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## Howard College registration for spring begins on Jan. 9

By KELLIE JONES  
Features Editor

Whether you are interested in German, aerobics, nursing, government, chemistry or business, Howard College has the class for you. Registration for the spring semester is set for Jan. 9 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum with late registration Jan. 13-16.

New and returning students must first meet with a faculty advisor before registering and that can be done this Thursday and Friday and Jan. 7-8 as well.

The guidance and counseling office hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fridays. Registration by assigned times are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. next Thursday and open for all students from 4 to 8 p.m.

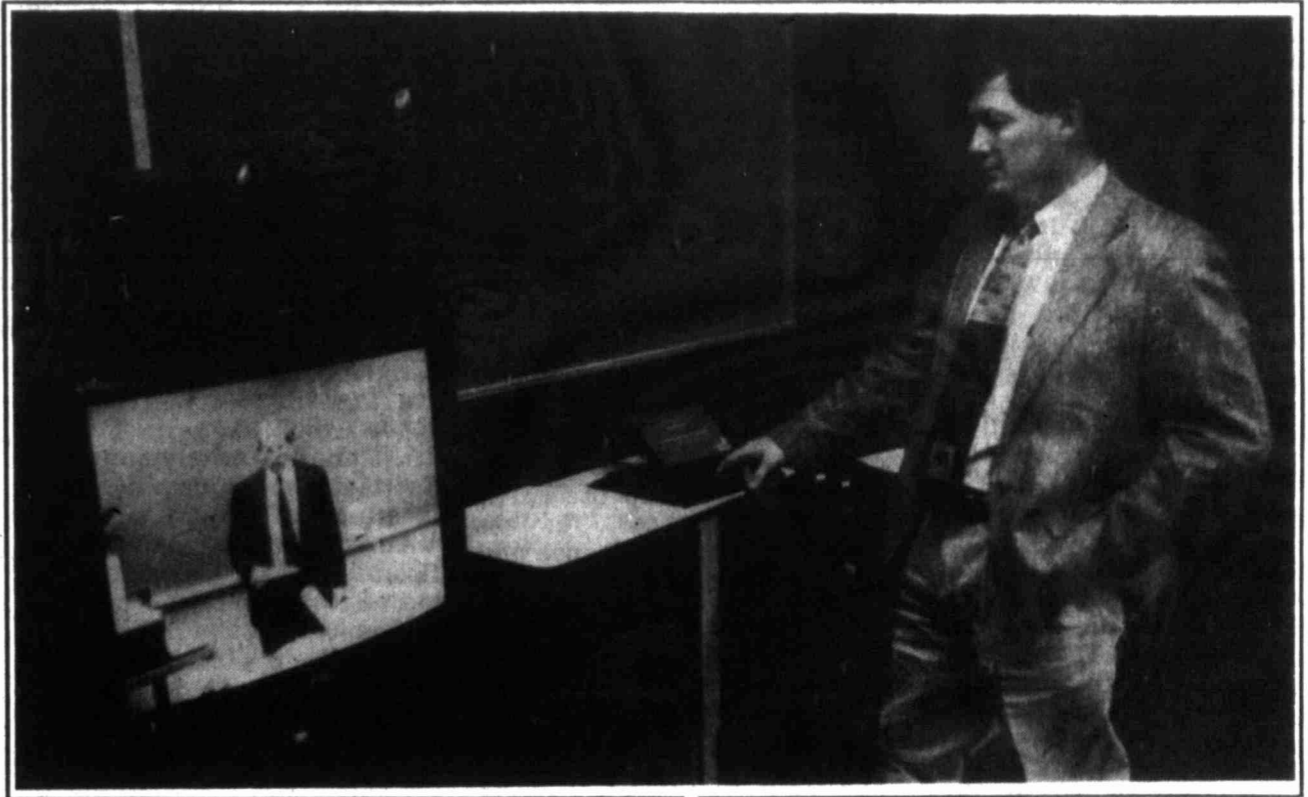
Late registration will be handled at the admissions office 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17.

Howard College is continuing its involvement in the Project REACH (Regional Electronic

Academic Community Highway) program where its students as well as those from Midland College, Odessa College and the University of Texas of the Permian Basin can take a class via a two-way interactive video linking the classes between the campuses.

The program works by having one professor teach the course at a campus while students at the other three sit in a classroom and watch the professor on a monitor. This allows students the opportunity to take upper level or other courses usually not offered at their campus without having to drive long distances to attend class.

Some of the courses available through REACH this spring are: History of Texas, Calculus III, Intro to Public Relations, Elementary German, Elementary Algebra, Technical and Report Writing, Theater Appreciation, Fortran Programming, Management Concepts and Organizational Theory, Principles of Marketing, Early Childhood Education, Philosophy of Education, Organization Theory and Methods/Procedures for Coronary.



Dr. Dusty Johnston, vice president for student and instructional services at Howard College, discusses how the satellite courses work through the REACH program providing a two-way interactive video to link classes between HC, Midland College, Odessa College and UTPB.

## Air travelers won't benefit from tax lapse

WASHINGTON (AP) — For a second consecutive New Year's Day, the 10 percent federal tax on commercial airline tickets is lapsing. Unlike last year, travelers won't benefit.

The carriers, led by Continental Airlines, already have announced fare increases equal to the anticipated tax cut on 14-day and 21-day advanced-purchase tickets.

"It's pretty clear they're going to keep the selling price the same and pocket what used to be the tax," said Ed Perkins, editor of the San Francisco-based Consumer Reports Travel Letter.

"The airlines are pretty well convinced that business is strong ... and they figure, 'If we can't raise fares in this climate, we'll never be able to raise fares,'" he said.

Analysts expect the industry to post a record \$4 billion profit in 1996. Continental spokesman David Messing rejected the notion that airlines should automatically pass on the savings from the tax lapsing.

"Fares are ultimately set by the marketplace based on supply and demand for seats. They aren't based on adding up all the cost components," he said. "So a fare that's \$179 on Dec. 31 and \$179 on Jan. 1 makes sense from an economic perspective."

The ticket tax and other aviation levies first lapsed at the start of 1996, the victim of the protracted budget battle in 1995 between President Clinton and the then-new Republican majority in Congress.

Also expiring were a \$6 per ticket levy on international departures, a 6.25 percent tax on domestic air cargo and excise charges on noncommercial aviation fuel.

They weren't reinstated until August. The delay cost the government roughly \$500 million a month.

When the taxes died the first time, airlines initially passed the savings to customers but within three to four months most had raised fares to match.

This time they didn't hesitate to increase fares. And since airlines advertise their prices with the ticket tax included, travelers probably won't notice a thing.

## Still remembered: Local lawmen place wreath at site where Hogue died in line of duty

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A group of law enforcement officers gathered early this morning at the site where Department of Public Safety Trooper Troy Hogue lost his life two years ago.

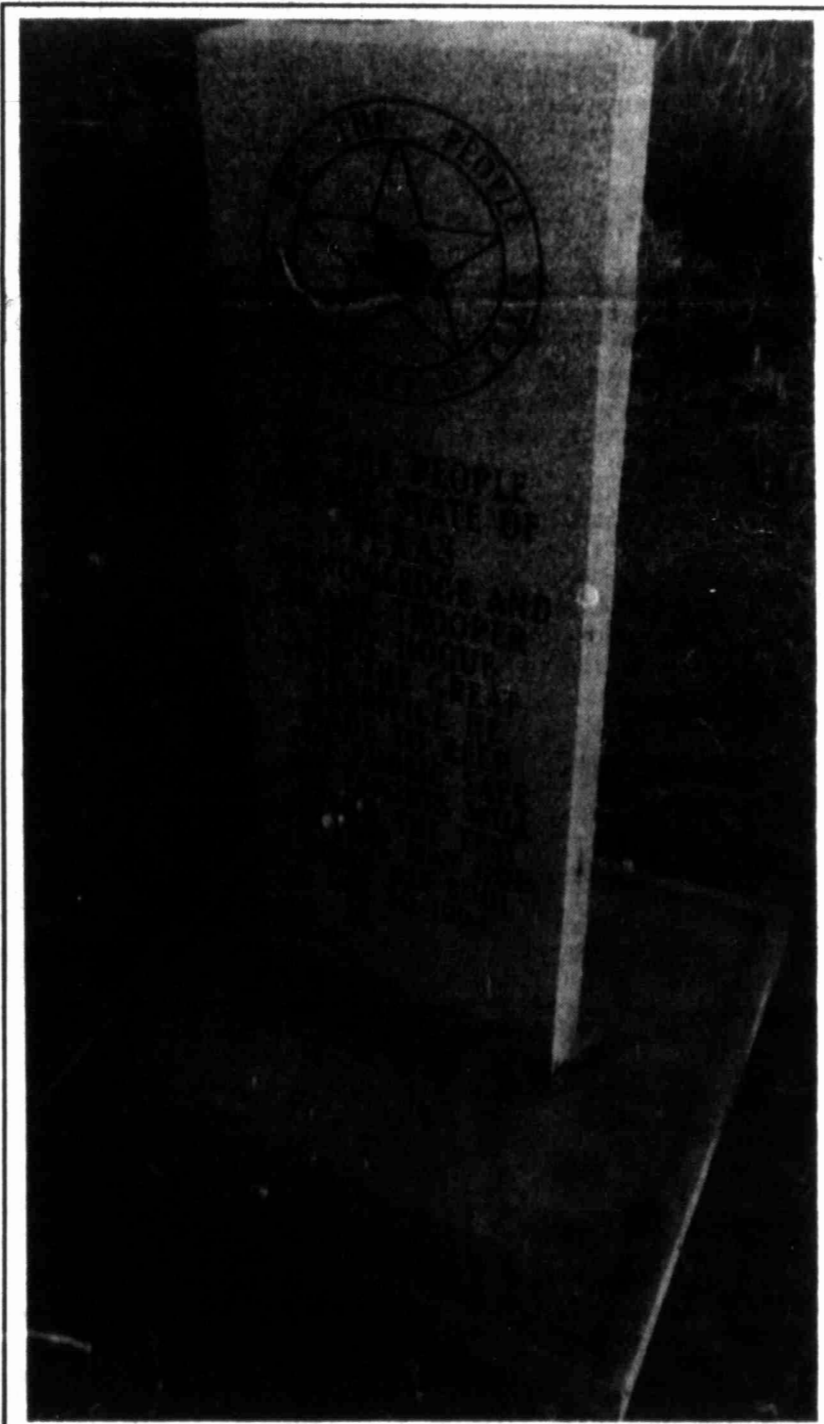
About 11 Big Spring police officers, three Howard County sheriff's deputies and three DPS highway patrol officers were on hand to place a wreath near mile marker 187 at the Salem Road exit on Interstate 20.

