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Charter jet crash kills group of servicemen

GANDER, Newfoundland (AP) — A DC-8 charter carrying U.S. servicemen from the Middle East in time for Christmas crashed in flames today on takeoff at Gander International Airport, killing all 258 people aboard, officials and witnesses said.

Maj. Kenneth Miller of Canadian Search and Rescue reported in a telephone interview with The Associated Press from Halifax, Nova Scotia, that 250 passengers and eight crewmembers were killed in the crash.

"All we know is that there were no survivors," Miller told the Canadian Press. He said his information came from the Gander control center.

The plane was carrying members of the 101st Airborne Division assigned to the Sinai peacekeeping force since July back to Fort Campbell, Ky., where the unit is headquartered, the Pentagon said.

They were some of 750 to 800 soldiers in the force and were returning home on a rotational basis, according to Maj. Larry Icenogle, a Pentagon spokesman. He said a first group of 250 soldiers arrived at Fort Campbell on Dec. 5. The plane that crashed was carrying the second group.

CBC radio said its radio correspondent at the scene, Ed Pike, quoted witnesses as saying the plane exploded, lighting up the sky.

"We were driving to work ... when we saw this big explosion — kind of like a big explosion right at the top of the trees ... and it died down very quickly. In a matter of seconds, it

was gone," said Ann Hurley, a nearby resident.

Canadian Transport Minister Don Mazankowski said the plane got no higher than 1,000 feet into the air before crashing and confirmed reports from the scene that there were no survivors.

A Pentagon source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said he knew of no explosion. "We have no reason to suspect sabotage. We know only that this plane crashed and burned. The matter is being investigated by civilian authorities."

The airport was overcast with light snow and light winds at the time of the crash, according to the aviation weather report. There had been light, freezing drizzle a few hours earlier.

David Bridges, spokesman for the Rome-based Multinational Force and Observers, said the plane had flown from Cairo to Cologne, West Germany, where it refueled, to Gander for a second refueling.

Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Vedder Steed in Atlanta, Ga., said the plane belonged to Arrow Air, a Miami-based charter firm.

Gander airport manager John Pittman told the AP by telephone that the plane went down about a quarter-mile from the airport, which is a wooded, hilly area near Gander Lake.

When asked if there was a fire aboard, he said "yes," but did not elaborate.

In Ottawa, a Transport Canada spokesman said a crash operations center was set up at about 6 a.m., about 45 minutes after first word of the crash was received. A temporary morgue had been set up in the area.

Canada's Prime Minister Brian Mulroney, speaking on arrival to a Cabinet meeting in Ottawa, said the crash is "an enormous tragedy."

Gander International Airport is

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Weather does replay

By The Associated Press

A strong winter storm moved out of the southern Rockies and into Texas early today, dumping freezing rain and snow over a wide area of the state, closing schools and snarling rush-hour traffic for the second consecutive day.

More than 60,000 Fort Worth public school students were free of classes after schools were closed about 6 a.m. due to treacherous streets. Classes at the University of Texas at Arlington also were canceled, although other colleges and public schools in North Texas remained open.

Freezing rain, drizzle and some snow flurries — a repeat of Wednesday's nasty weather — were forecast across the state throughout the day. Even far South Texas saw temperatures drop into the low 40s and 30s.

"It has started all over again," said a Fort Worth Police Department dispatcher of rush-hour traffic. "We thought yesterday was bad, but we had (accident) calls waiting to be

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Weather

WEDNESDAY'S HIGH: 21
OVERNIGHT LOW: 19
MOISTURE: Trace of snow.

OUTLOOK: Winter storm warning in effect for early tonight, a 50 percent chance of snow with accumulations generally less than 1 inch. Low near 7. Friday, partly cloudy and not quite as cold. Highs in upper 20s.



That feller on Tierra Blanca Creek says an authority is a person who can tell you more about something than you really want to know.

You know the honeymoon is over when the wife lets you lick the beaters on the electric mixer...but doesn't turn off the switch.

There was good news this week when Valley View Energy and Southwestern Public Service reached an agreement on transmitting power from the proposed Hereford plant to the City of Austin. Construction on the \$97 million project is now scheduled to get underway in February.

The project calls for Hereford Power Partnership, Ltd., a subsidiary of Valley View, to generate electricity by burning cow manure to make steam to turn a turbine generator. The new company has contracts with Hereford-area feed lots to purchase manure for the plant. It will be the first cow-power electric generating plant ever built.

If you absolutely cannot refrain from drinking, here's a money-

making proposition which was suggested by the Department of Public Safety:

Set up a saloon in your home with the wife as barkeeper. Give her \$20 to buy a gallon of whiskey and buy your drinks from her at only 70 cents a shot. There are 128 shots in a gallon. In four days time, when the gallon is gone, your wife will have \$69.60 to put in the bank and \$20 to buy another gallon.

If you can make it for 10 years and buy all your drinks from your wife, she will have more than \$63,000 on deposit. That's enough for her to bury you respectively, bring up your children, pay off the house, marry a decent man, and forget she ever knew you.

We have heard that a few readers thought I was kinda' rough in answering a "letter to the editor" from Mary Sue Hull in last Sunday's paper. Let there be any doubts, it should be explained that the letters were all in fun and we are good friends. However, I'm looking over my shoulder because Mary Sue doesn't want me to have the last word!



Frozen Limbs

Ice coatings weigh down branches of naked trees, already chilled by an arctic cold front which brought freezing rain. The cold air will continue to hover over the state until the weekend. Although

Hereford has had no measurable snowfall, forecasters still are predicting that it will come. (Brand Photo by Shawn Cockrum)

Reagan signs bill to raise debt limit

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan today signed landmark legislation setting the national debt limit at more than \$2 trillion while mandating an end to federal budget deficits by fiscal 1991, but said "the tough work of controlling federal spending still lies ahead."

In a statement accompanying the signing, Reagan said, "The American people expect their elected officials to take action now to reduce the size of government and to set upon a reasonable and equitable course to eliminate federal budget deficits."

Early next year, he said, "I anticipate that we will have to take some significant across-the-board reductions in a wide range of programs."

At the same time, the president said, "We must also never lose sight of the necessity to maintain a strong national defense." Some members of Congress have said the budget-balancing bill will require the president to accept cuts in military spending as well as in the domestic spending that he says has grown beyond bounds.

"Deficits have threatened our economic well-being for too long," Reagan said. "But the tough work of

controlling federal spending still lies ahead. It is important that we now cooperate in good faith toward building a solid fiscal foundation for economic growth."

Reagan said he signed the bill despite "serious constitutional questions" raised by the role it gives to the director of the congressional budget office and the comptroller general in calculating the budget

estimates that trigger the spending-cut provisions of the bill. The questions arise because they are agents of the legislative branch of government, rather than the executive branch, which submits budgets to Congress.

In the House, meanwhile, legislators considered whether to revive Reagan's battered plan to overhaul the federal tax laws after it

suffered a stinging 223-202 setback on Wednesday.

As for the other major bills on the agenda, negotiators for the House and Senate met privately for several hours on Wednesday in hopes of working out a farm bill that would satisfy both lawmakers and administration officials worried about

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Widow wants her kids to have a Christmas



It's difficult to explain to a young child that there will be no Christmas this year.

Mrs. F is a single parent working to support her four children without any outside help. She recently had to undergo major surgery and will be unable to work for several more weeks.

She wants nothing for herself but needs clothing for the children and possibly a toy for the youngest child. With no income at the present time, the family is looking at a bleak

Christmas time.

The Christmas Stocking Fund was organized in Hereford to help families such as this. You can help by contributing to the CSF at the front desk in The Hereford Brand, or by mailing a check to CSF, Box 673, Hereford, Tx. 79045.

CSF is a non-profit organization, founded by a group of local men, and all contributions are used to help needy families. There are no administrative expenses

Previous Balance:	\$2,585
McCaslin Lumber	100
Anonymous	20
Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Boyer	25
Anonymous	40
Charles & Bobbie Seed	25
Anonymous	20
Mr. and Mrs. Dyal Garner	25
Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Cook	50
A Nice Old Man	20
Anonymous	100
Nell Miller	25
TOTAL TO DATE:	\$2,935

Mixed review given to Sunday sales, may be more lookers than buyers

DALLAS (AP) — More than three months have passed since the repeal of Texas' blue law became official, and with the Christmas shopping season in full swing the first legal Sunday sales in 25 years are drawing mixed reviews.

Mickey Moore, president of the Texas Retailers Association, said monthly sales reports filed before Dec. 1 from metropolitan areas did not indicate any increase in sales.

"Most of the people I have talked to say it really has just transferred Monday and Saturday business to Sunday," he said.

The Christmas shopping season will be a key factor in determining

whether the blue law repeal has increased sales, Moore said.

"I think, really, the jury is still out," he said. "People are not used to shopping on Sunday. Frankly, I'll be surprised if there is any increase."

But Keith Nix, vice president for public relations at Neiman-Marcus, said his company had seen an increase in business at its six stores since Sept. 1, when Sunday sales became legal.

Since the repeal became effective, Neiman-Marcus has been open for business on Sundays at all its locations, except in downtown Dallas. That store was open for two weekends in October and has been

open Sundays since Dec. 1 for the Christmas season, Nix said.

"Based on that definition, we definitely have an appreciable increase in business," Nix said. "It's not a case of taking the same figure and dividing by seven."

Citing company policy, he declined to divulge exact sales figures.

Juli Bump, marketing director for the Town & Country Center in Houston, predicted that heavy Sunday sales would taper off after the Christmas buying season ends.

"It'll all stop after Jan. 1," she said.

The mall began opening on Sundays in June, shortly after the blue

law repeal was approved by the Legislature, with about half of the center's stores in operation. All stores opened on Sunday by the end of September, Ms. Bump said.

"At first we'd see some traffic, but not much," she said. "We didn't start seeing any traffic until late September."

In San Antonio, the North Star Mall, one of the city's largest, is experiencing a rise in traffic with each passing Sunday. However, a lot of shoppers aren't buying, judging from the number of packages people have been carrying, said Martha

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Ann Landers

Different points of view



DEAR ANN LANDERS: The letter from the woman who beat her honey at arm-wrestling prompted me to write. Apparently the guy has a limp ego to go with his limp arm. My message is for the females out there who don't know how to play it.

Don't beat him at pool, either. And don't bowl better. If you are the superior tennis or golf player, throw the game half the time. And don't make any bets with him. If you win he'll hate you for it.

Once in a blue moon you might be lucky enough to run into a real man who can tolerate being beat by a woman, but don't hold your breath waiting. Most of them are bozos, psychos, airheads, wimps, nerds and fruitcakes. Believe me, I know, because I have—**MADE THE SCENE FROM L.A. TO FUN CITY**

DEAR MADE THE SCENE: Thanks for writing. I received many letters from females who said the only thing a man wants a woman to be better at is housework. Here's another point of view.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I'd like to comment on the letters from "Reluctant Champ" and "A Winner Who Lost."

All my life I have watched women hide their physical strength and intellectual abilities because they feared that men would be threatened

by their superiority and look elsewhere. So many silly games are played to stroke the fragile male ego it's ridiculous.

Men who are unable to accept women who can do something better than they can are the losers. Women who are afraid to win keep these men losers by catering to their immature behavior. We are all diminished by such foolishness.

My parents (bless them) taught my brother and me that every person is talented in some way and our worth is measured not by whether we lose or win but how we use our talents. No one can win at everything.—**ELLEN IN MICHIGAN**

DEAR ELLEN: Beautiful. Thanks for saying it so well.

DEAR ANN LANDERS: This letter will be hard to write but I need your help. I am having trouble with my second marriage.

My first husband was killed in an industrial accident. I was left with two young children. The kids get a benefit check every month. When I married Joe we decided to put those checks in a special account for the children's education.

A few months ago Joe said that since the children will inherit whatever we have, we should use those benefit checks to improve our standard of living. (Trips, better

clothes, car, etc.)

My brother suggested that I have Joe put something in writing stating that if I die before he does, the money in the special account will be used to finance the children's educations. I never thought of it before and it sounded like a good idea. The problem is that Joe says I don't trust him and his word should be good enough.

