

# BIG SPRING HERALD

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## Malone & Hogan Methodist officially affiliates with St. Mary Medical Group

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

Big Spring's Malone and Hogan Methodist Clinic has officially joined the Lubbock-based St. Mary Medical Group.

In December 1996, officials from both Lubbock Methodist Hospital System and St. Mary's Hospital signed a letter of intent to merge on a 50-50 basis, a process officials said would take at least a year to complete.

Malone and Hogan affiliated with the Lubbock Methodist Hospital System in September 1994 to become Malone and Hogan Methodist.

Lubbock Methodist spokesperson Kim Davis said she doesn't think the move will affect Malone and Hogan Methodist

very much at all, and that both systems involved are committed to keeping all regional affiliates strong and very much a part of the new Methodist/St. Mary Health System.

St. Mary Medical Group is comprised of more than 100 physicians in the West Texas area. The 10 physicians associated with Malone and Hogan Methodist will continue to practice at 1501 W. 11th Place.

The facility opened in 1938 when eye, ear, nose and throat specialist Dr. P.W. Malone and surgeon and internist Dr. John E. Hogan, purchased it from retiring physician Dr. Charles Bivings.

The addition of the Big Spring physician group fits well with the objectives of the St. Mary Medical Group, according to

Susan Neves, vice president of St. Mary Hospital.

"Our partnership with the physicians of Malone and Hogan is a key component in the development of our integrated system which further ensures the mission of St. Mary Hospital," Neves said.

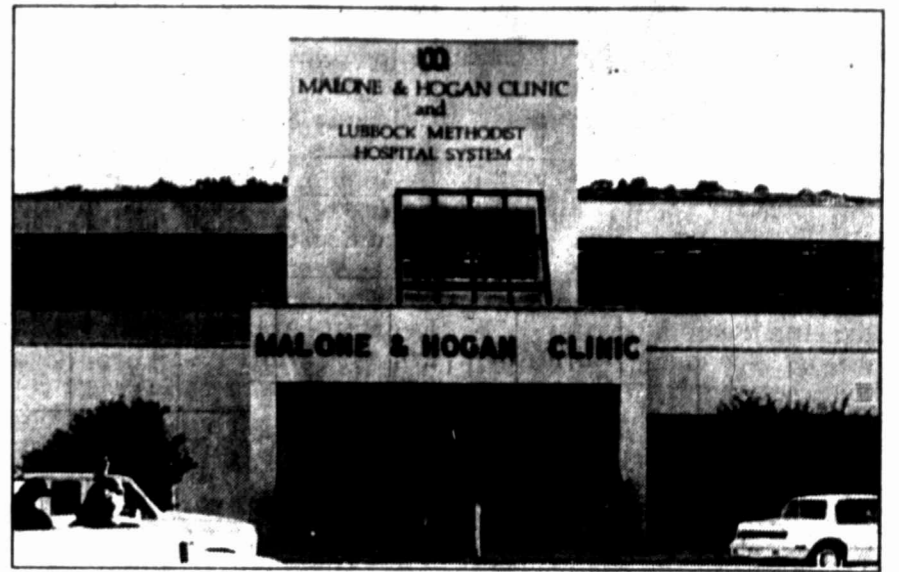
Neves also serves as vice president for St. Mary's Physician Practice Services which will manage the physician practices.

The physicians currently practicing at Malone and Hogan include Manuel Carrasco, M.D., internal medicine; Robbie Cooksey, D.O., family medicine; James W. Cowan, M.D., urology; John F. Forks, M.D., obstetrics and gynecology; Carlos Garza, M.D., general and vascular surgery; Rudy Haddad, M.D., urology; Robert P. Hayes,

M.D., orthopedics; James E. Matthews, M.D., general and vascular surgery; B. Ray Owen, M.D., pediatrics; and Stephen C. Archer, M.D., obstetrics and gynecology.

Chairman of the Board Alan B. White and President and Chief Executive Officer Charley O. Trimble believe the move will help stabilize jobs and enable both organizations to provide quality, cost effective and accessible health care and to compete in the highly competitive Texas/New Mexico health care market.

One goal of the Methodist/St. Mary Health System is to provide health care more efficiently and economically by sharing facilities, equipment and personnel, rather than have a duplication of services.



HERALD photo/Jonathan Garrett  
Malone & Hogan Clinic, which affiliated with Lubbock's Methodist Hospital in 1994, has now expanded its affiliation and has joined with St. Mary Medical Group.

## TU: Heat pump helps conserve energy, cut bills

By CARLTON JOHNSON  
Staff Writer

One of the best ways for users of electricity to save on energy costs in the winter is to choose a high-efficiency heat pump, according to TU Electric.

In summer months, a heat pump works like a standard air conditioner and heat is collected from inside the home and then transferred outdoors where it is given off by a condenser unit.

The difference between a heat pump and an air conditioner is that a heat pump not only cools the home in summer, it also heats it in the winter.

In winter months the heat pump collects heat from the outdoor air and brings it inside, according to TU Electric Customer Service Representative Bryan York.

When the outdoor temperature becomes very low, there is not enough heat in the air to supply heat inside and a supplementary electrical heating unit or a gas furnace comes on to provide additional heat to the circulating air.

Winter weather can cause a variety of problems when it comes time to heat a home.

"Where electric heaters are concerned, we try to encourage people to set them (thermostats) where they will be comfortable," TU Electric Interim District Manager Jim Clements said. "The lower the setting on the thermostat, the less heat loss you will have."

Clements said electric heaters are designed to keep an area warm constantly to within about two degrees.

The heat pump can save more than 50 percent of the operating cost of an electric furnace, and up to 30 percent of the heating cost of a regular gas furnace.

TU offers several winter heating tips designed to save energy as well as heating expenses for customers, including:

- For economy, set the thermostat at 69 degrees or less. It costs more for every degree above the recommended setting. A five-degree lower setting will conserve energy when you plan to be away for a day. For any extended time away from the home, the thermostat should be set between 50 degrees and 60 degrees.
- Lower the thermostat setting



HERALD photo/Debbie L. Jensen  
H-E-B's Eric Chartier puts toys in a shopping cart as Salvation Army Maj. Mary Dell Tolcher and Danelle Castillo study the toy aisle for more ideas. The Salvation Army workers were choosing \$662 worth of toys for needy children, spending money collected in a drive at the grocery store Saturday.

## Salvation Army goes toy shopping with money from HEB 'pump off'

Like two of Santa's elves, Salvation Army workers on Monday loaded shopping cart after shopping cart with toys for the community's needy children.

Maj. Mary Dell Tolcher and Danelle Castillo, armed with a notepad and calculator, and with help from H-E-B's Eric Chartier, spent the \$662 collected Saturday in a Toys for Tots drive.

"I love to spend money," said Castillo, Salvation Army's social services director. "What better reason to get to go shopping."

The toys will be distributed next week to families that have signed up for Christmas help from the agency. Clothing and other items purchased from the Angel Trees, along with the toys, will be given

to children from ages 6 to 12.

"I'm glad we could figure out something to partner with them," said Scott Edwards, H-E-B store manager. "This is going to get some toys into the hands of some children who otherwise wouldn't have any."

On Saturday, the grocery store hosted Salvation Army volunteers to pump gas for its customers, donating a portion of sales to Toys for Tots local drive. Then the store added a corporate donation as well.

"We enjoyed working with them, and we hope to do some things in the future," Edwards said.

The real fun began Monday afternoon, though, as Chartier loaded shopping carts with games and toys chosen by Tolcher

and Castillo. There were dozens of boxes of Chinese checkers, bingo games, jewelry sets, motorized cars, microphones and keyboards.

One by one, overflowing carts were wheeled to the front, while Tolcher and Castillo filled another one. More than 200 toys were purchased Monday, to be added to those already collected at sites throughout town.

Tolcher and Castillo chose toys for boys and girls, with a wide range of ages and interests. Tolcher said shopping for the toys made her feel "like a child on Christmas morning."

"It was the most welcome Christmas surprise," she said, "a gift from God."

- DEBBIE L. JENSEN

## BSISD begins speech therapy curriculum

By STEVE REAGAN  
Staff Writer

If you like to feel wanted, perhaps a career in speech therapy is what you need.

The Big Spring Independent School District (BSISD) and other similarly sized entities constantly struggle to maintain adequate staffing requirements. Nowhere is that struggle more pronounced than in the area of special education.

More than 200 BSISD students are in need of some form of speech therapy, and the district currently has only two full-time and three part-time therapists available, said Richard Light, director of special education for the district.

And that's just the tip of the iceberg, assistant superintendent Murray Murphy said. He said the district plans to add another therapist next semester, but even more are needed.

"We could put more students, who have lesser disabilities, in the program, but we don't have enough personnel available now to help them," Murphy said. "We have to concentrate on students with bigger problems."

The problem with that approach, however, is those minor speech difficulties — if left untreated — will probably grow into major problems down the road, he added.

"If you can catch these kids at a younger age, the faster you can solve their problems," he said. "Right now, our therapists are just about at the max with the number of students they can treat."

Unlike other areas, there is no state mandate on how many therapists per student the district must have. Murphy said that, depending on the time of year, BSISD therapist averages between 75 and 150 students per therapist.

Not surprisingly, lowering that ratio would have a profound impact on the quality of service.

"Adding another therapist ... would give us some more flexibility to deal with the students we have," Murphy said. "And it would give us some more room for growth next year. We have 205 students we're serving ... and if we had more personnel, we could serve more students."

"Serving your students, and serving them well are two dif-

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9 shopping days left  
Snoopy's Christmas  
Countdown  
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### WEATHER

Tonight:



Tonight, clear. Lows mid 20s to lower 30s. Wednesday, sunny. Highs lower to mid 60s. Wednesday night, fair. Lows lower to mid 30s. Extended forecast, Thursday through Friday, partly cloudy. Lows lower to mid 30s. Highs in the 60s. Saturday, cooler with a chance of rain. Lows in the 30s. Highs upper 40s to mid 50s.

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## Martin Co. hospital earns trauma certificate

By STEVE REAGAN  
Staff Writer

STANTON — Martin County Hospital's trauma care facility is on a par with almost any West Texas hospital, and it has the paperwork to prove it.

MCH became one of only six West Texas hospitals to have its trauma facility fully certified by the Texas Department of Health at ceremonies Monday in Stanton.

The certification means that the hospital has the necessary equipment and staff training to

either treat trauma victims on site or safely transport them to another hospital. MCH currently has transport agreements with several West Texas hospitals.

MCH Administrator Rick Jacobus said the certification was a feather in the hospital's cap.

"There aren't that many hospitals in this area that are certified," Jacobus said. "It really doesn't mean as much to Martin County Hospital as it would to the people driving down Interstate 20 who might get into

an accident."

Jacobus said the hospital has been upgrading its trauma care capabilities for the past two years. All the necessary equipment — including modern, state of the art ambulances, were purchased about a year ago, and staff training was completed about six months ago.

The hospital did not need TDH certification to treat trauma patients. Jacobus said the process' aim is to standardize trauma care throughout the

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OBITUARIES

Joe Rocha, Jr.

Joe Rocha, Jr. went to be with his Lord on Monday, Dec. 15, 1997, at the age of 40. Joe departed this life from Medical Center Hospital, Odessa, following a sudden illness. Rosary will be 8 p.m. Tuesday, at Myers & Smith Chapel led by his aunt, Teresa Rocha. Funeral mass will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with Rev. Cornelius Scanlan, pastor, officiating. Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.



ROCHA

Joe was born on July 6, 1957, in Big Spring. He married Mary Ann Olague on Sept. 9, 1978, in Big Spring. He graduated from Big Spring High School in 1975. Joe attended and graduated from Scenic Mountain School of Radiology in 1977 and was a nuclear medicine technologist. Joe had worked at St. Mary's Hospital in Lubbock for five years, Scenic Mountain Medical Center in Big Spring for one year and the Veterans Administration Hospital for 13 years. Joe lived in Lubbock from 1977 until 1982 while working at St. Mary's Hospital. Joe returned to his hometown where he was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church and was a Crusillista. Joe is survived by: his wife, Mary Ann Rocha, Big Spring; one son, Ray Mendoza; six sisters, Maria Ortega, Cruz Olague, Margie Valverde, Beatrice Rocha, Lucy Bustamante and Inez Rocha, all of Big Spring; two brothers, Alvin Rocha and Donny Rocha, both of Big Spring; mother-in-law and father-in-law, Elvira and Tomas Olague of Big Spring; 25 nieces and nephews; and a number of aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his father Joe Rocha, Sr. on April 3, 1992, and his mother Olivia Rocha on July 13, 1997. Pallbearers will be Mike Sanchez, Edward Olivas, Gregg (Steak) Salisbury, Hugh Clark, Manuel Gutierrez, Jr., and Frank Salazar.