Shortly after 8 p.m. Dec. 30, 1994, Howard County Sheriff's Deputy Clifford McCartney was dispatched to the scene of an accident and Hogue and his partner Darryle Sparks were then called out to assist.

Levy Lee Edmondson Jr., who was 17 at the time, shot the trooper once at point blank range in the head with a .45-caliber revolver. Hogue was pronounced dead at the scene by Justice of the Peace Bill Shankles at 9:18 p.m.

Edmondson had been drinking, ran off the road and crashed his vehicle. McCartney put the teenager in the front seat of his patrol car without searching or handcuffing Edmondson while waiting for Hogue and Sparks to arrive. When the two DPS officers arrived, Edmondson was still sitting in the patrol car. McCartney and Hogue began questioning Edmondson who then stood up, pulled the pistol and fired the weapon. Sparks was at the rear of the vehicle at the time. Sparks and McCartney then wrestled the gun away from Edmondson.

On July 26, 1995, a six-man, six-woman jury took about three hours to find Edmondson guilty of capital murder. On Aug. 2, after 19 hours of deliberation, the same jury remained deadlocked at 11-1 so District Judge Robert Moore III imposed a life sentence on Edmondson. The jury foreman was the lone vote against giving the teenager the death



A granite memorial erected for slain DPS Trooper Troy Hogue stands near the spot where he was shot on the south service road of Interstate 20.

penalty. Edmondson must serve 40 years day-for-day of his sentence before he is eligible for parole. His attorney, Paul Williams, is in the process of appealing the decision.

In January of this year, the police department building was renamed the Troy M. Hogue Law Enforcement Center to honor the man who was a former Big Spring police officer before joining the DPS.

## Snow turns to rain, mud and then becomes flood in the Pacific Northwest

SEATTLE (AP) — A powerful snowstorm followed by rain paralyzed this city with slush, blocked major Northwest highways with avalanches and brought mudslides and the threat of flooding to western Washington and Oregon.

The worst of the weekend storm was past today, but more rain was forecast at least through Friday.

The second major storm to churn through the region in four days brought up to 14 inches of snow, heavy rain and wind up to 90 mph Sunday. Three deaths were blamed on the storm and more than 100,000 homes and businesses remained without electricity in Washington and Oregon today.

Washington Gov. Mike Lowry declared 12 western counties disaster areas and mobilized the National Guard.

Seattle's 610-foot Space Needle was closed because heavy, wet snow and ice were falling from it and smashing onto sidewalks below like "something resembling missiles," spokeswoman Lynn Brackpool said.

Seven to 10 inches of snow fell on Seattle on Saturday night, on top of 6 to 12 already on the ground. Rain and temperatures in the high 40s Sunday turned the snowfall into a thick slurry that clogged streets and overloaded roofs. The storm damaged scores of cars and sank hundreds of boats.

Since snow is relatively rare in western Washington, few communities have more than token equipment to deal with it.

Winter storm advisories remained in effect today for the Cascades and Olympic mountains and eastern Washington.

However, the heavy snow was melting as temperatures rose, and flood warnings were posted for numerous Washington and Oregon rivers. Residents along the Nisqually River south of Tacoma were urged to evacuate as flows were increased from La Grande Dam to handle runoff.

As part of this week's rain, another storm is expected to hit the coast Wednesday, bringing the possibility of heavy rain and wind, the National Weather Service said.

Traffic on major highways

was at a crawl, side streets were blocked, passes were snow-bound and even airline flights were delayed.

"If possible, stay home," said police spokeswoman Christie-Lynn Bonner.

Nearly all the region's Amtrak trains were canceled today, and the Burlington Northern Santa Fe's rail lines through the Cascade Range were blocked.

In western Washington, saturated hillsides gave way, blocking several highways. Though avalanches remained a threat in the mountains, "right now, mud is beginning to be a bigger problem around the state," state Transportation Department spokeswoman Clarissa Lundeen said.

Hardest hit by Sunday's snow was Whatcom County in the state's northwest corner, where gusts to 90 mph piled snow into 10-foot drifts.

"Even the snow plows are getting stuck. That's how bad it is," said Neil Clement, director of emergency management in Whatcom County.

In Sumas, just south of the Canadian border, Idalia Guzman and her husband Alfredo reached a shelter Sunday afternoon just an hour before she gave birth to an 8-pound, 5-ounce baby boy, Alejandro.

"She was doing pretty good. Everybody was nervous but she was calm," said Shane O'Neill of Penticton, British Columbia, one of 20 other people staying at the shelter.

In Issaquah, east of Seattle, Kenneth Schmoie, 76, was killed Sunday afternoon when a tree branch fell on him.

Janet Turnbull, 52, of Orting, was killed when her car hit a snowy patch, crossed the center line and collided with a pickup truck, the Pierce County Medical Examiner's office said.

In Oregon, a man was presumed drowned in the flooded, icy creek at the foot of Multnomah Falls Sunday. The workman was using a 25-ton excavator to remove ice jams below the 620-foot waterfall in the Columbia River Gorge when the creek bed gave way and the machine tipped over.

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### TODAY'S WEATHER

73 ▲ Highs 42  
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Today: Mostly sunny. High in the lower to mid 70s. Tonight, mostly clear with a low in the mid 40s.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny with a high in the mid 70s. Fair in the evening, low in the 40s.

Extended outlook: New Year's Day through Friday, fair skies with highs in the mid 70s. Nights expected to be clear with lows in the 40s.

## New congressmen at very bottom rung of seniority ladder

WASHINGTON (AP) — On Capitol Hill, where seniority dictates everything from office space to committee assignments, Texans Kevin Brady and Nick Lampson are at the bottom rung: The newest of the new.

One a Republican, the other a Democrat, both find themselves in similar straits by virtue of the fact they were elected to the House a full 35 days after the House's 72 other freshmen.

Lampson and Brady were on the ballot Nov. 5. Unlike the other 433 House members who will be part of the 105th

Congress, however, the Texans had one more election hurdle to clear: a Dec. 10 runoff.

The unusual runoffs resulted from a federal court ruling that changed the electoral landscape in 13 of Texas' 30 districts. Seeking to rectify redistricting problems, the judges redrew boundary lines and ordered a Nov. 5 special election. Because no one emerged with more than 50 percent of the vote in three of the 13 races, December runoffs were ordered.

The third runoff winner, Houston Democrat Ken

Bentsen, already has staff, an office and committee assignments because he's been in Congress since 1995.

But newcomers Lampson and Brady don't have that advantage.

And Lampson is feeling the pinch, trying to do in less than four weeks all the tasks other freshmen have eight weeks to perform before they are sworn in Jan. 7.

"We will work as hard as we can to make up for the lost time," said Lampson spokesman Jonathan Brown.

"But there was a 10-day orientation (for incoming members) that occurred during the runoff campaign ... and a good deal of the committee assignment process took place prior to the runoff election."

"We're five weeks behind everybody else," he sighed.

So Lampson, a former Jefferson County tax assessor, is rushing to set up new district offices in Galveston and Beaumont, find a place to live in Washington, finalize his committee assignments, hire staff and obtain his files.

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OBITUARIES

Mildred Engle

Mildred Engle, 78, of Big Spring, died on Sunday, Dec. 29, 1996, at her residence. Services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1996, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with Rev. Bob Farrell, pastor of First Baptist Church of Canon City, Colo., officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was born on Aug. 18, 1918, in Scurry County, Texas and married Charles J. Engle on Nov. 19, 1939, in Midland, Texas. They celebrated their 50th anniversary in 1989. He preceded her in death on Sept. 27, 1992.

She came to Howard County in 1938 with her parents, Albert and Jessie Johnston. Mrs. Engle had worked as an insurance salesperson, sat with the elderly but primarily was a mother and homemaker.

She was a member of East Fourth Street Baptist Church and was also a member of the Mary Martha Sunday School Class.

Survivors include one son and daughter-in-law, Charles and Vivian Engle of Clint; three daughters and sons-in-law, Judy and Jerry Duncan of Houston, Sue and Jim Bean of Ft. Hancock and Cindy and John Arnold of Corpus Christi; one sister, Norma Lee Berry of Colorado; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by two sons, Tommy Engle in 1954 and Jim Engle in 1960; her parents and two brothers.

Grandsons, Jim Engle, Tom Engle, Brian Leatherwood, Brad Leatherwood, John Paul Arnold, Breck Bean and Jim Mac Bean, will serve as pallbearers.

The family suggests memorials to: East Fourth Street Baptist Church; 401 E. Fourth St., Big Spring, Texas; 79720.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Paid obituary

Marvin D. Hale

Service for Marvin D. Hale, 68, Colorado City, will be 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1996, in the Kiker-Seale Funeral Home, Colorado City, with Rev. Jim Mosley officiating. Burial will be in the Westbrook Cemetery.

Mr. Hale died Saturday, Dec. 28, in a Beckenridge hospital.

He was born on June 23, 1928, in Muleshoe and had lived in Mitchell County since 1959. He married Essie McDuffye on May 19, 1959, in Midland. She preceded him in death on June 24, 1993. He owned and operated several businesses in this area including the Westbrook Truckstop, Hales Grocery in Westbrook and M&B Grocery

in Roscoe. He was currently a driver for the Wallace Center in Colorado City. He was a member of the Westbrook Baptist Church.

Survivors include four daughters: Carolyn Martin, Perrin, Marva Pieratt, Wichita Falls, Marsha Newton, Stephenville, and Terri Johnson, Little Elm; one sister: Lola Jean Greathouse, Portales, N.M.; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home, Colorado City.

IN BRIEF

**DON'T THROW AWAY YOUR Christmas cards!** Rainbow Girls are recycling cards to St. Jude's Ranch for Children as a service project. They will pick up the cards anytime. Call 264-9455. They are also collecting pantyhose and canceled stamps still attached to envelopes.