We fight about this a lot. I need to know what to do.—**TROUBLE IN OKLAHOMA**

DEAR O.: You need to see a lawyer at once. Your children's education should be assured. Unless you fix it so no one can get at those monthly checks, there is a good chance that there will be nothing left for the kids when the time comes.

Discover how to be date bait without falling hook, line and sinker. Ann Landers' booklet, "Dating Do's and Don'ts," will help you be more poised and sure of yourself on dates. Send 50 cents along with a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to Ann Landers, P.O. Box 11995 Chicago, Illinois 60611.

Horse-drawn sleigh rides to begin Saturday

Members of The Sparklin' Spurs 4-H Horse Drill Team will be giving rides on a horse drawn sleigh Saturday at 11 a.m. on Main Street.

Since many families may not be at home on Christmas Eve, Santa Claus join the Sparklin' Spurs making a few early deliveries.

Santa contacted the group to con-

firm using their 20-seat horse drawn sleigh to personally make early deliveries in Hereford Dec. 19.

Parents will need to call 364-0998 by Friday so that Santa's secretary can make sure of arrangements for early delivery of their child's presents.

Presents should be delivered to a

secret elf-house, known only by Santa's secretary and parents who call on her Wednesday, Dec. 18. Presents to be delivered will be labeled with the child's name and address. If more than one present is to be delivered to a home, those will need to be in a big cardboard box or sack with name and address written on it.

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Please bring Telephone bill when making payment.

Christmas party held by La Madre members

La Madre Mia Study Club members met Monday evening in the home of Judy Williams for their annual Christmas party.

Serving as co-hostesses were Frances Berry, Mary Beth White, Mysedia Smith, Tricia Sims, and Beverly Bryant.

Roll call was answered by naming a favorite toy received at Christmas time.

During the business session, Mary Beth White, annual Christmas Home Tour chairman, reported that the event was termed a success.

Lavon Nieman read a card of thanks from a foster family that the club sponsors. She also reported on some of the family's needs.

Members voted to help a local man who has played Santa Clause for several years to underprivileged children. He will be given a

monetary gift to purchase fruits and nuts that he will deliver to the children's homes.

The club also voted to donate \$20 to the Chamber of Commerce Christmas lighting fund.

Melissa Richardson won the door prize.

Refreshments of a variety of holiday treats were served by the hostesses and members exchanged Christmas gifts.

Those present included Joyce Allred, Carolyn Baxter, Frances Berry, Jeri Bezner, Ruth Black, Francyne Bromlow, Beverly Bryant, Mary Herring, Sharon Hodges, Betty Lady, Betty Martin, Gladys Merritt, Lavon Nieman, Bettye Owen, Jenna Simons, Tricia Sims, Mysedia Smith, Georgia Sparks, Betty Taylor, Ruth Taylor, Pat Walsh, Marline Watson, Mary Beth White and Judy Williams.

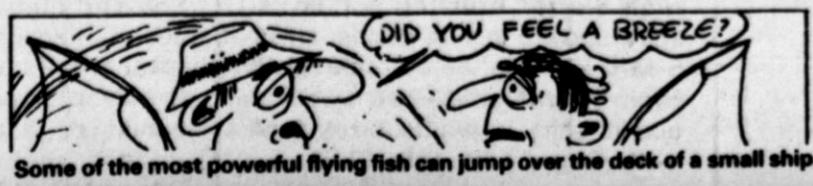
Barton calls for dance

Larry Barton of Pampa was caller for the Good Timers Square Dance Club during their regular dance Friday evening.

Refreshments were served by Jerry and Denise Teel. A birthday cake was presented to John Poindex-

ter.

The next regular dance was scheduled Dec. 20. It will be preceded by a Christmas dinner at 7 p.m. James Pettus of Portales, N.M. will be the caller.



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9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

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HAVE A BALL IN THE MALL

Christmas Cheer

We're decking the halls of the mall with lots of Christmas cheer and whether you're as small as an elf or as old as St. Nick, we want you to be a part of this festive occasion!

Register for FREE Christmas Bucks!

It pays to shop Sugarland Mall and we're giving you a chance to trim your tree and your Christmas budget at the same time.



"The place where neat things happen"

Sugarland

the mall

Beginning right now, you may register in any Sugarland Mall store for FREE Sugarland Mall bucks as part of our Countdown To Christmas!

Two drawings will be held at 5 p.m. every Saturday leading up to the Yuletide (Dec. 7th, Dec. 14th and Dec. 21st). One \$100 drawing will be for ages 18 and up. The other, \$25, for ages 17 and under. All participants must register at least once the week prior to each drawing in order to be eligible for all three drawings. All participants must be present to win.

Ho! Ho! Ho!

And who says Santa Claus is make-believe? If you haven't told Santa what you want this year, he'll be taking orders here in the mall from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. during our Christmas Countdown!

So what are you waiting for? We're here to make your Christmas wishes come true!

Please join us for the fun!

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Stunning values in rich satin polyester. Solids and jacquards in pastels or jewel tones; S-M-L. Sleepshirt, shown: reg. 22.00, **9.99**
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Mervyn's own robes, in rich 100% cotton terry; one size fits S-M-L. Velour, at left, reg. 50.00, **29.99**
 Wraps, inset, are cotton velour in solids. With adjustable Velcro® closure in one size to fit S-M-L. Reg. 16.00, **9.60**



sale 29.99

sale 9.60

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MEN'S DRESS AND SPORT SHIRTS

From Mervyn's® Men's Collection. Polyester/cotton, long sleeve. **5.01 off dress shirts**; left: pastels and stripes in sizes 14½-17. Reg. 14.00, **8.99**
6.01 off sport shirts, inset: plaids, S-XL. Reg. 15.00, **8.99**



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FREE CAMERA WITH A 10.00 OR MORE FRAGRANCE PURCHASE

A 110 pocket mini-camera is yours free with a 10.00 or more purchase of selected fragrances from our collection. Choose from the fragrances shown, plus many more! For her: select from Interlude, L'air du Temps, Forever Krystle, Charlie, Adolfo, Vanderbilt and many other favorites! For him: choose Stetson, Pierre Cardin, Chaps, Canoe and more. Mini-camera uses standard 110 film cartridges, loads easily and has handy wrist strap.



40% off

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14K gold includes chains, rings, earrings, charms and pendants. Reg. 20.00-550.00, **sale 11.99-329.99**
 Diamonds are earrings, pendants and rings set in 14K gold. Reg. 295.00-1380.00, **sale 176.99-827.99**
 Wedding bands, reg. 40.00-400.00, **sale 23.99-239.99**
 Cultured pearls: freshwater or classic strands, bracelets and earrings. Reg. 40.00-725.00, **sale 23.99-434.99**
 Styles may vary by store.



10.99, 17.99

OUR OWN WARM SHIRTS FOR MEN

High Sierra® brushed acrylic shirt, shown; in rich plaids, sizes S-M-L-XL. Reg. 16.00, **sale 10.99**
 High Sierra® quilt-lined wool/acrylic shirt. In plaids, sizes S-M-L-XL. Reg. 27.00, **sale 17.99**



sale 10.99

1/3 off

BOYS' BASIC FLEECE SEPARATES: SALE

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 Hooded, zip-front jacket, shown, reg. 12.00, **7.99**



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Men's Collection. Long sleeved. Solid colors. Left: Solids. Right: Plaid. In sizes S-M-L-XL. Reg. 4.00-8.99. Inset: In sizes S-M-L. Reg. 15.00-8.99

1/3 off SWEATERS FOR WOMEN, ON SALE
Save on misses', juniors', petites' and large-size sweaters. 100% cotton, ramie/cotton and more in an array of styles and colors. Misses' and juniors' S-M-L, PS-PM-PL or sizes 38-44. Reg. 18.00-36.00, **11.99-23.99**



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54.99 WARM COATS...A GIFT FOR HER
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5.99 DEARFOAMS' BOOTS FOR WOMEN
Put a pair of Warm Up boots under the tree and she'll have toasty warm feet on Christmas morning! Solid colors and prints; sizes S-M-L-XL. **Sale 5.99**



33-40% off SLEEPWEAR FOR TODDLERS, GIRLS
33% off toddlers' blanket sleepers. Non-skid soles; S-M-L or 1-4. Reg. 6.50, **sale 4.33**
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40% off all girls' nightgowns, pajamas, robes; in sizes 4-14. Reg. 9.00-20.00, **5.40-11.99**



Sizes 4-14, sale 9.60

30% off SEIKO AND PULSAR WATCHES, ON SALE
Styles for men and women in dressy goldtone and silvertone looks, plus others. All with the accuracy of quartz movements. Reg. 69.50-275.00, **48.65-192.50**



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29.99 WOMEN'S NIKE FLEECE SETS
Fleece sets by Nike are 20.01 off! Updated styles match a cropped or hooded top with pull-on pants. Polyester/ rayon/ cotton; fits juniors' and misses' S-M-L. Reg. 50.00, **29.99**



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25% off ALL WOMEN'S HANDBAGS
Leather, vinyl and fabric hobos, satchels, clutches, shoulder bags, evening bags, more. In neutral and fashion colors. Reg. 8.00-25.00, **5.99-18.75**



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25% off SLIPPERS FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY
You'll find a pair of slippers for everyone, on sale! Traditional styles of suede, leather, vinyl and more. Men's 7-12; women's 5-10; boys' 1-6; girls' 10-3. Reg. 12.00-25.00, **sale 8.99-18.75**



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sale 11.99
sale 11.99
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Toddlers' 2- or 3-pc. fleece sets, sizes 2-3-4. Reg. 15.00 and 18.00, **sale 8.99 and 9.99**



Toddlers' sale 8.99
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Big, friendly stuffed animals extra soft and huggable! Choose from bears, bunnies, dogs and raccoons. Wonderful gifts! 28" high. Reg. 29.99, **sale 19.99**



MERVYN'S

Now You're Cookin'

By CINDY SMITH
Staff Writer

Snow flocks the windows, a brightly decorated Christmas tree stands in the corner, and a red lettered sign hangs over the counter to wish everyone a Merry Christmas.

When walking into The Store, the customer, whether she's in there for drinking or cooking purposes, is greeted with bright colored bottles filled with exotic liquors and topped off with big red bows for the shopper wanting to get that perfect holiday gift.

David Hutchins, owner of The Store, says he's really a farmer. "Farmed all my life... I was putting more into than I was getting out of it," he said.

"So I got to thinking about getting a job and for anyone that's nearly 50 years old, job prospects aren't all that good," said Hutchins.

"I got to looking at what business a person could go into that's deflation proof," said the farmer, explaining his career change.

"Seems like when times are good or bad, people will still drink a little," said Hutchins.

"I always thought if a person put in a good, clean, neat-looking store and tried to run their business right, it would do well," commented Hutchins.

The owner of his business, Hutchins stressed qualities of being a salesperson. "You try to treat your customers the way you'd like to be treated," said Hutchins.

Farming brought Hutchins from Spade to Hereford in 1960. "This is a lot better farming country than up there," he said.

Farming in Hereford for seven years, Hutchins raised everything from corn, milo, sugarbeets, wheat,

carrots, potatoes, to cattle.

"You miss farming after you do it as long as I've done it, you miss it some, but I don't regret it," said Hutchins.

He explained that working at The Store is a little more confining because "you just need to be here all the time."

"Usually when everyone else is off for the holidays, this is when you need to be here to work," said Hutchins of his most busy season in the liquor business.

Half of Hutchins' store is only open until 9 p.m. due to the law concerning hard liquor sales. The other half has a drive-in window which stays open until midnight selling the lighter liquors such as beer.

It was easy to see that not only do people like to drink liquor, they use it in their cooking.

"All alcohol evaporates during the cooking stage, and all you have left is the flavor," explained Hutchins.

"Most recipes that call for water can be substituted- half water and half liquor," said Hutchins. Then he warns, "don't put anything in your food that you wouldn't drink."

Hutchins is knowledgeable of all wines-what wines go with what food. He said wines are one of the most popular liquors to cook with.

He says that German wines are very popular around Christmas and explains that the grapes to make the wine are picked on Christmas day with ice still on them.

"White Zinfandel would go best with turkey and French Bordeaux, a red wine, goes best with beef," said Hutchins. He said all the rose' (red wines) is served with mainly pork dishes.

