data from the survey's income supplement, and several years' data from Survey of Income and Program Participation, also shows that mean earnings for 18- to 24-year-old men dropped, while mean earnings for female counterparts did not change significantly.

Whether this is the beginning of a trend or just a short-term dip resulting from the recession is the final question of a report of the study. It concludes there can be no final answer until the economy resumes sustained growth rates like those of the mid 1980s.

Christmas parties are important

Scripps Howard News Service

Does the thought of your company's upcoming holiday party make you feel excited? Or queasy?

No matter how you feel about that company party, luncheon, potluck or charity event, remember this: Do take it seriously. You might think it doesn't matter much. But your bosses and coworkers will notice and remember how you act, notes Debra Benton, executive effectiveness expert and author of "Lions Don't Need to Roar," Warner Books, 1992.

Follow these suggestions:

- Pay attention to how you dress. Don't wear anything too clingy, sexy or suggestive. If it's a casual gathering, be comfortable but not sloppy.

- Don't hang around with the same old crew. This is a great opportunity to meet new people and let them know who you are. Nervous? Let them do the talking. Introduce yourself and ask questions about them, their interests, families or work. Volunteer some information about yourself but don't monopolize the conversation.

- Take this chance to talk with senior managers and bosses, too. They'll probably be a bit more relaxed than usual and will expect employees to chat with them. Introduce yourself and shake hands. Next, you might say thanks for the party. Or ask about something you know the senior manager is interested in. Pick up fodder for the conversation from company newsletters, local business pages and office grapevines.

- Watch for cues from bosses and coworkers about what the company expects of employees at these events.

- Be friendly to co-workers' spouses. They and your co-workers will remember your kindness.

- Don't touch co-workers or spouses excessively, even if the atmosphere is casual. Your actions may be misinterpreted by them or observers.

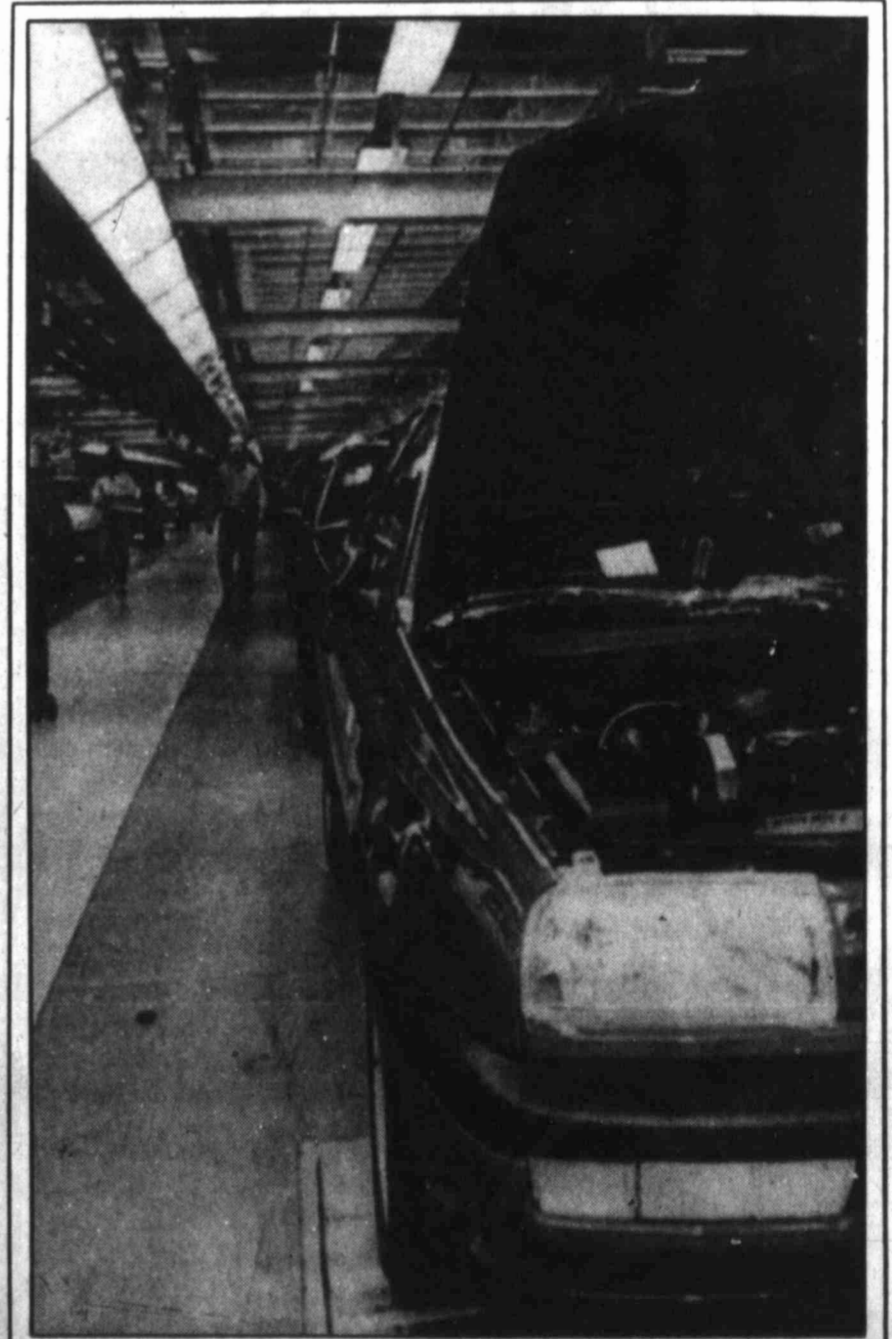
- Be respectful and polite to your spouse or partner. Watch your non-verbal communication, too. People will notice this and draw conclusions from it.