Carroll T. Cannon

Funeral service for Carroll T. Cannon, 66, Ruidosa, N.M., formerly of Big Spring, will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1997.

**NALLEY-PICKLE & WELCH Funeral Home**  
Trinity Memorial Park and Cremation  
906 Gregg St.  
(915) 267-6331

Lloyd H. Duncan, 74, died Sunday. Services will be 3:30 PM Wednesday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

24th & Johnson 267-8288

Carroll T. Cannon, 66, died Saturday. Services will be 2:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel with interment at Trinity Memorial Park.

Benjamin Lecroy, 80, died Sunday. Military Graveside rites will be 1 PM Friday at Ft. Sam Houston National Cemetery, San Antonio, Texas.

Joe Rocha, Jr., 40, died Monday. Services will be 10:00 AM Wednesday at Sacred Heart Catholic Church with interment at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

at Myers & Smith Chapel with Rev. Bob Underwood, minister of missions at First Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Trinity Memorial Park.

Mr. Cannon died Saturday, Dec. 6, at his residence.

He was born on Nov. 29, 1931, in Abilene. He graduated from Big Spring High School in 1949. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean Conflict. He retired from American Petrofina Corporation.

Survivors include: one son, Steven Carroll Cannon, Colorado Springs, Colo.; two daughters, Cheryl Ann Gandy, Lovington, N.M., and Dana Dee Turner of Lewisville; his brothers and sisters, Pearl Ivy, Tulsa, Okla., Vernon Cannon, Hobbs, N.M., Audie Blackburn, Everton, Ariz., Jean Bryton, Lucas, and T.L. Cannon, Seattle, Wash.; and three grandchildren.

The family will receive friends from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

Benjamin Lecroy

Service for Benjamin Lecroy, 80, is pending with Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel.

He died Sunday, Dec. 14, 1997, at the VA Medical Center.

Rance Lee Thompson

Graveside service for Rance Lee Thompson, 26, Grand Prairie, formerly of Big Spring, was 2 p.m. today at the Little Cemetery in Swearingen Funeral Home, Seminole, Okla., with Rev. David McDougal, pastor of Free Will Baptist Church, officiating.

Mr. Thompson died Friday, Dec. 12, 1997, in Nacogdoches. He was born on Oct. 6, 1971, in Lubbock. He was working for an airconditioning/heating repair service in Plano.

Survivors include: his parents, David and Juanita Thompson, Grand Prairie; one brother, Richie Thompson, Lubbock; his grandparents, Jake and Mary Lee Thompson, Seminole, Okla., and a grandmother, Zel Gammell, Ft. Sumner, N.M.

Memorials may be made to the Rance Thompson Memorial Scholarship; Independent National Bank; 4055 South Great Southwest Parkway; South Grand Prairie, Texas; 75052.

Arrangements under the direction of Swearingen Funeral Home, Seminole, Okla.

Joseph "Joe" P. Gordon

Service for Joseph "Joe" P. Gordon, 87, Fort Worth, formerly of Big Spring, will be 3:30 p.m. today at Moore Chapel in Arlington. Burial will be in Moore Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Moore died Sunday, Dec. 14, 1997, in Arlington.

He was born on July 18, 1910. He had been an agent for the IRS. Mr. Moore had been a resident of Big Spring for 36 years and was a member of Tate Springs Baptist Church in Arlington. He was preceded in death by his wife, Gertrude D. Gordon.

Survivors include two daughters, Brenda Lynn, Fort Worth, and Joann Gomet, Amarillo; two sisters, Annie Nicholas and Dora McKee; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements under the direction of Moore Funeral Home, Arlington.

Winnie Faye Shafer

Service for Winnie Faye Shafer, 93, Lamesa, will be 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 19, 1997, at Branon Funeral Home Chapel, Lamesa, with Rev. David Black officiating. Burial will follow in Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring.

Mrs. Shafer died Monday, Dec. 15.

She was born on Sept. 17, 1904, in Waxahachie. She married Coleman Wheeler Shafer on Dec. 29, 1929, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on Sept. 26, 1974. She farmed in the Midway community and

moved to Dawson County from Howard County in 1941. She was involved in ranching. She attended Texas Women's University and the University of Texas. She taught school in Green Valley and Big Spring elementary schools. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church, a Worthy Matron of the Eastern Star, Lamesa Chapter 67, and was state vice president of Home Demonstrations.

Survivors include: one sister, Georgia B. Landiss, College Station; one nephew; two nieces; two great-nieces; and one great-nephew.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Memorial Fund in lieu of flowers.

Arrangements under the direction of Branon Funeral Home, Lamesa.

Minnie Lee Jones

Service for Minnie Lee Jones, 78, Stanton, will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 17, 1997, in the Stanton Church of Christ with Ellmore Johnson officiating. Interment will be in the Evergreen Cemetery.

Mrs. Jones died Sunday, Dec. 14, in Stanton.

She was born July 19, 1919, in Grapeland and moved to Stanton 49 years ago. She married Hebrew Jones, Sr. in April 19, 1941, in Crockett. He preceded her in death on Jan. 23, 1981. She was a dietitian at Martin County Hospital before her retirement. She was a member of the Stanton Church of Christ, Martin County Hospital Auxiliary and Martin County Historical Museum.

Survivors include: four sons, L.E. Jones, Fort Worth, Hebrew Jones, Jr., Big Spring, David Jones, Bay City, and Marin Jones, The Woodlands; three daughters, Bonnie Chavez, Captain, N.M., Marva Scurlark, Odessa, and Leatrice Thorns, Dallas; a sister, Fannie McKnight, Houston; 19 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Arrangements under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home, Stanton.

TRAUMA

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state so that victims can be assured of receiving a certain level of care from any facility to which they are taken.

"The process is still relatively new," he said. "TDH is trying to make all (trauma) care within the state uniform, so that everyone on the road would receive the same level of care."

The certification took effect Dec. 1, and is good for three years, Jacobus said.

BSISD

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ferent things," he added.

The major reason BSISD and other school districts have such trouble retaining therapists is that they can make more money in the private sector, Murphy said. Another reason is that speech therapists must complete a five-year college program to become licensed in Texas.

"It has been this tough for as

BIG SPRING AROUND THE TOWN

long as I can remember," Murphy said. "Therapists are few and far between."

CUT

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while sleeping and use and electric blanket.

•On central heating systems, set the fan switch on automatic instead of continuous.

•Consider using a humidifier during colder months. Humidity makes the air feel warmer, so you can be comfortable with less heat.

•Open the draperies or shades on the sunny side of the house and let the sunshine in. Otherwise, keep the draperies and shades closed to keep the heat in.

TU also recommends insulation for making a home energy efficient.

Insulation can help reduce heating and cooling costs because it slows down the flow of heat.

According to TU, resistance to heat flow is measured in "R" value. The greater the R-value, the greater the resistance to heat flow. The ceiling is the area of greatest heat loss, meaning homeowners should make sure it is well-insulated before insulating the outside walls or floor.

TU recommends R-30 in the ceiling, R-11 minimum in the outside walls and R-19 under pier and beam floors.

BRIEFS

A SCHOLARSHIP FUND HAS been set up in memory of former Big Spring resident Rance Thompson, who died in an accident Friday. The scholarship will be given to a Grand Prairie High School Student each year.

Thompson was the son of David and Juanita Thompson, formerly of Big Spring. Donations can be made to: Rance Thompson Memorial Scholarship Fund, Independent National Bank, 4055 S. Great Southwest Pkwy., Grand Prairie, Texas 75052.

A MEMORIAL FUND FOR the Jack Dorsett family has been set up at Security State Bank in Merkel. Dorsett was a former Big Spring teacher and coach who died Dec. 10. Donations can be made by calling 928-4728. The account number is 1040851818.

For more information, call Mark Whitmire at 928-3346.

SCENIC MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CENTER will have a community blood drive Tuesday, Dec. 23, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the first floor classroom. Please call 263-1211, ext. 463 for an appointment.

THE HISTORIC SPRING IN Comanche Trail park will be decorated with a lighted display of thousands of lights nightly beginning at 6:30 p.m. through Jan. 1.

Special musical programs are planned through Sunday. For more information, call Pat Simmons, 263-4607.

Texas Lottery PICK 3: 5,2,7  
CASH 5:8,11,16,21,37

SPRINGBOARD

TODAY

- 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.
- Al-Anon, 8 to 9 p.m., 615 Settles.
- Narcotics Anonymous, 6 to 7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Episcopal Church.
- Beginning line dance class will be taught at 9 a.m. at the Senior Citizens Center. Call 267-1628 for more information. All ages welcome.
- 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.
- Big Spring Art Association, 7 p.m., West Texas Center for the Arts, Howard College Campus.

MARKETS

March cotton 66.77, up 39 points; Jan. crude 18.06, down 11 points; Cash hogs steady at \$1 lower at 40.50; cash steers steady at 65; Feb. lean hog futures 60.07, up 20 points; Feb. live cattle futures 66.02, up 70 points.

courtesy: Delta Corporation.

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Index	7994.46
Volume	203,525,100
ATT	56 1/2 - 1/2
Amoco	86 1/2 + 1/2
Atlantic Richfield	78 1/2 + 1/2
Atmos Energy	27 1/2 + 1/2
Calenergy Inc.	29 1/2 - 1/2
Chevron	76 1/2 + 1/2
Cifra	2.15 - 2.19
Cornell Correc.	18 1/2 + 1/2
De Beers	20 1/2 - 1/2
Diagnostic Health	10 1/2 - 1/2
DuPont	62 1/2 + 1/2
Excel Comm.	17 1/2 + 1/2
Exxon	63 1/2 + 1/2
Fina	64 nc
Halliburton	50 1/2 + 1/2
IBM	103 1/2 + 2 1/2
Intel Corp	73 + 7/8
Laser Indus LTD	25 1/2 + 1/2
Medical Alliance	4 nc
Mobil	74 1/2 + 1/2
Norwest	38 1/2 - 1/2
NUV	9 1/2 + 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	48 1/2 - 1/2
Palex Inc.	11 1/2 nc
Pepsi Cola	35 - 1/2
Parallell Petroleum	6 1/2 - 1/2
Rural/Metro	30 1/2 - 1/2
Sears	44 1/2 - 1/2
Southwestern Bell	73 1/2 - 1/2
Sun	42 1/2 - 1/2
Texasco	53 1/2 - 1/2
Texas Instruments	44 1/2 + 1/2
Texas Utils. Co	40 1/2 + 1/2
Unocal Corp	38 1/2 + 1/2
Wal-Mart	41 1/2 + 1/2
Amcap	15.25-16.18
Euro Pacific	25.37-26.92
I.C.A.	30.70-32.57
New Economy	19.44-20.63
New Perspective	19.05-20.21
Prime Rate	8.50%
Gold	285.60-286.10
Silver	5.87-5.90

POLICE

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. Tuesday:

- BOBBY RUTH, 22, arrested on local warrants.
- JUAN BUSTAMANTE, 19, arrested on charge of no insurance.

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- CRUZ GUTIERREZ, 22, arrested on charge of possession of marijuana under two ounces.
- SYLVIA ZAPATA, 34, arrested on charge of no insurance.
- RAUL MENDEZ, 18, arrested on revocation of probation warrant.
- STEPHEN FOSTER, 42, arrested on charge of no insurance.
- DEL SCHEIBER, 27, arrested on charge of possession of controlled substance.
- NORMA SCHEIBER, 39, arrested on charge of possession of marijuana.
- EUSEBIO SAIZ, 18, arrested on charge of public intoxication.
- ALBERTO SAENZ, 20, arrested on a charge of theft.
- GILBERT PUGA, 24, arrested on local warrants.
- HERMENEJIL OROSCO, 32, arrested on local warrants.
- ASSAULT/FAMILY VIOLENCE reported to the police department.
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF on the 1700 block of Jennings.
- THEFT on the 1200 block of E. Third and the 2700 block of Anna.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION on the 1600 block of Cardinal.
- BURGLARY OF A BUILDING on the 2500 block of Wasson.