**THE HOWARD COUNTY SPELLING Bee** is set for March 3-7, 1997. Paideia spelling bee books are now available at the Big Spring Herald. To order yours, contact Katy McAteer at 263-7331.

**THE 1996-97 SANDS PTO** cook books are in. "Cooking Country Style" contains 1,284 recipes from appetizers to main dishes and desserts. The cook book is dedicated to the students of Sands CISD and all proceeds from the book will be used to provide scholarships for the students.

In Big Spring, contact Connie Zant at Elrod's or Dorothy Ringner at Jiffy Car Wash for the cook books. You may call Sands School, Zeldia Bilbo 353-4314, Sharon Hambrick 353-4744 or Alison Foster at 353-4574 for a copy of the cook book.

**THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE** will be training volunteers interested in assisting with the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program next year. The program will be at First Presbyterian Church, Eighth and Rannels, and the volunteer training is scheduled for Monday through Friday, Jan. 13-17, 1997. Volunteers will begin assisting with the preparation of income tax returns for individuals in February. For more information, call Dorothy Kennemur at 398-5522.

**THE MOBILE MEALS PROGRAM**, also known as Meals on Wheels, needs volunteers to deliver meals. If you can spare one hour per week to deliver eight or 10 meals, we need you. About 85 to 90 meals are prepared, packaged and delivered within the city limits of Big Spring. If you can volunteer, please call 263-4016 before 3 p.m.

**THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF Health** administers flu shots Monday through Thursday from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-3:30 p.m. They moved back to their regular location at College Park Shopping Center, 501 Birdwell. The cost is \$5 and TDH will file on Medicare, if necessary. Call 263-9775 for more information.

**BIG SPRING HIGH SCHOOL** students involved in Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) are currently selling a Big Spring Steer card for \$10 offering discounts at various merchants. The owner of the card can use it once a day for a full year to receive such discounts as buy one food item, get one free, discounts on oil changes and dry cleaning, free second set of prints and buy one bowling game and get one free.

For more information and to purchase a card, contact DECA Sponsor Lee Lowery at the high school at 264-3641, extension 151.

SPRINGBOARD

**IF YOU HAVE ANY CHANGES IN A SPRINGBOARD ITEM OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT GINA GARZA, 263-7331 ext. 238, BETWEEN 8 A.M. AND 2 P.M.** All Springboard items must be submitted in writing. Mail to: Springboard, Big Spring Herald, P.O. Box 1431, Big Spring, Texas 79720; bring it by the office at 710 Scurry; or fax it to 264-7205.

**TODAY**  
•Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Jan Noyes, 267-5811.  
•Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

•TOPS Clubs (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30 to 6 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting, Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.  
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

**TUESDAY**  
•Comanche Lake Duplicate, 1 p.m., Dora Roberts Civic Center.  
•Most Excellent Way, a chemical dependency support group, 7 p.m., Living Water Church, 1008 Birdwell Lane. Call 267-1424 after 5 p.m. or 263-3168 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.  
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m.; Spanish services.  
•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.

•Narcotics Anonymous, 6:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.  
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.

**WEDNESDAY**  
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. 12&12 Study.  
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

•Spring Tabernacle Church, 1209 Wright, has free food for area needy, 10 a.m. to noon.  
•Big Spring Senior Citizens Center art class, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.; 55 and older.  
•Support Group for Depression, 7 p.m., Dora Roberts Rehab Center, Third and Lancaster.

•Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., Scenic Mountain Medical Center small cafeteria.  
•Alcoholics Anonymous, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting, 615 Settles. 8 to 9 p.m. closed meeting at Scenic Mountain Medical Center cafeteria.

•Genealogical Society of Big Spring, 7:15 p.m., Howard County Library conference room. Enter through west entrance. Call Bernice Cason, 267-8542 or 267-7236.  
•Masonic Lodge #1340, 7:30 p.m., 2101 Lancaster. Call Preston Harris, 263-7136.

**FRIDAY**  
•Spring City Senior Citizens country/western dance, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Music by CW & Co. Area seniors invited.  
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, 7 p.m. Bible study.  
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. Big Book Study.

**SATURDAY**  
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open meetings at noon, 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

**SUNDAY**  
•Good Shepherd Fellowship Church, 610 Abrams, has services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.  
•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, 11 a.m. closed meeting and 7 p.m. open meeting.

**MONDAY**  
•Big Spring Evening Lion's Club, 6:30 p.m., 1607 E. Third. Call Jan Noyes, 267-5811.  
•Project Freedom, Christian support group, 7 p.m. Call 263-5140 or 263-2241.

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Pounds Sensibly) 5:30 to 6 p.m. weigh in and 6 p.m. meeting, Carriage Inn, 501 W. 17th. Call 263-1340 or 263-8633.

•Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. open meeting and 8 to 9 p.m. at the VA Medical Center on fourth floor.  
•Gospel singing, 7 p.m., Kentwood Center, 2805 Lynn. Call 267-6764. Guest singers from Stanton, Midland and Colorado City.

•Big Spring High School Choir Boosters, 7 p.m. BSHS choir room.

Proposal aimed at weeding out 'career students'

AUSTIN (AP) — So-called "career students" who spend years as undergraduates could pay as much as four times the current tuition at public colleges under one state official's proposal.

The higher fees would apply to students with at least 170 hours of credit — about 18 percent of students in Texas' state-run universities, Comptroller John Sharp said.

"The purpose of the proposal is not to penalize anyone from getting an education and getting a good job. We're all for that," Andy Welch, a comptroller's spokesman, said Sunday. "The purpose of the proposal is to have taxpayers quit subsidizing students who can't seem to ever get a degree."

If state lawmakers approve the proposal after they convene next month, Texas could save \$4.5 million a year beginning in 1999, Sharp said. The change would raise tuition and fees from \$2,150 to \$7,910 per year for some students.

Four other states — Montana, North Carolina, Florida and Utah — already charge higher tuition for students with more-than-average credit hours. Montana now charges some of those students out-of-state tuition rates.

State education officials could grant exceptions to the higher tuition, Welch said. Universities also would be allowed to make exemptions and decide exactly how much to charge "career students," up to the cost of out-of-state tuition.

The proposal would exempt undergraduates who have graduated and come back for another degree. Credits that students earn through advanced placement or achievement tests would not be counted in the 170 credit-hour limit.

Everett Lee, a University of Texas student who is pursuing two degrees, said he wouldn't be able to afford another year of study under Sharp's plan.

"The fact is, most people affected by these recommendations aren't slackers; they're people who are trying to double-major or do more with themselves," Lee said.

"These are people who will have better jobs and end up paying higher taxes. I don't see why we would want to discourage that."  
Most majors at the Austin-based university require about 120 credit hours for a degree. Students who change majors or carry a double major often wind up with more.

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 5 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. Monday:

•JASON RENTERIA, 47, no known address, was arrested for public intoxication.

•ALONDO JONES, 34, of 1104 11th Place, was arrested for public intoxication.

•EVELYN HAWKINS, 38, of 810 Cherry, was arrested on local warrants.

•JIMMY LEE HAWKINS, 42, of 810 Cherry, was arrested on local warrants.

•NORA ZAMBRANO, was arrested on local warrants.

•JESUS NIETO CARNERO, 47, of 1509 Avion, was arrested on local warrants.

•SIERRA MONICA RAMOS, 18, of 1509 Avion, was arrested on local warrants.

•GILBERT MONTANEZ, 39, of 103 N.W. Ninth, was arrested for public intoxication.

•MIKE MARQUEZ, 40, of 705 N. Douglas, was arrested for public intoxication.

•HENRY SAUCEDO, 21, of 1309 Scurry, was arrested for public intoxication.

•RUDY SANCHEZ, 25, of Loraine, was arrested for disorderly conduct/fighting.

•ROBERT M. CARSON, 29, no known address, was arrested for public intoxication.

•MARY GUADALUPE CUELLAR, 33, of 400 N.E. 10th, was arrested on local warrants.

•THEFT in the 1100 block of W. Fourth; 1500 block of Stadium; 600 block of Caylor; 1700 block of E. Marcy; and the 3300 block of Wasson.

•DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE in the 1400 block of Tucson; 500 block of Westover; 2700 block of Wasson; and the 1400 block of Johnson.

•BURGLARY OF A HABITATION in the 600 block of State.

•BURGLARY OF A HABITATION in the 1700 block of Scurry.

•CRIMINAL MISCHIEF in the 700 block of Washington; 2500 block of Hwy 80; and the 2100 block of Settles.

•THEFT OF GAS in the 900 block of Willis.

•ASSAULT in the 1400 block of E. 6th.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following activity between 5 p.m. Saturday and 8 a.m. Monday:

•DENISE DEANDA, 24, of 203 N.E. 10th, was arrested for driving while intoxicated and fleeing to elude, and was released on bonds of \$1,500 and \$2,000.

•WILLIAM JAY McNEW, 38, of 1008 W. Sixth, was arrested for driving with an invalid license, and released on a \$2,000 bond.

•JACOB EDMOND RODRIQUEZ, 17, of Rt. 2 Box 27X, was arrested for disorderly conduct, and released on a \$200 bond.

•RALPH WAYNE HERRERA, 18, of 1905 Wasson #35, was arrested for possession of marijuana, and was released on a \$1,500 bond.

•DONNIE GORDON HALE JR., of 1214 Lloyd St., was arrested for possession of marijuana under two ounces, and released on a \$500 bond.

•JOHNNY LEOS JR., 20, of 1615 Jennings, was arrested for attempted burglary of a habitation, and released on a \$5,000 bond.

MARKETS

March cotton 74.65 cents a pound, down 42 points; Feb. crude oil 25.24, up 2 points; Cash hog up \$1.50 higher at 56; slaughter steers up \$1 at 67; February lean hog futures 79.50, up 200 points; February live cattle futures 65.60, up 80 points.

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Sunday's low 33  
Average high 56  
Average low 29  
Record high 79 in 1951  
Record low 6 in 1983  
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Reputed early photo of Jesse James discovered

NEW BRAUNFELS — An image of outlaw Jesse James has again appeared in Texas.

