

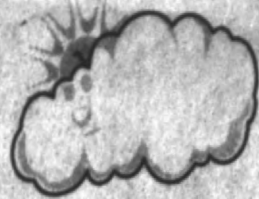
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## Clinton plans defense budget veto Shutdown drags on for 280,000 federal workers

By RANDOLPH E. SCHMID  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) - White House and congressional negotiators are inching closer to new talks on resolving the federal budget impasse, but the prospect of serious progress seems to be at least a day away.

More than 280,000 federal workers remained off the job today, as did most of the people charged with getting the budget disagreement settled.

White House press secretary Mike McCurry said Capitol Hill and White House staff met today for lengthy discussions. He said they were preparing a report to leaders of both sides on where budget agreement exists, where the sides are close and where they are far apart.

President Clinton, meanwhile, was described as prepared to veto the defense authorization bill. McCurry said the White House objects to its call for the purchase of costly weapons systems the Pentagon does not want as well as its insistence on a Star Wars missile defense system.

McCurry said such a system would abrogate the existing Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty and deal a serious

blow to arms control efforts. With federal workers increasingly restive and morale plunging, McCurry said Clinton "is very anxious to break this impasse and get the services of government restored."

Clinton has been following the staff discussions closely and has been in "fairly regular contact" with Alice Rivlin, director of the Office of Management and Budget, McCurry said.

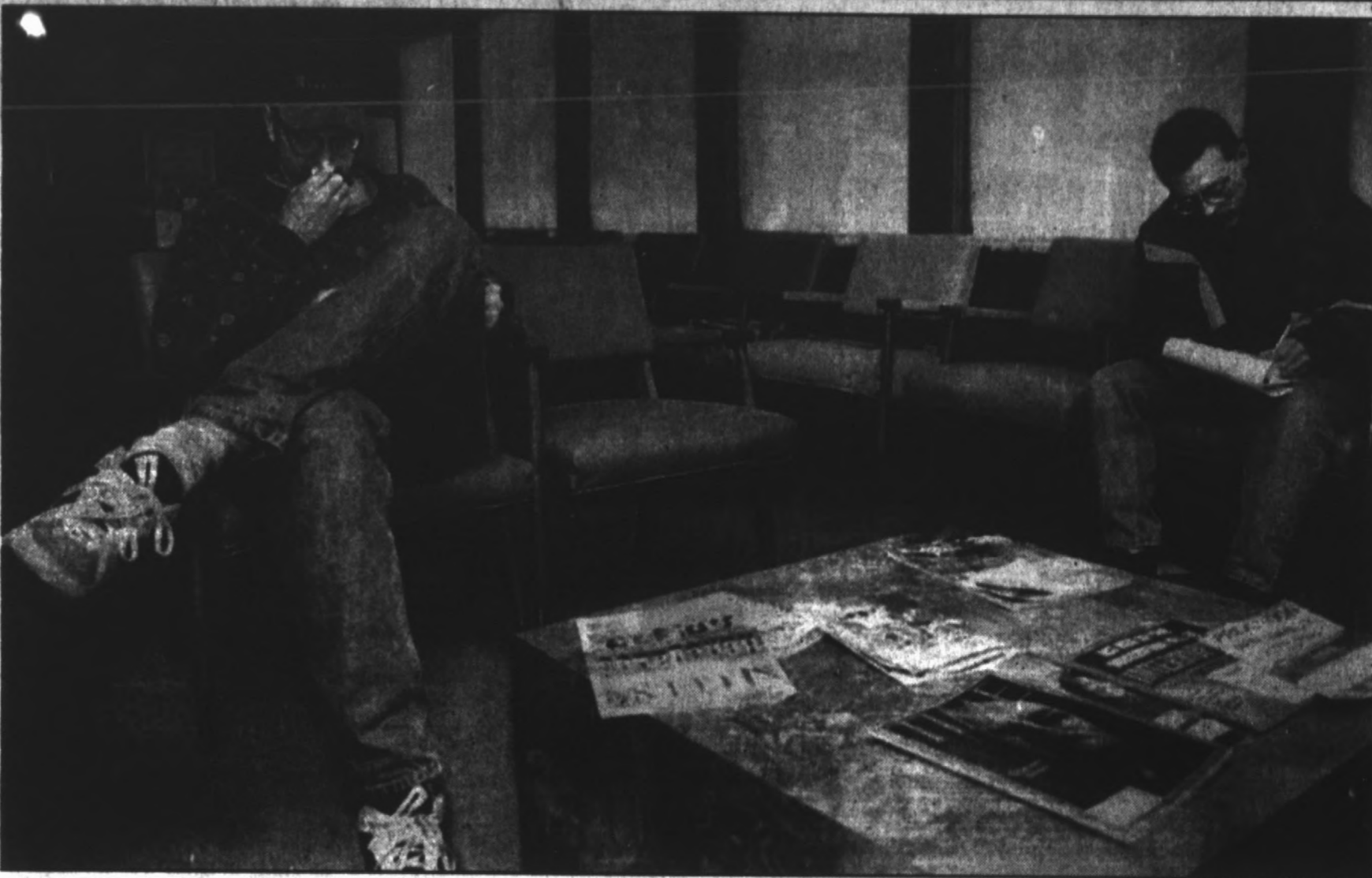
The president, House Speaker Newt Gingrich and Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole were not expected to meet until Friday.

An administration official doubted enough progress could be made to get all federal employees back on the job by the opening of business next week.

"It's not impossible, but hard. There are a lot of issues to be addressed and there's not much time," said the official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Dole, R-Kan., gave this week's efforts a mere "50-50 shot" at resolving budget differences to reopen the government, partially

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### Sneezing, sniffing season

Rudolf wasn't the only one with a red nose during the Christmas holidays. Jacob Brewer, left, and Troy Fox were among many local residents who coughed, sneezed and sniffled their way

through Christmas. The two men were awaiting their doctors' help Wednesday at St. Mary Family Healthcare Center on West Park Avenue.

## US radar units set up in French area

By DAVID BRISCOE  
Associated Press Writer  
WASHINGTON (AP) - Even before U.S. soldiers finish their first bridge into Bosnia, Clinton administration officials already are saying there will be no "mission creep" in the former Yugoslavia.

A top Pentagon general said Wednesday that the placement of U.S. radar units in the French-protected Sarajevo area is temporary and represents no expansion of the U.S. role.

Lt. Gen. Howell Estes also gave assurances there will be no active pursuit of accused war criminals, although they will be arrested if U.S. or other forces happen upon them.

Sensitive to criticism that the U.S. deployment of 20,000 troops to northeastern Bosnia mainly to protect the Tuzla area might become a countrywide effort dominated by U.S. forces, Pentagon and State department officials issued denials of a Washington Post report that the radar placement was a significant expansion of U.S. responsibilities.

"I would argue with ... those that are saying, 'Isn't this mission creep?'" Estes said at a Pentagon briefing. "I would say absolutely not. The mission hasn't changed."

The Air Force general said two radar units, designed to protect against incoming artillery, would be in place at Sarajevo for only 30 days, after which they would be moved to the Tuzla area, where the bulk of 20,000 U.S. forces will be based.

As of Wednesday, engineering units were struggling to build two pontoon bridges across the swollen Sava River on the Croatian-Bosnian border for the main deployment of U.S. forces. On the river's Croatian bank, the first of 13 planned U.S. tent cities was being erected for the yearlong operation.

Estes said some U.S. forces have been expected all along to operate outside the northeastern sector of Bosnia.

State Department spokesman Glyn Davies also said placement of the radar units was consistent with the U.S. mission.

## Golds, flu, bronchitis batter town

There's no epidemic of colds and flu in Hereford, but it seems that way to many local residents who visited their doctors over the Christmas holidays.

Dr. Howard Johnson reports there is "no increase in flu cases and colds, but the influenza cases will probably increase about the time school gets underway again."

Dr. Gerald Payne and Dr. Duffy McBrayer agreed that the number of flu and cold patients they were seeing "are no more than usual for this time of the year." However, Dr. McBrayer said he had probably treated more bronchitis cases than usual.

Sharon Johnson, RN, infection control officer at Hereford Regional Medical Center reported that "there is no epidemic of flu cases," adding that it will probably be mid-January before influenza cases are in full swing.

Jim Arney, Edwards Pharmacy, who was busy filling prescriptions Wednesday, thought the number of patients getting pills for bad cold and respiratory infections was "a little above average." A pharmacist here for the past 35 years, he attributed the increase to the very dry conditions and extreme temperature fluctuations.



### Busy time for pharmacists

Doctors and pharmacists were busy over the Christmas holidays, and Jim Arney of Edwards Pharmacy said Wednesday that prescriptions for cold and respiratory infections seemed to be "above average." However, local physicians say there are no more cold and flu cases than usual at this time of the year. In fact, the flu season doesn't usually get into full swing until mid-January.

## 1995 was the year the Internet became somewhat civilized

By ELIZABETH WEISE  
AP Cyberspace Writer  
If 1994 was the year America discovered the Internet, 1995 was the year merchants and the sheriff arrived to civilize the new frontier.

Suddenly fancy storefronts were built. Ads appeared on the sides of barns. That final symbol of settled-down life went up on main street.

The final result looked something like the city of San Francisco a year after the gold rush - imposing new mansions next to wooden shacks, Eastern banks next to saloons, outlaws bumping against the rule of law.

The Internet was no longer a toy that could be overlooked. It was a large as a 51st state.

At the start of 1995 there were approximately 16 million people on the Internet, according to demographer John Quarterman. The projected estimate for January 1996 was 32 million. On the commercial on-line services such as CompuServe and America Online, the growth rate was even more impressive, from 4.6 million at the beginning of the year to 11.3 million just by the end of November, according to Rod Kuckro,

editor of Information and Interactive Service Report.

One of the big reasons the numbers had grown so fast was the introduction of World Wide Web - the "killer app" that everyone had been waiting for to punch the Internet into the big time.

As a program, or "application," the Web started life as a simple way for physicists to connect their research computers. But it grew up when 22-year-old Marc Andreessen developed the Mosaic program. Getting a computer to talk to other computers became point-and-click easy.

A great democratizing force, the Web made self-publishing on a shoestring possible, with a potential audience that numbered in the millions. Suddenly anyone from the State Department to a gang of rowdy feminists in Australia could write and design a Web site and let the Internet community itself decide what was worth checking out. It was like a storefront theater group being given Carnegie Hall for the weekend.

They went wild. So did everyone else. As the Web revolution spread, businesses that had been nosing

around the Internet suddenly felt the water rising around their ankles. A market of untold proportions was being born and the rush to reach it began.

In the words of Brock Meeks, whose advertising-free "Cyberwire Dispatch" reaches millions, the "dumb money" started to fly.

"Corporate culture sensed there was something valuable there, but they didn't know what it was or how to define it. But they were desperately afraid of missing it. So they started throwing dumb money at the Internet - in the hopes that some of it would stick."

It's unclear if anyone's actually making much money on the Internet yet, but no one disputes that when there is money to be made, it will go to those who've staked a claim. To Bob Smith of the Interactive Services Association, 1995 was the year that the Internet became a corporate necessity for marketing and communications.