- Keep your drink in your left hand so your right hand isn't cold and clammy when you shake someone's hand.

- Be extra conservative about how much alcohol you drink. Just a little too much can lead to a fatal career mistake.

- Bosses: Do go to the party, stay for most of it and get yourself psyched to enjoy it. Your employees will expect you to be there and many will want to talk with you. And they'll want to see that you enjoy being with them.

- Don't try to push your own job or career agendas on co-workers or bosses. Although some conversation inevitably will turn to work, this is, after all, a party.



Shorter work weeks

Volkswagen workers assemble cars in a production line in Wolfsburg, Germany, last month. A drastically shortened four-day work week will start in January at Volkswagen factories in Germany to boost Europe's biggest automaker back to profitability and save 30,000 threatened jobs.

Associated Press photo

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There's a lot to be thankful for

This past week, in fact, the past several weeks have been hectic, to say the least, at our office! Activities seem to be happening two and three at a time! But it also brought to mind, the fact that we have a lot to be thankful for as we approached the holiday weekend we have all been looking forward to.



Don Richardson

Our office secretary, Fredi, somehow managed to work in her schedule during last week to get married! We took time out for Judge Lockhart to perform the ceremony and insisted that she take at least the morning off to celebrate the occasion! Michael and I are especially thankful we have such a great secretary as Fredi that seems to handle crisis after crisis in our office like she has been here forever. We wish her and her husband, Don Reed, the best in their marriage.

Our County Commissioners Court approved for our office a new computer and printer this past week in a cost share program with Texas A&M! Thanks to both of these groups for their support for our local extension office serving Howard County! We have been limping along on outdated, worn out equipment for some time and this new equipment for our office is much appreciated!

Thanks to Oklahoma, (Gosh, how hard it is to do say that!) for letting us have such a great person as my co-worker, Michael Kelsey, join us here this year! It has been a real joy and an experience to work with someone with his talents! He has been a real asset to our program.

A county extension program can not exist without the support of local volunteers and leaders. Thanks to all these people in Howard County that graciously and unselfishly spare their time and talents in working with the many and varied programs we offer in seeing that we have the quality programs we enjoy.