SHERIFF

The Howard County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 a.m. Tuesday:

- EUGENE ZAPATA, 21, Sand Springs, arrested on charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.
- KATHY ANN KEREMSKY, no age or address given, arrested on charges of DWI and hit and run.

FIRE/EMS

Following is a summary of Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reports:

Monday

- 10:45 a.m. — 2300 block Parkway, medical call, patient transferred to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- 2:23 p.m. — 2000 block Virginia, trauma call, patient transferred to SMMC.
- 2:32 p.m. — 200 block S. Main, smoke scare.
- 4:15 p.m. — 700 block W. 16th, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.
- 3:11 p.m. — 2500 block E. 24th, medical call, patient transferred to SMMC.
- 6:44 p.m. — 700 block Capri, trauma call, service refused.

RECORDS

Monday's high 72  
Monday's low 27  
Average high 55  
Average low 29  
Record high 78 in 1924  
Record low 10 in 1989  
Precip. Monday 0.00  
Month to date 0.39  
Month's normal 0.35  
Year to date 19.34  
Normal for the year 18.26  
\*\*Statistics not available

Big Spring Specialty Clinic



The following Doctors will be in our office this week.

Tuesday, Dec. 16th ..... Randy Pat Russell, MA, CCC A Audiologist  
Tuesday, Dec. 16th ..... Dr. Bueno/Pediatrician  
Wednesday, Dec. 17th ..... Dr. David Morehead OB/GYN  
Thursday, Dec. 18th ..... Dr. Brown Neurologist



Call us for An Appointment 267-8226  
Childbirth Classes will begin Dec. 15th.  
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From left, Salvation Army workers Danelle Castillo and Maj. Mary Dell Tolcher, with Eric Chartier of H-E-B scan the toy aisle at the grocery store Monday afternoon. The three were loading shopping carts with toys purchased with money collected Saturday in a Toys for Tots drive.

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# Goodnight bison find new home on the range at Quitaque park

QUITAQUE (AP) — Conservationists believe a small herd of purebred Southern Plains bison roaming a new West Texas home could be the start of a rebound for a species once 60 million strong in these parts.

Five more bison were transported Monday from the famed JA Ranch southeast of Amarillo to a holding pen 30 miles away at Caprock Canyons State Park, where Texas Parks and Wildlife officials hope to build a flourishing new herd.

Calling it the "most important conservation project in the history of our department," TPWD Executive Director Andrew Sansom said he hopes bison here can rebound as whooping cranes and bald eagles have in other efforts.

"This is the last remnant of pure

Southern Plains bison in North America," Sansom said as nine of the animals darted and bucked in a 10-foot-high pen behind him. "Beyond the biology of it, these animals are symbolic of the west and symbolic of our identity as Texans."

The animals are descendants of a bison herd set aside in 1876 by celebrated Panhandle rancher Charles Goodnight, whose wife encouraged him to preserve some of the animals that dominated these badlands before man arrived.

With little interference, the herd had roamed the spacious JA Ranch until its current owners donated them to the state last year. Construction of 330 acres of pens began last August, and TPWD crews began capturing bison in November.

Twenty-nine of the approximately 42 bison at the JA have been captured, loaded onto skids and transported into manmade pens for the first times in their lives. Six bison died from the stress of being tranquilized, and one calf died from a gore wound from an adult beast.

"We'd hope to hold the mortality rate to 10 to 15 percent," bison project coordinator Roy Welch said.

At least four bulls and 10 cows have been confirmed as purebred, meaning they've undergone no genetic mixing with other species. Officials might sell off impure members of the herd, Welch said.

The series of pens and fences, reinforced with high-tensile steel cables strung between stands of drillpipe donated by Texaco, is expected to be

completed in August by laborers from a prison unit in nearby Tullia. Plans are still in the works on observation platforms for the park's estimated 150,000 annual visitors.

Genetic research and study of the herd's DNA is top priority now. Welch said careful development of the small herd must be monitored closely for six to eight years to prevent inbreeding.

"Eventually, there will be a large enough selection of bulls to rule out (mating) siblings," Welch said, adding the controlled breeding also will create a more docile animal than those bolting around the pens Monday.

Once the herd gets going, Welch said offspring will be kept all over the state, just in case a catastrophic weather event wreaks havoc on the Caprock Canyons bison. A herd of 500 or more

is planned. The National Bison Association estimates about 250,000 of the animals exist today, mostly in the United States and Canada. There is no reliable figure on how many of those qualify as purebred, TPWD officials said.

Caprock Canyons State Park once was part of Goodnight's ranch, which stretches across miles of scenic canyons in the central Panhandle. Also located in the park is a cliff where, 10,000 years ago, Plains Indians stampeded bison to their deaths during hunts.

In addition to state funding, the project has been bolstered by a variety of corporate donations and a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

## New computer system searches for and finds Medicaid fraud

HOUSTON (AP) — Out of the technology that perfected the so-called "smart bombs" used in the Persian Gulf War comes a system now being used to find fraud in the Medicaid system.

Texas Comptroller John Sharp said Monday that a preliminary examination of Medicaid claims from Houston and Austin alone turned up \$34 million in improper billings.

The system found a psychiatrist who billed for 40 one-hour therapy sessions in a single day.

It discovered a physician who claimed to be on the job more than 18 hours a day for every workday in a year.

Intelligent Technologies, which developed the "neural net" technology, has been awarded a 21-month contract to continue its Medicaid work for the Texas Health and Human Services Commission, which administers the Medicaid program in Texas.

Sharp said he contracted with the company after reading about how credit card companies used the technology to root out fraud.

"They taught the Visa (credit card) system how to think like a credit card crook," Sharp said at a news conference at the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center on Monday.

"They spent two years teaching us their system how to think like a Medicaid crook."

State and federal governments spend about \$7.5 billion per year on Medicaid, which provides health care for low-income children, pregnant women, disabled and elderly in Texas.

It is estimated that 14 percent of the Medicaid budget is lost to fraud, Sharp said.

A computer searched through millions of Medicaid claim forms, Sharp said, revealing a pattern of questionable billing practices at a Houston-area physicians clinic.

State officials discovered that Houston Pro Medical continued to use Dr. Francis C. Archer's name to submit bills for more than two months after the physician died in January, the comptroller said.

Texas Pro Medical has agreed to repay the state \$2 million for improper billing of services provided to Medicaid beneficiaries, Sharp said.

Issac Molho, president of Houston Pro Medical Management, could not be reached for comment. The Houston Chronicle reported today.

Settlement talks are also under way with several other providers, and some cases may be referred for criminal prosecution, Sharp said.

Joe Brown, company president, said the anti-fraud systems were derived from technology used in the "smart bombs."

"Now, it has made its way into the commercial sector," he said.

The computer can analyze Medicaid bills using 120 factors to size up the practices and can "learn" from the system and detect new schemes used by providers.

Sharp said the next goal is to be able to use the system earlier in the claims processing system so it can analyze claims before the state pays the bill.

## Drunk driver who kills mother, two children, loses plea to spend 'one last Christmas' with family

TYLER (AP) — District Judge Louis Gohmert has denied a plea by a man convicted of involuntary manslaughter in the 1991 traffic deaths of a woman and two of her four children to spend one last Christmas with his family.

Each of the children had twin siblings. Elvis Dewain Halliburton, 56, a former nurse, faces 10 years in prison for driving while drunk, resulting in an accident that killed Saundria Monique Williams-Ross and her two children, who each have a twin.

"(The victims) surely would want to spend one more, just one more Christmas at home with their family," Gohmert said. "They did not have that opportunity, and you're not going to either."

Halliburton received two 10-year sentences, but the judge ruled them to be served concurrently. During a hearing Monday, the judge denied a request by relatives of the victims that the sentences be served consecutively.

Halliburton, 56, has had several strokes and uses an oxygen tank. Family members worry he won't live 10 years, defense attorney Mike Deguerin said.

"The penitentiary is going to be a very difficult time for him," Deguerin said. "It could very well be a death sentence."

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"(Halliburton) don't have no remorse to run over my kid than he would have a dog," said Sandy Ross, father of Saundria Monique Williams-Ross and grandfather of Ashton Williams-Ross, 4, and Ashley Williams-Ross, 2.

"He took three lives. I think he should give something," Ross said.

His wife, Betty, said the family has suffered continually during the past six and one-half years.

"I've had to raise those twins, and it's not been easy," she said. "I thank God that they're still here, something left of her."

"I am glad now it is finally over," Mrs. Ross said.

Halliburton was convicted by a jury in 1995 on the first count of involuntary manslaughter and was sentenced to 10 years in prison, but remained free pending the outcome of an appeal.

He pleaded guilty in 1996 to a second charge of involuntary manslaughter and received a 10-year probated sentence, but had to serve 60 days in the Smith County Jail.

Halliburton pleaded guilty on Dec. 2 to the last of the three involuntary manslaughter charges against him.

Although his 1995 sentence was upheld earlier this year by an appeals court, he has yet to begin serving that sentence because he's attempting to take his appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Halliburton is remorseful and didn't deserve the maximum sentence, DeGeurin said.

"What you have here is an almost 57-year-old man who is loved by those people that have known him over the last 57 years, that has worked hard and honestly all of his life," he said. "He didn't want this tragic situation to happen."

## TEXAS BRIEFS

### The ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — A former Houston city councilman charged with bribery in an FBI public corruption sting has asked that the charges be dismissed because only minority politicians were targeted.

Ben Reyes' motion Monday with U.S. District Judge David Hittner, alleges that he was singled out because he is Hispanic.

The Justice Department went after nine minority politicians, never approaching Mayor Bob Lanier and five white City Council members, Reyes said.

Reyes' attorney, Michael Ramsey, also raised questions about why former U.S. Attorney Gaynelle Griffin Jones, also a minority, recused herself from

the case. All six people who were indicted, except for Reyes' longtime aide, were minorities, Ramsey said.

AUSTIN — The first license plate in Texas history to be designed by a child will benefit children by helping fund reading programs.

Laura Bush, wife of Texas Gov. George W. Bush, and state Rep. Helen Giddings on Monday unveiled the "Read to Succeed" license plate designed by 14-year-old Melody Maas of Terrell Middle School.

The license plate, which features an open book with the Texas flag as its pages, is priced \$30 above the regular registration fee. A law sponsored by Ms.

Giddings, D-Dallas, allows for the special plate.

Of the extra fee, \$25 is earmarked for the Texas Children's Literacy Trust Fund to help pay for measures including kindergarten through second grade reading inventories, which determine children's reading strengths and weaknesses; teacher training; and after-school reading programs.

The design by Miss Maas was picked from 12,000 entries.

AUSTIN — A combination of good intentions and good luck has snagged Sgt. Robert Portillo a new house made of old things.

Portillo's pledge to recycle his beer cans made him the grand-prize winner in the first America Recycles Day random

drawing Monday in Washington. His prize is a house made primarily of recycled-content products to be built at the location of his choice.

His name was picked from among 750,000 entries in the contest, said Kevin Tuerff, executive director of the national project to boost recycling.

"He made a specific pledge to recycle his beer cans, to take used motor oil to the recycling center and to reduce the amount of plastic bags used when shopping," Tuerff said.

Portillo, assigned to an artillery unit at Central Texas Fort Hood military base, was in El Paso visiting his parents, Tuerff said. The soldier is headed to Korea, where he will be stationed in January, he said.

## Woman's 1988 letter to judge hinted she'd flee with child

GAINESVILLE, Ga. (AP) — Barbara McBride has been told that, while she's in jail, she can visit with the daughter with whom she fled Texas almost a decade ago rather than heed a court's order to turn over custody to her ex-husband.

The daughter, now 13, has told authorities she wants to stay with her mother rather than return to North Texas with her father, Jim McBride, who flew to Georgia over the weekend.

At a custody hearing Monday night in Gainesville, a judge postponed a decision until another hearing is held Dec. 29, but he granted visitation rights to both.

An extradition hearing for Ms. McBride was scheduled for today.

She was arrested Thursday in Gainesville, Ga., after the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children received an anonymous tip. Samantha McBride, who was 3 years old at the time of her disappearance, was found at East Hall High School in Gainesville under the name of Penny Shelby.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported today that Ms. McBride wrote a letter to a Wise County judge in 1988 that seemed to foreshadow her determination to flee with her daughter rather than turn the child over to her ex-husband.