"Maui Blanc is a good wine to serve with pork," said Hutchins.

"It's made from pineapple juice from the pineapples on the island of Maui."

"Chardonnay is also a nice wine to serve with fish," he added.

Hutchins explained that most cherries and brandies are also good to cook with and suggested using Madeira and Napoleon brandy, two of his favorites.

Hutchins also believes that liquors can contribute to what is being served at the dinner table and this is a very common practice during the holiday season.

"A glass of liquor is less fattening and less filling than what you would eat at Christmas," said Hutchins. "A special liquored drink can replace desert very easily."

"Kahlua is most versatile for both mixing and drinks," said Hutchins. "Bailey's original Irish Cream is also another fine liquor."

Mentioning another cooking liquor, Hutchins prefers using Tuaca Li- quore Italialona in preparing his Tuaca Hot Apple Pie dish.

This holiday, Hutchins has shared some of his families favorite delights that include using fine liquors to give each drink a unique flavor.

cup Bacardi light rum, 1/4 tsp. garlic powder. Cover, chill. Serve with crackers and/or celery pieces, cucumber spears, carrot sticks, radish slices, cauliflower buds, mushroom caps. Makes one cup.

RUM CHICKEN STICKS

With sharp knife, cut 12 chicken wings in half. Place in shallow pan. Drizzle 3 Tbs. Bacardi dark rum over wings once or twice. Roll wings in two-thirds cup seasoned bread crumbs, coating well. Sauté in butter or margarine 18 to 20 minutes. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Makes 24 pieces.

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1/4 cup water

1 cup granulated sugar

1/2 cup Bacardi dark rum

Holiday Drinks

TUACA HOT APPLE PIE

In a large mug, pour 1 1/2 oz. of Tuaca over a cinnamon stick. Fill with hot apple cider and top with whip cream.

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Rowland inducted recently

Judy Rowland House, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.H. Rowland of 840 Ave. F, was among 62 juniors and seniors inducted recently into the Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi, a national honor scholarship society.

To be eligible for Alpha Chi, a student must have a minimum grade point average of 3.50 and rank in the top ten percent of the junior or senior class. Membership is the highest academic honor on the West Texas State University campus.

Judy and her husband, Deryl, live in Tulia with their two children, Toby and Apryl.



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Kenesiology topic of chapter program

Xi Epsilon Alpha Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority met recently at the Community Center and enjoyed a program on kenesiology.

Jimmy Middleton introduced the owners of the Lemon Tree Nutrition Center, Tricia Lemon and Beverly Wagner. After describing the study of kenesiology as "Life energy in your body," members took part in an experiment that showed the immediate affect of sugar on the body.

Announced during the meeting was the State Convention to be held in Irving June 27-29, 1986. The convention theme is "Texas: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow."

The Dec. 14 Christmas social will be a couples dinner at the Hereford Country Club in the Halbert Room. An exchange of Christmas ornaments will be enjoyed by guests.

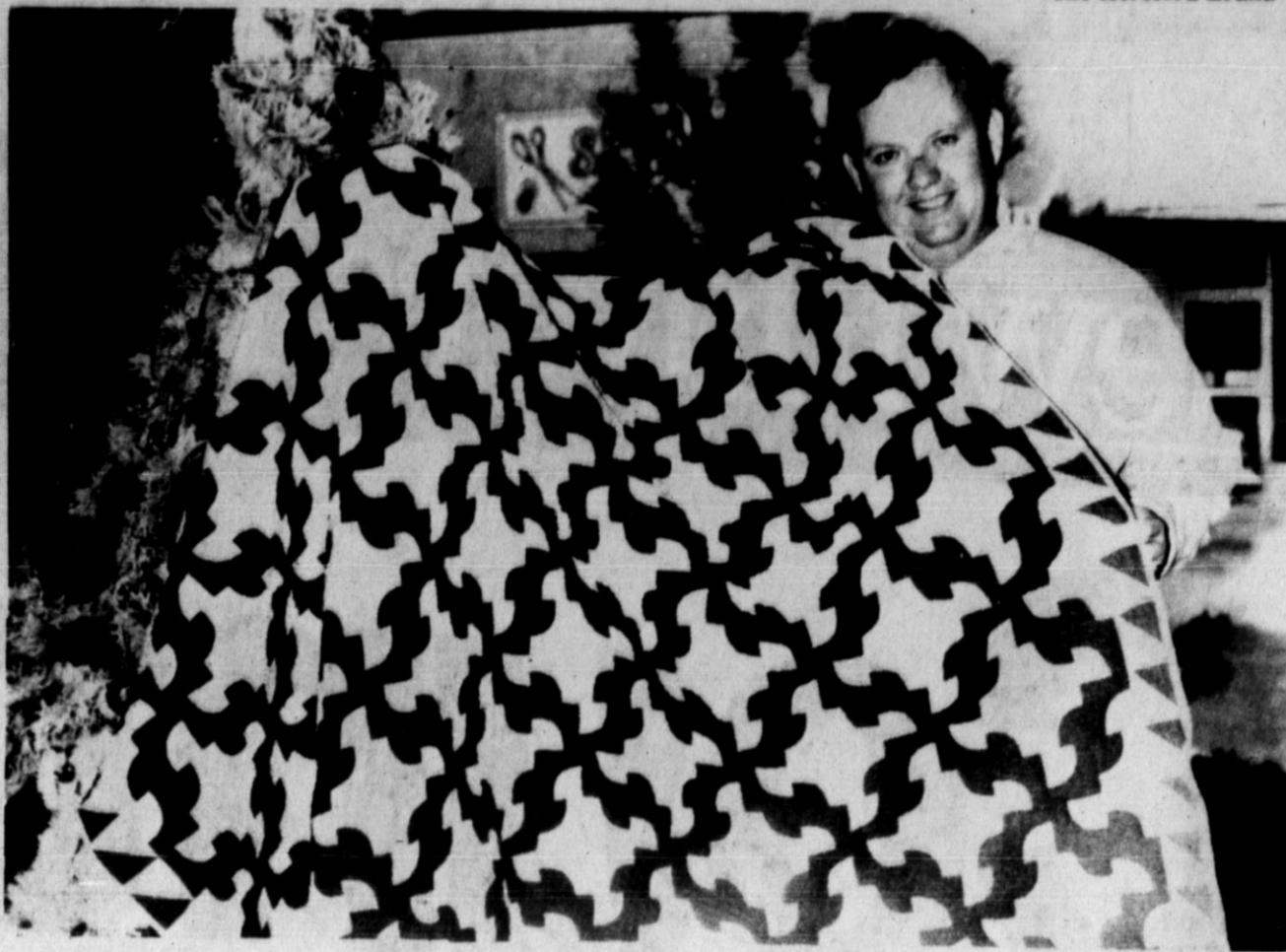
The next meeting will be a short business meeting followed by a gift exchange in the home of Susan Shaw

on Dec. 17. Each member will also bring a favorite sweet item. The social committee will serve as hostess for the evening.

Connie Matthews will present the program at the Jan. 7 meeting with Sharon Bodner and Marjorie Waddell serving as hostesses.

Discussed as new business was City Council's donation to the Golden Spread Foster Children's Fund and the naming of committee chairmen and members of the 1986 Sweetheart Tea, Valentine Ball and Founder's Day functions.

Hostesses Connie Matthews and Lynda Brown served dips and carnal popcorn balls to members, Jody Blackwell, Kay Williams, Cindy Forrest, Margie Waddell, Brenda Thomas, Susan Shaw, Jimmie Middleton, Peggy Hyer, Sharon Bodner, Charla Edwards, and Mary Brinkman.



Taking Bids

Silent bids are being taken for this red and white antique quilt being shown by Hereford Big Brothers-Big Sisters board president Gerry Hollinger. Two more quilts are on display at The Vogue for

silent bids to be written. The quilts were donated by Mrs. Delight Williams and sale proceeds will benefit Big Brothers-Big Sisters.

Alexander among inductees

Eric R. Alexander, son of Dr. and Mrs. Earl G. Alexander of Hereford, was among 62 juniors and seniors inducted recently into the Texas Zeta Chapter of Alpha Chi, a national honor scholarship society.

Alexander is a member of the WTSU Accounting Club, the National Association of Accountants, and is a National Merit Scholar.

To be eligible for Alpha Chi, a student must have a minimum grade point average of 3.50 and rank in the top ten percent of the junior or senior class. Membership is the highest academic honor on the West Texas State University campus.

Holiday home decorations discussed by AIM chapter

A program entitled "Home Decorations at Christmas" was heard by members of Alpha Iota Mu Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority when they met recently in the Reddy Room of Southwestern Public Service Co.

Hostesses for the meeting were Lesa Gelatt and Jan Ramaekers.

Members were reminded of the couples Christmas party planned for 7 p.m. Friday.

Following a short business meeting, a baby shower was given for Beckie Fry and her new daughter, Rebecca.

Members present were Nancy George, Marcy Hughes, Marie Sullivan, Marge Bell, Elizabeth Jesko, Janis White, Jackie Fangman, Carol Kelley, Lisa Rollins, Dona Hendrickson, Gelatt, Ramaekers and Fry.



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INSULATION SAVINGS

TOLEDO, Ohio (AP)—While many consumers expect energy prices to rise in the next five years, more than 50 percent have less than an adequate amount of insulation in the attic.

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Studying Vietnamese gives insight to cultural adjustments

LUBBOCK — Studying trauma felt by Vietnamese who fled to the United States after the fall of Saigon in 1975 is providing insight into the experiences of anyone thrust into a new culture or lifestyle.

The effects of downward job mobility, prejudice and fear of crime studied in 350 Vietnamese who resettled in the United States may be similar for anyone who must deal with stress from a change in culture or lifestyle, said Texas Tech University sociologist Alden E. Roberts.

"This group of people created a unique social laboratory that is allowing us to study what happens when people arrive as refugees," said Dr. Roberts, who began the study in 1978 while at Auburn University. "When they left, they burned their bridges. When you do that, there is no going back and that puts a

great deal of pressure on you. You either make it or you don't."

The group which came to the United States at the fall of Saigon included individuals from the upper and middle classes in the Vietnamese society. Many of them had above average educations.

Roberts and Auburn University sociologist Paul D. Starr tracked refugees who settled along the Gulf Coast in Florida and Louisiana and around San Francisco and Oakland in northern California. Those areas were chosen because numerous refugees relocated there.

Because many Vietnamese in the study were from the upper social classes, they experienced significant downward job mobility after coming to the United States, Roberts said.

"Many of them were professionals—doctors and lawyers—and some

already had fair English," he said. "For a doctor trained in the Western medical model, the move wasn't so bad. But lawyers and bureaucrats virtually had to start over and relearn everything because the systems are so different."

The resulting lifestyles reflected downward job mobility as individuals took unskilled jobs while preparing for an occupation or learning English.

"It's tough to come from the top of your society to a much lower level of existence," Roberts said. "We found that the people who had undergone downward mobility and continued to undergo it had a lot more psychological distress than ones who were able to stay at about the same socio-economic level."

For that reason, those who had been blue collar workers in Vietnam

and who were able to get similar jobs here adjusted better than more educated professionals and white collar workers.

The research may say something about downward mobility among other groups, Roberts said, because other studies have hinted that psychologically distressed people experience downward social mobility because of their emotional problems. This study indicates the refugees become distressed because of lifestyle changes which came with their lowered class.

Prejudice perceived by Vietnamese was also measured to determine its influence on assimilation. In answering questions about their opinions of Vietnamese immigrants, Americans in the South reported being more prejudiced than Americans in California.

However, Vietnamese in the South did not report more prejudicial treatment than Vietnamese on the West Coast. Roberts explained that prejudice is much more subtle than it once was and cultural newcomers may not recognize it.

Americans who had been involved with Vietnamese in their communities reported less prejudice, with those having the most intimate contact being the least prejudicial.

"We've known for some time that social contact on the basis of equality tends to reduce social distance," Roberts said. "People find out it's hard to think of someone as a stereotype when they have had contact with them. Contact reduces differences between people."

Vietnamese who became most assimilated into American society paid a price, however, in fear of

crime. Although they had little chance of being victimized, many Vietnamese said they were afraid of it.

