

Alcohol major contributor to holiday blues

■ Driving drunk cause of most holiday accidents

By **CARLTON JOHNSON**
Staff Writer

The Texas Department of Public Safety predicted more than 30 people would die on Texas highways during the Christmas

holiday. And some of the people who die in holiday traffic will die as a result of using alcohol or being hit by someone else using alcohol. The use of alcohol and domestic

violence, during the holiday season, is also a concern for law enforcement officials as well.

The Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, a part of the U.S. Public Health Service's Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, is urging party goers to have a fun-filled New Year's Eve celebration by planning ahead for an alcohol-safe evening. According to CSAP, during holiday periods, more than 50

percent of all motor vehicle fatalities are alcohol-related - a rate that is much higher than the average for the year.

CSAP Director Elaine M. Johnson, Ph.D., believes that the day when alcohol and other drug-related car crashes are a thing of the past is an attainable goal, but emphasizes that it will take the cooperation of all Americans. She said, "The good news is that all alcohol-related injuries

and fatalities are completely preventable. But to do that will take the efforts of drivers and non-drivers alike. Learning the facts about impaired driving prevention can mean the difference between life and death during the holidays and throughout the year.

For drivers and holiday party goers, CSAP offers the following tips: "Don't drink and drive! Impairment begins with the

first drink.

"If you drink, always plan ahead to designate a non-drinking driver.

"Always wear your seat belt, and insist that your passengers do, too.

"Never serve alcoholic beverages to anyone under 21.

"One out of three adults prefer a non-alcoholic beverage.

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Plan to cut contribution to retirement fund meets resistance from teachers

By **KELLIE JONES**
Staff Writer

State Comptroller John Sharp proposes the state reduce its contribution to the Teacher Retirement System to the constitutional minimum of six percent.

Currently, the state contributes 7.31 percent to retired teachers pensions and active TRS members contribute 6.4 percent of their salary for retirement.

Sharp says the reduction could be made without jeopardizing the actuarial soundness of the fund. If approved, it would go into effect for the 1996-97 biennium.

Sharp says his plan would cut the state contribution to the plan by \$395 million over two years but still leave enough money to raise overall benefits for retirees by more than \$700 million.

However, many teachers, school districts and teacher associations do not want the state's contribution to be lowered but rather stay right where it is.

Glasscock Independent School District board of trustees recent-

ly passed a measure supporting their teachers' desires not to reduce the state's contribution.

Local Texas State Teachers Association President Susie Combs says members also support not changing the rate.

"This is just something else TSTA members will have to fight for. Unfortunately, some teachers are not aware of TRS and those who are, do not want to get involved. We are also fighting for raises and better health care coverage. Right now, the state ranks 35th in the nation in the average teacher salary," Combs commented.

State TSTA President Richard Kouri adds, "We do not want to see the contribution rate lowered. If there is any additional money, use it to increase the benefits of retired teachers.

"Second, use the money to increase the multiplier from 2 to 2.2 percent for active teachers. Third, improve the teachers' health insurance benefits," Kouri said.

The multiplier is a number used in the formula to determine how much a teacher's retirement check will be. Cur

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Diplomat heads to N. Korea to discuss pilot as spy issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton dispatched a senior diplomat to North Korea on Monday to discuss the release of a captured American pilot as the Pyongyang government demanded the United States admit he was a spy.

With no guarantees the mission would secure Bobby Hall's release, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Thomas Hubbard was ordered to leave for the North Korean capital to "discuss the repatriation" of Hall, the State Department said in a statement.

North Korea said through its government news agency the United States first must admit that Hall's helicopter was on a spying mission when it down three miles north of the demilitarized zone between North and South Korea.

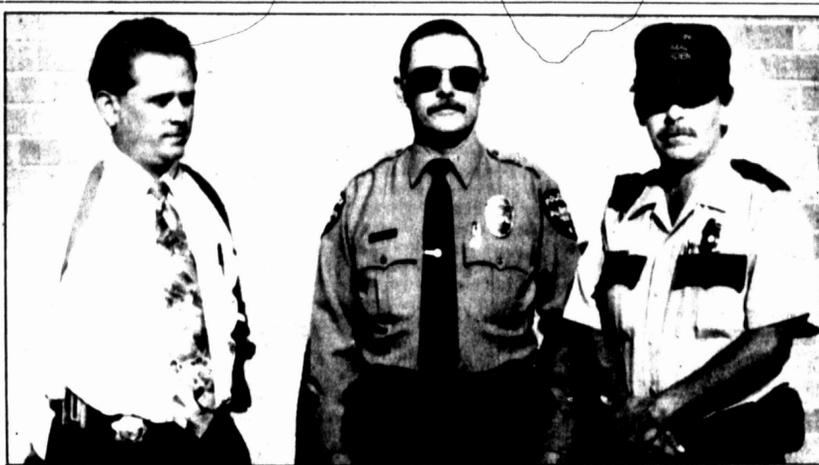
"All facts clearly prove that the intrusion of the U.S. helicopter into the territorial airspace of the Democratic Peoples

North Korea claims spying - 4

Republic of Korea is a grave violation of the sovereignty of the DPRK and a deliberate act of espionage on it," the Korean Central News Agency said in a broadcast.

"If the United States truly wants a smooth solution to the incident, it must admit its responsibility as the offender and clearly show an honest and reasonable attitude before it is too late," the North Korean broadcast said. "In view of the seriousness of the incident, we cannot but investigate the truth of the incident more deeply."

U.S. officials, after repeatedly denying that Hall was on a spying mission but nonetheless sending a letter to Pyongyang over the weekend expressing regret.



Members of the Big Spring Police Department were recently honored at the association's annual Christmas banquet. From left are Det. Jim Rider, I.D. Technician Art Dehlinger and Animal Control Warden John Liedecke. Rider received a letter of commendation, Dehlinger was named Civilian Employee of the Year and Liedecke received the Civilian Achievement Medal.

Fitzgibbons named Officer of the Year

By **KELLIE JONES**
Staff Writer

Cpl. Robert Fitzgibbons has worked for the Big Spring Police Department for 10 years and has been named the 1994 Officer of the Year.

Officers belonging to the Big Spring Police Association voted to award Fitzgibbons with the honor. Association members also nominated Lt. Scott Griffin as Supervisor of

the Year and I.D. Technician Art Dehlinger as Civilian of the Year.

"I am extremely honored to be chosen as officer of the year. It was a surprise and unexpected. Knowing the vote was made by my peers makes the award more special," Fitzgibbons commented.

Fitzgibbons was promoted to the corporal position earlier this year. He was also named patrol officer of the month four times in 1993. He received

a Ruger .40-caliber automatic handgun along with his award.

Griffin has been with the department for nine years and was recently promoted to lieutenant in the patrol division. He was named supervisor for his role in heading up the detective and narcotics divisions.

"I was very fortunate to be working as a plain clothes offi

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Front row, from left, Cpl. Robert Fitzgibbons and Cpl. David Sellers. Back row, from left, Dispatcher Lance Telchik, Sgt. Roger Sweatt and Lt. Scott Griffin. Fitzgibbons was named Officer of the Year and Sellers received the Police Star. Telchik and Sweatt were given letters of commendation. Griffin was named Supervisor of the Year.

Surviving the 'devil' of a desert

PHOENIX (AP) — It's called "El Camino del Diablo" — the Devil's Highway. For an elderly Colorado couple who got stuck near the dirt track pioneered by Spanish friars, the missionaries' purgatory was hell on Earth.

Donald Herink died in the desert that nearly killed his wife, Pauline, who apparently survived for five days on little but determination and three oranges.

Campers found Mrs. Herink Thursday evening wandering near an interstate in Wellton, about 30 miles from the California state line. Searchers found the body of her 64-year-old husband later that night.

"She was a little shaky, she was dirty, she was wet and cold," said an acquaintance, Sarah Willhite. "She done real good. She's an awful strong woman."