McBride wrote that she was willing to lose everything to keep her daughter, Samantha, away from her ex, whom she accused of abusing their daughter, an allegation he denies.

"I don't want to risk my

daughter's life and would give up all of the above for her safety alone," she said in a letter to Judge John R. Lindsey that was entered in the court record on March 3, 1988.

"I can't help but cry when I write this because her future is in your hands ...," she wrote. "It would not be healthy to keep running and looking behind for the rest of my life."

But that's what she did after she lost custody of Samantha in April of 1988.

The letter, which was sent to inform Lindsey that she would not be appearing at a hearing the following day, came more than year into divorce proceedings, the Star-Telegram reported.

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# EDITORIAL

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## OUR VIEWS

# Big Springers ... coming through for the 'Angels'

In Friday's Herald, we ran a story about the fact the Salvation Army was forced to extend the Angel Tree deadline over the weekend because there were still 276 "Angels" that had not been adopted.

Today, we can tell you that over the weekend, some 229 of those 276 "Angels" were adopted.

Because of the generosity of the members of our community, we're almost home.

Almost.

Forty-seven Angels remain on the tree, which has now been removed to the Salvation Army's main offices at 811 W. 5th St.

But just because the tree has been moved from Wal-Mart doesn't mean you can no longer help someone less fortunate than yourself.

It just means there is no more time left to procrastinate ... to think 'I ought to do that' and then not do it.

Most of the remaining Angels on the tree are described as elderly. Many of them have no family and none of them will have a Christmas without your help.

Just as the thought of a child without Christmas brings tears to your eyes, so does the thought of a person in their golden years ... someone who has worked all of their lives, yet finds themselves in a situation where Christmas is a luxury they can no longer consider, much less afford.

As children, we were taught it is more blessed to give than receive. As adults, wouldn't this time of year, when we celebrate the birth of Christ, be the perfect time to put that childhood lesson into practice?

We'll ask you one more time - and we'll keep asking until all the Angels are adopted - to help make this a merry Christmas for every single Angel whose name appeared on the Angel Trees.

## OTHER VIEWS

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

If you're going to set off a bomb, common sense says to use as long a fuse as possible to be sure you're a long way away when it goes off. The 1983 Congress offers an example. It raised the Social Security retirement age, but attached a fuse that would burn for 20 years before anybody felt the impact.

Congress should have lit a similar fuse to Medicare.

"Saving" Medicare means a sacrifice from providers, taxpayers, and/or recipients. We can pay doctors, pharmaceutical manufacturers and medical device makers less. We can raise Medicare taxes paid by those now working. We can raise co-payments charged to the elderly, or at least the wealthy elderly; we can quit providing the most expensive services. Or we can delay the eligibility age.

Of all the unhappy possibilities, the last step should be the first taken. It is clearly the most sensible. Social Security's intent is to provide a financial safety net for the retirement years; Medicare's intent is to provide a health safety net for the same years, and should by logic kick in at the same age.

-THE DES MOINES REGISTER

Speaking of assassination attempts, we suspect that several of our readers have wondered aloud ... why the Clinton administration doesn't simply give the go-ahead to the Central Intelligence Agency or some other operative to slip into Iraq and take our Saddam Hussein.

That the world would be a far safer place without Hussein

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seems self-evident. The overarching question is whether the United States should be in the business of killing scoundrels. The answer is obvious.

If the USA is to be the shining city on a hill that our Founding Fathers envisioned, it cannot go about willy-nilly, regardless of their treachery.

Otherwise, we are no better than the tyrants we would dispatch to the nether regions.

-DAILY NEWS  
ALAMOGORDO, N.M.

As we rush into a global economy, most of us need all the points of stability possible. That may be part of the reason behind a wise decision not to mess with the "Made in U.S.A." labels that appear on many of the world's best consumer products.

Recently, the FTC voted unanimously to preserve the current standards for the labels. Goods with the labels must be "all or virtually all" made in this country. The vote came after furious opposition to a proposal to weaken the requirement and allow goods with as little as 75 percent of their manufacturing done here to be marked as "Made in U.S.A."

It apparently came as a great shock to the commission staff that labor, small business groups and others would resent the change enormously.

Thanks to the small businesses and labor groups, consumers will have labels that still really mean what they say. And shoppers will continue to be able to use the labels in whatever ways they wish in making their own buying decisions.

-THE HERALD  
Everett, Wash.

# The joke is on Congress, not the people

By BILL MAXWELL  
St. Petersburg (Fla.) Times

The campaign finance scandals fouling the air in Washington underscore the American people's contempt for Congress. While the president and vice president are the main targets of the investigations, most voters believe that the GOP accusers are themselves nothing more than money-grubbing hypocrites.

Such phony outrage makes Congress even more despicable and, of course, laughable. Talk show hosts and others never run out of material. In short, elected officials' own sorry behavior has made Congress-bashing one of the country's most colorful pastimes.

Paul Boller, in his book "Congressional Anecdotes," presents old and recent observations depicting Congress as a pack of fools. Ironically, many lawmakers are contemptuous of themselves. Boller reports, for example, that shortly after the first Congress had convened in 1789, the self-loathing began. Even then, as Michigan Rep. William Ford would say later, a person had "a constitutional right, when elected to Congress, to be a damned fool and act like one."

The acerbic Mark Twain kept his quill aimed toward the nation's capital. "Suppose you were an idiot," he wrote. "And suppose you were a member of Congress. But I repeat myself."

Will Rogers also disparaged Congress as a menagerie on

the Potomac. "When Congress makes a law," he wrote, "it's a joke; and when Congress makes a joke, it's a law."

Rogers' wariness was shared by Edward Everett Hale, a Unitarian minister who became chaplain of the Senate. One day, after he had opened a session with prayer, a visitor asked: "Do you pray for the senators, Dr. Hale?" Hale responded, "No, I look at the senators and pray for the country."

Boller tells of a woman who read a copy of the Congressional Record containing a list of memorial speeches routinely delivered after a legislator dies. "Please," she wrote to her representative, "send me more Records containing speeches on behalf of some of you dead congressmen. I enjoy reading them so much."

Indeed, Capitol Hill has seen enough bigots, cowards, drunks, womanizers and other shady characters to make voters sneer at the very thought of politics. But few in the general public are more critical of elected officials than they are of themselves - which, I suppose, is good because honest introspection purges the soul of vanity and self-deception.

Few congressmen have been more forthright than my senator, the late Claude Pepper, who often berated his "esteemed colleagues." Pepper loved to joke about the congressman and the bishop who died and arrived in heaven at the same time. The lawmaker was given an elegant suite,

while the bishop languished in a tiny, windowless room. When the bishop inquired about his treatment, St. Peter explained: "We have thousands of bishops up here; this is the first congressman we ever got!"

Not surprisingly, a major source of Congress-bashing is the enmity between the two chambers. Boller writes of a congressman's wife who shakes her husband out of a troubled sleep. "Wake up, John!" she screams. "There are robbers in the house." The groggy congressman says: "Nonsense, my dear. Robbers in the Senate, yes, but in the House, never!"

Congress' ability to create gridlock draws universal disapprobation. When Massachusetts Rep. William Everett came back to Boston during his first term in the House, a voter asked him if he liked Congress. Everett replied: "Oh, it's the funniest place I ever saw. In the House they have got things fixed so that you can't get anything in, and in the Senate they have arranged things so that you can't get anything out."

Indeed, Washington affirms the adage that the love of money is the root of all evil - and corruption. Boller writes that an elderly senator was asked about the medication that kept him so happy and enthusiastic for his work. "Don't need medicine," he said. "I'm under the influence of money."

We're fast approaching another congressional election, a time when evasiveness makes

Americans despise their senators and representatives more than ever. Can anyone, many voters wonder, pin down an incumbent on the issues? This may be an impossible task, Boller suggests when writing about a voter who pleaded with her congressman to tell her if he was "for" or "against" universal military training.

The congressman replied: "I certainly am."

In another instance, a journalist asked an incumbent for his position on the military industrial complex issue. The senator said, "I think I'm undecided - but I'm not sure." The reporter said: "Senator, I want to congratulate you on the straightforward manner in which you dodged my question."

Ah, but is Congress-bashing fair? And exactly who are these people whom we send to "Capitol Hill"?

Consider what California Rep. Vic Fazio told The New York Times in 1990: "I realize there are people who stay here too long, and I realize there are people who don't stay here as long as they should. I realize there are some people who shouldn't ever have gotten here. But the genius of this system is that you have a mix of all these people - the good, the bad, the ugly. It's a mirror of the country."

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# Five unforgettable Christmas gifts ...

By SHARON RANDALL  
Scripps Howard News Service

This is a story about five Christmas gifts I will never forget. I call it "The Dress, the Doll, the Fruit, the Bird and, Oh Yeah, Baby Jesus."

The Dress: Our first Christmas, my husband dragged me blindfolded to a seamstress who took my measurements, even some I never knew I had.

Two weeks later, he gave me a green velvet, Jackie Kennedy style cocktail dress. It fit tighter than O.J. Simpson's glove and was six inches short of decent. But Lord, how I loved that dress. I wore it to my husband's faculty party that year and on other festive occasions. Until I washed it. Then I gave it to my daughter for her Barbie.

The Doll: One Christmas after my parents parted ways, I fell

into the gap between them, so to speak, and could not find my way out. So my grandmother took scraps from her rag bag and made for me a doll - a healing doll, she called it, who would talk, if I listened, who would tell me good things, all the things a child needed to hear.

I named her Sarah. She looked like Ava Gardner in a calico dress, but she sounded just like my grandmother. I've had Sarah for some 40 years in good times and bad. I have to listen harder now to hear her, but her voice hasn't changed, she still heals.

The Fruit: When I was 9, my family ran into some hard luck (harder than our usual) and by Christmas we were flat broke. My mother mail-ordered some toys for us from Santa on credit. But Santa was busy, couldn't deliver until spring.

So when my stepfather dropped

a box of tangerines under the Christmas tree and said, "That's all, folks," we ate them. They were good. And from that day to this, when I peel a tangerine, it always smells like Christmas.

The Bird: First, let me say the boy meant well. Our oldest, who was then 15, wanted to give his 12-year-old sister a gift she would never forget. Christmas Eve, he went to a pet store and bought with his own money a tiny finch, a cage and a year's supply of seed. Then he brought it home, covered it with a blanket and put it under the tree.

Next morning, the family gathered in excitement as my daughter opened her brother's gift, pulled off the blanket and peered into the cage. For a moment, there was silence, not a word, not a peep. Then our 10-year-old, the prophet, said, "That's a dead bird."

It was not one of our merrier Christmases.

Oh yeah, Baby Jesus: Every year, to remind my children of the true meaning of Christmas, I take Baby Jesus out of the Nativity set, wrap him up and put him under the tree. Then on Christmas morning, we open him first, because of course, "he's the best gift of all."

For 25 years I've done this and every time my children roll their eyes and moan "Oh yeah, Baby Jesus." Except the year I forgot. Then they wanted to know what I did with him.

All that is to say this: The best gift, like the best memory, may not look like much. It's made of calico and velvet, feathers and fruit peels, and hard-luck babies born in barns. But like Christmas, it comes from the heart of the giver. To receive it is never to forget.



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# Mother of 680-pound 13-year-old girl wants judge to decide case

MARTINEZ, Calif. (AP) — Thirteen-year-old Christina Corrigan spent the final days of her life lying in front of a television, occasionally dragging her 5-foot-3, 680-pound body off the floor to go to the bathroom.

She was found dead in November 1996. Her nude body, ravaged by open bedsores, lay on a filthy sheet surrounded by empty food cartons and human waste. A medical examiner ruled she died from heart failure due to obesity.

Her mother is about to go on trial for one count of felony child abuse. Authorities brought charges not for Christina's size, but for the conditions in

which she had lived — among the waste and the trash.

Marlene Corrigan has said she did her best with her daughter, but Christina just demanded food and refused to see a doctor. Family members have said the working single mother simply was overwhelmed.

Jury selection in Corrigan's trial was scheduled to begin Monday, but the case was delayed until Wednesday. Defense attorney Michael Cardoza he will ask Contra Costa County Superior Court Judge Richard Arnason to decide the case himself.

Cardoza prefers the judge over a jury

because of the emotional nature of some evidence, including photographs that recorded that sad state of Christina's final days.