Special thanks to such individuals as our many volunteer 4H adult leaders who see to it that our 4H programs become successful... such as Nita and Lonnie Wright in organizing the annual county 4H Christmas party, Teresa and Chris Gaskins for all the extra work they did in seeing that we had a successful county food show, Gary Tabor in working over and repairing the county stock scales, Emma Jenkins for running our office when we all had to be down at A&M recently, all those parents and friends who helped make our annual junior rodeo the success it was this year and for all those special friends that seem to always be around when you need them for help even when their own family members have graduated from 4H such as the Howard Armstrongs, the Lloyd Robinson Family, the Skipper Drivers, the Wendal Walkers, Kelly Gaskins who somehow manages to keep track of the 4H funds so well, leaders and parents in our Shooting Sports program that has received so much statewide recognition and all the so many others that work so unselfishly throughout the year with our 4H program.

Thanks to community leaders like Dr. Dusty Johnston who leads the Junior Livestock Show so successfully and our business leaders who support this event each year, The County Fair Board who dedicate many, many hours each year to this annual event and its president, Tom Koger who so successfully handles the varied personalities involved, the group of enthusiastic folks who have been so supportive in developing the highly successful West Texas Ag Expo here in Big Spring.

The Chamber of Commerce, who works and supports the Junior Leadership Big Spring Program we are so proud of and all the community leaders who never turn us down in assisting with this activity, as well as the great Agricultural Appreciation Day activities associated with the Senior Leadership Big Spring program and the leaders and businessmen who support this program in efforts to enlighten urban audiences about the importance of agriculture.

Farmers such as Larry Shaw, John and Harry Middleton, Bob Nichols, the Gaskins and Richard and Geraldine Posey, who serve as result demonstrators each year in our extension educational programs seeing that local producers have the opportunity to evaluate first hand the performance of various varieties of cotton and other cultural practices associated with agriculture, leaders such as Lynn Simmons and Gibson Feagan who work so diligently and faithfully with the other counties in our area planning multi-county agricultural educational activities.

Roy Holland and his family for supporting agriculture in West Texas as they do and their dedication to the continuous development of new and better cotton for our producers, the Hispanic Women for Progress and our friends with the NAACP who work with us in helping see that our minority community is better served, the Big Spring Herald and the local radio stations for allowing us to publicize the many extension educational programs offered in our county, folks like Wanda Petty, the McChristians and Mrs. Venora Williams and the other volunteers and producers who see to it that we have a successful pecan show each year.

And so many, many more I would like to list here that work and support so many of our programs.

This time of year allows us some time to be reminded of all those things we take for granted throughout the year and calls to our attention what we should be thankful for, our family, our friends, supporters, our community, our health and all those many other things we should be more appreciative for. On behalf of all of us with the local office of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, we hope you are enjoying a most Happy Thanksgiving holiday period.

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A truck dumps a load of sludge onto Sierra Blanca, ranchland earlier this month after arriving from New York by rail.

Human waste can be valuable product

The Associated Press

The business of sludge revolves around the ability to turn human waste into a valuable product.

The sludge — or "biosolids" — industry is growing due to a number of factors: stricter federal regulations, including prohibitions on ocean dumping; rising environmental awareness; and an increase in municipalities seeking outside help with their wastewater, those in the field say.

About \$1.5 billion is spent annually to manage some 32 million to 40 million wet tons of sludge produced at 14,000 plants processing municipal wastewater nationwide, said Bill Ginn, director of BFI Organics, a subsidiary of Houston-based Browning-Ferris Industries Inc.

"Every municipality and every subdivision of homes and every industry produces residual material in their wastewater," said Patrick Karney, deputy executive director of the professional group Water Environment Federation, based in Alexandria, Va.

The industry is evolving from "the use of the word 'sludge' and thinking of a product that has to be gotten rid of, to the concept of biosolids, that this is a product... that can be used to improve the environment," Karney said.

"It's a raw material that can be reused and recycled into other beneficial products. And we have to do that. If not, we're just going to choke on our own waste material," he said.

Many municipalities still manage their own sludge, either through incineration, landfills or recycling, with fertilizer pellets at the high end, said Kelly Sarber, owner of Strategic Management, which focuses on siting

and environmental issues.

When cities look for outside help, they may turn to what likely are the country's biggest sludge players, Browning-Ferris and Oak Brook, Ill.-based Waste Management.