The ordeal bore similarities to that of an elderly California couple, Vinson and Annabelle Goodwin, who were stranded in November near Seligman, about 200 miles north of Wellton. Mrs. Goodwin, 77, survived two weeks in their van; her 76-year-old husband died while walking through snow to get help.

Mrs. Herink, 59, described her ordeal to Mrs. Willhite before leaving Christmas Eve for her hometown of Clutier, Iowa, where the couple was married 39 years ago. Yuma County sheriff's officials would say little about the case Monday and refused to confirm details of Mrs. Willhite's account. Herink's obituary said he died of exposure.

Like thousands of other "snowbirds" in recreational vehicles, the Herinks had planned to spend the winter in the desert sunshine, at a mobile home park managed by Mrs. Willhite and her husband. They wanted to leave the cold of Golden, Colo., and perhaps find work for Herink.

They left the park Saturday, Dec. 17, on a one-day fishing trip to an irrigation canal. They took only a thermos of water and three oranges they had picked from a grove, Mrs. Willhite said.

"We didn't think of blankets or water," Mrs. Herink told The Arizona Republic in a telephone interview from Iowa. "We were worried about, 'Do we have enough worms? Do we have enough hooks?'"

Texas Trivia
What town claims to be the 'Birthplace of the Cowboy'?

Pleasanton
What community is known to hunters as the 'Deer Capital of Texas'?

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WORLD/NATION

World: North Korea insisted today that U.S. officials apologize for the intrusion of an American helicopter into its airspace, which it called a "deliberate act" of espionage. See page 4.

Nation: Private economists are keeping their fingers crossed that their forecast of slower growth and a little more inflation comes true without triggering a recession. See page 4.

STATE

Pistol-packing
To Robert Traskal, his switchblade knife was simply a letter opener. To Austin airport officials, it was a lethal weapon. See page 3.

Hurt more than help
A proposal to withhold welfare benefits to families whose children are not immunized could hurt the children more than help them, critics say. See page 3.

Singing the blues
Not everyone finds peace and joy during the holiday season. See page 3.

TODAY'S WEATHER

Tonight **50** ▲ Highs **37**
Lows ▼

Cloudy

Tonight, cloudy, 80 percent chance of rain, low upper 30s, east winds 10 to 15 mph.

Pernam Basin Forecast

Wednesday: Cloudy, 40 percent chance of rain, high near 50, north to northeast winds 10 to 15 mph; cloudy night, low upper 30s.

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OBITUARIES

Myrtle Brown

Funeral services for Myrtle (Mrs. O.O.) Brown, 84, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1994, at Berea Baptist Church with Rev. Monroe Teeters, of Berea Baptist Church, officiating and assisted by Rev. Ralph Caffey. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Mrs. Brown died Saturday, Dec. 24, in Lakewood Nursing Home in Fort Worth. She was born on Jan. 19, 1910, in Kent County (Jayton). She married O.O. Brown on June 8, 1929, in Jayton. He preceded her in death on Dec. 20, 1984. She had lived in Big Spring since May 30, 1941. She was a member of the Berea Baptist Church. Mrs. Brown was a homemaker, worked at Anthony's and had been an Avon Representative. She is survived by two sons: Wayne Brown, Guthrie, Okla., and Jeff Brown, Arlington, Texas; two daughters: Betty Ann Brown, Aspermont, and Frank Bilberry, Lovington, N.M.; two sisters: Bessie Arthur, Lubbock, and Ima Lee Donoho, McAllister, Okla.; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. The family suggests memorials to Berea Baptist Church, The Gideons or The Texas Baptist Children's Home of Round Rock.

Mrs. Floy Fredrickson

Graveside services for Mrs. Floy Fredrickson, 80, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1994, at Trinity Memorial Park with Rev. J.W. Hill, of The College Park Church of God, officiating, and under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel. Mrs. Fredrickson died Monday, Dec. 26, at her residence after a long illness. She was born May 10, 1914, in the Vincent community. She grew up in Vincent and later lived in California for over 60 years. She was married to Paul Fredrickson. She lived in Oceanside, Calif. since 1967 and returned to Big Spring June 15, 1994. Mrs. Fredrickson was a homemaker and along with her husband, was a foster parent for many children. She is survived by her husband, Paul Fredrickson, Big Spring; three sisters: Dixie Cramer, Big Spring, Lowie Wilson, Abilene, and Anna Roden, Virginia; two brothers: O.J. Ingram, Vincent, and Faith Ingram, Calif.; and several nieces and nephews including: Patsy Self, Big Spring, and Jean Roberts, Midland.

Nila Richbourg

Nila Obera Richbourg, 81, Conroe, formerly of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Dec. 27, 1994, in a Garland Nursing Home. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Jean Williamson

Graveside services for Jean Louise Williamson, 81, Roswell, N.M., and formerly of Big Spring, will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1994, at Trinity Memorial Park with Dr. Claude Craven, retired Baptist Minister, officiating and under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. She was born on Feb. 27, 1913, in Franklin and married Carroll R. Smith on May 18, 1930, in San Angelo. He preceded her in death on Oct. 23, 1966. She then married Frank Z. Williamson on Jan. 16, 1974, in Pima County, Ariz. She was a Baptist. Survivors include her husband: Frank Z. Williamson, Roswell, N.M.; two daughters: Betty Lee, La Ward, and Carol Ann Smith, Woodsboro; five grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. She was also preceded in death by her parents, five brothers, four sisters and one great-grandson. The family suggest memorials to: The donor's favorite charity.

Dr. Ann Mann

A memorial service for Dr. Ann Whiddon Mann, Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Jan. 2, 1995, at the Big Spring State Hospital Chapel with Dr. E. Ray Tatum officiating. Dr. Mann died Dec. 23, 1994. She was born Feb. 13, 1937, in Nashville, Tenn. She graduated from Lincoln High School in Lincoln, Ariz., in 1953. She attended Hendrix College in Conway, Ariz., and The University of Arkansas in Fayetteville prior to receiving her degree from Peru State in Peru, NB. She completed her Master of Education and Ph.D. in Psychology at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. Dr. Mann had been employed at the Big Spring State Hospital for the past 17 years, serving as Chief Psychologist and Director of Treatment Services for the past three years. Prior to moving to Texas, Dr. Mann had worked in Japan and Nebraska in the field of education. Dr. Mann served on the State Psychosocial Rehabilitation Oversight Committee and was Chairperson of the State Planning and Coordination Committee for the First Texas Psychosocial Rehabilitation symposium. She was a member of the American Psychological Association, the Big Spring Rotary Club, the Eastern Star and the Ladies Auxiliary of the V.F.W. Survivors include her husband: W.A. Mann, Big Spring; one daughter: Debi Schroeder, Paint Rock; one step-daughter: Priscilla Mann-Lewis, The Colony; four grandchildren; two sisters: Sue Coger, Huntsville, Ariz., and Millie Wilber, Big Spring; and one brother: Tom Whiddon, Missoula, Mont. She was preceded in death by her parents. The family requests that memorials be made to the Rev. Thomas R. Whiddon and Bertha Ellen Whiddon Scholarship Fund, First United Methodist Church of Springdale, Ariz. 72764.

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rently, TRS takes the number of years a teacher worked and multiplies it by two percent.

From there, the TRS averages the salary made by the teacher during his or her last three years of work. The average is multiplied by the percentage rate and thus, the amount of the retirement check.

For example, if teachers worked for 30 years, they would receive 60 percent of their average salary for their retirement checks.

Because of Sharp's recommendation, the TRS is under fire from the Texas Sunset Advisory Commission who recently released a report charging it was an agency that had "lost its sense of constitutional direction."

The report states thousands of retired Texas teachers are living below the poverty level while TRS bureaucrats who manage their pension fund work in buildings equipped with exercise rooms, marble inlaid showers and a greenhouse.

Awards

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cer for several years and I was working with an extremely competent crew of detectives. When you have competent people working for you, it makes your job that much easier," Griffin commented.

Dehlinger began working for the department as a jailer in 1992 and moved to his current position 18 months ago.