"When you look initially at these photos, they are shocking," Cardoza said. "People aren't used to seeing a 5-foot-3, 680-pound little girl."

Prosecutor Brian Haynes agreed: "These are emotional issues and these are shocking photos."

Cardoza maintains Corrigan did not neglect her daughter.

"The mother did not know about these bedsores. The little girl didn't tell her," he said.

Child welfare officials had been called several years earlier by Corrigan's sister. At that time, Christina was 7 years old and weighed about 200 pounds, according to police reports.

A case worker visited but officials didn't take action, believing Christina was under a doctor's care. Christina saw a doctor only a few times and last visited one in 1992.

The case attracted international interest and set off a debate over the rights of the obese.

"There are some important issues that the public has the right to see," media lawyer Neil Shapiro said. "There are

many who think that no charges should have been filed."

Both sides have agreed to ask the judge whether cameras should be allowed in the courtroom. Haynes said he would oppose televising the trial on the grounds that it could impinge on the privacy of family members who will be testifying.

Among those following the case is Marilyn Wann, editor of the San Francisco-based magazine "FATSO?"

"I think anybody who has a fat family member should be interested in this case," Wann said. "If parents can be prosecuted on the weight of their child, I don't know where it stops."

## U.S. decides to inoculate troops for anthrax

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — The chief U.N. weapons inspector left Iraq today after failing to persuade Saddam Hussein to open his palaces to a search for clandestine biological, chemical and nuclear weapons programs.

Iraq ridiculed the U.S. military's decision to inoculate American troops against anthrax, saying it did not possess "even one gram" of the deadly biological agent.

Richard Butler flew to Bahrain en route back to New York, where he will report to the U.N. Security Council on Thursday on the outcome of two days of largely disappointing talks.

While Butler reported progress in gaining access to an unspecified number of other sensitive sites, he said the talks yielded no breakthroughs on access to presidential palaces and no genuine information on suspected germ warfare programs.

"In the biological area, I am sorry to say, Iraq said they have destroyed everything," Butler said Monday. "That is not quite what our information says ... so we do have a problem here."

Fears that Iraq may have been producing anthrax during a recent three-week forced halt in the U.N. weapons searches prompted the United States to order vaccines for 1.5 million troops.

Defense Secretary William Cohen said Monday that Iraq could have produced enough anthrax to fill six missile warheads during the standoff.

Baghdad mocked the contention, suggesting that Cohen might own a vaccine firm and be trying to drum up business for it.

"Iraq ... is saying again that it does not possess even one gram of that biological ... material," an unidentified information ministry spokesman told the official Iraqi News Agency.

Anthrax is one of the most lethal germ agents and can be fatal even in microscopic amounts. Iraq, Russia and as many as 10 other countries are believed to have the capability to use anthrax in weapons.

Asked if Iraq's intransigence in the latest talks will trigger another crisis with the United Nations, inspections spokesman Alan Dacey said today, "I think no. As of Thursday, it is going to be in the Security Council's hands to decide."

The Security Council has insisted that sanctions imposed after Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990 will stand until council members are satisfied Iraq has eliminated its weapons of mass destruction.

The talks were Butler's first with the Iraqis since Saddam triggered the three-week standoff by ordering American weapons inspectors out of Iraq.

Butler then withdrew the remaining inspectors in protest, raising tensions in a crisis that had the United States bolstering its military presence in the Persian Gulf.

After Russian mediation, all of the inspectors returned Nov. 21 and there have been no major confrontations since.

Today, the inspectors drove out of their headquarters in a six-car convoy to continue inspections, but only at sites that Iraq has kept open.

Iraq says the 40-odd palaces designated off-limits are symbols of national sovereignty that can never be subjected to outside scrutiny.

Dacey said Butler's mission was not a complete failure.

"There was some success in it. There was a lot of progress made. We were not as much as we wanted, but we must report that there was some progress made," he said.

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## Tech's Spike Dykes speaker for BSHS football banquet tonight

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Sports Editor

Spike Dykes, Texas Tech University's head football coach, will be the keynote speaker tonight when the Big Spring Quarterback Club holds its annual Big Spring Steers Football Banquet at 6:30 in the BSHS cafeteria.

Tickets for the banquet, priced at \$9 each, will be available at the door.

The son of a cotton ginner, Dykes was born in Lubbock and played high school football in Ballinger where he was an all-state center and helped lead the Bearcats to the Class 2A state finals.

He began his coaching career as an assistant coach at Eastland High

School after graduating from Stephen F. Austin State University in 1959.

Not only rooted in West Texas football, Dykes has strong local ties, having coached Coahoma's Bulldogs to 10-1 and 12-1 records in 1964 and 1965 and serving as Big Spring High School's head coach from 1967 through 1969.

Having just completed his 11th season at the Red Raiders, Dykes has now served as Tech's head coach as long as any other coach. During the 11 seasons Peter Cawthon headed the

program from 1930-40.

In the process, he has accomplished a number of firsts. He is the first Tech coach to lead the Red Raiders to four straight bowl appearances, including their first appearance in a Cotton Bowl, and last year was the first recipient of the Big 12 Conference's coach of the year award.

A fifth straight bowl appearance would have come this season had Texas Tech not disqualified itself from consideration during an ongoing NCAA investigations.

After fashioning a 56-28-3 record in eight seasons as a head coach in Coahoma, Belton, Big Spring and Alice, he joined Darrell Royal's staff at the University of Texas in 1972.

In five seasons at Texas, he served

in several capacities, coaching the freshmen, special teams and the offensive and defensive lines. During that span, the Longhorns won three Southwest Conference championships and Dykes pupil Brad Shearer won the Outland Trophy.

He moved to the University of New Mexico in 1977 and was named defensive coordinator there in 1978 before Emory Bellard, whom he'd coached under at San Angelo Central, called him to Mississippi State to serve as offensive line coach for one season.

Missing West Texas, however, Dykes returned home by taking over the Midland Lee High School program in 1980. The Rebels went 34-11-1 under his leadership, including a 13-3 mark in 1983 when they twice defeated

Odessa Permian en route to the Class 5A state finals where they lost a heart-breaking 25-21 decision to Converse Judson.

A week later, he was named the Red Raiders' defensive coordinator, serving in that capacity under both Jerry Moore and David McWilliams. When McWilliams left the program to take the University of Texas' head coaching post, two weeks prior to the Red Raiders' appearance in the 1996 Independence Bowl, Dykes was named head coach.

With a record of 43-30-1 while Tech was a member of the Southwest Conference, Dykes led the Raiders to more conference wins than any other coach and was named the SWC's coach of the year three times.



DYKES

## Aikman says he'll be back, but Switzer?

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

IRVING — Watching for signs of Barry Switzer's demise has become a popular sport at Valley Ranch.

There was a big sign Monday that Switzer won't be back next year: Quarterback Troy Aikman, not an overwhelming supporter of the head coach, said he will return.

"I'll be back," Aikman said. "I've always said 10 years is important to me, so I'll play. I just hope (owner) Jerry Jones takes the necessary steps to get this thing back on track."

With a 31-24 loss Sunday to Cincinnati, the mistake-plagued Cowboys are 6-9 and out of the playoffs for the first time since 1990.

As far as the subject of Switzer is concerned, Aikman said he has never tried to influence Jones' coaching and personnel decisions.

"Jerry makes the decisions he is comfortable with, and I don't lobby for anybody," Aikman said. "I've removed myself from the process."

"I don't have a magical answer for all this."

But he did say the team needs more focus and discipline, things it lacked this season and things that are not Switzer's strong suits.

"That (discipline) is just my nature, and maybe it's an extreme approach," Aikman said. "On teams that are successful, there is discipline."

"Something needs to be done about penalties and mistakes. But it is not for me to decide what is done."

Switzer joked about the coaching job Monday afternoon.

When asked about his job status, Switzer said again that Jones "is the only one who can answer that."

"I haven't pulled the trigger yet," Switzer said. "Jerry has the gun and I haven't taken it from him, but maybe I will."

The Cowboys close out the season against the New York Giants on Sunday, and then Jones will decide whether to keep Switzer as coach, dismiss him, or move him to another job such as college talent evaluator.

"I want to help prepare for the draft and be part of the evaluation of talent whether I'm the head coach or not," Switzer said.

Switzer would have two years remaining on his contract, worth about \$1 million per season, and Jones would have to pay him anyway.

Jones said he has a plan for 1998, but isn't divulging it.

## Lady Steers tumble to Lady Rebs, 71-51

By JOHN A. MOSELEY  
Sports Editor

Big Spring's Lady Steers looked anything like the team that took the championship of last week's Seminole Invitational basketball tournament when they were literally embarrassed by Midland Lee's Lady Rebels in a 71-51 loss Tuesday night.

A team that lives and dies by its pressing and trapping defensive scheme, Big Spring spent much of Tuesday's loss appearing as if it had never seen an opponent use the same tactic.

As a result, Lady Steers coach Ron Taylor could only shake his head in trying to explain the 20-point loss to a team he's convinced couldn't play with a Hobbs, N.M., team. Big Spring defeated, 80-73, for the Seminole tourney's title.

"I don't know what it was," Taylor said, his disgust clearly evident. "Maybe it was [fatigue] from playing in the tournament. We weren't moving our feet and were slow, just never got in the game."

"We never once got into the press offenses we work on," he added. "We had people trying to attack their press, but we didn't have everybody doing the same thing at the same time."

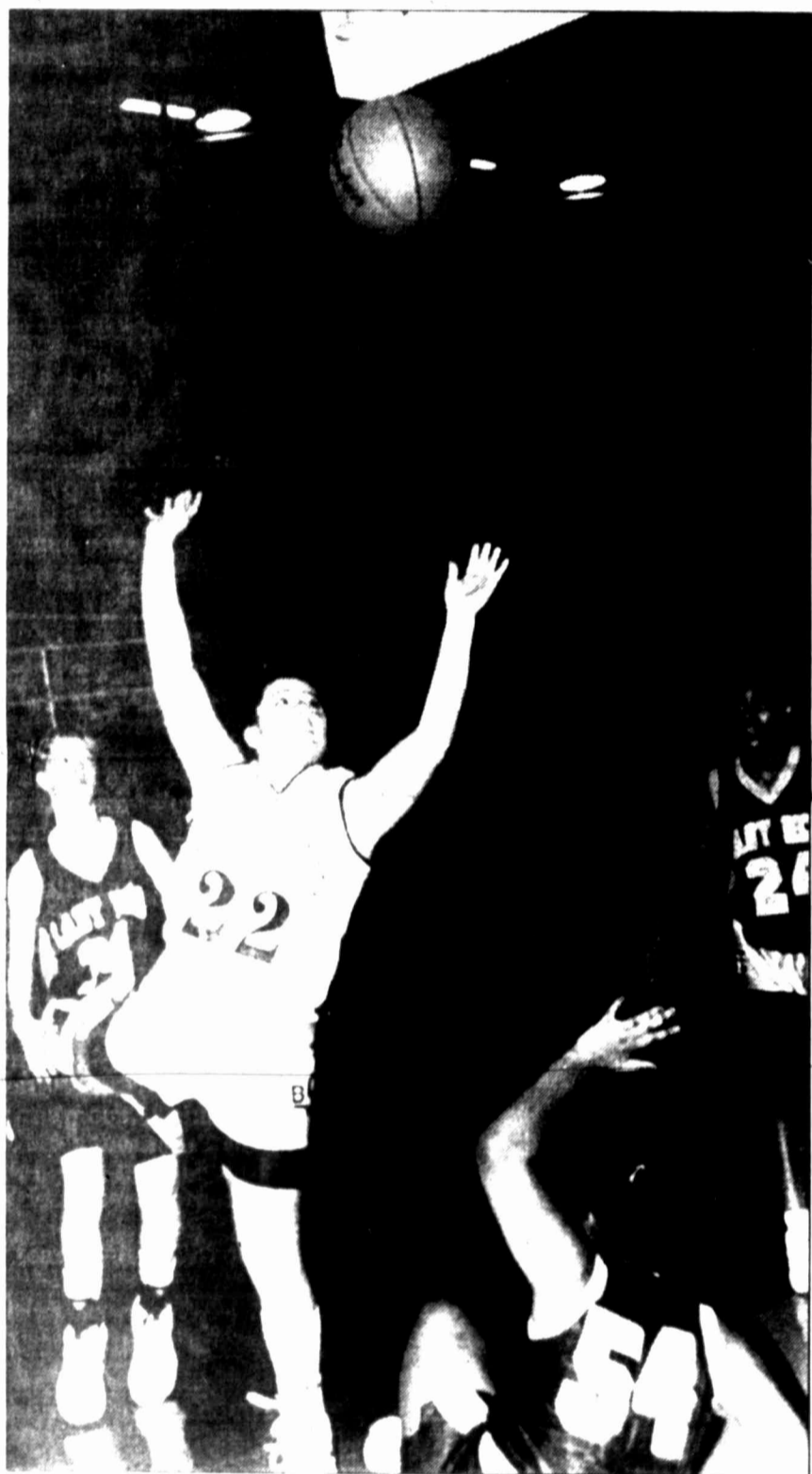
Except for the second quarter.