BFI Organics has about 30 contracts for beneficial use of sludge, about two-thirds involving land application and one-third composting. But many more of its older contracts send sludge to landfills, Ginn said.

"As we look forward we see more and more communities looking for beneficial reuse solutions rather than landfilling, so we are trying to develop those solutions our customers need and want," he said.

Despite an industry trend toward consolidation, many smaller recycling companies remain, such as MERCO Joint Venture, the company handling the West Texas project.

James Johnson, manager for MERCO's Texas project and a company director, declined to release financial data for the privately held company.

MERCO paid \$4.5 million for the 130,000-acre Mile High Ranch in Hudspeth County, where the sludge is shipped. Its six-year contract to ship 400 tons of sludge daily is worth \$168 million.

Another leader among the independent recyclers is N-VIRO International Corp., based in Toledo, Ohio.

"Our technology is designed to take the waste from organic waste streams and convert it to a fertilizer product," said Chris Mahoney, vice president of sales and marketing for N-VIRO.

Shopping

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Spring citizens shopping locally first.

Terry Burns, executive vice president of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, has a new plan to encourage shopping at home - Big Spring Bucks.

The bucks, now available at the chamber, are in increments of \$25 and can be used to purchase anything in Big Spring. "It can be used to pay the gas bill, utilities or buy something at one of the local merchants."

The main purpose is to keep local money in Big Spring. Burns said the program is being started at this Christmas season but will be a year-round program.

"It's good for businesses who are giving bonuses. For example, if the bonus was \$200 it would be in increments of \$25 and there would be eight of them. This way, instead of spending a little bit in town then taking the rest out of town, the money would stay here."

"It is very important for people to give us a try first," said Watt. "What is gained is sales tax which stays here and helps so many people. Taking that away hurts everybody."

Cluck added, "For the city, community I think it's important. It keeps the money, sales taxes here to help." Looking over the merchandise and comparison shopping is another reason for shopping locally first. The best deal may actually be in Big Spring along with good customer service and better treatment, explained Brooks. "You have to know what is here first."

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Briefs

Paramount to merge with Viacom

WILMINGTON, Del. (AP) — Paramount Communications Inc.'s plans to merge with Viacom Inc. were set back as a Delaware judge stripped the entertainment concern of a key defense against hostile bidder QVC Network Inc.

The judge on Wednesday faulted the Paramount board for its failure to meet with QVC before rejecting QVC's latest bid. The judge also struck down stock options awarded to Viacom should its friendly merger deal fall apart.

Marlboro company to cut 14,000 jobs

NEW YORK (AP) — Philip Morris Companies Inc. will cut 14,000 jobs and shut down or scale back 40 plants or other sites as it tries to improve the competitiveness of brands such as Marlboro cigarettes, Miller beer and Oscar Mayer hot dogs.

Philip Morris said Wednesday it would take after-tax charges of \$952 million in the fourth quarter to cover plant closings, severance payments, accounting changes and other costs. The restructuring will cut the company's 168,000 work force by 8 percent.

Durable goods' orders hit record high

WASHINGTON (AP) — Orders to factories for durable goods hit a record high in October, fresh evidence of modest improvement for U.S. manufacturing. The government also reported better-than-expected news on jobs.

Paced by increases for transportation orders, primarily aircraft and automobiles, overall orders jumped 2 percent to a seasonally adjusted \$135.8 billion, the Commerce Department said Wednesday.

The Labor Department, meanwhile, said the number of newly laid-off workers filing first-time applications for unemployment insurance rose 1,000 last week, to 339,000.

U.S. car sales rose 20 percent

DETROIT (AP) — Sales of U.S.-built cars and light trucks rose 20.5 percent in mid-November, boosted by incentives offered by Ford Motor Co. and General Motors Corp. as they battle for the title of best-selling pickup truck.

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Sales were strong of both cars and light trucks, up 16.4 percent and 26 percent, respectively, between Nov. 11 and Nov. 20, according to figures reported by automakers Wednesday.