Cpl. David Sellers was honored with the Police Star, an equivalent to the Purple Heart. Sellers was injured in the line of duty May 2 after a drunk driver assaulted him, breaking the officer's ankle in several places. Sellers had to undergo surgery and extensive physical therapy before he could return to patrol duty in November. He was promoted to corporal earlier this year.

Animal Control Warden John Liedtke received a Civilian Achievement Medal for his work in bringing the animal control building up to standards for state inspection. Liedtke began working for animal control in October 1993.

The awards were handed out during the association's annual Christmas banquet Dec. 16. Letters of commendation were also given to several employees by Chief Jerry Edwards.

Det. Jim Rider received a letter for his outstanding work in heading up an investigation that led to the arrests of the men responsible for robbing the Lions Club Bingo on Nov. 18. The investigation also led to the arrest of two jail escapees from Liberty County. Rider has been with the department for seven years and a detective four and half of those years.

Sgt. Roger Sweatt also received a letter of commendation for his work as acting lieutenant for more than a year. The position came open when Edwards was promoted to chief. Sweatt helped organize the Special Operations Response Team and handled the many other responsibilities of a lieutenant. Sweatt has been with the department for 15 years.

Dispatcher Lance Telchik was honored for "keeping his cool" during an emergency situation in April. He was able to dispatch the proper emergency personnel when another law enforcement agency accidentally hung up on a lady needing help after her niece was murdered. Telchik began working as a dispatcher in March of this year.

Big Spring ON THE RUN

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents during a 24-hour time period ending 8 a.m. Tuesday:

- RICKY LEN HAMMIT, 22 of Snyder, was arrested for public intoxication.
- C. DAMIAN CLAYTON, 22 of Snyder, was arrested for public intoxication.
- JOSE RESENDEZ, 33 of 1501 Bluebird, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.
- PEDRO C. CALDERON, 44 of 1505 Robin, was arrested for public intoxication.
- LUPE RODRIQUEZ HERMANDEZ, 40 of Fort Worth, was arrested for public intoxication.
- SANDRA VASQUEZ, 26 of Loraine, was arrested on outstanding local warrants.
- JIMMY DOYLE TRAWICK, 29 of Route 1 Box 683, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- RAMIRO TREVINO, 33 of Rio Grande, was arrested for theft.
- ERIC SCOTT HAYNES, 33 of Lubbock, was arrested for criminal trespass.
- KRISTA KAM MOSER, 20 of #1 Courtney Place #110, was arrested on outstanding Midland warrants.
- LOUD PARTIES in the 1700 block of East Third and 2500 block of Albrook.
- THEFTS in the 1700 and 1500 blocks of East Marcy.
- ASSAULT in the 500 block of Westover.
- TELEPHONE HARASSMENT in the 1000 block of East 11th Place.

FIRE

The Big Spring Fire Department reported the following incidents during a time period from 8 a.m. Thursday to 8 a.m. Tuesday:

- DUMPSTER FIRE in the 1000 block of East 15th.
- SMOKE COMPLAINT in the 800 block of Cherry.
- ACCIDENT at mile marker 190 on Interstate 20.

RECORDS

Monday's temp	61
Monday's low	34
Average high	56
Average low	28
Record high	75 in 1921

Drink

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Be sure that alternatives to alcohol are available at any holiday party (sparkling water, punch, juices, or soda). •Be a role model. Limit your own drinking. •Serve alcoholic beverages only on request. •Avoid making alcohol the main focus of the evening. Use other forms of entertainment. •Do not force non-drinkers to share the cost of alcoholic beverages. •Stop serving drinks at least one hour before the end of the event. •Provide drinkers with alternatives to driving. •Do not let a drinker drive! If the drinker insists on driving, take the keys, ask for help from other guests, or temporarily disable the car. If necessary, call

Record low	14 in 1938
Rainfall Monday	0.00
Month to date	0.00
Month's normal	0.57
Year to date	17.69
Normal for year	18.48

**Statistics not available.

MARKETS

March cotton futures 89.60 cents a pound, up 142 points; Feb. crude oil 17.32 down 3 points; cash hog steady at 34.75; slaughter steers steady at 50 cents higher at 70.50 even; Feb. live hog futures 38.55, down 37 points; Feb. live cattle futures 71.05, up 38 points; according to Delta Commodities.

Index 3860.34	
Volume 65,422,670	
ATT	51 1/2 +
Amoco	59 1/2 -
Atlantic Richfield	102 1/2 -
Atmos	17 -
Boston Chicken	16 nc
Cabot	28 1/2 +
Chevron	45 1/2 +
Chrysler	49 1/2 +
Coca-Cola	52 +
De Beers	22 1/2 +
DuPont	55 1/2 +
Exxon	61 1/2 +
Fina Inc.	67 1/2 nc
Ford Motors	27 1/2 +
Halliburton	34 1/2 -
IBM	74 1/2 +
JC Penney	42 1/2 -
Laser Indus LTD	5 1/2 -
Mesa Ltd. Prt	4 1/2 +
Mobile	85 1/2 +
NUV	9 1/2 +
Pepsi Cola	36 1/2 +
Phillips Petroleum	33 1/2 +
Sears	46 1/2 +
Southwestern Bell	41 1/2 +
Sun	28 1/2 +
Texaco	61 -
Texas Instruments	74 1/2 +
Texas Utilities	32 1/2 +
Unocal Corp.	26 1/2 nc
Wal Mart	21 1/2 -
Amcap	11.64-12.35
Euro Pacific	20.95-22.23
I.C.A.	17.65-18.73
New Economy	13.65-14.48
New Perspective	14.25-15.12
Van Kampen	13.68-14.35
Gold	380.90-381.40
Silver	4.75-4.78

Noon quotes courtesy of Edward D. Jones & Co. Quotes are from today's markets and the change is market activity from 3 p.m. the previous day.

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Springboard, put it in writing and mail or deliver it to us one week in advance. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, 79720; or bring it by the office, 710 Scurry.

TODAY

- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- Al-Anon, 8 p.m., 615 Settles.
- Voices support group, 3:45 p.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312.
- Spring City Senior Citizen Center, ceramics classes from 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.
- Pastoral counseling by Samaritan Counseling Center, First Christian Church, 10th and Goliad. For appointment call 1-800-329-4144.
- Seniors' diabetic support group, 2 p.m., Canterbury South. Call 263-1265.
- Most Excellent Way chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Cornerstone Bookstore. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m., or 263-3168 before 8 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous noon open meeting and 8 p.m. closed meeting, 615 Settles.
- High Adventure Explorers Post 519, 7 p.m., VA Medical Center room 212, ages 14-20.
- Melissa Avila, of St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock, will be doing free health screenings, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Sacred Heart Youth Center, 509 N. Aylford. Call, 1-806-765-8475.

WEDNESDAY

- Gamblers Anonymous, 7 p.m., St. Stephens Catholic Church, room 1, 4601 Neeley, Midland. Call 263-8920.
- Survivors, 10 to 11:30 a.m. Call Rape Crisis/Victim Services, 263-3312. This is open to all survivors.
- Alcoholics Anonymous noon open meeting and 8 p.m. 12 and 12 study.
- Thistles Writers Club for Howard College Students, noon, room A-203. Bring lunch.

THURSDAY

- Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, free food for area needy, 10 a.m.-noon.
- Salvation Army drug education program, sponsored by Permian Basin Regional Council on alcohol and drug abuse, 7 p.m., Salvation Army Building, 308 Alford.
- Spring City Senior Citizen Center art classes, 9:30-11:30 a.m. 55 and older invited.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL
24th & Johnson 267-8288

Myrtle (Mrs.) O.O. Brown, 84, died Saturday. Services will be 2:00 P.M., Tuesday at Berea Baptist Church, with burial at Trinity Memorial Park. Floy Fredrickson, 80, died Monday. Graveside services will be 2:00 P.M., Wednesday at Trinity Memorial Park. James (Jimmy) Pipkin, 33, died Sunday. Services are pending.