"The transformation clearly happened this year. If you don't have it, you're considered part of the Dark Ages."

Business wasn't alone in noticing

that this computer adolescent was suddenly 6-foot-2 and knocking into things. As long as the Internet was a small in-group of academics and researchers talking mostly about science and Star Trek, it had been left alone.

But 1994 saw a blossoming of the net as something not just for academics, and by 1995 government began to worry about just what was going on out there in cyberspace. Issues such as privacy, intellectual property and protection against fraud came up, along with a bright light being shone into some of the seamy corners of net.

The April 26 bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City allowed people around the world to share their collective grief over the explosion that killed 169 people.

It also brought up fears that the Internet has been used to plan the attack. While that turned out not to be the case, some made much of the fact that detailed instructions on how to reproduce the bomb were found on-line - although those same instructions were available in most libraries.

Policy makers were also shocked to find there was pornography on-line,

despite the fact that most of it had been scanned in from magazines which could be easily purchased in much of the country.

Things got worse in July when Time magazine features a cover story on "Cyberporn" based on a since-discredited study by Carnegie Mellon undergraduate Marty Rimm. The article intimated that as much as 80 percent of the content found on the Internet were pornographic. Rimm's study actually found that on the Internet's Usenet newsgroups, only 3 percent of all the messages are pornographic image files.

Some on-line users had hoped that applying existing laws to their new world would be enough, but a move to regulate cyberspace was under way. Language was added to the year's telecommunications deregulation bill imposing an up to two-year jail sentence and \$100,000 in fines on anyone posting "indecent" material on the Internet.

On Dec. 13 the issue caused as many as 20,000 netheads leave cyberspace and take action in "meat space" by calling members of Congress to express their displeasure, according to the Center for Democracy and Technology in Washington.

This could be the beginning of a new form of on-line political organization - appropriately enough, the future will tell.

Ah, the future ... At least part of what will happen in the coming year seems clear. Cyberspace will be regulated - kicking and screaming - and the court battles over free speech will begin. "It's going to throw the Internet into a state of uncertainty for several years," said Smith.

Despite that, business growth on the net will begin to catch up with the phenomenal increase in accounts. A study by Input, a California-based information services research firm, estimated that \$20 million in business was done on-line in 1994, \$40 million in 1995 - with a whopping \$260 million estimated in 1996.

Which also means that 1996 will be the year cyberspace gets measured, as businesses seek to justify the money they're spending on Web sites and on-line advertising. Do a million hits on your home pages mean anything in terms of sales? Companies won't be able to afford to work on faith any more.

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# Dole says voters will be grateful for budget battle

By MIKE GLOVER  
Associated Press Writer  
IOWA CITY, Iowa (AP) - Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, campaigning for a day in Iowa, said the race for the GOP nomination has been frozen during the federal budget fight while attention focuses on Washington, and that helps him.

"I'd like it to freeze real hard, about six inches deep," Dole said. While his GOP presidential rivals talk economics, trade, agriculture and abortion, Dole argues that voters eventually will be grateful for the Republican insistence on budget balancing.

The front-runner for the 1996 Republican nomination, Dole visited three Iowa cities on Wednesday. "There are some out there who think this is all politics... and the American people are caught in the middle," he said.

At the same time, Texas Sen. Phil Gramm was talking economics in a Des Moines hardware store while commentator Pat Buchanan hammered on abortion and former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander sounded farm themes during stops in eastern Iowa.

Iowa's Feb. 12 precinct caucuses mark the traditional start of the quadrennial presidential nominating process, followed by New Hampshire's Feb. 20 presidential primary. Complicating the already jammed campaign schedule in 1996 are earlier-than-usual caucuses in Louisiana Feb. 6, Delaware's primary

on Feb. 24 and primaries in Arizona, North Dakota and South Dakota on Feb. 27.

In Iowa, Dole said voters "will be glad we hung in there" during the fight with President Clinton over the federal budget, but the wrangling has meant he has been largely absent from the battle for the state's caucuses.

"I hope people expect me to be where I ought to be - balancing the budget," Dole said. Voters, he insisted, "want us to be working, they don't want us to be campaigning."

His planned four-day bus tour of the state was scaled back to a single event-packed day before he headed back to Washington.

Several of Dole's GOP rivals took advantage of the week between Christmas and New Year's to try to gain favor with the Iowa electorate.

Flanked by a group of about 25 conservative ministers known as "Pastors for Pat" Wednesday in Des Moines, Buchanan challenged Dole and Gramm, saying he is the only true anti-abortion candidate in the Republican presidential field who can win.

During his news conference at the hardware store, Gramm said small businesses will benefit from a balanced budget and fewer government regulations.

"It's been so long since the government has had a balanced budget that people forget the benefits

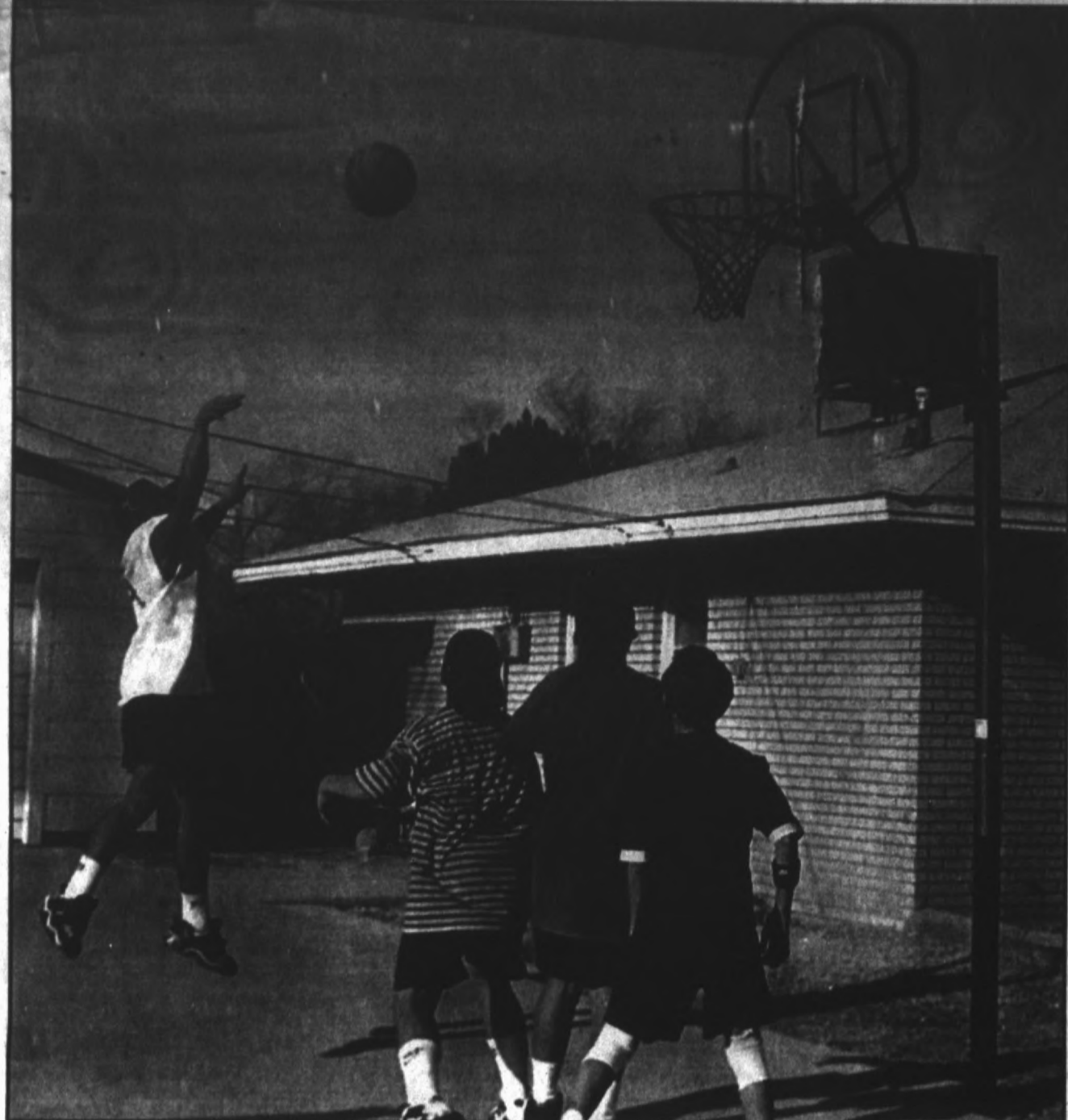
of it," he said. "Government red tape, high interest rates and high taxes put small businesses and small farmers out of business."

Gramm said congressional leaders should never have agreed to negotiate a budget compromise with Clinton, but Dole insisted bargaining will continue.

"Hopefully, by Saturday we'll have a framework or we'll know we can't put it together," he said.

Dole won Iowa's precinct caucuses in 1988 and is widely considered the favorite to win again. But as the campaign enters its final six weeks, Dole finds himself stuck in Washington, bargaining with Clinton - not shaking hands with voters in Iowa.

"We're going to stick with our guns and hope the people understand," Dole said. Though his last visit to Iowa was Dec. 4, he has a long campaign history in the state and a formidable campaign machine. Not being able to get to Iowa more often hasn't hurt him in local polls.



## Waiting for the rebound

L.J. Vallejo takes a jump shot as Jesse Castillo (left), George Castillo and Esrael Silva anticipate a rebound. The group was seen Wednesday taking advantage of the unseasonably warm weather the area has experienced throughout December. However, a slight chance of rain is expected for Friday evening.

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shuttered since Dec. 16. "Hopefully, by Saturday, we'll have a framework - or we'll know we can't put it together," Dole told a Cedar Rapids, Iowa, town meeting while campaigning for the GOP presidential nomination.

"We concur with that assessment," McCurry told reporters, adding that he agrees the talks could go either way.

"The president is willing to address these issues in good faith," the spokesman said. "The House Republicans have a different dynamic, don't they?"

Senate Majority Whip Trent Lott, R-Miss., said the budget deadlock could be broken if Republicans in Congress and Clinton can split their differences over Medicare spending.

"If he wants an agreement and we want an agreement, we can sit down and do it. It can be done and it will be done," he said at a Chamber of

Commerce breakfast Wednesday in Biloxi, Miss.

As the government shutdown continues, McCurry said Clinton is concerned that critical services of government may be hurt, from the payment of prison guards to the delivery of Meals on Wheels to the elderly and disabled.

Clinton met briefly with Rivlin on Wednesday, but his chief of staff, Leon Panetta, remained on vacation. Neither house of Congress conducted any business Wednesday.

Clinton, Dole and Gingrich met last Friday but without reaching an agreement to end the shutdown. The House and Senate then passed, and Clinton signed, bills to keep benefit checks flowing for veterans, welfare recipients under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children, and foster care and adoption services, plus money to keep services in the District of Columbia functioning.