After jumping out to a quiet 7-2 lead in the first four minutes of the game, the Lady Steers seemed incapable of keeping Midland Lee guard Rochelle Warren from dribbling through both their press and half-court trap defense and could only watch as Warren's high-scoring backcourt mate, Keke Strambler, nailed a string of 3-point shots in making the Lady Rebels to a 29-9 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Having been outscored 20-2 in the first period's closing minutes seemed to ignite the Lady Steers, however.

With Tracy Bellingham and Nadia Cole scoring from inside the paint and Kara Hughes and Marlana Light draining 3-pointers in the first two minutes of the period, Big Spring mounted a rally that left them trailing by just two points, 36-34, at halftime.

In fact, the Lady Steers' second-quarter rally had Taylor remembering the weekend's title game in which Keesha Lott had paced Big Spring



HERALD photo/John A. Moseley  
Big Spring's Maggie Haddad (22) can only watch as the ball flies out of bounds after colliding with Midland Lee's Christina Brown (54) during the third quarter of the Lady Steers' 71-51 loss to the Lady Rebels.

with 20 points inside, while Taylor had added 18. Light had 10 points, the tournament's most valuable player, in the second quarter.

The Lady Steers would score 15 points in the second quarter when the two teams returned to the floor, but finally stymied by the Lady Rebels' pressure, Big Spring seemed incapable of capitalizing even when it did manage to get the ball to its end of the court.

Leading 50-37 going into the final period, the Lady Rebels put the game out of reach by

outscoreing the Lady Steers 11-3 in the first three minutes of the quarter and coasted to the 20-point win.

"Lee was big and athletic, and for some reason, we have trouble with teams that have size," Taylor added. "But they weren't as quick or as tall as Hobbs. We just never got in the game."

The Lady Steers coach made it clear that his team has not displayed the consistent play he believes will be necessary for Big Spring to claim its sev-

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## San Francisco gets Rice back, pounds Denver

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO — Jerry Rice wasn't around to talk about his dramatic return from a severe knee injury. He was hurting too much.

Rice, playing for the first time since tearing two ligaments and damaging cartilage in his left knee on Aug. 31, caught a 14-yard touchdown pass for the San Francisco 49ers' first score in a 34-17 win over the Denver Broncos on Monday night.

But he banged his surgically repaired knee after Steve Atwater's hit sent him crashing to the ground in the end zone.

49ers officials described the injury as a bruise, but CNN-SI and The Press Democrat of Santa Rosa, Calif., quoted team sources as saying Rice has a cracked bone in his left knee and will miss all of the playoffs.

"I just kept saying, 'Get up, Jerry. Get up, Jerry. Get up,'" San Francisco coach Steve Mariucci said. "Then he got up and jogged off and said, 'I'm OK.'"

Rice didn't play after the second-quarter touchdown catch, and he avoided reporters after the game. General manager Dwight Clark said Rice had an injury to his knee unrelated to the previous injury and would undergo an MRI scan sometime today.

"We're going to do some imaging and see if we can figure out exactly what it is," Clark said.

With Rice standing on the sidelines watching with his knee wrapped in a bandage, the 49ers defense took over in the second half, forcing John

Elway into three turnovers leading to 17 points.

Merton Hanks' 55-yard interception return for a touchdown broke a 17-all tie in the third quarter, Lee Woodall's 55-yard interception return set up Gary Anderson's second field goal and Kevin Greene sacked Elway, forcing a fumble that he returned 40 yards for the final score.

"They're not a blitzing team, but they were tonight," Elway said. "You've got to be able to adjust to it. I just made too many mistakes throwing the ball."

Elway, trying to carry the team after running back Terrell Davis went out in the second quarter with a right shoulder separation, threw 41 passes, but completed only 16 of them, for 150 yards.

"We didn't want John to just sit back there and pick us apart. We wanted to go after him," linebacker Gary Plummer said. "Give the corners a lot of credit because they were in man coverage most of the night."

The win, on a night Joe Montana's No. 16 was retired by the 49ers, clinched home

field in the NFC playoffs for San Francisco (13-2) and also gave Kansas City the home field over Denver (11-4) in the AFC.

"We've completely turned around from what happened in Kansas City," said 49ers guard Ray Brown, referring to San Francisco's 44-9 loss to the Chiefs three weeks ago. "That's the first thing I thought about."

Denver lost its second straight and heads into the

See NINERS, page 7

## Hawks drop pair in Kansas

HERALD Staff Report

Howard College's Hawks saw their season record dip below the .500 mark with successive losses to a pair of Kansas powerhouses at the Barton County Classic in Great Bend, Kan.

In the first game of the classic, the Hawks dropped a tight 78-75 loss to the host Cougars.

And in their second meeting of the season, the Hawks were again no match for nationally-ranked Neosho Community College on Saturday, suffering a 92-70 defeat that left Howard with a 6-8 record going into the holiday break.

Clifton Cook paced the Hawks with 27 points, coming up with 20 of them in the second half, while Darryl Green added 10 points and Nathan Clover rounded out the Hawks' double-digit scoring with 10.

The Hawks' next game is scheduled for Jan. 3 when they play Phoenix College in Phoenix, Ariz.

## Granger's Everage brothers top APSE Class A all-state first team

The ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — Brothers James and Brandon Everage, whose swarming defense and productive offense led Granger to its first state title, topped the Associated Press Sports Editors Class 1A all-state team.

James, a senior, was chosen at both receiver and defensive back for the second straight year. Brandon, a junior, joined him in the defensive backfield and was voted defensive player of the year. Brandon also was the second-team quarterback behind Tenaha's Chavis McCollister, the offensive player of the year.

Granger, which capped its 13-1 season with a 40-0 victory over Wheeler

this past Saturday, also placed offensive lineman Matthew Bohac and punter Marc Vanek on the first team. Bohac also made second-team defensive line.

Granger coach John Valastro learned of the honors Monday just before going to a school assembly honoring the 1A champs.

"I think everybody is going to go crazy in a minute," Valastro said.

Celeste, which fell to Granger 22-19 in the semifinals, was the only other school with multiple first-teamers, placing Chris Barnard on the offensive and defensive lines and Demetrius Rector at running back and defensive back.

The eighth annual APSE team was

chosen by sportswriters around the state, based on players' regular-season performance. Nominees were selected during the season and balloting was conducted during the playoffs.

Offensive lineman Eric Ramos of Bartlett and running back Jonathan Reagins of Munday joined James Everage as the only first-teamers returning from last season.

Other first-team offensive linemen were Kevin Morwietz of Falls City and a tie between Jeff Curlee of 1996 state champ Windthorst and Abel Orosco of Runge.

Bobby Bouse of High Island was the other first-team end, and Dante Hailey of Frost the other running back. Throckmorton sophomore Nick

Rankin, who kicked a 1A-record 51-yard field goal this season, was the place kicker.

The linebackers were Bo Allen of Dawson, Blake Guthery of Gorman and Roy Zapata of Menard. Cedric McFall of Fannindel was the other defensive back.

Rounding out the defensive linemen were Brad Blount of Paducah, Barry Fleitman of Muenster and Alan Watts of Wink.

Runge's Alonzo Esparza, a first-team running back last season, was voted second-team at running back and linebacker. Era's Wayne Twiner made second-team receiver after sharing first-team honors with James Everage last season.

How good were the Everages on defense? Opponents threw just two touchdown passes against the Granger secondary during the regular season, while Brandon had 10 interceptions and James grabbed five.

"I really honestly believe we had the best secondary in the state because of the kids we had back there," Valastro said.

On offense, Brandon ran for over 800 yards and five touchdowns threw for 1,000 yards and 14 TDs. James caught 35 passes for 748 yards and nine TDs, plus ran for five more TDs.

"We may go down as one of the overall best teams in the state as far as being able to run and throw," Valastro said.

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ALL-STATE TEAM

**FIRST TEAM OFFENSE**  
LINEMEN: BARNARD, Celeste, 6-3, 210, Sr. — Leading blocker one of state's top offense, 23 pancake blocks, 38 knockdowns.  
MATTIEW BOHAC, Granger, 6-2, 210, Sr. — Best blocker on offense that averaged 391 yards.  
JEFF CURLEE, Windthorst, 6-1, 235, Sr. — 24-2 as starter, top blocker on team.  
KEVIN MORWITZ, Falls City, 6-3, 275, Sr. — Graded 93 percent with 37 pancake blocks for 9-1 team.  
ABEL OROSCO, Runge, 5-10, 245, Soph. — Top blocker for team that averaged 440 yards per game rushing.  
ERIC RAMOS, Bartlett, 6-1, 285, Sr. — 57 pin blocks, first-team last year.  
**ENDS**  
BOBBY BOUSE, High Island, 5-7, 135, Sr. — 54-767, 8 TDs.  
JAMES EVERAGE, Granger, 6-3, 205, Sr. — 35-748, 9 TDs; ran 39-377, 5 TDs; first-team last year.  
**QUARTERBACK**  
CHAVIS McCOLLISTER, Tenaha, 5-9, 187, Jr. — 75-1491, 867, 31 TDs; rushing: 79-1,311, 19 TDs.  
**RUNNING BACKS**  
DANTE HALEY, Frost, 5-10, 160, Jr. — 172-1,764, 23 TDs; 138 points.  
JONATHAN REAGINS, Munday, 6-2, 185, Sr. — 148-1,481, 23 TDs, two kickoff returns for TDs (same game); 6-109-1 TD receiving.  
DEMETRIUS RECTOR, Celeste, 5-11, 185, Sr. — 173-1,822, 25 TDs; 4-33, 2 TDs receiving; 2 TDs on punt returns.  
**PLACE KICKER**  
NICK RANKIN, Throckmorton, 5-10, 145, Soph. — 31-33 PATs, 7-10 FGs, longest 51, a Class A record; avg. 50 yds on KO.  
**DEFENSE**  
CHRIS BARNARD, Celeste, 6-3, 210, Sr. — 89 tackles, 6 fumble recoveries, 9 sacks, 28 tackles for losses.  
BRAD BLOUNT, Paducah, 6-0, 215,

NFL STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
New England	9	6	0	.600	355	277
Miami	9	6	0	.600	327	313
N.Y. Jets	9	6	0	.600	338	274
Buffalo	6	9	0	.400	234	336
Cincinnati	3	12	0	.200	285	362
West						
Pittsburgh	11	4	0	.733	366	291
Jacksonville	10	5	0	.667	374	309
Tennessee	7	8	0	.467	317	304
Baltimore	6	8	1	.433	312	329
Cincinnati	6	9	0	.400	339	391
x-Kansas City	12	3	0	.800	350	219
Denver	11	4	0	.733	434	284
Seattle	7	8	0	.467	327	353
Oakland	4	11	0	.267	315	399
San Diego	4	11	0	.267	263	387

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
x-N.Y. Giants	9	5	1	.633	287	258
Washington	7	7	1	.500	292	257
Philadelphia	6	8	1	.433	285	337
Dallas	6	9	0	.400	297	294
Arizona	3	12	0	.200	254	353
Central						
x-Green Bay	12	3	0	.800	391	261
Tampa Bay	9	6	0	.600	268	248
Indianapolis	8	7	0	.533	366	296
Minnesota	8	7	0	.533	315	331
Chicago	4	11	0	.267	248	390
West						
x-San Francisco	13	2	0	.867	366	227
Carolina	7	8	0	.467	247	284
Atlanta	7	8	0	.467	294	332
New Orleans	6	9	0	.400	224	302
St. Louis	4	11	0	.267	269	341

x-won division title  
x-clinched playoff berth  
Monday's Game  
San Francisco 34, Denver 17