The discovery comes after DNA tests confirmed that the outlaw bank robber did not stage his death and move to Texas where some claimed he died of old age.

Joyce Webb Tate found a picture with the name of the notorious outlaw handwritten across the back of it, hidden behind a portrait of an Indian she purchased at an estate sale in the 1970s.

Tate liked the frame, not the portrait, and was surprised to find an early picture of the bank robber tucked behind it when she removed the photo from its frame last year.

After mentioning the find to a friend, Tate found out the woman's son, Martin DeMasters, was a big James fan.

Answers hard to come by in slaying of teacher's aide

ARLINGTON — Answers are hard to come by in the death of a teacher's aide found strangled and bound in her bathtub, a pastor told mourners at a memorial service.

"It seems as if bad things seem to happen to good people," Pastor Michael Evans told those gathered at Bethlehem Baptist Church in Mansfield to pay their respects to Wendie R. Prescott.

"I can't answer why God allowed this to happen."

A tearful Shimica Lawson, who attended the Sunday service, said she last saw her cousin at the mall Christmas Eve.

"She was like, 'I'll see ya'll tomorrow,'" Miss Lawson said.

"And then, you wake up that morning and, you know, I just don't know."

Abilene drug interdiction program apparently successful

ABILENE — Police say an interdiction program has made an impact on drug trafficking and other crime in this West Texas city after just a few months.

The interdiction effort began in October with two officers making stops on Interstate 20 on a part-time basis. Those two now spend most of their time making such stops, and two more part-time officers have been added.

In October and November, Abilene officers made 649 stops, contacted 1,111 people and seized 275 pounds of marijuana. Police also issued 70 traffic citations, searched 218 vehicles, arrested 57 people (17 felony arrests, 40 misdemeanor arrests) and seized \$27,400 in cash and \$12,200 in property.

State employees want pay raise to be legislative priority

AUSTIN — State employees want their salaries to be a high priority when the Texas Legislature convenes in January, but state leaders say they'll have to wait and see if money is available.

"Enough is enough. We're going to have to get tough about this," said Lane Zivley, executive director of the 16,000-member Texas Public Employees Association, which is pushing a \$250-a-month raise in 1998 and 1999.

State workers, who earned about \$24,175 on average this year, have not had an across-the-board pay raise since December 1992. Texas House Speaker Pete Laney said he thinks the raises are long overdue, but a pay hike would depend on whether the money is available.

Top House Republican says Gingrich will not abandon speakership

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite any reservations that rank-and-file Republicans are expressing about him, House Speaker Newt Gingrich has no intention of abandoning his post, a top GOP lawmaker says.

"Newt Gingrich is not going to step aside — I'm absolutely confident of that," House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas, said Sunday. "He will be elected (speaker) on Jan. 7."

DeLay's remarks on NBC's "Meet The Press" came after a week in which Republicans began voicing unease about the House ethics committee's probe of Gingrich. The speaker has admitted filing erroneous statements to the panel regarding a college course he once taught at a small Georgia school.

Gingrich and other Republican leaders want the ethics committee to decide what, if any, penalty should be levied against the speaker on or before Jan. 7, when the House convenes to elect leaders for the 105th Congress.

But the committee's senior Democrat, Rep. Jim McDermott of Washington, told The Washington Post it would be "almost impossible" for the panel to complete its work by then. "... I'd be surprised if we could make a thoughtful, intelligent judgment in less than a week or two," he said.

If the panel — and the full House — take the unlikely step of voting for censure, Gingrich would be stripped of his speakership. An official reprimand, the most lenient penalty available, would not require Gingrich to quit the leadership.

Political costs associated with a prolonged public airing of the committee's findings on Gingrich, however, could diminish the speaker's power. That explains in part why Republicans are eager to put the two-year ethics investigation behind them, while

Democrats who earlier pushed to accelerate the probe now want to proceed more slowly.

"Clearly, there should be a full discussion of this," Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas, said on NBC. "The speaker ... clearly should have the opportunity to defend himself, to come in and present his case, and I would hope that that would be public."

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY, DEC. 31:

Work on broadening your horizons. Strengthen your influence through higher-level work or studies. Publishing and legal matters play a dominant role in your year. There is also the possibility of travel. Career and public image become increasingly important. Funds dramatically expand, though there will be an element of the unpredictable. If you are single, you are likely to be drawn to someone unique. Avoid becoming involved in a love triangle. If attached, plan a special, long-distance trip that both of you have wanted. VIRGO helps you open doors.

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Focus on getting your work done. Clear your desk, and effectively handle someone in power. Examine long-term interests. Be direct about what is on your mind. Another seeks you out, wanting to make more of your friendship. Tonight: Say "yes." \*\*\*\*

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Libido is high; direct it in a positive way. Love life is dicey, if you let it all hang out. Examine your objectives. Be more creative in your decisions. Use your ingenuity in completing what you must. Otherwise, work could drag on past party time. Tonight: You could be tired. \*\*\*\*

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Focus on getting what you want. Family is a high priority. Balance necessities. Postpone a personal matter. An important discussion is likely with a partner. Be direct and candid as you work things out. Tonight: Ring out the old, ring in the new! \*\*\*\*

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Communications are active; be receptive. Much can be resolved, if you are willing to stay open. New resolutions and new beginnings are abundant. Touch base with others. Exchange wishes, as the year crosses over. Tonight: Hang out. \*\*\*\*

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be more in touch with your long-term desires. Handle something financially before it becomes an issue. Starting the new year fresh is an appealing prospect. It is an excellent time for a discussion about monetary goals. Others listen. Tonight: Christen the year with friends. \*\*\*

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You are personality-plus and the leader of the pack. Initiate celebrations early. Your energy and enthusiasm inspire people who have a problem looking forward. The unexpected occurs with plans. Roll with the punches, and enjoy the excitement. Tonight: Start the New Year with a bang! \*\*\*\*

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You are out of sorts, as you deal with the idea of a new year. Clear your head, but make time for a special loved one. It will mean a lot to both of you. The day improves later. Much excitement occurs with a paramour or child. Tonight: Have a good time. \*\*\*

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Join friends early in the day. You opt for an early party or two. Friends are full of fun. Be imaginative and direct with family, who may want to join you. There is laughter, fun and unusual activity. Go with the flow. Tonight: It's a quiet night. \*\*\*\*

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Bring others together, and add to the vitality of the new year. You don't want to deal with a last-minute responsibility or problem. But, deal you will. Humor and goodwill surround you. Smile as you adjust to a change of plans. Tonight: It could be out of control! \*\*\*\*

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Make calls early in the day. There is a possibility of an unexpected trip or invitation. Be clear with funds, as you might be playing Russian roulette. You pull the wild card. Others want to be close to you. Tonight: All eyes turn to you. \*\*\*\*

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Make time for intimate sharing. Spend quality time early in the day with those you care about. The pace grows hectic. You might reverse plans for New Year's. Enjoy going with the moment. Accept an unanticipated invitation. Tonight: It could be very heavenly. \*\*\*\*

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Others seek you out. Make sure you are part of their New Year's wishes. There is no shortage of invitations. There is a question about arrangements. You might change them completely! You see a long-term wish come into focus. Tonight: Indulge your desires! \*\*\*\*

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Bedroom inhibitions leave couple's relationship at risk

DEAR ABBY: I am a 41-year-old woman who has been divorced for 10 years, during



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with the time I've had a few long-term relationships. I have always been a passionate woman with the men I have cared about, and they have reciprocated. I have learned a lot about myself and men as a result.

Five months ago, after a long absence from a relationship or dating, I met a man who is two years older than I am. He is extremely well-mannered and sensitive. He's affectionate and seems to care about me. We share many interests and values, and best of all, he makes me laugh.

He is healthy and in excellent shape. There is one issue, however, that deeply concerns me. I know he enjoys sex, but I am sorry to say he is a lousy lover.

He told me he has never been "wild and crazy" in bed. I don't think one has to be "wild and crazy" to be a good lover; however, he doesn't even like to kiss. This makes me sad because I think kissing is an important part of foreplay and particularly important during romantic moments.

I now find myself holding back when I am intimate with him, and becoming more inhibited as well. After sex, I'm left feeling frustrated, unsatisfied and sad. I don't like to put so much emphasis on sex, but I think I deserve more consideration.

Our relationship is flourishing except for the physical part. I care very much for this man, but I long to be kissed and caressed, and I doubt our relationship can endure without intimacy. Should I approach him about this? And can I expect him to change? — NEEDING MORE IN MINNEAPOLIS

DEAR NEEDING MORE: Societal taboos, restrictive upbringing and unfortunate early experiences can cause sexual inhibitions.

You can help your lover change only if he is willing to cooperate. Honest communication is a must. There are many excellent books available to help partners improve their intimacy skills. Find a few and read them together.

A sex therapist can also help guide you to a more fulfilling sex life. Ask your physician to refer you to one.

DEAR ABBY: The 83-year-old great-grandmother from Indio, Calif., who wrote to praise the joys of life after getting a hearing aid in middle age, has done a great service for the hearing-impaired community in general.

Utilizing hearing devices at any age offers an opportunity for fulfilling the human need for communication and life participation. The majority of children diagnosed for hearing loss within the first three years of life and fitted with appropriate aids have a wonderful opportunity to develop speech and language skills with the ability to function in the normal hearing world. This is known as the auditory-verbal approach to helping deaf and hard-of-hearing children, and "looking old" is the last thing these children would imagine.

The mother who would not wear hearing aids because she thought they would make her look old might have an easier time if she could imagine the delight young people have when they realize they can actually hear. There is much research still being done to help all levels of hearing loss, and there are now hearing aids available that are hardly visible. Please let your readers know that there are also community services available to help put them in touch with audiologists who are certified to dispense hearing aids and make appropriate medical referrals. — JOSEPHINE WILSON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, HEAR CENTER, PASADENA, CALIF.

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-Heraclitus

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### OTHER VIEWS

## Party smart on New Year's Eve

A word to the wise as we exit 1996 and prepare to embark on our journey through 1997 — party smart on New Year's Eve.

There are dozens of cute catch-phrases that mean the same thing — "If you drink, don't drive, if you drive, don't drink," or "Friends don't let friends drive drunk."