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

Jean Louise Williamson, 81, died Saturday. Graveside services will be at 11:00 AM Wednesday, December 28, 1994 at Trinity Memorial Park. Nila Obera Richbourg, 81, died Tuesday. Services will be at 10:00 AM Thursday, December 29, 1994, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

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Texas constr worker dies

GREENSBORO A Texas construction worker who was installing a Browns Summit site is dead after falling into a pipe that was filled with nitrogen. Julius Palumbo, 47, was crawling 20 feet wide steel pipe when he came by nitrogen gas. The gas was being pumped into the pipe by the Gulf of Mexico. Officials did not say how long he was in the pipe. Palumbo was part of a traveling group laying a pipe for the Bethany and Burlington. The crew has been working in the area since last week. Four crew members were crawling into the pipe when it was filled with nitrogen gas. The pipe had been purged of dirt with nitrogen gas. The reason why the pipe was full of nitrogen was not clear. Palumbo was in the pipe for about 15 minutes. Jeff Hopkins of Gulf County Department of Health said he was not treated at Mose Hospital and re

Neurologist bargain pro

NACOGDOCH Texas chapter Organization protested Monday agreement neurologist accused female patients. About 15 NC well as victim 40, of San Antonio husband, Richard, is in the side the Nacogdoches Courthouse. Last week, Johnston, 34, pleaded guilty assault by conviction to the fine, evaluation and Eight women Davis, have said them when in his office.

New law re random alc

FORT WORTH federal law that will require for alcohol of airline pilots, truckers and bus drivers. "This random testing is a law that will have to live with the highway industry," says Scott, a spokesman for the transportation industry. The new Omnibus Employee Testing Act requires that employers submit to tests for alcohol. The law requires that employers submit to tests for alcohol. The law requires that employers submit to tests for alcohol.

The law requiring random testing of workers is a condition for federal funding. The law requires that employers submit to tests for alcohol. The law requires that employers submit to tests for alcohol.

Pilots, some federal employees have been subject to random testing since 1985. Many more employees have been subject to random testing since the passage of the law. The law requires that employers submit to tests for alcohol.

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NEWS IN
BRIEF

Texas construction
worker dies in pipe

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — A Texas construction worker who was installing a gas line at a Browns Summit construction site is dead after crawling into a pipe that apparently was filled with nitrogen gas.

Julius Palumbo, 41, died after crawling 20 feet into the 2-foot-wide steel pipe and being overcome by nitrogen fumes, according to the Guilford County sheriff's department.

Officials did not know Palumbo's hometown. Palumbo, a welder, was part of a traveling construction group laying steel pipe from Bethany to Burlington.

The crew has been laying pipe in the area since October. Four crew members had tried crawling into the pipe to pull Palumbo out but were overcome by the nitrogen themselves, officials said.

The pipe had recently been purged of dirt and moisture with nitrogen gas, but it was unclear why gas remained in the line. Palumbo was trapped in the pipe for about 10 minutes, said Jeff Hopkins of the Northeast Guilford County Volunteer Fire Department. Two co-workers, who were not identified, were treated at Moses Cone Memorial Hospital and released.

Neurologist plea
bargain protested

NACOGDOCHES (AP) — The Texas chapter of the National Organization for Women protested Monday a plea bargain agreement in which a neurologist accused of molesting female patients was fined \$4,000.

About 15 NOW members, as well as victim Mearlene Davis, 40, of San Augustine and her husband, Richard Davis, participated in the demonstration outside the Nacogdoches County Courthouse.

Last week, Dr. Christopher Johnston, 34, of Nacogdoches pleaded guilty to eight counts of assault by contact. In addition to the fine, he must undergo evaluation and therapy.

Eight women, including Mrs. Davis, have said Johnston fondled them while treating them in his office.

New law requires
random alcohol testing

FORT WORTH (AP) — A new federal law takes effect Jan. 1 that will require random testing for alcohol of such workers as airline pilots, train engineers, truckers and bus drivers.

"This random testing thing has been up in the air for years. Now it's a law, so we're going to have to live with it," said Gregory Scott, a 13-year bus driver with the Fort Worth Transportation System.

The new law, called the Omnibus Transportation Employee Testing Act, which Congress passed in 1991, also requires those workers to submit to tests for alcohol in their systems.

The law requires random testing of workers in what the government calls "safety sensitive" jobs, including pilots, flight attendants, airline maintenance crews, air traffic controllers and operators of commercial trucks, school buses, motor coaches and trains.

Most of the employees affected — 6.6 million — hold commercial drivers' licenses.

Pilots, some train operators and federal employees have been subject to random drug testing since the late 1980s. Many more public transport employees have been subject to such testing after an accident or as a condition of employment.

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Sentence tougher if caught with weapon at airport

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AUSTIN (AP) — To Robert Traskal, his switchblade knife was simply a letter opener. To Austin airport officials, it was a lethal weapon.

When Traskal tried to pass through security gates at Robert Mueller Municipal Airport, the "letter opener" was discovered in his briefcase, and he was promptly taken to jail.

"I said, 'Can't we just forget about it? It was just a mistake.' ... They said, 'No way,'" said Traskal, of Troy, Mich. "I was harmless. I was in shock. I chalked it up to experience."

Traskal's experience is similar to that of hundreds of others who have been arrested at the airport for illegally carrying a weapon. They range from fourth-graders to grandmothers. Some are simply forgetful, others completely unknowing.

For most, the outcome was the same: lots of worry, legal

expense, a fine or community service and a hard lesson.

But with the implementation of the state's new penal code on Sept. 1, even the forgetful and innocent face much more than a

slap on the hand. Before Sept. 1, carrying a weapon at an airport was a misdemeanor charge carrying a penalty of a year in jail or a \$3,000 fine. Violators now face

up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. An Austin American-Statesman review of Austin Airport Police Department reports, court files and Federal Aviation Administration records found there were 160 weapons arrests at Mueller from Jan. 1, 1993, to Nov. 17, 1994.

Police estimate that more than 12 million people went through security screening at the airport during that time. Two-thirds of all those arrested before Sept. 1 were processed at the airport and released. Although facing a criminal charge, most were still able to make their flights.

Austin residents headed out of town got off the easiest, with an order to notify authorities when they returned and arrange to surrender.

Those included dozens of people who had loaded guns in

their carry-on bags, including a college student with a revolver, semiautomatic assault-style pistol with a loaded 30-round clip, 200 extra rounds of ammunition and two knives.

Out-of-towners — even those with less lethal hardware — weren't as lucky. Of 45 people who were booked between Jan. 1, 1993, and Sept. 1, 36 were from out of town.

Assistant County Attorney Kate Kelley said the reason is simple: "Somebody from out of town isn't going to come back. People are not extradited on misdemeanor cases."

Airport Police Chief Kenneth Cox said that since the new statute took effect, all of those arrested have been taken downtown for booking.

Of the 160 weapons arrests, 54 involved guns, 61 knives and 45 other items, including brass knuckles and stun guns.

JUST A LITTLE HELP



Daniel Vaughn, 3, gets some help with his new bicycle from his grandfather, Dan Vaughn, Sunday in Amarillo, after all the presents were opened.

Proposal would hurt, not help, children

AUSTIN (AP) — A proposal to withhold welfare benefits to families whose children are not immunized could hurt the children more than help them, critics say.

Jude Fuller, executive director for Texas Alliance for Human Needs, a coalition of advocacy groups for low-income people, said the idea could have the opposite effect of what is intended.

"We give so little in benefits already, and there's so much risk that children will suffer from a cutoff in benefits," Fuller said.

The Texas Board of Human Services has asked the federal government for permission to withhold some benefits to families whose children are not immunized by age 2.

The idea is meant to increase child immunizations in Texas, which has one of the lowest immunization rates in the country, said board member Bob Geyer.

"We don't see this as a sanction," Geyer said. "We see it as a requirement that (Aid to Families With Dependent Children) caretakers should be responsible for having their children immunized and, if they do that,

We give so little in benefits already, and there's so much risk that children will suffer from a cutoff in benefits.