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## Local Roundup

### Chance of rain Friday

Hereford had a high of 47 degrees Wednesday and a low of 22 was reported this morning by KPAN Weather. Tonight, increasing cloudiness with lows 20 to 25. Winds south to southwest at 5-15 mph. Friday, mostly cloudy with a slight chance of rain late in the day. High near 50 with winds south to southwest at 10-20 mph. Chance of rain is less than 20 percent. New Year's weekend forecast: rain mixed with freezing rain Friday night, becoming mostly rain on Saturday. Partly cloudy Sunday. A chance of snow on Monday. Highs in the 40s and lows in the 20s.

## Obituaries



ALMA MAE STEWART  
Dec. 27, 1995

Funeral services for Alma Mae Stewart, 85, who died Wednesday morning in Hereford Care Center, will be at 11 a.m. Friday in the chapel at Foster-Adams Funeral Home in Hamlin.

Rev. Larry Crump, pastor of First United Methodist Church of Hamlin, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hamlin Cemetery.

Mrs. Stewart was born Dec. 4, 1910 in Stonewall County and was a Baptist. She moved to Hereford in May, 1990, from Hamlin. She had resided at Hereford Care Center since its opening. She was preceded in death by her husband, Vernon, in 1973 at Lamesa.

Survivors include two daughters, Lavon Nieman of Hereford and Verlene Frisby of Denton; two sisters, Belle Sherrod of Aspermont and Gladys Miller of Amarillo; a brother, Jake Hall of Aspermont; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

### ARLIE FONTAINE JOHNSON Dec. 27, 1995

Arlic Fontaine Johnson, 74, of Friona died Wednesday at her home. Among her survivors are a son, Wayne Johnson, of Hereford.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in the Rose Chapel of Gililand-Watson Funeral Home with Rev. Vergil Ichteriz, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Friona, officiating. Burial will be in Rest Lawn Memorial Park Cemetery.

Mrs. Johnson was born Oct. 13, 1921 in Hollis, Okla. She married Cliff Johnson in 1939 in Clovis, N.M. He died in June of 1995. She was also preceded in death by a son, William D. (Bill) Johnson, in 1981.

She was a homemaker. Survivors are a son, Wayne Johnson of Hereford; three sisters, Rose Leigon and Joe Johnson of Friona, and Johnnie Moore of Claude; a half-brother, Travis Shields of Hereford; a half-sister, Gloria Comeau of Hereford; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Memorials may be directed to the American Heart Association.

## Hero saved minister, also saved own life

DALLAS (AP) - Logan Johnson says that when he jumped into a pond last February to save a minister whose car had slid into the water, he also saved his own life.

Johnson, 18, was one of 89 people nationally who were chosen last week as Carnegie Heroes, an award given to civilians who risk their lives while saving or attempting to save others. The awards are given from the Pittsburgh, Pa.-based Carnegie Hero Fund Commission.

Also honored was David L. Breed of Purdon, Texas, who pulled 2-year-old Anthony L. Pena from a burning mobile home on Sept. 2, 1994. He re-entered the trailer in an unsuccessful attempt to find Anthony's brother. The brother died in the fire.

In the weeks before the rescue, Johnson had drifted into depression, family members said.

He and his girlfriend were breaking up. He was irritable and constantly fighting with family members. He was failing most of his classes.

"We had lost Logan," his mother, Haven Johnson, 49, told The Dallas Morning News. "He was struggling and floundering all over the place."

In early February last year, Johnson went to his room and tried to kill himself by putting a muzzle-loading rifle into his mouth and pulling the trigger. It misfired. A few days later, he dropped out of Richardson Pearce High School, where he was a junior, and took a job delivering pizza.

But since the Rev. John Kershaw's car slid off a north Dallas road into a pond Feb. 20, Johnson's life has changed.

"I can't really explain it," Johnson said. "That one event put a whole new light on everything. I was meant to be there."

He was making a nighttime pizza delivery when he saw

Kershaw's car slide into the pond. Johnson screamed his pickup truck to a halt, shed his boots and swam to the sinking Cadillac.

As the car drifted underwater, Johnson circled the car looking for a way to reach the man inside. He found only the right rear door unlocked - something no one's been able to explain, given that the car's electric door locks were set. He dragged Kershaw by the shirt collar over the seats and out the door.

After the rescue, Johnson received dozens of letters and phone calls and about \$1,000 in checks, which he put toward a college fund. For a few weeks, people called the pizza restaurant where he worked, requesting him for deliveries.

"I was overwhelmed with deliveries," he said. "And when I got there, they gave me \$5 and \$10 tips."

Johnson's new confidence thrived even after the celebrity wore off.

The rescue, he said, made him realize he had a purpose in life. Johnson returned to Pearce for summer school and said he is on track to graduate with his class in May. He plays on the baseball team and has quit his jobs to focus on school.

"His grades are terrific, and he has college prospects again," his mother said. "And it wasn't just a flash. It was a real, lasting change."

With the Carnegie Hero award comes a \$2,500 grant, a medal and a scholarship.

"This is something that will help me the rest of my life," Johnson said of the award. "I was never religious, and I didn't believe in fate. But I do now. Somebody upstairs was looking."

He said he is interested in studying international business and agriculture in college. He has enrolled in a U.S. Marine Corps reserve program and will attend boot camp this summer.

## Police, Emergency Reports

Emergency services reports for the 24-hour period ending at 7 a.m. Thursday contained the following information.

### HEREFORD POLICE

A 25-year-old male was arrested for assault.

A welfare concern was reported in the 400 block of Long Street.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 900 block of 16th Street, where a trailer house was shot with a BB gun; and in the 300 block of Lawton, where a window was shot with a BB gun.

Theft was reported in the 200 block of Lee, of a stop sign stolen at Vogele and Sunset; in the 600 block of Irving, where socks, a trash can, books and other items were taken; and in the 500 block of South 25 Mile Avenue, where beer was taken.

A report was filed in the 900 block of South McKinley in reference to criminal trespass.

Officers issued 10 citations.

### DEAF SMITH SHERIFF

A 37-year-old male was arrested for violation of probation.

A 24-year-old male was arrested for violation of probation.

Theft was reported.

Vandalism was reported.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Volunteer firefighters were called out at 3:25 p.m. to the Deaf Smith County Library on a smoke alarm.

### EMS

Ambulances ran on one no-transport.

### PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL

Gladys Craig, Donald R. Foezter, Janice Holmes, Mary Ramirez, Grace K. Sanders, Johnnie L. Sanders, Jim Scott, Paulina G. Trevino, Mary Vera and Emmett J. Ziehr.

## Lottery

AUSTIN (AP) - One ticket bought in Carrollton correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth \$4 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 3, 4, 32, 38, 40 and 49.

A ticket matching five of six pays \$2,725 dollars, with 52 winners. Four of six is worth \$144 dollars, with 3,574. Three of six pays \$3, with 79,140 winners.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be \$4 million.

Meanwhile, officials were still waiting for a player to claim \$25 million from the Dec. 23 game. The only winning ticket was sold in Bishop.

AUSTIN (AP) - The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

9-9-8 (nine, nine, eight)

## State

EL PASO - A boy arrested in the Christmas Day shooting of a motorist on Interstate 10 near Fort Hancock won't automatically be facing upgraded charges because the victim has died, authorities say.

CORPUS CHRISTI - A judge has refused to order a new trial for the convicted killer of Tejano music star Selena, saying her request would be better handled by an appeals court.

IOWA CITY, Iowa - Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole, campaigning for a day in Iowa, said the race for the GOP nomination has been frozen during the federal budget fight while attention focuses on Washington, and that helps him. "I'd like it to freeze real hard, about six inches deep," Dole said.

SAN ANTONIO - A Southside High School basketball player has died of an unknown cause after colliding with another player during a game, the San Antonio Express-News reported in a copyright story in today's editions. Cesar Ybarra, 15, died at Wilford Hall Medical Center just after collapsing late in the second quarter of a freshman game at South San High School. Hospital officials had scheduled an autopsy for Thursday morning.

VICTORIA - A 20-year-old Victoria man has been charged with the murder last weekend of a Corpus Christi woman whose body was found floating in Town Lake. And now, authorities say she wasn't the only victim of David George Rodriguez.

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LAREDO - Tourists are crossing the border to start their vacations and find some bargains, but instead of heading south into Mexico, these visitors are traveling north.

SAN ANTONIO - The pastor of a Kansas church has admitted laundering hundreds of thousands of dollars in drug money, but says he was set up by federal agents and politicians. His enemies were unhappy because his church and its radio station supported conservative and anti-abortion causes, the Rev. David Brace contended in Wednesday testimony.

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico - A shooting spree that left a paramedic dead and four municipal police officers wounded may have been the result of a conspiracy to kill one policeman, authorities say.

## World/Nation

WASHINGTON - Even as U.S. soldiers build their first bridge into Bosnia, Clinton administration officials already are saying there will be no "mission creep" in the former Yugoslavia.

WASHINGTON - White House and congressional negotiators are inching closer to new talks on resolving the federal budget impasse, but the prospect of serious progress seems to be at least a day away.

LONDON - Prince Charles' mistress Camilla Parker Bowles has indicated she's determined to marry him and, when he's king, be his consort, according to unnamed senior government sources cited by a newspaper.

The Daily Express said the reported resolve of the 48-year-old divorcee to marry Charles revived memories of the 1936 constitutional crisis, when King Edward VIII was driven to quit the throne to marry divorcee Wallis Simpson.

WASHINGTON - Cathy Goldman is literally banking on the blood from her baby's umbilical cord. She's paying a company to keep it on ice just in case he ever gets sick and needs it back.

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# Lifestyles

## Banana museum specializes in anything that looks, smells or tastes like bananas

By SCOTT LINDLAW  
Associated Press Writer  
ALTADENA, Calif. (AP) - If it peels, bruises and comes in a bunch, Ken Bannister has something that looks, smells or tastes like it. These are a few of 15,500 items you can find in his Banana Museum: A banana phone. Banana pajamas. Banana-flavored toothpaste. Banana warmers from Germany. A banana nose. Banana Christmas lights. Banana popcorn.

Bannister's prize is the "Petrified Banana," a black and shriveled specimen discovered in a friend's closet five years after disappearing. For the last 15 years, it has hung framed in the museum. Yes, Ken Bannister has some bananas. He is a man with a peel, and a mission. "I don't think it's ludicrous. I think it's entertaining," says the banana curator who prefers to be called "Bananaster."

The Banana Museum and its sister organization, the International Banana Club, are not chiefly about fruit. They are about laughter. Bannister wears yellow slacks and a teal polo shirt emblazoned with a 16-inch, smiling banana. When he greets a visitor, he clutches a spent banana peel in one hand and a banana golf putter in the other. "I think it's crazy. I love this. I get so wound up talking about it. I'm just an old-fashioned guy who believes in the need to keep people's spirits up, to exercise one's sense of humor daily."