The bottom line is that if you plan on partying on New Year's Eve, use common sense.

If you party in a group, find a designated driver. If you go to a party by yourself and find that you've had too much to drink, give up your vehicle keys and either let someone take you home or find a place to curl up and sleep it off.

There's nothing wrong with a little celebration recognizing the exit of the old and entrance of the new... there's only a problem when we don't stop and think how our actions will affect the lives of others.

Remember — party smart on New Year's Eve!

### YOUR VIEWS

#### Vandalism at Viet Memorial cause for security system

TO THE EDITOR:

It deeply burdens my heart to see how some have damaged our Vietnam Memorial Wall, and have stolen the flags.

If those who did this really understood the meaning of the memorial wall, they would get down on their knees and seek God's forgiveness.

I am writing in hope and prayer that the good citizens of Howard County will help stop this degrading.

If every citizen would prayerfully consider sending just \$5 to: Protect the Wall; c/o Mr. Jackie Tibbets; 508 Donley St.; Big Spring, 79720, we would be able to place a 24 hour surveillance system at the wall.

What finances are left would be put in an account for the maintenance of the wall and surveillance system.

Not one penny will go into anyone's pocket, it will be used to keep our wall maintained and secured from those who have no respect for our men and women who gave their very lives for our nation.

These Americans followed orders! It doesn't matter if we think it was right or wrong; it only matters that these Americans gave their lives for what our Government had ordered them to do.

Just like a job - you follow orders or you don't have a job; except in war if you do not follow orders you don't get fired, you go to prison!

I hope and pray all will join in to help protect our fellow Americans who gave their all for us.

God's blessing to all this Christmas and may the New Year bring goodness to us all. Never forgetting,

HAROLD HALE  
Big Spring

#### Reform educational system as well as tax structure

TO THE EDITOR:

The general election has come and gone, and some candidates of our choice were elected, others were rejected. The low voter turnout nationwide was disappointing, but it did point out one fact clearly — the decline of American morality.

With only a few days left before our State Legislators convene in January, hopefully our 31 Senators and 150 Representatives have begun thinking about issues foremost on the upcoming docket, Governor Bush has asked for

replacement of property taxes as the main source of school funding. And for a very good reason. Education costs, due to sloppy legislation and suits filed to satisfy Robin Hood, have doubled in the last decade. Property taxes have been unable to keep up except by increasing residential values to offset decreases in mineral values. Governor Bush fears a property tax revolt.

Texas Education Agency reports that of the 225,000+ 6th grade through 12th grade students who took the final Algebra 1 tests last spring, only 28 percent passed, 7 percent of the 10th, 11th and 12th grade.

A survey by The Wall Street Journal and U.S. News and World report earlier this year concluded that up to 80 percent of the graduates nationwide were unable to meet enrollment standards of most schools of higher learning without remedial training. Could this be because of other curriculum taking precedence, such as sports? Of course parents wish to see their sons and daughters stand out. It seems a better goal might be higher grades.

What future do these young people have, being unable to make change, to balance bank accounts, (if they can get a job), to clothe and feed their future family? Of course, at least one school in the area has a curriculum that encourages professional welfarism. What a price we are asking these youngsters to pay.

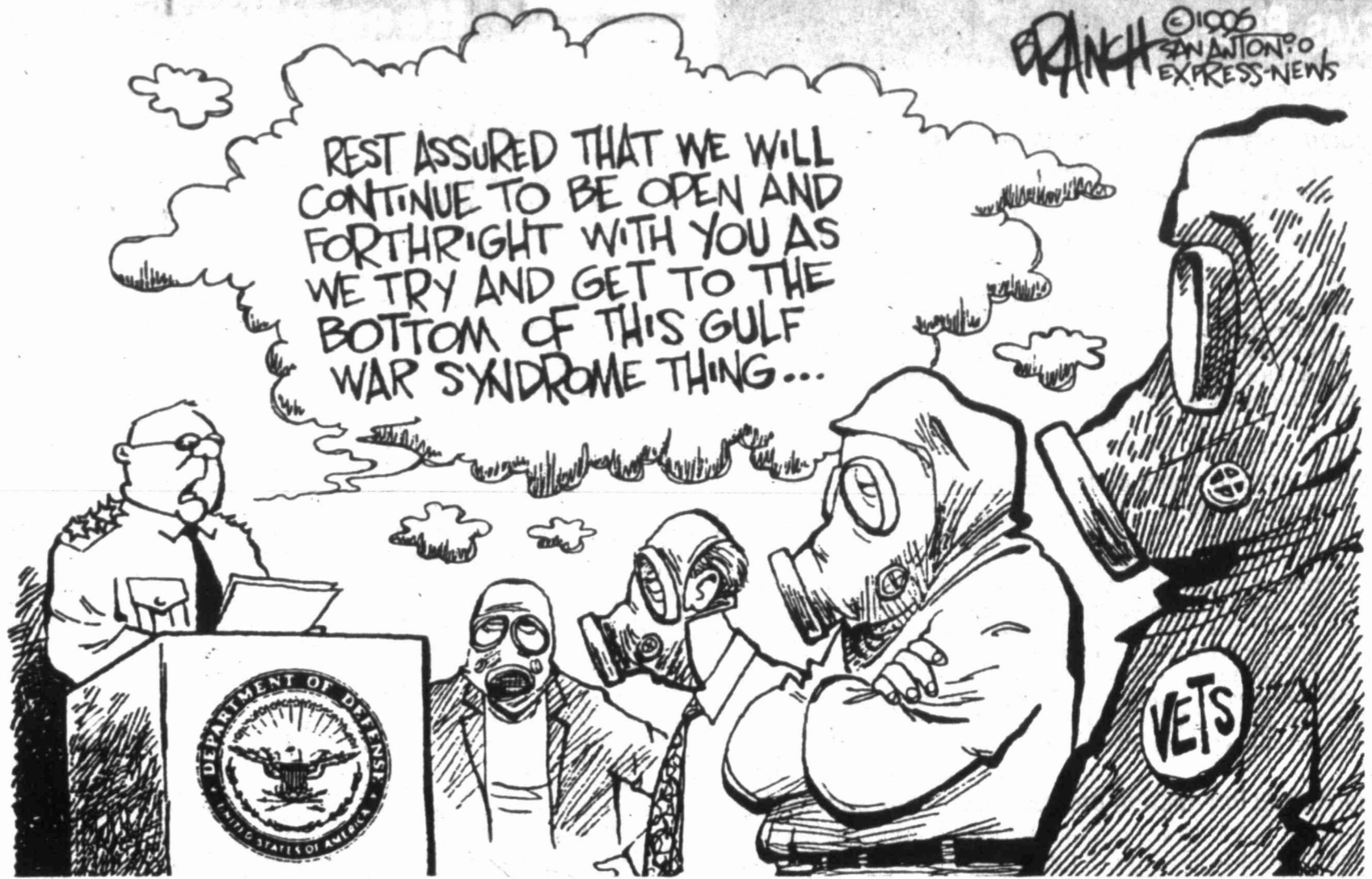
We wish you a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

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## What politicians did this year that helped people

In this season of peace, it's worthwhile taking time to reflect on some of the good things that politicians in the nation's capital did this year.

And don't be so cynical; there were good deeds that benefit real people.

TV ratings, for one thing. Without the pressure of the politicians, there wouldn't be such ratings.

Parents should be grateful for the help in deciding what their children should watch. Even if they wanted more specific ratings, this is a big step forward without putting government in the censorship business. And Congress mandated the V-chip, meaning that children can be prevented from watching violent or sexually explicit programs when the parents are out of the house.

A higher minimum wage, for a second thing. Even if you're someone who believes the government shouldn't be mandating higher wages, you know in your heart that parents couldn't make ends meet on \$4.25 an

hour. After you read a few dozen stories about the multi-million-dollar bonuses corporate bigwigs pay themselves, you have to believe it's not a bad thing to pay the hard-working, bottom-of-the-ladder Americans at least 90 cents more an hour.

With all the talk about values, focusing attention on the hazards of children smoking is a meritorious undertaking. Only the lobbyists for the Tobacco Institute (and not even all of them) believe that smoking is risk-free. Enforcing laws that forbid selling tobacco to minors, removing cigarette vending machines from places where children congregate and campaigns that warn of the dangers are beneficial.

There also has been a bipartisan political campaign against teenage pregnancy, and for the first time in a long while the rate of out-of-wedlock teen pregnancy is coming down. Both President Clinton and Bob Dole talked at length about this during the election campaigns this year, and while you may think much of it was self-serving, that level of social discourse has an effect.

Despite weeks of pointless bickering, politicians did not let the federal government default for the first time on its credit obligations. The nation came perilously as close as it

has ever come to default, which would have meant that Social Security checks could not have been mailed. But finally common sense prevailed, and default was averted at the last minute.

There was a lot of back-and-forth about gun laws, but Republicans gave up their crusade to get a repeal of the partial ban on assault weapons. Clinton's figures are exaggerated, but the waiting period for buying handguns is helping curtail the sale of guns to people who shouldn't buy them. America, the most violent society on Earth by some accounts, is beginning to realize that guns kill not just animals but people, including far too many children. As one result, crime declined in 1996.

Although politicians have done nothing about the 40 million Americans without health insurance, they did pass a law so that Americans can take their health insurance from one job to another. They also decreed that mothers who deliver new babies aren't automatically kicked out of the hospital after 24 hours even if they're not physically ready to go home.

Politicians began to take environmental protection far more seriously in 1996. Even as they warned about excessive regulation, they listened to

Americans who want their heritage protected for future generations. For example, they set aside \$1.5 billion not for another B-1 bomber but for protection of the Everglades.

Those who scoff at government should remember the thousands of hours spent by dedicated public servants and politicians to find those who died on TWA Flight 800 and ValuJet 592 and who pursue the causes to try to prevent such tragedies from happening again.

And for those who viscerally yearn for signs that big government can be pared, the politicians at long last abolished the useless behemoth, the Interstate Commerce Commission.

OK, so I'm running out of examples. But at least the politicians here didn't give us a universal tax increase this year. No wars were declared. They didn't annex somebody else's country or decree that we all wear pink every Thursday or declare the geranium to be the national flower or mandate "Trees" as the national poem.