"The very people who are least likely to be victims are the people who most fear crime," Roberts said. "Men and young people are most likely to be victims, but older people and women have a lot more fear of crime."

Vietnamese who had become more a part of American culture, who had talked to the most people and had read newspapers reported the most fear of crime. Undue fear of crime may relate to the amount of communication they had with others, he said.

Other groups may also experience relatively high amounts of fear because of hearing and reading about crimes, he said.

Farm counties complain

Mobil given permission to use aquifer

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The Oklahoma Water Resources Board has agreed to let Mobil Oil Corp. pump water from the Ogallala aquifer under Texas County, but opponents vow to continue their six-year fight against the plan.

Mobil would use the fresh ground water during the next 23 years to flush about 46 million barrels of oil out of a subsurface rock formation.

"This decision is going to lead to a loss of ground water resources in the state," said Tulsa attorney Tom Dalton, representing Texas County irrigators who have opposed the oil company proposal for six years.

He said Monday the decision likely will be appealed in Texas County District Court.

Gary W. Davis, attorney for Mobil, said the oil company will use a tiny fraction of the water now consumed

for irrigation in the Panhandle. He said the decision will be beneficial to state citizens.

The Ogallala is a zone of water-bearing sands underlying nine states. It is the lifeline of farming in northwestern Oklahoma and the Panhandle, where rainfall is inadequate to support intensive agriculture.

Geologists say the Ogallala, at present usage rates, will be 29 percent depleted by 2020.

In Oklahoma, about 52 million acre-feet of fresh water is accessible in the Ogallala. An acre-foot is the amount of water required to cover one acre a foot deep. It equals 325,851 gallons.

The Water Resources Board gave Mobil a permit to pump 25,660 acre-feet from the Ogallala during the next 23 years. The water board said that would amount to one-half of 1

percent of all water used in Texas County.

Gene Barby, president of the Woodward-based Save Our Water group that intervened in the Mobil application, said the central issue is whether the water will be wasted.

Mobil will use an injection flood process to drive residual oil in the Morrow formation to production wells. Davis said the water will be recycled 10 times before being left in the oil-bearing formation.

The Oklahoma Supreme Court, considering Mobil's 1979 application, ruled in 1984 that the resources board must consider whether waste would occur by either depletion or pollution.

"The board's decision is in direct defiance to the Supreme Court order," Barby said. "The board has not addressed the issue of waste. In all water use there is some waste, but this is deliberate."

Opponents of the Mobil plan say the company should use salt water from the deeper Shawnee formation in Beaver County rather than the Ogallala water. The Shawnee formation is 3,500 feet deep while the Ogallala is at about 300 feet.

Duane Smith, chief of the water board's ground water division, recommended Mobil's permit application be denied because of the high court's decision regarding waste of the water.

Davis said Mobil estimates it will pay \$127 million in state production taxes and \$14.6 million in Oklahoma income taxes during the 23-year life of the project.

"It would be horrible for the state and state oil producers if the board hadn't done what they did," Davis said.

Business mirror

Perilous market

NEW YORK (AP) — In the corporate world today you sleep with one eye open and you look over your shoulder to see who's tracking you, and you glance at the sky from time to time to see if anything big is falling from it.

God only knows what might happen, and if you're the head of a company like Texaco or Union Carbide you get to thinking that God isn't on your side and that you'd better look elsewhere for answers, if there are any.

There may be some answers, but they're learned after the fact. And even when those answers are gathered together it is very difficult to determine the common factors. Disasters, it seems, are coming from all directions.

For Texaco it came in the form of a court decision that could cost it more than \$10 billion. For Union Carbide it was a deadly chemical leak in India that is resulting in lawsuits.

For Johns Manville it was a determination that it was liable for damages to those exposed to its asbestos product, a carcinogen. For Delta Air Lines, always ranked high in management, it was a crash in Dallas.

In each instance the company involved has had to retreat and retrench psychologically, physically or financially. Manville has had to seek protection under bankruptcy laws. Texaco has considered the possibility.

Bad business decisions come as close as any to being a common cause of the string of disasters that seem to have befallen some of the biggest names in American industry, especially in banking.

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CRIME INSURANCE RECOVERS LOSSES

NEW YORK (AP) — Hotels and motels, which incur an average annual loss of \$750 per bed because of employee theft, are frequently unaware of special insurance that can help recover the losses, according to an official of an insurance and crime investigation firm.

Sandy Beck of Royal-Schutt International says fidelity bonding for employees can often recoup losses, but that many hotel security officials are not aware of how to fulfill the requirements of those policies to proceed in obtaining reimbursement.



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considered among the best run as well as strongest large banks in America. Then it got caught with a lot of bad loans and all but collapsed. Bank of America is still strong but also has fallen on relatively bad times for much the same reason — too many loose loans.

Tarnished badly is the image of General Dynamics, the defense contractor accused by the government of deliberately overcharging on contracts. And the image if not the business of E.F. Hutton, the securities firm, was undermined by a court decision that it had deceived banks of many millions of dollars.

Explanations for the disasters can be guessed at, but it is likely that until historians obtain a larger perspective the answers won't be known.

Right now, the level of competition has to rank high on the list of possibilities.

Moralists maintain that a decline of standards is involved, but doubt descends on that possible explanation because of various surveys suggesting that standards today are as high or higher than before.

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"If you're really worried about water out there, go to the irrigators, not the oil and gas industry," he said.

"If the board hadn't reversed Duane Smith's recommendation, you would have to revoke everyone else's permit. That means no fresh water could be taken for anything."

Water Resources Board Chairman Gerald Borelli said denying Mobil's request might have forced the board to "shut down a lot of industries in the state." Borelli said Smith defined the high court's decision too narrowly.

"In that strict interpretation, farmers couldn't mix water with fertilizer because the water couldn't be reused," he said.

Texas County irrigators contend the ground water they use remains in a natural cycle.

"The Ogallala is a priceless freshwater reservoir, and it is refilling itself at a very slow rate," Barby said. "We're going to fight this side by side with the irrigators."

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Boy invents better bicycle over eight feet long

SULPHUR SPRINGS, Texas (AP) — The old saying goes, "Build a better mousetrap, and the world will beat a path to your door." But if you build a better bicycle, will the world also hasten to knock down your door? No, says Shane Clayton, but interest is trickling in.

Clayton, a Sulphur Springs eighth-grader, recently put the finishing touches on a revolutionary new bicycle that is 8½-feet long and uses the rider's body as an aerodynamic shield.

The handlebars and peddles are

designed so that the rider leans back in the chair-like seat, making the bicycle more aerodynamic than when a rider hunches over the handlebars, said the inventor, the son of Danny and Elaine Clayton.

"You kind of lay back on it, and it's easier," Clayton explained. "On my bike, you use your back, your arms and your legs because of the way you sit on the bike. On a regular bike, you just use your legs."

Clayton, who runs his own bicycle repair shop in a shed behind his house, said the idea for the bicycle

just came to him because of his cycling experience.

"I got the idea just from myself really," he said. "I've been cyclist all of my life."

His experience dates to the age of 7, when he started "tearing apart bikes." Learning the detailed workings of the two-wheeled creatures at such an early age made it possible for him to piece together in his mind the structure of his new bicycle, and then transfer that idea into a metal reality, he said.

The bike uses four regular chains

put together — 901 links — and is a three-bicycle conglomeration. "All of the bike is alloy, except for two bars, which are steel," Clayton said. One of the bikes that went into manufacturing of the prototype was his own racing bicycle.

"I used to do a lot of racing but not any more since I used my racing bike to make this one. But this one is faster than a regular 10-speed, anyway."

He raced a conventional 10-speed once, he said, and although the regular bike led him at the start, Clayton said he breezed past the conventional cycle near the end of the

race.

The energetic 15-year-old said that although he hasn't gotten an opinion from a large bicycle manufacturer, he has been offered \$600 for his prototype from a local resident.

"I turned that down," he said. "My dad and I were talking about making some more, but I would like to see what the bicycle shops have to say."

Designing the bike was no quick process: Clayton said it took six months to design it and get the parts together. Clayton's friend, Pete Gregory, welded the pieces together.

"We spent a couple of hours in the garage and then he brought it in the next day," Clayton said. "I just told him where I wanted everything."

The end result is sort of a two-wheeled Cadillac — a long and low, laid-back riding machine. Although his invention looks difficult to steer,

Clayton said he has had no problems with the steering, the elongated chain or any other bicycle part.

"I made it about five weeks ago," he said, "and everything is just fine with it. I haven't had any problems."

But he has had to make a variation. Originally, the bike had two brakes: one for the back wheel and one for the front wheel. Clayton, however, took the back brake off when he found it inconvenient. He added that he plans to redesign the brake and put it back on.

Unlike conventional bicycles, Clayton's prototype will not tip over when only the front brake is applied because it is longer and sits lower.

Questions like that — about design — may prompt skeptics to wonder if the bicycle is practical.

"Sure it's practical," Clayton insisted. "I ride it all the time."

Says Reagan

'Babe Ruth made a big mistake'

By MICHAEL PUTZEL AP White House Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Throughout the fall, President Reagan barnstormed the country, pressing for passage of his tax overhaul plan and predicting, in increasingly uncompromising terms, that his opponents would have their comeuppance by Christmas.

"A lot of cynics in Washington are laying odds against getting our fair-share tax plan," Reagan told students at North Carolina State University in September. "Well, the special interests may think they have this one locked up tight. ... Just remind them that this is America, and there are no limits except those

that we put on ourselves."

Although the chances for a tax bill seemed to be declining steadily, within a month Reagan was more optimistic than ever.

In Cincinnati, he acknowledged "there are those who say that getting tax reform through Congress this year will be impossible," but he promised them a place in what he called the Great Mistakes Hall of Fame. There followed a delightful collection of anecdotes.

"In 1899," Reagan said, "Charles H. Duell, commissioner of the U.S. Patent Office, said this: 'Everything that can be invented has been invented,' and he suggested we should do away with the office."

"And with the advent of sound tracks for motion pictures in the '20s, Harry Warner, one of my old bosses at Warner Bros., said this: 'Who the hell wants to hear actors talk?'"

"Do you know that Fulton tried to sell the steamboat for warships to Napoleon? And do you know what Napoleon said about it?"

"You're telling me that you can make a ship go against the tide and the wind and the current by building a bonfire under the deck? I won't listen to such foolishness!"

Reagan quoted the old Cleveland Indians' Tris Speaker as saying in 1921 that "Babe Ruth made a big mistake when he gave up pitching."

"Naysayers will soon take their place beside Tris Speaker in the Great Mistakes Hall of Fame," Reagan vowed. "Just as sure as Ruth could hit home runs ... during this session of the Congress, America's tax plan will become law."

Well, this week, with the House Ways and Means Committee having rewritten Reagan's proposal enough to make it unpalatable, if not downright unacceptable, and no Senate action in sight, presidential spokesman Larry Speakes threw in the towel, at least for now.

"We had hoped that we would have tax reform approved by the House early enough to be acted on by the Senate this year, before this session of the Congress concludes," Speakes told reporters on Monday as lawmakers began clearing their calendars in anticipation of adjournment in the next few days. "At the moment, it does not seem that the legislative realities would permit this, and so we're indicating we'd like to see the process go forward so that it can be acted on at the earliest possible time next year."

But next year, of course, is a congressional election year, and winning agreement on any issue as touchy as taxes during a political campaign could prove even more difficult than it was this year.

Man agrees to testify against daughter in woman's death

HOUSTON (AP) — A man allegedly hired by a Houston woman to kill her parents for \$25,000 pleaded guilty in one death and agreed to testify against the couple's daughter, whose sisters hired a private eye to catch the killer by romancing him.

David Duval West, 29, entered his plea to a reduced charge of murder just minutes before he was scheduled to stand trial Wednesday on capital murder charges.

State District Judge A.D. Azios postponed sentencing.

Duval pleaded guilty in the June 19, 1982 death of Virginia Campbell, 50, who was found shot with her husband, attorney James Campbell, 55, in the couple's home.

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Ms. Ray was indicted Tuesday and was in the courtroom for a preliminary hearing in her own murder case after West entered his plea and agreed to testify against her.