His museum, he says, is sorely needed "in a world gone bananas." Bannister, 56, sells photographic equipment in his other life. He is married and a father of three and says his family fully supports his role as banana booster; the family puts away six to eight bunches a week, and during a recent interview Bannister ate three. In the late 1970s, Bannister got a roll of 10,000 Dole banana stickers from a stevedore, and started giving them out at trade shows. In exchange, people started giving him banana stuff, and he needed a place to put it. His Banana Museum, which opened in 1975, is a total banana experience. Yellow claptrap is strewn on tables, nailed to yellow walls and piled high on a yellow couch. It smells faintly fruity near the "Notions" section.

### Keeping an eye on Texas

**New Texans**  
The top 10 names for babies born in 1994 included 'Christopher' for boys and 'Ashley' for girls. 'Tex' doesn't appear on either list for that year.

Boys' names	Girls' names
Christopher	Ashley
Michael	Jessica
Jose	Sarah
Joshua	Samantha
Matthew	Taylor
Daniel	Emily
Jacob	Stephanie
David	Amanda
Brandon	Brittany
John	Victoria

SOURCES: John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts and Texas Department of Health.

## Ann Landers

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DEAR MAMA: Thanks for the briefing. I'd rather have a cat.

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## Pushing away from table is best exercise for your heart

By BRENDA C. COLEMAN  
AP Medical Writer  
CHICAGO (AP)--The best exercise for your heart is pushing yourself away from the table, a new study suggests. Losing weight by itself works better than aerobic exercise by itself in reducing the risk of heart disease, a study of fat men found. The message, though, is to do both, researchers say. "We feel that exercise is beneficial, but particularly if you're overweight, you need to exercise in conjunction with weight loss," said the lead researcher, Dr. Leslie I. Katzel of the University of Maryland School of Medicine. Katzel and his colleagues studied 111 men, ages 46 to 80, who were sedentary and obese--that is, 20 percent to 60 percent overweight--but were otherwise healthy. The men were divided into groups: one pursued weight loss without exercise; the second exercised without trying to lose weight; and the third the other exercised nor dieted. After nine months, the weight-loss group had dropped an average of 20 pounds, while members of the exercise group had improved their fitness by 16 percent, measured by how much oxygen their bodies consumed when they exercised. Researchers were surprised to find that weight loss clearly produced more benefits than exercise alone. --Levels of "good" cholesterol improved 13 percent in the weight-loss group, vs. virtually no change in the exercise group. --Blood pressure dropped 8 percent in the weight-loss group,

compared with a 2 percent to 3 percent drop among exercisers. --Blood sugar, a yardstick for diabetes, dropped 9 percent among the weight-loss group, vs. no change among exercisers. "Based on these results, we feel that if you're overweight, you really need to lose weight to decrease your chances of developing heart disease," Katzel said. The findings were published in today's issue of The Journal of the American Medical Association. The results are expected to be the same among women, who are being studied separately, Katzel said. Weight loss is probably more beneficial because fat deposits in the abdomen are believed to be particularly harmful, affecting blood sugar and metabolism, Katzel said. Weight loss helps get rid of that fat. Past research has found that leaner people seem to benefit more from exercise than obese people. That suggests that fat around the midsection blunts the benefits of exercise, Katzel said. The exercisers worked on bicycles and treadmills, with supervision, three times a week for 45 minutes a time, Katzel said. At first, they worked at 50 percent to 60 percent of their maximum heart rate, but by the end were up to about 75 percent of maximum--"pretty hard," he said. An expert not involved in the study said he is not sure exercise got an adequate chance. Middle-age and older men may take a long time to respond to exercise, said Dr. William R. Hazzard, chairman of internal medicine at Wake Forest University's Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, N.C.



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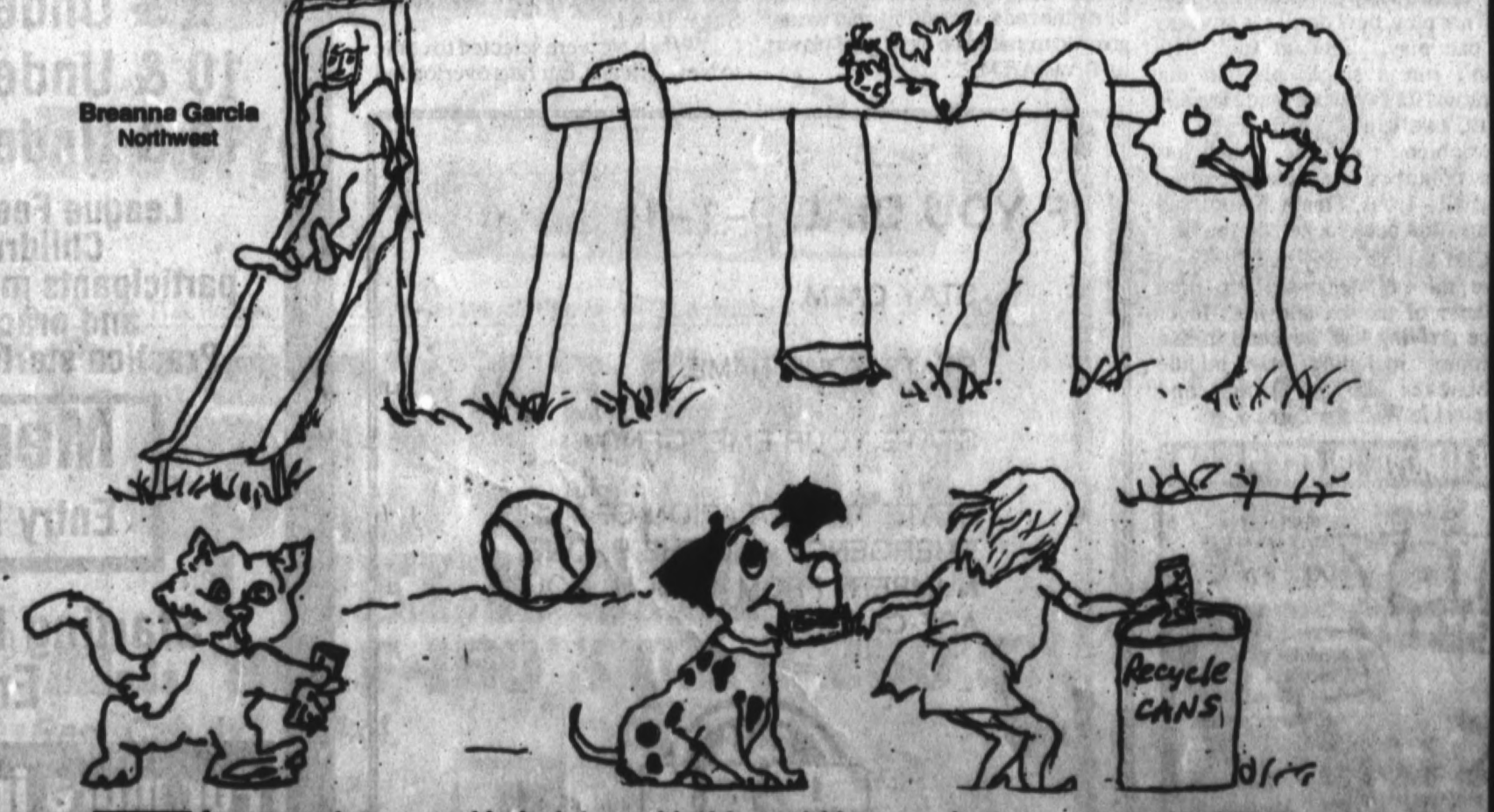
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# Sports

## Herd splits 2 pool games in Canyon Rotary Classic

The Hereford boys' basketball team split two games in pool play Wednesday to start the Canyon Rotary Classic. The Herd beat Tulia 37-31, then lost to Palo Duro 29-26. Palo Duro went on to defeat Tulia 42-38, making Hereford the No. 2 team out of the pool.

The pool games "gave us a chance to get back in the swing of things," Herd coach Randy Dean said. "We came back from the holiday and played well against Tulia, and for the first three quarters against Palo Duro, we played well. We got tired (in the fourth quarter) and we couldn't score. Fatigue definitely started to show."

The pool games consisted of four four-minute quarters (instead of eight-minute quarters). They don't count on a team's record, so Hereford remains 8-7. Dean didn't have stats from the pool games - not even scoring - he said.

Hereford will face Tulia in a real game at 3:30 today. If the Whitefaces win, they play Palo Duro at 7:30 tonight; if they lose to Tulia, they play in the consolation finals at 4:30 p.m. Friday. If Hereford wins both games today, they play in the finals at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Canyon won the other pool with wins over Dumas (38-23) and Clarendon (40-32). Clarendon beat Dumas 43-27.

The Hereford girls' basketball team (12-2) will play in a tournament in Littlefield today, Friday and Saturday. The Lady Whitefaces were to start against Petersburg this morning. If they win, they play the winner between Idalou and Hart at 9:30 a.m. Friday; if they lose, they play the loser of that game at 3:30 p.m. Friday.

Hereford's junior varsity also will play in the tournament, filling a spot in place of a late cancellation. The other seven teams in the field all are varsity squads. The Herd JV was to play Tulia at 3:30 today. If they win, they play the winner between Littlefield and Lubbock Roosevelt at 6:30 p.m. Friday; if they lose, they play the loser of that game at 12:30 Friday.

The eight-team tournament will conclude with a championship game at 6:30 p.m. Saturday.

## Red Raiders outgun Air Force

By MEL REISNER  
AP Sports Writer

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) - Texas Tech showed why the Wishbone offense - a run-based attack that doesn't work when a team has to catch up - went out of style years ago.

The Red Raiders bolted to an 18-point halftime lead against Air Force in the Copper Bowl, then put the game out of reach with another surge in the second half.

"It felt like for the first time this year we looked good for all 60 minutes," Zebbie Lethridge said Wednesday night after directing a no-huddle offense that caught the Falcons off-balance and powered Tech to a 55-41 win.

It takes players to get ahead of a team with Air Force's crunching ground game - 67 rushes for 431 yards. And the Red Raiders (9-3) had them.

Byron Hanspard set Copper Bowl rushing and scoring records with 260 yards and four touchdowns Wednesday night, and Lethridge had 330 yards in total offense after passing for 245 and one TD, while running for two.

"I knew it was going to be an offensive game," Lethridge said. "We were going to have to put points on the board to keep up with them."

The Raiders never showed the no-huddle during the season.

"We came out with the intention of showing them something different. We knew they would be keying on me," said Hanspard, a sophomore

who led the Southwest Conference in rushing in its last year of existence.

Air Force (8-5) took advantage of a series of mistakes by the Raiders to close to 31-28 in the first seven minutes of the third quarter.

But Hanspard got his third TD with 5:06 left in the period, then ran 63 yards to set up another Tech score and a 45-28 lead.

Air Force, No. 3 in the NCAA in rushing offense and No. 105 in passing offense, couldn't rally again.

"We had several points where we were about to turn the game around, but it seemed like we were playing catch-up the entire game," quarterback Beau Morgan said.

The teams shattered most of the offensive records in the 7-year-old bowl, which is sponsored by Weiser Lock.

Hanspard, who carried 24 times, scored on runs of 2, 11, 2 and 29 yards.