Oil production will not be reduced for now

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — The world's leading oil producers decided against reducing oil production in the coming months, gambling that demand would rise in winter and lift sagging prices.

OPEC Secretary-General Subroto made the announcement Wednesday after two days of talks that centered on whether restraining supplies would push up prices now around three-year lows.

CentTrust chairman was convicted for fraud

MIAMI (AP) — Ousted CentTrust Bank chairman David Paul was convicted of federal fraud charges for using millions of dollars in thrift funds for his personal use while the savings and loan was failing.

Paul, convicted Wednesday on all but one of 69 counts, faces a maximum of 350 years in prison when he is sentenced Feb. 11. He was acquitted of one minor charge.

American Airlines up and going again

DALLAS (AP) — American Airlines had at least 80 percent of flights back in action after a four-day flight attendants strike that ended Monday.

American's chairman, Robert Crandall, and the heads of the airline's three unions on Wednesday sent a letter to all employees asking them to refrain from violence in the strike's wake. The airline expected to return to its full schedule Thursday.

Airwave indecency policy back into effect

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government regulators are returning to their policy banning indecency on the airwaves between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m., the agency said in response to a court ruling that threw out broader rules.

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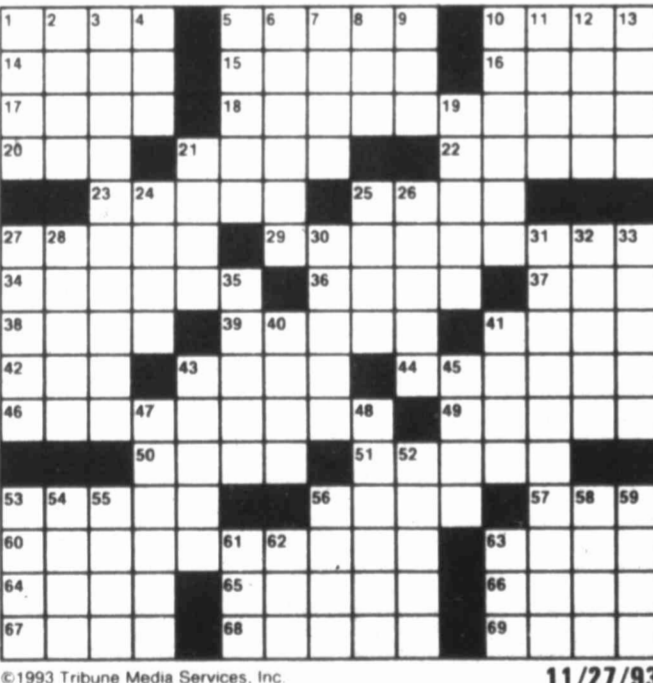
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COMANCHE TRAIL NURSING CENTER is now accepting applications for the following position: Certified Nurses Aid. We would like to have you join our team in giving top quality care and TLC.

IMMEDIATE OPENING FOR talented young lady to manage One-Girl office and copy center in Big Spring. High School Graduate with clerical skills 8 to 5 Monday thru Friday with above average benefits.

IN-STORE product demonstrators needed. Weekends, \$6.25/Hr. Merchandisers needed. Weekdays & weekends, \$6.25/Hr. + mileage. Call 1-800-929-2539.

LOOKING FOR BABYSITTER with experience and references willing to keep our child in your home. Call 264-0101, leave message, ask for Karen.

NEED CAB DRIVERS and dispatchers. Non-smokers, good driving record. Drivers work on commission plus tips. Apply at 700 W. 4th. HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL!!! Big Spring, Texas.

SECRETARIAL POSITION AVAILABLE. Bookkeeping and computer experience helpful. Send resume and salary requirements to Debbie: P.O. Box 910, Big Spring, Tx. 79721-0910.

SECRETARY - 8:00-5:00, Monday-Friday. Knowledge of billing, accounts receivable, inventory control and computers. Growing company. Send resume to: P.O. Box 3253, Big Spring, TX, 79721, ATTN: Charles.