Jude Fuller

they are not going to be losing any benefits."

State law requires all Texans younger than 18 to obtain "age-appropriate" immunizations. Texas Department of Health officials say most children can be fully immunized by age 2. The most current data show about 42 percent of the state's 2-year-olds have been immunized.

The Texas Board of Human Services is the governing arm of the Texas Department of Human Services, which oversees AFDC and other assistance programs.

Geyer, who proposed the idea, said the board approved the plan Dec. 16 after a November report showed little progress in raising immunization rates among children receiving state and federal assistance.

Details have not been worked out on how the penalty would be imposed, but welfare recipients should be given three months to present proof of their compliance in meetings with case-workers, Geyer said.

He estimated it would take six months to get federal permission to implement the plan.

An estimated 252,500 children under age 5 are on the state welfare rolls, according to the Department of Human Services.

Most Texas families receiving AFDC consist of a mother and two children. The maximum grant for a family of three is \$188 a month. If the board's plan is approved, a maximum of \$92 would be withheld from parents of children lacking immunizations.

Maria Vega, director of the Health Department's consumer information and services program, said the welfare requirement could help improve immunization compliance.

"Sometimes those incentives to parents — and that is an incentive because money is going to be withheld from them — are the things that work," she said.

However, Fuller said the idea would hurt the most needy.

Not all find peace and good will at holiday time

DALLAS (AP) — Not everyone finds peace and joy during the holiday season.

In North Houston, Joe Fields has enough to worry about at his nine-bed Alcoholics Anonymous center without the additional burden the season brings.

He said he deals daily with those who are discouraged; the holidays make it worse. The center has been busy since Christmas morning, with beds filling up quickly.

"As far as Christmas, we've had quite a few people coming in," Fields said. "Many come in because they want to get off the cold streets."

Between now and New Year's Eve, the center's 24-hour hot line telephones will be ringing off the hook. Some call because they are depressed; others want

help, he said.

At the Austin-Travis County Crisis Hotline to Help, a counselor who asked not to be identified said it was a busy time at the center. She said the center receives many calls from people threatening to commit suicide.

"I would say we counsel them on family relationships, depression and mental health at this time of year," she said.

Another anonymous counselor at the Crisis Hotline to Help said callers are usually unhappy during the holiday season because they're lonely. Others have ongoing problems with family members, he said, and some are just generally depressed.

"Our society puts a lot of pressure on people to be happy at this time of year," he said.

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EDITORIAL

Quote of the Day

"We don't write the truth. We write what people say. Sometimes we know it's not the truth."

Wayne Phaneuf, editor, 1993

Just what is the point?

Signature Products of Huntsville, Ala., has a new line of bullets called Rhino-Ammo, one of which is capable of piercing a Kevlar bullet-proof vest.

Is there a need for a bullet-proof vest piercing bullet? What is the point of this?

The logic behind the invention of a bullet to get through about the only line of defense most law enforcement officers have is hard to understand.

One of the main complaints of most law enforcement officials is the officers are less well armed than the criminals. Kevlar vests are not perfect, but its

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Charles C. Williams
Publisher

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Managing Editor

provides a line of defense in a violent world for those we hire to uphold our laws.

The issue of gun control aside, is there really a need for a bullet with this much destructive power? No. The destructive power of the current crop of bullets is enough.

These bullets ought to be illegal. We, along with our law enforcement officers, are at enough risk.



Letters to the Editor

Trying to resolve problem

Editor:
Sometime back Janet Ausbury wrote an article concerning a former Big Spring resident, Raye Nell Dyer.

This article concerned her employment as BSU Director in Galveston, and her termination because she wanted to be ordained as a minister.

For most of the summer I have been trying to resolve a problem which I believe exists in the Baptist Student Union in Arlington, Texas.

Recently, I talked with Jack Greever, state student director at the BSC in Dallas. Although, we did not agree I did allow him the courtesy of making a report to the Student Work Committee, CECB with a request that he mail me a copy of the report.

Today when I received this copy of this report he had indicated that I had made certain allegations about the director of the Baptist Student Union of Arlington which is not true.

Since, a copy of this report had gone to various Members of the Student Work Committee-I phoned the Baptist General Convention of Texas, and requested addresses of the member he had listed.

After having to call several times, Jack Greever abruptly told me the matter was closed, and he would not give me the addresses requested.

I am an active member of a Southern Baptist Church, and the Convention is a non-profit organization, yet I was not given the information requested.

IS THIS RELIGIOUS PERSECUTION?
Thank You,
Joyce M. Brumley
Big Spring

Other side of the issue

Editor:
In response to the concealed carry permit issue in Texas. As a gun owner and registered voter I would like to present the other side of the issue, surprisingly not covered by the editorial section of this paper.

The opponents of this bill believe that by allowing honest law-abiding citizens to carry a concealed gun, it is somehow encouraging children to do the

same or that the streets will suddenly become the old west, with people shooting each other at the drop of a hat.

I believe that this will be a deterrent to random crime committed against all citizens whether they carry a gun or not. If the criminals know that there are some citizens carrying a gun they will be less likely to mug, rob, or rape for fear of meeting up with an armed citizen.

Let's face it; there are not enough police to protect and serve every citizen all the time. The cities that have strict gun laws have more crimes committed against their citizens because they do not fear the cops or the justice system and they know that with the strict gun laws that the unarmed citizen presents no threat to them either.

Look at Florida, which now has a conceal carry law. Before the law, its citizens (especially senior citizens) were constantly being mugged, ect. After the law passed, the crimes against tourists increased, and why? I believe because they knew the citizens were now armed but that the tourists were not.

People that carry guns and use them for crimes are going to carry them whether the conceal carry law passes in Texas or not. I believe that children should be taught gun safety; and that it is a device for self defense, hunting, and target practice, not a toy.

And for the children carrying guns, there are laws against minors purchasing a gun as well as carrying a gun. There are also laws against minors drinking, and other things that adults are allowed, but this does not stop those who will break the law regardless.

I hope people think about these things when the conceal carry law comes for a vote.

Nathan Grogan
Big Spring

Bidding on the middle class

Editor:
The Democrat president, The Democrat leader in the House of Representatives, and several members of the Republican party are presently engaged in bidding for the votes of, "us great unwashed," the middle class.

As we evaluate the various

bids, I think it would be wise to factor in the following information.

Each bidder has stated that he would match the tax cuts with spending cuts in order to hold the deficit at the present level.

After the matching spending cuts are enacted, where will the bidder find spending cuts to reduce the deficit.

Will the tax cut you receive be as much as, or less than the added interest cost of your mortgage, or your credit card account, if the added consumer purchasing power leads the Fed to increase interest rates again.

God help our children and grandchildren, if we sell these politicians our votes, they will never know an America as good or as great as the America we grew up in.

B.D. Mason
Big Spring

Let's keep our city looking nice

Editor:
The reason for this letter is to address two items that go hand in hand with each other. The first is a great big thank-you to the Proud Citizens Committee that has worked so hard this year to help improve the appearance to our community. Polly St. Clair and her committee have spent endless hours and personal time to work towards making Big Spring a "Texas Proud Community." Each and every one of us should be grateful to have people in our community that care about our image.

In keeping that in mind, I wish to address the other issue that can easily destroy the work that this committee and the community has accomplished this year. The issue is handbills or flyer that advertise businesses events or other topic. These flyers or handbills are most often placed under windshields on private property and in most cases without the consent of the property owner or management. This type of advertising not only creates litter, but also makes car owners unhappy because no one wishes to have their vehicle tampered with.

Big Spring is on positive move and anything we can do to improve the image and appearance of our community should be something all of us should strive for.

Tammy Watt
Big Spring

N. Korea claims U.S. was spying

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea insisted today that U.S. officials apologize for the intrusion of an American helicopter into its airspace, which it called a "deliberate act" of espionage.

U.S. officials again denied that the helicopter was spying. The State Department dispatched an official to seek the release of American pilot Bobby Hall, whose prospects for immediate freedom plummeted.