She is charged with murder, solicitation of capital murder and conspiracy to commit murder, Hardin said. If convicted, she faces a maximum life term in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

Hardin said Ms. Ray was not charged with capital murder because, "I don't think it would be proper and realistic for us to seek the death penalty against the non-triggerman with the testimony of the triggerman."

She was charged with her parents' murders last spring but the charges were dropped for lack of evidence.

The Campbells' other three daughters hired the detective agency for which Ms. Paris worked to investigate the killings.

Ms. Paris testified during a hearing on admissibility of the taped conversations with West that she used West to get to Ms. Ray.

Azios ruled Wednesday the tapes can be used as evidence.

Man agrees to testify against daughter in woman's death

HOUSTON (AP) — A man allegedly hired by a Houston woman to kill her parents for \$25,000 pleaded guilty in one death and agreed to testify against the couple's daughter, whose sisters hired a private eye to catch the killer by romancing him.

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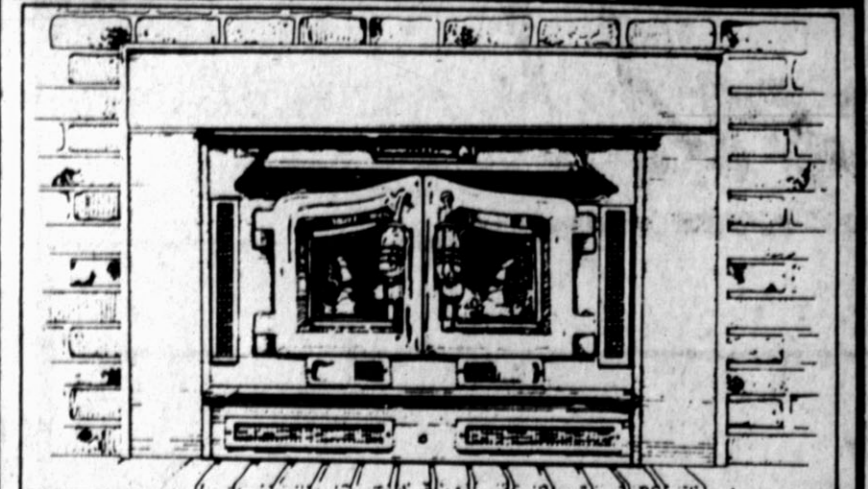
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Sports

TV camera technology developing dramatically

By BARRY WILNER
AP Sports Writer

Television cameras you can carry in your pocket? Or suspend above the field of play for a view not even the fans at the game get? How about slow motion replays in which you can see the stitches rotating on a curveball?

A decade ago, such innovations would have been deemed pure fantasy. Today, they are realities — and just an early step in the world of sports television technology.

"I think technology is jumping in leaps and bounds," says Dennis Lewin, vice president for production coordination with ABC Sports. "Where we are today would not have been believed 10 years ago."

"We are at the point where the Little League World Series can feature a 4-ounce camera mounted on the home plate umpire's mask and not affect the game or his performance."

"But we're certainly not at the end. We've just scratched the surface. The technology still is in its infancy."

Perhaps the most dramatic camera developments recently have been with the Skycam, Microcam and super slow motion.

Skycam was invented by Garrett Brown of Philadelphia and has been used most effectively at football games, most memorably at the 1984 Orange Bowl. The \$500,000, 40-pound camera is suspended on guy wires over the field and its movements are controlled by computer. Skycam of

fers a viewing angle unavailable with any other camera because it is situated above the combatants.

If you could get the ever-present blimp 20 or 25 feet above the action, you would get the same view Skycam affords.

"Skycam has pluses and minuses, from sport to sport," Lewin explains. "For baseball, Skycam can bring dramatic shots but it's clearly restricted — it can't fly over the field and we can't run wires during play itself because it could effect play."

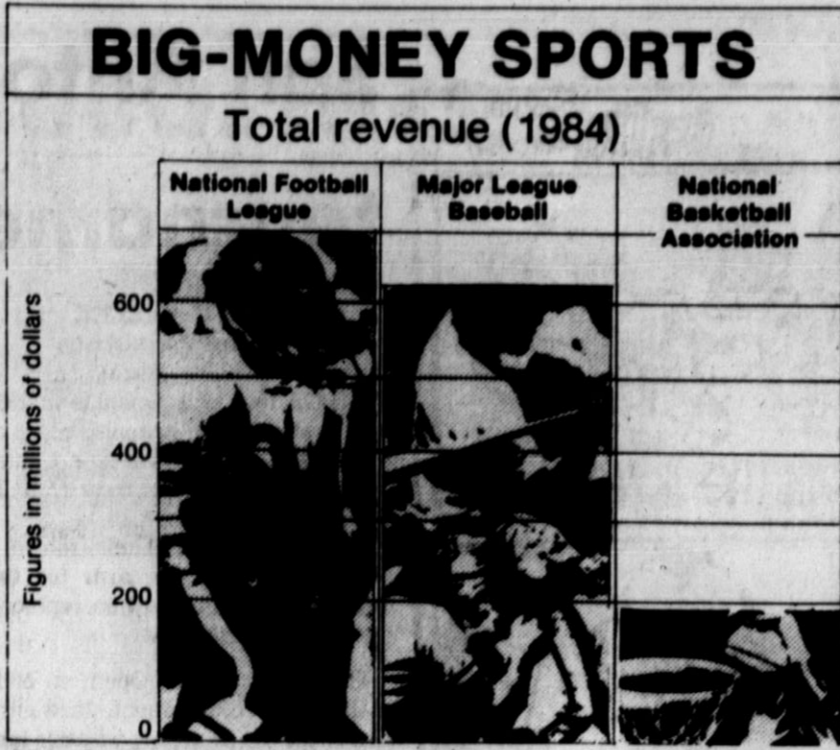
"The most dramatic thing we can do with it is when there is a conference at the mound, or the pitcher is warming up, we can give a new perspective. But it won't dramatically change the way baseball is covered."

"In football, you can keep it behind the ball and it has far more uses. But again there are some limitations, such as how fast it can go or turn around."

All three networks have experimented with minicams.

Last summer, ABC used its Microcam for the Little League World Series and the result was intriguing. The viewer was offered a look at what it's like to stand at home plate during a game and see each delivery.

In October, Microcam was placed on a hockey helmet worn by world class runner Rod Dixon. At four intervals during the New York City Marathon, Dixon joined the leaders and viewers became part of the race itself rather than just observers from afar.



Source: Business Week

Still king of the hill in pro sports — based on total revenue (TV money, gate receipts, etc.) — is the 28-team National Football League. Major League Baseball (26 teams) and the National Basketball Association (23 teams) come next.

Playoff pairings

Texas High School Football Pairings

By The Associated Press

Here are this weekend's pairings in the Texas high school state football playoffs:

Class 5A Semifinals

Odesa Permian vs. Cypress-Fairbanks, 2 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving.

Houston Yates vs. San Antonio Holmes, 1 p.m. Saturday, Alamo Stadium, San Antonio.

Class 4A Semifinals

Sweetwater vs. Austin Westlake, 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Brownwood.

New Braunfels vs. Tomball, 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Houston.

Class 2A Semifinals

Vernon vs. Daingerfield, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Garland.

Van Vleck vs. Cuero, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Austin.

Class 2A Semifinals

Hamlin vs. Electra, 8 p.m. Friday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene.

Groveton vs. Shiner, 8 p.m. Friday, Aldine.

Class 1A Semifinals

Munday vs. Goldthwaite, 8 p.m. Friday, Breckenridge.

Italy vs. Runge, 8 p.m. Friday, Georgetown.

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Jayton vs. Christoval, 8 p.m. Friday, McMurry Stadium, Abilene.

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HHS teams to play at Plainview tonight

Basketball games between Hereford High School and Plainview High School, which were postponed Tuesday night because of the weather and road conditions, have been rescheduled tonight at Plain-

Harris Rating

System picks

for this week

The Harris Rating System's picks in the state high school semifinal playoff football games for this week are (won-loss records in parenthesis):

Class AAAAA: Odesa Permian (13-0-1) by 6 over Cypress-Fairbanks (13-0-1); Houston Yates (14-0) over San Antonio Holmes (13-1).

Class AAAA: Austin Westlake (12-2) by 1 over Sweetwater (12-1); Tomball (13-0) by 5 over New Braunfels (13-0).

Class AAA: Vernon (12-2) by 1 over Daingerfield (14-0); Van Vleck (14-0) by 3 over Cuero (13-1).

Class AA: Electra (14-0) by 6 over Hamlin (14-0); Groveton (14-0) by 7 over Shiner (12-1-1).

Class A: Munday (14-0) by 7 over Goldthwaite (14-0); Italy (14-0) by 8 over Runge (11-2).

view. Times for the varsity and junior varsity games will be the same as originally scheduled: varsity girls' game at 6 p.m., varsity boys' game at 7:45 p.m., junior varsity boys' game at 6 p.m., and junior varsity girls' game at 7:45 p.m.

The varsity contests are District 3-5A games. The HHS varsity girls have a 2-0 district record, and the Whiteface varsity boys have not played a district game.

On Friday night, the Hereford teams play at home against Caprock High School. The varsity girls' and boys' games, to be played at the HHS gym, are set for 6 p.m. and 7:45 p.m., respectively.

The junior varsity boys' and girls' contests, to be played at the Stanton Junior High School gym, are scheduled for 6 p.m. and 7:45 p.m., respectively.

A sophomore boys' basketball game between Hereford and Caprock, which was originally scheduled for tonight at the HHS gym, will not be played. The game will possibly be rescheduled.

Bob Cousy, the 1957 Most Valuable Player in the National Basketball Association, led the league in assists for eighth straight seasons with the Boston Celtics.

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Providence 94, Maine 62

Rutgers 72, Columbia 66

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S. Mississippi 96, Arkansas St. 82

VMI 76, Lynchburg 72

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Ball St. 67, Indiana St. 54

Dayton 69, Butler 55

Miami, Ohio 69, Denison 55

Missouri 81, Middle Tenn. 77

Morehead St. 77, Ohio Wesleyan 71

SOUTHWEST

Texas 82, Oral Roberts 66

Texas A&M 88, Prairie View 60

FAR WEST

Colorado 78, Colorado St. 65

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Portland 54, Idaho 53

San Jose St. 88, San Francisco 81



by David Hutchins

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THINGS WE'LL SEE IN THE YEAR 2000

At baseball winter meetings

Brisk trading is taking place

By BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer
SAN DIEGO (AP) — Baseball's 1985 winter meetings, predicted to be a slow time for trading, keep speeding up. Just ask John Denny, Manny Trillo or Gary Roenicke.

Those players highlighted six more deals made Wednesday that boosted the trade total to 10, matching the number of swaps made during the entire 1984 annual meetings.

"I'm delighted to be with the Reds," Denny, a former Cy Young Award winner, said after Philadelphia sent him and a minor leaguer to the Reds for speedy outfielder Gary Redus and relief pitcher Tom Hume in the biggest deal of the day.

The brisk trading far overshadowed the planned business, Commissioner Peter Ueberroth's meeting with team owners.

No new developments regarding expansion and relocation, the drug situation or the use of the designated hitter in the World Series emerged after the six-hour session. The owners did unanimously approve the sale of the Pittsburgh Pirates to a group of local businesses.

While the owners were talking trades, several general managers were trading players.

The New York Yankees, the most active team at last year's meetings, made two deals — acquiring Roenicke and a player to be named later from Baltimore for pitcher Rich Bordi and second baseman Rex Hudler, and getting utility infielder Mike Fischlin from Cleveland for another player to be named later.

The Los Angeles Dodgers, who missed a chance to get Rickey Henderson last year and wound up not making any deals during those meetings, made two trades Wednesday.

Los Angeles filled a big void by getting left-handed reliever Ed Vande Berg from Seattle for veteran catcher Steve Yeager, and filled

Yeager's spot as a backup by obtaining Alex Trevino from San Francisco for outfielder Candy Maldonado.

San Francisco made the other deal of the day, sending four-time All-Star second baseman Manny Trillo to the Chicago Cubs for utility infielder Dave Owen.

The Giants also spent part of the

day working on a major trade that would have sent outfielder Chili Davis to the World Series champion Kansas City Royals for pitcher Mark Gubicza, outfielder Pat Sheridan and a highly touted pitching prospect.