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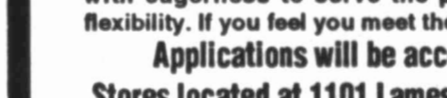
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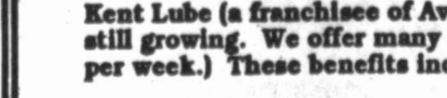
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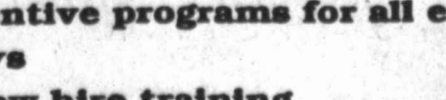


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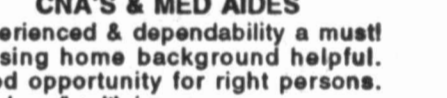
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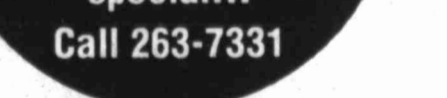
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Pick up applications at the Big Spring DHS office located at 707 E. Third. To ensure consideration, applications must be in the Abilene Human Resource Services office no later than Friday, December 3, 1993 (5:00 PM).

WATRESS WANTED. Excellent pay and tips. Apply in person at The Brewery, 1602 FM 700.

EXPERIENCED TRUCK DRIVERS NEEDED. Must have 2 years of road experience or equivalent. CDL with Hazmat and tanker endorsement.

Game wardens, security, maintenance, ect. No experience necessary. Now Hiring. For info call (219)794-0010 ext 9463. 8am-5pm. 7 days.

Jobs Wanted 090

***** RESPONSIBLE 14 year old and 12 year old will babysit in your home or our's after school and weekends. Call 267-5542 after 5:00pm.

FARMER'S COLUMN

3 SIDED STEEL ARCH BUILDINGS FOR MACHINERY/ GRAIN/LIVE-STOCK. 40X44 WAS \$7500..... NOW \$4516; 40X84 WAS \$10,500.....NOW \$6600; 50X104 WAS \$15,800.....NOW \$10,839.

Horses 230

FOR SALE 10 year old gelding \$1000.00. Call 267-7228 or 267-6006.

MISCELLANEOUS

Antiques 290 ANTIQUES & FINE FURNITURE, over 450 clocks, lamps, old phonograph players, and telephones. We also repair & refinish all of the above.

Appliances 299

GOOD SELECTION of used gas and electric stoves. Guaranteed and clean. Branham Furniture, 2004 W. 4th. 263-1469.

Auctions 325

SPRING CITY AUCTION- Robert Pruitt Auctioneer, TXS-079-007759. Call 263-1831/263-0914. We do all types of auctions!

NO AUCTION THURSDAY NOV. 25TH DUE TO THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY HAVE A HAPPY THANKSGIVING Glassware, school desk, sport cards, coins, toys, furniture, bicycles, tools. NO ITEMIZED LIST COME OUT AND TAKE A LOOK.

Public Auction

Sale Time 10 A.M. Saturday, Dec. 4, 1993 Formerly "Lee's Office Supply" 505 S. 1st St. (downtown) Lamesa, Texas

Computer 370

IBM COMPUTER FOR SALE. 3 1/2", 5 1/4", and 20 meg drives, color monitor, lots of software and games, plus printer. \$700.00. 267-7273.

Dogs, Pets, Etc 375

FREE KENNEL CLUB BREEDER REFERRAL SERVICE: Helps you find reputable breeders/quality puppies. Purebred rescue information. 263-3404 daytime.

Garage Sale 380

2 FAMILY SALE, 5621 Midway Rd., East of city. Lots of baby things, highchair, car seats, good Christmas toys, etc. Saturday 9am-7, Sunday 1pm-7.

Household Goods 390

30" KENMORE GAS STOVE. 506 Hillside. 263-6255. SANITIZED USED mattress sets. Also new sale available. Branham Furniture, 2004 W. 4th. 263-1469.

Lost & Found Misc. 393

FOUND A SET of keys in the Kentwood Addition. Call 267-6283 to claim.

Lost-Pets 394

LOST IN THE VICINITY of 19th St.: Black and white Chihuahua named "Jo-Jo". No tags. Call Leanne 263-5417. \$100 Cash Reward.