The statement by the North's official Korean Central News Agency was only its third mention of the Dec. 17 incident, in which the U.S. Army OH-58C helicopter strayed across the border into North Korea and crashed or was shot down.

Hall was captured and his copilot, Chief Warrant officer David Hilemon, died. Hilemon's body was returned last Thursday as part of a deal worked out by U.S. Rep. Bill Richardson, who said North Korea had agreed to free Hall "very soon."

The North's rhetoric-filled statement today came just as there appeared to be progress in obtaining Hall's release. The statement raised questions such as whether Pyongyang is trying to obtain concessions from the United States, and whether military hard-liners are in control of the reclusive communist country.

"All facts clearly prove that

NATION/WORLD



A couple walks along the fence as a U.S. military helicopter prepares to take off for a patrol flight from Camp Page, a U.S. military base in Chunchon City, where the U.S. pilot being held by North Korea flew from and allegedly strayed into North Korean territory.

the intrusion of the U.S. helicopter ... is a grave violation of the sovereignty of the DPRK (Democratic People's Republic of Korea) and a deliberate act for espionage on it," the KCNA statement said.

The North has said Hall will not be released until it completes its investigation. Its statement said Washington "must admit its responsibility ... and clearly show an honest

and reasonable attitude before it is too late."

U.S. officials sent Pyongyang a letter of regret.

Jim Coles, a spokesman for the U.S. and U.N. military presence in Korea, adamantly denied North Korea's accusations of espionage.

"As we have said, this was a routine training flight that unfortunately strayed into DPRK airspace," he said.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Whitewater report details inconsistencies

WASHINGTON (AP) — A draft of the Senate Banking Committee's upcoming Whitewater report details the numerous times Clinton administration officials provided conflicting accounts or could not recall key events during testimony last summer.

It also states that the Resolution Trust Corp., the government's savings and loan cleanup agency, did not follow its own written policy in handling a criminal investigation that spawned the Whitewater affair.

The committee set out to determine whether President Clinton's aides did anything improper when they gathered information about the ongoing S&L investigation that involved some of the first family's Arkansas business dealings.

Much needed food heads into Liberia

MONROVIA, Liberia (AP) — Defying the danger of rebel attacks, the World Food Program recently sent much-needed food into Liberia's embattled countryside.

It wasn't necessarily good news for hard-pressed civilians, though. Some — maybe most — of the food ended up feeding fighters who have torn the country apart in five years of war.

The result highlights the no-win situation aid agencies face in trying to save the innocent without helping the guilty. Do they continue distributing aid, knowing much of it will be taken by troops of Liberia's seven warring factions, or do they cut off all aid, knowing civilians will suffer?

Majority ruled on no smoking in library

MARLBORO, Vt. (AP) — There'll be no smoking in the Marlboro College library. Majority ruled.

In longstanding Vermont tradition, that decision was reached at a town meeting on a voice vote by the students, the dean of students, professors and staffers gathered around the yellow- and green-covered folding tables in the school's pine-paneled dining hall.

Dynamite found under hijacked plane's seats

MARSEILLE, France (AP) — Investigators found dynamite today hidden beneath two seats on an Air France plane hijacked by Algerian extremists, indicating the hijackers may have planned to blow up the plane.

About 20 sticks of dynamite connected to detonators were found under a seat just behind the cockpit and another seat in the middle of the jet, Marseille Police Chief Alain Gehin said.

The three-day hijacking ended Monday evening when French commandos stormed the plane, killing the four hijackers. None of the 171 hostages on board were killed in the raid.

Before the raid, the hijackers had demanded the plane be refueled and flown to Paris. "But throughout our dialogue, it was understood that I could not take the risk of allowing a plane to take off that could be susceptible to being blown up in the air," Gehin said today.

The rescued passengers said Monday that the hijackers, who had earlier killed three passengers, appeared to be planning a bloodbath when the commandos raided.

The episode was the most dramatic yet of 3-year-old insurgency by Muslim extremists trying to topple Algeria's government.

"They had already started putting a death ritual in place. They had said a few prayers, especially prayers for people preparing to die," said one released hostage, an Algerian woman interviewed by European radio.

"At the moment when the commandos attacked, they shouted, 'We'll show the French what we're capable of doing!'" said the woman, whose name was not given.

Twenty-five people were injured — 13 passengers, three crewmembers and nine commandos, according to the Interior Ministry. Five of them were seriously injured with gunshot wounds, all members of France's elite special forces team.

Three hostages were killed over the weekend before the plane left Algeria.

The air pirates apparently triggered the assault by opening fire on the control tower, shattering a window and apparently setting off the assault.

Economy will be closely watched in early 1995

WASHINGTON (AP) — Private economists are keeping their fingers crossed that their forecast of slower growth and a little more inflation comes true without triggering a recession.

During the first three months of 1995, forecasters will be watching closely for signs of whether the economy will continue to sustain the longest period of growth and low inflation in more than a generation.

"We are at a crucial turning point for the economy," said Bruce Steinberg, chief forecaster for Merrill Lynch in New York.

"Either the economy begins to slow and there is just a little more Fed tightening (of interest rates) or the economy remains strong and there is considerably more tightening," he said.

Many economists believe if 1995 begins at the same rapid-

fire pace that marked the end of 1994, then the chances of a recession are greatly increased.

To them, that would bear all the markings of a classic boom-bust cycle where the economy expands so rapidly that inflation gets out of control and the Federal Reserve is forced to jack up interest rates.

so much that the economy topples into a downturn. At this time, worries about the big, bad Fed and its powers over the economy would seem to be overblown. Even though the central bank has jacked up rates by 2.5 percentage points since February, the fastest pace of tightening in memory, it has had no demonstrable impact.

Sales of homes, autos and big-ticket consumer products, all items that are supposed to be sensitive to changes in borrowing costs, have been surging.

By DAVE HARG
Sports Editor

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Got an item?

Do you have an interesting story idea? Call Dave Hargrave, 263-7331, Ext 116.

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Earnst made comeback in '94

By DAVE HARGRAVE
Sports Editor

On the basketball court in 1994, Amy Earnst didn't do much.

It's what she did off the court that made her year special.

Earnst, 18, is tired of reliving the story, but for those that might have missed it...

Jan. 14, the Big Spring Lady Steers were playing at Andrews, and Earnst - the 1993 District 3-4A Most Valuable Player - hurt her knee and had to leave the game, but that appeared to be the extent of it.

"I thought I got frogged in the knee, and I was embarrassed for falling down," Earnst said. "I thought I was a baby."

The next week, Earnst learned she had torn the anterior cruciate ligament in her left knee. The ACL tear - perhaps the most feared injury among athletes - ended Earnst's high-school career. How good of a player was she at BSHS? The 3-4A coaches chose her as district MVP again, though she missed most of the district schedule. Also, Earnst was named second-team all-state by Texas Basketball Magazine and third-team all-state by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches and the Texas Girls Coaches Association.

Those awards didn't help her in the recruiting game, a game that an ACL tear made almost impossible to win.

"A lot of the people that had been looking at me before, when they heard it was the ACL, they just said 'Well, we'll keep an eye out - tell her good luck. We'll be watching for her,'" Earnst said.

She started an intensive rehabilitation of her knee, and by April, Earnst's solid comeback effort was enough for Howard College, which signed her to a basketball scholarship.

Earnst's comeback led to rave reviews from everyone close to her, but perhaps Howard College trainer Everett Blackburn said it best in June.

"Amy may be the best at coming back from a knee injury that I've ever seen," Blackburn said. "At this point, it's been a



Herald photo by Dave Hargrave

Amy Earnst, above, has put a career-threatening knee injury behind her and is playing for the Howard College women's basketball team.

Earnst's knee still affects her play - more mentally than physically, she said - but that's old news. What's new is that Earnst has become a leader, or a role model, to other local athletes that suffer serious injuries.