In all, 22 players have been traded so far during the meetings, compared to 25 last year.

No TV broadcast to be allowed for Odessa fans

AUSTIN (AP) — Odessa football fans won't get to see Permian's Saturday schoolboy playoff game on television because the opposition doesn't want them to.

Television station KOSA of Odessa wanted to tape the Saturday night game and show it Sunday.

Permian and Cypress-Fairbanks meet in Irving in the semifinals of the 5A football playoffs.

Under the University Interscholastic League's contract with an advertising firm that handles coverage of playoff games, a contest cannot be tape-delay telecast unless both schools approve, according to UIL Director Bailey Marshall.

Permian officials said OK. Cypress-Fairbanks, fearing the telecast could serve as a good scouting report for a future opponent, said no, according to Marshall.

"They were afraid someone would

videotape the tape delay and get it to the team they might play the following week in the finals," Marshall said.

The videotape could provide far more information than the two-week-old game films that are exchanged by opponents. Marshall said Cypress-Fairbanks said it would permit the telecast if it was delayed until Wednesday, but the Odessa station wanted to air it Sunday.

Cypress-Fairbanks officials also feared the tape delay could hurt attendance, according to district spokesman Larry Peil.

Marshall said some athletic directors might push next year for a ban on all tape-delay telecasts of high school football games.

Live telecasts are barred unless the game is sold out 48 hours before kick-off.

San Antonio to have PGA tournament next October

By SHEILA ALLEE
Associated Press Writer
SAN ANTONIO, Texas (AP) — The PGA tour will conclude in 1986 with a stop in San Antonio, home of the new \$1 million Vantage Championship, new sponsors R.J. Reynolds have announced.

The announcement Wednesday is a powerful shot in the arm for the Texas Open, which will be replaced by the new tournament.

The \$350,000 Texas Open, an end-of-the-season tournament, drew only five of the top 20 money winners last year.

The new tournament, scheduled Oct. 23-25 next year, will be only the third PGA tournament offering a purse of \$1 million or more.

The Vantage Championship joins the International at Denver and the Las Vegas Invitational as the elite tournaments offering \$1 million or more in prize money.

"I can tell you without reservation that we are absolutely delighted," said Deane Beman, commissioner of the Professional Golf Association. Beman, who formerly played on

the PGA tour, said the Vantage Championship now offers a first prize "almost double what I won when I won the Texas Open in 1969."

First prize will be \$180,000, with prize money being offered for places up to 70th.

"Late fall tournaments have had problems attracting top players," said Jeff Byrd, an R.J. Reynolds spokesman who announced the new tournament at a news conference at Oak Hills Country Club.

"We hope our sponsorship will solve this," Byrd said. "We hope to create an exciting and dramatic conclusion to the PGA tour."

Frank Manupelli, president of the San Antonio Golf Association, which sponsored the Texas Open, said, "It truly is a great, great day for San Antonio with this announcement."

"We've had good fields in the past but we know we're going to have even better ones with this higher

prize," he said. The new tournament will be the last of 44 official money events on the PGA Tour in which professional golfers can earn points in the \$2 million Vantage Cup competition.

Reynolds Tobacco unveiled the Vantage Cup concept Oct. 29. It is the first umbrella points competition to determine a national champion for the PGA tour.

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Pacers beat Spurs 114-101

Celtics roll to 118-101 win over Kings

By DICK BRINSTER
AP Sports Writer

The Boston Celtics easily won the battle. But the war may drag on a little longer without floor general Dennis Johnson.

Johnson, a 10-year veteran, suffered a possible cracked left wrist late in the first period Wednesday night as the Celtics rolled to a 118-101 National Basketball Association vic-

tory over the Sacramento Kings. He is averaging 16.7 points, 5.2 rebounds and 37 minutes a game.

Coach K.C. Jones said he expected Johnson to be sidelined a week to 10 days, but Dr. Thomas Silva, the team physician, wanted to see X-rays before deciding the point guard's status.

The Kings, winless in Boston 1978, jumped to an 18-13 lead before the Celtics began to play like a team leading the Atlantic Division by seven games.

Boston, 19-3 overall and 10-1 at home, charged to a 32-26 lead by the end of the quarter with the help of three points, three assists and a steal by Johnson. Larry Bird took charge in the second period, ending an 0-13 slump in three-point goals with a pair of bombs and 13 points.

"We had a handle on the game for about 30 seconds," said Sacramento veteran Reggie Theus, who had 14 points, all in the first half. "After that it was all downhill."

Pacers 114, Spurs 101

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — San Antonio Coach Cotton Fitzsimmons didn't want to play the game.

Indiana Coach George Irvine was amazed. "How a team can shoot 25 percent one night and then come out and shoot over 60 percent in the first quarter and 54 for the whole game."

After losing to New York 82-64 the previous night, the Pacers rallied Wednesday night to defeat the Spurs 114-101 in the National Basketball Association. Against San Antonio, the Pacers scored one more point in the first half than in the whole game Tuesday night.

"I really didn't want to come in here tonight," Fitzsimmons said. "It's really tough to play a team that got humiliated last night the way Indiana did. They played real well (tonight), so give the Pacers credit."

"We were more aggressive tonight," Irvine said. "Last night we

were very tentative. I don't think San Antonio expected us to play that well. A big key is still how well we were able to do off the defensive board."

Rookie Wayman Tisdale scored a season-high 28 points for the Pacers, and Quinn Buckner sparked a 46-point effort by the Indiana bench.

Johnny Moore scored a game-high 30 points for the Spurs.

Indiana led 31-26 with 1:26 left in the opening quarter when Buckner entered the game. He had four points, three rebounds, two assists and a steal during seven minutes of the first half. Indiana led 48-37 when he returned to the bench.

Six Pacers finished in double figures, including Buckner who had 11.

76ers 125, Cavaliers 110

Philadelphia kept Boston in sight — barely — by beating Cleveland behind Moses Malone's 34 points.

Julius Erving, with 23 points, scored four straight field goals early in the third quarter to spark a 13-4 Philadelphia surge.

World B. Free had 27 points and Roy Hinson 21 for the Cavs.

Bullets 108, Pistons 100

Washington, another Boston chaser, reached .500 — a game behind Philadelphia — thanks to 27

points from Frank Johnson.

He led the Bullets to their eighth victory in 11 games.

Atlanta 105, Seattle 97

Atlanta didn't waste any time, with Dominique Wilkins keying a 12-point run early in the game. Wilkins had six of his game-high 31 points in the spurt, which turned a 2-0 Seattle lead into a 12-2 deficit.

Doc Rivers added 13 points for the Hawks.

Nuggets 134, Clippers 95

Wayne Cooper blocked nine shots and scored 22 points, and Lafayette Lever dished out 14 assists for Denver. The Nuggets played their regulars for only 2½ periods.

Alex English led all scorers with 24 points for Denver, which moved 10½ within a game of idle Houston, the Midwest Division leader.

Jazz 119, Trail Blazers 111

Utah's Adrian Dantley scored 14 of his 36 points in the first quarter and added another 14 in the third period.

The Blazers fell behind by as many as 18 points.

Suns 123, Warriors 113

Walter Davis tied his career high by scoring 43 points as Phoenix won for the third straight time to run its total for the season to six.

The Warriors lost their fourth straight.

Complaints are voiced about A&M crowd noise

AUSTIN (AP) — A member of the Men's Athletics Council at the University of Texas said Wednesday a crowd should not be allowed to interfere with a game as it did at College Station when Texas played Texas A&M in football on Thanksgiving night.

Dr. James Vick, associate dean of the College of Natural Sciences, said he grew up watching Louisiana State football but had never seen a "situation where it was as bad as at A&M."

A&M defeated Texas 42-10 for the Southwest Conference championship before an overflow crowd of 77,607.

During one series of downs, Texas quarterback Bret Stafford stepped back from the line of scrimmage because he thought his teammates could not hear his shouted signals and the crowd got even louder.

Game officials allowed Stafford to wait as long as he wanted but, according to Texas Coach Fred Akers, had no authority to silence the crowd.

Akers said in years past a team could be penalized for excessive crowd noise but "there is nothing in the rules right now that would keep them from doing it."

He admitted that Stafford "was a little unsettled" by the noise.

"In a situation like that, it's a mistake for there not to be a way to resolve that kind of issue," Vick said.

Vick, referring to a published report that A&M Coach Jackie Sherrill had encouraged A&M fans to yell loudly so that Texas could not hear its signals, said, "I don't think that's an appropriate thing for the coach of a team to do."

Council chairman Tom Morgan also noted that members of the all-volunteer kickoff team at A&M have started waving white towels to excite Aggie fans.

UT Athletics Director DeLoss Dodds said he and Morgan would call the A&M crowd noise to the attention of Southwest Conference officials.

Bowling Green head coach is hired by San Diego State

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Bowling Green's coach Denny Stolz, in Fresno preparing for the California Bowl, has decided to stay on the coast as the new football coach of San Diego State University.

"I think we can make this program competitive, not only in the (Western Athletic Conference), but one of the elite in the country, and that's exactly what my aim will be," Stolz said Wednesday at a news conference announcing his appointment.

Stolz replaces Doug Scovil, who was dismissed after the Aztecs finished the current season 5-6-1. Scovil was largely responsible for converting San Diego State's football program from one built around

junior college transfers to one based on freshmen recruiting.

Stolz' current team is in Fresno, Calif., preparing for Saturday's California Bowl game against Fresno State. Bowling Green won the Mid-American Conference and Fresno State won the Pacific Coast Athletic Association this year.

Bowling Green, 11-0, could be the nation's only unbeaten Division I-A team this year if Oklahoma beats undefeated Penn State in the Orange Bowl on Jan. 1.

"All in all, he was the right man at the right time for our program, and we're thrilled we were able to get him," San Diego State Athletic Director Fred Miller said of the 51-year-old Stolz.

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DR. GOTT — Eye Institute can offer help

DEAR DR. GOTT — After a severe bout with the flu last fall, I was left with a blurred spot in my right eye. I've been to one ophthalmologist three times, to another (who is supposed to be a famous surgeon) once, and have had a complete physical and a glucose tolerance test, but none of the doctors can find anything wrong. I'm 62. I don't know where else to go or what to do.

DEAR READER — You sound as though you have done all the right things. I'm surprised your specialists haven't been able to diagnose your conditions. In my opinion, your next logical step would be to make an appointment at a leading eye institute or at a clinic in a hospital that specializes in vision disorders.

DEAR DR. GOTT — I was diagnosed as having fibrocystic breast disease seven years ago. My two sisters have it also. I made my own discovery that caffeine, chocolate and refined sugar had no effect on the lumps. The problem for me is that the birth-control pill encourages formation of them. What do you make of this?

DEAR READER — From the information you provide, I suspect that your breast cysts are hormone-sensitive. Your gynecologist may be willing to prescribe some of the newer low-dose contraceptive pills. However, I'll predict that any birth-control drug will exacerbate your fibrocystic disease to one extent or another.

Because this common breast ailment is entirely innocuous (although painful), you may choose to continue the birth-control pills and put up with your discomfort, providing you are willing to have your breasts checked periodically by a doctor. The other obvious solution is to change your method of contraception. Barrier methods or surgical sterilization for you or your husband might be options. As you have discovered, not all women with fibrocystic disease are helped by avoiding chocolate, coffee and sugar.

DEAR DR. GOTT — I am 72 years old and am a mental-hospital outpatient, now living in a family-care home. I am suffering from bad swelling in my right lower leg and foot. I was told it was cellulitis, then phlebitis, then they wanted to inject iodine in my toes and take X-rays. Nothing seems to help. It being a mental hospital, I don't think they are qualified to treat me physically. Please give me your opinion.

DEAR READER — Most accredited mental hospitals are staffed by M.D.s who can help you with physical problems. If they cannot, they will know where to refer you for appropriate evaluation. In your case, the injection of iodine compound into the veins, followed by X-rays of your circulation, sounds like a necessary diagnostic test. It is called a phlebogram and can be performed in many hospitals.