Lethridge threw a 38-yard scoring pass to Stacy Mitchell and scored on 1- and 3-yard runs. Tony Rogers kicked field goals of 24 and 31 yards for Tech.

Air Force cornerback Mickey Dalton figured in Air Force's rally by picking off a pass by Lethridge, who had set a SWC record with 211 consecutive throws without an interception, and returning it 32 yards. He said the quick pace of the no-huddle got too much credit.

"We just had poor execution," Dalton said. "We didn't tackle very well, and we had a lot of breakdowns on defense."

Air Force's Danta Johnson scored on 71- and 60-yard runs. Naktia Addison ran for scores of 2 and 7 yards. Jake Campbell ran for a 7-yard TD and Morgan scored on a 1-yard run.

Johnson was the first to break the previous Copper Bowl rushing record of 133 yards by Kansas State's J.J. Smith in 1993. Johnson had 145 of his 148 yards in four carries, but Hanspard, with 201 yards in the second half, passed him.

The Raiders opened a 28-7 lead by marching 80, 75, 74 and 80 yards to TDs on their first four possessions.

Lethridge had big plays in three of the four drives - a 42-yard run before his pass to Mitchell for the first score,

a 46-yard pass to Donnie Hart to set up Hanspard's first TD, and a 25-yard run and 26-yard pass to Field Scovell before he produced the 21-point lead with his keeper.

But the biggest play of the third drive was a penalty after the Falcons had stopped Tech.

Air Force's Sam Ransom slid into Tech punter Brad Cade, incurring a 15-yard penalty that kept the drive going.

Johnson cut the lead to 28-13 with the longest run in Copper Bowl history. Campbell's TD early in the third quarter following Dalton's interception return to the Tech 20 tightened the score to 31-21, and Johnson's 60-yard gallop pulled the Falcons within three points.

## Wolverines prepare for pro-Aggie crowd

By CHIP BROWN

Associated Press Writer  
SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Michigan coach Lloyd Carr is well aware of Texas A&M's loyal fan following. He has a headache to prove it.

The No. 14 Wolverines (9-3) are approaching tonight's Alamo Bowl in the Alamodome as a home game for the 19th-ranked Aggies (8-3) and have practiced all week to the blaring sounds of hard-driving music.

"I've had a headache for a week," Carr said Wednesday. "Normally, we practice with crowd noise and you turn up the volume as high as it can go. This bowl preparation, we've used music."

"We've practiced for 10 days at a high degree of sound because we do anticipate it will be noisy."

Carr, who will be making his postseason debut, and Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum agree that establishing the run will be the key to the game.

Michigan will match its powerful offensive line, led by 6-foot-8, 299-pound tackle Jon Runyan, and slashing running back Tshimanga "Tim" Biakabataka against the swarming blitzes of Texas A&M's "Wrecking Crew" defense.

"If you have any hope of beating them, you have to be able to run the ball," said Carr, who traveled to College Station five years ago to get defensive ideas from Slocum.

"They are so quick. If you get into a passing game, they will blitz their linebackers, attack protections and knock your quarterback down. It would make for a long night," Carr said.

The Aggies, meanwhile, likely will be without star running back Leeland McElroy (sprained left ankle). If so, Slocum will be forced to rely upon freshmen D'Andre Hardeman and Surr Parker.

"I hate to say Leeland absolutely will not play, but I don't see any way he can play," Slocum said. "He hasn't run a single play in our workouts for two weeks and his ankle is still swollen."

Michigan's defense, which has some of the best last names in college football - Irons, Steele, Sword and Swett - has been racked by the flu.

Carr said as many as 15 players have missed some practice time because of nausea and high fever since arriving last weekend in San Antonio, including star middle linebacker Jarrett Irons and nose tackle William Carr.

"I feel a lot better," said Irons, who missed practice Monday and Tuesday. "I'm ready for the game."

Michigan, whose 31-23 upset of then-No. 2 Ohio State sent Northwestern to the Rose Bowl, is averaging 402 yards and 26.5 points on offense while giving up 286 yards and 16.8 points.

The Aggies are averaging 376 yards and 27.7 points on offense while yielding just 257.7 yards and 12.5 points per game. A&M is No. 3 in the country in total defense and scoring defense.

Michigan is meeting A&M for the third time. The Wolverines won the two previous meetings in 1977 (41-3) and 1970 (14-10).

Under former coach Bo Schembechler, Michigan often bungled bowl games, going 5-12 from 1969 to 1989. But the Wolverines have won six of their last eight in postseason, including three straight.

Now it's A&M that has the postseason problem. Under Slocum, the Aggies are 1-4 in bowls.

Slocum tried not to sound defensive on Wednesday, saying how unimportant he considers his bowl record.

"I think we gain more if we beat Michigan," Slocum said. "If we lose to Michigan, people will say, 'So what, they lost another bowl game to a good football team and Slocum can't win the big one.' I can write your lines for you now, but that's already been written."

"I don't spend a lot of time worrying about that. When you play in bowl games like we have against Florida State (1992 Cotton), Notre Dame, twice (1993, 1994 Cotton), and Michigan, you have a chance to lose those games, regardless of who you are," Slocum said.

"It's not a life or death thing for us. I know next week, win or lose, I will be on the road, recruiting, and we are going to recruit some more good players to Texas A&M."

## Sugar Bowl features pair of red-hot teams

By MARY FOSTER

AP Sports Writer  
NEW ORLEANS (AP) - The Sugar Bowl has teams that have not lost a football game since September.

Virginia Tech lost its first two and won nine straight. Texas, the winner of the final Southwest Conference championship, has not lost a game since Sept. 23.

In the Sugar Bowl, each is looking for bigger and better things.

"We want to be playing for the national championship," Texas coach John Mackovic said. "That's our long-range plan."

First things first, and that means beating Virginia Tech on New Year's Eve.

"It's not a game we take lightly," Mackovic said.

Southwest Conference champion Texas (10-1-1), is ranked No. 9 and last lost when Notre Dame beat the Longhorns 55-27. Virginia Tech, No. 13 with a 9-2 record, finished as the Big East Conference champions after winning its last nine games.

"This was like a honeymoon year for us because we knew our champion would go to the alliance," Mackovic said. "Next year (when Texas is in the Big 12 Conference), we will have as many teams competing for one spot in the alliance as we had competing for two this year, so this is a big bowl for us."

Texas, making its 36th bowl trip, is playing in back-to-back bowls for the first time since 1984-85. The Longhorns beat North Carolina 35-31 in the Sun Bowl last year. It's the third time, and the first since 1958, that the Longhorns have been to the Sugar Bowl.

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# Webber gets 40 vs. Warriors

## Bullets' star gets revenge on old team, outplays Smith

**By The Associated Press**  
Chris Webber wasn't just inspired by playing against his former Golden State Warriors teammates. He was not going to be shown up by a rookie. Webber made the homecoming of Joe Smith - the first overall pick by the Warriors in last spring's draft - a sorry one, finishing with a career-high 40 points, plus 10 rebounds and 10 assists as the Washington Bullets beat the Warriors 115-94 Wednesday night.

Webber made 18 of 25 shots to top his previous career best of 37 points as Washington snapped a three-game losing streak. His fifth career triple-double came in Smith's first game in the area since leaving the University of Maryland after his sophomore season.

Smith scored 27 points last week in the Warriors' 132-117 home rout of Washington.

**SuperSonics 99, Nuggets 83**  
Hersey Hawkins scored 24 points, and Gary Payton and Shawn Kemp each had 22 in raising Seattle's home record to 12-1.

Kemp won a battle of the league's top rebounders, grabbing 16 to Dikembe Mutombo's 14.

Dale Ellis scored 19 points and rookie Antonio McDyess 17 for the Nuggets, who turned the ball over 23 times to 10 by the SuperSonics.

**Bucks 99, Timberwolves 93, OT**  
Sherman Douglas, who scored a season-high 24 points, sent the game into overtime on a basket with 4.9 seconds left, and Glenn Robinson scored five of his 19 points in overtime for visiting Milwaukee.

Douglas made a running floater over Christian Laettner from six feet to send the game into overtime. "This was a big win - we really needed it," he said. "We were lucky

to get away with this one." Vin Baker had 22 points and 13 rebounds for Milwaukee, which has won three of four games.

**Clippers 116, Hornets 107**  
Los Angeles ended Charlotte's six-game home winning streak on the strength of Brian Williams' 25 points.

Loy Vaught added 22 points for the Clippers, who won for only the fourth time in 14 road games this season. Glen Rice had 29 points for the Hornets, and Scott Burrell added 23.

**Trail Blazers 135, Celtics 109**  
Portland snapped a six-game losing streak by opening a 30-point lead entering the fourth quarter. Clifford Robinson scored all of his 30 points in the first three quarters as the Trail Blazers ended their worst skid

in six seasons. The Blazers' 36-point first quarter tied their best output of the season, but they surpassed that by scoring 43 points in the third.

Rod Strickland had 15 points, 10 assists and six rebounds in 26 minutes, and rookie Gary Trent scored a career-high 19 points. Todd Day led the visiting Celtics with 25 points.

**Suns 105, 76ers 90**  
Phoenix beat Philadelphia for the ninth straight time overall and 10th in a row at home behind Charles Barkley's 25 points and 14 rebounds.

The 76ers, who haven't won in Phoenix since Dec. 28, 1985, fell to 1-10 on the road this season.

Vernon Maxwell had 30 points, including six 3-point goals, and rookie Jerry Stackhouse had 24 points, but only nine in the second half, for Philadelphia.

and Keith Van Horn 19 as the Utes (8-2) put up their highest point total in coach Rick Majerus' eight seasons. Utah extended its home winning streak to 26 games despite Chuck Overton's 21 points for the Titans (1-6), who were down to eight players because of injuries.

# Buccaneers fire Wyche after 4 years, 41 losses

**By FRED GOODALL**  
**AP Sports Writer**  
TAMPA, Fla. (AP) - A new coach is just part of the grand plan to make the Tampa Bay Buccaneers more competitive. The perennial cellar-dwellers fired Sam Wyche after four losing seasons Wednesday, but finding the right replacement isn't the team's only priority this winter.

Owner Malcolm Glazer purchased the Bucs for a record \$192 million last January and insists the franchise has to have a new stadium to have a better chance to be successful. "We're trying to do the best we can to win football games. That's what we're in the business to do," general manager Rich McKay said after announcing that Wyche will not return for the final season of a five-year contract.

"We're in the business to win football games. The coaching situation clearly ties into winning ... and understand that the stadium issue ties directly into winning. Don't think it doesn't. With free agency, if you're not financially competitive, you're going to be wiped out."

Plans to build a new \$168 million stadium in Tampa have stalled, and Glazer is exploring options for relocation while maintaining that his preference still is to get a deal here. Among the cities that could land the Bucs as early as next season are Cleveland, Los Angeles and Orlando. The Glazers reportedly have also contacted Hartford, Conn., to find out what that city might have to offer.

McKay declined to answer specific questions about efforts to find a stadium deal, but stressed that Wyche's job won't be filled on the basis of fan opinion or a candidate's potential to sell tickets. "You don't make this on emotional factors. You make it based on what's best for the football team. You make it on what gets this team to the next level," he said.