Hughes, who showed a lot of talent on Big Spring's junior varsity team, saw her season end Nov. 26 when she too fell victim to an ACL tear. Earnst contacted Hughes, and the two talked before Hughes went into surgery.

"She came to talk to me, she told me what it would be like," Hughes said. "It really helped to know what it would be like, because before Amy came to talk to me I didn't know anything about it."

"I talked to Kara before her surgery and after, and she's

doing really well," Earnst said. "The technology has already changed so much... hopefully, it will be a little bit better for her."

When asked if she might be an inspiration for someone, Earnst said: "I don't know, I might be. But I definitely think it just shows people that just because you have an injury, nothing changes. You can still get over it."

Earnst plans to study radiology, or perhaps physical therapy - "I've certainly touched base with that one," she said.

Regardless of her future plans, though, Earnst seems to have achieved a rare combination:

In making life better for herself through hard work, she just might have made life better for other athletes, present and future.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Vikings clinch Central with win

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — No Warren Moon. Not much Steve Young or Jerry Rice. Just a lot of backups and a lot of defense, and that was enough to give Minnesota the NFC Central championship Monday night.

Rookie Dewayne Washington returned a fumble for a touchdown and John Randle had two of the Vikings three sacks in a 21-14 victory over San Francisco, snapping the 49ers 10-game winning streak.

In the final game of the regular season, Minnesota (10-6) clinched its second division title in coach Dennis Green's three years. It did so without Moon, the Pro Bowl quarterback who sat out with a knee injury.

The Vikings also did it with their most inspired defensive performance in weeks against a San Francisco offense that relied on reserves in the second half. Minnesota now will play host to Chicago in a first-round playoff game Sunday.

Eagles fire head coach

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Rich Kotite and Jeffrey Lurie stood together to explain why they are separating.

The news conference announcing Kotite's firing as coach was a fitting conclusion to one of the most muddled years in franchise history.

Both were blamed for Philadelphia's collapse — Kotite for losing grip on a promising season and Lurie for mismanaging player contracts and putting a muzzle on Kotite when he wanted to talk about his future.

On Monday, two days after the Eagles lost to Cincinnati to end the season, they exchanged feelings of respect before Kotite walked out the door a former NFL coach.

Players open fire on salary cap

NEW YORK (AP) — Baseball players were expected to begin their attack on the salary cap today.

The union planned to file unfair labor practice charges against owners with the National Labor Relations Board. If the agency finds reason to file a complaint, it will ask a federal judge to issue a preliminary injunction against the cap, which was imposed Friday.

"We have a whole file of information and notes, etc., that we intend to give them," union lawyer Eugene Orza said Monday.

It will be weeks before the first decisions. Daniel Silverman, the NLRB's New York regional director, will need about five weeks to investigate the charges, Orza said.

Baseball great Reynolds dies

STILLWATER, Okla. (AP) — Allie Reynolds, a star right-hander on six World Series champion teams with the New York Yankees from 1947-54, died just before midnight Monday after a long bout with cancer. He was 77.

Reynolds, 182-107 with 49 saves and 3.30 ERA in 13 years in the majors with Cleveland and New York, had two no-hitters in 1951 and went 20-8 in 1952 when he led the American League with a 2.06 ERA, 160 strikeouts and six shutouts.

He was 7-2 with a four saves and a 2.79 ERA in 15 World Series games, going 2-1 in the Yankees' seven-game victory over Brooklyn in 1952. He won the deciding game at Ebbets Field that year in relief.

Reynolds, acquired from the Indians in a trade after the 1946 season, was 19-8 with a league-best .704 winning percentage in 1947. He later coached at his alma mater Oklahoma State and the school's baseball stadium bears his name.

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FOOTBALL

NFL All-Pro team

NEW YORK (AP) — The 1994 Associated Press All-Pro Team, as selected by a panel of media members:

FIRST TEAM
Offense
Wide Receivers — Jerry Rice, San Francisco; Cris Carter, Minnesota.
Tight End — Ben Coates, New England.

Quarterback — Steve Young, San Francisco; Running Backs — Barry Sanders, Detroit; Emmitt Smith, Dallas.
Placemaker — John Carney, San Diego.

Kick Returner — Mel Gray, Detroit.
Defense
Ends — Charles Haley, Dallas; Bruce Smith, Buffalo.

Tackles — John Randle, Minnesota; Cortez Kennedy, Seattle.
Outside Linebackers — Greg Lloyd, Pittsburgh; Kevin Greene, Pittsburgh.
Middle Linebackers — Junior Seau, San Diego.

Cornerbacks — Deion Sanders, San Francisco; Rod Woodson, Pittsburgh.
Safety — Eric Turner, Cleveland; Darren Woodson, Dallas.
Punter — Reggie Roby, Washington.

SECOND TEAM
Offense
Wide Receivers — Terance Mathis, Atlanta; Irving Fryar, Miami.
Tight End — Brent Jones, San Francisco.

Tackles — Lomas Brown, Detroit; Tony Jones, Cleveland.
Guards — Keith Sims, Miami; Steve Wniewski, Los Angeles Raiders.

Center — Mark Stoops, Dallas.
Quarterback — Dan Marino, Miami.
Running Backs — Marshall Faulk, Indianapolis; Chris Warren, Seattle.
Placemaker — Fuad Revez, Minnesota.

Kick Returner — Brian Mitchell, Washington.
Defense
Ends — Reggie White, Green Bay; Leslie O'Neal, San Diego.

Tackles — Chester McGlockton, Los Angeles Raiders; Michael Dean Perry, Cleveland.
Outside Linebackers — Ken Harvey, Washington; Derrick Thomas, Kansas City.
Middle Linebacker — Chris Spielman, Detroit.

Cornerbacks — Terry McDaniel, Los Angeles Raiders; Aeneas Williams, Arizona.
Safety — Merton Hanks, San Francisco; Carnell Lake, Pittsburgh.
Punter — Rick Tuten, Seattle.

Bowl schedule
All Times EST
Thursday, Dec. 15

Las Vegas Bowl

At Las Vegas
UNLV 52, Central Michigan 24

Sunday, Dec. 25

Blue-Gray Classic
At Montgomery, Ala.

Blue 38, Gray 27

Aloha Bowl

At Honolulu
Boston College 12, Kansas State 7

Tuesday, Dec. 27

Freedom Bowl
At Anaheim, Calif.

Arizona (8-3) vs. Utah (9-2), 9 p.m. (Raycom)

Wednesday, Dec. 28

Independence Bowl
At Shreveport, La.

Texas Christian (7-4) vs. Virginia (8-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Thursday, Dec. 29

Copper Bowl
At Tucson, Ariz.

Oklahoma (6-5) vs. Brigham Young (9-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Friday, Dec. 30

Heritage Bowl
At Atlanta

South Carolina State (9-2) vs. Grambling State (9-2), 1 p.m. (ESPN)

Gator Bowl

At Gainesville, Fla.

Tennessee (7-4) vs. Virginia Tech (8-3), 7:30 p.m. (TBS)

Holiday Bowl

At San Diego
Colorado State (10-1) vs. Michigan (7-4), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

Virginia Tech (7-5), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)

Cotton Bowl

At Dallas
Texas Tech (6-5) vs. Southern California (7-3-1), 1 p.m. (NBC)

Rose Bowl

At Pasadena, Calif.
Penn State (11-0) vs. Oregon (9-3), 4:50 p.m. (ABC)

Sugar Bowl

At New Orleans
Florida (10-1-1) vs. Florida State (9-1-1), 8:30 p.m. (ABC)

Peach Bowl

At Atlanta
North Carolina State (8-3) vs. Mississippi State (8-3), 8 p.m. (ESPN)

Orange Bowl

At Miami
Nebraska (12-0) vs. Miami (10-1), 8 p.m. (NBC)

Monday, Jan. 2

Hall of Fame Bowl
At Tampa, Fla.