SECOND TEAM OFFENSE

OL ALLEN AVANCE, Meridian  
OL PAT GRAY, Wink  
OL LUCAS HARTMAN, Muenster  
OL BLANTON MOYA, Kress  
OL ROBERT STANALAND, Rankin  
E DWAYNE HOWARD, Sterling City  
E WAYNE TURNER, Era  
QB BRANDON EVERAGE, Granger  
RB MICHAEL BETTS, Wortham  
RB TREY CLARK, Ilion County  
RB ALONZO ESPARZA, Runge  
PK KENNETH GILBREATH, Wink

DEFENSE

DL MATHEW BOHAC, Granger  
DL ROWDY CLARK, Springlake-Earth  
DL MICHAEL COLEMAN, Normangee  
DL ADAM CORLEY, Bremond  
LB MICHAEL MONTGOMERY, Wheeler  
LB ALONZO ESPARZA, Runge  
LB COLIN KATTNER, Meridian  
LB MATT WALKER, Eden  
DB JAMAIKA RECTOR, Celeste  
DB QUINCY TIDWELL, Calvert  
DB JOHN WOLF, Windthorst  
DB PATRICK ZAPATA, Runge  
P TRAVIS PITTMAN, Kress

HONORABLE MENTION OFFENSE

LINEMEN  
Lorenzo Calamaco, Aspermont; Jacob Carly, Frost; Ernest Gonzales, Menard; Ted Jobe, Kress; Britt Johnson, Baird; Randall Logan, Era; Shannon Mauney, Gorman; Rudy Montreal, Springlake-Earth; Thomas Singleton, Wortham; Josh White, Bremond.  
**ENDS**  
Brian Clark, Normangee; Orlando Nunes, Runge; Jamaica Rector, Celeste; Robert Seaton, Gorman; Clay Stephens, Alford.  
**QUARTERBACK**  
Billy Bouse, High Island; Gary Don Hendricks, Blue Ridge; Brad McDaniel, Sterling City; Colin Truove, Sabinal.  
**RUNNING BACKS**  
Dustin Bookout, Era; Jeremy Davis, Wheeler; Colin Kattner, Meridian; Brian Manahan, Normangee; Brian Miller, Muenster; Patrick Mitcham, Sterling City; Lane Pepper, Sabinal; Felix Perez, O'Donnell; Brandon Thompson, Wink.

DEFENSE

Dustin DeMoss, Bartlett; Jeremy Edging, Robert Lee; Matt Ford, Bryson; Robert Gunn, Baird; Heath Hamrick, Bremond; Dean Horton, Tenaha; Kelly Jennings, Menard; Josh Lee, Wheeler; Randall Logan, Era; Shannon Mauney, Gorman; Eric Ranson, Bartlett; Charlie Sandate, Alford; Thomas Singleton, Wortham; Nick Tigne, Bosqueville.  
**LINEMEN**  
Chase Allen, Wortham; Cody Barrett, Kress; Aaron Durnam, Wheeler; Kevin Druik, Falls City; Billy Floyd, Roby; James Gibbs, Rankin; Jared Hammett, Happy; Preston Hartfield, Alford; J.R. Howard, Sterling City; Wes Johnson, Windthorst; Seabrook Juarez, Booker; Lew McGee, Collinsville.

LINEMEN

ROY ZAPATA, Menard, Sr., 5-10, 190 — 31 solo tackles, 95 assists, 17 for losses, 1 blocked FG, 2 INTs, 4 fumble recoveries, 4 sacks, 7 pb pressures.  
**DEFENSIVE BACK**  
BRANDON EVERAGE, Granger, 6-1, 180, Sr. — 10 INTs, 50-plus tackles TDs; also returned two fumbles for TDs.  
DEMETRIUS RECTOR, Celeste, 5-11, 185, Sr. — 105 tackles, 4 fumble recoveries, 5 INTs, 6 sacks.  
**PUNTER**  
MARC VANEK, Granger, 6-0, 175, Sr. — avg. 39 yards per punt

QUARTERBACK

Jr. — 83 tackles, 15 sacks, 13 tackles for losses, caused 8 fumbles, recovered 5 blocked punts, 2 PATs  
BARRY FLEITMAN, Muenster, 6-1, 180, Sr. — 74 solo tackles, 46 assists, 17 sacks, 7 forced fumbles, 4 recovered fumbles, 32 tackles for losses  
ALAN WATTS, Wink, 6-4, 200, Sr. — 80 tackles, 16 sacks, 18 tackles for losses

LINEBACKERS

BO ALLEN, Dawson, Sr., 6-0, 185 — 158 tackles (15 for loss), 3 forced turnovers, 2 fumble recoveries, 3 batted passes, 4 sacks and 1 blocked kick.  
BLAKE GUTHERY, Gorman, Jr., 5-9, 165 — 114 unassisted tackles, 81 assisted, 4 caused fumbles, 3 INTs

SPORTS BRIEFS

From staff and wire reports

Registration for youth league continues

The Big Spring YMCA is taking registrations for its youth basketball league. The registration deadline was Dec. 6, but late registrations are being accepted with a \$5 additional fee. No tryouts will be held for the league, which organizers say will have an emphasis on participation and fundamentals, not winning. Practice begins the week of Jan. 5 and the first games will be played on Saturday, Jan. 17. For more information, call 267-8234.

TP&WD officials offer recommendations

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department officials are reminding local landowners and hunters that the white-tailed deer season continues through Jan. 4, 1998. The bag limit is four deer with no more than two bucks. Deer population surveys in Howard County have resulted in TP&WD officials recommending that hunters not harvest antlerless deer north of I-20 and recommend that they take one doe per 800 acres and one buck per 1,300 acres south of I-20. For more information, contact wildlife biologist Bill Del Monte at (915) 798-3152.

Local chapter needs softball umpires

The Permian Basin chapter of the Southwest Softball Umpires Association needs umpires to work high school softball games throughout West Texas, including the Big Spring area, this spring. For more information, contact Mack Gipson at (915) 520-5961 or Freddie Ezell at (915) 520-6502.

USA Volleyball clinics scheduled

USA Volleyball, the West Texas Girl Scout Council and Nike will bring the Nike Volleyvan to Big Spring High School's Steer Gym on Jan. 17. Officials noted that the clinic for parents and coaches begin new programs or improve existing ones at all levels. A clinic for boys and girls will be conducted to stress the importance of enjoying the game, as well as receiving basic skills work. For more information or to register, contact BSHS head volleyball coach Traci Pierce by calling 264-3641.

Steers JV finishes third at tournament

Big Spring's Steers junior varsity defeated Junction, Ned, 43-40, to take third place hardware at the Colorado City tournament during the weekend. K.C. Cowley paced the Steers with 22 points while Blair Nutting scored nine more in the win. Cowley had scored 30 and teammate Jason Walker had scored 12 in the young Steers' 69-60 loss to Breckenridge in semifinal action.

Yearlings drop two at Lamesa tourney

Goliad's Yearlings dropped a hard-fought 45-41 decision to Snyder in the consolation finals of the Lamesa tournament Saturday after having run roughshod over Jal, N.M., 45-14. The Yearlings had opened the tournament with a 70-49 loss to Lamesa's host squad. Clarence Wilkins, Brandon Neagle, Brandon Greathouse and Cory Danker paced the offensive attack for the Yearlings, while top defenders were Willis Morrison, Mike Smith and Zac Turtle.

Recreational swims scheduled at YMCA

Recreational swimming has been scheduled for Dec. 22, 23 and 26 at the Big Spring Family YMCA. The swims are scheduled for 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on each of the three days. For more information, contact YMCA officials by calling 267-8234.

LADY STEERS

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enth consecutive District 4-4A championship following the holiday break.

"We can't continue to be inconsistent like that. If we do, we're in for a long year," Taylor said, noting that the win over Hobbs made it clear that the Lady Steers are capable to playing virtually anyone when they put four strong quarters of basketball together.

"We're going to have to decide what we want to do," he added. "We have to put four quarters together, not just one. It's just that simple."

Cole led the Lady Steers in the loss, scoring 15 points — nine of them in the second period. Bellinghausen added 11. But Strambler drilled the nets for 31 points for the Lady Rebs and post Tamika Thurman added 11.

Big Spring's junior varsity proved to be more competitive in the evening's opener with Nina Evans scoring 13 points and Monica Rubio adding 10, but the Lady Reb JV made sure of a sweep with a 45-40 win.

**Midland Lee 71, Big Spring 81**  
MIDLAND LEE — Clarissa Valenzuela 0 0 0 0 0, Dee Frazier 2 0 0 4, Andrea Long 0 0 0 0 0, Rochelle Warren 2 0 3 4 7, Keke Strambler 7 5 26 31, Heather Welles 2 0 2 4 6, Valerie Morgan 3 0 0 0 6, Julie Jay 0 0 0 0 0, Katie McLane 0 0 0 0 0, Tamika Thurman 5 0 1 2 11, Alison Newton 1 0 0 0 2, Christina Brown 2 0 0 4, Totals 24 5 8 16 71.  
BIG SPRING — Krissi McWhorter 0 0 1 2 1, Keisha Lott 2 0 1 4 5, Amy Jackson 0 0 0 0 0, Chandra McBee 0 1 2 2 5, Maggie Haddad 1 0 1 3 3, Traci Bellinghausen 4 0 3 4 11, Leslie McLellan 0 0 0 0 0, Kara Hughes 0 1 0 0 3, Marissa Smith 0 0 0 0 0, Marlena Light 1 2 0 0 8, Nadia Cole 7 0 1 2 15, Totals 15 4 9 17 51.  
Score by Quarters:  
MIDLAND LEE 22 14 14 21-71  
BIG SPRING 9 25 4 13-51  
3-point goals: Midland Lee 5 (Strambler 5), Big Spring 4 (McBee, Hughes, Light 2). Total fouls: Midland Lee 19, Big Spring 21. Fouled out: None. Technical fouls: None. JV score: Midland Lee 45, Big Spring 40. Records: Midland Lee 4-8, Big Spring 9-6.

NINERS

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playoffs as a wild card.

Rice's touchdown on a pass from Steve Young proved to be his last play. He spent the rest of the second quarter talking with team physician Michael Dillingham, who operated on Rice the day after he suffered the injury in the season-opening loss at Tampa Bay.

Rice, who had three catches for 40 yards, was greeted by a wild ovation when he ran onto the field during pregame introductions and another rousing cheer when he entered as the third receiver on the third play of the game.

"I wanted to get him the ball as quickly as possible," Young said.

On San Francisco's second offensive series, Rice caught a 16-yard pass from Young and then made a diving 10-yard catch during the 92-yard march that Young finished by threading a 14-yard pass to Rice. He made the catch between Atwater and Darrien Gordon for San Francisco's first touchdown with 6:53 left in the second quarter.

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DEADLINE: 2 P.M. FRIDAY

TIEBREAKER 1 Total points scored (both teams) in COWBOYS game.  
TIEBREAKER 2 Total offensive yards (both teams) in this game.

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Buffalo at Green Bay	Pittsburgh at Tennessee
St. Louis at Carolina	Atlanta at Arizona
Baltimore at Cincinnati	Jacksonville at Oakland
Chicago at Tampa Bay	N.Y. Jets at Detroit
Indianapolis at Minnesota	San Diego at Denver
New Orleans at Kansas City	San Francisco at Seattle
N.Y. Giants at Dallas	New England at Miami
Philadelphia at Washington	Michigan State vs. Washington

136 TOTAL POINTS

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State (zip) \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
Night Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR WEDNESDAY, DEC. 17:

Keep the big picture in mind, knowing what you want. Do not get involved with the trivial; the unexpected erupts, and throws you back to the overview. Meeting people happens suddenly. If you are single, you are prone to instant attractions. But do not prematurely count on a new relationship becoming long term. If attached, be willing to give up rigid thinking patterns. When you do, you will discover that the quality of your home life improves dramatically. There will be heavy emphasis on children, creativity and the realization of your dreams. LEO presents yet another view.