Wyche compiled a 23-41 record with Tampa Bay, including this year's 7-9 finish that normally would have been good enough to ensure his return. But the Bucs lost seven of their last nine games after a 5-2 start.

Despite losing 41 of 64 games with Tampa Bay, Wyche departed with the best winning percentage (.359) of any coach in Bucs history. The team finished 5-11 each of his first two seasons, then won four of its last five to go 6-10 and save Wyche's job in 1994.

# 10-0 Syracuse upsets Illinois

**By The Associated Press**  
Looks like someone was left off the list of biggies from the Big East. When the preseason poll came out, Villanova, Georgetown and Connecticut were Nos. 3, 5 and 6, respectively, and they were also the only schools from the conference in the Top 25.

Syracuse has made the select group a quartet with a 10-0 start, the latest win on Wednesday night, a 75-64 victory over No. 12 Illinois in the opening round of the Rainbow Classic in Honolulu.

Georgetown, Connecticut and Villanova were 6-7-8 this week, while the Orangemen were 13th, a number that could change drastically in the next poll. The Orangemen play Rhode Island on Friday in the tournament semifinals, and a win there would probably mean a shot at No. 1 Massachusetts.

The victory over the Fighting Illini (9-1) followed one by the Orangemen at then-No. 3 Arizona. Both wins have come with Syracuse playing a very effective zone defense. "Our game revolved around our zone," coach Jim Boheim said. "We had success early."

John Wallace had 15 points and 14 rebounds for Syracuse. "John had his worst offensive game of the year," Boheim said. "But he had 14 rebounds, a big block at the end and played good defense. That's what you have to do when you're not having a great game. We were able to play through it. He made up for it rebounding and defensively."

In other games involving ranked teams Wednesday night, it was No. 2 Kentucky 90, Rider 65; No. 7 Connecticut 77, College of Charleston 60; and No. 15 Utah 108, Fullerton State 58.

Illinois struggled with its shooting, going 4-for-24 from 3-point range, and coach Lou Henson credited Syracuse.

"They packed their zone in and did a good job on the perimeter," he said. "We did not shoot well from the outside and that was the difference. We couldn't penetrate and get the ball inside."

Jerry Gee led the Illini with 21 points and 12 rebounds, while the backcourt of Kiwane Garris and Richard Keene were held to a total of 14 points, with Keene getting eight in the closing minutes. Garris was 1-for-11 from the field, Keene 3-for-11.

**No. 2 Kentucky 90, Rider 65**  
The Wildcats (8-1) won their seventh straight behind the career-high 27 points of sophomore Antoine Walker and 24 from Tony Delk.

They will play Iona, a 70-57 winner over St. John's, for the ECAC Holiday Festival title on Friday. Charles Smith led the Broncos (4-3) with 20 points.

**No. 7 Connecticut 77, College of Charleston 60**  
Ray Allen had 22 points, the visiting Huskies (9-1) scored the first 10 points of the second half for a 49-35 lead and the Cougars (2-2)

couldn't get closer than nine the rest of the way.

Thaddeus Delaney and Stacy Harris each had 16 points for Charleston.

**No. 15 Utah 108, Fullerton St. 58**  
Brandon Jessie scored 20 points

## E. Michigan hands Red Raiders their 1st loss of season

**EL PASO, Texas (AP)** - Brian Tolbert put on an offensive display and helped Eastern Michigan hand Texas Tech its first loss of the season, 93-77, Wednesday night in the Sierra Medical Center Sun Classic.

Undefeated Eastern Michigan (7-0) advances to face host Texas-El Paso (6-1) Thursday night in the championship.

Tolbert nailed five 3-pointers to pace the Eagles with 24 points. Leading 46-38 at the half, Eastern Michigan unleashed forward Theron Wilson who scored six quick points to put his team out to an insurmountable 52-41 lead. Wilson finished with 12 points.

The Eagles led by as much as 21 points following a layup by guard Earl Boykin with 2:59 left in the game.

Shortly thereafter, both Eastern coach Ben Braun and Texas Tech coach James Dickey emptied their benches.

Corey Carr and Jason Sasser had 18 and 17 points, respectively, for Texas Tech.

# Cardinals guarantee Gant \$25 million over five years

**By RONALD BLUM**  
**AP Sports Writer**  
NEW YORK (AP) - The St. Louis Cardinals guaranteed Ron Gant \$25 million over five years, according to terms of his contract obtained by The Associated Press.

Gant, who had a \$3.5 million salary in 1995, will get \$5 million in each of the next five seasons.

St. Louis, going on a spending spree in anticipation of new ownership, also agreed last week to an \$8.1 million, two-year contract with pitcher Andy Benes. He gets \$4 million in 1996, \$4.1 million in 1997 and has a \$3.4 million player option for 1998.

In other deals over the weekend, Toronto gave pitcher Erik Hanson \$10.4 million for three years. Hanson gets a \$1 million signing bonus, \$3 million in 1996, \$3.2 million in 1997 and \$3.2 million in 1998.

In a Christmas Eve signing, Texas guaranteed pitcher Bobby Witt \$1.5 million. He gets \$1.35 million next season, and Texas has a \$2 million option for 1996 with a \$150,000 buyout.

Infielder Billy Ripken got a minor-league contract from Baltimore that guarantees him \$250,000 if he makes the major league team. Pitcher Jamie Moyer got a \$600,000, one-year contract from Boston that gives him the chance to earn \$300,000 more in performance bonuses.

Third baseman Dave Magadan got a \$500,000, one-year deal with the Chicago Cubs and can make \$150,000 more in bonuses.

Among players eligible for arbitration, Colorado and pitcher Armando Reynoso agreed at \$315,000, a \$65,000 raise. Eighty-one players remain eligible to file from Jan. 5-15.


Boston outfielder Dwayne Hoesy, not yet eligible for arbitration, got a \$675,000, two-year contract. Hoesy, who was being courted by a Japanese team, gets \$225,000 next season and \$450,000 in 1997.


Also, the San Diego Padres re-signed pitcher Willie Blair, whom they let go last week when they refused to offer a 1996 contract.


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# Writer unveils his own "Any" award winners

## This year's plaudits hail those things contributing to TV's undoing

**By FRAZIER MOORE**  
**AF Television Writer**  
**NEW YORK (AP)**—Time again to hand out the coveted Any Awards, established by me to honor achievement in television of any kind, at any time, for any reason I choose.

Any problems with that?

This year-end crop of Any Awards celebrates not what TV did but, instead, TV's undoing. After all, viewers are likely to remember fall '95 not so much for what they saw as for what they didn't see ... or chose

not to watch.

Therefore, we're here to salute the no-shows that have characterized the season thus far - why, even Bob Hope begged off doing his Christmas special after 45 years.

Here are the winners (alas, no one showed up to collect their awards):

-The "I DON'T Want to Tell You" Any goes to O.J. Simpson. Despite his status as a TV mainstay, he lands the Best-of-No-Show Any for deserting "Dateline NBC."

On a Monday in October, Simpson

pledged to do a live, no-holds-barred interview with Tom Brokaw and Katie Couric. Wednesday, just hours before air-time, he backed out.

-The "When Your Right Thumb's Good For Nothing, You've Only Got One Left" Any goes to Mike Tyson. His bout with Buster Mathis Jr. was to be broadcast, free to viewers, on Fox TV in November. But several days beforehand, Tyson pulled out; he had broken his right thumb during a sparring session.

Of course, "Iron Mike" went ahead with the heavyweight match two weeks ago, and, thanks to that right hand, put Mathis on the canvas in the third round, during the most-watched prime-time telecast in Fox history.

And then there's Michael Jackson, who collapsed this month during a rehearsal for this HBO concert special, "One Night Only." The quarter-billion viewers worldwide who were expected to watch the canceled program are bidding their time until "One Night Only" finds its rescheduled night.

-The "No Guts, No Glory" Any goes to CBS' "60 Minutes," whose most notable report this season was the one it didn't run: a certain exposé on a tobacco company. CBS management feared legal reprisals if the story aired, and extinguished it.

First Runner-up: ABC News, for setting a \$10 billion lawsuit last August from two tobacco giants, and apologizing to them for "Day One" reports about nicotine additives in cigarettes. Thus ended a lawsuit many observers thought ABC could have won.

-The "Nowhere Men" Any goes to the three surviving ex-Beatles, for their part in "The Beatles Anthology." A well-engineered blend of marketing and grave-robbing, this multimedia hustle was launched last month with a TV hock-umentary,

which primed the pump for the CDs and other product that would follow ... even as the oh-so-long film came up short in the ratings.

A tragic no-show on this program was, of course, John Lennon, seen and heard only from the distant past. Had he been available to comment in the present day, he might have shed some light on the Beatles phenomenon. By contrast, his mates, selling him out along with the group, had nothing useful to say, and said it plentifully.

-The "Don't Make Me Go Back Into the Ring" Any goes to the season's most-ballyhooed new series, each of which was quickly KO'd by its competition and now awaits its last-chance match.

ABC's "Murder One" was decked by an opponent more formidable even than Mike Tyson: "ER." After several weeks off the air to regain its bearings, the much-praised Steven Bochco courtroom drama faces off with CBS' "Chicago Hope" beginning Monday, Jan. 8.

Off the air since mid-November and not expected back until March,

"Central Park West" may have sustained brain damage from the pounding it suffered as part of the CBS lineup. But with this glitzy yet slow-witted soap from the creator of "Melrose Place," who could tell for sure?

-And finally, the "Don't Pretend You're Not Out There, I Can Hear You Switching to Cable" Any honors the television audience, which received the broadcast networks' record 42 new series with a yawn en route to Showtime, USA or other cable temptations.

## White is hottest color on wheels

**DETROIT (AP)**--Forget fuchsia. Puce is practically passe.

The hottest color on wheels is white.

White was the color of choice on most cars and trucks in 1995, according to an annual survey released Tuesday by paint supplier DuPont Automotive.

"I think it's just a nonoffensive kind of color," said Bob Daily, DuPont Automotive's color marketing manager. "It's kind of bright and clean, and it looks good on all sizes of cars."

More white luxury, full-size and intermediate cars, trucks and vans made in the United States and Canada were sold this year than any other shade, the survey found.

Dark green and white tied for first in 1994. This year, dark green ranked No. 1 among sport and compact cars, and was second in all other categories.

Other popular greens were lighter shades such as "fern," "willow," "spruce" and "sea foam," Daily said.

Light greens, which didn't even make the list's top 12 colors last year, covered between 3 percent and 4.7 percent of the cars and trucks made this year, the survey found.

White, by comparison, was the choice on 23.8 percent of trucks and vans and 18.9 percent of full-size and intermediate cars. The other colors in the top four spots in all categories were black, light brown and medium red.

Other survey findings include:

- Teal and aqua's popularity faded in all categories.
- Black, like white a perennial favorite, gained for the second consecutive year.
- Silver went up in all categories.
- Light brown gained in all but the sport-compact category.