Miscellaneous 395

FOR BID LIST OF 40+ real estate notes in Big Springs and San Antonio call 1-210-433-1842 after 10AM. Estate sale of notes from 9% -18% interest. Bid closing date 11-29-93.

"LOOK"

Tired of renting a Golf Cart? Buy One! Three wheels, EZ-GO, Black with windscreens, batteries only one year old. Comes with charger. Call 264-0443 leave message.

WEDDINGS

10% off Spring/ Summer wedding cakes, silk flowers when booked prior to January 30. Window display in Big Spring Mall. 267-8191. Billye Grisham.

AUCTION

SATURDAY, DEC. 4, 1993 Starting at 10:00 a.m. Location: 6923 E. Hwy. 80 ODESSA, TEXAS Preview: Friday, Dec. 3

Formerly "Box Office Video"

Includes: • Video Tapes, 6,000 to 10,000 Titles (Many Late Releases) • VCR's • TV Monitors • Video Games & Cartridges • Office Furniture • Approx. 150 Units of Video Tape Shelving • Neon Signs (This business will be offered bulk and by the item)

Formerly "Mildred's Gift Shop," Odessa, Texas

Includes: • Crystal & China: Dansk, Mikasa, Noritake, Lenox, Fitz & Floyd, Franciscan, Wedgewood, Royal Doulton, Minton, Gorham, Scala, Others • Many Types of Glassware • Patterns • Office Furniture • Counters • Displays Tables • Etc. • This business will be offered by the piece only. Come to the Preview to see this Big Inventory or call for Brochure. HANWAY, INC. Auctioneers & Liquidators (915) 366-0018, Auc. Lic. 7753

ESTATE AUCTION

E.W. Richardson Estate Merchandise moved to Spring City Auction Bldg. 200 W. 4th - Big Spring, Tx. Thurs., Dec. 2nd - 7 P.M. Preview 4 P.M. Till Sale Time

Remington Model 788 Bolt Action 243 Rifle, H&R 12 Gauge Shotgun Bolt Action, Marble Top Twist Plant Stand, Glassware, Maple Dresser With Stool, King Bed W/Dresser, Sofa, Matching Dresser & Chest, Antique Bed, Glass Top Patio Table W/Chairs, Lamps, Brass Items, Bentwood Rocker, Mantle Clock, Beer Signs, Wood Bird Cage, Large Chest of Drawers, Bar Stools, Recliner, Artificial Plants, Marble Top Table, Luggage, Antique 3 Legged Table, Oil Lamps, Weed Eater, Scales, Exercise Bike, BBQ Grill, Vac, Heaters, Utility Cart, Pickup Tool Box, Headache Rack, 1987 Chevy Pickup S-10, 4-Wheel Drive, V-6.

SPRING CITY AUCTION

Auctioneer: Robert Pruitt TXS 7759 915-263-1831

Miscellaneous 395

X AND XXX RATED MOVIES for sale, \$10.00. Ultra Video, 267-4627. Open 7 days a week.

Musical 420

CONN ELECTRIC ORGAN with double keyboard. Original cost \$3000.00. For sale \$500.00. Days 267-5053, nights 267-7822.

Produce 426

ROY HESTER'S SHELLED PECANS \$4.00-5.00lb., Unshelled -.65¢-\$1.25. Also, custom shelling. 2901 N. Birdwell.

SPAS 431

BLEMISHED SPAS- 5 to choose from, as low as 50% below factory price, deliver, financing available. 1-563-1860.

Sporting Goods 435

MELEY GOLF CART with charger and nearly new trailer. \$1200 o.b.o. Call 267-5826.

Telephone Service 445

J-DEAN COMMUNICATIONS Installs Telephone Jacks \$32.50 Makes a Great Christmas Gift Call Now For Your Desired Appointment Time 399-4384

Want To Buy 503

WANTED: Full size bed. Good condition, reasonably priced. 267-4117. WE BUY good refrigerators and gas stoves. No Junk! 267-6421.