Wisconsin (6-4-1) vs. Duke (8-3), 11 a.m. (ESPN)

Citrus Bowl

At Orlando, Fla.
Ohio State (9-3) vs. Alabama (11-1), 1 p.m. (ABC)

Fiesta Bowl

At Tempe, Ariz.
Colorado (10-1) vs. Notre Dame (6-4-1), 4:30 p.m. (NBC)

Carquest Bowl

At Miami
South Carolina (6-5) vs. West Virginia (7-5), 1:30 p.m. (CBS)

Midwest Division

W L Pct GB
Utah 18 8 692 —
Houston 15 9 625 2
San Antonio 13 9 591 3
Denver 13 11 542 4
Dallas 12 11 522 4 1/2
Minnesota 6 19 240 11 1/2

Pacific Division

Phoenix 20 6 769 —
Seattle 17 8 680 2 1/2
L.A. Lakers 15 8 652 3 1/2
Portland 12 11 522 6 1/2
Sacramento 13 12 500 6 1/2
Golden State 9 15 375 10
L.A. Clippers 3 23 115 17

Monday's Games

Cleveland 123, Boston 102
Orlando 128, Washington 121, OT
Houston 101, Miami 88
Minnesota 82, L.A. Clippers 81
Milwaukee 101, New Jersey 97
Phoenix 139, Dallas 113
Philadelphia 101, Portland 94
Seattle 123, Sacramento 103

Tuesday's Games

New York at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Phoenix at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

Atlanta at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Charlotte at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Portland at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

Chicago at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at New York, 7:30 p.m.

Washington at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.

Indiana at Utah, 9 p.m.
Philadelphia at Seattle, 10 p.m.

AP top 25

The top 25 teams in the Associated Press college basketball poll, with first place votes in parentheses, record through Dec. 25, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th place vote, and previous ranking.

Rank	Team	Record	Pts	Prev
1	North Carolina (56)	7-0	1,590	1
2	UCLA (5)	5-0	1,506	2
3	Arkansas (3)	8-1	1,462	3
4	Massachusetts	5-1	1,419	4
5	Kentucky	5-1	1,328	5
6	Kansas	7-1	1,229	7
7	Duke	6-1	1,197	9
8	Connecticut	5-0	1,185	10
9	Maryland	8-2	1,024	11
10	Arizona	7-2	989	6
11	Syracuse	7-1	942	14
12	Georgetown	5-1	816	12
13	Florida	5-2	801	8
14	California	6-0	641	24
15	Michigan St.	5-1	554	17
16	Arizona St.	7-2	520	15
17	Georgia Tech	7-1	492	18
18	Wake Forest	6-1	437	19
19	Wisconsin	6-1	399	20
20	Cincinnati	7-3	377	13
21	Iowa St.	8-1	310	25
22	New Mexico St.	8-2	294	21
23	Nebraska	9-1	182	—
24	Indiana	6-4	154	—
25	St. John's	6-0	129	—

Others receiving votes: Stanford 103, Minnesota 98, Missouri 98, Penn 56, Illinois 52, Iowa 41.

BASKETBALL

NBA standings

All Times EST

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New York 12 12 500 8
New Jersey 12 17 414 10 1/2
Boston 10 16 385 11
Philadelphia 10 16 385 11
Miami 8 16 333 12
Washington 7 17 292 13

Central Division

Cleveland 18 8 692 —
Indiana 15 8 652 11/2
Charlotte 14 11 560 3 1/2
Chicago 13 12 520 4 1/2
Atlanta 11 15 423 7
Detroit 9 14 391 7 1/2
Milwaukee 8 17 320 9 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

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Utah 18 8 692 —
Houston 15 9 625 2
San Antonio 13 9 591 3
Denver 13 11 542 4
Dallas 12 11 522 4 1/2
Minnesota 6 19 240 11 1/2

Pacific Division

Phoenix 20 6 769 —
Seattle 17 8 680 2 1/2
L.A. Lakers 15 8 652 3 1/2
Portland 12 11 522 6 1/2
Sacramento 13 12 500 6 1/2
Golden State 9 15 375 10
L.A. Clippers 3 23 115 17

BOTTOM OF THE ORDER



Limbol Portland's Steve Hanson, left, keeps the ball away from Philadelphia's Willie Burton, right, during NBA action in Portland, Ore. Monday night.

SHOT OF THE DAY

TEXAS SPORTS

Bates, Hellestrae sign

FORT WORTH (AP) — Longtime Dallas Cowboys special teamers Bill Bates and Daje Hellestrae will be back with the team in 1995.

Monday, both signed one-year \$162,000 contract extensions that keep them from becoming free agents after this season. The deals came before the deadline for team's to pro-rate signing bonuses over the years of contract.

"I want to finish my career here. And this should do it," Bates, a 12-year veteran, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "But I still don't want to say anything definite. You never know what can happen."

Bates, 32, who also plays safety and sometimes linebacker in Dallas' nickel defense, is delaying thoughts of retiring and possibly joining the team's coaching staff.

NATION/WORLD

Young sets records

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Steve Young, who completed 12 of 13 passes in San Francisco's 21-14 loss to Minnesota, broke two NFL passing records. He beat Joe Montana's 1989 efficiency rating of 112.4 with a 112.8 mark and Ken Anderson's 1982 record for completion percentage of 70.55 with a 70.7 rate.

Rivers inks with Spurs

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Doc Rivers, waived Dec. 15 by New York, signed a contract with San Antonio for the NBA minimum of \$150,000.

The 33-year-old guard has averaged 12.1 points and 6.4 assists in 12 seasons with Atlanta, the Los Angeles Clippers and the Knicks, who will pay him \$1.4 million this season.

ON THE AIR

Basketball

NBA

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DEC. 27

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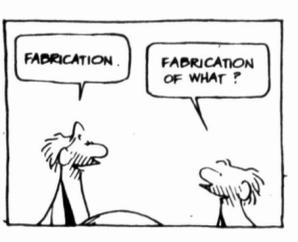
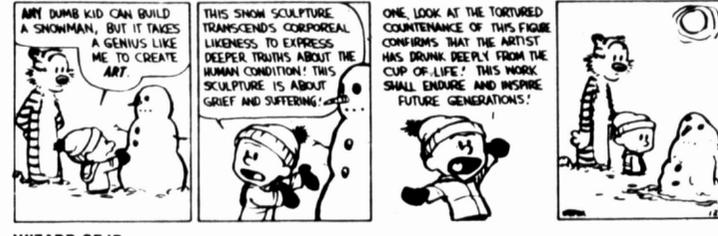
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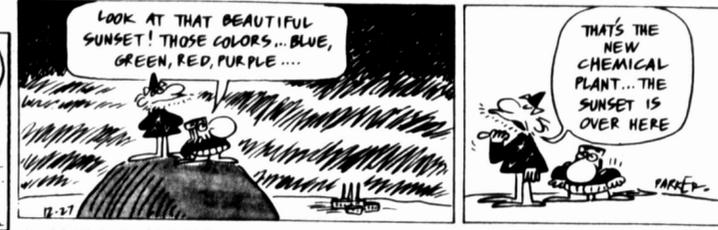
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THE Daily Crossword by Raymond Hamel. Includes crossword grid and clues for Across and Down.

This date in history. Today is Tuesday, Dec. 27, the 361st day of 1994. Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 27, 1831, naturalist Charles Darwin set out on a voyage to the Pacific aboard the HMS Beagle.

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

In 1970, "Hello, Dolly!" closed on Broadway after a run of 2,844 performances. In 1979, Soviet forces seized control of Afghanistan. President Hafizullah Amin, who was overthrown and executed, was replaced by Babrak Karmal.

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

Monday's Puzzle solved. A grid of words including PALE, STAG, WHALE, AXEL, YOME, HONEY, COFFLEPOT, OUTER, TNT, VASSAR, BIRE, CODY, LIKE, SMORY, BIDERICK, SHAME, FAX, GENRE, CANE, ALI, EYON, ANGST, NEA, SPENT, MEETINGS, WHERE, OMO, HAIR, BLAP, TAKEIN, EDD, CORAL, CONVEYTER, OBESSE, YOME, ACME, TEASE, SPAD, CHAY.

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