DuPont Automotive, based in suburban Detroit, analyzes color trends to advise industry designers and stylists. The survey of domestic and foreign-owned automakers that manufacture in North America began in the early 1950s.

## Television

### THURSDAY DECEMBER 28

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### FRIDAY DECEMBER 29

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## Comics

### The Wizard of Id by Brant Parker & Johnny Hart



### Marvin By Tom Armstrong



### BLONDIE by Dean Young & Stan Drake



### BEETLE BAILEY by Mort Walker



### Barney Google and Snuffy Smith by Fred Lasswell



12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
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# Fathers push involvement with learning-disabled kids

By MIA B. MOODY  
Waco Tribune-Herald  
WACO, Texas - Today, Dudley Haas is able to speak openly about his son's learning disability, but when he first found out about it about 14 years ago, his first instinct was to cover it up to protect his son.

"You always want a perfect world for your children," said the owner of Dudley Haas Distributing Co. "But I have learned that the world is not meant to be perfect."

Dudley and his wife, Betty, noticed that something was not quite right about their son, Dudley Jr., when he was about 5 years old. He had to struggle too hard to learn things.

"My wife and I would help him study every night and he would know the material well enough to make an 'A,' but when the test came back, he would often have a low score," said Haas.

After being tested several times, Dudley Jr. was diagnosed with a word-processing disability, which means he has a delayed reaction in hearing and processing information.

Today, Haas has gone from keeping the disorder hush-hush to encouraging other fathers to play an active role in parenting their learning-differenced children.

Haas and several other fathers who are business and education leaders in

Waco recently offered stories and advice at a seminar sponsored by the Learning Disabilities Association of McLennan County.

Father-child involvement is important for every child, but especially for a learning-disabled child, who may have trouble working with numbers or using the spoken and written language, or a child with attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder who is impulsive, disorganized or inattentive.

Whether it's the heaviness of their voices or the freshness they bring to different situations, some fathers have a special way of reaching their children that mothers often don't possess.

Psychologist Trish Raley said research has shown that children with ADHD and learning disabilities exhibit fewer symptoms when they are in the presence of their fathers.

One theory on why this is true: Dads aren't home with the children as much as mothers and one of the times ADHD children are able to focus is when something is new or novel, she said. Another theory is children are more likely to listen to their fathers because their voices are heavy and low, which may make them more intimidating than mothers, she said.

Dr. Patricia Prewitt, a professor in the educational psychology depart-

ment at Baylor University, said most children see their fathers as very strong authority figures who have a great power.

Fathers can take advantage of this edge to help their children with homework and succeed in school, she said.

"The best thing fathers can do for children is let them know that education is important," she said. "They can let them know that although they want them to do well, they would be pleased with a good effort whether an 'A' is forthcoming or not."

Johnny Mankin, manager of CableMax, said fathers should play a vital role by attending every meeting possible at school and by participating in the child-rearing process with their wives.

"My sons had the total inability to perform some tasks, and it was important that I was there for the hurt, pain and inadequacies they have suffered," said Mankin, who believes it may be easier to rear a child in a wheelchair, where you can visualize their shortcomings, than a child with an invisible disability.

Mankin and his wife, Tricia, president of the Learning Disabilities Association of McLennan County, have two sons with learning disabilities.

Both sons have successfully completed high school and are in college, which is not an easy task for children with learning disabilities. Those who go undiagnosed usually drop out by the time they reach high school.

Dr. James Netherton, vice president and chief executive officer of administrative affairs at Baylor University, said fathers should be prepared to speak up for their children to make sure they get the best possible education.

"I learned a long time ago not to go to the school yelling because my child has to sit in that class when I leave, but it is important to be supportive," he said.

Fathers should be prepared to pull their child out of a class if it is not working, he said. They may have to select a more appropriate teacher who is caring and knowledgeable about learning disabilities.

"A teacher's opinion of a child can work miracles or disasters on his or her self-esteem," he said.

"My son lived up or down to his teacher's expectations. Some (teachers) thought he was a troublemaker and he acted accordingly. Others were able to look at him with an eye of love and see him as a kid with a good spirit and lots of creativity."

In addition fathers should make a conscious effort to boost their child's self-image by spending time with them, said Netherton.

Ways fathers can get involved include: helping with homework assignments, participating in extracurricular activities such as sports and drama and spending as much quality time with them as possible.

In addition, it is important for parents to offer their child praise whenever it is deserved, plan activities that the child can master and treat his or her

questions, concerns and efforts seriously, according to the "Success Guide for Learning" by the Learning Disabilities Task Force of the Junior League of Waco.

Netherton said fathers should research learning disabilities to find the answers to many of their questions. His findings helped him cope with his own frustrations and learn more about his son.

"When I can understand what my son is thinking and feeling, I stand a much better chance of coping with it," he said.

Fathers should also know that learning-differenced children have peaks and valleys, said Haas. Dudley Jr.'s peaks were in the spring when he played baseball and his valleys were each fall when he went back to school.

When he would get down about his school work, then baseball season would come around and he was always a good athlete. This would raise his self-esteem, said Haas.

"It's a good thing he had a good personality and was a little bit bigger

than most of the other kids, so he didn't get ridiculed as much as he could have.

"The children I feel sorry for are the ones that don't excel in anything," Haas said. I encourage parents to let kids excel in whatever they can to get them back to a peak."

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# Dad relates struggles living with son with undiagnosed disorder

By MIA B. MOODY  
Waco Tribune-Herald  
WACO, Texas - When Billy Netherton was a toddler, he had extraordinary people skills that no one else in his family had.

He could strike up conversations with anybody and he had lots of adult friends, said his father Dr. James Netherton, vice president and chief executive officer of administrative affairs at Baylor University.

"Other adults used to sneak out of church just to go by and speak to him while he was in Sunday school class," he said. "Finally his teacher said, 'This has to stop. The adults are interrupting the class.'"

The flip side to Billy's personality was he would get abnormally upset when he could not do what he thought he should be able to do, said Netherton. His emotion was out of proportion with what had gone wrong.

Life grew tougher and tougher for Billy, whose name has been changed for this story.

Each year, his people skills and artistic abilities became overshadowed by other factors: He could not sit still at school, his grades were poor and he became a behavior problem, said Netherton.

"His coping mechanism was acting out," he said. "He preferred to be labeled as the kid who chose not to behave rather than the kid who could not perform."

Netherton and his wife, Pat, had Billy tested by several specialists. The results were always the same: he had high intelligence, special gifts and was off the scale in some creative areas, but something was not quite right.

Billy's behavior finally began to make sense a few years ago when Netherton attended a meeting sponsored by the Learning Disabilities Association of McLennan County.

The speaker, Trish Raley, a psychologist, discussed the signs of ADD, which include inattention, impulsivity, trouble delaying gratification and disorganization. These were all signs that Billy had exhibited for years, said Netherton.

"Tears were rolling down my face while I was taking notes because it was such an emotional relief for me," he said. "I went home finally understanding what he was going through."

Billy was diagnosed with ADD in the 11th grade. When he was diagnosed with the disorder, ADD was assigned to patients with or without the hyperactivity tag. In the current "Diagnostic Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders-IV," which is the guide of the psychology profession, the new term is attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

The damage to Billy's self-esteem from not knowing why he was different was enormous, said Netherton.

"He still doesn't realize how gifted he is," said his father. "I have a tremendously increased admiration for my son because I did not realize how much he had been struggling in school."

Parents who discover their child has a learning disability or ADHD during their first few years of school are lucky. For some, like the Nethertons, the frustration of not knowing why their child performs poorly at school goes on for years.

The struggle may be even difficult for parents whose children have shown no previous signs.

Don Taylor, principal of Midway High School, said his son John, whose name has been changed for this story, started out as a happy, popular, athletically inclined average student.

That changed, however, when he entered the seventh grade.

Taylor describes his son as going from being a cardinal to a sparrow: His grades dropped, he lost his sports eligibility and his self-esteem plummeted.

Taylor and his wife, Dian, spent many hours each day going over his homework assignments with him without much success.

"He would hear what we were saying, file it away, then not know how to retrieve it from his brain," said Taylor.

"In the beginning, it frustrated me because I thought everybody could make a choice to do well. I thought my son could choose to be successful. Now, I know learning-differenced people can't really make a choice. They can only learn to cope and deal with it."

Finally, John was diagnosed with an auditory-processing deficit, which according to Taylor, means if three conversations were going on, he would process all three at the same time without concentrating on the primary conversation.

Learning disabilities affect children from all races and socioeconomic backgrounds. According to statistics, boys are more likely than girls to have a learning disability, said Dr. Patricia Prewitt, a professor in the educational psychology department at Baylor University. Although scientists are not sure why, boys are more susceptible to many diseases and handicapping conditions, she said.

Learning-disabled students usually have average or above-average intelligence, but some have difficulties understanding or using the spoken or written language or the inability to work with numbers.

If parents suspect their child has a learning disability, they should seek help as soon as possible, said Harriet Shearer, director of special education for the Midway Independent School District.

Learning disabilities are frustrating for students who don't understand why it happens and teachers who believe the student is not putting forth an effort, she said.

"It's a tough process because people are usually more willing to work with students with visible handicaps, such as a missing limb, than a student who has an invisible handicap that renders them erratic," she said. "The student may be able to do something today and unable to do it tomorrow."

Parents can help by getting involved and offering as much support as possible, she said. Once the Taylors found out what they were up against, they began to cope as a family.

One of the most important things to do is set realistic goals, said Taylor.



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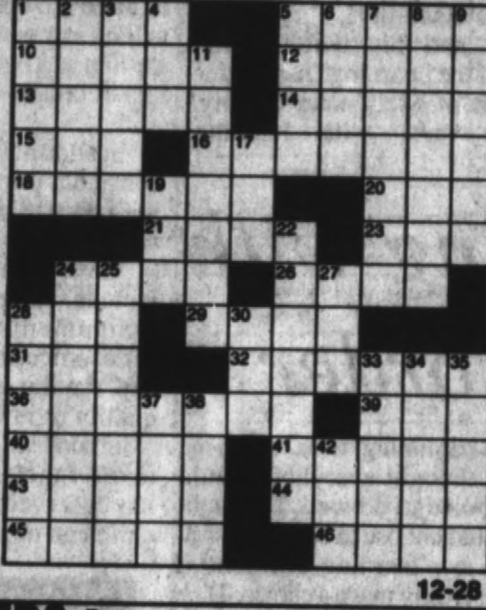
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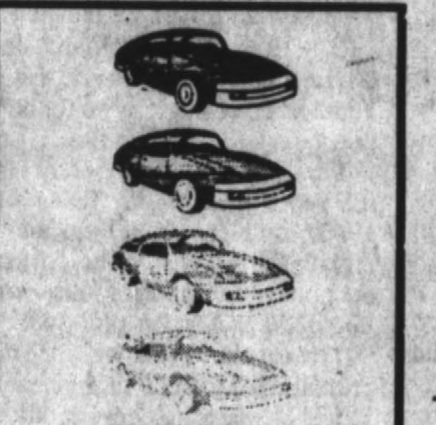
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# Female infection linked to infant deaths, prematurity

By DANIEL Q. HANEY  
AP Science Writer  
BOSTON (AP) - Curing an extremely common female infection may give doctors a new way to reduce the chances of premature births, the chief cause of newborn fatalities.