Fashionable as it is to loathe politics and politicians, somebody has to commit it and become them. And sometimes they do the right thing.

(Ann McFeatters covers the White House and politics for Scripps Howard News Service.)

## Why we should reduce the Social Security tax

By M. JEFF HAMOND

For Scripps Howard News Service

Democrats and Republicans have talked a lot about reducing the tax burden on American families, but both sides are barking up the wrong tree. More than 70 percent of American families now pay more in payroll taxes than in federal income tax, but no one talks about payroll tax cuts.

Unbeknownst to most taxpayers, payroll taxes have been increased by almost 25 percent since 1980, while federal income taxes as a share of income have been declining even for the well-off. Payroll taxes, or "FICA" on paycheck stubs, are split between the employer and employee and fund Social Security, Medicare and disability insurance.

Working Americans and small businesses are disproportionately hurt by high payroll taxes because the payroll tax must be paid from the very first dollar of wages, with no deductions.

Consider: Last year, a childless married couple paid \$1,760 in payroll taxes on its first \$11,500 of earnings, but owed no federal income tax on that amount. A family of four that claimed the earned income

credit owed no income tax until it reached \$22,350; that family paid \$3,420 in total payroll taxes. If that family earned \$40,000, it paid almost twice as much in payroll taxes than in federal income tax \$6,120 versus \$3,525.

So which tax is the greater burden on working families? The bottom half of the income distribution — those with gross incomes under \$25,000 or so — pay so little income tax that an income tax cut means very little. A child credit will help; but many families in the bottom half won't get the full amount because they don't owe much in the first place. And, of course, the child tax credit won't help childless families at all.

These facts beg the question: How come no one ever talks about reducing the payroll tax? One reason is that the tax is almost invisible. People don't have to fill out a "payroll tax return"; many are not aware that the employer's share reduces their wages. More important, however, is the politicians' fear of tampering with anything related to Social Security. This is due to a longstanding myth that people receive in benefits only what they paid into the system. To

cut the payroll tax would be to sever the supposed connection between contribution and benefit, so no one dares reduce it.

Politicians know this is a myth: most of today's elderly receive back much more than they paid in. But they also know the power of the senior's lobbies and don't want to make the financing of Social Security a campaign issue.

But there are a number of ways to reduce the payroll tax without jeopardizing programs for elderly Americans. Exempting a generous portion of wages from the payroll tax just as the income tax does and raising the ceiling on taxable wages would be one such policy. This would mean a significant tax cut for people making less than the current ceiling, with low-income workers receiving the most help. It would help average families, but raise taxes slightly on the upper-middle class.

Another proposal is to replace the entire payroll tax with a broad-based consumption tax. But consumption taxes introduce a series of new problems, such as the treatment of existing savings. For example, the elderly, who have saved during their lives to consume in retirement, would be especially hard-

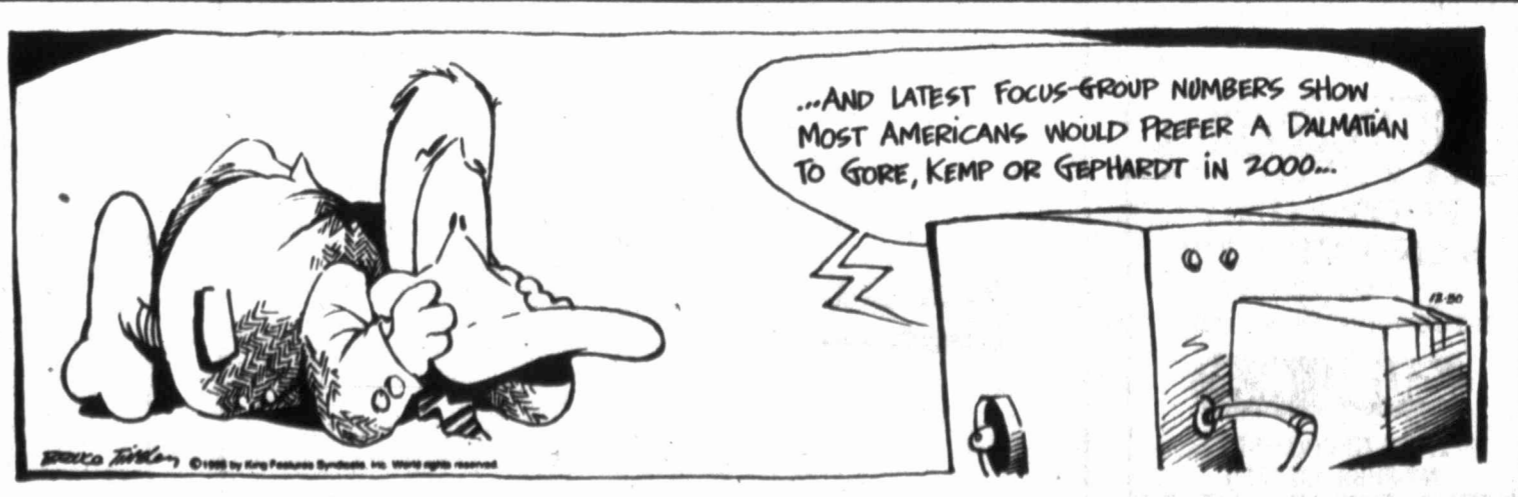
hit. Also, they wouldn't target the kinds of consumption that the nations need less of, such as the kinds that cause pollution and waste.

What if we replace part of the payroll tax with taxes on things we want less of, like pollution or waste? That would be a better approach. It would be good for job creation (by reducing taxes on labor); for industry (by reducing the need for regulation) and for the environment. It would also provide a boost for the development of efficient new technologies that would help our economy be more competitive in the global marketplace.

There is no question that reducing the payroll tax will require political fortitude. But if we are serious about reducing the tax burden on working families, helping small business and enabling people to move from welfare to work, then cutting the payroll tax is something too obvious to ignore.

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## Victory over Minnesota allows Dallas to dream of Super Bowl

IRVING (AP) — There are always new worlds for the Dallas Cowboys to conquer.

They have a dandy ahead of them this playoff season.

No team has started the season 1-3 and won a Super Bowl. The Cowboys would like to prove they can do it.

Trying to win a record fourth Super Bowl in five years, the Cowboys showed with a 40-15 rout of the Minnesota Vikings on Saturday that it's not an outlandish dream.

"Because of the way we start-

ed the season, we needed a game like the one against the Vikings," said fullback Daryl Johnston. "Maybe it gave us the confidence we need to get to the Super Bowl. It's just one game. But it was a game we needed. I just hope we can build on it."

The Cowboys meet the NFC West champion Carolina Panthers on Sunday in the second playoff round.

It was the first time the Cowboys played in an NFC wild-card game in five years.

Although they won the NFC East, the Cowboys were the third-seeded team as the byes went to Green Bay and upstart Carolina.

"This is the time of the year this team looks forward to," said quarterback Troy Aikman. "It'll feel strange if we win next week and we're not going to the Super Bowl, because that's where we've been before."

Dallas coach Barry Switzer said Sunday that the Cowboys couldn't have played much better against the Vikings.

"We played the way we should play," Switzer said. "We were a total offensive team for the first time this year. Now, we're playing a team that beat San Francisco twice. We know they're damn good."

Said Aikman: "We got great blocking up front and that set the tempo for the day." He added it is becoming harder and harder for the Cowboys to get up for regular-season games.

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lar season," he said. "We realize the regular season doesn't really matter, and we're judged on how we do in the playoffs. I don't think it's right, but we do have some players that do get bored with the regular season."

Switzer agreed.

"It was a long regular season for us. The coaches and the players were tired and drained," he said. "Sometimes it does get boring. But the playoffs brings excitement. It brings everything up to another level."

## Smith tops on defense

ORCHARD PARK, N.Y. (AP) — Now that Bruce Smith became the second player to twice be named The Associated Press' Defensive Player of the Year, he wonders where he fits in history.

Surely, he's one of the best defensive linemen in NFL history. The same can be said about pass-rushing specialists Deacon Jones and Reggie White.

Best defensive player? One could make good arguments for linebackers Dick Butkus, who played before the award started in 1973, and Lawrence Taylor, who won it three times in the 1980s, and a list of others. But there is no reason why Smith should not be among them.

"I'd like to be thought of as that one day, but there's still a lot of work left," said Smith, who was named the top defensive player Sunday. "Looking at some of the great players, it's nice to be mentioned in the same breath with some of those guys."

Smith, who also was named Defensive Player of the Year after the 1990 season, became the second Buffalo player in two years to win the award. Linebacker Bryce Paup took the honor after last season.

The 33-year-old Smith entered the season angry about his contract and took it out on his opponents. He led the AFC with 13 sacks and a career-high 120 tackles for the Bills this season. He also blocked three field goals, more than any other team except Kansas City, which also had three.

He received 56 of 93 votes from a nationwide panel of sports writers in voting conducted before the playoffs.

## Old hands join Jacksonville as playoff victors

There they are, just as everyone figured, advancing to the second round of the NFL playoffs. The 49ers and Cowboys in the AFC, the Steelers and Jaguars in the AFC.

The Jaguars' second-year expansion Jacksonville has joined those elite teams in the divisional playoffs. The Jaguars stunned Buffalo 30-27 on Saturday, perhaps ending an era in the conference and earning themselves a trip to Denver next weekend.

"I guess we're too young to know we're supposed to lose in Orchard Park," said receiver Keenan McCardell after the Jaguars ended the Bills' perfect playoff record at Rich Stadium at nine games.

"End of an era?" added Jaguars coach Tom Coughlin. "Maybe it's the beginning of one for us."

The Cowboys era isn't over and they head to Carolina next Sunday, fresh off a 40-15 rout of Minnesota. A chance for several Super Bowl records, including six overall wins and four in five years, is alive, even though the Cowboys had a difficult off-season.

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The Steelers, who lost to Dallas in last January's Super Bowl, didn't need to go to the wire to handle Indianapolis this time. Pittsburgh won 42-14, not allowing the Colts a shot at a repeat desperation pass to win, as they got in last year's AFC Championship game.

"I know what people were saying, 'Oh, it's going to be another dramatic finish, the Colts are going to hang on,'" said Charles Johnson, who made five catches for 109 yards. "Uhh, nope. Look somewhere else. We weren't going to let that happen again."