REAL ESTATE

Jack Shaffer APPRAISALS and Real Estate Sales 2000 Birdwell Office - 263-8251 Home - 267-5149

Acreage for Sale 504

1 ACRE COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL, whole acre \$120.00, or 1/2 acre tracts for \$65.00. 5803 West & 5805 East Midway Road. Coshoma School District. 756-3866.

Insect & Termite Control

2008 Birdwell 263-6514

New - New - New!

Sega Games \$2 a day Sega Machines \$5 a day New Releases \$2 a day All other Movies \$1 a day

Hughes Rental & Sales

1611 Gregg 267-6770

Buildings For Sale 505

AGED BUILDING sale. Several sizes to choose from must sale. Warranty. 1-563-1860.

Business Property 508

FOR SALE: Great Business Location-Hwy. Frontage, Near AirPark. 1+ acres with 600 sq. ft. metal shop building, 240 sq. ft. storage trailer, septic tank, trailer capabilities. SERIOUS INQUIRIES ONLY. Also Toro Riding lawnmower almost new, used 1/2 season \$1350.00 firm Call 263-8914.

Houses for Sale 513

120 ACRES with nice brick house, barn, arena and storm cellar. Call Jo Hughes at Home Real Estate, 263-1284 or at Home 353-4751.

RENT-TO-OWN neat 1 bedroom. New carpet, new paint, new shower, \$180.00/month, 10 years for deed. Also 2 bedroom on Birdwell lane, \$210.00/month, 10 years for deed. 264-0510.

TROY HUNT HOMES IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE US, CALL US NEW CUSTOM HOMES \$43.50 PER FOOT GUARANTEED! CALL US 1-563-1391

FOR SALE BY OWNER. 3 bedroom, 1 bath, carpet. Large lot with shed. Excellent location. Reduced to \$30,000. 1-683-9760.

MOBILE HOME New & used 2,3 & 4 bedrooms. 16 wide and double wide. Free delivery and set-up. Lowest prices around. 806-894-7212.

OLDER HOME plus 2 rentals. All need TLC. \$10,000 cash. Boosie Weaver Real Estate, 267-8840.

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OWNER FINANCE ON 4 different houses. Teens, 20's, 30's. Call Doris, Home Realtors, 263-6525.

THE KENTWOOD AREA. 3-2 brick re-modelled. \$39,500.00. Call 267-7884.

TROY HUNT HOMES

Homes for the Holidays

Open House November 27th and 28th 1:00-5:00pm 1001 Mountain View Rd. Buena Vista Rd. Robinson Rd. And on Baylor (off FM 700) 1-563-1391

Mobile Homes 517

1993 MODEL 16X80 repo take over payments. (915)363-0881.

1994 REDMAN HOME, under 150 per month at 10.25% APR, 10% down and for 240 months. Call Nationwide 1-800-456-8944.

\$227.88 PER MONTH buys NEW double-wide, 5 year warranty, 10% down, 240 months, 9.5% APR. Homes of America-Odessa. (800)725-0881 or (915)363-0881.

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ASSISTANCE WITH HUD OR VA PROPERTIES

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VA Repo's No Down Payment - Closing Cost Only

VA Acquired Property - 1223 E. 17th. 3 BR-1 Bath, \$12,000 Cash Only. SR 2 As Is. Investor Special. LBP. Central heating & air. PM #49-49-2-0401768 COB Date 11-29-93, 2 PM Rowland Real Estate.

See to Appreciate - Large 2-3 BR, 2B, brick, CH/Air, large fenced yard, carpet. \$35,000. FHA 221D2 Program - can get you into a nice home for a \$1,000 or less total down payment

Why Rent an Apartment When You Can Lease A Brick Home For Less??

Brick Homes with washer, dryer, refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, ceiling fan, fenced yards, covered carports, patios and central heat/air.

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Business Buildings 520

CAR LOT with office. Good location. \$100 deposit, \$125 a month. Call 263-5000.

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All Bills Paid Covered Parking 1,2, & 3 Bedrooms

263-6319 1425 E. 6th

Furnished Apts. 521

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ALL BILLS PAID

\$338 - 1 Bedroom \$398 - 2 Bedroom \$478 - 3 Bedroom

PARK VILLAGE

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