A lot goes into choosing a tree

LUFKIN, Texas (AP) — If there is one thing Arthur Fisher has learned after seven years of peddling pines, it's that there really is no accounting for taste. "You'd be surprised at what people pick out," he said, walking through rows and rows of Virginia Pines growing seven miles outside Lufkin alongside U.S. 89.

Some like 'em plump and some don't mind scraggly and that's good news for growers like Fisher, who counts each cut Christmas tree as a little more money in his pocket.

Whatever your taste in trees to trim, searching for one makes for a fine fresh air outing this time of year.

Most searching these days takes place at either a tree lot or a choose-and-cut site like Fisher's. His operation, which he says has no real name, will be open daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Dec. 22.

Choosing a tree is one thing — lightly tripping up and down the rows calling "Oh, here's a pretty one," or "This one has a nice shape."

Making it yours is another thing altogether.

First there is the selection phase. You've given the needles the crush test — if they bounce back the tree is fresh — and you've made a decision. Moments ago, the choice had been difficult. There were so many nice ones. Once you've decided, however, it seems like the only tree for you and a tiny worry creeps in if you have to leave to get an attendant to cut it or pick it up for you.

What if somebody else claims it while you are gone? People will leave all kinds of things behind to mark a tree — a piece of plastic, a paper cup, a tissue or a child.

On New Year's Eve in Madrid, Spain, families gather together and at the first stroke of the bell at midnight each person begins to eat 12 grapes—all must be eaten by midnight to ensure good luck for the coming year.

DEAR DR. GOTT — I have been taking the blood thinner dipyridamole for almost two years. However, a year ago I had a slight stroke. Does this mean that the dipyridamole hasn't done any good?

DEAR READER — Dipyridamole is not really a blood thinner. It is supposed to prevent tiny blood cells (platelets) from sticking together and forming the basis for clots in your blood vessels. Some recent evidence indicates that aspirin has the same effect and may be as useful as (and less expensive than) dipyridamole. If your doctor felt that your blood really should be thinned (anticoagulated), he would have prescribed a drug like Coumadin, which chemically interrupts the blood-clotting mechanism.

DEAR DR. GOTT — I was paralyzed in a fall seven years ago, and for the last five years I have been confined to my hospital bed because of the chronic pain I suffer. I realize living in bed is not healthy, but it is the only way it seems I can survive. The problem is I just don't feel good. I have flu-like symptoms most of the time. I itch a lot and have erratic sleep patterns. Could you give me some pointers and some literature that I might read to correct my condition?

DEAR READER — Being bedridden is, as you point out, a discouraging way to live. However, the inactivity, by itself, is not a likely cause of your symptoms. Rather than relying on reading materials to correct your condition, you would probably be more effectively helped if you asked your doctor to bring in some specialists. You could be suffering an allergic reaction to medications or bedding materials.

Also, you don't say where your chronic pain is located but I think you need, at the very least, a physiatrist (M.D. trained in rehabilitation). Modern methods of treating paralysis can often produce amazing improvement in patients' mobility, independence and emotional outlook.

DEAR DR. GOTT — I am a 55-year-old female who, for the past few years, has had problems with a swelling abdomen. I've had two upper- and lower-G.I. series and routine colon X-rays. I've also had a hysterectomy. I'm on Cinobac 500 for a severe bladder infection. I used to drink, so I'm worried it might be cirrhosis of the liver or cancer of the colon. What can you suggest?

DEAR READER — Cinoxacin (Cinobac) is an antibiotic that can cause a variety of intestinal side effects. Although abdominal distension is not specifically mentioned by the manufacturer as a complication of therapy, it certainly could be produced by the other bowel effects of the drug. Routine colon X-rays usually are sufficient to rule out cancer of the large intestine.

Guests welcomed at club Christmas party

Members of Hereford Music Study Club met for a Christmas party during their guest night Monday evening in Ward Parlor of First United Methodist Church.

Jo Ella Cansler, president, welcomed family members and guests and Kay Lynn Caviness introduced John and Jeanine Avery who presented a Christmas musical program.

John Avery, minister of music and education for First United Methodist Church, played several different musical instruments and sang at intervals as his wife narrated a program using a nativity scene for illustration.

Christmas songs were also presented by a sextet consisting of Susan Shaw, Robbie Ames, Ginger Wallace, Jan Walsler, Denise Teel and Terri Laing. They were accompanied by Betty Gilbert.

Refreshments of various Christmas treats, including hot apple cider, finger sandwiches, cookies, punch and dips were served by hostesses, Sue Sims, Mary Thomas, Shaw and Ames.

The next meeting was scheduled at 1:30 p.m. Jan. 14, 1986 in the home of Susan Shaw.

Poor education keeps Hispanics on tenement trail

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mexican immigration helps California's economy by supplying it with cheap labor, but Hispanics are slow to get the technical education needed to break out of "the traditional tenement trail," a Rand Corp. study says.

The study also predicts that the number of Mexican immigrants — more than half of them illegals — will triple by the end of the century.

It estimated the current number of Mexican newcomers at between 1.2 million and 1.5 million, but Kevin McCarthy, a Rand demographer and chief author of the study, said in a telephone interview that his estimates of illegal immigrants were moderate. Some officials have said the number may be two and even three times as high.

The study, released Monday, was sponsored by The California Roundtable, an organization of 90 of the state's largest businesses. It was designed to look at Mexican immigration's impact on the economy and the prospects for the newcomers to move into the mainstream of U.S. society.

Eighty percent of the state's Mexican immigrants live in Southern California, half of them in Los Angeles County, which has one of the world's largest Hispanic populations outside Mexico City, the study said.

It found 43 percent of Mexican immigrants work as semi-skilled machine operators and laborers in manufacturing and construction, 12 percent in personal-service jobs such as hotel, restaurant or domestic work, 16 percent in agriculture and 23 percent in skilled and white-collar service and sales jobs. The rest were unspecified.

The study termed a myth the popular belief that the large number

of Mexican immigrants has hurt Southern California's economy.

Instead, the study said, they "may actually have stimulated manufacturing employment by keeping wage levels competitive."

However, the study noted that depressed wages appeared to be concentrated in the Hispanic workforce and seemed not seriously to affect Caucasian workers, whose wages tended to be slightly above the national average.

Slowness in seeking good educations and in integrating with mainstream America has tended to retard movement of Mexican immigrants from low-paying jobs to professional positions, the study said.

An estimated 3 million new jobs are expected to be created in California by 1995, two-thirds of them in the white-collar and skilled-service sector "beyond the range of most Mexican immigrants," the study said.

Another study released Monday, by the state's Population Research Unit, forecasts that the number of Hispanics and Asians in California will double in the next 30 years.

But if there is amnesty for illegal aliens, "everybody's estimates will be conservative," said Philip Martin, co-author of the study and a professor at the University of California at Davis.

Carol Corcoran of the Population Research Unit said that between 1980 and 2000, Asians will be the fastest-growing group in California, with a 136 percent increase.

However, Hispanics will continue to be the largest racial or ethnic minority, doubling from 5.5 million this year to 11.1 million in 2015, the study said.

Germany and Poland signed a 10-year non-aggression pact in 1934.

Abundant Life

OUR DISPOSITION

By Bob Wear

WE ARE NOT BORN to be disposed in some particular way that is forever unchangeable. Our disposition is of our own choosing, and is not something that cannot be modified or changed, if such need is indicated. by 'disposition' we mean the predominant bent of the mind or spirit.

THE THEORIES of determinism may have some justified support in the influencing of our disposition, and it is admitted that we do seem inclined to permit what happens to us to determine whether we are cheerful or gloomy. To whatever extent such is permitted, it is still a matter of choice, our choice.

WE DO HAVE some choice about how we respond to what happens to us. We seem to have accepted the view that we can let what happens to us make us bitter or better. Then, why not accept the view that, regardless of what happens, we can choose a cheerful disposition?

IT IS ADMITTED that most of us, perhaps all of us, have enough disappointments, frustrations, and hurt to cause gloomy feelings; however, it must also be admitted that we have a choice about how we respond to these happenings. The truth is that the maintenance of a cheerful, contented disposition, which is something we can develop, enables us to cope more successfully with adversities; and it is a great asset to the entire living experience.

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WE CAN DEVELOP a cheerful disposition by fully admitting its value, establishing an abiding desire for it, and deliberately making it the dominant mental quality; and do this diligently.

THERE IS PERHAPS no better balm for the human spirit than the cheerful, contented disposition; and it is available to all of us.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Douglas Crouch are the parents of a daughter, Heather Michele, born Dec. 2. She weighed 8 lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Wade Perkins are the parents of a son, Adam Franklin, born Dec. 3. He weighed 6 lbs. 12 3/4 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Homero Chico are the parents of a son, Juan Ramon, born Dec. 1. He weighed 10 lbs. 10 3/4 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Juan Porras III are the parents of a son, Juan IV, born Dec. 3. He weighed 7 lbs. 7 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. James Martin Paetzold are the parents of a daughter, Jennifer Lee, born Dec. 4. She weighed 7 lbs. 13 3/4 oz.

MENTAL HEALTH

WASHINGTON (AP) — Schizophrenia, a mental illness characterized by visual hallucinations, imagined voices and abnormal behavior, afflicts 1 percent of Americans. Yet, not much is known about the disease, and many psychologists are trying to clear up some misconceptions.

For one, schizophrenia is not the same as a split personality, says Dr. E. Fuller Torrey, a psychiatrist. Disorders such as Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde are far rarer and have different symptoms. Another myth, says Torrey, is that parents are the cause of the disease in their children. Abnormal brain chemistry is the root of the problem, not poor child-rearing practices.



The popular notion that Lincoln wrote the Gettysburg Address on the back of an envelope on the train to Gettysburg is false. In fact, he started writing it almost two weeks before the event.

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Remember safety precautions when using electric, kerosene spot heaters during winter

Climatologists with the National Weather Service are predicting below normal temperatures for Texas this fall and winter. If they are right, it could be a long, cold winter, and many consumers will be looking at the options available to hold down their heating costs.

You can, of course, add insulation to your attic and caulk your windows. In the long run, this will help lower your utility bills. In the short run, it will help keep you warm. However, the trick is getting warm in the first place.

And one practical alternative to heating your furnace cut in, and fretting about it cutting into your pocketbook each time it does, is the portable electric or kerosene space heater. They are economical because they are designed to heat the room you're in, not the rest of the home.

If properly used, most units operate cleanly and efficiently and can provide warmth and comfort to any size room. But if improperly used, any unit can burn your house down and cause injury or death.

To help you have a warm and safe heating season, the Association of Fire and Casualty Companies in Texas (AFACT) urges users of space heaters to exercise caution and common sense and observe the following list of safeguards.

Today you can purchase a kerosene or electric space heater in almost any color, shape or size. To help you find the "right" space heater - one that fits your budget, meets your heating requirements and is safe to use - start your search in the periodical section of your library.

There you will find various subject indexes you can use to locate magazines having product evaluations on space heaters.

Be an informed consumer. You'll reduce the chance you spend shopping for a less than satisfactory product.

Whether or not your review of the literature turns up the right space heater for you, don't just buy a unit off the shelf. Check it out thoroughly before you take it home.

Make sure the heater has been approved by Underwriters Laboratories or has some other recognized seal of approval.

AFACT recommends you select one with a self-extinguishing mechanism. This safety feature will extinguish the flame or shut off the flow of electricity to heating coils if the heater is jarred or tipped over. And even if this feature is present, see if the unit has a low center of gravity and resists being tipped - it pays to be doubly safe. Also, if it's a kerosene model, very little fuel should spill if it is knocked over.

AFACT also recommends that you purchase kerosene heaters with electronic ignitions, detachable fuel tanks, and fiberglass wicks. The old-fashioned cotton wicks do not burn efficiently and can be a fire hazard.

Have the dealer demonstrate the operation of the model you're interested in. Is the housing too hot to touch? Does it smoke? And when it's turned off, is there the strong lingering odor of kerosene, or does the wick continue to burn? If the answer to any of these questions is yes, look for another unit.

AFACT recommends you purchase a unit with a guarantee and warranty. Also, ask the store if you can bring it back and get another one or a refund if the one you purchase doesn't work properly. You want a product the store or company will stand behind.