San Francisco, like Dallas seeking a sixth Super Bowl title, blanked Philadelphia 14-0 with three turnovers and a run-stuffing defense in pelting rain and gusts up to 62 mph.

Steve Young, playing with bruised ribs, ran for a 9-yard score and hit Jerry Rice with a 3-yarder just after Rice made a sensational one-handed catch.

"Sometimes you throw your hands up in the air and the ball is there," Rice said. "We did enough to win it."

**Jaguars 30, Bills 27**  
Natrone Means rushed for 175 yards, including a 62-yard run and a 30-yarder for a touchdown, and Mike Hollis kicked three field goals, including a 45-yarder with 3:07 remaining that hit the top of the right upright and went through.

Clyde Simmons returned an intercepted shovel pass for a score for Jacksonville, which won its last five regular-season games to make the playoffs.

**Steelers 42, Colts 14**  
Pittsburgh improved to 10-0 against the Colts at Three Rivers Stadium as Chad Brown had three sacks, Jerome Bettis rushed for 102 yards and two touchdowns and Kordell Stewart also ran for two scores.

Coach Bill Cowher made it clear he plans to use both Stewart and starter Mike Tomczak at quarterback throughout the playoffs. Stewart had a big game Sunday, while Tomczak's two interceptions led to all of Indianapolis' points, including Eugene Daniel's 59-yard touchdown return.

"It's more of a 'feel' thing, based on where you're at and how things are going," Cowher said. "They're both going to play in the upcoming weeks, but how much, I can't say."

**49ers 14, Eagles 0**  
San Francisco handed Philadelphia its first shutout in five years and knocked quarterback Ty Detmer out of the game with a hamstring injury. Detmer was intercepted twice near the San Francisco goal line.

Former 49ers running back Ricky Watters was held to 57 yards rushing, 10 fewer than Young managed.

"We played very effective mud football today," Young said. "I don't care about what the stats say, we played an effective ballgame. The defense comes up with some big plays and we go home with a 14-0 win."

## Hawkeyes respond to tragedy with wipeout of Red Raiders

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — In the face of tragedy, the Iowa Hawkeyes pulled together and ended up with something to celebrate.

"I hope I don't wake up in the morning and find out it's a dream," Iowa coach Hayden Fry said Sunday night after the No. 21 Hawkeyes defeated Texas Tech 27-0 in the Alamo Bowl.

Iowa achieved the victory — and shut down Texas Tech's running back Byron Hunsford in the process — two days after the family of Iowa linebacker Mark Mitchell was involved in a fatal car wreck.

Diane Mitchell, his mother and an enthusiastic supporter of the team, was killed and other family members were injured in an accident while traveling to the bowl game.

"It's a very emotional time for my football team and coaches," Fry said after the game. "We have great people."

The Hawkeyes were galvanized by the adversity, and in honor of Mrs. Mitchell they played the game with their black helmets devoid of any team emblems. Only the players' numbers were on back.

Iowa also had other motivations.

### ALAMO BOWL

The Hawkeyes were going against Hunsford, the Doak Walker Award-winning running back who plans to announce today whether he will turn pro. And despite their higher ranking, the Hawkeyes were dubbed 3-point underdogs.

"It made me mad that we were the underdogs. I thought we took it personally," said Iowa defensive lineman Jared DeVries, named the game's best defensive player.

DeVries had five tackles, including two sacks, and one pass deflection.

Iowa running back Sedrick Shaw, named best offensive player, rushed for 113 yards on 20 carries and upstaged Hunsford, a 2,000-yard rusher this season.

"I had about 50 people here watching me," said Shaw, who attended Austin's LBJ High School. "I want people to remember me as someone who gave his best in every situation."

Shaw, Iowa's career rushing leader, surpassed his season average of 91 yards per game. Hunsford carried 18 times for

### Hanspard declares for NFL draft

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — All-America running back Byron Hunsford announced today he's giving up his senior year at Texas Tech to enter the NFL draft.

Hunsford, who this season became only sixth player in NCAA history to rush for more than 2,000 yards, made the announcement one day after gaining a season-low 64 yards in the Red Raiders' 27-0 loss to Iowa in the Alamo Bowl.

"I will be giving up my senior year to go into the NFL draft," said Hunsford, who made his decision last week, but wanted to wait until after the bowl game to make it public.

only 64 yards, about a third of his 190-yard season average.

The Hawkeyes have faced eight of the nation's top 20 rushers this season, and only Northwestern's Darnell Atruy managed to reach his season average.

## Tech wins in slowdown mode vs. Wyoming

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — No. 20 Texas Tech scored 105 points and lost.

Then the Red Raiders were held to 77 and won.

That's perplexing to Wyoming coach Joby Wright after his team took a 77-74 loss this weekend in its own Cowboy Shootout.

"Texas Tech doesn't play in the 70s, they play in the hundreds," Wright said. "They want to score points. We thought keeping the game in the 70s could give us a crack at it."

The Cowboys did have a crack at it except that Tech made its free throws down the stretch to offset 34 points from Wyoming's LaDrell Whitehead.

In other games involving Big 12 teams, Kansas State was beaten 95-54 by No. 17 Xavier on Sunday, and on Saturday Missouri lost to Illinois 85-69; Oklahoma dropped a 78-75 decision to Tulsa; Baylor won its 10th straight with a 65-56 victory over Northwestern Louisiana; Colorado stopped Missouri-Kansas City 82-61; and

### BIG 12 BASKETBALL

Texas A&M fell to Northern Iowa 82-70.

Texas Tech had lost 122-105 to New Mexico State in the first game of the Shootout in Casper, Wyo., but had enough to beat the host school in the consolation game.

"From a coach's perspective, I thought we played hard," Wyoming's Wright said. "I thought our team went out there and gave them all they could... we gave the 20th-ranked team in the nation a battle down to the last four seconds."

Cory Carr made five of six free throws in the last 53 seconds and finished with 23 points to help Tech (8-2) held off the Cowboys (3-7).

Mark Young scored 22 points for Kansas State (7-3), and his 14 points in the first half helped keep the Wildcats in the game. But the pressure by Xavier was too much as the Musketeers started a season 9-0 for the first time ever.

Darnell Williams scored 21 points and Torraye Bragg had 16 points and 16 rebounds to subdue the Wildcats.

Missouri made 27 turnovers in the annual Braggin' Rights game with Illinois in the Kiel Center in St. Louis. The largest crowd — 22,371 — to watch a college game in Missouri sat and watched an indecisive Tigers offense.

"Yeah, you could see them passing and then trying to get away from the ball," said Illinois guard Kiwane Garris. "And then you could see they didn't move to try to get the ball either. You get the sense they didn't want to make a mistake out there. Nobody wants to be the one to get the blame."

Cory Tate scored with 13 minutes remaining to get Missouri (7-4) to within 50-44, but Illinois (10-2) put the game away with a 14-2 run.

Garris had 15 points, 13 in the second half. Derek Grimm scored 18 to lead Missouri.

### Oklahoma starters Lou Moore and Bobby Joe Evans each got their fourth fouls in the first 30 seconds of the second half, making it an agonizing night for Sooners coach Kelvin Sampson in Oklahoma City.

"It's sickening to have Bobby Joe sitting over there next to me on the bench for 15 minutes," Sampson said. "Not having him in the game and Lou in the game for large periods of time, we were just holding them at bay."

Jamie Gillen made a 3-pointer just before the shot clock ran out to give Tulsa (8-3) a 68-60 lead with 3:56 left over the Sooners (8-2). Surprising Baylor (10-1) got 19 points and 10 rebounds from Brian Skinner to beat Northwestern Louisiana (4-5) in Waco. Baylor led 55-54 before scoring 10 straight points until Ryan Bundy made a jump shot with three seconds left.

Colorado had its biggest margin of victory since a 91-69 victory over Colorado State in 1980 in beating Missouri-Kansas City.

## Best Longhorn-Penn State contest was the one that was never played

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AUSTIN — Texas and Penn State have hooked up for some pretty big games over the years, including a Cotton Bowl in 1972 and a nailbiter in 1990 that started Texas' "Shock the Nation" tour.

Yet, the biggest game in the rivalry remains the one that got away. In 1969, the two teams were undefeated and untied — and untested against each other. Penn State players and fans believe to this day that the national title would have been theirs had that game been played.

Ted Koy, then a running back for the Longhorns, said, "Oddly enough, I realized how hot and bothered Penn State was after the Dec. 6 game with Arkansas."

Koy was on a podium with the other Texas captains, quarterback James Street and All-America linebacker Glen Halsell. President Richard Nixon had been on hand for the 15-14 Big Shootout victory over Arkansas and was presenting a plaque proclaiming the Longhorns the country's No. 1 team.

Nixon turned to the Longhorn captains and said, only half-joking, "I want you to appreciate this because it has cost me a lot of votes in Pennsylvania."

Texas had the President's plaque, but Penn State had a 30-game unbeaten streak going in 1969. Joe Paterno's squad was stocked with players such as Pro Football Hall of Famers Jack Ham and Franco Harris, Outland Trophy winner Mike Reid, All-American halfback Charlie Pittman, Lydell

Mitchell and two-time All-America linebacker Dennis Onkontz.

"If we would have played, I think there would have been a new No. 2," said Onkontz, now a financial adviser in Boalsburg, Pa., near State College.

In State College, getting ready for this year's bowl game against Texas, Joe Paterno said, "One of my regrets is that I don't think the 1969 or 1968 teams got quite the credit they should because some of those guys went on to become great, great pro players. ... It was my fault."

In 1966, Paterno had succeeded his mentor of 16 years at Penn State, Rip Engle. In only his second season, 1967, he was 8-2-1 with a one-point loss to Navy and a two-point loss to UCLA and Heisman Trophy

winner Gary Beban. In 1968, Paterno's squad posted a perfect season, going 11-0 and beating Big Eight champion Kansas and John Riggins in the Orange Bowl.

The only problem that year for Penn State was a team it couldn't play, an Ohio State team loaded with sophomores such as Rex Kern and Jack Tatum. When the Buckeyes beat O.J. Simpson and Southern California in the Rose Bowl, OSU claimed the national championship.