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) You pop out of bed with an unexpected realization. As you charge forward, leaving only a trail of dust, you get everything done and more! You know where to streamline and when a new idea is needed. Join a child. Tonight: Spend quality time with a loved one.\*\*\*\*

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Surprise requests have you overwhelmed and working harder than you anticipated. You are undergoing change, and much is happening. You need to rely on instincts. Pull back when you see another's reaction. Prioritize. Tonight: Enjoy the holiday mood.\*\*\*\*

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You like jolts, on some level, because they give you additional energy and plenty of adrenaline. Juggling plans, with a more spiritual emphasis, makes sense. Be sure of what you want, and readjust your path to achieve just that. Listen to the advice of an older friend. Tonight: Take an eggnog break.\*\*\*\*

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be positive about what you want. A boss finally gets the message because of your determination. The unexpected occurs with a loved one. Sit down and think before reacting to money news. Do what is good for you in the long run. Tonight: Go shopping.\*\*\*

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) In your opinion, a partner is a lightning bolt: erratic, illuminating and a live wire. Your personality softens this person, making him pliable. Reach out for another, make a call and consider a wonderful chance to explore. Tonight: Dance the

night away.\*\*\*\* VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Get into your thoughts. Evaluate a key relationship and, even if this person is difficult, how much he means to you. If you can, take the day off to wander and recharge. You need the time to continue your holiday shopping. You'll get a second wind. Tonight: Do your own thing.\*\*\*

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) Listen to a friend or partner. He might be unusually somber, though he has wise words. The unexpected occurs with a child or loved one. Visit with friends, make rounds and socialize. You are energetic and dynamic. Tonight: Be with friends.\*\*\*\*

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You are in the limelight, taking your bows. Be careful though; a family member gets upset. Be mellow about your choices and don't react, which is quite a challenge. Tempers could flare when you least expect it, triggering a difficult trend. Tonight: Handle work.\*\*\*

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Make plans, and reach out for another. A child demands attention. You need to take care of others right now. Your loving side comes out if you can look at the big picture. Express what you feel before it bursts out. Share your dreams. Tonight: Do what you haven't dared.\*\*\*\*

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Close relating is important, especially involving a money decision. You come from a point of security. The unexpected occurs financially. Be careful with any monetary or emotional risks. A new direction lies ahead. Tonight: Dance to another's tune.\*\*\*\*

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You do the unexpected, and are excited by others' responses. They find you elusive and exciting. Office meetings, socializing and planning take up most of your day. Use your high energy to clear up a matter that has been on hold too long. Tonight: Yes is the only answer.\*\*\*\*

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) You are high energy and full of enthusiasm. Plug into work, and clear your desk. Keep your thoughts to yourself. Your point of view is appreciated more at a later time. Money still feels tight, though you are working creatively with the problem. Tonight: Run work errands.\*\*\*\*

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DEAR ABBY: What percentage of people find their soul mates? You once advised a young man who had doubts about his relationship to keep searching. How long does one search? I am married to a man who is decent and has similar values to mine, but he is definitely not my soul mate. If I had kept searching for my soul mate, would I have found him? What if he lived in another state? How would I ever find him? Would I have been too old to have children by the time I found him?

I have pondered these questions all my life! In my experience, love is not equal. I once found a man I thought was my soul mate, but he didn't really love me; and some men in whom I had no interest pursued me. This confuses me. Isn't it supposed to be that two people find each other and fall madly in love?

My husband and I have children, and they are the joy of my life. I suppose I love him, but it is more like loving a brother - there is no passion. I thought he would open up eventually, but he never did. I have seen people who have happier marriages, but I think it is basically dumb luck that they found the right person and that person loves back with equal fervor.

Abby, I don't expect you to have all the answers, but I needed to ask someone. Thanks for listening. - EXAMINING LIFE IN OHIO DEAR EXAMINING: I'm happy to listen, and wish I

could answer all your questions. Just as no two people are alike, no two marriages are alike. Some couples are content with "brotherly" companionship, which can include a deep and meaningful love. Others enjoy a fiery passion. Some have both. However, it is important to remember there is a vast difference between real life and fantasy. If the pluses in your marriage outweigh the minuses, you are better off than many.

DEAR ABBY: I want a new bicycle, but my mother says I will have to earn it. I am too young to get a job. Can you tell me how to get some money for a new bike? - YOUNG READER IN NORFOLK, VA.

DEAR YOUNG READER: You may be too young for a grown-up job, but you are not too young to earn money by doing chores and odd jobs for neighbors.



TUESDAY DEC. 16. Table with columns for station (KMH, KPEJ, KERA, etc.) and program (News, Movie, Sports, etc.)

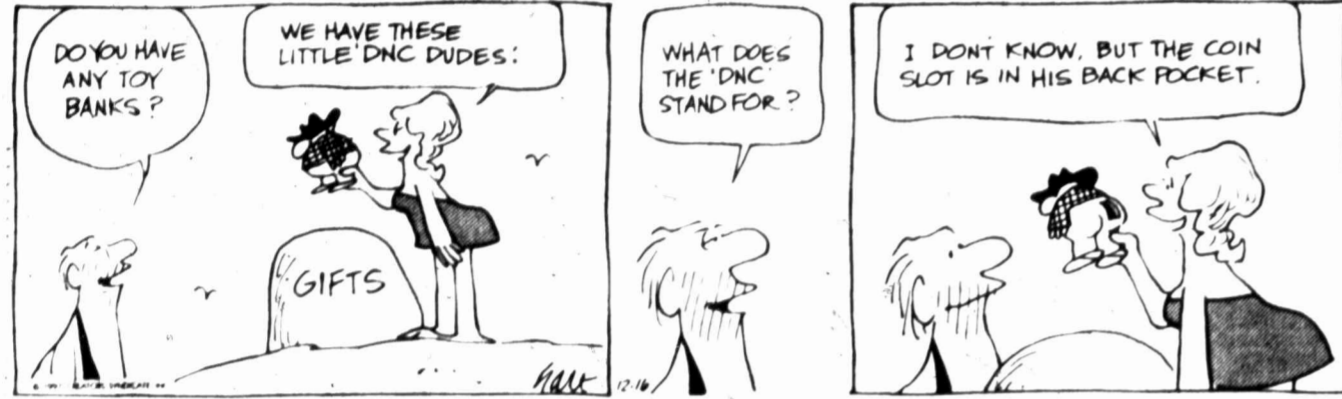
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"Baby Jesus' birthday is next week." "Can we have the party at the Sugar Bowl?"

"WHAT WOULD I LIKE FOR CHRISTMAS? DIDN'T YOU GET MY LETTER?"

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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

The ASSOCIATED PRESS Today is Tuesday, Dec. 16, the 350th day of 1997. There are 15 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Dec. 16, 1773, the Boston Tea Party took place as American colonists boarded a British ship and dumped more than 300 chests of tea overboard to protest tea taxes. On this date: In 1653, Oliver Cromwell became lord protector of England, Scotland and Ireland. In 1770, composer Ludwig van Beethoven was born in Bonn, Germany. In 1809, Napoleon Bonaparte was divorced from the Empress Josephine by an act of the French Senate. In 1905, the entertainment trade publication Variety came out with its first weekly issue. In 1916, Gregory Rasputin, the monk who had wielded powerful influence over the Russian court, was murdered by a group of noblemen. In 1944, the World War II Battle of the Bulge began as German forces launched a surprise counterattack against Allied forces in Belgium. In 1950, President Truman proclaimed a national state of emergency in order to fight "Communist imperialism." In 1960, 134 people were killed when a United Air Lines DC-8 and a TWA Super Constellation collided over New York City. In 1985, reputed organized-crime chief Paul Castellano was shot to death outside a New York City restaurant. In 1991, the U.N. General Assembly rescinded its 1975 resolution equating Zionism with racism by a vote of 111-25. Ten years ago: Former White House aide Michael K. Deaver was convicted of lying to a House subcommittee and a grand jury investigating whether he had violated federal ethics laws (he was fined and ordered to perform community service). South Korea held its first direct presidential election in 16 years, choosing the government's handpicked candidate, Roh Tae-woo. Five years ago: Secretary of State Lawrence S. Eagleburger said Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic and Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic had to answer for atrocities committed in former Yugoslavia. One year ago: The Supreme Court ruled that states must let parents appeal orders terminating such rights even when they cannot afford court fees. Former South Korean President Chun Doo-hwan, condemned to death for a 1979 coup and a deadly military crackdown the next year, had his sentence commuted to life imprisonment. Today's Birthdays: Author Arthur C. Clarke is 80. Civil rights attorney Morris Dees is 61. Actress Liv Ullmann is 58. CBS news correspondent Lesley Stahl is 56. TV producer Steven Bochco is 54. Pop singer Benny Andersson (ABBA) is 51. Rock singer-musician Billy Gibbons (ZZ Top) is 48. Actress Allison LaPlaca is 38. Actor Benjamin Bratt is 34. Thought for Today: "Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic." - Arthur C. Clarke (1917-).

THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down words.

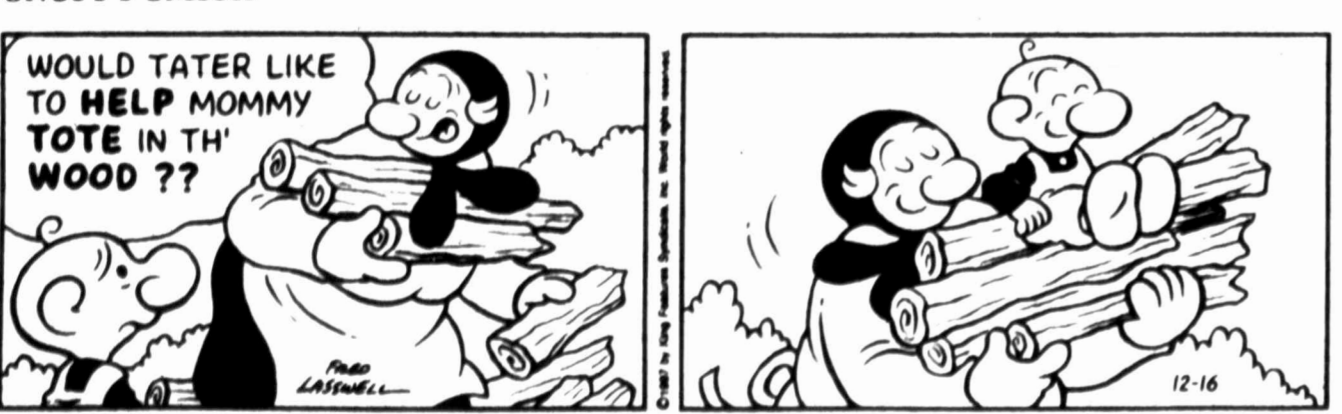
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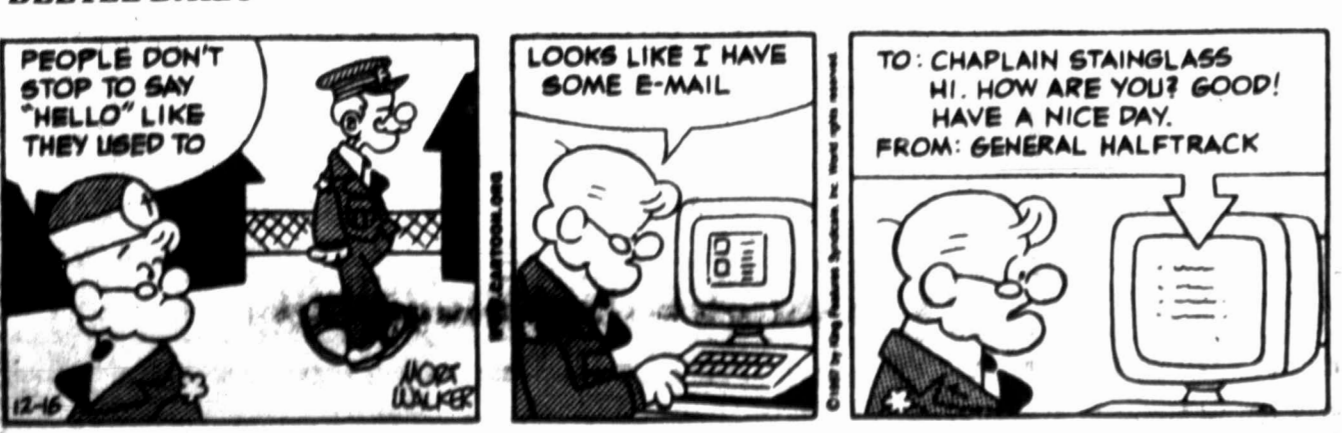
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Monday's Puzzle solved. Grid with words like SLING, UBOAT, ORGE, BEA, etc.

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