When you get your space heater home, the first thing you should do is read the owner's manual. Then carefully follow the operating instructions and test the unit. If parts are missing or don't function properly, or if the unit simply doesn't perform as claimed or demonstrated, return it immediately to the store.

There are fewer safeguards to follow in the operation of electric space heaters than there are for kerosene models, but that doesn't

Never place a space heater close to furniture, drapes or other combustible materials. The accompanying owner's manual should prescribe the free space requirements of the unit (generally three feet). Also, don't put a space heater in a traffic pattern the life and property of those who misuse their kerosene heaters.

AFACT recommends you fuel your kerosene heater's tank outdoors where spillage will not be a hazard. Also, by using a siphon pump to refill the tank, you can further minimize spillage.

Cold kerosene will expand as it warms to room temperature, thereby posing another risk of spillage. To prevent this, you should fill the tank to only 90 percent capacity. Always replace the cap to the heater's tank and the fuel storage tank tightly. And store the fuel outdoors.

Never refuel the unit while it's hot or operating, and don't smoke during refueling.

The fuel you use should be new, water-clear and high-quality kerosene identified as ASTM 1-K. Do not use kerosene intended for other purposes like diesel engines, and do not use fuel left over from last year; it will have degraded. Never mix fuels or use gasoline as this practice can result in an explosion.

After lighting the heater, you should allow a few minutes for the wick to become saturated. Adjust the heater to an even flame and observe it for at least 15 minutes, watching for smoking or abnormal flames and adjust accordingly.

AFACT reminds you that you should never simply light the appliance, turn the control to operating position and then leave it without further attention, because generally if there is going to be a problem with the unit, it will occur during or shortly after start-up.

A slight kerosene odor during lighting and extinguishing

If your kerosene heater leaves a film, is smoking or is emitting an odor during burning and you're using the right fuel, there could be a problem with your wick or mantle (flame-spreader).

Make sure the flame, the fiberglass wick or the mantle is properly adjusted. Often a slight adjustment of the flame when full burning is reached is all that's needed to maximize efficiency.

Keep your wick clean. A dirty or worn out wick is a hazard. The owner's manual contains the instructions for the proper installation, adjustment and cleaning of your wick or mantle.

Fiberglass wicks are generally cleaned by letting the wick burn itself out. Since this generates considerable odor, perform this task outdoors. If you use your kerosene heater extensively, the wick could need cleaning as often as once a week. If it needs cleaning more often than that, check to make sure you are using the right fuel (no. 1-K), and that you are keeping the flame properly adjusted.

If your kerosene heater has not been used for a long time, over the summer for instance, check the wick for mold, mildew or dry rot. When the heating season is over, empty the fuel tank and check the owner's manual for maintenance and storage procedures.

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Paper group rejects takeover

SANTA ANA, Calif. (AP) - Shareowners of Freedom Newspapers Inc. rejected a third bid by dissident shareholder Harry Hoiles to buy the shares he and his family do not already own, the company said Wednesday.

Freedom operates four television stations and 29 newspapers, including five in Texas - the Brownsville Herald, Harlingen Valley Morning Star, McAllen Monitor, Odessa American and Pampa News.

For the first time, Freedom Newspapers indicated Wednesday that it will take measures to steel itself against the possibility of Hoiles selling his shares to an outsider, the Santa Ana Register reported.

This is the latest turn in the attempts of Harry Hoiles, whose family owns just under one-third of Freedom Newspapers stock, to acquire control of all or part of the company.

The vote was taken by shareholder ballot, and the final returns were received by Freedom this week, said John Stahr, Freedom counsel and partner in the Newport Beach offices of the law firm Latham & Watkins.

Freedom said owners of 99.86 percent of the shares not held by Hoiles and his family rejected the \$100 per share offer Hoiles made on Oct. 24. The offer valued the entire company at \$1.01 billion.


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THE BASKET CASE WHO GOT AROUND!

Saul became more and more fervent in his preaching, and the Damascus Jews couldn't withstand his proofs that Jesus was indeed the Christ. After a while the Jewish leaders determined to kill him.

But Saul was told about their plans, that they were watching the gates of the city day and night prepared to murder him. So during the night some of his converts let him down in a basket through an opening in the city wall!

Upon arrival in Jerusalem he tried to meet with the believers, but they were all afraid of him. They thought he was faking! Then Barnabas brought him to the apostles and told them how he had seen the Lord on the way to Damascus, what the Lord had said to him, and all about his powerful preaching in the name of Jesus.

Then they accepted him, after that he was constantly with the believers and preached boldly in the name of the Lord. But then some Greek speaking Jews with whom he had argued plotted to murder him. However, when the other believers heard about his danger, they took him to Caesarea and then sent him to his home in Tarsus.

Meanwhile, the church had peace throughout Judea, Galilee and Samaria, and grew in strength and numbers. The believers learned how to walk in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 9:22-31

Childhood vision inspired nursing teacher

TEXARKANA, Texas (AP) — To the 5-year-old black child, the woman in nurse's white floated gracefully through the desolate poor section of town, and in contrast to the drooping gray houses and dusty streets the woman resembled an angel — or a knight in armor.

Today, that little girl, now a woman who has worn her own nurse's whites for many years, is chairman of the Health Occupations Division at Texarkana Community College and is coordinator of the baccalaureate nursing program for the University of Texas at Arlington.

"That woman, and I never really knew who she was when I was growing up, was the only black nurse I knew in our neighborhood," said Shirley Finn, TCC's first black instructor and first black faculty member.

"I remember how much I admired her as she went about the neighborhood. She seemed to stand out for me because she was the only one (black nurse) in the neighborhood back then. I just remember her as a figure that stood out in the community."

She lived with her mother, grandmother and grandfather in Elizabeth City, N.C., as her mother hammered out a living working for a cleaners.

"It was hard, making a living in those days," Mrs. Finn said, "but my mother was determined I would go to

college."

Shirley graduated at the top of her high school class. "There was a black teachers' college in Elizabeth City," Mrs. Finn recalled, "but there were no teaching jobs for blacks in those days. And I wanted to be a nurse, not a teacher. Isn't that funny — that I'd work so hard to become a nurse and come back to something that I didn't think was what I wanted to do."

Shirley and her mother decided that she would turn down a teacher's scholarship from the local college and attend the all-black Saint Augustine College in Raleigh, N.C., which was associated with the Saint Agnes School of Nursing and Hospital.

To make ends meet, Shirley signed up as a student worker. She remembers getting up an hour before the other students and literally scrubbing floors and stairs on her hands and knees in the cold morning air.

"There were other students like me," she said, "and we did whatever the college needed us to do in order to earn our keep, scrubbing and cleaning, whatever."

In her second year of college, she was assigned to work in the library, a "wonderful job" compared with the backbreaking work of scrubbing floors.

In 1955, she received her degree. It was also during this time she discovered the Episcopal religion.

A Baptist at the time, Mrs. Finn said she became "saturated with it (the Episcopal religion), and suddenly it was like I found myself, at a time when I didn't know what I was looking for."

She and fellow graduate Rosemary Taylor found work together in a hospital in Elizabeth City after graduation, earning \$87 a month. After about six months of searching for a better job, both were suddenly accepted at a hospital in Evanston, Ill., a suburb of Chicago.

"We were very, very fortunate," Mrs. Finn said. "Evanston Community Hospital and School of Nursing was a top-notch hospital and a fine teaching institution, and we were the first black nurses to be accepted as scrub nurses there."

"We found there was a good bit of segregation in the North, just as there was in the South," she said. "But at least not in our job situation, where we found a lot of opportunities, more than my previous ambitions could have even dreamed of reaching."

Having a position that was "worthwhile and notable" never crossed Shirley's mind before. Her only goal at that time was "to be able to take care of myself. That was my only absolute — no more than that."

But she gradually began to realize that other goals were possible, and she threw herself into her work with an abandon. Soon, two things happened to her that were to change her life.

The head neurosurgeon, a hard-driving taskmaker, asked her to be his scrub nurse. To a white nurse, it was the highest compliment that

could be paid; to a black nurse, it was a miracle.

"The work was demanding, hard, fast-paced, but suddenly it was wonderful," Mrs. Finn said. "Here I was, assisting these physicians and surgeons who were notable people — people who in turn perceived me as skilled, capable and able. It was truly wonderful, and I felt I blossomed, and I became proud of my skills."

The second thing that happened was a realization that she enjoyed teaching nursing.

"I had not seen myself as a teacher, and suddenly I found myself as a teacher," she said. "That's how I moved into teaching and nursing — the combination of the two — moving into that direction without really knowing it."

Shirley moved on to a black college in Greensboro, N.C., just as the civil rights movement began to take hold there.

"It was a time of sit-ins and marches, a frightening time," she recalled. "It was a time when changes had to be made, when the 'blacks only' signs had to come down, and the 'back-of-the-bus' time had to come to an end. It was frightening, being at the forefront of making those changes happen; but the students then were magnificent, going to those front lines not knowing if they were to be beaten or arrested or even killed. They were courageous."

During these troubled times, Shirley met the man she would marry, Leo Finn — a native of Texarkana, Ark. The newlyweds moved to Texarkana, and for Shirley it was "like starting all over again."

"The 'blacks only' signs were still up in Texarkana in those days," she recalled, and she knew she would have another uphill battle on her

hands.

There were no "encouraging expectations" when she applied for a position at the college, but Wadley Hospital hired her, and she was the hospital's first black registered nurse. It wasn't easy being accepted.

"Once again I had to prove my skills, and it was an extreme challenge at first," she said. "There was a lot of isolation from the other workers, a lot of coldness and limited inclusion. There wasn't a lot of acceptance."

But she maintained her own sense of pride, and she continued to chip away, forming a social and professional niche for herself and her husband and newborn son.

She joined the Episcopal church, took part in social events around town and attended plays and concerts, ignoring the local social restrictions against blacks.

"It was painful, living through that," she said. "But there are some things more important than the pain — serving your God, for example, and helping others professionally." Gradually, things began to turn

around. After a period of working for the Miller County Health Department, Mrs. Finn was hired as the first black instructor for the associate nursing program at TCC in 1966.

After obtaining her master's degree at Texas Woman's University in 1971, Mrs. Finn was elevated to head the associate nursing program at TCC, and several years later became head of associate nursing and vocational nursing.

Now, as Chairman of the Health Occupations Division, Mrs. Finn still looks to the future and does not dwell on the struggles of the past.

"Where we are at the moment is much more important than what has happened in the past," she said. "I'm so very proud to be a part of where we are right now, proud of this community and college, and I'm looking forward to seeing what the future holds for the next generation of blacks."

There's a sign on the wall behind Mrs. Finn's desk: "A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step."

Maine college pioneers miniaturization of chem lab

BRUNSWICK, Maine (AP) — To generations of college students, organic chemistry evokes visions of tedious experiments in vapor-filled laboratories equipped with Bunsen burners, racks of fragile glassware and solvents that too often burn and maim.

A program developed at Bowdoin College, however, may make that chem lab just a foul-smelling memory.

The program, known as microscale, dramatically reduced the scale of experiments that had been unchanged for a century.

Test tubes are shrunk to the size of a baby's finger, calibrated syringes replace cumbersome eyedroppers, and a stockroom of chemicals for 90 students can fit in a suitcase.

"You can make earrings out of the beakers, almost," says Matthew En-

nis, a sophomore from Kalamazoo, Mich., displaying a piece of glassware that looks as though it were modeled to dollhouse scale.

After five years of testing, the Bowdoin microscale project is about to go nationwide with publication of a textbook based on the new teaching method. The program has been adopted by eight other schools: Notre Dame, Temple, Baylor, Rice, Merrimack, Hendrix, Utah State and Wisconsin.

The textbook, due for publication in January, was written by Bowdoin Professors Dana W. Mayo and Samuel S. Butcher, along with Ronald M. Pike of Merrimack College. There is also a lab manual with instructions for 52 experiments.

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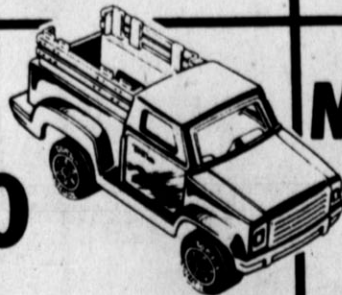
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