As many as one-quarter of all women may have the infection, called bacterial vaginosis, although most don't know it.

Two studies published today in the New England Journal of Medicine demonstrate the potential benefits of routinely screening and treating pregnant women for the vaginal infection, which can be eliminated with standard antibiotics.

One of the studies concludes that the infection increases the risk of delivering premature, undersized babies by 40 percent.

"Packs of cigarettes have warnings saying pregnant women should not smoke. The risk associated with bacterial vaginosis is about the same as the risk associated with smoking," said Dr. Sharon L. Hillier of the University of Pittsburgh, lead author of one of the studies.

Premature birth is the biggest problem of maternity care. Yet up to now, there has been little doctors could do to stop it other than to warn pregnant women against bad habits such as smoking and drinking.

Dr. Richard B. Johnston Jr., medical director of the March of Dimes, said the new work "will be remarkably important to our efforts to prevent preterm birth."

The infection is distinct from yeast infections. It results when a variety of unwanted bacteria invade the

vagina, displacing the microbes that ordinarily live there.

The most common sign of infection is a fishy odor. But "a lot of people assume that a fishy odor is normal for women," Hillier said. Other symptoms can include vaginal irritation and excessive moisture or discharge.

Douching increases the risk of the infection. So does having multiple sexual partners, although it is also common among monogamous women.

While doctors have long suspected that the infection is linked with prematurity, the two new studies provide the clearest evidence yet of its importance, as well as the benefits of eliminating it.

Each year, about 440,000 babies are born prematurely in the United States. They account for about three-quarters of all deaths in the first month of life.

Prematurity is the most common cause of low birth weight. Babies born too small are 40 times more likely than normal-size infants to die in their first month, and they are also at greater risk of mental retardation, blindness and learning problems.

Hillier's study followed 10,397 pregnant women, 16 percent of whom had vaginal bacterial infections.

Six percent of the infected women had undersize premature babies. On average, they gave birth two months early, and their children weighed 4 pounds. By comparison, 4 percent of the uninfected women had such small preemies.

Overall, the infection accounted for about 6 percent of all the premature births in the women studied. Most of the other important risk factors, such as giving birth for the first time, cannot be prevented.

In Hillier's study, 23 percent of black mothers were infected, compared with 15 percent of Hispanics and 8 percent of whites. She said this could help explain the relatively high risk of infant mortality among blacks.

The other journal study looked at the effects of treating these infections.

Dr. John C. Hawth and colleagues from the University of Alabama at Birmingham randomly assigned 624 pregnant women to get antibiotics or dummy pills. All were considered to be at high risk of giving birth prematurely, either because they were very thin or had previous premature births.

Among the women with bacterial vaginosis, one-third delivered prematurely after antibiotic treatment, compared with half of those in the untreated comparison group.

# AIDS tainted blood found to be minimal

By DANIEL Q. HANEY  
AP Science Writer  
BOSTON (AP) - Only about two dozen of the 12 million pints of blood used in transfusions each year are infected with the AIDS virus, a study found.

Experts already knew that the risk of catching AIDS from a transfusion is vanishingly small. But the new study shows it is only about half as great as previously estimated.

Nevertheless, the Food and Drug Administration recently recommended that an additional test be performed on donated blood to make it safer still.

The newest analysis, conducted by Dr. Eve M. Lackritz and others from the Centers for Disease Control and

Prevention, was based on a review of 9 million donations in 1992 and 1993. It was published in today's New England Journal of Medicine.

People infected with HIV, the AIDS virus, make antibodies that circulate in their blood. Blood banks routinely test donated blood and throw away any that contains AIDS antibodies. However, the body does not produce the antibodies during the first few weeks of an AIDS infection.

The CDC estimates that one of every 360,000 donations is made during this window when tainted blood can slip through. Even so, as much as 42 percent of this blood is discarded because it fails to pass other kinds of tests.

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**Looking Back on the Year in Congress**

Supreme Court Justice Lewis Powell once wrote that, "History balances the frustration of 'how far we have to go' with the satisfaction of 'how far we have come'." Looking back on the last year in Congress, it is an apt observation.

This has been an historic year for government. Congress has taken the difficult first step toward fulfilling one of its primary commitments — achieving a balanced federal budget within seven years. This reverses a 60-year-old trend of ever-increasing deficit spending and debt accumulation.

The 1996 Balanced Budget Act, passed in October, will allow us to pay down the debt, and to stop piling that burden of debt on our children and grandchildren. The budget bill treats Texans — and all Americans — fairly while accomplishing important goals such as welfare reform and saving Medicare. The tax cuts included in the budget are truly aimed at the middle class — 70 percent going to individuals earning less than \$75,000 a year.

The budget bill gives families with children a \$500 per child permanent tax cut, which will allow the average family with two children to keep an extra \$1,000 of what it earns instead of sending it to Washington.

My Homemaker IRA bill was included in the final measure, which will allow homemakers to make full, individual retirement account contributions just as spouses who work outside the home are allowed to do.

This budget marks a dramatic, constructive change in the course of American history. The President has vetoed the Balanced Budget Act. As this is being written, Congress and the executive branch have not come to a final agreement. But I will do everything I can to make certain that nothing compromises our fundamental pledge to the American people to balance the budget by the year 2002.

Here is how the bill passed by Congress would affect Texas: Because interest rates would decrease, Texans would save \$2,754 per year through lower mortgage payments, and \$262 per year in lower state and local debt. More than 2 million Texans will pay lower taxes — \$1.6 billion will stay with Texas families instead of going to Washington. Bottom line: America's future will be determined by how much its citizens save and invest not by how much its government taxes and spends.

The 104th Congress also has made progress in a number of other areas. I am proud that we have voted to return certain decision-making powers to the states. For far too long, Congress has been telling the states what to do and how to do it, while not always providing the resources to carry out these assignments. We are telling the states, "Here are block grants to help you accomplish what needs to be done. You determine the most efficient, effective way to do it." In addition, we have:

\* Enacted the Congressional Accountability Act requiring Congress to live under the same laws and rules it sets for everyone else.

\* Begun to reform our environmental laws in a common-sense way that protects private property rights while still preserving the environment.

\* Come up with an equitable plan for reforming Medicaid and Medicare and putting them on a secure financial basis.

\* Provided funding for the bogger states to control and cope with illegal immigration.

I am proud of what we have accomplished so far. But we still have, as Robert Frost wrote, "Miles to go before we sleep."

Finally, I want to extend holiday greetings to all of you, and in particular, those Texans serving their country overseas in places such as Bosnia, and their families.

To report traffic accidents, erratic drivers or other police emergencies, travelers should call 911. When dialing either number, motorists should try to pinpoint their location by using mile markers or cross streets.

**Pay Today for College Tomorrow**  
When Wimpy promised Popeye to gladly pay Tuesday for a hamburger today, we knew he would not come through with the cash.

But Texans are expected to pay in advance willingly when the state begins a new program that allows them to pay their children's future college tuition and fees at today's prices.

Created by the state Legislature this year, the Texas Prepaid Higher Education Program begins on Jan. 2, the first day contracts will be issued to parents who want to prepay tuition and fees for their children under age 18.

Payments will go into the Texas Tomorrow Fund, which will be managed by investors yet to be hired by a governing board whose members are state Comptroller John Sharp and six members to be appointed by Gov. George W. Bush, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and House Speaker Pete Lancy, D-Hale Center.

Sharp said the program was designed for middle-class Texans "who don't have enough money to not worry about this stuff but too much money to qualify for needs-based scholarships and other kinds of scholarships."

**Kika Won't Seek Re-election**  
U.S. Rep. Elegio "Kika" de la Garza announced last week that his 16th term in Congress would be his last.

The Mission Democrat, who has represented South Texas since 1965, said he would spend the remainder of his term focusing on policy, not politics, the *Austin American-Statesman* reported.

"Next year, will be the most critical until the end of the century. I feel I have to devote all my energies to this (budget-balancing) effort and cannot let a campaign detract from it."

De la Garza, 68, served for 14

years as chairman of the House Agriculture Committee.

**Combs Among Finalists for Post State Rep.** Susan Combs, R-Austin, is one of four finalists for the executive director's post at the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.

The agency investigates abuse and neglect of children, older people and people with disabilities, and places children in foster and adoptive homes and licenses and regulates child-care and day-care centers.

Combs, a rancher and lawyer, is not seeking re-election to a third term in the state House.

Chosen from more than 200 applicants, the other three finalists are Jim Hine, a deputy administrator with the Texas Employment Commission; Harry Tanner, a Dallas businessman; and Merle Springer, president of the Eckerd Foundation of Florida.

**Kay Granger Wants Geren's Seat**  
Three-term Fort Worth Mayor Kay Granger has filed for the 12th U.S. Congressional District seat of Democrat Pete Geren, who has announced he would not seek re-election.

In making the announcement, Granger, a moderate Republican, automatically resigned as mayor in accordance with the Fort Worth city charter.

**Forth Texan Contracts Hantavirus**  
The fourth Texan to contract the rodent-borne hantavirus is a 23-year-old Beaumont man.

Symptoms of the disease, which is fatal in 50 percent of cases, include fever, shortness of breath and muscular aches.

The man, hospitalized for 12 days, was put on oxygen and required dialysis after his kidneys failed. He is recuperating and

almost back to normal.

**Sharp Predicts Sales Gains**  
Comptroller John Sharp has predicted about a 3.5 percent increase in holiday retail sales over last year.

His staff arrived at this figure after surveying major Texas retailers, shopping mall managers, check clearing houses and credit card companies.

**Names in the News**

**LOS ANGELES (AP)—O.J. Simpson** waved and smiled to a dozen tourists outside his Brentwood estate, then climbed into his black Bentley and drove off for an unknown destination.

It was the only moment of excitement for the Christmas Day crowd that gathered in hopes of catching a glimpse of the former football star.

The estate—decked out with plastic candy canes, reindeer and lights—still attracts passersby nearly three months after Simpson was acquitted of the slaying deaths of his ex-wife and her friend.

**FAYETTEVILLE, N.C. (AP)—**Former Olympic heavyweight boxing champion Ray Mercer has been charged with assaulting his girlfriend.

Mercer, 34, was jailed on a misdemeanor charge of hitting Kim Melvin, 25, in the head after police were called early Sunday to the home they share. She was treated by emergency workers.

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Single Adult	10.25	125.00	125.00
Single Parent	13.60	264.00	164.00
Family	16.00	192.00	192.00

**Membership Benefits Include:**  
Use of all YMCA Facilities. Reduced racquetball court fees. (\$1.00 per hour, \$5.00 per month, \$50.00 per year) reduced program fees, Towel service, Fitness, evaluations and exercise prescriptions. Opportunity to participant in Deaf Smith General Hospital Personal Wellness Programs at a reduced rate.  
Use of the southeast locker from facilities and exercise pool will be restricted to individuals 21 years of age and older.

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