Penn State finished second in The Associated Press poll, ahead of third-place Texas.

In 1969, the Buckeyes were again crushing all their opponents, but because of Big Ten rules couldn't go to the Rose Bowl in back-to-back years, or to any other bowl. One win against a lightly regarded

Michigan team with a rookie coach and the Buckeyes were a lock for their second straight national championship.

"What people don't realize is that Ohio State was way ahead of the whole thing," Paterno said. "They hadn't lost, and Michigan didn't look like they were going to beat them."

Darrell Royal, then the Texas coach, said, "I always said that to win a national championship, Notre Dame has to lose, the Big Ten team has to lose and probably Southern Cal. They had more people. They'd outvote you."

Although he'd spent most of the years in the polls in the shadow of Ohio State, Royal had a juggernaut of his own, rolling over people with a radical offensive formation, the Wishbone.

"It was a combination of out-

standing personnel and the fact that we had something that was new," Royal said. "The defensive coordinators hadn't gathered up and figured out how to stop it."

Proof of the power of the Wishbone came in the Cotton Bowl after the 1968 season.

"I think Tennessee was just as good as we were," Royal said. His Longhorns crushed the Vols 36-13 and kept right on rolling in 1969.

Royal had the nifty Street at quarterback, Koy and Jim Bertelsen at the halfbacks and bruising Steve Horster at fullback. All-Americans Bob McKay and Bob Wuensch at tackle provided some of the blocking. Cotton Speyrer was the All-American wide receiver and tight end Randy Peschel was a hero of the Arkansas game.

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By virtue of a Writ Of Execution issued out of the District Court of Howard County, Texas, pursuant to judgment rendered in 118th Judicial District Court of Howard County, Texas, by the District Clerk of said Court, in the hereinafter numbered and styled suits and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I did on the 3rd day of December, 1996, at 1:00 P.M., levy upon and will proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder at public auction on the 7TH day of JANUARY, 1997, being the first Tuesday of said month beginning at 10 o'clock a.m., on said day, at the North Courthouse door of said County, all the right, title, and interest of the Defendants in such suits in and to the following described real estate lying upon as the property of said Defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Howard and the State of Texas, to-wit:  
Cause No. Style of Suit and Property Description  
T-93-08-4127. HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. MAURINE W. TERRELL  
Lot One (1), Block Eleven (11), Half Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat of said addition as record in the plat records of Howard County, Texas, 1996-06-4365. HOWARD COUNTY, ET AL VS. DEVELOPMENTS UNLIMITED, INC.  
A 0.86 acre tract of land out of the NW part of Section Seven (7), Block Thirty-Two (32), Township One-South (T-1-S), R1P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, More fully described by maps & bounds as follows to-wit:  
BEING a 0.86 acre tract out of the NW part of Section 7, Block 32, T-1-S, T & P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas, described by maps and bounds as follows:  
BEGINNING at a 5/8" L.R. set in the East Right-Of-Way (80' Right-Of-Way) of Coronado Avenue, out of the North part of Section 7, Block 32, T-1-S, T & P RR Co. Survey, Howard County, Texas for the SW corner of this tract and an East corner of the Coronado Hills, 2nd Filing, an Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas  
THENCE N. 14' 34" W. along the East Right-Of-Way line of said Coronado Avenue, a distance of 190.0' to a 5/8" L.R. set for the SW corner of this tract  
THENCE S. 75' 26" E. along the South line of said 1.98 acre tract, 170.0' to a 5/8" L.R. set for the SE corner of said 1.98 acre tract and the NE corner of this tract  
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"My mom calls it a 'Winter Wonderland', but that's not what my dad calls it."

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

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Today is Monday, Dec. 30, the 365th day of 1996. There is one day left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 30, 1853, the United States bought some 45,000 square miles of land from Mexico in a deal known as the Gadsden Purchase.

When fire broke out at the Iroquois Theater in Chicago.

In 1911, Sun Yat-sen was elected the first president of the Republic of China after the fall of the Chinese dynasties.

In 1922, Vladimir I. Lenin proclaimed the establishment of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

In 1936, the United Auto Workers union staged its first "sit-down" strike, at the Fisher Body Plant No. 1 in Flint, Mich.

In 1940, California's first freeway, the Arroyo Seco Parkway connecting Los Angeles and Pasadena, was officially opened.

In 1944, King George II of Greece proclaimed a regency to rule his country, virtually renouncing the throne.

In 1947, King Michael of Romania agreed to abdicate, but charged he was being forced off the throne by Communists.

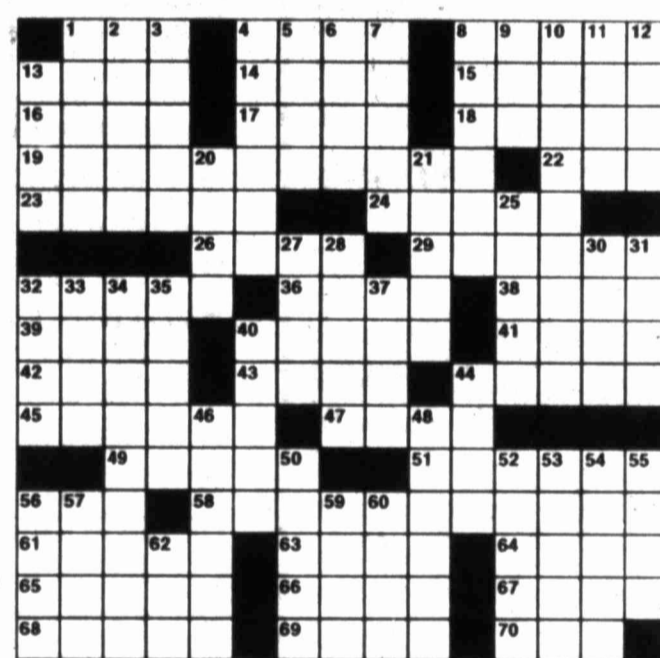
In 1972, the United States halted its heavy bombing of North Vietnam.

In 1993, Israel and the Vatican agreed to recognize one another.

Ten years ago: The Soviet Union turned down a proposal by the United States for an exchange of televised New Year's greetings by President Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

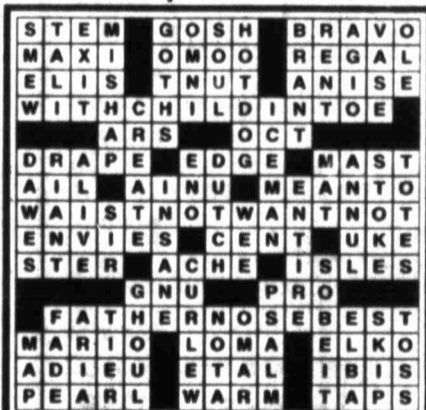
THE Daily Crossword

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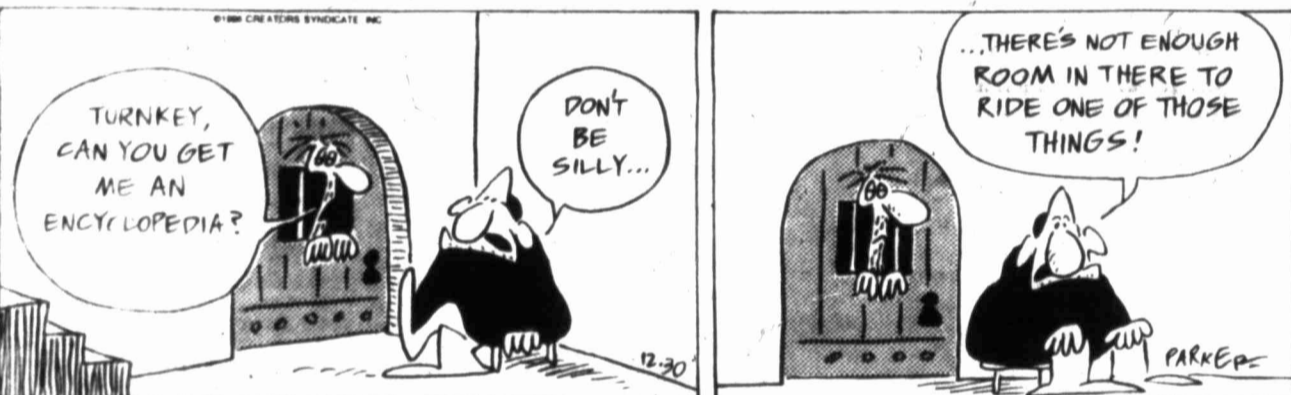
Saturday's Puzzle solved:



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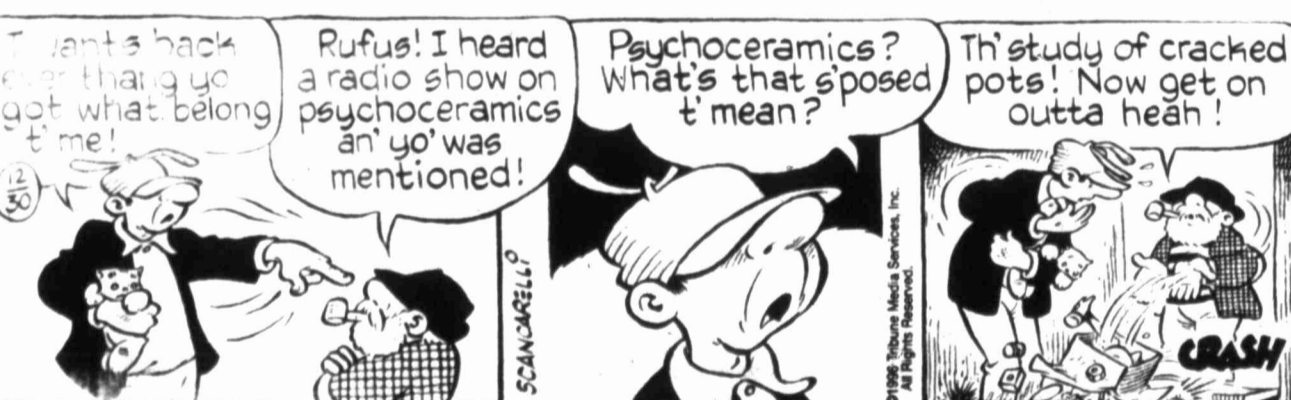
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